

DARLING GENEALOGY.

Braintree, Mass., was incorporated in 1640. From its record it appears that Denice Darly (Darling) was married to Hannah Ffrancis, 11 mo. 3, 1662, by Peter Brackett. In Braintree there was also a John Darlin (Darling) perhaps brother of Denice. This John Darling was married to Elizabeth Dowman, 3 mo. 13, 1664 by Captain Hubbard. This is the earliest record of Denice Darling in Braintree. He may also have been brother of George Darling of Lynn, 1650-1670. The children of Denice Darling and Hannah Ffrancis his wife were :—

Cornelius, b. 1 mo. 4, 1663 in Braintree ; d. 3 mo. 1668.

- John, b. 2 Sept., 1664, in Braintree.

Sarah, b. January 26, 1669, in Braintree.

Hannah, b. June 14, 1677, in Braintree.

Ebenezer, b. January 8, 1679 in Mendon.

- Daniel, b. April 23, 1682, in Mendon.

Elizabeth, b. July 2, 1685 in Mendon.

- Benjamin, b. Feb. 11, 1687, in Mendon.

Daniel lived on the East Road which extended from Milville to Chestnut Hill ; Benjamin, on a farm of his own, consisting of a large tract of land situated in what has since been called the town of Blackstone. This farm was on what was called the North Road. John Darling was designated as Captain John Darling, which title he acquired in military service against the Indians in King Philip's War. There is a record that John Darling was credited at the Garrison at Chelmsford, January 25, 1675-6, for 00-09-04. (See Hist. of King Philip's War). John was a carpenter by trade ; he became a great business man ; he was granted a house lot of ten acres and admitted as freeman. He subsequently became a great landed proprietor. He gave his eldest son (Samuel) by his third wife a farm of 200 acres in Millville, on the North

Road to Chestnut Hill. The Darlings from the first to within a recent period have held most of the land, and all the water power along the Blackstone River. The first wife of Captain John Darling was Elizabeth Thompson, connected with a family of Thompsons in Mendon and Blackstone. She died April 3, 1687. Captain Darling's second wife was Anne. Had a daughter Anne, b. April 20, 1689. She married Samuel Brown, Oct. 8, 1708. Captain John Darling's second wife, Anne, died April 30, 1690. John Darling married (3) Elizabeth Morse, born 1668. She was descendant in the fourth generation of Samuel Morse (Samuel³, Joseph², Samuel¹), who was born in England, 1585. He came to America in 1635, bringing with him his wife and seven children. He lived at first in Watertown, then in Dedham, and settled in Medfield. From this family have sprung many distinguished sons and daughters. The children of John Darling (by his 3d wife) were: —

Elizabeth, b. Jan. 3, 1692.

Samuel, b. March 18, 1693-4.

Ruth, b. Sept. 20, 1695. She m. Jan. 5, 1716, Thomas Thayer of Mendon.

Hannah, b. Nov. 1, 1697; m. Jan. 5, 1715, ——— Thompson.

Margaret, b. August 19, 1700; m. ——— French.

Ebenezer, b. March, 2, 1701-2.

Mary (Maryban), b. May 22, 1704; m. ——— Draper.

Martha, b. March 10, 1705-6; m. Benjamin Thompson.

Abigail, b. July 14, 1711.

Deborah, b. Jan. 8, 1713; m. March 30, 1732, Daniel Wheelock.

The *will* of John Darling of Bellingham, proved 1753, is in the Record books 10478; —48—196, Suffolk Co., Mass.

John Darling mentions in his will his sons John, Samuel, and Ebenezer; he mentions Anne Brown, daughter to his child Elizabeth Brown, deceased; the children of Ruth Thayer, deceased; daughters of Hannah Thompson, and the children of Margaret French, deceased; his daughter Mary Draper; his daughter Martha Thompson; daughter Abigail Verry; the children of his daughter Deborah Bosworth, deceased. His son Samuel Darling was made sole executor (Suffolk Wills, Boston, Mass.).

Captain John Darling headed the petition of twenty or more signers for the setting off of land for the town of Bellingham; this led to the incorporation of Bellingham in 1719. John Darling purchased the estate at "Crooks's Tavern," which was situated in the north part of Bellingham; this had previously been called the "Esquire Bates's Place," or "Benjamin Hall Farm." It embraced an extensive tract of land. Captain John Darling died in Bellingham ye 29 of May, 1753, in the 90th year of his age. None of his descendants, as it was with the children of Israel's great Captain, knew the exact locality in which he was buried. It is highly probable that his grave was in the old pine grove not far from where he had established that charming seat for his remaining days.

John Darling deeded three tracts of land in old Mendon to Thomas Stanford, September 9, 1722. The land so conveyed by deed was on the "ten rod road to Boston." John Darling was granted the 26th of ye third month, 1684, a ten-acre lot, and another the "Doublet lot" of forty acres. He had choice to pay for it "by three pounds and ten shillings sterling, in work, or in good pay."

Vol. 33, Page 113, New England Hist. and Gen. Register says that "John¹ Thompson, of Mendon, Mass., a large landholder, who held various offices of trust there, among others that of selectman, had David², b. in Mendon, May 24, 1687, by wife Mercy Thayer; David³, b. Dec. 2, 1711, d. 1757, by wife Lydia Darling; David⁴, b. July 1, 1750, d. April 10, 1815; and Willis Alder⁵, whose f. was born at Mendon, Feb. 19, 1779, died in Springfield, Oct. 13, 1864, a millwright, extensively engaged in erecting mills and placing machinery, who m. in 1802, Armille, second daughter of Israel Aldrich, a lineal descendant of George Aldrich, one of the first settlers of Mendon. There is a tradition among Mr. Thompson's kindred, that they are descended from David Thompson, from whom Thompson's Island, in Boston Harbor, received its name, and there is some reason for thinking this tradition may be correct. If so, John Thompson above must have been his son. David Thompson obtained in 1619 a grant or "patent" of an island in Boston Harbor, "for the peaceable and

quiet possession of said island to him and his heirs forever." In 1623 he began a plantation at Piscataqua, but becoming dissatisfied, he came to Massachusetts Bay and took possession of his island in Boston Harbor, which although it has been owned and occupied by the Farm-School Company for many years, still retains the name of 'Thompson Island's.' Soon after taking possession of the island he died, leaving a son John, who on becoming of age, filed a petition in court for the possession of 'Thompson Island's,' which was claimed by Dorchester as belonging in common to that town. After a full hearing, his claim was allowed. It is possible that this John Thompson settled in Mendon."

Samuel³ Darling (John², Denice¹) married Dec. 5, 1716, Mary Thompson of Mendon. At this time Samuel Darling is recorded as a resident of Dedham. This was before the incorporation of Bellingham, which was set off in part from Dedham. The children were:—

Samuel, b. January 19, 1719.

Michael, b. 1722.

Elizabeth, b. January 31, 1725. ✓

Ruth, b. July 3, 1728.

Abigail, b. Feb. 15, 1731.

John, b. April 29, 1733.

Rachael, b. June 11, 1735.

Penelope, b. —, 1737.

Joshua, b. Nov. 20, 1739.

His wife Mary d. before her husband.

He afterward m. Mrs. Thomasin Ellis a widow. The *will* of Samuel Darling is dated 1774 and is found in Suffolk Wills, Boston, Mass. The *will* is numbered 15,616. The will found in vol. 73, page 569, is that of Samuel Darling of Bellingham (then a part of Suffolk Co.). He gives to his beloved wife Thomasin (Ellis) (not his first wife) two cows over and above the contract which was mutually agreed upon before marriage. He gives to his three sons, Samuel, Michael, and John, all his land on the south side of the lands which he gave to his son Joshua Darling. He gives to his son Joshua all his homestead lands lying to the

north of the land he had given him by a deed, with all the buildings thereon. He gave unto his beloved daughter Penelope Darling a share. His five daughters are mentioned viz.: — Elizabeth, Ruth Pitts, Abigail Draper, Rachael Darling and Penelope Darling. His son Samuel Darling is made sole executor. Probate and letters. Warrant for an inventory. Proved Boston, April 15, 1774. On a little reflection this disposition of his property will appear to be a just one, for his second wife, Mrs. Thomasin Ellis, had seven children. Had he married her without an agreement as to the final disposition of his estate, his dutiful and respectable children would have suffered loss in their rightful share of his property.

His son Samuel⁴ (Samuel³, John², Denice¹), married January 20, 1755, Esther Slack of Attleborough. The marriage took place in Cumberland. Nathaniel Cook, elder, officiated. It is recorded in Cumberland, R. I., Feb. 2, 1764, and witnessed by John Cook, Town Clerk. Their children were:—

Joshua, b. Dec. 27, 1756.

Samuel, b. August 8, 1759.

Benjamin, b. July 4, 1761.

Reuben, b. April 12, 1763.

Esther, b. Sept. 1, 1765.

Olive, b. June 30, 1769.

Ziba, b. Sept. 19, 1767.

Nathan, b. May 10, 1770.

Lucy, b. August 15, 1772.

Sarah, b. April 25, 1774.

Rhoda, b. Sept. 24, 1776.

John Darling⁴, son of Samuel (Samuel³, John², Denice¹), settled in Cumberland, R. I. He married Martha (or Margaret, as it is sometimes written,) Cooke. He was called John Darling, junior, in the Cumberland records, because there was another John Darling who was somewhat older. This John Darling was son of Ebenezer (Ebenezer³, John², Denice¹), and Abigail Darling born in Bellingham, Nov. 7, 1729. This John Darling, son of Ebenezer, married Anne Jilson of Cumberland. The publishment of their marriage was in Bellingham, April 5, 1755, and their marriage

took place in Cumberland, Dec. 4, 1755. They had eleven children. The names of these two John Darlings have occasionally been confounded. For the correctness of my data given here I have before me the records of Cumberland and of Bellingham relating to their publishments and to their marriages.

John Darling⁴, son of Samuel³, (John², Denice¹), married Feb. 23, 1748-9, Margaret Cooke, then living in Smithfield, R. I. The publishment of the intended marriage was made Feb. 2, 1748, in Mendon, where John Darling resided. "Margery," "Margaret," or "Martha," as her name has variously been written, was a descendant of Walter Cooke¹, who was a resident in Weymouth, Mass., in 1643, and who was admitted freeman in 1653.

Among his sons were :—

Ebenezer².

Walter², died January 5, 1695.

Nicholas².

John².

Walter² Cook m. Catherine, Feb. 3, 1659. He removed to Mendon, Mass., in 1663. He had Samuel³, John³, Nicholas³, Elizabeth³; Elizabeth m. Peter Aldrich.

Samuel³ (Walter² Walter¹), m. Lydia. He lived on the Mendon road near the Rhode Island line; he was a mason by trade. The children were :—

Experience⁴, b. July 5, 1682.

Ebenezer⁴, b. Oct. 28, 1684.

Lydia⁴, b. March 18, 1687.

Hannah⁴, b. Sept. 29, 1695.

Samuel⁴, b. July 11, 1698.

Walter⁴, b. March 18, 1701.

John², (Walter¹ Cook) m. Naomi Thayer : he lived in Uxbridge, Mass., and had :—

John³, b. Jan. 27, 1685.

Jonathan³, b. Feb. 27, 1686.

Catherine³, b. Aug. 3, 1687.

Naomi³, b. March 13, 1693.

Nicholas² (Walter¹) m. Joanna Rockwood; he lived in what is now Blackstone.

The children were :—

Josiah³ Cook, b. Aug. 29, 1685.

Nicholas³, b. June 10, 1687.

Johannah³, b. Feb. 13, 1689.

Mary³, b. Oct. 9, 1690.

Ann³, b. March 4, 1695.

Daniel³, b. Aug. 18, 1703.

David³, b. Nov. 15, 1705.

Abigail³, b. Oct. 4, 1707.

Noah³, b. ——— 1710, d. 1771.

Ebenezer⁴ (Samuel³, Walter², Walter¹) Cooke, m. first, Huldah Hayward.

They lived where the "Social" has been. He later, after disposing of his estate to the Arnolds, removed to what is now called Burrillville. The children were :—

Sarah⁵ b. July 24, 1711.

Elijah⁵, b. April 5, 1713.

Benjamin⁵, b. June 5, 1715.

Elisha⁵, b. April 21, 1717.

Huldah⁵, b. Oct. 26, 1719.

Ebenezer⁵, b. June 15, 1722.

Ebenezer⁴, m. second, Experience.

The children by the second marriage were :—

Nicholas⁵, b. Dec. 10, 1727.

Amos⁵, b. Sept. 9, 1732.

Experience⁵, b. Sept. 8, 1734.

Samuel⁵, b. Oct. 8, 1735.

Silas⁵, b. Aug. 8, 1736.

Sarah⁵, b. Dec. 10, 1740.

Dorcas⁵, b. June 26, 1746.

Walter⁴ (Samuel³, Walter², Walter¹) Cook married *Margaret* Corbett.

The children were :—

Ichabod⁵, b. Oct. 15, 1727.

Mercy⁵, b. Oct. 31, 1728.

Rachel⁵, b. Oct. 23, 1730.

Margery⁵, b. Aug. 18, 1734.

Hannah⁵, b. Sept. 18, 1743. ¹⁷⁵⁸ m. Peter³ Darling

John⁴ Darling, Jr., (Samuel³, John², Denice¹) after some years removed to Cumberland, R. I., where he had by his wife ("Margery," "Margaret," or "Martha," as her name has been differently written) :

Parmelia⁵, b. Oct. 5, 1766.

Martha⁵, b. Sept. 14, 1768.

John⁵, b. August 12, 1770.

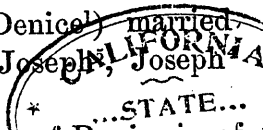
Lurania⁵, b. Jan. 2, 1772.

James⁵, b. Aug. 20, 1773.

Gideon⁵, b. Nov. 5, 1777.

Joshua⁵, b. March 5, 1781.

Jacob⁵, b. Feb. 14, 1785.

Lurania⁵ Darling (John⁴, Samuel³, John², Denice¹) married January 1, 1797, Edward⁷ Clarke (Ichabod⁶, Joseph⁵, Joseph⁴, Joseph³, Joseph², Joseph¹). 

Deacon Peter³ Darling of Cumberland was son of Benjamin of Mendon and Mehetabel (Benjamin², Denice¹) b. June 12, 1720. He had large estates. The late Seth Darling Clarke spoke of him as a man who was held in much esteem. He d. May 16, 1818, aged nearly 98 years; his will was admitted June 20, 1818. He was buried in the cemetery near the Old Ballou Meeting House in Cumberland. The children of this Peter³ Darling and his wife Priscilla were :

Stephen⁴, b. May 6, 1750; d. Oct. 11, 1756.

Richard⁴, b. Sept. 16, 1753; d. Oct. 7, 1756.

Peter⁴, b. in Cumberland, Aug. 22, 1757; m. Jan. 1, 1778, Jerusha, d. of Samuel⁴ Darling of Bellingham and Esther Slack of Attleboro, who were m. Jan. 20, 1755 (Samuel³, John², Denice¹). Peter⁴ was a soldier in R. I. troops, 1776 he d. Nov. 13, 1796. Jerusha Darling, the soldier's widow, admin. estate, val. only \$168.87

The children of the above named Peter³ Darling and Anne his second wife were :

Darius, b. May 21, 1769.

Luke, b. July 21, 1770.

Anne, b. August 2, 1771; d. March 1, 1772.

Elijah, b. July 10, 1773.

Benjamin, b. July 23, 1774.

Joanna, b. Jan. 3, 1776.

Peter³ Darling by the m. of his second wife, "Anne," "Anna," or "Hannah" Cooke, who was sister to "Margery," "Margaret," or "Martha" before mentioned, became great uncle or "old uncle," to Seth Darling Clarke. The m. of Peter's son Elijah to Lucy Clarke, dau. of Ichabod Clarke and sister to Edward Clarke, conferred upon Peter³ Darling the same title of "great uncle." (George Darling of Lynn, 1650-'70 had Joseph, b. March, 1667, was of Marblehead, 1674; had also Lewis and Dana). John of Fairfield, m. Eliza, d. of James Beers the first.

The other persons in Cumberland by the name of Darling were the children of Joseph Darling and Bathsheba his wife :

Bathsheba, b. Jan. 30, 1752.

Phebe, b. Dec. 10, 1753.

Ebenezer, b. Jan. 2, 1760.

Lucy, b. July 3, 1764.

The next is from the burying ground of the Old Ballou Meeting House, so called. "In memory of Mr. James Darling, who died November, 1770, in the 25th year of his age." Mr. P. F. Kinion, Town Clerk of Cumberland, has kindly furnished me with the following lists of marriages :—

Timothy Darling and Ruth Darling, both of Cumberland, were joined in matrimony July 9th, 1750, by Nathan Cook, Elder. Recorded February 2, 1764, John Dexter, Town Clerk.

John Darling of Bellingham and Anne Jillson of Cumberland, were married December 4, 1755, by Nathan Cook, Elder. Recorded Feb. 2, 1764, by John Dexter, Town Clerk.

Samuel Darling and Esther Slack, the one of Bellingham, the other of Attleborough, were married January 20, 1755, by Nathan Cook, Elder. Recorded Feb. 2nd, 1764, by John Dexter, Town Clerk.

Joseph Darling and Bathsheba Curran, both of Cumberland, were married August 26, 1750, by Samuel Bartlett, Justice of the Peace. Recorded April 3, 1765. Witness John Dexter, Town Clerk.

Peter Darling and Anna Cooke were married June 12, A. D.

1768 by Nathaniel Cook, Elder. Recorded Feb. 17, 1769, by John Dexter, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that Peter Darling, Esq., son of Richard Darling and Amey Wilkinson, daughter of Jeremiah Wilkinson, both of Cumberland, were lawfully joined together in marriage in Cumberland on the 20th day of August, 1772, by me, Abner Ballou, Elder. Recorded Feb. 20, 1773, by John Dexter, Town Clerk.

I do hereby certify that Elias* Darling of Cumberland, son of John Darling, and Nancy Alexander of said Cumberland, daughter of Anna Allison was (were) lawfully joined together in marriage on the thirty-first day of December, Annoque Domini 1789, by me, Simon Wilkinson, Justice of the Peace. Recorded Jan. 30, 1790. John Dexter, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that Benjamin Darling of Bellingham and Celina Clark of Wrentham was (were) lawfully joined together in marriage at Cumberland on the 23 day of March, A. D. 1794, by me, Jotham Carpenter, Justice of the Peace. Recorded March 24, 1794, per Jotham Carpenter, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that Mr. John Darling, Jun., son of Mr. John Darling, and Mrs. Ester (Esther) Mason, daughter of Mr. Timothy Mason, both of Cumberland, were lawfully joined together in marriage at said Cumberland on the 18th day of October, A.D. 1795, by me, Jotham Carpenter, justice of the Peace. Recorded October 18, 1795, per Jotham Carpenter, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that Mr. Ziba Darling of Bellingham and Mrs. Diana Freeman, widow, of Cumberland was (were) lawfully joined together in marriage at Cumberland on the 24th day of July, A. D. 1796, by me, Jotham Carpenter, Justice of the Peace. Recorded July 27, A. D. 1796, Jotham Carpenter, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that Mr. Elijah Darling, son of Peter Darling, Esq., and Mrs. Lucy Clark, daughter of Mr. Ichabod Clarke, both of Cumberland, were lawfully joined together in marriage at said Cumberland, on the seventh day of January, A. D. 1798, by me Jotham Carpenter, justice of the Peace. Recorded January 7, A. D. 1798, by Jotham Carpenter, Town Clerk.

* Elias Darling was a son of John Darling, Jr., and Martha (or Margaret) his wife, though not mentioned in the record of Cumberland births. The John Darling, Jr., mentioned in this note is the John Darling, father of John Darling, Jun., recorded in the lines nineteen and twenty of the text above.

I hereby certify that Mr. Benjamin Darling, son of Peter Darling, Esq., and Mrs. Lavina Jillson, daughter of Mr. Nathan Jillson, and both of Cumberland was (were) lawfully joined together in said Cumberland on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1778, by me, Jotham Carpenter, Justice of the Peace. Recorded December 1, 1798. Attest, Jotham Carpenter, Town Clerk.

The following record relating to the Darlings of Mendon was kindly furnished me by Mr. David Adams, town clerk of Mendon :

Samuel Darling of Dedham and Mary Thompson of Mendon, married Dec. 5, 1716.

John Thayer and Abigail Darling, both of Mendon, married July 27, 1727.

Daniel Darling of Mendon and Mary Hunt of Smithfield, married September 7, 1732.

Daniel Wheelock of Uxbridge and Deborah Darling of Mendon, married March 30, 1732.

Benjamin Meadberry of Smithfield and Elizabeth Darling of Mendon, married December 8, 1748.

Thomas Darling and Rachael White, both of Mendon, married December 14, 1749.

Benjamin Darling and Susanna White, both of Mendon, married April 17, 1760.

Stephen Darling and Prudence White, both of Mendon, married December 25, 1760.

Peter Holbrook of Uxbridge and Lydia Darling of Mendon, married May 27, 1761.

Noble Boggs of Uxbridge and Mary Darling of Mendon, married November 30, 1768.

Jeptha Clarke and Rhoda Darling of Mendon, married December 1, 1768.

Thomas Seaben of Uxbridge and Sarah Darling of Mendon, married December 22, 1768.

Stephen Hilyard and Joanna Darling, both of Mendon, married April 13, 1769.

Elijah Darling and Sarah Washburn, both of Mendon, married April 13, 1769.

John Hunt, a transient person, and Deborah Darling of Mendon, married November 8, 1770.

Reuben Holbrook and Rachael Darling, both of Mendon, married March 27, 1777.

Joseph Enos of Smithfield and Jemima Darling of Mendon, married March 11, 1779.

Benjamin Carvell and Anna Darling, both of Mendon, married September 6, 1779.

James Albee of Uxbridge and Rachael Darling of Mendon, married Feb. 1, 1787.

Pelatah Darling, Jr., and Phila Taft, both of Mendon, married July 22, 1790.

John Darling, Jr., and Polly Warfield, both of Mendon, married June 3, 1790.

John Darling and Elizabeth Warfield, both of Mendon, married Jan. 20, 1791.

Nathan Darling and Polly Young, both of Mendon, married April 6, 1794.

Benson Darling and Lois Albee, both of Mendon, married Nov. 29, 1798.

Daniel Darling and Patience Aldrich, both of Mendon, married June 20, 1799.

Daniel Darling and Hannah Aldrich, both of Mendon, married April 9, 1801.

David Buxton of Smithfield and Philadelphia Darling of Mendon, married Dec. 30, 1804.

Seth Darling of Wrentham and Susannah Clarke of Mendon, married Jan. 2, 1814.

John Darling and Laura Anderson, both of Mendon, married April 6, 1817.

Jesse Darling and Sally Gatchell, both of Mendon, married Aug. 16, 1818.

James Darling and Mary Seargent, both of Mendon, married April 1, 1820.

Samuel Darling and Sylvia Taft, both of Mendon, married Oct. 1, 1820.

Atwood Cady and Urana Darling, both of Mendon, married Aug. 18, 1822.

Abraham Cocker and Deborah Darling, both of Mendon, married May 16, 1824.

Daniel F. Darling and Lucy Kilburn, both of Mendon, married Aug. 22, 1824.

John Pickering of Mendon and Freelove Darling of Smithfield, married Sept. 3, 1823.

Jonathan W. Thayer and Polly Darling, both of Mendon, married Dec. 11, 1823.

Charles D. Hudson of Northbridge and Sally Darling of Mendon, married Sept. 15, 1825.

Lewis Darling and Betsey Handy, both of Mendon, married April 11, 1826.

Samuel Darling and Sarah White, both of Mendon, intend marriage, date April 1, 1746.

David Burthen of Uxbridge and Elizabeth Darling of Mendon, intend marriage, date Aug. 16, 1746.

Joseph Albee of Uxbridge and Ruth Darling of Mendon, intend marriage, date —, 1744.

John Darling of Mendon and *Margaret Cook*, living in Smithfield, intend marriage Feb. 2, 1748.

Mathew Darling of Mendon and Hannah Emerson of Uxbridge, married Oct. 29, 1767.

Simeon Darling of Mendon and Anna Phelps of Northampton, married June 24, 1784.

Jeremiah Crooks of Mendon and Phebe Darling of Bellingham, married Dec. 9, 1787.

Ebenezer Darling, son of Denice Darling and Anna, wife, born Jan. 8, 1679.

Daniel Darling, son of Denice Darling and Hannah, wife, born Apr. 23, 1682.

Elizabeth Darling, dau. of Denice Darling and Hannah, wife, born July 2, 1685.

Benjamin Darling, son of Denice Darling and Hannah, wife, born Feb. 11, 1687.

John Darling, son of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Apr. 1, 1687.

Elizabeth Darling, dau. of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Jan. 3, 1692.

Samuel Darling, son of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born March 18, 1693.

Ruth Darling, dau. of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Sept. 20, 1695.

Hannah Darling, dau. of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Nov. 1, 1697.

Margaret Darling, dau. of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Aug. 19, 1700.

Ebenezer Darling, son of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born March 2, 1701-2.

Mary Darling, dau. of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born May 22, 1704.

Martha Darling, dau. of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born March 10, 1705-6.

Rachel Darling, son of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born May 14, 1711.

Abigail Darling, son of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born July 14, 1708.

Deborah Darling, son of John Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Jan. 8, 1713.

Anna Darling, dau. of John Darling and Anna, wife, born April 20, 1689.

Mary Darling, dau. of Cornelius Darling and Mary, wife, born Dec. 13, 1695.

Uranah Darling, dau. of Benson Darling and Lois, wife, born April 14, 1799.

Samuel Darling, son of Benson Darling and Lois, wife, born Dec. 18, 1801.

Simon Darling, son of Benson Darling and Lois, wife, born Feb. 8, 1803.

Artemas Darling, son of Benson Darling and Lois, wife, born April, 21, 1807.

Jerusha Darling, dau. of Joseph Darling and Jerusha, wife, born Mar. 15, 1761.

Ichabod Darling, son of Joseph Darling and Jerusha, wife, born June 1, 1764.

Joseph Darling, son of Joseph Darling and Mary, wife, born April 6, 1736.

Stephen Darling, son of Joseph Darling and Mary, wife, born August 21, 1738.

Lydia Darling, dau. of Joseph Darling and Mary, wife, born April 21, 1743.

Enoch Darling, son of Joseph Darling and Mary, wife, born July 8, 1746.

Elijah Darling, son of Joseph Darling and Mary, wife, born May 19, 17—.

Levi Darling, son of Joseph Darling, Jr., and Sarah Thayer, born Dec. 28, 1757.

Rhoda Darling, dau. of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born May 8, 1750.

Joanna Darling, dau. of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born Feb. 1, 1752.

Rachael Darling, dau. of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born May 1, 1755.

Prudence Darling, dau. of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born Sept. 28, 1757.

Simeon Darling, son of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born March 21, 1760.

Seth Darling, son of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born March 21, 1764.

Benjamin Darling, son of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born Feb. 28, 1766.

Alpheus Darling, son of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born Nov. 9, 1773.

John Darling, son of Thomas Darling and Rachael, wife, born June 9, 1768.

Olive Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, wife, born Nov. 20, 1768.

Bethany Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, wife, born Feb. 17, 1771.

Phebe Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, wife, born Aug. 1, 1774.

Olive Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, wife, born June 23, 1776.

Daniel Darling, son of Mathew Darling and Hannah, wife, born April 1, 1779.

Hannah Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, wife, born Jan. 1, 1783.

Sarah Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, wife, born May 21, 1786.

Mary Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, wife, born Sept. 8, 1792.

Abigail Darling, dau. of Daniel Darling and Lydia, wife, born Oct. 11, 1706.

Daniel Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Lydia, wife, born March 28, 1709.

Lydia Darling, dau. of Daniel Darling and Lydia, wife, born Jan. 5, 1711.

Samuel Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Lydia, wife, born March 18, 1714-15.

Susannah Darling, dau. of Daniel Darling and Lydia, wife, born Aug. 2, 1717.

Kezia Darling, dau. of Daniel Darling and Lydia, wife, born Nov. 30, 1719.

Peter Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Lydia, wife, born Aug. 12, 1722.

William Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Lydia, wife, born Jan. 15, 1730-1.

Abner Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Mary, wife, born March 7, 1733.

Hannah Darling, daughter of John Darling, Jr., and Hannah, wife, born March 26, 1710.

Elizabeth Darling, daughter of John Darling, Jr., and Hannah, wife, born Nov. 7, 1712.

Mary Darling, daughter of John Darling, Jr., and Hannah, wife, born March 2, 1713-14.

John Darling, son of John Darling, Jr., and Hannah, wife, born Dec. 1, 1717.

Pelatiah Darling, son of John Darling, Jr., and Hannah, wife, born Feb. 28, 1720-1.

Ruth Darling, daughter of John Darling, Jr., and Hannah, wife, born July 1, 1726.

Margaret Darling, daughter of John Darling, Jr., and Hannah, wife, born Jan. 12, 1723.

Pardon Darling, son of John Darling, Jr., and Elizabeth, wife, born March 17, 1791.

Seth Darling, son of John Darling Jr., and Elizabeth, wife, born Dec. 26, 1792.

John Warfield Darling, son of John Darling, Jr., and Elizabeth, wife, born, Nov. 12, 1794.

Edward Darling, son of John Darling, Jr., and Elizabeth, wife, born March 27, 1797.

Leonard Darling, son of John Darling, Jr., and Elizabeth, wife, born May 15, 1799.

Elatham Darling, son of Jesse Darling and Hannah, wife, born April 30, 1773.

James Darling, son of Jesse Darling and Hannah, wife, born June 18, 1788.

Nancy Darling, daughter of Enoch Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Feb. 15, 1769.

Mehitable Darling, daughter of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, born Nov. 10, 1709.

Deborah Darling, daughter of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, born April 22, 1711.

Benjamin Darling, son of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, born March 15, 1714.

Ebenezer Darling, son of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, born August 25, 1718.

Peter Darling, son of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, born June 12, 1720.

Hannah Darling, daughter of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, born March 25, 1722.

Abigail Darling, daughter of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, March 15, 1724.

Elizabeth Darling, daughter of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, born April 11, 1729.

Thomas Darling, son of Benjamin Darling and Mehitable, wife, born May 7, 1730.

Anna Darling, daughter of Benjamin Darling and Susannah, wife, born June 22, 1761.

Mary Darling, daughter of Pelatiah Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born May 14, 1745.

Hannah Darling, daughter of Pelatiah Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Dec. 7, 1750.

Elizabeth Darling, daughter of Pelatiah Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born Feb. 8, 1753.

Abigail Darling, daughter of Pelatiah Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born April 15, 1755.

Joshua Darling, son of Pelatiah Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born August 19, 1762.

Pelatiah Darling, son of Pelatiah Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born April 2, 1760.

Ruth Darling, daughter of Pelatiah Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born June 5, 1766.

Rachael Darling, daughter of Pelatiah and Elizabeth, wife, born March 14, 1758.

Phinehas Darling, son of Pelatiah Darling and Elizabeth, wife, born March 20, 1769.

Luke Darling, daughter of Nathan Darling and Polly, wife, born June 18, 1794.

Nathan Darling, son of Nathan Darling and Polly, wife, born Jan. 12, 1796.

Cortis Darling, son of Nathan Darling and Polly, wife, born Dec. 30, 1797.

George Darling, son of Nathan Darling and Polly, wife, born Jan. 29, 1800.

Mehitable Darling, daughter of Samuel Darling and Sarah, his wife, born Sept. 7, 1746.

Caleb Darling, son of Samuel Darling and Sarah, his wife, born Nov. 30, 1748.

Deborah Darling, daughter of Samuel Darling, and Sarah, his wife, born July 6, 1750.

Peter Darling, son of Samuel Darling and Sarah, his wife, born June 20, 1752.

Trial Darling, daughter of Samuel Darling and Sarah, his wife, born May 20, 1754.

Aaron Darling, son of Samuel Darling and Sarah, his wife, born June 20, 1756.

Dinnis Darling, son of Samuel Darling and Sarah, his wife, born Feb. 20, 1760.

Henry Darling, son of Samuel Darling and Sarah, his wife, born July 3, 1762.

Patience Darling, daughter of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born Oct. 30, 1799.

Lovice Darling (twin), daughter of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born July 6, 1801.

Lucretia Darling (twin), daughter of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born July 6, 1801.

Gilson Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born August 23, 1802.

James Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born Feb. 10, 1804.

Elias Darling, son of Daniel Darling, and Hannah, his wife, born July 14, 1806.

Miranda Darling, daughter of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born July 19, 1808.

Clarissa Darling, daughter of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born May 30, 1810.

Eliza Ann Darling, daughter of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born June 12, 1812.

Sarah Darling, daughter of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born Aug. 28, 1815.

Daniel Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born Oct. 19, 1817.

Ezekiel Emerson Darling, son of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, born July 19, 1820.

Caleb Darling, son of Job Darling and Margery, his wife, born Sept. 5, 1768.

Mary Darling, dau. of Job Darling and Margery, his wife, born Dec. 23, 1769.

Hannah Darling, dau. of Job Darling and Margery, his wife, born Oct. 9, 1772.

John Darling, son of Leonard W. Darling and Relief, his wife, born Jan. 24, 1815.

Leonard Darling, son of Leonard W. Darling and Relief, his wife, born April 6, 1822.

Clarissa Darling, dau. of Leonard Darling and Relief, his wife, born Nov. 25, 1823.

John Darling, son of Phinehas Darling and Bethiah Kimton, born March 23, 1797.

Otis Darling, son of Phinehas Darling and Mary, his wife, born Feb. 2, 1803.

Phinehas Darling, son of Phinehas Darling and Mary, his wife, born Dec. 15, 1805.

Elizabeth Darling, wife of John Darling, deceased April 3, 1687.

Anna Darling, wife of John Darling, died April 30, 1690.

Denice Darling, deceased Jan. 25, 1717-18, aged 77 years.

Cortis Darling, son of Nathan Darling and Polly, his wife, died June 6, 1799.

Nathan Darling, son of Nathan Darling and Polly, his wife, died June 10, —.

Seth Darling, son of John Darling, Jr. and Elizabeth, his wife, died Oct. 30, 1798.

Pardon Darling, son of John Darling, Jr., and Elizabeth, his wife, died Oct. 20, 1799.

Olive Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, his wife, died May 20, 1772.

Bethany Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, his wife, died March 17, 1777.

Phebe Darling, dau. of Mathew Darling and Hannah, his wife, died March 9, 1777.

Lovice Darling (twin), dau. of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, died July 10, 1801.

Lucretia Darling (twin), dau. of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, died July 11, 1801.

Miranda Darling, dau. of Daniel Darling and Hannah, his wife, died Dec. 25, 1826.

Elathan Darling, child of Jesse Darling and Hannah, his wife, died Aug. 6, 1793.

James Darling, son of Jesse Darling and Hannah, his wife, died May 6, 1804.

John Darling, died Oct. 29, 1800.

Jesse Darling, died July 9, 1813.

Lewis Darling, son of John Darling, died Aug. 20, 1818.

DARLINGS OF FRAMINGHAM, MASS.

Darling, John, and wife Abigail, lived in the north part of the town and had: 1, Abigail, b. June 2, 1736; 2, John, March 24, '37-8; 3, Amos, March 13, '43; 4, Timothy, Aug. 12, '47. Abigail, the wife, admitted to the church Feb. 5, 1748. (Sarah, of Framingham, m. Isaac Wheeler, of Holden, Aug. 18, 1752; John, son of Samuel, baptized June 18, 1758; Thomas, rated in Framingham, about 1738).

2. Amos, m. Hephzibah Bruce, in Southbridge, May 9, 1745, and, with wife, came in Framingham Nov., 17, '48; and had in Framingham, 1, Joseph, b. Oct. 29, 1746; 2, Elizabeth, b. March 2, '48, m. Eleazar Rice, of Marlboro, 1772; 3, Jonas, b. June 4 '53, m. Molly Knights and died in Sterling; 4, Lucy, b. Aug. 13 '55, m. Daniel Rice, of Marlboro; 5, Amos, b. June 16, '57, m. Laovisie Hager, of Marlboro; 6, Hephzibah, b. Dec. 8, '59, m. Levi Wilkins, of Marlboro, d. 1840; 7, Lydia, b. July 10, '62, d. unmarried, '89; 8, Daniel, b. July 24, '65, m. Rebeckah Arnold, of Marlboro, and 2d, Charlotte Hunting, lived in Marlboro, and d. in Framingham, 1844. Amos was recommended to the church in Marlboro, Aug., 1788, about which time his farm was set off to Marlboro. (Jacob, son of Amos, was baptized in Framingham, Nov. 27, 1748.)

3. Timothy, son of John (1), and wife, had: Timothy, baptized Oct. 28, 1770; 2, Nabby, baptized Nov. 25, 1770.

4. Joseph, son of Amos (2) m. Eunice Flagg, in Marlboro, 1773, and had: 1, Molly, b. May 8, 1774. The father m. 2d Sarah Houghton, and had: 2, John, b. April 1, 1781. Joseph lived in Framingham with Amos his father, and moved to Brattleboro, about 1781.

5. Margery, widow of Job, d. in Framingham, June of 1819, aged 85. Job d. in Framingham, March 26, 1814, aged 87.

Barry in his History of Framingham says: The tradition of the family relates that Amos Darling came from Danvers and that his grandfather came from England, when there were only fourteen houses in Salem. Thomas, only son of John, who d. 1713, and wife Joana were of Salem, 1690.

Daniel (w. Lydia) d. in Mendon about 1746, f. of Daniel, Samuel, Peter, William, and four daughters. Timothy was of Lunenburg, 1753. Benjamin of Wrentham (who had brothers John, Elias), died before the Revolution, an aged man, and was father of Rev. David of Surrey, N. H., who died 1836, aged 81. Judge Joshua, of Henniker, N. H., was probably a relative of this last. (See Wm. Barry's Hist. of Framingham, 1847.)

Ebenezer Darling and John Darling of Framingham were of Captain Newell's company in the Crown Point expedition, during the last French and Indian War, March 27, 1755, and were discharged January 3, 1756.

Amos Darling was the son of Ebenezer Darling, b. Jan. 8, 1679. Ebenezer, the father of Amos, was the son of Denice Darling, who died in Mendon, Mass., Jan. 25, 1717, aged 77 years, thus making his birth date 1640. It would seem that when Denice Darling, the grandfather, came from England (not earlier, of course, than 1640), there were more than fourteen houses in Salem. This record of the tradition given by Barry serves to show how little reliance should be placed on traditions when it is possible by researches to find actual data.

In the records of the Probate Office at East Cambridge I found the will of Thomas Darling of Framingham. His wife Sarah is named; his son John Darling is named, whom he gives five shillings, having before given him by a deed of gift——, which seems to have been his full share. The heirs of his son Jonathan Darling, deceased are named. Thomas Darling had a daughter, Sarah Darling, named in the will. The remainder of his estate went to his two sons, Ebenezer and Amos. The will is dated Sept. 8, 1749. In the same office there is the will of Ebenezer Darling of Framingham, and also an inventory of the estate. It is mentioned as in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay, and the order bears the date, 29 March, A. D. 1756. Amos Darling, on the 29th day of March, 1756, was admitted as the administrator.

An inventory April 15, 1756, "of the estate of Ebenezer Darling, late of Framingham, Dyst., seized and possessed of, is as followeth, viz. : the land estate of y^e Ebenezer, of the homestead being about 140 acres, the one half being y^e s^d Ebenezer, both of

land and buildings which were appraised at four hundred and twenty-five pounds and ten shillings." Other small sums are mentioned.

The will of Job Darling of Framingham was admitted to Probate, 8 April, 1814. "Margery" Darling "my true and beloved wife" is named. His son Caleb Darling a "non compos" is also named. His daughter, Huldah Meriam, and her husband Timothy Meriam, are mentioned and are the last heirs; the sum of 50 dollars in cash is spoken of.

William Darling, a laborer of Charlestown, died intestate. This is mentioned in the probate office, under the date of 1746.

Sara, daughter of Xpper (Christopher) Darling, was christened March 13, 1624 at St. James, Clerkenwell, London.

There is, according to the English Pedigrees, a Darley of Yorkshire; the manuscripts are 234, 251.

There are old manuscripts containing pedigrees of the Darlings of London, Cornwall and Derbyshire.

Members of these families emigrated to America during the early settlement of the country.