

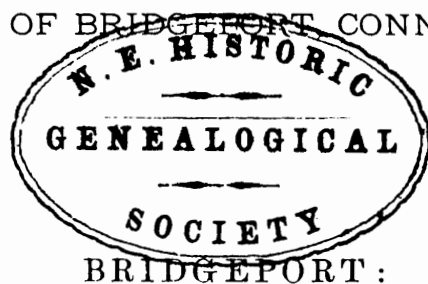
SOME ACCOUNT
—OF THE—
IRELAND FAMILY,

ORIGINALLY OF
LONG ISLAND, N. Y.,

1644—1880.

BY
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P R E F A C E.

The genealogical records of the IRELAND family, so far as conveniently accessible, were originally sought for, to ascertain the date of its settlement on American soil, and simply for the gratification and satisfaction of the writer.

Other parties have since evinced an interest in them, and expressed a desire for their publication.

Without attempting to give a full history of the collateral branches of the family, of whom it was found difficult to obtain accurate information, the chain of direct descent from our first American ancestor, THOMAS IRELAND, is perfect to the *ninth* generation in the male line, and to the *tenth* in the female line.

Although the male representatives of the family in the present generation are few, some future descendant may find the present records a convenient foundation on which to enlarge and complete the genealogy of a race distinguished—with rare exceptions—for sterling integrity, easy good-nature and kind-heartedness, and ready willingness to advance the interests of others, and an unambitious contentment with a medium rank in life.

“LOVE AND PEACE” was the motto assigned to one of the name by the English King at Arms, in 1601.

J. N. I.

SOME ACCOUNT OF THE IRELAND FAMILY.

The name of IRELAND is of very early seating in the British Empire, and its origin is supposed to have occurred from a removal of families native of, or long resident in the Island so called, to her sister kingdom beyond the Irish Sea. ADAM DE IRLONDE, and HENRY DE IRLAUNDE from which the more modern formation of the word has been derived, are among the earliest mentioned residents of the name in England, as quoted in Bardley's Origin of English Surnames.

The various families bearing the name appear to have been of high respectability and some of considerable prominence.

A Coat of Arms,—*Gules*, three Fleur de lis, *argent*, and a chief indented *Ermine*, the Crest a dove bearing an Olive branch, with the motto, "*Amor et Pax*," was assigned in 1601, to JAMES IRELAND, Esq., son and heir of JOHN IRELAND, Esq., of Hertfordshire, the son of HUGH IRELAND of Lancaster.

THOMAS JAMES IRELAND of Owsden Hall—born 1792, High Sheriff of the County of Suffolk, married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir William Earle Welby, Baronet. He was only son to THOMAS IRELAND (2d.), who was a son of THOMAS IRELAND (1st.), who was supposed to descend from a younger son of the ancient House of IRELAND of HALE HALL. A family of IRELANDS, of whom JAMES IRELAND, born in 1668—son of NATHANIEL IRELAND—was the representative, resided in the county of Dorset.

A JOHN IRELAND was an Alderman of Great Yarmouth, County of Norfolk, in 1676, and Registrar of the Arch-Deacons' Court of Norwich. When Mayor, he declined the annual contribution of herrings for the support of his office. His daughter, Sarah, married Rev'd John Jeffrey, D. D., Arch-Deacon of Nor-

wich until 1720. Dean Davies, in his diary, August 19th, 1689, speaks of the latter as being something of a Puritan.

Another JOHN IRELAND, a celebrated connoisseur in art, wrote "Hogarth Illustrated," in 3 vols., and a "Life of Henderson, the Actor," and died in Birmingham in 1808.

A third JOHN IRELAND, distinguished for his learning and piety, became Dean of Westminster in 1816, and at his death in 1842, bequeathed much of his immense fortune to religious and literary institutions,—£10,000 to the University of Oxford, £5,000 for a Chapel in Westminster, £2,000 to Oriel College, Oxford, and many large sums to various charities.

SAMUEL IRELAND of Spitalfields, near London, a dealer in scarce books and prints, published a variety of Picturesque Tours in *Aqua Tinta*, and a work entitled "Graphic Illustrations of Hogarth," but will be remembered chiefly from his connection with the publication of the celebrated Shakspeare forgeries pretended to have been discovered, but really executed by his son, WILLIAM HENRY IRELAND, a young man of talent misapplied.

It will be seen that the name was widely spread throughout England, and one more locality of the family may be mentioned, derived from the will of Robert Avery of Workingham, Berks, England, 1642, viz.: "Item, I give and bequeath unto ROGER IERLANDE the younger, *Sonne* of ROGER IERLANDE of Hurst, Weaver, £5, which said *some* of £5, my will is shall be paid at his age of one and twenty years, by the said Robert Avery, my youngest *sonne*, his executors and administrators, if the said Roger shall so long live."

It is not known, however, that any of these families were connected with that of THOMAS IRELAND, who in 1644, was one of the original settlers of Hempstead, Queen's county, Long Island, (formerly bearing the designation of the North Ryding of New Yorkshire), from whom our American family is descended. From bearing the Christian appellation of Thomas, it might perhaps be surmised that he was allied to the Irelands of Hale Hall, where that name seemed to be a favorite,—but that is a matter of mere conjecture. It is not known even when or where he arrived in America. In the official list of passengers which passed from the port of London, the only Thomas Ireland entered is a lad of ten years, bound for *ye Bermodes*, in 1635. It is pos-

sible that he afterwards came to the continent, although he would have been not yet of age at the settlement of Hempstead, but it is more probable that he married and settled in Barbadoes, where the name of Thomas Ireland is found for many years later in both parish and church registers, and descendants of his family, bearing the names of Hollingsworth and Reuck, are, or were lately, living in Maryland and Virginia. In the latter State, it is recorded that in 1638, MATTHEW IRELAND, and in 1660, ELIZABETH IRELAND, received severally large grants of land.

A SAMUEL IRELAND, with wife and child, came to America in the ship Increase, in 1635, and settled in Wethersfield, Conn., where he died within ten years after,—his widow, Mary, in 1645, marrying Robert Burrows (or Burroughs). She had two daughters, Mary and Martha, by her first husband, whose portions of £30 each were paid to their stepfather, October 20th, 1651.

Dissensions soon occurred among the settlers at Wethersfield, and a considerable body of them went to Stamford, Conn. After a year or two, a division took place in the Stamford detachment, and the seceders departed for Long Island, where, at Hempstead, they purchased a tract of land from the Indians, and received a Patent, or Ground Brief, from Governor Kieft, in November, 1644, in which, among fifty proprietors, first appears the name of our ancestor,

I. THOMAS IRELAND.

Whether he came with the company from Stamford, or joined it on the Island, has not been discovered, but as most of the patentees were formerly of Wethersfield, it is at least suppositional that he may have been the brother of, or was otherwise connected with, the Samuel Ireland of that place. Be that as it may, as one of the proprietors, he was entitled to one hundred and fifty acres of land, and enjoyed other privileges of pasture and meadow land connected with his position. At one time, he was landlord of an Inn, or House of Entertainment for travelers, and, in 1659, makes complaint of Richard Brudenell, keeper of a similar house, for many deceitful dealings with his customers, and produces no less than six witnesses to prove the offence charged, for which the said Brudenell was mulcted in 12 guilders, and his books pro-

nounced false and unfit to pass in law. January 16th, 1663, "*stilo novo*," he purchased of Joseph Scott, a dwelling house and barn in Hempstead, with all land belonging thereunto.

In 1668, the town granted him an additional tract of 22 acres, which by a Town Court order of January 24th, 1669, was in consequence of his death, conveyed to his widow, Joan Ireland, who July 25th, 1671, conveyed it to her son, Thomas Ireland. (II.) Mrs. Joan Ireland afterwards married—about August 24th, 1671—Richard Lattin, the ancestor of John J. Latting, a prominent lawyer of New York; (1880).

The date of Thomas Ireland's death is not given, but his will is dated September 30th, 1668, and may be found on record at the Surrogate's office, in the city of New York. It reads as follows:

"The last Will and Testament of Thomas Ireland of Hempstead, being *wake* in his body, but sound in his understanding.

First.—I *comend* my *soule* to God.

Secondly.—I *doo* give to my eldest daughter, Joan, One *Cowe*, *besydes* what she is already possessed of, to be delivered when she departeth from living ^{*th*}_{*w*} her mother.

And also, I *doo* give to my second daughter Jane, Ten pounds, to be paid her when she is full *eighteene yeares* of age, *besyde* what is already given to and nominated hers.

Also, I give to my *sonne* Thomas, my housing and lands, ^{*th*}_{*w*} all *ye priviledges* thereunto belonging, he to have *ye* said housing and lands at *ye* decease of my wife, or if my wife do marry *again*, he is to have them when he comes to be one and twenty *yeares* of age, *besydes* what he hath in nomination already ^{*th*}_{*w*} my other children.

Also, I give to my youngest daughter Elizabeth, Twenty Pounds, to be paid to her when she comes of age, that is, of *eighteen yeares* of age, *besydes* what is already nominated to her ^{*th*}_{*w*} *ye* other children.

All *ye* reste of my estate I do give to my wife, she paying my debts out of it. I leaving my wife Executrix of this my will, to order things becoming to it.

Hempstead, the 30th of September, 1668.

THOMAS

Witnesses { JONAH FORDHAM
JOHN
his X mark
SMITH

his T. I. mark
IRELAND

Let us hope that the signature "T. I." only, was caused by his physical weakness, rather than by a lack of sufficient education to write his name.

Tradition has always declared this, our first American ancestor, to have been of English birth, and a myth attached to it speaks of two other brothers as having settled in different portions of the country about the same time.

II. THOMAS IRELAND.

Apparently an only son of the foregoing, could not have been born before 1647—as he was not yet "of age" when his father's will was executed in 1668.

He was living in Hempstead, when at a Town Meeting held March 17th, 1677, he was authorized to take up an additional "hundred akers" of land, and a "pese of woodland," the location of which land was to be decided by drawing of lots—he drawing No. 25. The proprietors of the town then numbered 43, but there were other inhabitants, who after the above award was made, were authorized to take up "50 akers apese."

In August, 1678, he was authorized by Town Meeting to draw for a lot of the common meadow at Rockaway, and by a previous allotment, about July, 1669, he had taken up 8 acres and 106½ rods of meadow, "by the bay and great neck northward."

26th June, 1685, he deeds to his brother-in-law, Charles Abrahams, 4 acres of land, free of any monied consideration, and March 20th, 1687, sells to Moses Erwin his meadow division at Rockaway "in consideration of a valuable *some* already received in full satisfaction."

In February, 1698, he exchanged his new dwelling house and lands appertaining, at a place called Ireland's Meadow, with Benjamin Burtsall, receiving from the latter 49 acres of land, at Cold Spring, Oyster Bay, with other rights, and mowing privileges on Jericho plains.

November 17th, 1700, he received from Thomas Youngs, Jr., of Oyster Bay, for the consideration of £16, "and other good causes and considerations," 30 acres of land "within the pattent and old purchase of Oyster Bay, adjoining the highway to Huntington, on the west side, nigh unto Cold Spring."

On the 7th of October, 1704, he and his wife, Mary, conveyed to Edward Wright, Esq., a parcel or tract of land of about 14 acres in Hempstead, which he had purchased of Timothy Halstead.

Thomas Ireland, (II.) probably died at Cold Spring about 1710-11, leaving his widow, Mary, and certainly four sons and probably other children.

In a MS. census list of Hempstead, made in August, 1698—on record at Albany, occur the names of Thomas and Mary Ireland, and their children—1. John, 2. Thomas, 3. Mary, 4. Adam, 5. Daniel, 6. Job, 7. Amos, 8. Elizabeth, 9. Joseph.

III. JOHN IRELAND,

Son of Thomas Ireland, (II.) lived, died and was buried on his farm at Cold Spring, Oyster Bay, previous to the year 1748. It may be supposed he was born about 1687—as in deeds made by his father at that date and previously, the name of his mother is not attached, although signed to others of a later date.

John Ireland, on the 14th of September 1708, in a deed with Sarah, his wife, wherein he is described as a planter, for “divers good and lawful causes and considerations, and more especially for a valuable sum of good and lawful money,” conveyed to John Pearce of Elizabethtown, N. J., two separate parcels of land, one of twelve acres, and one of fourteen acres, partly bounded by a road called Thomas Ireland’s South Path, &c.

On the 6th of February, 1712, he conveyed to his mother, Mary Ireland, in consideration of natural affection and other causes, all his right, title and interest to certain lands that belonged to his father, Thomas Ireland, deceased, with all houses, barns, trees, &c., appertaining.

January 3d, 1712, he, out of good will and brotherly affection and with the consent of his mother, Mary, conveyed to his loving brother, Job, seventeen acres of land in Oyster Bay, being a portion of the thirty acres purchased by their father, Thomas Ireland, deceased, of Thomas Youngs, Jr.; their brother Adam having already a deed of gift from his father for the other thirteen acres. In 1717, Job Ireland sold his seventeen acres of land to Ebenezer Dodge, for £16.

February 8th, 1713, Daniel Ireland conveyed to his “mother-

in-law," * Mary Ireland, for the sum of £19, certain lands adjoining her own, and adjoining that of his brother, John Ireland.

The date of John Ireland's death is undiscovered. He left a son, Joseph, and probably other children, but no evidence concerning other than Joseph has come to light.

IV. JOSEPH IRELAND,

Son of John (III.) was probably born in 1713; married (about 1735) Elizabeth, daughter of Peter Losee, who survived him, and died in 1802, at the age of 90.

He sold his farm at Oyster Bay, May 14th, 1748, to William and Benjamin Hawxhurst, for £300, excepting a plot 4 rods square, where his father, John Ireland, was buried, which he reserved as a burial place for his family; and purchased, May 16th, 1749, (according to the records—but probably the sale and purchase were both made the same year), from Israel Wood, six several pieces of land, amounting to upwards of 177 acres, with houses, barns, &c., for the sum of £658, "at a place called by the name of the West Hills, within the township of Huntington." He was a millwright by profession, and a most estimable and benevolent man. Besides his own large family, he brought up and cared for numerous grand-children, and, if the term may be used, step-grand-children. His taxable property at various times was estimated from £600 to £800, and in 1782 at £1,000. An inventory of his estate, found in the Huntington records, but without date, enumerates 200 acres of land, 2 loads of hay, 2 horses, 7 cows, 7 two-year-old cattle, 26 sheep, 5 swine, 40 acres of woodland, and one slave; and also mentions "meadow cut," which probably refers to a share or right in the public meadow land of the town. In 1752 he had his cattle mark recorded,—the cattle of the residents at that date still pasturing on the common lands of the town. In 1764, was executor of the will of Samuel Brush, to which his wife had been a witness. In 1775, signed to support Congress, and when the town was occupied by British troops, was frequently called by them the "good-natured old rebel."

* "Mother-in-law" is probably an error of record. The parties doubtless were mother and son.

August, 1776, was witness to the will of his son-in-law, Joshua Brush.

In 1778, with John and Israel Wood, George Norton, John Avery, Abiel Titus, and more than 500 other inhabitants of Huntington, he, with his sons, John, Daniel, Joseph, Jacob and Thomas, and his grandson, Losee Ireland, took an oath of peaceable behavior and allegiance to his majesty, George III.

In the spring of 1783, the annexed circular was issued :

“TO THE INHABITANTS OF HUNTINGTON.

In consequence of a proclamation from the Commander-in-Chief, bearing date 4th May, 1783, you are desired to bring in your accounts that's unsettled, from the month of August, 1776, to the present year 1783, to Zophar Platt, Esqr., who will give attendance every Tuesday and Fryday, from 12 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon, till 15th June next, for all properties supplied the British Army or officers in the several public departments, with their proper vouchers, that the whole may be properly attested to, and sent to New York to certain officers appointed to receive them and to register the same preparatory to a future settlement.

By advise of the Trustees,

JOHN KETCHAM, *Clerk.*

Huntington, May 28th, 1783.”

Among several hundred bills, presented in accordance with the above, (none of which were ever paid), the following were those of Joseph Ireland:

June 6, 1783.—This is the account of duty done in Government service by Joseph Ireland, Senr., from the year '76, unsettled.

To 1 Load of Straw and carting to Lloyds' Neck for	£	s	d
the Garrison, - - - - -	1	10	0
To a Wagon upon Lloyds' Neck, 21 days at 3s per			
day, by Sergt. Lion, of Col. Cruger's 1st Batt. -	3	3	0
To a Wagon and one horse going eastward after for-			
age 6 days, at 6s per day, taken by Capt. Hulett			
of Militia, L. H. - - - - -	1	16	0

1780.

August 1, To one tun of fresh Hay, taken by Major

Gwin, at 8s per cwt. - - - - -	8	0	0
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Aug. 8, To a team of horses and wagon and driver £ s d
 9 days in Huntington, by Major Gwin, at 12s per
 day, - - - - - 5 8 0
 1778. To horses and wagon and driver to go to South-
 amton with baggage—10 days—at 12s, under com-
 mand of Col. Simcoe, - - - - - 6 0 0
 1782. To pasturing 20 horses 4 days each—80 days,
 at 6d, - - - - - 2 0 0
 To pasturing 32 sheep 53 days, at 7d per week each—
 at 1 penny pr. day, Israel Goings by order Col.
 Willard, - - - - - 7 01 4
 as by certificate as followeth: "Received of Mr.
 Joseph Ireland, 32 sheep belonging to Govern-
 ment, put upon him to pasture ye 2d of July.

ENOS STEVENS."

Receipts, £3.00.

£34 18 4

Another claim for "Loss of Teams' Work, loss of cattle, Hay Straw, Oats, Corn, poultry, swine and timber, prest and stolen by the British Troops," to the amount of £156, 3s, 4d, is signed by Joseph Ireland, who was probably the son of the before mentioned one.

Several of the presented bills were couched in rather amusing form—for instance the following:

"This is the account of what I have lost by

robbers, - - - - - One hundred pound.
 one hors, - - - - - twenty-five pound.
 A mustee boy, - - - - - ten pound.
 for work upon the forts, - - - - - five pound.

JOHN ROGERS."

The children of JOSEPH and ELIZABETH IRELAND were:

- V. 1. LOSEE, who in 1758 married Elizabeth Jarvis, who survived him, and in 1771 married John Morgan and became the mother of Abigail Morgan, who married a Sammis, and has descendants in Bridgeport, Conn., (1880.) Losee Ireland left an only son, LOSEE, living in 1778, of whom nothing further is known.
- V. 2. JOHN, of whom more hereafter.

- V. 3. DANIEL, baptized by Rev. Ebenezer Prime, Nov. 7, 1756, of whom more hereafter.
- V. 4. JOSEPH, baptized Nov. 7, 1756, and died of Apoplexy, Feb. 22, 1806. Descendants unknown.
- V. 5. JACOB, baptized Nov. 7, 1756, married Sept. 16, 1775, Elizabeth Kelsey, and died March, 1813, leaving sons, WALTER, THOMAS and JOHN, and daughters, Sally Townsend and Susan Smith, as specified in his will.
- V. 6. THOMAS, born 1755, baptized Nov. 7, 1756, married 1781, Patience Oakley, and died April 8, 1838. Of his family more hereafter.
- V. 7. SARAH, born about 1740, married Dec. 1, 1760, Robert Jarvis, who survived her and subsequently married her sister Margaret. Sarah Ireland Jarvis left children, one of whom was Joseph Ireland Jarvis, baptized Oct. 28, 1764.
- V. 8. PHÆBE, married May 5, 1766, Nathaniel Oakley, and died previous to 1784, leaving descendants.
- V. 9. MARGARET, born about 1747, baptized 1756, married 1st, July 23, 1764, Joshua Brush, (born Sept. 13, 1742), a Captain in the Continental army—by whom she had ABEL, born 1765—died 1841. PHILIP, born about 1766. SUSANNA, born 1769, who married Edmund Bunce, and JONATHAN, born 1774. Her son PHILIP BRUSH, married in 1786 Ruth Brush, by whom he had several daughters and three sons, CONKLIN,—afterwards Mayor of Brooklyn, JARVIS and FLOYD, all of whom have descendants. JARVIS BRUSH, born January 6, 1797, married 1st, May 2, 1820, Eliza, daughter of Joseph Ireland (VI. 5.) by whom he had two sons, JOSEPH IRELAND and PHILIP JARVIS, both dying in infancy; and 2nd, April 9, 1824, JANE, daughter of George Ireland, (VI. 3.) by whom he had an only daughter, CATHERINE JANE, who died in 1847. He married 3rd, Sept. 4, 1827, Sarah Keeler, by whom he had two sons, 1. JOSEPH BEALE BRUSH, born Sept. 23, 1828, married May 14th, 1850, Sarah Southmayd Atwater, and died July 23, 1869, leaving one son EMERSON HOWARD, and two daughters, ALICE BELL and MARION. 2. GEORGE JARVIS BRUSH, Professor of

Chemistry at Yale College, and Principal of the Sheffield Scientific School at New Haven, born Dec. 15, 1831, married Dec. 23, 1864, Harriet Silliman Trumbull, and has had three daughters, SARAH JARVIS, ELIZA TRUMBULL, and BERTHA DEFOREST. Joshua Brush dying about 1781, his widow MARGARET IRELAND, married 2nd, her brother-in-law, Robert Jarvis, by whom she had a son, THOMAS, and a daughter HANNAH, whose descendants are probably living at Huntington, L. I.

- V. 10. ELIZABETH, baptized 1756, married May 29, 1764, John Howard Smith, by whom she had seventeen children, EBENEZER, GILBERT, and others, names unknown, all of whom reached adult age, and sixteen of whom married. She and her husband survived until 1828, and probably later, when they had had more than 200 descendants, of whom about 150 were then living.

(Sarah B. and Joseph N. Ireland visited them in 1824.)

JOSEPH IRELAND (IV.) died June, 1793, at the age of 80, leaving a will, proven before Nicoll Floyd, Surrogate, at his office in Riverhead, Suffolk Co., November 8th, 1793, as follows:

"IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN. I, JOSEPH IRELAND, of the Township of Huntington, in Suffolk County, on Nassau Island, and in the State of New York, Being weak in body, but through the abundant mercy and goodness of God, of sound and perfect memory and understanding, do constitute and ordain this my last will and testament, and desire it may be received by all as such.

First—I most humbly bequeath my soul to God, my maker, beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it, through the all sufficient merit and mediation of my most compassionate Redeemer, Jesus Christ, who gave himself to be an atonement for my sins, and is able to save to the uttermost all that come unto God through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them, and whom I trust will not reject a returning penitent sinner, when I come to him for mercy.

In this hope and confidence, I render up my soul with comfort, humbly beseeching the most blessed and glorious Trinity, One

God most merciful and gracious, to prepare me for the time of my dissolution, and then to take me to himself into that peace and best and incomparable felicity which he has prepared for all that love and fear his holy name.—Amen, and blessed be God!

I give my body to the earth from whence it was taken, in full assurance of its resurrection from thence at the last day; and as for my burial, I desire it may be decent without pomp or state, at the discretion of my wife and Executors, hereafter named, who I doubt not will manage it with all requisite prudence.

As to my worldly estate, I will and positively order that all my lawful debts and funeral charges first be paid out of my estate.

First, I order and impower my Executors, or any of them, to sell, bargain and convey all my houses, buildings and lands, and all my personal estate, in a manner as they judge most advantageous to my wife and children, in some convenient time after my decease, and I will that my wife shall have the use and profits of my houses and lands until my estate shall be sold, but she not to debar the Executors from selling the same when they think proper and convenient.

Item.—I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife, Elizabeth Ireland, one of my best beds and its full furniture thereunto belonging;—also, I give to my said loving wife my black mare and riding chair, to have to her disposal,—and I give to my beloved wife one year's provision after my decease;—I also give my loving wife, Elizabeth Ireland, the one-eleventh part of my whole estate to her disposal, beside what is above mentioned; and whereas, I, the said Joseph Ireland, have at sundry times disposed sundry sums of money to my children, as may appear by accounts, reference thereunto being had; my will is that the said different sums be added to either's part or portion, to make the one equal tenth part, let the sum to either child be more or less that they have had.

Item.—I will that my estate be divided in ten equal parts among my children and grand-children, that is to say, the remainder after my widow has taken her part, viz.: to my deceased son

John Ireland's children, the equal tenth part to be equally divided among the sons and daughters of the said John Ireland.

I give my daughter Sarah Jarvis's children, the one equal tenth part of my estate after my widow's part is taken out.

I give to my daughter Phoebe Oakley's children, the one equal tenth part, as above said.

I give to my son, Daniel Ireland, the said one equal tenth part, as above said.

I give to my daughter Margaret Jarvis, and her four children that she had by Joshua Brush, the one equal tenth part to be equally divided between them.

I give to my son Joseph Ireland, junr., one equal tenth part of my estate, in like proportion.

I give to my daughter Elizabeth Smith, one equal tenth part of my estate, in like proportion.

I give to my son Jacob Ireland, the one equal tenth part of my estate, in like proportion.

I give to my son Thomas Ireland, the one equal tenth part of my estate, in like proportion.

I give to my grandson, Losee Ireland, the one equal tenth part of my estate, in said like proportion.

Lastly, I constitute, ordain and appoint Samuel Wood, and my two sons Jacob Ireland and Joseph Ireland, all of the Township of Huntington, my lawful Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness hereunto, I the said Joseph Ireland have set my hand and fixed my seal, this 31st day of December, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-four.

Signed, sealed, published and pronounced by the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of the subscribers, which signed as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and of each other.

John Oakley.
Nathaniel Whitman.
Harmon Lefford.

JOSEPH IRELAND. { L.S. }

V. JOHN IRELAND.

Son of Joseph Ireland (IV.), was born probably in 1738, and married, about 1765, Hannah Norton, daughter of George Norton and his wife Mary,—which latter was a daughter of William Helmes,* whose wife was a Woodhull.

John Ireland was an active adherent of the Crown, and during the Revolution, served as an assistant commissary in the British Army during its occupation of Long Island.

In 1767, he, with Hannah, his wife, conveyed to Isaac Smith 46 acres and 10 square rods of land for consideration of £200, and by warranty deed of January 21st, 1768, received from Josiah Rogers 82 acres of land at West Neck, Cold Spring, Huntington, for which he paid £369. In May, 1773, he purchased the parsonage land at West Neck, and, in 1774, sold 33 acres to Richard Conklin for £92. His taxable property on the assessment lists of Huntington was estimated in 1768 at £300, and in December, 1774, at £800. In 1777, he was taken in arms at Lloyd's Neck, and retained a prisoner, but in the Spring of 1778, was allowed to return home to procure clothing and other necessities, on condition that he would deliver himself to his captors in thirty days. He died of small-pox in the barracks at Lloyd's Neck, in the winter of 1779–80, and Letters of Administration on his estate were issued to his widow Hannah, by the Surrogate of the County of New York, February 24th, 1780.†

Mrs. Hannah (Norton) Ireland died in New York in 1786, and was interred in the grounds of the Brick Presbyterian Church, corner of Park Row and Beekman street.

Administration on her estate was granted by the Surrogate to her brother, Isaac Norton, August 22nd, 1786.

*William Helmes also had sons, Ansel and Phineas, and a daughter Charity, who married a Smith. Phineas Helmes probably moved to Orange County, N. Y., and, in 1762, married Mary Wisner. William Helmes was probably a son of Thomas Helmes, or Helme, who was a resident of Brookhaven, L. I., from 1684 to 1703, and who is supposed to have been born at Boston, and to be a descendant of William Helme, Gentleman, of Long Sutton, otherwise Sutton St. Mary's, Lincoln Co., England, according to Mr. C. B. Moore, of the N. Y. Genealogical Society.

†Searches in the Town Clerk's Office at Huntington, and at the County Clerk's office at Riverhead, fail to discover records of any conveyance or disposition of either real or personal estate of John Ireland (V.), or of his father Joseph, made after their decease.

CHILDREN OF (V.) JOHN AND HANNAH IRELAND.

- VI. 1. ELIZABETH, (*Betsy*), born 1766, married Abiel Titus, and died August 1832, leaving one daughter, ELIZA, living 1880.
- VI. 2. WILLIAM HELMES, born December 6th, 1768, married 1st, Mary Johnston, by whom he had two children who died in infancy,—and 2d, February 1797, Ann Kip, (who died July 16th, 1845), by whom he had no issue. He was a prominent member of the old Jeffersonian Republican party; Chairman of the Republican General Committee of New York, and Alderman of the Third Ward of New York City, 1823-4-7; received a visit from General LaFayette in 1824; gave a helping hand to many young men on entering business, and died in Jay street, New York, July 1849, at the age of 80 years.
- VI. 3. GEORGE, born November 8th, 1770, married 1st, about 1796, Catharine Inness, (who died January 14th, 1834), by whom he had several children, (of whom more hereafter), and 2nd, Hannah Baley, (who survived him and died 1880), by whom he had no issue. He was an eminent builder, and in his time erected some of the most elegant houses in New York; an original director of the Mechanics' Bank, of New York, and for twenty years or more President of the Mutual Insurance Co., the first established in the city, and afterwards renamed the "Knickerbocker." He died at his residence in Lexington Avenue, New York, January 1863, in his 93d year.
- VI. 4. MARY, (*Polly*), born November 14, 1772, married William Howe of Ridgefield, Conn., and died January 28th, 1857, in her 85th year. Had several children of whom more hereafter.
- VI. 5. JOSEPH, born December 12th, 1774, married June 7th, 1796, Sophia Jones, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Belston) Jones, who was born in Bristol, England

June 17th, 1773, and died in Bridgeport, Conn., January 18th, 1871, aged 97 years and 7 months. Joseph Ireland died at his residence in Jay street, New York, January 12th, 1847, aged 72 years and 1 month. He had a numerous family, of whom more hereafter.

- VI. 6. LOUISA, born July 1st, 1777, married 1804, Jacob Clinch, (whose youngest daughter, Cornelia, by a previous marriage, afterwards became Mrs. A. T. Stewart), and died in January 1854, Mr. Clinch having deceased in January 1836. Her children were :

VII. 1. SOPHIA ELIZABETH, born 1805—died 1832.

VII. 2. THOMAS HOLMES, born 1807,—died 1832.

VII. 3. FREDERICK, died in infancy.

VII. 4. LOUISA, born 1809, married 1839, Charles E. Butler, and died 1852. Her children are :

VIII. 1. ROSALIE.

VIII. 2. HELEN.

VIII. 3. VIRGINIA.

VIII. 4. PRESCOTT HALL, married June 2, 1874, Cornelia Stewart Smith, and has *Lawrence, Charles Sedgwick, and Susan Louisa.*

VIII. 5. MAXWELL EVARTS.

VIII. 6. LILIAN LOUISA, born 1852, married August 27, 1874, John Swann, of London, and has *John Butler, and Arthur Warton Swann.*

VII. 5. LAVINIA, died in infancy.

VII. 6. ANNA CATHARINE.

VII. 7. JULIA AUGUSTA.

VII. 8. EMMA ALLEN.

The three latter living 1880.

- VI. 7. JOHN, youngest child of John and Hannah (Norton) Ireland, born 1779, and died December 11, 1798.

DESCENDANTS OF GEORGE IRELAND (VI. 3).

- VII. 1. CHARLES, died young.
- VII. 2. JAMES, died in infancy.
- VII. 3. CORNELIA ANN, born August 1, 1800, married May 20, 1820, her cousin, Dr. John Ireland Howe; and died November 9, 1874, leaving one daughter, JANE MARIA, born 1825, of whom more hereafter.
- VII. 4. JANE, born August 1802, married April 9, 1824, Jarvis Brush, and died 1825, leaving an infant daughter CATHARINE JANE, born May 17, 1825, and died September 17, 1847.
- VII. 5. CATHARINE, born November 25, 1804, married 1826, Edward Cook, who died April 10th, 1859. Her children were :
 - VIII. 1. CHARLES WILLIAM, born 1827, died 1833.
 - VIII. 2. GEORGE, born and died 1829.
 - VIII. 3. CORNELIA ANN, born 1830, married Doctor Daniel L. Adams—now of Ridgefield, Conn., and has had :
 - IX. 1. CHARLES, born August 4th, 1864, died in infancy.
 - IX. 2. CATHARINE, born May 3rd, 1866.
 - IX. 3. MARY WRIGHT, born October 15th, 1868.
 - IX. 4. FRANK M., born June 7th, 1871.
 - IX. 5. ROGER C., born May 1st, 1874.
 - VIII. 4. MARY, born 1832, married 1850, James A. Wright of Philadelphia, and died October 1866, leaving :
 - IX. 1. EDITH, born 1851.
 - IX. 2. GEORGE IRELAND, born 1853, died 1870.
 - IX. 3. An Infant, born and died 1855.
 - IX. 4. JAMES A., born 1857.
 - IX. 5. FRANCES PALMER, born 1858, married October 14th, 1880, Henry K. Brown Davis.

- IX. 6. ERNEST N., born 1861.
- IX. 7. WALTER COOK, born 1863.
- IX. 8. MARIAN A., born 1865.
- VIII. 5. EDWARD MITCHELL, born 1834, married December 28th, 1876, Mary A. Sprague, and has :
 - IX. 1. CARLTON SPRAGUE, born 1877.
 - IX. 2. CATHARINE, born 1879.
- VIII. 6. GEORGE IRELAND, born 1835.
- VIII. 7. WILLIAM, born 1837, died in infancy.
- VIII. THREE INFANTS successively died, unnamed.
- VIII. 8. WILLIAM, born 1842, married May 28th, 1868, Susan C. Boyd, and has :
 - IX. 1. CATHARINE I., born 1869.
 - IX. 2. ROBERT BOYD, born 1872.
 - IX. 3. A daughter, born 1880.
- VIII. 9. ANNA C., born 1844.
- VIII. 10. WALTER, born 1846, married in Paris, France, Marie Hugot, and has :
 - IX. 1. EDWARD, born 1878.
 - IX. 2. WALTER, born, 1880.
- VIII. 11. GERTRUDE, born 1848, died in infancy.
- VII. 5. GEORGE IRELAND (Jr.), born April 23d, 1813, married November 8th, 1837, Anna Mary, daughter of General Aaron Brown, and died August 24th, 1873. His children were :
 - VIII. 1. CATHARINE INNIS, born 1838.
 - VIII. 2. OSCAR BROWN, born 1840, married December 11th, 1877, Jeannie Gordon of Springfield, Mass.
 - VIII. 3. JULIA CLINCH, born 1842, married 1865, Preston B. Spring, and has :
 - IX. 1. LILIAN, born 1866.
 - IX. 2. PHILIP, born * * * died in infancy.
 - IX. 3. MARGARET G.
 - IX. 4. EDWARD.
 - IX. 5. JULIA, born 1878, died 1880.

- VIII. 4. EMMA, born 1844.
- VIII. 5. FREDERICK GUION, born 1846, married September 1st, 1880, Alice Carpenter.
- VIII. 6. MARY, (twin), born 1848.
- VIII. 7. ANNA, (twin), born 1848, died in infancy.
- VIII. 8. LOUISA, died in infancy.
- VIII. 9. GRACE.
- VIII. 10. GEORGE.

DESCENDANTS OF (VI. 4.) MARY (IRELAND) AND WILLIAM HOWE.

- VII. 1. JOHN IRELAND HOWE, M. D., and inventor of machine-made solid headed pins, born July 20th, 1793, married May 20th, 1820, Cornelia Ann Ireland, and died September 10th, 1876, leaving an only daughter :
(VIII. 1.), JANE MARIA, born October 6th, 1825, who married June 24th, 1851, William E. Downes, (born August 22nd, 1824), and has had as follows :
 - IX. 1. HELEN GUION, born March 29th, 1852, married November 2nd, 1875, Charles Elmes Atwater, (born January 19th, 1849,) and has (X.), *Jean Howe Atwater*, born September 7th, 1876, and (X.), *Helen Charnley Atwater*, born May 11th, 1879.
 - IX. 2. WILLIAM HOWE DOWNES, born March 1st, 1854, married September 28th, 1875, Helen Louise Sawyer, (born February 23rd, 1853), and has (X.), *Dorothea*, born March 3rd, 1878, and (X.), *Dennis*, born November 15th, 1879.
 - IX. 3. CATHARINE JANE DOWNES, born August 29th, 1857, married in Egypt, February 18th, 1878, William Wallace Whiting, and has (X.), *Susan Whiting*, born January 12th, 1879,

- and (X.); *Phæbe Whiting*, born May 31st, 1880.
- IX. 4. JOHN IRELAND HOWE DOWNES, born June 22nd, 1859, and died May 13th, 1860.
- IX. 5. JOHN I. HOWE DOWNES, born September 18th, 1861.
- VII. 2. EPENETUS HOWE, born September 22nd, 1795, died in infancy.
- VII. 3. EPENETUS HOWE, born October 24th, 1797, married (1826?) Ann E. Hunt, and died December 25th, 1864, having had :
- VIII. 1. HANNAH MARIA, born August 11th, 1831, married George Howe, and died without issue.
- VIII. 2. WILLIAM HELMES IRELAND HOWE, born May 26th, 1836, married September 17th, 1862, Laura Mead, and has :
- IX. 1. EPENETUS, born February 7th, 1866.
- IX. 2. ALFRED, born November 24th, 1868.
- IX. 3. GEORGE, born August 7th, 1872.
- IX. 4. THOMAS, born August 18th, 1875.
- IX. 5. LAURA, born October 30th, 1879.
- VIII. 3. ANN ELIZA, born March 3d, 1840, married October 24th, 1872, John Titus Hunt, and has a son JOHN, born March 26th, 1874.
- VIII. 4. CORNELIA, born August 1st, 1846, died December 4th, 1865.
- VII. 4. MARIA HOWE, born November 18th, 1799, married * * Alfred Quick, and died about 1825, leaving two daughters :
- VIII. 1. ANN ELIZA QUICK, born 1821, married November 26th, 1847, Raymond Weed, and died October 14th, 1859, leaving one son JOHN WEED.
- VIII. 2. LOUISA MARIA QUICK, born November 6th, 1823, married February 20th, 1845, Norman Smith, and has had :
- IX. 1. WILLIE HOWE SMITH, born December 22nd, 1845, married February 7th,

1872, Mary Alice Townsend, and has a son (X.), *Harvey Norton Smith*, born September 22nd, 1875.

- IX. 2. MARIA CORNELIA, born December 14th, 1847.
- IX. 3. EDWIN DIBBLE, born November 4th, 1850.
- IX. 4. ANNIE MARY, born August 1st, 1853, died 1857.
- IX. 5. JULIA CYNTHIA, born March 7th, 1856.
- IX. 6. LYDIA HOWE, born July 5th, 1858.
- IX. 7. CLARENCE RUSSELL, born January 16th, 1861.
- IX. 8. MARY LOUISE, born January 22nd, 1865.
- VII. 5. ELIZA HOWE, born August 30th, 1802, married Joel K. Baxter, and has (VIII.), ELBERT BAXTER, born October 9th, 1829, and (VIII.), JANE ELIZA BAXTER, born July 27th, 1835, married John A. Braden, and has had (IX.), CORNELIA, born 1860, died 1866, and (IX.), MARY LOUISA, born November 25th, 1862.
- VII. 6. EMMELINE HOWE, born June 27th, 1805, married Reuben French, and died about 1859, without issue.
- VII. 7. WILLIAM HOWE (Jr.), born September 21st, 1807, married February 18th, 1835, Lydia Purdy, who died March 1873, and has had :
 - VIII. 1. MARY IRELAND HOWE, born December 2nd, 1835, who married March 4th, 1858, George Henry Hess, (born August 29th, 1834), and has :
 - IX. 1. WILLIAM HOWE HESS, born January 28th, 1859.
 - IX. 2. LOUISE TALMAN HESS, born August 21st, 1860.
 - IX. 3. GEORGE HENRY HESS, JR., born October 19th, 1863.

- IX. 4. LYDIA PURDY HESS, born April 8th, 1866.
- IX. 5. BESSIE CRAMER HESS, born February 2nd, 1869.
- IX. 6. MARY GUION HESS, born October 24th, 1871.
- IX. 7. MARGARET HUNT HESS, born January 15th, 1875.
- IX. 8. EMMA KIPLING HESS, born January 18th, 1878.
- VIII. 2. ISAAC PURDY HOWE, born October 29th, 1837, died January 15th, 1842.
- VIII. 3. LYDIA PURDY HOWE, born August 27th, 1839, married May 30th, 1861, Elbert Field, (born November 4th, 1833), and has had :
 - IX. 1. OLIVER, born July 23rd, 1862, died October 16th, 1876.
 - IX. 2. WILLIAM HOWE, born July 17th, 1864, died February 5th, 1867.
 - IX. 3. MARY HOWE, born December 3rd, 1866.
 - IX. 4. JOHN IRELAND, born November 22nd, 1868.
 - IX. 5. ETHEL GUION, born January 10th, 1874.
- VIII. 4. ELIZABETH CRAMER HOWE, born September 24th, 1841.
- VIII. 5. ISAAC PURDY HOWE, born September 12th, 1843, married November 21st, 1865, Emma Frazer, and has had :
 - IX. 1. ADALENA ROSSI HOWE, born August 31st, 1866.
 - IX. 2. WILLIAM HOWE, born November 6th, 1869.
 - IX. 3. ALFRED FRAZER HOWE, born April 25th, 1872.
 - IX. 4. LYDIA PURDY HOWE, born June 2nd, 1873, died July 21st, 1880.

- VIII. 6. JOHN IRELAND HOWE, born August 9th, 1845, married February 16th, 1870, Deralice Kipling, and has :
- IX. 1. JOHN I. HOWE, JR., born December 3rd, 1870.
- IX. 2. DERALICE, born February 27th, 1872.
- VIII. 7. EMMA FRENCH HOWE, born October 23rd, 1847, married * * * 1873, Richard Kipling, and has :
- IX. 1. LYDIA.
- IX. 2. HARRIET.
- VII. 8. GEORGE WASHINGTON HOWE, born December 31st, 1809, died in infancy.
- VII. 9. NANCY HOWE, born January 17th, 1811, married December 21st, 1828, William Vail (born December 13th, 1808,) and died February 12th, 1880, having had :
- VIII. 1. EDWARD BRUNDAGE VAIL, born June 21st, 1832, married October 10th, 1860, Elizabeth L. Purdy, and died April 18th, 1866, leaving an only daughter, MARY PURDY, born June 3rd, 1863. His only son, EDWARD TALMADGE, born September 9th, 1865, died March 1st, 1866.
- VIII. 2. THOMAS CLINCH VAIL, born May 4th, 1837, married October 18th, 1859, Martha Crane Hunt, (born October 21st, 1840,) and has : ABBIE HUNT VAIL, born March 6th, 1865, and JANETTE TITUS VAIL, born April 15th, 1871.
- VIII. 3. JOSEPH WILLIAM VAIL, born March 13th, 1840, married * * * Hortense Bailey.
- VII. 10. GEORGE WASHINGTON HOWE, born November 13th, 1813, died in infancy.

DESCENDANTS OF (VI. 5.) JOSEPH AND SOPHIA
(JONES) IRELAND.

- VII. 1. SARAH BELSTON IRELAND, born in N. Y. July 17th, 1797, died in Bridgeport, Conn., January 17th, 1876.
- VII. 2. ELIZA, born October 7th, 1799, married May 2nd, 1820, Jarvis Brush, son of Philip Brush, and great-grandson of (IV.) John Ireland, and died December 18th, 1822, leaving a son, JOSEPH IRELAND BRUSH, born March 6th, 1821, died March 27th, 1826, and an infant, PHILIP JARVIS, who died the day after his mother.
- VII. 3. CAROLINE, born February 4th, 1802, married November 9th, 1823, Abraham Lockwood, and died December 9th, 1825, leaving a son, THOMAS WILLIAM LOCKWOOD, born October 28th, 1824, who died May 27th, 1842.
- VII. 4. THOMAS JONES IRELAND, born October 4th, 1804, married September 29th, 1828, Antoinette (daughter of Lewis Ford), who was born November 28th, 1805, and died December 8th, 1874. Thomas J. Ireland died at Bridgeport, Conn., November 17th, 1858, having had the following children :
 - VIII. 1. LEWIS FORD IRELAND, born June 2d, 1829, resided in California many years, but died in New York unmarried, November 26th, 1871.
 - VIII. 2. JOSEPH, born December 31st, 1830, died January 26, 1839.
 - VIII. 3. MARIA ANTOINETTE, born August 6th, 1832, married June 17th, 1857, Thompson E. Fitz Randolph, and has had :
 - IX. 1. EDITH, born December 28th, 1859.
 - IX. 2. ROBERT, born May 10th, 1861, died August 10th, 1866.
 - IX. 3. ANTOINETTE, born July 24th, 1862.
 - IX. 4. MABEL, born December 27th, 1865.
 - IX. 5. SOPHIE, born February 6th, 1868.

- IX. 6. BLANCHE, born February 20th, 1871.
- IX. 7. WILLARD, born September 17th, 1872.
- VIII. 4. ELIZA, born September 19th, 1834, died August 6th, 1836.
- VIII. 5. JULIET, born September 29th, 1836.
- VIII. 6. WILLIAM HELMES, born February 23rd, 1839, died April 2nd, 1858.
- VIII. 7. THOMAS JONES, born May 29th, 1841, died September 9th, 1846.
- VIII. 8. JOSEPH, born June 17th, 1843, married November 16th, 1869, Mary DeForest, and has had :
 - IX. 1. WILLIAM DEFOREST, born November 20th, 1870, died August 19th, 1871.
 - IX. 2. MARY DEFOREST, born February 20th, 1872.
 - IX. 3. WILLIAM DEFOREST, born May 23rd, 1875.
 - IX. 4. ANTOINETTE FORD, born August 1st, 1876.
 - IX. 5. RUTHERFORD, born December 22nd, 1877.
 - IX. 6. CORNELIA LYND, born June 21st, 1879, died April 30th, 1880.

Joseph Ireland is a prominent Architect of Cleveland, Ohio.
- VIII. 9. HENRY CLAY, born September 13th, 1845, married Virginia DeNeal, and died May 10th, 1871.
- VII. 5. WILLIAM HELMES IRELAND, (Twin with Thomas Jones), born October 4th, 1804, married November 11th, 1835, Rachel Ann, daughter of Uzal P. Ward, and died July 15th, 1878. His children were :
 - VIII. 1. UZAL WARD, born March 30th, 1838, married October 26th, 1859, Emma Gilbert, daughter of George Jones, of the New York

Daily Times, and died October 4th, 1865, leaving a daughter, (IX.) JOSEPHINE GILBERT, born January 8th, 1861, and a son, (IX.) GILBERT WARD, born October 8th, 1863.

- VIII. 2. SOPHIA, born October 25th, 1840.
- VIII. 3. JOHN, born January 27th, 1843, died April 21st, 1880.
- VIII. 4. LUCY NEVERS, born April 28th, 1848, married September 18th, 1878, Charles W. Cornell.
- VIII. 5. EDWARD, born 1850, died April 13th, 1856.
- VIII. 6. MARY DAVIS, born August 25th, 1855.
- VII. 6. JOHN IRELAND, born February 13th, 1807,—died July 8th, 1807.
- VII. 7. JULIET S. born August 1st, 1808.
- VII. 8. CATHARINE ANN, born December 29th, 1810, died September 24th, 1812.
- VII. 9. JANE SOPHIA, born February 6th, 1813, married May 21st, 1833, Abraham Lockwood, (born May 27th, 1799, and died April 6th, 1850), and died at Bridgeport, Conn., June 9th, 1859. Her children were :
 - VIII. 1. SOPHIA JONES LOCKWOOD, born June 22nd, 1834, and died at Bethlehem, Penn., January 20th, 1845.
 - VIII. 2. PHILIP EMBURY LOCKWOOD, born October 31st, 1836, married July 11th, 1861, Emma Virginia Augusta, daughter of G. H. Goun-
die, of Bethlehem, Penn., American Consul at Zurich, Switzerland.
 - VIII. 3. A daughter, born October 27th, 1839, died November 2nd, 1839.
 - VIII. 4. CAROLINE IRELAND LOCKWOOD, born November 4th, 1841, married at Bridgeport, Conn., September 25th, 1866, Walter Alfred Satchell, M. D. of London, England, and has :
 - IX. 1. EMMA GERTRUDE, born October 3rd, 1867.

- IX. 2. REGINALD OWEN, born January 21st, 1869.
- IX. 3. WALTER MERVYN, born August 29th, 1870.
- IX. 4. HUBERT, born at Bridgeport, Conn., U. S. A., December 19th, 1871.
- IX. 5. EDITH SOPHIA, born October 1st, 1873.
- IX. 6. CAROLINE JULIET, born, September 25th, 1876.
- VIII. 5. ABRAHAM LOCKWOOD, born June 10th, 1848, married February 17th, 1876, Anna Louisa, daughter of Dr. George F. Foote, (born November 2nd, 1852), and has :
 - IX. 1. FRANK ARTHUR LOCKWOOD, born November 29th, 1876.
 - IX. 2. LIZZIE JULIET, born July 15th, 1878.
- VII. 10. MARY LOUISA IRELAND, born August 14th, 1815, died January 1st, 1816.
- VII. 11. JOSEPH NORTON IRELAND, born April 24th, 1817, married June 10th, 1845, Mary Amelia, daughter of Walter and Mary (Van Nostrand) Titus, and adopted daughter of John S. and Amelia (Titus) Avery, born October 18th, 1818. Their daughter by adoption is SUSAN, daughter of James and Margaret (Underhill) Townsend, born at Oyster Bay, L. I., November 30th, 1852, married at Bridgeport, Conn., October 1st, 1874, William W. Starr, Jr., (born January 12th, 1848), and has ;
 - 1. *Margaret Townsend Starr*, born November 25th, 1875.
 - 2. *William Ireland Starr*, born May 26th, 1877.
 - 3. *Mary Amelia Avery Starr*, born August 10th, 1880.

DESCENDANTS OF DANIEL IRELAND. (V. 3.)

DANIEL IRELAND, born * * married Tabitha, daughter of Samuel and Esther Smith, who was born July 29th, 1753, and died July 23rd, 1833. Their children were :

1. DERRICK IRELAND, born May 17th, 1770,—killed by lightning, June 2nd, 1801.
2. CHARLOTTE, born 1772, married Griffith Thomas, and died December 23rd, 1838, having had sons, *George*, born 1804, *Francis*, born 1805, and *William G.*, born 1809. *George Thomas* married *Mary Pearsall*, and had daughter, *Mary P.*, born 1823, and son, *Charles Thomas*.
3. JACOB IRELAND, JR., born July 25th, 1774.
4. SARAH IRELAND, born December 31st, 1776, died December 10th, 1850.
5. DANIEL IRELAND, JR., born June 14th, 1778.
6. ESTHER IRELAND, born June 29th, 1782, married Samuel Weeks, and died May 31st, 1868. Her children were : *Deborah Ann*, *Sarah*, *James*, *William*, *Smith*, *Hannah*, *Samuel*, *Eliza F.*, *John H.* and *Louisa*,—the first born 1804, the last 1824. SMITH WEEKS, born 1812, married Mary Poole, and had daughters *Ruth Ann*, born 1834, *Sarah*, *Lucy Briggs*, *Mary E.*, *Amanda*, and *Emma Jane*, born 1847. His daughter, *Ruth Ann*, married William Sumner, and has children, *Horace*, *Jessie*, and *Mary Abby Sumner*. His daughter *Sarah* married Charles Saxton, and has *Wilbur Smith*, *Mary Elizabeth*, *Charles Franklin*, *Florence*, *Edgar*, *George* and *Frederick*. His daughter, *Lucy B.*, married Henry Dederer, and has, *George*, *Edward*, *Dykeman*, *Samuel*, and *Harry Dederer*. His daughter *Amanda*, married Elisha Purdy, and has a daughter, *Ada*.
7. DEBORAH IRELAND, born 1784, married, 1st, — Austin, and had sons, *John E. Austin*, (who has two

sons and three daughters), and *William Austin*, who has one son, *William Austin, Jr.* She married, 2nd, John Develin and had one son, JOHN E. DEVELIN, a prominent lawyer and member of the Legislature of New York. He is married and has a family.

8. JULIA IRELAND, born 1787.
9. ELIZABETH IRELAND, born 1790, died 1822.
10. RUTH IRELAND, born 1792, married, 1st, Thomas Wallace, and 2nd, ——— Whittingham. She had by Wallace, *Isabella*, *Eliza*, *Ruth*, *Janette*, and *Thomas Wallace, Jr.*, the latter of whom married and left one son. By Whittingham, she had two daughters, *Amelia* and *Mary*. She died January 14th, 1850.

DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS IRELAND. (V. 6.)

- VI. 1. SAMUEL IRELAND, born November 11th, 1789, married, 1st, February 6th, 1813, Charity Wood, (born February 28th, 1790,—died October 3rd, 1843), and 2nd, October 2nd, 1844, Jane Baylis, and died December 6th, 1869. His children by his first wife, were :
 1. ANNE, born February 12th, 1814, died September 12th, 1815.
 2. PHOEBE, born June 7th, 1816, married Richard J. Cornelius, September 4th, 1834, and had :

Annie E. Cornelius, married, 1872, Charles N. Edwards.

Mary A. Cornelius, married, 1870, Charles L. Edwards.

Ida L. Cornelius, married, 1872, J. K. Powell.

William H. Cornelius, married Hattie Ketcham.

Jennie H. Cornelius, deceased.
 3. THOMAS IRELAND, born August 31st, 1818, married Susan Ketcham, and had :

Cornelia A. Ireland, married Dr. Edward V. Brown.

Phoebe A. Ireland, married Jarvis A. Bennett.

Helen A. Ireland.

4. GEORGE IRELAND, born June 8th, 1820, married Ruth Smith, and had :
Antoinette, married Charles Miller.
Elizabeth, married George Thorne.
Samuel, married Louise ———.
Treadwell, married Amelia ———.
Flora, married Jacob Bennett.
Georgiana.
Coe Ireland.
5. ELIZA IRELAND, born December 4th, 1822, married Charles P. Emmons, and had :
Samuel Emmons.
Viola Emmons, married Theodore Jeffreys.
Lily Emmons, married Harry Warren.
Charles Emmons.
Millie Emmons.
6. ANNE IRELAND, born August 21st, 1825, died 1829.
7. STEPHEN IRELAND, born August 3rd, 1830, died 1831.

SAMUEL IRELAND'S son by his second wife is :

8. JOHN EDWARD IRELAND, born November 5th, 1845, married Annie Trembly, and has had :
Bertie Ireland, deceased,—*Charlie*, *Rufus*, and *Jennie*.
- VI. 2. JOHN OAKLEY IRELAND, (born about 1798), married Hannah Whitman, who died 1879, and had one son :
TREADWELL IRELAND, M. D., born about 1826, who in 1874 married Ella Wingate Page, and in 1880 was living at Greenport, L. I., having had three children.
- VI. 3. ABIGAIL IRELAND, married Peter Montfort, and had :
1. *Phoebe*, who married ——— Bennett ; 2, *Andrus* ;
3, *John* ; 4, *Thomas*.
- VI. 4. FANNY IRELAND, married Philip Valentine, and had :
1. *Patience*, married Snedecor, and had a son, *Increase* ; 2, *Mary* ; 3, *Fanny* ; 4, *Philip* ; 5, *Ireland* ; 6, *Hosea* ; 7, *Samantha* ; 8, *Cornelia* ; 9, *Wealthy* ; 10, *Elizabeth* ; 11, *Ann* ; 12, *Emma*.
- VI. 5. HANNAH IRELAND, married Conklin Ketcham, and had :

1. *Alexander* ; 2, *Samuel* ; 3, *Andrew* ; 4, *Silas* ; 5, *Peter* ; 6 and 7, *Thomas* and *William* (twins) ; 8, *Harry* ; 9, *Oakley* ; 10, *Fanny* ; 11, *Harriet* ; 12, *Mahala* ; 13, *Hannah* ; 14, *Patience*.

VI. 6. KEZIA IRELAND, married Jarvis Ketcham, and had :

1. *Abbie*, born 1816, married Wait Smith.
2. *Elizabeth*, married Conklin Baylis.
3. *Emily*, married Richard Darbey.
4. *George*, married Elizabeth Ketcham.

THE NORTON FAMILY.

The name of NORTON, by pedigree hunters, has been traced back to a Norman origin and the time of William the Conqueror, when his Constable, who came with him into England, bore the name of Norville, which by translation was rendered Nortown, or Norton, by which designation his posterity have ever since been distinguished.

The present or recent most prominent bearer of the name in England, is Fletcher Norton, Lord Grantley, brother of the Hon. George Norton, who married a granddaughter of Richard Brinsley Sheridan, a distinguished authoress and poetess.

That the family is of Norman French extraction may readily be inferred from the prevailing dark complexion and the excitable, nervous temperament it has generally displayed.

Any attempt to connect our branch with the Constable of William the Conqueror would probably prove futile,—the links, if ever existing, are doubtless lost forever,—especially as it has been impossible to trace the pedigree of GEORGE NORTON, our first known ancestor of that name, or even to prove from whence or when he came to Long Island. Various suppositions have been made with regard to his origin, but, in the opinion of the writer, he was probably a son or grandson of Nathaniel Norton, of Brookhaven, L. I., who, in December, 1684, executed a will in favor of his wife Mary, his sons Isaac, Nathaniel, George and Jonathan, and his daughters Mary, Sarah and Hannah, appointing his wife Executrix, and recommending his friend Richard Woodhull, Jr., as her adviser; the same being witnessed by Thomas Helme and John Wade.

Our first known GEORGE NORTON married *Mary*, daughter of *William Helmes* (whose wife was a *Woodhull*), and among his children were the names of *George*, *Isaac*, *Mary*, *Hannah*, and *Sarah*, which strongly indicates a close connection with the family of *Nathaniel Norton*.

GEORGE NORTON was a resident of Huntington South, during the Revolution, and his property on the tax list was rated at £1,000.

His son, ISAAC NORTON, married Elizabeth Phillips (granddaughter of Rev. George Phillips) and had an only daughter, MARY, who married Timothy Titus, by whom she had a numerous family, of whom her son CHARLES and daughters MARIA and ELIZA, died unmarried; her son HENRY married Ann Seaman, but died without children; her daughter SARAH married Doctor Trevett of Marblehead, and at her death left an only son, REV. RUSSELL TREVETT, who married Mary Benedict, and at his death left several sons. WILLIAM M. TITUS, son of Timothy and MARY (NORTON) TITUS, married Maria, daughter of Thomas Gardner, and left an only daughter, SARAH JANE, who married Christian A. Zabriskie, and has a son, *Andrew C. Zabriskie*, and a daughter, *Sarah Titus*.

GEORGE NORTON'S son, GEORGE NORTON, JR., born January 20th, 1745, married, 1767, Sarah Titus, and died 1797, leaving daughters HANNAH and RUTH, and son HENRY.

HANNAH, born 1768, married Melancthon Wood, and had ten children, among whom were *Keturah*, who married a Willetts; *Isaac*, who married a Valentine; and *Henry*, who married a Rogers and had a son *Henry* and a daughter *Anna*, the wife of Doctor George Miner of North Salem, N. Y., who has several children.

RUTH NORTON, born 1781, married John Titus (born 1783, died 1861), and died 1832, leaving a son, GEORGE NORTON TITUS, born 1810, who 1832, married Lydia Ann Marshall, born 1808, and has had, with other children, three daughters, *Lucretia* (Mrs. Wm. Harmon Brown, born 1836), *Anna Turk* (Mrs. Tompkins Westervelt, born 1838), and *Julia Betts* (Mrs. John A. Aspinwall, born 1841, died 1876.)

RUTH (NORTON) TITUS'S daughter SUSAN, born 1812, married 1834, J. Ray Tompkins, son of Gov. Daniel D. Tompkins, Vice-President of the United States, and has 1, MINTHORNE TOMPKINS, (who, 1861, married Frances Hart, and has daughters *Emily*, *Susan*, *Julia*, *Ethel*,

and sons *Mangle Minthorne*, and *Philip Weber*;) 2, HELENA; 3, SUSAN, born 1840, (who, 1868, married J. Haven Emerson, M. D., and has *Ruth*, *William*, *Haven*, and notably a set of triplets, *Helena*, *Elizabeth* and *Julia*, born April 6th, 1877); 4, RUTH, and 5, SARAH GORDON.

HENRY NORTON, born May 15th, 1773, married Polly Titus, and died August 11th, 1836, having had:

1. GEORGE, born 1797, married Cynthia Smith, and died 1864. His children were: 1. *Antoinette*, married a Patrick; 2. *Mary Charlotte*, married Oscar B. Nichols, and has six children; 3. *Sarah*; and 4. *Julia*.
2. JOHN TITUS NORTON, born 1798, died 1879.
3. ISAAC, born 1800, died 1878.
4. MELANCTHON WOOD NORTON, born 1802, married first, Lydia Whelpley, (by whom he had one surviving son, *Henry*, who married Martha Geraud), and second, Cornelia Geraud.
5. SARAH, born 1810, died 1830.
6. MINERVA, born 1812.
7. HENRY, born 1815, married Gertrude Bastedo, and died 1865, leaving two sons, *Thomas* and *Henry*.

GEORGE NORTON'S daughter MARY, married ——— Arthur, and had daughters, *Polly*, who married Elkanah Smith, and *Harriet*, and probably other children.

G. N'S. daughter, RUTH, married ——— Blydenburg, and had children, one of whom married a Floyd, two of whose daughters were afterwards severally, *Mrs. Joel Post* and *Mrs. Allison Post*.

G. N'S. daughter BETSY, married Jeremiah Wood, and had:

1. POLLY, who married Nathan Conklin of Huntington, and had a son GEORGE CONKLIN, who married Betsy Brush, and a daughter, ELIZA.
2. PRUDENCE, who married Elkanah Platt, and had GEORGE WOOD PLATT, who married Eliza Roshore, and had: *Henry Mortimer Platt*, who married Caroline Amelia Weed; *Maria Roshore Platt*, who married Isaac Chandler Withington; *George Washington Platt*, who married

Mary Caroline Coles; *Mary Norton Platt*, who married James W. Todd; and *Ann Eliza Platt*, who married, 1st, John F. Stoddard, and 2nd, Rev. E. M. Stoddard. MRS. PRUDENCE PLATT also had NATHAN CONKLIN PLATT, who married ——— Wilson; BETSY, who married Henry Mortimer; DEBORAH, who married ——— Merritt; DAVID and BREWSTER.

G. N's. daughter TEMPERANCE, born June 19th, 1749, baptized August 5th, 1750, married 1772, Israel Titus, (who was born February 16th, 1744, baptized August 1st, 1744, and died August 15th, 1811), and died October 26th, 1789, leaving sons WALTER and JOHN, and daughters AMELIA, POLLY and BETSY.

WALTER TITUS, born April 11th, 1773, married, 1st, September 13th, 1801, Mary, daughter of John and Helenah (Lefferts) Van Nostrand, (born January 11th, 1782, died November 2nd, 1818), by whom he had:

1. JAMES IRA TITUS, born 1802, married Frederika Weber, and died 1849, leaving two sons and two daughters.
2. SARAH SOPHIA, born 1805, married 1829, James Madison Tilley, and died 1847, leaving one daughter, SOPHIA CLINCH, who married William Thomas Lawrence, and has three daughters, *Sophia*, *Alice* and *Margarita*.
3. JOHN AVERY TITUS, born 1807, died 1841.
4. WALTER TITUS, JR., born 1809, married 1831, Jane Bailey, and died 1878, leaving one son, *Thomas Frame*, who married Catharine Day and has two daughters.
5. ELIZABETH CHARLOTTE, born 1810, who married Charles W. Hill of Toledo, Ohio, and died, leaving a son, *Avery Sedgwick Hill*, (married), and daughters, *Sophia Laura*, (Mrs. Peckham), and *Mary Elizabeth*, (Mrs. Henry D. Pierce), all of whom have children. A daughter, *Clara*, died unmarried.
6. HELENA, born 1812, married William Horace Brown, and has had sons, *Avery Titus* and *George Horace*, and daughter *Mary*, who married Constant A. Andrews.
7. ISRAEL TITUS, born 1814, married Adeline Stocking and died 1849, leaving daughters *Augusta*, (Mrs. Hamm), and *Mary Amelia*, (Mrs. Birkhead.)

8. ROBERT WEEKS TITUS, born 1816, married Ann Eliza Stocking, and died September, 1880, without children.

9. MARY AMELIA AVERY, born October 18th, 1818, adopted by her aunt and uncle, Amelia and John S. Avery, and married June 10th, 1845, JOSEPH NORTON IRELAND.

WALTER TITUS married, secondly, 1819, Charlotte, daughter of Abiel Titus, by whom he had one daughter, CLARISSA ANN. He died February 29th, 1848.

AMELIA TITUS, born December 8th, 1774, married February 11th, 1813, John Smith Avery, (born December 28th, 1777, died April 14th, 1857), and died January 6th, 1863, leaving an only son :

WALTER TITUS AVERY, born January 18th, 1814.

G. N's. daughter SARAH, married September 12th, 1775, John Titus, and had son JOHN TITUS, JR., who married RUTH NORTON; and daughter POLLY, who married HENRY NORTON—both before mentioned. She also had a daughter :

CHARLOTTE, born 1781, married 1806, Thaddeus Crane, (who died in 1849,) and died 1825, leaving daughters :

1. LYDIA, born 1813, who married, 1st, Oliver Field, and had two sons, *Elbert* and *Thaddeus Field*, and 2nd, John Dickinson.
2. SALLY, who married Jabez Jones and has a family.
3. CLARISSA, who married Morgan Smith, and has daughters *Anna* and *Clara*; and,
4. MARY, unmarried.

JOHN AND SARAH (NORTON) TITUS also had a daughter :

SARAH, born 1790, married Daniel Youngs Townsend, and died in 1867, having had a daughter, HANNAH MARIA, who died in 1854, unmarried; and sons JOHN JOSEPH, who married Catharine, daughter of Arthur Bronson, and EDWARD MITCHELL, who married Belinda Rockwell, both of whom have families.

G. N's. daughter SUSAN, married Peter Benedict, and at the close of the Revolution emigrated with him to Canada, and had three or more children. Her son, GEORGE BENEDICT had six children, *George, Peter, Charles, Henry, Esther* and *Susanna*. Her daughter, BETSY, married Dr. Beach and had daughters; and her daughter, SUSAN, married Benjamin Wales and had daughters.

Mrs. Susan Benedict visited her American relatives in 1831-2, and was probably living as late as 1845, the last survivor of her generation.

G. N's. daughter HANNAH, married about 1765, JOHN IRELAND, (V.), and brought into the Ireland family a physical activity, a mental vigor, and a nervous excitability probably not heretofore belonging to it. With the caution and prudence of the Irelands, commingled with her own characteristics, her sons, WILLIAM, GEORGE and JOSEPH, left orphans at an early age, and apparently without the heritage of a dollar, by their own industry, enterprise and perseverance, all became successful business men, and attained independence if not wealth,—and her daughters and their descendants have displayed an intellectual ability far above the average.

THE LOSEE FAMILY

Became connected with that of IRELAND by the intermarriage of Joseph Ireland (IV.) with Elizabeth Losee in 1735. PETER LOSEE, the earliest known of the name, was probably a resident of Oyster Bay, previous to the year 1700. He was the father of three sons,—Peter, Lawrence and Simon, (who in 1739 married Phœbe Lewis),—and of ten daughters :

1. Sarah, who married ——— Huff.
2. Nancy, who married ——— Totten.
3. Margaret, who married (1739), Sampson Cruger.
4. Mary, who married ——— Burnet.
5. Charity, who married ——— Titus.
6. Patty, who married ——— Duryea.
7. Jane, who married (1753), Johannes Boerum.
8. Phœbe, who married ——— Weeks.
9. ———, who married ——— Denton.
10. ELIZABETH, born about 1712, who married about 1735, JOSEPH IRELAND, (IV.) and died in 1802.

SARAH LOSEE, a grand daughter of the first-mentioned PETER LOSEE, married 1764, JOHN VAN NOSTRAND, and had daughters, Mrs. Pettit, Mrs. Fredericks, and Sarah, who married Aert Middagh of Brooklyn. The eldest daughter of Mrs. Middagh, Magdalen, married, 1st, Samuel B. Sands, and 2nd, Joshua March. Her sisters were severally Mrs. William R. Gracie, and Mrs. Henshaw.

Sarah (Losee) Van Nostrand, likewise had sons :

1. Martin Van Nostrand.
2. Abraham Van Nostrand, who had a daughter and sons, Aert Middagh, Joseph and Martin.
3. Losee Van Nostrand, who had one son, and daughters Angelina, who married Rev. J. W. Diller; Mary, (Mrs. Bach), and Sarah, (Mrs. ———.)

NOTE.—The account of the Losee family, is principally from personal knowledge and verbal information—no written records being conveniently procurable.

4. John Van Nostrand, who married Abigail Horton, and had daughters,—Almira, born about 1810, who married Henry Suydam, Jr., Louisa, (Mrs. Harman Westervelt,) and Adeline, (Mrs. Horatio Dorr), and sons,—John James, born about 1815, and Henry D., born about 1824, all having children.
5. James Van Nostrand,—married twice, and had a son and daughter.

MARGARET LOSEE, daughter of the first Peter Losee, married in 1739, Sampson Cruger, or Crooker, and was the ancestress of Rosetta Crooker, (Mrs. Hegeman) and of Phoebe Crooker, (Mrs. Jonah Tilley), the mother of Sampson Crooker Tilley, who married Sarah, daughter of Capt. James Rogers, and left a son James, and a daughter Louise ; and of James Madison Tilley, who married Sarah Sophia, daughter of Walter Titus, and at his death left an only daughter, Sophia Clinch, who married William Thomas Lawrence, and has three daughters.

A DEED OF THOMAS YOUNG, JR., TO THOMAS
IRELAND, A. D., 1701.

To all Christian People to whom this present writing shall come or in anywise appertain, be it known that I, Thomas Young, Junr., of Oyster Bay in Queens County on Nassau Island in the Colony of New York, for and in consideration of Sixteen Pounds in good and lawful money of New York, and other valuable considerations in hand paid and by me the said Thomas Young, Junr., received of Thomas Ireland of Oyster Bay, aforesaid in full payment and satisfaction before the sealing and delivery of these presents, and for other good causes and considerations me the said Thomas Young specially moving, Have given, granted, alienated, *inseuled*, assigned, released, sold and confirmed, and by these presents do fully, freely, clearly and absolutely give, grant, alienate, *inseale*, assign, release, sell and confirm unto the said Thomas Ireland, his heirs and assigns forever, All that certain parcel of land, situate, lying and being within the PATENT AND OLD PURCHASE OF OYSTER BAY, and it adjoins to the highway to Huntington on the west side of the way nigh unto Cold Spring, being in quantity Thirty Acres of land, the bounds thereof may be seen in the Records of Oyster Bay in Liber B and C, Folio 15 & 4,—Together with all my right, title, interest, claim and demand whatsoever, which I the said Thomas Young now have, or any or either of my heirs, Executors, administrators or assigns, may hereafter have of, to, or in the said granted parcels of land, with all the profits, commodities, customs, privileges, timber, trees, grass, water and water-courses, ponds and all the privileges belonging or appertaining to any part or parcel thereof. To Have and To Hold unto him the said Thomas Ireland, his heirs and assigns all and Singular the said granted land and premises with all, and all and every of the appurtenances thereof to the sole and only proper use, benefit and behoof of him the said Thomas Ireland, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever. And I the said Thomas Young do manifest and declare that I have full power

and lawful authority to sell and convey the same, and by virtue thereof I have put the said Thomas Ireland into a lawful and peaceable possession of all and singular the said granted land and premises by the delivery of TURF and TWIG and by these presents, and I the said Thomas Young do for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns further covenant and agree to and with the said Thomas Ireland that it shall and may be lawful for him, the said Ireland, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns quietly and peaceably to have, hold, occupy, possess and enjoy all and singular the said granted land and premises as his and their free and clear estate forever, without the lawful let or molestation of me the said Thomas Young, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, or any other person or persons whatever lawfully claiming the same or any part thereof, notwithstanding any former gift, grant, mortgage, Jointure, dower, Judgment, Execution, or any *Intale*, Intanglement, Incumbrance or conveyance whatsoever I had made or committed by me, and to which I the said Thomas Young do bind myself, my heirs, executors and administrators firmly by these presents to warrant and forever defend the said Thomas Ireland, his heirs and assigns in a quiet and peaceable possession of all and every part and parcel of the said granted land and premises against all just and lawful claims whatsoever shall or may be made thereunto by any person or persons whatsoever.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventeenth day of November, Annoi Domini, One thousand Seven hundred and one, and in the thirteenth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord, William the third, by the Grace of God, King of England, &c.

Signed, Sealed and delivered

in presence of

Nathaniel Coles,

Robert Coles,

John Townsend.

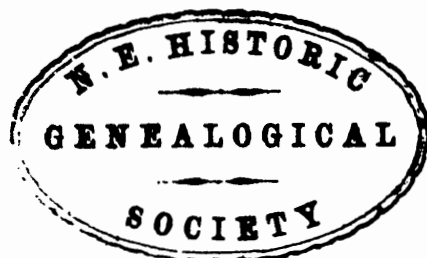
His

THOMAS X YOUNG. L. S.

mark.

MEMORANDUM.—That on the day and date within written, Thomas Young personally appeared before Nathaniel Coles, Esq., One of his *Majesties* Justices of the Peace for Queens County, and acknowledged the within written Deed to be his real act and deed.

NATHANIEL COLES.



A WILL OF ADAM IRELAND

Was proven before John Bartow, Surrogate of Westchester Co., N. Y., March 1st, 1760,—the testator being a resident of North Castle, in that county. It gives to his son John, a young black mare, a new saddle which is called his, his gun, sword, belt and cartridge-box, all the testator's wearing clothes, and twenty-five pounds in money. To his daughter Hannah Searles, he gives three cows, and to his daughter Mary Ireland, *ye bedd* and furniture which she commonly lodges in, and Five pounds in money. All the rest of his estate is bequeathed to his wife Martha Ireland. His brother-in-law, Caleb Fowler is appointed Executor, and in case of his death, the testator's Son-in-law, John Searles, is to be his successor.

The Witnesses to the will are Caleb Haight, Daniel Totten, and John Harris.

[Possibly the above Adam Ireland was a son of Thomas Ireland, (II.), but more probably was his grandson.]

A WILL OF THOMAS IRELAND

Of Hempstead Harbor, on record in New York, and made December 16th, 1776, mentions his wife Phœbe, his daughters, Ann and Martha, and his sons, John, Thomas, Samuel, Daniel and Benjamin, and appoints his friends, Timothy Smith, Hendrick Onderdonck, and William Valentine, his Executors.

The witnesses are Benjamin Kirby, Caleb Kirby, and William Fowler.

[It is not clear who this Thomas Ireland was, but as the marriage license of Thomas Ireland with Phœbe Valentine was issued by the Governor of New York, November 23rd, 1769, and as his children are mentioned in the Will as being very young, it seems probable that he was a great-grandson of Thomas Ireland, II.]

REV. JOHN IRELAND.

Mr. Henry R. Stiles, in his History of the City of Brooklyn, speaks of the REV. JOHN IRELAND as rector of St. Ann's Episcopal Church there, from 1798 to 1807, and subsequently chaplain in the United States Navy until his death, in March, 1823, in the following terms: "English by birth and education, he possessed fine qualities both of intellect and heart, but with little control of his passions, which were strong; and it was probably owing to this serious defect in his character that he transferred his clerical relations to the navy yard. He was, however, an attractive speaker, and had the genial manners of a perfect finished gentleman. Although a high churchman, Parson Ireland was remarkably free from narrow sectarianism, either in faith or practice, and was much interested in Sabbath Schools, being the secretary of one established in 1816, and founder of another in the navy yard. He was also an eminent member of the Masonic Order, being among the founders of Fortitude Lodge in Brooklyn, and for many years chaplain of the Grand Lodge. As might have been expected, he was an ardent politician, and was in various ways intimately connected with the organization and civil interests of the village, especially as one of the committee who drew up the bill of incorporation in 1816."

[Rev. John Ireland was at one time Rector of the Episcopal Church at Jamaica, L. I. but he is not supposed to be related to the family from which we descend.]

JOHN IRELAND, a wealthy merchant of New York, who married Judith Lawrence, and resided in the neighborhood of Washington Square, where he owned valuable real estate from the commencement of the present century, has frequently been supposed to be one of the branches of our family, but no evidence has ever been adduced to prove the relationship.

WILLIAM M. IRELAND was also a prominent resident of New York as a popular and successful physician, but he was personally unknown to the writer, and is not supposed to be connected with his family.

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In 1738 Mary Ireland married Abel Weeks
as second wife. Her mother, Sarah Ireland
signed a paper giving consent to the marriage.
The father, supposed to be John Ireland did not
sign the consent, whether not living, absent
from home, or other reason we do not know.
I have in my possession a deed made in
1731, by Adam Ireland & Mary Ireland,
for a tract of land in New York State, in the
"Equivalent Lands" now Dutchess County.
I also have the deed by which Adam
Ireland received title to this land.

This Mary Ireland must have been the
one who married Abel Weeks, otherwise
these deeds would not have been handed
down in the family until they came into
my hands. If Mary was the daughter of
John Ireland, Adam might have been an
uncle of hers.

The consent was made at Jericho - L.I.

Dr. T. E. Weeks

A great-great-great-great
Grandson of Abel Weeks.

Hipton Ohio

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