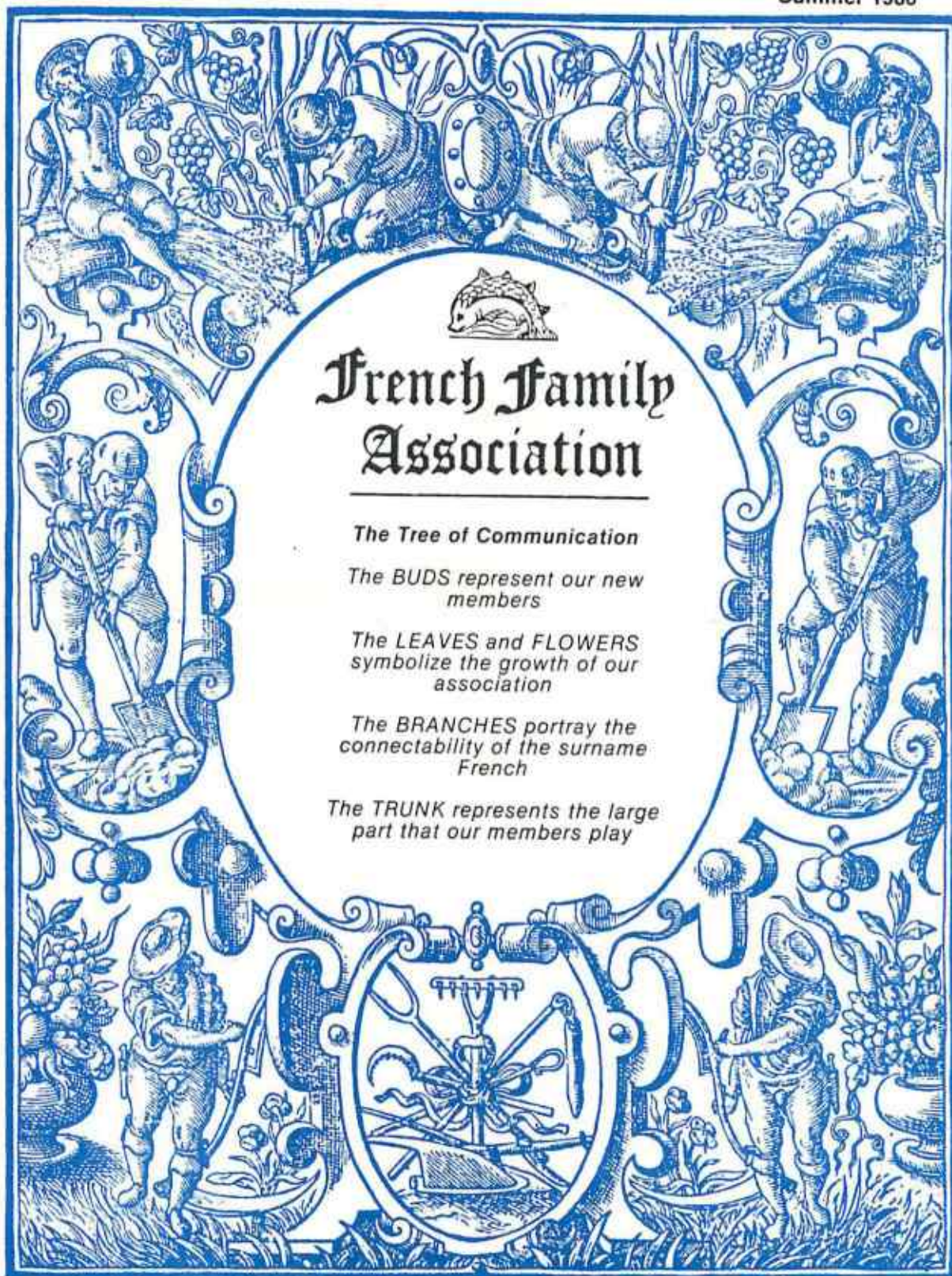


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members*

*The LEAVES and FLOWERS
symbolize the growth of our
association*

*The BRANCHES portray the
connectability of the surname
French*

*The TRUNK represents the large
part that our members play*

The French Family Origins

by Roland Rhoades, Jr.

This is the first in a series of articles that will deal with what we know and don't know about where our French ancestors came from and how various French immigrants are related to one another. Please help us by checking any records or articles that you have or find that deal with the origins of the French family and the early relationships in America and send me the name of the source (RFD 1 - Box 152, Sanford, ME 04073). I also solicit any comments or articles you have on this subject. Thank you. I thank Robert L. French of Chatham, NY for his documented manuscript "The Descendants of Thomas French of Ipswich, MA - 5 Generations" with accounts of the early Frenches. For a map of the English counties mentioned here, see *Frenchline* Vol. 2, p. 89.

Thomas French of Ipswich, MA, FFA Ch. 1, was from Assington, Co. Suffolk, England and was born circa 1588. He m. Susan Riddlesdale in 1608. (His son Thomas arrived in Boston in 1630 in the Winthrop Fleet.) Some propose that his parents were Jacob French of Assington and Susan Riddlesdale (see *Frenchline* Vol. 1 #2 & #3). Others propose that his father was John French of the Edwardstone-Coddenham branch. Can either be proven or disproven? Your input is very much wanted.

Edward French of Salisbury, MA, FFA Ch. 4, was of Ipswich MA in 1636 and in Salisbury by 1640. Some believe that Ipswich ties him into a relationship to Thomas French of Ipswich, as his son or brother. I have seen no convincing argument. Edward was born ca. 1590 according to most accounts. A major mistake has been made in saying that he was baptised 13 Aug 1598 in Halstead, Co. Essex, England, a son of Thomas French and Ann Olmstead of Stanstead Hall, and making him a brother to William French of Billerica. This has been proven wrong; this Edward French of Halstead was still in England in 1639. (See *Frenchline* Vol. 2, p. 93-4).

The only proven ties between the French immigrants is between **William French of Billerica** and **John French of Cambridge, MA**, FFA Charts 2 & 3 respectively. They were brothers. John died in 1646 in Cambridge and his children were taken care of by their "Uncle William French in Billerica." A major mistake has been widely published in regard to this line. I repeat some of what was said in the *Frenchline*, Vol 2 #3. There is still a debate whether or not this William French or another William French of Halstead, was son of Thomas French and Ann Olmstead or Palladia Wood. There was one William French of Halstead, bp. 15 March 1603, who made his will in 1621 and he names his brothers and sisters and it was proved in 1637. His brother John died in 1638 in England. (For William's will, see *Frenchline* Vol. 2 p. 95-6.)

Francis French, FFA Ch. 8, was born 1625 and arrived in America in 1635 with William, Chart 2. He moved to Derby, CT. He has been identified as either a son or nephew of William French, Ch. 2, depending on which book you read.

Richard French, FFA Ch. 6, resided in Cambridge, Billerica, and Marshfield, MA, and because of the Cambridge-Billerica tie, is called by some a brother to William and John, Charts 2 & 3, but he is not mentioned until after 1650.

These next three paragraphs are practically quoted from Robert French's manuscript.

Two immigrants named French came to Dorchester. The first was **Stephen French**, FFA Ch. 7, who was in Dorchester in 1630 according to Savage. He sailed from Plymouth, England in the Mary & John. The other was **John French**, FFA Ch. 5, who came from England in 1637. Stephen moved to Weymouth sometime after 1639. John also went to Weymouth in 1642 and on to Braintree in 1648. (One child's birth is recorded in Dorchester in 1643 and another in Braintree in 1649 with one child in between with no birth record. -R.R.). There seems to be no statement anywhere that these two were related. John was born about 1612 and was supposed to have come from Devonshire or Dorsetshire. Since Stephen sailed from Plymouth, England, he may very well have been from the west of England, too. Stephen may have been a nephew of Henry Adams and have accompanied or followed him to Dorchester. Henry Adams had a nephew Stephen French born about 1601 in Misterton, Somersetshire. He was the son of Richard French whose wife was a sister of Henry Adams. They also had a son John born about 1599, too old to be John of Dorchester (The Henry Adams Generalogy pp. 41, 42, 46).

There was a **Judith French**, FFA Ch. 67, a 20-year old servant of John Hull of Somersetshire who left Weymouth, England, on 20 March 1635 bound for New England. At least 3 FFA members including myself hope she is the Judith who married John Rogers in Weymouth MA. Sorting all the John Rogers is another project.

Thomas French, FFA Ch. 9, came to Charlestown MA in 1638 and moved to Guilford, CT.

Samuel French, FFA Ch. 11, had a book published on him in 1940, "Ancestors & Descendants of Samuel French the Joiner of Stratford, CT" by Mansfield Joseph French. He was born 15 May 1687 in Bradford Abbas, Dorsetshire, England and married Mary Price and came to America ca. 1722.

Future articles will deal with all the above in more depth as we gather data and the non-New England branches also. We will also cover the early female Frenches, including the French-Loker-Riddlesdale connection and Rev. William Worcester of Salisbury MA whose wife Sarah may be a sister of Edward French.

Historic Irish Mansions

No. 166 : Monivea Castle,
Co. Galway

Ancestral Home of the Ffrenches.
Gift to the Irish Nation.

BY JAMES FLEMING



THE death, on the 1st January, 1938, of Miss Kathleen Emily Alexandra Ffrench, formerly of Monivea Castle, Co. Galway, and the subsequent publicity given to those provisions of her will, by which she bequeathed the castle and demesne of Monivea to the Irish nation, has brought that ancient seat into the limelight, and will, perhaps, lend additional interest to the details of the history of this old Galway family and their ancestral home, which are here briefly set out.

The following extract from the MS. pedigrees of O'Luinin (quoted by Hardiman in his "History of Galway"), referring to the genealogy of the Ffrenches, states that they are "lineally descended

from Sir Theophilus Ffrench, a most valiant Knight, who accompanied William the Conqueror into England, and was present with him at the great battle of Hastings, deriving his pedigree from Sir Maximilian de Ffrench, who was son of Harloven, junior, son of Harloven, son of Rolls the strong, alias Robert 1st Duke of Normandy; as Sir Thomas Hawley, King of Arms in England 28 Henry VIII. gives an account, in the ancient and authentic annals of that Kingdom."

Sir Humphrey Ffrench, a descendant of the above-named Sir Theophilus, married Arabella, daughter and heiress of Sir Charles Harley of Ormuck in Wales, and had by her five sons and two daughters—viz.: Christopher, Walter, Patrick, Nicholas, John, Mary and Julian.

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Purchased Monivea in 1609

The third son, Patrick, had a son, Walter, who settled near Galway, where he married the daughter and sole heiress of John Athie, "of a worthy family of great antiquity," and from him are descended the family of the Ffrenches of Galway.

One of these descendants, Robert Ffrench, of the City of Galway, left issue a son, Patrick Begg Ffrench, who was "seized in fee of the Castle of Monivea and other lands in the Barony of Tyaquin, County of Galway, before 1619, according to a Chancery Inquisition (post-mortem) taken at Loughrea on the 30th April, 1631."

He was, according to an old Deed the first Ffrench proprietor of Monivea, having purchased the place in 1609 from John Crossach O'Kelly, a descendant of the family of O'Kelly the Chiefs of the territory of Hy-Many, whose connection with the district is mentioned by the Four Masters in the following words:

"A.D. 1504. Three Castles belonging to O'Kelly—viz.: Garbhedhoine, Muine-an-Mheadha (Monivea) and Gallach, were demolished by MacWilliam de Burgo—viz.: Ulick the Third." O'Kelly (Melaghlin) promptly went to the Lord Justice and complained to him of the injury done to him.

Thereupon a great army was mustered by the Lord Justice (Garret, the son of Thomas, Earl of Kildare), "being joined," say the Annalists, "by the nobles of Leath-Chuinn—viz.: O'Donnell (Hugh Roe) and his son, together with the principal Chiefs of Kenel-Conaill, and a party of the Connacians—viz.: O'Connor Roe, Hugh the son of Felim Fin, and MacDermott, Lord of Moylurg.

"All the Chiefs of Ulster, except O'Neill, joined the expedition—viz.: Art, son of Hugh O'Neill, Tanist of Tirone, Donall the son of Magennis, MacMahon and O'Hanlon; also O'Kelly and O'Ferrall, commonly called the Bishop, O'Connor Faby, the O'Kellys, and the sons of William de Burgo, and the forces almost of all Leath-Chuinn in general.

The Battle of Knockdoe.

These numerous forces delayed not until they arrived in Clanricarde, where MacWilliam mustered a great army to give them battle, viz., Torlogh, the son of Eige O'Brien, Lord of Thomond, and his brothers, with all their forces; the Macnamaras, and Mulrony O'Carroll, Lord of Ely, with all his clans and chieftains, joined by the nobles of Ormond and Ara."

A fierce battle took place between the rival forces at Knockdoe (a place eight miles north by east from Galway), "such as had not been known of latter times," ending with the defeat of MacWilliam and the chiefs of Leath-Mhogha, and a great slaughter of their forces in general.



Shown throughout this issue is a facsimile of arms of English peers, first published in 1688, from Guildhall Library, London



O'Kelly's revenge was a costly one for his allies, for "a countless number of the Lord Justice's forces were also slain, though victory favoured their side."

John Crossach O'Kelly, a descendant of Melaghlin O'Kelly, Chief of Hy-Many, o Knockdoe fame, sold, as already stated, Monivea to Patrick Begg French, who had issue by his wife, Mary Kirwan, five sons and four daughters, viz., Robert, Andrew, John, James, Marcus, Margaret, Julliana, Kate and Anstace.

Here it may be stated that in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries the surname of the Monivea family was written indiscriminately French or french, but for several generations past the name French has been regularly used. Throughout this narrative, for the sake of uniformity, the form "french" is adhered to.

Patrick french's Will.

Patrick french, or Patrick Borge french, died on the 1st February, 1630. His will, of which the following is a summary, is dated 8th February, 1618:—

"I appoint my eldest son, Robert french, executor, and I bequeath to him my dwelling house in Galway, which has been conveyed to Dominick Browne and other feoffes by deed. I also bequeath my said son, Robert, the castle and half quarter of Polnemadra adjoining, the two quarters of Knockatobber and Corrallich, and the mortgage on Carroweigheragh, near Keilelogher.

"To my wife, Mary french, alias Kirwan, £200 and all my moveable goods.

"To each of my younger sons, John, James and Marcus, £100.

"As for my son Andrew, whose inclination I do not like, I leave him to his fortunes, desiring speedily to convert or confound him; but in case I should alter my mind, I may appoint his elder brother, Robert, to give him £100 out of the lands bequeathed to the said Robert."

Robert french died about 1648. His wife, Eveline, daughter of Sir Dominick Browne, survived him, and married (as his second wife) Sir Oliver French, Mayor of Galway, 1650-1. She died in 1684, and was buried in the Monivea family tomb at Knockmoy Abbey, where there is a mural tablet bearing the following inscription:—

"Pray for the Lady Evelin French, Her soule, who ordained herself To be interred in this Abbey. For Her this monument was erected by Her children, Patrick French and Valentine French, and for a burial Place for themselves. August the 8th. 1684"

Confiscated and Repurchased

In 1653 the castle and lands of Monivea were confiscated by the Cromwellian Commissioners, who allotted them to Mathias, 8th Lord Trimleston, upon his transportation from Meath into Connaught.

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'Bor, I've got the best wife in the world. But she's got tew faults. One is she's a bad un to git up in the mornin' and the other fault, she ent no good when she dew git up.'—A. E. Dean, *Brendon, Downham Road, Ely.*

2985 South 20th East
Salt Lake City, Utah 84109
24 October 1985

Mara French
521 River View Dr.
San Jose, California
95111

Dear Mara,

Are the families of Thomas French of Assington, William French of Halstead, and Thomas French of Halstead related? Even though Halstead and Assington are only 7 miles apart, Halstead is in Essex County and Assington is in Suffolk County. They are separated by the River Stour. Both Thomas Frenches spelled their names fFrench and William spelled his name Frenche. It is difficult to predict if these three families were related. I personally drove that 7 miles and the way is very difficult, indirect, very narrow, and perhaps in the 16th century, there wasn't a bridge to cross the river. In any case, it seems these families arrived in Essex in the 16th century. Could they have come from Scotland, Ireland, or somewhere else in England? This is a link yet unresolved.

In reply to your letter of 17 October, I might say that I do not recall receiving a response to your ad in the Frenchline, but that is all right, as I am no longer doing work for the Foundation. I might say that the Foundation is "on hold" until the probate trust agreement is settled. It seems questionable that it will continue. Nevertheless, I appreciated hearing from you.

As to the will of William French, I was happy to try my hand at the translation. It was very similar to many that I have read, in the past, so will be happy to give my hand at it.

The 13th day of May in the year of our Lord 1621

In the name of God Amen, I, William Ffrench of the parish of St. Dunstons in the west London, being sicke of body but prayd be God for it of a sound and perfect memorie, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say, first and principally, I give and commend my soul into the hand of my Lord Savior, Jesus Christ that gave it me and my body to be buried in the parish church yard of the said church of St. Dunstons in the West.

Item, I give unto William Drury in the seller, five shillings. (cellar ?)

Item, I give and bequeath unto Grace Burton five shillings

Item, I give unto my sister Harmond Johnson 20 shillings

Item, to Mrs. Witeblood 10 shillings

Item, I give unto Morgan Simmons 5 shillings

Item, all the rest of my goods unbequeathed, I give and bequeath unto my brothers and sisters unmarried equally to be divided whose names are hereafter expressed, that is to say, John Ffrench, Edward Ffrench, Robert Ffrench, Anne, Ellinor, Elizabeth, Margaret, Jamina (or Jemonia), Judith, and Dorothy Ffrench the summe of 4 pounds, to witt given me by my father and all other legacies, goods, and chattells by my testator given unto me as before expressed, equally, to be divided among them and of this my last will and testament, I make and ordain my said sister Ellinor Ffrench, my sole executrix, in Witness whereof to this my said last will and testament I have set my hand and seale the day and year first above written.

signed William Ffrench, sealed and delivered in the presence of Ffrancis Taylor, Nicholas Wenford, (his mark), Margaret Roberts (her mark).

Memorandum that these words (others, legacies, goods, and chattells) were underlined in the 24th line before, then sealed hereof/

This will and testament was probated 26 Day of month of November in the year of our Lord 1637 by Mr. Johanne (John) (??Eyton) declaring Ellenor (?) alias (or also) Ffrench, his sister or executrix, in the legal manner as was directed by the deceased.

(Note: This last paragraph was not translated verbatim because it was in Latin and does not translate verbatim because the subject, verb, object is not written in that order and has to be rearranged before the translation).

If this translation is acceptable, I might suggest that it was worth about \$10.00 of my time. The wording was quite straight forward, with not much difficulty, except for Ellenor's maiden name. It seems that she had married between 1621 and 1637. It is something like--E---tor. I could look up the original entry, on the microfilm, if you like. It might be clearer.

Sincerely,

Delpha

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LONDON DIRECTORY, 1805, with occupations of ye ole world.

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French Gregory, coal merchant, 5, Water st.
Blackfriars
French Dominick, insurance broker, 10,
Tower hill
French P. insurance broker, Lloyd's coffee
house
French Geo. broker and agent, 6, Gt. East
Cheap
French Philip, navy agent, 6, Gt. Alie st.
Goodman's fields
French James, goldsmith and jeweller, 21,
Tavistock st. Covent garden
French and Butter, man's mercers, 267, High
st. Borough
French Wm. and Arthur, ironmongers, 280,
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French Henry, card manufacturer, 11, Broad
st. Bloomsbury
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East la. Bermondsey
French Wm. carpenter, 21, Union ct. Holborn
French Geo. harness maker, Tooling
French Cuthbert, watch maker, 40, Redman's
row, Mile end
French Edward, watch maker, 2, Newcastle
pl. Clerkenwell
French John, broker, 45, Red cross st. Bo-
rough
French Francis, shoes maker, 13, Bennet st.
Christ church
French Ca. baker, 149, Swallow st. Piccadilly
French John, baker, Kingston
French John, king's head livery stables, Roe-
hampton
French Wm. oyster and salmon seller, 64, St.
Martin's la.
French Thos. hair dresser, 12, Fisher st. Red
hosiery
French S. chandler, 14, Hemlock ct. Carey st.
French Robt. butcher, 15, Little Charlotte st.
French Francis, the George, 108, Old st.
French Geo. masons arms, Edgeware
French John, surgeon, Vauxhall, la.
French Wm. surgeon, Lancaster
French Hugh, apothecary, Rathbone pl.
French T. Jeffreys, and J. Williams, attor-
nies, 33, Castle st. Holborn
French John, attorney, 11, Suffolk st. Mid-
dlessex hospital

*F. Eugene
Harriss.*

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After looking at the alphabet on the previous page, would you be able to translate the will above? It only takes practice. It is the will of Thomas French of Halstead, from the Wills and Administration at the Somerset House, Prerogative Court of Canterbury, No. 123, Name = Law, year = 1614, Vol 1, pgs 7 & 8, film 092036 in SLC. Translation on next page.

In the name of God Amen, the 28th day of October 1613, I, Thomas French, of Halstead, in the county of Essex, Esquire, being sick in body but yet in good and perfect remembrance, I do thank God therefore to dispose those goods whereof all mighty God of his merciful goodness hath lent me the use in this transitory life do declare and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First and princibly I surrender and bequeathe my sole to almighty God, my only Savior and Redeemer by whose precious blood shedding upon the cross I do steadfastly hope to receive remission of all my sins my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be decently buried at the discretion of my executrix herein named and appointed. Item. Whereas I have heretofore conveyed until certain ffees of trust my lease of Lawling Hall for the payment of a certain yearly sum to Thomas French, my son, upon condition that if Palladia Wood, my son's mother-in-law, did not satisfy and pay unto me the sum of five hundred pounds that a certain date in the said conveyance mentioned as by the same conveyance more at large may appear that then the said payment should cease during his natural life which said sum of five hundred pounds was not paid accordingly, I do now wholly devise, give and beg all the benefit of the said lease and all other my leases goods and chatalls whatsoever, to Anne, my wife, towards the payment of my debts and towards the bringing up of my children, and my will and meaning is that the said Anne, my wife, shall pay unto every of my younger sons viz John, Edward, William, Robert, and Francis, the sum of four hundred pounds a piece out of the profits of my leases Lawlinge Hall and Mersey Hall as the same shall yearly arise and growe and likewise to every of my daughters three hundred pounds apiece the said several sums to be payed to every of them as they shall growe in ripeness of years and priority of age and as the same may be had and received out of the profits of my said leases. Item. I do, will, give, and devise unto the said, Anne, my wife, and to her heirs, my meadow in Halstead which Sir Thomas Gardner holdeth by lease to the intent that the same may be sold towards the payment of my debts. Item. I do ordain and make the said Anne, my wife, my full and sole executrix of this my last will and requiring and charging her to see this my will truly performed and all points according to the true meaning of the same, in witness that this is my last will and testament I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written in the presence of the persons hereunder written. A codicil annexed to this my will. Item. I do give unto the poor of the parish of Halstead the sum of 5 pounds to be distributed amongst them within one month after my decease by the discretion of my said executrix. Thomas French Senior, sealed and delivered by the said Thomas French as his last will and testament and these words that then the said payment should cease during his natural life and these words (of the said lease) were underlined before the sealing and delivery in the presence of us John Parkinson and Clarke Simon Jr. Probatum (in Latin) when will was proved, 27 Jan 1613/14 by Anne, his widow and Relict.

BOSTON TRANSCRIPTS FROM THE ST. LOUIS, MO, LIBRARY (UNIVERSITY CITY)

858. 1. FRENCH, H. M. T. M., Oct. 29, 1930. I can check this French line in part. Edward (1) French was a tailor of

Salisbury, Mass. He married Ann — and had four children, of whom Joseph was the oldest. He died at Salisbury Dec. 28, 1674, and his widow died March 9, 1682-3.

Joseph (2) French was also a tailor of Salisbury. He married Susanna — and had seven children of whom Joseph was the oldest. His wife died Feb. 16, 1687-8, and he died June 6, 1710.

Joseph (3) French was born at Salisbury, March 16, 1654-57 and married June 13, 1678, Sarah, daughter of Roger and Sarah Eastman. Roger Eastman came in the Confidence as a servant of John Sanders. Joseph (3) French died Dec. 14, 1683, leaving three sons of whom Joseph was the oldest. The widow, Sarah, married, second, Solomon Shepherd by whom she had five more children. She outlived her second husband.

Joseph (4) French was born at Salisbury March 25, 1679, and married Dec 20, 1699, Abigail, daughter of Philip (2) and Mary (2) (Buswell) Brown, grand daughter of Henry (1) and Abigail Brown. Mary Buswell was the daughter of Isaac (1) Buswell, by his second wife, Susanna —. Joseph (4) and Abigail (Brown) French had six children of whom Joseph (5) was the oldest son, but second child. He was a carpenter of Salisbury, but was living at South Hampton in 1747. His son Joseph was living in 1729. There were two other men of the name; Joseph French, living at Salisbury at this time. None of the above families could have been Mayflower lines. (Hoyt's Old Families of Salisbury and Amesbury, Vol. I, pp. 72-73, 89, 141-142, 165-170, 316.)

R. B. D.

(1623.) FRENCH. From whom did John French and wife Joanne, early settlers of Cambridge, Mass., descend? What was Joanne's maiden name? John French died at Cambridge, Mass., 1645. From what part of England did he come? E. J. B.

(3425.) FRENCH. Jonah French and his wife Melatiah are mentioned in the list of the founders of Keene, N. H. (1752). Information wanted as to his birthplace and ancestry, and that of his wife Melatiah.

I would be pleased also, to learn the family name of the wife of his son Silas. Her first name was Sarah. S. A. F.

3885. 2. FRENCH, J. M. P. Y., March 3, 1926. This line of William French is admirably presented in Mr. Linzee's "Ancestry of Peter Park and Sarah "Ruggles," a genealogy whose standards are well worth study by most amateurs. The passages on this query are inconveniently long for copying here. The book is in many libraries.

A. E. H. S.

French Family

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OLD KENTUCKY ENTRIES AND DEEDS



LINCOLN ENTRIES

Entry	Acres	Book	Page	Entry Date	Watercourse	Notes
French, Henry	400	1	133	6-4-1781	Hanging Fk	
French, Henry	400	1	137	6-19-1781	Hanging Fk	
French, Henry	200	1	138	6-19-1781	Hanging Fk	
French, Henry	200	1	138	6-19-1781	Hanging Fk	
French, Henry	200	1	136	1-6-1783	Hanging Fk	
French, Jos	500	2	58	2-20-1784	Ky R	
French, Jos		2	94	4-23-1784	Ky R	
French, Jos	1,400	2	154	10-27-1784	Otter Cr	Withdrawn
French, Jos	1,400	2	154	10-27-1784	Silver Cr	
French, Jos	1,400	2	154	10-27-1784	Boonesboro	
French, Jos	1,300	2	155	10-27-1784	Silver Cr	
French, Jos	50	2	176	1-20-1785	Ky R	
French, Jos	50	2	176	1-20-1785	None	
French, Jos	5,900	2	177	1-22-1785	None	
French, Jos	25	2	260	1-25-1786	Howards Lower Cr	
French, Jos	548	2	270	2-25-1786	None	

FAYETTE ENTRIES

French, James	700	1	86	12-9-1782	Stonets Fk	
French, James	15,913	1	281	12-26-1782	Ohio R	Surveyed
French, James	9,000	2	121	1-25-1783	Salt Sp Fk	Surveyed
French, Jas	110	4	33	9-11-1784	None	
French, Jas	220	4	33	9-11-1784	None	
French, Jas	4,000	4	329	2-5-1790	Ky R	Withdrawn
French, Jas	4,000	4	330	2-5-1790	None	
French, Jas	200	4	330	5-17-1790	4 Mile Cr	
French, Jas	200	4	331	5-17-1790	4 Mile Cr	
French, Jas	700	4	331	5-17-1790	4 Mile Cr	Withdrawn
French, Jas	800	4	331	6-9-1790	None	
French, Jas	2,800	4	331	6-9-1790	4 Mile Cr	
French, Jas	700	4	334	7-13-1791	4 Mile Cr	

JEFFERSON ENTRIES

French, Henry	250	A	171	9-15-1780	Nolin Cr	
French, Henry	250	A	192	3-16-1781	Nolin Cr	
French, Henry	400	A	205	4-9-1781	Braashears Cr	Surveyed
French, Henry	750	A	214	7-4-1781	Otter Cr	
French, Jacob	300	A	171	9-15-1780	Fk Nolin Cr	
French, Jacob	50	A	192	3-16-1781	Valley Cr	
French, Jacob	100	A	216	7-21-1781	Valley Cr	Surveyed
French, Jacob	100	A	290	9-10-1783	Nole Lynn Cr	Surveyed
French, James	400	A	7	1-11-1780	S Fk Sinking Cr	
French, James	1,000	A	33	4-29-1780	French Sett	
French, James	600	A	91	5-24-1780	Licking	
French, James	800	A	94	5-24-1780	Licking	
French, Wm	1,000	A	100	5-26-1780	Licking	

MILITARY WARRANTS

Name	Acres	Warrant	Service	Date
French, Richard	100	2253	3 years soldier Virginia Inv	1-21-1784
French, Thomas	200	881	3 years soldier Virginia Inv	6-20-1784

COURT OF APPEALS DEEDS—GRANTEES

Grantee	Residence	Deed Date	Acres	Book	Page	Watercourse
French, Dr Geo	Fredericksburg	12-9-1802	1,000	G	221	Paroquet Cr
French, Henry	Mercer	6-15-1787	400	A	323	Salt R
French, Richard	Clark	12-8-1818		T	8	None
French, Wm	Gallatin	11-14-1815	518	Q	286	Ohio R
French, Wm	Franklin	2-4-1829	225,000	V	401	None

COURT OF APPEALS DEEDS—GRANTORS

Grantor	Residence	Deed Date	Acres	Book	Page	Watercourse
French, Francis R	Franklin	9-11-1846	1.0	28	106	Frankfort
French, Henry	Mercer	10-20-1790	1,000	B-2	268	Salt R
French, Jos, Atty	Montgomery	2-4-1829	225,000	V	401	None
French, Jos A	Spotsylvania	2-23-1824	500	W	304	Paroquet Cr
French, Richard	Clark	11-19-1822		V	436	None
French, Wm & Wife	Dinwiddie	11-2-1807	2,666	M	74	Goose & High-land Crs

SOURCES FOR CHART #5 DATA:

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March was the first month because New Year's Day was in it. This brings up another question. If March 25 was New Year's Day, was March 24, the last day of the year, in the first month or the twelfth month? Don't worry; all of March was the first month of the year, but it was a question that I had difficulty finding an answer to.

There was a reason for numbering the months - the Puritans and Quakers and others believed the names of the months were Pagan and they simply refused to call the months by their names. Because numbering the months in your records can be ambiguous, it is best to always use the name of the month in your dates.

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- * ANCESTRY'S GUIDE TO RESEARCH by John Cerny & Arlene Eakle, 1985.
- * GENEALOGICAL RECORD OF STRAFFORD COUNTY (NH) Vol. 5 #5, May 1982, pp 40-41. (Has a chart of when some other countries adopted the new calendar - copy from author for 10¢ and SASE).

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OBITUARIES

Edmund French, 99;
printer, photographer,
oldest Carlisle resident

CARLISLE. — He spent 98 of his 99 years in this town, was its oldest resident and possessed the old Boston Post gold-tipped cane as a tribute to his longevity, and until his death Saturday in Emerson Hospital after a brief illness, operated his print shop behind his home on River Road.

Edmund L. French, in fact, had printed the ballots used in the town elections this past April in his shop, the Wayside Press, a one-man operation which he had started on his father's farm when he was 15 in 1898.

Known here as a "very reputable, honest old man, a typical Yankee, and hard worker," Mr. French was the son of Tewksbury and Carlisle farm parents George and Josie (Proctor) French whose farm in Carlisle had been used as a training ground for Revolutionary War soldiers. Mr. French's father had been called up after high school for training in the Civil War.

Born Feb. 17, 1883, in Tewksbury, he attended a one-room grammar school, and graduated from high school in Concord in 1902.

Mr. French traced his genealogy to the Revolution, where records show that eight of his ancestors had served at Concord's Rude Bridge and one ancestor, who was on the Tory side, had been "persuaded" by Middlesex County fathers to resign his commission from the King. Still another ancestor, according to records kept by Mr. French's son, Hector, of Wakefield, was captured by Indians and lived with them five years after the King Philips War in 1675.

Mr. French was a printer by his chosen trade, as well as a carpenter, photographer, artist, town official and enthusiastic exercise buff and he was especially devoted to his many Masonic activities and his work in the Carlisle Congregational Church.

"He took a lot of pride in his church and Masonic affiliations," said a longtime friend, William Clark of Carlisle. "He was a remarkable man."

Among the perceptions of Mr. French by townsmen who said that they added to his "remarkable centenarian" status were:

- When he took up oil painting at age 85 at the DeCordova Museum in Lincoln, his teacher commented on his "keen eye and steady hand." Mr. French related this to his son Hector.

- Many of Mr. French's paintings have been displayed locally and at the town's annual 4th of July Old Home Day celebration on the town common.

- At 85 his son saw him run up the back stairs, two at a time.

- At 86 he went swimming in Florida while he told his son "older men" sat in chairs and watched.

- At 88, according to Hector, he was found re-shingling the roof of his printing shop with asphalt shingles.

- When he was 88, wearing, his son said, sporty sideburns he had grown at the time, clear eyes and a vigorous gait, town fathers presented him with the old Boston Post cane as the town's oldest inhabitant. It was one of 431 first given out as a promotion by the newspaper in 1909 to be passed down among New England towns' oldest residents.

- At 90, he was seen by his son, Lewis, also of Carlisle, riding his bicycle in his backyard outside his printshop.

- When he was 92, Hector saw him climb into a chair for an improved camera angle while taking a picture at the church ordination service for Rev. Keith Grier.

- He pursued this lifetime interest in photography, taking pictures of church and town events, depicting the town's social life. "His subject was mostly Carlisle," said a friend.

Hector French said his father had at least 100 cameras during his lifetime, and started making pictures on glass plates at the turn of the century, some 20 years after the art of photography was invented.

Some of his plates and pictures have been published in history books, local newspapers and historical publications, including, "Carlisle, Its History and Heritage," by Ruth Chamberlin Wilkins, published in 1976.

Described by a friend as a gentle person, not impatient but unchangeable "when he made up his mind," Mr. French was slender and 5 feet 8 and had angular, Yankee features with a strong smile. He spoke rapidly and wore wire-framed and plastic-framed glasses.

"Calmness and peacefulness" were characteristic, said his son Hector.

Never a heavy man, according to friends, he credited his longevity to his habit of "regular exercise and a frugal diet."

His business was a one-man operation, according to friends, printing programs for lodges, organizations, town warrants, ballots and programs for graduations.

In the early 1900s he had worked for the Lowell Weekly Journal which later became the Lowell Courier Citizen.

Later he was a compositor, stone man (who assembled type so it would be in the right place when printed) and a pressman, for the old Rand Avery Co. in Boston, then one of the larger printing houses in the city.

From the 1940s until the early 1960s, he was town collector and also building inspector.

Mr. French was Carlisle Congregational Church treasurer for a number of years and was a charter member and past master of the Frank W. Thompson Masonic Lodge of Bedford; past master of the Thomas Talbot Lodge of Billerica; a charter and life member of the Heatner Lodge in Framboise, N.S., which awarded him a 60-year Masonic recognition pin some years ago; also an officer of the Walden Royal Arch Chapter in Concord and a member of the Sir Galahad Commandery in Waltham and patron of the old Paul Revere Chapter of the Eastern Star in Bedford.

He was the widower of the late Mary C. (MacDonald) who died in 1974 at 76.

He leaves two sons, Hector E. French of Wakefield and Lewis E. French of Carlisle.

He also leaves four granddaughters and two great grandsons.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow at 11 a.m. in the Carlisle Congregational Church. Burial will be in Green Cemetery, Carlisle.

— WILLIAM P. COUGHLIN

OBITUARY from Paula Owen #85 of Redondo Beach. Edmond died on 22 May 1982 and is survived by his niece, Helen Wilkie of Carlisle; his grandchildren Judith Troughton of Chelmsford, Susan Rizza of Burlington, Deborah French of Beverly, and Nancy French of Wakefield; and his great-grandchildren Jeff and Greg Troughton.

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Royal Southern French

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English Emigrants to Southern U.S. This index references books on these southern immigrants to be searched on our next trip to Salt Lake City upon your request.

French, Doctor, Virginia, 1649	French, Peter, Virginia, 1655
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French, William, Virginia, 1654	French, Henry, Virginia, 1657
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French, Mary, Virginia, 1665	French, Nicholas, Virginia, 1677
French, Peeter, Virginia, 1655	French, Philip, North Carolina, 1702
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French, Thomas, Virginia, 1663	French, Thomas, Virginia, 1715

Kentucky Land Grants, 1782-1924

Grantee	Acres	Book	Page	Dates Survey	County	Watercourse
French, Henry	400	2	7	6-10-1780	Lincoln	Bear Harrisons Fk
French, Stephen	2,000	2	185	5-18-1784	Fayette	Upper Salt Springs
French, Henry	137	5	545	1-17-1783	Lincoln	Hanging Fk
French, Henry	676	5	548	7-23-1783	Fayette	N Fk Elkhorn
French, Stephen	1,000	7	123	11-12-1783	Fayette	Sairn cr
French, William	1,000	7	124	8-21-1783	Fayette	Stoners Fk
French, James	15,913	9	431	12-20-1784	Fayette	1st Island in Ohio R.
French, Henry	294	9	559	3-17-1785	Fayette	Elkhorn
French, James	2,606	14	498	4-05-1790	Madison	Station Camp
French, James	9,000	14	504	10-07-1784	Fayette	Big Slate Cr
French, Stephen	2,205	14	508	10-03-1784	Fayette	Big Slate Cr
French, James	154	14	512	8-15-1789	Madison	E. Fk Otter Cr
French, Henry	400	15	76	5-06-1785	Fayette	Main Br Lickin
French, Henry	400	15	80	11-02-1786	Jefferson	Br Harrold Old Trace
French, Mathew	226	15	333	3-27-1775	Fincastle	Wolf Cr
French, James	47	16	82	6-28-1786	Lincoln	Otter Cr
French, James	500	16	124	5-26-1790	Madison	Muddy Cr

French Connection Library

We now have over 100 references in our library, a part of them is listed on the next page. Our intent is to provide a 10-20 page catalog of all our books to our members, some with indexes, but all will have a complete description of what is in the material. We will be able to xerox some of this material. This catalog may alert you to a particular name that you had not put on your chart. Hopefully the catalog will be available this year. If an article is referenced in the newsletter, the number will come from the French catalog (Ref. F004). Besides the partial listing below, we also have the International Genealogical Index (IGI) for the surname French in England (Northampton, Kent, Dorset, Essex, Suffolk, Sussex) and Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Salt Lake City News

After a week of research in Salt Lake City, the French Connection Library has over 100 pieces of reference material in the form of books, pamphlets, and xeroxed sheets (IGI, wills, passenger lists, registers, public documents, census records, and maps), not to mention many pedigree charts. Much time was spent xeroxing in order to be able to spend research time leisurely at home. The following months will be spent researching and indexing this material, and hopefully we can provide all the help and advice possible to our members.

Each member is receiving a chart pertaining to their particular ancestry. We do search related "French" surnames; however, we try to stick to the Frenchline on the charts. Many times these related names have lead me to accidentally find someone else's line and further prove verifications between our members. Back in the 1600s there were, of course, fewer families in the U.S. I was stunned to find out how many of our members are related to one another from the 1600s.

These charts are basically in their beginning stages. During our second year, we would like to add more to them as time permits. It seems now to be a matter of time rather than a matter of research. We need to put all charts in line format to allow for more room for names. Some charts are already 30 pages long; we just need to enter them in the computer. We also want to indicate all dates as 4 Apr 1600 instead of 4/4/1600.

Please provide your corrections/suggestions to the charts so that we may update them for everyone concerned. Some charts will eventually be combined with others and the chart numbers will change. Charts will be sent out periodically as changes occur.

Charts 3 and 5 are being sent with this issue. Even though Chart 3 represents an easy-to-understand pictorial of each branch, its arrangement becomes increasingly difficult to manipulate as names are added. No more than about 40 names can fit on this pictorial chart; however, Art Westneat came up with a way to include 60 names per page, where the additions are very simple and can include more information on each individual. Also, with his chart, an index may be kept for easy referencing. Some of the charts have already been formatted in this manner (see chart 5). Generation numbers are listed to the left. Let us know if this is difficult to comprehend. We are always trying to find better ways of storing this data to make it more informational to you.

For specific questions, xeroxing, etc. in Salt Lake City (for a fee - about \$8-\$12/hr.), please write to J. E. Wilson Foundation, Delpha Triptow, 2985 So. 20th East, Salt Lake City, UT 84109 or to Paul C. Reed, Box 510846, Salt Lake City, UT 84151. Delpha can translate Old English and Latin.

**Suffolk County
Record Office
England**

Parish Records
of Assington
1598-1823
Families

French and Riddlesdale

Baptisms:

Sara Riddlesdale, ye dau. of John & Dorcas Riddlesdale, 2 Mar 1599

Robert French, ye son of Jacob & Susan French, 25 Jun 1600

Thos. French, ye son of Thos. & Susan French, 27 Nov 1608

Alice French, ye dau. of Thos. & Susan French, 9 Apr 1610

Dorcas French, dau. of Thos. & Susan French, 31 Jul 1614

Susan French, dau. of Thos. & Susan French, 25 Apr 1616

Ann French, dau. of Thos. & Susan French, 15 Mar 1617

Margt. French, dau. of Thos. & Susan French, 12 Mar 1619

Edw. Riddlesdale, s. of Edw. & Mary R., 23 Apr 1620

Marie Riddlesdale, dau. of Edw. & Marie R., 29 Jan 1621

John French, s. of Thos. & Susan F., 26 May 1622

a Riddlesdale, dau. of Edw. & Marie R., 16 Nov 1623

Robt. Ellis, s. of John & Jane E., 18 Jan 1623

Mary French, dau. of Thos. & Susan F., 6 Jan 1624

Marriages:

Thomas French & Susan Riddlesdale, 5 Sept. 1608

Richard Mather & Joane Riddlesdale, 11 Oct 1610

Thos. Dynes & Dorcas Riddlesdale, 11 Oct 1610
(could have been a double ceremony with Joane above)

Marke Gryme & Sarah Riddlesdale, 30 May 1620

John Wiat & Marie Riddlesdale, 27 June 1632

Robt. Ellis & Susanna Barker, 25 Oct 1681

Burials:

John Riddlesdale, s. of John R., 10 Dec 1602

Richard Riddlesdale, 6 Nov. 1610

Susan French, dau. of Jacob F., 1 Aug 1613

Jacob French, 11 Nov 1615

ah French, dau. of John F., 22 Jan 1620

Dorcas Riddlesdale, wife of John R., 24 Sep 1624

John Riddlesdale of Bures, 4 June 1629

Edw. Riddlesdale of Bures St. Mary, 9 Feb 1630

Margt. French, dau. to Thos. & Susan F., 25 Nov 1635

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FFRENCH(*) OF CASTLE FFRENCH

BARONY [I.]

1. 1798.

1. ROSE DILLON, 1st da. of Patrick DILLON, of Killeen, co. Roscommon, by Mary, da. of Anthony BRABAZON, of Beagh, co. Roscommon, m., 25 June 1761, Charles FFRENCH, who was *cr.* a Baronet [I.], 17 Aug. 1779. He *d.* July 1784, at Charleville. Will dat. 11 Jan. 1783, pr. 20 Oct. 1784. She was, on 12 Mar. 1798, *cr.* BARONESS FFRENCH OF CASTLE FFRENCH, co. Galway [I.], with rem. of that dignity to the heirs male of her body by her late husband.(*) She *d.* 8 Dec. 1805, in Dublin.

II. 1805.

2. THOMAS (FFRENCH), BARON FFRENCH OF CASTLE FFRENCH [I.], only s. and h., *b.* about 1765; *suc.* his father in the Baronetcy [I.] July 1784. He m., May 1785, Margaret, 1st da. of Thomas REDINGTON, of Kilcornan, co. Galway, by Sarah, da. of Christopher BURKE, of Kilcornan afsd. He *d.* 9 Dec. 1814, at his son's chambers, at Trinity Coll. Dublin, having committed suicide by shooting himself.(*) Will dat. 9 Dec. 1814, pr. in England more than 100 years later, Feb. 1915! His widow *d.* 7 Dec. 1849, aged 82, at Glenloe.

(*) The ludicrous mode of spelling this name with a double "f" has been stereotyped by its adoption in the patent of 1798. It probably arose from ignorance that the form of the capital "F" in *manuscript* was that of the small "f" duplicated (a duplication presumably arising from "a prolongation of the vertical tick at the extremity of the upper horizontal line of the capital 'F.'" [N. and Q., 8th s., iii, 24]), so that not only every "Fool," but even every "Felon" (if spelt with a capital "F") would be as much entitled to the double "f" as these scions of the house of French. This *foolish fancy*, which is aggravated if the F be written Ff, has happily not been repeated by any other member of the peerage, and, considering the spread of education, is not likely now to occur again.

(†) The grounds on which this old lady obtained a Peerage are curious. Neither her husband, nor her son, nor any of her relatives appear to have been in Parl., or to have done any political or other service, save that her son influenced, on behalf of the Government, certain members of the Roman Catholic Committee who were of his own faith. Accordingly he obtained a promise of a peerage, but such a grant to "a Papist" being obnoxious to the King, and in every way unpopular, the difficulty was solved by conferring it on the *Protestant* mother.

(*) He founded a Bank, at Tuam, about 1804, under the style of "Sir Thomas Ffrench Bart. and Co."; a branch thereof was opened in Dublin in 1807, but "it came to utter grief" in 1814, and the money troubles arising from its failure caused him to kill himself. "A Roman Catholic and a most strenuous supporter of complete emancipation so as to preclude religious distinctions from interfering with civil rights." In this cause he and Lords Gormanston and Southwell were most active under the leadership of the Earl of Fingall. G.E.C. and V.G.

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III. 1814. 3. CHARLES AUSTIN (FFRENCH), BARON FFRENCH OF CASTLE FFRENCH [I.], 1st s. and h., b. 9 Apr. 1786. He m., 28 Sep. 1809, at Salt Hill, near Galway, Maria, 1st da. of John BROWNE, of Moyne, co. Galway, by Margaret, da. and coh. of John DOLPHIN, of Turoe, in that co. She d. July 1827. He d. 25 Sep. 1860, aged 74, at Tarver Hall, co. Mayo.

IV. 1860. 4. THOMAS (FFRENCH), BARON FFRENCH OF CASTLE FFRENCH [I.], 1st s. and h., b. 13 Sep. 1810. He m., 18 Oct. 1851, Mary Anne, only da. and h. of Richard THOMPSON, of Stansty Hall, co. Denbigh. He d. s.p.s., 20 Jan. 1892, of influenza, at Elm Park, co. Dublin, aged 81. His widow d. there 3 June 1906. Will pr. Dec. 1906, over £34,000.

V. 1892. 5. MARTIN JOSEPH (FFRENCH), BARON FFRENCH OF CASTLE FFRENCH [I.], next surv. br. and h., being 3rd s. of the 3rd Baron, was b. 1 Oct. 1813; Barrister [I.] 1841; resident magistrate for co. Tipperary 1846-82. He m., 2 July 1862, Catherine Mary Anne, only da. of John O'SHAUGHNESSY, of Birchgrove, co. Roscommon, by Ellen, da. of Anthony BRABAZON, of Birchgrove afsd. He d. 2 Nov. 1893, at Blackrock, Dublin, aged 80.

VI. 1893. 6. CHARLES AUSTIN THOMAS ROBERT JOHN JOSEPH (FFRENCH), BARON FFRENCH OF CASTLE FFRENCH [I. 1798], also a Baronet [I. 1779], 1st s. and h., b. 20 June 1868.^(b) He m., 1 Sep. 1892, Mary Margaret, da. of Matthew James CORBALLY, D.L., of Rathbeal Hall, co. Dublin, by Sara Louisa, da. and coh. of Thomas O'KELLY, of Bridge House, co. Kerry.

[MARTIN JOSEPH MATTHEW FFRENCH, only child and h. ap., b. 26 July 1893, d. v.p., 26 Jan. 1894.]

Family Estates.—These, in 1883, were under 2,000 acres. *Principal Residence.*—Elm Park, Merrion, Dublin. It is given in 1912 as Hanover House, Johannesburg, Transvaal.

^(b) His only brother, John Martin Valentine Joseph Ffrench, heir presumptive to the barony, served in the Great War, 1914-18, being appointed Lieut. in the 7th Batt. Prince of Wales's Leinster Regt. (Royal Canadians), 29 Nov. 1914. For a list of peers and their sons who served in this war, see vol. viii, Appendix F.

FRENCH formerly OF KNODDISHALL

HERBERT GREER FRENCH, of Cincinnati, Ohio, associated with Procter and Gamble, soap manufacturers, from 1893. Treasurer 1903, Vice-President from 1919, General Chairman, Cincinnati Community Chest Campaign 1931, Director, University of Cincinnati, Trustee, Cincinnati Art Museum, President, Cincinnati Institute of Fine Arts, Member of Board of Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, Collector of Etchings and Engravings, b. 17 Jan. 1872; *educ.* Woodward High School and University of Cincinnati.

Lineage.—THOMAS FRENCH, of Knoddishall, near Saxmundham, Suffolk, bapt. 30 Nov. 1574; m. 4 Nov. 1617, Marjery Knights, of Sternfield, Suffolk, and by her had issue.

THE REV. JEREMIAH FRENCH, of Bradford Abbas, Dorset, England, who in 1648 condemned the Parliamentarians for conducting King Charles I. from Carisbrooke Castle to a hasty trial in the Grammar School of Newport, Isle of Wight. He was made prisoner for three months and was sent for trial to London, but was spared his life on condition that he did not preach again in Newport, b. 1603; bapt. in St. John the Baptist Church, Saxmundham, Suffolk; *educ.* Cambridge University, M.A. (1648); and d. 10 May, 1685, having had issue, a son.

SAMUEL FRENCH, of Bradford Abbas, Dorset, emigrated to America ca. 1688, b. 7 Oct. 1655; bapt. at St. Mary's Church, South Parrott, 25 Oct. 1655; m. Susannah, by whom he had issue.

SAMUEL FRENCH, of Stratford, Connecticut, went to America with his parents, and settled, in 1722, at Stratford, b. in Bradford Abbas, Dorset, 15 May, 1687; bapt. 7 June, 1687; m. Mary Price, and d. in Kipton Parish, Huntington, Fairfield Co., Conn., 3 Sept. 1763, leaving issue.

JONATHAN FRENCH, of Huntington, Fairfield Co., Conn., b. in Stratford, Conn., Mar. 1722; m. Hannah, dau. of John Gilbert, of Orinoke, Huntington, Fairfield Co., Conn., and d. 24 Oct. 1801, leaving issue.

JONAS FRENCH, of Huntington, Fairfield Co., b. 1 June, 1751; m. 11 Feb. 1780, Susannah, dau. of Andrew Winton, of Fairfield, Conn., and d. 23 Oct. 1834, leaving issue, a son.

JEREMIAH FRENCH, of Derby, New Haven, Conn., b. 3 Aug. 1786, m. 4 May, 1823, Elizabeth Potty, dau. of Josiah Dudley, of Derby, Conn., by his wife, Sabra Dudley, and d. in Granville, Ohio, 1 April, 1855, having had issue.

JEREMIAH HENRY FRENCH, of Cincinnati, Ohio, b. 5 Oct. 1828; m. 20 Sept. 1853, Katherine Cornelia, dau. of Simeon Smith, of Covington, Kentucky, and his wife, Mary Ann Hall, and d. 5 Nov. 1903, leaving issue.

HERBERT GREER, of whom we treat.
Residence.—Ranchmont Farm, Pleasant Ridge, Cincinnati, Ohio. *Clubs.*—Literary; Commercial; University (Cincinnati); Queen City; Cincinnati Country.

Burke's American Families with British Ancestry, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, Maryland, 1977

ALIVE AND WELL

MY FATHER WAS ONCE WALKING through Broomfield churchyard with an old man. He remarked on how well the yard was kept.

'Yes,' said the old man. 'That's where I hope to be buried one day, if I'm alive and well.'—Frank Farnsworth, 261 Main Road, Broomfield, Chelmsford.

The maner of FRENCHES, is so called from a family of note, that flourished in the reigns of the three first Edwards, Kings of England [R]. The maner-house is situated in Felsted, on the great common, and is now called *Frenches at the Fairy*, near the windmill, where the Court was formerly held in a gravel-pit.—It centered, like the rest, in the *Rich* family: for Robert Lord Rich, son and heir of Richard first Lord Rich, held the maner of *Frenches*, and divers lands and tene-

ments in *Felsted*, late Roger Wentworth's, of HENRY CAPEL, Esq. of his maner of Little Raine, in free socage, by fealty, and rent of 2s. 2d. (n).

[R] John French, Chaplain, and John French, Clerk, had license, in 1369 and 1373, to give lands in this parish to the Priory of Lees.—Inquis. 43 & 47 Edward III.

(n) Inquis. 9 Elizabeth,

Felsted, Essex, England from the Essex Record Office, History and Antiquities of the County of Essex by P. Morant.

HISTORY OF JOHN JAY FRENCH Beaumont, Texas

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John Jay French was born on December 20, 1799 in Woodbridge, Connecticut, the son of David and Anna (Johnson) French. He was a 7th-generation American, the great-great-great-great grandson of William French of Essex, England, who came to Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1635 with his wife and four children on Harklaken's Ship, "Defense," of London.

French received a good education and, according to family legend, two of his brothers were on the faculty of Yale [1]. French chose the profession of tanning. He was a member of the firm of Coe and French Tanners, probably in Oxford, Connecticut, at the time of his marriage on December 15, 1810, to Miss Sally Munson of New Haven, Connecticut. Their first child, Electa Jane, was born in Oxford on February 14, 1821 [3].

Sometime in 1822 French moved from Connecticut to Shawangunk, Ulster County, New York, there to engage in tanning and merchandising. On October 11, 1822, the first child, Electa Jane, died in Shawangunk. Several other children were subsequently born to John and Sally French in Shawangunk: Electa Jane (the second) in 1823, Nancy Eliza in 1825, and David in 1827.

Between 1827 and 1831 French moved from Shawangunk to Utica, New York. (Langham Manuscript says it was three years before he came to Texas.) French was evidently a man to look for opportunity and go after it. Inspired by the talk of new land and of fortunes to be made in Texas, French decided to try his luck. Family accounts say that he planned to open a store in Galveston [2]. That this was indeed his intention is borne out by the entries in his ledger book (which still survives) showing extensive purchases of goods beginning in March of 1831 and continuing intermittently after the first large purchases to January of 1832 [4]. French may have intended to leave in the summer of 1831 but, finding that another young French was on the way, he delayed his trip until after the birth on February 9, 1832, of John Jay French Jr. On April 1, 1832 French took inventory of all his purchases, 10 pages listing hundreds of yards of goods, a wide variety of items by the dozens and the gross. Now he was ready to go. The date of his departure is not known, but probably it was in the early summer of 1832. He shipped part of his goods on one ship, took the rest on another ship himself. A description (with some errors) is found recounted in the handwritten manuscript of French's granddaughter, Electa French Langham.

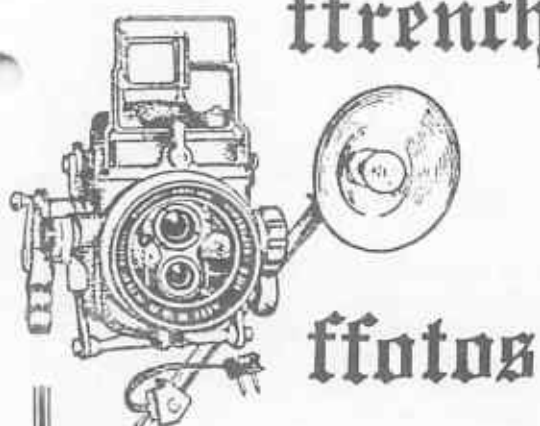
"In 1831 he decided to come South and he shipped (sic) what goods he had in a steamer. That steamer was lost at sea. He came on another steamer and it was in the same storm. He had more dry goods on that ship also. The mast was (sic) broken off. They were some place near Key West. They managed to tie and patch

up the mast until they reached New Orleans. When they got there, they could not get timber large enough to make another. He abandoned that boat and took his trunks of dry-goods and went to Galveston. He had intended to start a store there. And only having a few trunks left, he decided to go to Brazoria County and peddle his things out. (Note: French's version to another said he was on a fifty ton schooner.)

In 1833 French made an agreement with B. Blackmon of Jefferson County to claim some land on Flores Creek, now Taylor's Bayou [5]. In March of 1834 French's ledger contains entries of sales in Anahuac and Liberty, Texas. In March, 1835, he applied to the Mexican Government for title to the Flores Creek land, and it was granted to him on June 26, 1835 [6]. In all he took possession of 4,428 acres of land under the Colonization Laws of Mexico.

French is supposed to have made three trips to Texas, the last one in the Fall of 1835 when he brought his family as far as Louisiana. His son, David, then seven years old, remembered that they came down the newly opened Erie Canal, and he heard his elders talk of the wonders of its construction [7]. Crossing Ohio, tragedy struck the family, for John J. Jr. died in Massillon, Ohio on Nov. 17, 1835. The family continued by boat down the Mississippi River. David remembered that they stopped at many "hamlets" for supplies and passengers, and that sometimes they were met by bands of Indians in their strange costumes, paint and feathers. After a five week trip, they arrived in New Orleans. In Louisiana they were halted by the outbreak of the Texas War for Independence ("the Battle of San Jacinto") and stayed in Louisiana at Opelousas for three years before moving to Texas. In Opelousas another son was born on August 13, 1838 and, following a family custom, he was also given the name of the previously deceased son, John Jay French Jr. (the second one).

It is reasonable to assume that French visited his Texas land during this time and perhaps built a house to receive his family. However, he is not listed in the 1837 Jefferson County tax rolls. According to family legend, the family did move to the Taylor's Bayou land in 1838, travelling by ox-drawn wagon over the Opelousas Road. Here they lived until 1845, when French realized that the town of Beaumont, which had become the county seat in 1837, was the booming area, outstripping the Taylor's Bayou settlement in growth. He bought 300 acres of land, 3½ miles north-west of Beaumont [8]. The land he selected, located in the Absalom Williams Survey, was in a wooded area with many oaks whose bark he needed in the tanning process. Here he built a house patterned, some say, on the one he remembered from his Connecticut childhood.



FRENCH FAMILY HOME
of John Jay French
Beaumont, Texas
Ancestor of Francis French, Chart #8

from the
 "Texas Historical Foundation"
 on file at the
 Tyrrell Public Library
 Beaumont, Texas

Story on following pages



John and Sally French lived better than most on their property 150 years ago.

A tannery consisting of five vats was built, and a long allee of live oaks planted between the house and the Concord Road. David and John Jr. helped their father in his tanning, and soon learned the business. In 1850 the tannery burned, but was rebuilt. Later, during the Civil War, the Frenches were detailed by the Confederate Army to stay at their work and turn out shoes and leather goods for the army and the civilians. The senior French also kept a store, or trading post, and "trading" was actually the means of exchange, for the ledgers list the many customers who brought in rough hides, barrels of corn, tallow, beef, and hogs to trade for shoes, harnesses, bridles, saddles, and other leather goods from the tannery, for the whiskey, wine, and brandy which French made himself, or for the everyday articles which they needed: cloth, needles, thread, irons, washboards, hats, vests, iron pots, and the like. Periodically the customers came in to "settle up," and French kept a ledger of credits and debits. The "settling" was often done "by book and by note," indicating that very little cash changed hands, but that the one found owing gave the other his note for that amount. Even the wages paid the various tannery employees were done by credit in the ledger against which they charged items from the store, and only a few entries show that French paid out cash. In fact the ledger contains entries that indicate that one man sometimes discharged his debt to another by using his credit at French's to assume some of the other man's debts.

French also had mills for grinding corn and grain and for grinding sugar cane, and people came from the whole area to use these facilities. Later John Jr. and David were the first to mill rice in the area, but their early attempts never developed into a full scale commercial mill. Grindstones from these mills are still imbedded in the ground near the home. French kept whiskey in a barrel and sold it by the pint, quart, or gallon but, according to his granddaughter, you never saw a drunk man on the premises. The granddaughter also remembered that about a half dozen Indians used to hang around, and when they got their whiskey they would go away happy. Legend had it that the Indians had small nuggets of gold, kept in quills, and that they traded this for whiskey and goods.

After a few years, John Jay French sold the tanning end of the business to his two sons and tended the store only. This left him plenty of time to indulge in that favorite of Texas Republic sports: land speculation. French had come to Texas lured by stories of easy land and fortunes to be made, and he promptly set about to realize his dream. The following entries from the Jefferson County deed books alone give some hint of his varied and numerous purchases:

- 1841 4605 acres in Nacogdoches County (Vol. D, p. 266)
- 320 acres in Jefferson County (D, 287)
- 1476 acres in Jefferson County (D, 290)
- 1845 300 acres in Jefferson County (E, 238)
- **The Home Place
- 1848 333 acres from A. Williams, next to above (G, 7)
- 1850 140 acres more from A. Williams, (H, 20)
- 1854 68 acres more from A. Williams, (K, 49)

- 1861 Lot 61, Blk 13 in Beaumont
- 1866 735 acres in McKinney League (Jefferson City)
- 1867 Block 25 in Beaumont
- 1868 640 acres in Comanche County
- 1871 McKinney League acres in Sheriff's Sale
- 1877 250 acres & 11 6/10 acres Jefferson County

French also owned land in Galveston, including one building on The Strand. He traded and banked with "Hutchins, Seely, and Simpson" or simply "Hutchins, Seely and Co." He was a shrewd yankee trader, often bought land at tax sales, and sometimes paid taxes on delinquent land, put a tenant on it, and got a title to it. He had land in Tyler, Hardin, Taylor, Lavaca, Nacogdoches, Orange, Comanche and Jefferson Counties. He spent his life acquiring land, and the amount he accumulated was staggering. His ventures included one with the Lookout Mountain (Tennessee) Camp Meeting Association of Spiritualists. The association was selling stock in the mountain property, promising "a dividend in the near future [9]," and French, who was a Spiritualist, did invest in the stock. The family said he used to go up to Tennessee every year for two or three weeks until he sold his stock and got his money back. Then he did not return. There are still letters in the family papers showing that French corresponded with other spiritualists, with clairvoyant healers, with "The Magnetic Shield Co. of Chicago" whose magnetized undergarments "cured" any ailment, and with the Association of Spiritualists (a copy of their bylaws is among the papers).

French, the man is a fascinating study: the shrewd trader, buying goods and land at bankruptcy and tax sales, getting a 65% discount at one store on goods he purchased, and yet believing in and seeking remedies for his ills from a clairvoyant healer whose letter to French states that though French did not state the nature of his illness, he, the healer, was sending him a month's supply of his cure. French also delighted in magic and did parlor tricks of magic for the entertainment of his friends and the young people. Two newspaper accounts of his magic tricks are in the Family papers [1].

French was the subject of several feature articles throughout the years, as the stories of him were repeated from one generation to the next. One incident of his first stormy voyage to Texas which the old gentlemen like to relate concerns a clergyman missionary outward bound from New York on the same schooner as French.

"While on the way, off the Bahamas, there arose a severe gale at sea one night, and my fellow passengers, a clergyman, his wife, and another man went out on the deck of the vessel and began a course of singing hymns and saying prayers for their safety, but did not call on (Mr. French). The next morning the weather was calm and after breakfast the preacher told (Mr. French) of the storm, and of their prayers for safety, and that he (Mr. French) was asleep and they did not waken him to see the danger of death staring them in the face. Mr. French inquired why they did not awaken him when the clergyman replied, "You know, we have had many discussions on this voyage on

theological subjects, and as you don't believe as I do, I thought it wouldn't make any difference whether you were saved or not."

French held a firm belief that a few of the spirits of the departed return to earth. In later years his grandsons used to play pranks on him by pushing sticks through the pantry window at night and rattling and upsetting pans, to hear Grandpa French comment: "There are the spirits again."

Sally French did not share her husbands beliefs, and they attended the Methodist Church. French had in his home the Methodist hymnbooks (then containing the shaped notes after the style of the "Sacred Harp") and he would play the hymns on Sally's accordeon far into the night.

Another tale shows his upright character: Once a yankee came into the store and wanted some tobacco. John Jay Jr., who was minding the store, pulled out some tobacco.

"How much?"

"Ten cents."

"Got any better?"

"Sure. Here's some for 15 cents," said Junior holding up more of the same.

"Got any better than that?"

"Yes, we've got one other kind, for 20 cents," reaching under the counter for more of the same. The Yank bought the tobacco, started for the door, and met old John Jay standing in the door.

"Wait a minute mister."

"What's the matter, I paid your boy."

"Yes," said old French, "but there's a lot you don't know. That boy cheated you." French gave back the money and gave his boy a whipping in front of the Yank.

A story from the Taylor's Bayou days was recounted by Mrs. Langham: *"My grandfather, J. J. French, with another man by the name of Taylor, were boating on Taylor's Bayou in a skiff and one day they started down to the Pass. While there, a lady who had a pair of ducks gave them to my grandfather to take back to a friend of hers. On their way back that night, they camped out along the bayou. The mosquitoes were bad and they stretched a bar over their beds. These ducks were tied together and put over on the far side of the bed, and while they were asleep, a very large alligator was attracted by the occasional (sic) quack of the ducks, and came up by the bed where the ducks were. Grandpa threw his hand over the ducks and the alligator grabbed him by the hand, and the other man had to hold on to grandpa to prevent the gator (sic) from pulling him in the bayou, and finally Mr. Taylor took the lid off of a provision box and beat the gator with it until he finally turned loose. He grabbed the mosquito bar and some of the bedding and ran into the bayou with it, but they finally succeeded in getting it away from him before he got into the bayou."*

By far the most spectacular tale is the tale of "Charley Yank," a carpetbagger who met his untimely end at the hands of French and his neighbors when he attempted to rob the Trading Post. But that story deserves a place of its own.

After a long and prosperous life in Jefferson County, French, in 1884 when he was 86 years old, decided the country was getting too fast for him, and with Sally he pulled up stakes and moved to Merkle, Texas, in Taylor County. There Sally died in 1885 and John in 1889 at age 91. This venerable old gentleman, writing in 1884, said "We have acquired much property under adverse circumstances."

John and Sally had left their imprint on the world they left. Three, and possibly four, of their children survived them, and the family line continued and increased, so that the French name is carried to this day by some of his descendants.

Nancy married George Burrell in 1843 and lived in the Taylor's Bayou area, inheriting from her father his original land grant there.

David married Amelia Guidry in 1850, and John Jay Jr. married Frances Cox in 1859. French Sr. built houses for both of them near his, and these houses, with the tannery and store, were the nucleus of "French Town." They inherited the land and buildings, and John Jr. moved into French's homestead after his father's departure and inherited it at his death.

About Electa Jane (2nd) a family legend persists. In the family Bible is written "died at birth" beside her name. The story was passed down through the generations that she did not die at birth, but lived to be a grown young woman and fell in love with a man unacceptable to her father (rumored to be part Indian). When she eloped with him over her father's prohibition, he disinherited her completely, even writing in the Bible "died at birth" beside her name at this time. One fact which would tend to corroborate this story is that French, in his application to the Mexican Government in March of 1835, stated that he came "with his wife and four children" to settle. Those four could only be Nancy, Electa Jane (2nd), David, and John Jay Jr. (1st). John J. Jr. (1st) did not die until November of that year, and John Jay Jr. (2nd) was not born until 1838.

The French name is still a familiar one in Beaumont. The street in front of the French house has always been French Road, and three schools in the area bear the French name: French Elementary, French Junior High, and French High School. They do not bear that name by accident.

French, himself an educated man, also saw that his children were educated. David was sent to school in a one-room log school house on Byprus Street in Beaumont. It was a private school, as public schools were nearly unheard of in the south of those days. David recalled that the building was about 18-feet square and filled with pupils from the whole area. He recalled dances being held in it when he was a bit older, and that the fiddler sat on a hide bottom chair on top of a table while the dancers frolicked through the Virginia Reel. John also was sent to school. A cryptic note in the beginning of the 1848 ledger states that "John commenced school around 15 Jan. Lost time 4. Left school Sat. 18 March." (March 18 fell on Saturday in 1848). Later in the ledger is a note "John commenced school October 17." This note is beside the regular entries for October 17, 1850.

Both boys were evidently quite aware of the need for public schools. David's daughter attended a school "conducted in a barn for the children of John Marble," and also went to "the governess of the McFaddin children" for a short time. In the early 1900's the nearest schools to the "French Town" area were the Voth School and the Fifth District school, both too far away for young children to go. So in 1903, the French brothers, John and David, together with John McDonald who operated a little sawmill north of Beaumont, and Charles Oglebee, a logger, decided to build a school. The Frenches donated the land, McDonald the lumber, and Oglebee the hauling. A two room, unpainted building was erected at Helbig, near the Concord Road (Voth Road) and Lucas Drive. However, the largest population growth was toward Beaumont, not French Town, and in 1912 the school board, headed by Henry French (son of John Jay Jr.) bought a new location and built a new school. It was called French School, and when an independent school district was formed, it was called French Independent School District and remained so until it merged with the Beaumont Independent School District years later. David's son, John, had also been a board member of the early school, and two of David's granddaughters taught in the French School District. Many of John Jay French's descendants still live in the same area on the land he acquired so long ago.

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HISTORY OF THE LAND AND BUILDING

The land on which the French Trading Post stands was first granted to Absalom Williams by the Republic of Texas on November 26, 1841 (signed by Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas). Absalom and his wife, May (or Mary), had been living on the land for some time, at least as early as 1838, when they entered into an agreement with Hezekiah Williams whereby Hezekiah was to have the land surveyed and pay the fees and, in return, Absalom

was to deed him one-half of it when the title was obtained "with the exception of one hundred acres where the said Absalom Williams now resides." For some reason, however, he does not seem to have divided his property with Hezekiah, perhaps by later agreement.

Absalom promptly began to sell his land. In March of 1842 he sold 921 acres for a total of \$1144.

100 acres for \$100 to Sally Grigsby
 100 acres for \$100 to J. J. O. Millard
 90 acres for \$200 to O. H. Delano
 94 acres for \$94 to Joel Lewis
 300 acres for \$100 to Joel Lewis
 French House Land

237 acres for \$550 to James Hoggett
 (Deed Records, Jefferson County, Vol. D., pp. 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, and 465)

The price paid by Joel Lewis for the 300 acres indicates that there was no improvement on the land.

Our attention now shifts to Joel Lewis, who kept the land only three years before selling it to French. Joe, in 1839, had married Roda Williams. Perhaps one of the two purchases above was intended to be his home. It is possible that he never built a house because it appears that Roda died sometime between 1839 and 1845, when Joel married Mrs. Lydia Williams, widow of Hezekiah Williams, Jr. Since the new Mrs. Lewis had five children by her previous marriage, it is likely that she also had a larger and better provisioned home and that Joel took up residence there. He sold his 300 acres in the A. Williams survey to John Jay French on March 10, 1845 (Vol. E., p. 238) for \$400 in promissory notes due in 1846 and 1847.

Given French's character and determination, once he had decided on the move, it is nearly certain that he promptly began to build his new home and tannery, probably during the summer of 1845.

It is not known who built French's house, but five years later he built a house for his son, David, on his marriage, and it was said to be a mirror image of his. Records during the building of that house (David's) indicate that part of the work may have been done by slaves, as entries show that he paid various other settlers for work done by 'Jessy,' "Eli," "Black Israel," "Black Usan,". French himself is said to have had at least three slaves.

Other payments for labor and materials are noted:

To Amos Tims on Nov. 13, 1850 — 6 M shingles
 To Amos Tims on Nov. 21, 1850 — 2 M shingles
 To Amos Tims on Dec. 24, 1850 — 116 pickets
 To John Fowler Oct. 13 — 5 days work this week
 To John Fowler Oct. 17 — 3½ days work
 To John Fowler Dec. 5 — making 13 doors and windows at \$3 — \$39.00, and doors for two windows, eave troughs, at Browns

Thus, through the building of David's house, it can be guessed that most of John Jay French's house was built, if not by some of the same labor, at least in the same way with local craftsmen making even the windows and doors on the job.

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Journey back in history

French Museum displays signs of a time with very few conveniences

By Pat Yadon

Lifestyles staff writer

By modern standards, life was hard during the mid- to late 1800s.

But nobody minded the hard work because they didn't know any other way — just as women who think they couldn't live without their microwave oven today did just fine before that high-tech food heater was available.

Even the shabbiest of today's ovens would have seemed a miracle to the men and women who lived in this area 150 years ago. Women stood sweating over an open fireplace or a wood stove to stir their pots of beans.

For people who want a peek into that more basic lifestyle, a trip to the John Jay French Museum offers a journey into the past.

The museum was the home of John Jay and Sally French, built in 1845. Because the Frenches were prosperous owners of a tannery and trading post, the house is more elaborate than the typical home of that time, says docent Terry Heath.

Like other early Texas homes, the French house is a dogtrot style, meaning it includes an open breezeway or roofed hall between two sections of a main building. But the French home was the first two-story building in this area; people gathered in the street to watch the second story go up, Heath says.

The house features two bedrooms on the right side of the breezeway, an office and a front room on the left side. A narrow stairway leading up from the now-enclosed dogtrot opens onto a large room with a bed and quilting frame.

A kitchen and dining area are separate from the main house, with a wash basin on the porch for cleaning up before meals. The "plumbing," of course, was outdoors.

The Frenches had a well in the back yard, and a washhouse with round wooden tubs for weekly baths.

Texans favored dirt yards, which they swept with a broom made of branches. The yards always were fenced to keep chickens and ducks in and wild animals out.

Most Texas pioneers made their own furniture, and the French house includes some of these rough pieces. The men made shelves, stools, tables and chairs with cane or rawhide seats.

A cannonball—pegged rope bed used cords laced to the frame to support the feather mattress women made.

The Frenches also brought furniture with them, and acquired luxuries in Galveston that nobody but a trader would have had. The museum shows off a sewing machine, an organ, an English music box and other niceties a typical family never would own.

But even with the luxuries, life was not easy for the Frenches. Since they couldn't run down to the shopping mall, early Texas families had to be almost completely self-sufficient.

"The amount of work women did was incredible," Heath says.

A typical day for Sally French would have included rising at 4 a.m., serving breakfast at 5, getting the men off to work by 6, then fixing a huge dinner for all the unmarried men who worked at the tannery, which she served at 11 a.m.

Leftovers went into the pie safe until supper time. In the meantime, Mrs. French might

have washed clothes in the pots of water in the back yard, scrubbed the kitchen floor with a cornshuck broom or pressed clothes with a sadiron heated on the stove.

The woman of the house also made soap and candles, churned butter two or three times a week and made all the family's clothing, sometimes including shoes and hats. She tended a vegetable garden and gathered cotton from the fields to clean, spin and weave into cloth.

But life wasn't all grim, despite the hardships. "The First Texas Cookbook" includes recipes for home remedies for coughs, colds, cholera and typhoid fever, but also lists three ways to clean kid gloves.

Sunday was a day of rest: Children had their cornshuck dolls and other toys, women got together for quilting bees and the men enjoyed a good horse race. French played an accordion, and parties meant fiddling and dancing.

"They didn't yearn for anything because they didn't know any different way," Heath says.

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- compile a cross-reference index of French surnames
- publish results of French family research including pedigree charts
- and to perhaps organize a French 360-year reunion.

Get Your Questions Ready

I will be making a trip to the Mormon Genealogical Library in Salt Lake City June 25-30, 1984. While there, I will research as many "French" inquiries as possible at a cost of \$4 per question. A refund will be made for those answers not found. Send questions, check, and SASE to *the frenchline*, 521 River View Dr., San Jose, CA 95111.

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FRENCH, Bartholomew and Micah. Would like to know birthdate and any further information. Bartholomew born ca. 1751 in Bridgewater, MA; Micah (his father) born ca. 1726. Reply to Verna Uebelacker, E. 3710 31st Ave., Spokane, WA 99203

FRENCH, Elizabeth. Would like to know birthdate and any further information. Elizabeth born ca. 1815, married Stephen W. Knowlton. Last residence was in Anaheim, Orange Co. CA. Reply to Ruth Michie, 684 E. Ninth Ave., Colville, WA 99114.

FRENCH, Mary. Would like to know maiden name. Mary married Thomas French, might be identified as Mary Scudamore, daughter of William Scudamore of Herefordshire. Thomas French was the son of Thomas French Sen. and Susan Riddlesdale from Assington, Suffolk, England, who immigrated on the Winthrop Fleet and settled in Boston, and later in Ipswich, MA. Reply to Paul Hokanson, 251 Adams, Afton, Wyoming 83110.

FRENCH, Joseph. Seek information on Joseph French, Sr., born 2 Jun 1767, Mass. Married 1) Eunice MILLS; married 2) Sally SMITH. Joseph lived in Madison Co., NY from ca. 1799 to 1836 when he moved to Adams Co., Indiana. He died 1843 in Adams Co. Where in Mass. was he born? Who were his parents? Also seek info on his son, Joseph French Jr., born 19 Mar 1794, Mass. Reply to Vivian Creeden, 5732-78th Place, Marysville, WA 98270.

FRENCH, Francis. Would like to know any information on Francis and Elizabeth (Frewl) French, parents of Samuel French of Little Egg Harbor, NJ. Samuel was born 29 Apr 1790, married Esther Sooy on 7 Apr 1808 and died in Randolph Co., IN on 15 Jul 1857. Reply to Beverly Wagner, 10933 Timothy Lane, Roanoke, IN 46783.

FRENCH CONTACTS

This section includes a listing of family histories, newsletters, and associations. If we discover a member's pedigree to connect to another's line, both members will be notified.

THOMAS FRENCH First French Immigrant

Thomas French was born about 1580 in Halstead, Essex, England, and later moved to Assington Parish, Suffolk, England. He died 5 Nov 1639 in Ipswich, MA, after living nine years in America. He was married (1st) to Palladia Wood at Canterbury, probably in 1602. Palladia died suddenly, probably in giving birth to her third child in 1607. Thomas had three children by his first marriage: (1) William, born 15 Mar 1603, (2) Francis, baptised 29 Jun 1606, and (3) Jerry mya, baptised 21 Nov 1607. Thomas married (2nd) in 1607 to Susan Riddlesdale. They emigrated with their seven children, setting sail in 1630 as Puritans on the "Winthrop Fleet" from Halstead Parish, Essex, England to Ipswich, MA. Their seven children were: (1) Thomas, born 1608, died 1680, one of the first landowners of Ipswich, MA, married Mary Adams and had seven children (2) Alice, born 1610 (3) Dorcas, born 1614, maid-servant to Governor Winthrop on their voyage to America (4) Susan, born 1616 (5) Anne, born 1618 (6) John, born 1622, and (7) Mary, born 1625 and only five years old on her voyage to America. They were the first French family to emigrate from England to America. During 1630 seventeen ships carrying a total of 1,500 passengers arrived in America. The "Winthrop Fleet" of 11 vessels formed the "Great Emigration of 1630". The colonists were under the leadership of John Winthrop, lord of the manor of Groton, Suffolk. Many of the colonists were of the middle and upper class from Suffolk and Lincoln, as was Thomas.

This information is constantly being researched and updated. Any further data will be appreciated.

their old homes. The largest emigration was from the Puritan region of Cambridgeshire, Suffolk, Norfolk, northwestern Essex, and eastern Hertfordshire. The Reverend John Lathrop led people from Kent to Sandwich Cape, Massachusetts.

After 1660 the character of emigration changed; there were no longer well-defined groups. The later immigrants were mostly merchants, artisans, tradesmen, apprentices, and servants from London, Bristol, and the southwest counties who came to seek their fortunes. By 1660 the New England colonies were making little effort to increase their population. They were, in fact, discouraging immigration.

HISTORY OF IPSWICH

The Ipswich Chamber of Commerce extends to you a hearty welcome to Ipswich and suggests that you stop at our Information Booth. If you plan to stay awhile, the attendant will gladly aid in locating accommodations and suggest itineraries. If you are just passing through, perhaps a friendly chat with the attendant will induce you to stay over, as there is a lot to see and do in Historic Ipswich!

Ipswich was named after old Ipswich, England, "in acknowledgement of the great honor and kindness done our people, who took shipping there."

The town of Ipswich, which lies just north of Cape Ann, was founded in 1633 and incorporated in 1634, making it one of the oldest towns in the United States. It is centrally located on the North Shore of Massachusetts. Ipswich is approximately 30 miles from Boston and 12 miles from Salem. It is only minutes from Route 1 and is accessible from Route 128, Exit 20 North. You can also enter Ipswich from Route 95, Rowley exit onto Route 133 East. Then follow the signs to Ipswich. Route 1A, which goes through Ipswich, is considered the most scenic route on the North Shore and is a most delightful ride.

The northerly end of the Ipswich shoreline consists of rounded glacial hills, once a favorite Indian camping ground. Overlooking Plum Island and the sea, Little Neck, Great Neck and Eagle Hill are now built up with summer camps and cottages, many of which may be rented by arrangement. There are also an increasing number of year-round homes. Little Neck is operated by a self-perpetuating group of trustees, which has been in existence since the 17th century and which still bears the old English name of Feoffees. The Feoffees, the only such group still existing in the United States, own and operate Little Neck, collect the taxes for the town and still, as was their original purpose, pay an annual sum toward the operation of the Ipswich schools.

In 1614 Captain John Smith, famous for his part in the development of the Virginia Plantation, in an account of his voyages, wrote of the various habitations of Indians along the New England shores. Of "Angoam" (now Ipswich) he said, "there are many sands at the entrance of the Harbour, rising hills, and on their tops and descents are many corn fields and delightful groves."

Archeological studies published by the Essex Institute in 1956 indicate that artifacts uncovered in Ipswich in the last few years may indicate the existence of an Indian village here thousands of years before Christ. Certainly the Indians who roamed the eastern seacoast prior to the coming of white men knew Agawam as a favorable location for their way of life. Great mounds of shells in several parts of town, now overlaid with soil and vegetation, tell us they came here to enjoy the seafood as well as to cultivate corn. White men followed the lead of red men in their evaluation of areas for settlement.

Thirteen years after the settlement of the town of Ipswich, its population was 600.

Public ways were maintained along the river. House lots were assigned in the village; farming acres were in the outlying parts of the town. Much land was held in common with rights being passed on from one generation of landholders to the next.

Ipswich is one of the most varied communities on the North Shore. Its area alone, enormous for this region, provides a range in terrain that should suit any nature lover. The sand dunes and beaches are exquisite—and the texture of the sand is uniquely suitable to sandcastle construction (hence the annual Sandcastle Competition at Steep Hill Beach).

Inland, the town is a mixture of dwelling styles and commerce, with an active downtown area close by an Historic District that features beautiful antique homes. Further out, the community becomes quite rural, and the seaside landscape gives way to wooded areas and ponds.

There is a definite atmosphere to the community that might best be described as "cosmopolitan." The variety in terrain and dwellings is carried through in the populace, which consists of strong ethnic communities, new arrivals in the recent developments, and what one resident calls the "fabulously wealthy."

The services Ipswich offers make it a self-sustaining community in many ways. Town water and sewers are available to most of the town, as is gas service and municipal electricity. There is municipal trash collection, full-time police and fire departments, and a well-stocked library.

The school system offers a kindergarten to sixth grade program in three elementary schools, a junior and a senior high school.

Housing in Ipswich can still be found in the \$40,000 range, but most homes offered settle into the \$50,000 to \$80,000 range. In the more prestigious areas along Linebrook and Argilla roads, country homes sell for over \$100,000, while in the center section, apartments and multi-family dwellings are available.

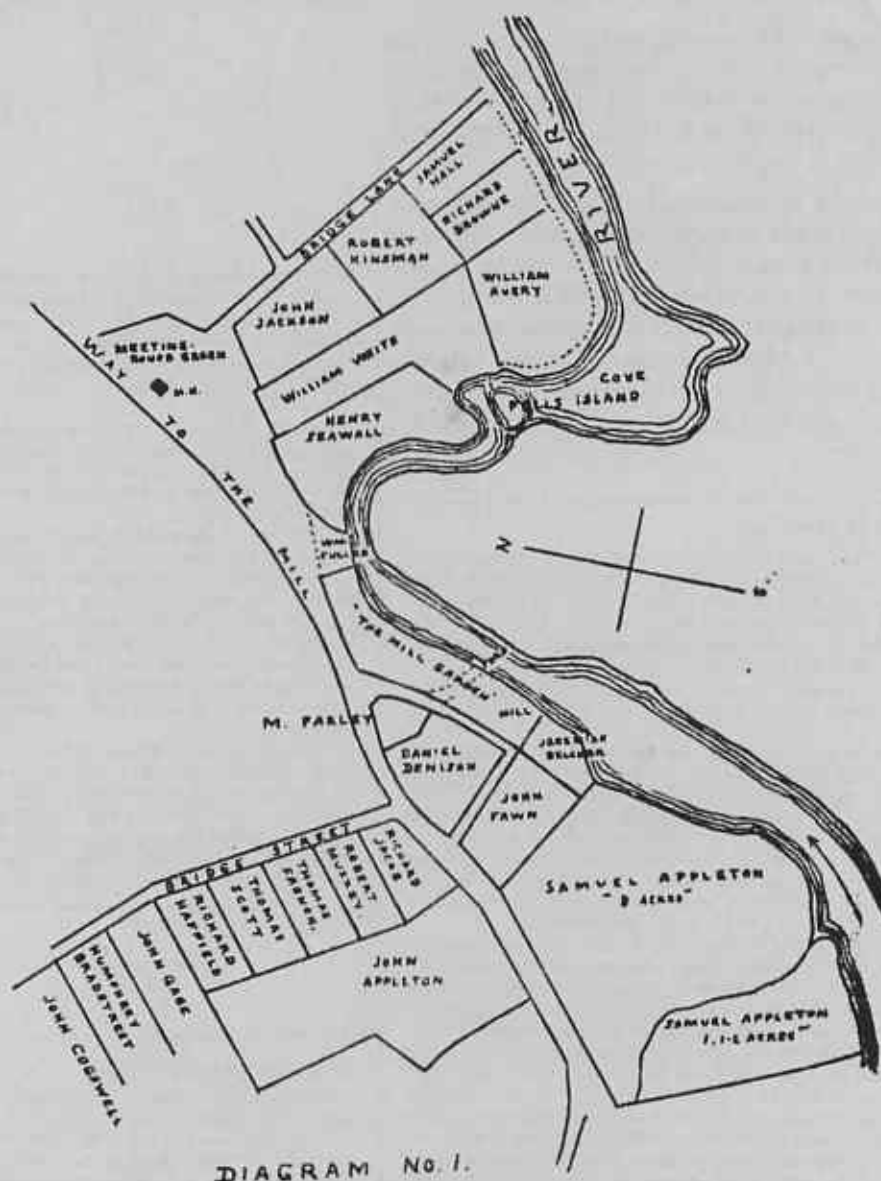
MEETING HOUSE GREEN

This ancient Green abounds with history. It was here in 1634 that the settlers of Ipswich built their Meeting House, the first of seven to dominate the rocky crest of Town Hill. The latest contemporary structure, dedicated in 1972, replaces the 1847 structure, an outstanding example of Gothic Revival architecture, destroyed by fire in 1965. The ancient gilded weathercock still swings atop the steeple of the new church, and curfew still sounds from the bell tower, as it has for more than 300 years.

Close to the Meeting House stood His Majesty's Gaol, where some of the accused witches were confined during the witchcraft mania—and here was the Court House where a young John Adams sat as circuit judge—and the Town House where Webster held forth. The schoolhouse and whipping post and stocks stood nearby, and still standing is the former Probate Building erected in 1817 and the first Post Office of 1774—possibly the oldest in the country with its delightful overhang.

It was in the ancient Town House on August 23, 1687, that the citizens of Ipswich, led by the Reverend John Wise, denounced the tax levy assessed by the government of Sir John Andros and initiated the famed "Andros Rebellion." The town seal bears the legend, "The Birthplace of American Independence," and a plaque on the Green commemorates the event.

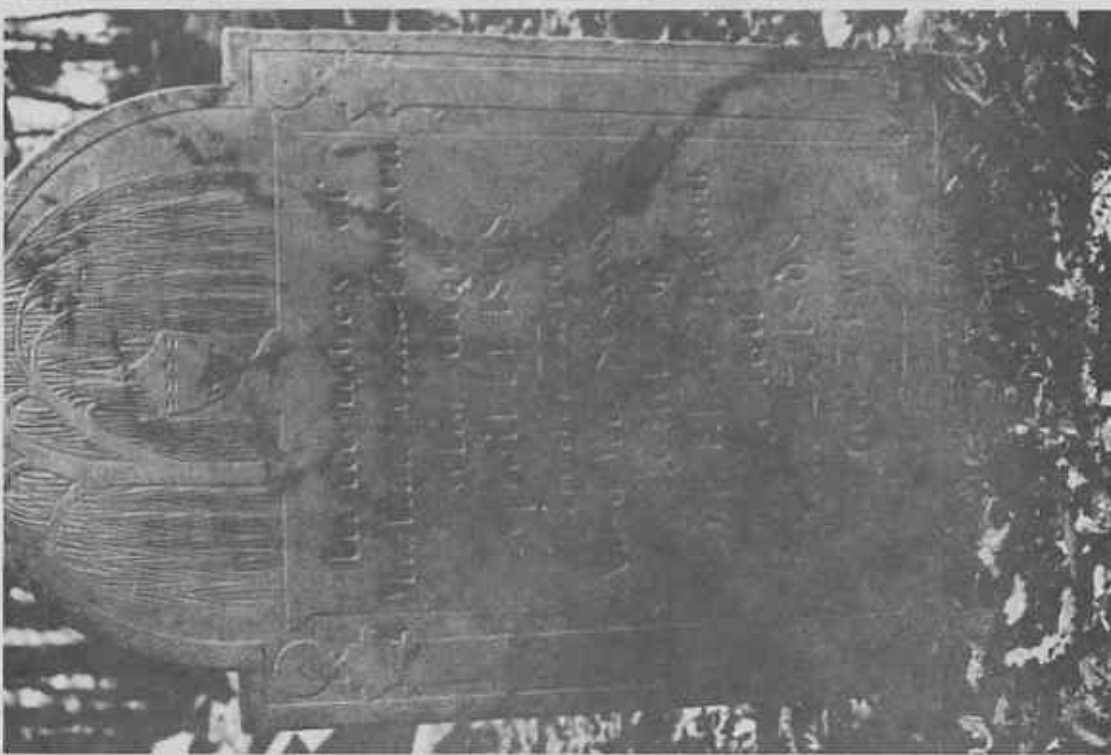
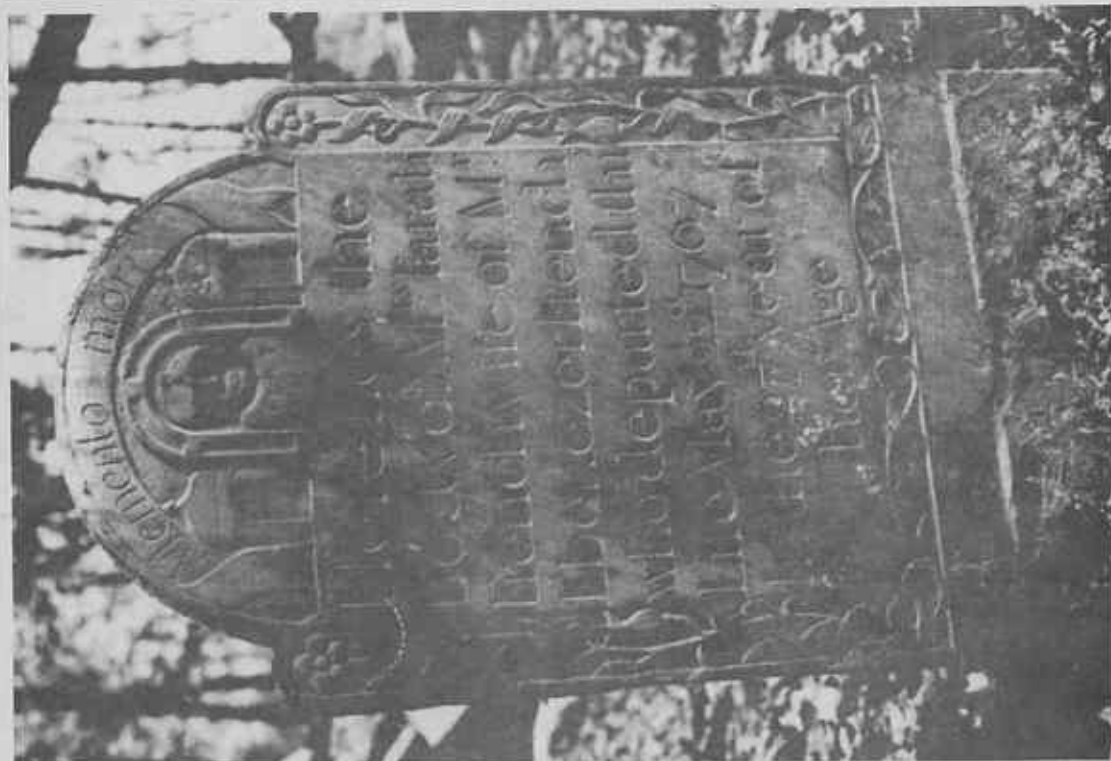
Ipswich, in addition to being one of the oldest towns in the Commonwealth, is also one of the largest, with an area of 33 square miles. The present population of Ipswich is slightly over 11,500.



Thomas French.

(Diagram 1.)

He had a house on this lot, which was inherited by his son Thomas, the Constable of the Town, who was arrested with the Andros resisters, and was imprisoned and fined for his participation in that affair. John Stiles and Mary, and Esther French, seamster, all of Boxford, sold Dr. Samuel Wallis "the homestead of our father French, two acres" Aug. 1, 1718 (34: 198). The widow, Sarah Rust, daughter and heir of Wallis, sold this lot to Nathaniel Rust, bounded west by Nath. Farley, Jan. 4, 1794 (158: 219). Rust sold to Aaron Kimball, and he conveyed to Robert Kimball, and Ebenezer 3d, March 1, 1814 (203: 32). Ebenezer conveyed his interest to Robert, Sept. 29, 1836 (295: 68) and it is called the "Rust lot," in a conveyance (291: 289). Captain Robert Kimball sold this lot, with the sale to the Eastern Rail Road Co. of the whole corner, Oct. 21, 1836 (295: 116). The Joseph Farley southeast bound, which was the northwest bound of the Rust lot, was 58 ft. 6 in. from James F. Mann's corner bound. This establishes the exact location of the Thomas French homestead. It covered the site of the pumping station and land adjacent.



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1. Center of Ipswich, MA, where Thomas immigrated in 1630.
2. Marker in center of Ipswich, MA.
3. Marker for M French and W French, 1775 American Revolutionary Soldier ARS.
4. South Cemetery on French St. Billerica, MA.
5. Old Burying Ground w/French St. behind where Joseph had his house in Billerica, MA.



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1. Grave of Sarah French, died 1767, Meeting Hill Cemetery, Dunstable, MA. Here lies the Body of Mrs. Farah French wife of Mr Ebenezer French who departed this Life May 22, 1767 in the 27th year of her Age. Photo by Jerry Desilets.
2. Grave of Ebenezer French, died 1808, Meeting Hill Cemetery, Dunstable, MA. In memory of Mr. Ebenezer French who died April 11, 1808, in his 77 year also Mrs. Susannah, Relect of Mr. Eben'r French died Dec 27, 1808 in her 73 year. Photo by Jerry Desilets.
3. Meeting Hill Cemetery. Photo by Jerry Desilets.



Watering Trough, gift to the town of Dunstable, Massachusetts by Jonas H. French in 1888
Jerry Desilets of Dunstable.

THE FRENCH PEDIGREE CHART

First
Generation

Thomas French
born ca. 1490
in Arkesden, England
died ca. 1551
Bardfield, England

Elizabeth
died ca. 1556

Second
Generation

Thomas French
born ca. 1520
in Wethersfield, England
died in 1599
Wethersfield, England

Elizabeth (1st)

Elizabeth French

Joanne French

Agnes French

Bridget (2nd)
married ca. 1540

Third
Generation

Thomas French
born ca. 1550
in Wethersfield, England
died 20 Jan 1613
Halstead, England

Agnes (Ann) Olmstead
married ca. 1570
died 11 Feb 1624
Halstead, England

Mary French
married
John Collin

Elizabeth French
married
John Meade

Fourth
Generation

(1st)
Palladia Wood
married in Canterbury
ca. 1602
died ca. 1607

Thomas French
born ca. 1580
in Halstead, England
died 5 Nov 1639
in Ipswich, MA

(2nd)
Susan Riddlesdale
born ca. 1583
married ca. 1607
in Assington, England
died Aug 1658

John French

Edward French
married
Margaret

Robert French

William French

Francis French

Fifth
Generation

William French
born 15 Mar 1603
Halstead, England
m. (1st) Elizabeth
Godfrey, 1623
(2nd) Mary Lathrop
Stearns, 1669
died 20 Nov 1681
Billerica, MA

Francis French
born ca. 29 Jun 1606

Jerry mya French
born ca. 21 Nov 1607

Thomas French
born 1608
died 1680 in
Ipswich, MA
married to
Mary Adams

Alice French
born ca. 1610

Dorcas French
born ca. 1614

Susan French
born ca. 1616

Anne French
born ca. 1618

John French
born ca. 1622

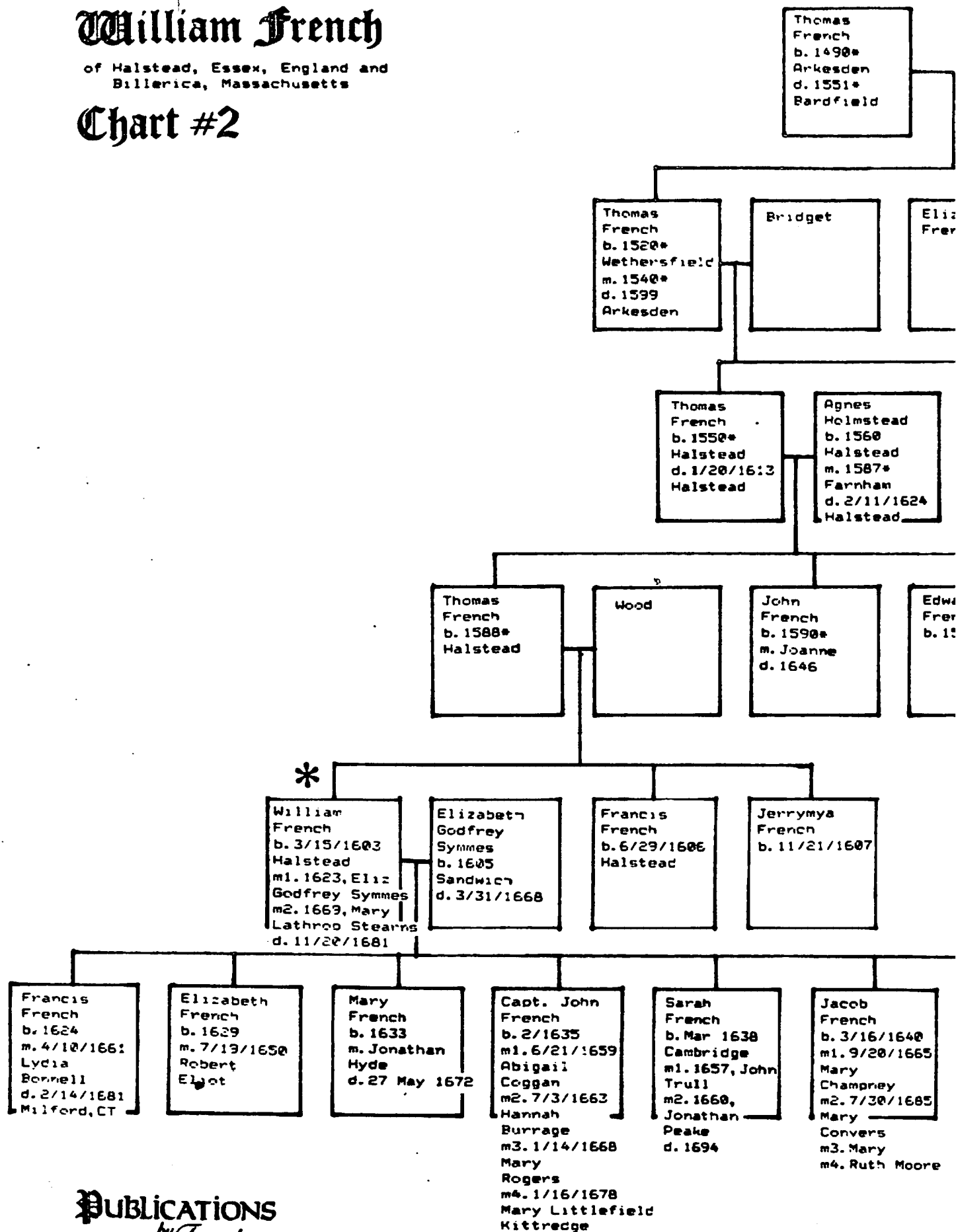
Mary French
born ca. 1625

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William French

of Halstead, Essex, England and
Billerica, Massachusetts

Chart #2



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CGS REFERENCE KEY

b. born
m. married
d. death
i. immigrated
* indicates the main line of William French, the emigrant

○ generation
* approximate

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Cities in America: Ipswich, MA; Dunstable, MA; Cambridge, MA; Milford, CT.

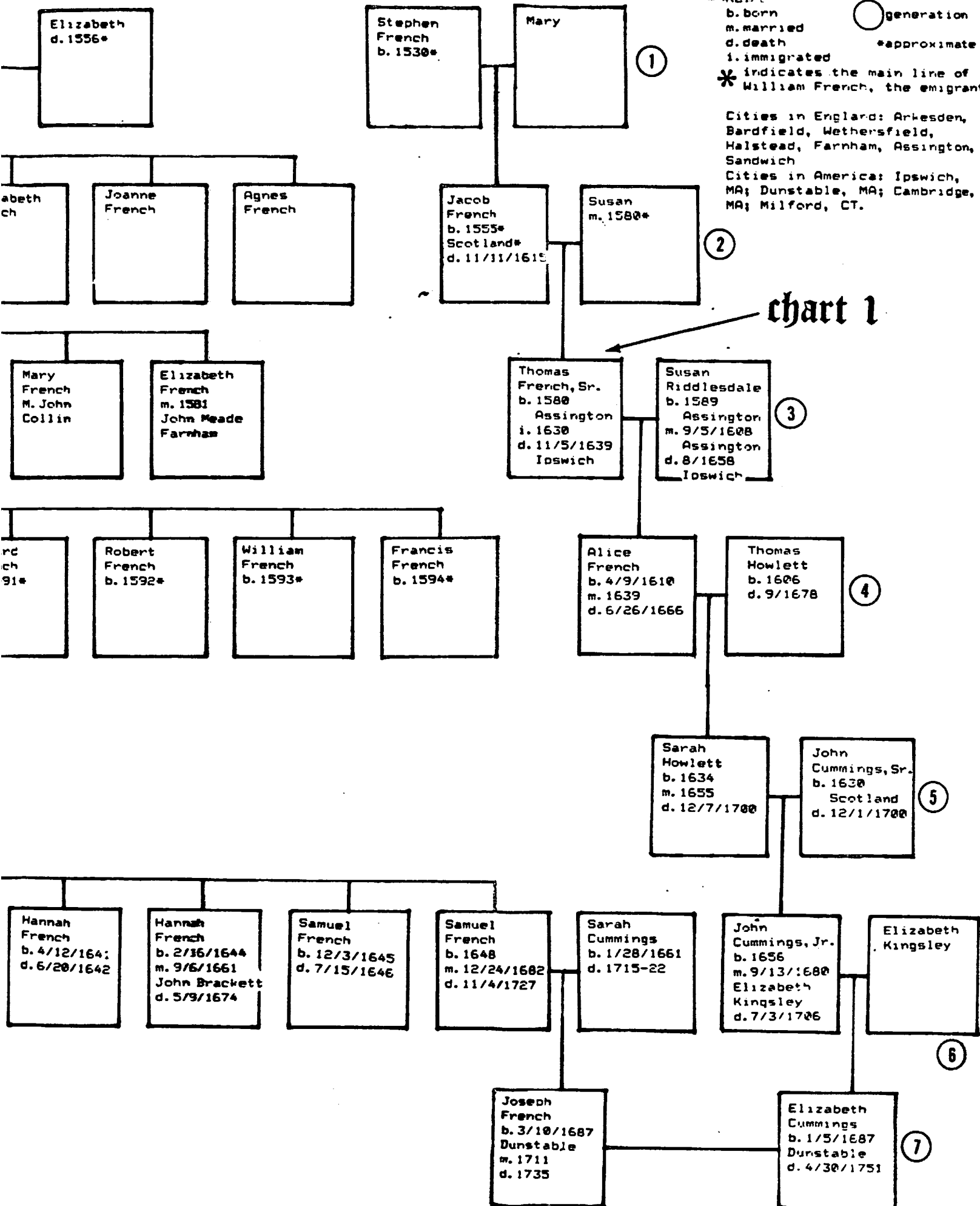
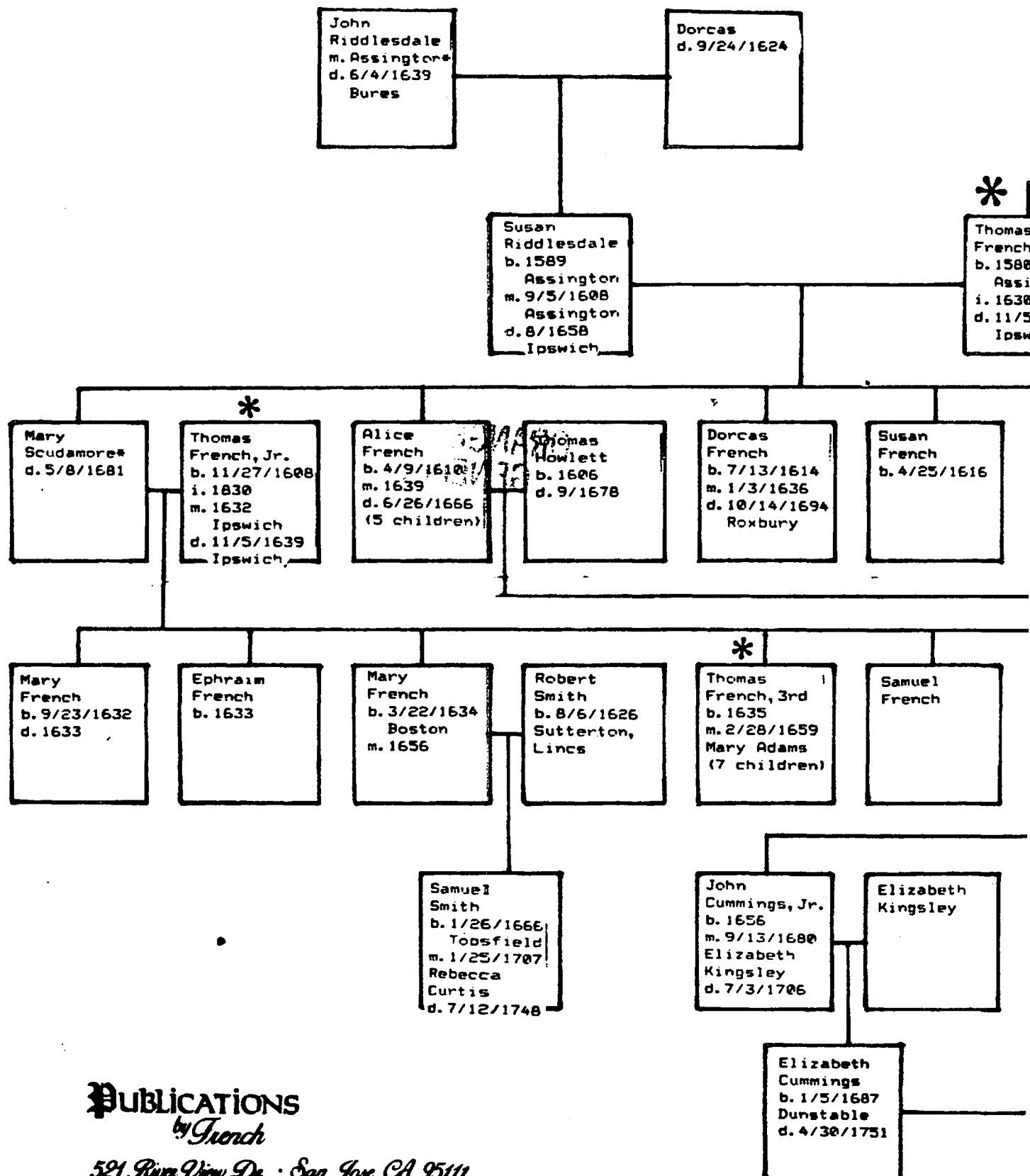


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Thomas French

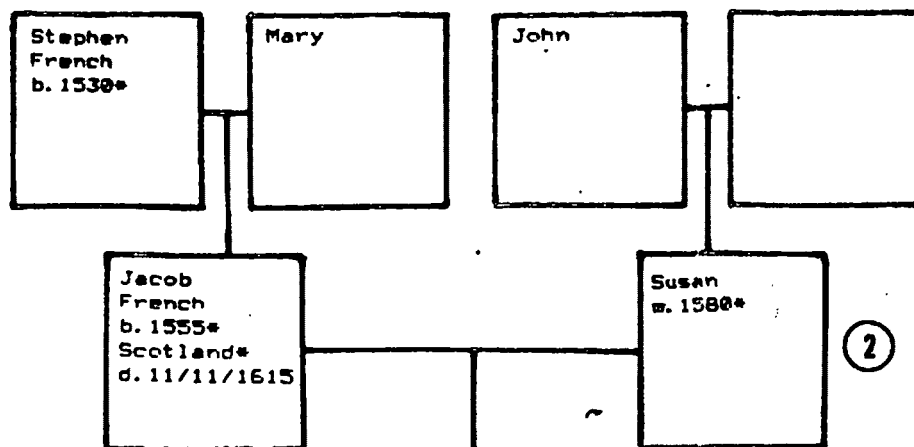
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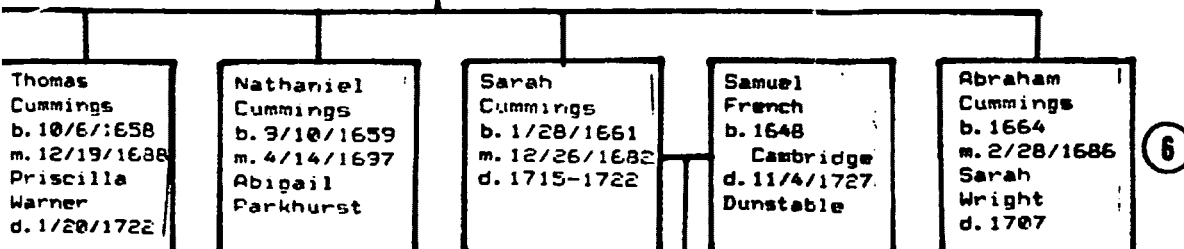
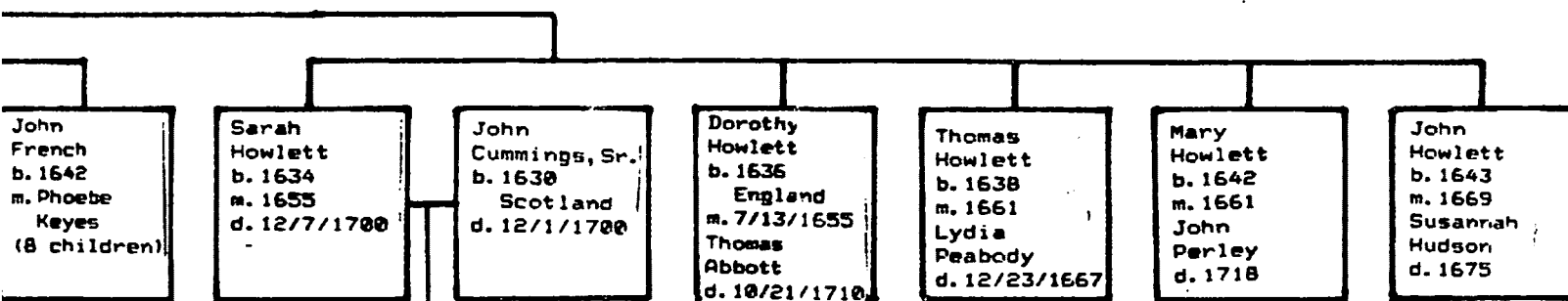
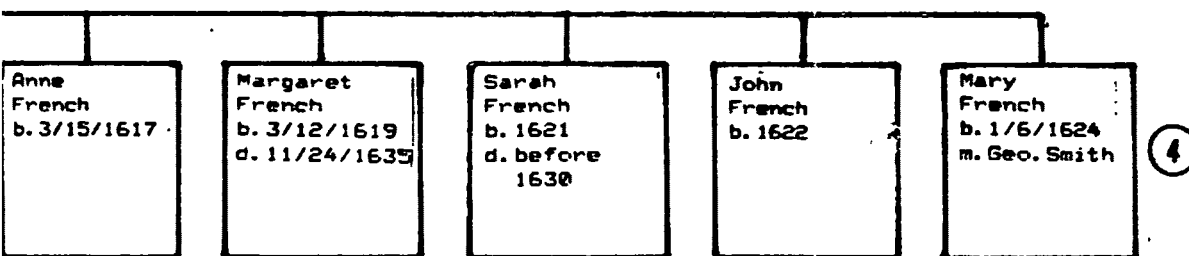
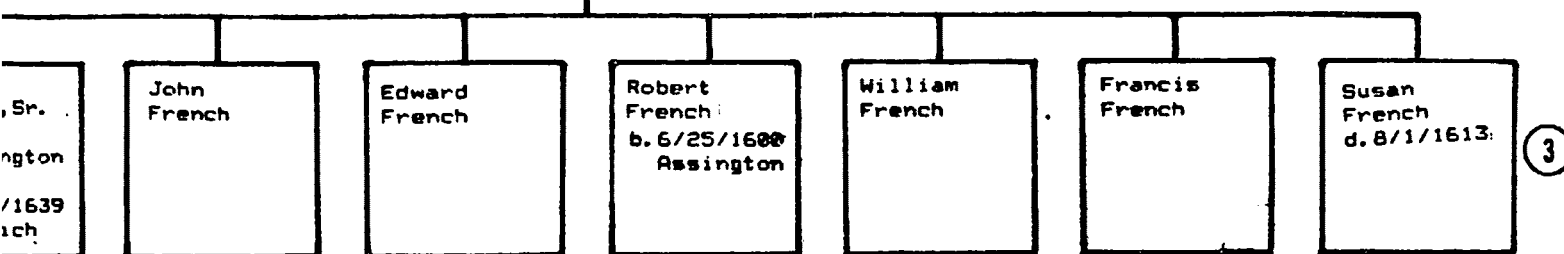
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KEY:
 b. born
 m. married
 d. death
 i. immigrated
 * indicates the main line of
 Thomas French, the emigrant

○ generation
 *approximate

Cities in England: Bures,
 Assington, Sutterton
 Cities in Massachusetts:
 Ipswich, Roxbury, Boston,
 Topsfield, Dunstable.



Joseph French
b. 3/10/1687
Dunstable
m. 1711
d. 1735

chart 2
 ORANGE COUNTY CALIFORNIA
 GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

French Family Bible

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BIRTHS

John Lee FRENCH was born Feb. 17, 1820.
Irene Elizabeth [Goodman] FRENCH was born August 7th, 1827.
Elizabeth Minerva FRENCH was born Apr 21st 1845.
Rebecca Jane FRENCH was born Dec 9, 1846.
Thomas Wilford FRENCH was born Sept 25, 1848.
D. Clinton FRENCH was born Dec 30, 1850.
Laurah FRENCH was born Oct 14, 1852.
Llewelly [sic] Ruthven FRENCH was born Sept 24 1854.
J. Brown FRENCH was born November the 23rd 1856.
Mary Ann FRENCH was born May 4th 1859.
Ida FRENCH was born October 29th 1861.
Denira Florence FRENCH was born Sept 18th 1874.

MARRIAGES

John L. [Lee] FRENCH and Irene Elizabeth GOODMAN was married June 20th 1844.
Wm.P. CRUME and Rebecca Jane FRENCH was married August [sic] 29th 1867.
Alexander McMURTRY [sic] and Bettie FRENCH was married October the 2 1867.
Dewitt Clinton FRENCH and Lucy CONNAWAY [sic] was married Nov 26th 1873.
Mary Ann FRENCH and Bernard W. CLAGGETT were married Dec 18th A. D. 1881.

DEATHS

Ida FRENCH departed this life May 21st A.D. 1881.(aged 19 yrs 6 months and 22 days)
Thomas FRENCH departed this life Nov 1st A.D. 1883.(aged 35 yrs 1 month and 8 days)
Rebecca J. [FRENCH] CRUME departed this life May 2nd A.D. 1884(aged 37yrs 24 months and 23 days)
Laurah [FRENCH] GREGORY departed this life Oct 10 1907 age 55years 8 days.
Irene G. [GOODMAN] FRENCH departed this life July 17 1905 age 78 years 10 days.
J. L. [John Lee] FRENCH departed this life March 12 1908 age 85 years 15 days.
Bettie [FRENCH] McMURTRY[sic] departed this life 1886 age 40 years 11mths and 30 days.

Comments:

Annie FRENCH CLAGGETT is my husband's [GaryDec Claggett] gr.gr. paternal grandmother.

ATHS is the best! [I belong to lots of historical societies]

sons, *Nathaniel* m. in Camb. *Phebe* Frost 11 Ap. 1751; *Benjamin* m. *Lydia* Convers of Medf. 7 Ap. 1757, by whom he had *Benjamin*, d. at Baltimore; *James*, *William*, a daughter, and *Convers*, b. 14 July 1766, d. 27 Nov. 1856, whose son *Convers* Francis, D. D., b. in Camb. 9 Dec. 1795, was one of the professors in Harvard College and d. 7 Ap. 1863; by his second w. *Sarah* Hall, *Benjamin* Francis had *Sarah*, m. *Ephraim* Bound of Middletown, Conn.; *Simon*; *Nathaniel*, drowned in the British Channel; *Lydia*, m. *Job* Wyeth of Camb. 31 Jan. 1804; *Ebenezer*; *Stephen*.

5. *SAMUEL*, s. of *John* (3), res. in Medf. where he d., and administration was granted to *Aaron* Blanchard 1 Dec. 1778. His estate was divided between the heirs of son *John*, dec.; heirs of *Samuel*, dec. (b. at Medf. Jan. 1728-9); *Lydia*, w. of *Ebenezer* Blunt; *Mary*, w. of *William* Tufts; heirs of *Hannah*, dec. w. of — *Dickson*; heirs of *Sarah*, dec. w. of *Abraham* Smith; and *Rebecca*, w. of *Aaron* Blanchard.

6. *JOSEPH*, s. of *John* (3), res. in Medf. where he d. 1 Feb. 1748, and administration was granted to w. *Elizabeth*. His children, recorded at Medf., were, *Elizabeth*, b. 7 Nov. 1736, prob. the same who d. unm. at Medf. Feb. 1829; *Lydia*, b. 12 Dec. 1737; *Joseph*, b. 17 July 1741.

7. *EBENEZER*, s. of *John* (3), res. in Medf. and by w. *Rachel* had *Susanna*, b. 28 Nov. 1734; *Abigail*, b. 6 Oct. 1736; *Lucy*, b. 12 Mar. 1738-9, m. *Edward* Wilson 23 Nov. 1758; *Sarah*, b. 6 June 1741; *Ebenezer*, b. 22 Dec. 1743; *William*, b. 20 Ap. 1746; *Thomas*, b. 15 July 1748, m. *Susanna* Hill 11 July 1771; *Aaron*, b. 16 Feb. 1750-51; *John*, b. 28 Sept. 1753.

8. *EBENEZER*, s. of *Ebenezer* (7), rem. to Beverly 1764, was a Colonel in the Revolutionary Army, highly distinguished for his bravery and good conduct, and was slain in battle at Hubbardston, Vt., 7 July 1777. By his w. *Judith* Wood, m. 1766, he had four daughters and one son, *Ebenezer* Francis, of Boston, Treasurer of Harvard College, who d. 20 Sept. 1858.

9. *AARON*, s. of *Ebenezer* (7), rem. to Beverly, where he d. 1825, a. about 74; his son *Ebenezer*, b. at Bev. 18 Oct. 1790, has for many years resided here, and is father of *Rev. Eben* Francis.

10. *JOHN*, s. of *Ebenezer* (7), rem. to Beverly, was adjutant in the regiment of his brother, *Col. Francis*, at the Hubbardston Battle, afterwards *Col. of militia*, and d. 30 July 1822, a. nearly 69.

FRENCH, WILLIAM, by w. *Elizabeth*, had *Elizabeth*, b. in England about 1631, m. — *Ellis* of Dedham; *Mary*, b. about 1633, "bap. in England, between two and three years old at her father's joining; *John*, bap. by Mr. Hooker, in Camb." about 1635 (*Mitchell*). *Sarah*, b. Mar. 1638; *Jacob*, b. 16 Jan. 1639-40; *Hannah*, b. 2 Feb. 1641-2, d. 20 June 1642; prob. another *Hannah*, b. about 1643, m. *John* Brackett at Billerica, 6 Sept. 1661; *Samuel*, b. 3 Dec. 1645, d. 15 July 1646. *WILLIAM* the f. was a tailor, and Lieutenant of the militia; he res. on the westerly side of Dunster Street, about midway between Harvard Square and Mount Auburn Street, which estate he bought in 1639, and sold to *William* Barrett, 10 June 1656. About 1653, he removed to Billerica and was the first Representative of that town, 1666; his w. *Elizabeth* d. 31 Mar. 1668, and he m. *Mary*, wid. of *John* Stearns, 6 May 1669, and had *Mary*, b. 3 Ap. 1670; *Sarah*, b. 29 Oct. 1671; *Abigail*, b. 14 Ap. 1673, d. 13 Ap. 1674; *WILLIAM* the f. d. 20 Nov. 1681, a. 78.

2. *JOHN*, brother to *William* (1), by w. *Joanna*, had *John*, b. about 1635; *Sarah*, b. Oct. 1637, dismissed to the Church in Billerica 16 May 1664, and prob. the same who m. *John* Trull 11 Dec. 1657; *Joseph*, b. 4 Ap. 1640; *Nathaniel*, b. 7 June 1643, prob. d. young. *JOHN* the f. was a tailor, and res. at the S. E. corner of Holyoke and Mount Auburn streets, nearly on the spot which now makes the N. E. corner of said streets. He was buried 16 Feb. 1655-6, and his w. *Joanna*, 29 Jan. 1645-6. His brother *William* French of Billerica administered, and sold the homestead to *Robert* Browne, 1657; "John French, son and heir of said John French," joined in the sale.

3. *RICHARD*, prob. brother to *William* (1), was here a short time, and by w. *Martha*, had *Samuel*, b. 13 July 1653. He res. on the northerly side of

- FRENCH, Amos Binney, s. Luther and Sarah, July 3, 1812.
 Andrew, s. Luther and Sarah, Dec. 21, 1801.
 Anna, d. Jacob and Elisabeth [dup. Elisabeth], Aug. 16, 1728.
 Anna, d. Jacob and Elisabeth, Nov. 27, 1777.
 Anna, d. Isaac and Hannah, May 24, 1797. [Anne, C.R.1.]
 Asa, s. William and Joanna, May 6, 1738.
 Asa, s. Asa and Hannah, July 7, 1760.
 Asa, ch. Asa, bp. May 29 [dup. May 15], 1763. C.R.1.
 Augusta Maria, d. Charles W. and Roxan W., Apr. 11, 1839.
 Benjamin, s. John Jr. and Ruth, Feb. 10, 1724-5.
 Benjamin, s. William 3d and Tabitha, Feb. 18, 1744-5.
 Benjamin, s. Jacob Jr. and Sarah, May 22, 1773.
 Benjamin, s. John and Prissilla, May 12, 1774.
 Caroline, d. Luther and Sarah, May 6, 1798.
 Charles, s. Reuben and Abigail, Oct. 13, 1793.
 Charles Barrett, s. Charles W. and Roxan W., Oct. 10, 1840.
 Charles W. [h. Roxanna W.], May 2, 1810. G.R.2.
 Cinda, d. Nath[aniel] and Susanna, Nov. 8, 1789. [Cindia, C.R.1.]
 Cyrus, s. Isaac and Hannah, Feb. 22, 1779.
 Daniel (see David).
 Daniel, s. John and Prissilla, Sept. 11, 1771.
 David, twin s. William Jr. and Mehitabel [dup. Mehitabel],
 May 28, 1724.
 David, s. William 3d and Tabitha, Sept. 15, 1754. [Daniel, ch.
 William Jr., C.R.1.]
 David, s. David and Margret, Nov. 5, 1760 [sic]. [[dup. s. David
 and Margaret] bp. Nov. 4, 1759 [sic], C.R.1.]
 Ebenezer, s. William and Sarah, Aug. 5, 1707.
 Ebenezer, s. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, May 2, 1735.
 Ebenezer, s. Ebenezer and Rebeckah, Dec. 16, 1760.
 Elisabeth [dup. Elisabeth], d. Jacob and Mary, June 8, 1679.
 [Elizab[eth], M.R.]
 Elisabeth [dup. Elisabeth], d. John and Mary, July 24, 1681.
 [Elizab[eth], M.R.]
 Elisabeth, d. Samuel and Elisabeth, Mar. 5, 1747-8. [Elizab[eth]
 [dup. Elisabeth], C.R.1.]
 Elisabeth, d. John and Prissilla, June 20, 1769.
 Elisabeth, d. Jacob and Elisabeth, Aug. 6, 1769. [Elizab[eth], ch.
 Jacob 3d, C.R.1.]
 Elisabeth, d. Ebenezer and Rebecah, Feb. 7, 1771. [Elizab[eth], ch.
 Ebenezer Jr., C.R.1.]
 ✓ Elisabeth, d. Joseph and Experience [Experience, M.R.], July 16,
 [16]68.
 Elisabeth [dup. Elisabeth], d. William and Sarah, Apr. 3, 1705.

- FRENCH, Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth], d. William Jr. and Mehit-
able [dup. Mehittabel], Apr. 3, 1716.
Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth], d. Jacob and Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth],
Feb. 19, 1722-3.
Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth], d. Ebenezer and Elizabeth [dup.
Elisabeth], July 7, 1730.
Elizabeth, ch. John, bp. June 15, 1769. C.R.I.
Elizabeth Ann, d. Joseph, laborer, and Eliza Ann, Oct. 6, 1844.
Emelia, ch. Cyrus, bp. Jan. 3 [dup. June 27], 1813. C.R.I.
Ephraim, s. William 3d [William Jr., C.R.I.] and Tabitha, Nov.
10, 1751.
Eri, s. Isaac and Hannah, Feb. 25, 1789.
Esther, d. William and Sarah, May 16, 1716.
Esther, d. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, Feb. 11, 1736-7.
Esther, d. Samuel and Elisabeth, Mar. 19, 1749-50.
Ezra, s. Jacob and Sarah, Dec. 9, 1746.
Francis, s. Ebenezer [Ebenezer Jr., C.R.I.] and Rebecah, Aug.
15, 1774.
Frederic, s. Charles W. [dup. farmer] and Roxanna W., July 20,
1847.
George, s. Reuben and Abigail, Sept. 8, 1797.
George Page, s. Reuben and Abigail, Sept. 15, 1829.
Hannah, d. John and Hannah, Jan. 20, 1663-4. [Jan. 11, M.R.]
Hannah, d. [dup. adds Lt.] William and Mary, Jan. 25, 1676.
Hannah, d. Jacob and Mary, Oct. 23, 1677 [sic, see Mary].
Hannah [dup. 2d], d. John and Mary, Feb. 18, 1692-3.
Hannah, d. John Jr. and Ruth, Aug. 1, 1719.
Hannah, d. William and Joanna, Jan. 11, 1746-7.
Hannah, d. Jonas and Hannah, Jan. 23, 1768.
Hannah, d. Jacob [Jacob 3d, C.R.I.] and Elisabeth, Jan. 16, 1774.
Hannah, d. Isaac and Hannah, June 1, 1781.
Hannah, ch. Isaac [dup. Jr.], bp. Sept. 21, 1806. C.R.I.
Henry Holden, s. Reuben and Abigail, Jan. 15, 1827.
Henry Page, s. Reuben and Abigail, May 23, 1824.
Hezekiah, s. Ebenezer [Ebenezer Jr., C.R.I.] and Rebecah, Jan.
18, 1773.
Isaac, s. Isaac and Hannah, Apr. 1, 1777.
Isaac, ch. Cyrus, bp. Mar. 12, 1815. C.R.I.
Isaac Barron, s. Samuel and Elisabeth, Dec. 30, 1745.
Jabez, s. Jacob and Mary, Sept. 16, 1674.
Jacob, s. Jacob and Mary, Feb. 20, 1666-7.
✓ Jacob, s. Joseph and Experiance [Experience, M.R.], Apr. 26,
[16]78.
Jacob, s. William and Sarah, May 16, 1696.

FRENCH, Jacob, s. Jacob and Elisabeth [dup. Elisabeth], Feb., 7,
1726-7.

Jacob, s. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, Nov. 4, 1740.

Jacob, s. Jacob and Sarah, Jan. 20, 1741.

Jacob, s. Jacob Jr. and Sarah, Oct. 17, 1763.

Jacob, s. Jacob [Jacob "Ter," C.R.I.] and Elisabeth, Apr. 9, 1771.

James, s. Jacob Jr. and Sarah, Oct. 1, 1765.

Jesse, s. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, Apr. 6, 1739.

Jesse, s. Jesse and Abigail, Oct. 11, 1761.

Jesse, s. John and Priscilla, June 1, 1779.

Joanna, d. William Jr. [dup. omits Jr.] and Joanna, Nov. 27, 1729.

Joel, s. William and Joanna, Aug. 19, 1740.

Joel, s. Jacob and Sarah, May 21, 1745.

Joel, s. Jacob and Elisabeth, Jan. 30, 1780.

John, s. Jacob and Mary, Oct. 6, 1670.

✓ John, s. Joseph and Experiance [Experience, M.R.], Jan. 30, [16]71.

John, s. John and Mary, May 15, 1679.

John, s. John Jr. and Ruth, Nov. 24, 1710.

John, s. William Jr. and Mehittabel, May 27, 1730.

John, s. John Jr. and Mary, Mar. 30, 1733.

John, s. John and Priscilla, Apr. 5, 1765.

Jonas, s. William and Joanna, Mar. 18, 1731-2.

Jonas, s. Jonas and Hannah [Sarah, C.R.I.], Sept. 18, 1758.

Jonas, s. Nath[anie]l and Susanna, June 7, 1787.

Jonathan, s. William and Sarah, Jan. 25, 1702-3.

Jonathan, twin s. William Jr. and Mehitable [dup. Mehittabel],
May 28, 1724.

Jonathan, s. Jonathan and Mary, Apr. 25, 1727.

Jonathan, s. John Jr. and Ruth, Aug. 17, 1728.

Jonathan, s. William 3d and Tabitha, Oct. 10, 1737.

Jonathan, s. Jonathan and Abigail, Dec. 8, 1763.

Jonathan, s. Isaac and Hannah, Feb. 20, 1783.

✓ Joseph, s. Joseph and Experiance [Experience, M.R.], Mar. 25,
[16]67.

✓ Joseph, s. Joseph and Experience, Mar. 7, 1670. M.R.

Joseph, s. Jacob and Mary, May 5, 1673.

Joseph, s. William and Sarah, Jan. 26, 1697-8.

Joseph, s. John Jr. and Ruth, Mar. 28, 1721.

Joseph, s. William Jr. [dup. omits Jr.] and Joanna, Nov. 11, 1730.

Joseph, s. William 3d and Tabitha, Dec. 10, 1740.

Joseph, s. John and Prissilla, Dec. 7, 1776.

Joseph, s. Isaac and Hannah, Apr. 11, 1795.

Joseph Albert, s. Joseph, laborer, and Eliza Ann, Apr. 15, 1846.

Joshua, s. Asa and Hannah, Mar. 27, 1762.

FRENCH, Joshua, ch. Asa, bp. May 29 [dup. May 15], 1763.

C.R.I.

Josiah, s. Ebenezer and Rebecah, Dec. 25, 1777.

Josiah, ch. Ebenezer Jr., bp. Dec. 28, 1778. C.R.I.

Josiah Bowers, s. Luther and Sarah, Dec. 13, 1799.

Judah, s. Jacob and Sarah, Aug. 24, 1743.

Judah, s. Jacob [Jacob Jr., C.R.I.] and Elisabeth, Jan. 28, 1776.

Lucy, d. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, May 20, 1734.

Lucy, d. William and Joanna, Oct. 20, 1734.

Lucy, d. William and Joanna, Apr. 3, 1736.

Lucy, d. Samuel and Elisabeth, Apr. 6, 1756.

Lucy Ann, ch. Luther, bp. Nov. 21, 1819. C.R.I.

Luther, s. Luther and Sarah, Jan. 9, 1806.

Lydia, d. William and Sarah, Apr. 26, 1714.

Lydia, d. William and Joanna, Mar. 30, 1744.

Lydia, d. Ebenezer [Ebenezer Jr., C.R.I.] and Rebecca, Dec. 1, 1767.

Maria, d. Luther and Salley, Sept. 12, 1796.

Maria Trowbridge, d. Luther and Sarah, Apr. 4, 1808.

Marietta, d. Charles W. [dup. farmer] and Roxanna [dup. Roxan] W., Apr. 24, 1844.

Martha, d. David and Margret, Nov. 5, 1763 [*sic*]. [bp. Oct. 24, 1762 [*sic*], C.R.I.]

Mary, d. Jacob and Mary, Oct. 6, 1669.

Mary, d. John and Mary, Mar. 4, 1669-70. [Mar. 1, M.R.]

Mary, d. [dup. adds Lt.] William and Mary, Apr. 3, 1670.

Mary, d. Jacob and Mary, Mar. 5, 1676-7 [*sic*, see Hannah].

Mary, d. William and Sarah, Oct. 7, 1709.

Mary, d. John Jr. and Ruth, Sept. 23, 1715.

Mary, d. Jacob and Elisabeth, Dec. 13, 1731.

Mary, d. Samuel and Elisabeth, Mar. 23, 1743-4.

Mary, d. Isaac and Hannah, Mar. 9, 1787.

Mary, ch. Isaac [dup. Jr.], bp. Sept. 21, 1806. C.R.I.

Mehitabel [dup. Mehetabel], ch. William Jr. [dup. d. William Jr. and Tabitha], bp. Feb. 14, 1748. C.R.I.

Mehittabel, d. William Jr. and Mehitabel [dup. Mehittabel], Aug. 21 [dup. Aug. 29], 1718.

Mehittabel, d. William 3d and Tabitha, Feb. 5, 1747.

Mehittabel, d. William 3d and Tabitha, Aug. 18, 1756. [Mehitabel [dup. Mehetabel], ch. William Jr., C.R.I.]

Molly, d. John and Mary, Feb. 9, 1755.

Moody, s. Isaac and Hannah, Mar. 5, 1791.

Moody, ch. Isaac [dup. Jr.], bp. Sept. 21, 1806. C.R.I.

Nabby, d. Reuben and Abigail, Aug. 21, 1790.

FRENCH, Nathaniel, s. Joseph and Experiance, May 6, [16]74.

[Nathaniell, s. Joseph and Experiance, M.R.]

Nathaniel, s. William Jr. and Mehittabel, Feb. 2, 1720-1.

Nathaniel, s. Jonas and Hannah, Apr. 11, 1760.

Nehemiah, s. William 3d and Tabitha, Mar. 29, 1746.

Nicholas, s. William and Sarah, Sept. 5, 1711.

Oliver, s. Samuel and Elizabeth, Feb. 13, 1758. [Olive, d. Samuel and Elisabeth, C.R.I.]

Page, s. Reuben and Abigail, Apr. 30, 1805.

Patty, d. John and Priscilla, May 20, 1781. [Patte, C.R.I.]

Peter, s. Jacob Jr. and Sarah, Nov. 6, 1770.

Peter, s. Peter, bp. Apr. 14, 1793. C.R.I.

Priscilla, d. John and Priscilla, Mar. —, 1767. [bp. Mar. 25 [dup. Mar. 15], C.R.I.]

Rachel, d. William and Joanna, Oct. 10, 1741.

Rebecca, d. Ebenezer and Rebecca, June 20, 1762.

Rebeckah, d. Jacob and Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth], Mar. 2, 1723-4.

Reuben (see Ruben).

Reuben, s. Reuben and Abigail, Feb. 26, 1792.

Rhoda, d. Jacob Jr. and Sarah, Apr. 9, 1775.

Roxanna W. [—], w. Charles W., Mar. 23, 1813. G.R.2.

Ruben, s. Jonas and Hannah, Oct. 18, 1761. [Reuben, C.R.I.]

Ruth, d. John Jr. and Ruth, Oct. 22, 1708.

✓ Sampson, s. Isaac and Hannah, Feb. 6, 1785.

✓ Samuel, s. William and Sarah, May 21, 1718.

Samuel, s. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, Oct. 27, 1750.

Samuel, s. Samuel and Elisabeth, Apr. 22, 1754.

Samuel, s. Sam[ue]ll and Elizabeth, Sept. 7, 1760.

Samuel, ch. Samuel, bp. Sept. 28, 1761. C.R.I.

Samuel, s. Jesse and Abigail, Mar. 14, 1763.

Sarah, d. [dup. adds Lt.] William [Lt. William, M.R.] and Mary, Oct. 29, 1671.

✓ Sarah, d. Joseph and Experiance [Experience, M.R.], Apr. 6, [16]77.

Sarah, d. Jacob and Mary, Mar. 7, 1681-2.

Sarah, d. John and Mary, Sept. 15, 1685.

Sarah, d. William and Sarah, Dec. 29, 1698.

Sarah, d. Jacob and Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth], Dec. 14, 1725.

Sarah, d. William Jr. and Mehittabel [dup. Mehittabel], Apr. 28, 1728.

Sarah 2d [dup. omits 2d], d. Jacob and Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth], May 9, 1730.

Sarah, d. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, June 1, 1732.

- FRENCH, Sarah, d. Samuel and Elisabeth, Mar. 23, 1752.
 Sarah, d. John and Mary, Apr. 14, 1757.
 Sarah, d. John and Priscilla, Apr. 30, 1763.
 Sarah, d. Ebenezer [Ebenezer Jr., C.R.I.] and Rebecca, Jan. 11, 1764.
 Sarah, ch. John, bp. May 13, 1764.
 Sarah, ch. William 3d, bp. Aug. 31, 1766. C.R.I.
 Sarah, d. Jonathan and Abigail [dup. Abigail], Oct. 15, 1768.
 Sarah, d. Jacob Jr. and Sarah, Oct. 15, 1768.
 Sarah, d. Joel and Elianor, Oct. 9, 1772.
 Sarah, d. Jacob and Elisabeth, Dec. 22, 1782.
 Silas (see Silus).
 Silence, d. Jacob and Elisabeth, May 28, 1734.
 Silent, d. Jacob and Elisabeth, Dec. 7, 1767.
 Silus, s. Sam[ue]ll and Elizabeth, Oct. 12, 1762. [Silas, ch. Samuel, C.R.I.]
 Stephen, ch. William Jr. [dup. s. W[illia]m Jr. and Tabitha], bp. Dec. 31, 1749. C.R.I.
 Submit, d. Jacob and Sarah, Nov. 27, 1747.
 Susanna, d. Jonas and Hannah, Oct. 25, 1775. [Susannah, C.R.I.]
 Tabitha, d. William 3d and Tabitha, Dec. 31, 1742.
 Thomas, s. Joseph and Experiance [Experience, M.R.], Feb. 29, 1712-13.
 Thomas, s. John Jr. and Ruth, Mar. 14, 1712-13.
 Thomas, s. David and Margret, Dec. 16, 1765.
 Thomas, s. Jonas and Hannah, Sept. 24, 1770.
 Thomas Trowbridge, s. Luther and Sarah, Dec. 21, 1814.
 Walter, s. Luther and Sarah, Aug. 29, 1810.
 William, s. Jacob and Mary, July 18, 1668.
 William, s. John and Mary, Nov. 26, 1683.
 William [dup. 2d], s. John and Mary, Aug. 18, 1687.
 William, s. William and Sarah, Jan. 25, 1700-1.
 William, s. William Jr. and Mehittable [dup. Mehitable], Jan. 25, 1712-13.
 William, s. William Jr. [dup. omits Jr.] and Joanna, Mar. 19, 1727-8.
 William, s. William 3d and Tabitha, Feb. 16, 1738-9.
 W[illia]m, s. Jonas and Hannah, Apr. 29, 1765.
 William, ch. William 3d, bp. July 28, 1765. C.R.I.
 William, s. Isaac and Hannah, June 18, 1793.
 Zadock, s. Ebenezer and Rebecah, May 22, 1769. [Zadoc, ch. Ebenezer Jr., C.R.I.]
 Ziba, s. Jonas and Hannah, June 9, 1773.
 Ziba, s. Reuben and Abigail, Jan. 3, 1796.

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French Family

5. Ephraim, son of Samuel, 1, b. 1686, Sept. 11; m. 1710, Mary Thompson, dau. of Joseph, 1. Ch. Joseph, b. 1710-1, Feb. 9; d. 1712, Sept. 28. Mary, b. 1712-3, March 4. Joseph, b. 1715, July 24; d. 1716, Dec. 21. Abigail, b. 1717-8, Jan. 3. Bette, b. 1720, Aug. 2; m. Thomas Stearns, 11. Sarah, b. 1723, March 27. Samuel, b. 1725-6, March 19; d. 1727, May 10.

6. Eliphalet, son of Samuel, 1, b. 1693, July 28; m. Rebecca —, Ch. Eliphalet, b. 1713, Sept. 26; m. Hannah —, and lived in Tewksbury, where he d. 1806, Jan. 29; had ch. Elizabeth; Rebecca; Samuel; Isaac and Eliphalet. Rebecca, b. 1715, Oct. Thomas, 10, b. 1718, June 11.

7. Benjamin, son of John, 3, b. 1704-5, March 10; m. 1729-30, Jan. 16, Mary French, dau. of William, 7. Ch. Benjamin, b. 1730, Oct. 21; d. 1730, Oct. John, b. 1732, July 5; d. 1737, June 11. Ebenezer, b. 1733-4, Jan. 13; d. Jan. 25. Abner, b. 1735, May 2; d. 1736, Aug. 17. Joseph, b. 1736-7, Jan. 8. Noah, b. 1738, Sept. 1; d. 1734, July 21. Sarah, b. 1739, Sept. 4. Isaac, b. 1742, Dec. 26; m. 1772, June 18, Esther Crosby, dau. of Josiah, 14. Samuel, b. 1744-5, Jan. 11; d. 1772, March 1. Mary, b. 1748, March 6; m. 1776, Feb. 15, Oliver Proctor, of Townsend. Hannah, b. 1750, Sept. 2.

8. William, son of William, 4, b. 1707-8, Feb. 28; m. 1742, Nov. 18, Elizabeth Dunforth, dau. of Jonathan, 5. He was commissioned by Gov. Shirley, "Lieut. of the West foot Company, of Billerica, Capt. Ralph Hill, in the 2d Regiment of Militia, Ellazer Tyng, colonel." 1754, Sept. 7. Lieut. Manning d. 1776, Aug. 11; his widow d. 1780, March 23. Ch. Elizabeth, b. 1745, July 12; m. Solomon Carlton, 3. William, 11, b. 1747, May 21. Jonathan, b. 1749, July 16; d. Jonathan, bap. 1751, Sept. 15; m. 1774, March 17, Martha Howard, of Chelmsford. Timothy, b. 1751, Sept. 17; m. 1776, June 13, Mary Howard. Solomon, 12, b. 1753, May 15.

9. Jacob, son of William, 4, b. 1710, March 27; m. 1736-7, Jan. 20, Martha Beard, dau. of Andrew, 1. He d. 1762, Sept. 5. She d. 1788, Feb. 10. Ch. Jacob, 13, b. 1739, Nov. 8. Mary, b. 1741, Nov. 15. Isaac, b. 1743, Nov. 8; m. 1789, Nov. 3, Sarah Totman, prob. widow of John. Jesse, 14, b. 1745, Aug. 18. Thomas, b. 1747, July 27. David, b. 1749, Dec. 2; d. Feb. 4. Martha, b. 1750-1, Jan. 21; d. 1762, Sept. 14. David, b. 1753, May 20; d. 1762, Sept. 13. Esther, b. 1756, April 3; d. 1782, Sept. 16.

10. Thomas, son of Eliphalet, 6, b. 1718, June 11; m. 1737, Aug. 28, Hannah Twist. He lived in Tewksbury. Ch. Thomas, b. 1738, Sept. 2; d. 1749, Aug. 24. Hannah, b. 1740, Dec. 21; d. 1749, Aug. 10. Mary, b. 1744, Feb. 20. Thomas, b. 1750, Nov.

11. William, son of William, 8, b. 1747, May 21; m. 1769, March 21, Sarah Heywood, of Burlington. He was commissioned 2d Lieut. in Capt. Kidder's company, 7th Regt., 1776, May 31. He d. 1814, Oct. 21. She d. 1838, July 12, aged 91. Ch. Sarah, b. 1769, Sept. 2; d. 1840, May 25. William, b. 1770, Nov. 22; d. 1852, March 15. Joseph, b. 1772, May 17; d. 1834, July 26. Lucretia, b. 1774, May 17; d. 1777, Aug. 29. Archibald, b. 1775, Nov. 28; m. William Pollard, 11. Theophilus, 15, b. 1777, June 28. Loammi, b. 1779, Aug. 26; d. 1792, March 22. Lucretia, b. 1781, Aug. 21; d. 1838, Jan. 23. Seriah, b. 1783, Oct. 30; m. John Parkhurst, of Chelmsford; had 12 ch.; d. 1873, July 3. Liza, b. 1785, Oct. 21; d. 1835, Dec. 9. Rosa, b. 1787, Aug. 6; d. 1821, March 9. Lucinda, b. 1790, Jan. 22; living in Chelmsford. Jerusha, b. 1791, Sept. 9; d. 1857, Oct. 11.

12. Solomon, son of William, 8, b. 1753, May 15; m. 1777, May 20, Alice Wilson, dau. of John, 6. She d. 1787, April 26; he m. Olive —, Ch. Solomon, b. 1789, Dec. 26. Olive, b. 1792, March 10.

13. Jacob, son of Jacob, 9, b. 1739, Nov. 8; m. 1763, June 2, Sarah Butterfield, of Chelmsford. He d. in Lyndeboro, N. H., 1810, Nov. 8; she d. 1831, Jan. 21, aged 89. Ch. Martha, b. 1766, Jan. 14; m. Alpheus Hill, 23. Esther, b. 1767, Dec. 20; m. Amos Carleton, 7. Jacob, b. 1771,

Dec. 16; m. 1796, April 26, Lucy Andrews, of Carlisle. He d. in New Hampshire, 1812, and his widow m. — Fisher, of Franconstown. Of his ch., Jacob lived in Greenwood, N. Y., and was father of Rev. Jacob M. Manning, D. D., pastor of the Old South Church in Boston, and Solomon, b. 1799; d. in Bedford, N. H., 1862; was father of Jacob M., of Reading, Aug. 16, b. 1780, Sept. 23.

14. Jesse, son of Jacob, 9, b. 1743, Aug. 18; m. 1769, Dec. 2, Anne Carleton, dau. of John, 1. She d. 1779, Jan. 28, and he m. 1779, Dec. 30, Elizabeth Abbot, of Andover. Ch. Mary, b. 1768, Nov. 22; d. 1822, Oct. 6. David, b. 1771, June 8. Elizabeth, b. 1773, May 20. Jesse, 17, b. 1776, July 12. Julia, b. 1778, Dec. 12; m. Daniel L. Knapp.

15. Theophilus, son of William, 11, b. 1777, June 28; m. 1807, March 29, Hannah Patten, dau. of Asa, 13. She d. 1813, Oct. 9, and he m. 1817, Sept. 28, Polly, her sister. He d. 1868, June 30, and his widow, 1871, Aug. 24. Ch. Hannah Patten, b. 1808, Jan. 12; m. 1827, Oct. 9, John Chandler, Jr., of Tewksbury. Sarah Heywood, b. in Harvard, 1809, Feb. 6; m. Ambrose F. Page, 8. Polly, b. 1811, March 8; d. 1874, Feb. 22. Theophilus, 18, b. 1821, April 11. William, b. 1823, Oct. 29; m. 1846, April 16, Mary Ann Baldwin, dau. of Joel, 23, and lives in Chelmsford. His business has been in Lowell, where he was a pioneer in the extensive and profitable pop corn trade. His dau, Charlotte Ann, b. 1847, Feb. 19; m. 1874, Oct. 9, Erastus A. Bartlett. Asa Patten, b. 1825, Oct. 26.

16. Asa, son of Jacob, 13, b. 1780, Sept. 23; m. 1803, July 7, Olive Spaulding, dau. of Zebulon, of Westford. She d. in Lyndeboro, N. H., 1844, Nov. 24, aged 64; he d. 1853, Jan. 2. Ch. Olive, b. 1805, June 3; d. 1812, Feb. 10. In Lyndeboro, Sarah, b. 1807, July 11; d. 1812, Feb. 13. Asa and Sherebiah, b. 1809, July 12; the latter d. and Asa went west. Olive, b. 1812, March 2. Sherebiah, b. 1817, Jan. 3; lives in New Boston, N. H. Joseph, b. 1819, July 19; lives in Owosso, Michigan. Lydia W., b. 1821, June 10; m. Ephraim W. Woodward, of White Oak, Michigan. Sarah Jane, b. 1822, Nov. 4; m. John H. Whitney, of Ludlow, Vt.

17. Jesse, son of Jesse, 14, b. 1776, July 12; m. Mary —, and 1802, Dec. 30, Abigail Baldwin, dau. of Thomas, 13, who d. 1825, Sept. 29. Ch. Jesse, 19, b. 1797, Aug. 21.

18. Theophilus, son of Theophilus, 15, b. 1821, April 21; m. Hannah —, Ch. Walter Theophilus, b. 1847, Nov. 22.

19. Jesse, son of Jesse, 17, b. 1797, Aug. 21; m. Mary —. She d. 1837, July 22, and he m. Eleanor. Ch. Albert, b. 1820, Dec. 20. Augustine, b. 1822, April 24; d. 1823, Sept. 12. Martha, b. 1824, May 26; d. 1825, Sept. 18. Henry, b. 1826, Sept. 2. Thomas, b. 1828, April 19. Augusta, b. 1830, Aug. 18. Mary, b. 1832, Feb. 26. Asa, b. 1836, Dec. 1. Orlando, b. 1840, Oct. 2. Eleanor, b. 1841, Dec. 13. Martha, b. 1840, July 5. Caroline Fay, b. 1847, Oct. 16.

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b. 1745, May 31. Ezra, b. 1746, Dec. 9; d. Dec. 28. Submit, b. and d. 1747, Nov. 27.

13. William, son of William, 7, b. 1700-1, Jan. 25; m. 1726-7, Jan. 22, Joanna Hill, dau. of Samuel, 10. She d. 1769, Jan. 17, and he m. 1770, Nov. 27, Mrs. Mehitable Moor, of Andover. Lieut. French d. 1770, April 9. Ch. William, 13, b. 1727-8, March 19. Jonathan, b. 1729, Nov. 17; m. Oliver Abbot, 3. Joseph, b. 1730, Nov. 11; d. Nov. 21. Jonas, 20, b. 1731-2, March 18. Lucy, b. 1734, Oct. 20; d. 1735, May 18. Lucy, b. 1736, April 3; d. Sept. 17. Asa, 21, b. 1738, May 6. Joel, b. 1740, Aug. 19; d. Nov. 23. Rachel, b. 1741, Oct. 10; d. 1774, Jan. 18. Lydia, b. 1744, March 30; m. — Page. Hannah, b. 1746-7, Jan. 11; m. 1774, Jan. 6, Samuel Lane, of Bedford.

13a. William, son of William, 13, b. 1737-8, March 19; m. 1764, Feb. 23, Sarah Richardson, dau. of Samuel, 10. The record says he d. 1764, Jan. 20, prob. an error for 1767, as "William French 3d," does not disappear from the tax-list till 1768, and his father makes a bequest to William, his grand-son. His widow prob. m. 1777, Oct. 21, Amos Foster, of Tewksbury. Ch. William, bap. 1765, July 28. Sarah, bap. 1766, Aug. 31; perhaps m. Ephraim Crosby, 27.

14. Ebenezer, son of William, 7, b. 1707, Aug. 5; m. 1729, Aug. 27, Elizabeth Hill, dau. of Samuel, 10. She d. 1786, March 26; he d. 1791, Dec. 31. Ch. Elizabeth, b. 1730, July 7; d. 1748, Sept. 4. Sarah, b. 1732, June 1. Lucy, b. and d. 1734, May 20. Ebenezer, 22, b. 1735, May 1. Esther, b. 1736-7, Feb. 11; m. Ebenezer Jaquith, 3. Jesse, 23, b. 1739, April 6. Jacob, 24, b. 1740, Nov. 4. Abigail, b. 1742-3, March 9; m. 1767, Jan. 21, Abel Baldwin, 19. Samuel, b. 1750, Oct. 27; d. 1755, June 21.

15. Samuel, son of William, 7, b. 1718, May 21; m. 1743, July 7, Elizabeth Barron, of Chelmsford. Ch. Mary, b. 1743-4, March 23. Isaac Barron, 25, b. 1745, Dec. 30. Elizabeth, b. 1747-8, March 5; m. William Tarbell, 3. Esther, b. 1749-50, March 19; m. 1771, May 30, John Bowman, of Bedford. Sarah, b. 1752, March 23; m. Joseph Jones, 1. Samuel, b. 1754, April 22; d. 1756, Oct. 5. Lucy, b. 1756, April 6; m. Thomas Goodwin, 2. Oliver, b. 1758, Feb. 13. [The baptismal record says Olive]. Samuel, b. 1760, Sept. 7. Silas, b. 1762, Oct. 12.

16. Jonathan, son of William, 10, b. 1737, Oct. 10; m. 1763, Jan. 29, Abigail Hosley, dau. of Thomas, 2. Ch. Jonathan, b. 1763, Dec. 8. Abigail, b. 1765, Dec. 8. Sarah, b. 1768, Oct. 15.

17. David. His birth is not recorded, and prob. was not in town. He m. 1758, Nov. 15, Margaret Ross, a widow. Died of small-pox, in Dunstable, 1779, Dec. 29. Ch. David, b. 1759, Nov. 5. Martha, b. 1762, Nov. 5. Thomas, b. 1765, Dec. 8.

18. Jacob, son of Jacob, 12, b. 1741-2, Jan. 29; m. 1767, Feb. 24, Elizabeth Kittredge, prob. dau. of William, 8, of Tewksbury. Ch. Silas, b. and d. 1767, Dec. 7. Elizabeth, b. 1769, Aug. 6. Jacob, b. 1771, April 9. Hannah, b. 1774, Jan. 16. Judah, b. 1776, Jan. 28. Anna, b. 1777, Nov. 27. Joel, b. 1780, Jan. 30. Sarah, b. 1782, Dec. 22; m. Benjamin Dowse, (see 5).

19. Joel, son of Jacob, 12, b. 1745, May 21; m. 1771, Nov. 21, Eleanor Johnson. She d. 1774, Feb. 6; he d. 1775, March 7. Ch. Sarah, b. 1772, Oct. 9; d. 1773, April 18.

20. Jonas, son of William, 12, b. 1731-2, March 18; m. 1758, Jan. 3, Hannah Page, dau. of Nathaniel, 4. She d. 1793, April 2; he d. 1801, Feb. 9. Ch. Jonas, b. 1759, Sept. 18; d. 1775, Oct. 4. Nathaniel, 28, b. 1760, April 11. Reuben, 27, b. 1761, Oct. 18. William, b. 1765, April 20; m. 1791, Jan. 20, Rebecca Marshall, dau. of Isaac, 7. Hannah, b. 1768, Jan. 23; m. 1789, April 2, Jonathan Heald, of Carnis. Thomas, b. 1770, Sept. 24. Ziba, b. 1778, June 9. Susanna, b. 1775, Oct. 25; m. Joseph Jaquith, 8.

21. Asa, son of William, 13, b. 1738, May 6; m. 1760, March 13, Hannah Richardson, dau. of Samuel, 10. Ch. Asa, b. 1760, July 7,

Joshua, b. 1762, March 27. Joseph and Benjamin. (The two latter, named in their grand-father's will).

22. Ebenezer, son of Ebenezer, 14, b. 1735, May 2; m. 1760, June 3, Rebecca Kidder, dau. of William, 8. Ch. Ebenezer, b. 1760, Dec. 16; d. at Halifax, 1778, Sept. 28. Rebecca, b. 1762, June 26; m. Samuel Marshall, (see 6). Sarah, b. 1764, Jan. 11. Abel, b. 1768, Aug. 15. Lydia, b. 1767, Dec. 1; m. 1800, Dec. 5, Rev. Joshua Heywood, who was b. in Burlington, 1761, Aug. 2; grad. D. C., 1795; studied theology with Dr. Cummings; was ordained pastor in Dunstable, 1799, June 5; d. 1814, Nov. 11. Zadock, b. 1769, May 22. Elizabeth, b. 1771, Feb. 7. Hezekiah, b. 1773, Jan. 18. Francis, b. 1774, Aug. 15. Josiah, b. 1777, Dec. 25.

23. Jesse, son of Ebenezer, 14, b. 1739, April 6; m. 1761, April 14, Abigail Jaquith, dau. of Abraham, 1. He lived after 1763, for some years, in Fitchburg. Ch. Jesse, b. 1761, Oct. 11; lived in Ohio. Samuel, b. 1763, March 14; lived in Fitchburg. Thomas lived in Fitchburg. Luther, 28, b. 1767, Sept. 25. Abram, a merchant in Boston. Abel m. 1817, Elizabeth Foster, and had two sons, one of whom was Franklin, of Acton.

24. Jacob, son of Ebenezer, 14, b. 1740, Nov. 4; m. 1763, Jan. 28, Sarah Ditson, dau. of Thomas, 2. He d. 1776, Aug. 4. Ch. Jacob, b. 1763, Oct. 17. James, b. 1765, Oct. 1. Sarah, b. 1768, Oct. 15; m. 1793, Dec. 15, Sylvanus Blanchard, of Malden. Peter, 24, b. 1770, Nov. 6. Benjamin, b. 1773, May 22. Rhoda, b. 1775, April 9.

24a. Peter, son of Jacob, 24, b. 1770, Nov. 6; m. 1792, Oct. 9, Elizabeth Jaquith, dau. of Joseph, 6. She d. 1838, Dec. 9. Ch. Peter, bap. 1793, April 14.

25. Isaac, son of Samuel, 15, unless Isaac Barron* was another person, as is suggested by the difference of 5 years in the age given by grave-stone. If so, the birth of this Isaac is not recorded. He m. Hannah —, and d. 1821, April 8, aged 70, [grave-stone]. Ch. Isaac, 29, b. 1777, April 1. Cyrus, 29, b. 1779, Feb. 22. Hannah, b. 1781, June 1; d. 1805, Nov. 28. Jonathan, 30, b. 1783, Feb. 20. Sampson, b. 1785, Feb. 6; d. 1808, Feb. 28. Mary, b. 1787, March 9; d. 1806, Sept. 5. Eli, b. 1789, Feb. 25, d. 1808, Jan. 7. Moody, b. 1791, March 5; d. 1796, Jan. 6. William, b. 1793, June 18; d. 1795, Dec. 28. Joseph, bap. 1795, July 26. Anna, b. 1797, May 24; m. Joseph Parker, 27.

26. Nathaniel, son of Jonas, 20, b. 1760, April 11; m. 1783, Sept. 11, Susanna Brown, of Concord. Ch. Jonas, b. 1787, June 7. Onda, b. 1789, Nov. 8.

27. Reuben, son of Jonas, 20, b. 1761, Oct. 18; m. 1789, March 12, Abigail Farmer, dau. of John, 11. Ch. Nabby, b. 1790, Aug. 21; m. Josiah Hill, 26. Reuben, 31, b. 1792, Feb. 28. Charles, b. 1793, Oct. 13. Ziba, b. 1796, Jan. 3. George, b. 1797, Sept. 8. Zoa, b. 1801, April 15. Page, b. 1805, April 30; d. 1819, Oct. 14.

28. Luther, son of Jesse, 23, b. in Fitchburg, 1767, Sept. 25; m. 1796, Aug. 28, Sally Bowers, dau. of Josiah, 3. He lived on Andover street, at the fork of the Long pond road. Ch. Maria, b. 1796, Sept. 12; d. 1799, March 27. Caroline, b. 1798, May 6; m. Zachariah Shed, 25. Josiah Bowers, b. 1799, Dec. 13; m. 1823, April 4, Mary Ann Stevens, dau. of Josiah. She d. 1863, June 6, and he d. 1876, Aug. 21. By his will, the Howe school is to receive, eventually, \$5000 for its library. His ch. Mary Ann, b. 1823, Sept. 19; m. Hon. Benjamin Dean, of Boston, recently a member of Congress. Josiah Stevens, b. 1823, Sept. 30; d. Harriet Stevens, b. 1827, Aug. 27. Josiah Bowers, b. 1830, Jan. 8. Samuel Lawrence, b. 1832, Sept. 25. Luther Bartlett, b. 1834, Oct. 25; d. Sarah Josephine, b. 1833, March 3. Catherine Isabella, b. 1840, Dec. 20; m. Arthur E. Bowers. Frances Maria, b. 1843, April 20; d.

NOTE.—Of this loyal son of Billerica, and ex-Mayor of Lowell, we are happy to give, herewith, an excellent portrait, and to condense from the "Contributions" of the Old Residents Historical Association of Lowell, pp. 121-4, farther notice of his active life.

Joseph Thomas
 Rebecca Marshall

At the age of eleven, he went to live with his uncle, attending school and working for his board, and the district school was his only educational advantage. He spent two years, 1815-7, with another uncle in Salisbury, N. H., and was two or three years in a country store, and a short time in Charlestown. In 1824, he became Deputy Sheriff of Middlesex county, and settled in Lowell, holding this office till 1830. From this time he became active in the great business of staging, owning largely in the lines from Lowell to Concord, and others; and was a mail contractor between Boston and Montreal. In building the Ogdensburg railroad, he was a large contractor, and he became President of the Northern (N. H.) Railroad in 1851, but resigned on the death, in 1853, of his brother, with whom he was associated in extensive railroad contracts in Ohio, the management of which he then had to assume. About 1860, he became Agent of the Winnepesaukee Lake Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company, at Lake Village, N. H., and so remained for 12 years.

In Lowell he was active in 1829, in building the Central Bridge, and remained in the Company until it was made free by the city. He was one of the incorporators in 1828, and a Director of the Old Lowell Bank, and later, of the Appleton Bank, of which he became President; also of the City Institution for Savings. In 1835, he was Representative in the Legislature; member of the Common Council, 1838-42; Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, 1841; County Commissioner, 1844-7; and Mayor, 1849-50. "From the early history of Lowell, his experience has been as successful, as honorable to himself and to his fellow-citizens, and his name in the years to come will occupy a prominent position in the history of our city."

Andrew, b. 1801, Dec. 21; d. 1873, Jan. 12. Abram, b. 1803, Dec. 13; lived in Lowell; had 5 ch.; d. 1878, April 11. Luther, b. 1806, Jan. 9; d. 1834, Sept. 4. Maria Touchbridge, b. 1808, April 4; lives in Lowell. Walter, b. 1810, Aug. 29; d. 1856, May 6; killed at Norwalk, Conn., an open "draw" precipitating a railroad train into the river. Anna Baines, b. 1812, July 3; of the firm of French & Puffer, of Lowell; m. Leocade Dearborn, and had Frances Maria, who m. Dr. Leighton, of Lowell, and Leocade, who d. Thomas Touchbridge, b. 1814, Dec. 31; lives in East Chelmsford. Lucy Ann, b. 1819, July 30; d. 1826, Feb.

29. Isaac, son of Isaac, 25, b. 1777, April 1. Ch. Moody, Mary and Hannah, all bap. 1806, Sept. 31. Hannah m. 1835, June 28, Ethel Stevens.

29a. Cyrus, son of Isaac, 25, b. 1779, Feb. 22; d. 1817, Sept. 2. Ch. Emilia, bap. 1813, Jan. 3. Isaac, bap. 1815, March 12.

30. Jonathan, son of Isaac, 25, b. 1783, Feb. 20; m. 1809, June 14, Abigail Bacon; d. 1809, Nov. 24. His widow m. Josiah Hill, 36.

31. Reuben, son of Reuben, 27, b. 1792, Feb. 26; m. 1819, Feb. 7, Abigail Holden, dau. of Thomas, 2. Ch. Henry Page, b. 1824, May 23; d. Aug. 22. Henry Holden, b. 1827, Jan. 15. George Page, b. 1829, Sept. 14.

32. Charles W., son of Ami, of Tewksbury, who d. here, 1838, May 15, aged 52; m. Roxanna Warren; lived at North Billerica; d. 1876, July 5, aged 66; his widow d. 1880, Jan. 19. Ch. Augusta Maria, b. 1839, April 11; m. Thomas Spaulding, 11. Charles Barrett, b. 1840, Oct. 10. Marietta, b. 1844, April 24. Prudence, b. 1847, July 30.

33. Joseph, from Maine m. 1843, Nov. 7, Elizabeth Ann Puffer. He d. 1853, Nov. 2, aged 35. Ch. Elizabeth, b. 1844, Oct. 6. Joseph, b. 1846, April 15. Sarah L., b. 1851, Sept. 7.

34. Sullivan Frederick, from Newports, Me., m. 1875, July 29, Edith Winter, dau. of Samuel E., 2. Ch. Kate May, b. 1878, June 17. Adolph Edward, b. 1878, Dec. 25.

35. William, of Boston, m. 1819, Aug. 10, Sarah Baldwin, perhaps dau. of Reuben, 18.

~~FROST, Samuel, 1, and James, 2, sons of Dea. Samuel, of Cambridge, and were accepted as inhabitants, 1853-4, Jan. 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 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*Note: Wm French, trader in Honolulu 1839 joined James
Sutter in a Corp. to trade with Setka (Russian Settlement
in Alaska). They sailed on Clementine. By July were in
Monterey, Calif. Note: This could be the Wm French who met
our Rebecca Marshall or even their son or relative since
Rebecca's brother, Josiah Marshall, had fleet of ships trading
with Hawaiian or (Sandwich) Islands.*

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- ✓ FRENCH, Elisabeth [—], w. of Abner, Dec. 20, 1829. G.R.3.
 ✓ Elizabeth, d. of William and Elisabeth, bp. —, 16—. C.R.I.
 Ellen, d. of Arthur and Mary H. Goddard, Oct. 23, 1829. G.R.3.
 Emma E. [—], w. of George E., May 16, 1840. G.R.3.
 Frances M. Stratton [—], w. of John J., Oct. 12, 1842. G.R.3.
 Frederick William, Sept. 10, 1842. G.R.3.
 George P., Sept. 16, 1823. G.R.3.
 Grace Otis, d. of Arthur and Mary H. Goddard, Jan. 15, 1836. G.R.3.
 ✓ Hannah, d. of Will[ia]m and Elisabeth, Feb. 2, 1641.
 Hannah, Jan. 29, 1798. G.R.3.
 ✓ Jacob, s. of William and Elisabeth, Jan. 16, 1639.
 James, —, 1812. G.R.3.
 John, s. of John and Sarah, bp. —, 16—. C.R.I.
 ✓ John, s. of William and Elisabeth, bp. —, 16—. C.R.I.
 John J., Jan. 16, 1834. G.R.3.
 ✓ Joseph, s. of John and Sarah, bp. —, 16—. C.R.I.
 ✓ Joseph, s. of John and Jone, Apr. 4, 1640.
 Lucina W., —, 1824. G.R.3.
 ✓ Lucy W. A., —, 1809. G.R.3.
 ✓ Mary, d. of William and Elisabeth, bp. in England. C.R.I.
 Mary Elizabeth Fairbanks [—], w. of Lyman P., June 17, 1846. G.R.3.
 Mary H. Goddard [—], w. of Arthur, Oct. 12, 1798. G.R.3.
 ✓ Nathanael, s. of John and Jone, June 7, 1643.
 ✓ Nathaniel, s. of John and Sarah, bp. —, 16—. C.R.I.
 ✓ Samuel, s. of W[illia]m and Elisabeth, Dec. 3, 1645.
 Samuel, s. of Richard and Martha, July 13, 1653.
 ✓ Sarah, d. of John and Sarah, bp. —, 16—. C.R.I.
 ✓ Sarah, d. of John and Jone, Oct. —, 1637.
 ✓ Sarah, d. of W[illia]m and Elisabeth, Mar. —, 1638.
 ✓ Sarah Augusta [—], w. of William E., Dec. 22, 1823. G.R.3.
 Thomas Learned, s. of Cyrus and Deborah, bp. Sept. 24, 1809. C.R.I.
 Thomas N., —, 1807. G.R.3.
 William, s. of Cyrus and Deborah, bp. Apr. 28, 1805. C.R.I.
 William E., Apr. 24, 1820. G.R.3.
 William H., July 12, 1846. G.R.3.

FRENCH, Abel and Elizabeth Foster of Chelmsford, May 11,
1817.*

Abigail and Benjamin Parker, Nov. 10, [16]97.*

Abigail and Abel Baldwin, Jan. 21, 1767.*

Abigail and Josiah Hill, Nov. 26, 1812.*

Ann and Joseph Parker, Jan. 6, 1822.*

Anna and Edmond Frost Jr. of Tewksbury, Jan. 11, 1749.*

Asa and Hannah Richardson, Mar. 13, 1760.*

Benja[min] of Dracutt, and Bathsheba Hill, Nov. 6, 1766.*

Caroline and Zaccheus Shed, Nov. 3, 1822.*

David and Marg[aret] Ross, Nov. 15, 1758.*

Dorcas and Joseph Farmer, Apr. 30, 1782.*

Ebenezer and Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth] Hill, Aug. 27, 1729.*

Ebenezer Jr. and Rebecca Kidder, Jan. 3, 1760.*

Elisabeth and Ephraim Kidder Jr. of Tewksbury, Dec. 30, 1735.*

Elisabeth and Jacob Reed of Woburn, June 19, 1744.*

Elisabeth and George Brown, Nov. 21, 1771.*

Elizabeth and Thomas Abbott of Andover, Dec. 25, 1706.*

Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth] and Josiah Crosbey Jr., Feb. 3, 1729-
30.*

Elizabeth and William Tarbel Jr., Mar. 21, 1776.* [Tarbell,
M.R.]

Ester and Ebenezer Jaquith, Jan. 19, 1758.*

Esther and John Bowman of Bedford, May 30, 1771, in Bedford.*

Hanna and John Bracket, Sept. 6, [16]61, in Braintree.* [Hannah
and John Brackett, M.R.]

Hanna [dup. Hannah] and John Kitteridge [dup. Kittredg], s.
John (Kitteredg) dec'd, Aug. 3, [16]85.* [Hannah and
John Kitteridge, M.R.]

Hannah and Samuel Lane of Bedford, Jan. 6, 1774.*

Hannah and Capt. Jonathan Heald of Carlisle, Apr. 2, 1789, in
Carlisle.*

Hannah and Ethel [male] Stevens, June 28, 1835.*

Jacob and Mary Champney, Sept. 20, 1665.*

* Intention not recorded.

*Bullerica Marriages from
pub. Vital Records.*

- FRENCH, Jacob, Sergt., and Mary Convers of Woburn, June 30, 1685.* [Converse, M.R.]
- Jacob and Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth] Davis, May 29, 1722.*
- Jacob and Sarah Brown, May 19, 1741.*
- Jacob Jr. and Sarah Ditson, Jan. 28, 1763.*
- Jacob and Mrs. Mary Curtis of Dracutt, Nov. 19, 1766.*
- Jacob 3d and Elisabeth Kitteridge of Tewksbury, Feb. 24, 1767.*
- Jesse and Abigail Jaquith, Apr. 14, 1761.*
- Joanna and Oliver Abbot, Feb. 13, 1752.*
- Joel and Elianor Johnson, Nov. 21, 1771.* [Eleanor, M.R.]
- John and Abigail Coggin [dup. Abigail Cugin], June 21, [16]59, in Bar[n]stable.* [Abigail Coggin, M.R.]
- John and Hannah Burridge, July 3, 1662.* [Burrage, July 3, 1663, M.R.]
- John and Mary Rogers, Jan. 14, 1667.*
- John and Mary Kittredge [dup. Kitterridg], wid., Jan. 16, 1677-8.* [Kitterige, M.R.]
- John Jr. [dup. omits Jr.] and Ruth Richardson, Feb. 13, 1707-8.*
- John Jr. and Mary Kittredg, Oct. 30, 1732.*
- John and Mary French, May 9, 1754.*
- John and Priscilla Mace, Jan. 6, 1763.*
- John of Tewksbury, and Beulah Hosley, Apr. 22, 1767.* [John Jr., M.R.]
- John of Boston, and Hannah Richardson, Nov. 1, 1801.*
- Jonas and Hannah Page [dup. Paige of Bedford], Jan. 5, 1758 [dup. in Bedford].*
- Jonathan and Mary Davis [dup. Daves], June 23, 1726.*
- Jonathan and Abigail Horsly [dup. Hosley], Jan. 20, 1763, in Medford.*
- Jona[than] and Abigail Bacon, June 14, 1809.*
- ✓ Joseph and Experiance Foster, Nov. 4, [16]63.* [Experience, M.R.]
- Joseph of Tewksbury, and Ruth Sprake, Mar. 12, 1789.*
- Joseph, 25, laborer, b. Porter, Me., s. Joseph and Abigail of Porter, Me., and Elizabeth A. Puffer, 22, b. Sudbury, d. Asa dec'd and Elizabeth dec'd, Nov. 7, 1843.* [Elisebeth A., C.R.2.]
- Josiah B. and Mary Ann Stevens, Apr. 6, 1823.*
- Lucy and Thomas Goodwin, June 3, 1784.*
- Luther and Salley Bowers, Aug. 28, 1796.*
- Lydia and Rev. Joshua Hayward, Dec. 1, 1800.*
- Mary and Jonathan Baldwin, Dec. 13, 1695.*

- FRENCH, Mary and Benjamin Manning, Jan. 16, 1729-30.*
 Mary and John French, May 9, 1754.*
 Mehitable [and] John White, Sept. 23, 1741, in Concord.*
 Molly of Tewksbury, and William Kidder Jr., Dec. 3, 1771.*
 Nathaniel and Elisabeth Frost, Sept. 28, 1744.*
 Nathaniel [of] Concord, [and] Susanna Brown, Sept. 11, 1783,
 in Concord.*
 Nicolas and Rachel Farmer, Sept. 28, 1779.* [Nicholas, M.R.]
 Peter and Elizabeth Jaquith, Oct. 9, 1792.*
 Polly and Richard Clark of Milford, N.H., June 10, 1817.*
 Rebecca [and] Timothy Rogers, Mar. 12, 1744, in Concord.*
 Rebecca and Samuel Marshall, Nov. 13, 1794.*
 Reuben and Abigail Farmer, Mar. 12, 1789.*
 Reuben and Abigail Holding, Feb. 7, 1819.*
 Sally and Ephraim Crosby Jr., Mar. 13, 1788.*
 Sally and Jeremiah Pollard, Jan. 3, 1792.*
 Sally of Tewksbury, and Benjamin Dowse, Dec. 30, 1805.*
 Samuel and Elisabeth Barron of Chelmsford, July 7, 1743.*
 Sarah [dup. Sara] and John Trull, Dec. 11, [16]57 [dup. in Woe-
 berne].* [Sarah, M.R.]
 Sarah and Joseph Crosbey, May 6, 1691.*
 Sarah, wid. William, and Ebenezer Davise of Concord, June 10,
 1729.*
 Sarah and Daniel Kittredge of Tewksbury, Mar. 17, 1746.*
 Sarah and Joseph Jones, Mar. 3, 1774.*
 Sarah and Amos Foster of Tewksbury, Oct. 21, 1777.*
 Sarah and Silvanus Blanchard, Dec. 15, 1795.*
 Susanna and Joseph Jaquith Jr., Mar. 5, 1797.*
 William, Lt., and Mary Stearns [dup. Sternes], wid., May 6
 1669.* [Sternes, M.R.]
 William and Sarah Danforth, May 22, 1695.*
 William and Joanna Hill, Mar. 22, 1726-7.*
 William 3d and Sarah Richardson, Feb. 23, 1764.*
 William and Mrs. Mehitable Moor of Andover, Nov. 27, 1770,
 in Andover.*
 William and Rebecca Marshall, Jan. 20, 1791.*
 William of Boston, and Sarah Baldwin, Aug. 10, 1819.*
 William and Mehittabel Patten [dup. Mehitable Pating], ———.*

FRENCH, Ebenezer, s. Ebenezer and Rebecah, Sept. 28, 1778
a. abt. 18, in Hallifax.

Ebenezer, Dec. 31, 1791. [Dec. 1, a. 84, G.R.I.]

Ebenezer, July 4, 182[?], a. 60. G.R.3.

Elianor, w. Joel, Feb. 6, 1774.

Elisabeth, w. Jacob, Feb. 3, 1737-8. [Elisabeth, a. 38 y. 3 m.
27 d., G.R.I.]

✓ Elisabeth [dup. Elisabeth], w. Lt. William, Mar. 31, [16]68.
[Elisabeth, M.R.]

Elisabeth, d. Ebenezer and Elizabeth, Sept. 4, 1748. [a. 18 y.
1 m. 28 d., G.R.I.]

Elisabeth, w. Ebenezer, Mar. 26, 1786, a. 75. G.R.I.

Eri, s. Isaac and Hannah, Jan. 7, 1808, a. 18 y. 10 m. G.R.I.

Esther, Mrs., July 7, 1736, a. 20. G.R.I.

Ezra, s. Jacob and Sarah, Dec. 28, 1746.

Freddie [dup. s. C. W. and R. W.], Jan. 29, 1849, a. 18 m. G.R.2.

Gilbert [dup. ch. Ami and Martha], Mar. 19, 1813, a. 5 y. 6 m.
G.R.2.

Hannah, w. John, July 7, 1667.

Hannah, d. Jacob and Mary, Oct. 23, 1677.

Hannah, d. William and Joanna, June 11, 1749.

Hannah, w. Jonas, Apr. 2, 1793, a. 56. G.R.I.

Hannah, d. Isaac and Hannah, Nov. 26, 1805, a. 24 y. 5 m. 25 d.
G.R.I.

Isaac Sr. [h. Hannah], Apr. 8, 1821. [a. 70, G.R.I.]

Jabez, s. Jacob and Mary, Sept. 16, 1674.

Jacob, May 20, 1713. [a. abt. 74, G.R.I.]

Jacob, s. Jacob and Elisabeth, Aug. 28, 1734.

Jacob, Mar. 7, 1775. [May 17 [dup. Mar. 7], a. 78 y. 9 m. 7 d.,
G.R.I.]

Jacob, h. Sarah, Aug. 4, 1776. [a. 35, G.R.I.]

Jesse, s. John and Priscilla, Nov. 16 [? 10], 1780.

Joanna, w. William, Jan. 17, 1769. [w. Lt. William, a. 61,
G.R.I.]

Joel, s. William and Joanna, Nov. 23, 1740.

Joel, Feb. 16, 1775, a. 29. G.R.I.

Joel [h. Elianor], Mar. 7, 1775.

John, s. Jacob and Mary, Dec. 3, 1670.

John, Corporal [dup. [h. Mary]], Oct. —, 1712.

Jonas, s. Jonas and Hannah, Oct. 4, 1775. [a. 17, G.R.I.]

Jonas, Feb. 9, 1801. [[h. Hannah] a. 69, G.R.I.]

Jonathan, twin s. William Jr. and Mehittabel [dup. Mehitable],
June 20, 1724.

FRENCH, Jonathan, Mar. 9, 1727-8. [a. 25, G.R.I.]

Jonathan, s. Jonathan and Mary, June 16, 1748.

Jonathan, s. Isaac and Hannah, Nov. 24, 1809, a. 26 y. 9 m. 4 d.

G.R.I.

✓ Joseph, s. Joseph and Experience [Experience, M.R.], Apr. 25, [16]67.

Joseph, s. Jacob and Mary, Sept. 25, 1676 [second dup. [16]75], in Cambridge.

Joseph, s. William and Sarah, Feb. 13, 1697-8.

Joseph, s. William Jr. [dup. omits Jr.] and Joanna, Nov. 21, 1730.

Joseph, s. John and Prissilla, Nov. 20, 1780.

Judah, June 21, 1749.

Lucy, d. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, May 20, 1734.

Lucy, d. William and Joanna, May 18, 1735.

Lucy, d. William and Joanna, Sept. 17, 1736.

Lydia, d. William and Sarah, Aug. 2, 1731, in Concord.

Maria, d. Luther and Salley, Mar. 27, 1799.

Martha [dup. w. Ami], Jan. 11, 1827, a. 41. G.R.2.

Mary, d. Jacob and Mary, Nov. 12, 1669.

Mary, w. John, June 16, 1677.

Mary, w. Jacob, Apr. 1, 1681.

Mary, w. Jacob, June 18, 1686.

Mary, w. Jacob, drowned, June 9, 1709.

Mary, wid. John, Oct. 7, 1719.

Mary, w. Jacob, Sept. 19, 1769. [in 74th y., G.R.I.]

Mary [dup. d. Isaac and Hannah], Sept. 5, 1806, a. 19 y. 5 m. 26 d. G.R.I.

Mehitable A., Feb. 27, 1841, a. 21. G.R.2.

Mehittabel, w. William, Jan. 15, 1742-3.

Moody, s. Isaac and Hannah, Jan. 6, 1796. [a. 4 y. 10 m., G.R.I.]

Page, s. Capt. Reuben and Abigail, Oct. 14, 1819, a. 14 y. 6 m.

G.R.I.

Rachel, d. William and Joanna, Jan. 18, 1774. [Mrs. Rachel, a. 32, G.R.I.]

Ruth, wid. Jacob, Nov. 6, 1730.

Sampson [dup. s. Isaac and Hannah], Feb. 26, 1808, a. 23 y. 20 d.

G.R.I.

Samuel, s. Ebenezer and Elisabeth, June 21, 1755.

Samuel, s. Sam[ue]ll and Elizabeth, Oct. 5, 1756.

Sarah, d. Joseph and Experience, Apr. 14, [16]77. [d. Joseph and Experience, Apr. 20, M.R.]

Sarah, d. Jacob and Elizabeth [dup. Elisabeth], Feb. 16, 1725-6.

FRENCH, Sarah [dup. d. Jacob and Elizabeth], Mar. 15, 1750,
a. 20 y. 10 m. 4 d. G.R.1.

Sarah, w. Jacob, Aug. 16, 1765. [a. 57, G.R.1.]

Sarah, d. Joel and Elianor, Apr. 18, 1773.

Silence, d. Jacob and Elisabeth, May 28, 1734.

Silent, d. Jacob and Elisabeth, still born, Dec. 7, 1767.

Submit, d. Jacob and Sarah, Nov. 27, 1747, a. abt. 6 hrs.

Susan [dup. ch. Ami and Martha], Jan. 26, 1827, a. 18 d. G.R.2.

✓ Thomas, s. Joseph and Experiance, Mar. 7, [16]76.

✓ William, Lt., Nov. 20, 1681, in 78th y. [a. 78, M.R.] *8.1603*

William, s. John and Mary, Apr. 21, 1685. [Apr. 21, 1686, M.R.]

William, Dea., Sept. 30, 1723.

William, Dea., Sept. 30, 1725, a. 55. G.R.1.

William, Sergt., Feb. 25, 1745-6.

W[illia]m, s. W[illia]m and Joanna, Jan. 20, 1764.

William, Lt., Apr. 9, 1776. [a. 75, G.R.1.]

William, s. Isaac and Hannah, Dec. 28, 1795. [Dec. 28, 1793,

a. 2 y. 6 m., G.R.1.]

FRENCH

CAMBRIDGE MARRIAGES.

—, Sarah M. of East Kingston, N. H., and William B.
—, int. Mar. 22, 1848.
Myrtle and Elizabeth —, in England. —, 16—. C.R.I.* ✓

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FRENCH, Abner of Boston, and Harriet A. (Harriet Augusta
int.) Willis, d. of Stillman, May 9, 1844.
Cyrus and Deborah Learned, both of Watertown, Dec. 30,
1802.
David of Charlestown, and Abigail Hofmaster, Jan. 26, 1807.
Eleanor and Daniel McNeal, int. July 2, 1848.
Eliza[beth] of Charlestown, and Benja[min] Rouse, in
Charlestown, Apr. 13, 1769.
George and Mrs. Lydia Sawyer, both of Charlestown, Jan.
18, 1829.*
Isaac P. of Malden, and Lucinda Brazier, int. Nov. 11, 1838.
Joanna of Holliston, and Samuel Baxter, int. Aug. 23, 1806.
John and Sarah —, —, 16—. C.R.I.*
Mary B. of Chelmsford, and Joseph Sanderson, in North
Chelmsford, Aug. 2, 1841.

* Intention not recorded.

Cambridge, Mass.
Marriages

Bow Street, on the estate formerly of Nicholas Danforth, which he bought 26 Jan. 1651-2, and sold to Edmund Angier 8 Oct. 1654, after which time no trace is found of him here.

4. JOHN, prob. s. of William (1), settled in Billerica, and m. Abigail Coggan of Barnstable 21 June 1659; she d. 5 Ap. 1662, and he m. Hannah Burrage 3 July 1663; she d. 7 July 1667, and he m. Mary Rogers 14 Jan. 1667-8; she d. 16 June 1677, and he m. another Mary soon afterwards. His children were *Hannah*, b. 11 Jan. 1663-4, m. John Kittredge 3 Aug. 1685; *Abigail*, b. 6 Dec. 1665; *Mary*, b. 1 Mar. 1669-70; *John*, b. 15 May 1679; *Elizabeth*, b. 24 July 1681; *William*, b. 26 Nov. 1683, d. 21 Ap. 1686; *William*, b. 18 Aug. 1687. JOHN the f. d. Oct. 1712, a. 78.

5. JACOB, s. of William (1), settled in Billerica, and m. Mary, dau. of Ehler Champney of Camb., 20 Sept. 1665; she d. 1 Ap. 1681, and he m. Mary Convers 3 June 1685. His chil. were *Jacob*, b. 20 Feb. 1666-7; *William*, b. 18 July 1668; *Mary*, b. 6 Oct. and d. 12 Nov. 1669; *John*, b. 3 Dec. 1670; *Joseph*, b. 5 May 1673; *Jabez*, b. and d. 16 Sept. 1674; *Hannah*, b. and d. 23 Oct. 1677; *Elizabeth*, b. 8 June 1679; *Sarah*, b. 7 Mar. 1680-81; *Abigail*, b. 20 Ap. 1686, d. 29 Mar. 1687. JACOB the f. d. 20 May 1713, a. 73; his w. Mary d. 18 June 1686.

6. JOSEPH, s. of John (2), settled in Billerica, m. Experience Foster 4 Nov. 1663, and had *Joseph*, b. 25 Mar. and d. 25 Ap. 1667; *Elizabeth*, b. 16 July 1668; *Joseph*, b. 7 Mar. 1669-70; *John*, b. 30 Jan. 1671-2; *Nathaniel*, b. 6 May 1674; *Thomas*, b. 29 Feb. 1675-6; *Sarah*, b. 6 and d. 20 Ap. 1677; *Leah*, b. 26 Apr. 1678.