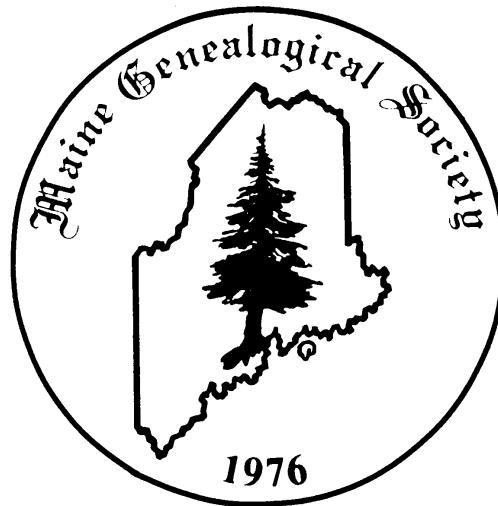


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## EDITOR'S PAGE

### Research in the Shadow of the Sun King

It is well known in the business world that teamwork is essential to success. It promotes greater productivity, increased synergy as a result of diverse skill sets and experience among members of the team, enhanced innovation, and a more rewarding and happier work environment for team members.

Not just in business, teamwork is also beneficial in genealogical research for all of the same reasons. Where I might have expertise in one area, my teammate might have it in another. While I might determine one inference from a record, my teammate might come to a different conclusion. The result is broader research and a more thorough evaluation of the findings.

In Maine genealogy, the most obvious example of the benefits of teamwork is the *Genealogical Dictionary of Maine and New Hampshire*. Compiled in the 1920s and 1930s by Sybil Noyes, Charles Thornton Libby, and Walter Goodwin Davis, who were three of the best genealogists of their day, the *Genealogical Dictionary* has stood the test of time as one of the most exhaustive and accurate accounts of all known persons living in Maine before 1700. The book was compiled, of course, long before the Internet age and long before the invention of email. The authors did their research in libraries and courthouses all around Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts, assembling their notes painstakingly by hand. The scope of the project was enormous, way too much for one person to do alone, but the three authors working as a team were able to complete it.

The lead article in this issue is also the result of successful teamwork between me and Greg Childs, a Contributing Editor of this journal. Working together, we resolved to tackle the mystery of what happened to the Joseph Bartlett family of Corinth, Maine. As we went off in different directions, researching different aspects of the problem, we shared our findings, discussed the implications, and determined next research steps. I found, for example, the newspaper story indicating that Caroline Sinclair had been hired by the Freedman's Aid Society of Waltham, Massachusetts, to go to Georgia, while Greg followed up and discovered Caroline's reports in the records of the office of the Georgia Superintendent of Education. I found the will of Erastus Bartlett in Oakland, California, while Greg was working in the deeds and probate records in New Brunswick. Our back and forth stream of emails was not only an entertaining exchange, it was also productive, and we were able to accomplish most of what we set out to discover.

I did not mention that Greg lives in a suburb of Paris, France. At one point during the research, he sent me a series of images from the probate records of Charlotte County, New Brunswick. Knowing that those records were "locked" on FamilySearch and therefore only available from a Family History Center, I asked him how he obtained them. He replied, "I made a quick run to the Mormon temple in Versailles yesterday afternoon to grab all that stuff." How research has changed since the days of the *Genealogical Dictionary*!

—Joseph C. Anderson II, Editor

## WHAT BECAME OF THE FAMILY OF JOSEPH AND MERCY BARTLETT OF VASSALBORO AND CORINTH, MAINE?

And the Remarkable Life of Caroline F. Sinclair

*By Gregory S. Childs and Joseph C. Anderson II, FASG*

Joseph Bartlett of Vassalboro, Maine, and Mercy Matthews of Sidney, Maine, were married on 12 January 1808 in Sidney.<sup>1</sup> Located on the west side of the Kennebec River, Sidney is right across from Vassalboro, which sits on the east side of the river just north of Augusta. Joseph and Mercy first settled in Vassalboro, where they were living at the time of the 1810 census. Their household that year included themselves and a male child under the age of 10.<sup>2</sup> As their family grew, they remained in Vassalboro a few more years, before moving northeast some sixty miles to the town of Corinth, Maine. Corinth, a small farming community in Penobscot County, had been incorporated only two years prior to the Bartletts' arrival there in 1813. A record of the family made in Corinth is unusually detailed:<sup>3</sup>

Joseph Bartlett Born Septem<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1784

Mercy Bartlett Wife of Joseph Bartlett born Sept<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1785

Moved into this Town April 3<sup>d</sup> 1813

Children of Joseph and Mercy Bartlett

Erasmus Derwin Bartlett born Novem 13<sup>th</sup> 1808, died Novem<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1809<sup>4</sup>

Erastus Bartlett born March 10<sup>th</sup> 1811

Ambrose Howard Bartlett born May 27<sup>th</sup> 1813

Hariet Howard Bartlett born January 1<sup>st</sup> 1816

The Bartletts must have left Corinth soon after 1816, as no further trace of them was found there. A search of Maine census records did not locate them elsewhere, and neither were they discovered in an exhaustive examination of town and county records throughout the state. Where did they go and what happened to them? Discovering the answers to those questions would involve research in jurisdictions far from Maine across multiple time periods.

### FAST FORWARD EIGHTY-SIX YEARS: OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, 1902

It is a well-known principal in genealogical research that if the parents cannot be found, then follow the children. In the case of Joseph and Mercy Bartlett, this seemed

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<sup>1</sup> Sidney Vital Records, 1772–1879, pp. 259 (marriage intention), 307 (marriage) [DGS #7834700, images 198, 222], her name spelled “Marcy” on these records.

<sup>2</sup> Joseph Bartlett household, 1810 U.S. Census, Vassalborough, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 709.

<sup>3</sup> Corinth Vital Records, p. 82 [DGS #7595350, image 48].

<sup>4</sup> The date of death perhaps should be 15 Nov. 1810, as a male under 10 was counted in Joseph's household in the 1810 census enumeration [see note 2].

like a promising strategy, since the children all had relatively unusual names and therefore should be easy to find.

The first son, Erasmus D. Bartlett, died in infancy, so a search was made for the second son, Erastus Bartlett, whose birth date was recorded in Corinth as 10 March 1811. Census records revealed a man of that name living in Oakland, California, in 1900, and his entry confirmed he was born in Maine in March 1811. At the time, he was described as an 89-year-old widower, living in the household of his cousin Hattie G. Ayer, a 49-year-old widow.<sup>5</sup>

Erastus Bartlett died in Oakland on 24 July 1902, aged 91 years, 4 months, and 13 days.<sup>6</sup> The death record confirms that he was born in Maine and his age at death computes to a birth date of 11 March 1811, a near perfect match with the son of Joseph and Mercy born in Corinth. But it was his will that provided the key information to advance the research. In the will, dated in San Diego on 7 September 1899 and filed in Alameda County on 31 July 1902, “Erastus Bartlett formerly of Augusta, Maine, now of San Diego, California,” made bequests to the following persons:<sup>7</sup>

His “daughter & only child living” Anna M. B. Webster, widow of the late Dr. J. O. Webster of San Diego

His grandchildren John M. Webster, Margaret B. Webster, Mary C. W. Kramer (wife of Dr. Adolph Kraemer of Los Angeles), and Erastus B. Webster of Fairhaven, Wash.

**His sister Harriet H. Folger**, wife of Edward S. Folger of Augusta, Maine

**His half sister Caroline F. Sinclair**

Martha P. Bartlett, widow of his late son Augustus L. Bartlett

**His brother Ambrose H. Bartlett** of San Diego

The bequests to his brother Ambrose H. Bartlett and to his sister Harriet H. Folger confirm that this was indeed the family of Joseph and Mercy Bartlett of Corinth, Maine. A surprise, though, was Erastus’s bequest to his “half sister” Caroline F. Sinclair. To be his half sister, Caroline had to be either the daughter of Erastus’s father, Joseph Bartlett, by another woman or the daughter of Erastus’s mother, Mercy, by another man, but which? The research would now focus on Caroline.

#### REWIND FIFTY YEARS: AUGUSTA, MAINE, 1850

Census records uncovered Caroline F. Sinclair living in Augusta, Maine, in 1850. She was 23 years old, born in New Brunswick, apparently unmarried, and living in the family of Edward S. and Harriet H. Folger.<sup>8</sup> As shown by Erastus’s will, Harriet Folger was Erastus’s younger sister. Aged 23 in 1850, Caroline would have been born about 1826 or 1827.

<sup>5</sup> Hattie G. Ayer household, 1900 U.S. Census, Oakland Ward 7, Alameda Co., Calif., E.D. 385, sheet 9B.

<sup>6</sup> Alameda Co., Calif., Deaths, 1899–1903, p. 7 [image, ancestry.com].

<sup>7</sup> Alameda Co., Calif., Probate, #8064 [DGS #7601876, images 304–5].

<sup>8</sup> Edward S. Folger household, 1850 U.S. Census, Augusta, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 20A.

Caroline is not found again in Maine census records until 1900, when she was residing on Summer Street in Augusta, a single woman living alone. Her birth date, however, was now given as August 1831, and her birthplace and that of both of her parents was written as England.<sup>9</sup>

Caroline F. Sinclair died in Augusta on 1 November 1910. Her official death certificate gives her age as 83, implying she was born about 1827.<sup>10</sup> The spaces on the death certificate for her parents' names and her birthplace were left blank. Caroline's half sister, Harriet Folger, also died in Augusta, on 25 December 1904. Her death certificate confirms her birthplace of Corinth and names her parents as Joseph Bartlett and Mercy Matthews. Joseph's occupation was given as millwright.<sup>11</sup>

Because Caroline never married and since her surname was Sinclair, we can conclude that she was the daughter of Mercy (Matthews) Bartlett with a man named Sinclair. The 1850 and 1900 censuses and Caroline's death record all indicate that she was born sometime between 1826 and August 1831, and most likely in the earlier part of this timeframe: Mercy would have been near the end of her childbearing years—41 years old in 1826 and 46 in 1831.

#### REWIND THIRTY YEARS: ST. STEPHEN, NEW BRUNSWICK, 1820s

In the 1850 census, Caroline's birthplace was given as New Brunswick. Did the Bartlett family go there after leaving Corinth? A publication of early New Brunswick probate abstracts indicates they went to St. Stephen Parish in Charlotte County:

BARTLETT, Joseph. No residence cited. Charlotte County [N.B.] records. Intestate. Administration granted 2 April 1824 to Mercy BARTLETT. Fellow bondsmen Robert Lindsay, and Joseph Stewart, all of St. Stephen.<sup>12</sup>

The probate file contains only the administration bond as reported in the abstract.<sup>13</sup> A deed, however, shows that the Bartletts were living in St. Stephen Parish not long after they disappeared from Maine. On 13 January 1819, Joseph Bartlett of St. Stephen Parish, "millwright," purchased a piece of land adjoining the house lot where he was living (probably renting) in the settlement of Milltown.<sup>14</sup> His occupation of millwright matched that on his daughter Harriet Folger's death record.

<sup>9</sup> Caroline F. Sinclair household, 1900 U.S. Census, Augusta, Kennebec Co., Maine, E.D. 105, sheet 7A. She was undoubtedly the Caroline Sinclair in Augusta in 1910, still residing on Summer St., although her age was given as 51, b. in English Canada, with both of her parents born in Scotland (Caroline Sinclair household, 1910 U.S. Census, Augusta Ward 5, Kennebec Co., Maine, E.D. 87, sheet 9A). Her age of 51 was understated by some 30 years!

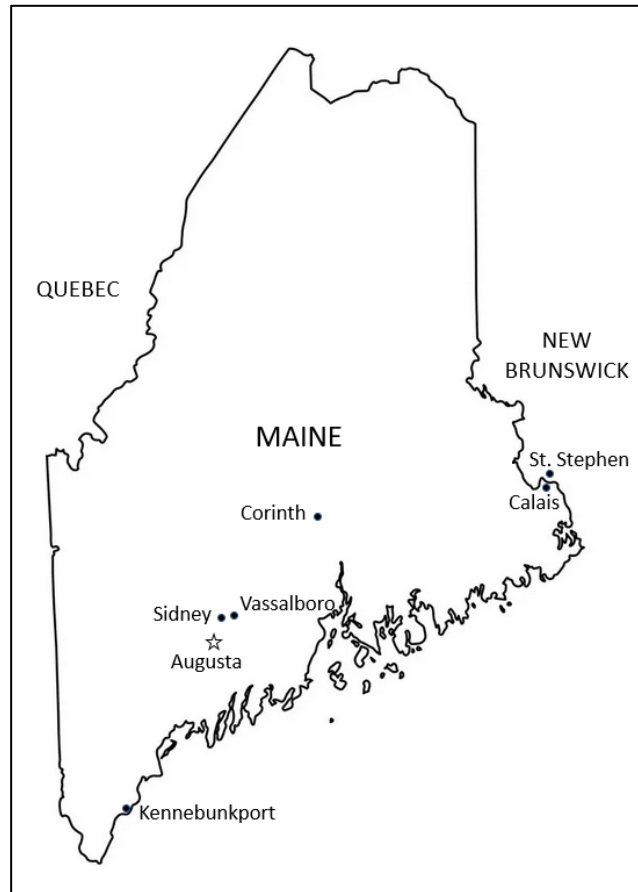
<sup>10</sup> Caroline F. Sinclair death record, Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921, familysearch.org [DGS #5011870, image 2329].

<sup>11</sup> Harriet H. Folger death record, Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921, familysearch.org [DGS #4544453, image 26].

<sup>12</sup> R. Wallace Hale, *Early New Brunswick Probate Records 1785–1835* (Bowie, Md., 1989), 23.

<sup>13</sup> Charlotte Co., N.B., Probate, Joseph Bartlett, 1824 [DGS #8737825, image 1557].

<sup>14</sup> Charlotte Co., N.B., Deeds, H:296 [DGS #4152626, images 303–4].



The parish of St. Stephen lies on the Canadian side of the border with the United States, in the southwestern corner of New Brunswick and near the easternmost part of Maine. It is located on the east bank of the St. Croix River and is directly across from Calais, Maine, on the opposite side of the river. The rich forests in the area spurred a large number of sawmills and grist mills, the earliest constructed about 1780.<sup>15</sup> For a man physically able to labor in the mills, the area likely offered more opportunity to support a family than working on a small farm in central Maine.

Any hopes for a better life, however, were soon dashed, as Joseph Bartlett was dead by early 1824 at the age of 39. He left behind a widow and three children, aged 13, 10, and 8. Four years later, on 14 April 1828, Mercy Bartlett, “administratrix of the estate of the late Joseph Bartlett of Saint Stephen, millwright, deceased,” sold for

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<sup>15</sup> Rev. I. C. Knowlton, *Annals of Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick* (Calais, 1875), 184–85.




£5 the same piece of land purchased by Joseph Bartlett in 1819.<sup>16</sup> This is the last record that has been found for Mercy in New Brunswick or elsewhere, and it is unknown how much longer she lived.

#### MR. SINCLAIR

As noted above, if Caroline F. Sinclair was Mercy's daughter, then Mercy must have had a relationship with a man named Sinclair in the years following Joseph Bartlett's death. The name Sinclair, however, was almost nonexistent in the area around Milltown. There were no Sinclairs in the St. Stephen Parish tax lists for 1822 and 1823 (later lists are missing) and there is only a scattering of the name in the deed indexes for Charlotte County, New Brunswick, and Washington County, Maine.<sup>17</sup> No marriage to a Sinclair or to anyone else was recorded for Mercy Bartlett in the church records for St. Stephen Parish.

On 9 January 1826, James Symond, the man who owned the house and lot that Mercy was renting in Milltown, sold the property to James Frink.<sup>18</sup> While this for Mercy was nothing more than a change of landlord, of utmost interest is one of the witnesses to Symond's deed—a man with the unusual name of Zerah Sinclair.



The timing is critical. In the 1900 census, Caroline F. Sinclair indicated her month and year of birth as August 1831, which is unlikely given her mother's age at that date. When the Augusta census taker visited the Folger household on 25 July 1850, however, he reported Caroline's age as 23 years. If her month of birth was correct in the 1900 census, and if her age was correct in the 1850 census, Caroline was born in August 1826, suggesting that she was likely conceived about November 1825. This would have been a little more than a month before the Symond-Frink deed was executed and witnessed by Zerah Sinclair. Witnesses to deeds were often friends and neighbors who could be called upon on short notice. If Zerah was living with Mercy or visiting regularly, it would have been natural to ask him to witness the deed being made by her landlords.

<sup>16</sup> Charlotte Co., N.B., Deeds, J:143 [DGS #4152645, image 146].

<sup>17</sup> Charlotte Co., N.B., "Assessment papers, 1822–1866," 1822–1823 [DGS #8189788] searched with negative results. No records found for 1824–1830, and no records found for St. Stephen Parish in 1831–1840 [DGS #8189789]. A Thomas Sinclair was of St. Stephen Parish in 1817 (Charlotte Co., N.B., Deeds, E:221 [DGS #4152597, image 225]), but he appears to have lived in the section of St. Stephen Parish set off as St. James Parish in 1823; subsequent deeds style him as "of St. James Parish."

<sup>18</sup> James Symond to James Frink, Charlotte Co., N.B., Deeds, I:120 [DGS #4152631, image 123]. That this was the property where Mercy was living is made clear in Mercy's 1828 sale of the adjoining piece of land (Charlotte Co., N.B., Deeds, J:143 [DGS #4152645, image 146]).

Considering the rarity of the Sinclair surname in the St. Stephen area, the proximity of Mercy Bartlett with a man named Sinclair at the right time for him to be the father of her child is more than coincidence. It is not known how long Mercy and Zerah were together, but Caroline took the Sinclair surname, suggesting the relationship was more than a transitory affair. Mercy still called herself Mercy “Bartlett” in the 1828 deed, so it appears she and Zerah Sinclair did not marry.

Zerah Sinclair was a shadowy figure and few records have been found for him. He must have arrived in the St. Stephen area before 1 January 1825, the date when his name was included on a list of unclaimed letters in the post office in Calais.<sup>19</sup> He was named again in the lists of unclaimed letters dated 1 April 1826 and 1 April 1827.<sup>20</sup> The 1827 list also included a letter addressed to Mercy Bartlett.

In 1830 Zerah Sinclair was living across the river in Calais, Maine. His household, including himself, was made up of eight males, all aged 20–29,<sup>21</sup> suggesting they were young laborers, probably working in one of the nearby mills. It also indicates that Zerah was much younger than Mercy. This is the last record found for Zerah Sinclair and, as in the case of Mercy, no further trace of him has been located.

#### REWIND EIGHT YEARS, KENNEBUNKPORT, MAINE, 1822

A Kennebunkport man named Zerah Sinclair was married in Kennebunk on 17 February 1822 to Lydia Ward of Kennebunkport.<sup>22</sup> They had a daughter, Lucy A. Sinclair, who was born in Kennebunkport in 1824.<sup>23</sup> According to one account, Zerah was “lost at sea.”<sup>24</sup> Based on the timing, however, and the rarity of the name, another scenario seems possible. If Zerah had realized that married life and fatherhood were not for him, it would have been a simple matter to board a ship in Kennebunkport. Sailing north along the coast, St. Stephen would have been the first significant port of call after crossing into Canadian territory—and far enough removed from Kennebunkport that his family and friends might have presumed him lost at sea.<sup>25</sup>

<sup>19</sup> *Eastport Sentinel*, 16 April 1825, p. 1 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>20</sup> *Eastport Sentinel*, 22 April 1826, p. 4, and 14 April 1827, p. 3 [images, genealogybank.com].

<sup>21</sup> Zerah Sinclair household, 1830 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington Co., Maine, p. 216.

<sup>22</sup> Kennebunk Marriages, p. 26 [DGS #7595725, image 140].

<sup>23</sup> Lucy A. (Sinclair) Luques, widow of Anthony Luques, d. in Watertown, Mass., 26 Feb. 1903, aged 78y 5m 27d (Massachusetts Vital Records, 1841–1910, 540:738 [image, americanancestors.org]). The record names her parents as Zerah Sinclair, b. N.H., and Lydia Ward, b. Kennebunkport.

<sup>24</sup> Sharon Cummins, “Seaward Winds” <[www.mykennebunks.com/SeawardWinds.htm](http://www.mykennebunks.com/SeawardWinds.htm)>, which says simply that Lydia Ward’s [first] husband was “lost at sea,” without identifying him by name. Lydia (Ward) Sinclair m. (2) Kennebunkport, 20 Nov. 1832, David Clough (Kennebunkport Vital Records, 4:20 [DGS #7595726, image 525]). Lydia d. in Kennebunkport, 5 March 1862, aged 67y 2m (Kennebunkport Vital Records, 2:25 [DGS #7595726, image 394]).

<sup>25</sup> Another Zerah Sinclair is said to have married Mary Sanders, daughter of John and Esther (Chapman) Sanders of Newbury, Vt., Haverhill, N.H., and Fort Covington, N.Y. (George Rich, *Genealogy: Ancestors and Descendants of John Sanders, Fort Covington, N.Y.* [Cleveland, 1922], 24–27). Zerah and Mary (Sanders) Sinclair had 6 children b. 1807–17, one of whom was named Caroline, but no son named Zerah. This Zerah was a generation older than Zerah Sinclair of Calais.

## GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

1 **JOSEPH BARTLETT** was born 1 September 1784.<sup>26</sup> He died in St. Stephen Parish, New Brunswick, before 2 April 1824.<sup>27</sup> He married in Sidney, Maine, 12 January 1808, **MERCY MATTHEWS**.<sup>28</sup> Mercy was born in Vassalboro, Maine, 9 September 1785, daughter of Elisha and Mercy (Whelden) Matthews of Yarmouth, Massachusetts, and Vassalboro.<sup>29</sup> Mercy was living in St. Stephen Parish in 1828,<sup>30</sup> but no record of her after that time has been found.

No record has been discovered that directly names Joseph's parents. The 1900 census for his son Erastus, however, provides the crucial clue leading to the conclusion that he was a son of Joseph and Rhoda (Stearns) Bartlett of Balltown (today Newcastle), Maine. In that 1900 return, Erastus was living with his "cousin," 49-year-old widow Hattie G. Ayer.<sup>31</sup> Also living in the household were Hattie's stepfather and mother, Converse J. and Caroline A. Garland. Hattie's mother, whose maiden name was Caroline Bartlett, had married first, 14 February 1844, David W. Edwards, both of Montville, Maine,<sup>32</sup> and married second, about 1875, Converse J. Garland.<sup>33</sup>

Caroline (Bartlett) (Edwards) Garland died in Bellingham, Washington, 14 February 1910, and the death certificate states she was a daughter of David and [blank] (McAllister) Bartlett.<sup>34</sup> David Bartlett was born in Montville, 30 November 1795, a son of Joseph and his 2nd wife Nancy (Munsey) Bartlett.<sup>35</sup> Joseph Bartlett had married first in Newcastle, Maine, 27 October 1781, Rhoda Stearns.<sup>36</sup>

Erastus Bartlett and Hattie Ayer were cousins because Hattie's grandfather, David Bartlett, was a half brother of Erastus's father, Joseph Bartlett. Half brothers David and Joseph Bartlett were sons of Joseph Bartlett Sr., who was living in Balltown in 1790 with three males under age sixteen and three females in his household.<sup>37</sup>

<sup>26</sup> Corinth Vital Records, p. 82 [DGS #7595350, image 48].

<sup>27</sup> Charlotte Co., N.B., Probate, Joseph Bartlett, 1824 [DGS #8737825, image 1557].

<sup>28</sup> Sidney Vital Records, 1772–1879, p. 307 [DGS #7834700, image 222].

<sup>29</sup> Daughter "Marcy" Matthews was named in the 28 April 1802 will of Elisha Matthews of Sidney (Kennebec Co. Probate Records, #M-2 [DGS #5429457, images 126–27]). Elisha Matthews and Mercy/Marcy Whelden m. Yarmouth, Mass., 30 Jan. 1772 (Robert M. Sherman and Ruth Wilder Sherman, *Vital Records of Yarmouth, Massachusetts* [Camden, Maine, 1993], 331).

<sup>30</sup> Charlotte Co., N.B., Deeds, J:143 [DGS #4152645, image 146].

<sup>31</sup> Hattie G. Ayer household, 1900 U.S. Census, Oakland Ward 7, Alameda Co., Calif., E.D. 385, sheet 9B.

<sup>32</sup> Elizabeth M. Mosher and Isabel Morse Maresh, *Marriage Returns of Waldo County, Maine, Prior to 1892* (Camden, Maine, 1990), 67

<sup>33</sup> They had been married for 25 years, according to the 1900 census.

<sup>34</sup> Washington, U.S., Select Death Index, 1907–960, database, ancestry.com; David Bartlett's wife in 1850 was named Margaret (David Bartlett household, 1850 U.S. Census, Liberty, Waldo Co., Maine, p. 42).

<sup>35</sup> Montville VRs, p. 197 [DGS #7595753, image 109].

<sup>36</sup> Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Newcastle, Maine* (Waterville, Maine, 2015), 25.

<sup>37</sup> *Heads of Families at the First Census of the United States Taken in the Year 1790: Maine* [Washington D.C., 1908], 33a.

Joseph and Mercy first lived in Vassalboro, but they moved to Corinth in 1813. By 1819 the family was living in Milltown, St. Stephen Parish, New Brunswick, where Joseph worked as a millwright. Following his death in 1824, Mercy remained in St. Stephen at least four years, during which time she gave birth to a daughter most likely fathered by Zerah Sinclair. Mercy's sons, Erastus and Ambrose Bartlett, were back in Maine by 1836.

Children of Joseph and Mercy (Matthews) Bartlett:<sup>38</sup>

- i ERASMUS DERWIN BARTLETT, b. Vassalboro, 13 Nov. 1808, d. 15 Nov. 1809.
- ii ERASTUS BARTLETT, b. Vassalboro, 10 March 1811, d. Oakland, Calif., 24 July 1902, aged 91y 4m 13d, and bur. in Forest Grove Cemetery, Augusta, Maine;<sup>39</sup> m. (1) Augusta, 30 Dec. 1841, MARGARET ANN LEONARD,<sup>40</sup> b. Readfield, Maine, 5 Aug. 1822, daughter of Silas and Margaret (Carleton) Leonard,<sup>41</sup> d. Augusta, 8 Jan. 1847, aged 24y, and bur. in Forest Grove Cemetery;<sup>42</sup> m. (2) Dover, N.H., 25 Aug. 1857, HELEN L. HOUDELETTE of Dresden, Maine,<sup>43</sup> b. Dresden, 25 Sept. 1820, daughter of George & Mary (Theobald) Houdelette,<sup>44</sup> d. 20 June 1879, aged 58 years.<sup>45</sup>

Erastus Bartlett was already established at No. 2, Arch Row, in Augusta on 15 June 1836, when he advertised having received "a good assortment of English and American Dry Goods, Groceries, Hard Ware, &c. &c. which he will sell at the lowest prices for cash."<sup>46</sup> According to his obituary, he went to California in 1853 and "at one time controlled all the ferry steamers on the bay, and acquired a vast fortune. He was the first man to run steamers on the upper Sacramento River, and this trade added materially to his store of wealth. After his retirement from shipping, Capt. Bartlett invested large sums of money in realty throughout the State, and up to the time of his death had large holdings at Northern and Southern California and in San Francisco."<sup>47</sup>

Children, by 1st wife, b. Augusta:<sup>48</sup> 1. *Augustus L. Bartlett*, b. 10 Oct. 1842, d. 1878; m. 8 March 1864, Martha M. Pillsbury.<sup>49</sup> 2. *Anna Maria Bartlett*, b. 12 Sept. 1844, d. La Mesa, San Diego Co., Calif., 31 Aug. 1942, and bur. in Mount Hope

<sup>38</sup> Corinth Vital Records, p. 82 [DGS #7595350, image 48].

<sup>39</sup> Alameda Co., Calif., Deaths, 1899–1903, p. 7 [image, ancestry.com]; Maine Old Cemetery Association, *Maine Cemetery Inscriptions: Kennebec County* (Rockport, Maine, 1999), 252.

<sup>40</sup> Ethel Colby Conant, *Vital Records of Augusta, Maine, to the Year 1892*, 2 vols. (Auburn, Maine, 1933–34), 1:186.

<sup>41</sup> Readfield, Maine, Vital Records, 1777–1890, p. 287 [DGS #7834701, image 146].

<sup>42</sup> [Augusta] *The Age*, 15 Jan. 1847, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com]; *Kennebec Co. Cemetery Inscriptions* [note 39], 252. Her stone names her father, Silas Leonard.

<sup>43</sup> *Augusta VRs* [note 40], 1:186, which gives the place of marriage as Dover.

<sup>44</sup> Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Dresden, Maine* (Rockland, Maine, 2012), 45; her parents m. 18 Nov. 1803 per "Records of the Dresden, Me., Congregationalist Church," *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* 66(1912):108.

<sup>45</sup> *Kennebec Co. Cemetery Inscriptions* [note 39], 252, Forest Grove Cemetery, Augusta.

<sup>46</sup> [Augusta] *Gospel Banner*, 18 June 1836, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>47</sup> *The Los Angeles Times*, 25 July 1902, p. 2 [image, newspapers.com].

<sup>48</sup> *Augusta VRs* [note 40], 1:16.

<sup>49</sup> David B. Pillsbury and Emily A. Getchell, *The Pillsbury Family* (Everett, Mass., 1898), 186, which provides Augustus's death and marriage dates.

Cemetery, San Diego, Calif.;<sup>50</sup> m. at the Falmouth Hotel, Portland, Maine, 1 June 1870, John Ordway Webster of Lynn, Mass.<sup>51</sup>

- iii AMBROSE HOWARD BARTLETT, b Corinth, 27 May 1813, d. San Diego, Calif., 1 Jan. 1900, aged 87y;<sup>52</sup> he was of Waterville, Maine, when he m. Gardiner, Maine, 15 Dec. 1836, SOPHRONIA ABBOTT DELANO of Sidney,<sup>53</sup> b. Augusta, 15 Aug. 1814, daughter of Francis and Mary (Rowe) Delano,<sup>54</sup> d. San Diego, Calif., 13 Dec. 1892, aged 78y 4m.<sup>55</sup>

Ambrose was in Sidney in 1840, working as a blacksmith in Malden, Mass., in 1850, as a millwright in Buena Vista, Richland Co., Wisc., in 1860, and as a mechanic in Wolf River, Doniphan Co., Kans., in 1865.<sup>56</sup> His obituary states that he came to San Diego about 1875 and remained there until his death.<sup>57</sup>

Children: 1. *Charles N. Bartlett*, b. Dec. 1838, d. 8 Jan. 1914 and bur. in Veterans Memorial Grove Cemetery, Yountville, Napa County, Calif., a Civil War veteran;<sup>58</sup> m. Wolf River, Doniphan Co., Kans., 15 April 1865, Myla Malinda Mitchell.<sup>59</sup> 2. *Erastus Marion Bartlett*, b. 22 April 1841, d. 20 Jan. 1913 and bur. in Rose Hill Cemetery, Rifle, Garfield Co., Colo.;<sup>60</sup> m. Highland, Doniphan Co., Kans., 12 Nov. 1867, Julia S. Bones-teel.<sup>61</sup> 3. *Clara Ellen Bartlett*, b. 23 Sept. 1848, d. Maryville, Hodaway Co., Mo., 24 Feb. 1914;<sup>62</sup> m. Georgetown, Clear Creek Co., Colo., George Ingerson.<sup>63</sup>

- iv HARRIET HOWARD BARTLETT, b. Corinth, 1 Jan. 1816, d. Augusta, Maine, 25 Dec. 1904, aged 88y 11m 25d, and bur. in Reynolds Cemetery, Sidney;<sup>64</sup> m. Augusta,

<sup>50</sup> *The San Diego Union*, 2 Sep. 1942, p. 4 [image, genealogybank.com]; gravestone photo, findagrave.com #94316735.

<sup>51</sup> Portland Marriages, 5:172 [DGS #7596426, image 133].

<sup>52</sup> San Diego Co., Deaths, 1851–1903, M:44 [DGS #8117396, image 1282].

<sup>53</sup> Kennebec Co. Marriage Returns, 1:166 [DGS #7595722, image 90]. This return gives the year of marriage as 1835, clearly incorrect since the marriage intentions were dated 28 Nov. 1836 (Sidney Marriage Intentions, p. 51 [DGS #7834700, image 90]). The marriage record appears sequentially in a list of marriage returns by Seth W. Perkins, Minister of the Gospel, with the previous marriage in the return dated 5 Dec. 1836, and the following one dated 26 Jan. 1837.

<sup>54</sup> Major Joel Andrew Delano, *The Genealogy, History, and Alliances of the American House of Delano, 1621 to 1899* (New York, 1899), 257.

<sup>55</sup> San Diego Co., Deaths, 1851–1903, E:27 [DGS #7719754, image 1472].

<sup>56</sup> Ambrose H. Bartlett household, 1840 U.S. Census, Sidney, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 278; Ambrose H. Bartlett household, 1850 U.S. Census, Malden, Middlesex Co., Mass., p. 369; A. H. Bartlett household, 1860 U.S. Census, Buena Vista, Richland Co., Wisc., p. 32; Ambrose H. Bartlett household, 1865 Kansas State Census, Wolf River, Doniphan Co., p. 10.

<sup>57</sup> [San Diego] *Evening Tribune*, 2 Jan. 1900, p. 5 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>58</sup> U.S., Veterans Administration Master Index, 1917–1940, database, ancestry.com; gravestone photo, findagrave.com #50991495.

<sup>59</sup> Kansas, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1811–1911 [image, ancestry.com].

<sup>60</sup> Gravestone photo, findagrave.com #141307818, including his full dates of birth and death.

<sup>61</sup> Kansas, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1811–1911 [image, ancestry.com].

<sup>62</sup> Missouri Death Certificate, 1914, #5560 (Missouri, U.S., Death Certificates, 1910–1969 [image, ancestry.com]).

<sup>63</sup> Clear Creek Co., Colo., Marriages, 1849–1955, p. 98 (Colorado, County Marriage Records and State Index, 1862–2006 [image, ancestry.com]).

<sup>64</sup> Harriet H. Folger death record, Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921, familysearch.org [DGS #4544453, image 26]; gravestone photo, findagrave.com #99372822.

11 Nov. 1840, EDWARD STARBUCK FOLGER,<sup>65</sup> b. Nantucket, Mass., 12 Jan. 1815, son of Elishai Jr. and Judith (Starbuck) Folger,<sup>66</sup> d. Augusta, 22 Oct. 1909, aged 94y 9m 10d, and bur. with Harriet in Reynolds Cemetery.<sup>67</sup>

Edward and Harriet lived in Augusta, where he was described as a trader in 1850 and as a farmer afterwards.<sup>68</sup>

Children: 1. *Edward Clark Folger*, b. 6 Oct. 1843, d. Augusta, 5 June 1924, aged 80y 6m 29d, and bur. in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Augusta,<sup>69</sup> m. Augusta, 1 July 1869, Carrie A. Weston.<sup>70</sup> 2. *Judith Amanda Folger*, b. 28 June 1845, d. Buffalo, N.Y., 7 May 1941;<sup>71</sup> m. Augusta, 8 Feb. 1870, Cyrus Wallace Pollard of Albany, N.Y.<sup>72</sup>

Child of Mercy (Matthews) Bartlett, prob. by Zerah Sinclair, b. St. Stephen Parish, N.B.:

2 CAROLINE F. SINCLAIR, b. prob. in Aug. 1826.

2 **CAROLINE F. SINCLAIR** was born in St. Stephen Parish, New Brunswick, probably in August 1826. She died in Augusta, Maine, 1 November 1910, aged 83 years [*sic*], and is buried there in Forest Grove Cemetery.<sup>73</sup> She never married.

Caroline arrived in Maine sometime before 1 September 1847, when an unclaimed letter was on hold for her at the Augusta post office.<sup>74</sup> In the 1850 census three years later, she was living in the family of her half sister, Harriet H. Folger.<sup>75</sup>

In the 1892 Augusta directory, Miss Caroline F. Sinclair was boarding at the residence on Belgrade Road of her brother-in-law Edward S. Folger.<sup>76</sup> On 28 December 1894, Erastus Bartlett leased her a house and lot in Augusta on the southwest corner of Bridge and Summer streets.<sup>77</sup> There she would live the rest of her life. In the 1900

<sup>65</sup> *Augusta VRs* [note 40], 1:186.

<sup>66</sup> *Vital Records of Nantucket, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850*, 5 vols. (Boston, Mass., 1925–28), 1:475.

<sup>67</sup> Edward S. Folger death record, Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921, familysearch.org [DGS #5011597, image 2106]; gravestone photo, findagrave.com #99370182

<sup>68</sup> Edward S. Folger household, 1850–80 U.S. Censuses, Augusta, Kennebec Co., Maine, pp. 20a [1850], 193 [1860], 113 [1870], 40C [1880].

<sup>69</sup> Maine Vital Records, Maine State Archives, Augusta, which gives his full dates of birth and death; death notice, *Daily Kennebec Journal* [Augusta], Fri., 6 June 1924, p. 11 [image, NewspaperArchive.com]; gravestone photo, findagrave.com #99361235.

<sup>70</sup> *Augusta VRs* [note 40], 1:326.

<sup>71</sup> New York, U.S., Death Index, 1852–1956, database, ancestry.com; gravestone photo, Woodbrook Cemetery, Woburn, Mass., findagrave.com #209737042.

<sup>72</sup> *Augusta VRs* [note 40], 1:327. Cyrus's middle name from his death record (Mass. Vital Records, 1841–1915, 109/1910:419 [DGS # 4283220, image 378]).

<sup>73</sup> Caroline F. Sinclair death record, Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921, familysearch.org [DGS #5011870, image 2329]; gravestone photo, findagrave.com #137311863.

<sup>74</sup> [Augusta] *The Age*, 3 Sept. 1847, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>75</sup> Edward S. Folger household, 1850 U.S. Census, Augusta, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 20A.

<sup>76</sup> *1892–93, The Augusta, Hallowell, Gardiner and Kennebec County Directory* (Boston, Mass., n.d.), 184 [image, ancestry.com].

<sup>77</sup> Kennebec Co. Deeds, 405:489.

census, her occupation was given as “artist,”<sup>78</sup> whereas her death record described her as a “retired teacher.”<sup>79</sup> She left a will dated 7 June 1906, making bequests to her niece Anna B. Webster of San Diego and to her niece Judith A. Pollard.<sup>80</sup> Caroline’s obituary was printed in the Augusta newspaper:

Caroline F. Sinclair entered into rest Tuesday Evening at her late residence on Summer street in this city, in her 83rd year; she was a sister of the late Erastus Bartlett, one of Augusta’s former business men, and who was one of the early pioneers in California. She is survived by several nieces and nephews. The funeral will take place at 11 a.m. Friday; services are to be conducted by the Rev. F. Wunsch, pastor of the Swedenborgian church at Bath, Maine. Interment to take place in Forest Grove cemetery.<sup>81</sup>

Where was Caroline in the years between 1850 and 1892? Finding the answer to that question would reveal a woman who led a purposeful and most unusual life. One Caroline “St. Clair” was living in Boston in 1860, although her age of 25 and birthplace of Massachusetts would be incorrect for Mercy’s daughter. She was living in the household of Gilman Joslin, globe maker.<sup>82</sup> Joslin was one of America’s most prolific globe makers and his globes today are sold at auction houses as expensive antiques or works of art. If Caroline was working with Joslin in his workshop, she may have learned skills to qualify her later as an “artist.” No evidence has been found, however, to confirm or refute the identity of this young woman as the daughter of Mercy Bartlett.

The first solid clue to Caroline’s whereabouts is found in her obituary, which indicated that her funeral services were to be conducted by the Swedenborgian church. The Swedenborgian church in America, known initially as the General Convention of the New Church and later as the General Church of the New Jerusalem, was organized in 1817, its Christian beliefs influenced by the writings of Swedish theologian Emanuel Swedenborg (1688–1772). A central tenet of Swedenborgian beliefs is that persons who do good works will be accepted into heaven. The Boston Society of the New Jerusalem published the names of its members in 1863. Among them was Caroline F. Sinclair of Birmingham, Pennsylvania, who had been admitted into the church on 3 January 1858.<sup>83</sup> It is not known when she moved to Pennsylvania or how long she lived there, but she possibly went there to work as a teacher.

Caroline had left Pennsylvania and was living in Waltham, Massachusetts, by the end of 1867, when the newly-formed Freedmen’s Aid Society of Waltham raised nearly \$400 to send her to Georgia as a teacher of freed slaves, and requested local citizens to donate books and articles of clothing to be forwarded “to our teacher at

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<sup>78</sup> Caroline F. Sinclair household, 1900 U.S. Census, Augusta, Kennebec Co., Maine, E.D. 105, sheet 7A.

<sup>79</sup> Caroline F. Sinclair death record [note 10].

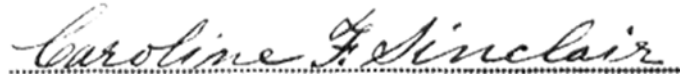
<sup>80</sup> Kennebec Co. Probate Records, #11754 [DGS #4130473, image 466].

<sup>81</sup> *Daily Kennebec Journal*, Thurs., 3 Nov. 1910, p. 10 [image, genealogybank.com].

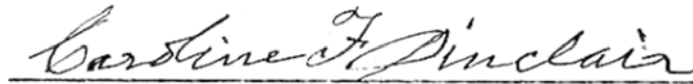
<sup>82</sup> Gilman Joslin household, 1860 U.S. Census, Boston Ward 6, Suffolk Co., Mass., p. 697.

<sup>83</sup> *A Sketch of the History of the Boston Society of the New Jerusalem, with a List of Its Members* (Boston, 1863), 64.

the south.”<sup>84</sup> From January to June 1868, Caroline was in Jonesboro, Clayton County, Georgia, submitting monthly reports for the school where she was teaching.<sup>85</sup> Her signature at the bottom of her report sent in June 1868 is distinctive:



Her signature on her will thirty-eight years later is convincingly similar:



When Caroline returned from Georgia after the 1868 school year, the Freedmen’s Aid Society paid her an \$8.00 “gratuity” for her services.<sup>86</sup> She apparently soon returned to Pennsylvania, as in 1869 Caroline F. Sinclair, residing at 1004 Chestnut Street in Philadelphia, was the victim of larceny, a \$50 gold watch having been stolen from her residence.<sup>87</sup> Although she was not found living in Philadelphia in the 1870 census, “C. S. [*sic*] Sinclair, artist,” living at 1004 Chestnut Street, was listed in the 1870 and 1871 Philadelphia city directories.<sup>88</sup> She is not found in later directories for the city.

In 1880 “C. F. St. Clair,” a female, was a boarder in a house on North Broad Street in Philadelphia. While her age of 46 was understated, her profession was again given as “artist.” Most significantly, her birthplace was listed as New Brunswick, while her father was born in Scotland and her mother was born in Maine.<sup>89</sup> Undoubtedly this was the same Caroline F. Sinclair, born in New Brunswick to Mercy Bartlett, who had been born in Maine, and the mysterious Zerah Sinclair.

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<sup>84</sup> *Waltham Free Press*, Fri., 6 Dec. 1867, p. 2 [image, genealogybank.com]; *Waltham Sentinel*, Fri., 6 Dec. 1867, p. 2 [image, genealogybank.com]. “[The Freedmen’s Aid Society of Waltham] is just about to send out a teacher, Miss Caroline F. Sinclair, a resident of Waltham.”

<sup>85</sup> “Records of the Superintendent of Education for the state of Georgia, 1865–1870,” NARA RG 105, M799 [DGS #7675847, images 432, 433, 521, 522, 1169, 1170; DGS #7675846, image 42].

<sup>86</sup> *Waltham Free Press*, Fri., 28 Aug. 1868, p. 2 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>87</sup> *The Press* [Philadelphia], Tues., 7 Dec. 1868, p. 8 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>88</sup> *Gopsill’s Philadelphia City Directory for 1870*, 1395 [DGS #8321660, image 1608]; *Gopsill’s Philadelphia City Directory for 1871*, 1298 [ibid., image 2452].

<sup>89</sup> A. M. Crombargar household, 1880 U.S. Census, Philadelphia, Philadelphia Co., Pa., E.D. 595, p. 24D.



WHICH THOMAS PERKINS OF ARUNDEL,  
SR., JR., 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, CAPT., ENSIGN, OR ESQ.?

By Priscilla Eaton

*These two Thomas Perkins coming into town at about the same time, both being men of property and influence, each having a son, grandson, and great-grandson of the same name, who at different times held the same offices; and the families having frequently intermarried, it is extremely difficult to trace the descendants of each. There are more persons of this name in the town, than of any other. There are 39 voters of the name.*<sup>1</sup>

Charles Bradbury, *History of Kennebunk Port*, 1837

Oh what a tangled web we weave, when each family has a son named Thomas and probably another named John. Two men named Thomas Perkins, each with a wife named Mary, moved into the town of Arundel about 1720. Both appear prominently in the early town records and, as Bradbury noted, each Thomas had a son named Thomas, a grandson named Thomas, and a great-grandson or two named Thomas. Solvable maybe, but then things begin to spiral. In 1790 five men named Thomas Perkins were enumerated in Arundel,<sup>2</sup> and that of course did not include men and boys named Thomas Perkins who did not appear as head of household. This puzzle is made even more complex by the prevalence of other Perkins lines and families in nearby towns, particularly Wells and Biddeford,<sup>3</sup> and *Perkins* being the 35th most common surname in New England during this time period.<sup>4</sup>

It seemed that the only way to sort this out, and separate the Juniors from the Thirds and the Captains from the Esquires, was to compile a genealogy of the entire early Arundel family. For the Perkins family of Arundel (which became the town of Kennebunk Port in 1821, and later Kennebunkport), it made sense to begin with Charles Bradbury's 1837 *History of Kennebunk Port*. We are fortunate that Mr. Bradbury chose to conclude his history with "brief notices of the earlier settlers of the town."

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<sup>1</sup> Charles Bradbury, *History of Kennebunk Port* (Kennebunk, Maine, 1837), 270–71.

<sup>2</sup> *Heads of Families at the First Census of the United States: Maine* (Washington, D.C., 1908), 55.

<sup>3</sup> The Perkinses of Wells are for the most part descendants of Jacob Perkins, originally of Ipswich. See Thomas Allen Perkins, *Jacob Perkins of Wells, Maine, and His Descendants* (Haverhill, Mass., 1947). Many of the Perkinses of Biddeford are descendants of Nathaniel Perkins, b. ca. 1727, d. Biddeford, 10 Oct. 1809, aged 82y (John D. Beatty, *Vital Records Biddeford, Maine, Prior to 1856* [Camden, Maine, 1998], 196); m. York, 3 Jan. 1750, Abigail Simpson (Lester MacKenzie Bragdon and John Eldridge Frost, *Vital Records of York, Maine* [Camden, Maine, 1982], 135), through their three sons: Nathaniel, bp. 1 June 1755, Edmund, bp. 1 Jan. 1769, and John, bp. 26 June 1776 (*Biddeford VRs* [note 3], 71, 94, 100). Nathaniel's ancestry could not be determined.

<sup>4</sup> Sybil Noyes, Charles Thornton Libby, and Walter Goodwin Davis, *Genealogical Dictionary of Maine and New Hampshire* (Portland, Maine, 1928–39), 541.

The early Arundel records are generally woeful, particularly lacking in the family records so common in other towns. Even for the large and prominent Perkins families, which included a number of town clerks, the births of only fourteen Perkinses were recorded before 1800. Ten of these were from a single family, and four from another.

Bradbury, writing in 1837, compiled his “brief notices” by speaking with descendants of the earliest settlers, probably their grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In many cases, Bradbury’s account is all we have, and we are fortunate that the information he was given has proven to be, for the most part, quite accurate.

After Bradbury provided the initial outline, the Arundel church records were the next step, starting with the baptisms. Unfortunately, these records do not begin until 1771, over fifty years after the arrival of the Perkins families. Still, the baptisms folded into the existing structure with relative ease. The marriages presented more difficulty. There was no place to put many of them, which called for compiling a list of Unplaced Records. This list was arranged alphabetically by given name, grouping the various Thomases, Johns, Sarahs, and Marys together. Probates, town records, and deeds were then folded in, resulting in the removal of most of those on the Unplaced Records list and their addition to the genealogy. The Unplaced Records list was then still largely populated by four names: Thomas, John, George, and Joseph.

There is a technique to help us analyze this problem. It requires the construction of grids. Such grids can prove helpful when trying to navigate families that are particularly unimaginative in naming their children. The grids provide helpful guidance in placing the Thomases, Johns, Georges and Josephs in the genealogy. The grid for Thomas is included as an example. The genealogy follows.

#### Thomas Perkins of Arundel

#	<u>Born</u>	<u>Died</u>	<u>Wife</u>
1	1671	1744+	Mary Banfield
2	1681	1761	Mary Wildes
3	1700	1752	Lydia Harding
4	1724	1795	Susanna Hovey
5	1732	1820	Deborah Lassell
6	1752	1820	Sarah Baxter
7	1758	1816	Esther Perkins
8	1768	1818	Susan Perkins
9	1770	1849	Eunice Miller
10	1780	1853	Alice Lowe

- 1 Thomas Perkins 4th m. Arundel, 28 Dec. 1780, Esther Perkins. In 1780, Thomas #1, #2, and #3 had died. The fourth oldest Thomas in 1780 was #7.
- 2 Thomas Perkins 5th m. Arundel, 28 Jan. 1790 Susan Perkins. In 1790, Thomas #1, #2, and #3 had died. The fifth oldest Thomas in 1790 was #8.
- 3 Thomas Perkins 6th m. Arundel, 11 July 1794, Eunice Miller. In 1794, Thomas #1, #2, and #3 had died. The sixth oldest Thomas in 1794 was #9.

### THOMAS PERKINS OF TOPSFIELD

**1 THOMAS<sup>4</sup> PERKINS** (*Elisha<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>*)<sup>5</sup> was born in Topsfield, Massachusetts, 15 October 1681, son of Elisha and Katherine (Towne) Perkins.<sup>6</sup> He died in Arundel, Maine, in 1761 of “cancer of the face, after a long and distressing illness.”<sup>7</sup> He died sometime before 6 January 1761 when administration of the estate Thomas Perkins of Arundel, Esquire, was granted to his son Thomas Perkins of Arundel, gentleman.<sup>8</sup> He married in Topsfield, 26 November 1719, MARY WILDES.<sup>9</sup> Mary was baptized in Topsfield, 13 March 1691/2, daughter of Ephraim and Mary (Howlett) Wildes,<sup>10</sup> and died in Arundel, 1 April 1742.<sup>11</sup>

Thomas came from Topsfield in 1719. He bought land belonging to the heirs of John Barrett, and was made a proprietor in Barrett’s right. Beginning in October 1722, Thomas was authorized to “Keep a Publick house of Entertainment” in Arundel.<sup>12</sup> Tradition is that four of Mary Wilde’s brothers—Ephraim, Jacob, Samuel, and Jonathan of Topsfield—were at the taking of Norridgewock in 1724, and stopped on the way home to visit their sister. All of them then moved to Arundel.<sup>13</sup> Thomas Perkins Jr. had 200 acres of Arundel land laid out to him 29 October 1725.<sup>14</sup> On 3 September 1733, Thomas Perkins of Arundel, yeoman, for £100 sold to Zacheus Perkins of Topsfield, tailor, 100 acres in Arundel, with Thomas’s wife, Mary, surrendering her right of dower.<sup>15</sup> Zacheus was likely a relative, but not a son, as he was still living in Topsfield in 1733 and was not named in the quitclaim deed cited below. Thomas was active in town affairs, and served as town clerk for several years, as well as proprietor’s clerk until his death in 1761.<sup>16</sup> Thomas’s heirs are all named in a deed, as on 29 May 1764,

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<sup>5</sup> George Augustus Perkins, *The Family of John Perkins of Ipswich, Massachusetts* (Salem, Mass., 1889), 14, which largely echoes Bradbury in regard to the Perkins family of Arundel; or see Thomas Handasyd Perkins, “Perkins Genealogy,” *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* [NEHGR] 10(1856):214, which goes as far as Elisha<sup>3</sup>, and then refers readers to Bradbury.

<sup>6</sup> *Vital Records of Topsfield, Massachusetts, to the End of the Year 1849* (Topsfield, Mass., 1903), 85; his parents m. Topsfield, 23 Feb. 1680 (*ibid.*, 172).

<sup>7</sup> Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 267.

<sup>8</sup> York Co. Probate Records, #14977 [DGS #7315190, image 1715].

<sup>9</sup> *Topsfield VRs* [note 6], 175.

<sup>10</sup> *Topsfield VRs* [note 6], 111; her parents m. Topsfield, 18 March 1689/90 (*ibid.*, 197).

<sup>11</sup> Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 267; Maine, Nathan Hale Cemetery Collection, 1780–1980 [DSG #7586454, image 56]. Ensign Thomas and wife Mary are buried in the Perkins Plot in Kennebunkport. The inscriptions, which note that Ensign Thomas died in 1763 and that Mary was born in 1685, are likely in error.

<sup>12</sup> *Province and Court Records of Maine*, 6 vols. (Portland, 1928–1975), 6:111.

<sup>13</sup> Walter Goodwin Davis, *The Ancestry of Dudley Wildes of Topsfield, Massachusetts* (Portland, 1959), 18.

<sup>14</sup> York Co. Deeds, 12:376. Born circa 1681, he was called *Jr.* to distinguish him from Thomas of Greenland, b. circa 1671. Thomas sold this property to Samuel Robinson of his native town of Topsfield, 5 April 1729, with wife, Mary, surrendering her right of dower (York Co. Deeds, 13:90).

<sup>15</sup> York Co. Deeds, 16:127.

<sup>16</sup> Davis, *Ancestry of Dudley Wildes* [note 13], 94.

Thomas Perkins, Esq., Benjamin Durrell, gentleman, and Judith his wife, and Eliphalet Perkins, gentleman, and Mary his wife, all of Arundel, quitclaimed to Israel Stone of Arundel, mariner, and to his wife Sarah, “it being their part and portion of the Estate of our Honored Father Thomas Perkins Esq., late of Arundel.” This share included Trott’s Island at Cape Porpoise, land at the back of the Neck, as well as several other parcels.<sup>17</sup> Only his son Thomas carried this line of the Perkins family to the next generation, but his daughter Mary married into the other Perkins family residing in Arundel.

Children of Thomas<sup>4</sup> and Mary (Wildes) Perkins:<sup>18</sup>

- i JUDITH<sup>5</sup> PERKINS, bp. Topsfield, in May 1721,<sup>19</sup> d. after 14 Sept. 1784 when named in her husband’s will; m. BENJAMIN DURRELL, b. ca. 1711, son of Philip Durrell,<sup>20</sup> d. Arundel, after 14 Sept. 1784 and before 9 Oct. 1784, the dates his will was dated and probated.<sup>21</sup> The children included Mary, Benjamin, Judith, Thomas, Sarah, Lydia, Jacob, Elizabeth, Lucy, and Samuel.<sup>22</sup> Benjamin’s will of 14 Sept. 1784, names his wife, Judith; sons Benjamin, Jacob, and Thomas; and daughters Judith Merrill and Lydia Emerson.
- 2 ii THOMAS PERKINS, bp. Topsfield, 28 June 1724;<sup>23</sup> m. (1) SARAH BABSON; m. (2) SUSANNAH HOVEY.
- iii MARY PERKINS, b. prob. Arundel, ca. 1728; m. ELIPHALET PERKINS, son of Thomas and Lydia (Harding) Perkins (see #2 in Thomas Perkins of Greenland and Portsmouth section below).
- iv SARAH PERKINS, b. say 1730, d. Arundel, 6 Aug. 1807;<sup>24</sup> m. ISRAEL STONE, b. Beverly, Mass., 2 Sept. 1728, son of Jonathan and Hannah (Lovett) Stone.<sup>25</sup> Israel Stone of Arundel, mariner, d. before 13 Oct. 1777, when widow Sarah Stone of Arundel was granted administration of his estate, with Thomas Perkins providing surety.<sup>26</sup> Their children included Sarah, Mary, Eunice, Thomas, Jane, James, Israel, and Hannah.<sup>27</sup> Sarah’s son Israel was named administrator of her estate 15 Aug. 1808, her heirs

<sup>17</sup> York Co. Deeds, 38:142, 224.

<sup>18</sup> Bradbury names the children as: Thomas, m. unknown first wife in Salem and Susanna Hovey; Judith, m. Benjamin Durrell; Mary, m. Eliphalet Perkins; Sarah, m. Israel Stone; John; and Ephraim, noting that the last two died in childhood (*Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 267–68).

<sup>19</sup> *Topsfield VRs* [note 6], 81, the full date not given.

<sup>20</sup> Harold Clarke Durrell and David Curtis Dearborn, “Phillip Durrell and his Descendants,” *NEHGR* 132(1978):267–69.

<sup>21</sup> York Co. Probate Records, #4847 [DGS #7315313, images 110–11].

<sup>22</sup> Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 242; *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.* [note 4], 212.

<sup>23</sup> *Topsfield VRs* [note 6], 85.

<sup>24</sup> Walter Goodwin Davis, *Ancestry of Sarah Stone, Wife of James Patten of Arundel* (Portland, 1930), 18–19.

<sup>25</sup> *Vital Records of Beverly, Massachusetts, to the End of the Year 1849*, 2 vols. (Topsfield, Mass., 1906–7), 1:314; Jonathan Stone m. Beverly, 31 Oct. 1726, Hannah Lovett (*ibid.*, 2:292).

<sup>26</sup> York Co. Probate Records, #18110 [DGS #7315223, image 2072].

<sup>27</sup> Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 277.

including her children Hannah Stone, Eunice Kimball, Sarah Kimball, Mary Perkins, Israel Stone, James Stone, and grandchildren Clement and Sarah Lord.<sup>28</sup>

v JOHN PERKINS, d. in childhood.

vi EPHRAIM PERKINS, d. in childhood.

2 **THOMAS<sup>5</sup> PERKINS** (*Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Elisha<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>*) was baptized in Topsfield, 28 June 1724, and died in Arundel before 18 May 1795, when the administration of the estate of Thomas Perkins of Arundel, Esq., was granted to Susannah Perkins, widow, and Thomas Perkins 3rd, gentleman, both of Arundel.<sup>29</sup> Thomas married first in Danvers, Massachusetts, 6 June 1754, SARAH BABSON,<sup>30</sup> who died in Arundel, say 1756, leaving no children.<sup>31</sup> Thomas married second probably in Arundel, say 1757, SUSANNAH HOVEY, baptized Cambridge, Massachusetts, 18 September 1737, daughter of Rev. John and Susanna (Swett) Hovey.<sup>32</sup> Widow Susannah Perkins married second in Arundel, 21 October 1795, Edward Emerson of York,<sup>33</sup> who was born in Malden, Massachusetts, 1 April 1728, son of Rev. Joseph and Mary (Moody) Emerson.<sup>34</sup> Edward had married first, circa 1748, Mary Owen, with whom he had ten children born in York.<sup>35</sup> There is a memorial stone for “Susannah Hovey, second wife” [of Thomas Perkins] at the Perkins Cemetery in Kennebunkport, but the stone includes no dates.

Shortly after his first marriage, on 7 April 1755, Thomas purchased 250 acres of upland and marsh from his father, Thomas Perkins of Arundel, Esq.<sup>36</sup> On 7 December 1759 he sold to [his brother-in-law] Benjamin Durrell fifty acres of land in Arundel.<sup>37</sup> Thomas was several times representative to the General Court, and was also town clerk. He at first occupied his father’s house, but subsequently removed to the mills. He left a substantial estate, a 250-acre homestead, a sawmill, a grist mill, an iron works, mowing and pasturing grounds, an orchard, salt marsh, and half of two islands. The admin-

<sup>28</sup> York Co. Probate, #18155 [DGS #2295362, image 584]; Davis, *Ancestry of Sarah Stone* [note 24], 18–19.

<sup>29</sup> York Co. Probate Records, #14978 [DGS #7315190, image 1729].

<sup>30</sup> *Vital Records of Danvers, Massachusetts, to the End of the Year 1849*, 2 vols. (Salem, Mass., 1909–10), 2:214. Thomas was called “of Arundale.”

<sup>31</sup> Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 268.

<sup>32</sup> *Vital Records of Cambridge, Massachusetts to the Year 1850*, 2 vols. (Boston, Mass., 1914–15), 1:375; Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 268. Mr. John Hovey m. York, 12 June 1736, Mrs. Susanna Swett, both of York (Bragdon and Frost, *York VRs* [note 3], 123).

<sup>33</sup> “A Book of the Records of the Church of Christ in Arundel (Kennebunkport), Maine,” NEHGR 108(1954):188.

<sup>34</sup> *Births, Marriages, and Deaths in the Town of Malden, Massachusetts, 1649–1850* (Malden, Mass., 1903), 24; Rev. Joseph Emerson m. York, 27 Dec. 1721, Mary Moody according to *The Bicentennial Book of Malden* (Boston, Mass., 1850), 161. The record does not appear in Bragdon and Frost, *York VRs* [note 3].

<sup>35</sup> Bragdon and Frost, *York VRs* [note 3], 74.

<sup>36</sup> York Co. Deeds, 32:245. Jacob Wildes was a witness.

<sup>37</sup> York Co. Deeds, 37:175.

istrator was his son Thomas Perkins 3rd. Widow Susannah was assigned her dower 19 July 1795.<sup>38</sup> Thomas is buried in the Thomas Perkins Cemetery in Kennebunkport.<sup>39</sup>

Children of Thomas<sup>5</sup> and Susannah (Hovey) Perkins:<sup>40</sup>

- 3 i THOMAS<sup>6</sup> PERKINS, b. ca. 1757–58; m. ESTHER PERKINS, the daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Baxter) Perkins (see #3 in Thomas Perkins of Greenland and Portsmouth section below).
- ii MARY PERKINS, b. ca. 1759, d. Topsham, Maine, 1 March 1845, aged 87y;<sup>41</sup> m. Arundel, 2 Nov. 1777, GIDEON WALKER,<sup>42</sup> b. Arundel, ca. 1751, son of Gideon and Hannah (Palmer) Walker,<sup>43</sup> d. Topsham, 8 May 1829, aged 78y.<sup>44</sup>
- iii JOHN PERKINS, b. say 1761, d. at sea.
- 4 iv JOSEPH PERKINS, b. ca. 1763; m. (1) SUSANNAH WISWALL; m. (2) MARY/POLLY PICKERING.
- v ELIZABETH/BETSEY PERKINS, b. ca. 1765, d. Kennebunk, 16 Aug. 1844, aged 79y;<sup>45</sup> m. (1) Arundel, 19 Oct. 1785, ISRAEL WILDES,<sup>46</sup> son of Jacob and Abigail (Stevens) Wildes,<sup>47</sup> d. before 12 Nov. 1792 when Elizabeth, widow of Israel Wilds, late of Arundel, mariner, was appointed administratrix of Israel's estate.<sup>48</sup> Elizabeth m. (2) Arundel, 10 Sept. 1794, as his 3rd wife, JOHN BOURNE,<sup>49</sup> bp. Wells, 19 Aug. 1759, son of Benjamin and Martha (Maxwell) Bourne,<sup>50</sup> d. Kennebunk, 6 June 1837, aged 78y.<sup>51</sup> They were the parents of Wells historian, Edward Emerson Bourne,<sup>52</sup> likely named for Elizabeth's stepfather.

<sup>38</sup> York Co. Probate Records, #14978 [DGS #7315190, images 1721–22].

<sup>39</sup> Maine Old Cemetery Association, *Maine Cemetery Inscriptions: York County*, 4 vols. (Camden, Maine, 1995), 2:973. His inscription, which reads 1716–1794, is likely in error in regard to his year of birth.

<sup>40</sup> Bradbury names the children as: Thomas, m. Esther Perkins; Mary, m. Gideon Walker; John, died at sea; Joseph, m. Susannah Wiswall and Mary Pickering; Betsey, m. Israel Wildes and John Bourne; Susan, m. Thomas Perkins and James Perkins; Andrew, m. Eunice Davis; Sally, m. James Perkins; Abiel, m. Hugh McColloch; and James, died at sea (Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 268). The last three were bp. in Arundel ("Church of Christ in Arundel" [note 33], NEHGR 107 [1953]:196, 197, 198).

<sup>41</sup> Haley Cemetery, Topsham, gravestone photo, findagrave.com #46774325. The inscription includes her maiden name of Perkins.

<sup>42</sup> "Church of Christ in Arundel" [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):121.

<sup>43</sup> His parents m. 23 Feb. 1743 per Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 282.

<sup>44</sup> Haley Cemetery, Topsham, gravestone photo, findagrave.com #46774232.

<sup>45</sup> Hope Cemetery, Kennebunk, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:825.

<sup>46</sup> "Church of Christ in Arundel" [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):123.

<sup>47</sup> Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 285.

<sup>48</sup> York Co. Probate Records, #20389 [DGS #7315416, image 1109].

<sup>49</sup> "Church of Christ in Arundel" [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):188.

<sup>50</sup> "Records of the First Church of Wells, Me.," NEHGR 76(1922):102; Benjamin Bourne m. Wells 11 Dec. 1755, Martha Maxwell (Hope Moody Shelley, *Vital Records of Wells, Maine, 1619–1950* [Rockport, Maine, 2005], 40).

<sup>51</sup> Hope Cemetery, Kennebunk, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:825.

<sup>52</sup> For more on the Bourne family, see Priscilla Eaton, "The Family of Captain John Bourne of Wells and Kennebunk, Maine: Ships and Shipwrights," *The Maine Genealogist* 31(2009):25–41.

- vi SUSANNA/SUSAN PERKINS, b. ca. 1767–68, “Mrs. Susan, wife of James Perkins” d. Arundel, 10 Feb. 1849, aged 81y;<sup>53</sup> m. (1) Arundel, 28 Jan. 1790, Capt. THOMAS PERKINS 5th,<sup>54</sup> son of Thomas and Sarah (Baxter) Perkins (see #8 in Thomas Perkins of Greenland and Portsmouth section below). Mrs. Susan Perkins m. (2) Arundel, 23 Feb. 1819, Capt. JAMES PERKINS Jr.,<sup>55</sup> the son of James and Sarah (Hovey) Perkins and the widower of her sister Sarah (see #9 in Thomas Perkins of Greenland and Portsmouth section below).
- 5 vii ANDREW PERKINS, b. ca. 1770; m. EUNICE DAVIS.
- viii SARAH/SALLY PERKINS, bp. Arundel, 26 July 1772, d. bef. 23 Feb. 1819 when her husband married her sister Susan; m. Arundel, 18 Aug. 1791, Capt. JAMES PERKINS Jr.,<sup>56</sup> the son of James and Sarah (Hovey) Perkins (see #9 in Thomas Perkins of Greenland and Portsmouth section below).
- ix ABIEL PERKINS, bp. Arundel, 20 Nov. 1774; m. Arundel, 16 April 1794, HUGH McCULLOCH,<sup>57</sup> bp. Arundel, 21 May 1773, son of Adam and Louisa (Brown) McCulloch.<sup>58</sup> Hugh and Abiel McCulloch renewed the covenant at the Arundel church 26 July 1801.<sup>59</sup> They had three children bp. Arundel, 9 Oct. 1801, Adam, Thomas, and Louisa.<sup>60</sup>
- x JAMES HOVEY PERKINS, bp. Arundel, 18 May 1777, d. at sea.

3 **THOMAS<sup>6</sup> PERKINS Esq.** (*Thomas<sup>5-4</sup>, Elisha<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>*) was born in Arundel, circa 1757–58, and died in Arundel, 22 February 1816, aged 58 years.<sup>61</sup> He married in Arundel, 28 December 1780, ESTHER PERKINS.<sup>62</sup> Esther was born in Arundel, 29 November 1761, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Baxter) Perkins,<sup>63</sup> and died in Kennebunkport, 11 July 1848, aged 87 years.<sup>64</sup>

He was called Thomas 4th when he married in 1780, and Thomas 3rd, gentleman, when appointed to administer his father’s estate in 1795. On 2 August 1808, Thomas Perkins 3rd of Arundel, and his partner J. Perkins 4th, opined in an editorial that their brig, the *Stranger*, laying in at Cape Porpoise, and being loaded in preparation for sailing to a southern port, had been seized by the Collector, Jonas Clark. Although they deemed the Embargo Act to be unconstitutional, they had hoped, even though they were Federalists, to have equal rights with others, and not have their property taken

<sup>53</sup> Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:972.

<sup>54</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):123, the groom was called Capt. Thomas Perkins 5th.

<sup>55</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1817–70, p. 524 [DGS #7595726, image 325].

<sup>56</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):124.

<sup>57</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):188.

<sup>58</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 107(1953):197; Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 262.

<sup>59</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 107(1953):275.

<sup>60</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):57.

<sup>61</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>62</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):122.

<sup>63</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, 1678–1822, p. 587 [DGS #7595726, image 358].

<sup>64</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

upon the basis of a mere suspicion.<sup>65</sup> An advertisement in the *Kennebunk Weekly Visiter* noted on 3 August 1816 that the estate of Thomas Perkins 3rd of Arundel was represented insolvent, and creditors were given six months to prove their claims.<sup>66</sup>

Unless her age of 87 at the time of her death was exaggerated, it seems wife Esther had children well into her late forties. Esther Perkins, widow and relict of Thomas Perkins, late of Kennebunkport, deceased, prepared her undated will, naming son John Perkins, daughter Esther Farnham, daughter Caroline Stone, daughter Martha Davis, son Christopher Gore, and daughter Myra Perkins. Son Christopher Gore Perkins was to receive the remainder of the estate, provided he gave to Myra Perkins a good and sufficient maintenance, as long as she remained unmarried. The will was probated 4 June 1849.<sup>67</sup>

Children of Thomas<sup>6</sup> and Esther (Perkins) Perkins:

- i Capt. JOHN<sup>7</sup> PERKINS, named first in his mother's will, so prob. the eldest child, b. [calc.] May 1784, d. Biddeford as "Capt. John Perkins," 1 Oct. 1860, aged 76y 5m;<sup>68</sup> m. (1) (int.) Arundel, 14 Jan 1816, as Capt. John Perkins 3rd, EUNICE PERKINS, both of Arundel,<sup>69</sup> bp. Arundel, 12 Nov. 1797, daughter of Ebenezer and Eunice (Hovey) Perkins,<sup>70</sup> d. Biddeford, 12 Sept. 1850, aged 56y.<sup>71</sup> John Perkins of Biddeford m. (2) (int.) Biddeford, 21 Nov. 1851, CAROLINE SIMPSON of Saco,<sup>72</sup> b. ca. 1800, d. Biddeford, 12 Oct. 1867, aged 67y.<sup>73</sup> On 27 April 1833, John Perkins Jr., mariner, sold his Kennebunkport property,<sup>74</sup> and two days later, on 29 April 1833, he purchased from John Patten of Portland, innkeeper, a 25-acre farm in Biddeford.<sup>75</sup> On 19 Dec. 1836, John Perkins of Biddeford, master mariner, mortgaged a 25-acre farm in Biddeford to Oliver Perkins of Biddeford, with wife Eunice relinquishing her right of dower.<sup>76</sup> In 1850 John, aged 67, and his wife [called Jane in error], 56, were farming in Biddeford, their household including daughter Caroline A., 19, and son George, 16.<sup>77</sup> In 1860 John, 76, a farmer, and second wife, Caroline, 56, were living in Biddeford with son George, 26.<sup>78</sup> John died later the same year.

<sup>65</sup> *Gazette*, Boston, 15 Aug. 1808, p. 1 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>66</sup> *Weekly Visiter*, Kennebunk, 3 Aug. 1816, p. 4 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>67</sup> York Co. Probate Records, 63:200.

<sup>68</sup> Woodlawn Cemetery, Biddeford, gravestone photo, findagrave.com #6434887.

<sup>69</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, 1678–1822, p. 545 [DGS #7595726, image 336]. The local newspaper reported that John was the son of Thomas Perkins, Esq., and Eunice was the eldest daughter of Capt. Ebenezer Perkins (*Weekly Visiter*, Kennebunk, 17 Feb. 1816, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com]).

<sup>70</sup> "Church of Christ in Arundel" [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):55; her parents m. (cert.) 21 Aug. 1793 (Kennebunkport VRs, 1678–1822, p. 576 [DGS #7595726, image 351]).

<sup>71</sup> Woodlawn Cemetery, Biddeford, gravestone photo, findagrave.com #6434889.

<sup>72</sup> *Biddeford VRs* [note 3], 438.

<sup>73</sup> Woodlawn Cemetery, Biddeford, gravestone photo, findagrave.com #6434888.

<sup>74</sup> York Co. Deeds, 145:64.

<sup>75</sup> York Co. Deeds, 157:169.

<sup>76</sup> York Co. Deeds, 157:170.

<sup>77</sup> John Perkins household, 1850 U.S. Census, Biddeford, York Co., Maine, p. 5.

<sup>78</sup> George Perkins household, 1860 U.S. Census, Biddeford, York Co., Maine, p. 358.



Children of John and his 1st wife Eunice (Perkins) Perkins: 1. *Cornelia Perkins*, b. 1817, d. after 1880 when Cornelia Staples, aged 63, and her husband Marcus, 64, were enumerated in Biddeford;<sup>79</sup> m. Biddeford, 28 Oct. 1839, Marcus Staples.<sup>80</sup> 2. *Lucretia Perkins*, b. 22 June 1820, d. Saco, 9 April 1908, aged 87y 9m 18d;<sup>81</sup> m. (1) Biddeford, 21 April 1844, Samuel Rolfe;<sup>82</sup> m. (2) Biddeford, 1 May 1865, Rev. John Baxter.<sup>83</sup> 3. *Ebenezer H. Perkins*, b. 1821, d. at sea, 1841.<sup>84</sup> 4. *Thomas H. Perkins*, b. 1823, d. Bolinas, Calif., 1850.<sup>85</sup> 5. *Harriet F. Perkins*, b. 1825, d. 22 Oct. 1844, aged 15y.<sup>86</sup> 6. *Phebe Perkins*, b. 1817–27, d. Biddeford, 1889;<sup>87</sup> m. Biddeford, 2 March 1847, Zachariah L. Hamlin of Saco,<sup>88</sup> b. ca. 1813, killed at Cedar Mountain, Va., 8 Aug. 1862, aged 49y.<sup>89</sup> 7. *Joseph P.F. Perkins*, b. ca. 1826, d. Douglas Flats, Calif., 23 July 1852, aged 26y.<sup>90</sup> 8. *Augusta Caroline Perkins*, b. [calc.] Sept. 1831, d. Old Orchard, 22 March 1904, aged 72y 6m.<sup>91</sup> 9. *Capt. George J. Perkins*, b. 27 Nov. 1834, d. 21 May 1878;<sup>92</sup> m. (int.) Kennebunkport, 29 July 1868, Anna M. Towne,<sup>93</sup> b. 29 Feb. 1840, d. 18 July 1907.<sup>94</sup>

- ii ESTHER PERKINS, b. [calc.] 10 June 1787, d. Boston, Mass., 2 July 1885, aged 90y 22d;<sup>95</sup> m. Arundel, 26 May 1811, JONATHAN FARNHAM/FARNUM of Alfred,<sup>96</sup> b.

<sup>79</sup> Marcus Staples household, 1880 U.S. Census, Biddeford, York Co., Maine, p. 61.

<sup>80</sup> *Biddeford VRs* [note 3], 336.

<sup>81</sup> Laurel Hill Cemetery, Saco, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 3:1644; Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921 [DGS # 5011558, image 3404]. Lucretia, Augusta, and Phebe are buried near each other in Laurel Hill Cemetery.

<sup>82</sup> *Biddeford VRs* [note 3], 392.

<sup>83</sup> Biddeford Marriages, 1855–92, p. 84 [DGS #7595319, image 51].

<sup>84</sup> Ebenezer H. Perkins was mate of the brig *Vernon* which sailed from New Orleans, 4 Feb. 1841, and was not heard from again (*Portland Weekly Advertiser*, 15 June 1841, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com]).

<sup>85</sup> Maine, Nathan Hale Cemetery Collection, 1780–1980 [DSG #7586454, image 361]. Thomas may have gone in search of gold. Thomas H. Perkins, son of Capt. John Perkins, died on the brig *Susan Abigail* of Boston while at Bolinas, Calif., aged 26y (*Union and Journal*, Biddeford, 28 June 1850, p. 3, McArthur Library and Special Collections, accessed at biddefordhistory.com).

<sup>86</sup> Maine, Nathan Hale Cemetery Collection, 1780–1980 [DSG #7586453, image 1406].

<sup>87</sup> Laurel Hill Cemetery, Saco, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 3:1644. Her cemetery inscription, at least as transcribed, says she was b. 1811, but census records indicate she was born anywhere from 1817 to 1827.

<sup>88</sup> *Biddeford VRs* [note 3], 408.

<sup>89</sup> Laurel Hill Cemetery, Saco, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 3:1644.

<sup>90</sup> *Christian Mirror*, Portland, 21 Sept. 1852, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com]; *Union and Journal*, Biddeford, 22 Sept 1852, p. 1, McArthur Library and Special Collections, accessed at biddefordhistory.com). The *U & J* includes a poem about his death.

<sup>91</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921 [DGS #4703854, image 1083]. The record names her parents as Capt. John and Unice Perkins, both b. Kennebunkport.

<sup>92</sup> Evergreen Cemetery, Kennebunk, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:906.

<sup>93</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1863–92, n.p. [DGS# 7595726, image 569].

<sup>94</sup> Evergreen Cemetery, Kennebunk, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:906. Her inscription calls her the widow of G. J. Perkins and wife of the late S. H. Pinkham and daughter of J. and S. Towne.

<sup>95</sup> Mass. Deaths, 1841–1915 [DGS #4223254, image 199]. The record errs in naming her father as Christopher Perkins, but correctly names her mother as Esther.

<sup>96</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):192.

Concord, N.H., 26 July 1778, son of Benjamin and Anna (Merrill) Farnham, d. Alfred, 11 Jan. 1831, aged 51y.<sup>97</sup> The minor children of Jonathan Farnum are listed in an 1833 deed as Benjamin, Thomas P., James D., Frances, Lucretia H., Clement M., and Oliver.<sup>98</sup> On 11 May 1861, Lucretia Maynard of Waltham, Mass., James D. Farnham of Chelsea, Mass., Frances Mulvey of Saco, and Thomas P. Farnham conveyed to their mother, Esther Farnham, widow of Lawrence, Mass., real estate that they had inherited from their father.<sup>99</sup>

- iii CAROLINE PERKINS, b. [calc.] June 1789, d. Arundel, 28 April 1880 aged 90y 10m;<sup>100</sup> m. Arundel, 1 Nov. 1810, Capt. ROBERT STONE Jr.,<sup>101</sup> son of Robert and Mary (Miller) Stone,<sup>102</sup> d. before 15 March 1818 when his widow, Caroline, was appointed to administer his estate.<sup>103</sup> Their son Clement P., mate of the *Isidore*, died when the ship was wrecked, 30 Nov. 1842, aged 25y.<sup>104</sup> In 1860 Caroline Stone, aged 70, was living in Kennebunkport with her brother Christopher G. Perkins.<sup>105</sup>
- iv LYDIA PERKINS, b. ca. 1795, d. Arundel, 14 Jan. 1808, aged 13y.<sup>106</sup>
- v ALMIRA/MYRA PERKINS, b. ca. 1800, d. Kennebunkport, 25 July 1862, aged 62y.<sup>107</sup> In 1860 Almira Perkins, aged 60, was living in Kennebunkport with her brother Christopher G. Perkins, as cited below.
- vi OLIVER PERKINS, b. ca. 1800, possibly a twin, d. Kennebunkport, 18 April 1828, aged 28y.<sup>108</sup>
- vii MARTHA W. PERKINS, b. [calc.] 16 Aug. 1802, d. Kennebunkport, 3 March 1895, aged 92y 6m 17d;<sup>109</sup> m. Kennebunkport, 8 June 1828, WILLIAM DAVIS,<sup>110</sup> b. ca. 1801, d. Kennebunkport, 30 Dec. 1875 aged 74y.<sup>111</sup> In 1850 William, aged 49, a mariner, and wife Martha W., 46, were living in Kennebunkport with four children in the household: Alexander G., 21; Thomas W., 15; Robert S., 9; and Esther A., 7.<sup>112</sup>

<sup>97</sup> Frederick R. Boyle, *Early Families of Alfred, Maine* (Portsmouth, N.H., 2006), 108–9.

<sup>98</sup> York Co. Deeds, 145:2.

<sup>99</sup> York Co. Deeds, 272:504.

<sup>100</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>101</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, 1678–1822, 1:547 [DGS #7595726, image 337].

<sup>102</sup> Davis, *Ancestry of Sarah Stone* [note 24], 23.

<sup>103</sup> York Co. Probate, #18152 [DGS #2295362, image 528].

<sup>104</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973. For more on this wreck and its unfortunate crew members, see Priscilla Eaton, “The Barque *Isidore* of Kennebunk, Maine: Genealogy of a Shipwreck,” *The Maine Genealogist*, 38(2016):66–80.

<sup>105</sup> Christopher G. Perkins household, 1860 U.S. Census, Kennebunkport, Maine, p. 569.

<sup>106</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973. She is called Miss Lydia, daughter of Thomas Perkins Esq.

<sup>107</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>108</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973. His inscription notes that he was the son of Thomas and Esther.

<sup>109</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921 [DGS #4544438, image 12]. The record names her parents as Thomas Perkins and Esther Perkins, both born Kennebunkport.

<sup>110</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions 1817–70, p. 13 [DGS #7595726, image #521].

<sup>111</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Births & Deaths, 1822–92, p. 59 [DGS #7595726, image #428].

<sup>112</sup> William Davis household, 1850 U.S. Census, Kennebunkport, York Co., Maine, p. 140.

viii CHRISTOPHER GORE PERKINS, b. [calc.] Aug. 1811, d. Kennebunkport, 11 March 1895, aged 83y 7m;<sup>113</sup> m. Kennebunkport, 9 July 1843, CATHERINE STONE,<sup>114</sup> b. ca. 1812, d. Kennebunkport, 1 Oct. 1880 aged 68y.<sup>115</sup> In 1860 Christopher G., aged 49, a farmer, was living in Kennebunkport, his household including wife Catherine, 48, daughter Caroline, 16, son Clement S., 14, sister Caroline Stone, 70, and sister Almira Perkins, 60.<sup>116</sup>

4 **JOSEPH<sup>6</sup> PERKINS** (*Thomas<sup>5-4</sup>, Elisha<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>*) was born circa 1763 and died in Kennebunkport in November 1842, aged 79.<sup>117</sup> He married first in Arundel, 13 February 1788, SUSANNAH WISWALL.<sup>118</sup> Susannah was born 11 May 1767, daughter of Thomas and Eunice (Jones) Wiswall.<sup>119</sup> She died after 24 August 1791, when she was named in her father's will, and before 16 March 1795, when her husband published intentions to remarry. Joseph married second (int.) Arundel, 16 March 1795, MARY/ POLLY PICKERING of Newington, New Hampshire.<sup>120</sup> She was born 8 November 1773, daughter of Col. Ephraim and Lydia (Coleman) Pickering, and died, probably in Kennebunkport, 1 August 1849.<sup>121</sup>

Susannah Perkins was named in the 24 August 1791 will of her father, Thomas Wiswall of Arundel, yeoman, who left her one-sixth of his estate. "Son-in-law Joseph Perkins Jr." was named one of the executors.<sup>122</sup> The estate of Joseph Perkins of Kennebunkport, merchant, was administered by John G. Perkins of Kennebunkport, called "next of kin," but certainly his son. Mary Perkins, Mary P. Perkins, Lydia P. Perkins, and Samuel H. Gould were sureties.<sup>123</sup> On 2 February 1848, Silas Perkins of Kennebunkport, trader, requested that the court partition an undivided lot in Kennebunkport village. The owners of the other half of the lot were the heirs of Joseph Perkins: John Perkins of Boston and Lydia P. Perkins his wife, in her right; Mary P. Perkins Jr. of Boston, singlewoman; and Susan Perkins of Kennebunkport, a minor and the daughter of John G. Perkins, late of Kennebunkport; also Mary P. Perkins Sr., widow of said

<sup>113</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973. There is a death record which incorrectly calls him George (Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921 [DGS #4703853, image 4094]).

<sup>114</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1817–70, p. 27 [DGS #7595726, image #528].

<sup>115</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>116</sup> Christopher G. Perkins household, 1860 U.S. Census, Kennebunkport, York Co., Maine, p. 569.

<sup>117</sup> Death notice, *Portland Weekly Advertiser*, 29 Nov. 1842, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com]. His probate file erroneously gives his death date as 15 Jan. 1843 (York Co. Probate, Case #14926 [DGS #7315190, image 427]).

<sup>118</sup> "Church of Christ in Arundel" [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):123.

<sup>119</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, 1678–1822, p. 587 [DGS #7595726, image 358]; Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 287.

<sup>120</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, 1678–1822, p. 578 [DGS #7595726, image 352].

<sup>121</sup> Charles W. Brewster, *Rambles about Portsmouth* (Portsmouth, N.H., 1809), 104.

<sup>122</sup> York Co. Probate Records, #20676 [DGS #7315248, images 749–52].

<sup>123</sup> York Co. Probate, #14926 [DGS #7315190, image 424].

Joseph, who held her right of dower.<sup>124</sup> On 29 January 1849, John Perkins, merchant, and Lydia P. Perkins, wife of said John in her right, Mary P. Perkins Jr., singlewoman, all of Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Susan E. Perkins of Roxbury, singlewoman (daughter of John G. Perkins), for \$1500 paid by Samuel H. Gould of Kennebunkport, mortgaged a lot in the village of Kennebunkport. Mary P. Perkins Sr. relinquished her right of dower.<sup>125</sup>

Child of Joseph<sup>6</sup> and Susannah (Wiswall) Perkins, b. Arundel, possibly others who d. young:

- i JOHN G.<sup>7</sup> PERKINS, b. 3 June 1791, d. Kennebunkport, 18 Nov. 1847;<sup>126</sup> m. (int.) Kennebunkport, 17 April 1824, his 1st cousin SUSAN GODDARD of Boston,<sup>127</sup> b. 3 Jan. 1797, daughter of Thatcher and Lucy (Wiswall) Goddard, d. Kennebunkport, 9 June 1828.<sup>128</sup> John G. Perkins of Kennebunkport was a state representative and active in political affairs.<sup>129</sup> Buried with John and Susan in the School Street Cemetery is Thatcher Goddard Perkins, “only son of John G. and Susan G., 25 Sep 1825–23 Feb 1848,” and Susan Lambert, “wife of Louis Lambert, of St. Martins, only daughter of John G. and Susan G. Perkins, 30 Nov. 1827–20 Dec 1853.”<sup>130</sup>

Children of Joseph<sup>6</sup> and Mary (Pickering) Perkins, b. Arundel:

- ii (*poss.*) JOSEPH WARREN PERKINS, b. ca. 1802, d. Kennebunkport, prob. July 1824, aged 22y. The 3 Aug. 1824 newspaper account of his death notes that he was a merchant of the firm J. G. & J. W. Perkins,<sup>131</sup> likely a firm he formed with his half-brother, John G. Perkins.
- iii MARY P. PERKINS Jr., b. ca. 1805, d. Linden, N.J., in 1878 or 1879.<sup>132</sup> She was living with John and Lydia P. Perkins in Linden, N.J. in 1870, aged 65y, called the housekeeper.<sup>133</sup> It may be that Lydia P. [b. ca. 1829] was Mary’s daughter. Lydia P. Perkins m. (int.) Kennebunkport, 8 May 1847, John Perkins of Boston,<sup>134</sup> b. Maine, ca. 1828, still living in 1870 in Linden, N.J., when he was enumerated in the census.
- iv ELIZA PERKINS, b. ca. 1807, d. Kennebunkport, shortly before 8 Aug. 1826, aged 19y.<sup>135</sup>

<sup>124</sup> York Co. Deeds, 206:39.

<sup>125</sup> York Co. Deeds, 204:461.

<sup>126</sup> School Street Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:976.

<sup>127</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1817–70, p. 1 [DGS #7595726, image 458]; Bradbury, *Hist. of Kennebunk Port* [note 1], 287.

<sup>128</sup> School Street Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:976. Her inscription names her parents. Dr. Thatcher Goddard and Lucy Wiswall m. Arundel, 28 Dec. 1786 (“Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):123).

<sup>129</sup> *Jeffersonian*, Portland, 21 Sept. 1835, p. 2 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>130</sup> School Street Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:976–77.

<sup>131</sup> *Portland Gazette*, 3 Aug. 1824, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>132</sup> N.J. Deaths and Burials, 1720–1988 [database, familysearch.org].

<sup>133</sup> John Perkins household, 1870 U.S. Census, Linden, Union Co., N.J., p. 583.

<sup>134</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1817–70, p. 67 [DGS #7595726, image 491].

<sup>135</sup> *Portland Gazette*, 8 Aug. 1826, p. 2 [image, genealogybank.com]. The death notice calls her the daughter of Joseph Perkins of Kennebunkport, Esq.

5 **ANDREW<sup>6</sup> PERKINS** (*Thomas<sup>5-4</sup>, Elisha<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>*) was born in Arundel circa 1770, and died in Kennebunkport, 5 May 1850, aged 80 years.<sup>136</sup> He married in Arundel, 16 June 1796, EUNICE DAVIS.<sup>137</sup> Eunice was born circa 1768–69 and died in Kennebunkport, 9 February 1849, age 80 years.<sup>138</sup>

Andrew and Eunice renewed the covenant at the Arundel church, 19 November 1797.<sup>139</sup> Andrew was called a husbandman of Kennebunkport on 4 November 1835 when his sister Elizabeth and her husband, John Bourne of Kennebunk, quitclaimed to Andrew their right in the real estate of her father, Thomas Perkins of Kennebunkport, deceased.<sup>140</sup>

On 1 March 1842, Andrew executed a series of deeds among himself, his sons Simon N. and William Perkins, and his grandson Andrew Perkins Jr. who was a son of Simon.<sup>141</sup> Andrew deeded for love and affection to William and Andrew Jr. several parcels of land, mill privileges, and Stage and Redin islands at Cape Porpoise. In exchange, William and Simon were to

support and maintain their sister Abia Perkins after the decease of said Andrew [Sr.], in as comfortable a manner as her circumstances will admit of during her natural life, providing she lives single, and should or shall their sisters Harriet or Caroline H. marry, to pay each forty dollars, but if they live single, after the decease of said Andrew, they are to have a home with the said Simon N. Perkins during their natural lives, or while they live single. And all doctors bills for said Andrew & Eunice his wife, & said Abia, Harriet & Caroline H. are to be paid equally by said Simon N. Perkins and William Perkins. . . .

Children of Andrew<sup>6</sup> and Eunice (Davis) Perkins, b. Arundel/Kennebunkport:<sup>142</sup>

- i SUSANNA/SUSAN<sup>7</sup> PERKINS, b. ca. 1796–97 and bp. 29 April 1798, d. Kennebunk, 20 Jan. 1848, aged 51y,<sup>143</sup> m. Kennebunkport, 4 Dec. 1828 ENOCH BRAGDON,<sup>144</sup> b. Kennebunk, 1803, son of John and Charity (Howard) Bragdon,<sup>145</sup> d. Kennebunk, 5 May 1885, aged 82y.<sup>146</sup> Enoch m. (2) Kennebunk, 15 July 1849, Mrs. Hannah E.

<sup>136</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>137</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108(1954):188.

<sup>138</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>139</sup> “Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 107(1953):275.

<sup>140</sup> York Co. Deeds, 175:50.

<sup>141</sup> York Co. Deeds, 175:52–53.

<sup>142</sup> All but Caroline H. were baptized at the Arundel church (“Church of Christ in Arundel” [note 33], NEHGR 108[1954]:55, 56, 56, 59, 59, 59, 60, 60).

<sup>143</sup> Kennebunk VRs, 1729–1892, p. 24 [DGS #7595725, image 257]. The family tombstone in Hope Cemetery in Kennebunk has numerous errors, one of which gives Susan’s year of death as 1844 (Hope Cemetery, Kennebunk, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:870).

<sup>144</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1817–70, p. 14 [DGS #7595726, image 522].

<sup>145</sup> Youngest son, Enoch, was named in the 16 April 1823 will of his father, John Bragdon of Kennebunk (York Co. Probate Records, 51:556). John Bragdon m. Dover, N.H., 16 March 1784, Charity Howard (*Collections of the Dover, N.H., Historical Society*, Vol. 1 [Dover, 1894], 82).

<sup>146</sup> Hope Cemetery, Kennebunk, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:870.

(Randall) Huff,<sup>147</sup> b. North Berwick, [calc.] 23 Feb. 1819, possibly daughter of William and Rebecca (Hardison) Randall, d. Kennebunk, 27 May 1895, aged 76y 3m 4d.<sup>148</sup> Hannah E. Randall had m. (1) Kennebunkport, 17 Sept. 1842, Josiah Huff,<sup>149</sup> who d. Kennebunkport, 20 Oct. 1848.<sup>150</sup> In 1850 Enoch Bragdon, aged 46, a farmer, and 2nd wife Hannah E., 29, were farming in Kennebunk, their household including Susan A., 8 [sic],<sup>151</sup> son Charles H., 20, daughter Sarah A., 16, daughter Almira, 10, as well as Enoch's sister Sarah Bragdon, 62.<sup>152</sup>

- ii BETSEY PERKINS, bp. 4 Nov. 1798.
- iii EUNICE D. PERKINS, b. ca. 1800, bp. 28 Nov. 1800, d. Boston, 1 July 1857, age 56y.<sup>153</sup> In 1850 Eunice, aged 50, b. Maine, was working in Boston as a “domestic” in the home of J. D. Bates, merchant.<sup>154</sup>
- iv SIMON N. PERKINS, b. [calc.] Feb. 1805, bp. 16 Nov. 1809 with siblings Harriet and William, d. Kennebunkport, 9 April 1873, aged 68y 2m;<sup>155</sup> m. (int.) Kennebunkport, 22 Jan. 1836, ELIZABETH/ELIZA ANN DEERING/DEARING,<sup>156</sup> b. [calc.] Nov. 1810, d. Kennebunkport, 26 March 1885, aged 74y 4m.<sup>157</sup> In 1850 Simon, aged 44, and wife Eliza A., 30 [sic], were farming in Kennebunkport, their household including Andrew, 13, Frances A., 11, James, 9, Lucy A., 7, and Simon's sister Abia, 39.<sup>158</sup> The 22 Feb. 1853 will of James Dearing of Kennebunkport names “my namesake James D. Perkins, son of my sister Eliza Ann,” to whom he left \$100 to be paid on his 21st birthday.<sup>159</sup>
- v WILLIAM PERKINS, b. [calc.] 4 July 1808, bp. 16 Nov. 1809 with siblings Simon and Harriet, d. Kennebunk, 8 Jan. 1862, aged 53y 6m 4d;<sup>160</sup> m. Kennebunkport, 9 June 1852, HARRIET N. STARRETT of New Gloucester,<sup>161</sup> b. ca. 1814, d. Kennebunk, 30

<sup>147</sup> Kennebunk VRs, 1729–1892, p. 58 [DGS #7595725, image 172].

<sup>148</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1770–1921 [DGS #4543980, image 159]. The record gives her place of birth as North Berwick and names her parents as — Randall and Rebecca “Hodsdon.” Perhaps what was intended was Rebecca “Hardison” who m. (cert.) Berwick, 16 Feb. 1818, William “Rendall” (John Eldridge Frost and Joseph Crook Anderson II, *Vital Records of Berwick, South Berwick and North Berwick, Maine* [Camden, Maine, 1993], 72); Hope Cemetery, Kennebunk, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:870.

<sup>149</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, 4:25 [DGS #7595726, image 527].

<sup>150</sup> Springer Hill Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:979.

<sup>151</sup> Susan Augusta was b. [calc.] Nov. 1831, d. Kennebunk, 2 March 1904, age 72y 4m (Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921 [DGS #4543980, image 491]).

<sup>152</sup> Enoch Bragdon household, 1850 U.S. Census, Kennebunk, York Co., Maine, p. 81.

<sup>153</sup> Mass. Deaths, 1841–1915 [image, familysearch.org]. The record names her parents as Andrew and Eunice Perkins. Her inscription at Thomas Perkins Cemetery in Kennebunkport notes that she died 30 June 1857, age 56y (*York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973).

<sup>154</sup> J. D. Bates household, 1850 U.S. Census, Boston, Ward 6, Suffolk Co., Mass., p. 341.

<sup>155</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>156</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1817–70, p. 37 [DGS #7595726, image 476].

<sup>157</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>158</sup> Simon Perkins household, 1850 U.S. Census, Kennebunkport, York Co., Maine, p. 115.

<sup>159</sup> York Co. Probate Records, 70:6.

<sup>160</sup> Evergreen Cemetery, Kennebunk Landing, *York Co. Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:938.

<sup>161</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1817–70, p. 42 [DGS #7595726, image 536].

- March 1879, age 65y.<sup>162</sup> Harriet m. (2) (int.) Kennebunkport, 19 Jan 1866, William Smith 3rd.<sup>163</sup> In 1860 William Perkins, aged 50, and wife Harriet, 44, were farming in Kennebunkport, with their son Phillip H., 6, also a member of the household.<sup>164</sup>
- vi HARRIET PERKINS, b. [calc.] May 1809, bp. 16 Nov. 1809 with siblings William and Simon, d. Kennebunkport, 13 Feb. 1881, age 71y 9m.<sup>165</sup> In 1870 Harriet, aged 62, was living in Kennebunkport with her brother Simon.<sup>166</sup>
- vii ABIA PERKINS, b. ca. 1811, bp. (as “Abiel”) Oct. 1812, d. Kennebunkport, 18 Sept. 1854, aged 42y.<sup>167</sup> In 1850 Abia, aged 39, was living with her brother Simon, as cited above.
- viii LYDIA PERKINS, bp. 7 Sept. 1813, d. Kennebunkport, 9 Dec. 1895, aged 84y, and bur. in Biddeford with her husband;<sup>168</sup> m. (int.) Biddeford, 24 April 1835, WILLIAM CURTIS of Biddeford,<sup>169</sup> b. Biddeford, 5 Sept. 1810, son of Noah and Hannah (Perkins) Curtis,<sup>170</sup> d. Biddeford, 3 Aug. 1871, age 57y.<sup>171</sup> In 1850 William, aged 41, and Lydia, 38, were farming in Biddeford with six children in the household: Charles, 14, Freeman, 12, John, 8, William, 6, Caroline, 4, and Betsey, 3.<sup>172</sup>
- ix CAROLINE H. PERKINS, b. say 1815, no baptism for her was recorded. Caroline was unmarried in 1842 when her father obliged her brothers to provide for her.<sup>173</sup> She may have married before 1850, as Caroline Perkins could not be discovered in the census, and she is not buried with her other unmarried sisters Abia, Eunice, and Harriet in the Perkins Cemetery in Kennebunkport.

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<sup>162</sup> Evergreen Cemetery, Kennebunk Landing, York Co. *Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:938. Harriet is buried with William Perkins, but her inscription calls her Harriet N. *Smith*, widow of the late William Perkins.

<sup>163</sup> Kennebunkport VRs, Marriages & Intentions, 1863–92, n.p [DGS #7595726, image 562].

<sup>164</sup> William Perkins household, 1860 U.S. Census, Kennebunkport, York Co., p. 569.

<sup>165</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, York Co. *Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>166</sup> Simon N. Perkins household, 1870 U.S. Census, Kennebunkport, York Co., Maine, p. 347.

<sup>167</sup> Thomas Perkins Cemetery, Kennebunkport, York Co. *Inscriptions* [note 39], 2:973.

<sup>168</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1670–1921 [image, familysearch.org]. The record names her parents as Andrew Perkins and Eunice Davis.

<sup>169</sup> Biddeford VRs [note 3], 320.

<sup>170</sup> Biddeford VRs [note 3], 178. His parents m. 20 Aug. 1799 (ibid., 142).

<sup>171</sup> Woodlawn Cemetery, Biddeford, gravestone photo, findagrave.com #87252388.

<sup>172</sup> William Curtis household, 1850 U.S. Census, Biddeford, York Co., Maine, p. 24.

<sup>173</sup> York Co. Deeds, 175:52.

## BIRTHS vs. BAPTISMS

### The Sequence of the Children of Samuel Hatch of Wells, Maine

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Samuel Hatch of Wells, Maine, and Mary Littlefield were probably married sometime in the second half of 1684, and certainly less than nine months before the April 1685 birth of their first child, as they were accused on 26 May 1685 of fornication.<sup>1</sup>

They had eleven children, who are usually listed in the following order: 1. Bethia, 2. Benjamin, 3. Jemima, 4. Samuel, 5. Mary, 6. Nathan, 7. Philip, 8. Eunice, 9. John, 10. Mary, and 11. Joseph.<sup>2</sup> The sequence of the first five is sound, as it is based on recorded birth dates, and Joseph (whose birth was recorded separately) was certainly the last. The usual sequence of the intervening five is based on baptismal dates, which may not reflect the order in which they were actually born. This study will take other facts into account to determine their probable sequence.

Samuel himself was “baptized and received to communion” in the Wells church on 30 November 1701.<sup>3</sup> Soon afterwards, he began having his children (some of them were already in their teens) baptized, although, as the following table illustrates, not necessarily in the order in which they were born.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u> <sup>4</sup>	<u>Date of Baptism</u> <sup>5</sup>	<u>Age at Baptism</u>
Bethia	9 April 1685	14 Dec. 1701	16 yrs. 8 mos.
Benjamin	29 Sep. 1688	14 Dec. 1701	13 yrs. 2 mos.
Jemima	29 Nov. 1690	13 Feb. 1703/4	13 yrs. 2 mos.
Samuel	2 Feb. 1692/3	14 Dec. 1701	8 yrs. 10 mos.
Mary	25 March 1695	(d. 28 March 1695)	
Nathan	?	12 July 1702	
Philip	?	2 Jan. 1703/4	
Eunice	?	13 Feb. 1703/4	
John	?	13 Feb. 1703/4	
Mary	?	12 May 1706	
Joseph	8 May 1709	15 May 1709	7 days

Some conclusions can be drawn from the above data. First, the three-year interval between the second Mary’s baptism and that of Joseph, and the two years and three

<sup>1</sup> *Province and Court Records of Maine*, 6 vols. (Portland, Maine, 1928–1975), 3:127. They were sentenced “to pay 30s a peece or to receive 12 lashes at the poast, & Costs of Court 5s.”

<sup>2</sup> Most recently by Priscilla Eaton, *The Littlefield Genealogy: Descendants of Edmund Littlefield Through Six Generations* (Maine Genealogical Society Special Publication No. 87, 2020), 82.

<sup>3</sup> “Records of the First Church of Wells, Maine,” *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* 75(1921):43. His wife Mary was baptized more than a year later, on 17 Jan. 1702/3 (p. 44).

<sup>4</sup> Hope Moody Shelley, *Vital Records of Wells, Maine 1619–1950* (Rockport, Maine, 2005), 5, 9.

<sup>5</sup> “First Church of Wells” [note 3], 43 (Bethia, Benjamin, Samuel), 44 (Nathan, Philip, Jemima, Eunice, John), 45 (Mary) and 46 (Joseph).



months that had elapsed since the previous baptisms, suggest that she, like Joseph, was baptized soon after her birth. Second, at least three of the other four children whose births were not recorded were most likely not infants when they were baptized.<sup>6</sup>

This was certainly the case for Jemima and Eunice, the two girls baptized on 13 February 1703/4. Jemima, whose birth date is known, was thirteen at the time. Why she was not baptized with her three siblings on 14 December 1701 defies explanation, unless she was living elsewhere and was not available. If she were ill at the time, her baptism would no doubt have been considered urgent.

As for Eunice, she must have been at least a few years old in 1704, given her marriage on 19 December 1716.<sup>7</sup> Few girls married before they were at least seventeen, so Eunice was probably born no later than about 1699.

As for John, several facts suggest that he too was not an infant when he was also baptized on 13 February 1703/4 with Jemima and Eunice. Given that most men of that time did not marry before the age of twenty, he was likely at least that age when he published marriage intentions on 29 September 1723.<sup>8</sup> He may actually have been somewhat older than that. Two of his brothers were about twenty-two and a half when they married.<sup>9</sup> If John married at a similar age, he would have been born about 1701.

Then what of Philip, who was baptized 2 January 1703/4, just over a month before John and his two sisters' baptisms? Philip's marriage took place on 1 January 1727.<sup>10</sup> If he married in his early twenties, he would have been born around 1704 or 1705. This consideration, and the fact that his baptism took place two years and three months before that of his sister Mary, suggest that he was baptized as an infant and therefore was probably born about December 1703.

This would mean that Philip was younger than John. There is other good evidence to that effect. In his 3 February 1741/2 will, Samuel Hatch made identical bequests to his sons Benjamin, Samuel, John, and Philip, listed in that order, and left his homestead to Joseph.<sup>11</sup> The known birth dates of Benjamin, Samuel, and Joseph suggests that all five were listed in birth order. Furthermore, Samuel made bequests to his four surviving daughters, Bethia, Jemima, Eunice, and Mary, in what was certainly their birth order. This is consistent with the above conclusion that Philip was born in late 1703, about halfway between the births of John and Mary.

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<sup>6</sup> This was previously noted by Walter Goodwin Davis in *Massachusetts and Maine Families in the Ancestry of Walter Goodwin Davis (1885–1966)*, 3 vols. (Baltimore, 1996), 2:216.

<sup>7</sup> Joseph Getchel and Eunice Hatch, m. 19 Dec. 1716 (Shelley, *Wells VRs* [note 4], 9).

<sup>8</sup> John Hatch and Mary Low, m. (int.) 29 Sept. 1734 (Shelley, *Wells VRs* [note 4], 11).

<sup>9</sup> Samuel m. 22 Aug. 1715 Abigail Fletcher; Joseph m. (int.) 2 Oct. 1731, Hannah Sawyer (Shelley, *Wells VRs* [note 4], 9, 16).

<sup>10</sup> Philip Hatch and Elisabeth Low, m. 1 Jan. 1727 (Shelley, *Wells VRs* [note 4], 12).

<sup>11</sup> York Co. Probate Records, #8819 [DGS #7315364, image 476].

It seems, then, that the 13 February 1703/4 baptisms of Jemima, Eunice, and John were “catch up” events, taking place not long after the baptism in infancy of their brother Philp.

Finally, as for Nathan, baptized 12 July 1702, the fact that there is no further record of him suggests that he died young.<sup>12</sup> He may indeed have been the next child after the Mary who died soon after birth, and if so, he must have been born about 1696 or 1697.<sup>13</sup> On the other hand, had Eunice been any older than about seventeen when she married, Nathan’s birth would have to be placed after hers, thus in about 1699. A final consideration, the fact that he was baptized a year and a half before she was, lends support to placing him as the older of the two.

In conclusion, the sequence of Samuel’s children is proposed as follows:<sup>14</sup>

Bethia, b. 9 April 1685  
 Benjamin, b. 29 Sept. 1688  
 Jemima, b. 29 Nov. 1690  
 Samuel, b. 2 Feb. 1693  
 Mary, b. 25 March 1695, d. 28 March 1695  
 Nathan, b. say 1696 or 1697, prob. d. young  
 Eunice, b. say. in or by 1699  
 John, b. say mid 1701  
 Philip, b. say late Dec. 1703  
 Mary, b. say early May 1706  
 Joseph, b. 8 May 1709

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<sup>12</sup> He was not mentioned in his father’s will.

<sup>13</sup> Given that Mary died when only a few days old suggests that the interval between her birth and his was probably shorter than those between the other births in this family.

<sup>14</sup> Note that under this reconstruction the births occur roughly every two years, which was quite standard for the time period.

INCREDIBLE DOCUMENT SERIES, PART 6  
The Probate Papers of Samuel Tarbox of Westport, Maine

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This is the sixth in a series of articles discussing unusually informative documents found by genealogists in the course of their research.<sup>1</sup> The purpose of this article is to highlight another “Incredible Document,” found in the probate papers of Samuel Tarbox of Edgecomb, Maine, which makes it possible to piece together the next generations of his family.

Capt. Samuel Tarbox was born 10 February 1780,<sup>2</sup> died 19 March 1861, aged 81 years 1 month, and was buried in Cornelius Tarbox cemetery in Westport, Maine.<sup>3</sup> Samuel and his first wife, Polly (Brown) Tarbox, had ten children who reached adulthood, all of whom are mentioned in his will dated 27 December 1850. The will sheds light on why his probate papers include this incredible document:<sup>4</sup>

Fourth. As to all the rest and residue of my estate real and personal, including all sums due to me by note or account from any of children, I give and devise one tenth part of the same to said Trustees, in trust for the benefit of said Wesley Tarbox and others as aforesaid, and one tenth part thereof to each of my other children, Andrew Tarbox, Mary Webber, Louisa Greenleaf, Samuel Tarbox, Adeline R. Auld, Susan Tarbox, Sarah P. Tarbox, Valentine C. Tarbox and Franklin Tarbox.

Fifth. The property herein before given to said Trustees, is in the trust that they will invest, use, manage and dispose of the same in the most productive manner . . . and from the income thereof, or . . . from the principal, to support and maintain my son Wesley Tarbox, in a comfortable and respectable manner during his life, and at his decease to pay over or convey to my heirs at law whatever may remain of said property or income after paying for the support and funeral expenses of said Wesley, and the expense of managing and taking care of the same.

The fourth clause names all ten of his children who reached adulthood, but one son, Wesley, had a bequest in the fifth clause that was worded differently from those of his nine siblings. The reason for this was that Wesley was *non-compos mentis*, that is, he was of unsound mind and incompetent to manage his estate or to protect his rights. Wesley Tarbox by reason of his disability was under the guardianship of his

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<sup>1</sup> The Incredible Document Series includes Lois Ware Thurston, “The Estate of Joshua Lord of Gardiner, Maine,” *The Maine Genealogist* 23(2001):22–32; Russell C. Farnham, “A Smith Family Deed,” *ibid.* 23(2001):83–92; Clayton R. Adams with Joseph C. Anderson II, “The Paul Huston Family,” *ibid.* 24(2002):99–110; Glenn D. Nasman, “Probate Records of Milford Bickford of Belgrade, Maine,” *ibid.* 39 (2017):33–48; Glenn D. Nasman, “A Millet Family Deed,” *ibid.* 40(2018):97–106.

<sup>2</sup> Westport VRs, 1786–1860, p. 8 [DGS #7596940, image 181].

<sup>3</sup> Gravestone photo, Cornelius Tarbox Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #50942272.

<sup>4</sup> Lincoln Co. Probate Records, 110:368–71 [DGS #7139049, images 478–79].

older brother Andrew Tarbox for many years until Andrew died on 1 October 1889.<sup>5</sup> Wesley outlived all but one of his siblings and many of his nieces and nephews.

According to Samuel's will, all the remaining funds set aside for the care of Wesley were to be equally redistributed to his nine other children after Wesley's death. Since nearly all his siblings predeceased Wesley, the funds had to be redistributed to all their lawful heirs (i.e., Samuel's grandchildren or great grandchildren), resulting in the creation of this incredible document.

The list of next of kin in Samuel's probate papers, dated in August and September 1898, includes the names, relationships, and residences of the following heirs:<sup>6</sup>

*Heirs of daughter Mary J. Webber, deceased*

Stephen P. Webber Estate	grandchild, Westport, Maine
Samuel T. Webber	grandchild, Richmond, Maine
W. G. Webber Estate	grandchild, Richmond, Maine
Eugene B. Webber	grandchild, Oakdale, Maine
D. Webber	grandchild, Richmond, Maine
Mary Abby Libby, child of Arabella Libby	grandchild, Richmond, Maine

*Heirs of son Andrew Tarbox, deceased*

B.S. Rairden, child of Mary (Tarbox) Raiden, dec.	great grandchild, Jamaica, W.I.
Andrew Lowell, child of Louisa (Tarbox) Lowell, dec.	great grandchild, San Francisco
Edwin H. Lowell, child of Louisa (Tarbox) Lowell, dec.	great grandchild, Boston, Mass.
Louise L. Cooper, child of Louisa (Tarbox) Lowell, dec.	great grandchild, Norfolk, Va.
Aramede Lowell, child of Louisa (Tarbox) Lowell, dec.	great grandchild, Norfolk, Va.
Abby H. Owen	grandchild, Bath, Maine
Henry C. Tarbox Estate	grandchild, Bath, Maine
Andrew V. Tarbox	grandchild, Alna, Maine

*Heirs of daughter Abilene R. Auld, deceased*

Zebulon G. Auld	grandchild, Bath, Maine
Abbie T. Auld	grandchild, Bath, Maine
Jas. F. Auld	grandchild, Bath, Maine

*Heirs of son Samuel Tarbox, deceased*

Ann M. Phillips	grandchild, Palo Cedro, Calif.
Josephine Bell	grandchild, Germantown, Calif.
Abby Lyons	grandchild, Buckeye, Calif.
Willard Tarbox	grandchild, Coolidge, Kan.
Thos. H. Tarbox	grandchild, Providence, R.I.
Ruth Turner	grandchild, Somerville, Mass.
Elida N. Tarbox	grandchild, Los Angeles, Calif.
Hattie G. Tarbox	grandchild, Bath, Maine

<sup>5</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #46222875

<sup>6</sup> Samuel Tarbox estate, Lincoln Co. Probate Records, Probate Dockets, T, U, V, 1860–1870 [DGS #4400408, images 189–90, 192–93].

*Heir of daughter Sarah P. Greenleaf, deceased*

H. E. Greenleaf	grandchild, Westport, Maine
B.F. Tarbox Estate	son, Bath, Maine
Susan Thompson	daughter, Bowdoinham, Maine

*Heirs of daughter Louisa Greenleaf, deceased*

J. Richard Jewett, child of Ann M. (Greenleaf) Jewett	great grandchild, St. Paul, Minn.
Geo. F. Jewett - child of Ann M. (Greenleaf) Jewett	great grandchild, Chicago, Ill.
Mary L. Jewett, child of Ann M. (Greenleaf) Jewett	great grandchild, Chicago, Ill.
W. Scott Greenleaf	grandchild, Santa Barbara, Calif.
Sedgwick Greenleaf	grandchild, unknown

## FAMILY SUMMARY

The purpose of the following Family Summary is to place Samuel Tarbox's heirs named in his probate file into their proper family groups, not to present a full genealogy of all of his descendants through three generations. All persons named in the incredible document are given below in **boldface**.

**Capt. SAMUEL TARBOX** was born in Edgecomb, Maine, 10 February 1780, son of Cornelius and Bethiah (Tyler) Tarbox.<sup>7</sup> He died in Westport, Maine, 19 March 1861, aged 81 years, 1 month.<sup>8</sup> He married first in Litchfield, Maine, 10 October 1805, **MARY/POLLY BROWN** of Litchfield.<sup>9</sup> She was born in Edgecomb, 29 January 1786, daughter of Andrew and Mary (Webber) Brown,<sup>10</sup> and died 6 October 1848, aged 62 years, 8 months.<sup>11</sup> Samuel married second in Providence, Rhode Island, 4 July 1850, Mrs. **MARY** (—) **FISHER** of Bath, Maine, he of Westport.<sup>12</sup> She was born about 1790,<sup>13</sup> and died as Samuel's widow after 3 September 1861 and before the third Tuesday of June 1863.<sup>14</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Edgecomb, Maine* (Waterville, Maine, 2016), 61; Westport Vital Records, 1786–1860, p. 8 [DGS #7596940, image 181]. His mother's maiden name from Robert L. Taylor, "Cornelius<sup>5</sup> Tarbox of Biddeford, Maine," *The Essex Genealogist* 20(2000):145.

<sup>8</sup> Gravestone photo, Cornelius Tarbox Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #50942272.

<sup>9</sup> Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Litchfield, Maine* (Rockland, Maine, 2010), 70.

<sup>10</sup> Westport VRs, 1786–1860, p. 8 [DGS #7596940, image 181]; her parents m. 4 Sep. 1785 per "A Book of Records of the Church of Christ in Arundel (Kennebunkport), Maine," *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* 108(1954):123.

<sup>11</sup> Westport VRs, 1760–1882, n.p. [DGS #7596940, image 22]; gravestone photo, Cornelius Tarbox Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #50942872.

<sup>12</sup> James N. Arnold, *Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636–1850*, 21 vols. (Providence, 1891–1912), 2: Providence, 182, citing Providence VRs, 5:114; marriage notice, *Gospel Banner* [Augusta], 27 July 1850, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com].

<sup>13</sup> Mary was aged 59y in 1850 and 70y in 1860 (Samuel Tarbox household, 1850–60 U.S. Censuses, Westport, Lincoln Co., Maine, pp. 84b, 925.

<sup>14</sup> Samuel Tarbox estate [note 6] [DGS #4400408, images 134, 144].

On 7 January 1806, Samuel Tarbox, joiner, bought a 100-acre farm with marshland on Jeremysquam Island (then a part of Edgecomb) from Stephen Parsons, blacksmith, for \$1400.<sup>15</sup> Samuel was a captain in the War of 1812, his company assigned to Lieut. Col. Ezekiel Cutter's regiment serving at Squam Island and Edgecomb from 10 to 28 September 1814.<sup>16</sup> In 1827 Samuel Tarbox was a member of the Maine House of Representatives from Edgecomb. In 1828 a petition was sent to the legislature by Samuel Tarbox with seventy-three signatures of the town residents asking that Jeremysquam become a separate town. The town of Westport was formed in February 1828 and at the first town meeting Samuel was chosen a selectman.<sup>17</sup> In 1829 Samuel became the first postmaster of Westport serving from 10 February 1829 to 4 January 1843 and from 8 June 1849 to 7 April 1853.<sup>18</sup> Samuel, described as a joiner in early deeds, was called a farmer in Westport in 1850 and 1860,<sup>19</sup> but he also had business interests in fishing stations, fishing schooners, a sawmill, and a gristmill.<sup>20</sup>

Children of Samuel and Mary/Polly (Brown) Tarbox, all b. Edgecomb/Westport:<sup>21</sup>

- i Capt. **ANDREW TARBOX**, mariner, b. 26 March 1807, d. Bath, 1 Oct. 1889, aged 82y 6m;<sup>22</sup> m. Georgetown, 7 May 1829, LOUISA HAGAN,<sup>23</sup> b. Georgetown, 22 Dec. 1809, daughter of Richard and Abigail (Mahoney) Hagan,<sup>24</sup> d. Bath, 9 Feb. 1895, aged 85y 11m 16d [*sic*].<sup>25</sup>

Children of Andrew Tarbox and Louisa (Hagan), all births recorded in Woolwich:<sup>26</sup>

- 1 **Mary Brown Tarbox**, b. 10 May 1830, d. 29 Aug 1876;<sup>27</sup> m. 24 Dec. 1850, Capt. Bradstreet **Rairden**, mariner;<sup>28</sup> at least 3 children,<sup>29</sup> but only one, **Bradstreet Stinson Rairden** (1858–1944), was living when Wesley died.

<sup>15</sup> Lincoln Co. Deeds, 59:46.

<sup>16</sup> *Records of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia in the War of 1812* (Boston, 1913), 189.

<sup>17</sup> Squire Tarbox Inn, Westport Island, Our History <[www.squiretarboxinn.com/history](http://www.squiretarboxinn.com/history)>.

<sup>18</sup> Appointments of U.S. Postmasters, 1832–1971 [images, ancestry.com].

<sup>19</sup> Samuel Tarbox household, 1850–60 U.S. Censuses (note 13).

<sup>20</sup> [https://westportisland.us/images/site/body-images/Squire\\_Tarbox\\_Inn.pdf](https://westportisland.us/images/site/body-images/Squire_Tarbox_Inn.pdf).

<sup>21</sup> Samuel's will names 10 children, all of whose births, except Benjamin Franklin, are recorded in Westport (VRs, 1786–1860, p. 8 [DGS #7596940, image 181]). Gravestones provide the names and birth dates of 3 additional children who d. young: John W., Hugh M., and Ann M.

<sup>22</sup> Bath VR, Deaths, p. 222 [DGS #7592491, image 847]; gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #46222875.

<sup>23</sup> Mary Pelham Hill, *Vital Records of Georgetown, Maine, to the Year 1892*, 3 vols. (n.p., 1939–43), 2:171 (her surname spelled “Heagan” in the record).

<sup>24</sup> *Georgetown VRs* [note 23], 1:55; her parents m. (int.) 5 Sept. 1800 (*ibid.*, 2:52).

<sup>25</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703973, image 3045]; gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #46222908; death notice, *Lewiston Saturday Journal*, 11 Feb. 1895.

<sup>26</sup> Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Woolwich, Maine* (Waterville, Maine, 2015), 256.

<sup>27</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #69343861.

<sup>28</sup> Joan Druett, *Hen Frigates: Wives of Merchant Captains under Sail* (New York, 1998), 36. Their marriage is not included in the published *Woolwich VRs*.

<sup>29</sup> Bradstreet “Rairden” household, 1870 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 330B, indicates that Mary, aged 17, Abbie, 15, and Bradstreet, 13, were “at sea with their parents,” their father described as a “Master Mariner.”

- 2 **Abigail/Abby Harnden Tarbox**, b. 13 May 1831, d. Bath 22 Dec. 1903, aged 72y 7m 9d;<sup>30</sup> m. (1) Woolwich, 7 Sept. 1854, Capt. William Abner Harnden,<sup>31</sup> mariner; m. (2) Capt. Charles **Owen**.<sup>32</sup> 3 children with 1st husband.<sup>33</sup>
- 3 [male] **Tarbox**, b. and d. Woolwich, 8 Sept. 1832.<sup>34</sup>
- 4 **Aramede Tarbox**, b. 6 Oct. 1833, d. Woolwich 3 Nov. 1833.<sup>35</sup>
- 5 Capt. **Henry Clay Tarbox**, mariner, b. 1 Dec. 1836, d. Boston, Mass., 10 Dec. 1897, aged 61y 7d;<sup>36</sup> m. Bath 15 Feb. 1866 Aramede Snow Lemont. 5 children.<sup>37</sup>
- 6 **Louisa Adelaide Tarbox**, b. Woolwich 14 Feb. 1841, d. Bath 11 Aug. 1893, aged 52y 5m 28d;<sup>38</sup> m. Woolwich. 3 May 1866, Capt. John Henry **Lowell**.<sup>39</sup> 4 children.<sup>40</sup> **Andrew Lowell** (1867–1903), **Edwin Lowell** (1869–1899), **Louise (Lowell) Cooper** (1871–1950), **Aramede Lowell** (1877–1971).
- 7 Capt. **Andrew Valentine Tarbox**, mariner, b. Woolwich, 28 Feb 1848, d. Alna, 16 April 1910, aged 62y 1m 18d;<sup>41</sup> m. Boston, Mass., 11 July 1891, Cora Linn Hilton.<sup>42</sup> No children.<sup>43</sup>
- ii **MARY J. TARBOX**, b. 28 Jan. 1809, d. Litchfield, 21 Feb. 1888;<sup>44</sup> m. Edgecomb, 1 Dec. 1825, **DANIEL BARTLETT WEBBER**,<sup>45</sup> b. Edgecomb, 12 Aug. 1804, son of David and Eunice (Gove) Webber,<sup>46</sup> d. Litchfield, 20 Oct. 1885, aged 81y 2m.<sup>47</sup> Children of Daniel and Mary (Tarbox) Webber, all births recorded Richmond:<sup>48</sup>
- 1 **Stephen Prescott Webber**, b. Edgecomb, 12 Feb. 1827, d. Westport, 5 May 1897, aged 70y 3m;<sup>49</sup> m. Wiscasset, 25 Jan. 1852, Caroline Bartlett.<sup>50</sup> 4 children.<sup>51</sup>

<sup>30</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703849, image 3410]; gravestone photo, Oak Grove cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #233674446.

<sup>31</sup> *Woolwich VRs* [note 26], 458.

<sup>32</sup> As named on Abby's death notice [note 30].

<sup>33</sup> Abbie H. Owen household, 1880 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 35B.

<sup>34</sup> *Woolwich VRs* [note 26], 256.

<sup>35</sup> *Woolwich VRs* [note 26], 256.

<sup>36</sup> "Massachusetts Deaths, 1841–1915" [DGS #4225842, image 505]; bur. Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath (Maine, Nathan Hale Cemetery Collection, ca. 1780–1980 [DGS #7586487, image 421]).

<sup>37</sup> Arameda Tarbox household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 3.

<sup>38</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703826, image 2288]; gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #45620575.

<sup>39</sup> *Woolwich VRs* [note 26], 463.

<sup>40</sup> John H. Lowell household, 1880 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 56B.

<sup>41</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1908–1922 [DGS #5011878, image 3471]; gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #45408235.

<sup>42</sup> "Massachusetts Marriages, 1841–1915" [DGS #4332363, image 154].

<sup>43</sup> Hartley A. Hilton household, 1900 U.S. Census, Alna, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 2.

<sup>44</sup> Gravestone photo, Litchfield Plains Cemetery, Litchfield, findagrave.com #57944844.

<sup>45</sup> *Edgecomb VRs* [note 7], 103.

<sup>46</sup> *Edgecomb VRs* [note 7], 75. His parents m. Edgecomb, 23 Aug. 1801 (ibid., 50).

<sup>47</sup> Gravestone photo, Litchfield Plains Cemetery, Litchfield, findagrave.com #57944799.

<sup>48</sup> Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Richmond, Maine* (Waterville, Maine, 2019), 54, 175.

<sup>49</sup> "Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907" [DGS #4703984, image 2897]; gravestone photo, Bartlett-Webber Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #51259704.

<sup>50</sup> Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Wiscasset, Maine* (Rockland, Maine, 2011), 463.

<sup>51</sup> "Carololin" Webber household, 1900 U.S. Census, Westport, Lincoln, Maine, p. 9.

- 2 **Arabella H. Webber**, b. Gardiner, 24 Dec. 1829, d. 17 June 1882;<sup>52</sup> m. (int.) Portland, 17 Feb. 1853, Elliot **Libby**.<sup>53</sup> 2 children,<sup>54</sup> but only one, **Mary A. Libby** (1863–1940), was living when Wesley died.
- 3 **Samuel Tarbox Webber**, b. Richmond, 22 Sept. 1833, d. Richmond, 6 Feb. 1902;<sup>55</sup> m. (1) Litchfield, 6 June 1858, Rebecca J. Hatch,<sup>56</sup> sister of Julia A. (Hatch) Webber (below);<sup>57</sup> m. (2) Richmond, 5 July 1893, Ellen/Nellie J. Hutchings.<sup>58</sup> One child with 1st wife.<sup>59</sup>
- 4 **William Greenleaf Webber**, b. Richmond, 26 Jan 1836, d. Richmond, 6 Feb. 1896, aged 60y 1m 9d;<sup>60</sup> m. Richmond, 22 July 1860, Julia A. Hatch,<sup>61</sup> sister of Rebecca J. (Hatch) Webber (above).<sup>62</sup> One child.<sup>63</sup>
- 5 **Eugene B. Webber**, b. Richmond, 11 July 1838, d. Richmond, 11 Jan. 1919, aged 80y 6m;<sup>64</sup> m. (1) (cert.) Richmond, 21 April 1861, Margaret C. Gowell;<sup>65</sup> m. (2) ca. 1864, Martha Anna Atkins.<sup>66</sup> Children with 2nd wife.<sup>67</sup>
- 6 **Mary Louisa Webber**, b. Richmond, 22 Dec. 1842, d. by 1 Sept. 1869;<sup>68</sup> m. Richmond, 10 Nov. 1864, Horace M. White of Bowdoinham.<sup>69</sup> No children.
- 7 **Daniel Webber Jr.**, b. Richmond, 27 Sept. 1852, d. 1923;<sup>70</sup> m. (cert.) Richmond, 30 March 1878 Marietta/Mary H. Marriner.<sup>71</sup> One child.<sup>72</sup>

<sup>52</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Gardiner, findagrave.com #79399747.

<sup>53</sup> Portland Intentions, 5:333 [DGS #7595805, image 431].

<sup>54</sup> Eliot Libby household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gardiner, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 274B.

<sup>55</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703984, image 3223]; gravestone photo, Litchfield Plains Cemetery, Litchfield, findagrave.com #159347597.

<sup>56</sup> *Richmond VRs* [note 48], 372.

<sup>57</sup> Oliver Barrett Clason, *History of Litchfield, and an Account of Its Centennial Celebration, 1895* (Augusta, Maine, 1897), 160.

<sup>58</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703984, image 2651].

<sup>59</sup> Samuel Webber household, 1900 U.S. Census, Richmond, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 11.

<sup>60</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703984, image 2842]. William is buried in Cotton Cemetery, Richmond (Maine, Nathan Hale Cemetery Collection, ca. 1780–1980 [DGS #7586507, image 821]).

<sup>61</sup> *Richmond VRs* [note 48], 372.

<sup>62</sup> Clason, *History of Litchfield* [note 57], 160.

<sup>63</sup> William G. Webber households, 1870–80 U.S. Censuses, Litchfield, Kennebec Co., Maine, pp. 356A, 307B.

<sup>64</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1908–1922 [DGS #5011888, image 914].

<sup>65</sup> *Richmond VRs* [note 48], 302.

<sup>66</sup> They had been married 36y in 1900 [note 67].

<sup>67</sup> Eugene B. Webber household, 1900 U.S. Census, Portland, Cumberland Co., Maine, E.D. 75, p. 23B.

<sup>68</sup> On that date, her husband m. (2) (int.) Bowdoinham, Anne M. Stewart of Lewiston (Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Bowdoinham, Maine* [Waterville, Maine, 2019], 462).

<sup>69</sup> *Richmond VRs* [note 48], 382. They filed m. int. Bowdoinham 1 Nov 1864 (*Bowdoinham VRs* [note 68], 457).

<sup>70</sup> Gravestone photo, Litchfield Plains Cemetery, Litchfield, findagrave.com #57944898.

<sup>71</sup> *Richmond VRs* [note 48], 331.

<sup>72</sup> Daniel Webber household, 1910 U.S. Census, Richmond, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 15B.



- iii **LOUISA TARBOX**, b. 23 May 1811, d. Westport, 28 Sept. 1855, aged 44y 4m;<sup>73</sup> m. abt. 1836, **WILLIAM WIGGLESWORTH GREENLEAF**,<sup>74</sup> b. Edgecomb, 28 Dec. 1804, son of Zebulon and Ruth (Gray) Greenleaf,<sup>75</sup> d. Westport, 23 May 1893.<sup>76</sup> William m. (2) Cambridge, Mass., 20 April 1865, Nancy (Webber) Tabor.<sup>77</sup> Children of William and Louisa (Tarbox) Greenleaf, all b. Westport<sup>78</sup>
- 1 **Ann Maria Greenleaf**, b. 13 Aug. 1837, d. Cambridge, Mass., 13 Dec. 1887;<sup>79</sup> m. 1 May 1859, Boardman Twp., Mahoning Co., Ohio, 23 April 1859, Capt. George Washington **Jewett**.<sup>80</sup> 3 children:<sup>81</sup> **James Richard Jewett** (1862–1943), **Mary Louise Jewett** (1867–1927), **George Formosa Jewett** (1870–1947).
  - 2 **Andrew Parkman Greenleaf**, b. 1 April 1839, d. 20 Sept. 1883;<sup>82</sup> m. 1873, Augusta Crawford.<sup>83</sup> No children.
  - 3 **Zebulon Greenleaf**, b. 1 July 1843, d. 28 Dec. 1873, aged 30y 5m;<sup>84</sup> unmarried.
  - 4 **William Scott Greenleaf**, b. 22 July 1849, d. 22 Dec. 1922;<sup>85</sup> m. Watertown, Mass., 18 June 1877, Susan Ella Ladd.<sup>86</sup> 2 children.<sup>87</sup>
  - 5 **Sedgwick P. Greenleaf**, b. 22 April 1851, d. San Diego, Calif., 8 Feb. 1939.<sup>88</sup> 1910–1930 censuses indicate he was single,<sup>89</sup> but he may be the Sedgwick Plummer Greenleaf who m. in New Zealand in 1884 a local woman named Tepea Te-Wharau.<sup>90</sup> No known children.
- iv **SAMUEL TARBOX Jr.**, b. 7 Oct. 1813,<sup>91</sup> d. Westport, 4 May 1875, aged 61y 7m;<sup>92</sup> m. (1) **OLIVE PARSONS HODGDON**,<sup>93</sup> b. 19 April 1817, daughter of Thomas and

<sup>73</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #154237471.

<sup>74</sup> They would have married prior to birth of 1st child, Ann Maria.

<sup>75</sup> Westport VRs, 1786–1860, p. 128 [DGS #7596940, image 243]; his parents m. (int.) Edgecomb 26 Nov. 1801 (*Edgecomb VRs* [note 7], 31).

<sup>76</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #206206474.

<sup>77</sup> *Wiscasset VRs* [note 50], 479. Nancy Tabor appears to be a young widow living with her parents prior to her marriage to William Greenleaf (John Webber household, 1850 and 1860 U.S. Censuses, Wiscasset, Lincoln Co., Maine, pp. 369b, 852).

<sup>78</sup> The births of 3 oldest chn recorded in Westport VRs, 1786–1860, p. 128 [DGS #7596940, image 243]; James Edward Greenleaf, *Genealogy of the Greenleaf Family* (Boston, 1896), 355.

<sup>79</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 383:87 [DGS # 4282168, image 462].

<sup>80</sup> Frederick C. Jewett, *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America* (New York, 1908), 1017.

<sup>81</sup> *Jewetts of America* [note 80], 1017.

<sup>82</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #206206272.

<sup>83</sup> *Genealogy of the Greenleaf Family* [note 78], 355.

<sup>84</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #206206639.

<sup>85</sup> Gravestone photo, Melrose Cemetery, Brockton, Mass., findagrave.com #110749842.

<sup>86</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 290:189 [DGS #7011225, image 33].

<sup>87</sup> W. Scott Greenleaf household, 1900 U.S. Census, Brockton Ward 1, Plymouth Co., Mass., p. 3.

<sup>88</sup> California, Death Index, 1905–1939 [DGS #5240842, image 778].

<sup>89</sup> Sedgwick P. Greenleaf household, 1910–30 U.S. Censuses, San Diego, San Diego Co., Calif., pp. 2A, 11A, 4B.

<sup>90</sup> New Zealand, Marriage Index, 1840–1934, database, ancestry.com.

<sup>91</sup> Westport VRs, 1786–1860, p. 126 [DGS #7596940, image 241].

<sup>92</sup> Gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Jr. Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #64397177.

<sup>93</sup> Olive P. Tarbox is the name of Samuel's wife in 1850–60 U.S. Censuses (Samuel Tarbox household, Westport, Lincoln Co., Maine, pp. 82b, 922) and on her gravestone (note 95).

Thankful (Greenleaf) Hodgdon,<sup>94</sup> d. Westport. 30 Aug. 1863, aged 46y 4m;<sup>95</sup> m. (2) Bath, 11 July 1867, PHILENA E. PIERCE,<sup>96</sup> b. 1843, daughter of Andrew and his 1st wife Ruth Ann (McKinney) Pierce,<sup>97</sup> d. 2 Feb. 1924.<sup>98</sup>

Children of Samuel Tarbox and his 1st wife, Olive (Hodgdon), b. Westport:

- 1 *Eliza Helen Tarbox*, b. ca. Aug. 1838, d. Westport, 25 April 1842, aged 3y 8m.<sup>99</sup>
- 2 *Thomas H. Tarbox*, b. 25 May 1839,<sup>100</sup> d. Westport, 16 Sept. 1849, aged 10y 3m 21d.<sup>101</sup>
- 3 *Anna Mary Tarbox*, b. 1843;<sup>102</sup> d. San Joaquin, Calif., 14 April 1924;<sup>103</sup> m. ca. 1875, Lewis Henry **Phillips**.<sup>104</sup> No children.
- 4 *Eliza Helen Tarbox*, b. [calc.] 7 Jan. 1847, d. Westport, 13 Sept. 1849, aged 2y 8m 5d.<sup>105</sup>
- 5 *Olive Josephine Tarbox*, b. 22 Oct. 1848,<sup>106</sup> d. Solano, Calif., 30 March 1914;<sup>107</sup> m. New Orleans, La., 28 Dec 1872, James Henry **Bell**.<sup>108</sup> 3 children.<sup>109</sup>
- 6 *Abigail Edith Tarbox*, b. 14 Aug. 1852, d. Redding, Calif., 29 Jan. 1908, aged 55y;<sup>110</sup> m. Washington, D.C., 3 Oct. 1889, Major John F. **Lyons** as his 2nd wife.<sup>111</sup> No children.

<sup>94</sup> Westport VRs, 1786–1860, p. 126 [DGS #7596940, image 241]. Her parents m. (int.) Edgecomb 28 Dec. 1811 (*Edgecomb VRs* [note 7], 20).

<sup>95</sup> Gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Jr. Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #64397277.

<sup>96</sup> Bath Vital Records, 1779–1903 [DGS #7592491, image 191].

<sup>97</sup> Daughter “Philena A. Tarbox” is mentioned in the will of her father, Andrew T. Pierce, late of Westport, dated 16 Nov. 1891 (Lincoln Co. Probate Records, Probate Dockets, Drawer 1, 1896 [DGS #4356063, images 204–5]). Her parents m. 3 Nov. 1839 (*Georgetown VRs* [note 23], 2:126). Philena’s year of birth is shown in gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #87440376.

<sup>98</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #87440376.

<sup>99</sup> Gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Jr. Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #64397745.

<sup>100</sup> Westport VRs, 1786–1860, p. 126 [DGS #7596940, image 241].

<sup>101</sup> Westport VRs, 1861–1882 [DGS #7596940, image 22]; gravestone photo Samuel Tarbox Jr. Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #64397662.

<sup>102</sup> Year of birth from her gravestone (note 103); she was aged 17y in 1860 USC (note 93).

<sup>103</sup> Calif. Death Index, 1905–1939 [DGS #5240840, image 653]; gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Jr. Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #64397823.

<sup>104</sup> Ann had been married 25y in 1900 (Louis H. Phillips household, 1900 U.S. Census, Buckeye, Shasta Co., Calif., p. 15A).

<sup>105</sup> Westport VRs, 1861–1882 [DGS #7596940, image 22]; gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Jr. Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #64397555.

<sup>106</sup> Olive Josephine was aged 11y in 1860 and 22y in 1870 (Samuel Tarbox household, 1860–70 U.S. Censuses, Westport, Lincoln Co., Maine, pp. 922, 697B).

<sup>107</sup> Calif. Death Index, 1905–1939 [DGS # 5240838, image 206].

<sup>108</sup> Orleans Parish, La., Marriages, 1849–1950 [DGS #4705627, image 189].

<sup>109</sup> George C. Purington, *History of the State Normal School, Farmington, Maine: With Sketches of the Graduates* (Farmington, 1889), 60.

<sup>110</sup> Her full dates of birth and death from her gravestone (photo, Old Saint Joseph Cemetery, Redding, Shasta Co., Calif. findagrave.com #123034933).

<sup>111</sup> John F. Lyons obituary, *Free Press* [Redding, Calif.], 23 April 1898, p. 2.

7 **Willard Elwell Tarbox**, b. [calc.] 20 Feb. 1863, d. Huntington Beach, Calif., 17 July 1920, aged 57y 4m 27d;<sup>112</sup> m. ca. 1891, Fannie D. —. 4 children.<sup>113</sup>

Children of Samuel Tarbox and his 2nd wife, Philena (Pierce), b. Westport:

8 **Ruth Pierce Tarbox**, b. 4 April 1868, d. Somerville, Mass., 13 Feb. 1917;<sup>114</sup> m. Bath, 28 Sept. 1892, Arthur Francis **Turner**.<sup>115</sup> One child.<sup>116</sup>

9 **Thomas H. Tarbox**, b. 10 Dec. 1869, d. 14 June 1929;<sup>117</sup> m. abt. 1899, Ida C. Remington.<sup>118</sup> No children.<sup>119</sup>

10 **Elida Helen Tarbox**, b. 29 Nov. 1870, d. Scarsdale, N.Y., 26 Jan. 1932;<sup>120</sup> m. Bath, 28 July 1903, Paul Whitin Orvis.<sup>121</sup> One child.<sup>122</sup>

11 **Harriet/Hattie Gertrude Tarbox**, b. April 1873,<sup>123</sup> d. 3 Nov. 1939;<sup>124</sup> m. Bath, 25 June 1902, Weston Lynch Bonney.<sup>125</sup> 2 children.<sup>126</sup>

v **WESLEY TARBOX**, b. 28 Oct. 1815, d. Westport, 21 Oct. 1895, aged 79y 11m 23d.<sup>127</sup> He was not married nor had any children. After his father died, he was living in the household of his nephew Stephen P. Webber in 1870 and 1880.<sup>128</sup>

vi **JOHN W. TARBOX**, b. 19 Nov. 1816, d. 20 Nov. 1816, aged 1 day.<sup>129</sup>

vii **ABALINE R. TARBOX**, b. 5 Dec. 1817, d. Bath, 3 May 1877, aged 59y 5m;<sup>130</sup> m. (1) ZEBULON GREENLEAF, who d. bef. 16 May 1842;<sup>131</sup> m. (2) say 1847, as his

<sup>112</sup> Orange Co., Calif., Deaths, 3:328 [DGS #5580282, image 366]; gravestone photo, Good Shepherd Cemetery, Huntington Beach, Calif., findagrave.com #109164282.

<sup>113</sup> Willard E. Tarbox household, 1910 U.S. Census, Swink, Otero Co., Colorado, p. 2B, which indicates Willard and Fanny had been married 19y and had 4 children.

<sup>114</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1920 [DGS # 5057314, image 453], which gives her birth and death dates.

<sup>115</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703980, image 988].

<sup>116</sup> Arthur F. Turner household, 1910 U.S. Census, Somerville Ward 4, Middlesex Co., Mass., p. 5A.

<sup>117</sup> Birth and death dates from his gravestone, South Burial Ground, Bristol, R.I. (photo, findagrave.com #27892029). He also has a stone in Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath (photo, *ibid.*, #87440449).

<sup>118</sup> Gravestone photo, South Burial Ground, Bristol, R.I., including her maiden name (findagrave.com #27891993); John Remington household, 1900 U.S. Census, East Providence, Providence Co., R.I., p. 30.

<sup>119</sup> Isabella Remington household, 1910 U.S. Census, East Providence, Providence Co., R.I., p. 1B.

<sup>120</sup> Gravestone photo, Dellwood Cemetery, Manchester, Vt., findagrave.com #57800319, the stone giving her dates of birth and death; obituary, *Scarsdale Inquirer*, 29 Jan. 1932.

<sup>121</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703848, image 3975].

<sup>122</sup> Paul W. Orvis, Hotel Lorraine, 1910 U.S. Census, Manhattan Ward 19, New York, N.Y., p. 2A.

<sup>123</sup> Edwin Bonney household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 2.

<sup>124</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #44972722.

<sup>125</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4543977, image 1187].

<sup>126</sup> Edwin Bonney household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 2.

<sup>127</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS # 4703973, image 3044]; gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #51196066.

<sup>128</sup> Stephen P. Webber household, 1870–80 U.S. Censuses, Westport, Lincoln Co., Maine, pp. 700B, 600B.

<sup>129</sup> Gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #51196402.

<sup>130</sup> Bath Deaths, p. 161 [DGS #7592491, image 816].

<sup>131</sup> On 16 May 1842, Abaline R. Greenleaf, widow of Zebulon Greenleaf late of Westport, requested the Lincoln Co. probate court for an allowance from the personal estate to support herself and family (Lincoln Co. Probate Records, 45:180).

2nd wife, Capt. JAMES AULD, mariner,<sup>132</sup> b. Boothbay, 27 Dec. 1813, son of James and Sarah/Sally (Knight) Auld,<sup>133</sup> d. Pensacola, Fla., 24 April 1869.<sup>134</sup>

Children of James Auld and his 2nd wife Abaline (Tarbox):<sup>135</sup>

i **Zebulon G. Auld**, b. Westport, [calc.] 3 Jan. 1848, d. Bath 28 Dec. 1904, aged 56y 11m 25d;<sup>136</sup> m. Portsmouth, N.H., 3 Oct. 1870, Emma C. Munroe.<sup>137</sup> 6 children.<sup>138</sup>

ii **Abbie Tarbox Auld**, b. Westport, [calc.] 10 May 1850, d. Bath 28 Jan. 1919, unmarried, aged 68y 8m 18d.<sup>139</sup>

iii **James Frank Auld**, b. Oct. 1853,<sup>140</sup> d. 18 Jan. 1910;<sup>141</sup> m. ca. 1888, Ann Louise (Sprague) Fogg, widow of Alfred Fogg.<sup>142</sup> No children.<sup>143</sup>

iv **George V. Auld**, b. ca. July 1858, d. Aug. 1859, aged 1m.<sup>144</sup>

viii **SUSAN TARBOX**, b. 1 Nov. 1820, d. Bowdoinham, 20 March 1903, aged 82y 4m 20d;<sup>145</sup> m. (1) abt. 1842, her 1st cousin, WILLIAM C. TARBOX,<sup>146</sup> b. Gardiner, 21 July 1815, son of John and Lucy (Card) Tarbox,<sup>147</sup> d. Bowdoinham, 9 Sept. 1864, aged 50y 2m;<sup>148</sup> m. (2) int. Bowdoinham, 19 July 1865, SALMON H. THOMPSON, as his 2nd wife,<sup>149</sup> b. Bowdoin, 6 Nov. 1817, son of William and Lydia (Lincoln)lue

<sup>132</sup> James m. (1) (int.) Boothbay, 13 Aug. 1838, Abigail Nelson (Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Boothbay and Southport, Maine* (Waterville, Maine, 2018), 415) with whom he had 1 child.

<sup>133</sup> *Boothbay VRs* [note 132], 104. His parents m. (cert.) Boothbay, 13 Dec. 1802 (*ibid.*, 377).

<sup>134</sup> Death notice, *Bath Daily Times*, 8 May 1869, p. 3 [image, genealogybank.com]; gravestone photo, Maple Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #61090614.

<sup>135</sup> James Auld household, 1860 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 239.

<sup>136</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4543966, image 3893]; gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #61168866.

<sup>137</sup> N.H. Marriage Records [DGS #4243050, image 941].

<sup>138</sup> Zebulon G. Auld household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 34C.

<sup>139</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1908–1922 [DGS #5011555, image 2818]; gravestone photo, Maple Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #61091189.

<sup>140</sup> James F. Auld household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bath, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 8.

<sup>141</sup> Warren Vincent Sprague, *Sprague Families in America* [1913], 411; gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #61168818.

<sup>142</sup> James and Ann had been married 12y in 1900 (1900 census [note 140]). Ann m. (1) Bath, 12 Dec. 1876 Alfred Fogg (Bath VRs, 1847–92, p. 205 [DGS # 7592491, image 222]). *Sprague Families* [note 141], 411, gives marriage date as 12 Dec. 1875.

<sup>143</sup> Sprague, *Sprague Families* [note 141], 411.

<sup>144</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #61168774.

<sup>145</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703976, image 1561]; gravestone photo, Bowdoinham Village Cemetery, Bowdoinham, findagrave.com #63574316, her stone calling her the wife of William C. Tarbox and late wife of Samuel [*sic*] Thompson.

<sup>146</sup> Their 1st child b ca. 1843 (William Tarbox household, 1860 U.S. Census, Westport, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 925).

<sup>147</sup> Henry Sewall Webster, *Vital Records of Gardiner, Maine, to the Year 1892*, 2 vols. (Gardiner, 1914–15), 1:170; her parents m. (int.) 19 Feb. 1803 (*Edgecomb VRs* [note 7], 31).

<sup>148</sup> *Bowdoinham VRs* [note 68], 458.

<sup>149</sup> *Bowdoinham VRs* [note 68], 458. Salmon m. (1) (int.) Bowdoinham, 6 Aug. 1847, Emma Ann “Amy” Wilson (*ibid.*, 435).

Thompson,<sup>150</sup> d. Dec. 1880.<sup>151</sup> Susan had 10 children,<sup>152</sup> but none of them are mentioned in the probate papers since she was still living when the estate was settled.

- ix **SARAH P. TARBOX**, b. 7 Jan. 1823, d. Westport, 12 March 1859, aged 35y 9m;<sup>153</sup> m. Westport, 30 Jan. 1852, WILMOT H. GREENLEAF,<sup>154</sup> b. Edgcomb, 20 June 1821, son of Westbrook and Martha (Dunton) Greenleaf,<sup>155</sup> d. Westport, 17 Feb. 1901, aged 79y 7m 27d.<sup>156</sup>

Children of Wilmot H. Greenleaf and Sarah (Tarbox)

1 *Sewall P. Greenleaf*, b. Westport, [calc.] 1 Feb. 1854, d. Westport 13 Jan. 1855 aged 11m 12d.<sup>157</sup>

2 **Herman Everett Greenleaf**, b. April 1856,<sup>158</sup> d. Somerville, Mass., 5 March 1936;<sup>159</sup> m. (int.) Westport, 29 Oct. 1882, Sarah/Sadie A. (Lockwood) Galvin both of Westport.<sup>160</sup> 4 children.<sup>161</sup>

- x HUGH M. TARBOX, b. [calc.] 4 Aug. 1825, d 23 Oct 1825 aged 2m 19d.<sup>162</sup>

- xi VALENTINE CUSHMAN TARBOX, b. 18 Oct. 1827, d. Boston, Mass. 17 June 1893, aged 68y;<sup>163</sup> m. (1) Providence, R.I., 4 July 1851 LOVINIA/ALVINA TIBBETTS,<sup>164</sup> b. Brooksville, 27 Jan. 1834, daughter of Noah and Elvina T. (Bolton) Tibbetts;<sup>165</sup> m. (2) Richmond, 10 May 1863, MARY ELLEN COOMBS,<sup>166</sup> b. Richmond, 26 June 1845, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth (Grant) Coombs,<sup>167</sup> d. Boston, 13 Oct. 1891,

<sup>150</sup> Rachel Townsend Cox, *Vital Records of Bowdoin, Maine, to the Year 1892*, 3 vols. (Auburn, Maine, 1944–45), 1:213.

<sup>151</sup> *Bowdoinham VRs* [note 68], 383.

<sup>152</sup> Susan Thompson household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bowdoinham, Sagadahoc Co., Maine, p. 8.

<sup>153</sup> Gravestone photo, Parsons-Greenleaf Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #61317494.

<sup>154</sup> *Genealogy of the Greenleaf Family* [note 78], 348.

<sup>155</sup> *Genealogy of the Greenleaf Family* [note 78], 346–48; Herman E. Greenleaf household, 1900 U.S. Census, Westport, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 8. Wilmot's parents m. 1803 (*Edgcomb VRs* [note 7], 39).

<sup>156</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4544464, image 2133]; gravestone photo, Parsons-Greenleaf Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #61306621.

<sup>157</sup> Gravestone photo, Parsons-Greenleaf Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com # 61318597.

<sup>158</sup> Herman E. Greenleaf household, 1900 U.S. Census, Westport, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 8.

<sup>159</sup> Death notice, *Boston Globe*, 6 March 1936, p. 21 [image, newspapers.com].

<sup>160</sup> Westport VRs, 1854–88, p. 74 [DGS #7596940, image 140]. Sarah A. Lockwood, she m. (1) Boston, Mass., 24 Nov. 1875, Garrett Galvin (Mass. Marriages, 1841–1915, 273:170 [DGS #4279599, image 884])

<sup>161</sup> Sarah had 6 children, but her 2 oldest, Maud and Garrett, were with her 1st husband (Herman E. Greenleaf household, 1900 U.S. Census, Westport, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 8).

<sup>162</sup> Gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #51196801.

<sup>163</sup> Massachusetts Deaths, 1841–1915, 438:251 [DGS #4225006, image 250]; gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #51195646.

<sup>164</sup> Rhode Island Marriages, 1724–1916, database, familysearch.org.

<sup>165</sup> James H. Wick, *Vital Records of Brooksville, Maine* (Rockland, Maine, 2010), 72; her parents m. 26 Dec. 1830 (*ibid.*, 65).

<sup>166</sup> *Richmond VRs* [note 48], 377.

<sup>167</sup> *Richmond VRs* [note 48], 209. Her parents m. (int.) Richmond, 24 Sept. 1844 (*ibid.*, 76). Her death record indicates her mother's maiden name was Spears.

aged 46y 4m.<sup>168</sup> Valentine had two children, one with each wife, but both were deceased when the estate was settled.<sup>169</sup>

- xii **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TARBOX**, b. 17 April 1829, d. Bath, 27 April 1897, aged 68y;<sup>170</sup> m. (cert.) Westport, 22 Aug. 1855, **MARIETTA WORSTER**, both of Westport,<sup>171</sup> b. Lubec, Maine, 11 Aug. 1836, daughter of Henry and Matilda (Finney) Worster,<sup>172</sup> d. 31 Aug. 1925.<sup>173</sup>

Child of Franklin Tarbox and Marietta (Worster):<sup>174</sup>

- 1 **Frank S. Tarbox**, b. Bath, 1 Dec. 1863, d. Amesbury, Mass. 2 June 1891 aged 27y 6m.<sup>175</sup> No known wife or children.

- xiii **ANN M. TARBOX**, b. ca. March 1832, d. 26 Feb. 1834 aged 1y 11m.<sup>176</sup>

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<sup>168</sup> Death record of Mary Ellen Gove, Mass. VRs, 1626–2001, 420:352 [DGS #4273469, image 1179]; death notice, *Boston Journal*, 15 Oct. 1891, p. 7 [image, genealogybank.com], she called widow of the late John Gove.

<sup>169</sup> Valentine's son with his 1st wife, *Byron L. Tarbox*, b. Brooksville, 25 April 1852, d. with Col. Custer on Last Stand Hill, Big Horn County, Mont., 26 June 1876, during the Battle of the Little Big Horn (U.S., Registers of Deaths in the Regular Army, 1860–1889 [image, ancestry.com]; gravestone photo, Custer National Cemetery, Crow Agency, Big Horn Co., Mont., findagrave.com #6085658).

<sup>170</sup> Maine Vital Records, 1892–1907 [DGS #4703973, image 3069]; gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #45017424, which gives his full dates of birth and death.

<sup>171</sup> Westport VRs, 1854–1888, p. 3 [DGS #7596940, image 89].

<sup>172</sup> Patricia McCurdy Townsend, *Vital Records of Lubec, Maine, Prior to 1892* (Camden, Maine, 1996, 44; her parents m. Lubec 14 Feb. 1836 (ibid., 159).

<sup>173</sup> Gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #45017462.

<sup>174</sup> Priscilla J. Young household, 1900 U.S. Census, Eden, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 32.

<sup>175</sup> Mass. Deaths, 1841–1915 [DGS #4224895, image 257], which gives his birthplace of Bath and his parents' names; gravestone photo, Oak Grove Cemetery, Bath, findagrave.com #45017434, his gravestone giving his full dates of birth and death.

<sup>176</sup> Gravestone photo, Samuel Tarbox Cemetery, Westport, findagrave.com #51196212.

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**188. LOIS ALEXANDER of Bowdoin, single woman [LCP 20:53]**

Being weak in body

To my dearly beloved mother Priscilla Alexander, the whole of my RE consisting of land in Bowdoin.

To my sister Rhoda, one callico gown.

To my niece Lucy Hanscomb, one callico gown.

Appt my trusty friend Daniel Staples, sole exec.

Dated: 28 Oct. 1817

Signed with her mark (“X”)

Witnesses: John Curtis, Walter Meryman, David Meryman

In probate: 7 March 1818

**189. THOMAS JEPSON of Lewiston, yeoman [LCP 20:55]**

Being weak in body

To my wife Naomi, one half of my RE, which is in common and undivided with my eldest son Bradbury Jepson, as the other half has been conveyed by deed to the said Bradbury and by him assigned back to me & my wife during our lives; also all the h/h furniture that she brought to my house when I married her, with a large dining table with full leaves and a 5-pail iron kettle, and the remainder of the furniture and PE as long as she shall remain my widow.

To my eldest son Bradbury Jepson, one 2-year-old heifer, and the undivided half of the RE that is already conveyed to him by deed and assigned back to me and my wife during our lives.

To my son William Jepson, my son Ebenezer Jepson, my daughter Abigail Parks, my daughter Polly Mason, and my daughter Phebe Curtis, that half part of my RE bequeathed to my wife when she shall cease to remain my widow.

Appt David Davis sole exec.

Dated: 23 March 1818

Signed with his signature (“Thomas Jepson”)

Witnesses: Dan Read, Walter R. Blasdell, Freeman Skinner

In probate: 19 May 1818

**190. JOHN WILLIAMS of Bath [LCP 20:136]**

Being weak in body

To my wife Nancy Williams, the house in which we now dwell and all my lands particularly my farm on which said house is situated. Also, all my stock of cattle and farming utensils.

After the decease of my wife, I bequeath the said farm to my 2 sons James Williams and Joshua Williams.

To my daughter Susanna Crawford and my daughter Nancy, \$60 each, to be paid them after my wife's decease

To my daughter Frances wife of William Leavitt, \$1, she having already received her proportion.

Appt my wife Nancy exec.

Dated: 11 Sept. 1817

Signed with his signature ("John Williams")

Witnesses: Francis Winter, Jeremiah Clifford, Henry Work

In probate: 6 March 1818

**191. THOMAS HARWARD of Bowdoinham, yeoman [LCP 20:150]**

Being weak of body

To my wife Hannah Harward, one third of the net income of my RE and neat stock so long as she remains my widow and unmarried to any other man; also my h/h furniture and one fourth of the dwelling.

To my son George Harward, \$5.

To my daughter Sarah Blake, \$1.

To my daughter Letitia Getchell, \$5.

To my daughter Polly Thomas, \$5.

To my son William Harward, \$5.

To my son Thomas Harward, \$5.

To my son David Harward, \$80 to be paid in neat stock.

To my daughter Hannah M'Lellan, \$60.

To my daughter Peggy Harward, \$100.

To my daughters Hannah and Peggy, as long as they remain single, the SE chamber of my now dwelling house with a privilege of passing to and from the same and a privilege to the well and the door yard.

To my children William, Thomas, and Sarah, my Jamaica claim, they paying one half of the net proceeds to my children eq div. The aforesaid claim arising under the will of my Uncle William Harward of Jamaica in the West Indies who died there. And I further will all papers relative to the claim to be immediately delivered to William, Thomas, and Sarah, who are empowered to attend to the recovery of the same at their own expense and risk.

To my sons Otis Harward and John Harward, all the residue of my estate.

Appt my sons Otis Harward and John Harward execs.

Dated 18 June 1818

Signed with his signature ("Thomas Harward")

Witnesses: Samuel Gray, Zenas Hatch, Robert Maxwell

In probate: 25 Aug. 1818

**192. DANIEL DUNTON of Edgcomb, yeoman [LCP 20:155]**

Being weak in body

To my wife Susannah Dunton, one third of my RE during her life, with all my h/h furniture and 3 cows and 6 sheep.



To my son Daniel Dunton, \$20.

To my son James Dunton, all my RE on which I now live with the widow's third at her decease, with all the stock on the farm with 2 acres of marsh lying in Georgetown, with all my farming utensils; and my son James is to maintain my son John Dunton, a non compos person, during his life and the said John Dunton to live with my son James Dunton and to be under his direction and control.

To my youngest son Ephraim Dunton, \$20.

To my daughter Marcy Greenleaf, \$20.

To my daughter Betsey Duston [*sic*] heirs, Abigail, Sophia and Wm Dunton, \$5 each.

To my daughter Joanna Dunton, \$20.

To my daughter Hannah Dunton, \$20.

To my daughter Abigail Dunton, \$20.

To my son James Dunton, all the residue of my PE.

Appt my son James Dunton exec.

Dated: 12 Feb. 1818

Signed with his mark ("X")

Witnesses: Levi Shattuck, David Shattuck, Levi Shattuck Jr.

In probate: 5 Sept. 1818

**193. LAWRENCE PARSONS of Cushing, yeoman [LCP 20:244]**

Being weak in body

To my wife Sally Parsons, one third of all my PE and the income of one third part of all my RE during her natural life.

To my son William Parsons, one undivided half part of an island lying near the entrance of St. Georges river and known by the name of Burnt Island.

To my 3 daughters Elenor Parsons, Sally Parsons, and Mary Parsons, one feather bed each with suitable bedding and bedstead. Also one cow each to be delivered to them when they shall be married if that shall take place before my son Laurence Boneparte Parsons comes of age, if not they are to receive them when he does come of age.

I also give to my 3 daughters Elenor, Sally and Mary 45 acres of land lying at the west end of my homestead farm in Cushing, bounded west by Madumcook river and extending east including the whole width of my land.

To my grandson Isaac Burton, \$1.

To my son Laurence Boneparte Parsons, all the remainder of my homestead farm in Cushing, reserving to my 3 daughters Elenor, Sally and Mary a comfortable home in my dwelling house on said farm so long as they shall remain single, the said home to be free of expense.

I order that my son Laurence B. Parsons shall suitably provide for my aged father Laurence Parsons and supply him at all time during his natural life with good and suitable meat, drink, lodging and clothing in sickness and in health, and at his decease to have him buried in a decent and Christian manner. And I order that my executor shall faithfully have my father taken care of as above during the minority of my son Lawrence B. Parsons.

To my son Lawrence B. Parsons, all the residue of my PE.  
 Appt Reuben Hall of Warren, yeoman, sole exec.  
 Dated: 25 Aug. 1818  
 Signed with his signature ("Law<sup>e</sup> Parsons Jr.")  
 Witnesses: James Malcom, Sam<sup>l</sup> Payson, Charles Rolinson  
 In probate: 19 Jan. 1819

**194. BENJAMIN KELLEY of Boothbay, yeoman [LCP 20:248]**

Being weak in body

To my grandson Isaac Kelly, one cow, four sheep, three silver teaspoons, and one silver tablespoon, one chest of drawers and one foot [weale?], also one bed & bedding, and all my wearing apparel, and all the rest of the h/h furniture except what shall be mentioned hereafter.

To my grandson John Kelley, on two-year-old heifer and one spring calf.

To my grandson Benjamin Kelley, one bed & bedding & bedstead and one 3-year-old heifer and three silver teaspoons and one silver table spoon and four sheep.

To my grandson James Kelley, two sheep.

To my grandson Ezra Kelley, two sheep.

To my granddaughter Anna Kelley, one silk gown.

To my daughter Mathew Trask [*sic*],<sup>1</sup> one [baze?] gown, one black [pleace?] gown and two [wollern?] petticoats.

Appt El<sup>d</sup> William Emerson of Boothbay sole exec

Dated: 1 Aug. 1818

Signed with his mark ("X")

Witnesses: Th<sup>s</sup> Cunningham, William Emerson, William Kennedy

In probate: 4 March 1819

**195. JOHN GREAVES of Topsham [LCP 20:250]**

Being weak in body

To my wife [unnamed], a comfortable maintenance out of my estate during her natural life.

To my son John, \$1 over and above what he already has received.

To my son Daniel, my son Johnson, my son Levi, my daughter Sarah, and my daughter Esther all the remainder of my estate in equal shares

Appt my son Daniel and my kinsman Crispus Greaves execs.

Dated: 15 June 1815

Signed with his signature ("John Graves")

Witnesses: Benjamin Jaques, Jacob Graves, Israel Towns

In probate: 24 Aug. 1818

*(to be continued)*

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<sup>1</sup> She was likely the Martha Kelley who m. (int.) Boothbay, 26 Aug. 1784, Obadiah Trask of Edgcomb (Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Boothbay and Southport, Maine* [Waterville, Maine, 2018], 24).

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