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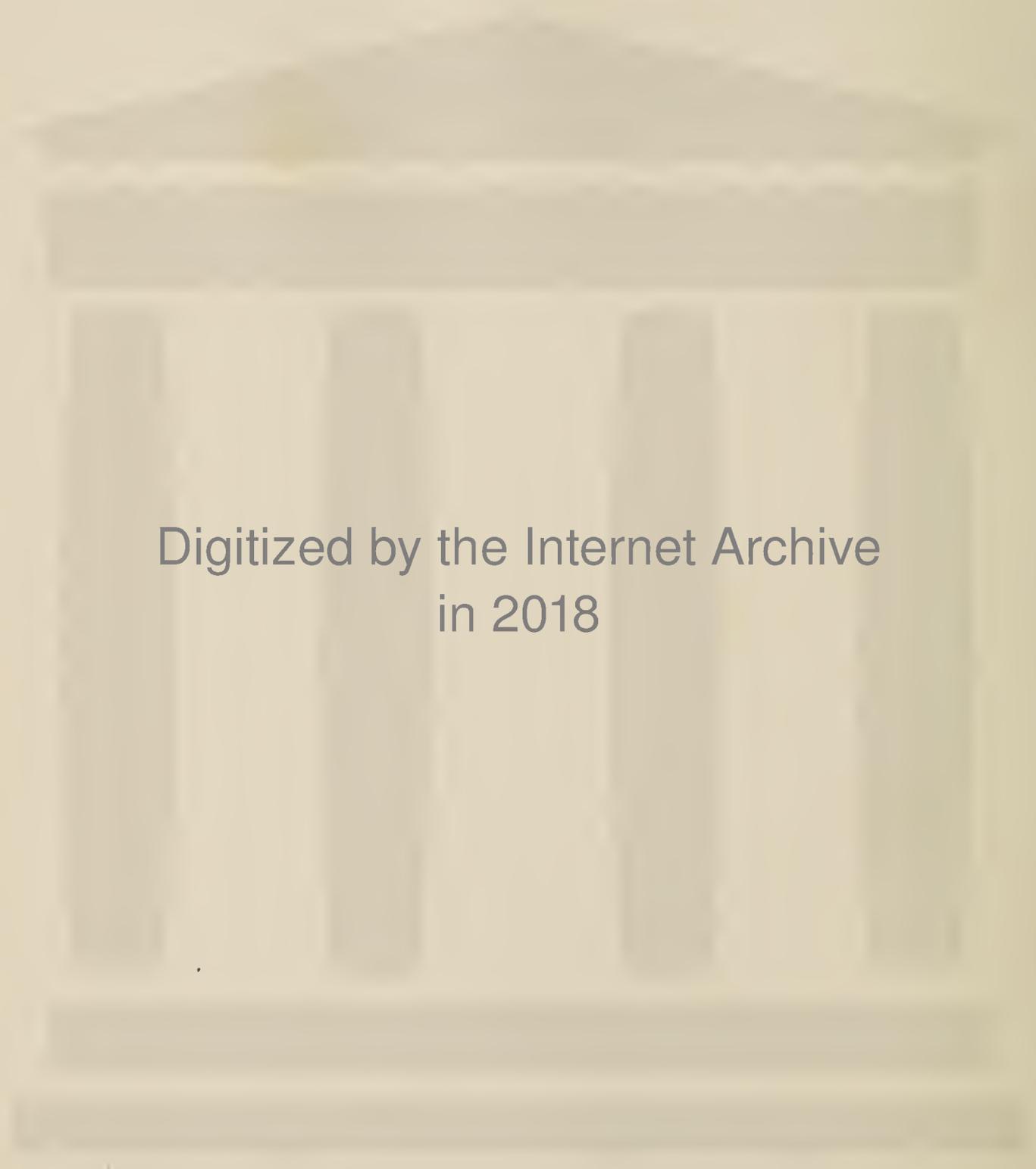
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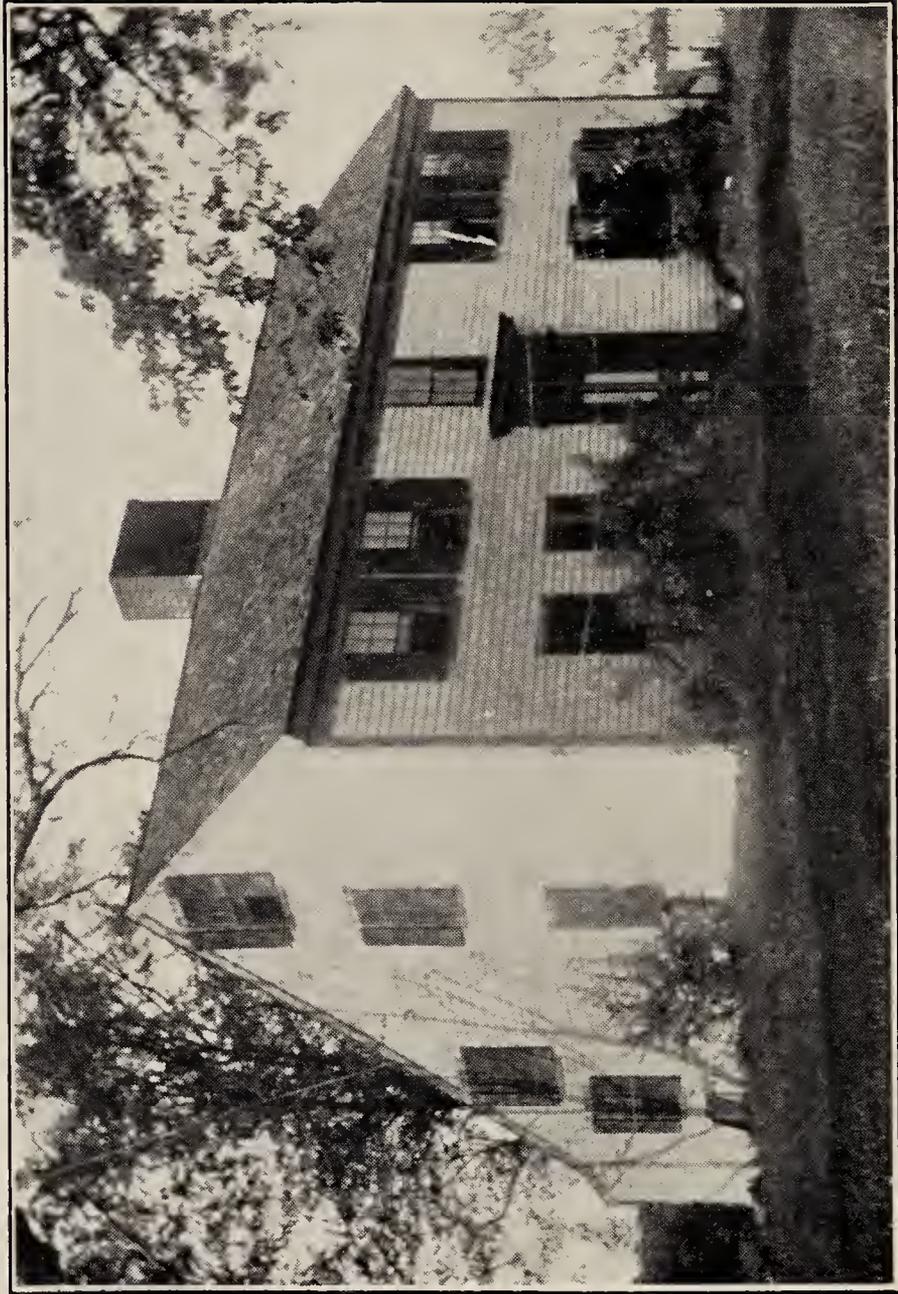






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A Biographical and Genealogical Record  
of the Descendants of

THOMAS GARDNER, PLANTER

Cape Ann, 1624; Salem (Naumkeag), 1626-1674

through his son

LIEUT. GEORGE GARDNER

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## PREFACE

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The compiler of this genealogy has been making an exhaustive study of this Salem family of Gardners for many years. He was invited by the Essex Institute to contribute a series of articles, which were published in the Historical Collections of that society in 1901-1904. These were deprinted in a volume, which was published in 1907, under the title — "Thomas Gardner, Planter, and Some of His Descendants." The special field of research of the Institute is Essex County, and the record of descendants who removed to other localities was not continued in the above volume. Many of the descendants of Lieutenant George Gardner, second generation, removed from Salem in the sixth and later generations, and became prominent in other localities. Notable among these was Samuel Pickering Gardner, number 60, who removed to Boston in 1793 and became the founder of the Boston branch of this family. The fact that very many of these later descendants have attained eminence in many branches of endeavor, has made it desirable that their records be preserved. The following pages contain the life stories of many leaders in the various learned professions; in maritime and financial lines; in church, state and military endeavors; in art, music and varied and extensive philanthropies.

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## INTRODUCTION

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### GENERAL NOTES ON THE GARDNERS AND GARDINERS OF NEW ENGLAND.

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This name, spelled in various ways, is frequently met with in the records of Massachusetts and the neighboring states. In order therefore to avoid confusion, and to define the scope of the succeeding chapters, the author has deemed it advisable to preface the work with notes upon the family in general.

He does not, however, assume the degree of responsibility for their truth which he does in regard to the succeeding genealogical history of his own family, to the preparation of which he has devoted thirty-five years of study.

1620 – Richard “Gardenar” of the Mayflower, was the first man of the name to come to New England. He was unmarried. Governor Bradford states that “he became a seaman, and died in England, or at sea.”<sup>1</sup> The following probate entry, quoted in the Somerset and Dorset Notes and Queries, v. III, p. 148, probably refers to him; “Richard Gardner, Bachelor, of Ozmonton, Died abroad. Alice Androwes, of Weymouth, spinster, appointed administratrix, 27 May, 1626.”

1624 – Thomas Gardner, Planter, came to Cape Ann in the “Zouch Phenix.”<sup>2</sup> He was overseer of the plantation and removed to Naumkeag (Salem), with Roger Conant and the other planters, in 1626. The story of his six sons and three daughters, and their achievements, will be found in succeeding pages of this memorial volume. His descendants have spread from the home towns of Salem and Nantucket, over the entire United States and the Maritime Provinces. They have been especially

<sup>1</sup> The Bradford History, pp. 533 and 538.

<sup>2</sup> “The Planters of the Commonwealth,” Col. Charles Edward Banks, p. 58.

numerous in Washington County and Waldo County, Maine;<sup>3</sup> Yarmouth, N. S.; New Bedford, Brockton and other cities and towns in southeastern Massachusetts; Boston and the cities and towns in northeastern Massachusetts; and the states of New York, Ohio, Indiana and North Carolina. In the last named state many members of the society of Friends from Nantucket settled and descendants of these people later migrated to the middle west and northwest.

1630 – **Sir Christopher Gardiner**, said to have been knighted in Jerusalem, was selected by Gorges to represent his interests in New England. He claimed descent from a Gloucester, England, family and that his father was a brother of the famous Stephen Gardiner, Bishop of Winchester and Lord Chancellor of Queen Mary, — the bitter and able reactionist, whom Shakespeare makes Henry VIII describe as a man of “a cruel nature and a bloody.” Owing to the disparity of ages, this relationship seems improbable to Charles Francis Adams. He brought with him a servant or two and a “comly young woman whom he called cousin, but it was suspected she (after the Italian maner) was his concubine.” A full account of his conduct, which greatly shocked the New England Puritans will be found in Charles Francis Adams’s historical monograph, “Sir Christopher Gardiner, Knight.”<sup>4</sup>

1631 – **Henry Gardner**, Piscataqua, was one of the grantees with Sir Ferdinando Gorges, Knight, Captain John Mason and others. A division of this land was made Dec. 6, 1663. Henry Gardner with others, deeded a portion of this land to John Littlebury and William Thomas, July 4, 1664.<sup>5</sup>

1635 – **Lion Gardiner**, engineer, wrote; — “In the year of our Lord 1635, July the 10th came I, Lion Gardiner

<sup>3</sup> “The Gardner Family, Machias, Maine,” by Charles L. Andrews, Esq.

<sup>4</sup> Boston Public Library, 4344, No. 103. Also Massachusetts Bay Records, v. I, p. 83; Maine Historical Society, v. X, p. 104; (Ibid) v. II, p. 57; History of New England, by John Winthrop, 2d Edition, v. 8, p. 65; and Young’s Chronicles, pp. 333-5.

<sup>5</sup> Maine Historical Society, Second Series, v. IV, pp. 312-320.

and Mary my wife, from Woorden a town in Holland, where my wife was borne"<sup>6</sup> etc. He came in the "Bachelor," Thomas Webb, Master, of twenty-five tons.<sup>7</sup> He arrived in Boston, November 28. Winthrop wrote, "Here arrived, a small Norsey Bark, sent by Lords Say, etc., with one Gardiner, an expert engineer, or work base, and provisions of all sorts, to begin a fort at the mouth of the Connecticut. Her passengers, twelve men, two women and goods, all safe." He went to Saybrook, Conn., in the following year and remained there until 1639, when an Indian Sachem, Yovawan, conveyed to him the island afterwards known as Gardiner's Island. This was the first English settlement in New York. The property descended by the law of primogeniture for nearly two hundred years, and is now owned by the twelfth proprietor, having been in the family nearly three hundred years. The descendants of this man are numerous and widely distributed through the country.<sup>8</sup>

1635 – **Edmund Gardner** or Gardiner of Ipswich. The earliest mention of him in the Ipswich Town Records, is in the year 1635, when land, granted to Mr. John Coggswell, is described as having "a lott of Edmund Gardiner's on the South-west." He had several lots of land granted to him in that town, was a deacon in the church and held a number of minor offices of trust. Savage thought that he might have been the "Edward," who came in the James from London in 1635, aged 25.<sup>9</sup>

1638 – **Thomas Gardner**, buried in Roxbury, in November, 1638. His widow, "aged sister Gardner" died 7 (8) 1658. His sons Thomas and Peter have numerous descendants, who have been prominent in Brookline since the early days of the colony, and this is appropriately called the "Brookline Family." Colonel Thomas Gard-

<sup>6</sup> "A Chronicle for Everyday People," pp. 23-24, N. E. H. Gen. Library.

<sup>7</sup> "The Planters of the Commonwealth," p. 153-4, Col. Charles Edward Banks.

<sup>8</sup> New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, v. XXIII, pp. 159-190; "Lion Gardiner and His Descendants," by Curtiss C. Gardiner.

<sup>9</sup> "Ipswich in the Massachusetts Bay Colony," by Rev. Thomas Franklin Waters.

ner,<sup>10</sup> who was mortally wounded, while leading his regiment in the Battle of Bunker Hill, June 17th, 1775, was a member of this family, as was also Isaac Gardner who was killed in the battle of Lexington. Rev. Andrew Gardner of Lancaster, Mass., his son Rev. Andrew Gardner, of Lunenburg, Mass., and General Isaac S. Gardner, who died December 6, 1818, also belonged to this family.<sup>11</sup> Elizabeth J. Gardner, the celebrated artist, wife of Bougeureau, was also a member of the family.<sup>12</sup>

1638 – **George Gardiner** was admitted an inhabitant of Aquidneck, Rhode Island, in the eighth month of that year. Admitted freeman at Newport in the following year. Hon. Asa Bird Gardiner, of New York, claimed that this family was from the family of “Sir Osborn Gardiner, Kt. Primus filius, Lord of the Manor of Oral on Douglass River in Wigan Parish, West Derby Hundred, County Palatine of Lancaster.” He is said to have sailed from Bristol, on the ship “Fellowship,” which arrived in Boston, June 29, 1637. He had fourteen children, many of whom had large families. Descendants have been particularly numerous in Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts. Gardiner, Maine, was settled by members of this family, Dr. Sylvester Gardiner being the prime mover in the enterprise of settlement. His grandson, John Sylvester John Gardiner, D.D., was a prominent Episcopal divine, rector of Trinity Church, Boston. Robert Hallowell Gardiner, Sr., and Robert Hallowell Gardiner, Jr., have been prominent citizens of Boston, Mass., and Gardiner, Maine. His Excellency William Tudor Gardiner, Governor of Maine, is a son of Robert Hallowell Gardiner, Sr. Dr. Sylvester Gardiner and several other members of this family were loyalists during the American Revolution. Many members of the family served the cause of the patriots; among them, Captain John Gardiner, who commanded the

<sup>10</sup> “Col. Thomas Gardner’s Regiment,” by Frank A. Gardner, M. D., *Massachusetts Magazine*, v. IV, pp. 153-173.

<sup>11</sup> Mss. notes on the “Brookline Gardner Family,” by F. L. Gan, N. E. H. Gen. Soc. Library; “Ancient Wethersfield,” v. II, p. 352.

<sup>12</sup> Bell’s “History of Exeter, N. H.”

“Kingstown Reds” in 1775-1776, and was a member of the Continental Congress in 1789; and Major Sylvester Gardner, who was a major of Kings County in 1769. He served on a committee of patriots in 1774-5; was major of Kings County Militia in 1780; Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and Chief Justice in 1792. Hon. Asa Bird Gardiner was also a member of this family. While many members of the family use the “i,” many others spell the name Gardner.<sup>13</sup>

1641 – **Samuel Gardner**, Wethersfield, Connecticut, where a house lot was given to him by the church and town, March 1, 1647-8, described as “four acres of land bounded by New Street,” etc., also another house lot. His name appeared in 1659 in a list of those who intended to remove from Connecticut to Massachusetts. He removed to “Newtown or Norwotuck” (now Hadley), Massachusetts, where he took the freeman’s oath, March 26, 1661. A list of his children appears in Judd’s “History of Hadley.” His wife Elizabeth died June 21, 1671, and he died November 22, 1696, aged about 81.<sup>14</sup>

1642 – **Richard Gardner**, of Woburn. He was in that town in the year mentioned and was made freeman, 1652. This family has been particularly prominent in Middlesex County, Massachusetts. Henry Gardner, first treasurer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; Hon. Henry Joseph Gardner, Governor of Massachusetts, 1855-57; Rev. John Gardner (1695-1775), minister at Stow, Mass.; his son, Rev. Francis Gardner (1737-1814), minister at Leominster; Hon. Francis Gardner (1771-1835), member of Congress from New Hampshire (1807-8), and later a prominent lawyer in Boston; his son, Francis Gardner, LL.D., a prominent educator and master of the Boston Latin School; Dr. Samuel Gardner (1725-1779), of Milton; Dr. Joseph Gardner (1781-1890) of Dorchester; Dr. Henry Gardner (1772-1854) of Charlestown;

<sup>13</sup> “Gardiners of Narragansett,” by Caroline E. Robinson; “Gardner History and Genealogy,” by Lillian May and Charles Morris Gardner; “History of Christ Church, Gardiner, Maine”; “Biographical Directory of Congress,” p. 999.

<sup>14</sup> “History of Ancient Wethersfield,” v. I, p. 271, and Judd’s “History of Hadley, Mass.”

Dr. James Gardner (1763-1831) and his son, Dr. James Flagg Gardner (1794-1829) of Ipswich, were all members of this Woburn family.<sup>15</sup>

1650 – **John Gardner**, of Hingham, about that year, and had land granted to him in the southern part of the town in 1656. He has had many descendants who have been prominent in the affairs of Hingham and the surrounding towns in southeastern Massachusetts. Some of them went to Denny's River, Maine, with the pioneers, in the sloop "Sally," the so-called "Hingham Mayflower," in May, 1788; Warren Gardner went to Passamaquoddy, Maine, in 1790, and Major James Gardner to Harpswell Neck about 1758. Rev. Calvin Gardner, of Waterville, Maine, a prominent Universalist minister, belonged to this family.<sup>16</sup>

1661 – **James Gardner**, Gloucester. He was given land there that year by William Vinson, whose daughter, Elizabeth, became his wife on June 16th of that year. He has had many descendants in northern Essex County, especially in Gloucester and Haverhill. Many have lived in southern New Hampshire, among them, Rev. George W. Gardner, D.D. (1828-1895), a prominent Baptist clergyman, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Charlestown, Mass., from 1861 to 1872, and later of the First Baptist Church in Cleveland, Ohio. He was president of the Central University of Iowa from 1881 to 1885.<sup>17</sup>

1661 – **Lieut. Thomas Gardner**, of Pemaquid, bought a dwelling house and half acre of land in Beverly, May 31, 1661, which Thomas Gardner, Jun.<sup>3</sup> (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), acting as "y<sup>e</sup> Atorney of Tho. Gardner of Pemaquid," sold to Gilbert Tapley of Beverly, March 15, 1674-5.<sup>18</sup> This deed to Gilbert Tapley is signed by

<sup>15</sup> Sewall's History of Woburn, p. 614; Tuttle Genealogy, p. 310; Wilder's History of Leominster, and Wyman's History of Charlestown. Gardner Family, 1858, G-Gar-12, New England Hist. Gen. Library.

<sup>16</sup> History of Hingham, v. II, Genealogical, pp. 242-263; "Gardner Family," C. N. Sennett; History of Waterville, Maine, and Bangor Historical Magazine, v. VI, p. 271.

<sup>17</sup> Gloucester, Newbury and Haverhill Vital Records; History of New London, N. H., and History of Bristol, N. H.

<sup>18</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 4, leaf 136.

Thomas Gardner, Jun., the attorney, his signature being witnessed by Thomas Gardner, Sen., evidently second generation, as Thomas Gardner,<sup>1</sup> the planter immigrant, had died nearly two months prior to this date. This naturally leads us to believe that the Pemaquid "Thomas" was related to the Gardners of Salem. An account of his life and a study of the evidences of this kinship will be found in the author's "Thomas Gardner, Planter, and Some of His Descendants,"<sup>19</sup> pp. 102-105, the latest reference to him in that article bearing date of June, 1685, when he was called "Thomas Gardner Sr. Merchant of Salem," and was granted power of attorney for John Earthy, one of his old associates at Pemaquid.<sup>20</sup> He evidently returned to the eastward, where, in October, 1789, he was sent out by Major Jeremiah Swayne, with "40 men to Oister River." Under date of "13 Xber 1689" we read, "It is ordered that Capt. Gardiner, "now at Barwick, be licensed to return home & y<sup>e</sup> comand of those soldjers under his care committed to Major Charles ffrost,"<sup>21</sup> etc.

Volume VI, Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War, contains the records of two hundred and sixty-four men of this name. The first United States census, taken in 1790, revealed the following in regard to the distribution of families of this name in New England: Maine had 15 Gardiner families and 6 Gardner; New Hampshire, no Gardiner but 17 Gardner; Vermont, 2 Gardiner and 11 Gardner; Massachusetts, 28 Gardiner and 169 Gardner; Rhode Island, 10 Gardiner and 93 Gardner; Connecticut, 26 Gardiner and 1 Gardner. In the case of five other families in New England, a freak spelling was used.

<sup>19</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. VIII, pp. 78-81.

<sup>20</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 7, leaf 43.

<sup>21</sup> Maine Historical Society, Second Series, v. IV, p. 470; (ibid.) v. V, p. 18.



## THE GARDNER MEMORIAL

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1. **Thomas Gardner**, the common ancestor of the Salem-Nantucket family, came to America in 1624. A deposition on file in the Essex County Court Papers, v. VII, p. 3, shows that he was born about 1592, but his birthplace and English home are unknown to us. Farmer states that he came from Scotland, but he gives no authority for the statement, and nothing has since been found to confirm it. The belief held by many that his ancestral home was in Dorsetshire or one of the adjoining counties of England, is much more reasonable, as he sailed from Weymouth, received his appointment from the Dorchester Company to an office of honor and responsibility, and came hither with men who were largely from Dorsetshire or the neighboring county of Somerset.<sup>1</sup>

He may have been related to the Reverend John White, the famous Puritan divine, and "Patriarch of Dorchester," one of the prime movers in the Cape Ann enterprise.

Elizabeth White, sister of Rev. John, married for her first husband a man by the name of Thomas Gardner.<sup>2</sup> John White of St. John Oxford, father of the above, in his will dated "xxxth. day of September, 1616," mentions his daughter Elizabeth Gardner, and appoints his son-in-law Thomas Gardner one of the overseers of his will.

Mary, another daughter of John White of St. John Oxford, married, about 1590, John Terry, rector of Stockton in Wiltshire. John Terry's will was proved "5 July 1625." Mary Terry of Dorchester, widow, in her will dated the 6th of October, 1637 (II Lee, 1638), mentions sister Elizabeth Gardner, Anne, wife of John White, etc."<sup>3</sup>

After the death of Thomas Gardner his widow married Allen, and the Rev. John White of Dorchester in his will

<sup>1</sup> John Balch is said to have come from the vicinity of Bridgewater, Somerset; Capt. William Trask is supposed to have come from the same county; Roger Conant came from Budleigh, in Devonshire; and John Woodbury was married 21 June 1596, at Burlescombe in Devonshire, on the border of Somersetshire.

<sup>2</sup> Notes on the families of Terry, White and Woodbury, p. 10.

<sup>3</sup> Notes on the families of Terry, White and Woodbury, p. 251.

dated March 29, 1648, left twenty shillings to his sister Elizabeth Allen.<sup>4</sup> This Thomas Gardner may have been the man of that name of Cherill, Wiltshire, whose will we quote:

“The last will and testament of Thomas Gardner in the year of our Lord God 1629, wch is this I doo give unto my wief awl. I doo make my sonne Thomas my whole executor. I have in John Grangers hand forty nyne shillings wch is due already and I have in William Watens hand forty six shillings, wch he is to pay at Michaelmas next: And I have alsoe in William Pars hand seaventeene shillings and six pence wch is not to be payd until Michaelmas next. In witness whereof I sett my hand this twenty sixth of December.

Witness

Thomas Gardner

William Watton,

William Granger.”

Probated Jan. 3, 1631. Dean of Sarum, Lib. 12, No. 40, 1631.

Rev. Charles H. Pope called attention to the fact that Cherill (modern Cherhill) is only twenty-five miles from Stockton where the Terrys lived.

Mrs. Frances B. Troup, genealogist of Honiton, England, in a letter to the writer, notes that several relatives of Rev. John White came to New England, among them his nephew, Stephen Terry, who arrived at Dorchester, Massachusetts, 1629-30; his nephew by marriage, Rev. William Walton, minister at Marblehead; and another nephew, James White, who went to Barbadoes and is said to have lived for a time in Boston.

Several other Gardner wills have been found in Dorsetshire and at Somerset House, London.

Col. Charles Edward Banks, in an article entitled “The Cape Ann Planters, 1624-1626,” wrote as follows:—  
“Thomas Gardner. It is indicated from the records in the author’s collection, that this early settler came from the Tithing of Hurst in the parish of Martock, about five miles from Lymington.” Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. LXVI (1930), p. 319.

<sup>4</sup> Rev. C. H. Pope’s Mss. notes, copied from the original.

Reference has been made to the above English Gardeners in order that genealogists may have the benefit of researches already made, and with the hope that further facts may be brought to light.

During the days immediately following the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, several merchants in the south of England sent fishing vessels to the shores of New England, but owing to the length of time required by these slow-going craft they returned to the markets of England and Spain too late to dispose of their catch. Accordingly a number of men in Dorchester, England, comprising the Dorchester Company, conceived the idea of establishing a plantation at Cape Ann. They thought that the fishermen might winter there, make their catch early in the spring, and return to England in season to dispose of the fish to advantage.

In 1624, the Cape Ann Planters, as they have ever since been called, landed at Stage Point on the west side of what is now Gloucester harbor. Col. Charles Edward Banks, in his recently published, admirable work, "The Planters of the Commonwealth," records the following in his list of ships arriving in 1624:—

"ZOUCH PHENIX. She was consort of the Unity, or arrived with her in the spring of this year. It is believed she sailed from Weymouth, and brought the following passengers, who settled at Cape Anne.

THOMAS GARDNER

Mrs. . . . . Gardner

George Gardner

Richard Gardner

Joseph Gardner

JOHN BALCH

Mrs. Agnes Balch

Benjamin Balch

John Balch

THOMAS GRAY

WALTER KNIGHT

WILLIAM TRASK

JOHN TILLEY

PETER PALFREY

JOHN WOODBURY"

Thomas Gardner was placed in charge of the plantation and John Tilly of the fishing. The selection of the site for a plantation proved to be an unfortunate one, as the rocky and unfertile soil made successful farming impossible. The fisheries also proved a failure and many of the fishermen turned to agriculture for relief. The leaders of the company in England, hearing that Roger Conant was at Nantasket, and thinking that he might be more successful, invited him to go to Cape Ann and assume entire control. Conant went there in 1625, and soon learned that the lack of success had been due to the poor soil, and that no settlement at that place could be made profitable.

Conant searched along the coast for a better plantation site and selected the mouth of the Naumkeag River at what is now Salem. In 1626 the Dorchester Company granted him permission to remove the little colony to the new location, and while many of the adventurers went to Virginia or returned to England, a few stout hearts remained and became the founders of Salem. They stayed, as Conant said, "to the hazard of their lives," and it is a matter of shame and deepest regret that many an historical writer of old Massachusetts has failed to give them due credit for the laying of the foundation of this grand old Commonwealth. They proved that a settlement was possible, and sent one of their number back to England to convince the Reverend John White and his associates of that fact and to ask for help and supplies. The interest thus awakened resulted in the formation of the London Company and the sending of John Endicott in the ship "Abigail" in 1628.

However the "first Governor" question may finally be decided, there can be no doubt of the fact that Thomas Gardner, as Overseer of the Plantation at Cape Ann, was the first man in authority on the soil of what developed into the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

At a meeting of the London Company, held July 28, 1629, Mr. Webb mentioned "one Mr. Gardner, an able & expert man in divers facultyes," and he with others was recommended for employment in the colony.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>5</sup> Massachusetts Bay Records, v. I, p. 49. Felt's Annals of Salem, 2d edition, v. I, p. 125.

In the Town Records, dated 11-11-1635, we find recorded a grant of land to Townsend Bishop, signed by John Endicott, Roger Conant, Thomas Gardner, Jeffry Massey and Edmund Batter.

Thomas Gardner also signed his name in the same month to the grant of a three hundred acre farm to Thomas Scruggs, and in the following month to a grant of the same size to John Blackleech. His signature as one of the town's representatives is appended to the records in the 11th mo., 1636.<sup>6</sup>

*Thomas Gardner Senr*

On the 20th of the first month, 1637, he was appointed with Thomas Olney to "survey all the ffences betwixt the meeting house, all westward of the Towne." In 1636 he was made a member of the First Church.<sup>7</sup>

Massachusetts Bay Colony admitted him as a freeman, 17th of the 3d mo. 1637, and he was appointed a deputy to the General Court on the 26th of the 7th mo. in the same year.<sup>8</sup> In 1637 he was appointed one of the twelve men of the town. He served as a juror in this and the preceding year.<sup>9</sup> The town voted that every working man should devote the 7th day of the first month, 1638, to labor in repairing the highways, and Thomas Gardner was appointed one of the three overseers to see that the work was properly done.<sup>6</sup>

In a list of families compiled by Roger Conant about this time, Thomas Gardner is credited with a family of seven, and George and Thomas, (Jr.), his sons, are given separately, one each. "The 18th day of the 12th mo., Paid by Thomas Gardner to John Pickering, six powns."

He was called "Cunstable" in the town records in the 3d month of 1639, and various sums were recorded as being paid by him for court expenses. In this year he also served the town as surveyor for "mending of the high

<sup>6</sup> Town Records.

<sup>7</sup> First Church Records.

<sup>8</sup> Massachusetts Bay Records, v. I, p. 204.

<sup>9</sup> County Court Records.

wayes," and was one of the raters.<sup>10</sup> The town appointed him with Goodman Spooner in 1640 to look after the fences in the "field where Mr. Gardner is." This is the lot described later as being on the upper part of Essex Street. In 1640 he owned a bull and was given "XXs." for its use in the herd that season. Mr. Thos. Gardner and others, were appointed on the 9th of the 8th mo. 1643, to receive corn for John Moore; ½ peck "from euery familie . . . & such as are better able to bestow more according as God shall inable them."<sup>10</sup>

He was chosen a member of the Grand Jury in 1643, and was one of the "seven men" from 1642 to 1646, and in 1650, 1655 and 1656. The town appointed him to lay out land for "Old George Wright" in 1642, "Mr. Francis Johnson" in 1643, and Michael Shaffin" in 1644. "30th of the 7th moneth 1644. Ordered that Thomas Gardner shall sett vp a ffence from the end of the bridge called Mr. Reades bridge downe to the fence at the mill, if no man ells can lay clayme to it." "7th of the 2d moneth 1645. Agreed that Mr. Hathorne, Mr. Gardner & Jaffry Massy, shall agree with a Cowkeep or a heardsman to keepe the Cattle this yeare."

In the County Court Records (v. II, p. 193), under date of 18, 12, 1645, we find the following entry: "Mr. Thomas Gardner is to be exempt ffrom training when his Sixth Sonn comes in, & then the Court will consider upon what tearms." He served on the "Jury of tryalls," in 1646, 1657 and 1658. In 1649 he was ordered with two others to lay out a way through Mr. Reade's land. At Mr. Gardner's request "those that now doe or hereafter shall liue at those ten acre lots ends or or syde that they may haue the Comon land granted to them that lyes at the ffoote of Mr. Reads Hill to lye as Comon for theirre Joynt vse, this request is graunted." (27th 2; mo. 1654). 16: 11mo 1655. Mr. Tho: Gardner: apoynted to Ou'see the mendinge of the high way by his owne house & so to the brook." "1 1m, 1655-56. The Complaynt against Maior Hawthorne & Francis Lawes in Buildinge & taking in of towne comon: vpon the hearing of it, Jeffery Mascy & mr Gardner apoynted to view & make returne to the next towne meeting."<sup>10</sup>

<sup>10</sup> Town Records.

He was appointed 13:1:1655-56, with others "to Lay out highways thro: mr Jno Endecots farme & others farmes thereabouts as may be most conuenient for the towne & the Inhabitants thereabouts: extendinge to the great Riuer." Mr. Thomas Gardner and John Porter were ordered in 1657 (23 of the 2d. mo.) to oversee the fences in the North field." In 1657-8 he was appointed one of the surveyors of the lots "from The Gouldthaites to Michell Shafflins," and in 1659, "for North Neck to glass house field."<sup>10</sup>

His name with that of Jacob Barney, Moses Maverick and others, appears on a petition dated 29th. of the 4th mo. 1658.<sup>11</sup> We also find his signature attached to the inventory of the estate of Thomas Scudder,<sup>12</sup> in the same year, and in the year following he signed a statement regarding the estate of Lawrence Southwick.<sup>13</sup> He is spoken of as "Ould Mr. Gardner" in a document in the County Court Papers, v. V, p. 117, and on the same page we find that Thomas Gardner paid a party eleven shillings for keeping the sheep of his son-in-law Joshua Conant (son of Roger) one summer. (20th 4th. mo. 1660.) 9th. Mo. 1659, "Mr. Thomas Gardner administrator of Joshua Connant deceased do acknowledg a judgement of 10 pounds due to Mr. William Browne Merchant, out of the aforesad Joshua Connant."<sup>14</sup>

He was overseer of the will of Lawrence Southwick, November, 1660,<sup>15</sup> and appraiser of the same estate, as well as that of William Cattlebury, 25, 4mo. 1663.<sup>16</sup> Henery Bullock 4th. of January 1664<sup>17</sup> and Ralph Tompkins 12, 9mo. 1666.<sup>18</sup> 25th. 9th. mo. 1662, "Mr. Thomas Gardner have liberty to sell at retaile what strong waters he hath in his hands."<sup>19</sup> In the following year he was given a license to sell "one barrell of strong waters

<sup>10</sup> Town Records.

<sup>11</sup> County Court Papers, book IV, leaf 62.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., leaf 64.

<sup>13</sup> Ibid., book V, leaf 116.

<sup>14</sup> County Court Records, 9mo. 1659.

<sup>15</sup> County Court Papers, book VI, leaf 53.

<sup>16</sup> Ibid., book IX, leaf 23.

<sup>17</sup> Ibid., book X, leaf 7.

<sup>18</sup> Ibid., book XII, leaf 34.

<sup>19</sup> County Court Records, 25th 9mo. 1662.

retale."<sup>20</sup> At the close of the court 21, 5mo. 1674, 10 shillings "was allowed the servants of Mr. Gardner's house, for both feffions."<sup>21</sup>

### REAL ESTATE

In 1641 (and how much earlier we do not know) he lived on what is now Essex Street, Salem, on the north side, between the present Beckford and Flint Streets. This square of land was called in the Town Records in the second month of that year, "the field where Mr. Gardner is."

He had granted to him by the town of Salem, the following lots of land:

I. 100 acres (20th of the 12th mo: 1636).

This was the farm frequently spoken of as being "near unto the land of Anthony Needham." The location is in West Peabody, on what is now Lowell Street, a short distance east of the Newburyport turnpike. This land was held by the descendants of Thomas Gardner through many generations (through Samuel,<sup>2 gen. 22</sup> Abel,<sup>3 gen. 23</sup> Thomas,<sup>4 gen. 24</sup> Thomas,<sup>5 gen. 25</sup> James,<sup>6 gen.</sup> and his brother John<sup>6</sup>.)<sup>26</sup> John acquired his brother's portions<sup>27</sup> and upon his death left a part of the property to John Gardner Walcott.<sup>28</sup> In addition to the twelve acres thus willed, he left forty-two acres to his wife and to the children of Benjamin G. Proctor.

The old farmhouse remained standing until October, 1854, when it was set on fire by a disaffected farm hand who had formerly worked there. William Skerry occupied the house at the time of the burning, and the writer is indebted to his widow, Mrs. Lucy S. Skerry of Lynn-

<sup>20</sup> Ibid., 24th 9mo. 1163.

<sup>21</sup> Ibid., 5mo. 1674.

<sup>22</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 5, leaf 3.

<sup>23</sup> Ibid., book 302, leaf 175.

<sup>24</sup> Ibid., book 76, leaf 230; 78, 220; 82, 115; and Essex Probate Record, book 324, leaf 15.

<sup>25</sup> Essex Probate Record, book 359, 546; Essex Registry of Deeds, book 104, leaf 267; book 109, leaf 107; book 107, leaf 188; book 114, leaf 215.

<sup>26</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 359, leaf 546.

<sup>27</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 166, leaf 235.

<sup>28</sup> Essex Probate Record, book 401, leaf 305.

field, for this statement. From descriptions of the farmhouse, given to the writer by Mr. Walcott, Mrs. Skerry, Miss S. J. C. Needham and others we know that it was a lean-to closely resembling the farmhouse of his son George Gardner, an illustration of which will be found in this volume.

II. "Ther is granted vnto Mr. Garner an adicion of land to his farme to make it vseful not exceeding 20 acres." ("This 24th day of the 12th moneth, 1637.")<sup>29</sup>

On the "4th day of the 12th moneth 1638," "Mr. Gardner, John Barber & Richard Bishoppe" resigned to the town, a ten acre lot "for other land."<sup>29</sup>

III. "Granted to Tho. gardner a banke of vpland nere the strongwatter brook to his marsh paying 5s pr acre as goodman Lord hath it." (15th, of 3d. mo. 1639.) From documents presented in the case of Gardner (Samuel) versus Pudney, regarding the ownership of the Gardner burying ground, we know that this lot was at the corner of what is now Grove and Main Streets in Peabody.<sup>30</sup> This lot was used by the Gardners for several generations as a place of interment, and is mentioned in the wills of a number of the descendants of Thomas. Each time it was left with the proviso that other members of the family be allowed to bury their dead there. Anthony Buxton testified in the year 1677, that the burial lot was "always called Mr. Gardiner's Hill for this thirty years."<sup>30</sup> The hill was taken away when Grove Street was laid out, and such stones as were still standing were taken up and placed in Harmony Grove cemetery, in the triangular lot just inside the Peabody gate at Grove Street. Among the stones transferred is one erected to the memory of Seeth Grafton, a daughter of the first Thomas Gardner. Lieut. Abel Gardner, third generation, (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) and his wife Sarah (Porter) Gardner, were also buried here and their grave-stones have also been placed in Harmony Grove. Samuel Pickering Gardner in his notes which his grandson, George Augustus Gardner, kindly loaned the author, stated that the Gardner burying ground near Strong Water brook, was

<sup>29</sup> Town Records.

<sup>30</sup> County Court Papers, book XXVI, leaf 85-86.

retained in the Gardner family until 1820-21, when it was sold by William Gardner to a tanner, who removed the gravestones, of which there were several, and converted it into a tan yard. He also writes: "I once visited the spot and remember that one of the stones had the name of Thomas Gardner on it." Further testimony in regard to the burial place of Thomas, the Planter, is given in the notes in regard to his death, in this volume, pages 22-23.

IV. "Granted to Mr. Thomas Gardner, and to Obadiah Holmes, a pcell of land lying within the Rayles nere the gate that leades to and from the old mill nere to the lotts of Mr. Gardiner & Obadiah Holmes, the land nere about 3 quarters of an acre w<sup>ch</sup> is to be devided between them equallie." (20 of 12 mo. 1642.)<sup>31</sup>

V. "Granted to Mr. Tho Gardner a pcell of land to set a house upon neere the old mill on the ten acre lot sid," (8th of the 11th mo. 1643). He erected a structure upon this lot soon after it was granted to him, as the following entry in the Town Records will show: "It is agreed that William Robinson shall haue a little spott of grownd about a q'ter of an acre that lyes before his howse wch is now in buildinge downe to the mill brooke, a little aboue the bridge that leads to the way to Mr. Gardners new building."<sup>32</sup> (30th of the 7th moneth 1644.) Thomas Gardner leased these premises on March 5th, 1672 to John Pudney, as the following extracts from the original documents will show.

"WITNESSETH, that that the said Thomas Gardner, for divers good caufes and considerations him thereunto especially moving, Hath demised, granted, and to farme letten, and by these presents doth demise, grant, and to farme lett, unto the said John Pudney, His new dwelling houfe fituate within the Township of Salem aforesaid, together with all his lands lying in the North field of said Towne, and Contayning by estimation Twenty acres be it more or lefse, as also all his meadow belonging unto the farme of the said Thomas Gardner lying

<sup>31</sup> Town Records.

<sup>32</sup> This was a lean-to house, like the other Gardner houses already mentioned, according to the testimony of old residents in the neighborhood.

and being fcituate in Salem aforesaid, neere unto the land of Anthony Needham, and contayneing by estimation Ten Acres be it more or lefse, Together with all Edifices, Orchards, gardens, feedings, pastures, profitts & Commodities to the said Dwelling, houfe, vpland & meadow before mentioned . . . unto the said John Pudney . . . for & during the terme of Seven yeares beginning the Fifteenth day of April, next ensueing the date of thefe prefents, and from thenceforth fully to be Compleate & ended. Yeelding & paying therefore yearely, during the said Terme, unto ye said Thomas Gardner, his Executeurs of afsignes, the full fumme of Eleven pounds and alfo Two barrells of Cyder, the said Thomas Gardner finding Cafkes for the fame, the said Eleven pounds to be paid yearly in manner following, viz; Four pounds thereof to be delivered in wood, at Eight shillings p<sup>r</sup> Cord. Fourty shillings thereof in Butter & Cheese, of which there is to be one firkin of butter, another ffourty shillings to be paid in good porke, (All which payments are to be made yearly, at or before the first day of November, of the same yeare) and the Remainder of the faid Eleven pounds to be paid at price in Corne at price Current to the fhops, the said Corne to be paid & delivered at or before the first day of March, next following, of y<sup>e</sup> same yeare.

. . . In wittnifse whereof, the parties first above named, to thefe p<sup>nt</sup> Indentures interchangably have fett their hands & feales y<sup>e</sup> day & yeare above written.

Annog rogin Regis Caroli Secundi C C iiiij

Signed sealed & delivered  
in the presence of

Thomas Gardner Senr (seal)  
John Pudne (seal)

Thomas Gardner Junr.  
Joseph Cooke.”

In 1677, after the death of Thomas, his sons Samuel and Lieut. George, joint executors, attached the goods of John Pudney for non-payment of rent, and the defendant rendered an account amounting to 19 pounds, as follows:

A true & just accompt of what I have paid towards

y<sup>e</sup> Rent of y<sup>e</sup> house & land I hired of M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Gardner vzt;

Impr. 14 cord of wood at 8 sh. pr cord, delivered at Mr. John Graftons,	05.12.00
To 4-10 p. in pork,	04.10.00
To 4 in cheese and butter,	04.00.00
To 3 for carrying down a meale Through an Iron pott; 2 cratches & a pole to sett wood against, & 2 quart casks; from Goodm Goldthright.	00.05.00
To a Roasting pigg,	00.02.00
for a doze pigeons,	00.01.00
for 2 pounds of Butter,	00.01.00
for a peck of green pease & 1 pecke of Beans,	00.01.00
for 2 Bush of Turneps,	00.02.00
To butter & mony paid to Saml Gardner,	02.00.00
To him more 4 Bushels of Turneps,	00.04.00
To a Secune pigg to y <sup>e</sup> said Gardner,	00.12.00
To Building a Cow house per agreement	02.00.00
To 4 Barrels of Syder carried in to old Mr. Gardner according to agreement,	00.00.00
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	19.10.00

The jury finding for the defendant, the case was appealed. This lot was on what is now Central Street in Peabody, lying upon the eastern side of that street, and extending from Gardner's bridge, over Gardner's brook, (a short distance from what is now Peabody Square), along the old road (in later deeds called the road to Andover), for quite a distance beyond the top of the hill. This was owned by Samuel Gardner in the second generation, Samuel's son Abel in the third, Joseph and Jonathan,<sup>33</sup> sons of Abel in the fourth. They sold it to the Reverend Benjamin Prescott, April 11th, 1748,<sup>34</sup> and after his death the executors of his estate sold it to Joseph Lee of Beverly and Thomas Lee of Salem.<sup>35</sup> April 9, 1803, it was sold by Thomas Lee to Edward Southwick, Daniel King and Levi Preston, a committee

<sup>33</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 324, leaf 15.

<sup>34</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 98, leaf 207.

<sup>35</sup> Ibid., book 135, leaf 201.

appointed by the town of Danvers to make the purchase.<sup>36</sup> It was used by the town as a poor-house for a few years and was sold by the overseers of the poor to Joseph Poor, Jr., Sept. 4, 1809.<sup>37</sup> After the death of Joseph Poor, his executors sold a portion of the lot to George Poor, the lot thus sold being on the corner of Central and Elm Streets in what is now Peabody.<sup>38</sup> This small portion of the original homestead lot changed hands many times during the next few years and was finally purchased by George W. Pepper, who resided there in a large house and conducted an extensive confectionery business in an adjoining building, for many years.<sup>39</sup>

VI. "Granted to mr. Gardner a small peece of medow Contayning about an acre lying vpon the north side of his farme adjoining to it." (31, 6mo. 1649.)<sup>40</sup>

VII. "Granted to old Mr Gardn<sup>er</sup> 20 akers of land in fom place neare the 7 mens bounds in confideration of a countei hie way through his farme and alfo that fom meadows of Mr Gednyes faleth within his farme." (15 of 12mo. 1663.)<sup>40</sup>

This is the twenty acres of land described in the inventory as "lying in the woods."<sup>41</sup>

The only recorded sale of real estate by Thomas is the following: "To Josiah Southwick of Salem, 2 acres of land lying in northfields bounded as follows: S. W. adjoining the meadow late of Robert Buffum, N. E. adjoining to the land in possession of Robert Pease, N. E. & S. W. bounded by the land of Hen. Trask." (Dec. 6, 1671.)

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Thomas Gardner married twice. We know this from the fact that in his will he mentions his wife as the mother-in-law<sup>42</sup> of his sons. The Margaret Gardner, who united with the First Church in 1639, is believed to have

<sup>36</sup> Ibid., book 173, leaf 107.

<sup>37</sup> Ibid., book 186, leaf 273.

<sup>38</sup> Ibid., book 477, leaf 173; also book 478, leaf 267; book 478, leaf 112; and book 631, leaf 141.

<sup>39</sup> Essex Registry of Deds, book 643, leaf 124.

<sup>40</sup> Town Records.

<sup>41</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 4, leaf 85.

<sup>42</sup> Old name for stepmother. (See Encyclopaedic Dictionary.)

been his wife.<sup>43</sup> Various writers, including Rev. Joseph B. Felt, have stated that her maiden name was Fryer (or Friar), but the writer has thus far failed to find the authority for this statement. Reverend Charles Henry Pope, in his "Pioneers of Massachusetts" suggests that this Margaret who united with the Salem Church in 1639, may have been the wife of Edmund Gardner of Ipswich.<sup>44</sup> While Edmund's wife may have been named Margaret,<sup>45</sup> it seems improbable that she was the one thus mentioned, for the following reasons: Edmund is mentioned in the Ipswich Town Records as early as 1635, and very frequently thereafter. The Ipswich church was organized in 1634, and the wife of a man so prominent in local affairs would, in all probability, have united with the "home church."

His second wife was Damaris Shattuck, a widow, who was admitted to the church in Salem in 1641. She was the mother of Samuel Shattock. She had several other children by her first husband,<sup>46</sup> one of whom married Richard Gardner, son of Thomas.<sup>47</sup> She, like most of her Shattuck relatives, evidently favored the Friends, as she was called into court many times for being "present at a Quaker meeting," and for absence from her own church.<sup>48</sup> In the 9th mo. 1667, and the 4th mo. in the year following, "Old Mrs Gardner was fined 5 shilling for absence from public worship."<sup>49</sup> She had no children by Thomas Gardner. The date of her death is given in the Salem Town Records, as 28, 9, 1674.

Thomas Gardner died the 29th 10mo. 1674,<sup>50</sup> and was buried in the Gardner burying ground, a hillock described as lot III in the section of this article relating to land grants. The following extract from a deposition made by William Trask in 1677 is of interest in this connection: "I never heard that Old Mr. Gardiner did hind<sup>er</sup> any from burring there dead there butt said at severall

<sup>43</sup> First Church Records.

<sup>44</sup> Pioneers of Massachusetts, p. 181.

<sup>45</sup> Ipswich Deeds (Essex County Registry Office), book 1, leaf 8.

<sup>46</sup> Shattock Memorial, p. 361.

<sup>47</sup> See notes on Richard, 2 gen., page 27.

<sup>48</sup> County Court Papers, book VI, leaves 60, 148 and 150.

<sup>49</sup> County Court Records.

<sup>50</sup> Town Records.

funeralls to friends & neighbors doe not burrey dead by such a young tree for I doe defire to be burried there my felfe & according to my knowledge he was burried there himself."<sup>51</sup>

Thus ended his long and useful life. The writer feels that no eulogy can add to the glory of one who throughout his lifetime was so greatly honored by his fellow pioneers, and filled so acceptably so many positions of trust and responsibility. Those were trying times, and Thomas Gardner earned well the high place which he has always held among the Old Planters.

*Note.* Mention should be made of an error published many years ago, which has been copied several times, and has caused much confusion. The date of death of the first Thomas was given in 1635, and he was credited with only one son, Thomas, who was supposed to have been the father of George, Samuel, Richard and the others of that generation. The writer has never found any documentary evidence to support the above view.

#### WILL OF THOMAS GARDNER<sup>52</sup>

Weighing the uncertainty of man's life I doe therefore in the time of my health, make this my laft will as followeth:

First, I leaue unto my wife Damaris, all that eftate fhee brought with her according to ower agreement: likewise I give unto her eight pounds, by the year during her life, to be pd her by my fix fonns out of that eftate I shall leaue with them, which eight pounds I give on this condition, that fhee give up to them her right to the third pt of my houfing and lands during her life.

2—I give to my daughter Sara Balch: fifteene pounds.

3—I give to my daughter Seeth Grafton fifteene pounds.

4—I give to my daughter Miriam Hills two daughters, Miriam Hill & Sufanna Hill to each of them five pounds to be pd to them, when they fhall accomplifh the age of eighteen yeares, or at their marriage.

<sup>51</sup> County Court Papers, book XXVI, leaf 89.

<sup>52</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 301, leaves 62-63.

I give unto my fons George & John Gardner that pt of my salt meddow, lying on the weft fide of Cap<sup>t</sup> George Corwin's meddow, which I value at twenty pounds.

I give unto my fonns Samuell and Joseph Gardner, the other pt of my salt meddow lying on the eaft fide of Capt. Corwin's meddow, w<sup>ch</sup> I doe likewise value at twenty pounds.

My will is further that my houfeing with the reft of my lands & goods & eftate with the meddow before mentioned, fhall be divided into feaven equall pts: which I doe give to my fix fons, as followeth: first I give to my fon Thomas two pts of y<sup>e</sup> feaven, he paying to his mother in law forty-fix shillings by the yeare, during her life.

2nd. I give to my fon George Gardner one pt of the seaven, he paying to his mother in law 23 shill. by the yeare during her life.

3d. I give to my fon Richard" (as above) (also John, Samuel and Joseph, have similar bequests in the order named).

"I doe appoynt my fons George & Samuell to be the executors of this my will & doe defire my loveing friends Mr. Joseph Grafton Sen and Deacon Horne to be my ouerfeers to fee this my will performed.

Robert Peafe

Thomas Gardner

Samuell Goldthrite

The 7:10:68"

"On the 29 March 1675: Robert Peafe & Samuell Goldthrite came before the worshipfull Edward King Esq. and Maj. Hathorne Esq. & Hilliard Veren clearke of the court at Salem, being p<sup>r</sup>esent & gave oath that the aboue written was affigned to & declared the laft will and teftamunt of y<sup>e</sup> sd Tho: Gardner & that there is no latter will of his that they know of

Atteft Hilliard Veren clerk."

"An Inventory of y<sup>e</sup> goods & eftate of M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Gardner: defeafed taken this 4:11:74 by whofe names, are underneath subscribed:

Impr: an old dwelling houfe; with about

10 acres of land adjoining with y<sup>e</sup>

oarchard apprtenances & fences 030:00:00

- “ 10 acres of ground in y<sup>e</sup> north feild 27:  
about 100 acres of upland & med-  
dow; 100 127:00:00
- “ 20 acres of land or thereabouts lying  
in the woods 3; about; 2 acres 3-4  
salt marsh lying about y<sup>e</sup> mill 040:00:00
- “ a feather bed, bolster & 2 pillows & flock  
bolster 20 sh. w<sup>th</sup> blank & ruggs:  
curtaines & bolsters w<sup>th</sup> a couerlid 007:10:00
- “ a truckle bedsteed, a fether bed with the  
pillowes, blakketts & coverlid 003:05:00
- “ one feather bed, rugg & bolster & the  
flock bolfters & pillowes belonging  
thereunto 004:00:00
- “ 7 ppr. sheets prifed as they were  
marked, the whole is 3:15 sh. 12  
towells 6sh; 11 napkings 9 sh. 1 pr  
hollon pillow beer; 6 sh; 4 yds  
breams 6 sh; 1 pr. dowlas pillow  
beers 5 sh. 005:07:00
- “ 2 pr. couer pillow beers 7 sh. as they  
are marked; a tablecloth 4 sh.; 3  
shirts 20 sh. 001:11:00
- “ wearing apparell 8 sh: in pewter; & 2  
latten peeces; 35 sh: silver spoones:  
12 sh; brass skilletts & ketles 40 sh. 012:07:00
- “ 2 iron potts; pothookes & triuet 11 sh;  
1 pr of andirons: 10 sh haukes flice  
& tonges 8 sh 001:09:00
- “ 2 spittes 8 sh. a fide cubberd: 35 sh.  
a square table 4 sh. a wenscot chaire  
5 sh. a chaire with a bord bottom  
3 sh. 6d. 002:15:06
- “ 6 old chaires 4 sh.; a little square table  
4 sh. a cheft: 4 sh. 2 joyne ftooles  
4 sh. a forme 2 sh. 000:18:00
- “ a table & carpett 11 sh. in lumber 30d.  
2 old barrells of gunns 5 sh. in money  
35 sh. 002:13:06
- “ a cow at 3: in debts due to y<sup>e</sup> eftate from  
seuerall amt. men: 30: 033:00:00

“ the eftate is Dr. about 6: The totall  
 sume is 274:16:00  
Hilliard Veren Senr.  
 John Pickering.”

“Mr. Samll Gardner one of the executors gave oath to y<sup>e</sup> truth y<sup>e</sup> truth of y<sup>e</sup> above Inventory to y<sup>e</sup> best of his knowledge & what shall appeere or com to his knowledge of any thing belonging to the eftate, to ad it afterwards, before Edward King esq<sup>r</sup>: & Maj Wm: Hathorne Esq; affittants & Hilliard Veren clearke this 29:2mo.75: ateft Hilliard Veren Clericus”

“Mr. Samuel Gardner p<sup>r</sup>fented the laft will and teftament of his father, Mr. Thomas Gardner, deceafed before the worshipfull Major Wm Hathorne Esq. & Edward King Esq<sup>r</sup> & Hilliard Veren, cleark of y<sup>e</sup> court of Salem being p<sup>r</sup>sent, the said will being proved by the oath of the two witneffes is allowed of. this 29, March 1675.”<sup>53</sup>

Reference has already been made in the description of lot number V, to the suit brought against John Pudney by the executors in 1677.<sup>54</sup>

Samuel and Lieut. George Gardner the executors sold to Job Swinnerton, Physician, 19th. of July 1678, the following:<sup>55</sup>

- “10 acres of land with housing in north field by land of John Pease.
- 10 acres of land in north field by land of Robert Stone.
- 1 acre of land by “Strong water brooke, adjoining to y<sup>e</sup> medow formerly of y<sup>e</sup> sd Thomas Gardner defeased,” called “y<sup>e</sup> salt meddow.”
- 100 acre farm more or less in town of Salem by land of Anthony Needham.
- 20 acres in Salem by land of Widow Pope. “alsoe all debts dues or demands owing or in anywise belonging to y<sup>e</sup> estate of y<sup>e</sup> sr. Tho. Gardner deceased.”

All of the above property with the exception of the ten acre lot in north field by land of Robert Stone, was

<sup>53</sup> County Court Records, Case No. 54, March 1675.

<sup>54</sup> County Court Papers, book XXVII, leaf 57.

<sup>55</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 5, leaf 3.

bought back by Samuel July 22, 1678, Thomas Gardner Sen'r his brother being one of the witnesses.

#### Children:

2. LIEUT. THOMAS, b. in England —; d. 1682; m. 1st, Hannah —. She was probably the "Hannah" who united with the First Church in 1649. He had by her Mary, Thomas, Eliza, Abigaile, Bethiah, Hannah and Jonathan. M. 2nd, Elizabeth Horne, dau. of Deacon John Horne, and had by her David, Susannah and Dorcas (Dorothy). He was first mentioned in the Town Records of Salem in 1637, when he was granted "5 acres for a great lot," receiving other grants later. He became a member of the First Church, Salem, in 1639, and was made a freeman June 2, 1641. He was a cordwainer by trade, and also kept a general merchandise store and owned a ketch, the "John Booneyventure," which was used in the cod fishing industry, valued at £80:00:00. He was prominent in town affairs and served from time to time on the jury. He lived in a house which stood on a lane running along the eastern boundary of the meeting-house lot (now Higginson Square). His second wife died in 1695. For further account of Thomas and his descendants, see "Thomas Gardner and Some of His Descendants," pp. 21-27.
3. GEORGE, was b. in England; m. 1st, —, a Quakeress, name unknown; m. 2nd, widow Ruth Turner; m. 3d, widow Elizabeth Stone.
4. RICHARD, b. —; d. Nantucket, 1st mo. 23, 1688; m. Sarah Shattuck, a Quakeress. His first grant of land was in 1642, a "ten acre lot nere Mackrell Cove," and he had later grants in Salem and at Jeffrey's Creek. His dwelling house was on the eastern side of what is now Central Street, on the site of the present Salem Fraternity building. He had a shop on the same lot. He became a devout Quaker and with others was convicted of "abfenting themselves from the public ordinances." He removed to Nantucket not long afterward and purchased land there at Wesko, Feb. 15, 1667. He became one of the leading men of that island and the progenitor of a host, now distributed all over the country. He served as Chief Magistrate and represented the town at New York. He died 1st mo., 23rd, 1688. His widow died in 1724, in her ninety-third year, an energetic and leading Quakeress throughout her long life. Children: Joseph, Richard,

Sarah, Deborah, Damorice, James, Miriam, Nathaniel, Hope and Love. (See "Thomas Gardner and Some of His Descendants," pp. 40-52.)

5. CAPT. JOHN, b. 1624; d. May, 1706; m. Priscilla Grafton, daughter of Joseph. He was called Captain, and was a master mariner and surveyor. He was first mentioned in the records of the "Generall Court" in 1639, when he was paid 20s. for witness charge & carrying Goodman Woodward, his instruments to Ipswich." He was frequently employed to "run lines." He was granted permission with others to build a mill over the South River in 1663. An interesting document and reproduction of a map may be found in the Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XIV, p. 157, bearing the following inscription: "Plat of Merremack Riuer from ye See up to Wenepesoce Pond, also the Corses from Dunstable to Penny-cook. Jno. Gardner." In 1669 the town paid him 5:00:00 for his services as surveyor. He lived in a house which stood near the corner of the present Herbert and Derby Streets in Salem. August 5, 1672, he was granted at Nantucket, "unto Mr. John Gardner of Salem marrener, a seamans accommodation, with all appurtinances belonging unto it as fully as the other seamen and tradesmen have in their former grants, upon condition that com to Inhabit and fet up the Trade of fifbing with a sufficient vassel fit for the taking of Codfish" . . . the said John Gardner to be there with his family "at or before the last day of April, 74, or else this grant to be voyd." He was granted 11 acres and medow land and he purchased a house and lot. He became very prominent, serving as Chief Magistrate, representative to the General Court, "Captaine and Chiefe Military Officer of the ffoot Company," and town moderator. He died in May, 1706, at the age of 82, and his gravestone is still preserved in the old Coffin house (horseshoe house), a new one replacing it in the graveyard. His wife is said to have died in 1717.

Children: John, Joseph, Priscilla, Benjamin, Rachell, George, Benjamin, Ann, Nathaniel, Mary, Mehitable, and Ruth. (See "Thomas Gardner and Some of His Descendants.")

6. SAMUEL, b. 1627; d. about Oct. 1689; m. 1st, Mary White; m. 2nd, widow Elizabeth Paine. His name appears in the Town Records under date of the "25th, 2nd. mo. 1649,"

when he was ordered, with his brothers George, Thomas, and Joseph, to "survey and measure from the meeting howse to a pcell of medow vpon the great river Westerly from Salem." He was very often employed as a surveyor by the town and colony. He served often as appraiser and overseer of estates and had many terms of service on the grand jury and jury of trials. He was coroner, constable, selectman and deputy to the General Court, and was a leader in the affairs of the First Church. In 1656 he purchased of his brother Joseph and wife "An"  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an acre, in the easterly end of the lot in Salem, now bounded by Essex, St. Peter and Brown Streets and Washington Square West, and erected a dwelling house on the lot. His descendants lived on this property through many generations. His wife evidently died before him. Children: Mary, Elizabeth or Eliza, Mary, Margaret, Samuel, George, Jonathan, Hannah and Abel. His descendants have been very numerous and prominent in Salem, where many of them were prominent merchants and ship-owners in the era of the town's great maritime prosperity. Many of them had notable records in the wars of the Colony, Province and Commonwealth. (See "Thomas Gardner, Planter, and Some of His Descendants.")

7. CAPT. JOSEPH, b. —; d. Dec. 19, 1675; m. Ann Downing, daughter of Mr. Emanuel Downing, "gent," a prominent lawyer in London. He, like his brothers John and Samuel, was a surveyor and was frequently employed in that capacity. He kept a tavern and was called a vintner in one document. He was made a freeman in 1672 and served several times on the jury. In 1672 he was appointed with Henry Bartholomew, by the General Court, on a committee for Essex and Norfolk, with others from Suffolk, to settle accounts with Major Pynchon for pork received for the relief of his Majesty's fleet in the "Caribby Islands." August 8, 1656, Lucie Downing, with the consent of her husband, Mr. Emanuel Downing, granted to him the plot of ground upon which the State Armory now stands, as his "dowry & marriage porcon wth Ann, ye daughter of ye sd Emanuell & Luce." The lot measured "fower acres of ground Intire," being the rectangular tract now bounded by Essex, St. Peter, Brown Streets and Washington Square West. We read in the Massachusetts Bay Records, under date of May 15, 1672:

"Itt is ordered, that Joseph Gardiner be leftenant to the foote company vuder the comand of Walter Price, captaine at Salem." He was captain of the first "foote company in Salem" Oct. 7, 1674, and was appointed captain "for the ffoote, . . . for service in the Narragansett country, Nov. 12, 1675." Felt, in the first edition of his Annals of Salem, gives the following account of the part taken by the Salem company in this expedition: "They marched with other troops from Boston the 8th. On the 15th two men of this town were killed and one more wounded by Indians. Capt. Joseph Gardner, of this town, and others, went out immediately and killed an Indian, who had slain one of the Salem troops and had his cap on. . . . 19th. The forces of Plymouth, Connecticut and Massachusetts attacked the Narragansetts in a Swamp. After a warmly contested battle of three hours, the English took the enemy's place and fired their wigwams. One thousand of the Indians perished. Eighty-five of the English were killed or died of their wounds, and one hundred and forty-five others wounded. Among the killed were Capt. Gardner and six of his company, and eleven more of them wounded. 'Maj. Church espying Capt. Gardner amidst the wigwams in the east end of the Fort made towards him; but on a sudden, while looking at each other, Capt. Gardner settled down. The Major stepped up to him and seeing the blood run down his cheek, lifted his cap and called him by name. He looked up but spoke not a word, being mortally wounded, shot through the head, and observing the wound the Major ordered care to be taken of him.'"

His widow, Ann, married, in 1676, Governor Simon Bradstreet. She died April 19, 1713, aged 79 years. Captain Joseph Gardner had no issue. (For full account see "Thomas Gardner, Planter, and Some of His Descendants," pp. 92-101.)

8. SARAH, b. —; d. Apr. 5, 1686; m. abt. 1650, Benjamin Balch, the "Planter." He was b. in 1629 and lived in his father's homestead, the house still standing (1930) in Beverly, on the corner of Cabot and Balch Streets. She d. Apr. 5, 1686. He m. 2nd, Feb. 5, 1689, Mrs. Abigail Clarke, wid. of Matthew Clarke, of Marblehead. She d. Jan. 1, 1690, aged 55 yrs. M. 3d, Mar. 15, 1691-2, Grace Mallet. He d. in 1706, aged 77 years. They had seven sons and four daughters. (See "Thomas Gardner, Planter, and Some of His Descendants.")

9. MIRIAM, b. —; d. before Aug. 1664; m. John Hill, b. in Bristol, England, about 1635. He was a wheelwright. He m. 2nd, Lydia Buffum, 26:6:64. She was dau. of Robert and Tamazin Buffum. After John Hill's death, his wid. Lydia, m. George Locker. John and Miriam (Gardner) Hill had two daughters, Miriam and Susanna. (See "Thomas Gardner, Planter, and Some of His Descendants.")
10. SEETH, bap. 25:10:1636; d. Apr. 17, 1707; m. 1st, Joshua Conant, s. of Roger Conant, the "Planter." He was a sea captain and lived in Marblehead. They had one child, Joshua. He died in England in 1659. His widow, Seeth, m. 2nd, John Grafton, s. of Joshua and Mary Grafton. He was bap. 28:2:39. She d. Apr. 17, 1707, and he m. 2nd, Aug. 9, 1708, Judith Clark, in Boston, and d. Nov. 24, 1716. He was a mariner. They had six children. (See "Thomas Gardner, Planter, and Some of His Descendants.")

## SECOND GENERATION

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3. Lieut. George Gardner<sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born in England. The earliest mention of his name in the Town Records of Salem is under date of the "8<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1637," at which time he was granted ten acres of land.<sup>1</sup> He became a member of the First Church in Salem in 1641.<sup>2</sup>



In 1642 (12th of the 5th mo.) he was plaintiff against John Luff defendant, in an action for slander, in which the jury found for the plaintiff.<sup>3</sup> In the same year (Dec. 27) he was admitted a freeman in Salem.<sup>4</sup> He was chosen a member of the trial jury in 1647, (4th mo.) and of the petty jury in the following year. In the 6th mo. 1655, he served as a member of the grand jury.<sup>1</sup> We find his signature as a witness to the will of Eleanor Tressler, Feb. 25, 1654, and on the 20th of the same month to that of Robert Moulton, Senior. He also signed the inventory of Eleanor Tressler's estate March 23d, 1654-5.<sup>5</sup> From the County Court Records of the 9th mo. 1658, Case 4, we learn that he assigned his "servant Baldwin Houfe his whole time that he was to ferve him as p<sup>r</sup> indenture over unto John Southwick. This court doth allow it."

The following action was taken at a "General Town Meeting" held the 7th of November, 1659; "it is voted that Geo. Gardner & Hilliard Veren foorth w<sup>th</sup> take care to mend the Caseway & alsoe: the way by magyr Hawthorn:"<sup>1</sup> etc. The court granted him a license 10:10:1661 "to retale strong waters out of the Jarrs."<sup>6</sup> The

<sup>1</sup> Town Records.

<sup>2</sup> First Church Records.

<sup>3</sup> County Court Records, book 2, leaf 119.

<sup>4</sup> Records of the Mass. Bay Colony; N. E. H. Gen. Reg., v. III, p. 189.

<sup>5</sup> County Court Papers, book 3, leaves 14, 16, 17.

<sup>6</sup> County Court Records, 10:10:1661, Case No. 29.

following deposition by his son Samuel, throws much light upon his activities about this period: "These may Certifie whome it may concern That in y<sup>e</sup> year 1660 . . . My Father sett up Bakeing. Thatt in y<sup>e</sup> year 1661 my Father went to Barbadoes." (Peele Papers, v. I.)

He was again chosen a member of the trial jury in 1662 (17th of the 4th mo.) and in the following year (Sept. 11th) was appointed lieutenant of the foot company of Salem.<sup>7</sup> This appointment was confirmed by the court on the 24th of the 9th mo. 1663.<sup>8</sup> He had been called sergeant as early as 1654. In the latter year he also served the town as selectman, and was appointed (9th of the 9th mo.) with Henry Bartholomew to take the constable's account.<sup>7</sup> On the 22d of the next month the town paid him 5:00:00, for "Mr. Goold" the tenant of his farm. He served on a committee to lay out land in the last month of the same year.<sup>7</sup>

John Pickering having sued George and Samuel Gardner and others, owners of the mill on the South River, for damages as a result of the flooding of his land, was allowed twenty pounds.<sup>7</sup> (18th of the 5th mo. 1664.) In this year he was one of the appraisers of the estate of Henry Harwood.<sup>9</sup> In June he was plaintiff in a case in court against Joseph Williams, who was accused of stealing 41 $\frac{1}{4}$  pounds of wheat from said Gardner.<sup>9</sup> On the 23d of the 11th mo. 1664, the town paid him a bill of 5:00:00.<sup>7</sup>

He witnessed the will of Robert Moulton, Sr., Sept. 5, 1665, and in that year served on a jury of inquest in the case of James Priest, found dead.<sup>10</sup> In 1667 he was again chosen a member of the trial jury.<sup>7</sup> In 1669 he was again chosen selectman of Salem, and was appointed with Mr. John Corwin to lay out the small lot of land "that belongs to the Widow Reade" (19th of the 9th mo.).<sup>11</sup> He was one of the appraisers of the

<sup>7</sup> Town Records.

<sup>8</sup> County Court Records, 9th mo. 1663, case No. 44.

<sup>9</sup> County Court Papers, book 10, leaves 10 and 14.

<sup>10</sup> Ibid., book 11, leaf 59.

<sup>11</sup> Town Records.

estate of Job Hilliard in November, 1670.<sup>12</sup> In the town meeting held on the 3d of March, 1670-1, he was again chosen selectman, and on the 6th of the same month was appointed with others to lay out land for W<sup>m</sup>. Adams. His name appears as one of the witnesses to the will of Thomas Browning, in June, 1671.<sup>13</sup>

Sometime within the following year or two, he removed to Hartford, Connecticut, to live. Mr. J. Hammond Trumbull, President of the Connecticut Historical Society, in his Memorial History of Hartford, fixed the date of his removal as 1673.<sup>14</sup>

The following document found among the County Court Papers at Salem is interesting in this connection:

“Know whom it may concern that I George Gardner fometime of Sallem, now of Harford in Conniticot being joint exfekitor with my Brother Samuell Gardner unto our ffathers laft will & teftament considering it nefefiry for my Brother Samuell Gardner in my Abfence to have fefishient Power to fue & Recover debts unto my ffather at his deceafe as Likewife Ample & ffull Power in my Abfence to defend any Lande Layed Claime unto by others belonging unto our ffather at his deceafe or to Recover damages done within the limits of the fayd lands by Law: doe therefore as joint exfekitor with my Brother give unto my brother Samuell Gardner the Power I have being my Lawfull Atturney to sue by Law & Recower Anny fuch debts as Aforfayed, . . . do hear-by give my Brother Samuell Gardner ffull Power of Atturnifhip as if my self wear Present in All the Premifes Aforefayed & doe bind my self by thefe Prefents to stand to what Cost lofe or other Expenses my Brother may be at as Atturney in the Premifes aforefayed, as witnes my hand this day & time aforesaied.<sup>15</sup>

Test. Thomas Gardner Senior.

Samuell Gardner Junr.                      George Gardner.”

Dated July 14, 1677.

<sup>12</sup> County Court Records, book 16, leaf 106.

<sup>13</sup> Ibid., book 17, leaf 90.

<sup>14</sup> Volume I, page 273.

<sup>15</sup> County Court Papers, book 27, leaf 58.

In King Philip's War he was a member of a committee to provide "Flankers" for the defence of Hartford.<sup>16</sup>

At a meeting of the Council at Hartford held May 1, 1676, he was granted permission to pass to Boston and Salem "vpon his necessary occasions, and to return w<sup>th</sup> all conveniencie they can."<sup>17</sup>

"Mr. ( ) Gardner (evidently George) was granted 15 pounds in consideration of damages due him from the country, etc., etc.

"Mr. George Gardner allowed 5 pounds additional."<sup>18</sup>

### REAL ESTATE

The land holdings of George Gardner were so extensive that we will consider them under this separate head.

His first grant of land was, as we have stated, in 1637, at which time he was allowed ten acres. In 1649 (25th of the 2nd mo.) he and his brothers Thomas, Samuell and Joseph, were ordered to survey land, "for w<sup>ch</sup> they shall haue allowance in pte of the medow for their paynes."

On the "30th day" of the next month, he was granted "4 acres of medow . . . at the 7 mens bounds," and "forty acres of upland to be laid out near his meadow." This land was in West Peabody, near the Lowell road, between Phelps' Mill station and the Lynnfield line. At an angle in the line, a short distance to the south of the road, there still stands a heap of stones placed there in early colonial times to mark the seven men's bounds.

In the town records the "27<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>o</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1654," we find the following: "Vpon the request of Sergeant Georg Gardner for a small playne of vpland contayning about six acres lying and scituate neare to Robert Moultons Jun<sup>r</sup> his medow & to the round hill neare mr Humfres ffarme and soe to that land that is graunted to ffrances Perries: Accordingly it is graunted.

13, 11mo. 1662. "Graunted to Sergeant George Gardner that he fhall haue a lott next to the land that runeth

<sup>16</sup> Colonial Records of Connecticut, 1665-1677, p. 375.

<sup>17</sup> Ibid., p. 438.

<sup>18</sup> Ibid., 1678 (Oct.), pp. 18 and 22.

to his house by those lotts alredie laide out and of the same size he payinge five pounds as others have done." His name appears in the records, 24th of the 12th mo. 1662, with the following entry: "Town Credit 5:00:00 for a house lott."

27th 11mo. 1662. "Granted to Sergt. George Gardner to have a lott next to that lott laide out for a tailere liuinge at good woollans hie payinge for it 5 pounds as others haue done."<sup>21</sup>

In the Book of Grants, p. 155, we find the following: "By virtue of an order from the Selectmen of Salem, directed unto Jeffrey Mafsey, Lit George Gardner and myself or unto any two of us to lay out unto Seueral persons seueral parcells of land between Humphries Farm & the farm formerly belonging to Phelps on this side Ipswich River so called near the seven mens bounds:— We accordingly laid out unto Lt. George Gardner One hundred & ninety acres of said lande which was for seueral grants, which we bought of seueral persons amounting unto soe much adjoining unto his own land, and is bounded as followeth viz; to the widow Pope, Geoyles Corey, Humphres Farm and to Lynn bounds, and the Seven Men's bounds a little pine (tree) by Boston path, . . . Goodman Buxtons land on the west, lying unto Lynn bounds; Lt. Gardner Forty poles by the river unto Samuel Gardner's bounds; Sam'l Gardner and John Robinson's land on the East unto a Pine Tree on the head of John Robinson's land and a little red oak & a great White Oak, between John Rubton & John Robinson & Lt Gardner's a little walnut, John Rubton on the East, an oak standing near Lt. Gardner's meadow.

The return of the laying out of this land I formerly gave in unto the Selectmen of Salem.

Attest Nathl Putnam.

Salem 24th. of Sept. 1697."

The above record was certified to by John Croade, Clerk, as being a copy of an entry of laying out of land,

<sup>19</sup> Town Records.

<sup>20</sup> Town Records.

<sup>21</sup> Book of Grants, p. 155.

which was entered in the year 1665, and ordered to be entered, Feb. 8, 1697-8.<sup>22</sup>

This great farm contained at the time of the death of this its first owner, about four hundred acres. His son Capt. Samuel inherited it, and he, upon his death, left it to his grandchildren as narrated later, in this volume.<sup>23</sup>

Daniel Gardner, one of these grandchildren of Samuel, had deeded to him by his brothers, John and Samuel, two hundred acres of land, "being  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the real estate of grandfather Samuel Gardner, bounded"<sup>24</sup> etc. etc.

In his will dated July 26, 1759, Daniel gave his farm to his sons John and Samuel.<sup>25</sup> Samuel conveyed his part to his sons Asa and George,<sup>26</sup> and on the 14th of October, 1808, Asa purchased his brother's share.<sup>27</sup> Asa's widow conveyed the estate to Bowman Viles, October 18, 1871.<sup>28</sup> The old lean-to farm house is still standing, in an excellent state of preservation.

George Gardner's house in the town was on what is now Daniels Street on the eastern side of that street, at the lower end. He left it to his son Samuel, describing it in the will as the house in which his oldest son Samuel "now dwelleth."<sup>29</sup> In 1701-2 (March 4th) Samuel sold it to his "sonne John Higginson, Tertius, of Salem, and to his daughter Hannah Higginson, his wife." In this deed Samuel described it as "my dwelling house in Salem in which my cousin John Buttolph now dwelleth together with y<sup>e</sup> bakehoufe, warehoufe, and outhoufsing, and about three quarters of an acre of land."<sup>30</sup> Sarah Higginson sold one-half of it to Mr. Benjamin Prescott, Town Clerk.<sup>31</sup> Mr. Prescott came into possession of the remaining half, and on April 10, 1721, sold it to Richard

<sup>22</sup> Book of Grants, p. 155.

<sup>23</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 315, leaves 182-4.

<sup>24</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 65, leaf 174.

<sup>25</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 336, leaf 385.

<sup>26</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 183, leaf 237.

<sup>27</sup> Ibid., book 185, leaf 259.

<sup>28</sup> Ibid., book 837, leaf 175.

<sup>29</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 301, leaf 143.

<sup>30</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 14, leaf 267; also 15, leaf 703.

<sup>31</sup> Ibid., book 44, leaf 192.

Elvins, baker.<sup>32</sup> Richard Elvins sold it to Josiah Orne August 30, 1744. He in turn sold it to John "Carroll," Nov. 8, 1748.<sup>33</sup> Josiah Orne obtained judgment against John "Carroll," and the court granted the property to him, Sept. 25, 1756.<sup>34</sup> In April (26) of the following year Josiah Orne again sold it, this time to John Webb.<sup>35</sup> John Webb sold a portion of it to Richard Batten, May 9, 1764,<sup>36</sup> and another part to James Carol, Nov. 17, 1798.<sup>37</sup> Joseph Fogg bought both of these portions in 1798 and 1801,<sup>38</sup> and sold the whole estate to Joseph Chapman Ward, May 2, 1817.<sup>39</sup> Frances L. Ward, administratrix of the estate of Chapman Ward, sold the lot to James Lynch, June 27, 1865.<sup>40</sup>

George Gardner owned over two hundred acres of land in Connecticut, as shown by the inventory of his estate in that colony, and many items in that document show that he had varied commercial interests there. In conjunction with Stephen Hosmer and Thomas Bunce, he built a saw mill there, as shown by the will of Thomas Bunce, in the Connecticut Probate Records, v. I, p. 283. March 2, 1675-6, Mary Lord, made choice of George Gardner to be her guardian, as recorded in the Connecticut Probate Records, v. I, p. 137, and on page 195 of the same volume we read that he, with William Pitkin and Joseph Firch, were overseers to the will of Edward Elmer, Sept. 7, 1676. He was also overseer of the will of William Wadsworth and one of the appraisers of the estate of Governor John Winthrop of Connecticut, Sept. 5, 1676. Margaret Wright expressed in a codicil to her will that; "Earnest desire is that my loveing Friend Mr. George Gardiner would be pleased to Joyne with . . . as an overseer of this my Last will and Testament." (Page 261 of the same volume of Connecticut Probate Records.)

<sup>32</sup> Ibid., book 85, leaf 253.

<sup>33</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 90, leaf 275.

<sup>34</sup> Ibid., book 103, leaf 118.

<sup>35</sup> Ibid., book 112, leaf 182.

<sup>36</sup> Ibid., book 124, leaf 174.

<sup>37</sup> Ibid., book 163, leaf 217.

<sup>38</sup> Ibid., book 164, leaf 141; and book 171, leaf 253.

<sup>39</sup> Ibid., book 213, leaf 88.

<sup>40</sup> Ibid., book 685, leaf 247.

The statement has been made and repeated many times in print that George Gardner was married three times, as follows: first, to Eliza or Elizabeth Horne, daughter of Deacon John Horne; second, to Mrs. Ruth Turner, widow of John Turner, Sr., her former husband having died in 1668 at Barbadoes; and third, to Mrs. Elizabeth Stone, widow of Rev. Samuel Stone. Her maiden name was Allen and she was admitted to the Boston church, March 24, 1639. She married her first husband in Boston in 1641. She died in 1681, her will bearing date of June 6, 1681, was probated January 4, in the following year. Rev. John Whiting of Hartford in a letter to Rev. Increase Mather of Boston, dated January 23, 1681-2, wrote: "Mrs. Garner (sometime Stone) also, gone to heaven" (4th series, Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll., vol. 8, p. 465). She left children by her former husband, as the following records will show.

Mr. Samuel Stone petitioned the court of election at Hartford, 1683, to determine whether he ought to have one-half the land which his father left him on the decease of his mother who is alluded to as Mrs. Gardner. The court considered his plea and the objections offered by his sister, Mrs. Roberts, and decided that he must pay full value.<sup>41</sup>

We know that the foregoing story of George Gardner's first wife is incorrect. John Horne in his will, dated 8 Oct. 1679,<sup>42</sup> codicil 27 Feb. 1683-4, probated Nov. 25, 1684, makes a bequest to "my eldest daughter Elizabeth Gardn<sup>er</sup>." As George Gardner died in 1679, having married his third wife about 1671, it is clear that his first wife was not the Elizabeth Gardner, who was the daughter of John Horne. One fact has always seemed very strange to the writer, namely, that the daughter of one prominent in the church as Deacon John Horne always was, should have been such a strong adherent of the society of Friends, as we know the first wife of George Gardner to have been. The court records show that his wife was convicted in the 5th mo. 1658, of "be-

<sup>41</sup> Colonial Records of Connecticut, 1678-1689, p. 118, and Goodwin's Genealogical Notes, p. 212.

<sup>42</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 302, leaf 113.

ing at a disorderly quaking meeting & alfoe of her frequent abfenting her felfe from the publike worship of God upon the Lord's Day: to pay 5sh. costs." She was also fined in 1658 and in 1669, for non-attendance at church.

The most reasonable solution of the above problem thus far suggested is that John Horne's daughter married Thomas Gardner, the brother of George, for his second wife. We know that the second wife of Thomas was named Elizabeth, and that she lived until 1694 or 1695. Another suggestive circumstance is that one of the appraisers of the estate of Elizabeth, widow of Thomas Gardner, Jun., was John Horne, Jun., son of Deacon John. Sidney Perley, in his "History of Salem," names Elizabeth Horne, daughter of Deacon Horne, as the second wife of Thomas Gardner, Jr. We regret that nothing further has been found to throw light upon the name of Lieut. George Gardner's first wife—the mother of all of his children.

Lieut. George Gardner died the 20th day of August, 1679. His will bears the date of July 21, of that year, and the inventory was presented on the 17th of the following October. The will read as follows:

"I Georg Gardner, lying very sick & weak, doe comend my Foule into the hands of God through Jesus Christ, to whome I fly alone, as my fufficient refuge, in this & all conditions, I may be in, yea death it felfe secondly my body to Christian buriall.

First I bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Gardner, the incum of my part in the mills, of Salem, during her life, & doe give unto my wife abouefaid the rent of that land I bought of Mr. Joseph ffitch, or the use of the money if he pay for it, according to my contract, the term of her life, againe I give her the rent of that land I bought of John Torry, during her life & the two coves, & two calves & three swine, at home, forever, as likewise the ufe of what houfehold stuff in my houfe, is mine, for the terme, of her life.

2dy I give unto my sonn Samuell Gardner, my houfe and land in which he now dwelleth, at Salem, with all my upland & meddow, in the fouth field & my part of

the mills after his mother's decease, and the farme & meddow Thomas Gold lives upon after his mother's decease and the houfeing & all appurtenances thereto belonging.

3dy I give unto my fonn Ebenezer, all my houfes & land, with all appurtenances thereto belonging; at Hartford & Windsor & Simsbury after his mother's decease likewise I give unto him presently after my decease, that land lyeth by Babadg & that acre of falt marsh I had of my father for ever.

4ly to my daughter Buttolph I give three hundred pounds, of my debts owing me at Conetticott, when they are gotten in; and to my fon Buttolph I give thirty pounds he was in debt to me at our laft reckoning & md as the balance of that acct was made in the spring.

5ly to my daughter Turner I doe give the houfe & land they now live in to him & her, their naturall lives, & then to whom of her children, he fhall give it after him, provided he give it to one or more other children & three hundred pounds, of my debts at Coneticott, as it can be got in.

6ly To my daughter Hathorne, I give three hundred pounds, of my debts at Conetticott, as they can be got in.

But in case my sonne Ebenezer dy before he be marryed, then the eftate given him to be devided equally amongft the reft of my children and I likewise give to my fonn Ebenezer, the rent of that farme Thomas Gold liveth on, during his mother's life. And I doe give unto my Brother Thomas Gardner, twenty pounds in proviffions. And I give to my two cozens Miriam Hafcall & Sufana Hill, five pounds, to each of them, money to be layd out, by my fifter Grafton, five pounds now in houfehold stuff to Miriam & five pounds to Sufana Hill at her marriage. And I doe apoynt Samuel Gardner & Ebenezer my fonn, to be my executors & what remaineth after my debts be paid & legacies, & two parts to my fonn Samuel & one part Ebenezer.

And to my fervant Arrah, I doe give five pounds, when he hath served my fonn Samuell five years; & then his time to be out.

And I doe intrust my loveing friend, Capt. John Allen,

to overfee the performance of this my will, whoe liveth at Hartford, to whom I give five pounds; in token of my love.

And likewise I doe intrust my friend Caleb Stanley to overfee the performance of this my will who liveth in Conetticott, to whose two daughters, I give fifty fhillings a peece.

And I give to my two loveing brothers, Thomas & Samuell Gardner, to overfee the performance of my will at Salem, the words (during her life) being interlined, underneath the fixt line, of his, . . . legacy (and I doe give) interlined in Turner's legacy.

That the above written is now my act and deed being in perfect memorye, I fett my hand this twenty one of July, one thousand fix hundred, feventy nine.

George Gardner

Teft

Thomas Gardner  
Samuell Gardner fenr  
Joseph Williams

The firft of Sept, 1679 Samuell Gardner senr & Joseph Williams, two of the witneffes above written apered before the worshipfull Maj. Generall Daniel Denifon & Maj. Wm. Hathorne Esqrs, & teftified ypon oath that they were prefent, when the fd George Gardner, figned to the above written, & declared the fame to be his laft will & testament, he being then of a difpofing mind, and that there is noe later will of his that they know of.

ateft

Hilliard Veren  
Clerk.

This will & inventory is filed up in the records of Salem Court the 25:9:1679."<sup>43</sup>

"An inventory of the eftate of Leift George Gardn<sup>er</sup> p<sup>re</sup>ented to us by Samuell & Ebenezer Gardner this 17 October 1679:

To the Dwelling houfe, bakehoufe & out  
houfing & the land they ftand on & the  
land belonging and adjoining to them,  
now in poffeffion of Samll Gardner 270:00:00

<sup>43</sup> Essex County Probate Records, book 301, leaves 143-4.

To a farm of about 400 acres of upland & meddow with the dwelling houfe & outhoufing upon it now in poffeffion of Thomas Goold & in the township of Salem & 12 acres of meddow lying in Redding bounds in poffeffion of faid Goold.	320:00:00
To 13 acres: upland & 2 acres of marsh or thereabouts lying in the fourth field.	60:00:00
To $\frac{1}{8}$ part of the corn mill.	100:00:00
To 2 acres of land neere the pen.	20:00:00
To a house lot next Mr. Babadge.	14:00:00
To a house & the land belonging to it now in the poffeffion of Habbacuck Turner.	90:00:00
To d <sup>ts</sup> due to the eftate from Mr. Sam <sup>n</sup> Shrimpson, Mr. Arthur Mafon & Mr. John Waite, about y <sup>e</sup> fum,	157:00:00
To due to the aftate in the hands of Samuell Gardn <sup>er</sup> Jun about	588:00:00
To feveral fmall debts in Salem about	20:00:00
To 5 years fervice in a negro named Arow,	10:00:00
To an Indian fervant,	10:00:00
To a p <sup>r</sup> cell of houfehold ftuff in the poffeffion of Samuell Gardner Junr & wearing cloathes,	22:14:02
To 1 cow in the poffeffion of Thomas Goold	2:00:00
To 7 barrells of pork in the hand of Jon Hathorne,	17:10:00
To an acre of falt marfh by Strong Water brooke,	20:00:00
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	1621:14:02

Aprifed by us whofe names are  
under written,  
this 17 October 1679.

John Browne  
John Higginson Jun.

A pcell of burnt fither fold for afmoney  
about 3:00:00

Mr. Samuell Gardner, & Ebenezer Gardner gave oath  
in court at Salem 30:4 mo:80: that the above written  
is a true inventorye to the beft of their knowledge of

theire said fathers eftate, heare in this colloney: except what is entered in the inventory & given in & alowed of at the court at Hartford:

Attest Hilliard Veren Clerk."

"An Inventory of the Estate of Mr. George Gardner who deceased the 20th of August, 1679, taken by us whose names are underwritten, namely: his estate in Connecticut Colony.

	£	s	d		
In purse and apparel	30	0	0		
Two belts and two rapiers, 3£ a brass gun 4£ and six cushings, 24d	8	4	2		
Three chests and one desk and a glass case and other things in the parlor. 2£ 0.0					
One chest and two chairs and a great Bible 3/, one sermon book and two small books.					
Beds, bedsteads, bedding, blankets, linen, tablecloths, napkins, pillow beares, and Kitchen utensils.					
Peweter plates, dishes, basins, porringer, candle sticks, 9£ 10-6					
Two coves & two calves and three swine at home.	86	5	10	124	10 0
Goods in the shop	82	2	6		
One parcel of salt, bar. pork 22£ 10/,	60	0	0		

Tar 40/, two pair of beam scales, and weights, 2£	26	10	0		
322 bushels of wheat, 64£-8-C and 170 bushels of Indian 17£	81	4	0		
110 pounds of hemp and flax 5£ 10s. and 27 bushels of rye, 2-14-0	8	4	0		
Sheeps wool 5£, sacks 4£, dressed leather 4-6-0, tallow 8£ 4.0	21	10		279	10 6
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Hay in Mr. Hooker's barn	5				
Four dozen scythes at 50s a doz.	10			15	294 10 6
Several book debts in Connecticut Colony and up the river in in the County of Hampshire in the Massachusetts Col- ony to the value of about				1900	0 0
More debts				92	0 0 1992 0 6
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					£2411 0 6
3 acres of land in the ox pasture and half a wood lot on the east side of the great river, half a lot in the Blue Hills and half a lot in the Pines.				18	0 0
A parcel of land he bought of Mr. Jo-					

seph Phelps at Simsbury.				8	0	0			
Part of George Phelps's living at Windsor				70	0	0			
Lands in Windsor bought of Samuel Farnsworth,				100	00	00			
3 acres and a halfe of land he bought of Mr. Joseph Fitch (this was evidently a mort- gage from Joseph Fitch, who married a daughter of Rev. Samuel Stone. — C. A. W.)				00	0	00			
15 acres of meadow land bought of Mr. Timothy Hyde,				100	0	0			
90 acres of land in the west division of Hartford,				12	0	0			
80 acres of land bought of Samuel Eagles- ton at Middletown,				2	0	0			
4 acres of land in the south meadow in Hartford.	40	0	0						
His warehouse near Hartford landing place,	40	0	0						
The housing and home lott in Hartford,	200	0	0	280	0	0	590	0 0	
	<hr/>							3001	0 6

Real estate,	590	0	0
Personal"	2411	0	6
	<hr/>		
	3001	0	6

Signed,  
 Nicholas Olmstead,  
 Caleb Stanley."

Children:

11. HANNAH, bap. 15.10.1644;<sup>44</sup> d. Wethersfield, Conn., June 6, 1681; m. 16.8.1663, Lieut. John Buttolph. He was b. in Boston 28.12.1639, (bap. 1.1m.1640, in the First Church, Boston) son of Thomas and Anne Buttolph. He was a leather dresser by trade and lived in a house which stood on the site of the Essex Institute in Salem. They removed to Boston about 1668 and in 1676 or earlier, went to Wethersfield, Conn. He was chosen constable in that town in 1679 and selectman in 1686. He purchased of John Coleman (who had removed to Hatfield) his two house lots on the south side of the road connecting Meeting House Square with Broad Street. He was lieutenant in Capt. Chester's (Broad Street) Company, in Wethersfield, in June, 1689. In 1685 he was a member of the committee on the meeting house. He d. in Wethersfield,<sup>45</sup> Jan. 14, 1692-3. His son John removed to Salem, where, as executor of his father's estate, he conveyed to his brother George half of the homestead which his father left, on the N. W. corner of Broad and Short Streets in Wethersfield, and sold another portion to John Rowlandson.<sup>46</sup> Children: i, John, b. Salem, Sept. 11, 1664; d. Apr. 23, 1665. ii, Jonathan, b. Salem, 9.2mo.1665; d. young. iii, John (Lieut.), b. Salem, Oct. 15, 1667; d. Salem, May 10, 1713; m. Sarah Pickering, dau. of Lieut. John and Alice (Flint) Pickering. She was b. Salem, Sept. 7, 1668. He m. 2nd, Priscilla ——. After his death she m. July 25, 1722, Deacon Simon Willard. Lieut. John and Hannah had five children. iv, George, b. Oct. 15, 1667; d. Wethersfield or Simsbury, Conn.,<sup>47</sup> in 1793; m. Elizabeth ——. They had three children. v, David (Sergt.),

<sup>44</sup> First Church Records, Salem.

<sup>45</sup> Whitney Family of Conn., v. I, p. 115.

<sup>46</sup> History of Ancient Wethersfield, and Conn. Probate Records, v. I, p. 422.

<sup>47</sup> Simsbury (Conn.) Records, p. 42.

- b. Boston,<sup>48</sup> May 7, 1669; d. Simsbury, Conn., Apr. 5, 1717; m. Mary ——. He was a cordwainer. vi, Hannah, b. Boston, Jan. 15, 1670. vii, Samuel, b. Boston, May 18, 1675. viii, Mercy, b. Boston, Mar. 2, 1674. ix, Jonathan, b. Jan. 8, 1677. x, Joseph, b. Wethersfield, Dec. 12, 1680; d. Oct. 14, 1683. Lieut, John Buttolph m. 2nd, June 27, 1682, Abigail —, and had two children by her, Abigail and James. m, 3d, widow Susannah Sanford. He d. Jan. 14, 1693.
12. SAMUEL, b. Salem, 14.3.1648; d. Salem, Apr. 24, 1724; m. 1st, Apr. 24, 1673, Mrs. Elizabeth Grafton, widow of Capt. Joseph Grafton, who d. Barbadoes, Feb. 1670. She was b. Browne, dau. of Elder John Browne, ruling elder of the Salem Church. She was bap. Apr. 14, 1644. M. 2nd, Mrs. Susanna Daniel, wid. of Capt. Stephen Daniel, who d. Feb. 14, 1686-7. She was Capt. Daniel's 2nd wife, and was b. 7mo. 1646, Susanna Baxter, dau. of Daniel and Elizabeth Baxter.<sup>49</sup> This was her second marriage, having m. 1st, Isaac Hide, who d. in 1680.<sup>50</sup>
13. MARY, bap. 10.5.1653; she was living in 1625; m. Apr. 30, 1670, Capt. Habakkuk Turner, s. of Robert and Elizabeth (Trustom) Turner, of Boston. He was bap. 18.2mo. 1647; d. in 1685. He was a master mariner and merchant, trading in the West Indies. After his death, his widow Mary m. 2nd, Sept. 15, 1686, Deacon John Marston, s. of John and Alice Marston. He was b. Aug. 29, 1641. She was his second wife. Children by Capt. Turner: i, Robert, b. Apr. 25, 1671; m. June 1701, Elizabeth Foote, dau. of Nathaniel and Margaret (Bliss) Foote. She was b. June 23, 1677. He bought lands in Wethersfield, Conn., in 1698.<sup>51</sup> He was "lister" assessor in 1699, constable in 1704, and a member of the school committee in 1715. They removed to Coventry, Conn., and had eight children.<sup>52</sup> ii, Mary, b. 25.11mo. 1672; d. 1674. iii, Habakkuk, b. —; d. 1754, unmarried. He was a merchant in Salem.
14. GEORGE, bap. 24.7.1654; d. 21.6.1662.
15. BETHIAH, b. 3d of 4th mo., 1654.
16. EBENEZER, b. 16.6.1657; d. May 8, 1685; m. 7th 9mo. 1681, Sarah Bartholomew, dau. of Henry and Elizabeth (Scud-

<sup>48</sup> Boston Records.

<sup>49</sup> Perley's "History of Salem," v. III, p. 33.

<sup>50</sup> Ibid., v. II, p. 383.

<sup>51</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. III, p. 135; v. IV, p. 71.

<sup>52</sup> History of Ancient Wethersfield, Genealogical section, p. 719.

der) Bartholomew. She was b. Jan. 29, 1658-9; d. Sept. 5, 1682, as given on the stone in the Charter Street b. g., Salem.

17. MEHITABLE, b. 23.2.1659; d. May 8, 1659.
18. RUTH, bap. 2.2.1665; m. 21.1.1674-5, Col. John Hathorne, s. of Major William and Anna Hathorne. He was b. Aug. 4, 1641, and d. May 10, 1717. He was a leading citizen of Salem, a merchant, judge, esquire, and representative to the General Court. Children: i, John, b. Jan. 10, 1675; d. before 1716. ii, Nathaniel, b. Nov. 25, 1678. He had a s. John, mentioned in his grandfather's will. iii, William, bap. June 1, 1679; d. young. iv, Ruth, b. Nov. 1680; d. young. v, Ebenezer, bap. July, 1682; d. young. vi, Ebenezer, bap. Mar. 1685. He was a mariner. He settled in London, England, and was living there in 1732. vii, William, bap. Aug. 1686. viii, Elizabeth, bap. July 14, 1689. ix, Samuel, bap. Nov. 9, 1690. x, Joseph, bap. May, 1692; m. June 30, 1715, Sarah Bowditch, dau. of William and Mary (Gardner) Bowditch. She was b. Jan. 10, 1695-6; d. Mar. 1761. He was a mariner and ship-master in early life and a yeoman later. He d. in the summer of 1762. They had ten children, one of whom, Nathaniel, was the grandfather of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the novelist. xi, Ruth, b. Sept. 1694; m. James Putnam, s. of Lieut. James and Sarah Putnam. He was b. 1689 and d. in 1763. She was living in 1751. They had six children. xii, Benjamin, m. May 24, 1727, Hannah Derby, dau. of Samuel and Hannah (Young) Derby. He d. in or before 1736, and his widow m. May 25, 1737, Miles Ward, s. of Miles and Sarah (Massey) Ward. xiii, Freestone, bap. Feb. 26, 1698-9.<sup>53</sup>

<sup>53</sup> Perley's "History of Salem," v. I, p. 284.

## THIRD GENERATION

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12 Capt. Samuel Gardner<sup>3</sup>, (Lieut. George<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was one of the leading men of Salem. He is referred to in the records as baker, merchant and gentleman.

*Samuel Gardner Junr*

He was born about 1647, as a deposition made by him in 1691 (May 20) gives his age as about 44, and he was baptized "14-3-1648." During his long and useful career, he held at one period or another, almost every office of honor and responsibility in the gift of his native town.

### CONSTABLE

His first office was that of constable, to which he was elected, on the 12th of March, 1676-7.<sup>1</sup>

### SELECTMAN

In 1678 he was chosen as one of the selectmen, and between that date and 1710, the last year of his service in this office, he served twenty-one years.

### RECORDER

We find in the town records under date of "8 March, 1683-4," that Samuel Gardner, Jun., "is Chosen to keepe the Towne bookes &c for the yeare Infueing." He continued to serve during the following year and from 1689 to 1692 inclusive.

### MODERATOR

He was first chosen moderator, at a general town meeting, held on the "21, 12mo. 1689-90." He presided over fifteen town meetings between this date and 1714.

<sup>1</sup>Town Records.

## SURVEYOR

He was chosen to lay out land for Capt. William Brown, and to view other land, March 17, 1684-5. On the "17, 12mo. 1689-90," he was appointed on a committee to "lay out & Settle the high way formerly used between Tho. Flint & Joseph Popes & also a highway near John Moulton his house." He laid out another highway Nov. 15, 1693, and in the following Feb. (19th) surveyed land of Samuel Goldthwaite near Butts Brook.

Capt. Samuel Gardner was appointed with others, on June 28, 1697, "to inquire into the matter relating to . . . Miery Swamp formerly granted to John Endicot Esq." In Dec. (3d) 1700, he was ordered with others, "to Run y<sup>e</sup> Bounds w<sup>th</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Pudney Sen<sup>r</sup> his farme." He laid out an acre of land allowed to "J<sup>no</sup> Trask" for him "to improve for five years." (Mar. 14, 1700-1.)

March 22, 1702-3, he was appointed "Surveyor for highways," for "Redding Road & Thereabouts." He viewed land at the village, in the spring of 1703, and on Apr. 6th, of that year, was appointed with others, "to View y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>cell of Swamp near y<sup>e</sup> 70 Acres Petitioned for y<sup>e</sup> Feltons," and to "View the Highway at Wills hill." In the following month (8th day) he was appointed on another committee to "Settle y<sup>e</sup> head Bounds & Ranging Bounds, upon y<sup>e</sup> line between Salem and Beverly."

He was ordered with "Dan<sup>l</sup> Epes," to view "y<sup>e</sup> place near J<sup>no</sup> Trask's fulling mill, where y<sup>e</sup> sheep are washed," etc. (March 27, 1704). During the next few years he served on several similar committees, as follow: Apr. 8, 1706, "to lay out a highway from Buffington's to Lynn line," and to "Issue y<sup>e</sup> matter ab<sup>t</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Feltons changing a small strip of Land w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Towne." May 3, 1710, "to view & lay out & make certaine a highway from Thomas Buffington's . . . to y<sup>e</sup> Widow Pope's," and Jan. 31, 1710-11, to straighten the way by Philip Hill's shop, to "y<sup>e</sup> burying point." Town Records.

He was chosen to serve on committees of perambulation many times including the following: to run the line between Salem and Lynn, April 28, 1684, and Apr. 10, 1694, also for "y<sup>e</sup> Upper Range of Lynne" (Apr. 2,

1700); the line between Salem and "Reding," March 19, 1686; between Salem and Boxford, June 19, 1696; between Wenham and Beverly, July 29, 1695; between "the Towne and Humphreys ffarme," July 2, 1695, and between "y<sup>e</sup> Farms and Salem Towne," Jan. 3, 1698. On the 7th of the 2nd mo. 1691, he was "impowered" with Capt. Sewall, "to agree with a Suitable man to keep the Towne heard." These two men were chosen Apr. 28, 1701, "w<sup>th</sup> the Selectmen to Settle y<sup>e</sup> Acc<sup>t</sup> between Isaac Sterns & y<sup>e</sup> Towne." He was chosen assessor Aug. 16, 1704, and Mar. 21, 1708-9, was made a member of a committee, "to Consider about fencing y<sup>e</sup> Towne Comon." (Town Record.)

A petition was received June 8, 1710, from Capt. Samuel Gardner, and many of his neighbors "without the Bridge in Salem and below and without y<sup>e</sup> village Line praying for a Separate precinct" (Middle precinct, now the city of Peabody). He was chosen in 1714-5, to "see that the laws were enforced regarding swine."

From the County Court Records, 27, 4mo. 1682, Case No. 28, we learn that he took the "oath of freeman," on that date. Two records of service on the "Jury of Trials" have been found, one dated June 9, 1673, and the other Nov. 6, 1680. His name appears on a "List of freeholders to be Jury men, 23 Aug. 1686."

We find his name appended to the inventories of the estates of Jno. Smith, Isaac Hyde and Moses Vouden.<sup>2</sup> In the settlement of the estate of Joseph Grafton, he acted as attorney for his uncle, Capt. John Gardner of Nantucket, (Jan. 23, 1683-4) and he also performed the duties of appraiser for the same estate.<sup>3</sup> He witnessed the will of Francis Skerry, Aug., 1684.<sup>4</sup> In 1691, he again served as appraiser, this time in the settlement of the estate of Captain John Price,<sup>5</sup> and in 1684 (19, 9 mon.), in that of Nath'l Ingersoll.<sup>6</sup> Nov. 16, 1691 he "absolutely renounced his executorship" of the will of

<sup>2</sup> County Court Papers, book 34, leaf 90; and book 36, leaf 5.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid., book 39, leaves 148-9; and Essex Registry of Deeds, book 6, leaves 104 and 117.

<sup>4</sup> County Court Papers, book 42, leaves 71 and 72.

<sup>5</sup> Ibid., books 51, leaf 125.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid., book 43, leaf 61.

Maj. Charles Redford.<sup>7</sup> He was one of the overseers of the will of Nathaniel Putnam.<sup>8</sup>

#### REPRESENTATIVE AND DEPUTY TO THE GENERAL COURT

He was chosen first to this office in June, 1692. His town was also represented by him in 1694, 7 and 8, and 1701, 3, 5, 7, and 10. In the Massachusetts Bay Colony Records, we read that in 1703 (May 27), the Governor had rejected five of the assistants proposed. Samuel Gardner was a member of a committee appointed to nominate others, and those were accepted.

#### MILITARY SERVICE

October 7, 1678, Samuel Gardner, Jun., was ordered "to officiate as Ensigne for Capt. Price's company." He was called "Lieut. Sam'l Gardner," in the Town Records, March 8, 1685-6, at which time he was chosen a selectman. On the 6th of the 6th mo., 1689, "Lt. Samuel Gardner was appointed with others to manage and oversee the work on the repairs of the fort at Winter Island." At that time he advanced five pounds to assist in carrying on the above repairs. He was appointed one of three, to take care of the wounded soldiers and seamen, Feb. 3, 1691.<sup>10</sup> The earliest date of his being called "Captain" was Nov., 1691, in the Probate Records, book 303, leaf 72. Throughout the remainder of his life, he was usually referred to as "Captain."

#### CHURCH

Samuel Gardner, Jun., was "Seated in the Second Seat (below the men's), (19, 11mo. 1684). July 12, 1697, he was appointed on a committee for "ordering difpofing or building Seats in the Meeting houfe." At the same time he was seated in the "men's second seat below." He was one of the prime movers in the establishment

<sup>7</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 303, leaf 72.

<sup>8</sup> History of the Putnam Family, v. I, pp. 26-8.

<sup>9</sup> Records of the Mass. Bay Colony, v. V, p. 205.

<sup>10</sup> Felt's Annals of Salem, 1st Edition, p. 301, and Mass. Archives, v. 69, p. 210.

of the church in the Middle Precinct, and gave the largest contribution for that purpose, twenty pounds. (Jan. 18, 1709-10.)<sup>11</sup> In the Massachusetts Archives, v. XI, pp. 337-357, his name appears with those of others in that locality, in the articles of agreement regarding the building of this meeting house. In this same volume we find a petition from Samuel Gardner and other inhabitants "without the village line," in regard to the construction of this edifice.<sup>12</sup> In the Salem Town Records, under date of March 12, 1710-11, we read: "Ten acres of Land near Golthites for the Miniftry of y<sup>e</sup> new Precinct granted by y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court."

A deposition "respecting obstructions in the South River," dated June, 1671, is on file at the court house in Salem.<sup>13</sup>

He was one of the large taxpayers of the town, and many payments were made to him by the town for services rendered. Some of these payments were for rent of a house owned by him, and which the town hired and used as a poor-house. In the Town Records, under date of Jan. 2, 1720-1, we read that 20 shillings was ordered to be paid for rent of this house for the year 1720, "and in full to said Time, and M<sup>r</sup> Houlton if desired to acquaint him That the selectmen Shan't want his houfe any Longer, the poor being removed & about to remoue out of the Same." Other payments were made to him for timber, and use of his teams on the highways. The town frequently hired bulls of him for the town herd, and exchanged the old town bull for a young one. He also wintered the town bull for 15 shillings.<sup>14</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE

In our consideration of the very extensive land holdings of Samuel Gardner, we will take up first, those which he inherited from his father. The house which his father left to him was on Daniels Street, and an

<sup>11</sup> Massachusetts Archives, v. XI, p. 337, also Hanson's History of Danvers, p. 240.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., v. XI, pp. 332 to 359.

<sup>13</sup> Essex County Court Papers, book 17, leaf 98.

<sup>14</sup> Town Records.

account of Samuel's disposition of it and of its later owners will be found in the article upon Lieut. George Gardner, second generation (No. 3).

The mill property upon the South River in Salem, which was left to him by his father, he retained, and added to his holdings by purchasing from the heirs of Samuel Ruck, one-sixteenth part of the property in 1702,<sup>15</sup> (March 6), and an additional share of equal amount of Samuel Ruck's son James, April 7, 1708.<sup>16</sup> On the 9th of June, 1712, Samuel and his son John purchased one-eighth part of this mill from John and Priscilla Gardner of Mendon, said John having inherited it from his grandfather, Capt. John Gardner, of Nantucket (formerly of Salem), uncle of Samuel.<sup>17</sup>

He inherited from his father, land in the "South field," and purchased other lots in that section from John Grafton and Stephen Daniel in 1692, Isaac Meacham in 1693, Henry Lunt in 1695 and Samuel Ruck in 1699-1700.<sup>18</sup> He sold six acres of this to John Holmes in 1694.<sup>19</sup>

Another piece of property left to him by his father was the 400-acre farm, in what is now West Peabody. In 1684-5, he had granted to him "about ten acres of land lying between his farme which Tho: Gould dwels & the land of Benjamin Pope, which is in recompence for his making Alphabets for & transcribing pt. of y<sup>e</sup> townes books." In 1691 he bought of the town a strip of land, in this locality, 224 poles long and 6 wide. The following entry in the town records is interesting in this connection: At a meeting of a committee appointed by the town to settle the bounds of the farm of Capt. Samuel Gardner . . . "Wee finde them Amount unto four hundred and tenn acres which wee allow . . . for a peaceable Conclusion and Settlement of the premifes the Said Committee do hereby allow Said Gardner fourty acres more which makes four hundred and fifty acres. Said Gardner relinquifhing . . . the Ouer plufs land . . .

<sup>15</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 15, leaf 164.

<sup>16</sup> Ibid., book 20, leaf 128.

<sup>17</sup> Ibid., book 25, leaf 74. (See also p. 28, this volume.)

<sup>18</sup> Ibid., book 65, leaves 183-5, and book 15, leaf 6.

<sup>19</sup> Ibid., book 14, leaf 45.

about two hundred acres more" (Jan. 5, 1696-7).<sup>20</sup> After his death his executors sold (Dec. 22, 1726) four acres of this farm to John Osborne, for 26 pounds 19 shill.<sup>21</sup> Two hundred acres of this farm, he left to his grandson John Higginson. Another two hundred acre portion he left to the five daughters of his deceased son Captain John Gardner.<sup>22</sup> The remainder of the farm he left to three grandsons: John, Daniel and Samuel, sons of Captain John. In 1733, the farm was divided between these three brothers.<sup>23</sup>

The next locality which we will consider is that portion of Salem known as the "North feelds," which in this case was the particular portion of it lying at present in the vicinity of Central Street in Peabody. Samuel evidently inherited some land in this locality from his father, for he sold to John Robinson, Oct. 2, 1721, a right to the common lands of Salem which formerly belonged to his father, George Gardner, by "virtue of a Cottage or Dwelling house built in the Northfield, nigh to the great gate before y<sup>e</sup> said Robinson's new Dwelling house."<sup>24</sup> This was probably a part of the ten acres granted to George Gardner in 1637,<sup>25</sup> as the grants in this section were usually of ten acres each, and the name "ten acre lot side," is often met with, in references to this locality. He purchased of Ele de Boon Repose, of Salem, Jan. 28, 1691-2, 7½ acres near the above and 3 acres near land of Thomas Spooner<sup>26</sup> and of John Robinson 2 acres adjoining the first lot.<sup>27</sup> Other lots were bought of Samuel Osborne, Sen.,<sup>27</sup> and Hugh Pasko in 1696<sup>27</sup> and of John Robinson in 1708.<sup>28</sup> The last named property he acquired evidently by exchanging two acres in this locality for the acre and half of land of John Robinson.<sup>29</sup> He bought two poles of land near Strong

<sup>20</sup> Town Records.

<sup>21</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 48, leaf 167.

<sup>22</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 315, leaf 182-4.

<sup>23</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 65, leaves 173-5.

<sup>24</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 39, leaf 75.

<sup>25</sup> Town Records.

<sup>26</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 9, leaf 31; book 65, leaf 192.

<sup>27</sup> Ibid., book 65, leaves 192-3.

<sup>28</sup> Ibid., book 19, leaf 203.

<sup>29</sup> Ibid., book 19, leaf 202.

Water Brook in Feb. 1693-4, for 3 shillings. The division of all of this property in the North Fields among his grandsons will be considered in the articles relating to them.

From the town records, we learn that in 1711, Capt. Gardner desired to purchase the old "Robert pease houfe," "upon which y<sup>e</sup> Select men Entered Caution w<sup>th</sup> Maj<sup>r</sup> Sewall against his recording the same unlefs Isaac Pease will secure y<sup>e</sup> Town against his father & mothers being a town charge, he being obliged to maintaine them during their naturall life, in consideration of his father's Conveying y<sup>e</sup> same to him." (Feb. 26, 1711-12.)

In Feb. (17) 1700-1, he purchased of Thorndike Proctor, two lots of land on what is now Lowell Street in Peabody, above Proctor's Crossing. One measuring 18 acres was near Anthony Needham's and the other containing ten acres was on the opposite side of the road.<sup>30</sup> They were originally a part of the original Downing farm. He bought two more lots adjoining these, of Samuel Marble, March 7, 1702, and the remainder of the Samuel Marble farm, including dwelling-house, barn, etc.; he and his cousin Abel Gardner bought of Daniel Marble, Sept. 21, 1720.<sup>31</sup>

His father-in-law, John Browne, Sen., gave him July 7, 1676, fifty acres of land which had been granted to John Browne by the town.<sup>32</sup> This, Samuel Gardner sold to James Gould April 1, 1691.<sup>33</sup>

He purchased of John Browne, of Salem, mariner, Dec. 7, 1688, his house (where Samuel Shattuck then lived) with land, wharf, warehouse, etc.<sup>34</sup> In 1695 (Oct. 22) he bought of Bartholomew Browne, the lot north of the above containing  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an acre.<sup>35</sup> The house and land purchased in 1688, he conveyed to his son John in 1705-6 (Feb. 7),<sup>36</sup> and the other lot he deeded to his grandson John Higginson, Feb. 21, 1721-2.<sup>37</sup>

<sup>30</sup> Ibid., book 14, leaf 234.

<sup>31</sup> Ibid., book 15, leaf 163, and book 43, leaf 19.

<sup>32</sup> Ibid., book 4, leaf 138.

<sup>33</sup> Ibid., book 48, leaf 259.

<sup>34</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 8, leaf 117.

<sup>35</sup> Ibid., book 11, leaf 61.

<sup>36</sup> Ibid., book 18, leaf 159.

<sup>37</sup> Ibid., book 45, leaf 178.

In addition to the above lots, which from their importance we have described somewhat in detail, he either purchased or had granted to him, many other "parcels" of land in the town proper, at the "Butts," Winter Island, Marblehead, Lynn, etc. etc. He held many mortgages, and sold many lots which he had previously purchased of others. As early as 1682 he was taxed for 300 acres of "unimproved" land.<sup>38</sup>

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Samuel Gardner married twice. His first wife was Elizabeth Grafton, widow of Joseph Grafton, Jr.<sup>39</sup> She was the daughter of John Browne, Sen., as the following documents will prove: John Browne, Sen., in a deed calls Samuel Gardner, Jun., his "son."<sup>40</sup> In his will dated 1683, the above mentioned Elder John Browne appoints "my Sone in Law Samuel Gardner, Jun<sup>r</sup> to be my executor." He also leaves property to his "sone and daughter Gardner."<sup>41</sup> Samuel Gardner, Jun., and widow Elizabeth Grafton were married April 24, 1673.<sup>42</sup> She became the mother of all of his children, and lived until after her father's death, which occurred about Nov. 24, 1685.<sup>43</sup> His second wife was widow Susannah Daniel, widow of Stephen Daniel. She was born Sept. 1646, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Baxter. She married first, July 12, 1665, Isaac Hyde, son of Richard Hide or Hyde. She had four children by him. She married secondly Capt. Stephen Daniel, who died Feb. 14, 1686-7.

She was married to Samuel Gardner prior to March 25, 1690, as an agreement regarding the division of the property of her first husband, bearing that date, is on file at the court house. By this agreement she was to have two hundred and fifty-nine pounds, fourteen shillings, and bring up her youngest child Susannah Daniel, being then about three years old. The remaining two hundred pounds was to be divided between the children

<sup>38</sup> County Court Papers, book 43, leaves 11 and 20.

<sup>39</sup> Felt's Annals of Salem, 1st Edition, p. 282.

<sup>40</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 4, leaf 138.

<sup>41</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 302, leaf 156.

<sup>42</sup> Town Records.

<sup>43</sup> Town Records.

of her first husband, namely Stephen, Mary and Susannah Daniel.<sup>44</sup> His second wife Susannah evidently died before he did, as no mention is made of her in his will.

He died about Feb. 24, 1724.<sup>45</sup>

#### WILL

“In the Name of God Amen. I Samuel Gardner of Salem in the County of Efsex within his Majesties Province of the Mafsachusetts Bay, in New England, yeoman, being in good health and Strength, and of Sound Mind and Memory, y<sup>tt</sup> considering the Brevity of life and the uncertainty thereof, Do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner following hereby revokeing any other or former will by me att any time heretofore made. Imprimifs I resign my Imortall Soul to God that gave itt, and my Body to Decent Burriall att the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named, hoping for a glorious Resurrection, in and through the merritts of Jesus Christ my only Redeemer, and for my Worldly Estate, that God has given me, I bestow the Same as followeth

1st That my Just Debts and funerall Charges be Paid and Discharged by my Executors hereafter Named, & that my Legaceys be Paid by Such as are appointed to Pay the Same by the Tenour of this my Will.

Item. I give unto my Grandson John Higginson of Salem, that part of my Farme Scituate in Salem, that Lyes to the Northward of a Line begining att a Crooked Pine tree being a bound between my Land and the Land of Joseph Pope and So running unto another Pine tree or heaf of Stones by a Path Side—Leading from Wills Hill unto Reading which is a bound between the Townships of Salem and Lynn. Containing about Two hundred Acres more or lefs; also I give and bequeath unto him all my meadow known by the name of Bear Meadow, in the Township of Reading, containing about Twelve Acres, all which, viz<sup>t</sup> Part of my Farm afores<sup>d</sup> and the meadow afores<sup>d</sup> to be to him and his heires forever, Also I give and bequeath unto my Said Grandson John Hig-

<sup>44</sup> County Court Papers, book 48, leaf 119.

<sup>45</sup> Felt's Annals of Salem, 1st Edition, p. 378.

ginson one Sixteenth Part of the Grist Mills on the South River in Salem to be to him and his Heires & afsignes forever, all the afore named gifts & bequests are on the Conditions following viz<sup>tt</sup> that he, Pay unto his sister Sarah Higginson one hundred and ten Pounds Currant mony of New England or Province Bills of Creditt, within two years after my Decease, and also that he Pay, unto the Children of my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Prescott Deceased viz<sup>tt</sup> Benjamin, Hannah, Elizabeth and Sarah, one hundred and Ten Pounds in money or Bills of Credit to be Paid them when they come of Age to Each an Equall Share. And if any or either of them Depart this Life before they Shall arrive att full age there Parts or Shares to be Equally Divided Amongst the Survivors—And itt is my will that my aforenamed grandson John Higginson who I have also appointed one of my Executors, that he pay unto my aforenamed Great Grand Children, Six Pounds p<sup>r</sup> Annum to be Divided Equally betwixt them, from the time of my Death untill they shall arrive at full age, and the Said Legacy to be paid unto them.

Item – I give unto the five Daughters of my Son John Gardner Deceased, viz<sup>tt</sup> Elizabeth, Hannah, Bethiah, Ruth & Lydia, Two hundred acres of Land being Part of my Farm next adjoining to that Part which I have given to my Grandson John Higginson to be Equally Divided betwixt them for Quantity and Quality, to be to them and their heires forever.

Item – I give to my said Granddaughters Elezabeth, Hannah, Bethiah, Ruth & Lydia Twenty Pounds in money apeace to be Paidthem by there Brothers John, Daniel & Samuel, as they my said Grand Daughters come of age, or att the time of there marriage which first happens.

Item – I give to my Sister Marston, wife of Deacon John Marston, and to my Cousin Marg. Stacey the Sum of Ten Pounds in money to each of them within one year after my Decease.

Item – I give unto the Poor People in Salem y<sup>e</sup> Sum of Ten Pounds in or as mony to be Distributed Amongst them by my Executors as they Shall Judge best.

I give & bequeath the remainder of my Estate both

Reall & Personal (after my just Debts, Legacies & funerall Charges are Paid) unto my three Grandsons John, Daniel and Samuell Gardner, the Sons of my Son John Gardner Dec<sup>d</sup> wheresoever itt is Lying or being to them and there Heires forever, to be Equally Divided betwixt them for Quantity and Quality, to be Paid and Delivered them att the time what the youngest son Samuell, may come of age, and itt is my Will that There mother Elizabeth Gardner shall have the use and Improvement of itt untill that time for the bringing up of the children. Its to be understood y<sup>t</sup> in case the Said Samuell Should Depart this life before he come of age that then the Legacy afores<sup>d</sup> to be paid Eleven years from the Date hereof.

Item - It is my Will that after my three Grandsons, Sons of my Said Son John Gardner Deceased have Received there Portions as aforesd they shall Pay unto there mother Elizabeth Gardner equally betwixt them fifteen Pounds in mony pr Annum So long as Shee Remains the Widow of my Said Son Deceased, and also Shall Pay unto there five Sisters aforesnamed, the Sum of Twenty Pounds in mony a Piece, in manner a above Exprefsed.

Item - Its my Will that the Severall Payments in mony in this my Will Exprefsed are to be understood in currant mony or Bills of Credit as Shall Pafs from man to man.

Item - It is my Will that In Case Any of my five Grand-daughters, last named should Depart this Life before the time when they are to receive there Legacys, that then there Parts or Shares Shall be Equally Divided betwixt there Surviving Sisters.

Item - It is my will that in Case either or any of my three Grand sons John, Daniel or Samuel Gardner afore named Should Depart this Life before they come to receive there Portions the Surviving Brotherin or Brother Shall have his or there Part Equally betwixt them, he or them Paying the Proportion of the Legacy, which the Deceased was to have Paid, unlesf the Deceas<sup>d</sup> Brother or Brotherin, Should before his or there Decease, have been married and so have Left Legal Representa-

tives, who then are to Enjoye the Part of the Deceas<sup>d</sup>.

Lastly – I constitute and appoint my Grandson John Higginson and my Daughter in Law Elizabeth Gardner, Executors of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witnesses and for confirmation, that this is My Last Will and Testament, being Contained in y<sup>e</sup> two Pages and what is above written I have hereunto affixed my hand and Seal this first Day of Aprill.

Georgii nunc magna Britanie nono annoque Domini 1723  
 Samuel Gardner (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published & Declared in Presence of us Wittnefses, Henry West, Ebenezer Proctor, Edward Tomson, Stephen Sewall.”

This will was proved February 24, 1724.<sup>46</sup>

#### INVENTORY

“Imp. To his Wearing apparell 100/ utensills for farming £95:05:	
1 pr Oxen £12:10:00	£26:15:00
To pr Stears £9:15:00 3 Cows £12.	
1 heffer 48/ 2 yearling Calves 64/	27:07:00
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Personal estate.	£54:02:00
By mony of Thos. Brewer 120/ the miller	6:00:00
“ “ recd for rent of the Farme for ye year 1724	22:00:00
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	£82:02:00 <sup>47</sup>

May 29, 1733, the two hundred acre tract was divided into four equal parts as follows:—

- “No 1 – to Ruth Gardner, drawn by Guardian  
 “ 2 – to Hannah alias Houlton  
 “ 3 – to Eliz<sup>a</sup> Gardner, alias Gardner, her Husband.  
 “ 4 – to Bethiah, drawn by her Guardian, her Mother”

#### Children:

19. GEORGE, b. 2811-mo., 1674 (bap. Mar. 1675); d. 1675.  
 20. HANNAH, b. Apr. 4, 1676; d. June 24, 1713;<sup>49</sup> m. Salem, Sept.

<sup>46</sup> Essex County Records, book 315, leaves 182-4.

<sup>47</sup> Ibid., book 315, leaf 237.

<sup>48</sup> Ibid., book 321, leaves 72-4.

<sup>49</sup> Stone in the Charter Street Burying Ground.

11, 1695, Capt. John Higginson, s. of Col. John and Mary (Savage) Higginson. He was b. Salem, Aug. 20, 1675, and d. Apr. 26, 1718. He was a merchant and register of probate, 1698-1704. He was a selectman in 1704. He was a lieutenant in 1697 and called captain in the settlement of his estate. He m. 2nd, Nov. 11, 1714, Margaret Sewall, dau. of Stephen and Margaret (Mitchell) Sewall. Children by Hannah, all b. in Salem: 1, Elizabeth, b. June 28, 1696; d. Mar. 20, 1722-23; m. Oct. 20, 1715, Rev. Benjamin Prescott, the first minister of the Middle Precinct Church. He was b. in Concord, Mass., Sept. 16, 1687, s. of Capt. Jonathan and Elizabeth (Hoar) Prescott. He m. 2nd, July 15, 1732, Mercy Gibbs, dau. of Rev. Henry and Mercy (Greenough) Gibbs, b. Watertown, Dec. 23, 1696; d. Salem, Dec. 18, 1744. M. 3d, Oct. 6, 1748, Mary Pepperell, dau. of Col. William and Margery (Bray) Pepperell and former w. of Hon. John Frost of Newcastle, N. H., and Rev. Benjamin Colman, D.D., of Boston. She was b. Kittery, Me., Sept. 5, 1685; d. Salem, Apr. 18, 1766. Rev. Benjamin Prescott, grad. Harvard College, A. M., 1709, and became very prominent both as a minister and valued citizen. The author of "The Prescott Memorial" writes of him: "His mind being well stored with political as well as theological knowledge, he, retiring from his pastoral duties, entered upon public life, where he always exhibited the same uniform piety and virtue in every station in which he was placed, discharging the duties with fidelity and with honor to himself and usefulness to the public. He was well versed in the laws; the rights and interests of his country; and defended them with signal ability and devotedness. . . . His writings were distinguished for their force and vivacity, even when he had entered his 90th year." He d. May 28, 1777. Rev. Benjamin and Elizabeth had five children, one of whom, Benjamin, was father of Rebecca Prescott, who m. Hon. Roger Sherman, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Another child, Mercy, m. Henry Gibbs and became the mother of Prof. Josiah W. Gibbs of Yale College. ii, Capt. John, b. Jan. 10, 1697-8, at Salem; d. July 14, 1744, at Salem; m. 1st, at Cambridge, Dec. 4, 1719, Ruth Boardman, dau. of Andrew and Elizabeth (Truesdale) Boardman. She was b. June 14, 1698, at Cambridge; d. Salem, June 14, 1727. He m. 2nd, Apr. 28, 1732, Esther Cabot, b. Salem, June 11, 1706, dau. of John

and Anne (Orne) Cabot. He grad. Harvard, A. B., 1717; A. M., 1720; register of deeds, 1724; and captain of a military company, and Justice of the Peace. He was the father of seven children, among them being Col. John (1720-1774) and Capt. Francis (1732-1760), who m. Esther Gardner (No. 51). iii, Samuel, b. Feb. 5, 1699-1700; d. Sept. 23, 1702. iv, Sarah, b. Feb. 13, 1702-3; d. June 14, 1746; m. at Salem, Dec. 1, 1732, Dr. John Cabot, s. of John and Anne (Orne) Cabot, who was b. Oct. 26, 1704, and grad. Harvard College, A. M., in 1724. He was a physician in Salem, living in a house now standing, No. 8 Church Street. He had no children by Sarah. He m. 2nd, June 5, 1747, Hannah Clarke. v, Francis, b. Nov. 29, 1705. vi, Henry, b. Sept. 23, 1707; d. Dec. 1, 1708.<sup>50</sup>

21. SAMUEL, bap. Feb. 1677.

22. GEORGE, b. Sept. 9, 1679 (bap. Sept. 28, 1679).<sup>51</sup>

23. JOHN, b. Apr. 14, 1661; d. July 18, 1722; m. Jan. 11, 1704, Elizabeth Weld.

24. SAMUEL, bap. Aug. 12, 1683.<sup>51</sup>

16. Ebenezer Gardner,<sup>3</sup> (Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was mentioned in the town records in 1678 (17, 4th mo.). At that time his tax, amounting to 17 shillings was abated, as he was "under aged when rated." He was called shipwright and mariner in the records.

*Ebenezer Gardner*

He was appointed one of the executors of the will of his father, Lieut. George Gardner, and on the 25th of October, 1679, he gave his brother, Samuel Gardner, power of attorney to act for him in the settlement of his father's estate.<sup>52</sup> The two brothers gave Caleb Stanley of Hartford, Conn., power of attorney to act for them in the settlement of the same estate in Connecticut (May 24, 1680).

In 1680 he signed a petition for a new meeting-house in Salem.<sup>53</sup> A list of taxes on unimproved land made

<sup>50</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. III, p. 5, and v. V, p. 36.

<sup>51</sup> Ibid., v. VII and VIII, and First Church Records.

<sup>52</sup> Essex County Register of Deeds, book 5, leaf 49.

<sup>53</sup> Essex County Court Papers, book 33, leaf 84.

in 1682, credits him with 75 acres of such land, for which he was assessed one shilling six pence.<sup>54</sup> His name is also on a tax list dated 1683. At that time he paid 5s, "County rate," and 14s. "Minister's rate."<sup>55</sup> He commanded the ketch "Society" in 1682. One-eighth part of it belonged to Joseph Grafton, that portion being appraised at £50.

Ebenezer Gardner, "mariner," bought of Paul Mansfield, Dec. 25, 1682, for 5 pounds, a half acre of marsh land in Salem, "neere Claybrooke, soe called" and near Castle Hill land, and other land of the grantee.<sup>56</sup>

He married Nov., 1681, Sarah Bartholomew, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Scudder) Bartholomew. She was born Jan. 29, 1658-9, and died Sept. 5, 1682.<sup>57</sup>

Ebenezer Gardner died May 8, 1685. In his will dated Feb. 3, 1684, and probated May 11, 1685, he made the following bequests: to his sister Hathorne, he left 100 pounds, and all his "household Stuf Except the pewter & linen which my wife brought with her." To his sister Mary Turner, he left 50 pounds. The sum of 100 pounds was left to be divided among the four sons of his sister Buttolph, deceased "as they come of age." The house and ground which "he had with wife," he left to his brother, Henry Bartholomew, Sister Swinerton, Sister Willoughby and the three children of his sister Pilgrim, deceased. The pewter and linen, he desired to be equally divided between his sisters Swinerton and Willoughby. To George Gardner, son of his brother Samuel, he left an "Acre of marfh at Strong Water brook." His "salt marfh in the South field," he left to Nathaniel Hathorne, son of his sister Hathorne. To Susanna Gardner, "daughter of my unckle Thomas Gardner," he left 10 pounds, and to Margaret Gardner, daughter of his "Unckle Sam<sup>n</sup> Gardner," he left 10 pounds also. "To the poor honeft people in Salem," he left 50 pounds to be distributed by his "Unckle Samuel Gardner, Brother Hathorne, and Brother Gardner." The remainder of his estate he wished

<sup>54</sup> Essex County Court Papers, book 48, leaf 20.

<sup>55</sup> Ibid., book 43, leaf 17.

<sup>56</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 6, leaf 72.

<sup>57</sup> Bartholomew Genealogy, p. 52.

to have divided into thirds. One third to be given to the children of his sister Hathorne, another to those of his brother. The remaining third he left to the three children of his sister "Mary Turner, Robert, Habakkuk and Mary." His brother Samuel was executor of the will, which was probated May 11, 1685.<sup>58</sup>

In the inventory of the estate, dated April 30, 1685, we find the following items, among others:

"2 acres & 1/4 of Salt marfs in y <sup>e</sup> South field	22.10.00
1 acre ditto at Strong Water brook	20.00.00
To one farme about 100 acres and houfe &c	100.00.00
Ketch Sam <sup>l</sup> Dutch mafter	200.00.00
Money	275.03.00"

The total value of the estate was 925 pounds, 2 shillings and 7 pence. The document was signed by "Jno. Higginson Jun." and Stephen Sewall.<sup>59</sup>

Samuel Gardner, Jun., "executor of y<sup>e</sup> last will & testament of Ebenezer Gardner deceased," for 200 pounds, bought of Jno. Hathorne, "for the use and benefit of Jno Hathorne, Nathaniell Hathorne and Ruth Hathorne, children of y<sup>e</sup> aforesd Jno Hathorne & Ruth his wife," all "y<sup>t</sup> his piece of land, scituate . . . formerly belonging to Ralp Fogge."<sup>60</sup>

Nov. 9, 1687, John and Hannah Swinnerton, and Nehemiah Willoughby, for 59 pounds, sold to Henry Bartholomew Jun<sup>r</sup>, their right and title to 1/2 tract of land in Salem known by "y<sup>e</sup> name of Thomas James his farme, lying between y<sup>e</sup> land of Mr. Francis Johnson, Robert Follett and Mr. Batter deceased," with one half of the houses etc. thereon, "by vertue of y<sup>e</sup> last will & testament of Ebenezer Gardner deceased."<sup>61</sup> From depositions made by Samuell Very and "Nathaniel Camell," Oct. 2, 1682, we know that this farm was near Butts Brook.<sup>62</sup>

#### Child:

25. BARTHOLOMEW, b. June 12, 1682; d. Dec. 20, 1684.<sup>63</sup>

<sup>58</sup> County Court Papers, book 44, leaf 109.

<sup>59</sup> County Court Papers, book 44, leaf 110.

<sup>60</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 7, leaf 47.

<sup>61</sup> Ibid., book 8, leaf 89.

<sup>62</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 6, leaf 67.

<sup>63</sup> Gravestone in the Charter Street Burying-ground.

## FOURTH GENERATION

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23 Capt. John Gardner,<sup>4</sup> (Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the only son of Capt. Samuel and Elizabeth (Browne) Gardner who reached adult life, had a brief but eventful career.

*John Gardner*

He was first mentioned in the town records in 1702-3 (Mar. 22), at which time he was appointed fence-viewer "for y<sup>e</sup> New Field."

During the rest of his life he frequently served the town in similar capacities. In 1707-8 (Mar. 15), he was appointed on a committee "To Examine about any Strips or Parcells of Common Land That Lyeth between any farms or Lots belonging to y<sup>e</sup> Town." He served on this committee for a number of years, and in 1711 (May 22), he was given a note "on y<sup>e</sup> Towne Treafurer for fifty two shillings . . . for fervice about finding out Ineroachments on y<sup>e</sup> Town Commons," etc.

The office of surveyor of highways was frequently held by him, and he served on several committees, appointed to lay out new highways, including that from "Thomas Buffington's Westward as far as y<sup>e</sup> Widow Pope's" in 1710. Capt. John Gardner was chosen one of the selectmen in 1709 and the year following, and "Tithing man," in 1717.<sup>1</sup> He served on the trial jury in 1703, 1707, 1714, 1718 and in 1721.<sup>1</sup>

### CHURCH

His name is found in the records of the First Church Feb. 7, 1702. In 1709-10 (Jan. 18), he signed a petition for a church in the Middle Precinct, and contributed ten pounds for that object.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Town Records.

<sup>2</sup> Massachusetts Archives, book 11, leaf 337.

He was one of the signers of a petition to the town authorities from "Seuerall of y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants w<sup>th</sup> out y<sup>e</sup> bridge and below y<sup>e</sup> Village line vizt for a Quarter of an acre of land to Sett a Meeting houfe upon nigh Sam<sup>ll</sup> Goldthrite's Jun<sup>r</sup> between that and y<sup>e</sup> Wid<sup>o</sup> Parnells." Granted (Mar. 28, 1709-10.) The town voted March 24, 1711-12, "That half an acre of land is granted to the new Chappell lately erected for y<sup>e</sup> ufe of the miniftry there."

#### GENERAL COURT

Capt. John Gardner was first chosen representative in 1716 (May 25), "in the Room of Mr. Joseph Putnam." He was also elected 1719, 1720 and 1721. Nov 8, 1720, he was named as a member of a committee "to see what should be done with the Kennebeck Indians."<sup>3</sup> Nov. 17, he was appointed on a legislative committee "to visit the settlement made by James MacGregor, James MacKeen and James Gregg, about 14 miles from Haverhill and in New Hampshire. It appears that these persons were of a company from Ireland, who had leave to settle a township at the Eastward, but who preferred the place which they had occupied in an informal manner."<sup>3</sup> The Scotch-Irish settlement at Londonderry and neighboring New Hampshire towns is evidently referred to.

In 1721 (June 9), he was appointed on a committee "to desire an explanation from the Governor about his instructions from England, as to the emission of bills of this Province."<sup>3</sup>

#### MILITARY

He commanded a Salem company in the battle with the French and Indians at Haverhill Aug. 29, 1708. Early in the spring of that year word came to Governor Dudley at Boston that a large body of French and Indians planned to descend upon the English settlements, reports placing the number at eight hundred. He "ordered guards in the most exposed places of both his

<sup>3</sup> Felt's Annals of Salem, 1st Edition, pp. 371-2.



HORN SPOON, TAKEN BY CAPT. JOHN GARDNER, 23  
FROM AN INDIAN, WHOM HE HAD KILLED IN  
THE FIGHT AT HAVERHILL, MASS.,  
AUGUST 29, 1708



provinces." Chase, in his "History of Haverhill" states that "a body of troops, under Captain Robert Coffin, patrolled from Kingston to Cocheco, and scouts were ordered to be kept out continually. Four hundred Massachusetts Militia were posted in N. H. Province. The guard sent to this town (Haverhill), consisted of forty men, accompanied by three officers, from Salem, Major Turner (afterwards of the council) a principal merchant of that place, Captain Price and Captain Gardner, and soon after their arrival they were posted in the frontier house and garrisons." Governor Hutchinson characterized them as "three very good officers," but states that "moft of their men were pofted at a distance, and, before any fufficient number could be collected the mifchief was done. The enemy, however was purfued, overtaken and attacked, juft as they were entering the woods. The French reported, that they faced about, and that our people, being aftonished, were all killed, except 10 or 12, who escaped. The truth is, that there was a brush which lasted about an hour and that the enemy then took to the woods, except nine who were left dead, among them Rouville's brother and another officer. Many of the prisoners were also recovered."<sup>4</sup> Mr. Chase gives a lengthy description of the barbarous horde and narrates that various desertions and disaffections among the savages had greatly reduced the number that finally arrived at Haverhill. They had apparently planned to attack Portsmouth but owing to their thinned ranks they selected the then small village on the Merrimack. Pike, in his Journal, says that "many soldiers belonging to Salem were slain." In this engagement, Captain Gardner slew an Indian and took from him a spoon and tomahawk, illustrations of which are here shown. They are now treasured possessions of Mr. George Peabody Gardner, Jr. A resolve was passed in the General Court, Nov. 4, 1709, allowing John Gardner, 40 shillings for "Extra services at Haverhill."<sup>5</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Hutchinson's "History of Massachusetts," v. 2, pp. 173-4.

<sup>5</sup> Massachusetts Archives, v. 71, p. 587.

## REAL ESTATE

The first lot of land which we have found recorded as purchased by him, was one containing three acres near Butts Brook, which he bought of John Proctor of Ispwich, in 1703.<sup>6</sup> In 1705-6 he bought four acres more of him in the same locality,<sup>6</sup> and in 1714-15, another acre bounding on the above.<sup>7</sup> His widow, Elizabeth, sold the above lots to her son John Gardner, Sept. 7, 1762.<sup>8</sup>

In the article upon his father, mention was made of a house and lot which Samuel purchased of John Browne, and conveyed to John Gardner, Feb. 7, 1705-6.<sup>9</sup> He sold the lot on the 8th of February of that year to Joseph Gerrish of Wenham,<sup>10</sup> and bought it back again in January, 1707.<sup>11</sup> He purchased of Isaac Peas, son of Robert, on Feb. 29, 1711-12, a lot of land on the western side of what is now Central Street<sup>12</sup> in Peabody, and on Mar. 25th sold a portion of this to a company of men consisting of Abel Gardner, himself and others, for a school-house.<sup>13</sup>

## MIDDLE PRECINCT SCHOOLHOUSE

In the Town Records under date of March 14, 1711-12, we find reference to a "Petition of our Neighbours about y<sup>e</sup> town Bridge and below the village line, for some allowance towards a School amongst them."

Later in this month, "Articles of Agreement" were drawn up and signed by eleven citizens of that district, Abel Gardner's name heading the list and John Gardner's second. As this was the first school-house to be established in what is now the city of Peabody, this document is an interesting one historically. It reads as follows:

"Articles of agreement Covenanted, made and unani-

<sup>6</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 18, leaf 191.

<sup>7</sup> Ibid., book 30, leaf 166.

<sup>8</sup> Ibid., book 110, leaf 210.

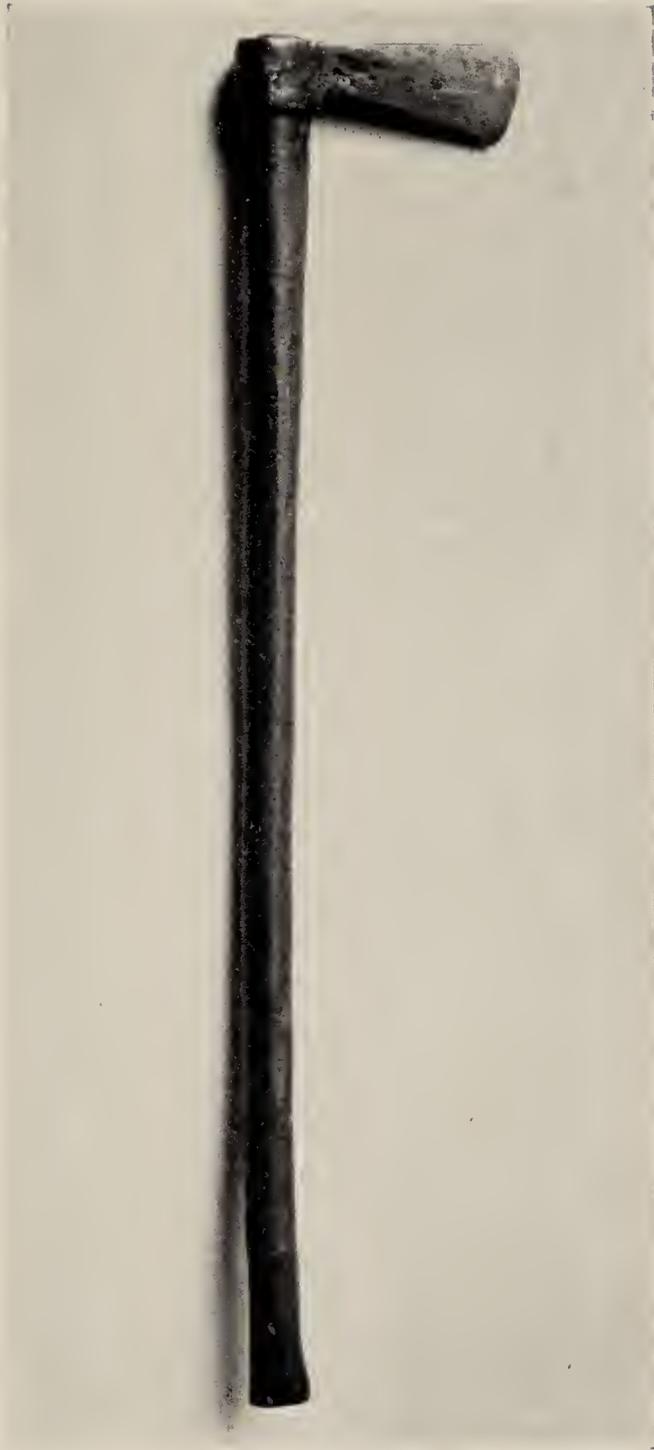
<sup>9</sup> Ibid., book 18, leaf 159.

<sup>10</sup> Ibid., book 17, leaf 129.

<sup>11</sup> Ibid., book 20, leaf 100.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., book 36, leaf 130.

<sup>13</sup> Ibid., book 26, leaf 135.



INDIAN TOMAHAWK  
TAKEN BY CAPT. JOHN GARDNER, 23  
FROM AN INDIAN WHOM HE HAD KILLED  
IN THE FIGHT AT HAVERHILL, MASS.  
AUGUST 29, 1708



mously agreed on this 25 day of March In the Eleaventh year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lady Anne by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of Grate Brittain France and Ireland Queen, and in the year of our Lord God 1712 by and between us the Subscribers hereof for and on behalfe of our Selves our heirs Executors and administrators and Every of us Mutually with Each other in manner following: That whereas wee have or are about to purchase the Dwelling houfe of Robert Peas of Salem afore-said and about twenty rod of the land belonging to the said homestead which is adjoyning to the maine road Easterly, and Southerly with Robinson's, westerly the Brook, Northerly Gardner's which houfe and land wee have purchased for to Improve as a School house for the Education of our Children forever, pursuant to which wee doe further covenant as followeth:

1st. that wee will repair and fix up one of the rooms forthwith with all convenient speed fit for y<sup>e</sup> use afore-said.

2ly. That we and our heirs Executors and administrators shall and will from to time and at all times Keep y<sup>e</sup> said houfe in good Suitable repair for that occasion or build another that may be more convenient in y<sup>e</sup> rome and Stead thereof as the majo<sup>r</sup> part of our community may agree to.

3dy. that wee shall and will bear and pay y<sup>e</sup> Charge that may arise by reafon of the promises Equally betwixt us our heirs executors or administrators.

4ly. that what feever y<sup>e</sup> majo<sup>r</sup> part of the community shall agree upon at a Meeting on due notice given thereof Eight days before y<sup>e</sup> meeting shall bee binding to the whole Community and all Shall be obliged to pay their shares and proportions of what shall be so agreed on by the majo<sup>r</sup> part of the proprietors or community and no person shall be admitted into the community without the leave or Lycence of the Majo<sup>r</sup> part of the proprietors first had and obtained at a meeting as aforesaid.

In Testimony and for confirmation of all and singular the articles covenant and agreement before mentioned the

parties concerned have hereunto set their hands and seales the day and year first written.

Abell Gardner	(SEAL)
John Gardner	(SEAL)
Robert Willson	(SEAL)
John Osborne	(SEAL)
Samuel Cook	(SEAL)
Samuel Cook Jun	(SEAL)
William Osborne Jun <sup>r</sup>	(SEAL)
Henry Cooke	(SEAL)
Jacob Read	(SEAL)
Joseph Buxton	(SEAL)
Samuel Osborne	(SEAL)

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the prefence of ous  
Benjamin Prescott  
Samuel Gardner

And if any one shall at any time part with his right in the premises It shall be to such an one as the major part of the Community Shall be Satisfied in and If the major part of Community shall refuse so to admit any one they shall be obliged to purchase the part that is put upon sale and shall have it at the first cost.

In Testimony &c<sup>a</sup> Essex fs Salem March 26, 1712.”

Examined by Stephen Sewall. (Recorded Mar. 27, 1712.)

The following extract from the Town Records explains itself: “In answer to y<sup>e</sup> Petition of our Neighbours living aboue the town bridge and below y<sup>e</sup> village line for allowance towards a School amongst them, Voted—That there be paid unto the Inhabitants of the new Parish five pounds Pr annum for three years next coming towards maintaining a reading, writeing & Cyphering School for their Children, provided they do keep up and maintaine fuch a School y<sup>e</sup> faid Term” (March 24, 1711-12).

In the Town Records, under date of Sept. 21, 1714, we find the following: “Left Abel Gardner” granted “five pounds to be applyed to y<sup>e</sup> ufe of yt School (y<sup>e</sup> middle precinct or new Parish) to which y<sup>e</sup> first paym<sup>t</sup> was made, vizt y<sup>e</sup> School kept by Wid<sup>o</sup> Katherine Dealand faid School being kept by y<sup>e</sup> approbation of y<sup>e</sup> Select-

men as y<sup>e</sup> law directs, this being y<sup>e</sup> 2nd payment.”

On the 27th of March, 1712, John Gardner sold to Abel Gardner and others, a lot of land with an old house upon it, to be used as a school house.<sup>14</sup> The lot measured 42 feet on the front (East) on the highway, and 33 feet in the rear (West) on the brook. It was bounded on the North with other land of John Gardner, and on the South with land of John Robinson.<sup>15</sup>

This lot of land, frequently mentioned in deeds as “the school-house lot” was sold June 8, 1857, by “The inhabitants of School District No. 3, in South Danvers” to Andrew Curtis.<sup>16</sup> It was described in the deed as bounded on the East on Central Street, there measuring 41 feet, 9 inches. The house numbered 62 Central Street in the present city of Peabody, stands upon this lot.

The northern end of this lot he sold to Benjamin Prescott, May 21, 1713.<sup>17</sup>

In 1712, he and his father purchased of John Gardner of Mendon,  $\frac{1}{8}$  part of the tide grist mill on the South River.<sup>18</sup> He retained his half of this purchase and his widow sold it to Jonathan Gardner, May 13, 1742.<sup>19</sup>

In 1721, he sold to John Phelps of Reading, seven acres of land on the north side of Ipswich River, which he had previously bought of a “committee chosen by the Proprietors of the Common Land of Salem.”<sup>20</sup> He held mortgages on various other pieces of property, and gave testimony from time to time, in regard to the bounds of lots which he had surveyed.<sup>21</sup>

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John Gardner married Jan. 11, 1704, Elizabeth Weld, daughter of Dr. Daniel and Bethia (Mitchelson) Weld.<sup>22</sup> She was baptized June 12, 1681. Doctor Weld lived on the eastern side of North Street (Weld’s Lane), about

<sup>14</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 26, leaf 146.

<sup>15</sup> Ibid., book 26, leaf 135.

<sup>16</sup> Ibid., book 573, leaf 71.

<sup>17</sup> Ibid., book 31, leaf 146.

<sup>18</sup> Ibid., book 25, leaf 74.

<sup>19</sup> Ibid., book 84, leaf 35.

<sup>20</sup> Ibid., book 43, leaf 288.

<sup>21</sup> Ibid., book 26, leaf 124; book 30, leaf 3; and book 43, leaf 132.

<sup>22</sup> Family Notes.

where the Wesley M. E. Church now stands.<sup>23</sup> Elizabeth Gardner and sister Barbara Hide, widow (later married to Edmund Batter), after the death of their father, sold the above property on Weld's Lane.<sup>24</sup> Her brother Dr. Edward Weld, married Mary (Higginson) Gardner, widow of Thomas Gardner<sup>3</sup> (Thomas,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>).

Elizabeth Gardner lived forty-eight years after her husband's death. She died Sept. 27, 1770, in her 88th year. Letters of administration were granted to her son John, Jan. 6, 1773.<sup>25</sup>

Captain John Gardner died in 1722. His will dated Dec. 18, 1721, read as follows:

"I John Gardner of Salem in New England, being Weak In Body, But Thro The Goodnefs of God I have my underftanding & Memory Continued to mee, Doe make & Ordaine This To be my Last Will & Testament for y<sup>e</sup> Dispofing of my Worldly Estate.

Imp<sup>r</sup>. My Will Is That after my Just Debts & Funerall Charges are payd. I Give all my perfonall Estate To my Wife Eliz. Gardner To be to her & att her Dispofe.

Item As to my Reall Estate my Will Is That the poor of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Salem have a Share of Itt with my Children (To Witt one Tenth part of Itt, and The way I propofe They Shall have Itt in Is the Income of my part of y<sup>e</sup> Corn Mills In y<sup>e</sup> Town of Salem four years which According To my Computation will bring in to the value of one Tenth part of my Reall Estate as I have Valued Itt. And my Will Is That my ffather would pleafe To Deal It out To fuch perfons as In his Wisdom fhall fee best having regard as much as may be To y<sup>e</sup> houfehold of ffaith and If my ffather fould Dye before y<sup>e</sup> four years be att End, I Defire my good ffriend Maj<sup>r</sup> Sewall would Order Itt, and If he Dye before That Time Then my Kinfman Edward Kitchen & Mr. David ffoster or Either of Them.

<sup>23</sup> Essex Antiquarian, v. II, pp. 171-2.

<sup>24</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 26, leaf 273, and book 33, leaf 236.

<sup>25</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 349, leaf 19.

My Will Is That my Wife Elizabeth Gardner have y<sup>e</sup> ufe of all the remainder of my Estate for her Comfortable fubfiftance & bringing up of my Children, and after y<sup>e</sup> four years are att End which The Poor are To Enjoy my mills, That To Return To her as the Rest of my Reall Estate, and If Shee Stand In Need of Itt Either for Comfort or the Children's Benefit I hereby Inpower her to Sell any or all my Estate provided Shee have The Confent of my Three good ffriends Maj<sup>r</sup> Stephen Sewall, Mr. Edward Kitchen & Mr. David ffoster or y<sup>e</sup> major part or Any One of Them If no more liveing.

Item My Will Is That What Shall be left after my Wifes Deceafe I Give Equally Among my Children my Eldest Son Then Liveing To have y<sup>e</sup> Liberty To purchafe all his Sisters parts provided he Give Them The Value of Their Shares as Indifferent Men fhall Then Judge Itt To be Worth.

Item. I Conftitute & Appoint Elizabeth my Wife Executrix of This my Last Will & Testament and after her Deceafe I appoint my Eldest Son That Shall be Then Liveing Execut<sup>or</sup> To fullfill what fhall remaine To be Done & Executed of This my Will.

In Testimony That This Is my Last Will & Testament I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal This Eighteenth Day of Decemb<sup>r</sup> One Thoufand Seven hundred & Twenty One.

John Gardner (Seal)

Signed Sealed publifhed & Declared To be his Last Will & Testament, in the prefence of David ffoster, Abell Gardner, John Waters Jun."

The above will was proved, July 18, 1722.<sup>26</sup>

Three minor daughters of "Capt. Jno & Elizabeth Gardner," "14 years of age & upwards"; Hannah, Bethiah and Ruth, petitioned to have their mother appointed guardian, October 29th, 1731.<sup>27</sup> Elizabeth Gardner, widow of Captain John, sold to Abel Gardner, husbandman, "3 common rights in y<sup>e</sup> Common lands of Salem, in the Middle Precinct, on y<sup>e</sup> South side of Boston

<sup>26</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 313, leaf 475.

<sup>27</sup> Ibid., book 319, leaf 171.

Road."<sup>28</sup> She sold to her son Daniel, July 8, 1741, "1/2 part of all that parcel of land in Salem in South fields" bounden as described by land of William Osborn, Benjamin Lynde, Edward Kitchen, Esq., and the "Great Pastures."<sup>29</sup> December 22, 1752, she sold for £26.15.04 to her son "Capt. John Gardner, Gentleman," a lot of land in Danvers.<sup>30</sup>

#### Children:

26. ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 10, 1705; d. Apr. 22, 1752; m. Dec. 2, 1725, Jonathan Gardner,<sup>4</sup> (Lieut. Abel,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>) son of Lieut. Abel and Sarah (Porter) Gardner. He was b. Feb. 24, 1698, and became one of the leaders in that noble group of merchants who made Salem famous in the eighteenth century. He held many town offices, served on the jury frequently and was prominent in church affairs. He lived in the large square, wooden house which is still standing on the northwest corner of Essex Street and Washington Square West, opposite the Hotel Hawthorne. He m. 2nd, Mrs. Mary Avery of Boston, Jan. 8, 1755. She was a relative of Hon. John Avery of Boston, Secretary of State. She d. Apr. 20, 1755, aged 58 years. He m. 3d, Mrs. Mary Palfrey, of Salem, wid. of Warwick Palfrey. She was b. Dec. 18, 1715, the dau. of William and Hannah (Browne) Pickering. Her first husband was Thomas Ellis, of Beverly; second, Warwick Palfrey, as stated above. She d. Feb. 20, 1804. Jonathan d. Nov. 27, 1783. Children, all by his first wife Elizabeth (Gardner) Gardner: i, A son, b. Dec. 19, 1726; d. soon after. ii, Jonathan, b. May 25, 1728; d. Mar. 2, 1791; m. Jan. 2, 1752-3, Sarah Putnam, dau. of William and Elizabeth (Putnam) Putnam. Her mother, Elizabeth, m. Capt. John Gardner (No. 27) after the death of her first husband. She d. Nov. 10, 1791. Jonathan Gardner, Jr., like his father, was a very prominent merchant. He commanded the "Two Brothers," a privateer in the French and Indian War, receiving his commission Sept. 6, 1757, from Gov. Thomas Pownall. In 1774, he was a member of the "Committee of Correspondence," and in the following year on the "Committee on Minute Men." He was commissioned Captain of the First Company in the First

<sup>28</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 70, leaf 231.

<sup>29</sup> Ibid., book 110, leaf 40.

<sup>30</sup> Ibid., book 99, leaf 67.

Essex County Regiment, June 6, 1776, and served as a volunteer in the Rhode Island campaign of 1778. Capt. Gardner was familiarly called "Commodore." His name headed the list of incorporators of the Salem Marine Society, 1772. He was a representative to the General Court in 1776, and was admitted to Essex Lodge, A. F. A. M., April 7, 1779. Dr. Bentley, in a memorial sermon, said: "We cannot forget the late worthy Capt. Gardner. . . . His virtues were not ostentatious. He provoked no man's envy, but sought every man's happiness. He pursued no man's praise but ensured every man's affection." Child, by his first wife, Elizabeth: Jonathan. iii, Elizabeth, b. Oct. 18, 1729; d. May 6 or 7, 1818, unmarried. iv, A son, b. Dec. 24, 1731; d. the same day. v, Samuel, b. Jan. 4, 1732-3; d. Mar. 15, 1732-3. vi, Sarah, b. Mar. 25, 1734; d. Dec. 8, 1797; m. Mar. 3, 1757, Capt. Joseph Bowditch, s. of Capt. Joseph and Elizabeth (Hunt) Bowditch. He was b. Nov. 29, 1730. He was a merchant. They had one child, Joseph, also a merchant. vii, John, b. Mar. 19, 1736; d. Jan. 3, 1816; m. Apr. 13, 1769, Sarah Derby, dau. of Hon. Richard and Mary (Hodges) Derby. Capt. John, often called John Gardner 3d, was a prosperous merchant, "most universally esteemed and respected." He held many town offices and was Captain of the First Salem Company in the First Essex Co. Regt., in 1767. He served on important committees during the Revolution and advanced money to pay soldiers. He lived in the mansion now occupied by Mr. David Pingree, next to the Essex Institute, in Salem. He was a deacon in the First Church and later attended the Universalist Church. They had three children: John, Richard, and Sarah, who married Hon. Jacob Crowninshield, Member of Congress. viii, A daughter, b. Sept. 28, 1737; d. same day. ix, Mary, b. Mar. 19, 1739; d. Jan. 16 or 17, 1820; m. June 20, 1760, Jonathan Andrew, s. of Capt. Nathaniel and Mary (Higginson) Andrew. He was b. Feb. 1737-8. They had many children, six of whom reached maturity. x, Lydia (Mary's twin sister), b. Mar. 19, 1739; d. Apr. 28, 1777; m. Richard Derby, Jr., s. of Hon. Richard and Mary (Hodges) Derby. He was b. 1736 and d. Dec. 8, 1781. They had seven children. xi, Samuel, b. Aug. 2, 1740. He graduated from Harvard College in 1759. He was a fine scholar, designed for the ministry, but went abroad for his health and d. at Monti Christi, of small-

- pox. xii, Hannah, b. Aug. 2, 1741; d. Oct. 6, 1742. xiii, Hannah, b. Feb. 24, 1743; d. Apr. 28 or 29, 1786, unmarried. xiv, Margaret, b. Aug. 28, 1744; d. July 18, 1805; m. Dec. 11, 1764, Capt. Samuel Barton, s. of Capt. Samuel and Elizabeth (Marston) Barton. He was b. Sept. 9, 1738, and d. of smallpox, Nov. 9, 1773. He was a merchant. They had seven children. xv, Benjamin, b. Oct. 1, 1747; d. Nov. 2, 1748. xvi, Benjamin, b. Apr. 11, 1749; d. Apr. 15, 1749.
27. JOHN, bap. Feb. 16, 1706-7; d. Jan. 15, 1784; m. 1st, widow Elizabeth Putnam; 2nd, widow Elizabeth Herbert; 3d, Mary Peal.
28. EBENEZER, bap. Nov. 7, 1708; d. young.
29. DANIEL, b. Dec. 16, 1709; d. Sept. 15, 1759; m. Dec. 23, Ann Putnam.
30. HANNAH, bap. Aug. 12, 1711; d. Mar. 7, 1762; m. pub. Apr. 28, 1732, Samuel Houlton (Holton), b. Apr. 6, 1703, s. of Henry and Abigail (Flint) Houlton. He d. Jan. 18, 1777. She was his second wife, his first wife, Anna Edwards, having died Sept. 18, 1829. Samuel and Hannah had four children, one of whom was Hon. Samuel Holton, one of the leading men and patriots of Essex County. He was b. June 9, 1738; d. Jan. 2, 1816; m. Mary (Prince) Warner, of Gloucester. He studied medicine and began to practice at the age of nineteen. He practiced two years in Gloucester and sixteen in Danvers. In 1768 he represented Danvers in the General Court. Later, he was a member of the Provincial Congress, a member of the Committee of Safety, First Major of the First Essex County Regiment in the Revolution, and a member of the Executive Council of the provisional government. He was a delegate to the Congress of Confederation, Nov. 15, 1777, a member of the Massachusetts Constitutional Convention in 1780, and in 1781 he was elected to the State Senate. Thence he went to the Executive Council. He was a member of the Continental Congress, and was placed at the head of the Medical Department of the Army. Oct. 28, 1775, he was made a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for Essex County. He served in this capacity for 32 years and was presiding Justice half of that time. He was a Justice of the Court of General Sessions for 35 years and Chief Justice of that court for 15 years. He was appointed Judge of the Probate Court July 2, 1796, and served 19 years.

31. SAMUEL, bap. Jan. 4, 1712-13; d. Apr. 7, 1769; m. 1st, Dec. 13, 1738, Esther Orne; m. 2nd, widow Elizabeth Winslow, dau. Richard Clarke of Boston.
32. BETHIAH, bap. Aug. 15, 1714; d. July 30, 1773; m. Sept. 1, 1737, Capt. Nathaniel Ingersoll, s. of Samuel and Sarah (Haskett) Ingersoll. He d. in 1762. He was a master mariner. She d. his widow, July 30, 1773. Children: i, Sarah; m. Joseph Hood. ii, Nathaniel; distiller; unmarried. iii, Hannah, bap. July 29, 1744; d. Richmond, N. H., Jan. 5, 1795; m. John Pickering, b. Mar. 31, 1738, s. of William and Eunice (Pickering) Pickering. He was a yeoman and housewright. They removed to Richmond, N. H., in 1781. He d. in that town, Oct. 27, 1823. They had thirteen children. iv, Mary, b. about 1738; m. July 23, 1785, Capt. Habakkuk Bowditch, bap. Mar. 5, 1737-8, s. of Capt. Ebenezer and Mary (Turner) Bowditch. He was a master mariner. They had seven children. He d. July 28, 1798. v, Elizabeth; unmarried in 1774. vi, Samuel, bap. Apr. 5, 1747; d. Beverly, Oct. 9, 1807; m. Eleanor Bridge, dau. of Rev. Matthew and Anne (Perkins) Bridge, of W. Bridgewater. vii, David, bap. Mar. 5, 1748-9; mariner; d. about 1812, unmarried. viii, Lieut. Jonathan, b. Salem, Aug. 9, 1751; d. Windsor, Vt., July 9, 1840; m. 1st, May 24, 1775, Mary Hodges, dau. of Gamaliel and Priscilla (Webb) Hodges. She was b. Dec. 2, 1755. He m. 2nd, Feb. 12, 1793, Polly Pool, sister of Ward and Fitch Pool. He m. 3d, Feb. 15, 1808, Mary Blythe. M. 4th, Sally ——. She d. in Salem, Mar. 17, 1842. They removed to Windsor, Vt., about 1812. They had five children. ix, Capt. John, bap. June 6, 1756; d. Salem, Feb. 10, 1840; m. May 13, 1779, Hannah Townsend, dau. of Capt. Penn and Ann (White) Townsend. She d. Mar. 5, 1791, aged 31 y. M. 2nd, Hannah Bowditch, bap. Dec. 13, 1761, dau. of Capt. John and Mary (Carlton) Bowditch. She d. Dec. 12, 1825. M. 3d, May 17, 1826, Elizabeth Fabens, who was b. Jan. 26, 1769, dau. of Peard and Hannah (Lang) Fabens. She d. Feb. 27, 1861, aged ninety-two. He had six children.
33. RUTH, b. May 27, 1716; d. Mar. 19, 1808; m. 1st, Bartholomew Putnam, b. Mar. 3, 1711-12, s. of Bartholomew and Mary (Putnam) Putnam. He was a tailor. He d. abt. 1753. She m. 2nd, Feb. 24, 1771, Capt. Benjamin Goodhue, b. Ipswich, July 11, 1707; d. Jan. 2, 1683. He was s. of William and Mary (Lowden) Goodhue of Ipswich. He had

m. 1st, Martha Hardy, who d. Sept. 9, 1768, aged 58 years. She had eight children, all by her first husband: i, Mary, bap. South Parish, Danvers, Aug. 22, 1736. ii, Bartholomew, b. Feb. 2, 1737-8; d. Apr. 17, 1815; m. Priscilla Hodges, dau. of Gamaliel and Priscilla (Webb) Hodges. She was b. July 30, 1741, and they m. May 13, 1760. He was a collector of the port of Salem. iii, Nathaniel, b. Oct. 19, 1739; prob. d. young. iv, Ruth, b. Apr. 15, 1740; d. Dec. 7, 1786; m. William Ward, s. of Ebenezer and Rachel (Pickman). He was b. Aug. 9, 1736; d. Oct. 9, 1767. They had three children. He m. 2nd, Mary Masurey. They were both drowned near Black Rock, June 17, 1773. v, Sarah, b. Jan. 17, 1743; d. Sanbornton, N. H., Oct. 4, 1824; m. May 8, 1763, John Elkins, bap. June 24, 1739, s. of Capt. John and Abigail (Archer) Elkins. vi, William, b. Feb. 25, 1745-6; d. young. vii, John, b. Dec. 2, 1748. viii, William, b. Apr. 7, 1751.

34. LYDIA, bap. July, 1718; prob. d. young.

35. GEORGE, bap. July 22, 1721; prob. d. young.

## FIFTH GENERATION

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27. Capt. John Gardner<sup>5</sup>, (Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), had no exclusive occupation. He was frequently called "gentleman" and engaged a little in commerce, and owned a farm and mill between Salem and Marblehead, at the mouth of Forest River.

*John Gardner*

The first office held by him was that of "Fence viewer for y<sup>e</sup> Great Pafture" (Mar. 14, 1736). In the following year he was chosen "Surveyor of Highways within y<sup>e</sup> Bridge," and from that date until 1758, he served nearly every year in one or the other of the above named offices.

He was one of the selectmen in 1741 and 1742 and moderator of town meetings in 1764 and 1768. He served on the school committee in 1742 and 1768. Other offices held by him were clerk of the market, 1742; tithing-man, 1742, 1745, 1755 and 1757; and warden in 1765. He was a member of many committees of perambulation and concerning grants of land.<sup>1</sup>

His first jury service was in 1738, at which time he was drawn as a "Petit Juror." He was chosen on the grand jury in 1753.<sup>1</sup>

### REPRESENTATIVE

He represented Salem in the General Court in 1741-3 and in 1747-8. In October, 1743, he was chosen on a committee of the General Court, "to investigate the state of Forts and Garrisons and grants for public supplies."<sup>2</sup> At that time there was fear in anticipation of a war with France.

<sup>1</sup> Town Records.

<sup>2</sup> Felt's Annals of Salem, 1st Edition, p. 426.

## MILITARY

He commanded a troop of horse, mentioned as "training and trooping for the first time," in 1744. D. Putnam was his lieutenant.<sup>3</sup>

## REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE

In December, 1774, he was chosen on a committee, "for carrying into execution the resolves of the American Congress."

## CHURCH

He was appointed one of a committee of three to confer with the other church over which Rev. Thomas Barnard was pastor.<sup>4</sup> He and his wife petitioned to be dismissed from the church in Danvers to the church in Salem under Mr. Leavitt's ministry, but their request was denied as the Salem Church "lies under scandalous imputations."<sup>5</sup> He owned a pew in this church, for we find record of the sale of pew No. 15 by him in Rev. Dudley Leavitt's Meeting-house Jan. 11, 1754, to Thomas Vinning, Jun., for "£7.6s.8p."<sup>6</sup>

## REAL ESTATE

John Gardner received as the principal part of his share of his grandfather Samuel Gardner's property, when it was divided in 1733, the mill property, being 3/16 of the "Grist Mill Standing on y<sup>e</sup> South River in Salem," mill gear, etc., and 21¼ acres of upland. In the following year he bought several lots of land near this property.<sup>8</sup> He sold to Jonathan Gardner, Dec. 10, 1735, 1/16 of his mills for £117<sup>9</sup> and in 1738 the two remaining parts to William and Benjamin Lynde for

<sup>3</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. II, p. 66.

<sup>4</sup> Ibid., v. VII, p. 152.

<sup>5</sup> New England Historic-Genealogical Society Register, v. XIII, p. 55.

<sup>6</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 100, leaf 1.

<sup>7</sup> Ibid., book 65, leaf 173.

<sup>8</sup> Ibid., book 62, leaf 175; and book 68, leaf 124.

<sup>9</sup> Ibid., book 68, leaf 248.

£120 each.<sup>10</sup> He and his brother Samuel, sold to their brother Daniel, all their rights in the 200 acres of land in the Walden farm, which they had also inherited from their grandfather, Jan. 9, 1733.<sup>11</sup> In the following month he sold to Nathaniel Walden, for £900 the easterly end of the farm, containing 183 acres.<sup>12</sup>

John Gardner and Jeremiah Getchell, in 1734 (Sept. 18), bought 20 poles of upland in Marblehead, near Forest River, John Gardner acquiring  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the property.<sup>13</sup> Four years later he bought 42 acres in the same locality, of William Lancey, which he retained throughout his life.<sup>14</sup> It was valued in his inventory at £197. In 1744 he bought an additional tract of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres.<sup>15</sup> He erected a grist mill at Forest River and had many disputes with the town authorities regarding the condition of the road to the mill.<sup>16</sup> He sold land in the vicinity, to the "Manufacturing Company," Sept. 9, 1740.<sup>17</sup> This Forest River mill property, he retained during his life, and his two-thirds was valued at £500 in his inventory. His son John, as administrator of the estate, sold the two-thirds to Jonathan Gardner, Dec. 1, 1785, for £140.<sup>18</sup> Seven days later, he bought it back for the same amount,<sup>19</sup> and sold it to Captain Samuel Tucker of Boston, Aug. 28, 1786, for £280.<sup>20</sup>

He probably lived most of the time previous to 1772, on his farm on the Salem side of Forest River, in the farm house which is still standing, although substantial additions have been made to it. His son John Gardner, administrator of his estate, sold it at auction June 9, 1785, to Jonathan Brown of Lynn, for £470.<sup>21</sup> Jona-

<sup>10</sup> Ibid., book 74, leaves 188-189.

<sup>11</sup> Ibid., book 65, leaf 174.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., book 64, leaf 126.

<sup>13</sup> Ibid., book 67, leaf 33.

<sup>14</sup> Ibid., book 74, leaf 141.

<sup>15</sup> Ibid., book 87, leaf 43.

<sup>16</sup> Town Records, Oct. 7, 1734; Mar. 2, 1740; Mar. 9, 1741; Mar. 12, 1749; Mar. 10, 1766; and Mar., 1771.

<sup>17</sup> Ibid., book 79, leaf 210.

<sup>18</sup> Ibid., book 144, leaf 288.

<sup>19</sup> Ibid., book 144, leaf 83; also Salem Gazette, Nov. 15, 1785.

<sup>20</sup> Ibid., book 141, leaf 130.

<sup>21</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 143, leaf 166.

than Brown left it to his son Edmund,<sup>22</sup> and after Edmund's death, his son Jonathan sold it to Isaac Wyman,<sup>23</sup> father of Mr. Isaac C. Wyman, who lived there up to the time of his death a few years ago.

Feb. 24, 1772, he purchased of Joseph Motley, of Salem, a dwelling-house in which Rev. Dr. Whitaker lived, paying £466:13:04 therefor. This was on the Main Street (now Essex), on the site of the present Peabody Academy of Science.<sup>24</sup> He lived in this house until his death. It was valued in his inventory at £800. In the division of his real estate after his death, his widow Mary was given the eastern end of this mansion. The two lower rooms in the southwestern corner of the house, and the chambers over them, were sold by John Gardner, Jun., administrator, to George Peele, Nov. 25, 1786.<sup>25</sup>

He owned at various times, several pieces of real estate in that portion of Danvers (now Peabody), known as the "Butts." Seven acres of this he retained until his death, being valued at £16, 16 shill. His son sold this Dec. 7, 1785, to John Lambert of Danvers, for £27.

During his life he owned many rights in the common lands, seven of which he inherited from his grandfather, and the three which he held at the time of his death, then valued at £24, his son sold Aug. 18, 1785, to Zachariah King, for £13, 16 shill.<sup>26</sup> The above described property includes all the real estate which he retained until his death. He bought and sold many other lots during his life.

#### WIVES

John Gardner married three times. His first wife was Elizabeth Putnam, daughter of Lieut. James and Sarah Putnam.<sup>27</sup> This was her second marriage. Her first husband was her cousin William Putnam, brother of General Israel Putnam.<sup>28</sup> She had two children by William

<sup>22</sup> Ibid., book 374, leaf 334.

<sup>23</sup> Ibid., book 238, leaf 237.

<sup>24</sup> Ibid., book 131, leaf 6.

<sup>25</sup> Ibid., book 146, leaf 172.

<sup>26</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 149, leaf 223.

<sup>27</sup> History of the Putnam Family, v. I, p. 67.

<sup>28</sup> Ibid., p. 50.

Putnam: Sarah who married Capt. Jonathan Gardner,<sup>5 gen</sup> Jun., (Thomas,<sup>1</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Lieut. Abel,<sup>3</sup> Jonathan,<sup>4</sup>) son of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Gardner) Gardner; and Elizabeth who married Jonathan Orne.<sup>29</sup> She inherited land from her first husband, six acres of which she sold to John "Nicholls," Jan. 9, 1753.<sup>30</sup> She died Feb. 4, 1764.<sup>31</sup>

He married second, Jan. 3, 1765,<sup>32</sup> Mrs. Elizabeth Herbert, widow of Capt. Benjamin Herbert, her marriage to whom was published Jan. 17, 1735-6. She was born Elizabeth Fowler, in Ipswich. Captain Herbert died in the winter of 1761-2. She died Oct. 23, 1772, leaving no children by Mr. Gardner.

His third wife was Mary Peele (Peal), whom he married October 29, 1773.<sup>32</sup> She was baptized Oct. 19, 1740, the daughter of George and Abigail (Ward) Peele.<sup>33-34</sup> She was born Aug. 12, 1733, and lived about forty-two years after the death of her husband. She received from his estate the eastern end of the mansion house.<sup>35</sup> In 1806 (July 14) she purchased a dwelling house and land on the northern side of Brown Street, of John Fairfield,<sup>36</sup> and in 1814, one on the northern side of Bridge Street, of Benjamin Weld of Boston, for \$700.<sup>37</sup> The latter property she sold to William Lemon, May 4, 1818.<sup>38</sup> She died in 1826. In her will dated May 27, 1824, she left to her daughter, Mary Lemon, wife of William Lemon of Boston, all of her personal property, household furniture, etc., and in case of her decease to the ten children of said Mary. She also left to this daughter Mary, her interest in the house in which "I now dwell . . . it being the same mansion house of my brother George Peele, deceased." Willard Peele was named as

<sup>29</sup> Ibid., p. 85.

<sup>30</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 98, leaf 57.

<sup>31</sup> Stone in the Wadsworth Burying-ground, in Danvers.

<sup>32</sup> Town Records.

<sup>33</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XVII, p. 185.

<sup>34</sup> Notes of Stephen W. Phillips, Esq.

<sup>35</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 357, leaf 107.

<sup>36</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 178, leaf 287.

<sup>37</sup> Ibid., book 203, leaf 26.

<sup>38</sup> Ibid., book 221, leaf 36.

executor, but declined to serve,<sup>39</sup> and Abel Hersey accepted the trust. In the inventory, dated Dec. 9, 1826, her sole real estate consisted of one-half of a dwelling house, valued at \$1500, and the personal estate amounting to \$1500, and the personal estate amounting to \$298.25.<sup>40</sup>

Captain John Gardner died Jan. 15, 1784, in his seventy-seventh year.<sup>41</sup> He left no will. His son John was appointed administrator of the estate, and he presented an inventory, April 8, 1784, in which the total value was given as £2060:01:02.<sup>42</sup> The items in this document concerning land holdings have already been given in this article under the heading "real estate."

Children of Capt. John and Elizabeth (Putnam) Gardner:

36. JOHN, b. June 23, 1731; d. Oct. 27, 1805;<sup>43</sup> m. 1st, Mary Gale; m. 2nd, Elizabeth Pickering.
37. ELIZABETH, bap. Aug. 19, 1733;<sup>44</sup> d. Apr. 20, 1754, unmarried.

Child by Mary Peele, his third wife:

38. MARY, bap. Nov. 13, 1774; d. Mar. 10, 1851; m. 1st, Sept. 16, 1793,<sup>45</sup> Abel Hersey, of Hingham, prob. the Abel, s. of Thomas and Abigail (Cushing) Hersey, who was b. Hingham, Apr. 19, 1768. No further record of him appears in the "History of Hingham." Abel Hersey, d. Salem, Mar. —, 1795, aged 27 years. Child: i, Abel, m. Elizabeth Haskell of Gloucester. He was an upholsterer in Salem. She m. 2nd, William Lemon, m. pub. Nov. 3, 1796. He was b. abt. 1764; d. Salem, May 7, 1827, aged 63. He was an upholsterer. Children: ii, Mary Gardner, b. Salem, June 16, 1787; d. May 11, 1891; m. June 10, 1829, William Leavitt. iii, Jane McKelvy, b. Feb. 6, 1800; d. Nov. 26, 1802. iv, Eliza Peale, b. Dec. 6, 1801; m. July 27, 1829, Lewis Plumb of Newark, N. J. v, William, b. Oct. 12, 1803; d. Sept. 1832, unmarried. vi, Jean McKelvy, b. Feb. 27, 1805; d. 1891; m. 1st, Aug. 23, 1826, William G. Davis, of Boston; m. 2nd, Timothy Brooks; m. 3d,

<sup>39</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 406, leaves 30-31.

<sup>40</sup> Ibid., book 34, leaf 244.

<sup>41</sup> Salem Gazette of Jan. 22, 1784.

<sup>42</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 356, leaf 550.

<sup>43</sup> Gravestone in the Wenham Burying Ground.

<sup>44</sup> Salem Village Church Records.

<sup>45</sup> Town Records.

Joseph Harris. vii, Charles, b. Apr. 22, 1807; d. June 10, 1885; m. Jan. 28, Lucy Augusta Ward. viii, Henry, b. Feb. 4, 1809; d. Aug. 25, 1885; m. May 5, 1831, Catherine S. Mallett. ix, Helen White, b. Dec. 27, 1810; d. May 16, 1891, unmarried. x, Ann Orne, b. Mar. 6, 1813; m. Apr. 5, 1841, Moses S. Johnson. xi, James, b. May 6, 1816; d. Sept. 22, 1840, at sea, on passage from Calcutta to Boston, unmarried.<sup>46</sup>

**29 Ensign Daniel Gardner,<sup>5</sup>** (Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), called in the records, "gentleman," lived most of his life on the George Gardner farm in West Peabody, which he inherited from his grandfather, Capt. Samuel Gardner, son of Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> the first Gardner owner and the original grantee.<sup>47</sup>

*Daniel Gardner*

We find his name in the town records Feb. 5, 1727-8, at which time he helped to repair the highway in the Middle Precinct. Between this date and 1752, his teams were frequently employed in this work for the town. In 1732, he was chosen fence-viewer. He served the town as surveyor of highways for many years, and frequently acted upon committees of perambulation for the Lynn "upper line," and Middleton. Other town offices held by him were as follows: hog-reeve in 1739, constable in 1742, and "Overfeer of y<sup>e</sup> Poor," in 1749 and 1750.<sup>48</sup>

#### REPRESENTATIVE

He represented Salem in the General Court in 1750.<sup>48</sup>

#### JURY

His first jury service was in 1731, when he was a member of the jury of trials. In 1737, he served on the "Petty Jury in the Inferior Court."<sup>48</sup>

<sup>46</sup> Notes furnished by the late Mr. Henry Lemon, of Boston.

<sup>47</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XXXVII, p. 208. (Deprint, p. 32.)

<sup>48</sup> Town Records.

## DANVERS

When the new town of Danvers was formed, he was one of the prime movers in the matter, and his name appears upon the first call for a town meeting, dated Danvers, Feb. 18, 1752.<sup>49</sup>

## SELECTMAN

In March, 1752, he was chosen selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor. He held these offices several times during the few remaining years of his life.<sup>50</sup>

## MILITARY

We find in Eaton's History of Reading (Massachusetts), Daniel Gardner's name in the list of men who served in the French and Indian war. Ensign Daniel Gardner took oath with Capt. Samuel Endicott and Lieut. Daniel Epes, July 11, 1733, as officers of a company in Colonel Theophilus Burrill's First Essex County Regiment.<sup>51</sup>

## REAL ESTATE

Daniel Gardner received Jan. 9, 1733, as his share of the estate of his grandfather Samuel Gardner, 200 acres of land in that part of Danvers now known as West Peabody.<sup>52</sup> It was a part of the original farm of Samuel's father, George, and received the name "Walden Farm," from one of the lessees. It was bounded on one side by land of his sister, Bethiah Gardner. He sold twenty-three acres in this locality to Joseph Pope, Sept. 8, 1735, for £230,<sup>53</sup> and two years later he sold four acres and thirty-two poles to Benjamin Pope, receiving £63 for it.<sup>54</sup> He evidently acquired more property adjacent to this

<sup>49</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>50</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>51</sup> Mass. Archives, Military Volume, 72, pp. 410-412.

<sup>52</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 65, leaf 174.

<sup>53</sup> Ibid., book 68, leaf 191.

<sup>54</sup> Ibid., book 73, leaf 217.

farm, for in the inventory it is described as containing two hundred and twenty acres, valued at £1760. After his death his executors sold about twenty-five acres.<sup>55</sup> The later history of this farm has already been told in the article upon George Gardner, second generation.<sup>56</sup> He had a few small holdings in other parts of the town which he disposed of before his death.

He married Anna Putnam, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Whipple) Putnam.<sup>57</sup> She was baptized May 6, 1716. The intention was published October 4, 1734 and they were married Dec. 23, following.<sup>58</sup> After the death of Daniel, she married in Danvers, July 19, 1764, Andrew Conant,<sup>59</sup> son of Lot and Martha (Cleaves) Conant, of Concord.<sup>60</sup>

Daniel Gardner died Sept. 15, 1759.<sup>59</sup> In his will dated July 26, 1759, he made the following bequests: To his sons Samuel and John, he gave the whole of his estate, to be equally divided between them. The estate was to remain in the hands of the executors for ten years after his decease, excepting the legacies ordered to be paid sooner. He gave to his wife Anna Gardner, £10 a year to be paid to her by his sons Samuel and John, during her life. To his sons Daniel, George, Benjamin and Ebenezer, he left £106, 13 shill. and 4 pence apiece, these amounts to be paid by his sons Samuel or John as specified. To his daughter Anna Brewer, he gave £6, 13 shill. 4 pence, besides what he gave her at her marriage. The remaining daughters, Ruth, Lydia, Elizabeth, Sarah and Esther, were each to receive £53, 6 shill. 8 pence, one half to be paid to them upon reaching the age of 21, or marriage, and the remaining half ten years later. The will was probated, Oct. 1, 1759.<sup>61</sup> In the inventory dated Jan. 2, 1760, we find the following items of real estate:

<sup>55</sup> Ibid., book 115, leaf 62; and book 129, leaves 55-56.

<sup>56</sup> Ibid., book 93, leaf 257; and book 110, leaf 40.

<sup>57</sup> History of the Putnam Family, v. I, p. 75.

<sup>58</sup> Town Records.

<sup>59</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>60</sup> History and Genealogy of the Conant Family.

<sup>61</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 336, leaves 385-8.

“220 Acres of Upland and Meadow with the building ftanding on the same, fcituate in sd Danvers; at £8 pr.	1760
About two Acres falt marsh in Salem at £10 pr	20.
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin: auto;"/> £1780.” <sup>62</sup>

## Children:

39. SAMUEL, m. Mar. 4, 1736-7 (bap. Oct. 8, 1738); d. Sept. 1, 1818; m. 1st, Patty Williams; 2nd, Sarah Upton.
40. ANNA, bap. Oct. 8, 1738; m. Sept. 14, 1758, Capt. Crispus Brewer.
41. BENJAMIN, bap. Oct. 9, 1757; d. Marblehead, Sept. 17, 1813; m. Molly Smith.
42. DANIEL, bap. Nov. 12, 1738; m. Emma Rea.
43. RUTH, bap. Sept. 21, 1740; m. May 10, 1763, Samuel Estey.
44. GEORGE, bap. Aug. 29, 1742; d. 1769 or earlier, as his estate was divided on June 6th of that year.
45. LYDIA, bap. Oct. 9, 1757;<sup>63</sup> m. Oct. 25, 1764, Hugh Clark,<sup>64</sup> who was b. Oct. 27, 1734, son of Rev. Peter and Deborah (Hobart) Clark.
46. JOHN, bap. Oct. 9, 1757.<sup>65</sup> Samuel Putnam was appointed his guardian Sept. 14, 1761.<sup>65</sup> He d. before July 9, 1768.<sup>66</sup>
47. EBENEZER, bap. Oct. 9, 1757; m. Jan. 28, 1772, Sarah Whit-tredge.<sup>67, 68</sup>
48. SARAH, bap. Oct. 9, 1757; d. Mar. 22, 1827; m. June 26, Elijah Hosmer, s. of James and Elizabeth (Davis) Hosmer, of Concord, Mass. He was a private in Capt. Joseph Hosmer’s Concord Company, in Col. Eleazer Brooks’s 3rd Middlesex County Regt., which marched to Roxbury Mar. 4, 1776, serving five days; also in list of men appearing under heading “Hartwell Brook the first Everidge”; his name appears among men who went with Capt. Minot (year not given). Children: i, Elijah, b. May 16, 1777; d. March 1811; m. May 22, 1806, at Stoneham, Rebecca

<sup>62</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 338, leaf 338.

<sup>63</sup> Salem Village Church Records.

<sup>64</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>65</sup> Essex County Probate Records, book 338, leaf 337.

<sup>66</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 141, leaf 259.

<sup>67</sup> Ibid., book 158, leaf 162.

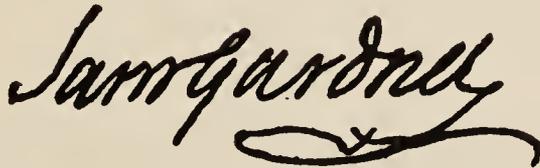
<sup>68</sup> Essex Gazette, Sept. 14-21, 1773.

Green of that town. ii, Sally, b. Nov. 13, 1778; d. 1835, in Concord, unmarried. iii, Eben, b. Feb. 22, 1780; d. Cleveland, O., Aug. 4, 1854; m. June 4, 1809, in Walpole, N. H., Susan Chapman. iv, Bela, b. June 15, 1781; d. in Concord, Mass., June 7, 1850, unmarried. v, Joseph, b. May, 1783; d. Dec. 24, 1854; m. Dec. 1813, Lydia Davis, dau. of Abel and Lavinia (Hosmer) Davis. She was b. June 29, 1789; d. Apr. 30, 1873. vi, Lydia, b. 1785; d. 1868, unmarried. vii, Perley, b. 1786; m. Almira Kingsbury of Norwich, Conn. He went to Cleveland, O.; was in Iowa in 1852, and d. Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. viii, Sewel, b. Oct. 20, 1790; d. Nov. 18, 1796, aged 6, in Concord, Mass.<sup>69</sup>

49. ESTHER, bap. Oct. 9, 1757. Living in 1769.<sup>70</sup>

50. ELIZABETH, bap. Oct. 9, 1757. Living in 1769.<sup>70</sup>

**31 Samuel Gardner,<sup>5</sup>** (Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was one of the leading merchants of Salem, and one of her most influential citizens. At the time of his death he was reputed to be the wealthiest man in town. He graduated from Harvard College in 1732.



The earliest mention of his name in the Town Records was April 5, 1736, at which time he was appointed on a committee to perambulate the "Lyn upr line." He did similar work in 1739 and 1745. March 19, 1738, he was appointed on a committee on the market, and was "Clerk of y<sup>e</sup> Market," in 1750. He was chosen constable in 1739 (Mar. 10), and acted as teller of the annual town meeting in 1744, 1747 and 1749. Among the various committees upon which he served, was one in 1745, to provide a house for the "Idle & Poor," and another in 1750, "to adjust the matters of dispute between the inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> several parts of y<sup>e</sup> town."<sup>71</sup>

<sup>69</sup> Authority, Miss Eliza Hosmer of Chicago, Ill.

<sup>70</sup> Essex County Probate Records, book 345, leaf 396.

<sup>71</sup> Town Records.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

He was first chosen March 10, 1745 and again in 1750. From 1752 until 1759, he served on this committee continuously.

## SELECTMAN

This office was first held by him in 1749. In the following year he was again chosen and also in 1758 and 9. At the town meeting held October 5, 1750, he acted as moderator.

## REPRESENTATIVE

He represented the town in the General Court in 1749.

## JURY

In 1734 he was a member of the "Jury of Tryals," and he served again in 1747. He was chosen on the grand jury, in 1745.

## CHURCH

He owned the covenant in the First Church in Salem, Dec. 16, 1739. We learn from the inventory of his estate, that at the time of his death, he owned portions of pews in several different churches in Salem and Danvers.

## REAL ESTATE

In the division of the real estate of his grandfather Capt. Samuel Gardner, Jan. 9, 1733, he was given the following five lots of land:

I. "Y<sup>e</sup> homestead Consisting of A dwelling house and barne and About ten Acres of land More or lefs thereto Adjoining."

He sold one acre of this to Daniel Jacobs, of Salem, with house and barn, Oct. 15, 1736, for £230.<sup>72</sup> In

<sup>72</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 73, leaf 168.

1738 (Apr. 18), he sold the remainder (seven and one-half acres) of "The late homestead of Capt. Samuel Gardner, dec<sup>d</sup>" to the same man, for £200.<sup>73</sup>

II. "A piece of Orchard plowland and pasture called Southwick's, containing thirty Acres More or less."<sup>74</sup>

Seven acres of this, he sold to John Southwick, Jun., May 5, 1735, for £166, and the remaining twenty-three acres, he retained until his death. This was valued in his inventory at £230.<sup>75</sup> It was in what is now called "the Kingdom."

III. "Eighteen Acres of land . . . called y<sup>e</sup> Woodlott." This was one of the lots which Capt. Samuel bought of Thorndike Proctor, Feb. 17, 1700-1.<sup>76</sup> Samuel, Jun., sold it to Samuel Felton and Daniel Marble, June 13, 1734, for £370.<sup>77</sup>

IV. "Eight acres of land, more or less."

This lot was in the "Middle Precinct," on the eastern side of what is now Central Street. He purchased a lot adjoining this on the south, from his mother, Aug. 6, 1739.<sup>78</sup> He sold three acres of the lot to Benjamin Prescott, Jan. 24, 1733.<sup>79</sup> A portion measuring two and one-half acres, he kept, and it was valued in his inventory at £34.

V. "Two acres and a half of land in y<sup>e</sup> North field." We know from the bounds given, that this was the lot sold by him to Robert Wilson, Jan. 28, 1733.<sup>80</sup>

March 4, 1733, he petitioned the town for the privilege of purchasing a strip of land on "the country road leading to Proctor's" (at what is now called the Kingdom), which his grandfather had exchanged with the town. The town voted on Mar. 18, 1733, to leave the matter to the selectmen,<sup>81</sup> and a year later he bought the strip, containing 132 poles, for £16, 10 shillings.<sup>82</sup>

<sup>73</sup> Ibid., book 74, leaf 92.

<sup>74</sup> Ibid., book 68, leaf 129.

<sup>75</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 345, leaves 456-468.

<sup>76</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 14, leaf 234.

<sup>77</sup> Ibid., book 72, leaf 262.

<sup>78</sup> Ibid., book 79, leaf 44.

<sup>79</sup> Ibid., book 64, leaf 141.

<sup>80</sup> Ibid., book 62, leaf 129.

<sup>81</sup> Town Records.

<sup>82</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 69, leaf 42.

## WIVES

Samuel Gardner married twice. His first wife, who was the mother of all of his children, was Esther Orne, daughter of Timothy and Lois (Pickering) Orne.<sup>83</sup> She was born Jan. 18, 1714-5. They were married Dec. 13, 1738. He married for his second wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Winslow, widow of William Winslow. She was born Nov. 13, 1716, daughter of William and Hannah (Appleton) Clarke, and was a sister of Richard Clarke, one of the consignees of the tea which was thrown overboard in Boston in 1773. She married first, December 11, 1735, William Winslow, son of Captain Edward and Hannah (Moody) Winslow. He died in 1745, while in the service as Commissary of the Expedition against Louisburg. Her marriage to Samuel Gardner was published May 27, 1758.<sup>85</sup> and after his death, April 7th, 1769, she married 3d, June 21, 1770, Francis Cabot, son of John and Anna (Orne) Cabot for his second wife. He was born May 22, 1717 and died April 12, 1786, aged 69 years. He was a leading merchant in Salem. She died Salem, June 19, 1785, aged 68.<sup>84</sup>

Samuel Gardner died April 7, 1769. In his will, dated September 15, 1766, he bequeathed his property as follows: To his daughter Esther Mackay, he gave £1500, which he judged would make, with what he had advanced "to & for her viz before her Inter-marriage with Mr. Daniel Mackay . . . at least two Thousand Pounds & I discharge her and the Heirs of her late Husband Mr. Francis Higginson . . . of what I charged him with on my Books." To his daughter Lois Gardner, he left a similar amount, to be given to her "when she shall arrive at the Age of twenty-one Years." He left to his "Beloved wife Elizabeth," £333, 6 shill. 8 pence, and household goods to the value of £100, also "what she brought to me at our Marriage," and "all the personal estate since left to her by Madam Hanah Willard." He

<sup>83</sup> Pickering Genealogy.

<sup>84</sup> Salem Gazette, June 21, 1785.

<sup>85</sup> Notes of Samuel Pickering Gardner.

left to her also his "Negro Boy Titus, as a servant for life," his two-wheeled chaise, and one chaise horse; and "the Right of sitting in the Pew below," in Mr. Thomas Barnard's meeting-house, she paying one-fifth the taxes thereof. Finally he gave her £160 annuity, to be accepted "in full of her Right of Dower in my Estate," upon condition that she should give his executors when demanded, "a Release of all Demands and Claims of Dower." To his slave Isaac, he gave his freedom and clothing and £10. He also provided if said slave "be unable to support himself, that he be supported by my sons George, Weld and Henry, in equal shares, . . . so as to free the Town of Salem from any Charge." He left to his "Hon. Mother Elizabeth Gardner," an annuity of £30. He bequeathed to Mr. William Jeffry, £100, and to Rev. Mr. Thomas Barnard, £12. The remainder of his estate, he granted to his three sons, George, Weld and Henry, in equal shares. He appointed his brother, John Gardner, and Mr. Francis Cabot, his executors.<sup>86</sup>

The inventory of his estate, dated Aug. 4, 1769, contained the following:

His late "Dwelling House in said Salem with the out Houses & Land under and adjoining"	1066.13.04
A piece of "Orchard Plough Land & Pasture in Danvers called Southwick's cont. 23 acres	230.00.00
A Piece of Land in Danvers opposite the Dwelling House of Benj Prescott Esq. contg about 2½ acres.	34.00.00
2 Common Rights in the great Pasture (so called) in Salem.	22.00.00
1-3 of a Piece of Land in Salem near North Field Bridge now in pofsefsion of Robert Foster,	24.00.00
1 Pew (No. 34) in the Meeting House in Salem, wherein the Rev. Thomas Barnard now Officiates.	35.06.08
1-4 pew (No. 42) in the same meeting House	6.00.00

<sup>86</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 345, leaves 337-343.

1-6 Part of a Pew (No. 33) in the meeting house in Salem, wherein Rev. Mr. Huntington did officiate	2.13.04
1-6 part of a double pew in Danvers, wherein the Rev. Mr. Holt now officiates.	3.00.00
4 shops & a barn with the Land thereto belonging in Marblehead, near the Town House (so called)	230.00.00
1 old Dwelling House, with the land thereto belonging in said Marblehead now in Pofsefsion of Daniel Scandlin,	80.00.00
4 Fish Houses with the Land & Flakes thereto belonging in sd Marblehead now in Pofsefsion of Jeremiah Lee, Esq.	300.00.00
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English Goods, etc.	2253.00.00
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	£4266.14.01.”

The total value of his property was £20,565:08:09.<sup>87</sup>

August 7, 1770, this had increased to £21,926:06:00½. In the account rendered by the executors under that date, we find that the sum of £3,569:14:06¼ had been paid to each of the three sons: George, Weld and Henry, and the sum of 3,600 “placed & kept at interest, untill the Annuities therein directed to be paid shall cease.”<sup>88</sup>

After the death of John Gardner and Francis Cabot, Rev. Thomas Barnard, D.D., of Salem, was appointed administrator, Sept. 5, 1803.<sup>89</sup>

May 29, 1769, the real estate was divided as follows: George was given the homestead, and one-third of each of the pew holdings, as mentioned in the inventory. Weld received as his share, the twenty-one acre lot in Danvers, a third of all of the pew holdings, and £209:17:09⅓ paid by his brother George. Henry had the two and one-quarter acre lot in Danvers, the remaining third of the pews, and £404:17:09⅓ paid him by George. Weld

<sup>87</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 345, leaves 456-468.

<sup>88</sup> Ibid., book 346, leaf 299.

<sup>89</sup> Ibid., book 371, leaf 51.

and Henry also received one share each in the common lands of Salem.<sup>90</sup>

Children:

51. ESTHER, bap. Jan. 13, 1739-40; d. May, 1796; m. 1st, July 15, 1758, Capt. Francis Higginson, b. Salem, Feb. 3, 1712-13, the s. of John and Esther (Cabot) Higginson.<sup>91</sup> He d. Salem, 1760. She m. 2nd, Oct. 6, 1761, Capt. Daniel Mackay, s. of William and Margaret (Epes) Mackay. He was a merchant and master mariner. Children: i, Lois, bap. Sept. 6, 1767; d. before 1796. ii, Margaret, b. abt. 1767; d. Mar. 2, 1817; m. Salem, June 9, 1789,<sup>92</sup> Capt. Frederick Frye, s. of Col. James and Sarah Frye, of Andover. He served in 1781, in Capt. Lovejoy's Co., Col. Johnson's Regt. They lived at Catskill, Green Co., N. Y. iii, Samuel G., bap. 1769; m. Beverly, May 4, 1795, Elizabeth Smith, b. Beverly, May 4, 1768, dau. of Elias and Thankful Smith. He died in Canso Gut, June 3, 1805,<sup>93</sup> and she d. Beverly, May 8, 1849, aged 81 y. 4 d. iv, Esther, m. Salem, Jan. 22, 1792, Col. John Page. She d. before 1802.<sup>94</sup> v, Nancy L. G., b. Dec. 13, 1774; d. Andover, Apr. 24, 1845, aged 70. vi, Elizabeth, m. Salem, May 9, 1790, Edward West, prob. the son of William and Mary (Bickford) West, who was b. Aug. 22, 1760. He was a mariner.
52. Lois, bap. Nov. 15, 1741;<sup>95</sup> d. July 9, 1819; m. May 13, 1773, Rev. Thomas Barnard, D.D., son of Rev. Thomas Barnard. He graduated from Harvard College, 1766, and received the degree of D.D. from Brown University and the University of Edinburgh in 1794. He was also a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He studied for the ministry under the Rev. Dr. Samuel Williams of Bradford, Mass., and preached for a short time at Newbury, Mass. He came of a distinguished line of clergymen, the fourth in a direct line. His father, Rev. Thomas Barnard, Harvard College, 1732, was pastor of the First Church in Salem, and was stricken with paralysis in the spring of 1770. His son was employed to supply his father's pulpit, which he did so acceptably that there was a strong desire to make him his father's col-

<sup>90</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 128, leaves 11-13.

<sup>91</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. V, pp. 40 and 254.

<sup>92</sup> Salem Records.

<sup>93</sup> Salem Gazette, July 18, 1805.

<sup>94</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 364, leaf 431.

<sup>95</sup> First Church Records.

league. But there was no unanimity, and Mr. Asa Dunbar was chosen colleague by a majority of two votes. The result was the formation of the North Church and Thomas Barnard, Jr., was chosen its pastor, Jan. 13, 1773. The new society was composed of men of wealth and influence. He was pastor for nearly 42 years. When the British, under Lt. Col. Leslie, marched from Marblehead to Salem, February 26, 1775,<sup>96</sup> he dismissed the congregation and was a leader in the armed resistance at the North bridge. He d. in October, 1814. Children: i, Thomas, bap. Apr. 24, 1774; d. Mar. 30, 1800, unm. ii, Sarah, bap. Aug. 15, 1775; d. Sept. 25, 1809; m. Robert Emery, of Springfield.

53. GEORGE, b. July 20, 1743 (bap. July 24th); d. Jan., 1774, unmarried.
54. WELD, b. Dec. 3, 1745 (bap. 8th);<sup>95</sup> d. Nov. 2, 1801, unmarried.
55. HENRY, b. Oct. 17, 1747 (bap. 18th),<sup>95</sup> 1747; d. Malden, Nov. 8, 1817; m. Oct. 19, 1769, Sarah Turner.
56. ELIZABETH, bap. June 3, 1750; d. Andover, Apr. 16, 1834, a. 84 y.;<sup>97</sup> will dated June 4, 1832, proved May 20, 1834; m. 1st, Nathaniel Dabney, s. of Charles and Elizabeth (Gardner) Dabney of Boston. He was an apothecary in Salem and was a loyalist. He fled to Halifax, N. S., and later to England and France. On his way home to America he was lost at sea. Administration was granted June 7, 1784.<sup>98</sup> She m. 2nd, James Bridges, in Andover, June 21, 1787. He was s. of Moody and Naomi (Frye) Bridges, and was born Nov. 4, 1751, and d. Nov. 23, 1789.<sup>97</sup> He was a farmer in Andover, living on the ancestral Bridges estate. His widow administered his estate Feb. 1, 1790, and was appointed guardian of his two children. She m. 3d, Ebenezer Stevens, pub. Jan. 15, 1793. He was a farmer in Andover, s. of Ebenezer and Tabitha (Farnum) Stevens, b. Aug. 17, 1753; d. Andover, Jan. 20, 1821, a. 67 y. Children: i, by Nathaniel Dabney, Nathaniel, bap. 1781. ii, By James Bridges: Henry Gardner Bridges, b. Andover, May 11, 1789;<sup>79</sup> d. at Whampoa, China, Dec. 21, 1849; m. Salem, May 12, 1824, Eliza Chadwick, dau. of Gilbert Chadwick of Salem.<sup>99</sup> She was b. Jan. 12, 1791,

<sup>95</sup> First Church Records.

<sup>96</sup> The Essex Antiquarian, v. VI, p. 131.

<sup>97</sup> Andover Records.

<sup>98</sup> Essex Probate Records, v. 357, p. 38, files No. 6,990.

<sup>99</sup> Salem Records.

in Salem. He was a master mariner. His portrait hangs in the Peabody Museum in Salem. iii, Elizabeth, by Ebenezer Stevens, b. Andover, Feb. 18, 1794; d. Andover, May 14, 1841, unmarried.

57. SAMUEL, bap. Sept. 12, 1756;<sup>100</sup> d. young.

<sup>100</sup> First Church Records.

## SIXTH GENERATION

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36. **John Gardner**, (Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the only son of Capt. John and Elizabeth (Putnam) Gardner, went to sea in the early part of his life, and was master of a vessel in the West India trade for several years.<sup>1</sup> In the year 1763, he built a brick mansion on Essex Street, on the site of the Salem Five Cents Savings Bank. He lived there until 1778, when he removed from Salem to Wenham, and lived upon a large farm which he had purchased in that town and Ipswich.<sup>2</sup>

*John Gardner*

### JURY

He served in 1762, and was excused twice in 1764, and once in 1767, 1771 and 1772. The excuse given in 1771 was that he was "at sea" and this was probably the reason in most of the other instances.<sup>3</sup>

### CHURCH

His children were baptized in the Tabernacle Church, and he therefore probably worshipped there until his removal to Wenham. He purchased a pew in the Wenham Meeting-House, of Haffield White of Danvers, Sept. 29, 1785.<sup>4</sup>

### REAL ESTATE

John Gardner, Jun., received from his father-in-law, Timothy Pickering, Jan. 19, 1760, a house lot on Main

<sup>1</sup> Notes of Samuel Pickering Gardner.

<sup>2</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. VI, p. 100.

<sup>3</sup> Town Records.

<sup>4</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 144, leaf 232.

Street (now Essex) as a part of the marriage portion of Elizabeth Pickering, his daughter.<sup>5</sup> This lot was the site now occupied by the building erected as Gardner Block which has since been acquired and occupied by the Salem Five Cents Savings Bank. John Gardner erected a house upon it in 1763, as mentioned above. He purchased land bordering upon this lot of Michael Moore and John Turner, in 1760 and 1764.<sup>6</sup> He offered this brick house for sale, in 1795, the advertisement stating that it was occupied by Capt. Samuel Robinson.<sup>7</sup> John and his wife conveyed this house of Philip Chase and Henry Rust, Oct. 20, 1801.<sup>8</sup>

In 1777 he purchased of Thomas Brown of Wenham, for £1480, "divers tracts of land in Wenham and Ipswich amounting to 137½ acres."<sup>9</sup> This purchase included the homestead lot of 103 acres. Between this date and 1802, he bought many other lots in that vicinity, of Nathaniel and Thomas Brown, Daniel, Elizabeth, Jonathan and "Taminy" Kilham, Asa Cole and Oliver Obear.<sup>10</sup> He sold land in Wenham to Daniel Kilham, in 1779,<sup>11</sup> and in Ipswich to George Dodge, Jun., in 1792.<sup>12</sup>

In 1780 (Aug. 14), with the other proprietors of Long Wharf, Salem, he sold it to Richard Derby, Jun., and George Crowninshield.<sup>13</sup> He was appointed administrator of his father's estate, and in that capacity sold much property. These sales have all been noted in the article relating to Capt. John Gardner No. (27). A mortgage held by him is on record, which was discharged later.<sup>14</sup>

He subscribed £21 toward the paving of the Main

<sup>5</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 111, leaf 256.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid., book 113, leaf 29; book 115, leaf 115.

<sup>7</sup> Salem Gazette, Mar. 19, 1795.

<sup>8</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 168, leaf 255.

<sup>9</sup> Ibid., book 135, leaf 62.

<sup>10</sup> Ibid., book 135, leaf 172; book 140, leaves 109 and 142; book 141, leaves 102 and 103; book 142, leaf 18; book 147, leaf 4; book 156, leaf 270; book 163, leaves 277 and 278; book 211, leaf 124.

<sup>11</sup> Ibid., book 139, leaf 150.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., book 250, leaf 21.

<sup>13</sup> Ibid., book 139, leaf 7.

<sup>14</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, Book 144, leaf 142.

Street in 1792.<sup>15</sup> In 1787 he was executor of the estate of Daniel Kilham of Wenham.<sup>16</sup>

John Gardner married twice. His first wife was Mary Gale, of Marblehead, to whom he was married in that town, June 25th, 1754.<sup>17</sup> She was born about 1728 and died March 24, 1755, aged 27 years.

His second wife, and the mother of his children, was Elizabeth Pickering, daughter of Deacon Timothy and Mary (Wingate) Pickering.<sup>18</sup> She was born November 12, 1737. They were married in Salem Nov. 7, 1757. Her father gave her at the time of her marriage, for her part of his estate, £106, 13 shillings, and for ten shillings paid to him by John Gardner, sold to him the house lot on the Main street, referred to above.<sup>19</sup> In 1812, widow Elizabeth Gardner of Wenham, sold to her brother, Timothy Pickering, of Wenham,<sup>20</sup> "7 undivided eighths parts" of the "Apple tree lot or Hardy's lot" in "South fields," also "Pickering's Point Pasture" adjoining the above, and a lot bounded on three sides by Broad, Pickering and Green (now Warren) Streets.<sup>18</sup> May 30, 1812, she bought of the other heirs of John Pickering, six-eighths of certain lands in the Great Pastures, and transferred the same to Ichabod Nichols, May 8, 1813. She bought back this property on Dec. 23, 1813, for \$1.00. She died Oct. 12, 1823, and was buried in the Wenham Burying Ground. Her age as given on the stone was 86. The Salem Gazette of October 24, 1823, refers to the death of widow Elizabeth Gardner at Wenham, aged 85, "sister of Hon. Timothy Pickering of this town—a lady not less venerated for her virtue than for her years."

In her will dated Oct. 21, 1816, she gave to John Lowell Gardner and George Gardner, children of her son Samuel Pickering Gardner, all of her "real estate in the town of Salem, consisting of about one hundred and eleven acres of pasture situated in the westerly part of said town of Salem, and on the northerly side of the

<sup>15</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. VII, leaf 37.

<sup>16</sup> Salem Mercury, July 10, 1787.

<sup>17</sup> Marblehead Town Records.

<sup>18</sup> Pickering Genealogy, 53-IV-9.

<sup>19</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 111, leaf 256.

<sup>20</sup> Ibid., book 197, leaf 86-7.

Salem turnpike, being the same pasture which formerly belonged to my late brother, John Pickering, deceased, to be equally divided between the said children in fee simple, and if either of them shall die before he arrives at the age of twenty-one years, such deceased child's share shall go to the survivor in fee simple," etc. To her grandson Henry Blanchard, she gave four hundred dollars. Eliza Cabot Blanchard, daughter of her late grandson Francis Blanchard, was given a feather bed. The remainder of the estate was given to her son Samuel Pickering Gardner, who was appointed executor.<sup>21</sup>

John Gardner died Oct. 27, 1805, aged 74.<sup>22</sup> His will, dated Jan. 21, 1794, contained the following bequests: to his wife Elizabeth, he left all of his "real Estates wheresoever they may be for and during the term of her Natural life, also all" of his "furniture, stock & farming utensils, upon the Premises." He directed his executor to put all the moneys which he was to receive from his personal estate out at interest, and to pay his wife the interest during her life, and to pay to said wife also, the interest received from debts due him. He gave to the children of his daughter Elizabeth Blanchard, the reversion "after the expiration of the Estate given to my wife" of all of his real estate in Wenham, Hamilton and Ipswich, together with his brick house in Salem, likewise his farming utensils and livestock. He gave to his son Samuel Gardner, all the rest of his estate, and appointed his executor.<sup>23</sup>

Henry Blanchard mortgaged his right to his grandfather's property, to his brother Francis, April 21, 1812, for \$2000,<sup>24</sup> and May 10, 1813 sold his right to his brother for \$1800.<sup>25</sup>

#### Children:

58. ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 9, 1759;<sup>26</sup> (bap. Feb. 11<sup>27</sup>); d. June 24,

<sup>21</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 402, leaf 279.

<sup>22</sup> Gravestone in the Wenham Burying-ground.

<sup>23</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 373, leaf 227.

<sup>24</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 195, leaf 300.

<sup>25</sup> *Ibid.*, book 199, leaf 245.

<sup>26</sup> Notes of Samuel Pickering Gardner.

<sup>27</sup> Tabernacle Church Records, Salem.

1816;<sup>28</sup> m. June 3, 1781, Dr. Samuel Blanchard. He was born in Boston on the 29th of February, 1756, and received his medical education with General David Cobb, who was one of General Washington's aides. His record in the War of the American Revolution is as follows: "Surgeon's Mate, Col. Gerrish's regt.; list of officers approved by Committee of Congress, July 5, 1775; also, Col. Gerrish's regt.; engaged June 8, 1775; service 1 mo. 23 days; roll dated Camp at Cambridge; also 1st co., Col. Loammi Baldwin's (38th) regt.; pay abstract for Aug., 1775: reported with surgeon Baker; also list of men dated Chelsea, Sept., 1775; reported left regiment Aug. 31, 1775; also, Surgeon; list of prisoners sent from Halifax to Boston in the cartel 'Swift,' Nov. 9, 1777; also, Doctor, ship 'Vengeance,' commanded by Capt. Thomas Thomas; engaged June 27, 1779; discharged Aug. 27, 1779; service 2 mos., on expedition to Penobscot; also, Surgeon, ship 'Pilgrim,' commanded by Capt. Joseph Robinson; descriptive list of officers and crew dated Aug. 2, 1780: age, 25 years; stature, 6 ft.; complexion, light; residence, Boston." Mr. Samuel Pickering Gardner in his notes, states that he did not practice "physic as a profession on shore, but was a merchant for several years in Salem and Baltimore."<sup>28</sup> He retired to Wenham and lived there many years until his death on the 4th of May, 1813.<sup>26</sup> Children: i, Henry, b. July 9, 1782; d. Dec. 29, 1826. He entered Harvard College in the class with his brother Francis, but did not graduate on account of ill health. ii, Francis, b. Jan. 31, 1784; d. at Wenham, June 26, 1813; graduated Harvard College, 1802; m. Aug. 29, 1808, Mrs. Mary Ann Lee, wid. of N. C. Lee, and dau. of Francis and Nancy (Clark) Cabot. She was bap. May 9, 1784, and m. 1st, Nathaniel Cabot Lee of Boston. He was b. May 30, 1772, the s. of Capt. Joseph and Elizabeth (Cabot) Lee, and d. Jan. 14, 1806, at Barbadoes. Francis and Mary Ann (Cabot) Blanchard were the parents of the first Mrs. Robert C. Winthrop, her maiden name being Elizabeth Cabot Blanchard. She lived in the family of her uncle, John Gardner, until she married R. C. W. Mary Ann, w. of Francis Blanchard, d. Boston, in July, 1809. iii, George Frederick, b. at Baltimore, Dec. 24, 1786; d. Baltimore, July 17, 1787. iv, Lucy, b. Wenham,

<sup>28</sup> Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War.

May 10, 1793; d. June 16, 1815; m. Mar. 25, 1814, Charles Henry Orne, bap. Apr. 12, 1789; merchant; s. of Capt. William and Abigail (Ropes) Orne, of Salem.<sup>29</sup>

59. JOHN, bap. Aug. 31, 1760; d. at Charleston, S. C., Oct. 10, 1792. He was a successful merchant in Charleston, S. C.; where he lived about eight years.<sup>29</sup>

60. SAMUEL PICKERING, b. May 14, 1767 (bap. May 31); d. Dec. 18, 1843, in Boston; m. Rebecca Russell Lowell, dau. of Judge John and Sarah (Higginson) Lowell.<sup>30</sup>

**39 Samuel Gardner,**<sup>6</sup> (Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the oldest son of Ensign Daniel and Ann (Putnam) Gardner, lived on the ancestral farm in Danvers (now West Peabody).

The first office held by him was that of hogreeve, to which he was chosen March 9, 1761. He was one of the surveyors of highways in 1764, 1767 and 1786; and selectman and assessor in 1769 and 1787. In 1772 he was chosen constable, and collector of taxes in 1785 and 1793. He served on the school committee in 1787 and 1793.

Various sums of money were paid to him from time to time for the use of his teams in repairing highways. He was taxed nearly every year from 1783 to 1790 for a "Full Back Chaise" or a "Standing Top Chaise." May 5, 1800, he was appointed on a committee of three to sell the old road "from Curtis lane to Hezekiah Flint's."<sup>31</sup>

#### MILITARY

He was probably the Samuel Gardner whose name was given as one of the commissioned officers of the First Regiment in Essex County in 1774.<sup>32</sup>

#### REVOLUTIONARY

May 28, 1770, he was appointed on a committee of twelve to carry a protest against the tax on tea to every householder, "and in Case any Person refuse to Sign as abovesaid he Shall be Looked upon as an Enemy to

<sup>29</sup> Notes of Samuel Pickering Gardner, Esq.

<sup>30</sup> Lowell Historic Genealogy.

<sup>31</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>32</sup> Essex Gazette, Oct. 18-25, 1774.

the Liberties of the People, and Shall have their Name Registered in the Town Book." He was a member of a committee of twelve chosen Feb. 2, 1778, to consider the "Articles of Confederation."<sup>41</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE

Samuel Gardner inherited from his father, one half of the farm,<sup>33</sup> and purchased from the other heirs, their interest in the share left to his brother John, after said John's decease.<sup>34</sup> He sold forty-eight acres of this to Ezra Upton, July 9, 1768.<sup>35</sup> In 1808 (April 14) he sold to his sons Asa and George the remainder of his real estate, at that time amounting to 150 acres, for \$4,200, retaining a mortgage of like amount upon the same. This mortgage was discharged Oct. 23, 1819, by John Gardner, Jun., administrator of the estate of Samuel Gardner deceased.<sup>36</sup>

He sold to Benjamin Pickman, Dec. 12, 1803, two acres of salt marsh at Castle Hill, Salem. This was evidently the two-acre lot owned by his father.<sup>37</sup> In 1768 he bought land of his uncle Samuel in the same locality,<sup>38</sup> and transferred ten acres of salt marsh "near Castle Hill" to his sons when they purchased the farm in 1808.<sup>39</sup>

In June, 1792, he bought of Daniel Taylor, a lot of land "on the Highway which leads from Salem to the North parish in Reading," containing about eight acres. This lot had previously belonged to Thomas Gardner,<sup>4 gen.</sup> son of Abel and Sarah (Porter) Gardner.<sup>40</sup>

Samuel Gardner married first, Patty Williams, of Lynn, Dec. 30, 1762.<sup>41</sup> She died Feb. 28, 1765. He married second, June 9, 1774, at South Danvers, Sarah Upton, daughter of William and Sarah (Herrick) Upton. She was born in North Reading, Nov. 20, 1755, and died

<sup>33</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 336, leaves 385-6.

<sup>34</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 141, leaf 259.

<sup>35</sup> Ibid., book 125, leaf 206.

<sup>36</sup> Ibid., book 182, leaf 306, and book 183, leaf 237.

<sup>37</sup> Ibid., book 174, leaf 71.

<sup>38</sup> Ibid., book 141, leaf 137.

<sup>39</sup> Ibid., book 182, leaf 306.

<sup>40</sup> Ibid., book 156, leaf 51.

<sup>41</sup> Danvers Town Records.

in Danvers, Jan. 24, 1830.<sup>42</sup> In her will dated the 13th of that month, she gave to her grandson Samuel Gardner, son of her deceased son John, the sum of \$1000, to be given to him when he reached his majority. To her daughter-in-law Ruth Coan, the mother of said Samuel, she left one dollar. She remembered her Walcott grandchildren as follows: to Elizabeth G. and Augustus C. she left \$100 apiece, to be given to them at the ages of 18 and 21 respectively; to Sally A., Samuel G. and Henrietta B. she gave \$100 to be divided between them, the son to receive his share at the age of 21 and his sisters at 18. All of the remainder of the property she gave to her children Asa Gardner and Sally Walcott, wife of Rev. Calvin Walcott.<sup>43</sup>

Samuel Gardner died Sept. 1, 1818, and was buried in the Pope burying ground in Pope's lane in West Peabody. He left no will. His son John Gardner, Jun., "Mariner," was appointed administrator, Dec. 1, 1818.<sup>44</sup> In the inventory dated Aug. 17, 1819, the estate (wholly personal) was valued at \$8,643.48. \$732 was due the estate, and \$671.51 was owed, leaving \$8,704.07 to be distributed. The widow was given \$2,901.35 and the remaining two-thirds was divided into four parts and given to John, Jun., Asa and George Gardner, and Sally Walcott, Oct. 5, 1819.<sup>45</sup>

Child by first wife, Patty Williams:

61. Child, b. and d. May 20, 1764.

Children by second wife, Sarah Upton:

62. SAMUEL, b. May 4,<sup>46</sup> (bap. June 11<sup>47</sup>) 1775; d. Nov. 27, 1797.

63. JOHN, b. Mar. 16, 1777 (bap. Oct. 19); d. Lynn, Oct. 8, 1824;  
m. Lynn, Apr. 25, 1822, Ruth Galleucia, of Lynn.

64. ASA, b. Aug. 29, 1779 (bap. Oct. 16, 1785); d. Mar. 9, 1858;  
m. Lynnfield, May 29, 1817, Mary Ann Needham, of that town.

<sup>42</sup> Upton Memorial, p. 145.

<sup>43</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 407, leaf 366.

<sup>44</sup> Ibid., book 11, leaf 62.

<sup>45</sup> Ibid., book 395, leaves 71 and 72.

<sup>46</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>47</sup> Church Records, Middle Precinct.

65. GEORGE, b. Oct. 2, 1781; d. Feb. 13, 1821; m. Apr. 25, 1805, Elizabeth Needham, dau. of Daniel Needham of Lynnfield.
66. SALLY, b. May 1,<sup>46</sup> (bap. Oct. 16) 1785; d. Winchester, Va., Dec. 12, 1850; m. Sept. 4, 1811, at Danvers, Rev. Calvin Walcott, s. of Elijah and Mary (Blake) Walcott.<sup>48</sup> He became rector of St. Andrew's Church in Hanover, Mass., in 1818. The local church records state that "Under his zealous ministrations the prospects of the parish assumed a more encouraging aspect." He continued to serve there until his resignation, July 14, 1834. "From Hanover he removed to the western part of the state, and officiated for a time in the churches of Otis and Blandford." After that he was at Quincy, Massachusetts, and Hopkinton, New Hampshire. He resigned from the latter church in 1844, and "was actively and usefully employed as an agent for the American Bible Society." Children: i, Elizabeth Gardner, b. Marblehead, Dec. 30, 1812; d. Weymouth, Mass., May 2, 1846; m. Hanover, Mass., Mar. 16, 1834, Jacob Richards, A.M., M.D., s. of Jacob and Lydia (Colson) Richards of Braintree. ii, Augustus Calvin, b. Danvers, Oct. 13, 1814; d. Havana, Cuba, Apr. 5, 1833, of yellow fever. iii, Sally Ann, b. Marblehead, Mar. 27, 1817; d. Yonkers, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1888. iv, Samuel Gardner, b. Hanover, Jan. 2, 1820; d. Utica, N. Y., June 3, 1883; grad. Washington College (Trinity), Hartford, Conn., 1847; Harvard Medical School in 1850; studied under Dr. Lewis. He was a physician in Utica, N. Y., in 1852, and in Boston later.<sup>49</sup> He m. 1st, Utica, N. Y., Sept. 14, 1854, Caroline Hubbard; m. 2nd, in 1875, Emily J. Pierpont. v, Henrietta Blake, b. Hanover, May 25, 1825; m. Edwin A. Richards, s. of Hon. Joseph Richards of Braintree. vi, Asa Gardner, b. Hanover, Apr. 25, 1825; d. New York, Aug. 15, 1858; grad. Trinity College, 1847, and Med. Dept. of the University of the City of New York, 1851. He served as assistant at the New York State Asylum, Utica, N. Y., 1853-5.<sup>49</sup> vii, George Theodore, b. Hanover, July 15, 1827;<sup>50</sup> d. Quincy, Mass., Oct. 22, 1851; grad. Brown University, 1848, and was principal of Hanover Academy in 1849.
67. BETSEY, b. Aug. 25 (bap. Oct. 19), 1788; d. Jan. 31, 1796.

<sup>48</sup> "Descendants of James Prime," by Gen. Ralph E. Prime: Walcott notes in the Appendix, Essex Institute Library.

<sup>49</sup> Mr. Arthur Adams, Secretary of Trinity College.

<sup>50</sup> Hanover Records.

41. Capt. Benjamin Gardner,<sup>6</sup> (Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), lived in Middleton until about 1783 when he removed to Marblehead. He was referred to in the records as gentleman or yeoman.

#### REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE

“Sergeant, Capt., Capt. Asa Prince’s co. of Minute Men, which marched on the alarm of April 19, 1775; service, 2 days; also, Ensign, Capt. Enoch Putnam’s co., Col. John Mansfield’s reg’t.; muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775; engaged April 26, 1775; service, 3 mos. 13 days; also, Capt. Putnam’s co. Col. Mansfield’s (19th) regt. commanded by Lieut. Col. Israel Hutchinson; company return dated Oct. 6, 1775; also, Captain, Col. Rufus Putnam’s (5th) regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from Jan. 1, 1777, to Dec. 31, 1779; reported as serving 22 mos. 19 days as Lieutenant, 13 mos. 11 days as Captain; also, 1st Lieut., Capt. Daniel Shay’s co., Col. Putnam’s (4th) regt.; return dated Albany, Feb. 9, 1778; residence, Middleton; also, Col. Putnam’s regt.; returns of officers for clothing dated Boston, June 17, and Nov. 24, 1778; also, Captain, 5th Mass. regt.; list of settlements of rank of Continental officers, dated West Point, made by a Board held for that purpose and confirmed by Congress, Sept. 6, 1779; commissioned Nov. 11, 1778; also, Captain Lieutenant; return made by Lieut. Col. Newhall and filed Sept. 23, 1779, of officers of Col. Putnam’s (5th) regt.; also, Captain, Col. Putnam’s regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from Jan. 1, 1780, to Oct. 18, 1780.”<sup>51</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE

He purchased of John Shepard, Jun., of Amherst, N. H., May 9, 1769, a tract of land containing fifteen acres, on the northern side of Middleton pond, on the road from Andover to Salem, and another lot on the south side of said highway, bounded on the south by the

<sup>51</sup> Mass. Soldiers and Sailors in the Revolutionary War, v. VI, p. 261.

“brook running out of the aforesaid Pond.” A second lot contained about two acres. In addition he purchased at this time half interests in two other lots.<sup>52</sup> He sold to John Estey, yeoman, three of the above divisions for £200, in 1785 (Apr. 20).<sup>53</sup>

In 1783 (Jan. 10) he bought of Benjamin Wilkins, Jun., of Middleton, administrator of the estate of John Wilkins, for £29, 4 shill. 11 pence, a lot of land at auction, containing five and three-quarters acres.<sup>54</sup> Judgment was obtained against him in 1788 to the amount of £24, 17 shill. 7 pence, by Samuel Symonds, treasurer of Middleton, and this lot appraised at £10, 13 shill., 4 pence, was seized in part payment. Benjamin Gardner was described in the last named document as “of Marblehead, gentleman.”<sup>55</sup>

He bought land in Ohio, about 1788, through the agency of M. Cutler. The United States census of 1790 shows that his family consisted at that time of one free white male over 16 years of age, one under 16 and five free white females.

He married in Danvers, September 25, 1764, Molly Smith, daughter of Walter and Mary (Giles) Smith.<sup>56</sup> She was born in Danvers, March 26, 1746, and died in Marblehead, May 27, 1828, aged 80.<sup>57</sup> Captain Benjamin Gardner, died in Marblehead, September 17, 1813, “in an advanced Age, formerly from Danvers.”<sup>58</sup>

#### Children:

68. ESTHER, d. small pox.
69. MOLLY, b. June 11, 1765 (bap. July 1).
70. POLLY, b. 1767; d. Apr. 23, 1851;<sup>59</sup> m. in Middleton, July 30, 1785,<sup>60</sup> Reuben Wilkins, s. of Aquila and Lucy (Smith) Wilkins. He was b. Middleton, Dec. 23, 1758; d. Nov. 23, 1811. Children: i, Fanny (Frances), b. Dec. 31, 1785; d. Apr. 23, 1870, aged 84 y. 3 m. 20 d.; m. May 11, 1804,

<sup>52</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 143, leaf 37.

<sup>53</sup> Ibid., book 143, leaf 106.

<sup>54</sup> Ibid., book 147, leaf 130.

<sup>55</sup> Ibid., book 149, leaf 42.

<sup>56</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>57</sup> Salem Gazette, May 31, 1828.

<sup>58</sup> Marblehead Town Records.

<sup>59</sup> Salem Gazette of April 25, 1851.

<sup>60</sup> Middleton Town Records.

Capt. Benjamin Ropes, s. of Benjamin and Margaret (Symonds) Ropes.<sup>61</sup> He was b. Oct. 16, 1772; d. July 29, 1845. ii, POLLY, b. May 25, 1787; d. June 4, 1789. iii, JOHN GARDNER, b. Jan. 4, 1790; d. Oct. 10, 1869, a. 79 y. 9 mo. 6 d. He m. Salem, N. H., Mar. 24, 1815, Dorcas Merrill, dau. of Joseph and Anna (Ober) Merrill. She d. Oct. 15, 1869. iv, Rufus, b. Mar. 25, 1792; d. Jan. 7, 1813, on the U. S. S. "Chesapeake." v, Polly (Mary), b. Jan. 7, 1794; d. July, 1889; m. Oct. 3, 1815, Joseph Lefavour. She became a nurse and later joined the Society of Friends. vi, Hezekiah, b. Dec. 2, 1796; d. June 19, 1872; m. Nov. 15, 1818, Bethiah Shehane, who d. Dec. 30, 1856. He was a sailor in the War of 1812 and was captured and confined in Dartmoor Prison. He died at the Sailor's Snug Harbor. vii, Henry, b. Apr. 21, 1798; d. Feb. 7, 1799. viii, George Gardner, b. July 5, 1800; d. at sea, Feb. 1825. ix, Charles, b. Sept. 8, 1802; d. Aug. 9, 1874; m. 1st, May 17, 1825, Nancy G. Jelly. She d. May 29, 1842. M. 2nd, June 6, 1843, Elizabeth B. Wiggin. M. 3d, Sarah Gardner Harris, dau. of John L. and Rebecca (Bray) Harris. She d. May 5, 1880, aged 67 y. 2 mo. 8 d. He was a blacksmith and lived on Williams Street, Salem. xi, Albert, b. Dec. 2, 1806; d. Feb. 8, 1892; m. Sept. 29, 1833, Hepzibah Austin, dau. of Richard and Isabel (Symonds) Austin. He was a tanner.

71. JOHN, bap. July 1, 1770; went to Ohio with early emigrants and was in Marietta in 1792.<sup>62</sup>
72. BENJAMIN, bap. July 11, 1772;<sup>60</sup> d. Pernambuco, Sept. 13, 1828; m. 1st, Sarah Oliver; m. 2nd, Elizabeth Tucker.
73. GEORGE, bap. Dec. 3, 1775; d. young.
74. GEORGE, bp. Mar. 18, 1778; lost on the Grand Banks.
75. ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 9, 1786; d. Lynn, Mar. 6, 1864, a. 79 y. 9 mo.;<sup>63</sup> m. Joseph Hathaway, s. of John Gardner and Eleanor (Stone) Hathaway; Marblehead, July 5, 1818.<sup>63</sup> Children: i, Joseph A., b. Marblehead, Nov. 12, 1819;<sup>63</sup> d. Saugus, Jan. 6, 1890; m. Dec. 4, 1842, Elizabeth Hathaway, dau. of John Hathaway, his cousin. She was b. Marblehead, Jan. 6, 1818; d. Saugus, Nov. 22, 1903, a. 85 y. 10 mo. 16 d.<sup>64</sup> He was a ship master and commanded

<sup>61</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. VII, p. 252; and v. VIII, p. 54.

<sup>62</sup> Wilkins Family Notes in the possession of Mr. S. Herbert Wilkins of Salem.

<sup>63</sup> Marblehead Records.

<sup>64</sup> Saugus Records.

- the ship "Hortensia," owned by Frank Perret, of New Orleans, La., in 1854. ii, Benjamin F. (Frank), b. 1823, (bap. July 2, 1834); d. Marblehead, Oct. 5, 1844, aged 21 y. 3 m.; unmarried. He was a carpenter.<sup>63</sup> iii, Richard Girdler, b. abt. 1827; bur. Nov. 2, 1833, aged 6 years.<sup>63</sup>
76. ANNA, b. Jan. 13, 1787; d. Sept. 7, 1875; m. Marblehead, Apr. 8, 1810, Jeremiah Hathaway, s. of John Gardner and Eleanor (Stone) Hathaway.<sup>63</sup> Children: i, Jeremiah, b. Apr. 8, 1811; d. July 6, 1860; m. 1st, Julia Osborn; m. 2nd, Abbie Gowing. ii, George G., b. Jan. 29, 1813; d. Bangor, Me., Mar. 17, 1867, unmarried. iii, Eliza A., b. Apr. 27, 1815; d. Aug. 7, 1883; m. int. Oct. 11, 1832, George P. Goss. iv, Sally G., b. Apr. 6, 1817; d. June 30, 1840; m. July 9, 1833, Joseph F. Shepard. v, Benjamin Gardner, b. Sept. 8, 1819; d. Salem,<sup>65</sup> Feb. 11, 1904; m. June 16, 1844, Rebecca Oliver, dau. of James and Rebecca (Wadden) Oliver. vi, Mary Ellen, b. Sept. 1821; m. Sept. 19, 1841, Samuel S. Reynolds, s. of John and Jane (Flock) Reynolds. He d. Aug. 30, 1903. vii, Caroline, b. Apr. 17, 1823; d. Apr. 21, 1904, a. 80 y. 4 d.,<sup>66</sup> unmarried. viii, Charles H. b. July 11, 1828; d. Marblehead, Jan. 19, 1871; m. in Maine, Sophronia Sherborn. ix, John G., b. Jan. 1, 1831; d. Mar. 4, 1891; unmarried.

42. Daniel Gardner,<sup>6</sup> (Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was baptized in Danvers, Nov. 12, 1838. He removed early in life to Lunenburg, Worcester County, Mass. He was described as "husbandman" in a deed dated July 9, 1768, in which he, with the consent of his wife Emma, sold to his brother Samuel for £35, 13 shill., 4 pence, all of his share in the land which his father Daniel gave to his brother John Gardner, since deceased, also all of his share in land of which his father died seized.<sup>67</sup> He was a member of the Lunenburg school committee in 1774.<sup>68</sup> He was on the committee of correspondence, with the committee raised in Boston early in 1776, to consult in regard to independence. He received baptismal covenant and was admitted to full communion in the church in Lunenburg, December 2, 1776.<sup>68</sup> He married in Dan-

<sup>65</sup> Salem Records.

<sup>66</sup> Marblehead Records.

<sup>67</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 141, leaf 259.

<sup>68</sup> Lunenburg Town Clerk, Stillman Stone, 1903.

vers, September 1, 1763, Emma Rea, daughter of John and Anna (Dodge) Rea.<sup>69</sup> She was born in Beverly, April 3, 1736.<sup>70</sup> She was admitted to full communion in the Lunenburg church, December 29, 1771.<sup>68</sup>

Children:

77. JOHN, bap. Lunenburg, Oct. 18, 1772;<sup>68</sup> d. Watertown, N. Y., aged 69 y.; m. 1st, Dolly Willard; m. 2nd, Lois Willard.
78. DANIEL, b. 1767, bap. Lunenburg Oct. 18, 1772; d. Jan. 7, 1834; m. July 2, 1792, Catherine Hartwell.
79. WILLIAM, bap. Sep. 24, 1780.
80. LUCY, bap. Oct. 18, 1772; m. Jan. 28, 1773, James Taint, of of Bedford.
81. GEORGE, bap. Oct. 13, 1776; taxed in Reading, Vt., in 1811.<sup>71</sup> It is said he went west later.
82. Daughter (name unknown) who is said to have married a member of the Coffin (or Coffeen) family of Rindge, N. H.<sup>71</sup>
83. NANCY (also called Anne), bap. Oct. 18, 1772; m. Asa Carlton, Jr.
84. EMMA, bap. Lunenburg, Oct. 18, 1772; m. Mar. 19, 1795, Samuel Sherwin.<sup>71</sup>

44. **George Gardner**,<sup>6</sup> (Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was baptized August 29, 1742. He died about 1769. His estate which was wholly personal, and mostly wearing apparel, was distributed June 6, 1769, among his brothers and sisters who were named as follows:— Samuel, Daniel, Benjamin, Ebenezer, Elizabeth, Sarah and Esther Gardner; Anna Brewer, Ruth Estes and Lydia Clark.<sup>72</sup> Unmarried.

47. **Ebenezer Gardner**,<sup>6</sup> (Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the youngest son of Daniel and Anna (Putnam) Gardner, moved to Lyndeborough, N. H., and on September 7, 1773, was wounded at Wilton, N. H., at the raising of a meeting house.<sup>73</sup> He and his wife, together with the other heirs of Thomas Whittredge, sold to Thomas Whittredge,

<sup>69</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>70</sup> Beverly Town Records.

<sup>71</sup> Mr. Wade Keyes, Boston.

<sup>72</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 345, leaf 396.

<sup>73</sup> Salem Gazette, Sept. 14-21, 1773.

brother, for £15, their interest in the deceased father's real estate, amounting to one and one-half acres in the "northfield" (so-called) in said Danvers."<sup>74</sup> This was bounded on land of their "Hon'd mother Sarah Whittredge."

Ebenezer Gardner married Jan. 28, 1772, Sarah Whittredge."<sup>75</sup>

#### Child.

**85.** DANIEL, of Lyndeborough, N. H., at the time of his marriage; m. Mar. 8, 1810, in Danvers, Mass., Eunice Putnam, dau. of Benjamin and Miriam (Flint) Putnam.<sup>76</sup> She was b. May 14, 1787.

Ebenezer and Sarah (Whittredge) Gardner may have had other children, but Daniel is the only child concerning whom the author has been able to find any trace in the records, after a prolonged search.

**53.** **George Gardner,**<sup>6</sup> (Samuel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the oldest son of Samuel and Esther (Orne) Gardner, was a merchant in Salem. He graduated at Harvard College in 1762.<sup>77</sup> He dealt extensively in general merchandise, including flour, salt, Philadelphia iron, etc., selling the same for cash or in exchange for codfish.<sup>78</sup> He offered for sale a "Moses boat," a schooner, and the brigantine Essex.<sup>79</sup> Mention is made of his going to Europe in 1771, and of his return in April, 1773.<sup>80</sup>

His name appears first in the town records, under date of October 6, 1766, at which time he was mentioned as a member of the Fire Engine Company. He sold his share in this engine to Stephen Cook, May 2, 1768. He was chosen constable March 13, 1769, but at his request it was voted "That Willm Clough be chosen & accepted to serve as a Constable in & for sd Town for y<sup>e</sup> ensueing year in y<sup>e</sup> room of s<sup>d</sup> Gardner; said Gardner fatisfying

<sup>74</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 158, leaf 162.

<sup>75</sup> Danvers Town Records.

<sup>76</sup> Putnam Genealogy, p. 353.

<sup>77</sup> Felt's Annals of Salem, 2nd Edition, v. I, p. 491.

<sup>78</sup> Essex Gazette, Jan. 24-31, 1769; and Mar. 12-19, 1771.

<sup>79</sup> Ibid., Dec. 25, 1770; Jan. 8-15, 1771; and June 29-July 6, 1773.

<sup>80</sup> Ibid., July 2-9, 1771; and Apr. 20-27, 1773.

Him for y<sup>e</sup> same." The following note occurs in the town records, under date of June, 1769: "Agreed that George Gardner & Sam<sup>l</sup> Barton Jun<sup>r</sup> be recommended for Retailers in s<sup>d</sup> town, as persons of sober conversation, & suitably qualified & provided for the exercise of such an employment." He served on the petit jury in December, 1770, and was drawn again in June of the following year, but was excused.<sup>81</sup>

### REAL ESTATE

The estate of his father was divided among the three sons, May 29, 1769, and George was given "such part of y<sup>e</sup> Divided premises as the s<sup>d</sup> parties have agreed is worth £615, 15 shill., 6 2/3 pence more than a third of the hereby divided premises, which Sum he hath paid to the said Weld & Henry." Henry received £405, 17 shill., 9 1/3 pence of this amount, and Weld, £209, 17 shill., 9 1/3 pence.<sup>82</sup> George was given the homestead located on the southern side of Essex Street, near what is now Crombie Street.<sup>82</sup> This property has been described fully in the article relating to his father. He was also given one-third of his father's pew holdings in the Rev. Dr. Whittaker's meeting house. The three brothers sold various lots of land in Salem and Marblehead, in 1769 and 1770.<sup>83</sup>

His mansion house was owned jointly by his heirs until after the death of his brother Weld, when the surviving heirs sold the estate for the total value of \$8000 to Benjamin Crombie, Weld's one-fifth having been left by him to Thomas Lee, of Cambridge.<sup>84</sup>

The Essex Gazette of December 28, 1773—January 4, 1774, contained the following:—"Laft Thursday, died, aged 30 years, and yesterday was interred," George Gardner, merchant, oldest son of the late Samuel Gardner, Esq.<sup>85</sup>

<sup>81</sup> Salem Town Records.

<sup>82</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 128, leaves 11 and 13.

<sup>83</sup> Ibid., book 122, leaves 17 and 62; and book 126, leaves 178 and 183.

<sup>84</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 172, leaves 34-36 and 88.

<sup>85</sup> Salem Gazette, Dec. 28-Jan. 4, 1774.

In his will dated June 22, 1771, he made the following bequests:

“To Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Barnard £200.

“M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee £600.

“Brother Weld Gardner and to the Heirs of his Body . . . all of the Residue and remainder.”

To the Town of Salem, “£400 lawfull Money to be improv’d for the Use and Benefit of the Poor of the town of Salem.”

£1333 “to Harvard College in Cambridge to be improv’d for the Education of poor Scholars.”

£2000 “to the Marine Society in Salem (so called) to be improved by them . . . for the use and Benefit of superannuated (or otherwise disabled) seamen.

His brother was appointed executor. Weld Gardner died November 2, 1801, without issue, and then the above-named public bequests were paid.

Unmarried.

54. **Weld Gardner,**<sup>6</sup> (Samuel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the second son of Samuel and Esther (Orne) Gardner, was a merchant in Salem. He was associated in business with his brother George until said George’s death, after which he continued the business alone. His advertisements in the local papers show that he dealt in general merchandise including Russia duck, molasses, sugar, coffee, cocoa, sweet oil, figs, raisins, indigo, etc., for which he received either money or codfish.<sup>86</sup> He owned the brig “Tryal,” 119 tons, David Ingersoll, master, built at Frye’s mills in 1790, and registered July 24, the same year.<sup>87</sup> He also owned with William Gray, the brigantine “Ceres,” 179 tons, which was built at Saco in 1788 and registered October 29, 1791; Capt. Benjamin Ives, master. She was lost at sea 1791 or 1792.<sup>88</sup>



<sup>86</sup> Essex Gazette, Feb. 4-11 and June 9-16, 1772; Salem Gazette, Nov. 13, 1783, etc.

<sup>87</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. VI, p. 138, and v. 42, p. 91.

<sup>88</sup> Ibid., v. 40, p. 54.

He was chosen constable in March 1770, and clerk of the market March 9, 1789, but was excused upon both occasions. In 1776 he served on the petit jury, and on the grand jury in the following year.<sup>89</sup> He and his brother Henry affixed their signatures to the address to General Gage, in June 1774.<sup>90</sup> (See Henry, No. 55) He was one of the original owners of the North Church, and with forty-one others purchased the land for the same, of John Nutting, Esq., February 14, 1772.<sup>91</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE

Weld Gardner received from his father's estate, when it was divided May 29, 1769, a lot in Danvers measuring 21 acres, 94  $\frac{7}{10}$  poles, one share in the common lands, and one-third of his father's pew holdings in Dr. Whitaker's meeting-house.<sup>92</sup> This land was in the South Parish in Danvers (now Peabody) and was sold by Weld Gardner to Thomas Lee, of Salem, March 4, 1799, for \$970.<sup>93</sup> He loaned large amounts on mortgages.

Weld Gardner died November 2, 1801, and was buried on the afternoon of the third of that month, from his house on Essex Street.<sup>94</sup> In his will dated September 11, 1801, he made the following bequests:— To George Gardner Lee, and Colman Lee, sons of his "kinsman Mr. Thomas Lee," he left \$5000 apiece, and to Louisa and Deborah Lee, daughters of the same man, two thousand five hundred dollars apiece; and to his brother Henry, \$2000; to his sisters Lois Barnard, and Elizabeth Stevens, \$1500 each; to the four children of his deceased sister Esther Mackay, \$1500 to be equally divided among them; to Lydia Gerry Lee, daughter of George G. Lee, he left the remainder of his estate. Thomas Lee was named as executor.<sup>95</sup>

Unmarried.

<sup>89</sup> Town Records.

<sup>90</sup> Essex Gazette, June 7-11, 1774.

<sup>91</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 130, leaf 117.

<sup>92</sup> Ibid, book 128, leaf 11.

<sup>93</sup> Ibid., book 164, leaf 244.

<sup>94</sup> Salem Gazette, Nov. 3, 1801.

<sup>95</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 369, leaf 6.

55. **Henry Gardner**,<sup>6</sup> (Samuel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the youngest of the three sons of Samuel and Esther (Orne) Gardner, was a graduate of Harvard College in the class of 1765.<sup>95a</sup> He became a master mariner and merchant. His name was mentioned as one of the owners of the brigantine "Union," offered for sale in February, 1774.<sup>96</sup>



In 1771 (March 11), he was chosen constable, but he secured David Smith as a substitute and was excused. He served on the school committee in 1771 and 1772.<sup>97</sup> His signature was appended to an open letter in regard to a hospital, under date of August 23, 1773.<sup>98</sup> He was chosen selectman March 8, 1773, but was excused later. He served on a committee to receive and sort votes at the town meeting held March 1772, and on a committee to procure a second fire engine in October, 1774.<sup>97</sup>

#### CHURCH

Henry Gardner with many others conveyed to Thomas Barnard, December 4, 1772, a lot of land on the southeastern corner of what is now North and Lynde Streets, in Salem, for the erection of the North Church. This lot measured 128½ feet on the highway "to the North River Bridge," and 88 feet on the other highway.<sup>99</sup>

Dr. Whittaker's church having been burned in the great fire of October 6, 1774, Henry Gardner and the other proprietors sold the lot of land on which it stood, February 1, 1775, for £615, 18 shill., 4 pence.<sup>100</sup> He was one of the contributors to the North Church, and one of the forty-two proprietors who purchased the lot on North Street above described, and which they later conveyed to the minister, Thomas Barnard.

<sup>95a</sup> Felt's Annals of Salem, second edition, v. I, p. 491.

<sup>96</sup> Essex Gazette, Feb. 15-22, 1774.

<sup>97</sup> Town Records.

<sup>98</sup> Essex Gazette, Mar. 22-29, 1774.

<sup>99</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 131, leaf 123.

<sup>100</sup> Ibid., book 135, leaf 225.

## REVOLUTIONARY

Henry Gardner and his brother Weld were among the forty-eight signers of the following:—

“Address presented to His Excellency Governor Gage, June 11th, 1774, on his arrival at Salem.

To his Excellency Thomas Gage, Esq., Captain-General, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England, and Lieutenant-General of his Majesty’s Forces.

May it please your Excellency:

We, merchants and others, inhabitants of the ancient town of Salem, beg leave to approach your Excellency with our most respectful congratulations on your arrival in this place.

We are deeply sensible of his Majesty’s paternal care and affection to this province, in the appointment of a person of your Excellency’s experience, wisdom and moderation, in these troublesome and difficult times.

We rejoice that this town is graciously distinguished for that spirit, loyalty, and reverence for the laws, which is equally our glory and happiness.

From that public spirit and warm zeal to promote the general happiness of man, which mark the great and good, we are led to hope under your Excellency’s administration for everything that may promote the peace, prosperity, and real welfare of this province.

We beg leave to commend to your Excellency’s patronage the trade and commerce of this place, which, from a full protection of the liberties, persons and properties of individuals, cannot but flourish.

And we assure your Excellency we will make it our constant endeavors by peace, good order, and a regard for the laws, as far as in us lies, to render your station and residence easy and happy.”<sup>101</sup>

In 1775, Henry Gardner removed with his family to Newfoundland. The following document shows how his absence was regarded by the patriots of Salem: “We the Committee of Correspondence &c for the Town of Salem in the County of Efsex, certify that Mr Henry

<sup>101</sup> Essex Gazette, June 11, 1774.

Gardner late an Inhabitant of said Town has absented himself from it upwards of three months leaving Estate real and personal behind him to the Value of Twenty pounds and more without this State and that we verily believe from the best Intelligence, we can obtain, that s<sup>d</sup> Henry Gardner voluntarily went to our Enemies, and is still absent from his Habitation and usual place of abode and is without this State.

of the  
Richard Derby Jr. Chairman Committee of  
the Town  
of Salem.

Salem 2<sup>d</sup> March 1779.”<sup>102</sup>

“Essex fs. Agency for the Estate of Henry Gardner late an Inhabitant of Salem in said County Merchant an Absentee, was granted to David Felt who gave bond with Miles Ward Jun<sup>r</sup> and Dan<sup>l</sup> Cheever as Sureties faithfully to execute the Trust of his said Agency, and to render an Account thereof when and so often as he shall be thereunto lawfully required. This second Day of March Anno Dom. 1779.

Dan. Noyes Reg<sup>r</sup> B. Greenleaf J. Prob<sup>a</sup>  
Exam<sup>d</sup> pr Dan. Noyes Reg.”<sup>102</sup>

“Inventory of the Estate of Mr. Henry Gardner of Salem Merchant, an Absentee from this State, as appraised by us the Subscribers.

1 Chaise	£100: 00: 00
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Schooner Sally, burthens abt. 45 Tons with her Appurtenances	2250: 00: 00
Schooner Seaflower burthen abt. 65 Tons with her Appurtenances	3500: 00: 00
About two Acres Land in Danvers	200: 00: 00
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(Total)	6293: 12: 00
Ballance of David Felt Acc <sup>o</sup>	188: 11: 09
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	6482: 03: 09

1 Cable w<sup>t</sup> 8.2.7 lent.

<sup>102</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 353, leaf 386.

Salem July 13, 1779, Errors excepted David Felt, Agent.

Miles Ward Jun<sup>r</sup>

Daniel Cheever Appraisers sworn.”

Joseph Henfield

“Efsex fs July 14, 1779. Then M<sup>r</sup> David Felt Agent presented the aforesaid written and made Oath that it contained a true perfect Inventory of the Estate of Henry Gardner late of Salem Absentee, so far as has come to his Hands and knowledge and that if anything further shall hereafter appear, he will cause it to be added.

before me B. Greenleaf J, Prob<sup>a</sup>.”<sup>103</sup>

The following testimony of a man in his employ, throws much light upon his residence in Newfoundland. “I David Felt of Salem in the County of Efsex, shoreman, being of lawful age testify and say, that fum time in month of April one thousand seven hundred and seventy five, after Lexington fite, Henry Gardner whose shoreman I formerly had been, applyed to me and said that he was going to Newfoundland with his family, intending as he told me to return in a short time and directed me to deliver to the town of Salem his Corn and Rie and other grain and I did according deliver about four hundred and eighty bushels. Some of his household furniture he left with me and part he carried with him about the last of April abovesaid with him when he sailed for Newfoundland. Mr Gardner was absent and did not return till late in the fpring of the year one thousand feven hundred and eighty one — further that whilst Mr Gardner was absent at Newfoundland sundry persons — American — who had been prisoners at Newfoundland, upon their return to Mafsachusetts, paid to me money as the agent of Mr Gardner which they informed me that the said Gardner had advanced to them while they were in captivity for their comfort and support and that it was the general report that Capt. Gardner was very kind to the American prisoners at Newfoundland, that Capt. Gardner previous to his going to Newfoundland, directed me to be kind to the poor of Salem and to relieve them when in difstress and I releved fun-

<sup>103</sup> Essex Probate Records, book 353, leaf 515.

dry persons accordingly, members of this town — and on Mr. Gardner's return to Salem he allowed to me all the disbursements I had made to the poor abovesaid — that before said Gardner went to Newfoundland he directed me to pay all just debts and taxes that should be assessed on his property or against him."<sup>104</sup>

David Felt testified in Court that he had paid the taxes assessed on Mr. Henry Gardner for 1776, 1777, 1778, 1779, 1780. In answer to questions, Mr. Gardner stated that upon his return to Salem, his fellow townsmen received him as a friend and citizen and welcomed him as such. Mr. Felt stated that he never understood that Mr. Gardner was unfriendly to the American cause or had taken part with the British against America. He further stated that "Since the return of Mr. Gardner to Salem he hath resided there and had his home."<sup>104</sup>

Colonel John Hathorne said that while Mr. Gardner was absent he was "friendly to the American Prisoners."<sup>104</sup> Peter Murray of Salem testified that in March, 1775, he sailed on a voyage from Salem to the West Indies, in a vessel owned by Henry Gardner of Salem, Thomas Simmonds master, "and after we arrived at the West Indies, the voyage was altered and we went to Newfoundland to the port of Harbour Grace, we found Capt. Henry Gardner, who received the vessel and cargo which was fumtime in the months of July or August the same year—the said Gardner at that time had his family there viz. his wife and children, and that I the said Murray remained at Newfoundland about three months, when said Gardner laided his vessel for the West Indies, and I left Henry Gardner at Newfoundland and proceeded to the West Indies in said Imploy and after I arrived at the West Indies I left the employ—that Capt. Simmins asked me to go with him to Newfoundland in the vefsel, but I refused to go with him and made the best of my way to Salem and arrived there fum time in March or April feventeen hundred and feventy-six, leaving the said master and Jonathan Felt the mate at the West Indies, the said Capt. Simmonds and Felt belonged to the town of Salem."<sup>104</sup> A letter from a man who had been at

<sup>104</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 174, leaves 72-3.

Newfoundland contained the following:— “Our Townsman Henry Gardner he saw and was at his house & he Longes to come home again.”<sup>105</sup> In a letter dated Salem, 2 Jany. 1784 from William Vans Esq., to Judge Samuel Curwin, loyalist, we read:— “Harry Gardner & family . . . very kindly received even in the midst of Warr.”<sup>106</sup>

Mr. Gardner returned to Salem in the spring of 1781, as stated above. He was well received upon his return, as several depositions attest. January 5, 1794, the Town Records show that he was allowed £82:12:02.<sup>107</sup> He was a member of the grand jury in 1792, and 1798.<sup>107</sup>

He was owner of the brigantine “Ranger,” 149 tons, built at Wells, 1784, J. W. Bowditch, master, registered March 7, 1792. He had been part owner of the same vessel in 1790. He was part owner of the schooner “Polly,” 83 tons, built at Scituate, 1788, registered in 1797-9.<sup>108</sup> Captain Henry Gardner was a member of a committee to distribute Federal votes in Ward 3, in April, 1803.<sup>109</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE

Henry Gardner received as his share of the estate of his father Samuel, a lot of land on the south side of what is now Central Street in Peabody, measuring two and a quarter acres. This he sold June 5, 1790, to John Bushby for £38. He also received one-third of his father's pew holdings, and one common right in the “Great Pasture.” He sold the latter April 30, 1800, to Mary Pickman, Jr., for \$60.<sup>110</sup> He loaned various amounts on mortgages, and in one of such transactions had Baker's Island, containing 60 acres, more or less, deeded to him as security.<sup>111</sup> He was one of the owners of Union Wharf, and with the other owners, appointed

<sup>105</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. 44, p. 316.

<sup>106</sup> *Ibid.*, v. 58, p. 289.

<sup>107</sup> Town Records.

<sup>108</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. 41, pp. 320-325.

<sup>109</sup> Town Records.

<sup>110</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 174, leaves 72-73; book 128, leaves 11-13; book 154, leaf 145; book 165, leaf 255.

<sup>111</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 133, leaf 122; book 144, leaves 101 and 186; book 145, leaf 98; book 146, leaf 209.

Edward West their attorney to recover for land taken near them, April 14, 1809.<sup>112</sup> Later in life he owned various lots of land in Lincoln County, Maine, and a lot of land in Cambridgeport, as shown in the inventory of his estate. He lived in Malden, Mass., the latter part of his life.

He married in Salem, October 19, 1769,<sup>113</sup> Sarah Turner, daughter of John and Mary (Osborne) Turner.<sup>114</sup> She died in Boston, in May, 1809, aged 61 years.<sup>115</sup>

He died in Malden, intestate, November 8, 1817, aged 71.<sup>116</sup> His daughters Elizabeth and Mary T. Gardner and Sarah T. Jones, with her husband Eliphas Jones, certified that it was inconvenient for them to administer the estate, and Rev. Aaron Green was appointed administrator, November 11, 1817.<sup>117</sup>

The inventory showed real estate as follows:—

“Lot of land in Hope, Lincoln County, Maine, 213 ½ acres	
Two other lots No. 1 & 2 in the 14th range of the asso- ciates 157 ½ acres.	
Part of lot No. 3 of the 14th range of the associates 80 acres 52 poles.	
All in County of Lincoln, Maine	2075.05
A lot of land in Cambridgeport, Numbered 275	250.00
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	2325.05
Personal	3290.80
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November 25, 1815.”

“Distribution of balance of estate—\$2692.01

Admr. retained to pay for future charges	1.01
Pay to Elizabeth Gardner	897.00
“ “ Mary T. Gardner	897.00
“ “ Eliphaz Jones in right of his wife deceased	897.00
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	2692.01”

<sup>112</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 195, leaf 28.

<sup>113</sup> Town Records.

<sup>114</sup> Pickering Genealogy, p. 184.

<sup>115</sup> Salem Gazette, May 12, 1809.

<sup>116</sup> Salem Gazette, Nov. 14, 1817; Pickering Genealogy, p. 184.

<sup>117</sup> Middlesex Probate Files, No. 6172.

June 2, 1886, Sarah Gardner Sears of Boston, "only remaining heir of Henry Gardner of Malden," petitioned to have Charles Hall Adams appointed Administrator to distribute \$20. of the estate remaining.

Charles E. Todd of Melrose was appointed appraiser of the estate September 8, 1902, and filed an inventory as follows:—

"Personal estate, \$982.82"

This amount was distributed as follows:—

"1 – Oct. 9, 1902, Sarah Gardner Sears next of kin $\frac{1}{3}$	327.60
2 – Oct. 9, 1902, Catherine G. Foster next of kin $\frac{1}{3}$	327.60
3 – Oct. 9, 1902, Wm. Sidney Richards next of kin $\frac{1}{3}$	327.60
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	982.80" <sup>118</sup>

These parties were described as follows:—

"Heirs at law:—

Sarah Gardner Sears, Boston, Mass., great grand  
daughter,  $\frac{1}{3}$

Catherine G. Foster, Oakland, California, great  
grand daughter,  $\frac{1}{3}$

William Sidney Richards, San Jose, great grand  
son,  $\frac{1}{3}$

The two latter not being mentioned in the original  
petition."<sup>118</sup>

#### Children:

86. SAMUEL, bap. First Church, Salem, Sept. 23, 1770;<sup>119</sup> probably died young.
87. ELIZABETH, bap. North Church, Salem, Sept. 20, 1772;<sup>120</sup> d. May 5, 1834.
88. SARAH, bap. North Church, Salem, Sept. 20, 1772;<sup>120</sup> d. young.
89. MARY TURNER, bap. North Church, Salem, June, 1781; d. Nov. 11, 1833.
90. SALLY T., bap. North Church, Salem, March, 1782; d. Belchertown, June 29, 1818;<sup>121</sup> m. Malden, Mass., Apr. 17, 1814, Eliphaz Jones, of Enfield, Mass., a prominent citizen

<sup>118</sup> Middlesex Probate Files, No. 8861.

<sup>119</sup> First Church Records.

<sup>120</sup> North Church Records.

<sup>121</sup> Salem Gazette, July 3, 1818.

of that town. He served as town clerk from 1828 to 1831, and was postmaster of Enfield, the second one to hold that office.<sup>122</sup> He was one of the charter members of Bethel Lodge, A. F. and A. M., the charter being granted Sept. 14, 1825. Children: i, Mary Turner, b. Aug. 4, 1814; d. July 8, 1846; m. Nov. 10, 1835, Seth Richards. ii, Henry.

91. MARIA ELIZA, bap. North Church, July 20, 1788; d. Enfield, Mass., Nov. 14, 1833.<sup>123</sup>

<sup>122</sup> "History of Connecticut Valley in Massachusetts," pp. 382 etc., Mass. State Lib.

<sup>123</sup> Salem Gazette, of Nov. 22, 1833.





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## SEVENTH GENERATION

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60. Samuel Pickering Gardner,<sup>7</sup> (John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was born in Salem, May 19, 1767. He graduated at Harvard College, July 15, 1786, and went to Charleston, S. C., the same year, where he engaged in mercantile business with his brother John. He remained there about eight months after his brother's death in 1792, when he returned to Massachusetts and became an inhabitant of Boston, August 8, 1793.<sup>1</sup> Two other Samuel Gardners were in Boston at that time and to avoid inconvenience he had his name changed by inserting his mother's family name, by act of the General Court, February 15, 1796. In 1798 he resided on Hollis Street and his office as a merchant was at No. 66 Long Wharf. Two years later he had removed to No. 15 Winter Street.<sup>2</sup>

*Sam<sup>r</sup>. P. Gardner*

*Rebecca R Gardner.*

He purchased of Frederick William Geyer, Sen., of Boston, in December, 1800,<sup>3</sup> the "Mansion House with the land and appurtenances thereto belonging situate in Summer Street in said Boston, bounded as follows (to wit) Northerly in front on said Summer Street there measuring sixty-eight feet or thereabouts. South Easterly by land belonging to the first Church of Christ in Boston, there measuring two hundred and sixty-eight feet or thereabouts; South Westerly in the rear of land belonging to John Rowe Esq. and Benjamin Church deceased in breadth Sixty seven feet or thereabouts and West-

<sup>1</sup> Diary of Samuel Pickering Gardner, Esq.

<sup>2</sup> Boston Directories.

<sup>3</sup> Suffolk County Deeds, v. 196, p. 126.

erly partly by land of the heirs and assigns of Benjamin Church deceased, partly by land late of Stephen Sewall, now Jonathan Mason and partly by land formerly of Thomas Fairweather, now of Samuel Salisbury, being the same Estate Conveyed to said Frederick by deed of George Ruggles, dated 31 October, 1774, recorded lib. 126, fol. 236." These several bounds are the same as given in the Book of Possessions, an ancient volume compiled a few years after the settlement of Boston.<sup>4</sup> In that record it is designated the garden of Gamaliel Wayte. Wayte's son John had a house upon the land, when he sold it, in 1694, to John Leavenworth, who not long afterward mortgaged it to Simeon Stoddard, a wealthy merchant, whose father Anthony, married for his first wife, the sister of Sir George Downing. Simeon sold it in 1727, to Leonard Vassell, born in Jamaica in 1678 and married there, Ruth Gale, born in 1785 and by her had seventeen children.<sup>5</sup> Vassall erected the mansion house. Thomas Hubbard was the next possessor of the property. He purchased it in 1737 for £600 and lived there forty years until his death in 1773.<sup>6</sup> He became a member of the House of Representatives and held for many years the Speaker's chair. He was later raised to a seat in the council of the province. He was treasurer of Harvard College for twenty-one years and increased the funds of the college by his "judicious and assiduous management."<sup>7</sup> He gave \$100 toward the restoration of Harvard Hall after it was destroyed by fire, made donations for the purchase of philosophical apparatus and left a legacy of £300 to the college.<sup>7</sup> After the death of the Hubbards, the estate passed through George Ruggles, son-in-law of Leonard Vassall to Frederick W. Geyer, being valued at that time at £1000. Mr. Geyer was a Loyalist and left Boston after its evacuation. He was proscribed and his property sequestered. "The Summer Street mansion confiscated as an absentee estate, after the peace was, in 1787 and 1791, reconveyed to

<sup>4</sup> Book of Possessions, Boston City Document, No. 44, part 2.

<sup>5</sup> New England Historic Genealogical Register, v. 17, p. 59.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid., v. 17, p. 61.

<sup>7</sup> Quincy's "History of Harvard College."





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him by Perez Morton, solicitor and later attorney general, the court having in the interval restored him to citizenship."<sup>8</sup> It is stated that he had not been an addressor or taken active part in politics. We are told that "the house in the days of Mr. Geyer was famed for its social gaieties and elegant entertainment. Tradition tells us of the brilliant gatherings of wit and fashion around its sumptuous board, Mrs. Geyer being noted for the courtesy and grace with which she presided and put every one at ease. There could have been few pleasanter banqueting rooms in Boston." His daughter Charlotte married Joseph Marryatt, father of Captain Marryatt, the writer of sea tales. Another daughter Nancy married Rufus G. Amory, and Prince Edward, afterwards Duke of Kent, father of Queen Victoria, was a guest at the wedding. After the sale of the estate to Mr. Gardner in 1800, Mr. Geyer removed to Bellows Falls, on the Connecticut, and died there three years later. Mr. Gardner made very extensive improvements in the estate, keeping a very interesting detailed account of them in his diary, which is still in the possession of his great-grandson, Mr. George Peabody Gardner. "T. C. A." in the New England Historic Genealogical Register refers to the occupancy of the house by the Gardners as follows:—"Mr. Gardner was of the Salem branch of the name, and married a daughter of Judge Lowell. As their near relatives were among the most gifted and eminent of the first half of the present (19th) century, the house retained its social attraction and fame for generous hospitality until the progress of improvement compelled an appropriation of the estate to other purposes. . . . Their second son erected upon it for the great commercial house of the Hovey one large mart for their extensive business, now covering its entire area."

Samuel P. Gardner Esq. of Boston, bought of William Lemon of Boston, upholsterer (wife Mary) all right to the real estate in Salem which John Gardner the father of said Mary bought of Joseph Mottey, Feb. 24, 1772.<sup>9</sup> He sold to John Andrew of Salem, on the following day,

<sup>8</sup> New England Historic Genealogical Register, v. 25, pp. 37-52.

<sup>9</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 235, leaf 186.

the entire lot with dwelling house, bounded by Essex Street on the north, Peter Lander on the east, Benjamin Pickman on the west and Joseph Peabody on the south, "being the same which my father John Gardner deceased, purchased of Joseph Mottey, Feb. 24, 1772,<sup>10</sup> which I inherited as residuary devisee of my father John Gardner deceased, as appears in his will in the Probate Court of the County of Essex, Nov. 6, 1805, and the part thereof conveyed to me by William Lemon and Mary his wife."<sup>11</sup> He held mortgages on various pieces of property in Beverly, Wenham and Newburyport.<sup>12</sup>

Samuel P. Gardner married, in Roxbury, September 19, 1797, Rebecca Russell Lowell, daughter of Judge John and Sarah (Higginson) Lowell. She was born May 17, 1779. She lived ten years after the death of her husband, dying in Boston May 11th, 1853. In her will dated January 20, 1848, she left to her sons John L. Gardner and George Gardner, \$10,000 to be held in trust, to be invested and the income paid to her daughter Sarah R. Gray, wife of Horace Gray. Two thousand dollars to her son-in-law John C. Gray, and to her sons-in-law Francis C. Lowell and Horace Gray and sons John L. Gardner and George Gardner, the sums of \$1000 each. To Robert C. Winthrop \$100 "to purchase some memorial of me as a proof of my regard." To her sons and daughters, her personal property, and the residue she left to her grandchildren. The will was probated May 23, 1853. The inventory of the estate, dated July 18, 1853, showed personal—\$32,618.08.<sup>13</sup>

Samuel Pickering Gardner died in Boston, December 18, 1843. The obituary notice in the Boston Advertiser of December 22, 1843, refers to his commercial career in Boston, "in which he continued with success, until he acquired a fortune that satisfied all his wishes; while

<sup>10</sup> Essex Registry of Deeds, book 131, leaf 7.

<sup>11</sup> Ibid., book 201, leaf 295.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., book 168, leaf 298; book 202, leaf 56; book 212, leaf 228; book 224, leaf 143; book 227, leaf 124; book 245, leaf 56; book 246, leaf 155, and book 257, leaf 86; also, "Factory Lot," Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. XXXIII, pp. 42-3.

<sup>13</sup> Suffolk Probate Records, v. 151, pp. 345 and 351; v. 290, p. 217.



REBECCA RUSSELL (LOWELL) GARDNER, WIFE OF SAMUEL PICKERING GARDNER, 60



thus engaged he maintained the honorable character of a merchant in its highest and best sense. Always considerate of the rights and feelings of others, and eminently just in all his dealings, he was respected, confided in and trusted. He retired from business many years since and devoted himself to his family, his books and friends. His information was various and in some departments of knowledge, extensive and exact. His books occupied much of his leisure, and his zeal in the acquisition of his knowledge, knew no abatement to the close of his life. He was an intelligent and careful observer of the appearances and operations in the natural world; and has recorded many interesting facts which came within his notice or occurred in the course of his reading. In his opinions upon all important and interesting subjects, he was decided; but was so courteous and mild in his expression of them, that he passed through life without any of those unpleasant collisions from which few are exempted. He took an interest in the establishment and progress of all good institutions, and was ever ready to contribute to their support by his example, his services and his wealth. He had no ambition for the notoriety or distinctions of public life. He never sought office and never accepted it except from a sense of duty. He was much 'given to hospitality' and the kindness and urbanity of his manners made his house the resort of a cheerful and happy society. Advancing years had in no wise deadened his enjoyment of the pleasures of social life, or clouded the natural cheerfulness of his temper. Surrounded by a prosperous family, whose devoted attachment constituted a great pleasure of his life, he passed tranquilly to its close, and was at last, gathered to his fathers in a good old age."<sup>14</sup>

#### WILL

"I, Samuel Pickering Gardner of Boston in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do make and publish this my last will and Testament. Viz. I give to my wife Rebecca Russell Gardner to hold during her life, my real

<sup>14</sup> Boston Advertiser, December 22, 1843.

estate in Summer Street, consisting of my dwelling house, with all the lands appurtaning thereto. I also give to her my thirteen shares in the Merrimack Manufacturing Company at Lowell, together with all my household furniture, Books, Plate, Pictures, Clocks and Watches, with all the liquors and provisions that may be in my dwelling house at the time of my decease, also my horses and riding carriages. I give to my daughter Elizabeth the wife of John C. Gray two thousand one hundred & thirty six dollars and ninety-seven cents. I give to my daughter Mary the wife of Francis C. Lowell, Two thousand six hundred and sixty dollars and sixty cents. I give to my daughter Sarah the wife of Horace Gray, Two thousand five hundred and thirty-eight dollars and eight cents—These several sums now given to my daughters, added to the cost of household furniture which I gave to them on their respective marriages, make to each the sum of six thousand dollars; being the same amount which I gave to each of my sons on their engaging in mercantile business. I appoint my son John Lowell Gardner, the Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and trustee for the purposes herein named—and as a compensation to him for performing the duties of Executor and Trustee, I give to him the six thousand, seven hundred dollars, which he owes to me, and for which I have his promissory note for that sum, dated January 1, 1831. But on condition of his paying to my wife during her life, the same rate of interest which he has hitherto paid to me, namely—five per cent per annum, amounting to three hundred and thirty-five Dollars a year, payable at the beginning of each year. If my son George Gardner should survive my Wife I give to him at her decease the reversion of all my said real estate in Summer Street to his own use forever, together with all my right in a piece of land at the eastern end of Avon Place adjoining my said real estate, which piece of land I bought with William Prescott in the year 1831, to get a back passage way to our respective estates. But if my son should not outlive my Wife then this devise to him of my reversion of my real estate in Summer Street, and my right to the piece of land in Avon Place

are both to be considered as null and void, and in that case I authorize my said Executor to sell the said real estate in Summer Street, with my right in said piece of land in Avon Place and divide the proceeds of the sale, among my heirs, in the same manner as is herein directed with respect to the rest and residue of my estate. I give to my grand niece Eliza C. Winthrop one hundred dollars to be laid out by her in the purchase of any article or articles which she may prefer, which I request her to keep in remembrance of my affection and great esteem. All of the rest and residue of my estate after paying any debts that I may owe, I give in trust to my said Executor, he to pay the income thereof to my Wife during her life, and at her decease, he to retain one fifth part of said rest and residue of my estate for his own use, and pay and deliver over the other four parts in equal shares to my other four children. But should any of my children die before my Wife, leaving issue living at the time of my decease I give to such issue the share which the parent would have had if living. And if any should die before my wife and without issue living at the time of her decease, I give the shares of such to be equally divided, one part to each of my children who may then be living, and one part to the issue of each that may not be living. I request that my said Executor so far as he is constituted a Trustee for holding or managing any part of my estate, may not be required to give bonds for the faithful performance of that trust.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty-sixth day of April, in the year, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one.

Sam<sup>l</sup> P. Gardner" and seal.

Probated—January 15, 1844.

The inventory showed real estate valued at twenty-five thousand dollars and personal estate totalling ninety-one thousand six hundred and fifty-nine dollars 64/100.

John L. Gardner, Executor, Feb. 26, 1844.<sup>15</sup>

<sup>15</sup> Suffolk Probate Records, v. 281, p. 59.

## Children:

92. ELIZABETH PICKERING, b. Mar. 11, 1799; d. June 8, 1879; m. in Boston, May 30, 1820, John Chipman Gray, s. of William and Elizabeth (Chipman) Gray. He was b. Dec. 26, 1793; grad. Harvard College 1811, A. M. Harvard 1856. He was a representative in the General Court 1828, '29, '30, '34, '37, '38, '39, '40, '43, '44, '48, '49, '50 and 1852; state senator, 1835, '36, '45, '46 and 1847. He was a member of the council in 1832, and a member of the constitutional convention in 1853. He was also an overseer of Harvard College, vice-president of the Massachusetts Historical Society, and fellow of the American Academy. He was a litterateur, residing in Boston. He died in Boston, Mar. 3, 1881. No issue.<sup>16</sup>
93. MARY LOWELL, b. Jan. 12, 1802; d. Waltham, Sept. 8, 1874; m. Jan. 11, 1826, Francis Cabot Lowell, s. of Francis Cabot and Hannah (Jackson) Lowell.<sup>17</sup> He was b. Jan. 5, 1803, and d. at Waltham, Sept. 8, 1874. Children: i. Francis Cabot, b. Sept. 8, 1827; d. July 2, 1830. ii. George Gardner, b. Boston, Mar. 29, 1830; d. Feb. 6, 1885; m. Apr. 4, 1854, Mary Ellen Parker, b. Boston, Aug. 21, 1832, dau. of James and Anna (Tucker) Parker. He graduated at Harvard College, 1850. iii. Mary, b. Waltham, July 26, 1833; d. Feb. 11, 1915; m. July 15, 1856, Algernon Coolidge, M.D., b. Boston, Aug. 22, 1830, s. of Joseph and Eleanor W. (Randolph) Coolidge, Boston. He was educated abroad, in Switzerland and in Dresden, Germany, and on returning as a young man he entered the Harvard Medical School, from which he was graduated in 1853. Harvard hon. A. M., 1869. He was appointed Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A., in the spring of 1862, and was a member of the Sanitary Commission. While in the performance of his duties as an army surgeon, his health became impaired through septic poisoning from accidental contact with a wounded soldier whom he was attending. He never fully recovered from the effects of this blood poisoning, although it did not prevent him from continuing his professional work. He served on the surgical staff of the Chesapeake Hospital, Md.; the Portsmouth Grove Hospital, R. I., and the Armory Square Hospital, Washington, D. C. While in the army he was a witness of the conflict between the Monitor and the Merrimac and viv-

<sup>16</sup> Essex Inst. Hist. Col., v. 52, p. 121, and Gray Family, p. 273.

<sup>17</sup> Lowell Family, p. 119.

idly recalled that stirring event of the war. In 1868 he was appointed surgeon at the Massachusetts General Hospital and a lecturer in the Harvard Medical School. He served at the hospital until 1873, when he resigned because of his ill health, and he then practically retired from further active professional service. He continued, however, to keep up his interest in the medical profession and was a frequent visitor to Harvard and other medical schools. He was a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society and kindred medical organizations and a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He was deeply interested in historical and genealogical records and was the author of a genealogy of the Boston branch of the Coolidge family, printed in 1900. iv. Georgina, b. January 10, 1836; unmarried. v. Edward Jackson, b. Oct. 18, 1845; d. May 11, 1894; grad. Harvard 1867; m. 1st. Jan. 14, 1868, Mary Walcott Goodrich, b. Jan. 1, 1846, dau. of Samuel Griswold and Mary (Booth) Goodrich. She d. Apr. 5, 1874. He mar. 2nd, June 19, 1877, Elizabeth Gilbert Jones, dau. of George Jones of New York. Edward Jackson Lowell was an author and prefacer. In 1884 he wrote "The Hessians and the Other German Auxiliaries of Great Britain in the Revolutionary War." Two years later he wrote the preface to the "Journal of Captain Pausch, Chief of the Hanan Artillery during the Burgoyne Campaign." This was published in the Munsell Historical Series, No. 14, 1886. He wrote "The United States of America, 1775-1782." "The political struggles and relations with Europe," in Winsor's "Narrative and Critical History of America," vol. 7, p. 188. He was also author of "The Eve of the French Revolution," published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, 1892. He resided at number 40, Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, and at Cotuit, at which latter place he died.

94. JOHN LOWELL, b. Feb. 8, 1804; d. Brookline, July 24, 1884; m. Oct. 4, 1826, Catherine Endicott Peabody.
95. SARAH RUSSELL, b. Sept. 20, 1807; d. Nahant, Sept. 23, 1893; m. July 3, 1837, Horace Gray, b. Medford, Aug. 25, 1800, s. of William and Elizabeth (Chipman) Gray. He grad. Harvard College, 1819, A.M. later. He m. 1st, 1827, Hannah Upham, dau. of Phineas Upham of Brookfield. She d. Oct. 1834. He was a merchant in Boston and a Fellow of the American Academy.<sup>18</sup> He d. Boston, July 30, 1873. Children: i. John Chipman, b. Brighton, July 14, 1839;

<sup>18</sup> Essex Inst. Hist. Col., v. 52, pp. 128-9; Gray Family, p. 273.

m. Oct. 4, 1854, Anna Sophia Lyman Mason, dau. of Charles and Anna (Lyman) Mason. He grad. Harvard College, 1859; A.M. and LL.B., Harvard, 1861; LL.D., Harvard, 1895; LL.D., Yale, 1894. May 27, 1862, he was mustered into Co. B, 4th Batt. Mass. Vol., and was commissioned Lieut. Co. E, 3d Cavalry, Oct. 7, 1862. He served as A. D. C. on the staff of Gen. Gordon in the same year. He was discharged Sept. 25, 1864, to accept promotion as Major and Judge Advocate, U. S. Vol., Hutman's Regt. He resigned July 14, 1865.<sup>19</sup> He was a lawyer in Boston after the Civil War, and was Story Professor and Royal Professor of Law; Pres. Harvard Alumni Association; Vice-Pres. American Academy; member Mass. Hist. Soc. He d. in Boston, Feb. 25, 1915. ii. Russell, b. Boston, June 17, 1850; d. Boston, June 7, 1929, in his 79th year; m. Washington, Nov. 3, 1886, Amy Heard, b. Boston, Oct. 7, 1869, dau. of Augustin and Jane Leaps (de Conick) Heard. He grad. Harvard College, 1869. He resided at 39 Marlborough Street, and engaged in the insurance business in Boston.<sup>20</sup>

96. GEORGE, b. Sept. 15, 1809; d. Dec. 19, 1884; m. Oct. 18, 1838, Helen Maria Read.

97. FRANCIS LOWELL, b. Dec. 28, 1811; d. July 5, 1812, a. 6 mo.

63. John Gardner,<sup>7</sup> (Samuel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the second son of Samuel and Sarah (Upton) Gardner, was born in Danvers March 16 (bap. October 19), 1777. He was a fisherman and lived in Lynn. He married at Lynn, April 25, 1822, Ruth Galleucia of Lynn, daughter of John and Desire Galleucia. She was born in Lynn, May 20, 1804. After John Gardner's death, she married Peter Coan, May 20, 1827, by whom she had five children.<sup>21</sup>

John Gardner died October 8, 1824. The inventory of his estate showed the following:—

REAL ESTATE

“Homestead in Lynn with land (one half of a dwelling house)	\$500.00
1/2 of a barn & shed with land	200.00
1 acre of upland	50.00
Small lot of land in South Boston	150.00
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	900.00

<sup>19</sup> Massachusetts Civil War Archives.

<sup>20</sup> Essex Inst. Hist. Col., v. 52, p. 133.

<sup>21</sup> Lynn Records.

## PERSONAL

Large boat house	100.00
Small boat house	40.00
A small schooner of 27 tons with tackle etc. etc.	350.00
Miscellaneous	366.49
	856.49
Total	\$1756.49 <sup>22</sup>

Jacob Galleucia was appointed administrator, November 21, 1824.

The widow was allowed \$100 in January, 1825.<sup>23</sup>

Child:

98. SAMUEL, b. May 13, 1823; d. at Lynn, May 27, 1887; m. Lynn, Oct. 3, 1839, Mary Jane Granger, of Danvers.<sup>24</sup>

64. Asa Gardner,<sup>7</sup> (Samuel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas)<sup>1</sup>, was a yeoman and lived on the ancestral farm in Danvers (now West Peabody), the sixth generation to live there. (See page 37.) He was chosen on the fish committee for Ipswich River, March 16, 1812, and was field driver in May of that year. He was surveyor of highways, March 24, 1818-19, and was paid various sums on selectman's

*Asa Gardner*

order for work done. His name was on the jury list in the last-named year.<sup>25</sup> He was administrator of the estate of Daniel Taylor Jr.,<sup>25</sup> late of Danvers, in 1826.<sup>26</sup>

## REAL ESTATE

Asa Gardner and his brother George, April 14, 1808, gave a mortgage bond to their father, Samuel, purchasing the following property:— I. "A farm in Danvers of 150

<sup>22</sup> Essex County Probate Records, v. 34, p. 44.

<sup>23</sup> Essex County Probate Records, v. 32, p. 57.

<sup>24</sup> Lynn Records.

<sup>25</sup> Danvers Records.

<sup>26</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 240, leaf 248; book 242, leaf 8.

acres." II. "5 acres of upland." III. "Two acres of salt marsh in Salem, near Castle Hill." The brothers, on the same day, for \$300. leased to their father, part of the dwelling-house, the lower south-west room, with the chamber over it and certain privileges.<sup>27</sup> October 14, of the same year, Asa sold to his brother, "one half of the farm which I bought with George, of my Father Samuel Gardner, containing 53 1/2 acres," also other lots containing respectively, 4 acres, 9 1/4 acres, 1 acre, 1 acre, 4 acres and 1/2 of the cider mill. Asa for \$900. bought of Calvin and Sally Walcott of Hanover, Plymouth County, "a certain tract of wood, pasture etc. in Danvers, containing 41 acres," "their interest in the real estate of the late widow Sarah Gardner, in Danvers."<sup>28</sup> Asa (wife Mary Ann consenting) sold to David Upton of Danvers, 2 1/3 acres in Danvers and the salt-marsh in Salem, in 1836. August 4, 1840, Asa purchased for \$200. of Allen B. and Jerusha Newhall, 1/7 of the homestead estate of her late father Bowman Viles, in Lynnfield.<sup>29</sup> He carried on very extensive real estate transactions and bought and sold many lots in Danvers, Lynnfield, Middleton, Reading and Lynn. He held many mortgages on property in the above-named towns.

Asa Gardner married, in Lynnfield, May 29, 1817, Mary Ann Needham, daughter of Daniel Needham of Lynnfield. She survived her husband and October 18, 1871, conveyed the old homestead to Bowman Viles.<sup>30</sup>

Asa Gardner died March 9, 1858 and his gravestone is standing in the family burying ground, on the eastern side of the road leading from his house to Middleton.

No issue.

**65. Colonel George Gardner,**<sup>7</sup> (Samuel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the youngest son of Samuel and Sarah (Upton) Gardner, was born in the old homestead, October 2, 1781. He was a yeoman and was voted a field driver, April 1, 1805, and again in 1810. He petitioned with others, to have a road laid out near Samuel Gardner's to the road

<sup>27</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 182, leaves 306-7.

<sup>28</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 185, leaf 181.

<sup>29</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 319, leaf 288.

<sup>30</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 837, leaf 175.

leading from Salem to Lynnfield. This was voted and \$482 allowed, October 7, 1811. He was chosen surveyor of highways, in 1816 and the following year. He served as school committeeman from district 7, Danvers, 1816, 1817 and 1819. He was paid sums of money in 1814-1819, on selectman's order, for work performed. His name appeared on the jury list in 1819.<sup>31</sup>

#### MILITARY SERVICE

He was chosen March 6, 1811, Captain in the 5th Regiment, 1st Brigade, 2nd Division. June 17th, 1812, he was promoted to the rank of Lieut, Colonel Commandant in the same regiment. He served as president of a court martial, in October, 1817, to try a lieutenant of one of the companies "for disobedience of orders." He was promoted to Brevet Colonel, June 20, 1816 and received his discharge, April 24, 1818.<sup>32</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE

George and his brother Asa, purchased the homestead farm and other real estate of their father, April 14, 1808, as recorded in detail in the article upon Asa, and leased certain rooms and privileges to their father. October 14, of the same year, George purchased half of the farm and other real estate, including half of the cider mill.<sup>33</sup> His widow, executrix of his estate, sold this property to David Upton, March 29, 1822, as stated later in this article. George Gardner loaned money to Marshall Skinner of Lynnfield, taking as security, his house and 2½ acres of land in Lynnfield, October 20, 1813.<sup>34</sup> He purchased this property later, by acquiring Marshall Skinner's right in it for \$100.<sup>35</sup> June 18, 1817, he bought of "Eleazer Putnam of Danvers, specially appointed to convey such real estate belonging to the minor heirs of Jasper Needham of Danvers, a piece of Pasture & meadow land in

<sup>31</sup> Danvers Records.

<sup>32</sup> Mass. Military Archives, Adj. General's office.

<sup>33</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 185, leaf 181.

<sup>34</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 198, leaf 284.

<sup>35</sup> *Ibid.*, book 223, leaf 256.

Danvers," containing  $31\frac{1}{2}$  acres, 20 poles. He sold this three days later to Hezekiah Flint of Danvers.<sup>36</sup>

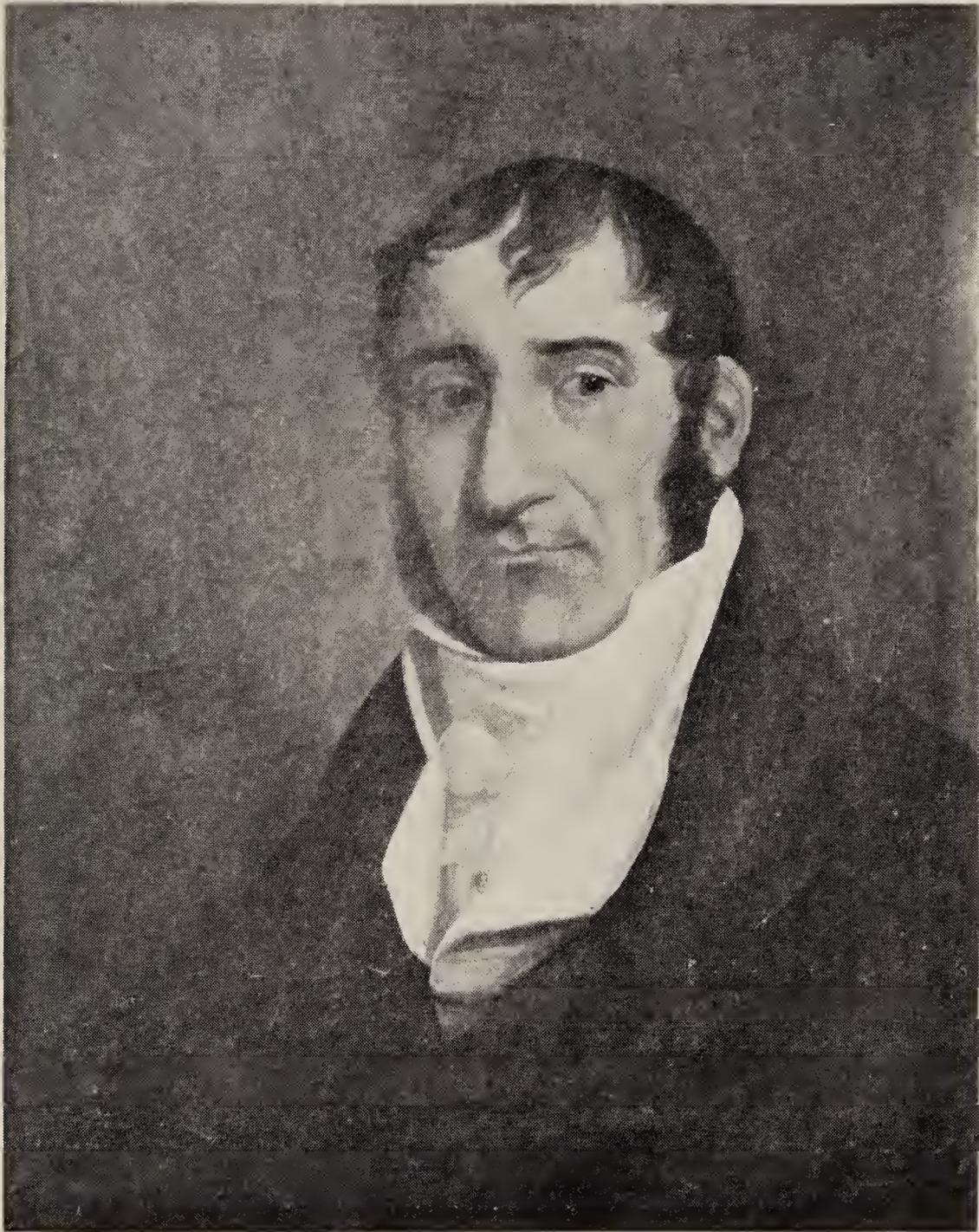
George Gardner married in Lynnfield, May, 1805, Elizabeth Needham, daughter of "Daniel Needham, Esq.," sister of the wife of his brother Asa. The Salem Gazette of February 16, 1821, contains the following:—"Col. George Gardner, died at Danvers on Tuesday last (Feb. 13, 1821) aged 39 years. Funeral from his late residence at 2 o'clock this afternoon. His relatives and friends are desired to attend without a more particular invitation. In the death of Col. Gardner, society have sustained a great loss. Amiable in all the relations of life, and of irreproachable morals, he had secured the esteem and respect of all who knew him. In his character were united unaffected modesty, with a sound judgment and great firmness and decision. As a military officer he was highly respectable and had an opportunity of displaying that spirit and energy which show that he was qualified to command. Few men have been called upon to endure greater suffering, and no one could exhibit greater fortitude. Through an uncommon and most painful sickness, he was a model of patience and resignation; he was sustained by Christian faith, and at length departed in that peace of mind which the world can neither give or take away. The memory of Col. Gardner will long be cherished with affection by his friends who now deeply lament his death." His widow was appointed executrix and sold, March 29, 1822, to Daniel Needham, her interest in a mortgage.<sup>36a</sup> She sold to David Upton of Danvers, on the same date, for \$3600, her husband's holdings in the ancestral farm and other real estate, "it being the same which was conveyed to said George and Asa by their father"; also a pew in the meeting house in Lynnfield "on the north side of the meeting house and adjoining to the broad alley which runs from the pulpit to the front door, bounding westerly on Andrew Mansfield's pew and northerly on Daniel Needham's pew."

No issue.

**72. Benjamin Gardner,**<sup>7</sup> (Capt. Benjamin,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thom-

<sup>36</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 217, leaves 51-2.

<sup>36a</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 235, leaf 14.



CAPT. BENJAMIN GARDNER, 72, OF MARBLEHEAD



as<sup>1</sup>), was a merchant, ship owner and master mariner in Marblehead.



LIST OF VESSELS, CAPT. BENJAMIN GARDNER, MASTER;  
MARBLEHEAD REGISTRY

"Polly," brigantine, 139 tons, 8 men, entry at Marblehead, from Lisbon, Robert Hooper, consignee.

"Patty," schooner, 70 tons, 1801.

"Sally," schooner, 70 tons, 58 feet long, built at Newbury, 1787, Robert Hooper, owner, reg. Dec. 3, 1801. She arrived in Marblehead from Bilboa, Mar. 10, 1802.

"Molly," schooner, 74 tons, 6 men; arrived at Marblehead, from Martinique, July 30, 1802, Robert Hooper, consignee. She arrived again at Marblehead from Martinique, Feb. 20, 1803, Robert Hooper and the master, consignees. She arrived again at Marblehead from Guadeloupe, Aug. 1, 1803, Robert Hooper and the master, consignees.

"Liberty," schooner, 86 tons, 6 men, built at Amesbury, 1804, registered June 15, 1804; James Oliver and Benjamin Gardner, Jr., owners. She arrived at Marblehead, Oct. 13, 1804, from Bilboa; Joseph Barker, consignee. Her next arrival at her home port was April 22, from Bordeaux, with a cargo for Joseph Barker. August 18, 1806, she entered Marblehead from the Isle of May, and October 3, 1807, she arrived from Bilboa.

"Two Friends," schooner, 38 tons, 4 men, built Amesbury, 1788, John R. Russell, owner, reg. May 10, 1808. She arrived at Marblehead from Antigua, Aug. 1, 1808.

"Ardent," brig, arrived at Marblehead, from Martinique, Nov. 22, 1819.

"Teaser," schooner, arrived at Marblehead, from Martinique, April 10, 1821, with 158 casks of molasses.

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Capt. Benjamin Gardner was one of the consignees of of a mixed cargo, valued at \$4894.53, which arrived at

Marblehead from Gibraltar, May 11, 1819, in the brig "Hope," Capt. John Girdler.<sup>37</sup>

"Seaman, brig, 180 tons, 10 men. At Gibraltar, Jan. 30, 1824." Original paper—Consulate of Gibraltar, in possession of the Marblehead Historical Society.

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LIST OF VESSELS, CAPT. BENJAMIN GARDNER, MASTER;  
BOSTON REGISTRY

"Betsey," brig, Benjamin Gardner, owner, registration cancelled, Dec. 22, 1809.

"Pendent," brig, Benjamin Gardner, owner, reg. June 24, 1816, registration cancelled, June 28, 1816.

"Romp," schooner, reg. Jan. 1, 1825, reg. transferred July 18, 1827.

"Richmond," brig, Capt. Benjamin Gardner, Master, reg. May 24, 1824, reg. cancelled, Jan. 1829.<sup>38</sup>

REAL ESTATE

Benjamin Gardner, Jr. of Marblehead, mariner, for \$1200, bought of Edward Martin of Marblehead, August 11, 1802, "all the dwelling house and shop and adjoining which I now occupy and improve, feituat at the foot of Darling's lane (so called) with all the land under and to said house adjoining." This lot was bounded on the northeast by Darling's Lane and on the southeast by Water Street.<sup>39</sup> January 1, 1808, he purchased of Jane Martin, executrix of the estate of Ebenezer Martin, a square piece of land north of the first purchase, on the southwest side of Darling's Lane.<sup>40</sup> He, with the consent of his wife Elizabeth, conveyed the entire plot with dwelling house, to William Elliot of Marblehead, March 2, 1821.<sup>41</sup> Benjamin Gardner, wife Elizabeth and others sold land "near the lookout in Marblehead," to Mary Merritt, widow, of Marblehead, August 26, 1820. Benjamin Gardner "and others of the Marblehead Free School

<sup>37</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, vols. 64 and 65; "Old Marblehead Sea Captains," p. 54.

<sup>38</sup> Registry of Ships, Boston Custom House.

<sup>39</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 170, leaf 246,

<sup>40</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 183, leaf 212.

<sup>41</sup> Ibid., book 226, leaf 7.

Association,<sup>42</sup> bought of Samuel Tucker for \$33.33, a lot of land in Marblehead," on a hill south of Main Street "usually called the Lookout."<sup>43</sup>

Benjamin Gardner married first, April 15, 1798, Sarah Oliver. She died in Marblehead, December 9, 1815. He married second, in Marblehead, August 10, 1817, Elizabeth Tucker, born 1788, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Corney) Tucker, and niece of Commodore Tucker. She died May 31, 1864.<sup>44</sup>

Captain Benjamin Gardner, late master of the brig "Richmond" of Boston, died at Pernambuco, Brazil, September 13, 1828.

Children by first wife, Sarah Oliver:

99. SALLY, bap. Mar. 17, 1799; d. Boston, June 30, 1865; m. Marblehead, by Rev. John Bartlett, Nov. 7, 1820, Richard Girdler, of Marblehead, s. of Lewis and Sarah (Brooks) Girdler. He was a master mariner and during the Civil War was Captain and Commander of the State Nautical Training Ship at Boston. Previous to the war he was in business in Boston as a merchant. He died in Boston, Sept. 22, 1865, a. 67 y. 1 mo. Children: i. Sarah Elizabeth, bap. Marblehead, Sept. 11, 1825; d. before Apr. 1, 1864; m. Marblehead, Oct. 31, 1844, William T. Haskell of Boston. ii. Maria Theresa, bap. Marblehead, Sept. 11, 1825; m. Oct. 21, 1846, William H. Hooper, bap. July 31, 1825; s. of John and Lydia (Blackler) Hooper. They lived in Medford. A paper, among those relating to the estate of Richard Girdler, dated Nov. 24, 1873, refers to "Maria T. Hooper, now deceased."
100. BENJAMIN, bap. Marblehead, July 18, 1801; d. young.
101. MARY, bap. Feb. 6, 1803; d. Montgomery, Ala.; m. Marblehead, Sept. 21, 1826, by Rev. John Bartlett, Nathaniel Barker, of Macon, Ga.

Children by second wife, Elizabeth Tucker:

102. ANDREW, b. 1818; d. Apr. 23, 1819; a. 8 months.
103. WILLIAM ANDREW TUCKER, b. Oct. 1820; bap. May 1, 1825; lost at sea in July, 1853; m. Marblehead, Oct. 27, 1845, Elizabeth Conway Adams.

<sup>42</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 226, leaf 299.

<sup>43</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 233, leaf 60.

<sup>44</sup> Marblehead Records.

104. MARIA T., b. May 26, 1821; d. at Marblehead, Feb. 13, 1885; m. Marblehead, by Rev. M. P. Stickney, Sept. 19, 1844, Thomas Appleton, Jr., s. of Thomas and Alice (Gray) Appleton.
105. BENJAMIN, b. abt. 1822; d. June 1, 1846.<sup>45</sup>

77. John Gardner,<sup>7</sup> (Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), oldest son of Daniel and Emma (Rea) Gardner, was born in Lunenburg, Massachusetts, and baptized there October 18, 1772.<sup>46</sup> He died in Watertown, N. Y., about 1841, aged 69 years. He married first Dolly Willard, daughter of Ephraim Willard of Sterling, Mass., and second, Lois Willard, sister of his first wife.

Children by Dolly Willard:

106. JOHN, b. July 22, 1792; d. Feb. 12, 1871; m. Sarah Pattee.
107. CLARISSA.
108. AUSTIN, b. —; d. about 1846; m. Mary Ripley.
109. ALMIRA.
110. LORAINÉ. (No descendants.)
111. LUCINDA.
112. SOPHIA.
113. CEPHAS, b. Wentworth, N. H., Oct. 9, 1800; d. Jan. 6, 1881; m. Mar. 15, 1824, Pamela Bodwell, in Stanstead, Lower Canada.

Children by Lois Willard:

114. VOLNEY, b. Dorset, Vt., 1803; d. Nov. 7, 1870, aged 67; m. Sophia Gardner (No. 127), his cousin, dau. of William Gardner, of Dorset, Vt.
115. ADELINÉ.

78. Daniel Gardner,<sup>7</sup> (Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), lived in Lunenburg, Mass., until about 1797, when he went to Northport, Maine, on Penobscot Bay.<sup>47</sup> He married, July 2, 1793, Catherine Hartwell. She was born August 27, 1772, and died May 1, 1829. He died January 7, 1834.

Children:

116. BENJAMIN, b. Lunenburg, Dec. 22, 1793;<sup>48</sup> d. Dec. 27, 1835; m. Jan. 9, 1815, Ruth Holbrook.

<sup>45</sup> Marblehead Records.

<sup>46</sup> Lunenburg Town Records.

<sup>47</sup> Stillman Stone, Town Clerk, Lunenburg.

<sup>48</sup> Lunenburg, Mass., Records.

117. HENRY, b. Lunenburg, Mass., Dec. 3, 1795;<sup>48</sup> d. Apr. 1, 1877; m. Aug. 10, 1834, Ruby Holbrook.
118. PHEBE HART, b. Northport, Me., Feb. 21, 1798; d. Aug. 14, 1872; m. Dec. 24, 1818, Samuel Herrick, b. Mar. 1795; d. Oct. 9, 1862. Children: i. Lucy Ann, b. Dec. 1, 1819; d. Sept. 4, 1829. ii. Henry, b. Sept. 1, 1821; d. Oct. 10, 1829. iii. Samuel, b. Nov. 29, 1823. iv. Benjamin Gardner, b. Mar. 8, 1826; d. Mar. 8, 1898. v. Catherine, b. Oct. 15, 1829. vi. William Henry, b. Feb. 8, 1832; d. Nov. 2, 1862. vii. Emily Ann, b. June 15, 1834; d. July, 1897; m. William Wilbur; res. Lewiston, Me. viii. Hannah Adeliza, b. Nov. 23, 1836. ix. Daniel Aurelius, b. July 19, 1838; d. July 20, 1898.
119. SAMUEL, b. June 8, 1800; d. Jan. 16, 1874; m. Sept. 30, 1830, Louisa Dickey.
120. NANCY, b. Lunenburg, Mass., Sept. 22, 1802; d. Aug. 17, 1871; m. Northport, Mar. 10, 1825, Edmund Bicknell, b. Lunenburg, Mass., Sept. 27, 1802, s. of James and Hannah (Marshall) Bicknell. He was a farmer and brick-maker. He d. Belfast, Feb. 26, 1866. Children: i. James Marshall, b. May 14, 1827; d. Mar. 9, 1863, aged 35 y. 10 m.; m. Sept. 21, 1851, Sarah S. Stevens, of Northport, b. Nov. 21, 1829. He was a cabinet maker by trade. ii. Stephen Giddins, b. Oct. 29, 1823; d. about 1910; m. May 14, 1854, at Aetna, Me., Sarah W. Spratt, b. China Me., Sept. 5, 1833. He was a mason by trade and lived in Belfast. iii. Abba Smith, b. May 25, 1835; d. Sept. 8, 1896; m. Belfast, Nov. 19, 1857, Joseph Ellis, Jr., of Brooks, Me. He was b. Oct. 20, 1835.
121. KATHERINE, b. May 19, 1806; d. Mar. 11, 1894; m. Northport, Oct. 29, 1833, by Rev. John Ayer, Rev. John Hatch, b. Bristol, Me., Jan. 5, 1805, s. of Mark and Hannah Hatch. He was a Methodist minister and preached at Robbinston, Gorham, South Standish, Scotland, Saccharappa, Raymond and Washington, all in Maine. He joined the Maine Methodist Episcopal Conference in 1839. He was licensed as an exhorter at the age of twenty-six and in 1838, he received a local preacher's license.<sup>49</sup> He settled in Lewiston, Me., and died there, Mar. 20, 1888, aged 83 years. Children: i. Catherine E., b. Washington, Me., Mar. 1, 1838; d. July 6, 1839. ii. Abby Katherine, b. Washington, Me., Jan. 16, 1841; d. Jan. 24, 1913; m. Lewiston, Me., Nov. 22, 1868, Mil-

<sup>49</sup> M. E. Church Records.

ton A. Chandler, b. Monmouth, Me., May 16, 1843, s. of Calvin and Martha (Howard) Chandler. He resides at No. 997 Beacon St., Newton Centre. iii. Rebecca R., b. Saccarappa, Me., Aug. 27, 1843; d. Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 25, 1908; m. in Lewiston, Me., Nov. 8, 1865, Joseph Henry Day, b. Oct. 3, 1840; d. Aug. 9, 1898. He was mayor of Lewiston, 1880. iv. Josephine, b. Saccarappa, Me., Dec. 22, 1846; d. Newton Centre, Mass., Sept. 25, 1895.

122. DANIEL HARTWELL, b. Feb. 14, 1809; d. July 22, 1876; m. Apr. 10, 1834, Lovina Young Froheck.
123. JOHN, b. June 21, 1811; d. Mar. 8, 1884; m. 1st. Oct. 31, 1845, Harriet Henderson, b. 1816; d. Nov. 29, 1863; m. 2nd. Nellie Walker.
124. WILLIAM, b. Nov. 10, 1813; d. Dec. 24, 1865; m. Roxana Hinds.
125. JOSEPH EDWARD, b. Nov. 15, 1818; d. Feb. 28, 1888; m. July 15, 1849.
126. HARRIET ALLISON, b. Sept. 21, 1821; d. June 11, 1888; m. May 1, 1841, George Billings. They resided at Upper Stillwater, Me.

79. William Gardner,<sup>7</sup> (Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), third son of Daniel and Emma (Rea) Gardner, was baptized September 24, 1780. He lived in Dorset, Vermont.

#### Child:

127. SOPHIA, m. Volney Gardner, her cousin, s. of John and Lois (Willard) Gardner (No. 114).

85. Daniel Gardner,<sup>7</sup> (Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of Ebenezer and Sarah (Whittredge) Gardner, was a resident of Lyndeborough, N. H., at the time of his marriage, March 8, 1810, to Eunice Putnam in Danvers.<sup>50</sup> She was born May 14, 1787, daughter of Benjamin, Jr., and Miriam (Flint) Putnam. She died October 28, 1871, at Clayton, N. Y.

#### Children.

128. PUTNAM, b. Apr. 8, 1811; d. Mar. 4, 1884; m. May 15, 1841, Mary L. Delaramore.

<sup>50</sup> Putnam Genealogy, p. 353.

129. MIRIAM, b. Nov. 25, 1813; m. Isaac Thorn.
130. EMMA, b. Feb. 15, 1815.
131. DANIEL, b. Lyndeborough, N. H., Feb. 21, 1817; d. Aug. 1, 1892; m. Sept. 4, 1842, Louisa Hall.
132. SALLY, b. Feb. 3, 1819; m. John A. Countryman.
133. EBENEZER, b. Apr. 29, 1821.
134. JOHN NICHOLS, b. Oct. 7, 1823.
135. WILLARD, b. Apr. 16, 1826; d. Oct. 12, 1901; m. 1st, Nov. 29, 1853, Delia Ann Staring. She d. Sept. 15, 1871. M. 2nd. Margaret Avery.

## EIGHTH GENERATION

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94. John Lowell Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the oldest son of Samuel Pickering Gardner, was born in Boston, February 8, 1804.<sup>1</sup> He graduated at Harvard in 1821 and was assigned a commencement part, but was absent "on leave or indisposition."<sup>2</sup> Three years later he was given the degree of A. M. in course. He, immediately after that, began his successful career as a

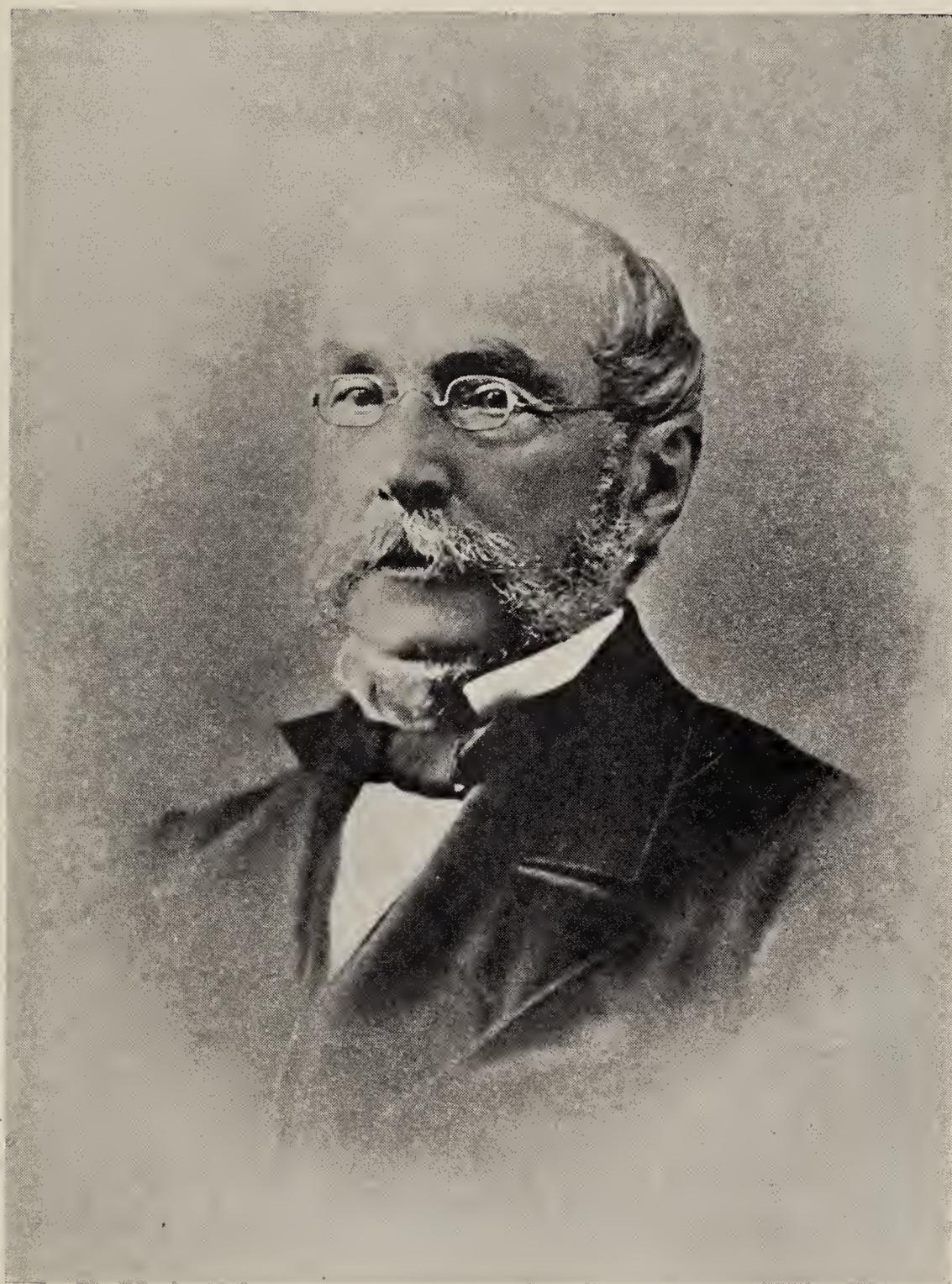
*John L. Gardner.*

merchant in Boston. In 1825 he was a member of the firm of Gardner & Lowell at 23 Long Wharf, his partner being Francis G. Lowell. This firm name continued through 1835. In the following year John L. Gardner and his brother George formed a partnership under the name of John L. Gardner & Company, with offices as merchants at 47 India Street. They conducted business here until 1849, when John L. Gardner had an office at 5 Liberty Square. In the following year he removed to 39 State Street, and in 1853 took his son George A. Gardner into the business with him under the name of John L. Gardner & Company. In 1857 he took offices at 22 Congress Street, where he continued in business until he retired. He became largely interested in the East India and Russia trade, and subsequently in trading with Sumatra, particularly in pepper importations. His vessels sailed "many seas," as evidenced by the following list of ships, which has been compiled from the ship registers in the Boston Custom House and other reliable sources:

<sup>1</sup> Boston Records.

<sup>2</sup> Salem Gazette, Aug. 31, 1821.

<sup>3</sup> Salem Gazette, Sept. 7, 1824.



JOHN LOWELL GARDNER, Sr., 94



“Arabia,” ship, Thomas Fuller, master, 1034 24/95 tons, length 185 ft., built at Kennebeck in 1863, registered July 29, 1864. John L. Gardner of Brookline and William Amory of Boston owned 4/16 each, Joseph P. Gardner and George Gardner 3/16 each, and George A. Gardner and John L. Gardner, Jr., 1/16 each. Captain Fuller was of Salem and grandfather of the author’s wife. He lived to the age of 94, dying in December, 1906. He told the following story of the fate of the “Arabia.” She was a beautiful craft, as the accompanying cut shows. She had, however, an unfortunate fault—a fore and aft pitch which was so marked that Captain Fuller grew to believe that sooner or later she would take a header and go down. She had passed into other hands, and on account of her failing, Captain Fuller refused an offer to sail again as her master. She sailed, however, under another captain, and was never heard of afterwards.

“Bunker Hill,” ship, owned by John L. Gardner & Co.

“California,” ship, 392.02 tons, registered February 19, 1829, owner John L. Gardner.

“Democrat,” brig, 242 91/100 tons, registered January 21, 1828, transferred August 19, 1828. J. C. Gardner, owner. (The middle initial was evidently a mistake.)

“Duxbury,” ship, owner John L. Gardner & Co.

“Eclipse,” ship, 326 tons, William Johnson, master, built at Salem, 1831, registered September 18, 1832. Later, when owned by others (1837), she was boarded by Malays and robbed of spices, opium, etc., and her captain and crew murdered. She sailed from Sumatra in July and was never heard from. (E. I. H. C. v. 40, p. 69.)

“Gentleman,” bark, 223.36 tons, registered April 16, 1837, owner, John L. Gardner. Registration transferred to New York, Oct. 2, 1838.

“Grotius,” ship, owner, John L. Gardner & Co.

“Leonore,” ship, 349.81 tons, registered Boston, Nov. 15, 1825. Transferred November 2, 1826. Owner, John L. Gardner.

“Lepanto,” ship, John Martin, master, 890 67/95 tons, registered February 24, 1860. Built in Boston, 1860. Owners, John L. Gardner, 5/8, John L. Gardner, Jr., Joseph P. Gardner and George A. Gardner, 1/8 each.

"Lotos," ship, 296 tons, built at Salem, 1828, Benjamin Balch, Jr., master, registered May 31, 1842. Owners, John L. Gardner, Joseph Peabody and George Peabody. She was burned at Bermuda Hundred, Va., 1846. Oil painting in the Peabody Academy of Science.

"Marquis de Somerulas," ship, owner, John L. Gardner & Co.

"Mars," steamship, owner, John L. Gardner & Co.

"Monterey," ship, owner, John L. Gardner & Co.

"Nabob," bark, 536.05 tons, length 134 8/10 feet, Ambrose D. Cobb, master, built in New York, 1864. Owners, John L. Gardner, Joseph P. Gardner, George A. Gardner and John L. Gardner, Jr., 1/4 each.

"Napke," ship, owner, John L. Gardner & Co.

"Naples," ship, 309 tons, built Salem, 1833, William Johnson, master, registered August 17, 1833. Owners, John L. Gardner, Joseph Peabody, George Peabody and Tucker Daland. She was registered again October 21, 1842, at Salem. Transferred, Boston, January, 1845. Owner, John L. Gardner.

"Pallas," bark, 209 tons, built Duxbury, 1825, master, Henry Archer. Registered July 19, 1832. Owners, Joseph Peabody, George Peabody, Tucker Daland and John F. (L.) Gardner of Boston.

"Pioneer," brig, 199 tons, registered January 4, 1833, transferred Boston, April 11, 1836; owner, John L. Gardner.

"Plant," brig, 208 tons, registered August 8, 1833; registration surrendered May 13, 1833. Owner, John L. Gardner.

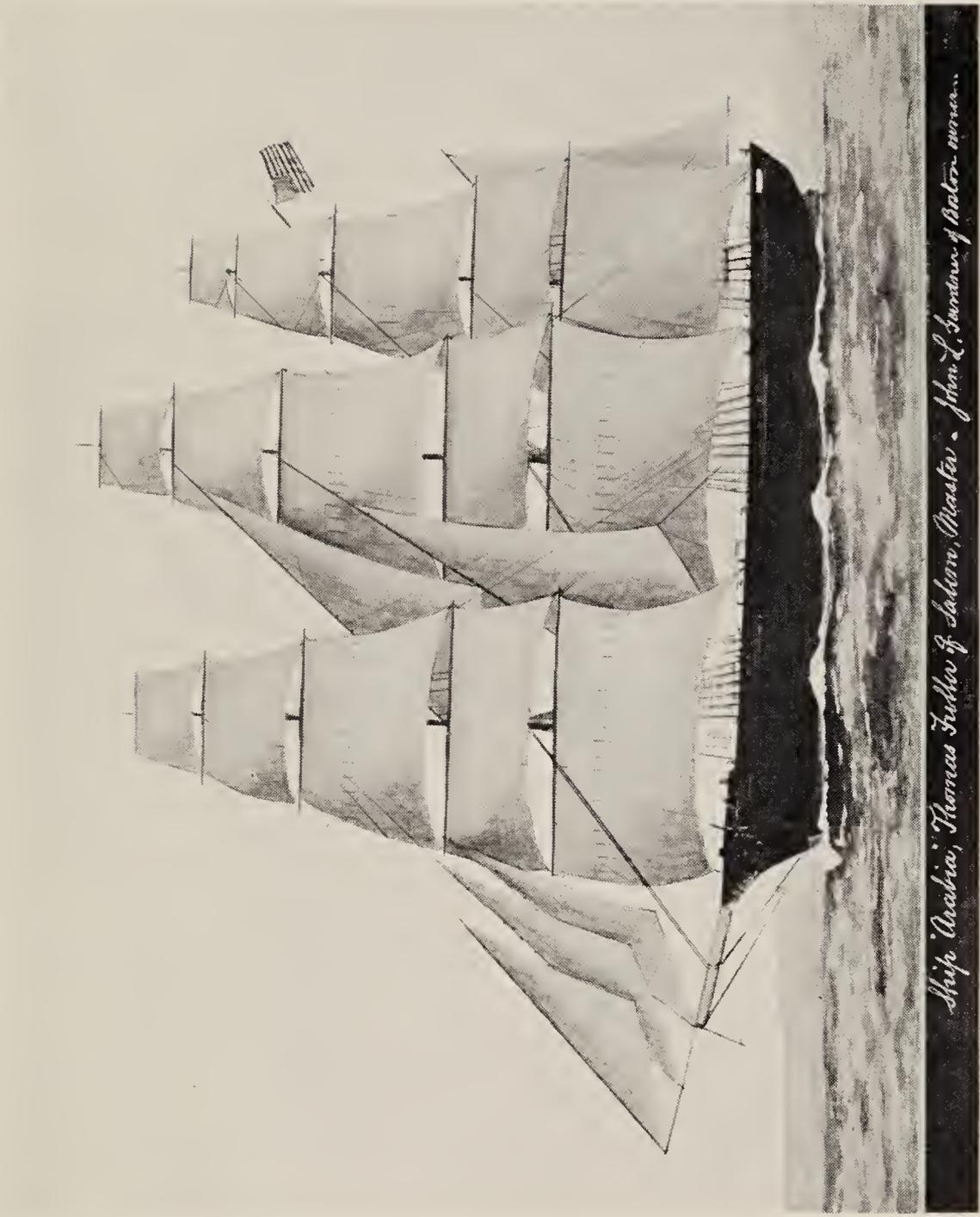
"Plate," ship, 397.23 tons, registered December 13, 1849. Owner, John L. Gardner.

"Ruble," bark, 252.03 tons, registered February 13, 1837. Owner, John L. Gardner.

"Sappho," bark, 309.47 tons, registered May 20, 1826; transferred April 19, 1827. Owner, John L. Gardner.

"Shawmut," brig, 205.36 tons, registered June 29, 1843; transferred April 22, 1825. Owner, John L. Gardner.

"St. Paul," ship, Gorham Burkitt, master, 1053 5/95 tons, length 182 1/2 feet, built Boston, 1881, registered



*Ship "Archie," Thomas Fisher of Salem, Master. John L. Swanton of Boston, owner.*



Boston, February 25, 1861. Owners, John L. Gardner 1/2, Joseph P. Gardner and George A. Gardner, 1/4 each.

"Sumatra," ship, 287 tons, Charles Roundy, master, built Salem, 1827, registered Salem, November 7, 1827. Owner, John L. Gardner.

"Thetis," bark, owner, John L. Gardner.

"Unicorn," ship, 396.84 tons, registered September 11, 1840; transferred, November 16, 1841. Owner, John L. Gardner.

#### REAL ESTATE.

He accumulated ample means as a merchant and then took a gradually lessening part in active business and turned much of his attention and resources to real estate matters in Boston and Brookline.

#### SALEM.

John L. Gardner and his brother, George Gardner, inherited from their grandmother, Elizabeth Pickering Gardner, widow of John Gardner, sixth generation, No. 36, "all of the real estate in the town of Salem, consisting of about one hundred and eleven acres of pasture situated in the westerly part of said town of Salem and on the northerly side of the same turnpike, being the same pasture which formerly belonged to" her "late brother John Pickering, deceased, to be equally divided between them in fee simple."<sup>4</sup> In June, 1827, in an action against John Dodge of Boston, he obtained judgment and was awarded many lots of land in the Northfields near Felt Street, the horse pasture and near the river and Porter's River.<sup>5</sup> He and his wife, Catherine E., sold many lots of land, portions of the Peabody estate.<sup>6</sup>

#### BOSTON.

He resided at number 7 Beacon Street, near the corner of Somerset, from 1829 to 1867. July 23d, 1860, he

<sup>4</sup> Essex County Probate Records, book 402, leaf 279.

<sup>5</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 247, leaf 152.

<sup>6</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 249 leaf 206; book 259, leaf 296; book 345, leaves 201 and 221; book 346, leaf 175; book 347, leaves 97, 103 and 288; book 348, leaf 206; book 350, leaf 122, and book 381, leaf 40.

bought of the Boston & Roxbury Mill Corporation, three lots of land on the northern side of Beacon Street (first called Western Avenue), Boston. These transactions are recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 782, leaves 111 to 116. The lots had a uniform depth of 150 feet. One of the lots was on the northwest corner of Clarendon and Beacon Streets, with a frontage on the latter street of 55 feet. A house erected upon this lot, at number 182 Beacon Street, was his city residence from 1868 until his death in 1884. The location of these lots is shown on a plan recorded in Suffolk County Deeds, book 780, leaf 31.

John L. Gardner of Brookline, May 18, 1872, purchased of Francis C. Lowell of Boston, "all that lot of land in Boston, containing by estimation six thousand four hundred and seventy-four feet," on the northerly side of Commonwealth Avenue, with a frontage of 52 feet, the easterly line of which was "parallel to and 308 feet from the W. line of Berkeley Street, being the same premises conveyed to Francis C. Lowell by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," February 17, 1864.<sup>7</sup> This estate, numbered 51 Commonwealth Avenue, was occupied by his son, George A. Gardner, as his place of residence from 1878 until his death in 1916.<sup>8</sup> George A. Gardner's daughter, Mrs. George Howard Monks, and her family live there at the present time.

September 15, 1859, he purchased of William W. Goddard and T. Bigelow Lawrence, Esq., a lot of land on the southeast corner of Beacon and Berkeley Streets, with a frontage of 114 feet on Beacon and 112 on Berkeley.<sup>9</sup> This plot was divided into three lots, fronting on Beacon Street. The two easterly lots were numbered 143 and 145 on that street and were included in a list of Boston holdings, following his death.<sup>10</sup> Mrs. Francis Gardner Curtis lives at number 143 at present. The house on the corner of Berkeley Street, numbered 147 Beacon, was

<sup>7</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 1715, leaf 384.

<sup>8</sup> Dr. and Mrs. George Howard Monks live there at the present time.

<sup>9</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 765, leaf 210.

<sup>10</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 1663, leaves 481-484.





JOHN LOWELL GARDNER, Sr., 94, AND FAMILY AT THEIR HOME, "GREEN HILL," BROOKLINE, MASS.

occupied by his son, Joseph P. Gardner, as his residence from 1861 to 1874, when he changed his legal home to Beverly. John L. Gardner's daughter, Mrs. Coolidge, lived there later.

#### BROOKLINE.

John L. Gardner of Boston, March 11, 1842, bought of H. R. Kendall and wife and T. R. Kendall of Brookline, twenty acres in Brookline. The purchase included house, barn, etc.<sup>11</sup> He purchased of Isaac Abercrombie, Jr., of Deerfield, an acre of marsh land in Brookline.<sup>12</sup> June 16, 1849, a lot on Fairmount, fronting 108 feet on the avenue, and bounded on the west by Fairmount lot No. 25, was purchased of Charles Stearns and William Dearborn.<sup>13</sup> He bought of the same parties, May 30, 1853, lot No. 7 on the A. R. Binney plan,<sup>14</sup> and lot No. 12 on that plan, of Hugh P. Kendall of Brookline.<sup>15</sup> This last named lot contained 18,060 square feet. Lot No. 25, of Fairmount, containing 12,400 square feet, was bought of Charles D. Head of Brookline, June 26, 1858.<sup>16</sup> Another lot on Fairmount, fronting 75 feet on Hillside Avenue was bought of James W. Stone, physician, of Boston, September 10, 1859.<sup>17</sup> The major part of this large estate, known as "Green Hill," is now occupied by his great-grandson, George Peabody Gardner, Jr. He bought other lots in 1862 of Samuel Clarke, Mary E. Balch of Roxbury, Simon Warren of Brookline, and William Chaloner of Prescott, Washington, Maine.<sup>18</sup>

#### MAINE.

Roque Island and neighboring small islands off the eastern coast of Maine came into the possession of John L. Gardner, Sr., through his wife, Catherine E. Peabody, and with the exception of a brief period of about ten

<sup>11</sup> Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, book 138, leaf 17.

<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*, book 160, leaf 83.

<sup>13</sup> Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, book 188, leaf 251.

<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, book 218, leaf 263.

<sup>15</sup> *Ibid.*, book 247, leaf 23.

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, book 267, leaf 23.

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid.*, book 280, leaf 31.

<sup>18</sup> Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, book 308, leaf 141, and book 307, leaf 267.

years, they have been owned by the family ever since then. After the death of John L. Gardner they were owned by his sons, George A. Gardner and John L. Gardner, Jr. They are now owned by Mr. George P. Gardner and his sister, Mrs. George H. Monks.

In 1849, he bought of the Brookline First Parish, pew numbered 45 in the meeting house.<sup>19</sup> He showed his interest in the town by his gift to the public library of \$10,000, and the name "Gardner Hall," perpetuates the memory of his liberality in that institution.<sup>20</sup> He had a marked fondness for horticulture, and the excellence of the productions of his grounds was shown in the number of prizes awarded him by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.<sup>20</sup> A few years before his death he was prominently interested in banking and financial transactions, and in January, 1879, became president of the Massachusetts Hospital Insurance Company, which position he held at the time of his death. He worshipped at King's Chapel in Boston and owned pew No. 18 from 1826 to 1885. He was a vestryman from 1833 until 1853, and warden in 1845 and 1846. The "Annals of King's Chapel" also show that plate No. 7 bears the following inscription: "Presented to King's Chapel by John L. Gardner, 1868."

John L. Gardner married in Salem, October 4th, 1826, Miss Catherine E. Peabody, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Smith) Peabody, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Mr. Brazer. She was born June 23, 1808, and died September 21, 1883, in Brookline. Her death occurred shortly after her return from their summer home on Roque Island, off the eastern coast of Maine. He died July 24, 1883, shortly after his return to Brookline from the same island. The *Brookline Chronicle* of July 26, 1884, contains a long obituary notice of him, and refers to him as "a man of modest demeanor and quiet tastes, spurning ostentation, dignified, affable and courteous to all who were brought into relations with him."<sup>20</sup>

<sup>19</sup> Norfolk Registry of Deeds, book 188, leaf 255.

<sup>20</sup> Brookline Chronicle of July 26, 1884.



GREAT BEACH, ROQUE ISLAND, MAINE



## ESTATE.

He left a large estate, both personal and real. His will was dated November 7, 1883. He named his sons, George A. Gardner and John L. Gardner, and grandson George P. Gardner, executors. He left stated sums to his children and to his sons-in-law and daughters-in-law. His sons, George A. and John L., were given large real estate holdings in Boston. The estate No. 147 Beacon Street, at the corner of Berkeley Street, he gave to Julia Coolidge, wife of J. Randolph Coolidge, being the estate "where she now lives." To his daughter, Eliza B. Skinner, wife of Francis S. Skinner, he gave the house which she occupied, No. 200 Beacon Street. The estate "on the North side of Commonwealth Avenue," numbered 51, he left to his son George A. Gardner, describing in detail the way it was to be transferred. To his son John L. Gardner, Jr., he willed his estate in Brookline, with the exception of the property on Dudley Street in "said Brookline now occupied by my son-in-law J. Randolph Coolidge and my daughter Julia." He also told how this transfer was to be made.

The residue of his estate he left to his sons George A. Gardner and John L. Gardner and grandson George P. Gardner, in trust for the benefit of his children and grandchildren, according to his expressed wishes.<sup>21</sup>

## Children :

136. CATHERINE PEABODY, b. Aug. 1, 1827; d. Apr. 7, 1833, a. 5 y. 8 mo.
137. JOSEPH PEABODY, b. Aug. 2, 1828; d. June 11, 1875; m. Nov. 14, 1866, Harriet Sears Amory.
138. GEORGE AUGUSTUS, b. Sept. 30, 1829; d. Aug. 6, 1916; m. Nov. 8, 1854, Eliza Endicott Peabody.
139. ELIZABETH PEABODY, b. Dec. 6, 1834; d. Apr. 17, 1839; a. 5 yrs. 4 mo.
140. SAMUEL PICKERING, b. June 28, 1836; d. Sept. 13, 1841, a. 5 yrs. 3 mo.
141. JOHN LOWELL, b. Nov. 26, 1837; d. Dec. 10, 1898; m. Apr. 10, 1860, Isabella Stewart.
142. ALBERT, b. Feb. 8, 1840; d. Sept. 12, 1841.

<sup>21</sup> Norfolk County Probate File No. 24,034.

143. JULIA, b. Aug. 4, 1841; d. Boston, Jan. 6, 1921; m. Dec. 18, 1860, Joseph Randolph Coolidge, b. Boston, Dec. 29, 1828, s. of Joseph and Eleonora Wayles (Randolph) Coolidge. He was a descendant in the sixth gen. of John Coolidge, who settled in Watertown about 1630 and from whom President Coolidge is also descended in a different line.<sup>22</sup> Eleonora Randolph was one of the older granddaughters of Thomas Jefferson. She was a descendant of Pocahontas through her father, Thomas Mann Randolph of Tuckahoe, Va. After her marriage at Monticello in 1826, she came to Boston to live, and her children, J. Randolph Coolidge; Ellen, who married Edmund Dwight; Algernon Sidney, who was a major in the U. S. Army and killed at Chickamauga in 1863; and Thomas Jefferson Coolidge, were born here, but largely educated in Europe, while their father, Joseph Coolidge, was in business in China with Augustine Heard & Co. J. Randolph Coolidge went to school in Geneva and Dresden and was graduated from the Royal Cadettenhaus or Military Academy of the kingdom of Saxony. He then came back to America and was one of the earliest students at the Lawrence Scientific School at Harvard. He expected to be a civil engineer. His experience in connection with some of the earliest railroads in Virginia undermined his health. He returned to Boston, entered the Harvard Law School and was graduated in the class of 1854, having among his classmates, Hon. Joseph H. Choate. He lived a domestic life, and his interest in international affairs, in geography, and especially in polar expeditions was almost that of a specialist. Except for numerous journeys abroad, he had lived in Boston and Brookline ever since his marriage. He was a discriminating reader and a donor to the Art Museum, to King's Chapel, and many Boston charities. He was a member of the Union, Boston Art and the Brookline Country Club. He died in Boston, Nov. 10, 1925, aged 97.<sup>23</sup> Children: i. Joseph Randolph, b. May 17, 1862; grad. Harvard, 1883, A. M., 1884. He went to Germany the same year for study at Dresden Polytechnic University and continued his studies the next year at the University of Berlin. Between 1888 and

<sup>22</sup> Genealogy of Some of the Descendants of John Coolidge, p. 21.

<sup>23</sup> Boston Transcript of Nov. 11, 1925.

1889 he studied at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and from 1891 to 1894 was a student at the Ecole des Beaux Arts at Paris. He became one of the most prominent architects in Boston, a member of the firm of Coolidge and Carlson and later a consultant in architecture for that firm. He was a member of the Boston Society of Architects and was secretary from 1904 and 1905 and president in 1913 and 1914, succeeding James J. Storrow. He was also a fellow of the A. I. A. He was a trustee of the Boston Atheneum and trustee and director of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. He was a member of the Somerset and Exchange Clubs and the Century Club of New York. He was named New England representative of the Library War Council in 1917 and co-operated with the American Library Association in raising \$1,000,000 for cantonment and camp libraries at the front. He also served as New England regional chairman of the highway's transport committee of The Council of National Defense, being appointed Aug. 28, 1918, by Roy D. Chapin, chairman of the committee. In 1924 he retired from active business in Boston and although maintaining his home in Boston, he established a legal residence at his summer home in Sandwich, N. H. He was elected a member of the New Hampshire legislature, representing Sandwich, and was re-elected in 1926, and was holding this office at the time of his death. He married in Boston, Oct. 18, 1886, Mary Hamilton Hill, b. Oct. 16, 1862, dau. of Hamilton A. and Mary Eliza (Robbins) Hill. He died Aug. 8, 1928.<sup>24</sup>

ii. John Gardner, b. July 4, 1863, in Boston; m. North Andover, Apr. 29, 1909, Helen Granger Stevens, b. Boston, dau. of Henry James and Helen (Granger) Stevens. Educated in schools abroad and Harvard Univ. (A. B. 1884). Diplomat. He acted as U. S. Vice-Consul at Pretoria, South Africa, 1900 (first year of the Boer War; secretary Legation and Chargé d'Affaires, Peking, 1902-6; secretary Embassy and Chargé d'Affaires, City of Mexico, 1907-8; U. S. Minister Plenipotentiary to Nicaragua, 1908; special agent, Department of State, to assist American Ambassador at Paris, Nov. 27, 1914 to August, 1917; and special assistant, Dept. of State, July, 1918-1919. Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society; American Institute of International Law. Mem-

<sup>24</sup> Boston Transcript of Aug. 9, 1928.

ber of the Somerset, Harvard (Boston), Fly (Cambridge), and North Andover Country Clubs. Hobby, Chinese porcelain. Unitarian. Author of "Letters from Many Countries," and "War Diary in Paris," 1931. Res. 171 Commonwealth Ave. and North Andover. No children.<sup>25</sup> iii. Archibald Cary, b. Boston, Mar. 6, 1866, Harvard A.B., 1887, LL.D., 1916. He studied for one season at the Univ. of Berlin, and one at the Ecole des Sciences Politiques in Paris, and Freiburg in Baden, where he received his Ph.D. in 1916. During the winter of 1890-91 he was acting secretary at the American Legation at St. Petersburg, Russia, and in the spring of 1893, upon his return to this country, focused his attention upon university work, first becoming an instructor of history at Harvard, which post he held from 1893 to 1899. In this latter year he was appointed assistant professor and in 1908 full professor. Director of the University Library at Harvard, from 1911 until his death. Member of the Taft party to the Philippines in 1905. Lecturer at the Sorbonne in 1906-7 and U. S. and Harvard delegate to the Pan-American Scientific Congress at Santiago, Chili, in 1908. Harvard exchange professor with the Univ. of Berlin, in 1913-14. Special agent of U. S. govt. to visit Sweden and Russia in 1918. Attached to Peace Conference in 1919. Five months in Vienna as chief of special mission; and three in Paris as an expert on Austro-Hungarian affairs. In 1921 he joined the American Relief Administration in Russia. He was a member of the Massachusetts and the Virginia Historical Societies; the Marseilles Geographical Society, the Royal Geographic Society, and the Council on Foreign Relations. Editor of "Foreign Affairs" from its beginning in 1922 until his death. He was also a member of the American Academy of Political and Social Science; the American Antiquarian Society; Fellow American Academy of Arts and Sciences; the Somerset, Century, and Harvard Clubs. He wrote many books and made many contributions. Author of "The United States as a World Power" and other works. President Raymond Poincaire of France summed up Professor Coolidge's scholastic eminence in the following words: "There is no mistake either of

<sup>25</sup> Some of the Descendants of John Coolidge, p. 342, and Who's Who in the East, p. 522.

fact or emphasis in the whole article. It seems in fact the perfect type of historical writing. The knowledge on which it is based is so broad and so mature that Professor Coolidge never has to stop the flow of his reader's thought by introduction of small facts, as so many modern historians feel that they have to do." He frequently lectured at the Lowell Institute. He died January 14, 1928. Unmarried.<sup>26</sup> iv. Harold Jefferson, b. Nice, France, Jan. 22, 1870; m. Feb. 19, 1903, Edith Lawrence, dau. of Amory Appleton and Emily Fairfax (Silsbee) Lawrence. She was born in 1879. He was grad. Harvard Univ. A. B. magna cum Laude, 1892, LL. B. 1896. Member of the American Bar Assoc.; Mass. Bar Assoc.; Suffolk Co. Bar Assoc.; N. E. Hist. Gen. Soc.; East Asiatic Soc.; Harvard Travelers' Club; Episcopalian Club; Mass. Milit. Hist. Soc.; Boston Legal Aid Soc.; Bostonian Soc.; Old South Soc.; Soc. Preservation of N. E. Antiquities; Essex Instit., Salem; Va. Hist. Soc.; Amer. Geog. Soc.; Mass. Forestry Assoc.; Soc. for Preservation of N. H. Forests; Boston Soc. of Nat. Hist.; Garden Club of Brookline, Mass.; Guild of Boston Artists; and Boston Chamber of Commerce. Clubs: Somerset; Harvard; Tennis and Racquet; Exchange; and Club of Odd Volumes (Boston); Faculty Club (Cambridge); Country Club (Brookline); University; Harvard (New York); Westmoreland (Richmond, Va.). Protestant Episcopal Church; Clerk of Parish of the Advent, Boston, since 1917; Member of Trustees of Donations, P. E. Ch. He was admitted to the bar in Mass., 1896. In law practice in Boston, firm of Loring, Coolidge, Noble and Boyd; specializes in management of Trust Estates. Director National Shawmut Bank; Pres. Board of Trustees, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum; Trustee Univ. Associates. Has been interested in the acquiring and management of land needed for growth and development of Harvard Univ.; in the building and management of Army and Navy Y. M. C. A., Charlestown, Mass.; in restoration and farming of Tuckahoe (the family place on James River, Va.); in the development of forestry and sheep farming in N. H.; in the collecting of books and pictures; in reading and music; and the study throughout his life of foreign affairs. He is a member of the Council

<sup>26</sup> Boston Transcript of Jan. 16, 1928.

on Foreign Relations; has published articles in the Atlantic and other magazines, and is at present (1931) engaged in the preparation of biographical work shortly to be published. He has traveled widely in Europe and round the world, keeping unpublished diaries of his travels.<sup>27</sup> Office, 82 Devonshire St.; residence, 303 Berkeley St., Boston, Mass. Summer res. Pride's Crossing.<sup>27a</sup> v. Julian Lowell, b. Sept. 28, 1873; m. Jan. 17, 1901, Theresa Reynolds, dau. of John Phillips and Jane Minot (Revere) Reynolds, of Boston. Education: Harvard Univ., A. B., 1895; B. Sc., Oxford Univ., Eng., 1897; Ph. D. Univ. of Bonn, Prussia, 1904. Teacher of Mathematics Groton Sch. (Mass.) 1897-98; inst. math. 1900, asst. prof. 1908, prof. 1918—Harvard College. Major U. S. A., Dec. 15, 1917-July 24, 1919; liaison officer attached to French General Staff, Paris, Mar. 1918-July, 1919. Decorated with Cross of the Legion of Honor, and Officier de l'instruction Publique, France 1919. Fellow Am. Acad. of Arts and Sciences; member Am. Math. Soc. (ex-v. pres't); Math. Assoc. Am. (pres't 1925); Assoc. of Math. Teachers in N. E. (ex-pres't). Harvard Club of Boston. Author of "Elements of Non Euclidean Geometry," 1909; "Treatise on the Circle and Sphere," 1916; "Geometry of the Complex Domain," 1924; and "Introduction to Mathematical Probability," 1925, and "A Treatise on Algebraic Plane Curves," 1931. He is Master of Lowell House in Harvard University, where he lives. Summer home at North Haven, Me.<sup>28</sup>

144. ELIZA BLANCHARD, b. Brookline, Mass., May 28, 1846; d. Sept. 22, 1898;<sup>29</sup> m. Oct. 11, 1868, Francis Skinner, b. Sept. 1840, s. of Francis and Elizabeth (Cochrane) Skinner. Grad. Harvard 1862. He d. Nov. 24, 1905, aged 65 y. 2 mo. 21 d. He was a merchant in Boston, located for many years in Franklin Street and later at 91 State Street. He resided on Beacon Street, during the last fifteen years of his life at No. 266. He left by his will dated July 13, 1900, \$25,000 to a friend as a token of appreciation, \$10,000 to his physician and \$20,000 to the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard to be used "as they may seem best." He left many gifts and trusts to members of his family and named as

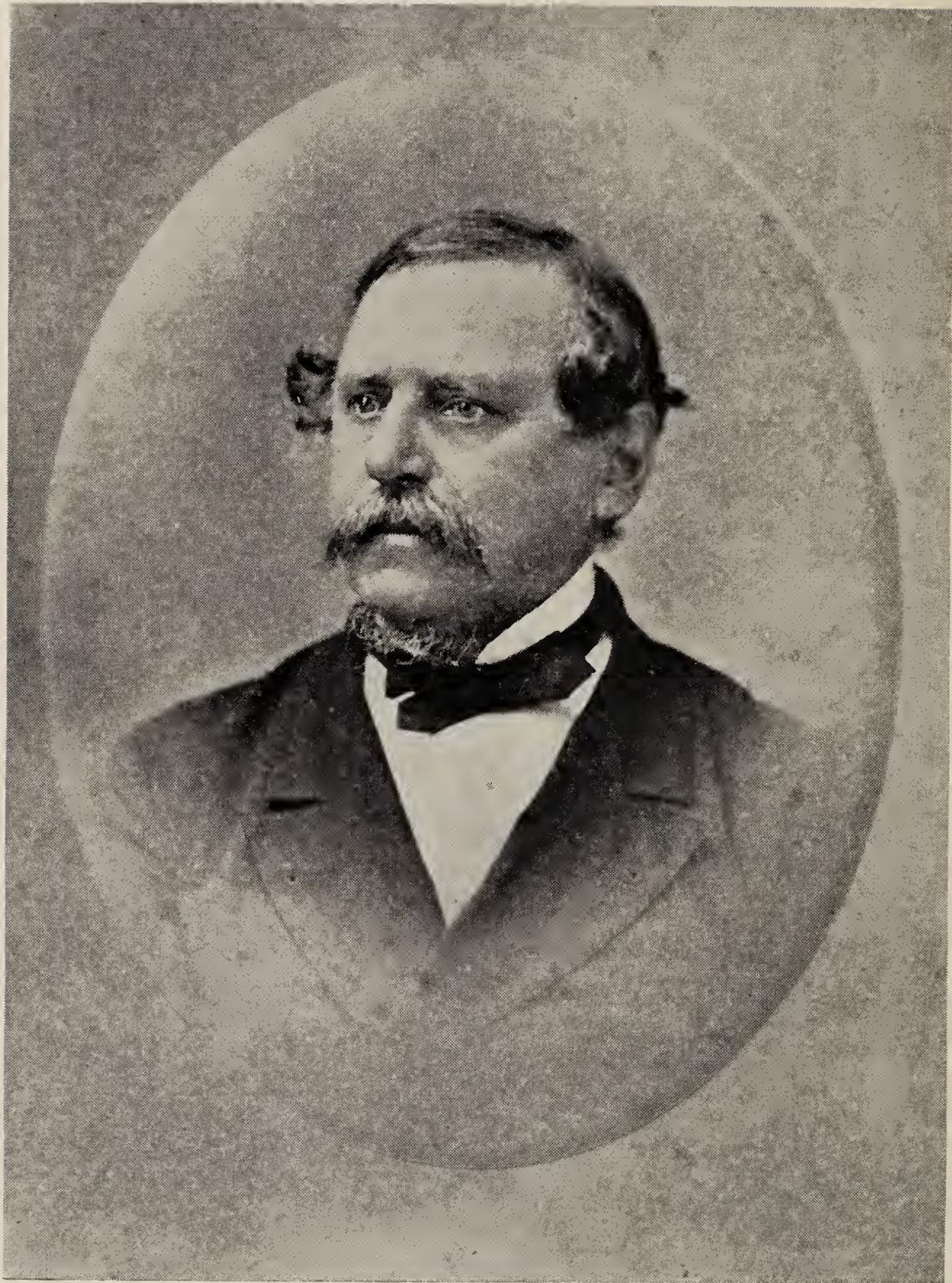
<sup>27</sup> Family Notes.

<sup>27a</sup> Who's Who in the East, p. 522.

<sup>28</sup> Who's Who in America, 1930-31, p. 572.

<sup>29</sup> Norfolk County Probate Files, No. 50,317.





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residuary beneficiaries the Boston Public Library, Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School and the Free Hospital for Women in Brookline. In a codicil dated March 8, 1904, he added \$25,000 to the first bequest mentioned above.<sup>30</sup> Children: i. Francis, b. Nov. 17, 1869; d. May 7, 1914, on board the S. S. Caronia, as he was returning from a tour of Europe. He was a student in Harvard for three years but did not remain to graduate. Married Miss Sadie Carr, of Roxbury. Soon after his marriage he built a fine mansion on Highland Street, Dedham. He was one of the leading yachtmen and owned one or more fine yachts. He was a member of the Eastern, Corinthian, Boston and New York Yacht Clubs, the Dedham and Brookline Country Clubs, the Knickerbocker Club of New York, the Exchange and Somerset Clubs of Boston and the Boston Athletic Association.<sup>31</sup> His will was dated July 2, 1914. He made St. Paul's School of Concord, N. H., residuary beneficiary of a large trust fund, to be paid upon the death of his wife. He also left \$10,000 to the Church of the Messiah, in Boston; \$10,000 to the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University; and a like amount to the Massachusetts General Hospital.<sup>29</sup> His widow m. Charles W. Shea, Esq., a prominent lawyer of Dedham and Boston.

96. **George Gardner**,<sup>8</sup> (Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), second son of Samuel Pickering and Rebecca Russell (Lowell) Gardner, was born in Boston, September 15, 1809. He was a student in Harvard College in the Class of 1829, the noted class which contained so many members who became distinguished, among them: Judge George Tyler Bigelow, Rev. Dr. James Freeman Clarke, George Humphrey Devereaux, Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Prof. Benjamin Peirce the mathematician, Rev. Dr. Samuel Francis Smith, author of "America," and Rev. Dr. Chandler Robbins. George Gardner's daughter, Mrs. Brooks, states that the members of this class met annually for many years and that Dr. Holmes and Dr. Smith always took a prominent part, the former contrib-

<sup>30</sup> Suffolk County Probate Records, v. 871, pp. 57-62.

<sup>31</sup> Dedham Transcript of May 9, 1914.

uting a poem, and "America" was sung. He began his mercantile career early as his name appeared in 1838 as a member of the firm of John L. Gardner & Co., at No. 47



India Street. He was located several years at 7 Broad Street, and in 1848-49 was in company with George J. Furness, under the firm name of George Gardner & Co., at 5 Liberty Square. In 1859-61 his partner was his nephew, Joseph P. Gardner. He continued at that location until 1858, when he removed to 9 Batterymarch Street, and a few years later retired from active business.

He owned the following ships, as shown by the registers of the Boston Custom House:

"Grotius," ship, reg. Boston, January 30, 1839; transferred Boston, February 28, 1843.

"Pleiades," 284.11 tons; reg. Boston, August 4, 1840; transferred Boston, April 9, 1842.

"Orlando," bark, 269 46/95 tons, length 111 feet 6 inches; Stephen Nickerson, master. Reg. Boston, 1048 No. 26, 1859; built Newburyport, 1856.

"Arabia," ship, 1034 24/95 tons; length, 185 feet; built Kennebunk, 1863; Thomas Fuller, master. George Gardner, 3/16 owner. Registered Boston, July 29, 1864. A more detailed account of this ship has been given in the list of ships owned by his brother, John L. Gardner.

#### REAL ESTATE.

##### BOSTON.

He resided at 19 Temple Place, following his marriage, and continued to live there until 1844, when, on September 4th of that year, he purchased of David S. Greenough of Roxbury, the estate on the northwest corner of Beacon and Charles Streets.<sup>32</sup> This house was numbered

<sup>32</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 528, leaf 288.

67 on Beacon Street. He continued to occupy this as his city residence during his life, and his widow lived here until her death.

He inherited from his father the mansion property on Summer Street and came into full possession of it on the death of his mother in 1853. He improved the property for commercial purposes by erecting upon the large block occupied for many years and at present by the Hovey stores. The initials "S. P. G." can be seen on the front of the large granite building, under the cornice. This large building was erected in 1854. April 26th of that year he bought of "William T. Andrews Esq. of Boston, a small gore of land on the N. W. side of said Gardner's land on the Western side of Summer Street, upon which has been placed part of a wall of a new store."<sup>33</sup> In 1853 he received shares left by his father, of the "Proprietors of India Wharf."<sup>34</sup> He had conveyed to him lots of land on Pleasant and West Cedar Streets in Boston.<sup>35</sup>

#### SALEM.

George Gardner and his brother John L., inherited from their grandmother, Elizabeth Pickering Gardner, widow of John Gardner, "all of her real estate in the town of Salem, consisting of about one hundred and eleven acres of pasture situated in the westerly part of said town of Salem, and on the northerly side of the Salem turnpike, being the same pasture which formerly belonged to her "late brother, John Pickering, deceased to be equally divided between them in fee simple."<sup>36</sup>

#### BEVERLY.

##### Indian Ridge Estate.

George Gardner purchased of the town of Beverly, November 13, 1872, "a part of the old school house lot on Thissell Street, in Beverly, the lot having been bought at public auction by J. D. Tuck, who requested the town

<sup>33</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 262, leaf 24.

<sup>34</sup> *Ibid.*, book 649, leaf 4.

<sup>35</sup> *Ibid.*, book 362, leaf 223, and book 924, leaf 56.

<sup>36</sup> Essex County Probate Records, book 402, leaf 279.

to execute a deed to George Gardner."<sup>37</sup> He bought of William Perry of Beverly, on December 3d of the same year, 7,100 feet of land adjoining the first-named lot,<sup>38</sup> and on November 18th of the following year another lot adjoining the above, of John B. Thissell.<sup>39</sup> Additional lots were purchased within a year or two of Joanna L. Whitney, Lydia S. Baker, Caleb W. Loring and James Perry.<sup>40</sup> He retained this estate until August 19, 1880, when he conveyed it to his daughter, Helen R. Curtis, wife of James F. Curtis, describing it as "my Indian Ridge Estate so called lying on the northerly side of Thissell Street so called, in said Beverly . . . consisting of all the lands now owned by me on the northerly side of Thissell Street." The lots described in the above deeds were enumerated.<sup>41</sup>

#### Plum Cove Estate.

He bought of Charles J. Paine and William C. Paine of Beverly, July , 1874 a parcel of land bounded by the sea, Plum Cove Field, land of Caleb W. Loring and a road leading to Hale Street.<sup>42</sup> Louis Curtis and Francis I. Amory of Boston and Charles W. Amory of Brookline, trustees under the will of George Gardner, late of Beverly, sold to Royal E. Robbins of Boston, the above estate, March 5, 1892.<sup>43</sup> Royal Robbins and Reginald C. Robbins, trustees under the will of Royal E. Robbins, late of Boston, sold the property to Frederick Ayer of Newton, October 3, 1905.<sup>44</sup>

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#### CHURCH.

George Gardner worshipped at King's Chapel and was a proprietor in 1839, owning pew No. 63. He was a

<sup>37</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 868, leaf 227.

<sup>38</sup> Ibid., book 869, leaf 290.

<sup>39</sup> Ibid., book 893, leaf 156-7.

<sup>40</sup> Ibid., book 896, leaves 11-12; book 897, leaf 285, and book 868, leaf 228-9.

<sup>41</sup> Ibid., book 1047, leaf 169.

<sup>42</sup> Ibid., book 907, leaves 192-3.

<sup>43</sup> Ibid., book 1335, leaves 562-3.

<sup>44</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 1800, leaves 251-2.

vestryman from 1846 to 1856, and one of the wardens in 1854.

George Gardner married, October 18, 1838, Helen Maria Read, daughter of James Freeman and Hannah (Palmer) Read. She was born May 16, 1819, and died May 14, 1888. Charles W. Amory was appointed administrator.<sup>45</sup> George Gardner died December 19, 1884. His will was dated January 10, 1881, with a codicil dated March 4, 1884. He named his three sons-in-law executors. The estate was left in trust for the benefit of his family and the following were named by him as trustees: Louis Curtis, Francis I. Amory, and Charles W. Amory.<sup>46</sup> The following parcels of property were named in the real estate inventory of the executors: Stores numbered 33 Summer Street, Boston; house numbered 67 Beacon Street, Boston; Plum Cove Estate, Beverly, and Thissell Street lot, also in Beverly.<sup>47</sup>

#### Children:

145. HELEN READ, b. Sept. 21, 1839; d. Boston, May 12, 1927;<sup>48</sup> m. May 30, 1867, James Freeman Curtis, s. of Thomas Buckminster and Laura (Greenough) Curtis. He was b. Mar. 12, 1839; d. Jan. 22, 1888.<sup>48</sup> They resided at No. 253 Marlboro Street, Boston. Children: i. Francis Gardner, b. Mar. 9, 1868; d. Nov. 29, 1915;<sup>49</sup> m. Apr. 3, 1913, Mary W. Barnard, dau. of Joseph T. and Mary W. (Cunningham) Barnard. She was b. Lake Pepin, Wis.<sup>50</sup> Francis G. Curtis, grad. Harvard 1890. In 1908 he was appointed for one year as associate curator of the Chinese and Japanese department of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. Later in that year he was granted leave of absence. He was reappointed in 1911 and 1912. He was appointed keeper of that department for 1913, 1914 and 1915.<sup>51</sup> He left, in his will dated Apr. 2, 1913, proved Dec. 9, 1915, \$25,000 to the museum.<sup>52</sup> His

<sup>45</sup> Essex County Probate Files, No. 66,548.

<sup>46</sup> Essex County Probate Records, book 440, leaves 326-7.

<sup>47</sup> Essex County Probate Files, No. 61,607.

<sup>48</sup> Boston Vital Records.

<sup>49</sup> Ibid.

<sup>50</sup> Ibid.

<sup>51</sup> Records, Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

<sup>52</sup> Suffolk County Probate Files, No. 171,449.

widow resides at 143 Beacon Street. No issue. ii. Laura Greenough, b. June 11, 1871; d. May 10, 1875. iii. Alfred, b. Jan. 31, 1876; m. Boston, Apr. 18, 1901, Helen McCarthy, b. Cambridge, a. 23 y., dau. of John and Katherine (McCormick) McCarthy.<sup>53</sup> They reside in Concord, Mass. He went overseas with the American Red Cross in 1918-1919. He is a member of the Union Club, Boston. iv. Mary, b. Apr. 19, 1878. She lives in Boston, and Hamilton, Mass.

146. FRANCIS LOWELL, b. June 4, 1841; d. on Sunday, Feb. 10, 1861. He was a member of the junior class of Harvard College at the time of his death. He had left Boston on the preceding Tuesday in apparently perfect health and went to Cotuitport. On the following day he was taken suddenly ill. The disease took a fatal turn and he died without a struggle and seemingly without pain. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., wrote the following obituary notice, which appeared in the Boston Daily Advertiser of February 15, 1861:— "Mr. Gardner was in the true sense of the word a gentleman; for while in character he was honorable in things seen and unseen, and brave, not shirking to do what it seemed should be done, he showed in his manners a constant courtesy that could only have sprung from a kindly and generous heart. His graceful bearing, and the refined beauty of his features, gave promise of his nature and corresponded with it in a singular harmony. Of his more private characteristics, as shown to his family and friends, it is enough to say that the more he was known the more everyone appreciated his consideration for others, and tender, yet manly spirit. As a companion he will be missed throughout a wide circle of friends and acquaintances; the college and the class to which he belonged will miss one who was an ornament to both; and society will feel the loss of one who gave promise of being among its brightest acquisitions. He died leaving nothing but the kindest and most grateful recollections in the hearts of all who had been favored with his friendship." A classmate of his made the following statement, before his fatal illness:— "I consider Gardner the leading man of the Class . . . from the true manliness and dignity of his character. He will always be a leading man in whatever position he may

<sup>53</sup> Boston Vital Records.

be placed in life." President Felton of Harvard College wrote to his father:— "Your son had every quality to secure esteem and affection. Amiable in temper, gentlemanlike in manner, kind, obliging, single-hearted, and pure minded, he was no less beloved by his young associates than by the teachers and professors. I have seldom known a young man at college who made so pleasant an impression upon all. . . . Since his death I have heard but one voice—that of sincere sorrow for his early death."<sup>54</sup>

147. ELIZABETH, b. June 28, 1843; m. Oct. 23, 1867, by Rev. A. P. Peabody, D.D., Charles W. Amory, b. Oct. 16, 1842, s. of William and Anna (Sears) Amory. He d. Nov. 5, 1913. He fitted for college at the Boston Latin School and the Lane and Lovering School in Cambridge. He was grad. from Harvard in the class of 1863. He was commissioned 2nd Lieut. of Co. G in the 2nd Mass. Cavalry, Apr. 9, 1864; mustered on the 24th of that month. He was captured by the Confederates July 6, 1864, and paroled from Charleston, S. C., in September. Sept. 9, 1864, he was promoted to First Lieut. and rejoined his regiment at Winchester, Va. This was in December, 1864, and the following spring he marched with Sheridan. He was promoted captain in June (16th), 1865, and was mustered out August 1, 1865.<sup>55</sup> Upon his return to Boston he entered business life in connection with manufacturing interests and in 1868 was a member of the firm of Wainwright and Amory at No. 40 State Street. "In 1880 he was elected treasurer of the Amory Manufacturing Company and two years later of the Langdon Manufacturing Company." Advancing rapidly in the manufacturing and industrial world he later became actively identified with various corporations and interests. He had been president of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, also of the Great Falls Manufacturing Company and of the Fifty Associate. He was vice-president of the Provident Institution for Savings, a director of the American Bell Telephone Company, the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the Western Telegraph & Tele-

<sup>54</sup> Boston Public Library, 4449:313.

<sup>55</sup> Line officers of Mass. Regiments, p. 237; Records in the Adj. Gen'l's office, State House and Harvard University in the War of 1861-1865, p. 190.

phone Company, the Bay State Trust Company, Old-Colony Trust Company, Merchants National Bank, Western Electric Company, Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston, the Boston Manufacturer's Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Cocheco Manufacturing Company, Lawrence Manufacturing Company, Lyman Mills, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company, and had been a trustee of the Boston Block Trust, of Minneapolis, Minn. He was a member of the Somerset and Country Clubs.<sup>56</sup> He was elected a member of the Massachusetts Commandery, Military Order Loyal Legion, June 3, 1885, insignia 3882.<sup>57</sup> The author of "The History of the Linzee Family" ends a biographical sketch of Captain Amory with the note:— "A most useful life."<sup>58</sup> He resided at number 278 Beacon Street. Mrs. Elizabeth Gardner Amory survived her husband for seventeen years, dying Jan. 31, 1930, in her 87th year. She was affiliated with the Unitarian denomination and at various times had been identified with both King's Chapel and the Arlington Street Church.<sup>59</sup> Children: i. William, b. Sept. 19, 1869; m. in Boston, Oct. 14, 1903, Mary R. Stockton, b. Brookline, May 10, 1872, dau. of Howard and Mary (Mason) Stockton. He was grad. Harvard College, 1891. He is a member of the Somerset, Tennis and Racquet, Country, Harvard, Kittansett, and Pocasset (Golf) Clubs. He was with the Amory Manufacturing Co., Boston, 1892-97; Amoskeag Mfg. Co., 1897-1907; treasurer Boston office, Pepperell Mfg. Co., Biddeford, Me., 1907-19, Pres. 1919—; Pres. Lewiston Bleachery; Director Mass. Hosp. Life Ins. Co.; Old Colony Trust Co.; Flintkote Co.; Trustee Amoskeag Mfg. Co.; Suffolk Savings Bank for Seamen and Others; Free Hospital for Women; the Boston Lying-in Hospital, and the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital. He was commissioned Lieutenant in Bat. A of the First Reg't Artillery, Mass. Vol. Militia, 1898, and served until 1904. His office is at 160 State Street and his residence, 179 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Mass.<sup>60</sup> ii. Clara Gardner, b. Jan. 3, 1872; m. Sept. 30, 1891, Thomas Jefferson Coolidge,

<sup>56</sup> Boston Evening Transcript, Nov. 5, 1913.

<sup>57</sup> Register, Military Order of the Loyal Legion, 1912, p. 10.

<sup>58</sup> The History of the Linzee Family, p. 776.

<sup>59</sup> Boston Sunday Post, Feb. 2, 1830.

<sup>60</sup> Who's Who in the East, p. 58.

Jr., b. Mar. 16, 1863, s. of Thomas Jefferson and Hetty (Appleton) Coolidge of Boston. He was grad. at Harvard, 1884, with the degree of A.B. magna cum laude in history. Associated with his father, Thomas Jefferson Coolidge, he founded, in 1890, the well-known Boston institution, the Old Colony Trust Co., of which he was the first president. He d. Apr. 14, 1912.<sup>61</sup> They resided at Manchester, Mass. iii. George Gardner, b. June 22, 1874, grad. Harvard, 1896; he resides at 278 Beacon Street, Boston, and at Manchester. iv. Dorothy, b. July 17, 1878; d. suddenly at Hamilton, Mass., in 1907; m. Jan. 20, 1903, Frederick Winthrop, b. New York City, Nov. 15, 1868, s. of Robert and Kate W. (Taylor) Winthrop. Grad. Harvard, A.B., 1891. He descended in the following line from John Winthrop, 1st Governor under the charter of the Mass. Bay Colony and leader of the great Puritan migration in 1630: John Winthrop, Jr., Gov. of Conn., Waitstill Winthrop, Maj. Gen. John Winthrop, John Still Winthrop, Francis Bayard Winthrop, Thomas Charles Winthrop, and Robert Winthrop, his father. He m. 2nd, July 12, 1911, Sarah Thayer, dau. of Nathaniel Thayer. He is a member Mass. Historical Soc.; N. Y. State Hist. Soc.; American Antiquarian Soc.; N. E. Hist. Gen. Soc.; Colonial Soc. of Mass.; Milit. Hist. Soc.; Bostonian Soc. and Soc. Col. Wars. Clubs: Knickerbocker, New York; Somerset, Tennis and Racquet, Boston; Myopia Hunt, Hamilton. Republican. Formerly a member of the firm of Robert Winthrop & Co., bankers, New York. During the World War he was Capt. A. R. C. 1918. Office 48 Wall St., New York City; home 299 Berkeley Street, Boston.<sup>62</sup> Summer home Hamilton, Mass.

148. CLARA, b. Feb. 8, 1845; m. Dec. 10, 1872, Shepherd Brooks, s. of Gorham and Ellen (Shepherd) Brooks. He was b. in 1837 in Baltimore, Md. Grad. Harvard College, in 1857. He was very quiet in his tastes, was thoroughly familiar with farming and landscape gardening, both of which he practiced on his country place at West Medford. Shortly after his marriage his health failed, and he was unable to go out and about, except to drive.<sup>63</sup> Died Feb. 21, 1922. Mrs. Brooks is one of

<sup>61</sup> Coolidge Genealogy, p. 353.

<sup>62</sup> Who's Who in the East, p. 2116.

<sup>63</sup> Authority, Mrs. Brooks.

the proprietors of King's Chapel. She resides at 92 Beacon Street, Boston, with a summer residence in West Medford. Children: i. Helen, b. Dec. 30, 1875; m. Feb. 5, 1896, Robert Wales Emmons, 2nd, b. Dec. 28, 1872, s. of Nathaniel Henry and Eleanor G. (Bacon) Emmons. He grad. Harvard, 1895. For a time he was treasurer and director of the Nathaniel H. Emmons Co. Then until 1912, a member of the brokerage firm of Schirmer, Chapin and Emmons, and after that a member of the firm of F. A. Schirmer & Co., treasurer and director of the Lawrence Gas Co., and the Children's Hospital. He had an office at 79 Milk Street, where in later years he devoted his attention to trusteeships. He was a member of the Somerset, Exchange, Tennis and Racquet, Automobile, New York Yacht and Harvard Clubs. During the World War he distinguished himself in various fields. He was appointed a Lieut. in the U. S. Naval Reserve Force, Apr. 7, 1917, and assigned to the First Naval District at Boston, as an aide to the Commandant. He was transferred to the U. S. S. Mt. Vernon on transport duty, Sept. 23, 1917 and on May 16, 1918, he was transferred to the naval overseas transportation service in Boston. He was promoted to be Lieut. Commander on July 18, and assigned to Montreal, Canada, several days later, to organize the naval overseas transportation service. He was transferred to Cleveland on Aug. 10, for similar duty there. Later he served as administrative officer in the naval overseas transportation service in Boston, and was released from active duty, Feb. 25, 1919. He d. Apr. 17, 1928.<sup>64</sup> His residence in Boston was at 91 Beacon Street, where his widow lives at present. Mrs. Emmons is a member of the board of managers of the South End Diet Kitchen, and vice-president of the Widow's Society in Boston.

ii. Gorham, b. West Medford, June 19, 1881; m. June 7, 1913, Rosamond Sturgis Dixey, dau. of Richard C. and Ellen Sturgis (Tappan) Dixey of Boston. She was b. Boston, June 10, 1887. She is a descendant in the 10th gen. from Thomas Gardner the planter, through Samuel, 2nd gen. He was grad. at Harvard in 1905. Aug. 3, 1918, he was appointed captain in the Q. M. C. and was stationed at Washington, D. C. He served in that organization until he was honorably discharged

<sup>64</sup> Boston Evening Transcript, Apr. 18, 1928.

Nov. 25, 1918. He is engaged in the real estate business at 60 State Street, Boston. They reside at 375 Warren Street, Brookline. iii. Rachel, b. Boston, Jan. 5, 1883; m. June 27, 1904, at West Medford, Mass.; James Jackson, b. Boston, Apr. 21, 1881, s. of James and Rebecca (Borland) Jackson. He was graduated at Harvard, 1904, and served as overseer of Harvard, 1921-1927. He entered the Lee, Higginson Co., and in 1912 became associated with the State Street Trust Company as vice-president. During the World War he was manager of the New England Division of the American Red Cross. Then he served as treasurer and receiver-general of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Following this service he was engaged in various occupations in the investment banking field and is now a member of the finance commission of Fall River. Mrs. Jackson is one of the directors of the Children's Aid Association. They reside at 90 Beacon Street, Boston, and at Westwood.

**98. Samuel Gardner,**<sup>8</sup> (John,<sup>7</sup> Samuel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the only son of John and Ruth (Galleucia) Gardner, was born May 13, 1823. He married in Lynn, October 3, 1839, Mary Jane Granger, born Lynn, June 17, 1823, daughter of George and Mary (Chase) Granger.<sup>65</sup> She died September 22, 1908, aged 85 years 4 months.<sup>65</sup> He was described in various deeds as "trader" and shoe manufacturer.

#### MILITARY SERVICE—CIVIL WAR.

He was mustered in March 20, 1862, and was discharged at the expiration of his service in Company M, Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, March 12, 1865.<sup>66</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE.

He sold to George Sears one-half of a lot of land in Lynn, October 26, 1844.<sup>67</sup> Two years later he lived in the western half of the Galleucia house in Lynn; the lot

<sup>65</sup> Lynn Records.

<sup>66</sup> Massachusetts Volunteers, v. I, p. 510.

<sup>67</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 347, leaf 215.

was bounded on the north by the road and on the south by the sea.<sup>68</sup> He owned this half-house together with a lot on the opposite side of the road (which was called the Swampscott road) with a barn standing on it. He had a lot of land on the southern side of the same road, which was bounded on the west by a way from the above road to the beach.<sup>69</sup> In 1848 he occupied a building on the southern end of this lot as a "Restorator."<sup>70</sup> He owned a triangular lot of land in Swampscott, in the fork of the road to Marblehead and the beach road. He sold this lot to Joseph Manning of Medford, January 30, 1847.<sup>71</sup>

He died in Lynn, March 27, 1887.<sup>65</sup>

Children:

149. JOHN CALVIN, b. Feb. 12, 1840.

150. ASA W., b. May 19, 1848; d. July 12, 1851, aged 3 yrs.  
4 mos.

151. ABBA AMELIA, b. Sept. 11, 1854.

103. William Andrew Tucker Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (Benjamin,<sup>7</sup> Capt. Benjamin,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the only son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Tucker) Gardner to reach maturity, was baptized October 31, 1820. He married, October 27, 1845, at Marblehead, Elizabeth Conway Adams, daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Conway) Adams, by Rev. Myron W. Dean.<sup>72</sup> She was born 1825.

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He was a master mariner and a member of Atlantic Lodge, No. 55, I. O. O. F., of Marblehead, joining the lodge January 1, 1847. He died of yellow fever and was buried at sea in July, 1853.<sup>72</sup> She died at her home in Washington Street, Marblehead, May 30, 1910, at the age of 84 years, 6 months and 16 days.<sup>72</sup> The *Marblehead Messenger*, in referring to Mrs. Gardner, stated that she

<sup>68</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 366, leaf 24.

<sup>69</sup> Ibid., book 398, leaf 110.

<sup>70</sup> Ibid., book 405, leaf 27.

<sup>71</sup> Ibid., book 377, leaf 180.

<sup>72</sup> Marblehead Records.

“was a member of St. Michael’s Church and was highly respected by a large circle of friends.”

### Children.

152. ELIZABETH ADAMS, b. Marblehead, Oct. 5, 1846; d. Marblehead, Oct. 21, 1920; m. Marblehead, Dec. 16, 1869, by Rev. William R. Woodbridge, at St. Michael’s Church, Frank Perret Hammond, s. of Capt. William and Mary (Brown) Hammond. He was b. Marblehead, Jan. 20, 1841; d. June 6, 1916, aged 75 y.<sup>73</sup> A lifelong resident of Marblehead. Beginning about 1859, he was for many years a successful salesman for John C. Morse & Co. Later he became a member of the firm of Mason, Tucker & Co. He then engaged in the commission merchant business, handling the products of several large mills. He was one of the trustees of the Marblehead Savings Bank and on the investment committee. He was also treasurer of St. Michael’s Church and a member of Philanthropic Lodge, A. F. & A. M. Children: i. Thérèse Appleton, b. Feb. 24, 1872; m. Marblehead, Aug. 8, 1900, William E. Bowden, b. Marblehead, Oct. 1, 1870, s. of William S. and Mary (Twisden) Bowden. He d. July 19, 1919, in Marblehead. The Marblehead Messenger of July 25, 1919, paid tribute to him as follows:— “He was long identified with the best interests of the town. His business connections were in Boston, where at the time of his decease, he was the treasurer of the E. & F. King Co., one of the longest established paint houses in that city. He had been connected with this concern for about 30 years, entering its employ as a boy after leaving the commercial school, Bryant and Stratton Commercial College in Boston. He then entered the employ of the concern of which he was the treasurer at the time of his death. His sterling worth, faithfulness and attention to business, were qualities that won for him promotion after promotion, until he became first vice-president and was then made treasurer and sales manager. During all this time he did not lose interest in his native town, but served two years as selectman and was also one of the building committee of the new High School. As a quiet, home-loving man, he did not seek public attention, but discharged his full measure of his duties as a citizen with the full consciousness that

<sup>73</sup> Marblehead Records.

he was a real American. He was a member of the Paint and Oil Club of New England and also belonged to Philanthropic Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and the Corinthian Yacht Club. He was a communicant of St. Michael's Protestant Episcopal Church and was its treasurer while also serving as a member of the vestry. His ancestors were among the best known people in town. His grandfather was one of those who established the Humphrey Coal Co." ii. Fanny Perret, b. Jan. 29, 1880; unmarried. Mrs. Bowden and her sister, Miss Hammond, reside at No. 30 Waldron Street, Marblehead.

153. MARIA THERESA APPLETON, b. July 10, 1849; m. Marblehead, Aug. 8, 1912,<sup>72</sup> William Davis Thayer Trefrey, b. Marblehead, 1852, s. of Samuel S. and Rebecca (Wormstead) Trefrey, and descended on his mother's side from a family celebrated for its patriotism in the Revolutionary War. He was educated in the public schools of Marblehead and then went to Tufts College, from which he was graduated in 1878. He returned to Marblehead and settled there. For a few years he read law in the offices of Ives and Lincoln in Salem, and in 1882 was admitted to the bar of Essex County. "He was repeatedly elected to the school board and during five of the ten years on the committee was the chairman. He was president of the Marblehead Historical Society; director of the Holyoke Insurance Company of Salem; member of the Corinthian Yacht Club, Tufts College Club and the Bibliophile Society of Boston. He was a trustee of the Abbot Public Library, junior warden of St. Michael's Church and prelate of Winslow Lewis Commandery, Knights' Templar of Salem. He was a member of Philanthropic Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Marblehead and subsequently district deputy grand master of the eighth Masonic district, passing through all the degrees of the York rite. Still later he was deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. He was a 33d degree mason. He was selected as the Democratic candidate for state auditor in 1889, 1890 and 1891. In the second candidacy on the ticket with Governor William E. Russell he was elected, being the only Democrat elected to a minor state office in a generation, but the following year he was defeated by Gen. John Kimball. With the close of his term

<sup>72</sup> Marblehead Records.

approaching, Gov. Russell appointed him Savings Bank Commissioner to succeed Edward P. Chapin in 1892. After seven years he was appointed by Gov. Walcott in 1899, to be commissioner, thus commencing a 20-year period of service as chief of the commonwealth's taxation activities. In 1902, Gov. Crane reappointed him and for two decades Mr. Trefrey survived all changes of administration. In 1920 he failed of re-appointment and Henry F. Long, secretary of Gov. Coolidge, was selected to succeed him. Mr. Trefrey was nearly 69 when his term expired. It would have been necessary for him to have retired, under the law, when he reached his 70th year." He died in Marblehead, April 11, 1921.<sup>73</sup> Mrs. Trefrey resides with her sister, Mrs. Brown, in Melrose.

154. ELLEN TUCKER, b. Aug. 5, 1853; m. Marblehead, Dec. 6, 1882, Frank H. Brown, b. Marblehead, April 17, 1856, s. of John H. and Hannah (Blanchfield) Brown. He was educated in the public schools of Marblehead, the Allen School for Boys, Newton, Mass., Chauncey Hall School, Boston, and he studied for a short time at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He first engaged in the grain and coal business in Boston, and later was connected with the Thomas B. Adams Company (leather belting, etc.), Boston, Mass. He is a member of B. P. O. E. 1031, Melrose, Mass.

106. John Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (John,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the oldest son of John and Dolly Willard Gardner, was born July 22, 1792, and died February 12, 1871. He married Sarah Pattee, daughter of Eliphalet Pattee, a revolutionary pensioner.

Children:

155. ELIPHALET PATTEE, b. Oct. 3, 1819; d. Nov. 1, 1840.  
 156. CAROLINE, b. Mar. 2, 1821; d. Feb. 2, 1902; m. May 17, 1842, Thomas Jefferson Clark, b. Aug. 14, 1818; d. July 23, 1881. Children: i. John Enoch, b. Feb. 1, 1843; d. Jan. 29, 1886; m. Frances Ferris. ii. Sarah, b. Aug. 15, 1844; d. Feb. 24, 1846.  
 157. ———, b. Sept. 24, 1823; d. Sept. 28, 1823.

<sup>73</sup> Marblehead Records.

158. MARY ANN, b. Apr. 23, 1827; d. 1894; m. Cyrus Blanchard. Children: i. Caroline, unmarried. ii. Katherine, m. Ernest Bailey. iii. Grace, m. Edward Garner. iv. infant. v. infant.
159. JOHN A., b. Mar. 12, 1830.

108. Austin Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (John,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was the second son of John and Dolly (Willard) Gardner. He married Mary Ripley. His death occurred about 1846. He contracted pneumonia, following exposure in a winter journey. The widow, following the death of her husband, came back to Hammondsport, N. Y., where she resided with her two sisters, Mary Ripley and Mrs. Mary Church, a widow.

Child:

160. HEZEKIAH, b. Oct. 31, 1839; d. Hammondsport, N. Y., Apr. 25, 1901; m. Eliza Wheeler.

113. Cephas Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (John,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the youngest son of John and Dolly (Willard) Gardner, was born October 9, 1800. The family removed from Wentworth, New Hampshire, to Vermont in 1806. In 1819 he went to Canada, where he married, in Stanstead, L. C., March 15, 1824, Pamela Bodwell, daughter of Eliphalet and Betsey (Currier) Bodwell. They were Americans who formerly resided in New Hampshire. She died in Belvidere, Illinois, May 9, 1862. He remained in Canada until 1837, when he went to Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois, where he remained until 1852. He lived in St. Anthony, Minnesota, 1852-1854, and while there was sent to the legislature. He returned to Belvidere, Illinois, in 1854, lived there during the remainder of his life and was repeatedly elected to offices of public trust. He was county treasurer for several years, and supervisor of the town for many years in succession. A correspondent stated: "He was loved and respected by all. Many times, when men were disputing about property or other matters, one would say, 'Let's talk it over with Mr. Gardner.' The reply would always be, 'Agreed';

whatever he says will be satisfactory to me." He died January 26, 1881. The local paper contained a lengthy obituary notice, from which we quote: "Boone County has lost one of its earliest and most respected citizens. Mr. Cephas Gardner died in his residence in this place on Wednesday morning, January 26, aged 80 years and 4 months. . . . He was a public spirited man. He was a benevolent man. He was a just, upright and honest man. Generally sparing of words, but when the time came to act, he could always be relied upon to do his whole duty, and shoulder his full share of work to be done. . . . All feel that a good man has gone. The memory of Cephas Gardner will long be kept green by those who knew him long and intimately. He came as near Burns' lines, 'An honest man's the noblest work of God,' as any man we ever knew. He has gone to the reward of the just."

Children:

161. EMELINE, b. Stanstead, Lower Canada, March 17, 1825; d. May, 1910; m. in Belvidere, Ill., 1844, Lucius Walker, s. of Col. Joel and Alice Walker, who were early settlers of Belvidere from Vermont. Children: i. Alice, m. in Belvidere, Ill., Daniel Stone. ii. Cephas Gardner, b. 1849, d. 1905, unmarried. iii. Lucius, resides in Los Angeles.
162. JANE, b. Stanstead, Nov. 8, 1829; d. Barstow, Cal., Apr. 12, 1914; m. Belvidere, Ill., Sept. 29, 1847, Robert Whitney Waterman, b. Fairfield, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1826, s. of John Dean and Mary (Waldo) Waterman. His father died in 1837, and a year or two later he went West to join two older brothers who were located in mercantile business in Newburg, Ill. When fifteen years of age he found employment as a clerk in a general merchandise store, with Alex. Neely, in Belvidere, Ill., and in 1846 commenced business on his own account in that town. He was postmaster at Geneva, Ill., 1849-50. In the latter year he crossed the plains to California and engaged in mining. In 1852 he came back to Illinois, settling in Wilmington, where he published the *Independent*, 1852-60. He was a member of the convention that met at Bloomington, Ill., when the Republican party was organized. He took part in the Fremont and

Dayton campaign in 1856. He was an earnest and devoted supporter of Lincoln. In 1873 he moved his family to California. In the following year he bought a ranch near the town of San Bernardino, and in 1880 he discovered and developed a silver mine on the Mohave Desert, near the present town of Barstow, San Bernardino County. About 1886 he purchased and developed the Stonewall (gold) Mine in San Diego County. Through the development of these mines he acquired a large fortune and was one of the builders and later president of the San Diego, Cuyamaca & Eastern Railway. He was Lieut. Governor of California, 1886, and upon the death of Gov. Washington Bartlett, Sept. 12, 1887, succeeded him as Acting Governor of the State, his term to expire in 1891. He died in San Diego, Cal., Apr. 12, 1891. Children: i. Frank, b. Belvidere, Ill., Sept. 12, 1848; d. Wilmington, Ill., Aug. 20, 1853. ii. Mary Pamela, b. Belvidere, Aug. 9, 1850; d. Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 3, 1925; m. Wilmington, Ill., Jan. 15, 1872, Hyland W. Rice, M.D., son of Thomas B. and Martha (Pennington) Rice, of Wilmington, Del. He was b. Feb. 19, 1847 d. July, 1884, in San Bernardino, Cal. He received his early education at a military school at Claveric-on-the-Hudson. He was grad. M.D. Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia. He practiced medicine in Elgin and Aurora, Ill., and in San Bernardino, Cal., having moved to California in 1876. In 1894, Mrs. Rice and her sons moved to Boston, Mass., where she resided until her death in 1925. In 1901 she founded the Fathers and Mothers Club of Boston and served as its president for many years, directing its benevolent work for the welfare of children. Through the club the introduction of nurses into the public schools of Boston was secured and a farm home for delicate children, which is open throughout the year, was located at Reading. iii. James Sears, b. Aug. 22, 1852, in Wilmington, Ill.; d. Riverside, Cal., Jan. 19, 1930; m. Riverside, Cal., Dec. 15, 1902, Sara C. Brown, dau. of E. G. and Sara (Van Winkle) Brown. He was grad. from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, M.D. 1889; member Laryngological, Rhinological and Otological Society and American College of Surgeons; for many years on the staff of Saint Mary's Hospital. He practiced medicine in San Diego, Cal., for a year or two and in Brooklyn N. Y. for many years. Home and office No. 676 St.

Mark's Ave., Brooklyn. iv. Helen Jane, b. Wilmington, Ill., Dec. 15, 1856; was grad. Women's Medical College of Penn., M. D., 1897. She practiced medicine in San Francisco and Berkeley, Cal. Retired; resides in Berkeley, Cal. She has been of great assistance to the author in the collection of data. v. Waldo Sprague, b. Wilmington, Ill., Feb. 1, 1860; d. San Diego, Cal., Feb. 24, 1903; m. Chico, Cal., Apr. 11, 1889, Hazel Emma Wood, dau. of Rev. Jesse Wood of Chico, Cal. She was b. May 5, 1865. He was grad. B. S. University of Cal., 1886. He specialized in mining engineering. Res. San Diego, Cal. vi. Anna Charlotte, b. Wilmington, Ill., Apr. 2, 1866; m. Sept. 29, 1891, at San Diego, Cal., Irving M. Scott, s. of George L. and Mary (Hopkins) Scott, of Darlington, Md. He was b. Oct. 15, 1862. She was grad. Smith College, 1890. Mr. Scott is a mechanical engineer. Res. Berkeley, Cal. vii. Abby Louisa, b. Wilmington, Ill., Feb. 21, 1869; was grad. Univ. of California, 1904. She resides on the Waterman Ranch, Barstow, California.

163. PAMELIA, b. Stanstead, Oct. 28, 1832; d. Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 11, 1909; m. Nov. 6, 1850, in Belvidere, Ill., Darwin Moulton, b. Feb. 17, 1822; d. Jan. 25, 1892, in Belvidere, Ill. His parents were early settlers of Belvidere, Ill., from Canada. Child: Belle Moulton, b. Sept. 1, 1852; d. Nov. 22, 1876; m. Oct. 31, 1871, J. W. Darneille, of Springfield, Ill. He was b. Sept. 16, 1850, and d. June 9, 1884.
164. MARY ANN, b. Belvidere, Ill., Oct. 21, 1842; d. Berkeley, Cal., May 23, 1915; m. Belvidere, Ill., June 10, 1868, Whitcomb Gardner Tripp, b. Belvidere, Ill., Nov. 13, 1838; d. Oakland, Cal., Nov. 28, 1910. They resided in Charles City, Iowa, 1868-1885, and moved in the latter year to Oakland, Cal., where they lived until death. Child; Alice Gardner, b. Aug. 21, 1872; d. Feb. 16, 1909.

114. Volney Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (John,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John<sup>4</sup>, Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of John and Lois (Willard) Gardner, was born in Dorset, Vermont, in 1803. He died November 7, 1870, aged 67 years. He married Sophia Gardner (No. 127),

his cousin, daughter of William Gardner (No. 79). They lived in Dorset, Vermont.

Child:

165. CHARLES E., b. Framingham, Mass., Oct. 21, 1847; d. Lunenburg, Mass., May 2, 1869.

116. Benjamin Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the first born of eleven children of Daniel and Catherine (Hartwell) Gardner, was born in Lunenburg, Mass., December 22, 1793. He was married in Northport, Maine, January 9, 1815, to Ruth Holbrook, who was born May 9, 1796, and died in Belfast, Maine, March 10, 1871, at the age of 75 years. He died December 27, 1835.

Child:

166. PHEBE HART, b. Apr. 9, 1816, at Northport; d. Belfast, Dec. 21, 1870; m. Mar. 16, 1836, Joseph Dana Hinds, b. Belfast, Me., Mar. 14, 1809, s. of Josiah D. and Hepsibeth Hinds. Children: i. Fidelia Phebe, b. Belfast, June 16, 1837; d. Mar. 19, 1881; m. July 8, 1860, Ferdinand Dodge, as his second wife. He had m. 1st, May 29, 1855, Eliza Ann Lancaster, dau. of James and Susan (Knight) Lancaster, who d. Dec. 1856. ii. Benjamin Dana, b. Belfast, May 1, 1839; d. Sept. 20, 1860, a. 21 y.

117. Henry Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (Daniel<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Lunenburg, Mass., Dec. 3, 1795; married August 10, 1834, Ruby Holbrook, daughter of Jonathan and Esther (Carter) Holbrook. She was born August 7, 1801, and died January 2, 1877. He served as a private from September 2, to September 21, 1814, in Captain J. Frye's Company, Lt. Colonel J. Ulmer's Regiment. The company was raised at Northport, Maine, and served at Belfast.<sup>74</sup> He lived in Northport and died there, April 1, 1877. His daughter Sarah R. was appointed administratrix, May 8, 1877.<sup>75</sup>

<sup>74</sup> Massachusetts Militia in the War of 1812, p. 302.

<sup>75</sup> Waldo County (Me.) Probate Records.

## Children:

167. SARAH REA, b. Sept. 16, 1836; d. Belfast, Me., Feb. 20, 1915, unmarried.
168. CYRUS HENRY, b. Mar. 25, 1838; d. Sept. 10, 1840.
169. ESTHER SOPHIA, b. Dec. 8, 1839; d. Salem, Mass., Feb. 12, 1927; m. Salem, Mass., Oct. 20, 1875, Stephen W. Davis, b. Apr. 1831, s. of Stephen and Delancey (Penney) Davis. He d. Salem, Mar. 20, 1930.
170. RUBY AMANDA, b. Sept. 24, 1842; d. Nov. 5, 1929; m. Dec. 20, 1863, William L. Howe, of Lincolnville, Me. He was b. Castine, Me., May 3, 1838, s. of David and Sarah (Mead) Howe. The family removed to Lincolnville, Me., when he was about four years old and that was his place of residence through the rest of his life. He was a master mariner for many years and later retired from the sea to go into the saw-mill business. Children: i. Isabella Sarah, b. July 30, 1866; m. May 9, 1894, Marcellus Griffin, b. June 3, 1860, s. of Peleg and Elizabeth (Herrick) Griffin. He was a steamfitter, residing in Lincolnville. He d. July 18, 1926. Mrs. Isabella S. (Howe) Griffin has been of great assistance to the author in collecting data regarding this particular branch of the family. ii. Mary Caroline, b. Aug. 22, 1870; m. Sept. 13, 1893, Leonard Raymond Coombs, b. Mar. 24, 1867, s. of Lucellus and Beulah (French) Coombs. He was a master mariner and resided in Lincolnville, Me. He d. Feb. 24, 1913. iii. Anna Rebecca, b. Sept. 31, 1879; d. Aug. 30, 1896.
171. MARY HENRIANNA (OR HENRIETTA), b. Nov. 12, 1845; d. Sept. 19, 1917; m. June 3, 1871, Samuel Whitney French, at Northport, Me. He was b. in Lincolnville, June 11, 1841, s. of Eben and Eliza (Drinkwater) French. He was a master mariner and lived in Rockland, Me. He d. in Sept. 1929. Children: i. Henry Whitney, b. Lincolnville, May 8, 1872; m. Aug. 29, 1894, Lizzie B. Comery, b. Oct. 31, 1869, dau. of William H. and Hattie (Stetson) Comery. He resides in Rockland and is in the hardware business. ii. Annie Gardner, b. Dec. 22, 1873; d. Aug. 24, 1874. iii. Geneva Gardner, b. Jan. 23, 1879; d. Sept. 14, 1893. iv. Lena Perry, b. Apr. 3, 1882; m. Aug. 26, 1909, Henry Beverage, b. Jan. 20, 1883, s. of John and Adelia (Henry) Beverage. He is a traveling salesman residing in Southbridge, Mass.

**119. Samuel Gardner,<sup>8</sup>** (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was born June 8, 1800. He married in Belfast, Me., September 30, 1830, Louisa Dickey, b. May 2, 1807. She was "of Lincolnville" at the time of her marriage. She died August 8th, 1889. They resided in Lincolnville. He died January 16, 1874. His will dated October 17, 1870, was probated March, 1874. Seven of his children were living and mentioned in his will. His sons, William E. and Augustus, were appointed executors.<sup>76</sup>

Children:

172. WILLIAM E., b. Dec. 30, 1831; d. Jan. 24, 1887.
173. SARAH ANNE, b. Feb. 4, 1833; d. Dec. 22, 1887; m. Sept. 27, 1858, M. A. Ferrell, of Boston.
174. CATHARINE, b. Apr. 8, 1835; d. Sept. 11, 1904.
175. LOUISA D., b. May 19, 1837; d. Jan. 26, 1899; m. July 4, 1861, Austin T. Marriner, of Searsmont, Me., in which town he was b. Mar. 19, 1838, s. of Tyler and Marion (Wyman) Marriner. He d. May 20, 1903. They resided in Searsmont, Me. Children: i. Albert, b. June 11, 1862; d. May 22, 1927; m. Sept. 10, 1881, Estell Wellman, b. Lincolnville Center, Dec. 6, 1863, dau. of Eben and Nancy (Jackson) Wellman. His widow lives in Belfast, Me. ii. Jennie L., b. Sept. 22, 1863; m. Dec. 24, 1887, Leslie S. Marriner, b. Searsmont, Me., June 22, 1861, s. of Isaac A. and Abbie (Brewster) Marriner. They reside in Searsmont, in which town he has served as selectman. iii. Alice L., b. Nov. 18, 1865; d. June 13, 1927; m. Dec. 25, 1891, Percy W. Tower, s. of Francis and Therese (Hathorne) Tower. Residence, Belmont, Me. iv. Fred A., b. Nov. 8, 1867; m. Aug. 6, 1891, Nettie B. Alexander, b. Belmont, Feb. 8, 1865; dau. of Robie F. and Hannah P. (Kimball) Alexander, of Belmont. He has held the offices of town clerk and treasurer. v. Hattie B., b. June 16, 1873; m. May 1, 1900, Ralph L. Heald, s. of Gorham F. and Eleanor C. (Wardsworth) Heald. He is a farmer in Searsmont. vi. Edgar Prentiss, b. Aug. 5, 1880; m. May 1, 1901, Gertrude F. Morse, b. Nov. 7, 1882, dau. of Fred H. and Cordelia (Hall) Morse. He is a farmer in Searsmont, Me. He has assisted the author in collecting the family records.

<sup>76</sup> Waldo County (Me.) Probate Records.

176. AUGUSTUS, b. Sept. 21, 1839; d. Sept. 20, 1912.
177. SAMUEL JOHN, b. Apr. 3, 1842; d. Boston, Mass., Aug. 16, 1863. He enlisted in the 26th Maine Regiment for nine months. He was wounded in battle and died on the way home.
178. LUCY JANE, b. Aug. 24, 1844; d. Sept. 28, 1924.
179. AMANDA, b. Mar. 15, 1847; d. Apr. 23, 1918.

122. Daniel Hartwell Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), m. April 10, 1834, Lovina Young Frohock. She was born June 10, 1815. They removed to Carroll County, Illinois, when his son, Frank Hart Gardner, was a small boy. "The father soon died, leaving the mother dependent upon the loyalty of her only son, whose devotion to her was unusual."<sup>77</sup>

Children:

180. LYDIA ELENOR, b. Dec. 16, 1835; d. June 2, 1885; m. 1st, Mar. 20, 1860, Lewis Chicker; m. 2nd, Dec. 22, 1868, Joel R. Hicok.
181. BENJAMIN EDWARD, b. July 5, 1838; d. Nov. 6, 1859.
182. RUBY LOVINA, b. May 13, 1841; m. June 6, 1860; Hollis Hurd, who was killed in battle. M. 2nd, Mar. 18, 1863, George Holland. They had a son, Daniel G., b. Jan. 16, 1864.
183. HARTWELL DANIEL, b. Nov. 21, 1844; d. Mar. 6, 1845.
184. FRANK HART, b. Lincolnville, Me., Dec. 2, 1855; d. Argo Faye, Ill., June 10, 1905; m. Mt. Carroll, Ill., Apr. 22, 1880, Lestina A. Ashby.

123. John Gardner,<sup>8</sup> (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was born June 21, 1811. He lived in the early part of his life in Belfast, Maine, and under the name of John Gardner & Sons, conducted a tannery on the road from the head of the tide to Poor's Mills. In 1851, they had twenty-two vats and dressed over 10,000 hides of leather. He married first October 31, 1845, Harriet Henderson, who was born in 1816 and died November 29, 1863. His second wife was named Nellie Walker. He removed

<sup>77</sup> Journal of M. E. Conference.

to Fort Smith, Arkansas, and died March 8, 1884. All efforts to trace the family further have been unavailing.

**124. William Gardner,**<sup>8</sup> (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was born November 10, 1813. He resided in Belfast, Maine. He married March 14 (int. Feb. 28), 1841, Roxana Hinds, daughter of Josiah D. and Hephsebeth Hinds. She was born November 1, 1815. He died December 24, 1865, and his widow Roxana was appointed administratrix, February, 1866.<sup>78</sup> His brothers John and Joseph conveyed their interest in certain real estate to the widow, Roxana. She died about 1911, and license was granted October 10, in that year to Sarah R. Gardner and Esther G. Davis, to sell the above real estate. The heirs of the estate in February, 1912, were as follows:— Lucy and Amanda Gardner, of Lincolnville, daughters of Samuel Gardner, a deceased brother of William. Fred Marriner and his brother Edgar, both of Belmont, Maine, grandnephews; Mrs. Percy Tower, of Belmont, grandniece; Mrs. Leslie Marriner, of Lincolnville, grandniece, and Mrs. Ralph Heald, of Lincolnville, a grandniece, children of Mrs. Albert Marriner, a deceased daughter of said Samuel Gardner deceased. Miss Sarah Gardner and Mrs. Esther G. Davis, both of Belfast, Maine; Mrs. Amanda Howe, of Lincolnville, and Mrs. Mary French, of Thomaston, nieces, and children of Henry Gardner, deceased brother of said William. Adaliza Herrick, Lewiston, Maine, daughter of Phebe Gardner Herrick, deceased sister of said William. Mrs. Abbie C. Chandler of Massachusetts, and Rebecca R. H. Day, of Pasadena, Cal., children of Catherine Gardner Hatch, a deceased daughter of said William Gardner. Mrs. Alice McDonald and Arthur E. Bicknell, both of Belfast, Maine, children of Stephen G. Bicknell, a deceased son of Nancy Gardner Bicknell, a deceased sister of the said William Gardner. Mrs. Louise Brooks, Belfast, Maine, grandniece, daughter of Henry Bicknell, a deceased son of Jane Bicknell, deceased. Edmund Ellis

<sup>78</sup> Waldo County (Me.) Probate Records.

and Mrs. Alfreda Page, of Brooks, Maine; Herbert and Percy Ellis, residence unknown, children of Abbie Ellis, a deceased daughter of said Nancy Gardner Bicknell, deceased. Unnamed heirs of Daniel Gardner, a deceased brother of said William Gardner, whose names and residences are unknown. Havilah M. and Henry M. Kempton, both of Belfast, Maine, "devisees under the will of Roxana Gardner, grantees of the shares of John Gardner and Joseph Gardner, deceased brothers of said William Gardner."<sup>79</sup>

Child:

185. WILLIAM HENRY, b. Apr. 25, 1842. He volunteered in May, 1861, and was appointed sergeant in Company K, Fourth Maine Infantry, at the age of eighteen, and was soon promoted to sergeant-major. At the battle of Gettysburg, July 3, 1863, he was taken prisoner, and taken to Andersonville prison in Georgia. He died there of scorbutus, August 16, 1864, after being incarcerated one year and sixteen days. His remains are buried in the national cemetery at that place, in No. 5905.<sup>80</sup>

**125. Joseph Edward Gardner,<sup>8</sup>** (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the youngest son of Daniel and Catherine (Hartwell) Gardner, was born November 15, 1818. He married July 15, 1849, Mary Jones. He was a carpenter in Boston, Mass., in 1851 and his name appears in the Boston directories from that date until 1869. He died February 28, 1888.

Children:

186. ALICE, b. May 13, 1856; m. Sept. 2, 1873, Arthur F. Hood, of Hollis, N. H. They lived in Brighton, Mass.  
 187. EUNICE E., m. — Hubbard. Lived in Brighton some years ago.  
 188. EDWARD AUGUSTUS, b. Sept. 2, 1863; d. Sept. 26, 1863.

**128. Putnam Gardner,<sup>8</sup>** (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the oldest son of Daniel and Eunice (Put-

<sup>79</sup> Waldo County (Me.) Probate Records.

<sup>80</sup> History of Belfast, v. I, p. 504, and Belfast Vital Records.

nam) Gardner, was born April 8, 1811. He married, May 15, 1841, Mary L. Delaramore. His death occurred March 4, 1884.

Children :

- 189. PUTNAM ICHABOD, m. Anna Braidy.
- 190. EUNICE.
- 191. WILLARD O., m. Mary Wilder.
- 192. LUCRETIA A., m. — Sweet.
- 193. WILLIAM JOHN.
- 194. ALZADA.
- 195. ADDIE, m. — Sever.
- 196. EMMA J., m. Edward Doolittle.
- 197. EFFIE J.
- 198. AUGUSTA B., m. F. Daniels.

**131. Daniel Gardner,**<sup>8</sup> (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the second son of Daniel and Eunice (Putnam) Gardner, was born in Lyndeborough, N. H., February 21, 1817. He married in Orleans, N. Y., September 4, 1842, Louisa Hall. She was born in Orleans, N. Y., January 31, 1817, and died March 22, 1890. He lived in Theresa, Orleans and Oswego, N. Y.

Children :

- 199. HIRAM, b. Theresa, N. Y., Feb. 15, 1844.
- 200. SARAH, b. Orleans, N. Y., June 9, 1846; m. W. N. Steele.
- 201. CHARLES, b. Orleans, July 27, 1848; m. Mary Northup.
- 202. CASANDRA, b. Orleans, Aug. 30, 1851; m. John Nutty.
- 203. ALMEDA, b. Orleans, Dec. 3, 1852; m. John O'Keefe.
- 204. EUNICE, b. Oswego, N. Y., Aug. 27, 1855; d. Sept. 10, 1855.
- 205. MELISSA, b. Oswego, N. Y., Aug. 26, 1857; m. M. W. Stage.
- 206. VESTLINE, b. Nov. 20, 1859.

**135. Willard Gardner,**<sup>8</sup> (Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the youngest son of Daniel and Eunice (Putnam) Gardner, was born April 16, 1826. He married first, November 29, 1853, Delia Ann Staring. She died September 15, 1871. He married second, Margaret Avery.

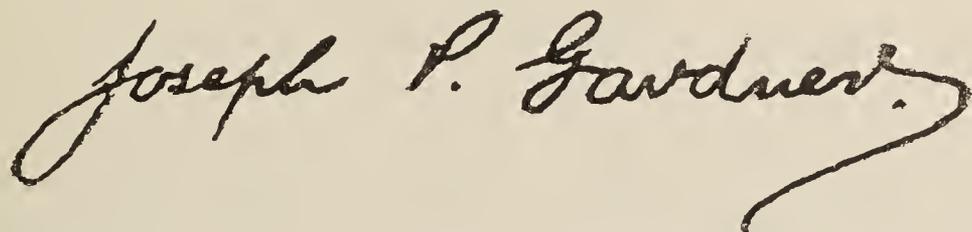
Children, by first wife, Delia Ann Staring:

- 207. HENRY M., b. Sept. 2, 1857; d. Aug. 31, 1858.
- 208. WILLARD D., b. Sept. 21, 1855; m. Jan. 9, 1881, Belle A. Cliff.

## NINTH GENERATION

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137. Joseph Peabody Gardner,<sup>9</sup> (John L.,<sup>8</sup> Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), the oldest son of John Lowell and Catherine Endicott (Peabody) Gardner), graduated at Harvard College, 1847. He engaged in business as a merchant with his uncle George, under the firm name of George Gardner & Company, at 5 Liberty Square,



from 1850 to 1853. In 1854 he entered into partnership with Thomas Jefferson Coolidge, and as Gardner & Coolidge did business as commission merchants at 45 Commercial Wharf. He was located at 22 Congress Street in 1859, and continued there until his death in 1875.

The following vessels of which he was the owner wholly or in part appear in the registry at the Boston Custom House:—

“R. B. Walker,” barque, 271 91/100 tons, Captain Gorham Burkitt, registered August 24, 1854.

“Kate Howe,” ship, 595 50/95 tons, length 147 feet, built Medford, November, 1856, Gorham Burkitt, master. Registered November 20, 1856.

“Fire Fly,” built Boston in 1853, length 121 ft. 6 in., William Pease, master. Registered Boston, December 13, 1856.

The above ships were owned by Joseph P. Gardner and T. Jefferson Coolidge as co-partners.

“Lepanto,” ship, 890 67/95 tons, length 166 feet, John Martin, master. Ship built at Boston, registered, February 24, 1860. Joseph P. Gardner, 1/8 owner.

“St. Paul,” ship, 1053 5/95 tons, length 182 ft. 1/2 inch, built Boston, 1861, Gorham Burkitt, master, registered Boston, February 25, 1861. Joseph P. Gardner, 1/4 owner.

“Arabia,” ship, 1034 24/95 tons, Thomas Fuller, master. Joseph P. Gardner, 3/16 owner. For full account of this ship see list of John L. Gardner’s ships.

“Nabob,” bark, 536.05 tons, length 134 8/10 ft. built New York, 1864, Ambrose D. Cobb, master. Registered Boston, September 27, 1866. Joseph P. Gardner, 1/4 owner.

#### REAL ESTATE.

##### BEVERLY.

I. January 9, 1863, “Joseph P. Gardner, merchant of Boston, bought of the trustees of the estate of Ellis Gray Loring, late of Boston,” 6¾ acres and 4 poles of land on the northerly side of Hale Street (Mingo Beach).<sup>1</sup>

II. He also bought on the same date from the same party “another parcel of land in sd Beverly, consisting of a sand beach and rocks lying opposite to the above described,” on the southerly side of Hale Street. This lot contained about an acre.

III. October 20, 1863, he purchased of William Ober et al, a half acre adjoining number I.<sup>2</sup>

IV. He bought of Jonathan Woodburry, of Beverly, “a piece of woodland . . . at the homestead so called,” containing 1 acre, 60 poles.<sup>3</sup>

V. Joseph Gardner’s estate adjoined that of Martin Brimmer of Boston, and in September, 1865, and December, 1870, they purchased of each other, various pieces of land along the common boundary line.<sup>4</sup>

VI. October 24, 1872, Joseph P. Gardner, now “of Beverly,” bought of the heirs of Thomas H. Prince, an

<sup>1</sup> Essex Co. Registry of Deeds, book 646, leaf 183.

<sup>2</sup> Ibid., book 657, leaf 155.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid., book 676, leaf 86.

<sup>4</sup> Ibid., book 690, leaf 89.

eight-acre lot on the corner of Hale Street and Brackenberry Lane.<sup>5</sup>

VII. In 1873 and 1874, he purchased of the various heirs of Betsey G. Thissell, marsh land which was "inherited by her from her father, the late John Prince and her sister, the late Hannah Prince."<sup>6</sup>

Joseph Peabody Gardner, prior to his marriage in 1860, resided at number 7 Beacon Street. In 1861 he removed to the corner of Beacon and Berkeley Streets and in the following year his residence was given as 147 Beacon Street, and this house was his city residence during the remainder of his life. He was called "of Beverly" in deeds dated 1870 and later.<sup>7</sup>

He married November 14, 1860, Harriet Sears Amory, daughter of William and Anna (Sears) Amory. She was born September 27, 1835. Her brother, Charles W. Amory (1842-1913), married October 23, 1867, Elizabeth Gardner (No. 147), daughter of George<sup>8</sup> and Helen Maria (Read) Gardner.<sup>8</sup>

Joseph Peabody Gardner died June 11, 1875. His will, dated October 28, 1874, was probated August 12, 1875. He left the sum of \$5000 to a servant "as a token of appreciation of faithful services." The residue of his estate he left in trust for the benefit of his three minor children:— Joseph Peabody, Jr., William Amory and Augustus Peabody Gardner. His brothers, George A. Gardner and John L. Gardner, Jr., were the trustees. John L. Gardner, John L. Gardner, Jr., and George A. Gardner were named as executors.<sup>9</sup> The executors' inventory gave the following list of real estate holdings:—

"Beverly Mansion House and Estate about 7 85/100 acres.

The Prince Estate on Hale Street and Brackenbury Streets, upland and marsh about 8 acres, 126 poles.

Thissell Lot on Hale Street, about 2½ acres.

Marsh Lot about 1 acre.

<sup>5</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 867, leaves 12-13.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid., book 890, leaf 85, and book 912, leaf 28.

<sup>7</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 814, leaf 222.

<sup>8</sup> Amory Family, N. E. H. Gen. Soc. Library.

<sup>9</sup> Essex County Probate Files, No. 40,051.

Old Homestead Wood Lot about 1 acre, 160 poles.”

George A. Gardner and John L. Gardner, Jr., trustees, were empowered by the Essex County Probate Court, Judge Choate, October, 1876, to sell real estate in Beverly, to Emily E. Sears of Beverly, widow. The lots sold were the second and third in the above executor's list; and were lots I and VI, in the foregoing list of Joseph P. Gardner's real estate holdings. The trustees, petitioned the court, September 10, for the right to sell other parcels, including IV and VII. The mansion house property—II—was retained and let, the rentals being applied to the benefit of the minor heirs. The three sons were given their share of the estate when they attained their majority.<sup>9</sup>

Children:

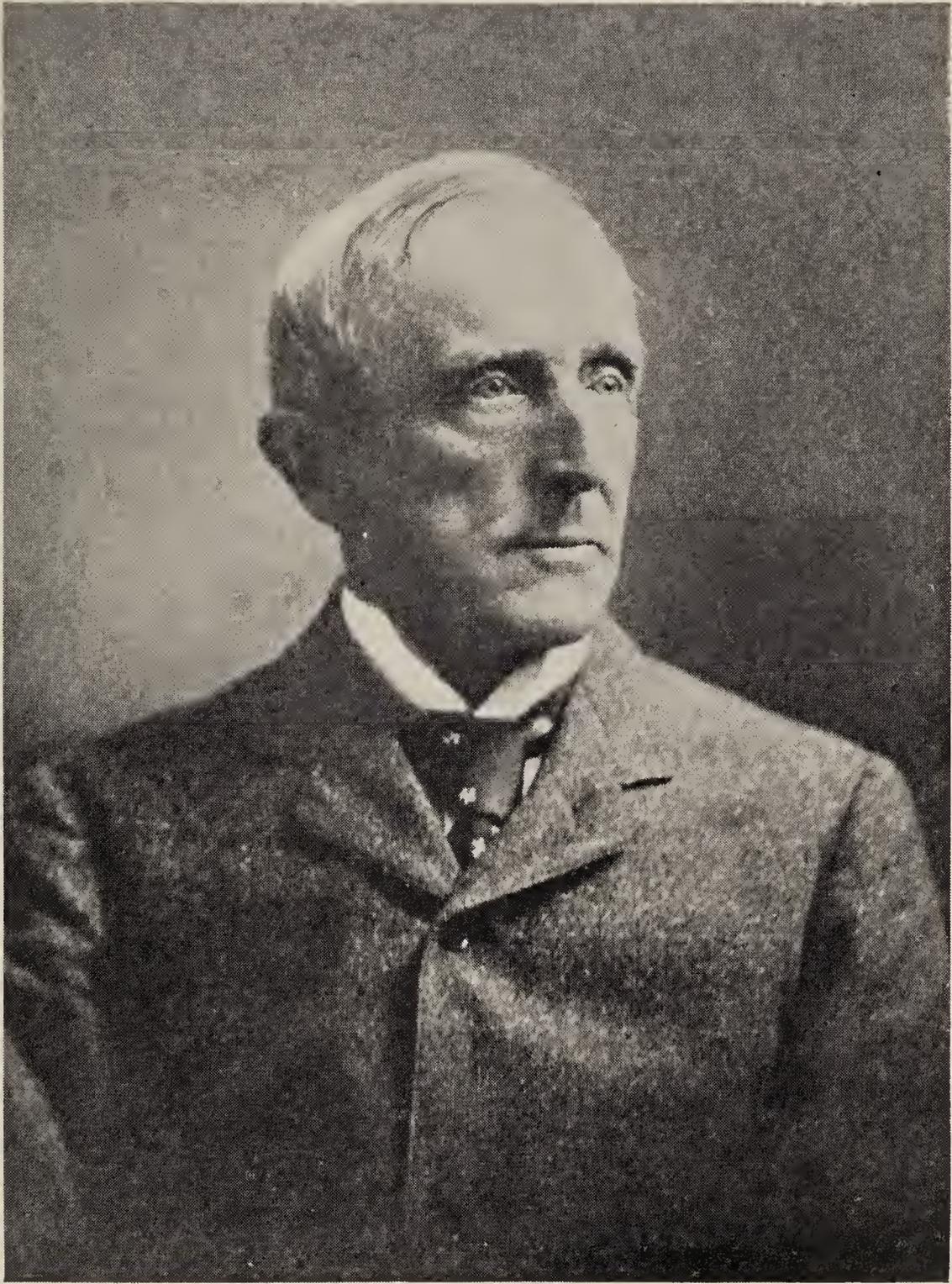
209. JOSEPH PEABODY, b. Sept. 17, 1861; d. Oct. 16, 1886; unmarried.
210. WILLIAM AMORY, b. Dec. 3, 1863; d. Groton, Mass., Feb. 8, 1931; unmarried.
211. AUGUSTUS PEABODY, b. Nov. 5, 1865; d. Camp Wheeler, Ga., Jan. 14, 1918; m. June 14, 1892, Constance Lodge.

138. **George Augustus Gardner,**<sup>9</sup> (John Lowell,<sup>8</sup> Samuel Pickering,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), second son of John Lowell and Catherine E. (Peabody) Gardner, was born in Boston, September 30, 1829, was graduated from the Boston Latin School and from Harvard College in 1849. He shortly after became a member of the firm of John L. Gardner & Company at 39 State Street. He

*Geo. A. Gardner*

was a member of this firm until 1856, when his name appeared in the directory as “George A. Gardner, merchant” with office at 22 Congress Street, and this was his business address for very many years.

The following ships were owned by him, as shown by the list of registrations in the Boston Custom House:—



GEORGE AUGUSTUS GARDNER, 138.



"Monterey," ship, 422 5/95 tons, length 123 ft. 6 in., built at Medford, 1846. Samuel Benson, master. Registered August 15, 1855.

"Arthur," barque, 554 86/95 tons, length 134 ft. 6 in., built at Amesbury, 1854. Stephen Woodbury, Jr., master. Registered August 28, 1855.

"Kate Howe," ship, 595 59/100 tons, length 147 ft., built Medford, 1897. Registered November 1, 1859. George A. Gardner and his brother Joseph P. were equal owners.

"Lepanto," ship, 890 67/95 tons, length 166 ft., built Boston 1860. John Martin, master. Registered February 24, 1860.

"St. Paul," ship, 1053 5/95 tons, length 182 ft. 1/2 in., built Boston, 1861. Gorham Burkitt, master. Registered February 25, 1861.

"Tarquin," ship, 462 55/95 tons, length 127 ft. 1 in., built Bath, Me., 1849. Thomas Hoyt, master. Registered April 4, 1862.

"Arabia," ship, 1/16 owner. (See list of ships of John L. Gardner.)

"Nabob," bark, 1/4 owner. (See list of ships of John L. Gardner.)

He attained great success in mercantile pursuits and when shipping declined, largely as one of the results of the Civil War, he became deeply interested in railroads, banking and real estate. He served as vice-president of the Provident Institution for Savings and as a director in the Old Colony Railroad, Boston & Providence Railroad and Boston & Lowell Railroad, the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company and the Merchants National Bank of Boston. He was a trustee of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company and a director of the Lawrence Manufacturing Company. He was one of the heaviest taxpayers in Boston.

His large wealth made it possible for him to serve his fellowmen and his city as a philanthropist. He was modest and unassuming in his many benevolences and few people knew how many aspiring young men and worthy poor were helped by him. During the severe

winters of 1913-14, many people were out of employment. Concealing his identity under the name "Mr. Smith," he gave \$10,000 to Mayor Curley, to relieve the distress. At the time of the dedication of the new esplanade and strandway at Marine Park, which was built with \$8,000 of Mr. Gardner's money, 20,000 people gathered and were addressed by Mayor Curley as follows:—"At the time of the most acute suffering from unemployment in South Boston last winter, a citizen came into my office and told me that having done considerable for the Protestant unemployed he desired to help those of other faiths who were out of work. He gave me \$1000 for the Catholics and \$1000 for the Hebrews. He then asked me if there was anything else he could do. I told him that many families in South Boston were in direst want and that if the men had the chance to get work much suffering would be relieved. He then wrote a third check, this time for \$5000. All the money was given without restriction as to how I should use it. The \$5,000 and \$3,000 more given later by the same citizen was used to build the strandway and esplanade we are dedicating today. Those men who could use picks in the work did so. Those who were too feeble to do so used rakes. Those who were unable to use rakes were told to pick up papers. All were paid \$2.50 a day.

"I have invited the gentleman who has thus helped South Boston to be present today. He is Mr. George A. Gardner of 51 Commonwealth Avenue. The walk he has given will be called 'Gardner's Way' and it will be a monument to a man who believes in the brotherhood of man."<sup>10</sup>

"Mr. Gardner was cheered for 15 minutes. Amid the shouts the demand rose that he should speak. Deeply moved, the aged man stood up. All he said was 'From the bottom of my heart I thank you,' but this was enough. The cheers were redoubled, and when at the close of the exercises he was escorted to his automobile by the mayor he was surrounded by hundreds of men, women and children, all eager to shake his hand. Mr. Curley also

<sup>10</sup> Boston Herald, Apr. 20, 1914.

announced that he intends to have \$500,000 appropriated for the further beautification of South Boston, including the building of a boulevard, the construction of a drive 100 feet wide from Marine park to Castle island and the placing of a white sand beach at the park. The exercises were held at Marine park. Other speakers were John H. Dillon, chairman of the park commission, and Park Commissioner Charles Gibson. On the platform were Miss Anna Warren, Mrs. George H. Monks, Mr. and Mrs. Staples Potter and their niece Mrs. Snyder."<sup>10</sup>

"I gave the money for this strandway in order to relieve the unemployment among worthy men, and not to secure notoriety for myself," declared Mr. Gardner to Mayor Curley after the exercises. "I foresaw that it would be a hard winter," he continued. "I thought I would like to do something to relieve the situation. I did not wish to give alms to needy workers. Some of them might not wish to take it. I thought I would give a sum of money to be used on some work that would benefit the public, and at the same time relieve unemployment. I believe the plan worked admirably, only I regret that it became known that I provided the money. It was such a little thing to do, and only my duty."<sup>10</sup>

"In speaking of it afterwards Mr. Gardner said that he always wanted to aid people in distress, and that he gladly jumped at this opportunity. 'I went to Mayor Curley,' he said, 'and told him of my plan. I informed him that I would give a certain sum of money to be expended in wages on public work during the hard times of the winter. I left it to him to decide where the money was to be spent.'"<sup>10</sup>

"Mrs. George H. Monks of 67 Marlboro Street, daughter of Mr. Gardner, said that her father was much concerned over the signs of hard times late in the fall and was constantly on the lookout for a way to relieve it. 'He did not seek publicity, but was only trying to follow the dictates of his conscience,' she said. 'He has always been charitably inclined in a sensible and businesslike way. I and the family are happy to know that

<sup>10</sup> Boston Herald, Apr. 20, 1914.

father was able to aid in the relief of the suffering of the winter. We feel that giving employment is much better than giving charity.'"<sup>10</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE

##### BOSTON

He lived at number 14 Mt. Vernon Street for ten years following his marriage in 1854. In 1868 and ten years after that he resided at 81 Marlboro Street. He removed to 51 Commonwealth Avenue in 1878, the house being owned by his father. This house he purchased October 23, 1884, after the death of his father, from the estate, as arranged in his father's will.<sup>11</sup> He continued to live there during the remainder of his life. October 15, 1884, he purchased of F. Gordon Dexter and William Appleton, surviving trustees under the will of William Appleton, in pursuance of a decree of the Probate Court of Suffolk County, dated June 9, 1884:—"land and buildings in Boston, 186 Beacon Street."<sup>12</sup> He had other real estate holdings in Boston, especially on St. James Avenue and Tremont Street.

##### BOURNE

He owned nearly 150 acres in Bourne, including the "homestead lot and the cottage lot."

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Other real estate owned by him was located near Chateaugay Upper Lake, Clinton County, New York, in Beverly, and Roque and adjacent islands off the coast of Eastern Maine.

##### WIFE

He married at the Peabody mansion in Washington Square, Salem, November 8, 1854, Eliza Endicott Peabody, daughter of George and Clarissa (Endicott) Peabody. She was born in Salem, October 4, 1834 and died in Boston, January 13, 1876. She was a descendant of Governor John Endecott in the ninth generation.

<sup>10</sup> Boston Herald and Boston Post, April 20, 1914.

<sup>11</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 1661, leaf 415.

<sup>12</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 780, leaf 31.

George Augustus Gardner died in Boston, August 6, 1916, at the age of 86 years, 10 months and 6 days. James M. Curley ordered that the flags on municipal buildings throughout the city be displayed at half staff on the day of the funeral "in memory of a liberal benefactor of the city." To his son George Peabody Gardner he wrote:— "Dear Mr. Gardner; I am inexpressibly shocked and saddened to learn of the death of your beloved father and beg you will extend expressions of both sympathy and condolence. One of the first citizens of Boston has passed away, rich in fulness of over four-score hallowed years, largely devoted to a beautiful service in behalf of countless numbers of unfortunate persons. Through his generosity, sunshine and happiness entered homes without number, poverty was robbed of its terrors and hunger of its pangs. The first mission of George A. Gardner in a long and eventful life was to perform constant acts that alleviated and reduced human suffering, and the manner in which the service was rendered, modestly, abundantly and with no desire for praise or publicity, was responsible for the naming of the Strandway at South Boston 'Gardner Way,' a permanent memorial to Christ-like human service. What a blessed memory your father leaves for posterity. He was a minute man of human mercy. The world's sweetest story is ever and always of human affection, and how beautiful was your father's appreciation of the happiness that comes in service from one man to his fellow men.

With renewed assurances of sympathy,

James M. Curley, Mayor."<sup>13</sup>

His will was dated February 10, 1892 and March 24, 1914. He left a large estate to be held in trust for the benefit of his children. The house numbered 186 Beacon Street, he left to his son George Peabody Gardner together with a large special bequest "because his attention to trusts and affairs of the family has kept him from other employment he deserves greater compensation." His estate at 51 Commonwealth Avenue he left to his son

<sup>13</sup> Family Records.

George Peabody Gardner in trust for his son John Lowell Gardner 2nd. The property near Chateaugay Upper Lake in Clinton, New York, and the lot in Beverly he left to his daughter Ellen Loring, wife of Augustus P. Loring. The Roque Island property in Maine he bequeathed to his sons George P. and John Lowell Gardner and daughter Olga Eliza Monks in equal moieties. He left the property at Monument and Bourne, Massachusetts, to his son George P. Gardner, in trust for his son John Lowell Gardner for life and on his death to go to George P. Gardner and Olga Eliza Monks in equal shares.<sup>14</sup>

Children:

212. GEORGE PEABODY, b. Boston, Nov. 19, 1855; m. June 11, 1884, Esther Burnett.
213. CATHERINE ELIZABETH, b. Boston, Feb. 27, 1857; d. Lausanne, Switzerland, Oct. 22, 1865.
214. ELLEN, b. Boston, Feb. 24, 1860. For some years she was educated and lived at a convent in Nice and later went to Miss Haines' boarding school in New York, where she made many friends. Although she has never taken active part in public charities, she has given very generously and sympathetically to the needy. She is a great reader and of late has made extensive studies of "food values." She m. Boston, June 3, 1884, Augustus Peabody Loring, b. Boston, Dec. 7, 1856, s. of Caleb William and Elizabeth (Smith) (Peabody) Loring. He was grad. at Harvard, A.B., 1878; LL.B., 1881. He is a trustee and lawyer, senior member of the firm of Loring, Coolidge, Noble & Boyd. He is a member of the Bostonian Society; Colonial Society; Bunker Hill Monument Association, and the Eastern States Agricultural Society. Member of the Tennis and Racquet, Exchange, Harvard Clubs of Boston; and the Harvard and American Metallurgical Engineers Clubs of New York. Member University Club of Washington. He is a Republican and Unitarian. Author, "A Trustee's Handbook," 1898. Pres. Plymouth Cordage Co., Suffolk Savings Bank for Seamen and Others. Director, Baush Machine Tool Co., Mass. Hosp. Life Ins. Co., Mutual Boiler Ins. Co.; Trustee, Albany Tr., Beacon Chambers Tr., and Bedford Trust.<sup>15</sup> He was a member of the

<sup>14</sup> Suffolk County Probate Files, No. 174,456.

<sup>15</sup> Who's Who in America, 1930-31, and Who's Who in the East.

Massachusetts Constitutional Convention in 1917 and has ever since then been deeply interested in this vitally important document. He conducted an aggressive fight supported by both progressive and conservative leaders of the Constitutional Convention, "to submit again to the people the rearranged constitution, once adopted by them but declared to be invalid by a Supreme Court decision."<sup>16</sup> He was urged to become a candidate for State Senator, and in 1918 consented to run. He was elected from Essex County and served in 1919 and 1920.<sup>17</sup> He owns Bartlett's Island, near Mount Desert, and is deeply interested in a colony of Great Blue Herons there, which he is seeking to perpetuate.<sup>18</sup> Office, 82 Devonshire Street, Boston; home, Beverly, Mass. Children: i. Augustus Peabody, b. Boston, Apr. 16, 1885. Grad. Harvard Col. 1908. While in college he specialized in social ethics and devoted himself to work in the Cambridge Boys' Club and the Cambridge Social Union. When 22 years of age and a sophomore in Harvard he was elected a member of the Beverly City Council, December, 1907, "the first representative of the wealthy colony at the Farms to take his place" in that body. A celebration was held in Grand Army Hall in Beverly, in which he said: "I believe in progressive municipal government and shall use my influence . . . to make this city as progressive as any in the state." While listed as a sophomore, he was really a fourth year man, and took his degree in the following spring.<sup>19</sup> In February, 1907, he enlisted as a private in Co. B, Mass. Naval Brigade, and was honorably discharged Dec. 10, 1908.<sup>20</sup> He was also, about this time, commodore of the Manchester Yacht Club. He was elected president of the Essex Club in 1918. He married, Jamaica Plain, June 22, 1911, Rosamond Bowditch, dau. of Alfred and Mary Louise (Rice) Bowditch. She was b. May 2, 1889. He was Captain in the Beverly Co. State Guards. He is an active Republican, a member of the Somerset Club, the Colonial Society, the Club of Odd Volumes, and a 32d degree mason. He is now serving as chairman of the Beverly School Committee, of which he has been a member since 1920. Trustee, 82 Devonshire St.,

<sup>16</sup> Boston Herald, May 21, 1920.

<sup>17</sup> Massachusetts State Library Records.

<sup>18</sup> Boston Herald, Sept. 7, 1930.

<sup>19</sup> Ibid., Dec. 11, 1907.

<sup>20</sup> Adj. General's Records, Mass. State House.

Boston. His home is in the Pride's Crossing section of Beverly, and his winter residence 2 Gloucester Street, Boston. ii. Caleb, b. Boston, Feb. 18, 1888; was grad. Harvard, A. B. 1910; m. Griffin, Ga., Apr. 15, 1920, Suzanne Grantland Bailey, dau. of David J. and Mary (Hammond) Bailey. She was b. in Griffin, Apr. 30, 1896. He served in the Beverly Board of Aldermen.<sup>21</sup> Apr. 4, 1917, he enlisted at the Boston Navy Yard as gunner's mate third class and was appointed ensign July 5 of that year, U. S. N. R. F. Apr. 1, 1918, he was app. Ensign, U. S. N., and promoted to Lieut. (J. G.), U. S. N., Sept. 21, 1918. He was on duty at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, in 1917, and on the U. S. S. "Florida" from Sept. 25, 1917, to Jan. 29, 1919. He resigned Feb. 20, 1919.<sup>22</sup> He studied law at Boston Univ., LL.B. 1927. He is a member of the Somerset, Boston Exchange and Eastern Yacht Clubs, and the Boston Athletic Association. He is a lawyer, office 82 Devonshire Street, Boston. His home is in the Pride's Crossing section of Beverly and his winter residence at 38 Suffolk Road, Chestnut Hill. iii. Ellen Gardner, b. Pride's Crossing, May 2, 1889; d. Boston, May 17, 1922. She was a person of great charm and generosity; she had a beautiful voice and after studying with the best teachers in Boston, spent a winter in Paris under Jean De Reske. She m. July 10, 1912, Samuel Vaughan, b. Boston, Apr. 15, 1887, s. of William W. and Ellen (Parkman) Vaughan. He was grad. Harvard, A.B. 1909, LL.B. 1912. He enlisted in Engineers R. C., at Rockingham Camp, Salem, N. H., July 23, 1917. Hdq. Co. 14th Engineers, to Army Candidates School. Sergt., Aug. 1, 1917. Served overseas from July 27, 1917, to March 27, 1919. Com. 2nd Lieut. Inf., May 13, 1918. Prom. 1st Lieut. Nov. 20, 1918. Engagements: Champagne Marne, Aisne Marne. Hon. disch. Apr. 1, 1919.<sup>23</sup> He is a member of the Somerset Club. Lawyer, in the firm of Loring, Coolidge, Noble & Boyd, 82 Devonshire St., Boston; home, Hale St., Beverly Farms.

215. SAMUEL PICKERING, b. Paris, France, July 21, 1864; d. Lausanne, Switzerland, Oct. 26, 1865.

216. JOHN LOWELL, 2nd, b. Brookline, June 28, 1867. He lived in Boston until 1917, when he removed to Monument

<sup>21</sup> Boston Herald, Mar. 29, 1920.

<sup>22</sup> Mass. Military and Naval Records of World War.

<sup>23</sup> Mass. Military and Naval Records of the World War.

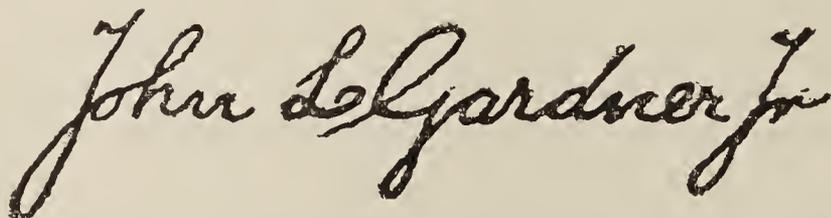
Beach. During his residence in Boston at 51 Commonwealth Ave., he was a member of the Algonquin, Brookline Country, and Boston Camera Clubs, and the Boston Athletic Association. Unmarried.

217. WILLIAM ENDICOTT, b. Brookline, Aug. 1, 1868; d. Paris, France, June 15, 1870.
218. OLGA ELIZA, b. Boston, Oct. 21, 1869; m. June 15, 1897, Dr. George Howard Monks. He was educated at the Boston Latin School, Mass. Inst. of Technology, Harvard A.B. 1875, and Harvard Med. Sch., M.D. 1880. M. R. C. S. London, Eng., 1884. He served as intern in the Mass. Gen. Hospital, 1879-80. Out-patient surgeon (1885) and later visiting surgeon, Boston Dispensary, and Carney Hospital. Out-patient, visiting, and later (1910) surgeon-in-chief, Boston City Hospital. He resigned and was app. consulting surgeon in 1914. Assistant in operative surgery, instructor (1895-1903) and lecturer in surgery (1903-1914) Harvard Medical School. Lecturer in surg. pathology at Harvard Dental School, 1886 to 1910, when he was app. professor of oral surgery, serving until 1926, completing a service of 40 years. He was made professor emeritus when he resigned on the last-named date. He is a fellow of the American Col. of Surgeons, and a member of the A. M. A., Am. Surg. Assoc., Mass. Med. Soc., Boston Surg. Soc., Boston Soc. for Med. Improvement.<sup>24</sup> He is also a member of the Somerset, Tavern, Harvard, and Country Clubs. Mrs. Monks is very prominent in many social, charitable and philanthropic groups; she is a member of the board of managers of the Children's Hospital, and president of the convalescent home connected with that institution. Residence, 51 Commonwealth Ave., Boston; summer home at Monument Beach. Children: i. George Gardner, b. Boston, May 6, 1898. Prelim. education was at the Noble & Greenough and St. Mark Schools. In the World War he was at the Central Machine Gun Officers' Training School at Camp Hancock. Was grad. at Harvard Col., A. B., 1921; M. A. Columbia, 1923; Baliol Col., Oxford, Eng.; Union Theolog. Sch. and B. D. from the Episcopal Theolog. Sch. in Cambridge in 1925. He was ordained Apr. 25, 1925, and served as curate in All Saints' Church in Worcester. He became head master of the New Trinity Episcopal School at Lenox,

<sup>24</sup> Family Records.

Mass. This school was dedicated Oct. 6, 1926, by Right Rev. Bishop Davies, of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts. The school had opened on Sept. 22, with an enrollment of forty. Two years later, Mr. Frank K. Sturgis presented the adjoining property, his country place, Clipston Grange, to the school.<sup>25</sup> Married, June 3, 1925, Katherine Knowles, dau. of Dr. and Mrs. William F. Knowles, of Brookline. She was a member of the 1920 Sewing Circle and the Junior League. Res., Trinity School, Lenox, Mass. ii. John Peabody, b. Boston, June 26, 1901; educ. Fay School, Southboro, and St. Mark's School; Harvard, A. B. 1924; Harvard Med. Sch. M. D., 1928. He was house officer in the West Med. Service, Mass. Gen. Hospital, 1929-31. First Lieut. Med. Reserve Corps, U. S. Army. Member Mass. Med. Soc., Boston Med. Lib. Assoc.; Assoc. of Military Surgeons. Fellow A. M. A. and Diplomate National Board of Medical Examiners. Clubs: Somerset, Harvard (Boston), Beverly Yacht. Member Essex Institute, Salem.<sup>25</sup> Res. 51 Commonwealth Ave., Boston; office, 264 Beacon Street. iv. Olga, b. Boston, Jan. 28, 1911. She was educated at Winsor School.

141. John Lowell Gardner,<sup>9</sup> (John L.,<sup>8</sup> Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born in Boston, November 26, 1837. He entered Harvard College with the class of 1858, but left at the end of the sophomore year in good standing. Harvard conferred upon him the degree of A.B., in 1898, as of the Class of 1858.



He entered upon a business career soon after leaving college, entering the office of his father and brothers at number 22 Congress Street, Boston. This continued to be his business address throughout his long and successful life as a merchant and financier until he retired.

<sup>25</sup> Family Records.



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## SHIPS.

He owned part interests in the ships "Lepanto" and "Arabia" and the barque "Nabob." These vessels have been described in the list of ships owned by his father in earlier pages of this volume. With the decline of shipping in the Civil War period, his financial interests in other directions increased. He was a heavy owner in the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad and a director in the corporation. He was a director of the Calumet & Hecla Mining Corporation; a trustee and member of the financial committee of the Suffolk Savings Bank; one of the trustees and treasurer of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, and one of the trustees and recording secretary of the Humane Society of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He was a member of the Somerset, Algonquin, Tavern, Boston Art Club, the (Brookline) Country Club, and the Boston Athletic Association. A devoted yachtsman, he was one of the owners of the cup defender "Puritan."

A writer in the Boston Transcript stated: "Mr. Gardner had no inclination for political office. His preference was for a life of quiet and helpful influence in business and social circles. With his wife, who is recognized as a society leader, he dispensed a liberal and elegant hospitality." We read from another source: "His business associates all loved him and all who knew him deeply appreciated his splendid qualities."

## WIFE.

He married April 10, 1860, Isabella Stewart, who was born April 14, 1840, the daughter of David and Adelia (Smith) Stewart of New York. Her father was a merchant and importer, and president of the Stewart Iron Company, with mines near Uniontown, Pennsylvania. He accumulated a large fortune. He belonged to the Invernahyle branch of the Appin Stewarts. Her genealogy is given in "The Stewarts of Appin," by General H. J. Stewart, F. S. A. Scot., and Lieutenant Colonel Duncan Stewart, late 92d Highlanders. There are documentary records of the family as far back as the middle of the twelfth century, and various genealogists assert

that the Stewarts were descended from King Fergus I, a contemporary of Alexander the Great. Mrs. Gardner was always very proud of her ancestry and "had a cult" for Mary Stuart and the martyred Charles I. She was taken by her parents to Paris to finish her education, and one of her classmates was Miss Julia Gardner of Boston, "who was of a quiet, law-abiding disposition and was captivated by the brilliant, gay, imaginative, vibrant New York girl." Mr. and Mrs. John L. Gardner had come to Paris with their daughters Julia and Eliza, and there made the acquaintance of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart. The fathers were congenial and a warm friendship developed between the families.

*Isabella Stewart Gardner.*

The New York Herald of April 12, 1860, contained the following:

"MARRIED.

*Gardner-Stewart.* In Grace Church, on Tuesday, April 10, by the Rev. Dr. Taylor, John L. Gardner, Jr. of Boston, to Isabella, daughter of David Stewart, of this city."

In November, 1859, Mr. Stewart had purchased from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the lot of land on Western Avenue (Beacon Street), numbered 152, "part of the tract conveyed to the State by the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation in 1854." A house for his daughter was started there, but it was not ready for the couple when they returned from their honeymoon. Following a long visit to Mr. and Mrs. Gardner they established themselves temporarily in the Hotel Boylston. Her biographer, Mr. Morris Carter, speaks of her at this period as a fascinating, frail, delicate little creature, delightful to everybody but determined to lead her life in her own way. . . . She was considered shy, and during her early married life her health prevented her from going much in society." They spent the winter of 1861-62 at 126 Beacon Street and moved into their own home at number 152 in 1862. Their summers were spent at

Beverly Farms. Her only child, John Lowell Gardner, 3d, was born June 18, 1863. "It was such a terrible ordeal for her that the doctor told her that she could never have another child." She was a happy and devoted mother, and as a "devout expression of her gratitude to God for the birth of a son," she was confirmed at Emmanuel Church by Dr. Manton Eastburn, Bishop of Massachusetts. The child was beautiful but never strong and he died on March 15, 1865, leaving the young mother prostrated with grief. Two years of depression and illness followed. The doctor suggested a change of scene, and Mr. Gardner took her to Europe, going to the steamship in an ambulance and she was carried up the gangplank on a mattress. They spent weeks in Norway, Sweden, and northern Russia, and then visited various cities of central Europe. Her health was greatly improved by the invigorating air. Mr. Carter states that "when she returned to Boston, it was to make a fresh start. Her nature was too buoyant for her to spend her days in repining for what she could not have. Fate had been cruel, but there was much in life to enjoy, and enjoy it she would."

Her brother David died October 5, 1874, and she and Mr. Gardner spent the following winter in Egypt, the Holy Land, Greece, Constantinople, and other cities. In Nuremburg she bought eleven late fifteenth century pieces of stained glass,—the first objects purchased abroad that Mrs. Gardner retained in her collection at Fenway Court." When they returned from Europe they took into their care the three orphan sons of Mr. Gardner's brother, Joseph P. Following the death of their mother in 1865, their training had been in the hands of an English governess. Mr. Carter states: "It was therefore no easy task and no small responsibility that Mrs. Gardner was assuming, and her willingness, for her husband's sake, to take charge of three temperamental boys, gave evidence of a character with which few of her society friends had credited her. In the performance of her duty to these boys, she was faithful and conscientious. Not only did she take them, beautifully arrayed, to concerts and to church, but, fond of all sports

as she was, she took a keen interest in their sports, in their learning to ride, swim and sail; a mother could hardly have taken greater pride in their achievements or kept with greater care the mementoes of their youth." The summer of 1879 Mr. and Mrs. Gardner spent abroad, in a cathedral hunt, taking their nephew, Augustus P., with them; and they were joined in London by Amory, who had remained behind to take his entrance examinations to Harvard. In 1880 they purchased the house next door at 150 Beacon Street and made it a part of their own, largely for the purpose of securing a music room. About this time she surprised the quiet people of Boston by driving with two men in livery on the box.

When Mr. Gardner's father and mother died, they came into possession of the country place—Green Hill—in Brookline. They made extensive changes, gradually transforming the estate, steadily increasing its charm and beauty. April 20, 1887, Mr. Stewart conveyed the Beacon Street estate to his daughter, the title to which he had held up to that time.<sup>26</sup> Mrs. Gardner gave a reredos to the Church of the Advent, which was first seen by the public on Easter, March 29, 1891.

Mr. Carter states: "Much as Mrs. Gardner loved music, she loved fun more; she and Julia Ward Howe were the leading spirits in a lunch club named 'It,' of which Mrs. Barrett Wendell, Margaret Deland, Sarah Orne Jewett, Mrs. J. Montgomery Sears, and Miss Martha Silsbee were also members." Her deep interest in her collection of the rare and beautiful in art, led to the purchase of increasing numbers of the world's best, and in this she had the co-operation of Mr. Gardner, who gave her unstinted sympathetic and financial support. The need of a larger and more suitable place for the housing of her treasures impressed itself upon them both. A building with light upon four sides and open space around it was desired, instead of structures in the middle of a city block. In February, 1898, Mrs. Gardner had the misfortune to break her leg, and the enforced rest gave her time to consider and plan for the future.

<sup>26</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 1768, leaf 206.

The summer of 1898 was spent at their seashore home in Beverly, during which time Mr. Gardner was an obviously sick man. In October they returned to "Green Hill," where they remained until December 9, when they moved to town. On the following day Mr. Gardner was stricken with apoplexy at the Exchange club and taken first to the Somerset club and then to his home, where he died that evening. Mr. Carter writes:

"What Mrs. Gardner felt, no one can say; what this loss meant, she could only realize slowly. Mr. Gardner had shielded and protected her; had done everything to make life go smoothly for her and to provide the setting and background for her fascinating personality. He was delighted to see her surrounded by brilliant men, artists and musicians, and to have his house the center of a coterie unrivalled in Boston. . . . With his steadiness and his wisdom to maintain the balance, Mrs. Gardner had been able to indulge every whim, knowing that he would and could always set things straight. In all the delight and excitement of collecting he had shared, and he had preserved methodically all the memoranda of objects examined at shops and the bills for purchases. Never was his superb confidence in his wife more magnanimously shown than in his last will and testament. . . . As the Fenway land, which was then quite on the outskirts of the town, was purchased only a few weeks after Mr. Gardner died, it seems safe to say that he approved the site.<sup>27</sup> . . . When Mrs. Gardner returned to Boston in December, 1899, a newspaper announced that she had bought an Italian palace and would ship it to Boston and set it up as an art memorial to her husband; it was a Florentine palace built during the Renaissance, when Florentine architecture was at its height, and those who knew the Pitti Palace would have a good idea of the one Mrs. Gardner had bought. This was called the latest whim of America's most fascinating widow. During the next few years the newspapers of Boston, New York and Philadelphia reflected the widespread interest in Mrs. Gardner's mysterious collection by publishing full-page articles

<sup>27</sup> Suffolk Registry of Deeds, book 2620, leaves 107-9; book 2667, leaf 306; book 2728, leaf 25, etc., etc.

about it, illustrating them with almost any photograph of a Venetian or Florentine building. Even the Kansas City Times gave Fenway Court half a page in September, 1901. A friend in Florida wrote that she must be the person referred to in a local paper, which said: 'The Boston woman who is getting columns upon columns of free advertising out of her love of privacy is a genius in her way.' . . . As the hundreds of cases arrived from Europe they were sent to a storage warehouse, where Mrs. Gardner and Mr. William C. Endicott with his carefully prepared lists, supervised the unpacking." She was present every day to watch the building of the museum and the arranging of its treasures, bringing her luncheon and taking her noon hour like the workmen.

"She carefully followed every step of the construction . . . and knew exactly what she desired in this unusual building and was determined that it should meet her requirements. . . . On December 1, 1900, John Chipman Gray, Henry Walton Swift, Harold Jefferson Coolidge, Willard T. Sears, William Amory Gardner and Isabella Stewart Gardner subscribed to an agreement to associate themselves with the intention to constitute a corporation; on the 15th these subscribers met for the purpose of organizing said corporation by the adoption of bylaws and the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. December 19th a charter was issued to the corporation, describing it as 'formed for the purpose of art education, especially by the public exhibition of works of art. The capital stock was issued and Mr. Gray, Mr. Swift and Mr. Coolidge were elected directors. . . . Before Christmas (1901) the actual construction of the house was finished, many of the sculptures were in place and plants were growing in the Court." The full name adopted was "The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in the Fenway," and it was first opened to the public on Wednesday, February 23, 1903.

"The Beacon Street house was not sold till June, 1904. . . . Mrs. Gardner removed the interior woodwork which had been specially carved for her, the fireplaces, and



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whatever else she could, reproducing as nearly as possible in her private apartment at Fenway Court, the rooms which she had so long occupied." A large part of the interior finish was used in fitting up the Warren House in Brookline, on the Green Hill estate. "Not only had Mr. Eben S. Draper, who purchased the house, agreed to tear it down and build a new one, but also to give up the number 152 and use the other number 150 to which the frontage was entitled. Thus Mrs. Gardner, who craved continuity and perpetuation of her personality, transported to the new location whatever intimate association she could and obliterated what must be left behind."

In an article dated July 18, 1924, The Boston Evening Transcript stated that "Mrs. Gardner has created an art museum different from that in any other city in this country at least. Fabulous sums have been paid for some of the most notable paintings by old-time masters and for other art treasures which from year to year she has secured abroad and has assembled within the walls of Fenway Court. . . . The unique beauty of the collection lies not only in the paintings and other works of art, though these are rare enough, but in the artistic and unusual way in which they are displayed, and in the incorporation in the building itself at every step, of fascinating bits of artistic decoration and workmanship,—here a capital or a column from a now vanished Venetian palace, here a bit of iron grill from Spain, here a stone altar piece, or a floor of mosaic pavement worn by Roman feet for hundreds of years—all these pieces so beautifully and cleverly fitted in, as well as its Italian palace architecture with its interior artistic courtyard filled with flowers and shrubbery, make of Fenway Court a thing of beauty in itself and a place quite marvelously enveloped in the atmosphere of the countries and the periods of art which it presents. . . . There also she has been from time to time the hostess to distinguished people and she has entertained in a manner out of the usual, with the entertainment always marked by great originality. . . . She has helped a number of talented musicians and artists toward the success and distinction they afterwards

achieved, and in various ways she has had interests which were far apart from the social life with which she was supposed, by those who did not know her personally, to be wholly occupied. One instance of those outside interests was her support and encouragement of the children and young folks of the West End and North End of Boston to plant and maintain window boxes and roof gardens in their tenement houses. This resulted in friendly rivalry which caused many old buildings, in narrow streets and alleys, to take on an attractive appearance. Mrs. Gardner offered cash prizes to these children and personally bestowed the awards upon the winner each year after inspecting the little flower plots.

“She sent an ambulance to France which she called ‘Y.’ The car numbered 191, in November, 1915, was sent to the front as a part of section sanitaire No. 4, operating in Lorraine and the Toul sector, with postes de secours at Carriere du Flirey. In June, 1916, the section moved to Verdun. In May, 1917, to Champagne with poste near Mt. Cornellett, and a few months later to the Verdun sector, where this ambulance completed a service of two years with the French armies. I asked Mrs. Gardner why she called the ambulance ‘Y,’ and she said ‘Because my name is spelled with a ‘Y’ in Spanish and that was all that was necessary.’ All the lives of those poilus that were saved by this ambulance ‘Y’ will mourn and bless the name ‘Ysabella,’ Mrs. John L. Gardner.

Emilie Alexander Marius.”

“In the spring of 1924 it was evident that her strength was failing, but she persisted in her daily routine; although she knew that her over-exertion would cause an agonizing heart attack, she would not shut herself away from life. . . . The end came quietly and peacefully in the evening of July 17, 1924.”

Papers in all sections of the country contained obituary notices sounding the praises of Mrs. Gardner and commending her great gift—the museum.

A writer in the Boston Herald of July 18, 1924, declared that “No woman in America ever received more attention from the public of her day. Her actions were

more widely heralded than those of the members of the European royal families. . . . She was assuredly a remarkable woman and the different episodes in her career gave thrill after thrill to Boston and the whole country. . . . She was rather small and fragile, but exquisitely proportioned, with a pale olive complexion and eyes and large Scottish features. A subtle charm of voice and unusual vivacity of manner, with an abundance of wit, grace and ability to dress, dance and talk well, gave her personality. In her later years she was remarkable for her youthful figure and vivacity."

She was mentioned in the New York Herald-Tribune as follows: "Appreciation of this accomplished lady will surely take account not only of her devotion, but of her rare independence of judgment. . . . Wherever the beauty of art is held in honor she will be gratefully remembered, a national benefactor in the things of the mind, like Pierpont Morgan, Charles L. Freer, John C. Johnson, and all those other Americans who, in assembling artistic treasures, have acted but as trustees for the nation. . . ." If Mrs. Gardner had been merely a departure from the common pattern she would not have captured the popular fancy. She was unique in a grand manner, sensational without being grotesque, perhaps the most extraordinary Bostonian of her day.

Her will, dated May 9, 1921, probated August 21, 1924, among the many bequests contained the following: Boston Public Library, for its Brown Musical Library, for a memorial to B. J. Lang, five thousand dollars. The Church of the Advent and the Brookline Public Library, five thousand each. She left the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in the Fenway, with the lands about it, to the trustees, as stated earlier in this biographical record, specifying that "no works of art shall be placed therein for exhibition, other than such as I, or the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum In the Fenway, Incorporated, own or have contracted for at my death." She left a fund of one million, two hundred thousand dollars for the museum. Mr. Morris Carter was named as director and he was given the use of a specified section of the building

for a residential apartment, rent free. She left directions regarding memorial services and Christmas in the chapel.

She specified certain bequests to members of the family, and bequeathed "all the residue . . . real and personal, to the Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, the Animal Rescue League of Boston, and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, in equal shares." The last named bequest was in memory of the dogs Foxey and Roly, "and the said society shall expend each year seventy-five dollars for a free stall in memory of three horses, Dolly, Pluto and Lady Betty, and that it shall expend each year the sum of thirty-five dollars for a free kennel in memory of the dogs, Kitty Wink and Patty Boy."

The Green Hill property in Brookline, which John L. Gardner, Jr., had inherited from his father, she disposed of in anticipation of her will. February 19, 1919, she conveyed to George Peabody Gardner, Jr., the easterly end of the estate, bounded by Fairmount and Warren Streets and land "now or late of Olmstead and Goddard." This grant contained 20.2 acres and the mansion and barns were located upon it. She conveyed to Harold Jefferson Coolidge on the same date, the westerly end of the Green Hill estate, containing 13.4 acres, bordering on Fairmount, Dudley and Warren Streets, and including the Italian Garden. August 16, 1922, she conveyed to Olga Eliza Monks, wife of Dr. George H. Monks, 54,207 square feet in the middle of the southern portion of the estate, bounded by Warren Street and land previously granted as above stated, to George Peabody Gardner, Jr. and Harold Jefferson Coolidge.<sup>28</sup>

John Lowell Gardner, Jr., died December 10, 1898. His will, dated June 6, 1896, was filed in the Suffolk County Probate Court, December 17, 1898. He left to his wife, Isabella Stewart Gardner, all his furniture, books, plate, pictures, etc., etc., with the exception of a few family heirlooms, which he left to members of the

<sup>28</sup> Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, book 1414, pages 48-49; book 1582, page 438, and Plan Book 89, page 4336.

Gardner family. He established a trust for the benefit of his wife. He bequeathed his interest in Roque and adjacent islands to his brother George A. Gardner, and divided the property which he had inherited from his father, among his nephews and nieces. He specified certain bequests in the event of his surviving his wife. She lived over twenty-five years after his death, and inherited the bulk of his large fortune.<sup>29</sup>

Child:

219. JOHN LOWELL, b. Boston, June 18, 1863; d. Boston, May 15, 1865.

160. Major Hezekiah Gardner,<sup>9</sup> (Austin,<sup>8</sup> John,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), only son of Austin and Mary (Ripley) Gardner, was born at Belvidere, Illinois, October 31, 1839. After the death of his father when he was seven years of age, his mother moved to Hammondsport, N. Y., where he grew up, and later went back to Illinois. At the outbreak of the Civil War he assisted in organizing Company I, 100th Regiment, Illinois Volunteers and was commissioned its captain, August 30, 1862, and led it to the front. He served with great credit and distinction on the staff of General Buell, and in the battle of Missionary Ridge, November, 1863, he received the wound which resulted in the loss of his right leg.<sup>30</sup> He was discharged for disability, but joined the Veteran's Reserve Corps, in the following year and was commissioned captain in that service, September 15, 1864. He was breveted Major and Lieut. Colonel,

*Hezekiah Gardner*

U. S. V., March 13, 1865, "for meritorious conduct at the battle of Chattanooga and at the charge on Missionary Ridge." He did provost marshal and reconstruction work at Jackson, Miss., and later commanded the 44th Infantry for several months while stationed in the rear

<sup>29</sup> Suffolk County Probate Files, No. 109,511.

<sup>30</sup> American Wine Press, April, 1901.

of the White House, at Washington, D. C. He enlisted in the regular army and was commissioned brevet major U. S. A., March 2, 1867, "for gallant and meritorious service in the battle of Missionary Ridge." He was retired Dec. 15, 1870, "for loss of right leg from wounds received in line of duty." He was elected a member of the Mass. Commandery Loyal Legion, June 1, 1881 and was transferred to the Commandery of the District of Columbia, January 3, 1883.<sup>31</sup> "Soon after retiring from the service, Major Gardner became connected with the grape and wine industry at Hammondsport, New York. He always took great interest in his vineyard, and in grape culture. . . . The ability and experience of Major Gardner were recognized by his appointment as special agent for the United States Census of 1890. His census work will always stand as a lasting record of patient industry. It was the first time that the statistics of grape growing and wine-making had been gathered in the United States. Having no data or material to guide him, Major Gardner had to collect personally and with great pains the figures at first hand. So well did he do his work that he received the praise of his superior, and his report is one of the few that were printed over the agent's signature in the complete volume of the 'Census Report.' Early in 1900 he was appointed to collect the exhibits from the Eastern States for the Paris Exposition of that year. It was largely due to his interest and experience that such a fine exhibit of our Eastern wines and champagnes was made at Paris, which helped to advertise these products to many people. It may be said that the starting of the *American Wine Press* was, in some measure, the result of his active interest. . . . The steady growth of the paper was a source of great pleasure to him, and his advice and suggestions were always to the point. . . . Few men were better or more widely known in the wine trade than Major Gardner. For thirty years he had been connected with the business in one way or another, and he was personally known to the

<sup>31</sup> Register Military Order of the Loyal Legion, Mass. Commandery, 1882 and 1891.

leading wine-makers or wine-dealers of the country. He had traveled extensively, and had visited all the prominent centers of grape-growing and wine-making from New York to California. Everywhere he went he made friends, on account of his fine qualities as a man."<sup>32</sup>

He married, June 4, 1862, Eliza Wheeler, daughter of Gratton H. and Nancy D. (Sayre) Wheeler. He died in Hammondsport, New York, April 25, 1901.

Child:

220. ROBERT WATERMAN, b. Jackson, Miss., Nov. 17, 1866; m. 1st, Eleanor P. O'Neil; m. 2nd, Elizabeth Randolph Joyce.
221. BELLE, b. Christiansburg, Va., Jan. 13, 1870; d. Apr. 24, 1931, at age of 61; m. Charles Edward Wellenkamp, b. Barcelona, Spain, Aug. 21, 1869, s. of Charles and Luiza (Gavazzi) Wellenkamp, as his second wife, his first wife having been her younger sister Nannie (No. 224). No issue by this marriage. She brought up her sister's three children. Charles E. Wellenkamp, d. New York City, Sept. 15, 1925.
222. LAURA, d. in infancy.
223. MARY, d. in infancy.
224. NANNIE WHEELER, b. Hammondsport, N. Y., Jan. 17, 1872; m. Rochester, N. Y., Mar. 23, 1891, Charles Edward Wallenkamp, as his first wife (See Belle, No. 221, above). Children: i. Katherine Louisa, b. New York City, Dec. 9, 1891; residence at 140 East 34th St., N. Y. City. ii. Alexine Marguerite, b. New York City, June 8, 1895; unmarried. She lives with her sister Katherine L. iii. Charles Rudolph, b. Hammondsport, N. Y., Sept. 17, 1897; d. New York City, Jan., 1899. iv. Paul Gustave, b. Westleigh, Staten Island, Nov. 12, 1899; m. Rochester, N. Y., July 17, 1922, Jean Dewey. They reside at 15 Bancroft Place, Radburn, Fairlawn, New Jersey.
225. GUSTAVE DEFOREST, b. Hammondsport, N. Y., Nov. 8, 1876; d. Apr., 1920, in his 44th year; m. Westleigh, Staten Island, June 6, 1908, Blanche Cutler.

184. Rev. Frank Hart Gardner,<sup>9</sup> (Daniel H.,<sup>8</sup> Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of Daniel Hartwell and Lovina Young (Frohock) Gardner, was born in Lincoln-

<sup>32</sup>The American Wine Press, April, 1901.

ville, Maine, December 2, 1855. "He removed with his parents when he was a small boy, to Carroll County, Illi-

*Frank H. Gardner*

nois. His father died soon, leaving the mother dependent upon the loyalty and industry of her only son, whose devotion was unusual. Brother Gardner began his public career as a school teacher at an early age. He managed the small farm during the summer and taught in the winter. This afforded him additional income and taught him valuable lessons of self reliance. He was principal of the public schools in Thompson, Ill., for three years. April 22, 1880, he was married to Lestina A. Ashby of Carroll, Illinois. Their early wedded life was spent in Thompson, where Brother Gardner, having abandoned teaching, had entered business. Within a year a beautiful boy was born who became the object of the happy parents' devotion. He lived but a few months when death claimed him, leaving the home desolate. In the midst of this night of sorrow, a heavenly vision came to the grief stricken father. A heart long troubled, a sorrow other than death brings, became calm and trustful. The Comforter had come with his gift of peace, and a sinful man entered into the consciousness that he was a child of God.

"With this genuine conversion came a clear call to preach. Brother Gardner's obedience was prompt. He closed out his business affairs at once and moved to Evanston, entering Garrett Biblical Institute. He graduated in May, 1888. During his school life he served as a supply pastor under the presiding elder of Freeport district, preaching at Nora, Winslow, Stockton and Kent. In the fall of 1887 he became pastor at Forreston. He entered the Rock River Conference in 1888 and served with great acceptability the following charges: Forreston, 1887-1890; Lanark, 1890-1893; Rock Falls, 1893-1898; Marengo, 1898-1899; Chicago-Garfield Boulevard, 1899-June, 1905.

"During his pastorate at Rock Falls, in the summer of

1898, he was stricken with disease. He received treatment from the best physicians and yet it was evident to his near friends that the once strong constitution was undermined and his athletic form was in the grip of the enemy. Yet the strong heart and iron will would not surrender. Under great difficulties, known only to a few, Brother Gardner continued his faithful ministry, though with gradually declining strength. Early in the spring of 1905, he turned the responsibilities of the charge over to another in the hope of securing a much needed rest. These weeks became a season of greater suffering and at length God gave rest, as our beloved friend and brother fell asleep on the afternoon of June 10, 1905. He left to mourn his untimely going a devoted wife; an only daughter Elizabeth; an aged and helpless mother, who was ninety years old on the day of his death; one sister; many devoted friends of the churches he so faithfully served, and his brethren of the ministry.

“The beautiful new Garfield-Boulevard church building, to which he gave his best thought and strength, stands as a monument to his unselfish service. He had sufficient strength to preach in it only two or three times after its dedication. The first casket to be borne into this church was that of its devoted pastor. . . . He was a MAN, a Christian gentleman. He was broad in his views of truth. Intolerance had no place in his heart. He was loyal to his friends and had many of them. How generous he was! And so sincere! There was nothing false about him. He was a ‘good man full of the Holy Spirit and of faith.’ A friend said of him: ‘He wears many jewels, but the crown of all his virtues was true piety.’

“Then Brother Gardner was a true ambassador of his King. He regarded his call to the ministry as a great dignity conferred upon him. As a preacher of righteousness he was brilliant and forceful. All the forms of sin and immorality, public or private, found in him an enemy who was positive and aggressive. He knew both men and books. The messages of the best writers of history and fiction were familiar to him, as evidenced by his sermons. He was unusually successful in winning men

to Christ. He had revivals on all his charges and received hundreds into the church. He was a true and faithful pastor. All classes and conditions of people found in him a true shepherd. His wide knowledge of men and things made possible his wise counsel. His sane religious life made his labors the more effective. He was a friend of youth and a brother beloved by all who knew him. He died at his post. He fell with his armor on and has received his earned reward. The blessed influence of such a life remains, and will long be felt."

Children:

226. Boy, b. abt. 1881; died after a few months.  
227. ELIZABETH (only daughter).

208. Willard D. Gardner<sup>9</sup> (Willard,<sup>8</sup> Daniel,<sup>7</sup> Ebenezer,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), son of Willard and Delia Ann (Staring) Gardner, was born September 21, 1855; married, January 9, 1881, Bella A. Cliff. She died February 2, 1899.

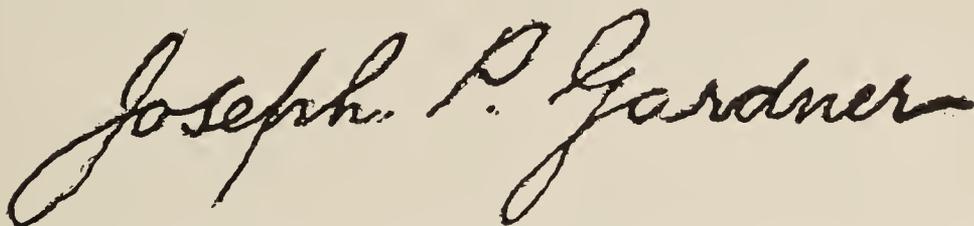
Children:

228. RUPERT H., b. Dec. 9, 1882.  
229. HARRY B., b. April 1, 1885.  
230. FLORENCE M., b. May 19, 1888; d. July 4, 1899.

## TENTH GENERATION

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209. Joseph Peabody Gardner<sup>10</sup> (Joseph P.,<sup>9</sup> John L.,<sup>8</sup> Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), oldest son of Joseph P. and Harriet Sears (Amory) Gardner, was born September 17, 1861. He was graduated at Harvard College, 1882. His father died in 1875 and Joseph Junior and



his brothers were taken into the family of his uncle, John L. Gardner, Jr., at 152 Beacon Street, where they were wonderfully cared for by their uncle and aunt Isabella. This continued to be his Boston home during his life. Joseph P. Gardner, of Beverly, March 2, 1885, purchased of Mary C. McKay of Hamilton and Edward P. Bliss of Lexington, Massachusetts, executors of the will of Donald McKay, late of Hamilton, "the homestead estate and farm of the late Donald McKay aforesaid . . . situated mainly in Hamilton and partly in Ipswich . . . formerly owned by Francis Dane . . . containing 235 acres, more or less, being the premises conveyed to said Donald McKay by George Dane and others, heirs of Francis Dane, March 16, 1877."<sup>1</sup> This was on the main road from Hamilton to Ipswich and bordered on the Miles River. He inherited, upon the death of his father, one undivided third of the homestead estate on Hale Street, Beverly, at Mingo beach. He also inherited one undivided third of a house at 63 Dover Street, in Boston.

He died, intestate, unmarried, October 16, 1886, and his cousin, George Peabody Gardner, was appointed administrator. Augustus P. Gardner, of Hamilton, bought

<sup>1</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 1145, leaves 279-281.

of William Amory Gardner (their brother Joseph P. Gardner late of Beverly having died) "a certain lot of land with buildings thereon situated mainly in said Hamilton and partly in Ipswich," as described above. This estate "Sagamore Farm," was the residence of Major Augustus Peabody Gardner, and is still owned and occupied by his family.

The estate at Mingo Beach was enlarged in 1888, by the purchase of three acres and ninety rods of Caroline E., Susan G., and Sarah E. King, by the brothers Augustus P. and William Amory Gardner. March 7, 1893, William A. bought his brother's interest in this property and became the sole possessor.<sup>2</sup>

Unmarried.

**210. William Amory Gardner**<sup>10</sup> (Joseph P.,<sup>9</sup> John L.,<sup>8</sup> Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John<sup>4</sup>, Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was the second son of Joseph P. and Harriet Sears (Amory) Gardner. He was born in Boston, December 3, 1863. His mother died when he was less than two years old and his father, June 11, 1875. He and his brothers, Joseph P. and Augustus P., were taken into the family of his uncle, John Lowell Gardner, Jr., and everything possible was done for their comfort and proper upbringing. He received his college preparatory training at the Hopkinson School, and Dr. Endicott Peabody states that "all his life he spoke with grateful appreciation of his training there. There was good ground for it, no doubt, but we realize that a boy of such talents must have done much to educate himself. From the first he possessed that disinterested love of learning, that ambition for knowledge for its own sake, on which he dwelt throughout his life."

*Wm Amory Gardner*

An account of his early days is found in the twenty-fifth year report of his Harvard class, written by himself:— "Health not good in childhood, but excellent ever

<sup>2</sup> Essex County Probate Files, No. 64,219.

since. Much of my early instruction was received at home. My mother died in 1865, and my governess began teaching me to read at once. For this reason I was always two or three years ahead of boys of my age, and was ready for college at fifteen. I spent a year studying music, German and French, and reading a good deal of English and Latin before entering college."

"Of the care which Isabella Stewart Gardner gave the boys, John Jay Chapman, a classmate of Amory's once said that 'a special wreath of tribute should be hers. . . . She gave them such a training as one connects with the idea of a British matron. It was a mixture of devotion and rigor. They were by nature highly organized, clever, sensitive, conscientious children, apt at all things intellectual, and they became noted both as boys and as men for integrity—every kind of integrity—mental, moral, social and for their extraordinary devotion to their aunt.'"

He entered Harvard in 1880 and in the autumn of that year his name appeared on the freshman honor list. Four years later he graduated, being one of four men receiving "highest final honors in Classics." He became a member of the Phi Beta Kappa. "His class of 1884 had many members of the first order, in point no less of scholastic capacity, as some brilliant names among the following choices will show, than in general ability, as other names, later well-known as those of leaders in finance, law and commerce will indicate; Gordon Abbott, Charles Francis Aiken, Edward Appleton Bangs, Walter C. Baylies, Clift Rogers Clapp, John Gardner Coolidge, Thomas Jefferson Coolidge, George U. Crocker, Edward Staples Drown, Samuel A. Eliot, William Wallace Penn, Thomas Mott Osborne, William Codman Sturgis, Fiske Warren and Frederick S. Whitwell. The great Professor Goodwin was once heard to remark that Amory Gardner was not only the best classical scholar of his class but of his time. And this rank he achieved while maintaining numerous connections outside of the curriculum, both in clubs and societies of genial nature and in work for the editorial boards of the *Lampoon* and the *Crimson*. . . . While Amory Gardner was completing his college work, two earnest young men, then in the

Episcopal Theological Seminary at Cambridge, were discussing together an idea of much import. These men were Endicott Peabody, trained at Cheltenham in England and a graduate of Trinity in the English Cambridge; and Sherrard Billings, both of whom received their bachelorships of theology at the same Commencement-time in 1884 in which Gardner, their junior, became a bachelor of arts. The future headmaster of Groton had been setting forth to Billings his concept that it should be possible to direct a boys' school upon a plane of well-nigh ideal human relationship between masters and students, traditional friction giving way to mutual respect in a close and vital fellowship in study and in all daily pursuits. In this view Billings warmly shared.

For some time the Lawrence family had desired to encourage the opening of a church school for boys, and when it became known that the Lawrences were prepared to turn over for this purpose some very well-located land in Groton then in use as a farm, the materialization of the concept held by the two theological students began its advance toward reality. They approached Amory Gardner with the suggestion that he join with them as a teacher, and the proposal met with ready acceptance. Meanwhile, under the direction of a remarkable board of trustees, of which Bishop Brooks was the first president and in which the future Bishop Lawrence sat as a member, a structure was built for Groton School, and, on Oct. 15, 1884, as aforesaid, the institution was opened."<sup>3</sup> Dr. Peabody in his memorial sermon delivered Sunday, February 16, 1930, stated: "For a year we were all in Brooks House, where we lived and had our classrooms. Mr. Gardner taught mathematics and Greek, Mr. Billings Latin and English, while I taught miscellaneous subjects. After a year Mr. Gardner moved to the new house which he had built on land adjoining the School. That has been a centre of hospitality for Groton boys and graduates ever since."

October 16, 1886, William Lawrence of Cambridge sold to Phillips Brooks of Boston, William C. Endicott and S. Endicott Peabody of Salem, James Lawrence and

<sup>3</sup> Boston Evening Transcript, Feb. 12, 1930.



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Endicott Peabody of Groton and William Lawrence—  
“Trustees of Groton School, a certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, situated in Groton in or near that part called Groton Centre containing twenty-one (21) acres and 131 rods.”<sup>4</sup>

Bishop Lawrence, describing in a sermon delivered in 1900 at the consecration of St. John’s Chapel, the scene on that opening day, as he recalled it, said:

“Sixteen years ago, three young men, twenty-three boys, and a little company of friends, met in yonder school-room to inaugurate with prayer, speech and song, Groton School. It was then a venture of Faith—Faith founded upon confidence in God, the enthusiasm of its young masters, and the loyalty of its early friends. With characteristic tact, Phillips Brooks, the president of the board of trustees, told the boys and masters of the ancient schools of England, Eton, Harrow and Westminster, and described their noble traditions. He then said, and the words have been ringing in my memory ever since, ‘Inspiring as are those ancient traditions to the English boy, how much more inspiring is the position of you American boys today. The history of Groton School is not made; you have the making of it; the traditions and character of Groton are not crystallized but are waiting to be moulded by your lives. May God help you to prove worthy of the sacred trust now placed in your keeping!’ From that time the character and traditions of Groton School have been making.”<sup>5</sup>

“William Amory Gardner, writing many years later, bestowed, and the gift seemed characteristic, a lion’s share of the credit for the school’s early achievement of harmony not upon the masters who had planned for this result, but upon the boys. He said of the pioneering time: ‘No one had much experience, and in consequence the school began, unhampered by prejudice, to build up its own traditions. Manners and customs which prevail today, and which give the place its peculiar flavor, can be directly traced to the happenings of the first year. The school was particularly fortunate in the boys of that

<sup>4</sup> Middlesex County Register of Deeds, book 1770, leaf 509.

<sup>5</sup> Ibid.

day, for they made possible the simple and familiar relation which has ever since existed between master and pupil. All took part in the same sports and the relation was exactly like that between older and younger brothers, without a trace of the traditional opposition between government and governed. In sports like skating and coasting the whole school went forth in a body. (And he might have added that while Mr. B. played football, Dr. Endicott was captain of the baseball team, and still is the rowing coach.) - This produced a spirit of unity which even now is intensely vital, though of course greatly modified by the necessary sub-division of organization which increased size of the school has brought about.' ”

After the first year of the school he took a twelve-month absence and travelled in Italy and Greece and attended the University of Berlin, and in the autumn of 1886, returned to Groton “with his qualifications thus further enriched for teaching the classics.” Quoting again from the Harvard class report of 1909, “I have continued to teach there ever since, with the exception of three months in the spring of 1887, when I was an instructor in Greek at Harvard, and three months in 1905, when I made a journey to Egypt and Greece. I have taught a variety of subjects at Groton, but of late years have confined myself to the Greek Department.”

The great success attained by William Amory Gardner and his associates in founding Groton School, is well attested in the following description of the school which we find in Sargent's Handbook for 1929-1930:— “Groton School. Boys ages 13-18. Est. 1884. Rev. Endicott Peabody, D. D., Cambridge, Head Master. Enrolled boarding 184; Faculty 20. Tuition \$1200; courses 6 years; . . . Approved by N. E. Assoc. Col. and Secondary Sch. Groton School has long been generally regarded as socially perhaps the most desirable of the church preparatory schools. It was the result of economic causes and a personality. The further accumulation of wealth and the development of social planes which led to the founding of St. Paul's and St. Mark's resulted in the establishment of Groton in 1884 by Dr. Peabody of the Salem Peabodys, long prominent in the mercan-



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PRESENTED TO GROTON SCHOOL BY HIS BROTHER, WILLIAM AMORY GARDNER, 210



tile and philanthropic life of the country. He was an all round athlete, a scholar, and yet a very graceful and sophisticated man of the world, according to Arthur Ruhl. But in his first charge in the raw west, Tombstone, Arizona, he had demonstrated even to cowboys and gamblers that he was a stalwart, full-blooded man. Groton began with a small number of pupils secured by advertising in the papers, but through a natural inheritance, from friend to friend, rather than from conscious effort on Dr. Peabody's part, it has attained the highest social prestige. So long is the waiting list that as an old graduate expressed it, 'A Groton man wires to Dr. Peabody as soon as a son is born. Others generally think a letter is quick enough.' Although originally English in its inspiration and atmosphere, Groton is one of the most remarkable and successful institutions in American education today. It was established with the same earnestness and sincerity of purpose as was any foundation of Puritan times. From every American point of view it is exotic, but it is sincere and in its sincerity commands not only the devotion of its masters and the loyalty of its alumni, but the respect of those least in sympathy with its ideals. Groton from the first attempted to steer a course between the 'in loco parentis' plan of St. Paul's and the larger freedom of Andover and Exeter. . . . The relations between master and pupil at Groton are particularly intimate in all branches of school activities. Boys on admission are selected in order from the lists on which they are registered at birth, without discrimination as to their individuality or development. . . . Scholastic seclusion has been sedulously sought. The most prominent feature of the buildings, well known for their architectural excellence, is the chapel tower, which dominates the countryside. William Amory Gardner, a trustee and long a master in the school, gave the chapel, as a memorial to his brother, Joseph Peabody Gardner. It is a notable example of the late decorated Gothic. At his death in 1930 he bequeathed half a million to the school."

The merchant traditions of the family appeared very early in the life of William Amory Gardner, for on July 29, 1864, at the age of seven months he was a four-

sixteenth owner of the ship "Arabia," Thomas Fuller of Salem, master, a full description of which vessel has been given in the article upon his grandfather, John L. Gardner, Sr.

#### REAL ESTATE

#### ESSEX COUNTY

He inherited, upon the death of his father, one-third of the homestead estate at Mingo Beach in Beverly. William A. Gardner and his brother, Augustus P. Gardner, inherited their brother Joseph P.'s share of this estate upon his death and in 1888 added over three acres to it by the purchase of land of the sisters King. In 1893, he bought the share of Augustus P. Gardner and thus became the sole owner.<sup>6</sup> He sold to his brother, Augustus P. Gardner, his share of the farm in Hamilton and Ipswich which had been the property of his deceased brother, Joseph P. Gardner.<sup>7</sup>

#### GROTON, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

He purchased of Frelove C. Farnsworth of Groton, December 16, 1886, a lot of land in the southeastern part of Groton, containing thirty-six and three-quarters acres.<sup>8</sup> April 23, 1887, he bought of Benjamin F. Hartwell, land bounded by the Groton School property,<sup>9</sup> and October 4, 1888, bought fourteen acres of Marshall and Caroline Davis of Groton.<sup>10</sup> He purchased many other lots of land in Groton, including twenty-five acres of George W. Lewis, August 4, 1892; twenty-three acres of Ellen M. Needham, December 11, 1900; nearly fifty-four acres of the Town of Groton, August 25, 1902; three and one-half acres of Silas W. Northrup, November 12, 1909, and seventy-three acres of Marie Louise Joy, September 28, 1911.<sup>11</sup> He sold the Farnsworth lot to John

<sup>6</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 1217, leaf 543, and book 1370, leaf 346.

<sup>7</sup> Ibid., book 1189, leaf 248.

<sup>8</sup> Middlesex County Registry of Deeds, book 1781, leaves 144-5.

<sup>9</sup> Ibid., book 1799, leaf 77.

<sup>10</sup> Ibid., book 1874, leaf 267.

<sup>11</sup> Middlesex County Registry of Deeds, book 2138, leaf 198; book 2860, leaf 599; book 2992, leaf 570; book 3484, leaf 357; and book 3636, leaf 509.

Lawrence, November 9, 1892,<sup>12</sup> and the Marie Louise Joy parcel of seventy-five acres to Barbara D. Danielson, January 9, 1918.<sup>13</sup> November 17, 1922, he conveyed to the "Inhabitants of the Town of Groton," four lots of land "situated in the west part of Groton." I. The "Joseph D. Blood lot," conveyed to him by Ellen M. Needham as described. II. A lot also bought of her on the west bank of the Nashua River, "being the southern part of the second lot conveyed" to him by her. III. Woodland on Squannacook Plain, and IV. a parcel of land on the same plain "being the west part of the premises conveyed" to him by the Town of Groton, August 28, 1902. The four parcels of land "to be as or part of a Memorial Town Forest, and to be dedicated to that use and to no other, and are conveyed subject to the condition that none of said parcels, nor any part thereof, is ever to be embodied in, described as, or conveyed with or as a part of the Groton Town Farm or Almshouse property. Said promises are also conveyed subject to the condition that the grantee during the lifetime of the grantor shall maintain and preserve the trees and growth on said premises so that the present view as seen from the Nashua or Dead River, so called, shall remain as nearly as possible unchanged."<sup>14</sup>

He wrote in 1908, "In Greece with the Classics," the preface of which read as follows:— "This book is the outcome of a month spent in Greece in the early spring of 1905. From my own experience I am led to hope that other travellers will find their pleasure in visiting scenes of classic association increased by reading on the spot passages from the ancient poets and story-tellers, which these scenes recall. The following pages contain a number of such passages, connected by a slender thread of narrative. Many of the passages are very famous, and have already been admirably translated. My only excuse for offering new translations of these is that, as the best translation in the world can only partly reproduce the *feeling* of an original poem, each new transla-

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., book 2156, leaf 180.

<sup>13</sup> Ibid., book 4182, leaf 145.

<sup>14</sup> Ibid., book 4580, leaf 281.

tion may possibly contain something which will contribute its mite towards the unattainable total." He still further disclosed his purpose in the first lines of the opening chapter of the "Acropolis":— "The historian, the archeologist, and the architect have told the world so much about the Acropolis that a detailed account of the buildings would be superfluous in these pages. It is purposed rather to invoke the ancient writers of song and story to repeat the legends of the Holy Hill."

He was a member of the Alpha Delta Chi and Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternities, and the following clubs:— The Somerset of Boston, and the Knickerbocker and New York Yacht Clubs of New York. He was at one time commodore of the Eastern Yacht Club and was a shareholder of the Myopia Hunt Club and a member of the Boston Athletic Association. He served as trustee of the Groton Public Library, and engaged in various activities at Camp Devens during the World War. He was interested in history and was a Pilgrim Tercentenary Member of the New England Historic-Genealogical Society. He was a liberal donor to many worthy objects and was "one of the first to make a liberal gift of money to the fund for the new Groton High School building."

He died February 8, 1930 at Groton, following a ten days' illness of heart trouble. Funeral services were held in the school chapel with the faculty and entire school body attending. "The services were conducted by Reverend Endicott Peabody, D. D., head master of Groton School and Reverend Sherrard Billings, D. D., of Groton School, assisted by Reverend W. G. Thayer, D. D., of St. Mark's School. The benediction was pronounced by Bishop Charles L. Slattery." Dr. Endicott in his memorial sermon said: "There were many contradictions in his personality. With a mind subtle and complex, he was singularly childlike in character. Ingenuousness was perhaps the outstanding quality of his nature. 'Behold a person indeed without guile' Jesus might well have said of him, as He said of an early disciple. Nervous and sensitive in his physical organization he foresaw and dreaded pain, which fell to his lot in large measure, as you well know. Then, when suffering came, he endured

it with splendid courage. He said he wanted to live. He clung to the School and to his connection with it—but he was not afraid to die—and to one who was at his bedside at the last, he said a calm good-bye. That extreme sensitiveness rendered him singularly open to wounds of many kinds. The years of the War found him restlessly, anxiously perusing every edition of the paper. He grieved when those who were near to him disappointed him. He was anxious for the future of the world. Would God in very deed establish His kingdom here? You will bear witness that he labored to bring it to pass.”

The following tribute was paid to him in the *Grotonian* of February, 1930: “To many, many of the older graduates the place will never again be quite the same. One of our alumni writing recently about Mr. Gardner says in his letter: ‘He contributed tremendously to our atmosphere even during his inactive years.’ It is rare testimony to a personality that even though Mr. Gardner gave up teaching some time ago, his presence at Groton was always felt and his absence always noted. It was natural that he should have on the place the influence that he did have, for he put into it all of himself and gave to it the best that he had to give. There never was anyone to whom the school was more dear, no one even who cared more for Groton boys and Groton men.

He was a scholar of note with a brilliant mind, and he had a rare faculty for imparting his own knowledge to others. His teaching habits in the classroom were often quaint and always unorthodox, but he never failed to be interesting—there was nothing of the dull pedant about him. It was his ambition and his constant effort to make boys love learning for its own sake; cramming for an examination was to him an abhorrence; anything commercial in connection with education he felt was impious. He was a very great and a very learned scholar; and yet it was not the brighter boys necessarily that called out his interest—his real concern was always character; he never cared so much even for teaching Greek as for helping boys in the development of character.

As his name with time recedes farther into the distance, we shall find ourselves thinking not so much of his brilliant intellect as of his rare soul. He was the sort of man who strengthens our belief in immortality. Death in connection with one like him seems impotent. We can picture him in the other world still alive, still interested in those about him, and still teaching vehemently. *Lux perpetua, Domine liceat ei.*"

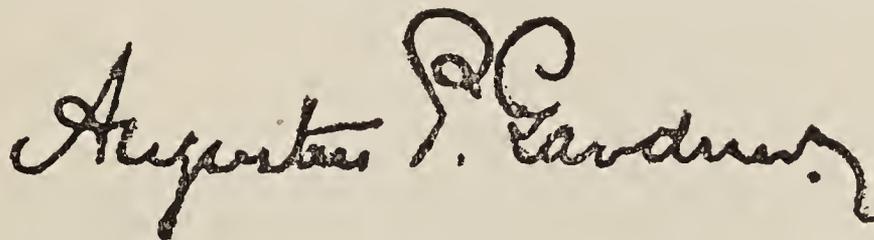
His will dated October 24, 1928, was filed February 12, 1930. He left a very large estate. Among the public bequests were the following:— One hundred thousand dollars to Harvard College, the income to be "applied to increase the salaries of any one or more of the professors, assistant professors or instructors in Greek in Harvard University." One hundred thousand in trust to the trustees of Groton School, who were directed to apply the "income to increase, at the discretion of said Trustees, the salaries of Masters of said school . . . to improve the regular salary schedule." He gave to said trustees another hundred thousand dollars, and he also left them his real estate in Groton and various houses, specifying how they should be occupied during the lives of certain persons, whom he named. He bequeathed to the Trustees of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, ten thousand dollars, without restrictions, and in addition thereto, ten thousand dollars to be used, principal and income, in the uncontrolled discretion of the Trustees, for the benefit of the classical department of said museum; five thousand to the Trustees of Donations of the Protestant Episcopal Church; fifty thousand to the building fund of the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral Foundation of the District of Columbia for the building fund; to the American School of Classic Studies at Athens, Greece, five thousand dollars; twenty-five thousand dollars to the Groton School, to be added to the "Married Masters Fund," and an additional five thousand "for the repair and renovation of Groton Chapel . . . to be allowed to accumulate in anticipation of the large expenditures which may in course of time—perhaps a century or even longer—become necessary," no part to be used within twenty years of his decease; to

the Trustees of Lenox School, fifty thousand dollars; and like amounts to the Trustees of Brooks School, Andover, Massachusetts, and Indian Hill School, Lakeville, Connecticut.

He gave to the Trustees of Groton School, two hundred thousand dollars to be added to the "Pension Fund" of said school. He left a large number of private bequests, many of them of large size, to relatives, friends and servants. The bulk of his large estate he left in trust for the benefit of the daughter of his deceased brother, Major Augustus Peabody Gardner, and her three children. George Peabody Gardner and George Peabody Gardner, Junior, were named as executors. Many parcels of real estate were named in the inventory, the two principal ones being the summer estate, Hale Street, Beverly, and the "Homestead" in Groton.<sup>15</sup>

Unmarried.

**211. Major Augustus Peabody Gardner,<sup>10</sup>** (Joseph P.,<sup>9</sup> John L.,<sup>8</sup> Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born in Boston on the 5th of November, 1865, the third and youngest son of Joseph Peabody Gardner and Harriet Amory (Sears) Gardner. He lost his mother at birth and his father before he was ten years old. He was brought up from the age of ten by his uncle, John Lowell Gardner, passing his winters in Boston and his



summers in Beverly. We are indebted to his devoted wife for the following account of his early life:— "He was educated at Hopkinson's School in Boston and was ready for college when he was fifteen. His guardian considered this too early an age for Harvard and sent him to St. Paul's School for a year. In the autumn of 1882 he entered Harvard and was graduated with the class of 1886. He studied law for a year, but did not

<sup>15</sup> Middlesex County Probate Files, No. 117,023.

take a degree at the Law School. Meanwhile he had become a farmer and land owner at Hamilton, Essex County, Massachusetts. Here he devoted himself to the raising of Jersey cattle and in a smaller way to the breeding of thoroughbred horses. He was a member of the Essex County Agricultural Society and the author remembers him as he rode as marshal at the head of a procession which opened an annual exhibition in Peabody. He was a commanding figure in the saddle and had magnificent mounts to ride.

He had gone into business with his uncles in Boston, and it is characteristic of him that he made himself an expert accountant and bookkeeper in order to be an efficient member of the family firm. For about ten years after his graduation, Gardner led the life of many young men of his age and generation. He worked at his business, but his real interest was in the country where he looked after his cattle and his farm and between times played polo and rode to the hounds. He was a member of the Myopia Hunt Club, the Somerset Club of Boston and the Boston Athletic Association. He was a charter member and councillor of the Old Planters Society and vice-president of the Gardner Family Association. His first active work in politics began in the presidential campaign of 1896. He regarded Bryan's First Free-Silver campaign as a menace to the prosperity of the country and took the stump for McKinley. From this time on his interest in national affairs continued and increased.

#### REAL ESTATE

Augustus P. Gardner had granted to him November 6, 1886, his one-third interest in the real estate of his late father, Joseph P. Gardner, by the trustees of the estate:—John L. Gardner, George A. Gardner and John L. Gardner, Jr. The various parcels of property have been described in the list of real estate holdings of Joseph P. Gardner, Sr., and in the account of the settlement of his estate. Augustus P. Gardner, purchased of his brother, William Amory Gardner, December 31, 1886, his interest in "a certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, situated mainly in said Hamilton and partly in Ipswich,



SAGAMORE FARM, HAMILTON, MASS., HOME OF MAJOR AUGUSTUS PEABODY GARDNER, 211



formerly owned by Francis Dane, on the main road leading to Ipswich."<sup>16</sup> This farm contained 235 acres, and had been sold by the heirs of Mr. Dane to Donald McKay. Upon Mr. McKay's death, his heirs sold it, March 2, 1885, to Joseph P. Gardner, Jr., who died in October, 1886, leaving the property to his brothers, William Amory Gardner and Augustus Peabody Gardner. February 28, 1888, the brothers, Augustus P. Gardner and William A. Gardner, bought of Caroline H. King, Susan G. King and Sarah E. King, "a parcel of land in Beverly on Hale Street, on the N. and N. E. side of that street, containing 3 acres, 90 rods, 130 sq. ft., reserving such rights as the grantors may now have to a drain across the granted premises."<sup>17</sup> In 1890-91, his name appeared on several deeds as one of the shareholders in the Myopia Hunt Club.<sup>18</sup> In 1893 he added to the area of his farm by the purchase of nearly ten acres adjoining from William A. Dane,<sup>19</sup> and four years later added fifteen acres more, with buildings, the grantors being Lester E. Libbey and wife Georgia E.<sup>20</sup> He had granted to him November 6, 1886, his third interest in the real estate of his late father, Joseph P. Gardner, on Hale Street, Beverly, near Mingo Beach.<sup>21</sup> He sold this to his brother William Amory Gardner, March 7, 1893.<sup>22</sup>

He owned, in addition to the above property in Hamilton and Beverly, an estate at Aiken, South Carolina, and a residence in Washington at 1817 H. Street, N. W.

#### MILITARY

In 1898 when we went to war with Spain he sought a commission in the Army and was appointed Captain and Assistant Adjutant General of volunteers May 12, 1898. He was assigned to the staff of Major-General James H. Wilson, commander of the First Division, and was in camp at Chicamauga for six weeks and in July

<sup>16</sup> Essex County Registry of Deeds, book 1189, leaf 248.

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid.*, book 1217, leaf 342.

<sup>18</sup> *Ibid.*, book 1274, leaf 220; book 1327, leaf 543; and book 1350, leaf 481.

<sup>19</sup> *Ibid.*, book 1366, leaf 178.

<sup>20</sup> *Ibid.*, book 1570, leaves 39-40.

<sup>21</sup> *Ibid.*, book 1187, leaf 103.

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, book 1370, leaf 346.

sailed from Charleston for Porto Rico. Mrs. Gardner in her monograph on her husband wrote:— "The day Gardner landed at Ponce, he and his brother-in-law, who was serving as an Ensign in the United States Navy, met most unexpectedly on the beach, and I received the following letter:

July 27, 1898

'We have just met and we both well. We shall attack Ponce together this afternoon, or to-morrow morning,

Yours affectionately,

A. P. G., G. C. Lodge.' "

Mrs. Gardner continuing, wrote: "The best idea I can give of Gardner's experiences in Porto Rico is by extracts from some of his letters.

Ponce, Porto Rico,

July 31, 1898

My Dearest Constance:

I am looking forward to the time when I can describe to you verbally the perfect ludicrousness of this situation. We landed loaded to the muzzle and with our teeth set expecting to fight our way up to here. Instead of which the inhabitants received us with open arms and tremendous enthusiasm, and the first night I slept or dreamt I slept for a little while in marble halls. The fact was that I did sleep on a tessellated pavement, but as I had nothing under me it came hard. . . . We have pushed our outposts about eight miles towards San Juan and meanwhile spend our time trying to restore some semblance of method in this city and paroling the Porto Rican Volunteer Army. . . . I hope we shall get ahead soon and I suppose we shall as soon as provisions and troops are landed. . . .

Coamo, P. R., August 9, '98

My Dearest Constance:

I have been under fire in a fight this morning, just outside of this town and as far as I can see I did all right. I believe the General has mentioned me in his dispatches. Colonel Biddle and I left camp with the 16th Penna. yesterday evening and started into the mountains where we camped. At 12.30 A. M., Biddle and I left camp with the pioneer train and cleared the road

for the troops. We had a very hard march, but managed to head off the Spaniards and captured 180, killing six or seven including the Commandant of Ponce. He exposed himself terribly. I had a shot at him myself with a Krag-Jergenson which I borrowed. It was the only shot I fired and, thank Heaven, I missed.

It is almost impossible to realize that it is you they are firing at. You feel like saying, 'You damn fools, don't point your confounded guns this way.' . . . I was in the saddle fourteen hours steadily except when I was leading my horse and part of the time during the fight. I should say the fight lasted about three-quarters of an hour and that about 3000 or more shots were fired. . . .

Coamo, P. R., August 14, 1898

Dearest Constance:

I suppose that the war is over and I shall try my best to get home soon. . . . I had not been in ten minutes from a dangerous reconnaissance when the news came that the protocol had been signed. I had been out in command of about thirty cavalrymen and signal men for thirty hours in the mountains trying to find a road by which to attack Aibonito from the rear.

It was a very unpleasant trip, as we were fired on from the trenches before we had been out two hours, and from that time on we were in danger from ambush, as our presence was known. Moreover, we had to drag our horses up the mountains and camp in the rain on the side of a hill without a fire to make coffee and not a stitch of canvas in the outfit.

The saddest thing I have seen was a company of the 3d Wisconsin marching in the funeral train of two of their number who were killed probably after the protocol was signed. It seemed so unnecessary, and the 'Dead March' from 'Saul' which the band played was harrowing. I can't help being glad the war is over. Any man who has been under fire and says he was not afraid is either a fool or a liar. There is no cowardice in being afraid. The question is whether a man does his duty in spite of his fear. . . . "

After the war was over, on September 5, 1898, General Wilson wrote from Ponce, Porto Rico, as follows:

‘Now that the war is over and we are about to return to the United States, I wish to inform you that the campaign which has just ended has more than confirmed the favourable opinion I formed at Chickamauga Park of the character and ability of Captain Augustus P. Gardner. He is a very able man with unusual aptitude for the duties of an adjutant-general. He is patient, painstaking, exact, and untiring in his work. Nothing ever deters him from getting to the bottom of any question, or of carrying through any duty entrusted to him. With a discriminating judgment and a certain understanding he has proven himself to be capable of mastering all duties of his rank and position, and I do not doubt, of any higher rank or station he might have been called upon to fill had the war continued. It is the unanimous opinion of those with whom he has been associated on my staff, as well as those at the headquarters of Generals Miles and Brooke, that he is so far as we know the best adjutant-general that has come into the Army from civil life during this war. Then, too, he is as brave and cool as any veteran under fire, and has not failed to seek service upon every occasion which promised to result in a skirmish or a battle.

It may interest you to know that in addition to recommending him for the position of Colonel of the Sixth Massachusetts because I thought him to be just the man to bring that regiment out of its difficulties, I have in my official report of operations recommended him for the rank of Major in the Adjutant-General’s Department, or failing in that, for the brevet of Major United States Volunteers for gallant and meritorious services in the Porto Rico campaign. . . . I do not know what Captain Gardner’s ambition or purpose in life may be, but I am sure there is no private or public position of usefulness to which he may not hopefully aspire, for if he carries into the effort to attain ends the same intelligence and serious earnestness of purpose which have characterized his services with me, he will most surely succeed. . . .

Yours sincerely,

James H. Wilson

Maj. Gen. Vols.’





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Captain Gardner made the official report of the Army of Invasion of Porto Rico on the school system and taxation system of the island, and later published in the Forum an article on educational matters in that island.

On his return from Porto Rico he was very ill with typhoid fever, and on his recovery, in February, 1899, he went to Europe with his family. In the fall of 1899 he was elected to the Massachusetts State Senate and served two terms there. He gave especial attention to military affairs and was on the Military Committee and Chairman of the Committee in his second term. January 7, 1901, he was commissioned Captain of Company E (Beverly), 8th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. He resigned January 13, 1903. On his resignation from the Senate in 1901 he was presented by his colleagues with a dress sword."

He was intensely interested in the military affairs of his state and nation during the succeeding years, as we will show later in the record of his service in Congress and on the public platform in his vigorous advocacy of national preparedness. Mrs. Gardner narrates that:—"For some time after the Spanish War, Gardner was a reserve officer in the United States Army, but finally resigned his commission. In December, 1916, when it looked as though America would go to war, he passed his physical examination successfully and re-entered the reserve. On February 3, 1917, the German Ambassador was handed his passports, and on February 14 Gardner received his commission, unsigned, but dated February 14, as Colonel in the Adjutant-General's Department. Events moved rapidly, and on April 6, 1917, the United States declared war on Germany.

Gardner proposed to resign at once from Congress and take up his commission in the Army. He was, however, a leading member of the Ways and Means Committee; the Revenue Bill was in Committee at that time, and at the request of the Speaker of the House and Chairman of the Ways and Means, Gardner remained in Congress till the Revenue Bill was reported and passed the House. On May 22 he resigned from Congress and on May 24 he was sworn into the service of the United

States, his commission was signed, and he was ordered to report to General Bell at Governor's Island, New York. . . . His first assignment, at Governor's Island, was from the end of May till the middle of August, 1917. He was then ordered to Camp Wheeler, Macon, Georgia, to the Thirty-first Division, commanded by General Kernan, and later by General Hayden. This was one of the new 'tent' camps, and Gardner found plenty of work waiting for him, as the place was by no means ready for troops.

On August 28, he wrote:— 'As you will see from the heading, I am still at a hotel, but I move into camp tomorrow. There are no troops here as yet except a few camp guards, etc. We are supposed to have a division of 24,000 men or thereabouts; but as a matter of fact there are (confidentially) only 14,000 National Guardsmen left available in the three States of Georgia, Alabama, and Florida. Unless we fill up with drafted men I don't know what we can do. I have six civilian clerks, all inexperienced. It has been pretty hard work, but the office is now running pretty well.'

'November 1, 1917

. . . About my movements I am entirely in the dark. I shall try to stop in Washington on my way to New York if we go via New York. . . . Very likely we shall be in camp near New York for quite a while.

On November 5: . . . Your letter of November 2d here just now. I do not know whether I am glad to go. I try not to reckon in the old terms of thought until the war is over. I hope I am ready for anything.

For some months he had been trying for a change from the Staff to the Line so that he could serve with troops. He wrote 'If I go abroad as a Staff Colonel I shall probably pass my time at a desk in an office in Chalôns, and see nothing.'

On December 7, he came to Washington and was then, at his own request 'demoted' from Colonel to Major. He was sworn in as a Major on December 8 and assigned to the command of a battalion in the One Hundred and Twenty-first (Georgia) Infantry. He was delighted with the change and returned to Macon in the best of health and spirits. From this time for a month he worked

early and late with his command, thinking from day to day that the overseas orders would come. His great desire was to serve in France with troops; but this was not to be."

*Distinguished Service Medal*

He was awarded a Distinguished Service Medal, posthumously, April 6, 1923, the decoration being sent to Mrs. Gardner by the then Secretary of War, Honorable John W. Weeks.

STATE SENATE — NATIONAL CONGRESS

As we have already stated he was elected to the Massachusetts Senate in 1899, where he served with great credit for two terms. The Gloucester Daily Times under date of May 9, 1902, stated he was the author of a number of progressive bills which attracted a great deal of public commendation. Perhaps his most conspicuous piece of work in the Legislature was in connection with the famous Subway Bill in 1901, which provided that the Boston Elevated Road should control the transportation of the City of Boston for forty years. Captain Gardner organized and led the opposition to this bill in the Senate, but was unable to defeat it. It was subsequently vetoed by the Governor, much to the approval of the people of Massachusetts. During the fight on this measure, Captain Gardner introduced a Bill providing that the Subway should be built and owned by the City of Boston, subject to the approval of the voters. In 1902 he was elected to Congress from the Sixth Massachusetts District, and his service was continuous until he resigned on May 22, 1917, to enter the United States Army. The great value of his long service in legislative halls is shown in the resolutions passed and the laudatory remarks made by his fellow members of Congress, following his lamented death. He was the leading apostle of national preparedness, both in and out of Congress, and he improved every opportunity possible in his efforts to arouse the country to its danger. No one can estimate the number of lives sacrificed because his early warnings went unheeded.

His constituents stood behind him in his last election

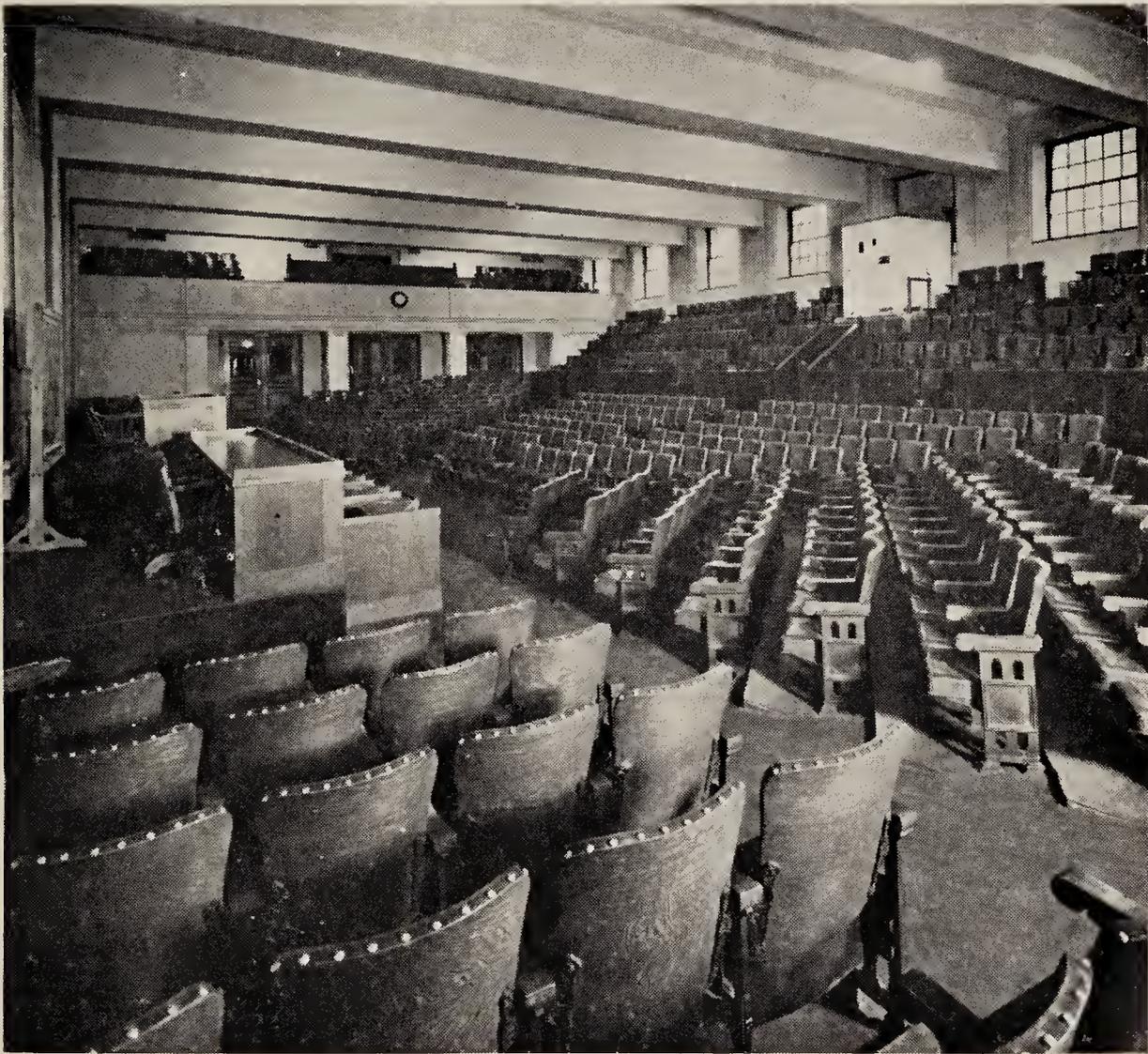
as attested by the following section of a letter to his daughter, written November 15, 1916:— "I was bitterly criticised. It was said that I was clamoring for a break with Germany, which is practically true. I was accused of a desire to force this country into war, which is not true." When the votes were counted he had 21,905 votes against his Democratic opponent's 8563 votes. He exceeded his plurality of two years before by over 1100 votes. He had the biggest plurality of any Congressman from Massachusetts. He ran 10,000 votes ahead of Hughes in his district and 7000 votes ahead of McCall. The vote indicated that the pro-Ally sentiment was deep and strong.

#### WIFE

Augustus P. Gardner married, June 11, 1892, Constance Lodge, daughter of Honorable Henry Cabot and Anna Cabot Mills (Davis) Lodge. She was born in Paris April 6, 1872. The marriage was a very happy one and the deep bond of love and sympathy between them is markedly evident in the very appreciative memorials which she has written:— "Augustus Peabody Gardner" (1919), and "Letters of Augustus P. Gardner" (1920). She married second, April 7, 1923, Major-General Clarence Charles Williams, United States Army. They reside in Washington, D. C., and Sagamore Farm, Hamilton, Massachusetts, in the summer.

He died at the Base Hospital, Camp Wheeler, Georgia, on January 14, 1918, at the age of fifty-two years. The news of his untimely death caused widespread sorrow. In Congress the following action was taken:—

"Proceedings in the Congress of the United States on the occasion of announcement of the death of Major Augustus P. Gardner, U. S. N. G., including addresses by Hon. W. W. Lufkin, of Massachusetts; Hon. John W. Weeks, of Massachusetts; Hon. Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio, in the United States Senate and the House of Representatives, Tuesday, January 15, 1918 and Thursday, January 17, 1918, and a copy of Resolutions adopted by the Massachusetts Delegation in the House of Representatives.



GARDNER AUDITORIUM, MASSACHUSETTS STATE HOUSE, BOSTON  
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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 15, 1918

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. Henry N. Coudon, D. D., offered the following prayer:

O Lord God, our heavenly Father, our hearts turn to Thee in fervent prayer for all who are suffering the rigors of an exceptionally severe winter, especially those who have been and are without fuel in their homes; and may we pray most fervently that wind and wave may be tempered to our soldiers and sailors.

Our hearts are touched by the news of the death of one who filled a conspicuous place on the floor of this House for many years, and was first to resign his position to follow the flag in defense of the principles he upheld as a Representative and a statesman. Comfort, we beseech Thee, those who know and admired him.

Hear us, we pray Thee, in the name of Him who said: "I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth on me shall never die." Amen.

## DEATH OF MAJ. AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER

MR. GILLETT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. Lufkin) have permission to address the House for 19 minutes.

THE SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

MR. LUFKIN. Mr. Speaker, it is with profound sorrow that I rise to announce the death of my predecessor in this House, our colleague for the past 15 years, Maj. Augustus P. Gardner. At 5.05 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the base hospital at Camp Wheeler, Ga., Maj. Gardner answered his last roll call either as a legislator or as a soldier, a victim of camp pneumonia.

With the same courage which he ever displayed as a Member of this House, with the same fortitude which characterized his action when the President called for volunteers, Augustus P. Gardner cheerfully answered the command of that Great General from above and gave his

life as a sacrifice to the cause for which he had not only preached but practiced, the future safety of our country.

I think I can truthfully say that Maj. Gardner was the first man in the American Congress to warn his fellow countrymen of the importance and necessity of strengthening our national defenses in every way possible. It was characteristic of the man, therefore, that when America was called upon to do her part in the wide-world war now upon us that Augustus P. Gardner should be the first Member of this House to resign his seat and offer his services to his country's call. It was further characteristic of the man, after a service of a few months in the United States Army, to establish the almost unknown precedent of asking for a demotion from a colonel on the staff to a major in the line in order that he might more fittingly fight his share of our Nation's battles.

It was the privilege of you men here to have been associated with Augustus P. Gardner as a legislator, some during his entire service, others for a much shorter period. It was my privilege however to have been associated with him in a more personal manner, as his secretary, as his political associate, and as my dearest and best friend and benefactor during a service of nearly sixteen years. I knew him before he became a Member of this body, I knew him as a Member, and I knew him as a soldier of the United States. He was always the same. The office or the uniform made no difference. He was always a man in all that the term implies.

You who have served with him, whether it be as an associate on this side of the Chamber or as an opponent on the other side, know that when he fought it was with both hands and with all the strength at his command. But you also know that Augustus P. Gardner never struck a blow below the belt and never took an unfair advantage of an adversary. And if this applies to this House, it also applies to his private life and to his long list of political campaigns in Massachusetts. His friends loved him; his opponents admired him as a man who did not know the meaning of the word deceit and whose whole lexicon was based on the theory of justice and fair treatment toward his fellow man.

Mr. Speaker, there will probably be many more sacrifices of good and true men before this terrible war is over. But when history is finally written, when the toll is at last complete, I am proud to think that there will be no soldier, be he officer or private, of whom it can more truly be said—

He was a man,

Take him for all in all;

I shall not look upon his like again—

Than your former colleague, my friend and benefactor, a statesman, a soldier, and, best of all, a man, Augustus P. Gardner.

MR. KITCHEN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the resolutions which I send to the Clerk's desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Maj. Augustus Peabody Gardner, formerly a Member of this Congress, and who resigned therefrom to enter the military service of the United States, and whose death occurred at Camp Wheeler, Ga., on Monday the 14th day of January, 1918.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

MR. KITCHEN. Mr. Speaker, I hope, subject to the approval of the family, to offer a resolution later for holding the funeral services, either in the House or the Rotunda of the Capitol.

The Clerk read the further resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, this House do now adjourn.

THE SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the resolutions?

There was no objection.

The resolutions were agreed to.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 14 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, January 16, 1918, at 12 o'clock.

## SENATE

Tuesday, January 15, 1918

## DEATH OF MAJOR AUGUSTUS PEABODY GARDNER

A message from the House of Representatives, by G. F. Turner, transmitted to the Senate resolutions on the death of Maj. Augustus Peabody Gardner, formerly a Member of this Congress and who resigned therefrom to enter the military service of the United States.

THE VICE PRESIDENT. The Chair lays before the Senate resolutions from the House of Representatives, which will be read.

The Secretary read as follows: (House resolutions as above given).

MR. WEEKS. Mr. President, I send the following resolutions to the desk, which I ask may be read, and I ask unanimous consent for their immediate consideration.

THE VICE PRESIDENT. The resolutions will be read.

The resolutions were read, considered by unanimous consent, and unanimously agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Maj. Augustus Peabody Gardner, formerly a Member of this Congress, and who resigned therefrom to enter the military service of the United States, and whose death occurred at Camp Wheeler, Ga., on Monday the 14th day of January, 1918.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

MR. WEEKS. Mr. President, I think these resolutions are without precedent. I am confident, however, that there can be no objection, but hearty approval of their purpose. Maj. Gardner, whose death was announced in this morning's papers, was elected a Member of the present Congress. He was the first Member to resign his seat to go into the military service, and the body of which he was a Member has to-day taken similar action to that proposed in these resolutions, and has adjourned out of respect to his memory.

I am very glad that this gives me an opportunity to make one or two comments which I think may not be

out of place at this time. Mr. Gardner was a man of strong views. It was not necessary to agree with his conclusions in order to recognize his courage and independence of expression. That has been typical of his career during the 16 years he served in the House of Representatives. His early training led him to have positive views on the question of his country's preparedness. More than 20 years ago he was a member of the Massachusetts State Senate and chairman of the military committee of that body. Later he served with credit in the Spanish-American War. He has served in the Massachusetts Militia, and his natural aptitude and taste for military subjects were instrumental in bringing him to the conclusion that this Government was totally unprepared and it would be criminally negligent to allow such a condition to continue. Having these views coupled with the enthusiasm of the evangelist, he did not hesitate to strike and strike hard in advocacy of their adoption. It may be justly said of him that he had quite as much to do as any other man in centering attention on our military condition and military necessities. Moreover, he not only preached but he acted, and when we declared war, although he had passed the meridian of life, he did not hesitate to go into the service in a branch of the Army suitable for one of his years and physical condition. But even this did not satisfy his sense of obligation and duty, for he voluntarily—and this is one of the few instances in my knowledge of such action being taken—asked that he be demoted from the rank of colonel to that of major so that he might serve in the line with troops. By doing so he has set an example to the youth of this country of inestimable value, especially to the large number of young men with whom we are more or less familiar who have endeavored to get into branches of the service not connected with the fighting forces. In serving his country he has met his death with as much courage and devotion as if he had lost his life in the trenches of France. It is for these reasons, the lesson which his life carries, and because of his being a Member of this Congress, that I move the adoption of the resolutions.

Mr. President, I move as a further mark of respect

to the memory of the deceased, that the Senate do now adjourn.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and (at 4 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, January 16, 1918, at 12 o'clock meridian.

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, January 17, 1918

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

#### THE LATE MAJ. AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER

MR. LONGWORTH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to address the House for seven minutes.

THE SPEAKER. The gentleman asks unanimous consent to address the House for seven minutes. Is there objection? (After a pause) The Chair hears none.

MR. LONGWORTH. Mr. Speaker, at 2 o'clock this afternoon, at St. John's Church in the city of Washington, and prior to his burial at Arlington, will be held the funeral services of a man who was the well-beloved friend of practically every Member of this House.

Had it been left to Congress to make decision, this ceremony would have been solemnized in the Capitol of the United States and would have been of proportions in a greater degree commensurate with our conception of the magnitude of the services he rendered to the Nation. We have yielded only to the express desire of his family, for a ceremony more significant of the admirable simplicity of his character, which we, his colleagues and companions, have understood perhaps better than any other men.

To each one of us, and man after man during the past two days has said it in my hearing, the death of Maj. Augustus Peabody Gardner assumes the proportions of a grave individual loss. To myself, and I hope that I may be pardoned the personal touch, it is comparable only to that of a member of my immediate family. For years he and I have been the closest sort of friends, and our friendship grew as the years advanced.

It so happened that many important events in our lives

were curiously similar. Though he was a few years older than I, we were born upon the same day, and for the past 25 years at least not a 5th of November passed without our exchanging felicitations by telegraph or cable. On the same day we were elected to our first public office of importance, he to the Massachusetts Senate, I to the Ohio House of Representatives. Four years later, on the 5th of November, 1902, we were both elected to Congress. From then on no two men here, I think, were in more intimate, almost daily, association. We used to discuss most fully and frankly the details, from every angle, of conditions existing in our respective districts and our methods of meeting them. As a rule our discussions ended in substantial agreement; not infrequently, however, they resulted in the tacit understanding that if I could not be elected a county sheriff in his district he could not be elected a ward constable in mine.

As events proved, he was right more often than I because his service was continuous while mine, as you know, was interrupted.

He was a sturdy friend, a wonderful companion, and I shall miss him sadly.

To the country Gardner's taking off, particularly at this time, is a loss of monumental proportions, if not entirely irreparable. Putting aside all question of his proved usefulness in many legislative fields, he had in the last few years so made himself the very cornerstone in Congress of the structure of national military preparedness that we shall search in vain, I fear, for one to fill his place. Where shall we find another with a knowledge of military technique so complete, an energy so vast, a purpose to force home the truth so indomitable?

His voice was the first raised in Congress for preparedness without reserve and without equivocation. Unfortunately, for many months it was a "vox clamantis in deserto" and fell unheeded upon the ear of men in high places. Where now, though, is the man who will deny that had greater heed been paid to his warnings and action founded upon them this country would be playing a far more active and efficient part in the war, that our

ultimate cost in blood and treasure would have been infinitely less, and the day of victory far advanced?

Whether or not Gardner became discouraged at the failure of his preachments to be translated into action, the fact is that more than a year ago, he decided that his best sphere of usefulness lay in active military service. He reached this conclusion against the advice of many of his friends, and I was one of them who believed that he ought to stay in Congress, not only because of his unique knowledge of military and naval subjects and the service he had rendered, and would be able in even greater degree to render, to the cause of preparedness, but because of his physical condition, being aware that though he was an active and vigorous man, his heart was not just what it ought to be. He would not listen to us, though, and a year ago last December he passed the examinations as a reserve officer of the Spanish War, which made him eligible for and subject to active duty. In May soon after a state of war was declared, he received his summons, resigned his seat in Congress, and joined the colors with the rank of colonel.

Here again, in a new field of activity, Gardner proved a unique figure. He is the first military officer of the United States, so far as my knowledge goes, who was demoted in rank at his own request. His ambition was for active service at the front, not for rank. He wanted to get to France, and felt that his chances for such service were better as a major in the field than as a colonel on staff duty.

Death alone foiled his ambition, but it was a death which will be held, I am satisfied, in the mature judgment of his countrymen to have been fully as glorious as if it had come upon the battle fields of France and under the guns of the enemy.

When the history of these times is written, when the services of men to the American Nation in this, its time of greatest need, and their contribution to the ultimate victory which we will, must, and shall win are duly weighed and appraised by posterity, I predict with perfect confidence that high upon the roll of honor will be

written the name of Augustus Peabody Gardner, statesman, patriot, and gallant gentleman. (Applause.)

#### RECESS

MR. KITCHEN. Mr. Speaker, in order to give the Members of the House an opportunity to attend the funeral services of the late Augustus P. Gardner, and as a further mark of respect to his memory, I ask unanimous consent that the House shall stand in recess from 1.45 p. m. to-day until 3 o'clock p. m.

THE SPEAKER. The gentleman from North Carolina asks unanimous consent that the House shall stand in recess from 1.45 p. m. until 3 o'clock p. m. in order to enable the Members to attend the funeral of Maj. Gardner. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 11, 1918

THE SPEAKER. The gentleman from Massachusetts asks unanimous consent to extend his remarks in the RECORD by printing the resolutions of the Massachusetts delegation touching the death of Maj. Augustus P. Gardner. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

MR. LUFKIN. Mr. Speaker, in accordance with the permission given me by the House, I am presenting below a copy of the resolutions adopted by the members of the Massachusetts delegation in the House of Representatives on the death of their former colleague, Maj. Augustus P. Gardner. These resolutions were signed by every member of the delegation, regardless of party.

#### MEMORIAL

We, the members of the Massachusetts delegation to the United States House of Representatives, subscribe to this memorial to the late Maj. Augustus Peabody Gardner, in manifestation of our deep affection for him and our high appreciation of his life service to his country. In his death we suffer the great personal loss of men who have known, from intimate association with him, his personal graciousness, charm, and unswerving loyalty.

We shall not, in this memorial, indeed we need not, make allusion to Maj. Gardner's high character, his great and varied abilities, his unrelenting industry, his stalwart and forceful personality. These are known to all men. We desire rather to refer to one phase of his career—the phase which history will emphasize as his greatest contribution to his country.

Maj. Gardner was in the truest and largest sense the proponent in the United States of the movement for its adequate military and naval defense. Before the echoes of the battle of the Marne had ceased Maj. Gardner had embarked upon his campaign. To it, for more than three years, he devoted himself, body and mind, with an energy and absorption which have seldom been equalled. It was a task requiring genuine courage and perseverance to arouse a peace-loving Nation to realization of the dangers of aggression from over seas. He met opposition, censure, and even insult. Undismayed and undeterred, however, he pressed unswervingly onward. The Nation has at length recognized the dangers which he foretold and the need of the remedies for which he appealed. To-day we are able to appraise, although, perhaps, still imperfectly, the supreme importance of the mission which he made his.

When war came to the Nation he at once resigned his seat in the House of Representatives. The insistent advocate in time of peace of national defense became in time of war one of the Nation's active defenders. His resignation in order to enter the Army was characteristic of the man, and indeed to those who knew him, inevitable. He deemed it his duty to fight. However great the sacrifice, he instantly made the decision and gave up the high place in Congress which 15 years of earnest labor had won for him.

Perhaps in a measure his life work—the awakening of the Nation—is accomplished. We hope that he died with that thought to comfort him. We hope that to his family there may be solace in the knowledge. But we wish that his great desire might have been fulfilled—the desire for which he sought and obtained not promo-

tion in rank—the desire to go “over the top” in command of his men and in defense of his country.

He was a true friend, a true man, a true patriot.

We shall miss him every day.

Frederick H. Gillett.	George Holden Tinkham.
William S. Greene.	Joseph Walsh.
Samuel E. Winslow.	Calvin D. Paige.
John Jacob Rogers.	Frederick W. Dallinger.
Allen T. Treadway.	Peter F. Tague.
Michael F. Phelan.	Alvan T. Fuller.
Richard Olney.	James A. Gallivan.
William H. Carter.	Wilfred W. Lufkin.

Action of a similar nature was taken by the authorities of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.—“Provisions for official representation of the state at the funeral of Major Augustus P. Gardner were made by the Governor and the Legislature today. In a special message to the Legislature, Governor McCall referred appropriately to the public service of Major Gardner and the Senate and House adopted in concurrence, resolutions providing that the governor should designate State officials to attend the funeral services. In his message to the Legislature the governor said:

“Jan. 15, 1918.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives: You have already been informed through the newspapers of the great loss sustained by the country and the Commonwealth in the death of Major Augustus P. Gardner. His life was closely identified with Massachusetts. It was here that he was born. He served honorably in the National House of Representatives, where he met with the acclaim of his comrades and where he was always a vigilant supporter of her interests, which to his patriotic vision was always identical with the interests of the country. He was a member of the State Militia and at the outbreak of the Spanish war he entered the National service. After the declaration of the existence of a state of war between this country and the German Empire, he again entered the service of the country under circumstances which did him especial honor; and

yesterday he yielded up his life as much for his country as if he had fallen upon the field of battle.

We have been informed that his funeral will be held in Washington and that he is not to be brought to Massachusetts. In view of all the circumstances of his career it seems to me fitting that the Commonwealth should be represented at his funeral, and I therefore recommend that you take such action as seems to you suitable.

(Signed) Samuel W. McCall."

The resolutions adopted follow:

"Resolved, That the General Court of Massachusetts learns with profound sorrow of the untimely death of Augustus Peabody Gardner, whose high minded and conscientious service in the State Senate for the years 1900 and 1901 and likewise in the State Militia, was the prelude to his distinguished and patriotic career in Congress and in the military forces of the United States:

"Resolved, That it is a source of pride to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts that one of her loyal sons should so bravely lead in the movement for national preparedness and that in leaving the forum for the camp, he was living true to the best traditions of the Nation and of the State, whose honor and welfare were more precious to him than life or fortune.

"Resolved, that copies of these resolutions be sent by the secretary of the Commonwealth to his widow and family and that it is the sense of the General Court, that his excellency the governor, designate representatives of the Commonwealth to attend the funeral."

Governor McCall appointed a committee in accordance with the resolutions, as follows:— Lieutenant Governor Calvin Coolidge, Hon. Henry G. Wells, President of the Senate, and Hon. Channing Cox, Speaker of the House.

The Boston Transcript of Jan. 15th, 1918, contained the following: "Prominent men of Massachusetts, several of whom were the associates of Major Augustus Peabody Gardner in Congress, last night expressed their sorrow at the news of his death. All of them paid tribute to him, giving voice to their admiration of the qualities which made him respected as a brilliant and fearless statesman, a brave and efficient soldier and a true friend. "Major

Gardner," said Governor McCall, "was a brilliant and brave man and a patriot who was ready to give his country the best that was in him, both in peace and war. His loss is a great one, not only to his friends but to the country. He will be deeply mourned throughout the whole Commonwealth, and far beyond its borders."

Former Governor David I. Walsh said: "The news of Major Gardner's sudden death strikes a very tender chord in all our hearts. The circumstances under which he surrendered his life are as thrilling and inspiring as if he had died upon the battlefield. How fitting that he of all our public men, should end his career in the noblest office a man can hold—a soldier of his country. . . . Augustus Peabody Gardner was a strong, broad minded, fighting man. His long and honorable service to Massachusetts and the nation, in peace and war, should make us all proud to have lived and served with such an American. His death speaks all the more eloquently to us because it comes in the middle of a service which gave unmistakable proof that he lived and died for the principles he pleaded so vigorously for in public office. The silent thought that comes to each one who reads the story of his life and the announcement of his death will make us all better Americans."

Hon. Charles Sumner Bird, paid the following tribute: "Augustus P. Gardner was a vigorous and picturesque campaigner. He was a strong patriot and personally a man of lovable nature." Many others expressed their sorrow and their great personal loss in the death of their friend.

Major General Wilson, his commander in Porto Rico, wrote as follows:

"January 15, 1918

Mrs. Augustus P. Gardner.

My Dear Madam:

I am stunned and deeply grieved by Major Gardner's death, and I offer you and your family my profoundest sympathy. From the Spanish War to the present time I have watched his career with a deep interest. As a staff officer he was unrivalled in his constant and intelligent devotion to duty and I never knew a man from civil

life who so quickly and so thoroughly familiarized himself with his technical duties, or who performed them with such marked ability. But that was not all. He was always, night and day, at his post, and in the hour of action never failed to offer himself for duty with the troops.

At the affair of Coamo, Porto Rico, he accompanied the turning column with Colonel, now Major General Biddle, and by putting himself with the very front of the fighting line showed the very highest qualities of a soldier.

As a Congressman he was full of patriotic ardor and interest in the National welfare, and no man could dispute the correctness of his general course. After so many years of service as a Representative, his resignation from Congress to re-enter the Army filled his friends and the Country with admiration. . . .

That such a man should be carried away at the beginning of a new, and what must have been a successful, era of his useful and honourable life is hard, indeed, and must be profoundly regretted by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

May God rest his soul in peace! And may his fame continue to grow with the constituency which honoured itself so signally in honouring him for so many years as its Representative in Congress!

Again assuring you of my sincere regret and sympathy, I beg you to believe me,

Faithfully your friend

James H. Wilson."

General Ernst, who commanded the First Brigade in Porto Rico, sent the following letter:

"January 17, 1918

My Dear Mrs. Gardner:

Will you allow an old admirer of your husband, tho' a stranger to you, to offer a word of sympathy in your terrible grief? Twenty years ago, in Porto Rico, I was a witness of the aptitude, zeal, and gallantry which he brought to the military service, and I have been an interested observer of his public career ever since. I appre-

ciate more than most how great a National loss his death is.

It must be poor consolation to you to feel that you have the sympathy of the entire Nation, and, poor as it is, I beg you to accept my contribution, which is great and sincere.

Yours very sincerely  
O. H. Ernst."

Former President Theodore Roosevelt wrote:

"Sagamore Hill, May 6, 1918

My Dear Constance:

When the war came, Gussy's nature was stirred to the depths; he has left us as fine a memory as young Shaw or Lowell in the Civil War—a heritage of honour to all who come after him; and to my own children's children it will be a matter of pride that I was his friend.

No man in the country rose to the needs as he rose; and the last three years of his life left me his debtor as well as his friend.

Ever yours  
Theodore Roosevelt."

We are indebted to Mrs. Gardner for the following fine summary:—

"It is hard to sum up the character of such a man in a few words, and when we are very near to him it is increasingly difficult. I think he had the finest sense of justice of any one I ever knew, and all his life he played fair. He was gentle in the best meaning of the word, and his loyalty was of the highest kind. He never had a dishonest or dishonourable thought and always, in every step of his career, he placed ideals above expediency.

He is buried in the National Cemetery at Arlington, and in that vast sepulchre of noble hearts, there sleeps no finer patriot or more gallant gentleman."

Child:

238. CONSTANCE, b. Oct. 7, 1894; m. 1st, July 24, 1915, Grafton Winthrop Minot, b. Oct. 17, 1892, s. of Joseph Grafton and Honora Elizabeth Temple (Winthrop) Minot. He grad. Harvard, 1915; banker. 1st Lieut. Ordnance Dept. U. S. A. In France Dec. 1917 to June, 1918; in England June to Aug., 1918; Genl. Hdqt., Chaumont,

France, Aug. to Sept., 1918; Capt. Ordnance O. R. C. 1920. Clubs: St. James (London); Knickerbocker, Racquet, Tennis. Brook (New York); Somerset, Tavern and Racquet (Boston). Res., 7 East 40th Street, New York.<sup>23</sup> She divorced him in 1922. Children: i. William Amory Gardner, b. Berlin, Germany, Dec. 8, 1916. ii. Anna Lodge, b. Washington, D. C., Dec. 12, 1917. Married 2nd, William Gordon Means, b. Boston, Apr. 20, 1884, s. Robert Lawrence and Jessie (Whitman) Means. They were m. Washington, D. C., 1924. Grad. Harvard College, A.B. 1906. He entered the employ of O'Brien, Russell & Co., in 1908, and was admitted to the firm 1918; retired in 1928 to engage in real estate. Trustee estate of Arthur Little, 1925. North End Savings Bank. During the World War he served as a private in 403d Company, V. B., U. S. M. C., and was stationed on Paris Island, S. C. Disch. 1919. Trustee, Boston Society of Natural History. Clubs: Somerset, Manchester Yacht, and Harvard of New York. Republican. Office, 12 Pearl St., Boston. Res., Hale St., Beverly, Mass.<sup>24</sup> Child: iii. Augustus Gardner, b. June 7, 1925. She divorced him. Married 3rd, Philadelphia, Pa., June 4, 1930, Presley Morgan Taylor, s. of Admiral Harry C. Taylor, U. S. N. Residence, Philadelphia, Pa.; summer res., Hamilton, Mass.

212. George Peabody Gardner,<sup>10</sup> (George A.,<sup>9</sup> John L.,<sup>8</sup> Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), financier and philanthropist, son of George Augustus and Eliza Endicott (Peabody) Gardner, was born in Boston, November 19, 1855. He was graduated from Harvard College with the degree of A. B. in 1877.

*George Peabody Gardner*

He entered his father's office at 22 Congress Street, soon after his graduation. He continued at this address until

<sup>23</sup> Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy, v. I, pp. 202-3.

<sup>24</sup> Who's Who in the East, p. 1450.



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and GEORGE PEABODY GARDNER, 3rd, 247



1911, when he removed to State Street, where he was located for many years, changing to 10 Post Office Square in 1932. He established his home at 186 Beacon Street, following his marriage in 1884 and this has continued to be his city residence ever since. His summer home is at Monument Beach, in Bourne, Massachusetts.

Mr. Gardner has led a very active life in financial and corporation circles and his interests have been extensive and varied. He is president of the Provident Institution for Savings; vice-president of the Chicago Junction R. R. and Union Stockyards Company; director of the State Street Exchange, American Telephone and Telegraph Co., Union Freight R. R. Co., First National Bank, Old Colony Trust Co., Old Colony R. R., International General Electric Co., and the General Electric Co. He has been actively and intimately connected with the development of two of the largest industrial concerns in the country, namely, the General Electric Company and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, having served not only as a director of the former since 1895, but as a member of the executive committee since 1906, and as a director of the latter since 1912, and as a member of the executive committee since 1919. He is also president of the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company and the Amoskeag Company.<sup>25</sup> The management of the family estates has made great demands upon his time.<sup>26</sup>

#### REAL ESTATE.

In addition to the Beacon Street property, he has among other holdings, ownership interests in Roque and adjacent islands off the coast of eastern Maine and in Bourne, Massachusetts.

#### CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

He was appointed a manager of this institution in 1885; vice-president in 1900, holding that office until 1917, when he was elected president, continuing in that office until 1930, when he resigned. His letter of resigna-

<sup>25</sup> Who's Who in America," 1930-31, pp. 883-4.

<sup>26</sup> Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, book 2267, leaf 610.

tion to George von L. Meyer, secretary, read as follows: "I herewith present my resignation as president of the Children's Hospital. I have esteemed it a great honor to serve in that capacity and no more appropriate time than the present for relinquishing this position is likely to occur. The hospital is fortunate in having a devoted board of managers and the generosity of the public have made it possible to undertake the more urgent needs. The Children's Hospital must always remain one of the major interests of my life. The institution has grown from a hospital of eighty beds to one of more than three hundred beds. The operating expenses in 1885 were \$30,000 a year, as compared with \$480,000 in 1930." The report of the board of managers, 1930, contained the following: "The regrettable event was the resignation of Mr. George P. Gardner as President. Fortunately he continues as a manager, in which capacity he has served since 1885, and we shall continue to have the benefit of his valuable counsel and his sound judgment. He was unanimously elected President Emeritus of the Hospital."<sup>27</sup> He laid the cornerstone of "Gardner House,"<sup>28</sup> presented to the hospital largely through his generosity and that of other members of his family. He is a member of the board of managers of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and has twice served as president of that institution.<sup>29</sup>

#### BOSTON MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS.

He was elected a trustee of the museum, May 6, 1914, in place of Gardiner M. Lane (deceased). In 1914, he became chairman of the visiting committee of the department of prints, continuing until 1931, when he became trustee visitor to that department. October 16, 1924, he was elected acting president of the museum "to fill vacancy caused by the death of Thomas Allen and to serve until the annual meeting in January, 1925." He was

<sup>27</sup> Children's Hospital, Records and "Report of the Board of Managers," 1930.

<sup>28</sup> Boston Evening Transcript, May 2 and 29, 1929.

<sup>29</sup> Boston Evening Transcript, Sept. 19, 1931.

elected vice-president January 21, 1926 and has been re-elected each year since then.<sup>30</sup>

#### ST. MARK'S SCHOOL.

He is trustee and vice-president of St. Mark's School in Southborough and in 1923 gave a sixty-five-acre tract of land in that town, known as "the Southborough golf links," "for the use of the faculty and students." The property was described as "extending from Latisquama to the Cordaville roads, opposite the rural cemetery, and in excellent condition."<sup>31</sup>

#### CHURCH.

He is a prominent member of the Church of the Advent in Boston and was elected to membership in the Corporation of the Parish, April 7, 1890. On March 30, 1891, he was elected treasurer of the corporation and served until December 4, 1916, when he resigned. April 8, 1901, he was elected junior warden, continuing in that office until December 3, 1917, when he was made senior warden, which position he still holds.<sup>32</sup> In addition to these activities in the local church, he is treasurer of "The Society for the Relief of Aged or Disabled Episcopal Clergymen," and president of the Trustees of Donations of the Protestant Episcopal Church.<sup>33</sup>

#### MILITARY.

He was a member of the First Corps of Cadets and April 16, 1881, was appointed captain and A. D. C. of the Second Brigade Staff, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. He resigned February 21, 1882.<sup>34</sup>

He is a member of the Harvard, Somerset, and Country Clubs of Boston and the Harvard and University Clubs of New York. He is also a colonial member of the New

<sup>30</sup> Records of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

<sup>31</sup> Boston Herald, Nov. 17, 1923, and Oct. 18, 1924.

<sup>32</sup> Harold Jefferson Coolidge, Esq., Secretary, Church of the Advent.

<sup>33</sup> Ibid.

<sup>34</sup> Massachusetts Military Archives.

England Historic Genealogical Society and a life member of the Essex Institute.

WIFE.

He married June 11, 1884, in St. Mark's Church, Southborough, Massachusetts, Miss Esther Burnett, daughter of Joseph and Josephine (Cutter) Burnett.<sup>35</sup> Her brother, Edward Burnett, married Mabel, daughter of Hon. James Russell Lowell.<sup>36</sup>

Children:

239. CATHARINE ELIZABETH, b. Southborough, June 25, 1885; m. first, June 29, 1907, Rev. Francis Buckner Boyer, of Philadelphia, b. Dec. 20, 1879, s. of Samuel Herbert and Sophia Mary (Buckner) Boyer. He died in Boston, July 4, 1929.<sup>37</sup> She divorced him June 6, 1922, and she had her name changed to Catharine Gardner, Nov. 22, 1923. She m. second, Aug. 15, 1932, at Ventura, Cal., William Mayer Mayes. Children: i. Esther Gardner, b. Boston, Mar. 27, 1908. Her name was changed by act of court to Gardner.<sup>38</sup> She married in Boston, December 1, 1928, Arnold W. Jones, b. Mar. 2, 1904, s. of John D. E. and Margaret (Arnold) Jones, of Providence, R. I. He was graduated at Yale in 1925. He was captain of the Yale tennis team and captain of the Yale-Harvard tennis team that played Oxford-Cambridge in 1924 and was also on the Davis Cup team in the winter of 1928. He is a member of Psi Upsilon, Wolf's Head, Phi Beta Kappa, Agawam Hunt Club, Hope Club, and the University Club of New Haven, Conn. He was elected to the Rhode Island House of Representatives from the 2nd Rep. District, November, 1932. He is a broker in Providence, R. I.<sup>39</sup> ii. Francis Buckner, b. Boston, May 15, 1910; d. Sept. 17, 1910.
240. GEORGE PEABODY, b. Boston, Jan. 28, 1888; m. Jan. 28, 1913. Rose Phinney Grosvenor.

220. Major Robert Waterman Gardner<sup>10</sup> (Maj. Hezekiah,<sup>9</sup> Austin,<sup>8</sup> John,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup>

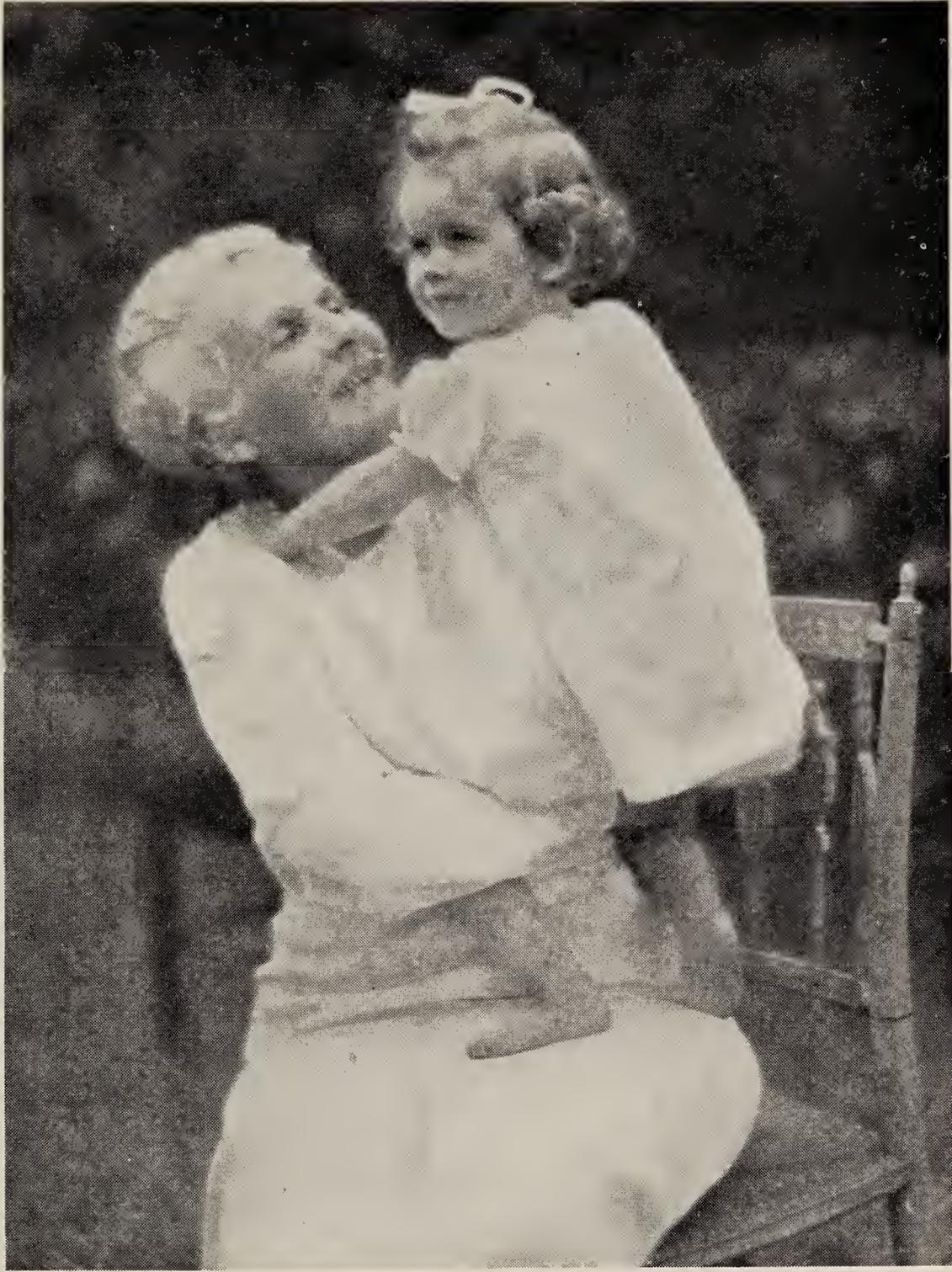
<sup>35</sup> Essex Institute Historical Collections, v. LXI, p. 296.

<sup>36</sup> Lowell Family, pp. 60-61.

<sup>37</sup> Records of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

<sup>38</sup> Vital Records, Massachusetts State House.

<sup>39</sup> Boston Herald, Sept. 14, 1928.



MRS. ESTHER (BURNETT) GARDNER, WIFE OF GEORGE PEABODY GARDNER, Sr., 212  
AND HER GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER, MARGARET ARNOLD JONES



Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>) elder son of Major Hezekiah and Eliza (Wheeler) Gardner, was born in Jackson, Mississippi, November 17, 1866. He married 1st, in Elmira, N. Y., October 19, 1893, Eleanor O'Neill. Married 2nd, in New York City, April 20, 1926, Elizabeth Randolph Royce, sculptor. She was born in Philadelphia, October 8, 1882, the daughter of Nathaniel Archer and Anna Louisa (Head) Randolph. She had married first, Edward Royce, in 1910. She was educated at Julian Academy and studied with Auguste Rodin, in Paris, France; in England, Holland, Belgium and Italy. She has executed statues of Andrew D. White, Ignace Paderewski, and others; has also done many wall paintings, statuettes, statues, etc.<sup>40</sup> Major Gardner was educated at the Central High School in Buffalo, 1886; studied architecture under Vaux and Radford, Clarence Luce, 1887-91. Member American Institute Archaeology, The Old Planters Society, Craftsman Society, and the American Institute of Architecture. Church: Episcopal. Engaged in practice in New York, 1904; lecturer on reinforced concrete, New York University; Trustee, Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences; Major Ordnance Department, U. S. Reserves; member of the New York State Veteran Corps Artillery during the World War. In 1925 the New York University Press published his book, "The Parthenon; Its Science of Forms." It described his discovery of the proportioning and measurements by the Pythagorean or Euclidean method used by the Greeks in building the Parthenon and other temples, and by Phideus in laying out the sculpture in the frieze, metopes and pediments of the temple. Recently he has discovered in Plato, Republic, Book X, and in the Timaeus, a complete description of the method (in the form of the myth of Er) which completely confirms his deductions (made from the measurements of Penrose, published 1846). He is now working on a supplementary chapter for the New York University Publishing Company, which will clear up the "dark spots" in Plato and give the original secret "numbers" of the Parthenon. Office, 123 William Street, New

<sup>40</sup> Who's Who in America.

York City; residence, 2475 Palisade Avenue, Spuyten Duyvil, New York.

Child:

241. PERSIS BROOKS, b. June 27, 1899; d. 1910.

**225. Gustave DeForest Gardner**<sup>10</sup> (Maj. Hezekiah,<sup>9</sup> Austin,<sup>8</sup> John,<sup>7</sup> Daniel,<sup>6</sup> Ens. Daniel,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born in Hammondsport, New York, November 8, 1876, the son of Major Hezekiah and Eliza (Wheeler) Gardner. He was a student at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, New York (Academic Department) in the year 1892 and later graduated from the Albany Law School. He was admitted to the bar as an attorney and counsellor-at-law in the New York Court of Records, in November, 1898, and had a law office in Steuben County, later becoming connected with the New York City office of the Equitable Life Insurance Company. In 1913 he passed the civil service examination and was appointed Insurance Examiner, which position he held at the time of his death. He was very patriotic and much disappointed at not being permitted to enlist in the World War, owing to a heart affection. He was very loyal to the town of his birth and upon the death of his father, Major Hezekiah Gardner, he purchased the homestead at Hammondsport, which is now in the possession of his children. He was a member of the Immanuel Church, Westerleigh, Staten Island (Undenominational), and also a member of the Deems Literary Society. His special hobby was chess, at which he was very proficient. He married, in Westerleigh, Staten Island, New York, June 9, 1908, Blanche Cutler, born in 1874, the daughter of William Henry and Annie M. (Standring) Cutler. He died in Staten Island, April 12, 1920, in his 44th year. His widow resides at 141 Fisk Avenue, Staten Island, New York.

Children:

242. NANCY BELLE, b. Mar. 19, 1909.

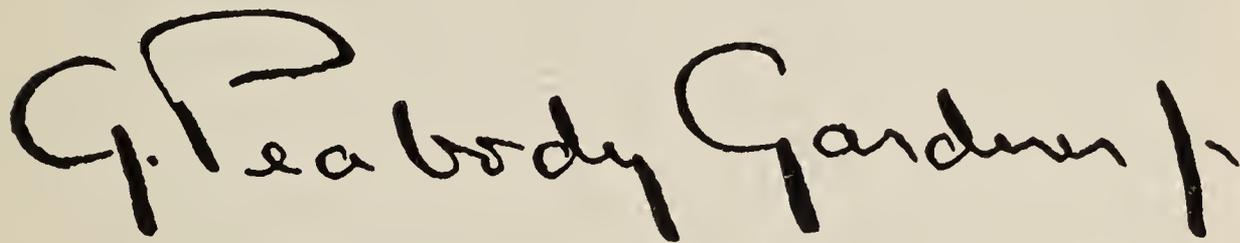
243. LILIAN CUTLER, b. Apr. 22, 1911.

244. HAZEL MAY, b. Nov. 22, 1913; d. Feb. 6, 1932.

## ELEVENTH GENERATION

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240. George Peabody Gardner, Jr.,<sup>11</sup> (George P.,<sup>10</sup> George A.,<sup>9</sup> John L.,<sup>8</sup> Samuel P.,<sup>7</sup> John,<sup>6</sup> Capt. John,<sup>5</sup> Capt. John,<sup>4</sup> Capt. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Lieut. George,<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was born in Boston, January 28, 1888, son of George Peabody and Esther (Burnett) Gardner.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "G. Peabody Gardner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "G" and a long, sweeping underline.

He received his preliminary education at Fay School and St. Mark's School, both in Southborough, Massachusetts. He graduated in 1906 from the latter school, which was founded by his grandfather in 1865. He received his A. B. cum laude from Harvard in 1910.

While in college, he was a leader in athletics and other student activities. He was a member of the Varsity Track, Hockey and Tennis Teams three years and the Baseball Team one. He won the intercollegiate lawn tennis championship in his sophomore year, thereby winning a major H in this sport. To date he is the only Harvard graduate who is the holder of four different major H's. He won eight major and two minor H's in all. At one time he held the world's record for the one-fifth of a mile for low hurdles. He was also intercollegiate low hurdle champion in his senior year.

Mr. Gardner kept up his interest in tennis after his graduation and was twice ranked in the First Ten.

Immediately after graduation from college he made an extended tour of Russia, China, Japan, Korea and other Asiatic countries and has preserved the records in "Chiefly the Orient, an Undigested Journal," a very delightful volume of 375 pages, profusely illustrated. It was privately printed.

On his return he became private secretary to President

Lowell of Harvard University and was appointed secretary to the Harvard Corporation. Three years later he became associated with his grandfather and father in their family office and in 1921 became a partner in Jackson & Curtis, one of the oldest financial houses in the city. He is today the senior partner there. He is chairman of the board and director of the Atlantic Coast Fisheries Company and the Wilson-Jones Company; president of the Jackson & Curtis Securities Company; director in the First National Bank, State Street Trust Company, Boulevard Trust Company of Brookline, Eastern Steamship Company, Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, Waltham Watch Company, American European Securities Company, Grosvenor-Dale Company and various other companies. He is vice-president and trustee of the Perkins Institution for the Blind, a member of the board of governors of the Children's Hospital and a trustee of Lenox School.

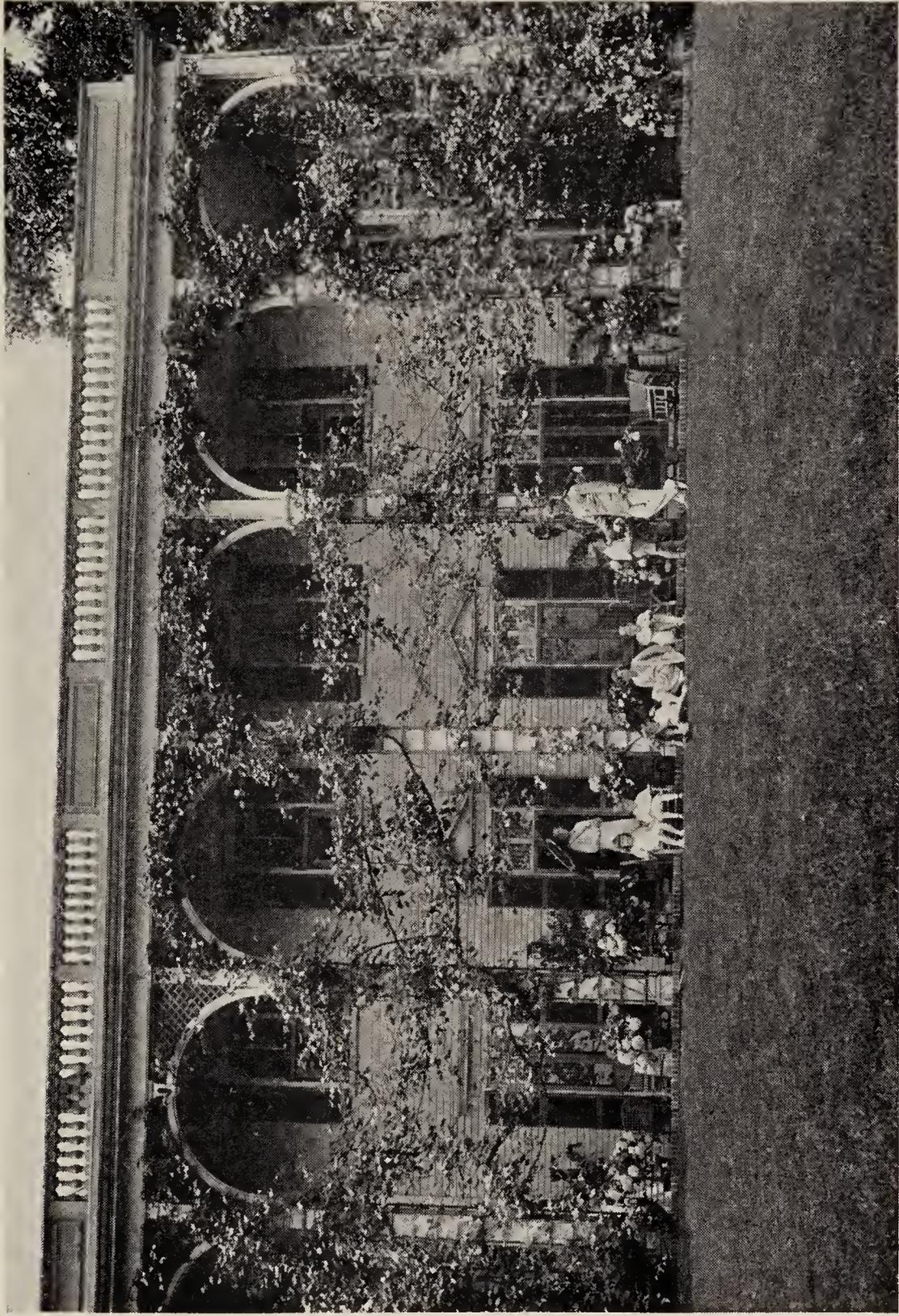
#### MILITARY AND NAVAL.

He was a captain in the O. R. C. December 12, 1917, resigned April 5, 1918 and enrolled as quartermaster U. S. N. R. F. April 23, 1918. Received commission as Ensign U. S. N. R. F. September, 1918 and thereafter was in active service on transports until his honorable discharge January 7, 1919.

#### HOME.

He has lived at Green Hill, Brookline, since the autumn of 1919. He acquired the main house with adjoining buildings and twenty acres of land from his great-aunt, Mrs. John L. Gardner, early in 1919. The remainder of her property in Brookline was acquired by her nephew Harold Jefferson Coolidge, and her niece, Mrs. George H. Monks.

He is an Episcopalian. He belongs to the following clubs: The Somerset, Tavern and Harvard of Boston, the Country Club and Longwood Cricket Club (of which he was for several years president) of Brookline and the



GEORGE PEABODY GARDNER, Jr., 240, AND FAMILY, AT THEIR HOME, "GREEN HILL," BROOKLINE



Harvard of New York. He is a contributing member of the Essex Institute.

WIFE.

He married in Grace Church, Providence, R. I., January 28, 1913, Miss Rose Phinney Grosvenor, daughter of William and Rose (Phinney) Grosvenor. She was born in Providence, October 13, 1888.

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246. ISABELLA STEWART, b. Chestnut Hill, Sept. 7, 1915.
247. GEORGE PEABODY, b. Chestnut Hill, Sept. 2, 1917.
248. JOHN LOWELL, b. Green Hill, Brookline, Mass., April 14, 1923.
249. ROSE PHINNEY, b. Green Hill, Oct. 16, 1924.
250. ROBERT GROSVENOR, b. Green Hill, Nov. 5, 1925.

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- Page 77, 12th line, omit: Child by his first wife, Elizabeth, Jonathan.
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- Page 110, 6th line from bottom, No. 60; — (bap. July 1, 1770.)
- Page 110, 3d line from bottom; — d. Mar. 23.
- Page 111. Insert after line 22; — x. Esther G., b. Aug. 17, 1804; d. Mar. 1850; aged 46 y.; m. Oct. 7, 1824, John Allen.
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- Page 134, 18th line, insert; — He grad at Harvard, A. B. 1821.
- Page 144, 27th line. First letter, S.
- Page 160. After 28th line insert; — 143a. Daughter, b. Feb. 6, 1843; d. Feb. 7, 1843.
- Page 160, 12th line from bottom; — m. Oct. 15.
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- Page 170, 5th line. Omit one n in name. It should be Emmons.
- Page 186, 20th line; — d. August 1, 1892.
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G. A. Gardner.

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