

EARLY RECORDS

OF THE

VALPEY FAMILY

OF ANDOVER

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One needs to read Baird's FRENCH HUGENOTS in order to appreciate the migration of that class from the Channel Isles, early. Many came to Ipswich, as fishermen; some went to Marblehead; Salem got many from Jersey and Guernsey Islands who had fled from France during the persecutions under the French kings, before Henry IV. As the Channel Islands belonged to the Dukes of Normandy, and Britain was forced to give up her rights to them when she lost Normandy, the Protestants, although French in speech, dared not remain under French rule. Bold and enterprising as they were, they sought shelter in the new world. From these Channel Isles came the Valpeys, Cabots and Le Favours, who became factors in our Massachusetts colony.

Tradition has it that two brothers, Thomas and Abraham Valpey came over to the Grand Banks to fish, got lost, and worked their dory down the coast, to Marblehead. Here Thomas is recorded as marrying Hephzibah Ray, in 1727 and the following year, 1728, brother Abraham married in Salem, Elizabeth Fowle -daughter of Zachariah Fowle and Ruth Ingersoll; born 1707. A very good choice of Abe's. She died 1770; Abraham died 1750/

Richard (2) Valpey, son of Abraham and Elizabeth, was born in Salem about 1734. He married Hannah Ives, 1756. She died 1786 ( according to Bently's Diary ); he died 1799, at 65. I do not know her tribe as yet.

Abraham (3) Valpey, (Richard (2) Abraham (1), born 1765, died in Ipswich, Feb. 27, 1848. He married Elizabeth Abbott of ANDOVER, Sept. 27 1788. She was born in 1766, daughter of Stephen Abbott and wife, Mary. She died in Salem, 1833, at 67, and Abraham went to live with a child in Ipswich.

George (3) Valpey, son of Richard (2) and Hannah, was born between 1768-70, the youngest son. He married, Feb. 19, 1803, Dorcas Abbott, of Andover, a niece of his brother Abraham(3)'s wife

Abraham (3) Valpey and Elizab. Abbott had one daughter, Dorcas (4),  
 born 1806, who died of tuberculosis, April 19, 1819, at 13 years, 8mo.  
before her death, A letter written  
 a month to a friend in Andover follows:-

March 15, 1819.

" Dear Friend:-

I take my pen to write you one more letter, which I suppose will be the last one that ever I shall write. My journey here is short; I have soon got to sail through the gates of death, where you must follow me. O Martha! have you the fear of death, should it come? or has God taken it away? If not, you must pray to him that he may.

This world is a vapour- you might be suddenly taken sick;- on your death bed, perhaps death would look like a terror to you. The Lord has taken the fear of death from me. I feel willing to go when the Lord shall see fit. About a week since, I thought I could hardly feel willing to live through the month of March; but now I feel willing to live or die, as the Lord shall see fit. My soul says. O Lord, thy kingdom come, thy will be done in me, as thou seeist fit. I feel willing to leave father and mother, brother and sisters, uncles and aunts, to go hence. O Martha, do not have so much of the vanities of this world;- what will they all look to you like, when on a death bed:- dressing up these bodies, which are made of dust, and must return to dust again. You must give my love to all my friends;- you must excuse me for the liberty I have taken in writing; but it is a great chance if ever I see you again. I shall soon be gone to be seen by man no more on earth.

March 16. No longer than two years since, I had no thought of being called to leave the world so soon. But the great Jehovah has called upon me! O Martha, I feel a new love to all the christian friends which I never felt before, and a new love to my blessed Lord and Master. I wish I loved to see him more and more. My health fails me very fast, and I am willing it should. A young girl called to see me a few days since, who enjoyed her liberty in the wide world. After she was gone, I thought that I was placed in a happier place than she; and I suppose she thought that her station was better than mine. But if death should come to her, she would have that awful fear. O Martha, I have my best seasons in meditating alone. But once I should have thought it could not have been so. This morning before I was up, I thought I could say I had a good time alone. I don't know as you would have called it a good season, unless you felt the same. I wept, but it was sweet to my soul.- Once I should have thought it could not have been. I was thinking how much Christ suffered to save a worm like me--thinking what my sufferings were to his;- they are nothing; no.nothing, compared with his: he was nailed to the cross, and willing to bear it all for us. O Martha, do try to feel willing to die. We have spent a great many unprofitable hours together, for the which I hope the Lord will forgive us. You will think of me when I am gone hence, to be seen no more;- when my voice is closed, to be heard no more. As you are now, so once was I; as I shall be then, soon you must be. Prepare for death and follow me.

I should like to have you write to me your mind concerning death. I must bid you farewell-- perhaps forever.

DORCAS VALPEY. "

( age 13 years, 7 mo.)

( Letter was printed soon after her death.)

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Children of Abraham (3) Valpey (Rich.(2) Abraham(1) and Eliz. Abbott:-

Abraham (4), bapt. May 10, 1789, in So. Church; ( was he the one who died at sea of a fever and father, who had second sight<sup>and</sup> was warned of his death?)

Stephen Abbott (4), bapt. 1791

Samuel Stevens (4), born May 26, 1795; raised in ANDOVER on Abbott farm; died in South Lawrence, June 22, 1876; m. Elizabeth Abbott, dau. Caleb Abbott and Lucy Lovejoy, born on Prospect Hill d. Feb. 9, 1880 in Lawrence, at home of son Daniel; farm, 1791, /Sam was bass drummer in Andover Corps; Capt. of Militia

George (4), born Aug. 13, 1797; a mariner. died unm.; one of a crew that was shipwrecked; nearly died of starvation.

-- b. March 16, 1800

Elizabeth (4), — ; m. Nathaniel Millett of Ipswich, July 6, 1828

Mary (4) - ; m. John A. Kimball of Ipswich, June 13, 1832;

Joseph (4) ; unm. ; a mariner.

Dorcas (4), b. 1806; died of tuberculosis April 19, 1819.

Samuel Stevens (4) Valpey (Abe(3) Rich(2) Abe(1) and Elizabeth Abbott, had:-

Samuel George (5), b. April 12, 1819; d. Nov. 13, 1863; victualler and butcher; m. Sarah C. Holt, daughter of Ezra Holt; b. 1821; she d. Aug. 30, 1864 of diabetes.

Daniel Abbott (5), b. Sept. 26, 1820; d. in Lawrence, 1899; m. Eliza Stevens; b. 1824, dau. Leonard Stevens and Mary Chandler, d. 1895; /1899/ had Nellie S. (6), d. of croup, March 30, 1869; he d.

Elizabeth Maria (5), b. Sept. 6, 1825; m. Joseph R. Millett, son of Jonathan Millett of Salem, Dec. 28, 1845; she m. 2nd Plato Eames, son of Jonathan and Dolly Eames, Feb. 22, 1861; he was born Apr. 7, 1824; died in Andover May 12, 1903. By Millett, she had:- Sarah Valpey Millett, b. and died in Lawrence. Harry Lawrence Millett ; — lives in Andover.

Children of Samuel Stevens (4) Valpey and Elizabeth Abbott, (cont.)

Abraham Martin (5) b. June 9, 1827; m. Maria Smith of St. Johnsbury, Vt.;  
was r.r. engineer in Lawrence; d. in California, July 5,  
1883; had George (6) Valpey; in Oakland, Cal.

Mary Jane (5), b. May 15, 1830; m. Edwin Ayer of Lawrence; d. in  
Haverhill; had Addie(6); Ola(6); Warren(6); Nath'l (6).

Thomas Gilbert (5), b. July 16, 1832; d. Nov. 15, 1890; in Lawrence; unm.  
clergyman and teacher in St. Paul's School, N.H. (Concord)

Samuel George (5) Valpey (Sam. S. (4) Abe (3) Rich (2) Abe (1) and Sarah Holt:

George (6) — ; m. widow Ellen (Dodd) Smith; no ch.; she d.; he  
lives in Brookline.

Ezra Holt (6), b. July 26, 1846; m. <sup>Jan. 24, 1870;</sup> Adelaide H. Maybery, born in Bridge-  
ton, Me., dau. Thomas Edes Maybery and Mary Jane Helton;  
(—FRANK ?)

he a provision dealer; had (Fred. Sam'l (7), b. Feb. 13, 1871;  
Edith Helton (7), b. Nov. 8, 1880.

Charles Abraham, (6), b. Sept. 22, 1849; d. y.

Sarah Elizabeth (6), b. March 24, 1844; m. <sup>1871,</sup> Jos. A. Gage of Haverhill, 32,  
a manufacturer, b. in Pelham, N.H. son of Joseph B. and  
Hannah S.

Daniel (5) Valpey (S. Stevens (4) Abe (3) Rich (2) Abe (1) and Eliza Stevens, had:

Frank (6) b. — ; m. Abbie Amanda Holt, b. <sup>1850;</sup> daughter of Nathan  
Holt and Abigail Cochrane, g.dau. of Solomon Holt; lived on  
Beacon St., ( old Concord trail along which all old emi-  
grant wagons used to travel) from ice-houses past Jewish  
Cemetery; had good home, 1/4 mile from car track; spring  
water on place which he sells for a business.

Mrs. Frank Valpey is 2nd cousin of the novelist,  
"Octave Thanet's" father, George French. She, the writer,  
is Alice French.

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Valpey and Richardson were the first firm of butchers in Andover. Prior to their business, Capt. Stephen Abbott had supplied prepared meat to the whole section and acted as butcher. Nathan Jones and his son, Herman, had carried meat around in their section and Levi Davis, as recalled by Asa Abbott, was the first to make rounds regularly.

The first butcher was a Holt, who dressed two calves and tried to sell them one day. All he could not dispose of, he buried in Pine Hole Pond near Prospect Hill. Nelson, from Wilmington, and Asa Sheldon, came over here with carts.

The firm of (S.S. Valpey) Valpey and Richardson used all the products of the slaughter house, including hides; They collected grease for soap; had a baggage express to Boston with U.S. mail-boxes in them to carry mail. They had many teams and tanks for soap. Their barns for horses, soap buildings, etc., made the Park street section out to Chestnut street, as lively as a business center. There was a hat-shop there also.

The butcher-shop finally landed under the Baptist Meeting House- the dry-goods end of T.A. Holt's store. Mr. Valpey bought land and built the W.G. Goldsmith place and gave it to his son, George, when he moved to Lawrence. His son, Daniel, acted as driver in Lawrence and S.S. became a wholesaler. He was Alderman in Lawrence when quite old; was Capt. of a Militia Co. here and a prominent Mason. He died in 1876.

S.S. Valpey lived first in Lawrence at the Essex House, where he kept a boarding house for the Sons of the Essex Co.; later he built a home on Andover Street, where Daniel Valpey lived so long. S.S. Valpey helped build the Washington Mills and acted as surveyer for Essex Co., and was a member of the Fire Co.

Thomas Valpey, his son, was always studious and early decided on teaching, and for the ministry. Went to Lawrence H.S.; Phillips Academy; graduated from Yale; fitted for Ministry in New York; taught at St. Paul's School and also preached there. Could not serve in War because of disability.

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Thomas Valpey taught at Cleveland School in Brooklyn, N.Y. 1858, where he was professor of Greek and Latin. His last work was the erection of a chapel for public worship at Pennacook, near Concord, N.H., for which he donated funds and helped raise money. He was a Knight Templar.

Abraham Valpey, merchant and postmaster, a Mason, went to California, where he died in 1883. He left a son, Samuel George Valpey, who was called "Zeb" when an engineer on the B. & M. R.R. Lizzie Valpey left two sons and one daughter; Bertha Gage lately visited Edith Valpey here. ( 1903)

The first house S.S. Valpey occupied was near Stephen Abbott's. In the second home, both Richardson and Valpey lived together- known as the Richardson place.

George Valpey, brother of Ezra, retained an interest in the Andover firm of Valpey Bros., and had a stall at the market in Fanueil Hall.

They bought the Richardson place from the trustees of Phillips Academy who probably held it from the heirs of Capt. Henry Abbott, who built the house and had a store under the living part, before the turnpike was made, and a lane, now Chestnut Street, led from Marland's up by it to connect with a cross road to Boston Turnpike-.North Bartlett street extension, was then all swamp and pasture.

Capt. Henry Abbott's house stood on Essex Turnpike when that went through- 1812 or whenever it was started- . Joseph Rise was there already, across the lane on the corner where the " Villa" stands.

A syndicate of three, S.S. Valpey, called " gentleman," O. Richardson, butcher, and Orlando Abbott, gentleman, raised \$ 1,000 on a mortgage on 22 acres of land on pike, also 38 acres they bought from David Grey, the Poor heirs, the Frye heirs and Nancy Baker, in 1821.

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Samuel Luscomb sold them land in Frye Village near Zebadiah Abbott's and the estate of Capt. Henry Abbott , Capt. Dan Trow and land of Lovell Faulkner. Dorcas Faulkner, 2nd wife, a witness. 1821.

1822- The two men, Valpey and Richardson were partners, and called BUTCHERS. They bought a peat meadow from George Doland, near Abiel Jones' place. They also bought from Lyman Woodruff , a carpenter, for \$ 75, land on Elm Street near the estate of Madam French and Capt. Edward West. Peter French, who bought the Jonathan French place, was on the bounds.

Later, in 1822, the two partners were called victuallers, and sold to Orlando Abbott, shoemaker, for \$ 2200, part of the estate they owned with him, which they bought from the heirs of Lydia Barker-or Baker- in 1821.

Salem Ct. Records -224:91- (Mortgage.)  
Samuel S. Valpey of Andover, yeoman, and Joseph Richardson of Andover, for \$1,000 paid by Trustees of P.

Academy, land in So. Parish on Essex Turnpike , on Jos. Rice land and turnpike, Henry Abbott's north side brook , near Jacob Shedd and Tom Foster, and land improved by Phebe Abbott, 3rd-also John L. Abbott- 12 acres; Elizabeth, wife of Samuel; Nath'l Townsend; Geo. Richardson; George C. Brewster. 1820

225: 213 Discharged ; see 224:91

226:165- Durham K. Smith of Andover, for \$ 150 from S. Valpey, gentleman, woodlot in Sutton's Plain. 1821.

page 167: Orlando Abbott, with S.S. Valpey, gent., and J. Richardson, butcher, for \$1,000 from Geo. Hodges of Salem, mortgage lots on Salem Road - one near Peter Holt's, 22 acres; also 38 acres house and land, and other lots they bought from David Gray, Man'l Poor, Debora Poor, Nathe Frye, Friscilla Frye and Nancy Baker. 1821.

## Court Records

Page 261:- Samuel Luscombe of Andover, cordwainer, sold to S. Valpey and Joseph Richardson, land in South Parish near Deacon Zebadia Abbott and estate of Henry Abbott-Jeremiah Abbbtt, land of Lovell Faulkner and Samuel Frye. Capt. Dan Trow, Samuel Flint and Jeremiah, sign. 1821.

231:30- Isaac Blunt and S. Valpey and J. Richardson, bought of Lyman Woodruff, a carpenter, for \$ 75, land on road from Meeting House to Haverhill, in South Parish, between house of the late Madam French and Capt. Edw. West. Peter French added on bds., and Ebenezer Whittier. 1822. ( Newman and Doland )

232:39 - Mark Newman of Andover, for \$ 20 from Stephen Abbott, Timothy Frye, Ebenezer Lovejoy, Joshua Ballard, Joshua Phelps, Nath'l Poor, Seth Burt, Nath'l Abbott 3rd., and S.S. Valpey, land in So. Parish SW corner of meeting house 2 rods distant, at edge of common lands bds. north by vestry at West end- ( line ran zigzag around meeting house, SW etc. all bds. on Newman land to south, and Common land) leave to build horse-sheds and so continue until no longer needed. These 9 men were to hold common rights together on whole property, and when the premises were no longer needed for horse-sheds "they can do what they choose with the property." Abigail signs; then Hannah Newman, then a young girl, and Susanna Cummings- later mother of George Mooar. Dec. 1, 1821.

( This deed lets us into the household of Mark Newman.)

235 page 109- Stephen Abbott, Adm. to Jos. Faulkner, cabinet maker, dec., intest., from auction sale- 133.- deeds to S.S. Valpey, gent., on road from Josiah Greenleaf to Mary Dilloway's and Hannah Faulkner's dower- no. on said road by Dr. Abiel Pierson's land 5 rds., W on P's land, 9 rds; S on Dan Cummings' and Ben Ames, 4 rds except strip set off to widow Hannah. ( Nolan's or Crystal Palace 1823.

page 112- Trustees of P.A. Academy for \$ 1600 to Valpey and Richardson, victuallers, land near V. & R.'s -east side Turnpike at SW cor.- N on Turnpike, 12 rds. to Jacob Shedd's; E on Shedd to V.& R. land; S on V. & R. 12 rds; W on V. & R. to Rd. 124 rds.; and all buildings. ( Was it where Town House now stands or a lot near?)

Signed by S. Farrar, treas.  
Apphia Goldsmith  
Maria Wardwell.

April 27, 1822.

page 261- Peter French, gentleman., for \$ 150 from S. Valpey, gent. and J. Richardson, yeoman, tenants in common- 1/2 undivided East side Rd. from A.D. Mayo's tavern to the Ames house SW corner on sd. Rd ., and another Rd. leading from said Rd. by widow Lee's and then N. on sd. Rd 60 rods to land belonging to town of Andover- to common wall; then E on Town land as wall stands, 44 rods , to land of Dr. Abiel Pearson- then S on Pearson's land as wall stands to land of Dr. Daniel Wardwell- then W and S by said Wardwell land, as wall stands, to last mentioned road to 1st bds.- at SW cor. a plot he bought of heirs of late Rev. Jonathan French, in company with V. & R.-18 1/2 acres.

1823.

W.W. Wardwell; Daniel Wardwell.

page 49:- I. Blunt, gent., S. S. Valpey, gent., and J. Richardson, gent.,  
231\*30-- for \$ 850 sell to I. Carleton, land on Road from Meeting house to Haverhill, between Jn. Flint, Jr. and Capt. Ed. West- bds. NW on road- runs NW on Peter French's 17 rds., W on French- S on Eben Whittier 4 1/2/ poles- N on Whittier's 19 rds. to Road - from Rd ro 1st bds.- land I got from Lyman Woodruff; April 24, 1822,; Lois Blunt; Eliz Valpey; Lucy Richardson.

page 207:- Jacob Shedd, yeoman, for \$ 300 from S.S. Valpey, gent., and J. Richardson, yeoman, to them in common, land and buildings near V.&R. home, E side Essex Turnpike, SW corner s-s by rd and land of V. & R.; line NE on V. & R. as wall stands to Capt. T.C. Foster; NW on Foster 5 rds., to Ben Abbott, Esq., SW on Abbott, 25 rds. to Turnpike; S on Rd. to 1st bds. 114 rds. Subject to P. Academy mortgage \$600. 1824

Discharged by S.S. Valpey, Feb. 5, 1835.

238:224-- Isaac Carleton, for \$ 800 from Isaac Lovejoy, Eben Lovejoy, S.S. ~~xxx~~ Valpey and Jos. Richardson, land in So. Parish on Road from Meeting ~~xx~~ House to "Averhill, between Henry Skinners' and Capt. Edw. West and by land of Peter French -W 17 rds on French land-- on Jn. Flint-S on H. Skinner, 19 rds to Rd. and on Rd. 5 rds to 1st; described in mortgage of Carleton to S.S.V. & R. July 15, 1825. 236:50. Mortgage to be redeemed. Martha signs; David McRobie; Harriet Barker.

240:49- S.S.V. gent., and Jos. Richardson, yeoman, for \$ 60 from E. Lovejoy, sell land S side Road leading by Widow Phebe Abbott's to David Holt - NW cor. on Road and D. Holt's; S line on Holt's to Leonard Wood's land; E on woods to land of Joshua Frye heirs; N on Frye to Rd; W on Rd. to 1st bds. 2 acres. Eliz and Lucy sign; Stephen Abbott; Hannah Moorar 1826.

243:33- Amos Lovejoy, yeoman, Dan Wardwell, carpenter, - for \$200. sell to Tom C. Foster and S.S. Valpey, gentlemen, and Jos. Richardson, yeoman, South corner on Road from P. Academy to Salem; NE -S-S & N E on a crooked line, by fence and ditch, on land of Thomas Manning and Chas. Wardwell, to corner of wall that bds. Wardwell house lot, - SE on lot 35 rds to Road by my house to Salem Rd. - W & NW by Road and Salem Rd. to 1st bds, 11 acres. ( WAS IT MRS. CARTER'S CORNER?) 1826. (Sam Merrill; W. Callahan)

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243:260- Reuben Frye , gent. for \$ 600, by S.S. Valpey, Daniel Abbott, Joseph Richardson, Richard Merrill, sell to Valpey & Co., land E side Boston Turnpike from Frye's Mills to Andover Bridge, 40 rds., SW corner on sd Rd -E-by T. Frye lot, 10 rds; N 15 rds.; W 15 rds.; by same bds.; S on Rd . to 1st- and buildings occupied by Peter Smith and Nathan Howland- and a piece of land South of this, occupied by himself; 25 rds W side Turnpike SE and N on land of Theoph. Frye. A mortgage .

1827. (Wm. and Nathan Swift.)

page 276:- John Brown of Andover, house carpenter, for \$ 1100. from S.S.

Valpey, gent. and M. Pettingill, blacksmith- house and out buildings barn, 2 acres E side Essex Turnpike runs W side the lot- N and S bds land of Jn. L. Abbott, Esq. and Phillips Academy- same land he bought of Amos Blanchard - also a dwelling house lately erected by me; NE side old road by Phillips Academy to So. Meeting House and ~~ix~~ 1/2 acre of land ; SW bds. on sd .Road ; NW side on Timothy Osgood's NE side by land of Rev. Josh Edwards- SE side by land of Daniel Wardwell; same be bought of Timothy Osgood . ( A mortgage)

1827. (Cynthia Brown, wife.)

246:179 - S.S. Valpey and M. Pettingill- for \$2,000 from Aaron Green of Malden, sell above described . 1827. (Hobart Clark; Sam Merrill)

250:139- Daniel Wardwell , 3rd., and W. W. Wardwell, carpenter, for \$ 500 from S.S. Valpey and M. Pettingill, blacksmith, 3 acres bds. E on Academy; road from P. Academy to So. Church; N on land of Female ~~SEMINARY~~ and Mark Newman's; W on Ezra Abbott's; S on Daniel Wardwell's; also a GALLERY FEW in South Church, No. 15. Mortgage.

1828. ( No witnesses)

247:120- Ban Wardwell, carpenter, for \$ 600 sells to S.S.V. and J.R.-  
 1st- on road from South Meeting H<sub>o</sub> use by Sam'l Farrar -SE cor.  
 on Road and another Road leading to Essex Turnpike; N on 1st Rd t  
 to land of J. Brown and Rev. J. Edwards and Sam Edwards to last  
 Road; W on road to 1st bds., etc.-- bds on Jonathan Clement on  
 South, W on Ezra Abbott, N on Abbott and land of Abraham Marland-  
 E on said Road- 2 acres and buildings. A mortgage.  
 1827. Horatio Bradley and W. Abbott.

page 283 S.S.V. and M. Pettingill, for \$ 600 from Peter French , yeoman,  
 home near So. Meeting H<sub>o</sub> on Abbott lot, conveyed by J. Brown, Oct.  
 9, 1827 ; see 247:120.  
 1828. Samuel Merrill; James Locke (sp. LARke.)

261:268- S.S. Valpey, gent.; Ed Farrar, trader, S. Phillips, of New-  
 buryport , Jn. Marland, of Framingham, gent., for \$ 850 , buy of  
 Andover Bank, 17 of the 76 shares of land W side Essex Turnpike, and  
 a brick building on it, occupied by them as a banking house. 17 parts  
 were conveyed to American Missionary Society and were from 38 -50 in  
 description and the Society was not then a corporate body and as said  
 shares have been the property of the Bank by purchase, the parties  
 convey them to the Bank. S.S. Valpey - w. Eliz.  
 Edward Farrar-Sam Phillips and w. Sara A.  
 ( Henry Richardson-Jn. Marland.)

263:12- S.S. Valpey and Jos. Richardson, for \$ 110 from Jabez Hayward,  
 land on Boston Road bds. on J. Hayward, Ezra Abbott, W. Foster.  
 1829.

265:267- T.C. Foster, S.S. Valpey, Jos. Richardson, for \$ 260 sell to  
 Saull K. Hutchinson, gent., N side Road from Chas. Wardwell to  
 Jewett Jones' home- begins SW corner of sd. land and land of Clark  
 Holt- Back Pasture, Chas. Wardwell and their own-13 acres. 1832

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267:227- T.C. Foster, S.S. Valpey and Jos. Richardson, sell to Saull Hutchinson north of Road leading from Salem Road to Dan Holt's bds. on Hutchinson's other lot. 4 acres. ( The old Town way.)  
1832

269:39- Joseph Rice sold to S.S. Valpey, for \$10 and to Jos. Richardson, land E side Turnpike leading from Ward's Tavern to Phillips Academy, bda. on Rice and V. and R. 1833.

Daniel S. Pearson, Eliza A. Pearson, Sam'l M. Pearson, David Olyphant of Beverly, clerk and Mary Olyphant, his wife, for \$ 376, to S.S.Valpey and Jos. Richardson, land 549 rds. described in deed of Jos. L. Low to Abiel Pearson, dec., May 3, 1821- 228:214- 7 acres, in deed for Anna Whittier, etc., to Abiel Pearson, M.D. June 25, 1820. 221:213.  
1825.

1833- Geo. K.W. Gullistian, hatter, for \$ 800, sells to S.S. Valpey, and Jos. Richardson, land and buildings E side Turnpike on Jos. Rice- N side Rice- on lane mentioned-line lay south of lane SW on lane to Road-lane 1 rd. wide - common to both parties, not to be obstructed forever, unless parties agree to contrary- extends along N side the lot. (Really the VILLA corner.) 2. Eliza G. -1833. M. Newman; Jr. H. Clark; Sarah Cummings. Mortgage discharged 1835.

278:42- Leonard Stevens, yeoman, for \$ 100 from S.S. Valpey, Jos. Richardson, yeo. and Parker Richardson , blacksmith, land and buildings E side Turnpike leading from Ward's Tavern to Frye Village ; line runs S on road, from N.W. corner, then E on T.C. Foster; N on Jos. Low ( Pasture back of Barnard's) 1 acre. Mortgage. Mary signs.  
June 22, 1833.

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4:264- 1834- Creditors of David Gray, Jr., for \$ 5 from Jn. Flint and Nathe Stevens, all rights in buildings and land, occupied by said Gray and conveyed by him to W. Lovett and Abigail Lovett, April 21, 1831- 225:197- they to sell it and pay Gray's creditors. The creditors include Valpey and Richardson and S.S. V. alone; 2 parcels of land, assigned value \$ 2500; note against Guy Carleton; stock, fodder, home stuff not exempt from attachment; 6000 pr. shoes in shop and house; 3,000 in home of Nath'l Holt, 2118 elsewhere, assigned to Chas. H. Carroll of Baltimore; 764 pr. to W. Carroll of Balto; 168 to B. Thayer of Boston ; 100 to Guy Carleton of Boston; 50 pr. A. Walker ; manufacturers' stock in lower shop ; 1155 sole leathers in shop cellar; upper leather in garrett; stock in upper shop; leather stock at Sam B. Pettingill's in Methuen; stock in workman's hands; shoe stock in Bindery hands; 7 bbls. Flour. Total \$ 16,173.

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275: 18- In consideration of \$ 2,000 paid by S.S. Valpey and Daniel Abbott of Andover, David Gray, Jr., conveys house and barn on land east side Post Road from Haverhill to Boston, 5 acres , on heirs of J. Phillips, Jos/Kittredge, Mary Stickney; barn on W side Road; Phillips heirs and Abigail Stevens. Mortgage 1834. ( N.W. Hazen.)

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278:109- S.S. Valpey sold to Jos. Richardson, (land described in deed of David Pearson and others, to Valpey- 1828-269:39,) land on road from Ward's Tavern to Capt. Ed. West, 3 acres, that S.S.V. and myself bought from Col. Jn. Parker, described in Parker deed, 18 acres, known as CARMEL , eds. on S and W by Road , on N by Town land , E by land of Moses Foster and Dr. Daniel Wardwell - land he and S.S.V. bought of David Pearson and others , also land described by Solomon Holt in (deed to him and S.S.V.) Wife Lucy. Jan. 23, 1834. (269:42-Dec.31,1827) (Isaac Carleton; David Abbott)

329: 243 - probate- ABRAHAM WALPEE, intest., of Salem. adm. to ye wife Elizabeth, May 23, 1750. ( No settlement found.)

63:49-( 1st deed of Abraham )Mary Cox of Salem, widow, adm. of Estate of son John Cox of Salem, dec. - for 50 lbs. from Abraham Valpey of Salem, mariner, a dwelling house and land in Salem, once the estate of John Cox- 19 ft. square on Main street, north side- E., S and W on Cox land. (James Russell; Jn. Higginson.)

April 17, 1733.(5 yrs. after Ab. married Elizabeth Fowle)

66:14- Mary Cox, for 75 lbs. sells to Abraham Valpey, part of a house and land adjoining the house and land she calles hers, at the end of son John Cox's land- a narrow strip of land, E side sd. house, 6 ft. wide- whole of my land -between the house and land of my sister, Fowle- N on street , line runs S to middle of my chimney- W to middle of stack of chimneys- to the yard before the house, or to Westward of said house , -that part of ye house also and land it stands on from middle of the chimney to ye 19 ft.square which was my son John's- and all privileges; front yard to ye door, half ye entry and stairway in common between us; privilege of passing over strip of land between my remianing part and the land of my sister, Fowle.

April 17, 1733.

(James Russell; Jn. Higginson.)

page 15- Abraham Valpey deeds for 50 lbs. to John Cabot of Salem, merchant, a certain part of land and that part of dwelling house , I, this day, have bt, of Mary Cox- 25 ft- ( 19 ft. 1st purchase-6ft. 2nd.) on Main street- 2 in land of widow Fowle, 30 on widow Cox to middle of chimney; W on yard before house in common between Cox and me, and all privileges of ground-E side of Cox part and entry to stairway & front yard - if A. Valpey pay to Jn. Cabot, 50 lbs. before Apr.11, 1734, deed will be annulled. Wife Elizabeth signs. (Same witnesses.)  
April 17, 1733. (Abraham signs; Elizabteh makes her mark.)

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3:141- Jonathan Very of Salem, cordwainer, with consent of wife Mary, for 40 lbs. from Elizabeth Valpey, widow, a house and 10 poles of land in Salem, bds. E on Ingersoll lane-( her mother was Ruth Ingersoll) S on land of Catherine Berry- part on Ruth Fowle- ( her mother Ruth- widow of Zachariah Fowle) -part on Mary Silsbee- all privileges, being the same house and land which Elizabwth Hinckley (?) and Wm. Burrows and John Burrows conveyed to me, 1751. Wife mary, signs, April 24, 1753. (John Pitman; John Ward.)

( This was 3 years after the death of Abraham- nearly the 1st of the moves of Abraham or his heirs at this time.)

page 76-vol. 121- Deed of Elizabeth , widow of Abraham Valpey, of Salem, fisherman; W half of homestead, lands bds on Catherine Berry, Mary Cox land- part on Joseph Brown and occupied by his widow, Sarah- land of Joseph Sarl ( also SEARLE) and Edmond Whittemore- E by rest of her land, by a line runing N and S across it through the chimney - both parts of house accommodated as chimney is now used- liberty of 4 ft. walk from front door on S side of house next E end of house on line with S side of house to way called Ingersoll lane- and sometimes, Daniels( Hane--and reserves the front or S door- and entries and stairs on S side of house to garret- and to remain in common use for both parties forever- they to have use of front door and entries and stairs. She marks. March 31, 1767. (Samuel Curwin; Russell Wyes)

Dec. 28, 1770- Will of old Elizabeth- widow of Abraham Valpey :- Weak of body but of perfect mind- to four sons, John, Abraham, Richard and Ben Valpey, each 5 shillings; grandson Thomas Talbot, grand-daughter Elizabeth Talbot- his wife and heirs all the residue of estate real and personal. Grandson T.T. exec. ( Jn. Nutting; Stephen Webb)

June 17, 1771- Will of old Elizabeth presented and an inventory ordered. Acc't examined as late as June 28, 1816- 45 yrs. after- rather odd; note inserted in later part, probably estate was never settled. Inventory includes : Half or front part of house; 5 poles of land on Ingersoll Lane worth 26 lbs. 13 s. 4 d.; feather-bed, bolster, pillows, 5 blankets and coverlets, 6 sheets, 40 bottles, 2 chests of drawers, boxes and chests, loom, warming-pan, 3 baskets, 8 lbs. pewter, curtains, earthen ware, old chairs, table, 3 pillow cases, looking glass, iron pots, trannals (?) and spit, bedstead. 38 lbs. 11s. 1d. ( Jas. Thomas; Stephen Webb; Jn. Towzie.)

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April 5, 1775. page 107-vol. 349 Debts due from estate of Elizabeth Valpey, given by T. Talbot- 4 years later. Total, 86 lbs. 1s. 5d. Debts more than inventory and estate declared insolvent.  
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Abraham (1) Valpey and wife Elizabeth Fowle, had :-

Elizabeth (2), m. May 5, 1751; to Daniel Darling	-4:62 had. Dau.
Elizabeth (3), m. Thos. Talbot.	
John (2), m. Dec. 4, 1755, to. Mary Masury.	-4:64
Abraham(2), m. May 16, 1756 to . Lydia Clough.	-4:64
Richard (2)m. Nov. 25, 1756 to Hannah Ives	-4:65 ;m. 2nd widow
Margaret Henley or Hinchley, nee Bachelder of Wenham.	
Ben (2) m. Dec. 15, 1761, Hannah Berry	-5:28

Richard (2) Valpey and Hannah Ives had an estate on Hardy street near Essex street, Salem. Richard was called a mariner and was known as " Skipper" Valpey. According to Bentley, he was Capt. Richard Valpey, " honest and humble", an odd trait in a sea captain,- probably meek and sweet tempered.

Hannah Ives, the first wife of Richard, died 1786. His second wife, Margaret Hinchley, a widow, nee Bachelder of Wenham, married him Aug. 26, 1788. She was born 1744, and lived to be 72, dying May 6, 1816.

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The home of Richard (2) was not the dower house bought by old Abraham (1) for his wife Elizabeth, but a house deeded to Richard July 30, 1765, when he was highest bidder, <sup>- 40 lbs. 8s/</sup> at the auction sale of the estate of W. Smith, fisherman, dec., which was owned by Mary, widow of W. Smith, and had been conveyed to Smith by Tom Larkin, 1723. ( Mrs. Eames recalls the rooster weathervane on an old church on Hardy Street, across the way a little one side of the old home in Salem.) Abraham (3) son of Richard bought the place from the heirs (of his father) and let old Margaret live in it until her death. The home had to be sold in 1801 to free the third of the widow, and Abraham bought it at auction, paying \$800 for it. He redeemed the mortgage held by F. Stephen Abbott, 1812. The War of 1812 was on the way and everyone was hard up, and before Abraham came to the rescue, his stepmother, old Margaret, had to stay in the Almshouse, which in those days was an Old Ladies' Home, where board had to be paid.

In 1834 the second mortgage on the old home was discharged by Mary, daughter of Stephen Abbott, to heirs of Abraham (3)-( Richard (2)- near date of his death. He sold to the children after he went to Ipswich: " Capt. Abraham Valpey to Sam'l S. Valpey of Andover, Elizabeth Millett, wife of Nathaniel of Ipswich, and Mary, wife of Jn. Kimball, of Ipswich 1834." He probably paid the mortgage up then. \$ 950. was the whole house price in 1801 when he mortgaged to Stephen Abbott. This clears the homestead of Richard (2) from the scene. At death of Abraham (3), the family were mainly in ANDOVER and Ipswich.

Abraham (2) brother of Richard (2) above and son of old Abraham (1) and Elizabeth Fowle, married Lydia Clough, b. 1736, daughter of Joseph Clough and Susanne Reeves. She, it was, who got into the row with Jn. Cabot over the estate of old Elizabeth on Daniel Street. She d. July 8, 1801. Had one daughter, Lydia, b. in Salem, who, I think, m. Robert Maxwell.

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Ben (2), another son of Abraham (1) and Elizabeth Fowle, married Hannah Berry, whose parents lived near the Valpeys on Daniel Street. She, however was in Marblehead at the time of her marriage, 1761. She d. in 1783.

Elizabeth (2) daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth, married Daniel Darling May 5, 1751. She had a daughter, Elizabeth (4), who m. Tom Talbot, who adm. the estate of old Elizabeth and had quite a time. He was to have all that was left- not much, apparently.

Richard (2) Valpey ( Abraham (1) and Hannah Ives, had :-

Richard (3), called Jr., until 1799; very likely m. Susanne Baker, June 28, 1781; she was of Marblehead; died in Salem, June 7, 1801, /age 40./  
( did Richard m. Susanne Millett for a 2nd w.?)

George (3), b. 1768-70; m. Dorcas Abbott, in 1803, Feb. 19; he died and she m. 2nd., Joseph Sibley, 1810.

Abraham (3), b. 1765; d. in Ipswich, Feb. 27, 1848, age 83; m. Elizabeth Abbott of ANDOVER, Sept. 27, 1788; she died in Salem, 1833, age 67; b. 1766, dau. of Stephen Abbott and Mary; g.dau. of George (3) Abbott and Mary Phillips.

Joseph (3), b. ; m. Mehitabel Murray, April 30, 1791; d. Feb. 9. 1842, in West Lynn, with a son, Richard (4); she was probably a dau. of the Murray who was neighbor to the old homestead on Hardy street. Joseph was prize master of the ship "America," and Captain, 1793-1812.

On the first cruise of the " America" as a privateer, on Nov. 24, 1812, when near the English Channel, she took a prize, the British ship HOPE, from St. Thomas to Glasgow, 45 days out, with Gilbert Clemons, master. She had a full cargo of sugar and rum. He had left the convoy four days before, one of 32 merchantmen, under convoy of RING DOVE, a Sloop of War. Joseph Valpey, prize master, with 12 men were put aboard and brought the ship and prisoners back to Salem, from ~~lat~~ lat. 46:35'.

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On Nov. 25, the DART from St. Thomas came in sight, and the AMERICA got that also. Henry Curtis was put aboard to handle that prize for (1812) the America. The latter made 5 cruises between Sept. '12 and April, 1815, when Capt. James Chever, Jr., brought her home. Joseph Ropes was 1st commander. All her crew were old seamen and stopped at nothing.

This ship America was 4th of the name, the first was taken in the Revolution. She was owned by Geo. Crowninshield & Sons, of Salem. The second AMERICA, was a French ship bought at Isle of France, and she brought the first elephant to U.S. from Calcutta to New York, 1797. He sold for \$ 10,000.

The third AMERICA, bought in Bordeaux- a Navy ship- had to have a new pier built for her as she was so large. She was sold back to France as a privateer in 1802.

The fourth AMERICA, was built at Salem, 1803-4, by Becket and Glytton ( a Beverly Scotchman) for the East India trade, and she sailed under orders for Sumatra under Ben Crowninshield, Jr., fully armed, July 2, 1804.

The captain decided to go to Mocha to get coffee, gum arabic, goat hides, etc., and they were away until June 17, 1805. The owners heard of the change of port and were anxious. The last they said before the boat sailed, was " " Now, you've broken your orders so often, see if for once you can mind them."

However, while they were detained at Bourbon by the French, they heard of another ship from Salem, and decided to change for Mocha. On their return, the owners took a sail boat and went out to meet them.

" What is your cargo?"

"Pepper."

"Pepper? you lie! I smell coffee!"

But they took the coffee to Holland and sold it for \$100,000.

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Salem Court Records

367:458- Adm. of Richard Valpey, mariner, of Salem- to Capt. Ben Ward, Jr., of Salem, Joseph Valpey and Nath'l Knight, security- June 30, 1800. Invt.:- House, quite fine furniture - not large amount- books and clothes, - \$860. Capt. Jos. Lambert, Capt. Gamaliel Hodges, Capt. Nath'l Knight appraise. To widow Margaret ( Hinchley) 1/3 for life: north room and parts of rest of house; front door, stairs, two cellars; Collins' land, garden, necessary-house in garden, in bds.,

368:266- Ben Ward had power to sell estate on Hardy street, with reversal of dower 3rd of widow Margaret. Abraham Valpey and Nath'l Teague gave bds. April 4, 1801.

121-p.76:- March 31, 1767:- A.Valpey of Salem and wife Lydia, secure on 1/2 home on Ingersoll Lane, or Daniels' Lane, etc., 60 lbs. from Francis Cabot and Joseph Cabot, of Salem, merchants, on a mortgage on Mansion house and homestead land of mother Elizabeth, ( Fowle) and all privileges sold to me by my mother, March 31, 1767. Abraham is to pay 22 Lbs.14s.6d. before April 3, 1768/

171:69- 1784- Francis Cabot of Salem, merchant, in suit with Lydia Valpey; he demanded the estate of Elizabeth Valpey, - part of Mansion and homestead land in Salem, sold to Abraham Valpey, fisherman, late of Salem, by his mother, Elizabeth, 1767. Cabot claims the West half, and said it was deeded to Joseph Cabot by said Abraham, son of Elizabeth, -and that he, Francis, is heir to Joseph- on a mortgage. Lydia Valpey stayed in home and would not pay up 60 lbs. etc. Nathan Goodale of Boston and Wm. Cabot of Brooklyn, Essex. of Jos. Cabot, late of Salem, in 1784 get judgment against Lydia and she is warned to pay up. Finally Abigail Berry, of Salem, single woman, paid \$80.00 and got the estate and took it upon herself to collect. 1802.

273:259- 1834- Abraham Valpey, late of Salem, now residing in Ipswich, mariner, for \$ 950 from Samuel S. Valpey, of Andover, gent., and Eliz. Millett, wife of Nath'l Millett of Ipswich, tailor,- and Mary Kimball, wife of Jn. Kimball of Ipswich, housewright, sell the estate on Hardy street, in Salem, on Bedells', Collins' Sarah Manning- ( or Masury), Ben Dean's, homestead land and privileges, same he bt. of Ben Ward- adm. of estate of Richard Valpey, of Salem, Dec.1810. Sold 1834. James Choate, witness.

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Abby Amanda Holt, who married Frank D.A. Valpey ( lived on Elm St. 1918) was the daughter of Nathan Holt and Abigail Cochrane; was  
 1768-1830 1774-1852  
 granddaughter of :Solomon Holt and Mary Cummings; Sam Cochrane and Mary Bailey; great granddaughter of : Jonathan Cummings and Mary  
 1730-1810 1731-1810  
 Eastman; Joshua Holt and Phebe Farnum; great-great-granddaughter of Nicholas Holt, 1683-1756, Dorcas Abbott, 1698-1758; Timothy Farnum, and Dinah Ingalls, great-great-great granddaughter of Nicholas Holt, 1647-1718 and Mary Russell, 1661-1717; Timothy Abpppt, 1663-1730 and Hannah Graves, d. 1726; great-great-great-great granddaughter of Nicholas Holt, 1602-1685 and Elizabeth Short, d. 1656; and Mary Marshall, 1642-1716 and Robert Russell, a Scot, 1630-1710; and Hannah Chandler and George Abbott, 1646.

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