EARLY RECORDS

OF THE

PARKER FAMILY

OF ANDOVER

also

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The PARKER FAMILY

OF ANDOVER

Joseph Parker, who, according to the terms of his will, had an estate in Ramsay, England was one of the first freeholders of Andover. He was in Newbury in 1642 and came to ANDOVER in October, 1645. His estate was on the site of the present Stevens' Mill in North Andover. John's wife was a Mary-- -, presumably Mary STEVENS. In his will, made 1678, John leaves the bulk of his property to Mary, with instruction for the care of two of their sons, who are non compos mentis,"by God's providence." Mary ,also declared to be non compos mentis in wills, died in 1695.

At his death, Joseph appoints as overseers of his estate, his "loving brother, NATHAN PARKER, and loving friends, Lieut. John Osgood,Ensign Henry Ingalls and Thomas Chandler."

NATHAN PARKER" the loving brother", died here in Andover,June 25, 1685. His first wife is said to have been Susan Short of Newbury, whom he married on Nov. 10, 1648; she died in Andover,Aug. 26, 1651; he took for a 2nd wife, Mary Ayer, daughter of John and Hannah of Newbury. Poor Mary was accused of witchcraft by Mercy Wardwell and William Barker,-confessed witches,- who declared that she assisted them in tormenting Timothy Swan, who died that year.,(1692).(His stone is in North Parish Yard.) Ten or more of the "witches" confessed to having their astral bodies appear at the bedside of sick Timothy, and torture him by punching him with iron spindles, pins and tobacco pipes. In consequence, Mary Parker was hanged at Salem in 1692.

Nathan's estate was in North Parish on the site of the present Unitarian parsonage on Chestnut street, and at his death, the widow Mary and son John are executors. He mentions no others. He leaves a horse, hive of bees,house and barn; 17 acres of post-yard;39 acres behind the barn;9 on West side Shawshin;40 acres on upland in No. Parish 49 acres in meadows; 51 acres in Town Rights;4 parcels of 1st Divisio etc. Total value £472

Joseph(1) Parker and his wife, Mary, had:-

Joseph (2) b. m. Elizabeth Bridges in 1680; he d. 1684, leavi everything to Elizabeth, until his only son, Joseph(3) should be of age. His " dear and loving friends, Capt. Dudley Bradstreet and Capt. John Osgood" were to be overseers of the property. He died before he could sign the will, but Bradstreet and Osgood took oath that they drew up the paper three days before his death, and it held. The estate was valued at £ 402; included: Arms; Tools; Gristmill and water privileges; 60 acres over the Shawshin; 50 acres by Great Pond; 20 acres near the Shoe Meadow; 10 acres of upland by the Shawshin; an old house; barn; post-yard above the mill. Books at £ 1.

In 1686, widow Mary took for a 2nd husband, Samuel Hutchinson.

Stephen(2), b. 1651; m. 1st in 1680, Mary Marston, daughter of John Marston and w. Martha; she was b. 1655; d. 1693; he m. 2nd. Susanna Hartshorn who was previously married to John Devereaux of Marblehead; Stephen d. May 2, 1718.

Thomas(2), b.--- (really the 2nd son) ; d. 1708; non compos mentis; his land was sold for £143 to John Aslebe in 1704; with his brother Stephen, above.

Hester (2), b. 1654; not named in will of father.

John(2), b. 1656; killed in 1677 at Black Point, the sea end of Scarboro, Maine.

Samuel(2), b. 1659; m. March 19, 1689, Martha Gage; he bought a farm in Haverhill; was killed by Indians, Aug. 31, 1690. No ch. found

Ruth (2), b. 1660; m. a Gyle of Haverhill; had:-
Joseph(3) ; Ebenezer(3); James (3);
Ruth(3); Mary(3); Elizabeth(3); Sarah(3).

Children of Joseph(1) Parker and wife, Mary (cont.) :-

Saran (2) bapt. July 5,1678; in will of father, called wife of Ben Sabin; was res. of New London, Conn. before 1710; she was m. in Medfield, July 15,1678; (perhaps Mary Johnson, wife of Return Johnson of Medfield made the match, as she was here about that time.) Ben died in Pomfret, Conn.

Mary (2), b. ; m. Ben Frye of Andover, 1678, the year her father died; she was a widow in 1709 when quit-claims were signed on the estate of Sam(2).

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Nathan (1) Parker and wife, Mary Ayer, had:-

*** -see below)

John(2), b. in Newbury, Dec. 1653; he m. Hannah Brown, 1687; he was in the Narragansett fight; d. 1738. Hannah d. 1734

James (2), b. 1655; killed by Indians 1677 at Black Point.

Mary (2), b. 1657; d.y.

Hannah (2), b.1659

Mary (2) 2nd., b.1660; m. Joshua Richardson of Newbury, Jan.31,1679; he was son of Edward, b.1654; she d.May 7, 1685.

Elizabeth (2), b. 1663; m. 1684 John Farnum.

Robert(2), b. 1665; d. 1688.

Joseph(2), b. about 1669; m. about 1700 ,Lydia Frye, b.1680; he d. 1748 she d. 1743; he was inn keeper in No. Parish; left estate valued at £ 3030. Homestead East of Shawshin River.

Sarah (2), b. 1670.

Peter(2), b. 1676.

*** Nathan (2), b. before 1651; was son by 1st wife, Susan Short; he m. Mary Little; lived in Newbury; is named in the will of Henry Short.

Nathan(1) Parker was witness in 1649 that the two Andover constables had not settled the Weights & Measures. He was fence-viewer in 1669; constable in 1674.

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Joseph(2) Parker(Joseph(1) and wife, Elizabeth Bridges, had:-

Joseph(3), b. 1682; m. Abigail Mitchell,1712;she was daughter of Andrew Mitchell of Haverhill; he was a joiner; he d. Nov.9,1715; buried in North Parish Yard; she d. 1717.

Stephen(2) Parker(Joseph(1) and wife, Mary Marston,had:-

Stephen(3), b. 1682; d.y.

Stephen(3), b. 1683;-

Mary (3), b.June 30,1686; pub. Jan.20,1711 to James Bodwell of Haverhill; he was b. Jan.16,1691; Mar d. about 1738; he m. 2nd., Sept.1, 1739,Sarah Austin, daughter of Sam Austin and wife,Lucy Poor, b. 1692; he d. before 1752; Sarah m. 2nd., in 1752, Dr. Tybott of Methuen.

Elizabeth (3), b. 1692; m. Daniel Bodwell of Methuen; he m. 2nd.,Susan Devereaux.

Ruth (3), b. 1695.

Samuel (3), b. 1702; m. Esther Davis of Billerica, 1734.

Hannah (3), b. Feb.27,1705.

Hephziba (3) b. in Watertown; m.Feb.27,1717,Jonathan Phillips.

(In 1709, Stephen (2) Parker,(Above) who was then in Cambridge, gave up all rights in the estate of Sam(2),late of Haverhill- to brother, Joseph, of Andover. This was the final settlement of the estate under the 1684 will.

Stephen(2) Parker was a Constable in North Parish and fence-viewer in 1693; was a Surveyor,1695;Corporal,1696 and Surveyor.

John(2)Parker(Nathan(1) and wife,Hannah Brown,had:-

John(3), b. 1688.

Nathan(3), b.1690; m. Elizabeth Gage of Bradford,daughter of John(3) and wife Sarah; she d. 1734; he m. 2nd., 1735,Hannah Stevens, daughter of Ebenezer Stevens and wife Joan Sprague,b.1709; he d. 1756.

Ben(3), b. 1693; m. Sarah Chadwick 1727; he d. 1732.

James (3), b. 1696; m. Phebe Ingalls,1731; he was a Capt.; d. April 18, 1763.

Hanna(3), b. 1699.

Mary (3), b. 1703; think she m. Dean Robinson, according to a deed in 1725.

Jonathan(3), b. 1707;m. Hannah Frye, 1737; he d. 1767; she d. 1784.

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Joseph(2) Parker(Nathan(1) and wife, Lydia Frye, had:-

Joseph(3), b. 1700; m. Mary Emery,1722; she was b. 1700,dau. of Jos. Emery and w. Eliz. Merrill; she d.1735; he m. 2nd.,Martha Johnson,1735; she was b. 1715.dau.of Timothy Johnson and w. Catherine Sprague; Joseph d. 1754; Martha m. 2nd., Lieut.Robt Russell of Reading, as his 4th wife;he was son of Thos.Russel and w. Phebe Johnsom.

Mary (3), b.1702;d.1707.
Lydia(3),b. 1704;d.1716.

Martha (3), b. 1707; m. Joseph Tuck,1727.

Phebe (3), b.Aug.1711;m. John Varnum of Dracut, a soldier of the French War, 1730; he was b. 1714, son of John Varnum and w.Dorothy Prescott; fell in love with Phebe while dining at her fathers tavern, en route to the war;(see Bailey"Sketches of Andover. (I think her father's estate lay somewhere near Wilson's Corner,on road from Salem to Frye Village.)

Children of Joseph(2)Parker and wife, Lydia Frye, (cont.):-

Peter(3), b. 1714; was a Capt.;m. Hannah Swan,1734; she was dau.of Robert Swan and w. Hannah Stevens of Andover, b. 1716; she d.1761; he d. 1795. Peter went in 1760, in exp.to Cape Breton in Bagley's Rgt;later to West Indies;returned yr.his wife died.

Lydia (3), b.1717; m. Thomas Read of Woburn,1737.

James (3), b. 1723; fate unknown.

Joseph(3)Parker(Joseph(2-1) and wife,Abigail Mitchell,had:-

Joseph(4), b. 1712;m. Martha Barker,1734 ; did he own land in Pembroke but not live there?

Samuel (4) b. 1714; did he also own land in Pembroke?

James (4), b. 1716; did he live on Free Church site; did he m. Dinah---?

Samuel(3) Parker(Stephen(2)Jos.(1) and wife,Esther Davis,had:-

child (4), b. and d. 1741.

Nathan(3)Parker(John(2)Nathan(1) and wife,Elizabeth Gage,had:-

Elizabeth(4), b. 1733.

by 2nd wife,Hannah Stevens:-

Hannah (4), b. 1738; did she m. Cyrus Marble,1760?

Nathan(4), b. 1740; m. Anna--- before 1770; d. 1779

John(4), b. 1742; was a Col.; m.1771 Abigail Osgood,b.1742, daughter of Josiah;he was a Corporal,1775; sold 57 acres near Boston Road to Wm. Johnson,1782; he d.1833.; she d. 1833 also.

(Natnan(4) left a small estate to widow,Ann; everybody owed him; he had a"cow; a pigg; pillion and no horse".

In 1782,Col.John Parker sold to John Johnson of Andover, 51 acres of land"near the Boston Road that goes by Ben Stevens; some near Chickerings." This was the homestead of Nathan(3) "on Bradford Road crossed by it near Great Pond- land that was John Aslebe's."

Ben(3)Parker(John(2)Nathan(1) and wife,Sarah Chadwick,had:-

child (4), b. 1728.

Asa (4), b.1729; m. Sarah Marble,1752; she d. 1779; he m. 2nd,Apphia Spofford,dau.of Nath Spofford and Sarah Smith of Rowley;Asa was a Capt.;veteran of Revolution; residence Boxford; deacon; d.1820.

Ben(4), b.1730:did he go to Boxford?

Capt.James(3)Parker(John(2) Nathan(1) and wife, Phebe Ingalls,had:-

child(4), b. 1732;perhaps ROBERT.

Phebe (4), b. 1734;d.1737.

Ann (4), b. 1736; m. John Bragg.1753.

Jesse(4), b. 1738; a pioneer of Canada; see Bailey's"Sketches of And."-page 266;possibly never returned.

James(4), b. 1746; veteran of Revolution; did he m. Phebe Noyes?

Phebe (4), b. 1748.

Mary (4), b. 1751;d.1752.

Jonathan(3)Parker(John(2) Nathan(1) and wife, Hannah Frye,had:-

Jonathan(4), b.1738; m. 1767 Hannah Robinson of Lynn;see Bailey,page 244.

child(4), b.1740.

Phineas(4), b. 1750;veteran of Revolution.

John(4), b.March 16, 1753;m. Joanna Bailey of Haverhill,June 27,1782; she was dau. of Amos Bailey, b. Aug.16, 1756; she d.June 29,1851; see page 114 Merrimac Valley Bailey's.

William(4), b. 1755; m. Mary Hovey of Boxford; see page 378 of Bailey's.

Tabitha (4), ; m.David Frye,1769.

Joseph(3)Parker(Joseph(2)Nathan(1) and wife,Mary Emery,had:-

Joseph(4), b.1724;d.1724.

Joseph(4) 2nd., b. 1726; m. Hannah Abbott, 1754; went to Pembroke,N.H.; he was a veteran of the French Wars.

Michael(4), b. and d. 1728.

James (4), b.1730 d. 1738.

a son (4),b. 1733.

by 2nd wife,Martha Johnson:-

Sarah (4), b.1741; d. 1747.

Phineas (4), b.1745;d.1747.

Michael(4) 2nd.,b.1746; veteran of Revolution; Capt.; m.Phebe Farrington,1770; she d. in Methuen,Sept.9,1825 at 77; he d.1819;

Phineas(4) 2nd., b.1749; did he m. Hannah Chandler 1775, and go to Concord or Bath, N.H.: She was dau.of Wm. Chandler and w. Rebecca Lovejoy of Andover.

James (4), b. 1751.

Mary (4), b. 1753; did she m. Timothy Stevens,Jr.,1774?

Peter(3)Parker(Joseph(2)Nathan(1) and wife,Hannah Swan,had:-

Mary(4), b. 1734; m. Enoch Ilsley of Falmouth,1753.

Hannah (4), b.1736; d. 1742.

Nathan (4), b.1739; m. Mary Ford,1765; he lived at Blue Hill,Me; was at seige of Louisburg; was a Col.

Peter(4), b.1741; m. Phebe Marble,1766(?)

Hannah(4), b. 1743;d.1746.

Robert(4), b.1745; called Esquire,of Blue Hill.
Hannah (4) 3rd.,b.1747;m.John White,1780.
Isaac(4),b.1749; m. Polly- -;1786; she d. 1834 at 73.
Lydia(4),b.1752.
Simeon(4),b.1754.
Phebe(4), b.1757;d.1759

(Peter (3) sold to Ben Ingalls,-house,land,barn,sawmill on Cochichewick River,land near Merrimac and Swan's ferry.In 1760 they--Peter and Hannah-quit-claim to her father,Robert Swan's estate.)

Joseph(4)Parker(Joseph(3)(2)(1) and wife,Martha Barker,had:-

Joseph(5), b.1735,Oct.9; m.Elizabeth Martin,1757; she d. May 14, 1765; he m. 2nd,Zerviah Lincoln, b.July 31,1746; she d.July 17,1825 at Hanover,N.H.; Joseph was at Bunker Hill and served during Revolution; he lived in Marlboro; burial place is unknown.

Abigail(4), b.1737.

Martha(4), b.1739;m.Wm. Page,1760.

Nathan(4), b.1741.

Obadia(4), b.1743;d.1745.

Stephen(4),b.1745

Obadiah(4) 2nd.,b.1747;d.1749.

William(4), b. and d. 1749.

Josiah(4), b.1751; d. in almshouse here 1835;very likely non compos mentis and sent back here from some other town.

James(4)Parker(Joseph(3)(2)(1) and wife, Dinah----- ,had:-

James(5),bapt.1741;-

Dalton(5), b.1742; d. 1742; possibly mother was a DALTON.

James (4), b.1742;d.1745.

Abigail(4), b.1743

James(4), b.1746 ; m. Mary Lovejoy; had no children; he ended his line of Parkers.

Jonathan(3) Parker(John(2)Nathan(1) and wife, Hanna Robinson,had:-

Jonatnan(4), b. 1767.

Dolly(4), b.1771;prob. m. Samuel Foster of Amherst,N.H.,1798.

Hannah (4), b. 1774.

John(4)Parker(Jonathan(3)John(2)Nathan(1) and Joanna Bailey,had:-

John(5), b.May 20,1783; was a trader; m.Esther Baker,daughter of Thos. Baker of Pembroke, b.June 6,1787;d.June 29,1824;he m. 2nd.,Dorcas Emery,dau.of Joseph of Pembroke,b.Sept.28,1891;lived on the homestead; had:-

- Wm.(6),b.1811; lived in Republic,Ohio.
- Emily(6) d.y.
- Samuel(6),b.1814;grocer of Boston;m.1850 Margaret Patten of Albany,N.Y.;had:-
  - Moses P.(7),b.1851.
  - Eunice S.(7),b.1853.
  - Wm.C.(7)
  - Sam Thompson(7),b.1858.
- Sarah Peabody(6),b.1818;m.Sept.15,1841,John Gale, trader,son of Deacon Joseph of Pembroke went to Ohio,-Scipio and Cleveland.
- Joanna Bailey(6),b.;d.y.
- John Bailey(6),b.1824;d. in Republic,Ohio.
- Esther M.(6),b.;d.y.
- Emily(6) 2nd.,b.1829.
- Joseph Emery(6),b.1830.
- Esther Melvilla(6),b.1832;m.Thos.Holt.

Ben(5), b. Nov.3,1788;residence Charlestown; m. 1823 Betsy Boynton of Meredith,N.H.;had:-

- Eliza Jane (6),b. ; m.Henry F. Sweetsir of Elmira, N.Y. and Buffalo.
- Mary Ann(6)b. ; m.James Frothingham of Charlestown.
- Ben Franklin(6),b.1831;
- Susan Frances(6),b.1834.
- Joanna Amanda(6),b.1837.
- Laura Antoinette (6)
- Ella Gertrude (6)

Bailey(5), b.1790;m. Ruth Bailey; m. 2nd.,Mercy Frost of Pembroke,N.H. / no ch.

Paul(5)

Hannah(5), d.y.

Asa (5), b.July 1797;m./ Nov.15,1826,/ Ruth Holt,dau.of David Holt (son of Ben of Pembroke,from Andover);they went to Concord and lo Canada; was in Hull,1846;later in Ill.;had:-

- Alonzo(6) d.y.
- Henry(6),b.Oct.26,1829;lived in Ill.

(Asa (5) was a blacksmith in Hull,Canada.)

Joseph(4)Parker(Joseph(3-2)Nathan(1) and wife,Hannah Abbott, had:-

Joseph(5), b.1756;d.1762.

Hannah(5),b.1758;d.1762.

John(5),b.1760.

Molly(5),b.1766.

Dorcas(5), b.1769.

by wife,Lydia Chandler:-

Joseph(5) 2nd., b.1770

Jacob(5), b.1772

Samuel (5) b. 1775.

(A Joseph Parker and wife,Lydia Chandler, in 1769, were tenants of the Foster farm in West Parish.)

Michael(4) Parker(Joseph(3-2) Nathan(1) and wife,Phebe Farrington:-

Phebe(5), b.1771; m. Israel Wood of Danvers.

Michael (5), b. 1773; m. Fanny Towne,1804; she d. 1812; he m. 2nd., Mehitabel-- .

Sarah(5), b.1774; m. John Russe of Methuen,1802.

Lydia (5), b. 1777; m. Henry Poor, 1807.

Hannah (5), b. ; m.Jonathan Griffin of Plattsburg,1805.

Joseph(5), b. Jan.18, 1782; did he m. Lydia Parker of Billerica,Dec.3, 1806?

Phineas(4)Parker(Joseph(3-2)Nathan(1) and wife,Hannah Chandler:-

Phineas(5)
Hannah(5), b. ; m.Capt. Dan Bartlett; he d. in Newbury,Vt.;s ch.
Betsy(5)
Lucy(5)
Sarah(5)
Rebecca(5), ; m.Major Abraham Thomas of Bath,N.H.;he was a blacksmith; sold out to son Abe,Jr.,1832; 9 ch.

Peter(4)Parker(Peter(3) Joseph(2) Nathan(1) and wife,Phebe Marble:-

Phebe (5), b.1767;m. Seth Kimball of Bradford,1794.

Serena(5), b.1768.

Peter(5), b.1769;-

Hannah (5), b. 1771; m. James Salden (?)

Susannah(5), b. 1772; m. Stephen Morse of Methuen,1800;(this is doubtful-
she is more apt to be the dau. of Kendall of Dracut.)

Marble(5), b.1775.

Moses(5), b.1773;d. 1797

(One of these Peters, either (4) or (5) had a military funeral, which my father recalls as a boy. Also the courting of Fanny Noyes by Parker who ,being rich, fared much better with her family, than grandsir Liscomb did, while courting Fanny's sister,Rhoda. Grandsir Liscomb was poor.)

Isaac (4) Parker(Peter(3)Joseph(2)Nathan(1) and wife, Polly, had:-

Polly (5), b.1786.

Lydia(5), b.1788; m. Joseph Parker of Billerica,1806.

Hannah (5), b. 1789.

Clarissa or Sarissa (5), b.1791; m. John Baldwin of Billerica,1810.

Almira (5), b. ; m.Richard Kimball,1813.

Isaac(5), b.1795.

Augusta (5), b.1797; m. Enoch Stevens,1835.

Charlotte(5), b.1799; m. Dr. Stephen Hewes,1826.

Moses(5), b.1801; d. 1828; m. Hannah Chandler,1820.

Joseph(5)Parker(Joseph(4-3-2-1) and wife,Elizabeth Martin, had:-

Elizabetn(6), b.1757.

Elizabetn(6), b. July 21,1758.

Joseph(6), b.April 17,1760.

Abraham(6), b.June 25,1763; went to Hebrun, N.H.

Olive? b. 1765, Braintree, Mass.

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Children of Joseph (5) Parker(Jos.(4-3-2-1) and 2nd wife,Zerviah Lincoln:-

Bethiah(6), b.March 19,1767.

Martin(6), b.March 20,1769.

Ephraim(6), b. March 16,1771.

Enos(6), b.June 4,1773.

Joshua(6), b.March 9,1775.

John(6), b.Feb.25,1777.

Nathan(6), b.April 3,1778.

Stephen(6), b.Nov.22,1780 at New Marlboro,N.H.

Jonathan(6), b.Oct.13,1782; d.y.

Lemuel(6), b.Feb.12,1786.

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The following were recorded in Boxford, where they went to church.

Enoch(5)Parker(Asa(4)Ben(3)John(2)Nathan(1) and wife,Elizabeth Chandler:-

Olive (6) b. ; m.Phineas Hardy of Groveland; he d. 1854 age 68; she d. at 76; had 7 ch.

Elizabeth(6), b. ;m.John Marble of Bradford, a stone- cutter; d.at 67; left 1 child.

Enoch (6), b. ; Capt.; lived in North Andover on homestead; a carpenter; d. May 1828 at 45.

Mehitabel(6),1795; unm; d. at 38 while on a visit at Bradford.

Sarah (6), b. in Concord,N.H. April 23,1787; was a teacher 7 years; kept a shop in Andover and Lowell, 14 years; had a Corporation Boarding house in Lowell,1865- the Suffolk Corp.

Apphia(6)

John(6) ; lived on homestead in No.Andover; Col.; farmer; m. Sophia Gage of Andover; 2 ch.

Moses (6), b. May 5,1797; m.Dec.26 ,1820,Dorcas Ballard Chandler, b.April 1,1800, dau.of Joshua Chandler and w.Dorcas Foster;he d. in Charlestown,Jan.14,1841; she d. Dec .13,1867; had:-
Dorcas Caroline(7),b.1821;d. Oct.15,1822.

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Joseph(5)Parker(Michael(4)Jos.(3-2)Nathan(1) and w. Lydia Parker,had:-

Joseph(6), b.Oct.11,1807; d.Jan.13,1809.

Arabella(6), b.July 21,1809;m.Sept.15, 1833 Bethiel T. Cross of Oxford, N.H.;lived in Lowell and Roxbury;he d.1877; she lived with brother,Charles.

Joseph Augustus(6), b.Oct.15,1811; d.April 15,1818.

Charles Addison(6), b.July 18,1813; was sea capt. of Hingham.

Isaac Stillman(6), b.Oct.23,1815;m. Mary Ann Stevens(or STEARNS) of Lowell; lived there a time; died in Sacramento,Cal.,March 23,1850.

Mary Jane (6), b.Sept.4, 1817; m. Dec.23,1848 ,Bethiel A. Clark of Oxford N.H.; moved to Lowell and Hingham; d. Nov.25,1877.

Harriet(6), b.April 29, 1820; m. May 12, 1847,Francis H. Nourse of Bolton;lived in Lowell and Winchester.

Charlotte(6), b. May 2,1822; d. Jan.7,1831.

Michael(5)Parker(Michael(4)Jos.(3-2)Nathan(1) and wife,Fanny Towne,had:-

Fanny(6), b.1806; m. Caleb Abbott,Jr.,1835.

Peter(6), b.1807;m. Sally Lovejoy,1831; d. 1832.

Rosina(6), b.1809;m. Seth Kimball,1831.

Nathan(6), b.1810;m. Mary Parker of Lowell, 1836 (?).

Elbridge(6), b. and d. 1812.

by 2nd wife,Mehitabel:-

Mehitabel 96), b.1817; m. Joshua Thwing of Danvers,1839.

Rebecca (6)b. 1821; d. 1839.

Mary Ann (6), b. 1825.

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Joseph Parker came to Andover from Newbury, with his brother Nathan. They were perhaps elderly nephews of the Rev. Thomas Parker, and grandsons of Rev. Robert Parker of England, and allied to the family of Rev.John Woodbridge and to that of Rev.James Noyes of Newbury.

Nathan Parker was a scrivener. Joseph was a millwright, holding his family for several generations the valuable privilege now in possession of "Moses T. Stevens and Sons" in North Andover.

The wife of Joseph was non compos in her old age and one of their sons and some of the Stevens boys, sons of John(1) Stevens, whose wife called Joseph Parker "brother", were not all right. The facts,as studied in later generations, indicate that Mary Parker was born Stevens and was a sister to John Stevens. No Parker line save this one shows degeneracy and the history of the Stevens family favors the theory.

Joseph(2) Parker, the son of Nathan(1), is usually called "innholder". He was a man of marked ability and character under whom the estate gained much.

Joseph (3) Parker, son of Joseph(2) Nathan(1) married Mary Emery, who died in 1735 and he very inconsiderately married for a second wife, Martha Johnson, daughter of Timothy (3) Johnson and wife,Katherine Sprague. To sort out the children of this Martha (Johnson) from those of the Martha Barker who married his cousin Joseph, of the Joseph(1) line, has been a task.

The descendants of Joseph Parker of Barre,Mass.claim that he went to Barre from Andover. This Joseph died some place unknown to his family. He was a soldier at Bunker Hill,of which scrap the family possesses a powder-horn engraved with his record; — "CAMBRIDGE.May 26th 1775.Joseph:Parker: HIS: HORN. "
(Owned by A.X. Parker,Potsdam,N.Y.)

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