

credit to himself and to the satisfaction of his constituency. He was a man social in his disposition and inclined to fraternize with his fellow men. He was a member of Eureka Lodge, No. 70, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. In an obituary sketch of Mr. Morrill in the "Publication of the Southern New Hampshire Bar Association," it is said of him: "His private life was of the highest moral standard, and was replete with devotion to his mother and family. He ever held their interests and welfare as paramount to all others, and his faithfulness to each was the most sincere. His appointment to the clerkship of the supreme court prevented the active practice of his profession, but he was frequently chosen to act as referee in cases of magnitude and importance by members of the bar, and selected to perform such duties by the several judges. His conduct in such cases was characterized by that degree of integrity and sound judgment that made his conclusions highly respected." "He was a good lawyer, diligent, painstaking, and faithful to each and every interest entrusted to him, and died, as he had lived, an honest man and one of credit to his profession." November 26, 1872, he married Agnes Gage, only daughter of Dr. Charles P. and Nancy (Sibley) Gage, of Concord. Of this marriage two children were born: Sibley Gage and Mary Agnes. The latter resides with her mother in Concord.

(IX) Sibley Gage Morrill, M. D., only son of Luther S. and Agnes (Gage) Morrill, was born in Concord, October 3, 1873. He received his early education in the schools of his native town, graduating from the high school in 1892. He attended the Harvard Medical School, from which he graduated in 1898. After the usual experience in the Boston Hospital as house surgeon, he returned to Concord and began practice, in which he has succeeded well, making a specialty of heart and lung diseases, and having a large clientele. He is a member of the staff of the Margaret Pillsbury Hospital, is one of the examining surgeons of the United States Pension Department, member of the New Hampshire Medical Society, and the Centre District Medical Society, and Blazing Star Lodge, No. 11, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Concord. He was married in October, 1905, to Georgia Sherman, youngest daughter of Roger and Mary (Giles) Sherman, of Lincoln, Massachusetts.

LIBBEY Is a name which seems to have come to America from the west of England, probably Cornwall or Devon; and in the ancient records and in present use has about the same number of variations in its orthography as most other surnames. The family has been distinguished rather for those substantial virtues that make their possessor happy in himself and helpful to mankind, rather than by the possession of wealth and those more showy and less laudable characteristics not unfrequently in evidence to every observer of men. As a family the Libbeys have been respected by their neighbors as men of sterling worth, and uprightness and honesty of character. They have generally belonged to that law abiding class which forms the bone and muscle of the nation, content to render the wise efforts of others effective by a hearty support, and willing to concede all the glory to the leader. The family numbers its revolutionary soldiers by scores, and many hundreds risked their lives for their country in the war of the rebellion. In Maine alone there were two hundred and fifty-six enlistments. They are, as a family, very devout, and have figured much more large-

ly in the religious than in the civil institutions of the communities in which they have lived. The family has abounded in Christian ministers, elders, and deacons, while generation after generation has died in the faith. Very few have been guilty of bringing any reproach upon the name, and even in Maine, where the family is so numerous as to rank with the Smiths and Browns, it has been remarked by many that they never knew of a criminal or a pauper named Libby.

(I) John Libby, born in England about the year 1602, came to New England and was employed in the fisheries by Robert Trelawney who had a grant of land embracing Richmond's Island and other land about Cape Elizabeth, Maine. The records of this industry show that John Libby was in the employ of Trelawney four years from the summer of 1635 to the summer of 1639. He had a grant of land in Scarborough, on the bank of a stream since called Libby river, and there built a house. Here he is supposed to have divided his time between fishing and agriculture. In 1663, he is described in a document as a "planter" and in the history of Scarborough he is said to have been "for many years one of the town's principal planters." He was constable in 1664, and his name stands first of the four selectmen in a town grant bearing date 1669. In King Philip's war (1675) he lost everything he had except his plantation. Captain Joshua Scattow's diary says: "Eight or nine deserted houses belonging to Libby and his children" were burned by the Indians September 7, 1675. John Libby and his wife and younger children were in Boston, July 10, 1677, and on his petition at that time his two sons Henry and Anthony were discharged from Black Point garrison. He probably soon after returned to Black Point, his old home in Maine, where he acquired a comfortable property, and died at the age of eighty years. He had two wives. Of the first, nothing is known except that she was the mother of all of his sons except Matthew and Daniel, and probably all his daughters. Of the second nothing is known but her Christian name which was Mary. The children of John Libby, probably all born in this country except the eldest, were: John, James, Samuel, Joanna, Henry, Anthony, Rebecca, Sarah, Hannah, David, Matthew and Daniel. (Mention of Henry, Anthony, David and Matthew and descendants appears in this article.)

(II) John (2), son of John (1) Libby, was probably born in England, in the year 1636, and was reared in Scarborough. In 1668, he bought fifty acres adjoining his father's plantation at Black Point, where he resided. Subsequently he received several other grants from the town. He took an active part in the public matters of the town, and served as selectman in the years 1670-74-83-87. In 1690 Fort Loyal, a few miles north of Black Point, was captured by the French and Indians, and the inhabitants of Scarborough left their homes and went to safer localities. John Libby with his whole family fled to Portsmouth, New Hampshire. There he lived the remainder of his life. He followed the vocation of miller, and during the earlier years of his residence there was frequently chosen to fill the minor town offices. He lived to be very old, and probably died soon after 1720. His wife Agnes, was living in March, 1717, but probably died before her husband. Their children, all born in Scarborough, were: John, Joseph, Samuel, James, Daniel, Benjamin and Jeremiah. (Benjamin and descendants receive mention in this article.)

(III) Captain John (3), eldest child of John (2)

and Agnes Libby, was born in Scarborough, probably as early as 1665, and went with his father to Portsmouth in 1690. He was a mechanic, and is mentioned at different times as housewright, millwright, and wheelwright. With his uncle, Matthew Libby, and others he went to Scarborough and built a saw mill some years before 1720, and in the winter of 1729-30 transferred his residence to that place, and settled on the homestead of his grandfather. He was part owner and probably the builder of the grist mill on Libby river, a little below the bridge, afterward known as Fogg's mill. He acquired the title of captain in New Hampshire, and ever afterwards retained it. He died between August, 1746, and December, 1751. The last time his wife's name appears in any record is in January, 1734. He married, December 29, 1710, Eleanor Kirke, daughter of Henry and Ruth (Glanfield) Kirke, of Portsmouth. Their children were: Elizabeth, James, John, Eleanor, Jonathan and Josiah.

(IV) Josiah, fourth son and youngest child of Captain John (3) and Eleanor (Kirke) Libby, was born in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, in 1715. He was only a lad when his father removed to Scarborough. He grew up on the Libby homestead, and then settled on Oak Hill. He was a trumpeter in the French wars, and was known as "Trumpeter Siah." He died at the age of thirty-five, February 2, 1751, leaving a great property. He married March 23, 1737, Anna Small, who was born September 10, 1720, daughter of Deacon Samuel Small, granddaughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Heard) (Chadbourne) Small, and great-granddaughter of Francis Small, who seems to have been the ancestor of a great portion of the Smalls and Smalleys of New England. Francis was born in 1627, and was probably a son of "Mr." Edward Smale, who was of Kittery as early as 1640. Anna married (second), January 10, 1755, Nathaniel Milliken, by whom she also had children, and died January 12, 1784. The following narrative, of her telling, is found in the genealogy of "the Libby Family in America": "It was during an Indian trouble when, in their exposed position on Oak Hill, it was not safe to pass the night in their own home, and they were accustomed every day, at nightfall to seek the protection of the garrison. One day her husband, the trumpeter, was away from home. He was expected back, but did not return at the appointed time. Darkness came on, the calls of the Indians were heard in the surrounding woods, but the husband did not appear. Nothing had been seen of the Indians for a few days previous, and he had allowed himself to be delayed, little knowing the danger his family was in. The wife, and mother, not daring to have a light, sat trembling with her children in the darkness. At last her husband approached his home, and he, too, heard the calls of the Indians. Stealthily he made his way to his house, and in whispers directed the departure of his family. With the cries of the Indians on all sides of them, they crept through the Flaggy Meadow, and by good fortune reached the garrison in safety. The next day they returned to their house and found it pillaged." In such dangers, the days of that generation were passed. The children of Josiah and Anna were: Lucy, Jane, Joel, Josiah, Phineas and Anna.

(V) Major Josiah (2), fourth child and second son of Trumpeter Josiah (1) and Anna (Small) Libby, was born in Scarborough, February 16, 1746, and died March 1, 1824. He took care of Joseph Fogg, his uncle by marriage, and his wife, in re-

turn for which he received Mr. Fogg's farm. This homestead he increased by purchase and always made it his place of abode. He was a well-to-do farmer, was a captain in the Revolution, and later a major in the militia. He married (first), February 28, 1729, Eunice Libby, who died March 23, 1776, (second), November 28, 1776, Elizabeth (Porcher) Foss. She died January 21, 1810, and he married (third), June 19, 1810, Mary, widow of John Jones, daughter of Deacon Chase, of Saco. She died July 16, 1843, *felo de se*. Major Libby's children by his first wife were: Anna, Rhoda, Phineas and Joseph. His children by the second wife were: Cyrus, Daniel, Eunice and Caroline.

(VI) Captain Cyrus, eldest child of Major Josiah (2) and Elizabeth (Porcher) (Foss) Libby, was born in Scarborough, October 15, 1778, and died August 18, 1838. He went to sea while yet a boy, and rose rapidly to the command of a ship. He was in the East India trade until the war of 1812. In the course of that war he commanded the "Juno," a privateer, and the "Leo," under a letter of marque. After the war he was engaged in the European trade, and continued, with some intermissions, until the year before his death. He represented Scarborough in the first legislature of Maine, in 1820, and afterwards in 1832, and was four years a selectman of the town. He married Lois Libby, who was born October 2, 1782, daughter of Seth and Lydia (Jordan) Libby, of Oak Hill, Scarborough. She died in Portland, April 22, 1866. Their children, all born in Scarborough, were: Phineas, Cyrus, Drusilla, Foxwell Cutts, Dorville, Lydia, Josiah, Elizabeth and Susan Caroline.

(VII) Phineas, eldest child of Captain Cyrus and Lois (Libby) Libby, was born in Scarborough, September 30, 1801. After his marriage he worked one year on the farm of his wife's father; four years in Lagrange, where he took up land and cleared a farm; two years on his father's farm; eleven years in Portland, nine years as a truckman, and two as a stevedore; a few years in the employ of the Saco Water Power Company, as foreman of the outdoor laborers; and then removed to Saco, where he bought a small place on which he spent the remainder of his life as a market gardener. He was a deputy sheriff of York county, 1853-1861, and fourteen years a constable of Saco. He married, May 16, 1824, Lucinda Harmon, daughter of Zachariah and Elizabeth (Milliken) Harmon. Their children were: Cyrus, Lorinda, Drusilla, Lucinda, Granville, Foxwell Cutts, Elizabeth Ellen, Dorville, Aurelius (died young), Ernestine (died young), Lorinda, Ernestine and Aurelius Eugene (twins), and Augusta Melverdia.

(VIII) Adin, third son and child of Phineas and Lucinda (Harmon) Libby, was born in Saco, Maine, February 11, 1855. He was a molder and has resided in Dover since 1889. He married, May 23, 1879, Clara E. Foot, who was born in Biddeford, Maine, daughter of John and Sarah (Joy) Foot, of Biddeford. They have had four children: Mabel Foot (Mrs. Melvin Witham, of Dover), Florence Carter (deceased), Mildred Frances (see next paragraph), Merton Rudolph, teacher of manual training in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

(IX) Mildred Frances, daughter of Adin and Clara E. (Foot) Libby, was born in Saco, May 27, 1881, and married, May 29, 1898, Dr. Harry Alton Moody, now of Sanbornville, New Hampshire. (See Moody IV.)

(III) Joseph, second child and son of John (2)

and Agnes Libby, was born in Scarborough, probably as early as 1670. He lived in Portsmouth thirty-five years or more, but whether or not he died there is not certain. His wife's given name was Rebecca; and their children were: Benjamin, Joseph, Joshua, Sarah and Nathaniel.

(IV) Benjamin, eldest child of Joseph and Rebecca Libby, born in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, in 1693, was a cordwainer by trade, and lived in Dover, where he died August 3, 1781. He married Elizabeth Ham, daughter of Joseph and Tamson (Meserve) Ham of Dover. She died August 17, 1788. Their children were: Ham, Benjamin, James and Joseph.

(V) Ham, eldest child of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Ham) Libby, was born in Dover about 1735, was a farmer, and settled in Nottingham, where he died about 1790. He was a sergeant in the expedition against Crown Point. He married (first) Esther Drew, and (second) Sarah, daughter of Benjamin and Deborah (Stimpson) Wentworth. His children, all by the first wife, were: James, Elizabeth and Esther.

(VI) James, eldest child of Ham and Esther (Drew) Libby, was born in Nottingham, New Hampshire, January, 1765. He lived on his father's homestead in Nottingham, until the winter of 1799-1800, when he removed to Parsonsfield, Maine, where he settled on a farm near the pond. In 1816 he sold this farm, and during the rest of his life lived on a farm farther north in the same town, where he died April 28, 1828. He married Nancy Crockett, daughter of David and Sally (Thompson) Crockett, of Ossipee, New Hampshire. She died February 19, 1831. Their nine children were: Joseph, William, Andrew, Ham, Sally, John, David, Alvah, and Martha Crockett.

(VII) Ham (2), fourth son and child of James and Nancy Crockett, was born in Nottingham, November, 1795. After his marriage he lived on the farm of his father-in-law until 1833. In that year he moved to Effingham, New Hampshire, and lived there until 1846. After two years spent in Parsonsfield he returned to Wakefield, New Hampshire, and later to Ossipee, and lived in that place until 1865, and then went to live with his son in Wolfborough, where he died March 16, 1866. He married (first) September, 1819, Sarah Batchelder, daughter of Benjamin and — (Brown) Batchelder, of Parsonsfield, Maine. She died June 22, 1856, and he married (second) in 1857, Mary A. Fogg, of Ossipee, New Hampshire, who died in 1865. The children of Ham and Sarah (Batchelder) Libby, all born in Parsonsfield, were: Hannah Batchelder, John B., Nancy Y., James H., Alvah S., Ira, Edward J., Mary C. and Louisa.

(VIII) Captain Alvah S., third son and fifth child of Ham (2) and Sarah (Batchelder) Libby, was born December 5, 1830, on his grandfather Batchelder's homestead, in Parsonsfield. When he was four years old his father removed to Effingham, New Hampshire, where the son received his education in the town school and in the Effingham Academy. He left home in 1846 and went to Haverhill, Massachusetts, to work on a farm, and from that time until 1850 he lived in Haverhill, Brookline and Boston. After working at farming a year he secured employment as a clerk on a lumber wharf in Boston, where he remained three years. From 1850 to 1858 he lived in Wakefield and Ossipee, New Hampshire, and then settled in Wolfborough. From about 1850 until his death he was engaged in the

mill and lumber business, except when he was absent during his service in the army.

He enlisted from Wolfboro, September 20, 1862, in Company B, Sixteenth Regiment New Hampshire Volunteers; was mustered in as first sergeant, October 28, 1863; appointed second lieutenant February 5, 1863, and mustered out August 20, 1863, having served in the campaign for the reduction of Port Hudson under General N. P. Banks. In 1864 he re-enlisted in Company G, First Regiment New Hampshire Heavy Artillery, was appointed first lieutenant September 7, and the following day was appointed captain, and mustered out June 15, 1865. His company consisted of one hundred and forty-seven men and four lieutenants. He commanded at Fort Scott, Fort Sumner, and Battery Garesche in 1864 and in 1865, in the defences of Washington, District of Columbia.

Returning to New Hampshire, he became one of the firm of Libbey, Varney & Company (A. S. Libbey, Augustus J. Varney and Alonzo Thompson), manufacturers of lumber and box shooks. This firm continued unchanged until about 1890, when Mr. Thompson retired. Upon the death of Mr. Libbey the business was purchased by his two sons, Fred S. and Edward J. Libbey. Captain Libbey was a man of sterling character, a good business man, a high-minded public-spirited citizen, thoughtful and forceful, and a leader in the community where he resided. He was a Republican in politics, and served his town with marked ability in many official capacities, holding various town offices, and serving as member of the New Hampshire legislature in 1871-72. He married, October 17, 1850, Abbie E. Pray, born at Macadavie, New Brunswick, July 29, 1829, daughter of Otis R. and Sarah (Oliver) Pray, of Macadavie, New Brunswick, by whom he had three children: Sarah Ellen, who married Charles E. Randall, of Wolfboro; Edward Judson, married to Bessie Drew; and Fred S., who is next mentioned.

(IX) Fred Sumner, youngest child of Captain Alvah S. and Abbie E. (Pray) Libbey, was born in Wolfboro, New Hampshire, October 17, 1865. He obtained his earlier education in the public schools, graduating from Wolfboro high school in 1883. In August of the same year he entered New Hampton Literary Institution, from which he graduated in June, 1887, giving the honorary address to his literary society, the Social Fraternity. In 1887 he matriculated at Bates College, from which he graduated in 1891, delivering the parting address to his class, of which he was president. After leaving college he became principal of the high school at Camden, Maine, which position he held four years until September, 1895, when the death of his father called him home to settle the estate. In October, 1896, he bought out the interest of A. J. Varney, for thirty years a partner of his father in the firm of Libbey, Varney & Company. In January, 1897, he and his brother, E. J. Libbey, bought the interest of the Libbey estate, and have since carried on a large and very prosperous business under the firm name of Libbey Brothers. Mr. Libbey inherits his father's politics, is a Republican, takes a lively interest in public affairs, and has filled the office of moderator. In religion he is a free Baptist. He married, August 27, 1892, Sara E. Deering, born at Richmond, Maine, October 4, 1868, daughter of Rev. Arthur Deering, of Pittsfield, New Hampshire. They have three children: Frederic Alvah, Elizabeth Louise and Kenneth Pray, born Nov. 15, 1900.

(IV) Joshua, third son and child of Joseph and Rebecca Libbey, was born in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, about 1700. He was a mariner by occupation. He was a householder, but so far as known held no other estate. He married Elizabeth—and they had three children: Joshua, see forward; Elizabeth, baptized June 13, 1731; and Love, baptized July 20, 1734; his wife outlived him.

(V) Joshua, only son and eldest child of Joshua and Elizabeth Libbey, was baptized in Portsmouth, September 28, 1729. Nothing further is known of him except that he married and had two children: Hanson, baptized September 13, 1756, who probably died young; and Luke, baptized September 4, 1758.

(VI) Luke, son of Joshua Libbey, according to one record, was born in Portsmouth, August 22, 1756. The date of his baptism, as given above, is about two years later; but that is not an improbable discrepancy. He spent his youth in Exeter, New Hampshire. He served seven and a half years in the Revolution, and for fourteen months of that time was imprisoned in England. According to the Revolutionary rolls he was "inlisted" in the company of Major James Norris in the Third New Hampshire Regiment, April 1, 1777, for three years. In 1780, he was enrolled from Exeter in the muster at Kingston, New Hampshire, by Josiah Bartlett, raised to recruit the three New Hampshire regiments in the Continental army. This service extended from June 27 to December 6, 1780, and in payment he received £7.37 with £335 as an allowance for blanket. This sum was paid, if it were paid at all, in the depreciated Continental currency. That his prison experience was not his only hardship is seen by the fact that he was discharged with others by Major Jason Wait at Camp Soldiers' Fortune on December 6, 1780 "for want of clothes." At the time of his marriage to Lucy Crocker, of Exeter, New Hampshire, he moved to Landaff, New Hampshire. In 1800 he went to Warren, New Hampshire, where he carried on a farm till old age. He died in the neighboring town of Piermont, January 8, 1844. He married (second) Mrs. Goodwin. His eight children, all born of the first marriage, were: George, born August 22, 1792, who married Sally Abbott; Nathaniel P., married Nancy Abbott; John W., married Betsey Merrill; Stephen, married Margaret Watson; Ezra Bartlett, mentioned below; Anna P., born February 26, 1804, died January 21, 1816; Jonathan M., born March 8, 1806, died December 7, 1815; Obadiah C., born December 15, 1807, died in Pelham.

(VII) Ezra Bartlett, fifth son and child of Luke and Lucy (Crocker) Libbey, was born in Warren, New Hampshire, October 24, 1801, and spent his whole life there, dying at the age of eighty-two. He was a farmer and shoemaker. In politics he was a Democrat, and he attended the Methodist Church. He married (first) Mary Gibbin Haman. There were three children: Walton, deceased; Nancy, who died young, and Jane L., died January, 1907, in Meredith, New Hampshire, aged ninety-six. She married Harvey Chamberlain, of Lynn, Massachusetts. He married (second) Mrs. Erva Kilburn (Sinclair) Cummings, widow of Calvin Cummings, and daughter of Frank Sinclair, of Ludlow, Vermont. She was born in Chester, Vermont, June 22, 1811. There were six children by her first marriage, of whom three survive: Calvin W. Cummings; Carlos A. Cummings; and Frank C. Cummings. By her marriage with Ezra B. Libbey there were three children: Horatio K., whose sketch follows; Rus-

sell, deceased; and Albion W., born May 8, 1857, married Rachel Stewart, and lives in Tilton, New Hampshire. Three of their six children are living: Clara Erva, Leon Earl and Ethel Blanche.

(VIII) Horatio K., eldest child of Ezra Bartlett and Mrs. Erva Kilburn (Sinclair) (Cummings) Libbey, was born in Warren, New Hampshire, on his father's fiftieth birthday, October 24, 1851. He was educated in the common schools of Warren and Manchester, New Hampshire. He did teaming between these two places, and also did teaming and lumbering in Warren. He worked in the boiler room of Blood's Locomotive Works, in Manchester for two years. He worked on a railroad section for five years, and then went west to a stock farm. For two years he was employed on the stock farm owned by Samuel Colt at Farmington, Connecticut; and for five years he was superintendent of the stock farm of S. S. Houghton at Orford, New Hampshire. He then bought a farm where he stayed five years. In 1893, he went to Wilton, New Hampshire, to take charge of the Hillsborough County Farm and House of Correction. His wife was appointed matron at the same time. They resided there for twelve years and eight months. During this time the location of the county farm was changed from Wilton to Grassmere in Goffstown. Mr. Libbey had charge of the moving of the fixtures of the farm to Grassmere and all of the three hundred and sixty-five inmates. He superintended the putting up of the new buildings, which cost \$30,000, the finest of the kind in the state, put in all the water works, and laid out the roads. He retired from his position of superintendent on November 30, 1905, after a long and successful administration in which his executive ability had been made fully manifest. He then bought the Gilman Plummer place at Goffstown, where he manages a farm of ninety acres, and also handles lumber and cattle, remodelled all the buildings and has a snug, fine house.

In politics Mr. Libbey is a Republican. He is a member of the Congregational Church. He has attained the thirty-second degree in Free Masonry, and was a member of the Grange. He is a member of Bible Lodge, No. 93, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Goffstown; Mt. Horeb Royal Arch Chapter, No. 11; Adoniram Council, No. 3, Royal and Select Masters; Trinity Commandery, Knights Templar; Edward A. Raymond Consistory, S. P. R. S.; Bektash Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

He was a selectman for three years at Orford, New Hampshire. He married, January 12, 1873, Rebecca Jane Huckins, daughter of Thomas P. and Lucretia (Barry) Huckins, of Warren, New Hampshire. She was born April 22, 1855. Two children were born of this marriage: Bessie Alice, at Warren, New Hampshire, January 8, 1877, who married William W. Porritt, of Goffstown; and Menta B., at Orford, New Hampshire, April 25, 1887. Mrs. Rebecca (Huckins) Libbey was a member of the Congregational Church. She belonged to the Grange and was a member of the Eastern Star, of which she was chaplain. She died May 29, 1903. On December 4, 1905, Mr. Libbey married Mrs. Stella M. Hoyt, daughter of William Moore, of Bedford, New Hampshire. She was educated in the common schools of Bedford. She is a member of the Congregational Church, and belongs to the Eastern Star, being a charter member of the Martha Washington Chapter. After her marriage to Mr. Hoyt they resided some thirty years in Goffstown, at Park-

er's Station, where he was engaged in lumbering and farming; his death occurred there. She has one son, Ralph, who graduated at Exeter College, June, 1907, and entered Dartmouth College, September, 1907.

(III) Deacon Benjamin, sixth son and child of John (2) and Agnes Libbey, was born in Scarborough, June 4, 1682, and died in Berwick, November 9, 1768, aged eighty-six. He was taken by his father to Portsmouth in 1690, and afterward went to Berwick and "lived and served his time" seven years with Colonel John Plaisted. He settled near what is now South Berwick Junction, on the "Witchtot" road, and lived there the remainder of his life. He was for many years one of the principal inhabitants of the town; was frequently placed on the most important town committees; often presided over the meetings of the town; and was selectman from 1719 to 1736. He was one of the original proprietors of Lebanon, and took a prominent part in the early management of that town-ship. September 16, 1725, he was chosen deacon of the Congregational Church, of which he and his wife had been members from October 7, 1716, and filled that position until June 25, 1761, a period of thirty-six years. There is a record of special thanks voted him for his services. He married, December 20, 1707, Sarah Stone, daughter of Daniel and Patience (Goodwin) Stone, of Kittery. The date of her death is unknown, but she was living as late as February, 1764. Their children were: Agnes, Joseph and Benjamin (twins), Sarah, Daniel, Mary, Jeremiah, Anna, Charles and Elisha. (Mention of Charles and descendants forms part of this article.)

(IV) Joseph, eldest son and second child of Deacon Benjamin and Sarah (Stone) Libbey, was born April 5, 1711. He married (first) Anna, whose surname is unknown. Married (second) the widow, Elizabeth Shorey. He was a farmer and lived on a part of his father's homestead. Administration on his estate was granted May 21, 1787; his death occurred probably very shortly before that time. His widow married, December 20, 1787, Daniel Furbish. The children by the first wife were: Benjamin, Sarah, Anna, Joseph, Margaret, Dorcas, Nathan, Elisha, Patience and Ichabod. By the second wife there was one child, Ann.

(V) Benjamin, eldest child of Joseph and Anna Libbey, was born in Berwick, Maine, and baptized in August, 1735. He was a hardy man of an adventurous spirit and preferred the danger of the sea and the profits of marine ventures to the less exciting vocations on terra firma, and so engaged in the coasting trade. Some years before the Revolution he settled at Frenchman's Bay, on the coast of what is now Hancock County, Maine. It was said by his son Benjamin that he with a neighbor named Clark built the first wharf on that bay, and the first vessel that sailed from it. During the Revolution he was driven away by the British. He left his property and fled in an open boat some three hundred miles along the coast, and landed in safety at York Beach. He afterwards settled on a farm in Kittery. He married, March 13, 1760, Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Captain John Smith, of Berwick. She died at the residence of her son Ichabod, in Tuftonborough, New Hampshire, (where it is thought her husband also died) about 1824. Their children were: Hanson, Thankful, Anna, Betsey, Experience, Ichabod, Sarah, Margaret, Benjamin, Polly and Harriet.

(VI) Ichabod, sixth child and second son of Ben-

jamin and Elizabeth (Smith) Libbey, was born probably in Berwick, Maine, in January, 1770. He settled in Tuftonborough, New Hampshire, then a wilderness, and finally became a comfortable farmer. A few years before his death he removed to Wolfborough and there died November 23, 1833. He inherited many of the virtues of a worthy ancestry, and for years filled the office of deputy sheriff with credit to himself and satisfaction to the public. He married Polly Leavitt, who was born March 10, 1772, and died April 4, 1856, daughter of Josiah Leavitt, of Strafford. They had ten children: Josiah L., Belinda, John Smith, Dudley Leavitt, James S., George W., Mary and Sarah (twins), Ira Allen and William P.

(VII) Josiah L., eldest son and child of Ichabod and Polly (Leavitt) Libbey, married, in 1816, Mary, daughter of Jonathan and Shuah (Stevens) Morrison, of Tuftonborough, where he was a farmer until his death, June 7, 1833. His widow died October 30, 1870, aged seventy-four years. They had one child, Shuah M., who is next mentioned.

(VIII) Shuah M., only child of Josiah L. and Mary (Morrison) Libbey, was born in Tuftonborough, December 18, 1819, and died in Wolfboro, January 29, 1906, aged eighty-six years. She married, April 18, 1843, Otis Evans, and had four children: Mary L., born March 1, 1844, married, February 15, 1879, Levi T. Haley, of Wolfboro (see Haley, VIII). Emily S., deceased. Charles O. Emily S., born February 9, 1857, married, December 6, 1882, Franklin P. Hobbs (see Hobbs, IV).

(IV) Charles, ninth child and fifth son of Deacon Benjamin and Sarah (Stone) Libbey, was born in Berwick, Maine, December 29, 1721, and died September 8, 1772. He lived and died on his father's homestead, where he was engaged in farming. He married, December 27, 1744, Abigail Hilton, who survived him. Their twelve children were: Hannah, Mary, Ebenezer, Charles, Mehitable, Abigail, Jeremiah, Benjamin, John (died young), James, Sarah and John.

(V) Captain Charles (2), fourth child and second son of Charles (1) and Abigail (Hilton) Libbey, was born in Berwick, December 16, 1749. He was a Revolutionary soldier, and the records state that Charles Libbey was a sergeant in Captain Thomas Hodsdon's company, in Colonel Thomas Poor's regiment; engaged June 9, 1778, and discharged January 29, 1779, after serving eight months and seven days at North river, including seventeen days (three hundred and forty miles) travel home. This regiment was raised for eight months, and the roll was dated at Berwick, Maine. He was also in the same company and regiment, as shown by the pay rolls for June-September, 1778, dated West Point. The pay rolls for November and December, 1778, and February, 1779, dated King's Ferry, also show that he was then and there of the same company and regiment. He received by will one-half of his father's homestead, and lived in the old house, but it is said in a law suit about some injustice done him, when he was an officer in the militia, he spent all his property, and had to relinquish the homestead. He removed to Lebanon in 1791, and very soon after pined away and died. He married, July 16, 1772, Sarah Pray. She survived him and married (second), February 2, 1796, John Legro, of Lebanon. The children of Captain Charles and Sarah were: Abigail, Experience, John, Jeremiah, Joshua and Nathaniel.

(VI) Nathaniel, fourth son and youngest child

of Captain Charles and Sarah (Pray) Libbey, was born in Berwick, Maine, December 22, 1790, and died in Bethlehem, July 18, 1840. In his early days he followed the sea. After his marriage he bought the mills in Ossipee, New Hampshire, and resided there about twenty years. He removed from that place to Bethlehem, where he was engaged in lumbering many years, and finally settled on a farm. He served as selectman of Bethlehem many years, and also represented the town in the state legislature. He was a member of the Congregational Church. He married, November 24, 1813, Tirzah Lord, daughter of Nathan Lord, of Bethlehem. She survived her husband and died October 24, 1846. Their eleven children were: Mercy L., Charles, Sarah Ann, Elizabeth R., Daniel Lord, Jeremiah Colby, Hannah Maria, John Quincy Adams, George Washington, Nathaniel W., and Henry C., whose sketch follows.

(VII) Henry Clay, seventh son and youngest child of Nathaniel and Tirzah (Lord) Libbey, was born in Bethlehem, August 2, 1839. At the age of eleven months he was left fatherless, and when he was seven years old his mother died. With him the struggle for a living began early, and for six years after the death of his mother he worked at different places for his board. His education was confined to a limited attendance at the public schools at Whitefield. At the age of twenty he bought a saw mill, paying three hundred dollars down, and giving his note for twelve hundred. He was successful in this enterprise, and in 1871, twelve years later, he bought the Alder Brook mill, formerly owned by his father, and managed it successfully for eighteen years, and then sold it and went to Lisbon, where he has since lived. In 1884 he organized the Granite State Glove Company, and became its president. This concern consolidated with the Saranac Glove Company, of Littleton, and Mr. Libbey has since been the president of the new organization. In 1884 he was one of the promoters and organizers of the Parker & Young Manufacturing Company, of which he was made president. This establishment was burned in 1891, and Mr. Libbey took a leading part in its reconstruction, and it is now one of the largest factories of its kind in the country. His connection with this industry continued until 1894, when he withdrew to devote his energies to the business of lumbering, which he has carried on extensively in Rimouski, province of Quebec. He was president and manager of the Lisbon Electric Light Company for a number of years, a stockholder and director in the Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Company, was one of the organizers of that financial institution of Lisbon, and is now one of its directors. In politics he is a staunch Republican, but has never taken a very active part in political affairs. He was postmaster at Alder Brook for several years, and in 1894 represented Lisbon in the legislature. He was a member of White Mountain Lodge, No. 86, Free and Accepted Masons, and of the Sons of the American Revolution, of New Hampshire. He attends the Methodist Church.

He married, November 22, 1865, Ellen M. Thomas, who was born in Littleton, September 5, 1843, daughter of Henry and Evelyn (Farr) Thomas, of Littleton. Four children have been born to them: Blanche T., Herman T., deceased; Grace E. and Ethel M.

(VII) Dudley Leavitt, third son and fourth child of Ichabod and Polly (Leavitt) Libbey, was born October 25, 1803. Reared to agriculture, he followed that calling in Tuftonboro and Wolfboro,

and is credited with the introduction of various modern improvements in the methods of tilling the soil. He commanded a cavalry company belonging to the state militia and was otherwise active outside of his legitimate calling. In his religious faith he was a Congregationalist. His death occurred in New York City, December 29, 1856. October 7, 1827, he married Sarah Ann Wiggin, daughter of Samuel and Nancy (Chase) Wiggin, of Tuftonboro. She died March 23, 1889. Dudley L. and Sarah A. (Wiggin) Libbey were the parents of six children, namely: Anne Mary (died young), Sarah Elizabeth (became the wife of Augustine D. Avery, of Wolfboro), Anne Mary, Helen Maria (see succeeding paragraph), Arabella Amanda and Emily Caroline.

(VIII) Helen Maria, fourth child of Dudley L. and Sarah Ann (Wiggin) Libbey, was born in Tuftonboro, April 3, 1835. On January 8, 1857, she became the wife of Joseph L. Avery, of Wolfboro, a brother of Augustine D. Avery, previously mentioned (see Avery, VII).

(II) Henry, second son of John Libbey, was born in Scarborough, Maine, in the year 1647, and died October 21, 1732, aged eighty-five years. In 1686 he held the office of selectman in his native town. In 1690, when the Indian troubles broke out, he went with his father-in-law to Lynn, Massachusetts. He was one of the company which first attempted to resettle their possessions. Tradition says that they came from Lynn in a sloop, and built a garrison on Prout's Neck, which they successfully defended from attacks by a force of five hundred French and Indians. Henry Libbey and his sons were all present at the first town meeting, in 1720. With one John Boden he was chosen to go and show the old highways to the selectmen. In September, 1728, at the age of eighty-one, he became a member of the Congregational Church at Black Point, which had just been organized under the pastoral charge of the Rev. William Thompson. His house stood on a lot which in recent years has become a part of Black Point Cemetery. He married Honor Hinkson, a daughter of Peter Hinkson, whose plantation joined his father's. Peter Hinkson was from Hobberton or Heberton, Devonshire, England, and came to America in 1662 or soon after, and settled at Beach Point, Maine, where he was one of the principal inhabitants. Honor died August 24, 1724, aged sixty. The children of Henry and Honor were: Mary, Samuel, Sarah, James, Hannah, Elizabeth and John.

(III) Captain John, seventh and youngest child of Henry and Honor (Hinkson) Libbey, was born probably soon after the year 1700. He went with his father from Lynn to Scarborough, and settled on a farm. He was a man of unusual energy and ability and filled repeatedly the most important positions in the town. He was a land surveyor and succeeded in a measure to the position his brother, Lieutenant Samuel Libbey, had filled. He was a lieutenant in Captain George Berry's company in 1745, and after the death of his kinsman, Captain John Libbey, became known as captain, and was so called until his death. He was on a fishing trip with two others, and the small boat in which they were riding was upset near the mouth of Nonesuch river, and although an expert swimmer he never rose. The two others escaped, and there were suspicions of foul play at the time of his death. He married (first), June 15, 1728, Mary Goodwin, daughter of William and Deliverance (Taylor) Goodwin, of Berwick. She died a few years later

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