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Earliest Ancestors—When and Where.

- I. Randall, 1765, Hopkinton, R. I.
- II. Benjamin, 1670, Stratford, Conn.
- III. David L., Wales to Philadelphia.
- IV. Richard, 1793, Wales to N. Y.
- V. Richard, R. I.
- VI. Joseph, 1776, Vt.
- VII. Joshua, 1680, Wales to Conn.
- VIII. John, 1661, Westerly, R. I.
- IX. Elisha, Litchfield, Conn.
- XI. George, 1733, Hopkinton, R. I.
- XII. William, 1632, Farmington, Ct.
- XIII. John, 1635, New London, Conn.
- XVI. Benjamin, 1785, Wales to Wis.
- XIX. John, 1640, Wales to Va.
- XX. Levi, 1762, Sussex-co., N. J.
- XXI. Gerardus, 1720 N. Y. City.
- XXIV. George, 1630, Eng. to Mass.
- XXVI. Thomas, 1818, Va., Ky., Mo.

- XXVII. Jariah, 1780, Westerly, R. I.
 - XXVIII. Joseph, 1769, N. J.
 - XXIX. John, 1721, Amwell, N. J.
 - XXXI. Lewis, Llandaff, Wales 1816.
 - XXXIII. Edmund, 1634, Lynn, Mass.
 - XXXIV. Richard, 1706, Providence, R. I.
 - XXXV. Robert, 1585, Wales to Va.
 - XXXVI. John, 1634, Malden, Mass.
 - XXXVII. Elisha, 1770-1828.
 - XXXIX. Jesse, 1774, Hopkinton, R. I.
 - XL. Francis, 1713, Wales to New York.
 - XLIH. Edward, 1744, Wales to N. J.
 - XLIV. William, 1640, Roxbury, Mass.
 - XLV. John, 1732, Ireland to Va.
 - XLVI. Thomas, 1745, New London, Ct.
 - XLVII. Zachary, 1692, Wales to Va.
 - XLVIII. Joseph, Wales to Chicago.
 - XLIX. Thomas L., Wales to Ohio.
 - L. William, Coed, Wales.
 - LI. John, Holland to Mass.
 - LII. William, Maryland, 1637.
 - LIII. Ellis, Wales to Penn., 1708
 - LIV. Evan, Wales to Penn., 1682.
 - LV. Stephen, Llanfynydd, Wales.
 - LVI. John, Hopkinton, R. I., 1694.
 - LVII. Enoch, Cheat River, Penn.
 - LVIII. Benajah, Providence, R. I., 1734.
 - LIX. William, New Jersey, 1682.
 - LX. Thomas, Dighton, Mass., 1760.
 - LXI. The Shipbuilder, Pittsburg, Pa.
 - LXII. Marshall, Binghamton, N. Y.
 - LXIII. Philip, N. J. to Ohio.
 - LXIV. Benjamin, Farmington, Ct., 1729.
 - LXVH. David, Wales to Del., 1800.
 - LXVIII. Aaron, Va. to Ky., 1780.
 - LXIX. Henry, Culpepper co., Va., 1765.
 - LXX. Zephaniah, New Jersey, 1734.
 - LXXI. Samuel, Plymouth, Ct., 1748-1822
 - LXXII. John, Henrico Co., Va., 1640.
 - LXXIII. Tho Buckingham co., Va., 1750
 - LXXIV. Exum, Edgecombe co., N. C. 1775
 - LXXV. Paul, Rhode Island, 1770.
 - LXXVI. William, Rhode Island, 1760.
 - LXXVII. Benjamin, 1812, Oswego, N. Y.
 - LXXVIII. George, 1640, Casco Bay, Me.
 - LXXIX. Reuben, 1814, Wells, Vt.
 - LXXX. Thomas, 1630, Saco, Me.
- (Missing numbers are of Merged . . .)

Some Suggestions Concerning Lewis Records.

The very common reply to requests for the family records of a person or of some family is the statement that he or she is so busy a person that they cannot give the time. They are glad to see the effort to preserve all that belongs to the name Lewis; they can give the dates etc. desired but really are too busy but will sometime. All the more reason why they should give a few minutes to these matters of such moment, not only to themselves and their fame but to all others related to them. Example upon example might be given to illustrate this point from the records already gathered in LEWISIANA which are as yet but a mere drop in the bucket of the whole of which some day we shall be so proud—the Records of the Lewises. A single quotation must suffice. It is by Mrs. Julia Delafield in her Biography of Francis Lewis (Book XL).

“Not many years hence my children will say, ‘if mother were here she could settle this question, she must have been acquainted with the hero of this adventure; she would tell us what was the standing of this family when Pearl street was the fashionable quarter.’ Before I take my departure I will put them in possession of such of my recollections as may gratify innocent curiosity, and spare them the regret felt by my mother and her family that my grandfather, the late Major-General Lewis, left no manuscripts. He could have given us the reminiscences of his father, Francis Lewis, who, born in the reign of Queen Anne, had taken an active part in the old French war; was a member of the first Congress, and had the honor of inscribing his name on the great charter of the nation.

General Morgan Lewis himself had served with distinction through the war of the Revolution, and the war of 1812 and 1814. He had been Chief Justice and Governor of the State of New York; he had filled every office that his fellow-citi-

zens in his native state had it in their power to bestow upon him. He did not refuse when we urged him to write his memoirs, but he always put it off till a more convenient season, which season, of course, never arrived.”

Is it any wonder that we do not know positively the names and dates of birth of the grand children even of this great man of our name? Or that those who honestly think themselves his descendants are to be met with at every turn? How much labor half an hour's work would have saved!

Again the reply is that they have most of the information desired but will not send until they can obtain one or two more dates which they lack. Quite a reasonable reply it may be said, and yet during the few years of LEWISIANA's existence it has been answered time and time again: “I am very sorry to tell you that I have lost my records. A fire totally consumed, etc.” “My precious and nearly completed record has been lost. I cannot find it.” “Some one to whom I sent my record for additions has failed to return it. I have no idea where it is.” “I have waited two years to get two more dates and now in despair I send my record to you incomplete.” Lo! something in it reminds the Editor of the contents of a pigeon hole and behold both the dates are at hand.

Lewises send your records and let them as quickly as possible be preserved in a permanent form so that no loss by fire, death or failure of friends to return can destroy them. Is there any surer way?

“If you can place these records I have sent among the Lewises of your knowledge I will take two copies of your paper and can pledge you three or four subscriptions.” The Editor could not place them but three years later a worker in “the Lewis tract” wrote, “I send you a fragmentary record which I have looked at off and on for nearly four years without adding to it. Perhaps you can.” It furnished the key to the former records but death, change of residence and loss of interest brought

then no gain from it to LEWISIANA subscription list. A mercenary view truly but one on which depends the continuance of LEWISIANA and its work under the present management. Is there any other better or more reasonable way for all of us? If not, send in your records (or copies of them). Let there be one center, one headquarters, where may be found *all* that is known of the whole Lewis race, so that we may one and all be proud sharers of that final achievement however distant it may seem to-day—the Records of the Lewises.

GENEALOGICAL RECORDS.

Explanations, Abbreviations, etc.

For convenience the records of the various Lewis families are divided into Books and each Book into chapters. At the head of each Book appears the name of the earliest known ancestor of that family. The List of Books is a complete index to the Books as published to this time. New Books will be added from time to time as new branches of the Lewis family are found. As soon as Books are proved parts of others they will be merged into the Books to which they belong. Each name is numbered when first printed and whenever the name is repeated this number follows in brackets. -The abbreviations commonly used in genealogical work are used; as b. for born; d. died; m. married; m. (1) first wife; dau. daughter; unnm. not married; v. p. see page, etc.

Book II.

BENJAMIN LEWIS, Stratford, Conn.

CHAPTER LXXXVI.

FROM THE BRIDGEPORT, Ct. *Standard*.

Died—In this city, Jan. 29, 1897, Mary, widow of Edwin Wood, aged 85 years.

Thus passes away another life-long resident of Bridgeport, the last of her generation, at the advanced age of 85 years and 8 months. Born, reared and spending all her days, except the few years of her

married life, which were in the city proper in the old home, the home of her parents on Old Mill Green, on the south side of the King's highway, not many rods from the Benjamin Franklin mile stone. In this house, so soon to be the home of aliens, were born seven brothers and sisters, children of Elijah and Elizabeth (Hubbell) Lewis, her parents. Here she had lived alone since the death of her sister, Sarah Jane Lewis, about five years ago. Here she passed her days in a peaceful, quiet existence in an unassuming way, leading an upright, Christian life, beloved by her relatives and friends. Much of her time was passed in reading. When other matter was scarce she read her Bible. I found her thus engaged one Sunday two years ago, and that winter she had read thoughtfully both Old and New Testaments, making the third time she had been through the book since she lived alone. For about one and one-half years her sight had been growing dim by the formation of cataracts on the eye, but still she passed the time alone in her regular routine. The public were made familiar with her name by her generous gift of \$20,000 to the Bridgeport hospital for the building of the new wing, which she has lived to see completed and in good running order, with perfect equipments. Money donations for a hospital seemed to be a family mania. Her mother's sisters, Julia and Susan Hubbell, gave the ground and money for starting the building of a hospital on their homestead then located in the limits of Stratford. Sarah Jane Lewis, her sister, gave at her death \$5,000 to endow a free bed in the same building.

How few of the directors, doctors, nurses, patients and others interested in that new surgical ward, know the source of the money or where it was obtained. Their brother, John Lewis, a farmer on the old homestead, at his death about 12 years ago, left his sisters his money. Most of it had been gold dust obtained from the bed of the American river in California—

dug from the earth—separated from the sand by washing—stored up in chamois belts worn on the person for safe keeping—brought home across the isthmus at the peril of their lives, taken to Philadelphia to be coined and then stored in the banks of Bridgeport to accumulate. He was a "forty-niner."

The father of Elijah Lewis was Isaac, son of Benjamin, son of Benjamin, in Stratford, in 1667, whose house was where the fine Sterling mansion now stands.

Elizabeth Hubbell, the mother of Mrs. Wood, was the daughter of Samuel Hubbell and Mary Beardsley, the daughter of Abraham Beardsley, 2nd, and Bertha Curtis.

CHAPTER LXXXVII.

By HELEN PERRY MAXWELL, N. Y. CITY.

The line of Mrs. Mary (Lewis) Woods seems not to have been worked out at all as yet. According to Orcutt in his History Isaac Lewis (187) b. Sept. 1734, d. Aug. 31, 1804, in his 70th year, son of Benjamin (71 v. p. 74, Vol. III) and Sarah (DeForest) Lewis and gr. son of Benjamin, the head of this branch of our name, m. 1761, Anne Thompson who d. 1767 and had son.

801.I. Elijah bapt. Nov. 1761, m. Elizabeth Hubbell as above

CHAPTER LXXXVIII.

REV. ISAAC LEWIS, D. D.

The following additions to his record as given on p. 164, Vol. IV. are given. Harper's Biblical Cyclopedia states that he entered the ministry March, 1768, was ordained at Wilton, Ct., Oct. 26, 1768, and resigned June, 1786. In Blake's Biographical Dictionary we read that "During his residence at Wilton the memorable struggle of the American Revolution occurred, and deeply sympathizing with his countrymen, he spent much of his time in the camp encouraging and comforting them." Henry P. Johnston in Yale in the Revolu-

tion states that "he was invited to the chaplaincy of Bradley's Fifth Continental Regiment in 1777 but declined the appointment. Rev. Ichabod Lewis (his cousin. Who can give his record?—ED.) of the same class, was appointed in his place, but his name is not on the rolls of the Fifth." [v. Ichabod (229) p. 85, Vol. III.] "When dismissed from his church in Greenwich at his own request, he was 72 years of age, but he still continued to reside among that people until the day of his death, and until he was ninety years of age, he occasionally addressed them. The great age which he attained commanded the veneration of all who knew him, and his excellent character, Christian integrity, urbane and courteous manners, together with his social virtues and great learning, secured their esteem and love." (Blake's Biog. Dict.)

In addition to ch. given in record on p. 99, Vol. VI. he had a dau.

802. Susan m. Joshua Baker of Berkley co., Va. Wm. Terrell Lewis in his Genealogy of the Lewis Family says, Joshua Baker Sr., was one of the first settlers of Kentucky, was in the Convention from Mason county with Thomas Marshall (brother of Chief Justice John Marshall) and General Philomel Thomas. He commanded General Wayne's spy company of the Kentucky troops in 1794, was in some of the fighting in 1815 at New Orleans and died in 1816. He had sons

803.I. Joshua, Judge, of Franklin, La.

804.II. Isaac Lewis, Major.

(to be continued.)

BOOK VIII.

JOHN LEWIS, Westerly, R. I., 1661.

CHAPTER CCLII. (James.)

AN RHODE ISLAND OBITUARY.

James Lewis who died in Exeter on Feb. 4, 1897, was born in that town within two miles of the place of his death, Oct 10, 1810, and was therefore over 86 years

of age. He was the son of Col. Nathan B. (1380 v. p. 5, Vol. V.) and Sally (Richmond) Lewis, and was the oldest of a family of six children. His father, Col. Lewis, died at the age of 40 from brain fever, when the subject of this sketch was not quite 20 years old. His father was a farmer and left little for the maintenance of the widow and children except a stony farm, the live stock thereon and a little household furniture.

Being the oldest of the children, the care of the family naturally fell to the lot of James, the only other boy among them being then but four years of age. From that time on his life was one of steady, laborious toil. He always followed farming, which he made profitable to a certain degree and until quite recently owned something over 1000 acres of land in the western part of the town. He was regarded as the most successful farmer in the town and continued in the active daily personal supervision of his business until about five or six years ago.

He was twice married. His first wife, Mary Sisson, died in 1849, and his second wife, Frances M. Hall, died in 1888. He had seven children, two of whom died in infancy and two others in early manhood. Three survive him. These are Nathan B. Lewis, Justice of the District Court of the Second Judicial District; Mary F. Barber, wife of George F. Barber of Exeter, who was the only daughter, and John N. Lewis of Voluntown, Conn., Town Treasurer of that town and Senator in the Connecticut Legislature from the Eleventh Senatorial district. (v p 85, Vol. VII.)

Deacon Lewis, as he was called, was a man of marked individuality of character, and was widely known for his rugged honesty and good judgment in practical affairs. For more than 25 years he had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Hope Valley, though his earlier religious affiliations were with the Six Principle Baptists. He was earnest and decided in his religious convictions, and

had little patience with liberal orthodoxy and the higher criticism of the Scriptures. Although a strong Republican, he was no politician, and always sturdily refused office.

He doubtless took too serious a view of life and its duties to get his proper share of enjoyment from it as men ordinarily measure enjoyment. With him life was no holiday parade, but all his energies were dedicated to a courageous industry, which was not devoid of material rewards, and his religious consolations were much like those of his Puritan ancestors and very satisfactory to him.

Partly on account of his advanced age and partly on account of his sterling honesty and rugged individuality of character resembling in many ways the granite hills of Exeter, among which he was born, lived and died, he will long be missed in the community where he was known as one of its most substantial citizens.

CHAPTER CCLIII. (SAMUEL.)

By MYRON S. LEWIS, LEADVILLE, COLO.

In July, 1888, I visited the location then called Lewis City and took some photographs of the places mentioned on p. 69, Vol. VII. by S. D. Lewis. In the place were three houses, and on the south side of the road opposite the oldest house was the cemetery, but the stones were rough and no marks to show whose resting place they marked. I also took a photograph of part of the cemetery. A man named Barber, who occupied the house opposite the cemetery, said that the house was built in 1745 by Jonathan Lewis. Another house standing just west of the first, he said was built in 1765 by Jonathan's son Daniel. The Jonathan must have been (98) and Daniel (136). The first house had been enlarged as the place of addition could be readily seen, as one part was covered with clapboards and the old part was shingled on the side. The original part might have been built in 1734 by Jonathan (50). As I have the negatives

of the views taken, I can furnish prints from them if desired.

BOOK XI.

GEORGE LEWIS, Hopkinton, R. I.

CHAPTER XX.

BY B. MARIA (LEWIS) HATCH, MADISON,
Wis.

Eleazer (20 v p 19, Vol. VII) b. in R. I. Jany. 31, 1772. d. in Canastota, N. Y., May 15, 1853, m. in Conn. Feb. 11, 1795, Sarah Stanton Rood b. in Conn. June 13, 1775, d. in Canastota, N. Y. July 30, 1850. Her father was killed at the battle of Bunker Hill. Her mother's name was Sarah Stanton. Eleazer died on the old farm which he took up when the country was a howling wilderness and straggling Indians with bears, wolves and other wild animals were the inhabitants of its dense forests. During his early residence there much sickness prevailed among the settlers and typhoid fever of the genuine old fashioned variety carried off not a few.

- 10 ch. b.
244.I. Stanton b. Feb. 12, 1798.
245.II. Daniel b. May 14, 1799.
251.III. Lydia b. Apr. 4, 1800.
93.IV. William b. Sept. 15, 1802.
246.V. Morgan b. Aug. 20, 1804.
247.VI. Morris b. Aug. 6, 1806.
248.VII. Calvin b. July 25, 1808.
249.VIII. Hiram b. Nov. 11, 1811.
250.IX. George C. b. Feb. 14, 1815.
252.X. Betsey Maria b. Nov. 12, 1818.

BOOK XII.

WILLIAM LEWIS, Farmington, Ct.

CHAPTER CX.

BY DAVID N. CAMP IN HIS HISTORY OF
NEW BRITAIN, 1640-1889.

The jewelry business begun by William B. North about 1820, and continued by him and William A. Churchill until Mr. North's death in 1848, and afterwards by Churchill, Stanley & Co., has been continued in the same locality until the pres-

ent time. D. C. Pond who was a member of the firm in 1850 retired in 1853; Charles Warner a few years later and in 1863 James Stanley went out, leaving of the former partners only William A. Churchill and Charles M. Lewis (286 v p 121, Vol. IV). E. B. Dana who had been in charge of the New York office was soon admitted as a partner, and the firm name was changed to Churchill, Dana & Co. Mr. Dana retired in 1871 and William W. Churchill and Frederic Wessell became members of the firm, and its name was changed to Churchill, Lewis & Co. William A. Churchill died in 1874 and in 1885 William W. Churchill retired and the firm was afterwards Churchill, Lewis & Wessell, the estate of William A. Churchill retaining an interest, and Charles M. Lewis and Frederic Wessell being the active partners. Mr. Lewis died in 1886, leaving Mr. Wessell the sole active partner. The interest in the firm held by the Churchill estate was purchased and Charles J. Leward of New York, became a partner, the firm name being Lewis, Wessell & Leward. During nearly seventy years the successive firms doing business at this locality have maintained the high character of their goods, and the company has become one of the oldest firms of manufacturing jewelers in this country.

BOOK XIX.

JOHN LEWIS, Wales to Virginia.

CHAPTER XII.

FROM THE N. Y. EVENING POST.

There is an old stone church down south. There are old stone churches everywhere, built where churches entered far more into the marrow of every-day life than they do now, and when every-day life offered fewer complications. But this particular stone church is unique, the "show place" save the mark, of the neighborhood, and the neighborhood is far-reaching, and includes the town of Pendleton, two miles distant, a town that deserves more than

one paragraph to itself. "Have you seen the stone church?" the visitor will be asked by those seeking to do the hospitalities, even before other local properties are mentioned.

A good many wiggled old cavaliers are buried by the stone church—colonels and majors of Revolutionary fame, who consulted together with bated breath and stern resolve, and hesitated not to lock up suspected Tories in the box-like, odd little Pendleton jail, a structure as quaint and uncompromising in its way as the stone church itself. Of a truth, one thinks, if the samples of architecture left behind them may be taken as indication of the character of the men who caused their building, those old folk of Pickens County must have been made of stern, unyielding stuff indeed. And yet there are big rooms built with an eye to many a frolicsome quadrille or stately lancers in the plantation houses around, and good, spacious kennels to accommodate packs of hounds for pleasure-loving huntsmen. There are massive silver candlesticks in the wide piazzas, unpainted houses of the vicinity, and massive mahogany furniture, and a good picture or two that a collector might covet, and that might bring hard money in a practical market.

"Been through the buryin'-ground? I know about most all the fine monuments," volunteers the boss after the church has been inspected.

"This is the neatest kept-up place in the ground," he goes on, alluding to a square lot, trimly hedged and curbed and having numerous tablets with the name "Lewis" in raised letters. "Mighty fine people; 'bout the best round here," he declares. "Everybody gives them that name. There's a tall Miss Lewis teachin' school close to where I live, and she's a mighty good scholar. My two little girls is going to her, and they're learnin' powerful fast."

[v Col. Richard (75) p. 70, Vol. VI.—Ed.]

BOOK XXIV.

GEORGE LEWIS, Barnstable, Mass.

CHAPTER XXIII

By GEORGE LEWIS, HINGHAM CENTRE,
MASS.

Reprinted from p 22, Vol. II.

James (6) and Sarah (Lane) Lewis who was the first white girl born in Hingham, Mass. Had 10 ch.

35.I. John b. 1656, m. Nov. 17, 1682, at Boston, Hannah Lincoln. 9 ch.

36.II. Samuel b. 1658, m. 1690, Prudence Leonard. 5 ch.

37.III. Ebenezer m. 1691, Anna Lothrop. 9 ch.

38.IV. Sarah m. Jan'y. 6, 1685, Thomas Lincoln.

39.V. James m. 1698, Elizabeth Lothrop. 5 ch.

40.VI. Mary m. Jan'y. 18, 1695, Benjamin Lincoln.

41.VII. Hannah m. a Lombard of Truro, Mass.

42.VIII. Susanna's m. Lazarus Beal of Hingham, Mass.

43.IX. George m. Alice Crocker and d. in his 75th year.

44.X. Joseph m. (1) Feb. 3, 1703, Sarah Marsh, m. (2) Elizabeth (Vickery) Dixon. 17 ch.

Edward (8) and Hannah (Cobb) Lewis had 4 ch. [for corrected list v p 69, Vol. II. and p. 79, Vol. III.]

Nathaniel (10) and (—) Lewis had 1 ch.
48.I. Nathaniel.

Joseph (11) and Mary (Jones) Lewis had 2 ch.

49.I. Joseph b. 1672.

50.II. Sybil b. 1674.

[NOTE—For record of James (6) and Edward (8) v p 79, Vol. III.; for doubt as to Joseph (11) right to be placed here v p 104, Vol. V. and p. 52, Vol. VII.—Ed.]

CHAPTER XXVIII.

By HELEN PERRY MAXWELL, N. Y. CITY.

Ebenezer (37) m. Anna, dau. of Barna-

bas and Susan (Clark) Lothrop. Of the ch. (v p 39, Vol. II.)

Lothrop (71) b. June 13, 1702, is dismissed in the Gen. Notes of Barnstable Families with the statement that in his father's will he is left 20 shillings, but from some old papers in the possession of a descendant which I have recently had the pleasure of examining it seems that Lothrop came to Fairfield, Ct., to visit Rev. Noah Hobart, gr. son of Rev. Peter Hobart, the first minister of Hingham. He seems to have remained there for in the Biographical Sketches of Yale Graduates it is stated that "Lothrop Lewis of Fairfield, Ct., m. July 26, 1727, Sarah Sturgis widow of Ebenezer Wakeman, b. Feb. 10, 1699, Fairfield, Ct., son of Capt. Joseph (of Rev. Samuel) whom she hadm. June 24, 1724. He d. Sept. 25, 1726, at Fairfield. He had one son. He was deputy to the General Court in 1724-25-26. She d. May 15, 1756, in her 52nd year."

(Ebenezer Wakeman was graduated from Yale in 1720 and received the degree of M. A. three years later. In his time students' names were arranged according to their social rank, and his stands first in his class.—Ed.)

In these old papers I found that Sarah Sturgis was known as "the stall-fed beauty because her father (Jonathan Sturgis) owned so many cattle." She brought into the family a silver tankard and porringer which now over 170 years old are in the possession of a descendant, Mr. J. H. Brewster of Derby, Conn.

(to be continued.)

CHAPTER XCIX.

A BROOKLYN, N. Y. CLIPPING.

Beautiful with views of natural scenery and redolent of the spirit of old Yankee life the lecture by the Rev. J. J. Lewis of Boston on "Old New England, the Nation's Childhood Home and Holiday Abode," will be long remembered by those who heard it. For more than two hours last night

Mr. Lewis engrossed the attention of a large audience in Association Hall.

With an historical introduction the audience was well prepared for a tour, as Mr. Lewis expressed it, "through picturesque New England." The journey began with the valley of the Connecticut, than which no other stream, Mr. Lewis said, not even the Hudson, has so many associations that endear it to the hearts of Americans. Views of historic New England churches afforded Mr. Lewis opportunity to speak of the development of music among the Puritans beginning with the time when each man sang on what key he pleased and as loud as he pleased.

For scenery Mr. Lewis remarked that it is not necessary to go outside the limits of New England to satisfy the desire for natural beauty. The speaker proved this by a long and interesting series of views of the upper Connecticut valley, the White mountains, the Green mountainstate, Lake Champlain and the Maine coast.

[For portrait of Rev. John Jay Lewis v p 130, Vol. VI.—Ed.]

BOOK XXXV.

ROBERT LEWIS, Gloucester co., Va.

CHAPTER LXXVII.

FROM GENEALOGY OF THE LEWIS FAMILY
IN AMERICA.

The following account is furnished by Bishop Meade:

"Among the families which belonged to Pohick church (v p 11, Vol. V.) was that of Mr. Lawrence Lewis, the nephew of General Washington, the son of his sister, Betty, (v p 105, Vol. VII), who married Mr. Fielding Lewis (v p 119, Vol. VII). Mr. Lawrence Lewis (v p 88, Vol. IV.) married Miss Custis, the grand-daughter of Mrs. Washington. In many of the pictures of the Washington family she may be seen as a girl in a group with the General, Mrs. Washington and her brother, Washington Parke Custis.—The residence of Mr. Lawrence Lewis was a few miles

only from Mount Vernon and was called Woodlawn. After the desertion of Pohick they also attended in Alexandria, and some time after the establishment of St. Paul's congregation and the settlement of Dr. Wilmer in it, they united themselves to it, and were much esteemed by Dr. Wilmer, as he was by them. After some years they removed to an estate near Berryville, in what was then Frederick, now Clarke County.

Mr. Lewis was one of the most amiable able of men by nature, and became a sincere Christian and a communicant of our church. His person was tall and commanding, and his face full of benignity, as was his whole character. I wish some of our friends at a distance could have seen him in the position I once beheld him in the church at Berryville when I was administering the holy communion. Some of his servants were members of the church at that place, and on that day one of them came up after the white members had communed. It so happened that Mr. Lewis himself had not communed, but came up and knelt by the side of his servant, feeling, no doubt, that one God made them and one Saviour redeemed them. Mrs. Lewis was also a zealous member of the church, a lady of fine mind and education and very popular in her manners. Like her grandmother, she knew the use of her hands, and few ladies in the land did more with them for all church and charitable purposes, even to the last days of a long life. They had three children. Their son Lorenzo (v p 54, Vol. V.) married a Miss Coxé of Philadelphia and settled on the estate in Clarke, but died some years since. The two daughters married—the one Mr. Conrad (v p 89, Vol. IV.) of New Orleans, and the other (Frances Parke), Mr. — Butler of Mississippi or Louisiana (Bayou Gonla, La., is his post office). A numerous posterity is descending from them."

Washington Lewis, son of Lorenzo of Audley, near Berryville, Clarke county,

Va., has the portraits of Colonel Fielding Lewis (v p 119, Vol. VII) and his wife, Betty Washington. One of Lorenzo Lewis' sons married a daughter of Reverdy Johnson of Baltimore, Md.

BOOK XL.

FRANCIS LEWIS, Signer of the Declaration of Independence.

CHAPTER XXIII.

FROM BARRETT'S OLD MERCHANTS OF NEW YORK.

The history of Francis Lewis should be as familiar to New Yorkers as the Lord's Prayer.—Soon after his arrival, he went into partnership with Mr. Edward Annesly under the firm of Lewis & Annesly. The house went largely into foreign commerce, and Mr. Lewis married his partner's sister, Miss Annesly, who was a belle in her day.—

The store of Lewis and Annesly was in Dock street, near the Merchants' Exchange, that then stood on Broad street, between what is now Pearl and Water, in the middle of the street. The Custom House stood near, what is now the north-east corner of Whitehall and Pearl, and ran back nearly to Bridge street. Mr. Lewis had not been here long, before he took rank among the first merchants in the city. He used to make voyages in his own vessels, acting as supercargo; sometimes he went to Europe, sometimes to the West Indies. Once he visited Russia and established connections; once he was shipwrecked upon the coast of Ireland. During the early part of the commercial career of Mr. Lewis, New York had a good trade. In 1749 there were 157 vessels owned here, the registered tons of which were 6,500. They took 1,220 men to man them. At the time of the French war of 1755, Mr. Lewis had become engaged in the interior trade, in furs, etc. He also acted as agent of the British American Colonies in getting supplies for the troops. He was at Oswego when it

was surrendered to General Montcalm. He was also included in the surrender, and was delivered by the French general to the head chief of the Indians. They murdered every prisoner except Francis Lewis. He so won upon the Indians that they spared his life. He was able to converse with them, so that they could comprehend him, owing to the resemblance of their language to the dialect of the ancient Welsh, which Mr. Lewis understood. There is a tradition that a Welsh prince once settled in the West, and this gave rise to the beautiful poem of "Madoc" by Southey, the poet.

The British Government gave Mr. Lewis, five thousand acres of land for his conduct in the contest at Oswego. The Indians wanted to set him free. The French general would not consent, but sent him to Paris as a prisoner. He was shortly after exchanged, and came home to New York City.

By his marriage with Miss Annesly, he had several children, but three survived their infancy—Francis, Ann and Morgan.

In all the relations of life which the great old merchant sustained as merchant, as statesman, as husband, father and friend, there is no act of his whole life, embracing nearly a century, that will not bear the most searching scrutiny except one. He disinherited his daughter Ann for marrying a British Officer. The feelings of the stern old patriot got the better of the father. Captain Robinson, a British naval officer, was floating about the town, and fell in love with Miss Lewis. It was mutual. The old Declaration Signer would not listen to it. There was nothing left for the lovers except to run away, or get married by the Rev. Charles Inglis, at Trinity Church, who was afterwards Bishop of Nova Scotia. Captain Robinson took his wife to England. They became parents to two sons and four daughters. The eldest daughter married a Mr. Robinson of the East India Company service. A second

married I. Bird Sumner, the then Bishop of Chester. Bird Sumner is now Archbishop of Canterbury. A third married Sir William Moncrieff, afterwards a Lord of Session in Edinburgh. One of his sons was Judge of the Supreme Court of Calcutta. The fourth daughter married a Bishop of Calcutta, (successor to the celebrated Bishop Heber).

The English descendants of the signer, by his daughter Ann, are well placed. He did not live to see it.

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BOOK XLIV.

WILLIAM LEWIS, Roxbury, Mass.

CHAPTER XL.

BY GEO. HARLAN LEWIS, N. Y. CITY.

Record of ch. of David Lewis. (99) concluded from p. 122, Vol. VII.

Joseph (453) m. (1) Apr. 7, 1803. Polly Kimball of Pembroke, N. H. She d. Apr. 20, 1817, aged 38 years. He m. (2) Feb. 19, 1818, Joanna Butterfield, b. June 21, 1793, d. Dec. 11, 1861, at Lowell, Mass., dau. of Robert and Elizabeth (Chamberlain) Butterfield of Francestown. He lived in Francestown where he owned the saw mill but left town about 1840 and d. in Lowell April 6, 1863. 11 ch. b. 6 by m. (1) b. F. and rest by m. (2).

487. I. Eliza, b. Aug. 21, 1803, d. June 9, 1864, in New Boston, m. Daniel Mellen of F. Feb. 1829.

488. II. David, b. Jan. 16, 1805. m. Sept. 22, 1836, Elmira Hall of Pembroke, N. H., where he d. June 10, 1845.

489. III. Polly, b. June 9, 1806, m. Mar. 30, 1843, Proctor Perham of Lyndeboro, and d. Dec. 16, 1874, in Wilton.

490. IV. Rodney Garvin, b. Jan. 21, 1808, m. Nov. 10, 1835, Emeline Parker of Westford. He d. in Lowell, Mass., Aug. 30, 1846.

491. V. William Farnum, b. Nov. 22, 1811. m. Lucy T. Boynton of Pepperell, Mass. He d. April 10, 1884, in Hudson.

- 492.VI. Joseph, b. April 20, 1817, m. (1) Lavinia Robinson of Epsom, Mass. : m. (2) Nov. 6, 1844, Lucy Hodgman of Carlisle, Mass. Lived in Lowell, Mass. where he d. May 14, 1874.
- 493.VII. Asenath, b. Feb. 1, 1819, m. Aug. 22, 1844, S. P. Perham, of Chelmsford, Mass., where she d. May 20, 1867.
- 494.VIII. Benjamin, m. Betsey Holt of Franklin, was a carpenter in Wabasha Minn., where he d. Nov. 16, 1872.
- 495.IX. Ephraim B., b. Jan. 6, 1826, m. Jan'y 31, 1855, Rebecca A. Underwood of Lowell, Mass. Was a carpenter and farmer and died in Tyngsboro, Mass.
- 496.X. Hiram A., b. June 6, 1828, m. Apr. 3, 1852, Mary J. Lenfest, of Belfast, Me. He d. in Buffalo, N. Y., June 6, 1878.
- 497.XI. Henry Francis, b. Mar. 14, 1832, m. Oct. 21, 1862, Rosilla Reed. Resides in Idaho.
- Abigail Hastings (454 v p 107, Vol VII.) was "killed by lightning Aug. 27, 1805, ae. 25 yrs."
- Daniel (456) son of Isaac (103) and Mary (Epps) Lewis, b. Sept. 25, 1775, m. June 10, 1804, Mary Epps of Danvers, Mass. He graduated at Dartmouth and was educated for the bar. He however settled on the homestead and was rightly regarded a very useful man. He held with credit many town offices and d. in F. Dec. 15, 1827. He was chairman of the Selectmen and Town Clerk for 5 years (1808-1812), School Committeeman, 1809 and 10, 1816 to 1820 inc., 1823 to 1825 inc., Justice of the Peace, 1825. 3 ch. b. Francestown.
- 498.I. Isaac, b. July 12, 1805, d. Nov. 11, 1863 in F.
- 499.II. Mary, b. July 1, 1808, m. Nov. 1835, Moses Atwood of F. and d. June 21, 1844.
- 500.III. John Epps, b. Mar. 1, 1815, d. Oct. 16, 1816.

(to be continued.)

BOOK XLV.

JOHN LEWIS, Ireland to Virginia.

CHAPTER LIV.

BY MRS. BURTON HARRISON IN N. Y.

SEX.

A batch of old letters, documents, and memoranda from the pigeonholes of Monticello lie before us. For a number of years they have been in possession of a descendant of Mr. Jefferson. They are assembled without method; and in dates, subjects, and autographs, form a curious patchwork of apparently unrelated parts. No one of the names signed to them is unknown to history: many are those of the great founders of American independence. One is from a Czar, others are from famous Generals, diplomatists, scientific men, authors, statesmen, patriots, and clever women of Europe and America. The letters range over the whole of Jefferson's public life. To the student of Americana the collection is of especial value and importance; to all Americans it should be of interest. It is our purpose in reproducing it to try to make what is missing clear to the casual reader through the flash-light of biographical comment.

ANDREW LEWIS.

After Lord Dunmore had started the burning of Norfolk (finished by the State troops themselves) and had further vented his spleen against the Virginians by harrying the coast of the Chesapeake Bay, he finally retired with a poor little army of 500 men and intrenched himself upon Gwynn's Island, a part of the county of Matthews, which proved to be the last refuge of the last Royal Governor of Virginia. On July 8 a Virginia force, under Gen. Andrew Lewis and Col. Adam Stephen, took post opposite the island and the next day opened a battery upon it. The English fleet was driven out of range, Dunmore's flagship, the *Dunmore*, was damaged, and some men were killed. Dunmore himself, wounded by a splinter

in the leg, exclaimed amid the wreck of china and furniture in his cabin: "Good God, that I should come to this!" During that night he silently sailed away, to appear no more upon Virginia soil. A feature of this occasion was that it enabled the victorious General, Andrew Lewis, to settle a score of some standing against Dunmore. Andrew Lewis, of Irish-Huguenot descent, was second of a family of four sons, all renowned in border warfare and of note in the Revolutionary army.

While all the four sons of the pioneer won distinction, one of them, Col. Charles Lewis, falling in the bloody fight with the Indians at Point Pleasant in 1774, Gen. Andrew Lewis rose to a most conspicuous place. He was the typical border warfarer, the idol of his followers, and in many respects the Stonewall Jackson of his day. Washington suggested that Lewis, instead of himself, should be made Commander-in-Chief of the American armies. He had fought with Washington at Great Meadows and commanded the Virginians in their rout of the Indians under the brave Shawnee Chief Cornstalk at Point Pleasant. It was after this affair, when Lewis's brother Charles was among the slain upon a field strewn with the pride of the border families, that, smarting under a sense of the failure of Lord Dunmore, in command of the other column of troops, to come to his relief, that Lewis passionately accused Dunmore of complicity with the Indians. Two years later the success at Gwynn's Island brought Lewis his revenge. A statue of this noble son of the Revolution, dressed in fringed hunting shirt, may be seen in the grounds of the Capitol in Richmond.

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BOOK LIII.

ELLIS LEWIS, Wales to Penn., 1708.

CHAPTER XII.

BY J. WINTHROP COLES IN THE PHILADELPHIA PRESS.

Philadelphia society has always been noted for its ancestral pride; consequently in their anxiety to prove descent from distinguished ancestors many families have assumed coats of arms to which they have not the slightest claim. For the information of those interested in this subject I propose to give a short account of each family that has an unquestioned right to bear arms, showing the descent from the ancestor to whom the arms were granted or confirmed.

The right to bear arms is confined to lineal male descendants of an ancestor who was granted arms in the regular way, either by the sovereign or the Herald's College. Where marriages have occurred with heiresses their arms are quartered by the descendants with those of the paternal line, and thus in time some arms get to be of great genealogical value. In Philadelphia there are perhaps not more than a dozen families that can prove their right to the use of a coat of arms.

LEWIS.

Another prominent Welsh family that came to Pennsylvania during the colonial period was the Lewis family. This family is descended in a direct line from the Princes of Powys. This is shown by ancient documents and records and heralds' visitations, which have been carefully examined and compared by Philip Physick Syng Conner, Esq., and Thomas Allen Glenn, Esq., both of whom are familiar with Welsh pedigrees, and to some extent with the Welsh or Cymeric language, in which most of these old records are written.

The first of the Lewis family of whom anything definite is known was Bleddyn ap Cynfyn, Prince of Powys, who was murdered in 1072. From him are descended the Lords of Nannau, in Merionethshire, Wales.

(to be continued.)

CHAPTER XIII

By P. S. P. CONNER, PHILADELPHIA.

MY DEAR SIR:—

In regard to Nathaniel Lewis, merchant of Philadelphia. He was son of Robert (45) and Mary (Pyle) Lewis (Robert's will was probated at Philadelphia, Sept. 18, 1790) and gr. son of Ellis and Elizabeth (Newlin) Lewis (Ellis d. 31st 6 mo. 1750, at Wilmington, Del.) v p 156, Vol. VI.

Nathaniel (46) b. Aug. 26, 1744, d. Aug. 5, 1797, m. Feb. 21, 1771, Lucy Lawrence who m. after his death, the Rt. Rev. Abraham Jarvis, Bishop of Connecticut (v next chapter. Ed.) A son.

Lawrence (49) Lewis b. July 17, 1787, d. Dec. 30, 1855, m. Dec. 4, 1817 Anna Maria Stocker. He had two sons, both now well known residents of Philadelphia.

50.I. Lawrence.
51.II. Robert M.

[Readers of LEWISIANA hope Mr. P. S. P. Conner will contribute further chapters to the records of this line of the Lewis family. Ed.]

CHAPTER XIV.

By REV. SAMUEL F. JARVIS, BROOKLYN, Ct.

My gr. father, Abraham Jarvis, b. Norwalk, Ct., May 5, 1739, d. New Haven, Ct., May 3, 1813, was graduated at Yale 1761, receiving degree of M. A. in 1764, and D. D. in 1797. He was ordained deacon and priest in the Protestant Episcopal Church in 1764, at London and in the same year became rector of Christ Church at Middletown, Ct. Sept. 18, 1797, he was consecrated Bishop of Connecticut. He m. (1) May 25, 1766. Ann dau. of Samuel Farmer of New York. She d. Nov. 4, 1801. He m. (2) Mrs. Lucy Lewis widow, in Trinity Church, New York, on the 4th day of July 1806, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Benjamin Moore, Bishop of New York, officiating. There was no issue from this marriage but both had children by their first marriage. Bishop Jarvis had.

I. Samuel Farmer, b. Sept. 14, 1779, d. when 10 weeks old.

II. Samuel Farmer, b. Jan. 20, 1786, d. Mar. 26, 1851, (Yale 1805)

Mrs. Lewis survived my grandfather but I do not know the date of her death. She had children who resided in Philadelphia.

47.I. Robert M.

48.II. Robert Francis.

49.III. Lawrence.

Book LX.

THOMAS LEWIS, Dighton, Mass.

CHAPTER XVI.

By GEORGE LEWIS, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Ch. of Joseph West (99) v p 58, Vol. VII) and Melissa A. (Horton—Clarke) Lewis.

162.I. Joseph West, b. Oct. 27, 1871.

163.II. Frank Horton, b. July 20, 1873.

164.III. Herbert Chace b. May 18, 1876, d. June 2, 1877.

Joseph West Lewis (162) m. Nov. 18, 1896 by Rev. Henry Bassett, Josephine dau. of Henry A. and Josephine (Lewis) Billings. The maid of honor was the bride's cousin, Miss Frances Lewis of Lawrence. The bride is a gr. dau of Bradford Lewis, of Chicopee, Mass., Joseph W. Lewis is a graduate of Brown University.

Ch. of Kingsley Thurber (100) and Susan A. (Mathewson) Lewis.

165.I. Louisa Jackson b. Mar. 9, 1847, d. Sept. 7, 1876. She was a promising teacher in the public schools of Providence.

166.II. Walter James, b. Sept. 8, 1851, m. Sept. 20, 1874 Ella Maria Rockwell (divorced in July 1895).

Ch. of Geo Washington (101) and Louisa (Jackson) Lewis.

167.I. George Jackson b. Dec. 4, 1846, in Providence, m.—. No ch. He d. Mar. 21, 1896, in Allegan, Mich., where he had been engaged for many

- years in the coal and wood business.
 Ch. of George Washington (101) and Mary J. (Billings) Lewis.
- 168.I. Phebe Billings b. May 22, 1849. in Providence, m. Jany. 21, 1874, Horatio A. Hunt.
- 169.II. Mary Augusta b. Dec. 1, 1851, at Barrington, R. I., m. Mar. 9, 1876, Ellery H. Wilson, former speaker of R. I. House of Representatives.
- 170.III. Fannie Bowers, b. Feb. 2, 1855, in Augusta, Geor. m. May 10, 1876, Fred B. Evans.
- 171.IV. Ellen Jane, b. June 18, 1857, Augusta, Geor. d. June 16, 1869.
- 172.V. Bertha, b. Nov. 18, 1860, at Barrington, R. I., m. May 23, 1888, Walter Edward Fiske.
- 173.VI. Caroline Elizabeth, b. Nov. 27, 1867, at Providence, R. I.
- 174.VII. Warren Billings b. Apr. 10, 1870, at Providence R. I.
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BOOK LXXXII.

ANDREW LEWIS, New Jersey, 1776.

CHAPTER VIII.

BY HENRY LEWIS, EDINBORO, PA., AND JOHN R. LEWIS, BUFFALO, N. Y.

Record of ch. of Andrew (27) and Mary Jane (Elliott) Lewis.

- 76.I. Walter b. Nov. 25, 1868, New Castle, Pa., m. June 22 1890, New Castle, Pa., Minnie Churshfield, dau. of George and Elizabeth (—) Churshfield, b. Nov. 19, 1873, New Castle, Pa.

- 77.II. Paul b. May 29. 1872, New Castle, Pa.

Record of ch. of George H. and Maria Melvena (29 Lewis) Watkins.

- 78.I. Paul b. Dec. 24, 1877, Cleveland, Ohio.

- 79.II. Mildred Derby, b. July 21, 1882, Cleveland, Ohio.

Record of ch. of Theodore (34) and Catherine Maria (Seipp) Lewis.

- 80.I. Theodore Clare b. June 1, 1895,

Buffalo, N. Y.

Record of ch. of Selan Gardner (36) and Catherine A. (Bartholomew)Lewis.

- 81.I. Selan Howard, b. Oct. 1, 1868, Bowmansville, N. Y.

Record of ch. of Angello Corrello (37) and Wilhelmina (Danner) Lewis b. Buffalo N. Y.

- 82.I. Arthur Angelo b. Sept. 1st, 1878.

- 83.II. Olga May, b. Sept. 19, 1880.

- 84.III. George Shirley, b. Oct. 23, 1884.

- 85.IV. Winnifred, b. Nov. 18, 1888, d. Sept. 3, 1889.

- 86.V. Casleton Josselyn. b. Sept. 7, 1891.
 (to be continued.)

BOOK LXXXVI.

ISRAEL, New York City, 1769.

CHAPTER III.

BY MAJOR EDWIN LEWIS, SAUSALITO, CALIFORNIA.

The estate and home of Jonathan (2) for a long time was "Magnolia Umbra Farm," somewhere on Long Island. This is supposed by our family to have been the home of Francis Lewis, the Signer, which was plundered and burnt by the British in 1775. [Francis Lewis lived at Whitestone, L. I. v p 26, Vol. IV and was a member of St. George's Parish, Flushing, L. I., v p 137, Vol. VI. Ed.]

Israel (1) my grandfather, a retired builder in New York about 1835 went to the Mediterranean as supercargo for his nephew, John A. Adriance, merchant. He was wrecked in the bay of Biscay. While detained in Spain, he observed critically, as an expert cabinet maker and joiner, the first quadrangular billiard tables and on his return to this country made the first of that design seen here.

My knowledge of my ancestry is uncertain owing to a family quarrel, the emigration of the family to Missouri and then later to California and the death of my father, thirty years ago.

(to be continued.)

CHAPTER IV.

BY HARRY B. LEWIS, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Israel (1) Lewis m. April 26, 1799, Sarah Roome, b. Jan'y. 4, 1768, d. Sept. 12, 1852. She had m. (1) Nicholas Wells, ch.

3.I. Mary, b. Mar. 15, 1800 d. June 11, 1879, unm.

4.II. Joseph, b. Mar. 15, 1803, d. Oct. 18, 1832, unm.

5.III. John Roome, b. Aug. 2, 1806, d. Jan'y. 12, 1869, m. (1) Ann Eliza Price, m (2) June 23, 1852, Frances Marie Fotheringham. 8 ch. b. 5 by m. (1) rest by m (2).

6.I. Sarah Jane, b. Mar. 23, 1833, d. July 17, 1833.

7.II. Rodman Price, b.

8.III. Edwin, b. July 28, 1836.

9.IV. Laura Antoinette, b. Nov. 7, 1838, d. Jan'y. 30, 1840.

10.V. James Wells, b. Jan'y. 24, 1841, d. Apr. 21, 1842.

11.VI. Charles Franceseo, b.

12.VII. Minnie Alameda, b.

13.VIII. Leando Neville, b.

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BOOK LXXXVII.

PHILIP LEWIS, Portsmouth, N. H.

CHAPTER II.

BY GEO. HARLAN LEWIS, N. Y. CITY.

In N. H. State Papers, Vol. 1, p. 286, from Mass., Records, Oct. 9, 1665, John Lewis (1 Book 88) and Philip Lewis, (1) Inhabitants of Portsmouth sign a petition to the General Court of Mass.

In same Vol. p 176, Philip Lewis signed petition to the Govr. of Mass., as an inhabitant of Bloody Point against being within the Township of Strawberry Bank. "we having been within the Township of Dover. No date given.

In same Vol. p 515, Nathaniel Weare's first complaint against Cranfield, mentions Philip Lewis (1) July 11, 1684.

In Vol. 2, p 37-38-39. On Petition to Govr. of Mass., for protection by the In-

habitants and Train Soldiers of N. H. Feby. 20, 1689-90, are the names of Philip (1), Abraham (3), John, Jonathan, Thomas and William Lewis.

In Vol. 9, p 320, Abraham Lewis, (3) John Johnson and Samuel Weeks, petition for a school at Greenland in 1705

In Vol. 2, p 505, April 16, 1707, Abraham Lewis (3) of Greenland was ordered to go on board the Sarah and Hannah, as Pilot. He failed to report and the next day (17th) Page 502, same Vol. it was ordered that a warrant be issued to impress Abraham Lewis (3) of Greenland as a Pilot, to go in the Sarah and Hannah as transport to carry soldiers upon an Expedition to Nova Scotia.

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BOOK LXXXVIII.

JOHN LEWIS, Portsmouth, N. H., 1660.

CHAPTER II.

BY GEO. HARLAN LEWIS, N. Y. CITY.

Johu (1) m. Martha dau. of William Brooking and she m. (2) a Rendall as appears from the following deeds on Exeter Records.

In Book 58, fol. 465, John Lewis ye bounds of your division part of your father-in-law, William Brookin Land as it now standeth, bound out is as followeth, its beginning at the N.—End at a tree, is Jacob Brown's E. corner bound and run thence E. 12 rods as—Three Acres run to a single tree mark and from ye end of ye 12 rods run S about 8 rods to a stake and from S. Stake to a walnut tree on a straight line down to two Elms growing together on Wly. side of an old well and from thence to Jacob Brown's E corner bounds by ye marsh; and thence back as far as Brown's line runeth to his N. bound; your part of marsh being in two pieces and bound on your land as it is stated out of this is your share, You are also to allow a way as mentioned may serve for your Relations to pass and re-pass over your

land. Dated the 18th day of Feby. 1702-3. The house and barn and fruit trees in your bounds to belong to you; you are also to pay your father-in-law or mother twenty-four shillings a year beginning ye first day of March from ye date, to pay same yearly and every year during ye life of your mother-in-law. Ye four shillings is to be paid in money every year; your part for doing this is six shillings. Entered and Recorded according to ye original July 10, 1729.

Signed by Geo. Suel, Geo. Walker & Jn. Pickeren.

In Lib. 13 p. 458, Mchitable Lewis of Portsmouth, single woman, daughter of John Lewis, weaver, deceased, and daughter of Martha then wife of the above Lewis and now Randall, sum of money paid by Joseph Landon, a piece of land and Marsh lying in the town of Portsmouth and bounded as follows, etc., is that land that the above sd. John Lewis had by his wife, and dau. to William Brooking, deceased, and is the fifth part of that as by instrument in writing will make thro divided parts to appear more plainly and is the fourth part of the above. [John Lewis Estate. Signed and sealed 15th day of Apr. 1724.

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Clippings.

M. W. Lewis concludes a long article in the Philadelphia Press on "Do You Wear Glasses," as follows:—

To the art of optics we owe our escape from nearly all the results of the defective conditions of the eye. The grinding and fitting of lens and frame is to-day a flourishing business that has reached a nicety here in America far exceeding that which they have attained abroad. The Chinese were in this, as in most things, the first to make a crude use of the lens for the purpose of aiding vision. The gradual growth of our present

perfect eyeglass and spectacle from the primitive horn apparatus first worn, has been commensurate with the development of the science of optics and of their applied use in respect to the eye, and represents much inventive and mechanical genius.

FROM THE MACMILLAN COMPANY'S LIST OF FORTHCOMING BOOKS.

A First Book on Writing English. By Edwin Herbert Lewis, Ph. D., Principal of Lewis Institute, Chicago, also a member of the Faculty of Chicago University.

Eight years ago, the *Rural New-Yorker* began to talk about "Chemicals and Clover," or the system of farming conducted by D. C. Lewis, and others, near Cranbury, N. J. The theory of this system of farming is that chemical fertilizers and grass sod, used in five year rotation, will fully take the place of stable manure.

Mr. Lewis, after fifteen years of experience with the system, is fond of saying; "I will take any farm in the country that is reasonably level and has anything in the way of 'foundation' no matter how poor it may be, and double its producing capacity at a profit."

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