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FIRST GENERATION

1. THOMAS WELLMAN was born near 1620, undoubtedly in England and died in Lynn in that part which is now Lynnfield, but which was then called Lynn End, 10 Oct. 1672. He married about 1642, ELIZABETH ——— whose family surname has not been discovered. She died after 22 March 1672/3, the day that the heirs of Thomas Wellman signed their agreement.

In 1844 Alonzo Lewis published his second edition of *The History of Lynn* and on pages 110 to 113 he gave the *Annals* for 1640. He commenced his paragraph with the statement that, "Many new inhabitants appear at Lynn *about this time*," and then gives a brief account of the heads of twenty-seven families, the last one mentioned being "Thomas Welman." In his Genealogical Dictionary James Savage and other writers state that Thomas Wellman was an inhabitant of Lynn in 1640. It is doubtful, if any original record can be found showing that he had settled in Lynn before 1650.

At a quarterly "Court held at Ipswich, 27:7:1653" [27 Sept. 1653], an account of the Iron Works at Hammersmith in what is now Saugus] and Brantreys" was presented and among the items the Company was debtor "to Goodman Whelman [for] falling two timber trees" one shilling. (The Records of the Quarterly Courts of Essex County, 1:290.) The title "Goodman" which was given to him in 1653 was a term of respect frequently used as such in colonial times. Its correlative being "Goodwife" frequently shortened to "Goody." It indicates that Thomas Wellman was held in respect in his community.

On 17: 12m. 1653/4 [17 Feb. 1653/4] Thomas Wellman and

John Knight jointly purchased two sixty-acre lots at Lynn End, near Stone's Meadow and Bates's Brook. This purchase was on that day bounded on the north by land of "said Thomas Wellman." The land north of these lots must have been purchased at an earlier date and held by an unrecorded deed or grant from the proprietors of ancient Lynn.

On 25 March 1659, a committee was "appointed to lay out a country highway" from Salem to Reading (the part now Wakefield), and having attended to the matter reported as follows:

Peter Palphry [Paltry], John Wesson, John Porter and Nathaniel Putnam, appointed by Redding and Salem to lay out a country highway between the two towns, on March 25, 1659, made the following return: "We began at A place Caled the butts In Salem bound: And soe through A plane Caled Mr Jonsons plane & Soe through A little plane betwene A greate Rocky hill & Mr Gidneys medow & then into Another little playne lying one [on] the north side of dogge pond & Soe Into A great plaine Caled Mr Humphres plaine Leving m^r humphres pond on the Rite hand & Soe one [on] In the Cartway that goeth to Stones medow tell wee Come A little beyond two great pine trees where there is marked A Red oake one [on] the one side of the path & A white oake one [on] the other side the palth] & then wee turne to the left hand over A Swampe one [on] the north side of goodman wellmans horse & Soe over a hill & Soe downe to a sledge of meddow & then wee turne more off] to the left hand & So to the South east Corner of william Eatens field & Soe over A River Caled Saugust River & So throw the land of nicholas Browne betwixt A Swamp of pine & A Corner of meddow & Soe over the land of Zachary fitch to Nicholas Browne And Zachary fitch wee Runne A poole upon each mans lott tell wee Come at A greate white oake by the swampe side & then wee turne off] to the rite to shun the Swampe Aboute sixteen poole upon firme upland upon Nicholas Brownes land & Soe right A long over dirty Slow & Soe Into the Cuntry way that Comes from Andever . . . the pole [way?] is laid out fower pole wide except that wich was within the fence of Nickolas Browne and Zachary fitches fence which was laid out [two] rod." (Records and Files of the Quarterly Court of Essex County, 2:333).

John Porter, Nathaniel Putnam, Peter Palphry and John Wesson, being chosen by Salem and Redding to lay out a country way between the two towns, on 24: 4: [June] 1660, made the following: "Beginning at a place Caled y^e butes in Salem bowres so alonge thorow a plaine Caled Mr Johnses plaine so thorow a littell plaine betwene a great Rocki hill and Mr Gidnes meddow so thorow another littell plaine leuing a brushy pond Caled doog Poond one [on] the left hand and so to and thorow a great plane leuing Mr

Umphrey ponde one the Right hand And so along to ye Corner of John Knites feeld leuing it a littell one [on] ye Right hand and so over a River Caled Saugust River and so over the Land of Nicklas Browne and so along to a fensed feeld belonging to Nicklas Browne and Zachary fitch and so along the line between there too lookes nere a swampe And there turne one [on] the right hand aboute twelue or fowrten Rode vppone the growne of Nicklas Browne to goe Cleare of the swampe and so to a bridge overe a place Caled y^e slowe & so to the cuntry way that leadeth from Andier to Redding And the severall proprietors with vs are well satiefed With this that wee haue done." (*Ibid.*, 333-4).

It is apparent that the abovesaid committee changed the route from "Mr. Humphrey's plaine to Saugust River" in their second report and that instead of following "the Cartway that goeth to Stones meddow," they laid out the road along on the west side of John Knight and Thomas Wellman's field leaving "the Cartway" on the right hand in going from Lynn towards Reading. This is the road leading by Gerry's mill at Bates's brook—from South Lynnfield to Lynnfield Centre and the "Cartway to Stone's meadow" of 1659, is the lower end of what was Union street in 1830 (now Summer street).

The original Wellman homestead in Lynnfield stood on the east side of the road about ten rods from the street just south-east of Gerry's mill. The house was a new one in 1672 and was demolished about 1830 to 1836. It was a two-story house and was located on an elevation partly between two beautiful fresh water ponds. From that spot the visitor gets a fine prospect of about one-third of the charming little town of Lynnfield.

Near the old cellar stands (1918) a beautiful elm which some member of the family doubtless planted long ago. Here the family altar was erected. From that home went forth the first minister of the gospel of the Wellman family. In that house which stood over the old cellar Rev. James Wellman was born 10 May 1723. From that colonial mansion he entered Harvard College and to it he retraced his footsteps through many eventful years. Having sheltered four generations of the family it disappeared, but the old cellar, and the

Children:

2. i. ABRAHAM², b. about 1643; called "eldest son," 22 March 1672/3.
- ii. ISAAC, b. about 1647; called "younger son," do.
- iii. ELIZABETH, b. about 1660; called "eldest daughter," 22 March 1672/3; under 21 then; she removed to Salem; m. at Beverly, 20 Aug. 1674; George Hull of Beverly. He d. there between 6 March and 17 May 1742, ae. 92 yrs. Hence he was b. about 1650. She d. at Beverly, 14 March 1740, ae. 80 yrs. No children are recorded in the Vital Records of Beverly; but probably there were children.
- iv. SARAH, b. about 1662; called "second daughter," 22 March 1672/3, and under age then; renewed the Church covenant at Reading (now Wakefield), 22 Oct. 1684 as Sarah Wellman.
- v. MARY, b. about 1664; called "youngest daughter," 22 March 1672/3. No further trace of her has been found. Mr. Lewis in his *History of Lynn* names a daughter Abigail and also omits to name Abraham. It seems likely that the name Abigail was incorrectly given for Abraham and that there was no daughter named Abigail of this generation.

SECOND GENERATION

2. ABRAHAM² WELLMAN (*Thomas*¹) was born about 1643; died at Lynn End between 15 March 1715/6 and 2 Jan. 1718. He married about 1668, ELIZABETH COGSWELL, daughter of John Cogswell of Ipswich and granddaughter of John and Elizabeth (Thompson) Cogswell who came in the "Angel Gabriel" from Bristol and were wrecked off Penamquid in 1635, but escaping death, finally reached Ipswich. (Elizabeth Thompson was the daughter of Rev. William Thompson, vicar of Westbury Leigh in Wiltshire and her brother was Rev. Samuel Thompson, D.D., of London.) Elizabeth Cogswell was born at Ipswich about 1648, and died at Lynn End, 10 May 1736. The Account Book, 1726-1777, of Abraham Wellman, contains the following entry on page 19: "May y^e 10 1736 Elisebeth Wellman Dec.^r who was formerly Elisebeth Cogswel." "Goody Wellman" was listed as a member of the First Church of Reading and belonging to Lynn End, 3 Jan. 1720/1.

In 1673 Abraham Wellman inherited one-half of the original Wellman homestead at Lynn End. The house which he occupied was probably the new house referred to in the settlement of Thomas Wellman's estate in 1673. James Wellman, the author of a pamphlet entitled, *Genealogy and History of the Wellmans of New England*, which he published in 1867, visited the old home of Abraham Wellman in 1810 and learned from Miss Sarah Wellman who was then living in the ancient house that she, her father and her grandfather were all born in the old house. As her grandfather was Abraham Wellman, Jr., born there in 1673, it was undoubtedly "the new dwelling" which was to be the possession of the widow Elizabeth Wellman on and after 22 March 1672/3.

"At a Court held at Salem, 26: 9: 1667 [26 Nov. 1667], Abraham Wellman, aged about twenty-four years, deposed

Wellman was "bound for sea" on 26 Oct. 1745, which is the last mention found concerning him.

The following document contains the latest mention of Abraham's Wellman of Lynn:

Suffolk Ss., Boston, 26 October 1745.

Abraham Wellman of Lynn in the County of Essex, yeoman, of lawful age, being bound for sea, Deposeth that some time in September 1738 he was possessed of Two Thousand and fifty bundles of Flags of the value of Fifty One pounds five shill. old Ten^r and that he deliver^d the same to M^r Dearinge Spear of Brantry and has not as yet rec^d any out of the same. (Wellman Papers in possession of Dea. George E. Herrick of Lynnfield, 1895.)

The Massachusetts troops sailed from Nantasket for Cape Breton on 24 March 1744/5 (Winsor's Narrative and Critical History, 5: 410), and Louisburg was captured 17 June 1745.

From these facts it is apparent that Mr. Wellman was "bound for sea" about seven months after the Massachusetts troops sailed for Cape Breton but he may have lost his life in connection with the return of the troops from Louisburg, or in carrying supplies thither later in the year. His name does not appear on the tax lists of Lynn End after 1745. Among his papers is an advertisement for men to go to Louisburg in 1745.

Abraham Wellman of Lynn, husbandman, and Elizabeth Wellman, "my weded wife," and Elizabeth Wellman of Lynn, widow, and mother of s^d Abraham Wellman for £67: 10 s^d Nathaniel Gowing Jun^r of Lynn, husbandman, and Samuel Newhall of Lynn, joyner, land in Lynn, "being on y^e southerly end of ye Farm which y^e afores^d Wellman now liveth on 40 acres exact, bounded northerly to run west to Stephen Wellmans land, Samuel Aborn, John Aborn, William Asbon, Samuel Asbon, Jun^r, Daniel Pudenton, Jonathan Wellman, and David Wellman; southerly by the land of Thomas Wellman, and Jonathan Wellman, and easterly upon the land of John Felton. This deed was signed by Abraham Wellman, his mark, Elizabeth Wellman, her mark, 18 March 1726/7 and acknowledged two days later. (Essex Deeds, 56: 272.)

Abraham Wellman of Lynn, husbandman, for £300 sells John Exall of Lynn, husbandman, a tenement in Lynn and 30 acres thereto adjoining bounded westerly on the brook that runs out of Stones meadow, southwesterly upon Capt. Timo. Orne's land, southerly on Stephen Wellman's land, etc. The deed was signed by Abraham Wellman and Elizabeth Wellman, her mark, his wife, 1 Dec. 1730, and acknowledged three days later. (Ibid. 55: 156.)

Abraham Wellman, Jun^r of Lynn, cordwainer, for love sells his honored father Abraham Wellman of s^d Lynn all land and buildings "to the s^d Abraham Wellman his heirs and to his blood forever never to be sold nor put away. . . . that my said Father Abraham Wellman may give it to which of ye heirs he shall see fit but not out of ye blood and it is also to be understood that it shall never go to any of ye heirs or blood of Thomas Wellman neither shall they have any right in it." This deed was signed by Abraham Wellman, Jr., in the presence of Jacob Wellman and James Wellman, 9 Feb. 1739/40, and acknowledged, 3 July 1740. (Essex Deeds, 79: 145.)

Abraham Wellman of Lynn, husbandman, with the consent of Elizabeth and my wife for love and £5 sells my son Abraham Wellman, Jun^r of Lynn, cordwainer, all my moiety in a certain messuage and 30 acres of land in Lynn bounded westerly on ye Brook running out of Stone's Meadow, southwesterly on Capt. Timothy Orne's land, southerly on Stephen Wellman's land, southerly on Samuel Newhall's and Nathaniel Gowing's land and easterly on Timothy Pickering's land with one-half of all y^e buildings thereon and one-half of a meadow of 2½ acres. Signed 25 June 1741. (Ibid. 80: 260.)

Abraham Wellman, Jr., of Lynnfield, sells "Jacob Wellman of Souhegan West, No. 3, in the province of New Hampshire" land, 4 Dec. 1743, in the presence of Ruth Wellman and Mercy Wellman.

Children, born at Lynn End:

- i. АВРАМЪ, b. 18 Aug. 1718; settled on the homestead.
- ii. JACOB, b. 24 April 1720; settled in Lyndeborough, N. H.
- iii. JAMES, b. 10 May 1723; settled at Sutton and Cornish, N. H. Named for his mother's brother James Taylor who d. 9 Oct. 1703.
- iv. RUTH, bapt. 22 Aug. 1725; m. at Reading, 30 Sept. 1754; Jeremiah Brown of Reading. He d. before 5 March 1785; she d. about 1786. Children b. at Reading: (1) *Jeremiah Brown, Jr.*, b. 5 Aug. 1755; m. there 18 Dec. 1777. Lydia Smith. (2) *Martha Brown*, b. 10 Dec. 1763.
- v. МЕРКУ (twin), bapt. 22 Aug. 1725; d. after 12 July 1744.
- vi. ЕЛІЗАВЕТІ, b. 20 Aug. 1728; d. at Lynnfield, unm. and "greatly lamented," 3 July 1794, ae. 65 yrs. 10 mos.
- vii. МАРТА, b. — 173-?; was a member of the Lynnfield Church, 5 Nov. 1761, then unm. Martha Wellman was a member of the Lynnfield Church, 26 Jan. 1784.

6. STEPHEN'S WELLMAN (*Isaac's, Thomas's*) was born at Lynn End (now Lynnfield), 6 Sept. 1681; died there 21 Jan. 1767, in the 86th year of his age. He entered his intention of marriage at Lynn, 27 April 1706; married at Wells,

Maine, 18 Oct. 1706, ABIGAIL BOSTON (BASTON), daughter of Thomas and Hannah Boston. Her father was an early settler of Wells but removed to Ipswich, Salem and Charlestown during the time of the trouble with the Indians. She was baptized at Salem, 5 Aug. 1683, and died at Lynnfield, "of two or three days' illness," 22 Nov. 1768, in the 86th year of her age. Stephen Wellman was received into full communion with y^e church at Lynnfield 17 Aug. 1720, and was a member there, 5 Nov. 1761. His wife Abigail owned the covenant there 4 June 1732, and was a member 5 Nov. 1761. He subscribed £1 towards building a meeting-house in the new precinct of Lynn (Lynnfield) 7 Dec. 1713, and paid ten shillings to build "the pew his wife is seated in," 16 March 1716. In 1918 that meeting-house is standing on the Common at Lynnfield Centre.

An indenture made 24 Jan. 1728/9, between Benjamin Nurse of Salem, husbandman, and Sarah his wife, and Stephen Wellman of Lynn, weaver, and Abigail his wife, which said Sarah and Abigail are children of Thomas Boston, late of Wells, housewright, dec'd, of y^e one part and Joseph Stewart of Wells, cordwainer, of the other part, witnesseth that the parties of the first part for £15 convey to sd Joseph Stewart 150 acres in Wells, at a place called Three Mile Brook, which was the estate of their sd father Thomas Boston. (York Co. Deeds, Book 12, pt. ii, folio 365.)

Isaac Wellman of Lynn, husbandman, for love sells my son Stephen Wellman of the same town, husbandman, 50 acres "being near y^e middle of my farm whereupon his house standeth," bounded easterly upon the land of Isaac Wellman, Jr., southerly upon y^e meadow land of y^e sd Isaac Wellman, westerly upon same and northerly upon y^e meadow land of John Bancroft Sen^r, and Abraham Wellman. He signed 16 Aug. 1710, and Isaac Wellman, Sen^r, and Hannah, his wife, acknowledged this deed, 1 May 1711. (Essex Deeds, 32: 149.)

Stephen Wellman of Lynn, weaver, for a valuable sum of money sells my brother Isaac Wellman of Lynn, yeoman, one acre in Lynn, bounded by the island commonly known as Collin's Island in Lynn. The deed mentions Abigail the wife but she did not sign as he did, 21 Jan. 1721/2. (Ibid. 42: 23.)

Edward Brown of Reading for £24 sells Stephen Wellman of Lynn, weaver, four acres of meadow in Lynn, 13 Jan. 1721. Sarah Brown wife of Edward. (Ibid. 43: 74.)

Isaac Wellman, Sen^r, of Norton, husbandman, for a sum of money sells

Stephen Wellman of Lynn and quitclaims unto him all rights in Land, in Lynn, bounded southerly by the land of Thomas Wellman and Abraham Wellman, westerly and northerly by y^e brook y^e runneth out of Stone's meadow, easterly upon Stone's meadow, Humphrey's land and Francis Ingoll's land, southwesterly upon Lynn Town Common. Signed by Isaac Wellman 15 June 1724, and acknowledged on the same day at Norton. (Ibid. 72: 225.)

His taxes in the North Precinct of Lynn were for 1726, £1: 4: 5; 1727, £1: 3: 6; 1728, £1: 4: 1729, £1: 6: 8; 1730, £1: 7: 7; 1731, 12s.: 1732, £1: 14: 1733, £1: 10: 6; 1734, £1: 15: 1735, £1: 10: 6; 1736, £2: 0: 2; 1737, £1: 18: 7; 1738, £2: 0: 6; 1739, 2s., id.; 1740, £3: 8: 5; 1740, 1: 11; 1741, £3: 6: 6; 1741, 17: 6; 1743, 13: 11; 1742/3, 11: 01; 1743/4, 11: 1; 1744/5, 17: 1745/6, 12: 9; 1747/8, 18: 5; 1748/9, 15: 11; 1749, £1: 2: 7; 1750, 13: 3; 1751, 10: 9. His name last appears in 1752 which indicates that in old age he was not assessed.

Children, born at Lynn End:

- i. JEDEDIAH^t, b. about 1710; bapt. at Lynnfield, 20 June 1731.
- > 20. ii. STEPHEN, b. 19 Aug. 1712; bapt. at Reading (now Wakefield), 24 Aug. 1712.
- iii. ABIGAIL, bapt. at same place, 3 April 1715; d. young.
- iv. ABIGAIL, bapt. at same place, 26 April 1719; entered her intention of marriage at Lynn with Thomas Cooper of Attleborough, 10 July 1743. He d. at Attleborough 10 April 1750. She m. (2) ——— Ranger and was living in 1772. As relict of Thomas Cooper she was appointed guardian of her sons Thomas and Noah Cooper in 1754. Abigail Ranger and Abraham Wellman entered their intention of marriage at Lynn, 19 March 1758, but Abigail Ranger of Attleborough joined with the other Wellmans in giving a quitclaim deed 19 May 1772. These facts lead to the inference that she did not marry Abraham Wellman of Lynn who at the age of forty-seven m. 3 Oct. 1765, Mehtable Gowing as appears elsewhere.
- v. HANNAH, b. about 1723; bapt. at Lynnfield, 20 June 1731; m. probably at Norton, 4 Aug. 1748, Isaac Wellman (21).
- vi. JOB, bapt. at Lynnfield, 10 June 1733, without stating his parentage. No further trace of any Job Wellman has been found. Dr. Wellman conjectured that the name should be John.

7. ISAAC^s WELLMAN (*Isaac^s, Thomast^s*) was born not far from 1685; died at Mansfield, in the early part of 1740. His intention of marriage was recorded at Lynn, 23 Aug. 1717,

44. i. SARAH^s, b. 20 June 1752; d. at Cornish, N. H., 21 June 1803.
 45. ii. JAMES, JR., b. 30 July 1754.
 46. iii. ISAAC, b. 4 Feb. 1757.
 47. iv. SOLOMON, b. 8 Dec. 1758.
 v. JOSHUA, b. 16 Nov. 1760; d. at Sutton, 29 Nov. 1760.
 48. vi. MARTHA, b. 10 Aug. 1763; d. at Hanover, N. H., 5 Nov. 1839.
 vii. JOSHUA, 2d, b. 24 May 1766. He was a practicing physician in Cornish; d. there unm., 20 June 1806.
 49. viii. LEMUEL, b. 3 Jan. 1770.
 ix. BARNARD, b. 9 March 1773; d. 7 April 1773.

19. DR. JEDEDIAH^s WELLMAN (*Stephen^s, Isaac^s, Thomas¹*) was born probably at Lynn about 1710; died at Danvers, 25 Dec. 1766. He married at Danvers, 8 Jan. 1761, JEMIMA NEWHALL of Lynn, probably the daughter of Daniel and Mary (Breed) Newhall of Lynn. Daniel Newhall made his will 3 Nov. 1752, in which he named ten children including a daughter Jemima Newhall, then unmarried. His widow Mary died suddenly, 1 Jan. 1775, in her 84th year and the Essex Gazette states that she "left eleven children, sixty-six grandchildren and thirty-two great grandchildren." Jemima Newhall appears to be the only person of that name whose age was near that of Dr. Wellman. In 1790 she was living in Danvers as the head of a family consisting of two females. (Massachusetts Census, 1790, p. 68.) Her father Daniel was a son of Joseph^s Newhall and his wife Susanna Farrar. Her grandfather was Thomas^s Newhall whose wife was Elizabeth Potter, daughter of Nicholas Potter, and her great grandfather was Thomas Newhall whose wife was Mary _____ and who was allotted land in Lynn in 1638. (Waters' Newhall Genealogy, 1882.) She died not far from 1792.

Jemima Wellman was appointed administratrix of the estate of Jedediah Wellman, late of Danvers, 2 Feb. 1767. Inventory of the estate of Doctor Jedediah Wellman presented 7 April 1767. Widow reported, 6 Oct. 1767, and commissioners were appointed. They reported, 2 Aug. 1768, and the estate was divided among the creditors in Sept. 1768. (Essex Probate Records.)

Children, born at Danvers (probably now Peabody):

50. i. JEDEDIAH^s, JR., b. 11 Dec. 1762; bapt. 19 Dec. 1762; d. Marietta, Mich., 3 Feb. 1858, in his 96th yr.
 ii. GRACE, b. 17 July 1765; bapt. 28 July 1765. Children bapt. at the Middle Precinct of Danvers (now Peabody).

20. STEPHEN^s WELLMAN (*Stephen^s, Isaac^s, Thomas¹*) was born at Lynn End, 19 Aug. 1712; baptized at First Parish of Reading (now Wakefield), 24 Aug. 1712; died at Lynnfield, 1 July 1768, aged 54 years. He married at the Episcopal Church, Salem, 9 Jan. 1740, SUSANNAH PEDERICK of Marblehead, born about 1719. She died at Lynnfield, 24 June 1768, in her 49th year. He and his wife Susannah were listed as members of the Lynnfield Church, 5 Nov. 1761. The account of deaths on the church records reads: "June 24, 1768, Died Susannah Welman wife of Stephen Welman, of a Dropsy and asthma; in y^e 49 year of her Age." The next entry reads: "July 1, 1768, Died Stephen Wellman of a fall that broke his Silver Cord, aged 54."

According to the Episcopal Church Records of Salem: Stephen Wellman and Susanna Pederick of Lynn, were married at Salem, 9 Jan. 1740/1.

Stephen Wellman of Lynn, husbandman, with the consent of Abigail his wife for £113 sells Stephen Wellman, Jr., of Lynn, weaver, 11 acres of woodland in Lynn, 10 Nov. 1743. (Essex Deeds, 85: 136.)

Stephen Wellman, Jun^r of Lynn, husbandman, and Susannah his wife for £15 sell Latimer Waters of Marblehead, gentleman, one-eighteenth part of two-thirds of an acre in Marblehead called Latimer's fish fence now improved by James Darling. Signed by Stephen Wellman, Jr. and Susannah Wellman her mark, 8 March 1743, and acknowledged at Marblehead, 6 June 1744. (Ibid. 98: 24.)

Stephen Wellman of Lynn, weaver, and Susanna his wife for £5 sell Thomas Clark of Marblehead, tailor, one-eighth part of a marsh, late belonging to Christopher "Latimer" of Marblehead, dec'd, 6 June 1744. (Ibid. 100: 87.)

Stephen Wellman of Lynn, yeoman, for £52:01:09 mortgages John Aborn of Lynn, physician, 10 acres in Lynn, bounded on the southeasterly and on Doctor Wellman's land, 5 Sept. 1765; released by Nath^l Bancroft, administrator of the estate of John Aborn, 26 June 1784. (Ibid. 117:24.)

Stephen Wellman, Junr of Lynn, weaver, for £20 sells Nathaniel Rand of Boston, blacksmith, 11 acres in Lynn. Signed Stephen Wellman and Susannah Wellman her mark. 29 Dec. 1763. (Ibid. 133:43.) The following refers to his children:

Thomas Wellman, "taylor," Susannah Wellman, spinster of Lynnfield, Caleb Wellman of Marblehead, Jesse Wellman, housewright, and Stephen Wellman, innholder, both of Waltham, for £6 sell Ezekiel Wellman of Salem, leather dresser, 28 acres in Lynnfield, bounded northerly by the land of John Hews and the river, westerly by land belonging to the heirs of David Wellman, dec'd, southerly by land of Josiah Walton and land belonging to the heirs of Abraham Wellman, dec'd. Signed by Jesse Wellman, Stephen Wellman, Thomas Wellman, Caleb Wellman and Susannah Wellman, her mark. 6 April 1784. (Ibid. 144:147.)

He was first assessed at Lynn End, 1733, and on each subsequent list as Stephen Wellman, Jr. to 1757; but from 1758 to 1768 as Stephen Wellman.

He lived in an old house which stood on a hill, not far from the old Abraham Wellman house—probably both houses were on what was originally the Wellman farm. The old house blew down many years ago (1865.)

Children, born at Lynnfield:

51. i. THOMAS¹, b. 13 May 1742; d. 25 Dec. 1818.

52. ii. JESSE, b. 27 Dec. 1743; assessed a tax at Lynnfield 1767-1769; served as a private from Lynn in Capt. Nathaniel Bancroft's Co. which marched on the Lexington alarm of 19 April 1775; served as a private in Capt. Nathan Sargent's detachment of Col. Jacob Gerrish's Reg't of guards, stationed at Winter Hill from 4 July to 17 July 1778. (Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the Revolutionary War, 16:800, 832.) Here his

name was given as "Jesse Weelman." He never m. and it was said that his mind was injured by disappointment in love. He was assessed at Lynnfield from 1794 to 1799, in 1808 and again in 1811 which is the last mention of his name found.

53. iii. STEPHEN, 3d, b. 21 June 1746.

iv. SUSANNAH, b. 20 Sept. 1749; m. at Lynnfield, 12 July 1787, James Brown of Lynnfield. She d. there 8 Nov. 1802, ac. 53 yrs.

54. v. EZEKIEL, b. 6 Feb. 1751/2.

55. vi. BARTHOLOMEW, b. 25 May 1754. It is reported that he went to sea and was never heard from.

vii. ANNE, b. 5 May 1759; bapt. 13 May 1759; d. at Lynnfield, 10 Dec. 1764, "of the Canker," ac. 6 yrs.

56. viii. CALLEB, b. 3 May 1761.

21. ISAAC⁴ WELLMAN (*Isaac³, Isaac², Thomas¹*) was born at Lynnfield and baptized at the First Parish of Reading (now Wakefield), 8 June 1718; died at Mansfield, 30 Dec. 1804, aged 86 years. He married at Norton, 4 Aug. 1748, HANNAH⁴ WELLMAN of Attleborough (*Stephen³, Isaac², Thomas¹*). She was born about 1723; died at Mansfield, 29 Nov. 1797, in her 75th year. She was the daughter of Stephen and Abigail (Boston) Wellman of Lynnfield.

On the town records of Mansfield occurs the record of the death of the widow Mary Wellman, 12 Jan. 1793, in her 105th year and on the next line: "Isaac Wellman, *son of the above widow*, died Dec. 30, 1804, in his 85th year."

Isaac Wellman was a private in the Second Co. of Militia of the town of Norton in the trainband, commanded by Col. Ephraim Leonard, his military record being sworn to at Norton, 16 May 1757. (Massachusetts Provincial War Records, 95:380.)

In 1790 Isaac Wellman of Mansfield was head of a family consisting of one male over 16 years of age, none under 16 and six females. (Massachusetts Census, 1790, p. 47.)

On 2 May 1796, "in the twentieth year of the American Independence," Isaac Wellman of Mansfield, yeoman, "being in perfect mind and memory," do make and ordain this my last will, etc. . . .

First, to Hannah my true and well beloved wife one-third

- Marshall*, who m. in New York City, 21 March 1850. William Allen Butler, son of Benjamin Franklin and Harriet (Allen) Butler. He was b. at Albany, N. Y., 20 Feb. 1825. To them were born ten children, 1851 to 1870. See the *Family and Descendants of Nedad Butler*.
- vi. AURELIA, b. 4 March 1803; d. at Piermont, N. H., 26 March 1814.
- vii. ESTHER STEELE, b. 19 Aug. 1805.
- viii. MARYINA BRITAN, b. 21 Aug. 1808; m. Rev. Thomas Oliver Lincoln of New York City.

50. JEDEDIAH^s WELLMAN (*Dr. Jedediah¹, Stephen², Isaac³, Thomas⁴*) was born at Danvers, 11 Dec. 1762; baptized there 19 Dec. 1762; died at Marietta, Mich., 3 Feb. 1858, in his 96th year. He married (1) 23 Sept. 1792, BETSEY JARVIS, who was born at Danbury, Ct., 11 Aug. 1766, and died in New York City, 30 May 1813. She was a cousin to Abraham Jarvis, second Bishop of Connecticut. Her parents were Stephen and Rachel (Starr) Jarvis of Danbury, Ct. (Starr Genealogy, 427.) He married (2) 16 May 1824, MRS. JANE JACKSON, widow of John Wooster Camp of Brookfield, Conn. She was born 12 May 1779; died at Brookfield, 10 Jan. 1840. His first wife Betsey was interred in St. Paul's Churchyard near the northwest corner of the church.

He "shipped on a Privateer at 14, was taken prisoner and carried to Portsmouth, England. In old age he gave to his grandson, Rev. Merritt Hubbell Wellman, a curious map of the South of England—probably brought home with him." (Wellman MSS.)

Children by first wife Betsey:

120. i. WILLIAM WATSON⁴, b. at Danbury, Ct., 5 Aug. 1793.
- ii. CAROLINE, b. in 1795; d. in 1825.
- iii. BETSEY ANN, b. 28 July 1799; d. at Ferrdale, Cal., 1 June 1881; m. 3 Nov. 1822, Silas Camp, son of John Wooster and Jane (Jackson) Camp. He was b. at Brookfield, Ct., 3 Aug. 1797, and d. at Blackberry, Ill., 6 Jan. 1869, ac. 71 yrs. Children: (1) *Frederick Wooster Camp*, b. at Bridgeport, 13 Nov. 1823; d. at Kinderhook, N. Y., 17 April 1852. (2) *Caroline Sophia Camp*, b. at Bridgeport, 3 July 1825; d. at Petaluma, Cal., 19 April 1895. (3) *Charles Edwin Camp*, b.

- at Brookfield, Ct., 25 Feb. 1827; d. there, 8 Feb. 1829. (4) *Elizabeth Ann Camp*, b. at Brookfield, 13 Oct. 1828. (5) *Charles H. Camp*, b. 7 July 1830; d. 1 Nov. 1834. (6) *George William Camp*, b. at Kent, Ct., 10 April 1832; d. at La Porte, Ind., 24 April 1874. (7) *Helen Maria Camp*, b. at Brookfield, 8 June 1834; d. at Stamford, Ct., 7 June 1852. (8) *Frances Isadora Camp*, b. at Kent, Ct., 3 Jan. 1836; d. there, 10 April 1839. (9) *Theodore Edson Camp*, b. at Claverack, N. Y., 20 July 1839.
- iv. Son (twin), b. 28 July 1799; d. in infancy.
- v. FREDERICK, b. in 1804; drowned in the Gulf of Mexico, at the mouth of the Rio Grande, in 1835, unm. His life was that of a sailor.

51. THOMAS^s WELLMAN (*Stephen¹, Stephen², Isaac³, Thomas⁴*) was born at Lynnfield, 13 May 1742; died at Charlestown, 25 Dec. 1818, aged 78 years; buried in Lynnfield. He entered his intention at Athleborough, 2 April 1769, and at Lynn, 16 April 1769, with MARTHA FOLLET (FOLLET). She was born at Athleborough in 1743; baptized at Lynnfield, 4 Aug. 1776; and died at Lynnfield, 19 April 1792, aged 55 years. He married (2) at Charlestown, 15 Nov. 1796, HANNAH BOLLES (BOWLES) of Charlestown. She died at Charlestown, 23 April 1843, aged 89 years.

He was by occupation a "taylor" of Lynnfield, 6 April 1784. He enlisted in Col. Ichabod Plaisted's Reg't for the invasion of Canada, 2 April 1759. The military return gives his age as 17, residence Lynn, servant to Eben^r Mansfield, which was dated at Salem, 14 April 1759. Another list dated 7 June 1759, states that he enlisted from Plaisted's Reg't intended for Bagley's Reg't.

Again he was a private in Capt. Moses Hart's Co. from 28 June to 6 Dec. 1761—a period of 5 months, 22 days. The military record gives his residence as Lynn and his master "E. Mansfd." (Massachusetts Provincial War Records, 97:144, 130; 99:117.)

Thomas Wellman of Lynn was a private in Capt. Nathaniel Bancroft's Co., which marched on the Lexington alarm, 19 April 1775. Again he served as a private in Capt. Zadok

Buffington's Co. of Col. Samuel Johnson's Reg't from 15 Aug. to 30 Nov. 1777, at Cambridge—a period of 3 months, 16 days. (Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in Revolutionary War, 16: 834.)

In 1790 Thomas Wellman of Lynnfield was head of a family consisting of one male over 16 years of age, one under 16, and nine females. (Massachusetts Census, 1790, p. 80.)

He was induced to exchange his farm in Lynnfield for one in Lovell, Oxford County, Me., before seeing it. He removed his family there, but on the way the whole of their pewter was stolen, which was a large item in those days. When they arrived at their home, it was more than a mile from a neighbor one way and six another way. The house was a crazy old thing, the land barren, and they had to suffer innumerable privations. They did not like the place. Mr. Welman said "not one of the family should be buried in the soil" as he would carry them home on his back. The family soon left the place and returned to Lynnfield, where the mother, worn out by fatigue, died of consumption, April 19, 1792, aged 55 years. She was greatly respected by her friends. A pear tree was standing in Lynnfield a few years ago [1865] which she brought from her childhood's home nearly fifty miles away at the time she was married. After her death Mr. Wellman removed to Charlestown and married Hannah Bolles of that town. He died there 25 Dec. 1818, aged 78 but his remains were brought to Lynnfield and laid beside his first wife in the old graveyard to sleep with his fathers.

Children, born and baptized at Lynnfield:

- i. ANNA^s, b. March 1771; d. 28 March 1771, ae. 3 wks.
- ii. MARTHA, b. in 1772; bapt. 29 June 1777; d. at Lynnfield, 21 July 1792, ae. 20 yrs.
- iii. ANNA, b. 1773; d. 23 Aug. 1775, ae. 23 mos.
- iv. ABIAH, b. 8 May 1775; bapt. 29 June 1777; m. at Charlestown, 19 May 1799, Jeremiah Shattuck; she d. at Belvidere, Vt., 4 May 1855, ae. 79 yrs. Nine children: viz. (1) *Martha Shattuck*. (2) *Daniel Shattuck*. (3) *Jeremiah Shattuck*. (4) *Hannah Shattuck*. (5) *Roxanna Shattuck*. (6) *Thomas*

Shattuck. (7) *Lois Shattuck*. (8) *Andrew Jackson Shattuck*. (9) ——— *Shattuck*. (Shattuck Memorial, 206.)

v. SUSAN, bapt. 29 June 1777; m. John Hancock; five children; she d. at Charlestown, 27 June 1849, ae. 71 yrs.

120a. vi. HANNAH, b. 18 July 1779; bapt. 17 Oct. 1779. (See p. 270.)

121. vii. BARTHOLOMEW, bapt. 2 Oct. 1781.

53. STEPHEN^s WELLMAN (*Stephen^t, Stephen^s, Isaac^s, Thomas^s*) was born at Lynnfield, 21 June 1746; died after 4 Dec. 1805. He married (1) at Malden, 14 Dec. 1769, DOROTHY JENKINS, daughter of Ezekiel and Phebe Jenkins of Malden. She was born there 4 Sept. 1742, and died at Waltham, 4 Sept. 1775, aged 33 years. He married (2) at Waltham, 29 Feb. 1776, HANNAH CHAPIN of Waltham. She died at Cambridge, 3 Jan. 1807, aged 53 years.

Stephen Wellman, Jr., was assessed a tax at Lynn End 1768 but none for 1769 as he was living in Malden in 1769. He removed to Waltham before 1775 and was living there as an innholder in 1784. Stephen "Welman" of Waltham was a private in Capt. Abraham Peirce's Waltham Co. of militia which marched to Concord and Lexington on the alarm 19 April 1775. This company was called out by Col. Thomas Gardner and served as guards until Saturday the fourth day after the fight at Concord.

He was a corporal in the same company in Col. Samuel Thatcher's Reg't in March 1776. This company marched at the request of Gen. Washington at the time Dorchester Heights were taken. (Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the Revolutionary War, 16: 855.)

Stephen Wellman of Waltham purchased land of Elijah Livermore and Hannah, his wife, of Waltham, 15 April 1777. (Middlesex Deeds, 79: 73.) On 20 April 1785, he purchased a house, barn, shed and two acres in Waltham of Samuel Wellington of Watertown. (*Ibid.* 88: 418.) On 23 June 1789, Stephen Wellman of Boston sold back the same property in Waltham with 15 acres more to Samuel Wellington of Watertown, gentleman. (*Ibid.* 104: 322.) On 26 Dec. 1787, John Bigelow of Weston acknowledged that he oweth Stephen