

HISTORY
OF
RYEGATE, VERMONT,

FROM ITS SETTLEMENT BY THE SCOTCH-AMERICAN
COMPANY OF FARMERS TO PRESENT TIME

WITH GENEALOGICAL RECORDS OF MANY FAMILIES

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n. at St. Johnsbury.

ared Wells of Wells River; lived
ds Mich, where he d. She d.

lays of gold mining, and was

m. Mary Gale of Wells River,
d Jan. 24, 1902.

(¹) b. Newbury, Aug. 1, 1803;
1837. Susan M., dau. Robert
(1899.) Rem. March 1838, to
ere he lived 18 yrs., to Griggs-
stock and grain bus. While at
the wooden wedges or fasten-
led the Springfield & Jackson-
the wedges were used in fas-
Their journey by stage, canal
about two mos in 1837. He
ll with water power to saw
ine is now part of the Wabash
85.

Nov. 12, 1863, Theodore E.

Chiseldine of Winchester. He
s wife with a dau. and a son

(¹) b. Newbury, Dec. 25, 1804;
ng to Edward Miller in 1856,
ss at W. Concord, Vt., Cole-
ens business. He m. Sept. 8,
lan. Robert Whitelaw (b. June
5.) He d. St. Johnsbury, Sept.
attended a school for young
: journey by stage and Lake
r. Miller that she was the first
for teaching. She taught her
b. 1890, where she had 60 pu-

St. Johnsbury and res. there.

er Mass., who d. there March
a. (²) Edith Bell, (⁶) who m.
(a) Madeline Jenette. (⁹)

b. Newbury, April 20, 1822;
bee (b. Nov. 22, 1824; d. Nov.

pt. 17, 1850.
Stowe, Vt.
F. Morrison of Groton. Ch.
ertha A., (⁶) b. July 31, 1890.
(¹) b. Topsham, July 30, 1896

Farmer with his father in Topsham till rem. to Ryegate Corner, March
1895. He m. Sept. 12, 1888. Sarah E., dau. James McLam (b. R.
May 9, 1854.)

Children b. in Topsham.

- i. William D., (⁶) b. July 19, 1889; m. June 29, 1911, Ethel A. Taplin of
Corinth. Ch. William D., (⁷) b. Ryegate, Aug. 9, 1912,
- ii. Robert M., (⁶) b. July 24, 1892.

WHITE.

WILLIAM¹ White of Inchinnan, Scotland, m. Janet, dau. David Allan, q. v., b.
1762. There is no record that they ever came to America, and the
only children who are mentioned are Robert,² and David,² who came
to America with their gr. mother Allan in 1802. These records are
as given by Mr. Mason and Mr. Miller, with additions.

ROBERT,² (William,¹) b. Inchinnan, Scotland, Dec. 22, 1789; came to America
with his grandmother Allan in 1802, and m. ab. 1816. Sarah Perry
(b. Royalston, Mass., June 27, 1793) who had been in R. about four
years. He bought a farm of James Hall where James Dickey after-
ward lived and where Y. D. Nelson now does, where all their children
were born. He sold that farm to the widow of Wm. Nelson 2d and
bought on the n. side of Blue Mt., where Matthew Taylor afterwards
lived, and 18 yrs. later sold it and rem. to Barnet Vill, where he d.
Nov. 3, 1864. She d. April 5, 1867. He served in the war of 1812 on
the Canadian frontier.

Children:

- i. Hannah,³ b. May 24, 1817; m. George Greenbanks, a woolen manufac-
turer of Barnet.
- ii. William A., (³) b. June 30, 1819; d. 1839.
- iii. Robert,³ b. July 4, 1821; d. 1854.
- iv. David Allan,³ b. June 26, 1823; went to Minnesota.
- v. Sarah J., (³) b. March 31, 1825.
- vi. Margaret,³ b. March 5, 1827.
- vii. Eliza Fulton,³ b. Nov. 1, 1831.

DAVID,² (William,¹) b. Inchinnan, 1793; came to America with his brother,
and was m. May 31, 1819 by Rev. James Milligan to his cousin Eliza-
beth, dau. Alexander Miller (b. March 24, 1798; d. April 7, 1841.)
They settled on the Robert White farm in 1820, and built a log cabin
about 30 rods n. e. of wherc the late David Buchanan long lived.
Rem. to Newbury and settled on land given his wife by her father, on
the east side of Jefferson hill, now owned by Wm. E. Bailey. He d.
Feb. 23, 1858.

Children, the 1st born in Ryegate.

- 1 i. William,³ b. Sept. 1, 1819.
- ii. James,³ b. Jan. 11, 1821. He was long a prominent and respected citizen
of Ryegate, held offices, and was eleven years moderator of town
meeting; merchant and postmaster at South Ryegate from about
1854 to 1868. He m. Jan. 31, 1843, Ann, dau. John Miller (b. Jan.
11, 1820; d. April 22, 1895.) He d. Nov. 5, 1889. No children.
- iii. John,³ b. June 21, 1822; lived on Jefferson hill, Newbury, where he d.
May 21, 1896. He m. Sarah A. Baker of Westfield, Mass., who d.
March 2, 1883. He d. May 21, 1896.
- 2 iv. David,³ b. March 3, 1823.
- v. Robert M., (³) b. Aug. 19, 1826; m. 1864 in Mass., Celia Ranger. He d.
May 1, 1884.
- vi. Alexander M., (³) b. April 17, 1828; lived in Newbury.
- vii. Margaret A., (³) b. June 9, 1829; d. Oct. 22, 1893.
- viii. Eliza Jane,³ b. Aug. 8, 1830; d. Oct. 13, 1891.
- ix. Thomas,³ b. Newbury, Aug. 24, 1833; d. Aug. 24, 1835.

x. Moses,³ b. Newbury, Sept. 19, 1834. Never m. d. in R. June 18, 1908.

- 1 WILLIAM,³ (David,² William,¹) b. (in the old Aiken house) Sept. 1, 1819. Settled in Barnet, and m. there Feb. 23, 1864, Mrs. Jane [Lee] wid. of Jeremiah Abbott (b. Peacham, Sept. 27, 1824; d. Barnet, April 23, 1904.) He d. April 11, 1901; bur. at W. Barnet.

Children:

- i. Jennie Mae,⁴ b. May 1, 1865; m. June 21 1883, Thomas George Hastie of Barnet, farmer at W. Barnet, where he d., bur. Barnet Ctr. Ch. all b. in Barnet. (1) Lulu Jane,⁵ [Hastie] b. March 23, 1885; d. May 23, 1886. (2) William Guy,⁵ b. Nov. 28, 1886. (3) Dora May,⁵ b. March 17, 1891. (4) Jennie Abbott,⁵ b. Aug. 11, 1898
- ii. Jerry William,⁴ b. Oct. 23, 1867; m. Dec. 14, 1896. at Barnet Ctr., Sadie Emily Miles of Inverness, P. Q. Farmer on homestead in Barnet. Ch. all born in Barnet. (1) Cyril Lee,⁵ b. April 26, 1898. (2) Susie May,⁵ b. June 14, 1901. (3) Glen Leslie,⁵ b. July 26, 1904. (4) Edna Louise,⁵ b. Nov. 25, 1906. (5) Abbott Wesley,⁵ b. Oct 10, 1911.

- 2 DAVID,³ (David,² William,¹) b. March 3, 1823; m. July 24, 1843, Agnes Brown of Newbury (b. June 22, 1815; d. Feb. 16, 1883.) He d. Jan. 6, 1890. They lived in Newbury, near So. Ryegate.

Children all born in Newbury.

- i. William J.,⁴ b. May 3, 1846; res. So. Ryegate; m. 1st, Sarah Farber who d. 2d, June 1, 1901, Martha L., dau. of Hugh Dunn, of R.
- ii. Elizabeth H.,⁴ b. Jan. 6, 1850; m. Nov. 6, 1901, Geo. W. Salls of W. Newbury.
- iii. Robert J.,⁴ b. July 18, 1853; grad. Randolph Normal Sch. Jan. 1887; teacher; in meat bus. at So. R., ab. 3 yrs; in mercantile bus. at Colchester, Vt., 14 yrs; in lumber bus. at Winooski, Vt., ab. 9 yrs.; res. Burlington, Vt. Is a director in Winooski Savings Bank; Supt. of schools in Ryegate and in Colchester; selectman in C. He m. May, 1881, Edna M. J. Marsh of Winooski. Ch. Clarence R.,⁵ b. Colchester, Nov. 10, 1888; grad. Vt. Univ. 1911; now (1913) attending law school at Columbia Univ.
- iv. Thomas H.,⁴ b. June 7, 1855; m. May 26, 1883, Minnie Carpenter of Groton; res. So. R.; carpenter.

Children:

1. Gertrude Eva,⁵ b. July 21, 1885.
2. Bessie Bell,⁵ b. Oct. 21, 1887; m. Nov. 24, 1900, Thaddeus Wheaton of Newbury.
3. Blanche Louise,⁵ b. Sept. 3, 1889; teacher.
4. Roy James,⁵ b. Aug. 16, 1891.
5. Nellie May,⁵ b. Oct. 2, 1893; m. Oct. 11, 1911, Harley Roberts. Ch. Bernard Arthur,⁶ [Roberts] b. May 26, 1912.
6. Ida Caroline,⁵ b. March 19, 1896.
7. Lawrence Jackson,⁵ b. Sept. 27, 1898.
8. Marion Elizabeth,⁵ b. May 21, 1901.
9. Aileen Marie,⁵ b. Aug. 16, 1903.
10. Marjorie Winona,⁵ b. July 22, 1906.

FRED D.,⁴ (Margaret,³ David,² William,¹) b. Newbury, March 28, 1870; res. Groton; helper at R. R. station. He m. Jan. 16, 1895, Clara B., dau. Phillip Webber of N.

Children:

- i. Charles P.,⁵ b. April 24, 1897; d. Jan. 31, 1898.
- ii. Andrew J.,⁵ b. Sept. 17, 1898.
- iii. Ethel W.,⁵ b. March 10; d. May 19, 1900.
- iv. May M.,⁵ b. Oct. 18, 1908; d. Jan. 8, 1909.
- v. Ruby M.,⁵ b. March 26, 1910.

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