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Introduction.

The compiler of this pamphlet is not a descendant of Thomas Chamberlain, the progenitor of those herein described. He has not made extended genealogical studies of this family. The following account is brought together from incidental and collateral information, collected during the few leisure hours of the past six years. It is quite likely that some statements here made may, upon critical investigation, prove to be incorrect. It is earnestly hoped, however, that such errors will prove to be few in number; and that this pamphlet published for private distribution by Willis Brooks Chamberlain, a descendant of Thomas Chamberlain, of the eighth generation, will serve to cultivate and to perpetuate a high regard for this honorable and distinguished New England family.

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1644.

1. THOMAS CHAMBERLAIN, the ancestor of those described in the following pages, first appears in New England at Woburn, Massachusetts, where he was made a Freeman by the General Court on 29 May, 1644. (New Eng. Hist. & Gen. Reg. Vol. 2, p. 190). He was a "planter" and lived in Woburn from 1644 to 1655. His name is on Woburn tax list for 1655. On 30th of 11^{mo} 1651 the "estate of Henry Sandyes [Sandys] late of Boston, Mass.," is "Dr.," among many others, "to Tho: Chamberlin," "Woeborn." (New Eng. Hist. & Gen. Reg. Vol. 8, p. 335). On 20 or 28 Feb., 1651-2, Thomas Chamberline, James Parker, and Isaac Learned, "all of Woburne," bought 1500 acres of land lying on both sides of Concord River in Shawshin (now Billerica, Mass.) of His Excellency, Gov. Thomas Dudley. (Middlesex County, Mass. Deeds, Liber 1, p. 208). This grant, the first and one of the largest ever made in Billerica, extended from the "Two Brothers" down the river two and one-half miles, west to "Winning's Pond" and to "Loes Plain" on the north-east. (Map in Hazen's Hist of Billerica pp. 16-17). It was divided into twelve lots, or shares, each containing 125 acres. "On 6 March, 1656, Mary Chamberline of Chelmsford the wife of Thomas Chamberline;" relinquishes "all my right and interest in the farme purchased of Mr. Thomas Dudley lying in the bounds of Billerica, unto William French, Richard Champney, George Farly, Benj. Butterfield, William Chamberline, Edm: Chamberline, Joseph Parker, Jacob Parker, John Sternes, and Henry Jeffts," which was entered by Thomas Danforth, Recorder, 17 March, 1664-5. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 3, p. 318).

In 1665 Thomas Chamberlain and the two other Proprietors of the Dudley Grant gave deeds of different parts of the grant to William Chamberlain, George Farley, Robert Proctor, Richard Champney and Henry Jeffs (Jeffs). (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 3, pp. 152, 182, 327, 446, also Liber 7, p. 185). Thomas Chamberlain probably never occupied any part of the Dudley Grant of which

he was a proprietor not less than fourteen years. On 16th of 9^{mo} 1658 "Tho: Chamberline off Chensford" is mentioned in the inventory of the estate of Thomas Rowell, late of Boston. (New Eng. Hist. & Gen. Reg. Vol. 8. p. 339).

Thomas Chamberlain was of the first company that settled Chelmsford and the Chamberlain homestead in that town was not far from Westford line on the farm occupied in 1883 by Charles Sheahan. (Hodgman's Hist. of Westford, Mass., p. 8). It must be remembered that Westford was a part of Chelmsford until 23 Sept., 1729.

In 1663 the road to Groton through Chelmsford began at Beaver Brook Bridge and extended over the north side of Robbin's Hill, through Richard Eldredth's yard to the west end of Heart Pond, over the swamp to Thomas Chamberlain's meadow, and so on toward Groton. (Allen's Hist. of Chelmsford, 1820, p. 18.)

Thomas Chamberlain and his "wife Mary" were witnesses in the case of Mrs. Sears on 9th of 7^{mo} 1668. (Middlesex Court Files for 1668). Thomas Chamberlain, "Senior," signed a petition in favor of one Fletcher on 15th of 10^{mo} 1668. On 2nd of 6^{mo} 1669 he was a juror at a coroner's inquest. (Middlesex Court Files for 1669). On page 193 of the original "Returns of Births, Marriages, and Deaths for Middlesex County," one reads: "Chelmsford, Anna, wife of Thomas Chamberline died Dec. 20, 1669," "entered by Thomas Danforth, Recorder." After a most careful study of all known records, I conclude that the name should have been written "Mary" instead of "Anna". www.familysearch.org

On 16 April, 1674 Thomas Chamberlain, "Senior," married (2) at Chelmsford, Mrs. Mary Parker, widow of Serg't John Parker of Billerica, and also widow of "Goodman" John Poulter, Sr. of Rayleigh, County of Essex, near "Billericay," England. By her first husband she had John Poulter, Jr., of Billerica and Elizabeth the wife of Jonathan Danforth of Billerica; but none by John Parker or Thomas Chamberlain. She died at Chelmsford, or Billerica, 7 Feb., 1692-3. Thomas Chamberlain's death is not recorded; his will, if he made one, or the settlement of his estate, is not recorded; but from a deed it is inferred that he died before 21 Dec., 1700. Children:

2.
 - I. THOMAS,* supposed to have been born in England.
 - II. SAMUEL,* b. at Woburn, Mass., 7 Oct., 1645; lived in Chelmsford; m. Elizabeth who d. at Chelmsford 18 July, 1722. He d. at same place 8 Feb., 1721-2. (Chelmsford Town Records). Children born at Chelmsford:
 1. Samuel² Jr., b. 28 Oct., 1685; m. (1) at Groton 7 March, 1710-1, to Anna Gilson. She d. at Chelmsford 21 April, 1720. He m. (2) 2 Jan., 1722-3, Rebecca Whitcomb of Lancaster and (3) 27 Mch., 1733, Mrs. Sibyl Roper of Marlboro', Mass., who was living in 1769. He lived in that part of old Chelmsford incorporated as Westford 23 Sept., 1729, at "Nonesuch" or "Parkersville." He d. in 1769, when he was called Lieut. He was prominent in both the town and parish affairs of Westford. Children:

(1.) Samuel,* b. 29 Dec., 1711; d. 18 April, 1719; (2) Joseph,* b. 27 Jan., 1713; (3) Anna,* b. 28 Dec., 1715;

d. 14 March, 1717; (4) *Eleazer*,⁴ b. 27 Dec., 1717; (5) *Anna*,⁴ (2d) b. 15 April, 1720; m. 14 May, 1742, Mark White of Acton, Mass.; (6) *Marah*,⁴ (twin to Anna 2d.) (7) *Samuel*,⁴ b. 26 Oct., 1723; m. 27 Feb., 1752, Sarah Tenney of Littleton, Mass.; lived on the homestead in Westford; (8) *Ephraim*,⁴ b. 28 Sept., 1725; m. in 1752 Esther Boynton and had: (a) *Hannah*,⁵ b. 1752; m. in 1772 Silas Read; (b.) *Rebecca*,⁵ b. 1754; m. (1) Rev. Elijah Fletcher in 1773 who was a native of Westford, Mass., a graduate of Harvard College in 1769 and pastor of the First Parish at Hopkinton, N. H. Their youngest daughter Grace, or Gracia, b. 16 Jan., 1782, m. at Salisbury, N. H., 24 June, 1808 Hon. Daniel Webster, New England's distinguished lawyer and statesman. *Rebecca*⁵ m. (2) Rev. Christopher W. Paige, pastor at Pittsfield and also at Hopkinton, N. H., (c) *Ephraim*,⁵ b. 1756 m. at Concord, Mass., 28 June, 1786, Persis Barrett of Concord; lived in Littleton, Mass.; but removed to Waterford, Maine, where he was deacon of the First Parish; (d.) *Nathaniel*,⁵ b. 1758; student at Harvard College, school teacher in Westford, in 1783; settled in Waterford, Maine; drowned off Grand Menan, N. B.; (e) *Abigail*,⁵ b. 1760; m. 8 Nov., 1780, Isaac Green of Townsend, Mass.; removed to Cavendish, Vt.; (f) *John*,⁵ b. 1762; settled in Waterford, Maine; but removed to Canada; (g) *Thomas*,⁵ b. in 1764; removed to Ashby, Mass., in 1800; perhaps removed later to Cavendish, Vt., (h) *James*,⁵ b. 1767; m. Joanna daug. of David Fletcher in 1796; removed in 1803 to Wallingford, Vt.; (i) *Elijah*,⁵ b. 1770; removed to Dunstable, or Nashua, N. H., before 1814; (j) *Sarah*,⁵ b. 1776.

(9) *Rebecca*,⁵ b. 1752, Joseph Kidder; removed to New Ipswich, N. H.; (10) *Mary*,⁵ perhaps not in order, m. 21 Mch., 1743, Joseph Robbins; was living in 1769; (11) *Wilder*,⁵ b. 1730; removed to Hollis, N. H.

2. *Thomas*,³ probably son of this Samuel Sr.; m. at Concord, Mass., 10 June, 1713, Abigail Hildreth (Hildrick) of Chelmsford, probably daug. of Joseph Hildreth Sr. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 19, p. 94). He lived in Chelmsford until about 1718. He sold his interest in his father's estate to Benjamin Chamberlain 3 May, 1717. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 19, p. 329). He removed to Littleton, Mass., where he purchased of Jonathan Prescott and others land 13 June, 1720. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 21, p. 195). He d. before 23 Jan., 1723 when his widow Abigail was appointed administratrix of his estate which was divided 15 Nov., 1736. His eldest son *Thomas*,⁴ had the homestead in Littleton, while his widow m. (2) 8 Mch., 1732, Nathaniel Hammond of Lower Ashuelot (now Swansey, N. H.) where she and her sons *John*⁴ and *Simeon*⁴ Chamberlain were living 7 March, 1742-3 (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 44, p. 108).
3. *Joseph*,³ probably son of this Samuel Sr. of Chelmsford, but perhaps not in order. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 19, p. 329). All excepting Thomas and Joseph are recorded as children of Samuel and Elizabeth Chamberlain on the Chelmsford Town records.
4. *Benjamin*,³ b. "ye 4th of Nov., 1694;" lived on his father's homestead in Chelmsford; called "Ensign Benjamin;" he contributed four pounds to the use of the Church in Chelmsford in 1754; he d. 30 April, 1763.
5. *Elizabeth*³ (twin to Benjamin); "dyed 13 Nov., 1694."
6. *Mary*,³ b. "May ye 29, 1699."

7. Elizabeth,³ twin to Mary.

8. Lydia,³ b. 8, Aug., 1706.

- iii. MARY,³ b. at Woburn 30 Jan., 1649. What became of her is unknown. Savage states that she married John Graves at Concord, 1 Dec., 1671. That Mary Chamberlain was the daughter of Richard and Sarah (Bugby) Chamberlain, then of Sudbury, Mass.; for, Richard Chamberlain of Sudbury made his will 12 Feb., 1672-3 and bequeaths "to my daughter Mary Smith," "to my daughter Mary Graves," and "to my grandchild John Graves." (Middlesex Wills). Of course the word "daughter" in one case must mean "grand-daughter," and Mary Smith was probably the grand-daughter.

2. THOMAS² CHAMBERLAIN (Thomas¹) of Chelmsford was the son of Thomas and Mary Chamberlain, first of Woburn, afterwards of Chelmsford. It is supposed that he was born in England. His birth is not found recorded in New England. He is called Thomas Chamberlain, "Junior," in his deed of a meadow in Chelmsford to Gershom Proctor, his brother-in-law, 29 Sept., 1674 (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 11, p. 45). He deeded land in Chelmsford to Arthur Crouch (Conch) 25 April, 1678. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 12, p. 3.)

He served during King Philip's war. On 30 Nov., 1675, he was at the garrison in Groton. On 23 Sept., 1676, he was "credited" i.e. enlisted under Capt. Joseph Syll (Sill). Capt. Sill's Co. marched to Ossipee and "Pequaker" in October following. (Bodge's "Soldiers in King Philip's War" pp. 260, 274, 359).

Thomas Chamberlain, Samuel Chamberlain and Thomas Chamberlain, Jr., rendered services at the garrison in Chelmsford 16 March, 1691-2. (New Eng. Hist. & Gen. Reg. Vol. 43, p. 373.)

On 26 Dec., 1700, he deeded land near "Huckleberry Hill" in Chelmsford "to Richard Stratton, late of Chelmsford, now of Boston." (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 13, p. 439). On 4 March, 1701-2 he deeded "to my son Samuel," "a part of the homestead which I had of the town." (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 14, p. 380.) On the same day he deeded land in Chelmsford "to my son John." (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 14, p. 549.) "Thomas Chamberlain, Senior, of Chelmsford" and "Thomas Chamberlain, Junior, of Groton" jointly deeded land at "Stony Brook" in Chelmsford 11 Dec., 1700, to Joshua Fletcher, Senior, of Chelmsford. Their wives Sarah and Abigail sign with them. (Middlesex Deeds, Vol. 25, p. 507.)

On 10 Aug, 1666, he married at Chelmsford Sarah daughter of Robert and Jane (Hildreth) Proctor who purchased a part of the Dudley Grant in Billerica of his father. She was born at Concord, Mass., 12 Oct., 1646. He died at Chelmsford 28 March, or May, 1727. (Chelmsford Town Records.) Children:

- i. THOMAS,³ b. at Chelmsford 30 May, 1667; was a wheelwright and miller; m. (1) 9 Jan., 1690, Elizabeth Hail who d. at Groton 13 June, 1699. He m. (2) at Concord 16 Aug., 1739, Abigail Nutting of Groton who was living in 1713. He lived in Chelmsford until 1698 when he removed to Groton where he bought a farm and mill at "Baddacock" in Groton of John Codey, Senior, 10 March, 1699. (Middlesex Deeds, Vol. 13, p. 693). On 30 Dec., 1702 he

bought land adjoining his "lying on both sides of Badcock Mill Brooke." (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 18, p. 694). "Groton may the 8 1706 At a town Meting legally woned thay ded by wot declare thay would and doe desire Thomas Chamberill [lin's] mill may bee up helde by a solgar or solgars for the good of the town by a patition to the cort or athoratie. Joseph Lakin town clark." (Green's Groton Town Records.) He died about 1709 intestate, and his estate was settled in 1713 by his eldest son John who lived on the "Baddacock" homestead until 1729 when he sold it to Samuel Woods (Middlesex Deeds, Vol. 49, p. 207.) Children:

1. *John*,⁴ b. at Chelmsford 29 March, 1692; one of the thirty-three men under command of Capt. John Lovewell who met and resisted more than twice their number of Indians on the shore of Lovell's Pond, Fryeburg, Maine, 8 May, 1725. Tradition ascribes to him the honor of having slain the sachem Paugus, chief of the Pigwacket tribe. He m. Abigail daug. of Thomas and Abigail Woods of Groton, and lived at "Baddacock," Groton, until 1729 when he removed to the "Four Acres" where he lived till 1741. He d. at Groton in 1756, intestate, leaving six children. (Maine Historical Quarterly for 1897.)
 2. *Joseph*,⁴ b. at Chelmsford "Oct. ye 11th, 1693."
 3. *Moses*,⁴ b. at Chelmsford 3 July, 1695.
 4. *Aaron*,⁴ (twin to Moses.)
 5. *Gerahom*,⁴ b. at Chelmsford 18 Oct., 1697; d. at Groton 29 March, 1699.
 6. *Sarah*,⁴ b. at Groton 23 March or May 1699; d. 14 Oct., 1699.
 7. *Elizabeth*,⁴ b. 26 May, 1700; m. 25 June, 1719 Jonathan, son of John Shattuck; lived in Groton until 1724 or '5 when they removed to Pepperell, Mass., where she was living in 1738.
 8. *Abigail*,⁴ b. ~~at Chelmsford 13 April, 1701~~ ^{at Groton 13 April, 1701} Thomas son of Nathaniel Woods of Groton. He was one of Capt. John Lovewell's Co. at Pigwacket (Fryeburg, Maine) where he was killed by the Indians 8 May, 1725.
 9. *Thomas*,⁴ b. 3 Feb., 1708; he had daughters Azubah, and Abia.
 10. *Jane*,⁴ b. 2 Feb., 1705-6.
 11. *Mary*,⁴ m. 9 April, 1732, John Scott.
 12. *Dorothy*,⁴ m. Feb., 1729, Nathaniel Lawrence son of Nathaniel and Anna Lawrence.
 13. *Sarah*,⁴ b. 4 Aug., 1709; m. James Shattuck.
 14. *Child*,⁴ (name unknown,) perhaps not in order.
- ii. *SAMUEL*,³ b. at Chelmsford 11 Jan., 1679. Savage gives the name Sarah for Samuel. (See Chelmsford Town Records.)
- iii. *JANE*,³ b. at Chelmsford 19th of 11 mo. 1682; m. at same place 10 Jan., 1706-7, John Reed.
- iv. *ELIZABETH*,³ b. at Chelmsford 21 July, 1685; m. before 27 Nov., 1719 as second wife, Jonathan son of Samuel Butterfield of Chelmsford. Jonathan made his will 10 July, 1728 and it was probated 7 Aug., 1738. His son William, by his first wife, m. 1 May, 1740, Mehitable daughter of John and Margaret (Gould) Chamberlain of Billerica.
- v. *JOHN*,³ perhaps not in order, was of Chelmsford 4 March, 1701-3. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 14, p. 549.) He was a "sailor of Chelmsford" and deeded a meadow to Benjamin Butterfield 16 May 1705. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 14, p. 407.) On 30 May, 1705 he was a "mariner of Boston" when he deeded land in Chelmsford to Joseph Spaulding, Senior, of Chelmsford. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 18, p. 715, also Liber 14, p. 549.)

3. SAMUEL³ CHAMBERLAIN (*Thomas²; Thomas¹*) of Chelmsford, was the son of Thomas and Sarah (Proctor) Chamberlain of Chelmsford. He was born there 11 Jan., 1679 (Chelmsford Town Records) Savage has Sarah for Samuel.

On 4 March, 1701-2 he received by deed from his father a part of the Chamberlain homestead in Chelmsford. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 14, p. 380). He was engaged in real estate transactions and in probate business for many years. In his deeds of which there are many he is called "gentleman." On 10 Oct., 1710, he bought land of Jonah Richardson of Chelmsford. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 17, p. 1). On 15 July, 1713, he and his wife Abigail deeded all interest "in the estate of our brother, Jonathan Hill, deceased, to John Hill." (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 17, p. 427). On 25 —, 1720, he received by deed from his father, Thomas Chamberlain, all of his father's estate in Chelmsford. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 21, p. 87). In 1726 he was a selectman of Chelmsford. (Allen's Hist. of Chelmsford, 1820, p. 172). On 12 May, 1737, he deeded his "son Jonathan Chamberlain of Chelmsford, lots No. 5 and 12 in Tyng's Township which lyeth on the east side of Merrimack River between Suncook, or Lovell's Town, [now Pembroke, N. H.] and Litchfield." (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 49, p. 43). He deeded to his youngest son Jacob 40 acres of his homestead in Chelmsford on 29 June, 1752.

He married about 1703 Abigail, daug. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Holmes) Hill of Billerica, Mass. 26 Dec., 1683, and d. at Chelmsford 15 May, 1760. "Capt. Samuel Chamberlain d. 12 April, 1767." (Chelmsford Town Records.) Children born at Chelmsford:

1. BENJAMIN,⁴ b. 11 Aug., 1704; m. 27 Jan., 1732, Esther Fasset of Westford; was living in Chelmsford in 1767. Children born at Chelmsford:
 1. Esther,⁵ b. 8 Sept., 1732; m. 7 March, 1758, Joshua Atwood.
 2. Abigail,⁵ b. 17 Jan., 1734-5.
 3. Benjamin,⁵ b. 18 Feb., 1736-7.
 4. Lydia,⁵ b. 27 May, 1739.
 5. Sarah,⁵ b. 12 July, 1740.
 6. Joseph,⁵ b. 24 May, 1743.
 7. Thomas,⁵ b. 24 Sept., 1750; d. 13 Nov., 1757.
- II. JOHN,⁴ b. 11 Feb., 1706; purchased of Jonathan Richardson of Chelmsford and Benjamin Adams of Nottingham, N. H., 100 acres called the "Mill Lot" lying in Naticook Farms on the east side of the Merrimack River, on 13 July, 1733. (Middlesex Deeds, Vol. 35 p. 113). In 1734 he removed to Souhegan Falls in Merrimack, N. H., where he erected the first mills there. He was a provincial representative from Merrimack from 1756 to 1778 inclusive. His wife was Hannah daughter of Josiah and Hannah (Lovewell) Farwell of old Dunstable. She was b. 27 Jan., 1723. Her mother's brother was the intrepid Capt. John Lovewell who was killed at Pigwacket (Fryeburg, Maine) 8 May, 1725, as was her father Josiah Farwell. She received from her grandfather Henry Farwell £300 at his death. John Chamberlain was commissioned Captain about 1746 and was known as "Capt John" and also as "Souhegan John" until his death in 1792. His sons were: Josiah,⁵ Thomas,⁵ Joseph,⁵

and Samuel²; daughters were: Abigail,³ Rachel,³ Susie,³ and Rebecca.³

- iii. Abigail,⁴ b. "Dec. ye 28, 1707;" m. 17 Dec., 1734, James Pollard of Westford—"a man of wealth and intelligence." He was the son of Thomas and Sarah (Farmer) Pollard of Billerica. He was b. 5 Oct., 1708, and was living in 1779.
- iv. Elizabeth,⁴ b. 8 Jan., 1709-10; m. 24 Oct., 1734 Ezekiel Proctor of Westford, Mass.

4. v. JONATHAN,⁴ b. 11 Feb., 1711; removed to Lyndeborough, N. H.

vi. SAMUEL,⁴ b. 13 July, 1714.

vii. JOSEPH,⁴ b. 25 July, 1716.

viii. THOMAS,⁴ b. 28 July, 1718.

ix. JANE,⁴ b. 6 Aug., 1723; d. 8 Aug., 1754; unmarried.

x. AARON,⁴ b. 23 Aug., 1725; lived in Chelmsford; administrator of his father's estate in 1767; member of committee to oppose the Stamp Act in 1763; deacon of the First Church of Chelmsford 20 Jan., 1771, which office he resigned in 1804. He was chosen a member of the committee of correspondence 30 May, 1774; was wounded in the Concord Fight 19 April, 1775. He enlisted in Capt. John Ford's Co. of Col. Jonathan Reed's Reg't. 30 Sept., 1777. He served 43 days and was discharged 8 Nov., 1777. (Allen's Hist. Chelmsford, 1820, p. 179). He m. (1) 14 Feb., 1731, Thankful Adams; and (2) Mrs. Abigail Buttrick of Concord, Mass., 5 June, 1792. Children by wife Thankful born at Chelmsford:

1. Thankful,⁵ b. 22 Nov., 1731; m. 30 Aug., 1770, Samuel Adams of Chelmsford, Mass.

2. Aaron,⁵ Jr. b. 21 Sept., 1753; m. 15 Nov., 1781, Sarah Adams, perhaps sister to Samuel.

3. Mary,⁵ b. 27 Aug., 1755,

4. Sybil,⁵ b. 17 July, 1757,

5. Sarah,⁵ b. 11 June, 1759,

6. Abigail,⁵ b. 18 June, 1761.

7. Joanna,⁵ b. 22 Aug., 1764.

8. Nathaniel,⁵ b. 30 March, 1768.

9. Samuel,⁵ b. 26 March, 1771.

10. John,⁵ b. 16 Jan., 1774.

xi. JACOB,⁴ b. 25 April, 1729; resided in Chelmsford; m. (1) Lydia who d. 31 May, 1775. He m. (2) Ruth Hall 3 Feb., 1780. Children by wife Lydia born in Chelmsford:

1. Lydia,⁵ b. 11 June, 1762.

2. Abel,⁵ b. 23 Sept., 1763.

3. Joseph,⁵ b. 8 June, 1765.

4. Bridget,⁵ b. 28 Oct., 1767.

5. Jacob, Jr., b. 17 Feb., 1769.

4. JONATHAN⁴ CHAMBERLAIN, SR. (Samuel,³ Thomas,³ Thomas¹) was the son of Capt. Samuel and Abigail (Hill) Chamberlain of Chelmsford, Mass. He was born there 11 Feb., 1711. On 12 May, 1737, his father deeded him "for love and natural affection, lots Nos. 5 and 12, north of Col': Dudley's farm, in Tyng's Township which lyeth on the east side of Merrimack River between Suncook or Lovell's Town [now Pembroke, N. H.] and Litchfield." (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 49, p. 43).

On 21 Aug., 1739, he sold this land, or a part of it, in Tyng's Township to James Anderson of Londonderry, N. H. (Middlesex Deeds, Liber 40, p. 383).

In 1739 he removed to Salem-Canada, or what is now Lynde-

borough, New Hampshire. His wife's father, John Cram of Wilming-
ton, Mass., was the first settler in Lyndeborough, removing there
about 1737 or 8. Jonathan Chamberlain was a prominent settler of
that town. On 8 April, 1768, a deed of the south part of lot No. 41, con-
taining 75 acres, in Lyndeborough, for cutting for, and giving a Chris-
tian burial to, Joseph Cram. This Joseph Cram, born in 1707, was
the son of John and Sarah Cram, first settlers of Lyndeborough.
Jonathan Chamberlain's wife was his sister; but his brother John-
than Cram of Lyndeborough, born in 1708, married at Billerica,
Mass., 1 Dec., 1732, Mary, daughter of Daniel and Mary Cham-
berlain of Billerica. She was born in 1706. Rev. Henry A. Hazen,
D. D., in his "History of Billerica, Mass.," Register p. 23, is in
error in making her the daughter of Clement Chamberlain.
Jonathan Chamberlain was a Revolutionary hero. He served as
a private in Capt. Peter Clark's Co. of Militia and marched from
Lyndeborough for Concord on 1 July, 1777, with his son of the
same name. This company returned soon after Burgoyne's engage-
ment at Hubbardston on 6 July, 1777. He was credited on the roll
with having traveled 86 miles. (Rev. War Rolls of New Hamp-
shire, Vol. 15, p. 118.) His son, being younger, was probably the
Jonathan Chamberlain who re-enlisted from Lyndeborough on 30
Sept., 1777, and joined the Northern Continental Army at Saratoga
in Col. Daniel Moore's Reg't of Volunteers. Soon after Burgoyne's
surrender, he was discharged on 23 October 1777.
Jonathan Chamberlain married about 1740 or 1741 Elizabeth,
daughter of John and Sarah Cram who were the first settlers of Lynde-
borough. She was born in 1721 and died 30 April, 1806, at the age
of 85 years.
Jonathan Chamberlain died at Lyndeborough 19 Jan., 1795, at
the age of 86 years. They, with their daughter Sarah, are buried in
Lot No. 3 in the cemetery at South Lyndeborough. Children re-
corded as having been born at Chelmsford :

1. ELIZABETH, b. 30 April, 1742. Clark's Co., with his father, Revolutionary War (See Jones-
than); m. Margaret and died at Lyndeboro, 26 Apr., 1815. 26
12 yrs. Children :

1. Benjamin, b. 7 April, 1770; removed to Gardiner, Maine, be-
fore 1803; m. Joanna Herrick of New Hampshire.
2. Jonathan, b. 17 March, 1772.
3. John, b. 26 March, 1774; removed to Hallowell, Maine, before
1808; m. Abigail Brown of New Hampshire.

4. Elizabeth, b. 8 June, 1776.
5. David, b. 3 Dec., 1778.
6. Daniel, b. 6 March, 1781; m. Hannah daug. of Daniel and
Marice Persons of Lyndeborough; removed to Woburn,
Mass., about 1836 where he died 3 May, 1874; his wife
Hannah d. 29 July, 1873 aged 85 yrs., 3 mo., 2 da. Their son
Daniel, Jr., died at Woburn, 1874. (Woburn Town Records.)
7. Margaret, b. 28 Dec., 1783.
8. Olive, b. 4 Aug. 1788, m. in 1817 Ephraim Woodward who was
b. 25 Nov., 1792 and d. 23 Sept., 1879. She d. 25 Mch., 1865.

9. *Nathan*⁸, b. 3 March, 1791; m. in 1816 Mary Knapp who d. at Ypsilanti, Mich. 10 Jan., 1839. He removed to Covington, N. Y., and later to Hudson, Mich., but d. at Toledo, Ohio, 20 Mch., 1857 from a railroad accident. His son David⁹ Parsons Chamberlain, M. D., b. at Covington, N. Y., 12 Nov. 1825, was living at Toledo, Ohio, 9 July, 1887.
10. *Asa*⁸, b. 10 April, 1793.
11. *Joseph*⁸, b. 12 Nov., 1795; removed to Mason, N. H., about 1845, where he and his family died.
5. III. *SAMUEL*⁸, b. 4 April, 1745; lived in Lyndeborough, N. H.
 - iv. *OLIVE*⁸, b. 16 Aug., 1750.
 - v. *SARAH*⁸, b. 6 April, 1753; d. 5 Jan., 1797; buried with her parents.
 - vi. *MOLLY*⁸, b. 10 May, 1756.
 - vii. *JOHN*⁸, b. 16 Sept., 1759; m. Molly by whom he had, born at Lyndeborough, N. H.:
 1. *Molly*⁹, b. 27 March, 1783.
 2. *John*⁹, Jr. b. 18 April, 1785; m. Lucy and had: (1) *Catherine Mason*, b. 10 Dec., 1812; (2) *William⁹ Bradley*, b. 18 July, 1814; (3) *John⁹ Ripley*, b. Oct. 1, 1816; (4) *Joseph⁹ Mason*, b. 5 Aug., 1818. (Lyndeborough Town Records)
 3. *Sarah*⁹, b. 30 May, 1787.
 4. *Martha*⁹, b. 28 March, 1789.
 5. *Abigail*⁹, b. 25 June, 1791.
 6. *Eliot*⁹, b. 1 Feb., 1793; d. 13 Jan., 1796.
 7. *Elizabeth*⁹, b. 21 Feb., 1795.
 8. *Jonathan*⁹, b. 8 Feb., 1797; d. 25 Feb., 1797.
 9. *Lydia*⁹, b. 10 April, 1798.
 10. *Chloe*⁹, b. 5 Aug., 1800.
 11. *Eliot*⁹, b. 12 May, 1802; d. 10 Oct., 1802.

viii. *ABIGAIL*⁸, b. 9 July, 1753.

5. *SAMUEL⁸ CHAMBERLAIN* (*Jonathan⁴ Samuel³ Thomas² Thomas¹*) was the son of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Cram) Chamberlain, early settlers of Lyndeborough, N. H. He is recorded as having been born at Chelmsford, Mass., 4 April, 1745. On 5 Dec., 1775, he enlisted in Capt. William Walker's Co. of Col^o: David Gilman's Reg't. He was transferred to Capt. Samuel McConnell's Co; traveled 600 miles; served three months and eleven days. He was discharged 15 March, 1777. (Rev. War Rolls, New Hampshire, Vol. 1, pp. 438, 459, 527, and 539.) Some authorities state that he was stationed at Fishkill, N. Y.

He m. (1) Hannah who d. at Lyndeborough, N. H., 25 Sept., 1784, and (2) about 1785 Naomi Richardson. He d. in 1812 or 1813 and his widow Naomi d. in 1850 or 1851. They are buried in Lyndeborough. Children:

- I. *HANNAH*⁹, b. 28 April, 1775.
- II. *ELIZABETH*⁹, b. 8 May, 1777; d. 13 June, 1780.
- III. *SAMUEL*⁹, Jr. b. 4 May, 1779; m. Olive; lived in Lyndeborough.
- IV. *AMY*⁹, b. 14 Feb., 1781.
- V. *BETSEY*⁹, b. 18 April, 1783.
- VI. *BENJAMIN*⁹, b. 30 Jan., 1786.
- VII. *RACHEL*⁹, b. 6 Oct., 1787.
6. VIII. *JOSEPH*⁹, b. 12 Dec., 1789.
- IX. *PETER*⁹, b. 9 Nov., 1791.
- X. *NAOMI*⁹, b. 25 Nov., 1793.
- XI. *SILAS*⁹, b. 20 Feb., 1797.
- XII. *SARAH*⁹, b. 10 April, 1800.

1. *Mildred^a Patch*, b. 9 Sept., and d. 18 Sept., 1848.
2. *Orlando^a E. Patch*, b. 11 Aug., 1851; m. at Stoneham, Mass., 8 Nov., 1887 *Augusta S. Trundy*. He lives at Concord, Mass., is master of Middlesex, Co. Pomona Grange, and has one child: *Edwin^a O. Patch*, b. 12 May, 1893.
3. *Ida^a B. Patch*, 28 May, 1857.
4. *Amelia^a O. Patch*, b. 24 April, 1860.

- vi. *SUSAN^a*, b. at Wilton, N. H., 29 Oct., 1830; d. 17 Aug., 1832.
- vii. *HARVEY^a*, b. at Lyndeboro', 2 March, 1833; m. at Warren, N. H., 21 Sept., 1862, *Sarah J. Libbey* who was b. at Warren 4 Feb., 1842; removed to Rivere de Loup, Province of Quebec, where he d. 9 Sept., 1867. His widow and only son *Harry^a L.*, b. at Rivere de Loup, 17 April, 1865, live (1897) in Lynn, Mass.

7. **RUFUS^a CHAMBERLAIN** (*Joseph^a Samuel^a Jonathan^a Samuel^a Thomas^a Thomas^a*) is the son of *Joseph* and *Sarah* (Abbott) Chamberlain of Lyndeborough, N. H. He was born at Milford, N. H., 5 June, 1819, and removed with his parents to Lyndeborough in 1824 or '25. He is a prominent citizen of Lyndeborough where he has served the town as selectman for nine years. He was a selectman for 1854, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1864, 1866, 1867, 1868 and 1873. For about forty years he has been parish sexton.

In early life Mr. Chamberlain worked in Lowell, Mass., where he m. 20 May, 1843, *Martha Jane Upton*. She was b. at Lyndeborough 21 Jan., 1821, and d. there 24 May, 1892. He now (1897) resides on the farm that his great grandfather *Jonathan Chamberlain* received of the heirs of *Joseph Cram* in 1768; and is the only person of his surname now living in town. (See picture.) Children:

- i. *EMILY^a W. Chamberlain*, b. 1844, m. Charles F. Tarbell who was b. at Lyndeborough 19 Nov., 1843. He was a merchant at South Lyndeborough, where he d. 24 Feb., 1888, leaving two sons *Walter^a S. Tarbell* b. 2 Jan., 1867, and *Charles^a H. Tarbell* b. 29 June, 1874.
- ii. *WALTER^a*, b. 2 Oct., 1846; enlisted as a private in Co. G Sixteenth Regiment, New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry. He was mustered 11 Nov., 1862, and d. of disease at New Orleans, La., 7 May, 1863. (N. H. Adj. Gen. Report Vol. I, p. 545).
- iii. *ELIZA ANN^a*, b. 16 Oct. 1848; m. 4 Dec., 1867, at Lyndeborough, *Charles H. Wilson* who was b. at Deering, N. H., 20 June, 1838; removed to Nashua, N. H.; carpenter. Children: (1) *Willis^a H. Wilson* b. Lyndeborough 9 April, 1870; (2) *Eugen^a R. Wilson* b. at same place 15 Aug., 1878; (3) *Alice^a M. Wilson* b. at same place 8 July, 1883; (4) *Walter Chamberlain^a Wilson* b. at Nashua, N. H.; 3 April, 1888.
- iv. *SARAH FLORENCE^a*, b. 23 Sept. 1850; d. 26 Feb., 1853.
- v. *FRANK^a*, b. 9 Oct. 1852; m. at Worcester, Mass., 23 Oct. 1873, *Dora S. Barrett*; for several years a lumber-dealer in Worcester, Mass. Children:

1. *Mabel^a* b. 5 Dec., 1874.
2. *Otis^a F.*, b. March 1876; m. in 1895 *Mabel Newcomb* of Eastport, Me., and lives (1897) in Augusta, Maine.
3. *Alton Lee^a*, b. —; d. 4 Aug., 1881.
- vi. *WILLIS BROOKS^a*, b. 25 June, 1854; m. at Worcester, Mass., 30 April, 1879, *S. Cornelia* daug. of *William L.* and *Elizabeth Maynard*. She was b. at South Lancaster, Mass., 30 May, 1832. *William L. Maynard*, a native of Providence, R. I., was b. 2 March, 1824. Mr. Chamberlain is a travelling salesman and