

JOHN RICHARDSON of Newton, Mass., elected a resident member 3 May 1916, was born at Newton 22 October 1857, the son of John and Charlotte Sullivan (Blood) Richardson, and died at Cohasset, Mass., 30 July 1916. He traced his descent from Ezekiel¹ Richardson, who was at Charlestown, Mass., in 1630, through Theophilus,² Ezekiel,³ Theophilus,⁴ Edward,⁵ John,⁶ John H.,⁷ John,⁸ and John,⁹ his father. He was also a descendant of John Howland of the *Mayflower*.

He was educated in the schools of Boston and at Vevey, Switzerland, and was by occupation a merchant.

He married, 24 October 1883, Louisa Morrow Cabot, who survives him, together with three children: Louisa Cabot Richardson, John Richardson, and Charlotte Blake Richardson.

CHARLES SUMNER DANA, B.A., of Marietta, Ohio, a resident member since 1911, was born at Belpré, Ohio, 15 November 1864, the son of George and Lucy (Byington) Dana, and died at Marietta 1 August 1916. He traced his lineage from Richard¹ Dana of Cambridge, Mass., through Benjamin,² William,³ Capt. William,⁴ a Revolutionary soldier who settled at Belpré, Ohio, George,⁵ and George,⁶ his father.

He was prepared for college at the Marietta Academy and was graduated at Marietta College in 1886.

He was a manufacturer of paints and wood-finishing materials, and about twenty years ago organized the Marietta Paint and Color Company, of which he was president until his death. Though a most successful business man, he found time to pursue his favorite studies in American history and Shaksperiana and to serve his college as trustee and the schools of Marietta on their official boards. He was a member of the Pioneer Society of Washington County, Ohio, and also of the Ohio State Archaeological Society. As a Republican he was active in Ohio politics, having been a member of the State Senate, a chairman of county committees, and a delegate to district, State, and National conventions many times. Among his writings were a history of Belpré and an essay on Alexander Hamilton.

He married, 2 January 1891, Mary Anderson Sayre, daughter of Daniel Fawcett and Emily Anderson Sayre, who survives him, together with one daughter, Frances Bancroft, who was married, 24 December 1915, to David Moore Russell, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn.

JOHN JACOB LOUD, A.M., of Weymouth, Mass., elected to resident membership in 1867 and made a life member in 1874, was born at Weymouth 2 November 1844, the son of John White and Sarah Humphrey (Blanchard) Loud, and died at Weymouth 10 August 1916. He traced his descent from Francis¹ Loud of Ipswich, Mass., through Francis² of Weymouth, Jacob,³ Jacob,⁴ Jacob,⁵ and John White,⁶ his father. He was also a descendant of Elder William Brewster and John Alden of the *Mayflower*. His sister, Annie Frances Loud of Brookline, Mass., is a well-known composer of sacred music.

He was prepared for college at the high school in Weymouth, and was graduated from Harvard in 1866, receiving the degree of A.M. from his *alma mater* in 1869. He afterwards studied law in the office

of Jewell, Gaston & Field, and was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1871; but, instead of following the profession of the law, he devoted himself to banking, taking the position of cashier of the Union National Bank of Weymouth, formerly held by his father, in 1874 and retaining it for twenty-one years. He was also a trustee of the Weymouth Savings Bank from 1875 to 1895 and its vice-president from 1887 to 1895.

Much of his time was expended in generous service to his native town, particularly as a musician, speaker, and genealogist. Not only was he the conductor of the choir of the Union Religious Society of Weymouth and Braintree for twenty years, from 1872 to 1892, but he was also a composer of music, his compositions including many patriotic songs and hymns, of which his hymn, "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts," is the most famous. He was a speaker and writer of no mean ability, especially in the lines of local history and genealogy. He was one of the founders of the Weymouth Historical Society, its vice-president from 1879 to 1885, and afterwards its president. For twenty years he served as treasurer of the Union Religious Society. In 1903 he was president of the Weymouth Old Home Week Celebration. It was, therefore, well said of him by an historian of his town that "for forty years he was associated with every movement for the betterment of the town of his nativity, and was a representative of the best type of citizenship to be found in New England."

He was elected a member of the Maine Genealogical Society in 1889 and a corresponding member of the New Hampshire Genealogical Society in 1905.

He married at Braintree, Mass., 7 November 1872, Emily Keith Vickery of Weymouth, who died in January 1911. Of their eight children, six survive them: John Hermann of Brookline, a composer of sacred music and organist of the Park Street Church, Boston, Rev. Oliver Blanchard of Mittineague, Mass., Ralph White of Cambridge, Mass., Martha Alice, Helen Frances, and Roger Perkins.

WARREN FISHER GAY, A.B., M.D., of Boston, a resident member since 1905, was born at Swampscott, Mass., 24 July 1866, the son of Dr. George Henry and Elizabeth Greenough (Lewis) Gay, and died in Boston 26 August 1916. He traced his descent from John¹ Gay of Watertown and Dedham, Mass., through Nathaniel,² Lusher,³ Lusher,⁴ Lusher,⁵ Willard,⁶ George,⁷ and George Henry,⁸ his father. A more extended account of his ancestors may be found in the memoir of his brother, Frederick Lewis Gay, A.B., published in the REGISTER of April 1917.

He was educated at the Boston Latin School and at Harvard University, and received from Harvard the degree of A.B. in 1890 and of M.D. in 1893.

Following in the footsteps of his maternal grandfather, Dr. Winslow Lewis, and of his father, he chose surgery for his specialty. At various times he was connected with the Massachusetts General Hospital, the Woman's Charity Club Hospital, the Carney Hospital,

St. Elizabeth Hospital, and the Boston Dispensary, and was an instructor in surgery in the Tufts Medical School.

He was a member of various medical societies, was a Mason and a Knight Templar, and was a member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants and of the Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He belonged to the University Club of Boston, the Harvard Club of Boston, and the Harvard Club of New York.

He married, 8 June 1904, Ellen Freeman Stickney, daughter of Dr. Josiah Henry and Elizabeth Shannon (March) Stickney, who, with an only son, George Henry, survives him.

CHARLES WETTER BOWEN of Providence, R. I., elected a resident member 3 May 1916, was born at Providence 22 January 1851, the son of Charles Wetter and Louisa Sampson (Martin) Bowen, and died at Providence 15 September 1916.

He was president of the C. W. and R. M. Bowen Company, and was a member and an officer of several societies.

He married, 6 June 1892, Alice Minetta LeValley, who died 16 December 1908, daughter of Henry Jenckes and Rebecca Josephine (Sisson) LeValley. They had four children, Charles Wetter, Richard Martin, Rebecca LeValley, and Edward Sampson, all of whom survive their parents.

FRANK DEMPSTER SHERMAN, PH.B., of New York City, elected a resident member 5 April 1916, was born at Peekskill, N. Y., 6 May 1860, the son of John Dempster and Lucy (McFarland) Sherman, and died in New York City 19 September 1916.

He traced his ancestry back to Thomas Sherman of Diss, co. Norfolk, England, gentleman, who was born probably about 1420 and died in 1492 or 1493. John Sherman of Diss, co. Norfolk, and Yaxley, co. Suffolk, son of Thomas, was the father of Thomas of Yaxley, whose son Henry was of Colchester, co. Essex. Henry's son Henry and the latter's son Samuel were clothiers and lived at Dedham; and Philip, son of Samuel, came to New England in 1633, settled first at Roxbury, Mass., and in 1638, being an adherent of Anne Hutchinson, was banished, went to Rhode Island, and became one of the founders of Portsmouth in that Colony. From this Philip¹ the line was continued, through Peleg,² Thomas,³ Benjamin,⁴ James,⁵ and James,⁶ to John Dempster,⁷ father of the subject of this memoir. Frank Dempster Sherman was also a descendant of Elder William Brewster of the *Mayflower*.

He was educated at home by his parents, studied for a year at the Peekskill Military Academy, and entered Columbia University in the fall of 1880. He was a member of the first class in architecture that was graduated at Columbia, and received there the degree of Ph.B. in 1884. After a year devoted to graduate work in English at Harvard University he was called back to Peekskill by his father's ill health and was obliged to look after his father's business as a book dealer. In 1887 he was appointed assistant in architecture at Columbia, in 1888 he was made instructor in architecture there, in 1891

he was promoted to the post of adjunct professor of architecture, and in 1904 he was appointed professor of graphics at Columbia, holding this chair, which was established expressly for him, until his death.

Professor Sherman early gained a wide reputation as a poet, and among his published collections of verse may be mentioned "Madrigals and Catches," 1887, "New Waggings of Old Tales," which appeared in 1887 and was written in collaboration with John Kendrick Bangs, "Lyrics for a Lute," 1890, "Little Folk's Lyrics," 1892-1897, and "Lyrics of Joy," 1904. In collaboration with Clinton Scollard he was the author of "A Southern Flight," 1905. In the field of pure mathematics he was regarded as a leader, and his interest in genealogy led him to compile a voluminous work on the Sherman family in America. In 1915 "The Ancestry of James Morgan Sherman and his Descendants" was printed by him for private distribution.

He was a member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters and of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society.

He married at Peekskill, N. Y., 16 November 1887, Juliet Mersereau Durand, daughter of Rev. Cyrus Bervick and Sarah Elizabeth (Mersereau) Durand, who, with one son, Dempster Durand Sherman, survives him.

Cf. *New York Genealogical and Biographical Record*, vol. 48, pp. 119-124 (April 1917), for memoir of Frank Dempster Sherman, Ph.B., with portrait.

MELVIN EUGENE RICE of South Sudbury, Mass., a resident member since 1894, was born in Brookfield, Vt., 22 May 1847, the son of Alphonso and Mary (Cardwell) Rice, and died at South Sudbury 21 September 1916. He traced his descent from Edmund¹ Rice of Sudbury and Marlborough, Mass., through Thomas,² Elisha,³ Zebulon,⁴ Stephen,⁵ and Alphonso,⁶ his father.

Mr. Rice went to Minneapolis, Minn., at an early age, prepared for college, and later taught school, but owing to overwork was unable to continue his studies. He entered the employ of a dry goods store in Minneapolis, where he remained a short time, and then came to Boston, where he became a clerk in the store of Hogg, Brown & Taylor. After gaining a thorough knowledge of the business of that establishment he, with a partner, opened in 1872 a dry goods store in Milford, Mass., where he remained eight years. This first business venture was a success. In the fall of 1880 he went to Chelsea, Mass., and, buying the stock of Woodward & Lathrop at 222 Broadway, established with a friend the firm of Rice & Miller. At the expiration of two years the name was changed to M. E. Rice, Mr. Rice having bought his partner's interest. After the great fire of 1908 he contemplated retiring from business; but he finally decided that he owed something to the city and to those who had so long been in his employ, and the business was continued. His eyesight becoming impaired, he was unable to give much attention to business during the last seven years of his life, although he came often to his store. He was one of the directors of the old Winisimmet National Bank, and was a director of the Chelsea Trust