

rights, recorded 16 June 1827 (*ibid.*, 60:381). Another deed dated 17 July 1827 sets forth that Isaiah Gifford of Albion, yeoman, conveyed to William Gifford, of the same town, for \$200 a parcel of Albion land on which the said William Gifford's dwelling stood, and adjacent to said Isaiah Gifford's farm and including half of the latter's acreage. Signed by Isaiah Gifford, Hannah Gifford. Acknowledged 17 July 1827; recorded 21 January 1831 (*ibid.*, 70:411).

Children recorded in Vassalborough Friends Records to Isaiah and Hannah (*Register*, 69 [1915]: 75):

- i. BETHIAH<sup>6</sup>, b. 8 Mar. 1798; d. 1 Feb. 1799 (*ibid.*).
- ii. MARY, b. 18 Nov. 1799. No further record. She did not sign the deed 1 Jan. 1841.
- iii. WILLIAM, b. 8 Oct. 1802; d. 20 Aug. 1874 "ae. 71 y. 11m. 12 d."; m. 25 Jan. 1827 RACHEL MEEDER (*Register*, 68 [1914]: 243; 70 [1916]: 275), dau. of Micajah and Sarah Meeder of Vassalborough, d. 30 Sept. 1869 "ae. 69" (g.s. in Friends Cemetery beside her husband). Children: 1. *Emily A.*, b. 24 Nov. 1827; d. 30 Apr. 1885; m. Daniel Ayer. 2. *Isaiah*, b. Albion, Me., 24 June 1831; d. Somerville, Mass., 25 June 1913 at the house of his son Herbert; bur. Vassalborough; m. (1) 6 Aug. 1855 Cynthia Turner of Leeds, Me., d. 5 Feb. 1871; m. (2) Hattie Blakwell, b. ca. 1842, d. 14 Jan. 1909.
- iv. LYDIA, b. 15 May 1805; d. after 1 Jan. 1841 when she signed the deed above.
- v. HULDAH, b. 24 Nov. 1808; m. ——— LITTLEFIELD. She may have been a widow when she signed the deed of 1 Jan. 1841 as "Hulda Littlefield."
- vi. SARAH, born 3 Apr. 1811; d. Winthrop, Me., 27 Mar. 1892. Carl W. Gifford notes that she m. ALBERT HUSSEY. She did not sign the release for the farm in 1841 as did her siblings.
- vii. DANIEL, b. 5 Aug. 1815; d. after 1 Jan. 1841; m. MARY ———.
- viii. ELIZA ANN, b. 17 Aug. 1819. She was living at 1 Jan. 1841 when she signed the deed giving land to her brother William. She may have married after that date.

**120.** SILAS<sup>5</sup> GIFFORD (*Mordecai*<sup>4</sup>, *Melatiah*<sup>3</sup>, *William*<sup>2-1</sup>) was born about 1768, and died "between 28 May and 7 June 1812" (Falmouth Town Records, 2:224, hereafter FATR). No probates have been found for Silas or his widow.

He married 14 June 1792 PHEBE PALMER, who died 2 December 1840 (*ibid.*, 2:88; 3:282).

A deed of 1812 shows that Silas Gifford conveyed land in Falmouth to Stephen Gifford (Barnstable County Deeds, 2:23, hereafter BACD).

The census of 1800 lists Silas Gifford of Falmouth as head of a household of one male under 10, one 26 to 45, one female under 10 and one 26 to 45.

The will of Silas Gifford of Falmouth, yeoman, dated 28 May 1812, proved 7 June 1812, gives to wife Phebe \$400, indoor moveables and household furniture, except the clock. To his four sons: Prince, Edmund, Joseph and Silas, the remainder of the estate, except the clock which he gives to his daughter (unnamed in will). He appointed his friend Joseph Hatch sole executor. Witnessed by Joseph Hatch, Ezekiel (?Roberson), John Hatch, Jr. (Barnstable County Probate, 37:28, 29, hereafter BACP).

Children recorded to Silas and Phebe at Falmouth:

- i. PRINCE PALMER<sup>6</sup>, b. 29 June 1795; m. (1) 23 May 1830 DESIRE FULLER, d. 7 Mar. 1843; m. (2) TEMPERANCE (WEEKS) POTTER, dau. of William and Mary (Gifford) Weeks and widow of Nathaniel Potter.
- ii. EDMUND, living in 1812 when named in his father's will. Not further traced.
- iii. ALMIRA, b. 30 Dec. 1799; m. 20 July 1820 BRADDOCK BAKER (FATR). As she is the only known dau. it is evidently she who received the clock.
- iv. JOSEPH, b. 26 July 1803; d. 12 Jan. 1884 "ae. 80y. 5m. 17d." (g.s. Old Friends Burying Ground, West Falmouth; BACP, 2:540); m. 21 Jan. 1830 DOROTHEA BOWERMAN, d. 4 Dec. 1880 "ae. 70 yr. 1m. 23 das." (g.s.). See Dorothy Gifford (BACP, 3:19).
- v. SILAS (twin), b. 26 July 1803; d. 10 Mar. 1876 (g.s.); m. 2 Oct. 1828 REBECCA ANN ROBINSON, b. 25 Aug. 1808, d. 10 Dec. 1883.

**121.** AMASA<sup>5</sup> GIFFORD (*Mordecai*<sup>4</sup>, *Melatih*<sup>3</sup>, *William*<sup>2-1</sup>) was born 25 February 1778, and died 16 February 1826. He is buried with his first wife in the Old Friends Burying Ground, West Falmouth.

He married first, 26 July 1807, SILVINA NYE (FATR), daughter of Colonel David Nye and Deborah (Nye) Nye, who was born 30 November 1778, and died 29 November 1821.

He married secondly, 28 February 1822, LYDIA (WEEKS) LANDERS, daughter of William and Mary (Gifford) Weeks, and widow of Robinson Landers, who was born 17 March 1784, and died 9 August 1846.

We find no record of Amasa Gifford as a grantee but by three deeds recorded 1825 and 1827 he sold land in Falmouth to Calvin and Joshua Bowerman (BACD, 1:527; 3:490; 21:28). No doubt he acquired his land by distribution from his father's intestate estate. He was a housewright.

He died intestate. We find the inventory taken by Prince Gifford, Jr., Daniel Bowerman and Daniel Swift dated 1 May 1826, recorded 16 May 1826. The homestead was valued at \$445; a woodlot of eleven acres, called Proprietors' Land, \$37.63; total real estate, \$611.63. The personal estate included carpenter's tools, farm and shoemaker's tools, a set of