

WILLIAM<sup>1</sup> GIFFORD OF SANDWICH, MASS.

(D. 1687)

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**124.** JEREMIAH<sup>5</sup> GIFFORD (*Jonathan<sup>1</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>*) was born 21 February 1738 and died after the date of the 1790 census.

He married at Dartmouth, 10 October 1762, ELIZABETH SALISBURY, daughter of Joseph and Innocent (Head) Salisbury, who was born 30 March 1738 (Vital Records of Little Compton, Rhode Island) and died Medusa, Albany County, New York, 12 July 1825.

We have seen that his father's will, dated 30 December 1756, made this son sole executor, and gave him a principal share of the estate. Also, the will of his uncle, Gideon Gifford, dated 10 December 1759, gave to "my Couzen Jeremiah Gifford, son of Jonathan Gifford."

Further search in Bristol County and Dutchess County, New York, deeds will, we believe, confirm the evidence that this Jeremiah Gifford and his second cousin, Obadiah Gifford, who had married Mary Salisbury, sister of Elizabeth (Salisbury) Gifford, moved to Northeast, New York. A deed of 1758 whereby Jeremiah Gifford bought land of Joseph Allen and one of 1774 when Jeremiah Gifford sold land to Gideon Cornell, we think, refer to this man (Bristol County Deeds, 7:20; 12:190, hereafter BRCD).

In June or July 1775 Jeremiah Gifford signed an agreement of the "General Association" in the town of Northeast, Dutchess County, New York. We believe that this is the Jeremiah Gifford who served in the 6th Regiment, Dutchess County Militia, and that it is he who is listed in the 1790 census at Northeast, Dutchess County, New York, as head of a family of one male under 16, one over 16, and two females. His brother-in-law, Obadiah Gifford, and two of the latter's sons are also listed.

Children, the first two recorded in Dartmouth:

- i. ABIGAIL<sup>6</sup>, b. 4 Dec. 1763.
- ii. DINAH, b. 3 July 1765.
- ? iii. JOSEPH, b. ca. 1767 probably in N. Y. state.
- ? iv. ELIZABETH, b. ca. 1769.
- ? v. JONATHAN, b. ca. 1771.

**125.** EPHRAIM<sup>5</sup> GIFFORD (*John<sup>4</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>*) was