

The will of Enos Gifford of Independence, Allegany County, New York, is dated 5 June 1849 and proved 2 May 1866. The will describes him as "late of the town of Willing." He names his wife Hannah; his sons John B., Sylvester, Allan, Henry, Pardon; his daughter Hannah; his grandson David E. G. Hoard. The will was witnessed by Alva and Mary Wood, both of Independence and Pardon Gifford was named sole executor (Allegany County, New York Deeds, 98:567).

On 8 February 1866, Pardon Gifford, the executor, listed the heirs as follows: Allan W. Gifford, a son, of Kalamazoo, Mich.; Henry Gifford, a son, of Madison County, N.Y.; Mary Pike, a daughter of Sylvester Gifford, residence not known; James Hoard and Enos Hoard, sons of Hannah R. B. Hoard, a daughter of Enos of Willing, N.Y.; Sarah Ann Stephens; Allen Gifford, Ira A. Gifford, Cynthia L. Gifford and Henry D. Gifford (parts of this citation are reported to us as being illegible). On 19 March 1866 a copy of the citation was delivered to the last four heirs named, and Louisa L. Gifford acknowledged that she was guardian to Cynthia L. Gifford and Henry D. Gifford (*ibid.*).

Children, the first two recorded at Little Compton:

- i. SYLVESTER<sup>6</sup>, b. 9 Sept. 1793; living in 1849 when named in his father's will.
- ii. PARDON, b. 28 Oct. 1795; d. at Willing, 18 Dec. 1878.
- iii. HENRY P., b. ca. 1798; d. Cazenovia, N.Y., 9 March 1875, ae. 77; m. (1) ———; (2) LYDIA (LITCHFIELD) STEVENS.
- iv. ALLEN W., b. ca. 1803; d. Kalamazoo, Mich., 23 Aug. 1875; m. LOANNA GIFFORD.
- v. JOHN B., b. 17 July 1811; d. 3 Feb. 1853; m. 30 May 1838 LOUISA LORD RICHARDSON. Note: This and other information furnished to us by a descendant, the late Mrs. Sherman B. Morgan of Akron, Ohio.
- vi. HANNAH R. B., b. 1817; d. after 5 June 1849 when named in her father's will and before 8 Feb. 1866 when her sons are named as heirs; m. PHILANDER HOARD.

**165.** ISAAC<sup>5</sup> GIFFORD (*Enos*<sup>4-3</sup>, *Christopher*<sup>2</sup>, *William*<sup>1</sup>) was born 14 August 1770, and died 23 April 1800.

He married first, at Little Compton by the Rev. Mase Shepherd 30 October 1791, ABIGAIL PEARCE, daughter of Giles and Mercy (Rouse) (Schreech) Pearce of Little Compton, who was born there, 3 March 1763, died perhaps at the birth of her daughter Abigail soon after January 1793 (Arnold, *Rhode Island VRs*, Vol. 4, pt. 6, p. 28).

He married secondly, 9 March 1797 ABIGAIL WILBOR, daughter of William and Sarah (Carr) Wilbor, who was born at Little Compton, 8 January 1779, and died there as the widow Irish 6 December 1850.

The will of Enos<sup>4</sup> Gifford, dated 12 April 1815, gives: "To my grandson Robin Gifford, son of my son Isaac, deceased, all the wearing apparel that was his father's that I have in my keeping in a chest. To my

grand daughter Nabby Gifford, daughter of my son Isaac Gifford, deceased, all my household goods". The will of Michael Gifford, dated 8 February 1837, gives: "To Robin Gifford and Bethane his wife and then to their eldest son Albert. . . ."

The will of Abigail (Wilbor) (Gifford) Irish, widow, proved 13 January 1851, names her daughter-in-law Bethania Gifford and leaves \$10 each to the following grandchildren: Albert Gifford, Barney Gifford, Eli Gifford, Christiana Ellis, Drucilla Manchester, Harriet Gifford and Frances Gifford (Wilbour, *Wildbores in America*, F3636).

Child by first marriage, recorded at Little Compton (Arnold, *Rhode Island VRs*, Vol. 4, pt. 6, p. 118):

- i. ABIGAIL<sup>6</sup>, b. 27 Sept. 1793. She is called Nabby in her grandfather's will.

Child by second marriage (*ibid.*):

- ii. ROBBIN G., b. 2 March 1799; d. bet. 1837 and 1851; m. at Little Compton, 14 Oct. 1821 by the Rev. Thomas Burgess, BETHANIA DYER, dau. of John and Christiana Dyer of Little Compton.

**166.** JOSEPH<sup>5</sup> GIFFORD (*Enos*<sup>4-3</sup>, *Christopher*<sup>2</sup>, *William*<sup>1</sup>) was born 5 March 1780, and died at Little Compton, 30 November 1849 (Arnold, *Rhode Island VRs*, Vol. 4, pt. 6, p. 117; Pleasant View Cemetery Inscriptions, Tiverton, R.I., *Register*, 118 [1964]: 308).

He married in 1801 DEBORAH PALMER, daughter of Lemuel and Deborah (Wilbor) Palmer, who was born 27 September 1781 and died 11 February 1876 (Arnold, *Rhode Island VRs*).

The will of Enos<sup>4</sup> Gifford, dated 12 April 1815, gives land and other bequests to his son Joseph (see above). Also, Joseph Gifford is one of the brothers named in the will of his sister Michael Gifford in 1837.

Children, recorded at Little Compton (Arnold, *Rhode Island VRs*, Vol. 4, pt. 6, p. 117):

- i. EBEN<sup>6</sup>, b. 28 May 1802; d. 8 Aug. 1846 (*ibid.*); m. by the Rev. Benjamin Peckham 17 July 1824, ANNA B. MANCHESTER, b. 13 April 1806, d. 9 Feb. 1833.
- ii. MARY, b. 10 Jan. 1804; d. 28 March 1893; m. (int. 10 May 1826) PELEG BROWNELL, son of Isaac and Priscilla Brownell, b. 14 Jan. 1801, d. 26 May 1866 (Arnold, *Rhode Island VRs*; *Register*, 118 [1964]: 308).
- iii. RUTH, b. 19 Dec. 1806; d. 15 Oct. 1841 (*ibid.*).
- iv. ENOS, b. 15 April 1809; d. 4 Feb. 1840 (*ibid.*).
- v. SUSAN, b. 10 July 1812; d. 23 May 1854; m. 27 March 1833 CHARLES BROWNELL, son of Christopher and Sarah (Taylor) Brownell (*ibid.*).
- vi. DEBORAH, b. 3 Aug. 1814; d. 4 April 1847; m. 25 Aug. 1839 THOMAS PALMER (*ibid.*).