

- vi. RHODA, b. at Canandaigua, Ontario Co., N.Y.; m. (1) Feb. 1842 ALVAN CLEMENTS; m. (2) ALBERT SMITH; m. (3) GEORGE LYMAN; m. (4) ALVIN CLEMENTS [?]; m. (5) WILLIAM K. PARSHALL; m. (6) JOHN HATFIELD.
- vii. RACHEL, b. at Hector, Tompkins Co., N.Y., 21 Feb. 1829; d. 14 Feb. 1846; m. either OLIVER DEMILLE (per Dr. Fuller) or FREEBORN DEMILLE (per Othel Gifford of North Las Vegas, Nev., great-grandson of Samuel Kendall Gifford).
- viii. MOSES, b. at Round Grove, Jackson Co., Mo., 16 May 1833; m. SARAH PRICE.
- ix. ENOS CURTIS, b. at Log Creek, Caldwell Co., Mo., 4 Feb. 1837; d. aged 8 mos.
- x. HEBER CHASE KIMBALL, b. at Yelrome, Hancock Co., Ill.; d. 3 Aug. 1843.

183. JESSE⁵ GIFFORD (*Levi*⁴, *Peleg*³, *Jonathan*², *William*¹) was born probably in Orange Co., N.C., 23 May 1789, and died at Rose Hill, Jasper Co., Ill., 31 Dec. 1870. He married probably in Chatham Co., N.C., about 1808 SARAH MARSHALL, died in Jasper Co., Ill. He is believed to have married again.

From the records of the Cane Creek, N.C., Friends' Monthly Meeting 6 May 1809 we learn that Jesse Gifford confessed his marriage "out of meeting" (William Wade Hinshaw, *Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy*, 3 vols. [Ann Arbor, 1936], 1:390). On 2 Nov. 1809 he requested a certificate to White Water Monthly Meeting. It was not granted and he was disowned (*ibid.*).

In a letter of 16 May 1943 Merlyn Gifford Cook, a great-grandson of Jesse Gifford, related that Jesse moved to Orange Co., Ind., and moved again, about 1835, to Jasper Co., Ill., where his first wife died.

Children by first marriage (from Merlyn Cook's family records):

- i. NAOMI⁶, b. 11 March 1809; m. BENJAMIN WHEELER.
- ii. RUTH, b. 4 Nov. 1810; m. BENJAMIN STAFFORD.
- iii. MARGARET, b. 3 Oct. 1814; d. in Clinton Co., Ind., in 1877; m. 6 Dec. 1835 WILLIAM COOK.
- iv. MARIAH, b. 23 April 1818; m. JACOB HARRISON.
- v. CHARITY, b. 14 Feb. 1820; m. JAMES HOLT.
- vi. ISAAC, b. 11 March 1822; m. HANNAH POSTLEIGH.
- vii. SARAH ANN, b. 4 Nov. 1824; m. JOHN F. KIBLER.
- viii. SOPHIA, b. 27 May 1827; m. JOEL KIBLER.
- ix. ABIGAIL ELLEN, b. 27 June 1832; m. ——— RAINS.

184. SILAS⁵ GIFFORD (*Jonathan*⁴, *Silas*³, *Jonathan*², *William*¹) was born probably at Dartmouth, Mass., 29 Jan. 1770, and died, according to a petition in the Surrogate's Office in Saratoga Co., N.Y., 2 Jan. 1855. He is buried in the Gifford Cemetery near North Greenfield, N.Y. He married first, ELIZABETH ROBINSON, born about 1776, died 22 Sept. 1813

“age 37,” daughter of Elihu and Sarah (Sanford) Robinson of Easton, N.Y. He married second, at Dartmouth, 1 Oct. 1815 DOROTHY “DOLLY” WILCOX, born 28 June 1780, daughter of Thomas and Catherine (Howland) Wilcox of Dartmouth (*Dartmouth VRs*, 1:302, 2:206).

In the *History of Columbia County, New York* (Philadelphia, 1878) by Capt. Franklin Ellis it is stated that Silas was from Dartmouth and his first wife Elizabeth from the Elizabeth Islands.

As we have seen (*Register* 132 [1978]: 296-7) Jonathan⁴ Gifford named four sons in his will of 1801. H. E. Gifford in the *Gifford Genealogy* (p. 45) incorrectly lists Silas as the father of his three brothers and adds Elihu, Silas's own son.

Silas first appears in the land records of Saratoga County on 20 May 1828 when Jonathan Owen and Deborah his wife of Halfmoon conveyed to Silas Gifford of Greenfield for \$180 part of the farm Isaac Bloom bought of Benjamin Worden, late in possession of Nathaniel Jones, 25 acres as surveyed by Jonathan Lapham 21 Feb. 1828 (Saratoga Co., N.Y., Deeds, Q:11). He purchased land, also, from Joseph B. Bartlett (*ibid.*, PP:295). He and his wife Dolly sold land in Greenfield to Sanford Robinson, to Dudley F. Scott, to Joel O. Barnes, to William Burnham, and to George Waste (*ibid.*, T:82; UU:259; 61:389; 63:203; 68:95).

Silas Gifford appears in the 1800 census at Greenfield, Saratoga Co., N.Y., as a head of a household containing two males under 10, one male over 45, and one female between 26 and 45. In 1810, still at Greenfield, his household consisted of three males under 10, two between 10 and 16, two between 16 and 26, one between 26 and 45 (obviously an error), two females under 10, and one between 26 and 45. These tallies suggest that two male children and one female child may not have survived childhood.

The will of Silas Gifford, proved 6 Jan. 1855, bequeathed to his wife Dolly, his sons Elihu, Jonathan, and John. John was to take care of his mother. After the death of the widow his sons were to “share and share alike” in the properties under lease, the rents from which had been assigned to his wife. The will does not mention children of his deceased daughter Ruth but does mention (without naming them) “children of my said son Jonathan.” The will was witnessed by Elihu Wing and Prince Wing. The value of the total inventory, appraised by Elihu Wing and Daniel Allen, was \$1561.95. The executors were sons Elihu and John (Saratoga Co. Surrogates Office, 16:442).

Children by first marriage:

- i. ELIHU⁶, b. 7 July 1796; d. 4 May 1889 (g.s.); m. July 1817 ELIZA ROBINSON STARBUCK, b. 19 Jan. 1800, d. 25 Oct. 1882 (g.s.), dau. of Charles and Elizabeth (——) Starbuck of Easton, Washington Co., N.Y. Ch. (Gifford, *Gifford Genealogy*, 45), dates from stones in the Hudson, N.Y., cemetery: 1. *Charles*, b. ca. 1818, d. at Milwaukee, Wis., bef. 1865. 2. *Elizabeth S.*, b. ca. 1819. 3.

- Frederick A.*, b. ca. 1821, d. "ae. 44" 12 Jan. 1865, m. Elizabeth Jordan, b. ca. 1825, d. "age 53" 14 March 1878. 4. *Sanford Robinson*, b. 10 July 1823, d. 29 Aug. 1880, a distinguished landscape painter. 5. *Maria M.*, b. ca. 1824. 6. *William H.*, b. 12 Aug. 1825, d. 12 Feb. 1898, m. Cordelia C. Rowland, b. ca. 1828, d. 1 April 1856, dau. of Ephraim and Sarah (——) Rowland. 7. *James*, b. 3 Oct. 1829, d. 9 April 1904, m. Almira S. Beadle, b. 20 Jan. 1830, d. 16 July 1900, dau. of Thomas D. and Phebe Ann (Starbuck) Beadle of South Easton. 8. *Edward H.*, b. ca. 1832, d. at New Orleans, 10 Aug. 1863, a Major in the 128th New York State Vols. 9. *Mary*, b. 30 Nov. 1836, d. unm. at Poughkeepsie, N.Y., 4 April 1904. 10. *Julia*, b. ca. 1838, d. after 1904, m. Robert F. Wilkinson of Poughkeepsie. 11. *Cornelia*, b. ca. 1840.
- ii. JONATHAN W., b. ca. 1798; d. 30 July 1878 (petition of his widow for Letters of Administration, 2 Aug. 1878); m. (1) 3 Sept. 1819 CYNTHIA TABER, b. 4 April 1798, d. 25 Jan. 1839, dau. of Lewis and Amy (Davis) Taber; m. (2) LUCIA G. ———, b. in Vt., ca. 1801, d. 11 May 1883 "age 81y. 11m. 11d." (Greenfield, N.Y., vital records). Children mentioned in his father's will.
- iii. JOHN, b. ca. 1801; d. 5 Jan. 1863 (petition of his son Elihu for letters of administration, 25 May 1863); m. 1823 HANNAH WING, d. 8 July 1841, dau. of Nehemiah and Esther (Underhill) Wing. Son Elihu B. Gifford of the Town of Naples, Buffalo Co., Wis., petitioned 25 May 1863, "John Gifford of the Town of Greenfield, Saratoga County, New York . . . departed this life at his late residence . . . on or about 5 Jan. 1863. . . . Your petitioner represents that he is of full age and is a son of the said deceased. That said deceased left no widow him surviving." On 28 May 1863 a bond was set at \$1000 for Elihu B. Gifford of Naples, Wis., and Elihu Gifford and William H. Gifford of the City of Hudson, Columbia Co., N.Y., with James Gifford serving as witness. Children (Gifford, *Gifford Genealogy*, 46): 1. *Frances*, b. ca. 1824, m. Edwin Williams. 2. *Esther*, b. ca. 1826. 3. *Phebe Jane*, b. ca. 1829, m. Henry Northcross. 4. *Elihu B.*, b. ca. 1832, m. Catherine S. ———, living in Wis. as late as 1881. 5. *Mary*, b. ca. 1841, m. ——— Bush, lived at Easton, N.Y. 6. *Rodney Buell*.
- iv. RUTH, b. 12 April 1808; d. 23 April 1843 "age 35y. 11d." (g.s.); m. BENJAMIN F. PRIOR. Her gravestone in the Prior Cemetery, Greenfield, identifies her as the dau. of Silas and Elizabeth and the wife of Benjamin Prior. Since no heirs of his dau. Ruth are mentioned in Silas Gifford's will, it is probable that she died without issue.

185. CHARLES⁵ GIFFORD (*Jonathan*⁴, *Silas*³, *Jonathan*², *William*¹) was born, probably at Dartmouth, Mass., 26 June 1772, and died at Ledyard, Cayuga Co., N.Y., 19 March 1847. He married first at Dartmouth, 26 Feb. 1795 PHEBE WINSLOW, who has not been identified (*Dartmouth VRs*, 2:195). He married second at New Bedford, 11 Sept. 1829 SARAH DAVIS, born at New Bedford, 3 May 1785, daughter of