

- i. ABIGAIL¹, b. 28 Sept. 1741; mar. 8 Jan. 1761 JOB HAMBLÉN (*ibid.*). She is named in the will of her grandfather Barlow, 1 Feb. 1771. This family also removed to Lee.
- 88. ii. THOMAS, b. 13 Mar. 1746.
- 89. iii. JESSE, b. 12 May 1753.

35. SYLVANUS³ GIFFORD (*James*², *William*¹) was born in Sandwich 18 October 1720, and he died in Lee 8 February 1804 (*Lee Vital Records*). He is buried in Fairmount Cemetery, Lee.

He married first, in Dartmouth, 28 July 1748, JENEVERAH [GENEVERAH, GENEVRA, JENEVERETH] WALKER, daughter of John and Sarah (Summers) Walker of Dartmouth, born there 12 June 1728 (*Dartmouth Vital Records*), died between 14 February 1773 and 2 December 1790, when her widower remarried.

He married second; in Lee 2 December 1790, TABITHA DEXTER (*Lee Vital Records*), born perhaps about 1751, died 6 September 1833, "ae. 82 or 3, of old age" (*ibid.*).

At the death of his father in 1734, Sylvanus and his sister, Deborah, chose Joseph Hoxie, a son of Grace (Gifford) Hoxie, as their guardian. Probably Sylvanus received land in Sandwich when he reached his majority in 1741, but evidently he disposed of his holdings there before 1750 and settled in Dartmouth. A deed of 19 February 1749/50 shows Sylvanus Gifford of Dartmouth and Jenevarah, his wife, selling to Thomas West, also of Dartmouth, for £25 "all our right and title . . . unto all that land which was the homestead of our Honoured Father John Walker, late of sd Dartmouth, deceased . . . situate in Dartmouth . . . which said homestead lays on the North-erly side of the way that leads from the sd Wests to Christian Turner's . . . and is bounded Easterly by Irish Swift's land, westerly, and northerly on land belonging to Mark Jenne and Mr. Samuel Hunt, both of Dartmouth, afsd., dec'd. . . which may evidently appear to have been given to the sd Jenevery in the last will and Testament of our sd Father, being dated 22 April 1742." The deed was signed by Salvenus and Jeneverary Gifford and witnessed by John Walker and Ephraim Devel. It was acknowledged before Samuel Willis, J.P., 3 April 1750 (*Bristol County Deeds*, 6:108).

From the fact that the children's births are recorded in Sandwich, Sylvanus and his wife may have returned to Sandwich after 1750 and lived there for some years before removing to Lee. But the 1790 Census shows him in Lee with a family of one male over 16 and two females.

Children:

- i. DEBORAH⁴, b. 4 Apr. 1753; mar. (1) 4 Jan. 1773 BARNABAS PHINNEY, son of Zaccheus⁴ Phinney [Finney] (*Benjamin*³, *John*²⁻¹), b. Barnstable 11 Mar. 1748, d. Lee, 30 June 1780. Children, surname *Phinney*: 1. *Ancel*, b. 25 Dec. 1773. 2. *Benjamin*, b. 23 May 1775. 3. *Calvin*, b. 7 Feb. 1774. 4. *Sylvanus*, b. 15 Dec. 1778. She mar. (2) 21 Mar. 1782 NATHANIEL⁴ TOBEY (*Samuel*³, *Jonathan*², *Thomas*¹), b. Sandwich 1 Mar. 1742/3. Children, surname *Tobey*: 5. *Experience*, b. 28 Dec. 1782 (bp. as "Achsah" in Lee Church). 6. *Samuel*, b. 22 Oct.

1784. 7. *Marah*, b. 18 Sept. 1786. 8. *Deborah*, b. ca. 1789 (not recorded). 9. *Cynthia*, b. 17 May 1792. 10. *Barnabas*, b. 18 Mar. 1795; d. 16 Apr. 1795. (See *Sandwich, Dartmouth, and Lee Vital Records*).
90. ii. JOHN, b. 29 Jan. 1757.
- iii. SARAH, b. 17 Sept. 1763; d. 20 Oct. 1855, Dover, Cuyahoga Co., O.; mar. (int. 1782) JEDEDIAH CROCKER, son of Noah⁵ Crocker (*Samuel⁴⁻³, Job², William¹*) and Content (Davis) (*Jedediah⁴, John³⁻², Dollar¹*) Crocker, b. ca. 1758. They removed about 1811, with other Lee families, to the area which is now Cleveland, O. Children, surname *Crocker*: 1. *Noah*, b. 3 Aug. 1783. 2. *Jedediah Davis*, b. 30 May 1785. 3. *Sarah*, b. 19 Mar. 1787. 4. *Samuel*, b. 17 Apr. 1790. 5. *Elizabeth*, b. 16 Apr. 1792. 6. *Polly*, b. 2 May 1795. 7. *Philena*, b. Aug. 1798. 8. *Aurelia*, bp. 9 Nov. 1800.
91. iv. JAMES, b. 1 Dec. 1765.
- v. WESSON, b. 15 Apr. 1768.
- vi. MARY, b. 14 Feb. 1773; mar. in Lee 19 Mar. 1796 REUBEN PENNOYER (*Lee Vital Records*).

38. THOMAS³ GIFFORD (*James², William¹*) was born 28 April 1728 (*Sandwich Town Records*).

He married first, 22 December 1748, CONTENT BORDEN of Freetown (*Dartmouth Vital Records*), d. after 1773.

He is said to have married second, one REBECCA TURNER.

Daniel Allen, Jr., was appointed guardian to this Thomas Gifford, his brother George, and his sister Sarah in March 1734/5.

If Thomas Gifford, unlike his older brothers, remained in Sandwich, this might account for the absence of records in Bristol County where his brothers settled. However, he married in Dartmouth.

The following list of children is supplied by James A. Stoddard (78 Dudley Drive, Bergenfield, N.J.), from records gathered by his grandfather, Henry Brayton⁹ Gifford (1865-1953).

Children:

92. i. JAMES⁴, b. 18 Dec. 1749.
- ii. GEORGE, b. 18 May 1753; d. after 9 Apr. 1796 and before the date of the 1800 Census in New Bedford; mar. (int. 1 Nov. 1774) AMY GRAY "both of Dartmouth" (*Dartmouth Vital Records*), dau. of Samuel and Lois (Sampson) Gray of Tiverton, R.I. Three deeds prove conclusively the parentage of Amy Gray. The first of these concerns the distribution of New Bedford land among the heirs of Lo[u]is Gray, out of her father Joseph Sampson's estate. These heirs included George Gifford and his wife "Ruhamy" (*Bristol County Deeds*, 14:92). The second deed shows that George Gifford and "Louamy" his wife of New Bedford conveyed to Henry Perkins, Amy's brother-in-law, one half of a tract that Amy and her sister Rebecca Perkins had received from the estate of her parents (*ibid.*, 94). The third deed strengthens the identification of George Gifford as the son of Thomas³ Gifford. George and his wife "Loamy" conveyed to James Gifford of Rochester for \$25.00 one half of a small lot which the grantors held in common with Rebeckah Perkins "which came to