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*This does not include my family. My grandfather who was born in 1786 did not come to Canterbury until after 1810 and located in East part beyond Hills Corner. I have all the data as to my family, on the branch to which my grandfather belonged J. O. Lyford.*

#### THE LYFORDS IN CANTERBURY.

I find in the census of 1790 (Canterbury) two of the name of Lyford:

1. John Lyford as head of his family with three male members thereof, including himself, over 16 years of age and two females, including heads of families.
2. James (Gilman) Lyford, son of John, as head of another family with four male members thereof, including himself, over 16 years of age, three females (probably children) under 16 years of age and three females, including heads of families.

John Lyford was born in Exeter, was a housewright in Epping, and died in Canterbury between 1790, when found by census, and May 20, 1795, when his will was probated. He married Lydia Folsom, daughter of William and Hannah (Gilman) Folsom. Hannah Gilman was daughter of James Gilman, granddaughter of Ephraim Folsom and Phaltial Hall, and great granddaughter of John Foulsham and Mary Gilman.

John Lyford's children were:

1. James Gilman (above), baptised in Exeter Aug. 24, 1746.
2. John, who married Oct. 9, 1786, Meriam Challis of South Hampton lived in Gilmanton, but not found there in census of 1790. Must be John Lyford of Northfield in 1790, as John Lyford of Northfield and his wife Meriam are recorded as giving a deed in 1794.

3. Thomas, born November 12, 1768, married Hannah Hall, April 7, 1793, and died March 4, 1846. Lived in Northfield, but after 1790, as he is not found in Northfield Census of that year. His daughter Ann and Mary Hall (Polly Hall) married citizens of Northfield, and his daughter Susanna married citizen of Senbornton. Probably member of his father's family in Canterbury in 1790.

~~3. Thomas, born November 12, 1768, married~~

4. Joseph, born in Epping, Feb. 28, 1765, was undoubtedly member of his father's family in Canterbury in 1790, as his eldest child was born in Canterbury two years later.

5. Judith, who married Daniel Ladd, who was born Aug. 21, 1742, son of Daniel and Alice Ladd of Epping.

6. Mary, who married a Kezer.

7. Lydia, born in Epping March 31, 1762, and married John Sutton March 12, 1788. John Sutton is found in Canterbury in Census of 1790. This enumeration showed himself, one male under 16 years of age and two females, including heads of families. Probably a family of four, husband, wife and two children.

8. Hannah.

9. Anna.

From the foregoing, John Lyford's family at the time of the Census of 1790 may have consisted of, besides himself, his wife, if living, his sons Joseph and Thomas, and one or two of his daughters.

Whether John Lyford or his son, James (Gilman) first settled in Canterbury, or whether they came together it is difficult to tell. John Lyford's son Joseph was born at Epping Feb. 28, 1765, while his son James (Gilman) had a son James born in Canterbury that same year. It appears from these birth dates that James (Gilman) Lyford came to Canterbury as early as 1765 and that his father followed either immediately or at some subsequent time prior to 1790 (Census year).

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN LYFORD IN CANTERBURY.

James (Gilman) Lyford (probably first Lyford to settle in Canterbury). Baptised Aug. 24, 1746, at Exeter. Married Mary (Molly) Hardy who was born in Exeter. James (Gilman) Lyford removed to Stanstead, Canada, in 1802. His children were:

1. James born in Canterbury in 1765, died at Sebec, Maine, April 1846. Published Sept. 8, 1792, to Deborah Lyford of Canterbury who was born May 3, 1769, at Exeter, where her father died in 1787. James' and Deborah's grandfathers were brothers. Deborah was an elder sister of Capt. Thomas Lyford of Exeter, who settled in east part of Canterbury between 1810 and 1812. James Lyford removed to Stanstead, Canada with his father James (Gilman) in 1802.

2. John, born in Canterbury, died at Salem, Mass., in 1800. His will dated June 20, 1800 and proved Nov. 6, 1800, gives entire estate to his brother James, he to pay \$400. "to my father James Gilman Lyford."
3. Dudley, born in Canterbury, married for first wife, Anna Lyford, another sister of Capt. Thomas Lyford, Feb. 15, 1798, and for second wife, Abigail Lyford, sister of his first wife. Dudley probably settled in east part of Canterbury on farm now owned by John H. Lyford of Belmont, which adjoins farm of Capt. Thomas Lyford. Here both he and his wives died.
4. Biley, born Oct. 17, 1775, at Canterbury, died March 1, 1865, at Atkinson, Maine. Married Lois Lyford, another sister of Capt. Thomas Lyford, Dec. 1, 1801. She was born at Exeter, June 10, 1781, and died May 29, 1854, at Atkinson, Maine. Biley Lyford was the first settler in the town of Atkinson and brought his wife from Banger to Atkinson on horseback in 1804. Children all born in Atkinson.
5. Zebulon, born in Canterbury, went to Stanstead, Canada, with his father in 1802 and died in Canada March 16, 1816. He married Sarah Buswell of Gilmanton, N. H. His children were John, born July 23, 1797; Nathaniel, born May 7, 1799, and Susan, who married a Rimerston (?). All likely to have been born in Canterbury. John and Nathaniel removed to Stanstead in 1809.

6. Jonathan, born at Canterbury in 1779. Moved to Stanstead, Canada, with his father in 1802, and to Sebec, Maine, in 1806 and died there Sept. 25, 1864. Married in 1806 Sarah Spaulding who was born Oct. 2, 1785, and died March 12, 1861. His children all born after he left Canterbury.
7. Jeremiah, probably born in Canterbury, lived in Stanstead, Canada, and in 1824 in Thornton, N. H. Married Naomi Dickey. He was the father of Dr. Byley Lyford, a physician at Tilton, N. H., who died there January 23, 1875. None of his children born in Canterbury.
8. Nancy, born January 25, 1795, at Exeter, died July 4, 1838. Married John Cass Oct. 29, 1791, who died at Cassville, P. Q., Canada, Nov. 28, 1846.
9. Mary (Polly) married Abraham Cass of Cassville, P. Q., Canada.

Descendants of James, son of James (Gilman) Lyford.

James Gilman, son, born January 14, 1794, died April 11, 1867. Married Huldah Hubbard Spaulding, Dec. 2, 1816. She was born Oct. 23, 1795, and died Oct. 25, 1848. James Gilman Lyford lived in Canterbury. How long I do not know. Children were Diana Spaulding, born Feb. 4, 1818; James, born June 23, 1820; Ariedna born June 29, 1822; Huldah, born July 16, 1824; Moses Greenleaf, born July 9, 1826; William Holway, born May 23, 1831; and Henrietta, born Feb. 7, 1839.

Moses Greenleaf, son, married 1830 at Sebec, Maine, Adaline Shepard Lyford, daughter of Jonathan Lyford, who was son of James (Gilman) Lyford and the brother of Moses Greenleaf's father. Died Nov. 20, 1887, probably in Maine.

John, son, who is said to have died in Richmond, Va. Married Cynthia Burnham.

Polly, daughter, who married a Smart.

Betsy, daughter, who married a Levensaler.

Deborah, daughter, born January 20, 1801. Married Joseph Spaulding January 17, 1824.

All that is known of John, another son of James (Gilman) Lyford has been already given.

Descendants of Dudley, son of James (Gilman) Lyford.

1. Mary Ann, daughter by Dudley's first wife, born 1799, died 1836. Married Samuel Dalton, who was born Feb. 17, 1799 in Gilmanton, N.H.
2. Thomas, son by Dudley's first wife, born in Canterbury Feb. 2, 1807. Married <sup>Burns</sup>Eliza Greeley, who was born in Gilmanton, N. H. July 8, 1809, and died at Rockport, Ill. June 27, 1874. Thomas was killed in a threshing machine and died at Rescoe, Ill. Dec. 19, 1858. His children were:

Dudley, born Nov. 6, 1836, at Canterbury, married April 13, 1862, Emma Harley, who was born at Spartanburg, S. C., April 25, 1841. Lives at Roscoe, Ill.

Elizabeth Greeley, born Oct. 22, 1837, at Canterbury, married May 1, 1860, John J. Bradley, who was born at Westfield, N. Y.

Joseph Greeley, born Dec. 2, 1839, at Andover, N. H., married January 1, 1868, Emily M. Brown, who was born June 30, 1843, at Shirley, Mass. Lives at Guilford, Ill.

Alice Horn, born Dec. 7, 1842, married June 3, 1868, Josiah E. Richardson, who was born July 18, 1842, at Roscoe, Ill. Lives at Rockport, Ill.

Thomas, born April 19, 1845. Died May 14, 1845.

Thomas, Born August 15, 1846. Died Dec. 19, 1862.

Annah Augusta, born Nov. 7, 1850.

Charles Chamberlain, Born Aug. 21, 1853. Married Dec. 23, 1885, Emma L. Hendrickson, who was born January 30, 1860, at Minneapolis. Lives at Minneapolis.

3. John, son by Dudley's second wife, married Eliza Ann Fletcher.

Their son, Henry S. born Sept. 28, 1850. Married in 1876 Martha E. Penabaz, who was born March 31, 1855. Lived in Ashland, N. H.

Descendants of Joseph, son of

John Lyford and brother of first James Gilman.

Joseph, son of John Lyford, was born, as already stated, at Epping Feb. 28, 1765, died in 1847 at Chicago, Ill. Married Susanna Dearborn Dec. 15, 1791. She was born in Greenland, N. H., Nov. 30, 1774, and died Nov. 27, 1836, at Canterbury. Their children all born in Canterbury were as follows:

Joseph, Born July 11, 1792.

Thomas Dearborn, Born Sept. 10, 1796. Died May 17, 1823.

John, Born Dec. 27, 1802, supposed to have died in Texas in 1879.

Susanna, born June 16, 1798. Died Oct. 1875, at Annawan, Ill.

Married Oct. 19, 1818. Tristan Coffin Dew. He died Sept. 1875, at Annawan, Ill.

Mary Ann, born Aug. 17, 1805. Died January 22, 1821 at Canterbury.

Winthrop Dearborn, born May 16, 1808.

Harriet, born May 3, 1813. Married March 24, 1836. Hannibal Haines of Canterbury, who was born January 29, 1813. Lived in Chicago, Ill.

A child.

Of the foregoing children of Joseph, the first born, Joseph, married Charlotte Dew, who was born Nov. 22, 1789, and died Dec. 4, 1868. Joseph went west in the fall of 1836 and settled at Buda, Ill., then called French Grove, where he died Dec. 11, 1836. His children were all born in Canterbury and were as follows:

Augustus, born May 8, 1816. Went west in 1836.

Alfred, born January 28, 1818. Went west in 1836.

Caroline, born Aug. 17, 1824, died 1844. Married Rufus Craig.

Joseph, born Nov. 7, 1828. Went west in 1836.

Moses, born Feb. 22, 1831, died Feb. 26, 1856.

Winthrop Dearborn, the sixth child of Joseph, son of John Lyford, married April 24, 1836, Harriet A. R. Chase, who was born June 8, 1814. He died in Canterbury Feb. 8, 1838. His children, all born in Canterbury, were:

Winthrop Dearborn, born Nov. 16, 1837. Died January 29, 1839

Mary Jane, born Feb. 6, 1840. Died Aug. 1, 1859

Dearborn, born Dec. 1, 1841. Died Oct. 11, 1847.

Harriet, born July 21, 1843. Died Oct. 17, 1847.

Susan, born July 2, 1845. Died Oct. 2, 1847

Susan E. born Sept. 6, 1848

Flora A. born January 31, 1852.

Frank, born Oct. 31, 1854. Married June 28, 1861, Elizabeth Beattie, who was born in Canada and died Aug. 18, 1887.

Their children were:

Mary A. E. born Aug. 11, 1882.

John F. born May 23, 1888.

Hattie J. born March 25, 1887.

Descendants of Lydia, daughter of John Lyford, who married  
John Sutton of Canterbury.

There was a Thomas Lyford, son of David, who was a brother of the John Lyford who is found in Canterbury by the Census of 1790, who resided in Canterbury sometime prior to 1783. He was born at Epping in 1738 and married Mehitable Robinson. He lived at Exeter, Epping, Canterbury, Sanbornton, New Ipswich and Northfield, and moved to Cabot, Vt., in 1783, being the third settler there. According to the genealogy of the Lyford family by William Lewis Welch, he entered the army in 1775 and served until 1781. Was with Gen. Hazen when he built the military road from the Connecticut River at Newbury, Vt., via Cabot towards Canada. Was Lieutenant in Major Whitecomb's corps of Rangers, and both he and his son Fifield were at West Point with Arnold. He was of Northfield, N. H., May 27, 1775, when a second lieutenant in Capt. Jere Clough's company, in Col. Knoch Poor's Regiment. This agrees with account of Capt. Jeremiah <sup>Clough's</sup> company in the History of Merrimack County (Canterbury), where 2d Lieut. Thomas Lyford is given as of Northfield. As he was in the army until 1781 and moved to Cabot, Vt., in 1783, he probably was in Canterbury prior to 1775. His children were:

Fifield, born 1763 at Exeter.

John, born <sup>Sept. 13</sup> 1766 at Epping.

Thomas, born 1768

David

Peter, born 1773

Katy,

Mehitable

Betsy, married Benj. Streeter. He was born March 19, 1790 at Hartford, N. Y.