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**A Sketch of the Pilgrims of Branford
Also
Northford Graduates of Yale College**

by
Reverend Jonathan Maltby
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Introduction;

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The letter was written by The Reverend Jonathan Maltby to his friend Dr. Jared Linley. The letter was apparently in the possession of Randolph L. Simpson, a long time member of The Northford Historical Institute (forerunner of The Totoket Historical Society, Inc.) and a Linley descendant.

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Abbreviations:

Y.C.	Yale College
St. N. Y.	State of New York

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“A sketch
Of the pilgrims & some of the puritan fathers
who came to Branford & descendants
also
of Northford & Graduates of Yale College
from
That village with memoirs & miscellany
by
one of the graduates”

New Haven April 21, 1844

G.S. Miller Notation from page 12:
“Benjamin Maltby (my honor'd Father) married
Sarah Harrington, _____”

Therefore written by one of his sons:

Dea Benjamin M.	died 1823
Thaddeus M.	“ 1776
*Rev. Jonathan M.	“ 1856
Isaac M.	“ 1809
Dea Stephen M.	“ 1812

*Only son of Benjamin alive in 1844, therefore most likely written by him.

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The Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land of
Brooks of water of fountains & depths that spring out
Of valleys & hills a land in which thou shall eat
bread without scarceness thou shall not wash any
thing in it. When thou hast eaten & as full then thou
shall bless the Lord thy God for the good land. He
hath given thee. Deac. & ch.

New Haven April 21st 1844

This wild wilderness, of wild animals & savage men is made truly interesting by our persecuted pilgrim fathers Who came to then inhospitable shores & braved the perils & hardships of famine & winter in this northern climate.

Their religion supported them. It was the religion of The Apostles & primitive Christians.

“How striking“ says the venerable dr. Hawes “is the resemblance between the churches planted by the apostles & those established in this land by our venerated fathers? Well may we believe them, when they say that the primitive & apostolical churches were the only pattern they had in their age in organizing the churches in New England.” They certainly understood their patterns were singularly Happy in imitating it. Thanks be to a merciful God for the rich inheritance civil and religious which they have handed down to us!

The Bible, the Bible, was their statute book. Their religion That primitive Christianity which God gave to the World through Christ our Lord & his apostles.

“In fulfillment of their design their first care was to set up the tabernacle of the Lord in the wilderness. They erected the church fast by the school house the court

house the academy the college while yet they were of one faith & one name. No other form of religion was known in this land of the pilgrims until the great principles of the American system were developed & established here by our Puritan fathers.”

“They were no ordinary men. They lived for no other purpose. They were the most remarkable men which the world ever produced. They lived for a nobler end _ for a higher destiny than any that have ever lived. These are the men to whom New England owes her religion with all the blessings civil social literary that follow in its train.”

“These are the venerable men whose blood still flows in our veins in whose inheritance we have entered. Peace to them silent shades. Fragrant as the breath of morning be their memory. The winds of two centuries have swept over their graves. The effacing hand of time has well neigh worn away the perishable monuments which may have marked the spot where sleeps their honored dust. But They still live. They live in the immortal principles which they taught. In the enduring institutions which they established. They live in the remembrance of a grateful posterity. They will live on through all time in the gratitude of unborn generations, in long

succession will they rise up & call them blessed." Where are the men or when have they ever lived who are more prayerful _ more jealous _ more patient _ more heavenly _ more conscious _ harder students _ better scholars more willing to be informed advised _ than these greatest good men who left to the churches what they now enjoy.

And shall we who keep the graves and bear the names & boast the blood of these men disown their church or cast out as evil & vile their religion? No, By the memory of these noble men by their holy lives _ their heavenly principles their sacred institutions _ by the sustaining strength which they themselves are still giving to our freedom & to the great cause of civil & religious liberty throughout the earth _ let us never give up the Religion of our venerable fathers. No, never never, never."

The Pilgrims

A Rock in the wilderness welcomed our sires
On that holy alter was kindled their prayers
In this wild wilderness fair examples they gave
Of mild resignation love, devotion & praise
A fair rich legacy descends down to us.

Pilgrim's Creed

"One Monarch to obey _ One creed to own_
"That Monarch God _ That creed His Word alone."

Pilgrim's Wife

Part of the heart and soul of the pilgrim
Their Temple & Chapel _ were valley and hill
And under an oak _ beside of a rill.

God, the Pilgrim's King

Hail! To our Heavenly King,
To Thee! our thanks we bring,
Lord, of heaven's earth,
Lord, is our song of praise,
Lord, We, Thy honors raise,
Smile on our future days,
Guard & perfect our ways,
Gracious Sovereign of all.

To Jared Linley Esqr M.D.

City of New York

My dear Friend,

To ascertain the number of Graduates of Yale College from Northford in compliance of your request I thought would be a delightful task if task it could be called. That it would require a fewhours time & fill a half or whole sheet at most.

But to make it interesting, some more is required An when last with you, I learned that you expected more. But I feel incompetent to the task. My advanced years[¶] forbid any lengthened family history & lineal descent of the persecuted pilgrim fathers, who came from the father land to this asylum of Liberty.

Did health, time & talent admit, the origins of the Hoadleys, might probably be traced to Bishop Hoadley and Great officers of church and state.

The Linleys to peerage of great Britain. To Arthur Linley of midlam castle, Whose only child Jane married about the Year 1630 the Viscount of Ely of Ireland ancestor to the Marquis of that Kingdom. To Thomas Linley D.D. President of St. Albans or of the college at Oxford. To Francis Linley Booksellers in London who died as late as 1797. To John Linley, the celebrated musician & all his family. So that the daughters were call'd a nest of nightingales.

note ¶ Eighty sixth year of his ___?

The Rev^d Author of the history of Connecticut said, The Maltbys that came to Branford were honorable men. Their origin might probably be traced to Henry Maltby, Lord Lieutenant Of Ireland. We have been in possession of his coat of Arms Rev^d D.D. Maltby was, I regret to say unfriendly to the British & foreign Bible Society. First Best Benevolent Institution in the world. Henry and George Maltby, merchants in London, were, subscribers To Dr. Guise commentary of the Bible. Were extensively concerned in the led and shot factory. Maltby shot has been seen stamped on bags of shot in all the merchants stores. Also on vest patterns. An English gentleman informed me that he knew a Mr. Lambert Maltby & that he was a large farmer _ a respectable tall _ large man. These were all Londoners.

Our Pilgrim Fathers, Hoadleys_Linsleys & Maltbys were tru English. From London & vicinity. Our Ancestors, some of the first characters. Were officers of the first grade. Civil & theological. We are pleased with having titled honorable Ancestors gaze on their honors & on their arms with delight.

My dear friend, how vain! What is it all? But the weight of a feather.

Rev^d Eliphalet Williams of East Hartford, one of the corporation of Y.C. one of the first D.D.s from our alma mater. The next morning one of the brethren enquired how did. "Oh I Don't know that the feather that you laid on me, makes me feel any better."

If we should trace our descent to Him who is called Wonderful, Councilors, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of peace what would it profit us? What would it add to our individual characters? We must stand or fall according to our own merit. "He that is wise is wise for himself: __ let our lives be like our blessed Savior's, full of acts of benevolence. Love fulfilling the Law. Love casting out fear. Happy the Lazaerus _ Mary & Martha whom Jesus loveth.

But our immediate concern is with the Pilgrim Fathers who came to Branford & and fathers who came to Northford. __ It is said that the first Hoadley who came to Branford was William who brought the first store of goods into the town. And is ancestor to all the Hoadleys in America.

The first in Northford was Timothy Hoadley. He was born July 14th 1709. Married Mary Harrison born 1710. He died July 19, 1772. She 1795. Their children were Mary, Lucy, Timothy, Rufus, Ichiel Y.C., Ebenezer & Lydia. There is now but one of the same in Northford. Jarius Hoadley. He has two daughters, one of which married George Walker, merchant in New Haven, He has two brothers also sons of Rufus. Capt. _

Capt. Simeon Hoadley & Heli Hoadley in this city. Heli has sons largely concerned in the coach & carriage factory. Harvey Hoadley is said to be worth eighty thousand dollars.

In 1665, Rev^d Abraham Pierson removed from Branford to Newark, N. Jersey & almost his whole church & congregation. They carried off the records of the church & town after it had been settled about five and twenty years; left it almost without inhabitants. For more than twenty years there was not a church formed in the town. In 1685 it was invested with town privileges. Hence we are ignorant that we might know of our pilgrim fathers.

Frances Linley accompanied Mr. Pierson. The Newark Linleys have greatly increased & dispersed in the State. Philip Linley was professor and vice-president of Princeton College & president of Nashville College Tennessee. Is said to be a very learned man. (G.H. Col.)

Joseph was the first Linley in Northford. He married Lydia Wilford. Their children were Joseph, Lydia, Daniel, Josiah, Abigail, Elizabeth, Rebecca, John, & Solomon. _ Lydia married Titus Munson. He was an ensign in the Revolution. Died on Long Island March 1776. Abigail married Silas Benton of Guilford. Daniel married Anna Tyler. They had children, Anna Hannah, James, Daniel, Chloe. Anna married Medad Taintor. Hannah married Capt. Stephen Smith who is now living in 95th year. I often see him in this city in his wagon alone with articles for market. In a note Trumbell's History _ ninety first year had a tooth extracted _ others remaining.

The Ancestors to the Maltbys was William. He died 1610. His children were John, William, Daniel, Samuel Yale College & Jonathan. _John of Say Brook Y. C. did not graduate for want of health. Three of his children as nearly as can be ascertained were Rev^d John Maltby who graduated 1747 & two daughters. One of which married Mr. Osborn merchant of New haven. Who resided in George St. near the oak under which Mr. Davenport preached his first sermon. The other married as I suppose the Father Col. William Lyon. Col. William Lyon C. A. S. died in 1830 in the 83^d year of his age. He has long been considered by a very sensitive literary acquaintance as probably the greatest Antiquarian & most thoroughly versed historian in the United States. His powers of mind were early developed well prepared for Yale College at the early age of 9 years. And having devoted the last 20 or 30 years intirely to intense reading & always favored a tenacious & retentive memory granted to a very few. Many periodicals of his day have been anonymously favored by his pen. It is greatly to be regretted that he could never be persuaded to publish a volume of ancient or modern history. As he has been for the last half century the oracle of so many that have published. He has always sustained an improachable character. And will long be remembered by an affectionate family & large circle of friends with peculiar love & esteem.

Jonathan Maltby I am inclined to think removed to Stamford & that Jonathan who commanded the first Revenue Cutter of Connecticut resided on the corner of the green in Fairfield was his son. David Maltby of Stamford was active in the war of the Revolution.* Represented the town in the legislature repeatedly. His widow & eight daughters removed to New York (I believe). If so you may perhaps learn something of their origin.

Rev^d John Maltby was contemporary with Rev^d Warham Williams & roomed with President Stiles, graduated 1747. President Stiles, said to me "He was the best Hebrewian of the age." He was to succeed President Wheelock in Dartmouth College. He came from Charlestown S.C. on his way to the college. Was several days in Branford, preached for Mr. Robins. Came with my uncle Daniel Maltby to my father's place in Northford. He was said to be a good preacher & to be eminently pious. Offered an ardent and heart refreshing prayer. He kneeled and placed his head in an arm chair. It was the first time that I ever saw that position is vividly freshening my mind. Went on the Hanover. In two weeks was a corpse.

I do not know that he had a family. But I am confident that he left a family in Charleston. I was there in 1786 & was told there was a merchantile house of Stevens, Maltby, Ramdy & Co. He was a large tall man of more than six feet. Majestic, pleasant, sociable of easy affectionate manners.

* note Histor. Amer. Revolu.

William Maltby 2^d married Sarah Davenport of Stamford. Daniel Maltby was the father of Joseph, Daniel, Benjamin & four daughters. On married John Hall of Cheshire. One, Amos Harrison of Northford, One _ Howd _ one, Goodrich of Branford. Joseph Maltby was a sea Capt. Had sons Joseph, William & Jonathan & two daughters. One married Matson of Vermont. The other Ritter of New Haven who carved monuments for the dead. Was the father of David Ritter recently deceased who also was concerned in the same business.

The descendants of Joseph & William Maltby are very numerous. Are spread over the St. of New York. William said he had nineteen sons & daughters & it might be twenty. Jonathan had two daughters only. William & Jonathan resided in Vermont.

Daniel & Benjamin Maltby were farmers in main St. in Northford for a time. Daniel married Mary Harrison. They had children Mary, Daniel, Esther, Hannah, Lucretia, Benjamin, Lacheus, Sabrew, Thankful, Lydia & Sarah. He removed to Stony Creek in Branford. Was a deacon in Mr. Robin's church for many years. Was eminently pious. Lacheus removed from Norfolk to the town of Lock H N York.

Benjamin Maltby (my honored father) married Sarah Harrington daughter of Deacon Samuel Harrington. He lived with her seven years without children, & very happy I have heard him say.

(Deacon Harrington was a venerable Father. Much es

Much esteemed for his piety & amiable qualities. Was a leading member in the Society & a pillar in the early church in Northford.)

He also, like his father in law was a deacon many years & a pillar in the church & much esteemed in & out of the church. His second wife was Elizabeth Fowler, daughter of Josiah Fowler of Durham. My grandmother, who was Hannah Baldwin, sister to deacon Baldwin of Durham & to Elder Baldwin of Milford. Capt. Josiah Fowler & Mr. Jonathan Fowler were my mother's brother & father respectively in the church of Christ.

Benjamin Maltby was born 1716, married 1750 Elizabeth Fowler born 1728. He died July 9th 1796 in his eightieth year. The field was his death bed. It was a time of heart rending sensations! _ He died in my arms! I was the alone witness to his sudden death. A memorable _ mournful day never to be effaced. He was a beloved father! __ My beloved mother died Dec 21st 1820 in the 93year of her age. She was eminently a mother in Lion.

Children

Elihu died 11 days old

Benjamin born 1753 Jan 22 died in his 69th year May 12th 1823
Married Jan 22, 1778

Rebecca Taintor born Sep 20th 1758 died in her 78th year April 1836

Thaddeus born Dec 2 1756 was brought from northern army sick & died Dec 1776

Jonathan Maltby born April 21st 1759 married June 17 1787
Submit Taintor, daughter of Nathaniel Taintor born Oct 20 1763.
Elizabeth born April 1761 married Elnathan Tyler march 1780.
They had a daughter that lived a few days. She died march 22
1781.

Sarah born 1763 married Oct 1786 James Linley, son of Daniel
Linley

Issac born Nov 1767 married Lucinda Murry daughter of Col. M
Hatfield Mass 1790 died Sep 9th 1809

Stephen born 1769. Married Oct 1788 Abigail Williams daughter
of Rev^d Warham Williams died June 22 1812. She died

Northford was incorporated May 1745 on memorial of Samuel
Harrington, John Baldwin, Paul Tyler & Peter Tyler, Bounded
north on Wallingford line _ West on New Haven line _ East on
Guilford line Meeting house was located June 26th 1746 by John
Hubbard, Jonathan Alling & John Hitchcock 20 rods north of
Samuel Bartholomew's . The sills to include a walnut staddle.
Ninety nine years ago _ Oh, my friend where are these
memorialists? "The Fathers, where are they?" Solemn thought!
Where are the Pages Augers Douglas Frisbies Linleys Rose
Todds Bartholomews Elliots Harringtons Maltbys Searwards
Tylers Butlers Fowlers Hoadleys Rogers Taintors Ponds

Note * John Baldwin was killed in broad way New Haven by the
enemy 1779

Where, O where is the Rev^d Warham Williams? Where is the first
minister who took the Pastoral charge of the church in Northford -
----- Gone!

He was a native of Long Medow. He was a grandson of the Rev^d
Father who with all his family were carried captives by the Indians
to Canada from Deerfield Mass. Except Mrs. W, she, was slain on
the way.

Mr Williams was well favored. Good form of medium height. His
eyes black & beautiful. Was one of the best looking of his
brethren. M^{rs} Williams was fair & beautiful a very amiable
exemplary woman. They had a respectable family of twelve
children. Six sons & six daughters

W. Williams was an eminent scholar. The first in the
association of which he was a member. Was one of the
Corporation of Yale College. Was a Tutor. Was ten years in
College. He filled most of the graduates. Said to four or five of us
at recitation that he carried the Greek testament to chapel to read a
chapter before prayers. He would read Virgil & Tully as readily as
his mother tongue. --- Alas the worthy Father & preceptor is gone!

Their bodies rest in the grave. Their spirits have ascended
to God their creator

“Our Fathers! Where are they;

“With all they call^d their own!

Note * see narrative

“Their joys & griefs & hopes & cares
“And wealth & honor ___ gone!”

“God of our Fathers! Never failing Friend
“Help us to Thee our souls _ our all

commend

“And with the pious fathers devoutly sing
“Angelic songs to God our heavenly King.”

No place can be uninteresting to the pious Spectator. The blessed Creator has been there before him. The stupendous arch of heaven is spread over Earth clothed in beauty around him & its green carpet under his feet. And he acclaimed thee O Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth! The earth is full of Thy riches, so is the great wide sea.

The changing seasons exhibit the varied God. “Spring exhibits His Wisdom “tenderness and love. Summer proclaims His glory “with heat & light refulgent.” “His bounty shines in Autumn unconfined.” “ In winter riding in storms sublime & majestic darkness. He bids the world a done and hublest Nature with His northern blasts” “ Where he vital breathes there must be joy” Join every living soul in adoration join_ & ardent raise one general song to Him.”

He who is accustomed to make the best of everything will see ___

Will see even in the sequestered village of Northford some claims to interest. The extended prospects from the heights of twenty or thirty miles _ The mountain forests ,_The rich valleys & hills are interesting.

The west branch of Farm River has its outlets rise from that beautiful expanse of water said to be a mile long & half a mile wide _furnished with abundance of excellent fish; enclosed by rich mountain scenery. In the south part of it the line of four towns meet – Branford Guilford Durham & Wallingford.

I have a lively recollection of taking the beautiful perch pike. I often enjoyed with my fellow students on that pond though more than sixty years have roll'd away since.

Here formally was a dam made by Beavers. Now a dam & floom to keep the water for the factories in the dry season.

The east branch of farm river takes its rise in white hollow, where reside a number of wealthy farmers, Elliot & Fowler. The east & west branch unite in about a mile & form the river which continues a course of six miles through the village ¶llel with the main St. On the margin of this stream are meadows _ mills & valuable factories. These add something to its interest and value.

A little ot the northeast of the meeting house is one of the most

One of the most important pin factories of solid heads. The very ingenious Inventor is the enterprising & respectable Mr. Maltby Fowler author of several other valuable inventions. After his discovery of pin making was a little known abroad, a gentleman came I am told and offered him one thousand dollars to let him in to see the machine & he refused. It is said that he has sold two thirds of the patent rights for \$12,000 & to receive the profits of one third. The patentees in Waterbury are said to succeed wonderfully in the work. A foot merchant call'd in the other day with Mr. Fowler's pins & Poughkeepsy pins & said they were in Co. _ Such is the all persevering spirit of our countrymen that in a few years pins may be exported to Europe & distant countries. Why not as likely as cotton goods?

He who is accustomed to look on all as the gift of God, on the good of man will see _

“Tongues in trees – books in the running brooks”

“Sermons in stones – a God in everything”

And heart religion or true love of God will give a deep or double interest to the scenes around him.

“And doubly sweet are rural houses”

The hills _ the dales _ the trees _ the flowers”

“The wood _ like vale _ the waterfall”

“Where God is seen among them all.”

Northford was a village of true Patriots.

News from Lexington caused universal excitement. Tens of thousands rushed to Boston to the support of their brethren. The sons of our Alma Mater felt and promptly acted. I now see an old gentleman stretching out his arm & pointing his staff toward Boston & with the spirit & voices of a son of Liberty. "What do you think Gage will say when he learns that a hundred men from Yale College are come to fight him?"

The free born sons of Northford were fired with the same spirit.

They felt & promptly acted. Capt. Fowler & his company with two or three sons went to Boston. But they and other companies were soon dismissed.

In 1775 May, Capt. Douglas marched to N.Y. thence to the capture of St. Johns. The capture of that place gave great joy. A brother of Gen. Ethan Allen brought the good news to New Haven. Thirteen cannon, one for each state echoed to shouts of the warm hearted freemen.. The gallant Allen soldier like leaped on to the cannon at the last fire, swung his hat & he shouted "God save the continental congress" - three cheers!

It was done to the life I assure you (first year in college)

Old and young were engaged in the good A detachment of three months men were order'd to N.Y. in Jan 1776. Your uncle Solomon Linley & my brother Thaddeus Maltby & others were a part. Again in May Lieut. Ambrose Baldwin & eight men march to the northern army & all

_ all the young men of the militia are ordered to N.Y. in August. Six of the eight & two of the militia fell victims in the cause of Liberty. Thaddeus Malby was one of them.

Col. Douglas, commander of the Regt. of leather caps. First Regt is the Ct line. The Regt was ever a terror to the enemy. Several young men served in it during the war. Col. Meigs commanded after the decease of Co. Douglas. I watched with him a night or two before his death. And he requested me to read the 125th chapter of 1 Cor & said "It is a great thing to die to die well!" Years have passed, but it is now fresh as the first.

Mr. Josiah Fowler & others were with Co. Meigs in the expedition to L. Island when ninety of the enemy were captured. Were guarded one night in the Episcopal church in Northford. The captors were in high glee _ Singing "Cook, Washington Putnam & Lee." Sergeant Levi Munson & Sergeant Benjamin Norton entered the army early & retired at the close Lieutenantd. Serg^t Munson was taken captive with Gen. Allen at Montreal & in prison with him in England two years. On his exchange he was told "you have seen enough _ you will never fight us again. "I will fight you the first opportunity" was his reply. Was appointed Lieutenant & served during.

Capt. Issac Foot was a warm & active officer. Commanded a detachment of the troops to N.Y. 1776. Jonathan Maltby & Solomon Talmage of the same troop with others were detached under Cap. Facat of Milford to the capture of Burgoyne.

Our friends fathers & brothers fought bravely in many battles; Cap. Solomon Talmage _ Mr. Elihu Foot _ Squire John Potter _ Mr. _ James Linley & others were pensioners. _The war of the Revolution was a time that “tried men’s souls & some times the womens too, when the whole mass was called in emergences & left the village destitute of men.
Land of Freedom.

“Our Fathers god! To Thee_
“Author of Liberty”
“To Thee we sing:
“Long may our land be bright
“With Freedom’s holy light
“Protect us by Thy might
“Great God , our King”

Northford has furnished a large proportion of Teachers, of church music. For more than sixty years church music has been taught in Northford. First by Rev^d Andrew Law. Since, those taught by him & their descendants. There has been more or less of the time a little band of vocal & instrumental music. Gen. Isaac Maltby & Col. Steven Maltby were eminent teachers & were much employed at home & abroad. And Mr. Lemuel

Mr. Lemuel Tyler after Rev^d F of Preston Ct. taught on North River, I believe in Fish hill. Was so charmed with the eloquence of Alexander Hamilton as to call a son by that name. Doc. Augustus Williams taught at Newburyport & Greenfield hill & at Wallingford. Mr. Solomon Fowler taught at Milford & Fairfield I believe. Mr. Levi Fowler has taught abundantly at home & in Pennsylvania.

A larger population still, of district & high school Teachers of men and women at home & abroad have been employed. Hence probably the remark ___ “The village exhibits a scholastic appearance.”

“Sweet is the work my God, my King”
“To praise Thy name, give thanks sing,
“To show Thy love, by morning light,
“and talk of all Thy truths at night.”

“Oh what a feast they all enjoy,
“Now freed from every sin;
“While Jesus’ love is their employ,
“And Endless praise their theme.
“Oh! May we breathe that heavenly air
“And feast on joys divine;
“and sing & praise our Savior there
“And His likeness shine.”

My dear friend

I do not feel willing to omit some particulars respecting Mr. Josiah Linley the Father of your father & his descendants & of your great uncles John & Solomon Linley. Also of my Father's off spring. This attention is for the sake of the record & not for information for you or me.

Mr. Josiah Linley married Rachael Fowler of Guilford. They had seven children. Josiah James _ Rachael Erastus, Noah William _ Jared & Hubbard

They were nearest neighbors to my Father. Few rods distant, The families were very intimate. It was another home _ another Mother. Many a good bit have I rec^d there. I used to enter it with about the same freedom as I did my Father's. The children were very often _ not to say always together _ especially the younger part of each. And continued till death separated.

In your grand Mother's last sickness by request, prayer was repeatedly offered. In your grand Father's sickness I was often in the house of his decease was there & was one that prepared the corpse for the grave & attended it to its last resting place.

Your honored Father, I used to take to school with me. He is the only survivor of one sister & five brothers. He & my brothers Isaac & Stephen M. _ were like brothers. At the death

At the death of the latter I addressed a letter to your father respecting it 1812. I do not forget to omit these when I go to my native home. It is a pleasure to old people to talk of older times.

Your great uncle John Linley married Jerusha Linley daughter of Daniel Linley & sister of Dr. Linley. Was a pleasant pious amiable womwn. They had two sons Richard & Merrick & two daughters Mary & Abigail. Richard married Lydia Fowler, daughter of Josiah Fowler & Merrick married Lucy Taintor, daughter of Michael Taintor. Mary married _ Benton. Abigail married Sam^l Bartholomew son of Mr. Timothy Bartholomew.

Your great uncle Col. Solomon Linley married Thankful Tyler daughter of Paul Tyler she was a good pleasant amiable woman.

They had two sons Ralph & Elijah. They are two respectable men. Deacon Ralph married Lydia Tyler daughter of Jonathan Tyler. Elijah married Delia Foot daughter of Mr. Elihu Foot now in his eighty seventh year _ walks lively _ walks to see his children & friends eight to ten miles distance.

In 1777 was a tremendous storm of Thunder & lightning set on fire in your grandfather's barn filled with a rich harvest of hay which & with all its utensils & furniture. The majestic Law scene is ever present.

God is a consuming fire.

God is love.

Bible

Deacon Benjamin Maltby 2^d had ten children. Thaddeus , Benjamin, DeGrasse, Elizabeth, Rebecca died in infancy, Julian, Samuel, Elbrige, Erastus, Eliza. Benjamin died in Rochester St. N.Y. Was a merchant. Elizabeth married Judge Brunson of Waterberry & died in June 1840, greatly lamented leaving two daughters Rebecca & Susan. She was a lovely woman. Gained & preserved the warmest affections. Rev^d Henry Day, now Professor in the College at Hudson Ohio, who attended in her last moments, said "She literally fell asleep in Jesus"

Thaddeus Maltby married Elizabeth Hall of Wallingford. Is a farmer. They have two sons. William & Isaac. William is married. Julius Maltby Esqr. Married Melinda Fowler, daughter of Deacon Solomon Fowler & granddaughter of Col. Josiah Fowler. Is a farmer in affluence. They have two sons & three daughters. Douglas, Jane, Mary, Chapman & Isabelle.

Samuel Maltby married Charlotte DeWitt. Has a factory manufacturing various articles. Is successful. They have one son & three daughters. Emely, Elizabeth, Charles & Harriet. Emely married Rev^d Benjamin Page St. of Ohio. Eliza Maltby married Jonathan Fowler son of Mr. Levi Fowler[¶] grandson of W. Jonathan Fowler. They have three sons. All of these are respectable characters. Most if not all professors of Religion. All with one exception reside in Northford.

¶ Is living with them in his eighty third or fourth yr.

De Grasse Maltby Esqr married Sarah Smith, daughter of Capt. Caleb Smith of East Haven. Lives in the Paternal mansion.[¶] He also is a cultivator of the field. Has acquired a handsome property. They have had two sons & two daughters. Caleb, Janet, Edward Russell & Sarah, Caleb married in Virginia, resides there. Edward died in Baltimore. Janet married Lyman Woodward, a merchant in Fair Haven.

Elbrige Maltby married Jane Ball of N.Y. is a merchant in city N.Y. They have three children. Ellsworth, Augusta, Henriette. Rev^d Erastus Maltby is a very respectable Minister in Taunton Mass, married Almira Smith of East Haven daughter of Cap C. Smith. Jonathan Maltby with the exception of his sister Linley is the only survivor of his Father's numerous family. The dear companions of his early days is the only survivor of her Father's family. She was the daughter of Nathaniel Taintor. They were married June 17th 1787. fifty six years ago. Their children are Isaac Taintor, died march 7th 1841. Jonathan, Abiel Holmes, Oliver Ellsworth, George Lucius, Amoret Submit, & Harriet Grace.

Jonathan married Betsy Warren Middlefield Mass. They have three daughters & one son, Harriet E. J., Sarah Almira, Joseph Holmes, Ellen Warren. Harriet married _____ Drury, Rowe Mass.

¶ Note Of thirteen students while fitting for college I am the only survivor. Cap. Smith & Timothy Bartholomew were of that number.

Deacon A. H. Maltby married Sarah Booth Lion Feb 18th 1819, daughter of Nathaniel Lion New Haven. Is a merchant. They acquired a large property in vending of Books. Has now on hand a large & full assortment. _____ see advertisement, New Haven.

O. E. Maltby married Harriet Board N. J. Is a successful merchant. Your friend & fellow citizen. They have had two children. Harriet & Ellsworth. They have been greatly blest. And grievously afflicted. Their first born, the beautiful cherub-like Harriet remains lie in this burying ground. I delight to look on her likeness & locks of her hair. But I cannot look at it without heartfelt emotions. I see the bright dear cherub in the enjoyment of her blessed Savior, who while on earth said "Suffer little children to come to me."

George Maltby married Jane Betsy Dixson.

Licius Maltby married Sarah Parks. They have five children & have lost one. Ellsworth George, Erastus Upson, Jane Grace Amoret. They are farmers in Fair Haven.

Stephen Maltby married Abigail Williams daughter of Rev^d Warham Williams. They had three sons and one daughter. Augustus Elizur, Stephen, Julia. The widow of Augustus resides in this place & two sons. Theodore the oldest son in Florida. Julia married Henry Bidwell a respectable mechanic in this city. Stephen Maltby is a respectable farmer in St. N. York.

Isaac Maltby married Lucinda Murry an only child & daughter of Gen. Seth Murry of Hatfield Mass. He occupies the paternal mansion with her, most of his life. He immigrated from there to Waterloo, St. N York & died the Sep 9th 1819 see obit.

They had ten children. All living but one, she died in infancy. Seth Murry, Elizabeth, Benjamin, Maria Alilia, Julia Ann, Isaac Fowler, Lucinda, Martha Church. Elizabeth married Ephraim Chatris _ Benjamin married Mary Warren of Hatfield, Maria married Hon. __ Love, attorney at Law, member of Congress Rochester St. N.Y.

Samuel Maltby (& Sam. Russel) were both of Branford & was the only graduate of 1712. Sam^l Maltby Esqr Y.C. was the Father of Sam^l Jr. of Northford & he was the father of Sam^l, James, Jonathan & a daughter. Was the grand father of John Timothy & Morris, son of Samuel, also of James, Henry, Sally & Eunice children James Samuel Maltby sch. Of Northford & my father were brothers children

Branford was in days that are past a thriving sea port. There was more navigation _ more business done in Branford said Capt. Parish (to me) than in New Haven. The merchants purchased their West Indies goods in B. _ The farmers in Northford carried all there. It was the market for their wheat _ rye - corn flax _ flax (seed &

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I have been with my father, rode and guided the horse in his team to carry his affects & was well pleased to see the vessel. In the Inventory of William Maltby Esqr was quite a number of vessels. At the time of the first settlers there were bears _ deer & turkies. More Indians than whites till 1745. They were large tall with long black hair. They enlisted in expedition to take Cape Breton. Most of them died. They could talk indian or English. Most of them had guns & were hunting. Tilled but little land. Some had bows & arrows and would kill a bird almost as far off as with a gun.

In my boy hood before the Revolution a good cow's price was £3 _ other cattle & other things in proportion. A day's work with a scythe was two shillings & three pence to two & six pence in time of the war three shillings. Women rec^d three shillings per week. The jellies in cast wheels were of sugar maple no iron binding. At this time there were three carriages on chairs without a top. Now there may be more than fifty top single & two horse carriages & baches & perhaps one hundred wagons of all sorts. _ Then there were two sleighs _ now numerous. Till 1770 large quantities of wheat were exported. Producing from twenty to forty bushels per acre. Has not succeeded well since, except on new land.

1775. I was among hundreds of American free born sons shouting joy at the capture of St. Johns in Canada. It was my first year in Yale. _ 1779. On the fifth of July I fled from the enemy, like hundreds of the inhabitants. It was a firey examination, a firey trial. Such another day of distress I hope never to meet. Language fails to describe it. It was a day in which the class of 1779 parted abruptly without giving the parting hand & the final adieu. There was no fond embrace. __ It was a day that "Tryed men's souls." Womens more.

To see hundreds of fond mothers with their dear children sighing _ crying – flying from their sweet homes & from a cruel _ destroying _ burning foe was too much for the warriors. How much then did the tender female endure? _ _ _ _ .

Fathers _ sons, _ husbands & brothers gone to meet the foe & constant roar of cannon & cracking of musketry. Father _ sons husbands & brothers falling _ bleeding _ groaning dying. One of the guards with Cap. Hillhouse is brought in & hastened out town. I heard his groans _ but did not see his wounds.

Toward evening I met a mother with a number of little children in a carriage thirsty weary _ loping their little heads. The mother said she knew not where to go for the night. _ My heart melted _ I said go to my father's & directed her there. She went. She found a home

Next day Tuesday I was on Beacon hill & East Haven heights, in a scout earnestly contending for dear Liberty. Where I heard more whizzing of musket & cannon balls & saw more buildings in flames on each side than I ever expect to see again. __

Fresh from Y.C. I assisted my Father in gathering what was call'd a large harvest (of sixteen acres) of wheat & rye. With my tender hands I pitched on to cast & off into the barn the whole harvest. _ All help was call'd to Fairfield & Norwalk to look to the enemy who were plundering & burning the towns as they passed on to N.Y. ____

When they came to New Haven the alarm was sounded by three cannon at nine o'clock Sabbath evening. Monday morning College petitioned the silent men of the town to furnish them with arms. They reported that it was not in their power. Individuals furnished them selves as they could went out. Classmates, David Austin & Elixus Goodrich fought like true patriots _ both were wounded. Mr. Goodrich was a prisoner. Mr. Austin captured and brought in a prisoner.

My class had no public Commencement unless this could be call'd one. We never met again. After the day of strife sequestered from noise in the Library chamber we see this

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Honors (not of , of stars & garters) but the literary honors of Yale College, of the Corporation. Not of President Dagget. He was languishing under a wound rec^d from the enemy & of which he expired. _____

Like a simple minded old man I might proceed till I had exhausted your patience & leave unrecited many things that claim a minor interest. _ He likes what is plain & practical. And would leave to the wise things that are too hard for him.

True patriots love their father land ____

“Where’er we roam

“Our first _ best country ever is at home.”

Whether English _ Irish _ Scots or American. Whether born in the temperate _ torrid or frigid zone. They love home _ sweet home. It becomes the aged _ it becomes all, to set a good example. To cultivate piety & practical benevolence. We like to think of those who have inherited the price above. And we desire to be like & finally to be with them.

“I like to glance” says one, “if it be only at the title page on the works of Authors, that I believe to be in heaven _ claiming kindred with them _ there knowing them _ loving them & longing to be like them.” _ How much does Banter’s biography & saints list & Bunyan’s Pilgrims progress claim our admiration & call forth our

our joy & thankfulness. And we like to hear the shrill & devout voices of the choir that carries our spirits to the heavenly temple where angels join in halleluyahs' of pardoned sinners shouting the praises of the Redeemer. What will it be for us to accustom our selves to associate in our inmost thoughts life with death _ time with eternity _ earth with heaven. Oh may we be prepared for "The day of the Lord" which will come" as a thief in the night in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise & the elements melt with fervent heat _ the earth also & the works that are therin shall be burned up!"

The love of Christ & the study of the Holy Bible will strengthen us as we pass through the wilderness & brighten our prospect of the heavenly caxach

"As Isrealitish Moses took his stand
"On Pisgah's top & viewed the promised land,
"So may we stand secure _ as free from fear,
"With faith as strong as his _ & sight as clear,
"To glare upon the mansions of the blest,
"Our heavenly home _ & our eternal rest."

The good old times.

I often cast a longing look to the good old times of the fathers, before the Revolution & in it exclusive of the war. When manners were plain. Wants few. The style of manners was simple _ somewhat grave. Neither melancholy nor morose. Equally distant from vulgarity, uncultivated life & affected refinement & cold politeness.

In the houses in the furniture in the equipage in the dress & addresses _ in the diet _ in the social intercourse there was much solid comfort without extravagance _ with but little splendor or show.

Dignity consists in being content with the precise condition in which our heavenly Father has placed us _ & with the style of living considered with that condition. There is freedom. There is comfort. _ But a slave to Tyrant Fashion knows no real solid enjoyment.

Possessed of all the necessaries & conveniences of life _ they are slaves still harkening after a thousand superfluities & seem determined to make them selves miserable because their richer & may be more fashionable neighbors are happier than them selves,

“Man’s rich with little _ were his judgment time,
“Nature is judge & her wants are few,
“Those few wants answered bring sincere delights,
“But fools create themselves new appetites’
“Fancy & pride, such things at vast expence,
“Which relish not to reason nor to sense.”

-I am no enemy to the real enjoyments of life. Far be it. But substance is better than shadows. And I assure you that I have an honest partiality for the simple _ comfortable life _ unpretending & if you please old fashioned style of living & of manners. There was much in them of equality & genuine republicanism _ with heart feeling friendship & real polite intercourse.

My dear friend.

I will delay no longer to fulfill my engagement. I first took the names alphabetically according to College practice. But on further consideration it sometimes seemed better _ & I believe it will appear so to you to enter them as they were educated under each name. Otherwise the youngest and last graduates _ might be first or oldest.

I have therefore placed Doc. Hoadley first in the College first name & the year when graduated.

Sir, Hoadley as they were then addressed kept a school in the winter of 1768 or 9. _ _ Timothy Rogers the next graduate commenced his studies for Y.C. there & recited to him. Obtained leave to go out in latin. The boys and I with them, I well remember learn'd it & were very fond of repeating "Licet mihi exise Domini? Lacet," he would answer very pleasantly & we went out, well pleased.

1768 Ichiel Hoadley, M.D.
Cooke
1801 George Hoadley M^r. Tutor
1817 Loammi Hoadley
1774 Timothy Rogers W.D
1777 Medad Rogers A.M.
1777 Jonathan Law Williams
educated
1780 Lemuel Tyler
Tutor
1779 Stephen Fowler A.M.
Linley A.M.
1813 John Douglas Fowler A.M.
M.D.
1779 Jonathan Maltby A.M.
M.D.
1786 Isaac Maltby
1821 Erastus Maltby
Bartholomew
1822 John Maltby A.M.
Elirus Maltby
was an excellent scholar
said his tutor _ best greek
he ever knew. Might have
continued
had the honors of College
& left
had he applied.
want of
Timothy Bartholomew father of Isaac
for the
Isaac _ Taintor fitted in part for college

1786 Oliver Dudley
1793 Increase Cooke
1786 Ambrose Todd
1787 Joseph Foot
1791 Enos Foot
1791 Malachi Foot
1791 Noah Linly M^r.
1817 James Harvey
1826 Jared Linley
1805 Harvey Elliot
1821 Eli Smith A.M.
1822 Isaac
Lyman Cook.
Titus Munson
Charles Foot
Douglas Maltby
entered college &
for one year or more
very reluctantly for
health_were destined
ministry

1768 Ichiel was a respectable Physician Middle Field Middletown
1801 George Hoadley M^r Tutor married the daughter of W. W.
Woosley merchant N.Y. resides in Ohio _ is a lawyer
1817 Loammi Ives Hoadley married Lydia Smith, daughter of M^r.
Eli Smith Father to missionary. Was settled at Worcester Mass.
But for want of health has left & is now occupying I believe her
parental residence in Northford.
1774 Timothy Rogers was a respectable Physician in Cornwall Ct.
married Deacon Beach's daughter of Branford.
1777 Medad Rogers had a large family, a son & two daughters.
Was an eminently pious laborious & faithful minister of Christ in
New Fairfield Ct. _ He literally fed His sheep & fed His lambs.
The following letter addressed to Dr. Ely of Ripton may evince his
piety.

My ever dear Brother,

Oct 28th, 1814

You will permit me to be free with you.
We are on a like pilgrimage . Nearly of the same age. Bound to
eternity. Soon to gain our freedom. A few hours more we shall
shake off our dust & our clog. How sweet it will be to be free! To
have no burden. Never to be cumbered again. On wings as
Noah's dove from the ark. In the open air of eternity Beholding
(enjoying.

On the second sabbath of the present I was very ill, but attended public worship both parts of the day. Death seemed near but armed with terror. Excited no fear. Not the best anxiety. Dying work seemed pleasant. To be dead a delight. Mind perfectly calm. No wish to stay. Yet willing to stay till my day's work was done & my father call'd.

What unmeasurable consolation to be freed from all sin! To lie in the silent mansion of the grave! Then the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest. Then, no Potsherd strives with the potsherd. No broad mouth trumpet sounds to arms. All is still. No emperor to push his brother emmit from his mole hill. But more cessation is not the only good enjoyed.

My spirit rises _ expands & bows awfully profound as it enters the presence Chambers of Jehovah. Not a sigh. Not a sin, perfection all. We mortals are not tall enough to reach Mount Zion _ General assembly and church of the first born. River of the water of life, clear as crystal. There is no dust of defilement. All love. All peace. Changing into the same image from glory to glory. Fullness of joy! A free citizen of the New City. Not a stranger, but a child at home. And I heard them sing a new song. Not a war song, & not murderer wading in blood. But a song sung by the redeemed to their Redeemer. Alleluia! Salvation! Soon shall we hear the plaudits of our God, "Well done good & faithful servants _ enter into the joy of the Lord! Brother the

(*note In time of war)

(__ scene is awfully grand.

The call is kind. The joy is unspeakable _ sublime _ eternal. Do we not long to be at home & sigh no more? Can we wish to stay longer on these warlike shores? Come brothers rise & be doing with our might. The night is far spent _ the day is at hand. To you & me it is just breaking day. The shadows are fleeing away. When we awake we shall be satisfied with His likeness. Every striking clock makes the hour less. High on Pisgah _ survey the land of promise _ the goodly mountain of Lebanon. Every thing invites away. The prospect is fair. Kindred sister spirits reddy on the wing bids us welcome. We shall soon be at home.

Medad Rogers.

1777 Jonathan Law Williams, after years of infirmities died at his Father's. never entered on the stge of life _ was a bright scholar – personable pious amiable.

1780 William Augustus Williams, married a daughter of Gen. Chapin of Canadagua. Was a physician & died in that place. Sons of Warham Williams.

1779 Stephen Fowler, was a merchant in Edenton N.C. married Sgt. Strong's daughter of Fairfield _ died Carolina.

1813 John Douglas Fowler, studied Law. Opened an office in New Haven. Ill health came led him to retire from business. He died 1817. His Father was Deacon Solomon Fowler. He had two sisters missionaries. Mrs. Chapman & Mrs. Baldwin ?????? & Sandwich Islands. Mr. Bingham speaks of much in her favor as a very respectable estimable character.

1779 Jonathan Maltby is now residing with his family in N. Haven

1786 Isaac Maltby resided & died at Waterloo St. of N.Y. Sep 9th
1819 see obituary.

1821 Erastus Maltby, is a very respectable & highly esteemed minister in Taunton mass. I have several of his ordination sermons that have been published that witness to his faithfulness as a servant of Christ. His people here have been helped with revivals, most of the time since he settled among them. He is a shepherd who may be said to feed A sheep and to feed His lambs. His chh. have increased from a small to a large number.

1822 John Maltby (son of John) is a worthy respectable minister in Bangor me. I know not his marriage _ nor the number of his family.

1780 Lemuel Tyler, was a good & faithful minister in Preston Ct. He married Ruth Fowler, daughter of Josiah Fowler & sister of Deacon S. Fowler. They have departed and left a number of children to mourn their loss. Mrs. T. was a pious & highly esteemed woman.

1786 Oliver Dudley Cooke was a very successful bookseller in Hartford. He gave college a thousand dollars. While inspecting his carpenters _ he fell and expired instantly.
Increase Cooke accumulated a large proper by vending books in New Haven & died there. Had no family.

1786 Ambrose Todd, was an Episcopal minister. Died in middle life.

1787 Joseph Foot, was a very acceptable Physician in full practice in North Haven _ lived & died there. He had two wives. By the first he had a son & daughter. By his second he had one son & three daughters. One married Rev^d Mr. Baldwin of this city. One Rev^d Mr. Cowles at the Paternal mansion. One Rev^d Mr. Woolich. I hope to obtain his memoirs of Rev^d Lemuel Greggs. I have promise of it. Shall add it when obtained.

1791 Col. Enos Foot, was a respectable & successful merchant in Southwick mass.

1791 Noah Linley, Esqr, Your uncle was a respectable Lawyer in Ohio lived a single life & died in middle. Left a donation of three thousand dollars to mother Yale. He was a bright scholar. Was a Tutor. He was intelligent _ communicative _ easy & pleasant in his manner.

1791 Daniel Rose Hon. Daniel Rose resided in ma. Was a Senator in the Mass Legislature in Boston with two other graduates from Northford. Representatives from Westfield and Southwick. Died in that town.

1817 Rev^d James Harvey Linly, son of James & Sarah Maltby is a Baptist minister. Resides in Stratford. Married Sophia Lyon, daughter of Col. Lyon New Haven. Continued ill health prevents him from prosecuting and enjoying his profession & turned his attention to natural history.

Zoology has so engaged his attention as to prevent a depression of his spirits & to benefit health & prolong life. _ He has one of the most delightful residences _ if not the most amid his many in the most delightful town. To add to its interest, he has furnished the large hall of his pleasant mansion with every species of bird to be obtained _ from the largest eagle to the hummingbird.. They have two daughters Elisa beth Lyon _ Amelia Sophia.

1826 Jared Linley; Married the adopted daughter of William Baldwin Esqr M.D. of the city of N.Y. son of Ambrose Baldwin an officer in the Revolution & grand son of Major Foot, an officer of distinction in the French war. Doc. Linley resides in N.Y. Is in full & successful; practice in that London of America.

1805 Harvey Elliot, M.D. Was a practitioner in West Chester N.Y. Deacon A. Porter said his son doc. Porter esteemed him & considered him a good physician & an able instructor.

1821 Rev^d Eli Smith A.M. One of the most honorable _ active pious _ interesting of the graduates _ Is one of the first & most eminently distinguished characters of foreign missions. He has been laboriously active in exploring interesting countries & places to establish missions. He has suffered persecutions & the perils of the apostles & primitive christians. Has published several volumes of his travel lectures & addresses & of his persevering labors. Is ardently engaged in ever watchful prayerful efforts to build up Lion & with immortal

_ souls to Christ. He ardently contends for the faith once delivered to the saints. His praise is in all the churches.

1822 Isaac Bartholomew, was a worthy pious young gentleman much esteemed.

Nineteen Graduates have gone down to the grave. More than one half have rendered their account to their final Judge. _ Their state is fixed forever.

Three of this number were in the legislature in Boston at one time. Gen. Maltby _ Col. Enos Foot _ Hon. Daniel Rose. An important subject call'd for the interesting & admired speech from Gen. M. He was twice elector of President of the U.S. _ In eighteen hundred twelve or thirteen he commanded a Brigade at Boston of Massachusetts best troops selected by Gov. Strong. Wrote two volumes of military & court marshal which the Legislature adopted for use of the state. M^r. Rose, at a time, if he had been call'd to act _ would have acted as governor.

Obituary.

Gen. Isaac Maltby

From the Waterloo N. Y. Gazette. There is no event which so forcibly assails the heart & demands the tears of human sympathy as the sudden decease of a virtuous & good man. Sensibly impressed with the belief, the author of this humble record can deem it but a feeble tribute to the distinguished merit it is intended to communicate.

General Isaac Maltby was born in Ct. _ From there he immigrated to Mass^{ts} _ where honored & esteemed he passed the most of a serviceable life. Blessed with a good natural understanding & superior fortitude his mind by a generous culture & careful parental vigilance became uncommonly qualified for all the vicissitudes incident to man. Without wealth he enjoyed an easy competency. Without the show & glitter of genius_ he possessed more useful intelligence. Without clamor he was a patriot. Without deceit an honest man. For his knowledge worth he was elected a member when unlike our modern legislature he gave incorruptible assurance of his character & scrupulously adhered to the principles which had elevated him to power. While in this situation his proudest ambition was to sustain the constitution of his country & ameliorate the condition of his constituents.

Although his philanthropy led him to abhor the calamities of ? yet was his heart firm & ready to resist with blood the iron hand of transatlantic oppression. Nor was he unmindful while he sought to preserve our national freedom of the source from whence it emanated. He was a real Christian. Equally removed from skepticism

either their temporal or spiritual happenings. _ But in the midst of his flattering causes _ the Almighty saw fit to summon him to Himself & tear from a fond wife & hapless children _ from numerous friends _ from society & the world the tender hearted _ the affectionate parent _ the joyful companion _ the zealous advocate of the people's rights & the sincere friend of all mankind.

Though his departure was sudden & unexpected & during his illness Heaven in its wisdom darkened his understanding with a continual delirium _ still his friends may find consolation in cheering reflection _ that his soul was always prepared to meet the awful event. He died on the 9th of Sep. in his 52 year deeply lamented by our whole village. Waterloo Sep. 1819 in St. N.Y.

We shall soon “Join our friends above
 “Who have obtained the praise”
“Then shall we see & hear & know,
“All we desired or wished below,
“And every power find sweet employ,
“In that Eternal world of joy.”

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At Evening time it shall be light.

By M^{rs}. Sigourney

Walk We the Lord, at morn

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Pilgrim Mothers

“The pilgrim Mothers! Where are they?
Their frames are dust, their souls in heaven,
Yet shall their memory pass away,
Nor praise to their good deeds be given?
“Teach infant lips to sing their name,”
Ten thousand ready tongues reply:)
And give their noble acts to fame,
“Though now in silent dust they lie!”

“Sons & daughters _ who long ago,
Dared the dark storm & angry sea,
And walked the desert way of wo,
And pain & trouble to be Free!
Oh be like them! _ like them endure!
And bow beneath afflictions rod
Like them be humble _ mild & pure
In joy & sorrow, look to God