

WITH THIS ISSUE IS BEING MAILED A CHART SHOWING THE LINEAL DESCENDANTS OF JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907)—12 CHILDREN, 30 GRANDCHILDREN, 52 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN AND 36 GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. THIS CHART EXPANDS AND CORRECTS THE LISTING OF THREE GENERATIONS IN SARGENTRIVIA OF AUGUST 12, 1943, AND OF THE YOUNGEST GENERATION IN THAT OF MAY 28, 1946. CARE HAS BEEN TAKEN TO AVOID MISTAKES IN THIS NEW LISTING. CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS WILL BE WELCOME. OUR MAILING LIST INCLUDES MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY WHO ARE NOT ON THIS CHART. 115 COPIES OF SARGENTRIVIA NOW GO REGULARLY TO MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY AND 8 COPIES TO LIBRARIES AND CERTAIN FRIENDS. ZIEGLER SARGENT, EDITOR; AGNES W. B. SARGENT, ASSISTANT EDITOR.



ELLEN PULFORD REESE, STEPDAUGHTER OF CATHERINE RICE PULFORD, IS PICTURED AT THE LEFT IN HER WEDDING DRESS. SHE WAS MARRIED IN WEST HARTFORD ON DECEMBER 17TH TO THOMAS WHELAN REESE. AN ACCOUNT OF THE WEDDING APPEARED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF JANUARY 24TH. THEY ARE BOTH ON THE FACULTY OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE AND LIVE AT 71 COLLEGE STREET, SOUTH HADLEY, MASS.

MARY DWIGHT PULFORD, YOUNGER STEPDAUGHTER OF CATHERINE RICE PULFORD, IS TAKING SOME ART COURSES AT THE HARTFORD ART SCHOOL AND IS ALSO DOING COMMISSIONS. SHE IS LIVING AT HOME, 60 WOODROW STREET, WEST HARTFORD 7, CONN.

BRADFORD SARGENT TILNEY, SON OF RHODA SARGENT TILNEY, ON MARCH 1ST MOVED HIS ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE TO 111 WHITNEY AVENUE, NEW HAVEN. BRAD AND JOSEPHINE, HIS WIFE, RECENTLY DROVE TO GEORGETOWN, D.C., WHERE THEY STAYED FOR A FEW DAYS WITH THE THEODORE DOMINICKS, AND THEN FLEW TO PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, FOR A WEEK. JOSEPHINE, WHO OWNS AND OPERATES THE TILHILL KENNELS, REPORTED THE ADDITION OF THREE FEMALE PUPPIES, BORN APRIL 1ST, TO HER FAMILY OF MINIATURE POODLES.

JAMES C. SARGENT, SON OF MURRAY SARGENT, HAS RECENTLY BEEN ELECTED A VICE PRESIDENT OF THE NEW YORK YOUNG REPUBLICAN CLUB. THE CLUB NUMBERS SOME 1,400. IN THE BALLOTING FOR OFFICERS, ETC., JIM HAD THE HONOR OF RECEIVING A GREATER NUMBER OF VOTES THAN ANY OF THE OTHER WINNERS.

BARBARA MALE SARGENT, WIFE OF RICHARD C. SARGENT, JR., WROTE TO YE EDITOR FROM 2078 HUNTINGTON TURNPIKE, NICHOLS, CONN., ON APRIL 4TH: "THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED TO KNOW THAT I HAVE JUST BEEN ELECTED VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE OF TRUMBULL. TRUMBULL IS COMPOSED OF THREE VILLAGES - NICHOLS, TRUMBULL, AND LONG HILL. THE TOWN GOVERNMENT HAS GENERALLY BEEN CONTROLLED BY THE REPUBLICANS, BUT IN THE LAST ELECTION OUR MAJORITY WAS A SCANT 200 VOTES. SO YOU CAN SEE THAT WE HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF WORK TO DO FOR THE FALL ELECTIONS. IT PROMISES TO BE QUITE A JOB, BUT I DO FEEL THAT MORE OF US SHOULD GET OUT AND WORK FOR WHAT WE BELIEVE TO BE THE BEST PARTY, INSTEAD OF COMPLAINING ABOUT THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION IN BOTH HARTFORD AND WASHINGTON.

THOMAS C. BABBITT, SON OF PEGGY FISHER BABBITT, HAS RECENTLY BEEN ELECTED TO ST. ANTHONY AT YALE.

RICHARD C. SARGENT, SON OF GEORGE LEWIS SARGENT, WITH RUTH, HIS WIFE, RETURNED RECENTLY FROM A FIVE OR SIX WEEKS' MOTOR TRIP, THE MAIN STOPPING POINTS BEING ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA, AND YEAMAN'S HALL, CHARLESTON, S.C.

LAURA RICE DEMING, DAUGHTER OF MAY SARGENT RICE, SPENT MOST OF MARCH AT DELRAY BEACH, ON THE EAST COAST OF FLORIDA, AS A GUEST OF MRS. JANET MARLIN. SHE TRAVELED BY RAILROAD.

SARGENT & COMPANY OF NEW HAVEN IS CITED AS AN EXAMPLE OF A COMPANY WITH A GOOD PUBLIC RELATIONS PROGRAM IN THE "ANNUAL PUBLIC RELATIONS FORUM" IN THE MARCH 4TH ISSUE OF EDITOR & PUBLISHER. THE AUTHOR, HERBERT HOSKING, CALLED "COUNSEL ON INDUSTRIAL SOCIOLOGY", CAME INTO SARGENT & COMPANY'S PICTURE IN 1947 WHEN A STRIKE SEEMED IMMINENT (NO STRIKE DID OCCUR), AND HAS CONTINUED AS AN ADVISER ON PUBLICITY AND EMPLOYEE RELATIONS. THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN PRIMARILY HIS WORK. THE ARTICLE TELLS A STORY OF THE PROGRESS IN RECENT YEARS AND CONCLUDES WITH THE FOLLOWING: "SARGENT'S FIVE MAJOR POLICY EXECUTIVES NOW HOLD MORE THAN 50 RESPONSIBLE OFFICES IN COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES OF VARIOUS KINDS. NEW HAVEN HAS BECOME CONSCIOUS THAT SARGENT'S IS NOT ONLY A FACTORY BUT A CONSTRUCTIVE FORCE IN THE COMMUNITY. PEOPLE TALK ABOUT THE 'CHANGE' AT SARGENT'S. BASICALLY, THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE. THE INTEGRITY OF THE COMPANY IS BASIC. IT WOULD NEVER SAY ANYTHING IT WOULD NOT LIVE UP TO, BUT IT HAS LEARNED, BY PRACTICE, THAT IT IS BETTER TO TALK ABOUT THE THINGS YOU ARE LIVING UP TO. AS THE COMPANY ENTERS ITS SECOND CENTURY, THERE IS CONSIDERABLE EVIDENCE THAT NOT ONLY ITS STOCKHOLDERS, BUT ITS CUSTOMERS, EMPLOYEES, AND ITS COMMUNITY ARE GLAD IT'S ALIVE."

BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

- MAY 3 - (8TH) LINDA SARGENT, DAUGHTER OF RICHARD COLLIER SARGENT, JR.  
 (7TH) FAITH SARGENT LEWIS, DAUGHTER OF WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS  
 5 - HARRY HARLAND SKERRETT, JR., HUSBAND OF SYLVIA MURRAY TILNEY SKERRETT  
 (25TH) VINCENT ROY MIKESHOCK, HUSBAND OF CATHERINE VIRGINIA DEMING MIKESHOCK  
 7 - (7TH) SARGENTRIVIA  
 8 - DOROTHY JOAN WISER MACDOUGALL, DAUGHTER OF DOROTHY SARGENT WISER  
 9 - BRUCE FENN, 2D, SON OF RUSSELL SARGENT FENN  
 (22D) MICHAEL MOTTE GROVE, SON OF BARBARA SARGENT MOOREHEAD  
 12 - ELIZABETH (LIB) OWEN SARGENT, WIFE OF THOMAS DENNY SARGENT  
 15 - JANET WYER SARGENT, WIFE OF FREDERICK KINGSBURY SARGENT  
 17 - ELIZABETH (BETTY) DAY SARGENT  
 23 - LEICESTER BODINE HOLLAND, SON OF MARY (MINNIE) RUPERT HOLLAND  
 26 - (83D) SAMUEL HERBERT FISHER, WIDOWER OF MARGARET (DAISY) SARGENT FISHER  
 DAVID THURSTON HOLLAND, SON OF RUPERT SARGENT HOLLAND  
 29 - MARION HUNICKE SARGENT, WIFE OF WILLIAM PARKER SARGENT, JR.  
 31 - (23D) GEORGE (GID) GARDNER LORING, SON OF SUZANNE BAILEY LORING

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

MAY 23 - (14TH) CATHERINE COLE AND ROBERT PERCY TATE

SARGENT & COMPANY'S ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING WAS HELD AT 11 A.M. ON MARCH 28TH IN THE DIRECTORS ROOM AT THE PLANT IN NEW HAVEN. MURRAY SARGENT, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PRE-SIDED. THE ANNUAL REPORT WHICH HAD BEEN MAILED TO STOCKHOLDERS WITH THE NOTICE OF THE MEETING SHOWED THAT NET INCOME FOR 1949 WAS \$286,049, COMPARED WITH \$467,383 IN 1948. DIVIDENDS OF \$1.00 PER SHARE WERE PAID IN BOTH YEARS. PRESIDENT C. FORBES SARGENT REPORTED TO THE MEETING UPON CURRENT CONDITIONS, AND CONCLUDED HIS COMMENTS AS FOLLOWS: "THE EXPECTATIONS ARE THAT 1950, AS WAS 1949, WILL BE A YEAR OF INTENSE COMPETITION. CONSTRUCTION RIGHT NOW IS RUNNING HIGH. YOUR COMPANY'S BUSINESS IMPROVED MARKEDLY IN THE LAST QUARTER OF 1949, AND SO FAR IN 1950 BOTH VOLUME AND ESTIMATED EARNINGS ARE AHEAD OF THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR. ACCORDINGLY, ADVERTISING AND SALES PROMOTION BUDGETS HAVE BEEN UPPED, AND HEAVIER EXPENDITURES FOR FIXED ASSETS, PLANT IMPROVEMENTS, AND NEW PRODUCTS WILL BE MADE THIS YEAR. THE AIM FOR 1950, AS EXPRESSED IN THE REPORT YOU RECEIVED, WAS FOR MORE VOLUME THAN EVER BEFORE WITH A FAIR MARGIN BETWEEN COST AND PRICE. YOU WILL BE GRATIFIED TO KNOW THAT THE ESTIMATED FIGURES FOR THE FIRST QUARTER ARE IN LINE WITH THE AIM EXPRESSED." THE STOCKHOLDERS RE-ELECTED THE DIRECTORS, ALL OF WHOM WERE PRESENT - THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS BEING MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY: W. SARGENT LEWIS, LUDWIG K. MOOREHEAD, C. FORBES SARGENT, JOHN SARGENT, MURRAY SARGENT, THOMAS D. SARGENT AND ZIEGLER SARGENT. ELIZABETH COLLIER SARGENT WAS THE ONLY STOCKHOLDER OF THE FAIR SEX PRESENT. MURRAY SARGENT, JR., JAMES C. SARGENT AND JOHN M. SARGENT MOTORED FROM NEW YORK WITH THEIR FATHER TO ATTEND THE MEETING. LEICESTER S. LEWIS ARRIVED FROM PHILADELPHIA JUST AFTER THE MEETING, AND LUNCHEONED IN THE COMPANY CAFETERIA WITH THE DIRECTORS AND SOME OF THE OUT-OF-TOWN STOCKHOLDERS, FOLLOWED BY A TRIP AROUND THE PLANT. AT THE DIRECTORS' MEETING IN THE AFTERNOON ALL THE OFFICERS WERE RE-ELECTED. THE USUAL QUARTERLY DIVIDEND WAS DECLARED. SPEAKING OF DIVIDENDS, THE DIRECTORS' MINUTE BOOK DOES NOT SHOW IN THE EARLY YEARS WHAT THE STOCKHOLDERS RECEIVED IN DIVIDENDS OR THE EQUIVALENT, BUT BEGINNING IN 1887 THE COMPANY HAS PAID A DIVIDEND IN EVERY YEAR EXCEPTING 1933, 1934 AND 1935. A STOCKHOLDER BEFORE THE STOCK DIVIDEND OF 1922 WHO HELD ALL OF HIS STOCK THROUGH THE RECAPITALIZATION OF 1943 (A VERY LARGE MAJORITY DID SO) WOULD NOW OWN TEN SHARES OF STOCK FOR EACH SHARE HELD PRIOR TO 1922.

SARGENT & COMPANY WAS HOST AT ITS PLANT IN NEW HAVEN ON APRIL 6TH - "BUSINESS-INDUSTRY-EDUCATION DAY" - TO SOME 90 TEACHERS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. THEY WERE SOME OF THE 1500 TEACHERS (AND SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS) IN 76 SCHOOLS IN NEW HAVEN, WEST HAVEN, HAMDEN, NORTH HAVEN AND WOODBRIDGE WHO VISITED 44 INDUSTRIES, NEWSPAPER, BANKS, UTILITIES AND RAILROAD, EACH GROUP VISITING BUT ONE INSTITUTION. IT WAS A CO-OPERATIVE EFFORT OF THE VARIOUS BOARDS OF EDUCATION, THE NEW HAVEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION OF NEW HAVEN COUNTY, AND THE FIRST EVENT OF ITS KIND IN THE CITY. THE GROUP AT SARGENT & COMPANY WAS SPLIT INTO SMALL PARTIES, AND UNDER COMPETENT GUIDES SPENT ABOUT TWO HOURS IN THE MORNING TOURING THE FACTORY, INCLUDING THE IRON FOUNDRY, PRESS ROOM, LACQUER ROOM AND LOCK ASSEMBLY. AFTER A LUNCHEON IN THE COMPANY'S CAFETERIA PRESIDENT C. FORBES SARGENT EXPLAINED THE PARTS PLAYED IN BUSINESS BY STOCKHOLDERS, EMPLOYEES AND CUSTOMERS, AND WITH VISUAL AIDS HOW THE COMPANY'S SALES DOLLAR IS DIVIDED, I.E. "WHO GETS WHAT". THE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNION AND THE RECREATION ASSOCIATION SPOKE BRIEFLY. A QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD, IN WHICH A GOOD MANY TEACHERS AND COMPANY EXECUTIVES TOOK PART, CONCLUDED THE EVENT.



JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907), GRANDFATHER OF THIRTY INCLUDING YE EDITOR, WROTE THE FOLLOWING LETTER ON MARCH 16, 1895, TO HIS WIFE WHO WAS VACATIONING WITH HER SISTER FANNY (MRS. JUSTUS HOTCHKISS) PROBABLY AT LAKEWOOD, N.J. HIS DAUGHTER DAISY WAS TO BE MARRIED THE FOLLOWING MONTH, WHICH EXPLAINS THE REFERENCE TO HER SILVER AND CARDS. THE LETTER IS WRITTEN ON LETTER PAPER OF THE MENZIES HOTEL, MELBOURNE, AND HE ALSO WROTE "MELBOURNE" BEFORE THE DATE, BUT HE WAS IN NEW HAVEN AS SHOWN BY THE CONTENT AS WELL BY THE EXISTENCE OF OTHER LETTERS WRITTEN FROM NEW HAVEN AT THAT TIME. "DEAR FLORENCE: I RECEIVED YOUR SECOND LETTER YESTERDAY IN WHICH YOU BLOW ME UP SKI-HI FOR NOT WRITING TO YOU. YOU DID NOT SEEM TO REALIZE THAT YOU HAD WRITTEN TO ME ONLY ONCE BEFORE AND TO LET ME KNOW THAT YOU GOT THERE AND GIVE YOUR ADDRESS. I WROTE PROMPTLY AFTER GETTING YOUR LETTER BUT THERE WAS A SUNDAY IN ITS TRANSIT DURING WHICH TIME IT WAS RESTING TO KEEP IT HOLY IN NEW YORK P.O. THE GRAND-CHILDREN ARE ALL WELL, CONSIDERING THAT THEY HAVE HAD WHOOPING COUGH. LEWIS WENT TO BOSTON THIS MORNING TO ATTEND A HARDWARE ASSOCIATION DINNER THIS EVENING. HE WILL RETURN IN THIS WEEK. HIS RICHARD, SIDNEY AND DORETHY ARE AS WELL AS THEY EVER WERE, BUT THE WEATHER BEING COOL THEY ARE NOT OUT OF DOORS MUCH YET. HILDA IS WELL BUT IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO RUN ABOUT, AND SO SHE SITS UP IN HER CRIB. I WENT INTO HER ROOM THIS FORENOON WHILE SHE WAS LYING DOWN IN HER CRIB TAKING HER LUNCH FROM HER BOTTLE OF MILK. AS SOON AS SHE SAW ME SHE SAT UP AND POSTPONED DRAWING ON HER BOTTLE, WAS GLAD TO SEE ME AND SAID 'BYE-BYE' OF HER OWN NOTION AS I LEFT, AND BEFORE I BID HER 'GOOD-BYE'. THE BABY WAS BUSY TAKING HER FORENOON MEAL, AND SO I SAW NEITHER HER NOR HER MOTHER. BUT SHE IS PAST ANYTHING LIKE DANGER, WITH GOOD CARE SHE GAINS A LITTLE EVERY DAY, BUT EVEN IF SHE DID NOT GAIN AT ALL THE PERIOD OF THE WHOOPING COUGH IS DAILY PASSING AND IN A WEEK MORE WILL BE OVER. BRADFORD IS ALL THE TIME IMPROVING AND IS DRESSED NOW EVERY DAY. I TOOK DINNER THERE SUNDAY. LAWTON SITS UP IN A CHAIR NOW MOST OF THE TIME AND HAS A GOOD APPETITE, LITTLE AND OFTEN. I WAS OVER THERE THIS EVENING BUT HELLEN AND EDWARD WERE GONE TO A WHIST PARTY. I CALLED ON CHARLOTTE THIS EVENING. THEY WERE ALL AWAY AT DIFFERENT PLACES. ALL WELL. AT HOME WE ARE AS USUAL. ALL WELL. LIZZIE TOOK DINNER WITH US LAST EVENING AND WENT TO MR. WIERS LECTURE WITH US. BRUCE WAS IN NEW YORK AND SO SHE BROUGHT TWO TICKETS WITH HER AND FOUR OF US WENT. HALL WAS WELL FILLED WITH LADIES AND VERY FEW GENTLEMEN. IT SEEMED LIKE BEING AT THE SATURDAY MORNING CLUB. LIZZIE WENT SOMEWHERE THIS EVENING AND THEREFORE BRUCE CAME AND DINED WITH US. RUSSELL AND WIFE DINED WITH US SUNDAY NOON ON A FIRST RATE TURKEY AND I HAD ANOTHER TURKEY DINNER AT 6 PM WITH HENRY AND HATTIE AND FAMILY EXCEPT MURRAY WHO DINED OR TEAD WITH US. TELL MR. HOTCHKISS THAT PATRICK DOYLE DIED MONDAY. HE WAS SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS FOR ABOUT 15 YEARS, AND AN HONEST DEMOCRAT - AS ALL TRUE DEMOCRATS ARE. YOU KNOW MRS. DOYLE - ON FERRY ST. FAIR HAVEN. DAISY'S SILVER HAS COME. SHE LIKES THE MARKING, AND THE GOODS. THE CARDS AND ENVELOPES ARE ALL COME, WASHING MACHINE IS PAID FOR, SO IS MORNING NEWS. THE PRESIDENT OF THE STREET RAILROAD TELEPHONED TO ME TODAY ASKING IF WE HAD BEEN ANNOYED BY BELL RINGING OR HORN BLOWING SINCE I SPOKE TO HIM ABOUT THE NOISES. I REPLIED THANKING HIM THAT THE NIGHTS, SINCE, HAD BEEN ENTIRELY QUIET AND NOW LIFE IS WORTH LIVING AND SLEEP HAS RETURNED TO OUR EYELIDS. TIME TO PUT THIS INTO THE LETTER BOX. REMEMBER ME TO FANNY AND JUSTUS AND MISS MORSS. AND GOOD NIGHT TO YOU. YOURS AFFECTLY., J.B. SARGENT"

THE THIRD AND LAST INSTALMENT FOLLOWS OF THE RECOLLECTIONS OF NATHAN SARGENT (1718-1799) OF LEICESTER, MASS., ANCESTOR OF THE HOMER SARGENTS, WRITTEN DOWN IN 1849 BY HIS GRANDDAUGHTER, MISS ANNA HENSHAW, THEN 71. THE COMMENTS IN PARENTHESES ARE PROBABLY THOSE OF JOHN SMITH SARGENT. THE PREVIOUS INSTALMENTS APPEARED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF JANUARY 24TH AND FEBRUARY 20TH. "MR. SARGENT WAS A WARM PATRIOT OF THE REVOLUTION, A GREAT LOVER OF ORDER AND EVER READY TO PROMOTE THE HAPPINESS OF HIS NEIGHBORS, HIS TOWNSMEN AND ALL HIS FELLOW MEN. HE HAD TWO SONS, SAMUEL AND JOHN, LADS THAT ENTERED THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR. SAMUEL WAS IN THE BATTLE OF BUNKER HILL. HIS COMMANDER CAPT SETH WASHBURN OF LEICESTER WHOSE DAUGHTER HE AFTERWARDS MARRIED. JOHN SARGENT HIS YOUNGEST SON WAS IN THE ARMY IN NEW YORK, WHERE HE CAME NEAR BEING STARVED TO DEATH. HIS CAPTAIN WAS A FRENCHMAN; MANY A TIME AND MANY A LAUGH THE WRITER HAS HAD HEARING HIM MIMIC HIS BROKEN ENGLISH AND RELATING ANECDOTES OF HIS ADVENTURES. IN THE EVER TO BE REGRETTED REBELLION OF 1786, NATHAN SARGENT WAS A STRONG GOVERNMENT MAN AND WAS OF COURSE, OBNOXIOUS TO THE INSURGENTS AND FREQUENTLY HAD TO SEEK LODGINGS ABROAD FOR PERSONAL SECURITY. THE WRITER PASSED THAT WINTER AT HIS HOUSE, AND CAN REMEMBER MANY PASSING SCENES, AS IF THEY WERE BUT YESTERDAY. SHE RECOLLECTS THAT ONE NIGHT THE LATE COL THOMAS DENNY, CAPT JOHN SOUTHGATE AND OTHERS CALLED FOR MR SARGENT AND HIS SON JOHN WHO LIVED IN HIS FATHERS HOUSE, TO GO WITH THEM TO A SECLUDED PLACE IN WORCESTER TO LODGE. MR SARGENT REQUESTED HIS WIFE, DAUGHTERS AND OTHER FEMALES IN THE FAMILY NOT TO OPEN THE DOORS TO ANYONE. THE ONLY MALE LEFT IN THE HOUSE WAS A SERVANT BOY, BILL HARTSHORN 16 OR 17 YEARS OF AGE. ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD GATHERED IN MRS SARGENTS ROOM. THE WRITER WAS PUT INTO HER GRANDMAMMAS BED, WHERE SHE WITNESSED ALL THAT WAS SAID AND DONE TILL SOMNUS CLOSED HER EYES. SHE RECOLLECTS PERFECTLY HOW WHITE BLACK JENNYS, (THE GENERAL SERVANT IN THE FAMILY) EYES LOOKED, AND EVEN NOW CAN MENTALLY SEE THEM WHILE THEY WERE FORTIFYING THE ROOM FOR DEFENSE, IN CASE OF ATTACK, INTO WHICH THEY BROUGHT AXES, POKERS, SHOVELS AND TONGS, BROOMS AND EVERY SORT OF WEAPONS THAT COULD BE FOUND, FASTENED ALL THE DOORS AND WINDOWS, DREW ALL THE CURTAINS, MADE A GREAT BLAZING FIRE IN ONE OF THOSE LARGE CHIMNEYS, AND ALL WERE SEATED QUIETLY AND PLEASANTLY AROUND TALKING OVER THE 'BLOODY WAR AND WHAT THEY KILLED EACH OTHER FOR', WHEN HORSES WERE HEARD GALLOPING UP AROUND THE EAST SIDE OF THE HOUSE. ALL WERE INSTANTLY ON THEIR FEET; THE CURTAINS WERE DOWN; NO ONE COULD LOOK IN OR OUT; BUT SOME ONE CREPT SOFTLY UPSTAIRS, WITH BLACK JENNY IN ATTENDANCE, AND FOUND TO THEIR INEXPRESSIBLE RELIEF THAT IT WAS THE REV MR CONKLIN AND CAPT DAVID HENSHAW IN PURSUIT OF SAFE LODGINGS AND STOPPED TO SEE IF ALL WERE SAFE HERE, AND TO KNOW WHERE MR. SARGENT AND HIS PARTY HAD GONE. MR

SARGENT WAS A MAN OF AN ARDENT TEMPERAMENT AND OF NICE DISCRIMINATION OF THE PROPRIETIES OF LIFE; AND NEVER SUFFERED HIS HOSPITALITY TO BE RUDELY ENCRONCHED UPON. THE WRITER WELL REMEMBERS ONE DAY AFTER A HEAVY SNOW STORM, MR SARGENT WAS SITTING BEFORE A PLEASANT FIRE READING A NEWSPAPER; SEVERAL WERE ROUND ABOUT IN THE ROOM ATTENDING TO DOMESTIC AVOCATIONS, AND THE WRITER WAS SEATED IN A LITTLE CHAIR BESIDE SOME ONE LEARNING TO KNIT. SUDDENLY THE DOOR OPENED WITHOUT ANY PREVIOUS NOTICE, AND IN MARCH-ED VERY POMPOUSLY AN INSURGENT OFFICER WITH A SPRIG OF EVERGREEN IN HIS HAT AND VERY UNCEREMONIOUSLY LAID HIS HAT AND SWORD ON THE TABLE, TOOK A CHAIR AND SEATED HIMSELF BY THE FIRE, OBSERVING THAT HE WAS GOING TO WARM HIMSELF, 'NOT TILL I KNOW WHO YOU ARE' SAID MR SARGENT. 'THESE ARE SUSPICIOUS TIMES AND I MUST KNOW WHOM I ENTERTAIN'. THEY WERE BOTH NOW STANDING. THE OFFICER DREW HIMSELF UP IN A THREATENING ATTITUDE, AND WITH MUCH IMPORTANCE ANNOUNCED HIMSELF, 'CAPT DAY OF GENL SHAYS ARMY' 'THEN LEAVE MY HOUSE SAID MR SARGENT, BEING AN ATHLETIC MAN NOTWITHSTANDING HIS AGE, CAUGHT FIRST HIS HAT WHICH HE THREW OUT OF THE DOOR, TELLING HIM TO FOLLOW WHICH HE DID WITH SEEMING RELUCTANCE SWEARING VENGEANCE SHOULD LIGHT UPON HIM IN LESS THAN A FORTNIGHT. THE DOOR WAS CLOSED UPON HIM AND BOLTED. MR SARGENT LEFT THIS HOMESTEAD, THE SCENE OF THESE VARIOUS REMINISCENCES TO HIS SON JOHN SARGENT, WHO ERECTED A SMALL HOUSE BREWERY & CO AND TRANSACTED A GREAT DEAL OF BUSINESS THERE. WHEN HIS FATHER NATHAN SARGENT DUG HIS UPPER WELL AFTER DIGGING VERY DEEP, THEY CAME TO A HARD PAN AND CLOSELY COMPACTED IN THAT WAS A LARGE FAT TOAD IN A TORPID STATE; BUT COMING TO THE AIR IT WAS RESUSITATED AND SKIPPED ABOUT IN A LIVELY MANNER. MR JOHN SARGENT LEFT SAID FARM TO HIS SON SEWELL SARGENT, AND IS NOW OUT OF THE FAMILY. NATHAN SARGENT DIED JUNE 15, 1799, AND HIS REMAINS WERE DEPOSITED IN THE HENSHAW TOMB, KNOWN AS THE RANSON BROOK CEMETERY. (DAVID HENSHAW BEING HIS SON-IN-LAW.) MARY HIS WIFE DIED AUGUST 8, 1822, AND IS BURIED IN THE SARGENT LOT IN THE SAME CEMETERY. LATER THE HENSHAW TOMB WAS DEMOLISHED. THE TOP OF A COFFIN WITH THE INITIALS IN BRASS NAILS N.S. WAS STORED IN THE HENSHAW BARN.

ALICE TOMES (D. 1646 OR BEFORE), ANCESTOR OF MOST OF US, THE FIRST WIFE OF GOVERNOR THOMAS WELLES, WAS THE DAUGHTER OF JOHN TOMES OF LONG MARSTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, ENGLAND. HER ENGLISH ANCESTRY IS SHOWN IN THE CHART BELOW. OUR LINE OF DESCENT FROM HER AND HER HUSBAND WAS GIVEN AFTER THE SKETCH OF GOV. WELLES IN SARGENTRIVIA OF DECEMBER 20, 1949. SHE EMIGRATED TO AMERICA WITH HER HUSBAND AND CHILDREN. HER YOUNGER HALF-BROTHER, JOHN TOMES, WHO LIVED IN MARSTON-SICCA, OR LONG MARSTON, ATTAINED FAME BY SHELTERING ON THE NIGHT OF SEPTEMBER 10, 1651, THE FUGITIVE CHARLES II AFTER THE BATTLE OF WORCESTER (SEPTEMBER 3, 1651). IN THAT BATTLE THE ARMY UNDER CROMWELL ANNIHILATED THE ROYAL ARMY, WHICH HAD BEEN RAISED IN SCOTLAND, KILLING 2000 AND CAPTURING 8000, MOST OF WHOM WERE "SOLD" TO THE AMERICAN COLONISTS. CHARLES II BARELY MANAGED TO ESCAPE CAPTURE. THE STORY IS TOLD IN W.H. HUTTON'S "HIGHWAYS AND BYWAYS IN SHAKESPEARE'S COUNTRY" AS FOLLOWS: "AT THE 'KING'S LODGE', THE ANCESTORS OF MR. TOMES, ITS PRESENT POSSESSOR, RECEIVED CHARLES II, AND GAVE THE FUGITIVE A NIGHT'S REST, WHEN HE WAS JANE LANE'S SERVANT, ON HIS ESCAPE FROM WORCESTER. IT IS AT THE END OF THE VILLAGE, SOUTHWEST OF THE CHURCH. HAPPILY IT HAS BEEN HARDLY ALTERED AT ALL; OUTSIDE IT IS OF LITTLE INTEREST, BUT THERE ARE SOME ALMOST UNTOUCHED ROOMS WITHIN. CHARLES' OWN ACCOUNT OF HIS ESCAPE, DICTATED TO PEPYS, SHOWS THAT HE 'LAY AT LONG-MARSTON', HE AND MRS. LANE, AFTER THEY HAD BEEN FRIGHTED NEAR STRATFORD-ON-AVON BY A TROOP OF HORSE, AND HAD PARTED FROM MRS. LANE'S SISTER'S HUSBAND. HE SPEAKS OF IT AS 'IN THE VALE OF ESHAM'. 'BOSCOBEL', THE 'COMPLEAT HISTORY OF HIS SACRED MAJESTY'S MOST MIRACULOUS PRESERVATION' (1680), TELLS THAT IN MR. TOMES'S HOUSE, 'WILL JACKSON, BEING IN THE KITCHEN, IN PURSUANCE OF HIS DISGUISE, AND THE COOK MAID BUSY IN PROVIDING SUPPER FOR HER MASTER'S FRIENDS, SHE DESIRED HIM TO WIND UP THE JACK. WILL JACKSON WAS OBEIENT, AND ATTEMPTED IT, BUT NOT THE RIGHT WAY, WHICH MADE THE MAID IN PASSION ASK, 'WHAT COUNTY MAN ARE YOU, THAT YOU KNOW NOT HOW TO WIND UP A JACK'? WILL JACKSON ANSWERED VERY SATISFACTORILY: 'I AM A POOR TENANT'S SON OF COLONEL LANE IN STAFFORDSHIRE. WE SELDOM HAVE ROAST MEAT, BUT WHEN WE HAVE WE DON'T MAKE USE OF A JACK', WHICH IN SOME MEASURE ASSUAGED THE MAID'S INDIGNATION. CHARLES STAYED THERE BUT ONE NIGHT AND THEN 'WITHOUT ANY CONSIDERABLE ACCIDENT RODE BY CAMPDEN AND ARRIVED AT AN INN IN CIRENCESTER.'". THE INFORMATION IN THE FOLLOWING GENEALOGICAL CHART APPEARED IN N.E. HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL REGISTER FOR 1930 (VOL. 84).

