



MARY DWIGHT PULFORD GREGORY, STEPDAUGHTER OF CATHERINE RICE PULFORD, IS SHOWN ABOVE IN HER WEDDING GOWN AT THE TIME OF HER MARRIAGE TO CHARLES NICHOLS GREGORY ON SEPTEMBER 8TH IN HARTFORD, CONN. AN ACCOUNT OF THE WEDDING APPEARED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF SEPTEMBER 25TH. MARY AND CHUCK WENT ABROAD ON THEIR WEDDING TRIP. MARY CAME DOWN WITH THE "FLU" IN NICE ABOUT A MONTH AGO AND WAS TAKEN TO THE AMERICAN HOSPITAL. THIS CAUSED THEM TO GIVE UP THEIR PLANNED TRIP TO ITALY. THEY ARE EXPECTED HOME ABOUT NOVEMBER 30TH.

HELEN FENN, DAUGHTER OF CONVERSE G. AND JANE HYDE FENN, WAS BORN ON NOVEMBER 25, 1947, IN BATH, ME. (NEWS OF THIS FOURTH DAUGHTER HAS ONLY RECENTLY REACHED YE EDITOR.) HELEN IS A GRAND-DAUGHTER OF RUSSELL SARGENT FENN, A GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER OF ELIZABETH SARGENT FENN. SHE BRINGS THE COUNT OF THE GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN OF JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907) UP TO 46.

CONVERSE GRAY FENN, SON OF RUSSELL SARGENT FENN, WROTE FROM HIS HOME AT 1023 HIGH STREET, BATH, ME., TO YE EDITOR ON OCTOBER 22D: "... MY LIFE HAS BEEN VERY EXCITING THE PAST YEAR AS I COMPLETED MY FIRST TERM AS STATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE STATE OF MAINE 95TH LEGISLATURE. IT WAS MOST INTERESTING AND VERY EDUCATIONAL. WE ARE ELECTED FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM, AND AT THE PRESENT I PLAN TO RUN FOR RE-ELECTION SEPTEMBER 1952 (THAT WILL BE THE BIG YEAR NATIONALLY, I HOPE). AS YOU CAN GATHER, I RAN ON THE REPUBLICAN TICKET. WHILE RESTING FROM POLITICS THIS SUMMER WE HAD THE PLEASURE, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN AGES, TO HAVE ALL THE FENN CHILDREN TOGETHER—TWO OF BRUCE'S, TWO OF SARGENT'S, AND MY FOUR. WE HAD A FEW DAYS THE LAST OF AUGUST AT BELGRADE LAKES...."

ELEANOR HOLLAND ODRONIC, DAUGHTER OF RUPERT SARGENT HOLLAND, SENT YE EDITOR ON OCTOBER 18TH THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM MONTEREY, CALIF., BY "ELEANOR, WALTER & BREHON" GIVING ADDITIONAL DETAILS ABOUT THEIR SON (WHOSE BIRTH WAS REPORTED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF OCTOBER 19TH) AND ALSO THE FAMILY'S PLANS: "I WANT TO REPORT AN ADDITION TO THE SARGENT FAMILY: BREHON HOLLAND ODRONIC. HE ARRIVED ON SEPTEMBER 17TH AND WEIGHED 7 LBS, 1 OZ. HE IS A CUNNING LITTLE BLOND FELLOW AND IS A SMALL EDITION OF WALTER. PERHAPS YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HEARING ABOUT HIS NAME. IT GOES BACK TO GAELIC PAGAN DAYS. IT MEANS 'JUDGE' AND SURVIVES IN GAELIC AS THE BREHON LAWS, THE SUBSTANCE OF WHICH HAS GIVEN SCHOLARS AN INSIGHT INTO PRE-CHRISTIAN IRISH PROPERTY CONCEPTS AND SOCIAL LIFE IN GENERAL. THIS INFORMATION COMES FROM THE BRITANNICA.

"IT WILL BE TWO MONTHS BEFORE OUR FAMILIES IN THE EAST WILL BE ABLE TO SEE HIM. AT THAT TIME WALTER WILL GET A LEAVE BEFORE BEING SENT TO JAPAN. WE THREE WILL HAVE A LONG JOURNEY TOGETHER, AND THEN WE WILL HAVE TO SEPARATE FOR A WHILE UNTIL BREHON AND I ARE ABLE TO JOIN WALTER IN JAPAN. BREHON AND I WILL LIVE IN WAYNE WHILE WE ARE WAITING. ..."

BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

- NOVEMBER 25 - (4TH) HELEN FENN, DAUGHTER OF CONVERSE GRAY FENN
 DECEMBER 1 - FRANCES MACDONALD FENN, WIDOW OF RUSSELL SARGENT FENN
 CAROL BODMER LEWIS, WIFE OF WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS
 DAVID COLLIER SARGENT, SON OF JOHN SARGENT
 3 - JAMES WILLIAM HINKLEY, 3D, HUSBAND OF LOUISE SARGENT HINKLEY
 (23D) ELIZABETH SARGENT BARNETT, DAUGHTER OF CHARLES FORBES SARGENT
 (8TH) DOROTHY SARGENT TATE, DAUGHTER OF CAPTAIN FREDERIC HOMER SARGENT TATE
 4 - BETSY HURD BABBITT, WIFE OF THEODORE FISHER BABBITT
 5 - KENNETH LYNN GOSNER, JR., HUSBAND OF LINDA DEMING GOSNER
 (11TH) WILLIAM LINCOLN MEFFERT, III, STEPSON OF JOSEPH WEIR SARGENT, JR.
 9 - WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS, SON OF EMILY SARGENT LEWIS
 10 - ZIEGLER SARGENT, SON OF HENRY BRADFORD SARGENT
 12 - (24TH) FLORENCE LOUISE SARGENT, DAUGHTER OF HOWARD LEWIS SARGENT
 13 - (25TH) ROSEMARY VARKER PETTIT, WIFE OF HORACE PETTIT, JR.
 14 - (22D) NORMAN PETTIT, SON OF MILLICENT LEWIS PETTIT
 15 - (13TH) DIANA FENN, DAUGHTER OF CONVERSE GRAY FENN
 19 - ELLEN SMEDLEY SARGENT, WIFE OF CHARLES FORBES SARGENT
 (10TH) DIANA YANDELL DILLON, STEPDAUGHTER OF JOHN APPLETON CLARK
 23 - PHE BE SARGENT HARDING, DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH WEIR SARGENT
 26 - JEAN SARGENT BUSHNELL, DAUGHTER OF JOHN SARGENT
 ELIZABETH (BIBBY) DEMING GOELLER, DAUGHTER OF LAURA RICE DEMING
 28 - EDITH BRUNE SARGENT, WIFE OF RICHARD MAXWELL SARGENT
 29 - JOSEPH WEIR SARGENT, SON OF JOSEPH DENNY SARGENT
 30 - THOMAS DENNY SARGENT, SON OF JOSEPH DENNY SARGENT
 WILLIAM FISHER SARGENT, SON OF JOSEPH DENNY SARGENT

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- DECEMBER 2 - (12TH) JOHN A. AND ELIZABETH YANDELL CLARK
 3 - (30TH) EARLE W. AND ELEANOR GREENE SARGENT
 17 - (2D) ELLEN PULFORD AND THOMAS W. REESE
 21 - (2D) C.K. (KIM) AND RUTH PRATT HAM
 23 - (1ST) ELIZABETH SARGENT AND JOHN W. BARNETT
 24 - (25TH) HOWARD L. AND FLORENCE HIERMANN SARGENT
 30 - (9TH) NANCY GROVE AND ARTHUR N. TURNER

EMILY SARGENT PETTIT WHITNEY, DAUGHTER OF MILLICENT LEWIS PETTIT, IN RESPONSE TO YE EDITOR'S QUERY ABOUT HER AND GORDON, HER HUSBAND'S, RECENT MOVE, WROTE ON NOVEMBER 20: "GORDON IS STILL WITH BARKER-GREENE CO. DURING THE SUMMER HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO THEIR WASHINGTON OFFICE AND NOW IS AN AREA MANAGER. HIS TERRITORY COVERS WEST VIRGINIA THROUGH SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY. WE SOLD THE PORT CHESTER HOUSE AND BOUGHT THIS ONE IN OAKTON. IT IS VERY NICE, ON TWO ACRES IN THE COUNTRY, AND WE ARE FINDING THE SOUTH VERY PLEASANT AND FRIENDLY—BUT CAN'T COMPARE WITH NEW ENGLAND!" HER ADDRESS IS MRS. GORDON F. WHITNEY, ROUTE #2, BOX 203A, VIENNA, VA.

JAMES C. SARGENT, SON OF MURRAY SARGENT, HAS RECENTLY MOVED HIS FAMILY FROM THE OUTSKIRTS OF STAMFORD TO A FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT AT 528 EAST 85TH STREET, NEW YORK. (TELEPHONE: BUTTERFIELD 8-7957.)

ARTHUR N. TURNER, HUSBAND OF NANCY GROVE TURNER, SINCE OCTOBER 1ST HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH CHARLES R. WALKER, DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH IN TECHNOLOGY AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AT THE INSTITUTE OF HUMAN RELATIONS, YALE UNIVERSITY. ARTHUR HAS BEEN DOING RESEARCH IN THE EFFECT OF TECHNOLOGY ON WORKERS, PARTICULARLY IN MASS PRODUCTION INDUSTRIES AND ESPECIALLY WHERE THERE HAVE BEEN TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGES. RECENTLY HE HAS BEEN COMMUTING TO THE MOOREHEADS IN NEW CANAAN, WHERE HIS FAMILY ARE TEMPORARILY LOCATED. ARTHUR AND NANCY EXPECT TO MOVE ON NOVEMBER 23D INTO A HOUSE THEY HAVE PURCHASED JUST OVER THE NEW HAVEN CITY LINE, BUT THE ADDRESS OF WHICH IS 85 LAUREL ROAD, NEW HAVEN 11, CONN.

ROBERT LEWIS FLETCHER, YOUNGER SON OF LOUISE FISHER FLETCHER WAS CHRISTENED ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20TH, AT ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, LITCHFIELD, CONN.

ELLEN PULFORD REESE, STEPDAUGHTER OF CATHERINE RICE PULFORD, WHOSE PLANS FOR A YEAR IN TURKEY, WHERE HER HUSBAND WILL BE TEACHING UNDER A FULBRIGHT APPOINTMENT, WERE OUTLINED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF JUNE 12TH AND JULY 11TH, WROTE TO HER FAMILY FROM ANKARA, TURKEY, ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28TH: "WE ARRIVED HERE AT ANKARA WEDNESDAY, AND BY WEDNESDAY NIGHT WE HAD AN APARTMENT. WE WERE TAKEN TO LOOK AT SOME APARTMENTS AT 6:30 P.M., AND WE CHOSE ONE BY 8! SO WE'RE ALL SETTLED, BOTH HERE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT. ...

OUR SIENA-FLORENCE-PERUGIA-ASSISI TRIP FROM ROME WAS WONDERFUL, MOSTLY BECAUSE WE TRAVELED BY BUS. THE SEVEN HOURS FROM ROME TO SIENA SEEMED LIKE TWO. ... THE FIRST THING YOU NOTICE IS THAT THOSE PEOPLE UTILIZE EVERY SQUARE MILLIMETER OF LAND. WE'D PASS WHAT WERE OSTENSIBLY OLIVE GROVES, BUT BETWEEN THE OLIVE TREES WERE GRAPE VINES, AND BETWEEN THE GRAPE VINES WERE TOMATOES. SCROUGING AROUND BETWEEN THE TOMATOES AND GRAPES AND OLIVES WERE PIGEONS AND CHICKENS, AND BETWEEN THEM WERE IRRIGATION DITCHES! THEN OF COURSE THE WONDERFUL MOUNTAINS WITH THE OMNIPRESENT REMAINS OF CASTLES AND FORTRESSES. CYPRESSES MARCHING UP EACH HILL OR KEEPING A LONELY VIGIL ON TOP. SHRINES AND CAVES AND WOMEN DRYING CORN IN THE SUN AND WASHING IN MUDDY STREAMS. OXEN, SHEEP, PIGS, DONKEYS, CHICKENS, PIGEONS, AND GRANDPARENTS AND OTHER BEASTS OF BURDEN. AND AS YOU NEARED A TOWN THE INEVITABLE BILLBOARD (BAYER'S ASPIRINA WAS EVERYWHERE—NO COMMENT). THE HAIRPIN CURVES WHICH I HAVE RENAMED BOBBYPIN. OH, AND THE TERRACES. NO MOUNTAIN IS TOO STEEP, AND NO SOIL TOO BARREN. AND THE COLOR. NOT ONLY THE HOUSES WHICH I KNEW ABOUT, BUT THE MOUNTAINS AND THE SILVERY GREY-GREEN OF THE OLIVES. I USED TO THINK THE SIENESE ARTISTS HAD A DISTORTED (RATHER THAN STYLEIZED) EYE FOR SCENERY, BUT I NOW SEE THAT THEY COULDN'T HAVE PAINTED ANY OTHER WAY. SIENA, PERUGIA, AND ASSISI WERE ALL GORGEOUS, BUT I'M AFRAID WE WEREN'T TOO FOND OF FLORENCE. EVERYONE WAS ALWAYS TRYING TO EITHER CHEAT YOU OR RUN OVER YOU! I REMEMBER SAYING SOMETHING BEFORE ABOUT HOW EXPENSIVE ITALY IS. IT ISN'T ON THE SURFACE, BUT THEY HAVE ALL SORTS OF WAYS OF TAKING YOUR LAST CENT IF YOU LOOK AS THOUGH YOU HAD ONE. THE SHORTEST EXAMPLE OF WHAT I MEAN IS THIS SAMPLE HOTEL BILL: FIXED PRICE (WHAT THEY QUOTE) 2500 LIRA, HEAT 400, SERVICE (15%) 435, TOURIST TAX 100, TAX (??) 58, TOTAL 3493. IF YOU HAVE ANY MEALS, THEY ARE ADDED IN BELOW HEAT AND ALL THE TAXES ARE TAKEN AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL. AND OF COURSE YOU HAVE TO TIP EVERYBODY ON TOP OF ALL THIS. BUT WE DID HAVE A LOVELY TIME, EVEN IF WE ARRIVED IN TURKEY WITH \$60. (ACCORDING TO THE LAW YOU HAVE TO HAVE \$100 PER PERSON. THIS ALSO MEANS WE CAN'T TAKE OUT MORE THAN \$60, WHICH WON'T EXACTLY GET US HOME. BUT WHY WORRY ABOUT SUCH MUNDANE MATTERS.) WE DID, OF COURSE, LOVE ALL THE ART, ETC., IN FLORENCE; BUT WHY ANYONE WOULD WANT TO LIVE THERE, I DON'T KNOW. MAYBE WE JUST DID TOO MUCH. OUR LAST DAY WE WENT TO TWO MUSEUMS AND THREE CHURCHES, FOR INSTANCE. ... BACK IN ROME WE CAMPED WITH THE BOTTKOLS. AFTER THEY LEFT FOR PERUGIA WE STAYED ON IN THEIR APARTMENT FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS AND THEN WENT TO NAPLES. WHAT A BUNCH OF TOUGHS! THERE IS A FORMALIZED SCHOOL FOR PICKPOCKETS THERE, AND THEY HAVE A UNION. THE PRESIDENT OF THE SCHOOL WROTE A LETTER TO THE MAYOR OR WHATEVER HE IS, SAYING THAT HIS WAS A RESPECTABLE UNION, AND IT SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED AS SUCH! AN ITALIAN TOLD US THAT THE GRADUATES OF THIS SCHOOL GO TO MARSEILLES FOR ADVANCED WORK AND WIND UP WITH CAPONE FOR THEIR PH.DS! THEY HAVE A DARLING, SURE-FIRE TRICK THEY PULL. A SMALL BOY COMES UP TO SOME TOURIST, SPITS IN HIS FACE, AND YELLS 'YOU DIRTY AMERICAN BASTARD'. THE TOURIST NATURALLY REACTS, AND WHILE HE IS REACTING, A CONFEDERATE MAKES OFF WITH ALL HIS LUGGAGE. NICE PLACE, NAPOLI. BUT CAPRI WAS DIVINE. THE AMALFI, SORRENTO TRIP I TOLD YOU ABOUT.

WE WENT TO THE PIER TO MEET THE 'ATLANTA' (DUE AT 2 P.M.) AND HUNG AROUND TILL 5, WHEN SHE FINALLY APPEARED. WE COULDN'T BOARD UNTIL 8! OUR LUCK IN GETTING OFF HASN'T CHANGED SINCE NEW YORK! IT WAS GREAT FUN SEEING ALL OUR OLD FRIENDS: WAITER, HOSTESS, ETC. GREECE WAS DEPRESSING. THERE IS A RECENT PARODY WHICH RUNS:

THE ISLES OF GREECE, THE ISLES OF GREECE,
WHERE SOILS ERODE AND CROPS DECREASE.

HAVE NEVER SEEN SUCH BARREN COUNTRY AND SUCH POVERTY. BUT THE PEOPLE WE SAW WERE WONDERFUL. WHY THEY HAVEN'T GIVEN UP WE DON'T KNOW. TALK ABOUT INSURMOUNTABLE ODDS. AFTER THE ACROPOLIS WE HAD A TAXI AND GUIDE WHO TOOK US AROUND THE CITY. AS USUAL (AFTER MY ITALIAN TRAINING) I COLLECTED MY GOODS AND CHATTELS WHENEVER WE LEFT THE CAB. THE GUIDE LOOKED AT ME AND SAID, 'MADAME, IN GREECE WE ARE VERY, VERY POOR, BUT WE ARE STILL HONEST.' I LEFT THEM BEHIND ME THEREAFTER. WHEN HE LEFT US HE SAID, 'GOODBYE, THANK YOU, AND GOD BLESS YOU.' WE PRACTICALLY CRY EVERY TIME WE THINK ABOUT OUR BRIEF STAY THERE." (TO BE CONTINUED)

JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907), GRANDFATHER OF YE EDITOR AND TWENTY-NINE OTHERS, WROTE THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO HIS WIFE, WHO WAS VACATIONING IN GOSHEN, MASS. SHE HAD WITH HER A FAMILY HORSE AND CARRIAGE FROM NEW HAVEN. HIS TWO YOUNGEST CHILDREN, DAISY AND JOHN, HAD ALSO BEEN VACATIONING IN GOSHEN, BUT THEY MAY HAVE ALREADY RETURNED HOME BY TRAIN. "NEW HAVEN FRIDAY EVENING SEPT. 7TH 1883 DEAR FLORENCE: I SHALL NOT BE ABLE TO LEAVE HERE TILL TUESDAY MORNING 11TH. I DO NOT WANT TO GO FURTHER THAN NORTHAMPTON WHERE YOU CAN MEET ME ON THE ARRIVAL OF THE TRAIN FROM NEW HAVEN. YOU CAN LEAVE GOSHEN AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND ARRIVE IN NORTHAMPTON AT 11 O'CLOCK IF YOU WANT TO. OR YOU CAN START FROM GOSHEN WHEN THE STAGE STARTS AND FOLLOW THAT TO THE DEPOT IN WILLIAMSBURGH AND THEN YOU CAN EASILY FIND YOUR WAY TO NORTHAMPTON. YOU CANT LOSE YOUR WAY, BECAUSE YOU HAVE THE RIVER TO FOLLOW, THE TELEGRAPH POLES TO FOLLOW, THE RAILROAD TRACKS TO FOLLOW AND THE WAGGON ROAD TO FOLLOW. IT IS ALL VILLAGES NEARLY ALL THE WAY FROM WILLIAMSBURGH TO NORTHAMPTON. WILLIAMSBURGH, HAYDENVILLE LEEDS, FLORENCE, NORTHAMPTON. COME THROUGH MAIN STREET TO THE R R DEPOT AT NORTHAMPTON AND I SHALL BE THERE. IF IT SHOULD HAPPEN THAT MY TRAIN IS LATE AND IT SHOULD RAIN, YOU CAN HAVE THE HORSE & WAGGON LEFT AT A LIVERY STABLE NEARLY OPPOSITE THE DEPOT IN NORTHAMPTON AND YOU WAIT AT THE DEPOT. THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE IN NORTHAMPTON IS AT THE BRICK DEPOT - DEPOT OF THE CONN. RIVER R.R. ADJOINING THE CANAL R.R. DEPOT, AND IF I SHOULD HAPPEN TO BE ON HAND YOU WILL FIND A TELEGRAM FOR YOU AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE. IF ANYTHING SHOULD HAPPEN SO THAT I SHOULD NOT LEAVE HERE TUESDAY MORNING I WILL TELEGRAPH TO YOU AT THE DEPOT IN WILLIAMSBURGH. I SHALL TELEGRAPH TO YOU THERE PROBABLY EVEN IF I DO START - SO THAT YOU BETTER STOP AT THE DEPOT AT WMSBURGH FOR TELEGRAM. IF THE WEATHER SHOULD BE RAINY TUESDAY MORNING, WITH PROBABILITY OF A RAINY DAY STAY AT GOSHEN - AND IF I START I WILL GO THROUGH TO GOSHEN IF YOU STAY THERE. MY OBJECT IS TO SAVE TIME. BROTHER GEORGE WANTS TO GO TO WORCESTER EARLY NEXT WEEK TO PREPARE FOR A FEW WEEKS ABSENCE WITH HIS FAMILY AND I DO NOT WANT TO BE ABSENT FROM BUSINESS MORE THAN NECESSARY. IF YOU MEET ME IN NORTHAMPTON AS SOON AS I ARRIVE THERE TUESDAY - ABOUT 12-30 (OR 12-45) WE CAN EASILY GO AS FAR AS SPRINGFIELD OR WESTFIELD BY TUESDAY EVENING. TO MERIDEN WEDNESDAY, AND HOME TO DINNER THURSDAY. I INCLOSE A CHECK FOR \$31.50 PAYABLE TO MISS HAWKES FOR LAST WEEKS BOARD - ALSO A CHECK DATED 10TH FOR \$27.50 FOR THIS WEEKS BOARD (WITHOUT JOHN) WHICH I BELIEVE IS CORRECT. THERE WILL BE SOME MORE DAYS (I SUPPOSE) OF BOARD TO PAY FOR - AND YOU OUGHT TO PAY THE HOSTLER SAY 50¢ PER WEEK FOR EXTRA CARE OF YOUR HORSE IF HE PUT THE OIL CAKE MEAL ON THE INSIDE OF THE HORSES FOOT EVERY NIGHT-OR A DOLLAR (OR TWO PERHAPS) FOR THE WHOLE. ASK MISS HAWKES HOW MUCH. YOURS TRULY, JBS WHEN YOU GET TO WILLIAMSBURGH DEPOT TELEGRAPH FROM THERE TO ME AT NORTHAMPTON THAT YOU ARE ON THE WAY. MUST TELEGRAPH IN TIME TO GET TO NORTHAMPTON BEFORE TRAIN LEAVES FROM N FOR WMSBURGH. IF YOU ARE SHORT OF MONEY BORROW FROM MISS HAWKES TILL YOU GET HOME. START TUESDAY MORNING IF PLEASANT WEATHER. CALL AT WILLIAMSBURGH DEPOT FOR TELEGRAM. CALL AT NORTHAMPTON TELEGRAPH FOR TELEGRAM. MISS HAWKES OR STAGE DRIVER WILL TELL YOU WHEN MY TRAIN WILL BE DUE AT NORTHAMPTON."

LIEUTENANT JOHN HOLLISTER (PROB. 1612-1665), ANCESTOR OF MOST OF US (SEE GENEALOGICAL CHARTS IN SARGENTRIVIA OF DECEMBER 19, 1950 AND FEBRUARY 24, 1949.), EMIGRATED TO AMERICA ABOUT 1642, THE YEAR HIS NAME FIRST APPEARS IN WETHERSFIELD IN CONNECTICUT COLONY. HE WAS ADMITTED AS FREEMAN IN 1643, AND REPRESENTED THE TOWN IN THE GENERAL COURT A NUMBER OF TIMES BEGINNING IN 1644. HE MARRIED JOANNA, DAUGHTER OF RICHARD TREAT, ONE OF THE LEADING MEN IN THE COLONY. SHE WAS BORN IN PITMINSTER, ENGLAND, IN 1618. THE HOLLISTERS HAD NINE CHILDREN, OF WHOM MARY, THE SEVENTH CHILD, WHO MARRIED JOHN WELLES, IS OUR ANCESTOR. JOHN HOLLISTER DIED AT WETHERSFIELD IN APRIL 1665. HIS WILL, DATED APRIL 3, 1665, STATED IN PART: "IT. I GIVE MY DAUGHTER MARY FOUR SCORE POUNDS TO BE PAID ON HER MARRIAGE DAY OR ELSE WHEN SHE COMES TO YE AGE OF TWENTY. THREE SCORE POUNDS OF WHICH SHALL BE PAID BY MY SON JOHN HOLLISTER." THE INVENTORY OF HIS ESTATE WAS 4 1642, 2 SHILLINGS, 6 PENCE. HIS WIDOW SURVIVED TILL OCTOBER 1694. HE WAS ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL MILITARY MEN IN THE COLONY, WAS APPOINTED WITH THOS. COLEMAN AND NATHANIEL DICKERSON TO JOIN WITH THE DEPUTY-GOVERNOR TO PRESS MEN AT WETHERSFIELD FOR AN EXPEDITION (PROBABLY AGAINST THE INDIANS). IN FEBRUARY 1656 HE WAS APPOINTED WITH OTHERS TO GIVE "THE BEST AND SAFE ADVICE TO THE INDIANS, IF THEY AGREED TO MEET AND SHOULD CRAVE THEIR ADVICE." IN 1656 THE REV. JOHN RUSSELL PRIVATELY EXCOMMUNICATED HOLLISTER FROM THE CHURCH, WITHOUT GIVING HIM AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A HEARING OR EVEN A VOTE OF THE CHURCH, AND REFUSED TO GIVE HIS REASONS FOR SUCH A SUMMARY PROCEEDING WHEN THEY WERE DEMANDED BY HOLLISTER. THE PROMINENCE OF THE HOLLISTER AND TREAT FAMILIES BROUGHT THE "DISPUTE" INTO GREAT PROMINENCE. A PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT (THE COLONY LEGISLATURE) WAS PREPARED (THE MEN SIGNING IN ONE COLUMN AND THE WOMEN IN ANOTHER). HOLLISTER WAS ELECTED TO THE GENERAL COURT SO THAT HE COULD PRESENT THE PETITION. THE GENERAL COURT ORDERED THAT MR. RUSSELL GIVE HIS REASONS FOR HIS CONDUCT TOWARDS "YE LIEUTENANT HOLLISTER". RUSSELL STEADILY REFUSED, AND THE QUARREL ENDED SEVERAL YEARS LATER BY THE MINISTER AND SOME OF HIS SUPPORTERS MOVING TO HADLEY. (SEE "THE HOLLISTER FAMILY OF AMERICA", BY LAFAYETTE W. CASE.) THE RECORDS DO NOT SHOW WHAT THE LIEUTENANT'S SUPPOSED OFFENCE WAS. HE WAS APPOINTED COLLECTOR IN WETHERSFIELD MARCH 14, 1660. "HE WAS A LARGE LAND-HOLDER IN WETHERSFIELD ESPECIALLY THAT PORTION OF THE TOWN LYING ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE CONNECTICUT RIVER, NOW KNOWN AS GLASTONBURY."