

THE PARKER FAMILY OF NEWTON

HISTORY
OF
THE EARLY SETTLEMENT
OF
NEWTON,

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, MASSACHUSETTS.

FROM 1689 TO 1800.

WITH A

Genealogical Register of its Inhabitants,

PRIOR TO 1800.

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PARKER, JOHN, was one of the earliest settlers of Hingham. He had land granted to him there, in 1638 and 1640. He left Hingham with Nicholas Hodgden, John Winchester, Thomas Hammond, and Vincent Druce, all of Hingham, about 1650, and all settled in the same neighborhood. Hodgden and Winchester settled within the bounds of Boston, (Brookline,) and the others in the easterly part of Camb. Village. Hodgden was the first purchaser of a large tract of land, partly in Camb. Village, and partly in Boston, (Brookline,) and he no doubt induced the others to take portions of it, which they did, in 1650. He had by w. Joanna —, *Mary*, christened at Hingham, 28. 11. 1647; *Martha*, 1. 3. 1649; *John*, Camb. Village, 15. 12. 1651; *Joanna*, Jan. 16, 1653; *Thomas*, 1. 12. 1657; *Sarah*, 6. 11. 1659; *Isaac*, 15. 1. 1662; *Jonathan*, 6. 9. 1665; *Lydia*, 15. 3. 1667. *Mary* m. Peter Hanchet, of Rox. — *Martha* m. James Horsley — *Sarah* m. Samuel Snow, of Woburn, 1686 — *Thomas* d. 1679 — *Jeremiah* d. young — *Joanna* m. — Stone. He d. 1686, a. 71. She d. March 14, 1688. His will is in Suffolk Registry, proved Oct. 1686. Gives s. Isaac the homestead, (twenty eight acres,) and his w. to have a maintenance out of it; to s. Jonathan, forty-six acres of woodland, lying near where Capt. Prentice dwelleth, and £8 in money; to James Horsely, the only s. of his dr. *Martha*, £5; to dr. Joanna Stone, £5; to dr. Sarah, £8; to dr. Lydia, £8; to son in law Peter Hanchet, twenty shillings in corn; to daughter in law Margaret Atkinson, five shillings; (wid. of s. Thomas m. — Atkinson;) to s. John, eleven acres land whereon he has erected his now dwelling house, and seven acres meadow and woodland, and one cow. His s. Isaac and his w. appointed executors. John Ward, Sen., and Thomas Greenwood, overseers. Inventory, £404, 3s. 6d. House and twenty-eight acres land adjoining, and about ninety acres elsewhere. Appraised by Licut. Isaac Williams and John Spring.

II. PARKER, JOHN, JR., m. *Mary* —, and had *John*, Aug. 17, 1687; *Mary*, March 3, 1690; *Deborah*, Feb. 11, 1693; *Sarah*, March 24, 1695; *Thomas*, Jan. 9, 1699. *Mary* m. Robert Fuller, of Need-

ham, 1713 — Sarah d. 1724, left a will — Thomas went to Worcester. He d. Oct. 1713, a. 62. She d. March, 1715. Son John, admin. Inventory, £412, 2s.

II. PARKER, ISAAC, (s. of John, Sen.,) m. Mary Parker, both of Camb. Village, May 4, 1687, and had *Mary*, Feb. 4, 1689, d. 1689; *Benjamin*, Oct. 8, 1702; *Martha*, and probably others. He sold his place to Thomas Greenwood, and removed to Needham. He was in the Canada expedition, 1690, and the General Court granted him land for his services, which land his s. Benjamin sold to Norman Clark, 1742.

II. PARKER, JONATHAN, (s. of John, Sen.,) m. Deliverance —, and had *Mary*, Sept. 25, 1701; *Jonathan*, July 21, 1711, in Needham, and probably others. Sarah, sup. 2d w., d. March, 1721. He removed to Needham.

II. PARKER, THOMAS, (s. of John, Sen.,) m. Margaret —. He d. 1679, a. 22, and his wid. m. — Atkinson.

III. PARKER, JOHN, (s. of John and Mary,) m. Esther —, and had *Josiah*, July 7, 1715; *Timothy*, Feb. 14, 1717; *John*, May 1, 1719; *Phineas*, Oct. 16, 1721; *Esther*, Feb. 4, 1724; *Mary*, June 8, 1726; *Sybil*, May 14, 1729; *Sarah*, d. 1724; *Ezra*, June 13, 1731. Esther m. Samuel Child, of Weston, 1750 — Mary m. Josiah Knapp, 1745 — Sybil m. William Marcan, of Rutland. 2d w. Hannah Pierce, of Weston, 1753. He d. —. Will 1761, proved 1762.

PARKER, STEPHEN, (s. of —,) m. Elizabeth —, and had *Stephen*, Aug. 20, 1714; *Elizabeth*, March 13, 1716; *Ann*, May 18, 1717.

PARKER, JOHN, d. March 21, 1718; prob. he who signed the secession petition, in 1678.

III. PARKER, BENJAMIN, (s. of Isaac,) m. Mary —; no chil. recorded. He d. July 23, 1752. She d. May 13, 1751.

PARKER, JOSEPH, (s. of —,) m. Elizabeth —; no chil. recorded. He was surveyor of highways, 1703. Conveyed land with w. Elizabeth, in 1715. He d. 1783.

III. PARKER, JOHN, (sup. s. of Isaac,) m. Abigail —, and had *John*, May 8, 1723; *Sarah*, May 4, 1724.

PARKER, EPHRAIM, had by w. Abigail —, *Nathaniel*, Dec. 8, 1736.

IV. PARKER, JOHN, (s. of John and Abigail,) m. Abigail Robbins, March 4, 1748, and had *Hannah*, Dec. 7, 1748, d. 1755; *Phineas*, April 19, 1751; *Timothy*, Sept. 20, 1754; *John*, July 23, 1756; *Nabby*, Jan. 19, 1763; *Hannah*, Dec. 30, 1758.

IV. PARKER, TIMOTHY, (s. of John and Esther,) m. Keziah Hammond, 1743, and had, in Holliston, *John*, who m. *Mary* —, and went to Marlboro'; *William*, went to Sudbury; *Joshua*, went to Sudbury; *Jacob*, m. Lydia Park, and went to Hopkinton, and had several drs. He d. 1754, a. 37.

IV. PARKER, EDWARD, had by w. Eunice —, *Mary*, Jan. 17, 1738.

IV. PARKER, NATHAN, m. Sarah Cheney, of Rox., 1753.

IV. PARKER, JOSIAH, (s. of John and Esther,) m. Sarah Hammond, 1739. He d. in the army, at Lake George, 1758, a. 43. She d. 1758, a. 43.

IV. PARKER, EZRA, (s. of John and Esther,) m. Sarah Pratt, 1755, and had *Sarah*, Dec. 4, 1756; *Lucy*, April 12, 1761; *Fanny*, Sept. 28, 1762; *Julia*, Feb. 26, 1767; *Eva*, April 19, 1770; *Fanny*, March 16, 1765.

PARKER, BENJAMIN, (s. of —,) m. Jemima, dr. of Dr. Wheat, 1763, and had *Benjamin*, May 11, 1765, who grad. H. C., 1784; was a physician in Weston, and d. there, 1807.

PARKER, DAVID, m. Lois Pierce, 1792.

PARKER, EPHRAIM, m. Relief Wellington, 1794.

PARKER, JONATHAN, m. Ann Cheney, 1792, d. 1836, a. 70. He d. 1836-7.

PARKER, ISAAC, m. Deborah Williams, of Rox., 1776.

PARKER, JONATHAN, m. Hannah Weld, of Rox., 1774.

PARKER, NATHANIEL, Jr., m. Patience Hammond, 1778.

II. PARKER, SAMUEL, (s. of Samuel and Sarah (Homan) Parker, of Dedham,) m. Ruth —, and had in Newton, *Mary*, Nov. 12, 1695. Wife Ruth d. 1698. 2d w., Mercy —, and had *Bethia*, Jan. 24, 1701.

III. PARKER, EBENEZER, (sup. s. of Samuel and Mercy,) m. Sarah Severns, Dec. 17, 1724, and had *Elisha*, Sept. 30, 1725; *Mar-*

garet, April 15, 1727; *Rebecca*, May 8, 1729; *Ruth*, May 24, 1731. She m. Col. Michael Jackson, Jan. 1759. Wife Sarah d. July 31, 1736. 2d w., Mindwell Bird, of Dor., 1739, and had *Sarah*, Aug. 27, 1740; *Samuel*, Oct. 25, 1742. 2d w. d. 1756, æ. 45. 3d w., Mary Goddard, Oct. 19, 1759. He d. April 14, 1783, æ. 81.

III. PARKER, ENOCH, (sup. s. of Samuel and Mercy,) m. Abigail, dr. of Capt. John Jackson, about 1735, and had *Catherine*, Dec. 5, 1736, d. young; *Nathaniel*, Nov. 26, 1737, d. 1742; *William*, Feb. 20, 1742; *Abigail*, *Elizabeth*, *Jackson*, *Henry*, *Abraham*, *Susanna*, *Francis*, *Priscilla*. He grad. H. C., 1733, kept the Town school many years, and was long known as Master Parker. He d. March, 1801, æ. about 95.

IV. PARKER, WILLIAM, (s. of Enoch Parker,) m. Catherine Durant, 1764, and had *Charles*, Nov. 1, 1784. He d. 1795, æ. 52. His wid. Catherine m. Samuel Hastings, Jr., 1797.

IV. PARKER, ELISHA, (s. of Ebenezer and Sarah,) m. Esther Fuller, 1751, and had *Ebenezer*, 1752, d. 1775, æ. 23; *Esther*, *Mindwell*, *Caleb*, *Elisha*, *Jonathan*, *Ephraim*, *Sarah*, *Reuben*, *Betty*.

IV. PARKER, SAMUEL, (s. of Ebenezer and Mindwell,) m. Ann Palmer, 1770, and had *Mindwell* and *Hannah*. Mindwell m. John Pigeon, 1790. He d. April, 1822, æ. 80.

III. PARKER, NATHANIEL, (s. of Samuel and Sarah (Homan) Parker, of Dedham, born March 26, 1670,) m. Margaret, dr. of Capt. Noah Wiswall, settled on part of the Wiswall land and bought the house and land of Lieut. Ebenezer Wiswall, 1694, and had *Noah*, Jan. 20, 1694; *Caleb*, Nov. 9, 1696. 2d w., wid. Mary (Marett) Hovey, of Camb., Dec. 1736. First w. d. July 30, 1736. 2d w. d. Sept. 10, 1758. He d. Feb. 28, 1747, æ. 77. An enterprising man. In 1708, John Clark sold him quarter part of saw mill, stream cel wear, and half an acre of land, at Upper Falls, for £12, and in 1717, another quarter part same mill, with one and a half acres land, for £45.

IV. PARKER, NOAH, (s. of Nathaniel and Margaret,) m. Sarah Cummings, of Tyngsboro', April 21, 1715, settled at Upper Falls and had *Thomas*, March 26, 1716; *David*, March 10, 1718; *Peter*, April 23, 1720; *Esther*; *Joseph*, d. 1722; *Josiah*, May 7, 1722. His f. Nathaniel, by deed of gift, conveyed to him (1725) half the saw mill, grist mill, fulling mill, with the lands appurtenant, at the Upper

Falls, valued at £150. Same year, William Clark sold him one quarter part of the same mills, and seven acres land adjoining, for £95; and same time, Nathaniel Longley sold him the remaining quarter part of the same mills, and he became the sole owner of the whole of the first and oldest mills, in 1725, with the dam, stream, eel weirs, &c. Was one of the early Baptists. He d. March 18, 1768, *m.* 74. She d. Sept. 10, 1758.

IV. PARKER, CALEB, (s. of Nathaniel,) m. Abigail Stedman, of Brookline, 1721, and had *Joshua*, Sept. 5, 1722; *Caleb*, June 7, 1726.

V. PARKER, THOMAS, (s. of Noah,) m. Eunice Hammond, 1741, and had *Moses*, June 9, 1742; *Nathaniel*, May 15, 1744; *Josiah*, May 13, 1746; *Eunice*, March 17, 1748; *Priscilla*, Nov. 9, 1749; *Thomas*, Aug. 4, 1751; *Samuel*, Sept. 2, 1753; *Joseph*, April 4, 1755; *Susanna*, Jan. 19, 1757; *Aaron*, Feb. 26, 1759; *Benjamin*, Nov. 5, 1760; *Sarah*, May 24, 1764; *Hadassa*, May 27, 1766, d. young. Eunice m. Jonathan Bixby — Priscilla m. Enoch Davenport, 1771 — Susanna d. unm., 1834 — Sarah m. Ithama Ward, 1796 — Josiah d. in the army — Benjamin d. unm., March 12, 1836, *m.* 76. He was a Selectman and Representative six years from 1777, a leading and influential man in the town, and occasionally a preacher or exhorter of the Baptist persuasion, and d. March 27, 1812, *m.* 91. She d. 1812.

V. PARKER, DAVID, (s. of Noah,) m. Sarah Trusedale, 1738, and had *Anna*, May 2, 1739; *Elizabeth*, July 9, 1742; *Sarah*, March 14, 1746; *Noah*, July 12, 1749. Sarah m. Ebenezer Morse, 1768. He d. 1797, *m.* 79.

V. PARKER, PETER, (s. of Noah,) m. Sarah Ruggles Payson, July 1751, and had in Rox., *John*, 1756; *Peter*, 1759; *Sarah*, *Martha*, *Elizabeth*, and *Mary*. Sarah m. Joseph Tilden — Martha m. William Shattuck — Elizabeth m. Caleb Kenrick — Mary m. William Dall, of Boston. He d. Nov. 1765, *m.* 45. She d. 1802.

VI. PARKER, MOSES, (s. of Thomas and Eunice,) m. Mary Mills, of Needham, 1773, settled in Standish, Me. Drowned in Saco river, Oct. 1809.

VI. PARKER, NATHANIEL, (s. of Thomas and Eunice,) m. Hannah Whitney, Nov. 19, 1772, and had *Caleb*, April 29, 1773; *Hannah*, March 18, 1775; *Eunice*, d. young. Hannah m. David Scott.

VI. PARKER, THOMAS, (s. of Thomas and Eunice,) m. Esther Gridley, of Rox., April 29, 1777, and had *Thomas*, Sept. 21, 1777; *Abigail*, 1779, d. 1787; *Samuel G.*, 1781; *Abigail*, Jan. 22, 1788. Abigail m. Stephen Fairbanks, of Boston. He d. June 22, 1800, æ. 49. She d. Dec. 1824, æ. 77.

VI. PARKER, AARON, (s. of Thomas and Eunice,) m. Hannah Robinson, of Natick, and settled in Standish, Me.

VI. PARKER, JOSEPH (s. of Thomas and Eunice,) m. Lois Carver, of Natick, Nov. 18, 1776, and had *Samuel*, June 3, 1777; *Rebecca*, March 20, 1779; *Lois*, Oct. 24, 1781; *Rebecca*, Jan. 17, 1784; *Abigail*, July 21, 1786; *Joseph*, Feb. 8, 1790; *Jonathan C.*, Oct. 3, 1791. Lois m. Jonathan Richardson, July, 1804 — Rebecca m. Nathaniel Dean, June, 1807 — Abigail m. John H. Handy, June 21, 1812 — Joseph d. in N. Y., 1812 — Jonathan C. went to Ohio. 2d w. Rebecca Ward, July 16, 1801. 1st w. d. April 6, 1799, æ. 47. 2d w. d. Oct. 19, 1840, æ. 86. He d. April 30, 1810, æ. 55.

VI. PARKER, JOHN, Esq., (s. of Peter and Sarah,) m. — Phillips, and had in Boston, *John*, *Peter*, *Charles*, *James*, *George*, and *Eliza*. Eliza m. William Shimmin. He was "one of the solid men of Boston," a merchant, capitalist, President of U. S. Branch Bank, Representative from Boston, &c.

VI. PARKER, CALEB, (s. of Nathaniel and Hannah,) m. Fanny Scott, and had *Caleb*, March 12, 1798; *Caleb*, Sept. 19, 1803, at Brookline.

VI. PARKER, JOSEPH, m. Rebecca Ward, July, 1801.

VI. PARKER, SAMUEL, (s. of Joseph and Lois,) m. Eusebia Moore, and had in Rox., *John W.*, April 21, 1809; *Benjamin F.*, Nov. 21, 1810, d. 1844; *Joseph C.*, Feb. 7, 1813. He d. June 9, 1831, æ. 54.

VII. PARKER, CALEB, (s. of Caleb and Fanny,) m. Susan Richards, March, 1826, and had *Harriet*; (adopted) *Susan M.*, 1826, d. 1831; *Luther*, 1828; *Edwin*, 1830; *Alfred*, 1832, d. 1848; *Susan M. R.*, 1834; *Caleb G.*, 1837. Harriet m. Rev. E. G. Robinson, Ohio.

PARKER, SAMUEL, m. Abigail Adams, 1822.

PARKER, WILLIAM, m. Hannah Stearns, 1835.

PARKER, CHARLES F., m. Ellen Boyle, 1843.

PARKER, THOMAS M., m. Mary Ann Thomas, 1843.