

4. Sarah, born January 17, 1648, died 1667. 5. Elizabeth, born March 15, 1649, married Samuel Gaskell. 6. Joseph, of whom further. 7. Grace, born December 20, 1653, unmarried.

(V) Joseph, son of Captain John (2) Sherman, was born in Watertown, Massachusetts, May 14, 1650, died there June 30, 1731. He was a blacksmith by trade. He was often chosen selectman and assessor; was representative to the general court 1702-1705 inclusive, and influential in the town. He married Elizabeth, daughter of William Winship, of Cambridge. Children: 1. John, born January 11, 1675, was one of the first settlers of Marlboro. 2. Edward, born September 2, 1677, died 1728, in Wayland. 3. Joseph, born February 8, 1680, a surveyor of Watertown. 4. Samuel, born November 28, 1681. 5. Jonathan, February 24, 1682. 6. Ephraim, March 16, 1685, died young. 7. Elizabeth, born July 15, 1687, married ———, of Stephens township. 8. Martha, born September 1, 1689, married Rev. Benjamin Shattuck. 9. William, of whom further. 10. Sarah, born June 2, 1694. 11. Nathaniel, born September 19, 1696.

(VI) William, son of Joseph Sherman, was born in Watertown, Massachusetts, June 28, 1692. He married (first) Rebecca Cutter, of Charlestown, Massachusetts; (second) September 13, 1715, Mehitable, daughter of Benjamin Wellington. Child by first wife: 1. William, died at the age of sixteen months. Children of second wife: 2. William (2), born March 30, 1716 or 1717, died April 20, 1796; moved to New Milford, Connecticut, in 1740, and engaged as a merchant and farmer; he married Ruth Terrill April 18, 1743; without issue. 3. Mary, married John Brattle, of Dedham, Massachusetts. 4. Roger, born April 19, 1721, at Newton, Massachusetts; settled in New Milford, Connecticut, in 1743. He was a man of education, and took a leading part in the events preceding the revolution; was a member of the continental congress, signer of the Declaration of Independence, and later United States senator and one of the famous men of his day. He married (first) Elizabeth, daughter of Deacon Joseph Hartwell, of Stoughton, Massachusetts, November 17, 1749. She died October 19, 1760, aged thirty-four years. He married (second) in New Haven May 12, 1763, Rebecca, daughter of Benjamin Prescott. Of his thirteen children: Elizabeth married Samuel Baldwin, afterwards

a member of congress and mayor of New Haven; Mehitable, married Jeremiah Evarts, and was the mother of William M. Evarts, a lawyer and statesman of international fame; Martha, married Jeremiah Day, president of Yale College from 1817 to 1846; and Sarah, married Samuel Hoar, of Concord, Massachusetts, and was the mother of Senator George Hoar whose long term in the United States senate was of inestimable value to this state and country. 5. Elizabeth, born July 17, 1723, married James Buck, of New Milford, Connecticut. 6. Rev. Nathaniel, of whom further. 7. Rev. Josiah, born March 5, 1726, died at Woodbridge, November 24, 1797; graduate of Nassau Hall in 1754, received the honorary degree of Master of Arts at Harvard 1758, and at Yale 1765. He was settled as pastor over the church of Woburn, Massachusetts, for fifteen years; then at Milford, Connecticut, and Goshen, where he remained until 1788. He married Martha, daughter of James Minot, a graduate of Harvard and a very distinguished man. Children of Rev. Josiah Sherman: Roger Minot, Doctor of Laws, one of the most brilliant and successful lawyers of the Connecticut Bar; Martha, married Rev. Justus Mitchell; Elizabeth, born February 3, 1763, married John Mitchell; Susanna, born April 7, 1765; Josiah, of Albany, New York. 8. Rebecca, married Joseph Hartwell, of New Milford.

(VII) Rev. Nathaniel, son of William Sherman, was born in 1725. He prepared for the ministry and preached in Massachusetts and Connecticut. He married and had children: Edmond James, of whom further; and eight daughters.

(VIII) Sergeant Edmond James Sherman, son of Rev. Nathaniel Sherman, was born at New Haven, Connecticut, in 1755, died at Hadley, New York, in 1839, aged eighty-four years. He was a Democrat in politics and spent nearly his entire life in Connecticut. Edmond J. Sherman served in the revolution as private in the Fifth Company, First Regiment, Connecticut troops, May 18 to December 20, 1775, and as a private in Colonel Lamb's regiment of artillery, enlisting at New Haven April 4, 1777. He was promoted sergeant, served all through the war, and witnessed the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown. He married Hannah Wise, of New Haven, who died at an advanced age at Corinth, Saratoga county, New York. They were both members