

children: Silas, Cynthia, Sabra, Catharine, Zipporah, Albert and Eugene.

Esther Sawyer married Joseph B. Sapp, a prominent resident of Tuckerton. Their children were Joseph, Walter, Ella, Angelina, Amanda, Louisa and George.

Joseph Sapp, Jr., married Georgiana, daughter of Richard Bogan; she died soon after her marriage, and now Joseph Sapp, Jr., is married to Elizabeth Leeds. Ella Sapp married Francis French, of Bass River.

Captain Thomas Sawyer married Esther Ann Downs. Their child was Edwin Adolphus.

Ursula Sawyer married Jacob Ireland, a prominent and useful citizen of Tuckerton.

PETITT FAMILY.

Over an hundred years ago, Jonathan and Adam Petitt, who were brothers, emigrated to Egg Harbor, from Long Island, and about the same time there was a Jacob Petitt settled in the same place, and some people say he was a brother to Jonathan and Adam Petitt.

Jonathan Petitt settled on the farm now called the James Downs farm, on the confines of Tuckerton. Jonathan Petitt was a member of the Society of Friends. He married Mary, daughter of Samuel Shourds, Sr., of Tuckerton. Jonathan Petitt's children left their native place, and at this time there is not anything known of his posterity except his daughter Amy, who married Samuel Cawley, and their daughter Lydia, who married Joseph Willits.

Adam Petitt lived on the farm now called the Dr. Price farm.

Jacob Petitt married Mary, daughter of Jonathan Gifford, Sr.

THE FRENCH FAMILY.

At an early date, there was a family by the name of French, who settled in the lower part of Burlington county, and it is probable that Francis French, Sr., was a descendant of this family. Sometime before the Revolutionary War, Francis French, Sr., settled at Bass River. He was the proprietor of the mills, formerly called French's Mills. He had two wives, his first wife was the mother of Thomas French, Sr., the forefather of the Frenches of Bass River. His second wife was Phoebe, daughter of Jacob Cranmer, of Bass River. Phoebe's children were William and Jacob. These two sons emigrated to some other section. There is a large number of Frenches in Bass River, and they are the wealthiest and most influential citizens of that locality.

Thomas, son of Francis French, Sr., married Hannah Johnson of Atlantic county, N. J. Their children were: William, Francis, Joseph, Thomas, David, John, Rachel, Sarah, Ann, Mary, Abigail and Eliza.

First Branch of Thomas French, Sr.'s, Family.—Captain William French is a wealthy, enterprising and influential man. Captain French has had two wives; his first wife was Lavinia, daughter of Isaac Cranmer. Lavinia had one child, Hannah, who married and resides in Philadelphia. His second wife was Phœbe, daughter of Daniel Mathis, 2d. Her children were Martin Van Buren, Livingston, Hiram Albridge, Nelson, Ebenezer T., Mary Jane, Matilda and Arabella.

Martin Van Buren French married and resides at Jersey Shore, Pa.

Livingston French married Sarah, daughter of Lloyd Jones, of Tuckerton.

Hiram Albridge French married Mary, daughter of Jesse R. Sears.

Nelson French married Caroline Collins, of Atlantic county.

Mary Jane French married Josiah Hackett, of Salem, N. J.

Matilda French married Alfred Ballinger, of Medford, N. J.

Arabella French married Thomas Ballinger, of Medford, N. J.

Second Branch.—Francis French, 2d, was an enterprising man, and at his death, left a considerable amount of property to be divided among his children. His sons are the principal business men of Bass River township.

Francis French married Ann, daughter of Daniel Mathis, 2d. Their children were Thomas E., Daniel, Lewis, Burrows, Levi, Francis, Mary Ann, Phœbe, Leah, Ellen and Anna.

Thomas E. French married Jane Gaskill of Tuckerton.

Daniel French married Elizabeth Giberson of Atlantic county.

Lewis French married Mary, daughter of Reuben Cavileer.

Burrows French married Mary, daughter of David Cavileer.

Levi French married Julia, daughter of Joseph Adams.

Francis French, 3d, married Ella, daughter of Joseph B. Sapp.

Mary Ann French married John Franklin Cranmer.

Phœbe French married Alfred, son of Joel Bodine.

Ellen French married Charles E. Adams, son of Isaiah Adams.

Anna French married Doctor Clark.

Third Branch.—Joseph French, Esq., married Martha, daughter of Josiah Cale. Their children were Maria, Eliza, Martha, Margaretta, Mary, Josephine, Lavinia and Emma.

Maria French married Thomas Adams.

Eliza French married Charles T. Adams.

Martha French married Arthur Sooy.

Margaretta French married Caleb Mathis.

Mary French married William Potts.

Lavinia French married James Kelley, Jr.

Fourth Branch.—Thomas French, Jr.'s first wife was Harriet, daughter of Micajah S. Mathis. He married a second wife at Jersey Shore, Pa., where he resides.

The fifth and sixth branches were David and John, who died unmarried.

Seventh Branch.—Rachel French married John Loveland. Their children were Thomas, Sarah, John, Asbury, Marshal, Henry, Elmira, Abbie and James.

Thomas Loveland married Elizabeth, daughter of Captain Oliver Loveland.

Sarah Loveland married Forman McKean.

John Loveland married Mary Ellen, daughter of William O. Hatfield.

Marshal Loveland married Marietta, daughter of Samuel Crowley.

Henry Loveland married Jualla Weeks.

Abbie Loveland married Charles W. Palmer, of Tuckerton.

Eighth Branch.—Sarah French married Charles Adams.

Ninth Branch.—Ann French married Sylvanus Seaman. Their children were Joseph, and others. Names not ascertained.

Tenth Branch.—Mary French married John Hewlings, and removed to the West.

Eleventh Branch.—Abigail French married Captain George Allen. Their children are Ellen, Hannah, Thomas, Achsah, Mary, Harry, George, John, William and Joseph.

Ellen Allen married Joseph Truax.

Hannah Allen married De Witt Mathis.

Twelfth Branch.—Eliza French married Lewis Giberson. Their children were Hannah, Thomas, Sarah, James, Julia and others.

THE BURTON FAMILY.

Phineas Burton, Sr., was a native of Boston, Mass., and his father dying when he was quite young, his mother brought him to Barnegat, and from thence he came to Egg Harbor, where he learned the weaver's trade of Joseph Lippincott, Sr. Burton, like many other youngsters of the days of 1776, was anxious to quit his home and join the American army, but his years were not equal to his patriotism, therefore he was compelled to sit at the loom and weave, and think "if he could only leave the detestable machine and battle for liberty." Before the war closed, he became old enough for a warrior, and enlisted in a military company, but before the company was ready for service, peace was proclaimed, and the youthful soldier was disappointed in being an inhabitant of the "tented field," or in doing battle for freedom. When he became an old man, his mind wandered back to "the days that tried men's souls," and he delighted in telling tales of the Revolutionary War. I have heard him say that the first dollar he was the proud and happy owner of was earned in the following manner:—He lived with J. Lippincott, Sr., on the farm now owned by