

your person, & by your letter in your fammely, had caused us to fear. Brother, I was moued to write to you before now, both within myself & from mother, but I put her off becaus of the sickness (that was in my family of which through Mercy we have had a small share to what many of our Neighbours haue had,) but especially becaus of ye dangerous condition yt brother Natll lay in for some time. I being greatly desireous that my letters might be yt messengers or Joy & not of sorrow to you. And now brother, as we haue Recd Comfort from your letter, we hope these lines may be so to you & all our friends & may find you in health & peace; and that our hearts may be drawn forth to thankfulness unto God for all his Mercies.

And now I shall breifly touch on what is omitted in Brother Natll Letter; and first, of ye sickness; Concerning Brother Natll and his you haue an acct in his Letter. Our eldest has had a long lingering illness, but is pretty well recreated, I am but poorly on't my self hauing bin Considerably ill, this 4 weeks, which makes me write with a trembling hand, the sickness has bin ury genous in "our town of which there are four grown persons dead in our village; viz. Jonathan Hathaway, Rose Spooner, Jemima Badcock & Amos Taber's wife; but people are generally pon recovery, & it looks like a time of health.

2d Of the season (we haue Indeferent good crops.) We haue had a great drought which lasted from English mowing till about ye Middle of Sept since which we haue had extreordinary groing weather, till within this 4 or 5 weeks.

3d Of an earthquake, which was a week yesterday, about ten att night, which shook both ye Land & water, the Islands & seas, at that degree that seueral doors were shook of ye Latch in our village, & 'tis said that at Nantuket ye harth stones grated one against another, and, that Car, ye boat builder, Run out of his house, got into a boat for fear ye Island should sink. Mother desiered me to acquaint you that she Greatly desires to see you, and so we doo all, My Loue to all our friend(s) farewell your Brother

Dart Nounr 6 1727.

Jabez Delano.

1 of Jonathan Delano 2d

Sarah Delano, d Tolland Nov 1752 m Toll. Nov 4-1724 Samuel West, son of (deacon) Francis West formerly of Stonington Conn b. do. (one of original grantees in proprietor's deed, had land allotted to him with the others) he m 2d Mar 25 1756 Abigail, dau of Ichabod Lathrop. (Gen. 1884) 1 Prudence, b Sept 5-1726. 2 Sarah, b Nov 21-1729. 3 Samuel Jr. b Mar 30-1732, m Mar 25-1756 Sarah, dau of Ichabod Lathrop 4 Abigail, b July 22-1734, d Feb 12-1750. 5 Abner, b May 1-1737, m July 3 1760 Mary, dau of Joseph 2 Hatch (gr. dau Lt. Jon) ch. 1 Abigail 2 William 3 Abner 4 Mary 5 Submit 6 Joanna, b Dec 2-1739. 7 Elisha, b Sept 4-1742. 8 Anna, b Sept 16-1745.—9 Ann, b Sept 12-1756. 10 Ruth, b Dec 21-1759.

2 of Jonathan Delano 2d

Joan or Joanna Delano, m Tolland May 19-1725 (deacon) Joseph West Sr. son of (deacon) Francis West b Stonington 1 Mercy,