

Thomas was accustomed to plead before a Justice in some simple suits among his neighbors. He was of a generous, whole-souled disposition, ever ready to assist those in need. This trait of character finally cost him dearly, as, by indorsing for a neighboring country storekeeper, he finally lost his farm.

Colonel Thomas d. at Watertown, N. Y., Sept. 14, 1831, aged 49. His wife d. in Sheridan, Chaut. Co., N. Y., April 21, 1846. They were both members of the Baptist Church.

They had eight children,—four born at Perch River and four in Watertown, N. Y. :—

- 209. LOUISA THOMAS, b. 1814-15; d. 1819.
- 210. AVERY THOMAS, b. Jan. 3, 1817; m. Lovina D. Bacon and had issue.
- 211. HARRIET THOMAS, b. June 1, 1819; m. Wm. Barnes and had issue.
- 212. MELINDA THOMAS, b. June 3, 1821; m. Horace Ottoway and left issue.
- 213. CHARLES THOMAS, b. 1823; d. in infancy.
- 214. AMOS RUSSELL THOMAS, M.D., b. Oct. 3, 1826; m. Elizabeth M. Bacon and had issue.
- 215. JANE M. THOMAS, b. Feb. 3, 1829; m. Kendrick Scovil; d. in Monroe Wis., May 19, 1855, aged 26; no issue. K. Scovil d. Jan. 23, 1885.
- 216. CHARLES AZABIAH THOMAS, b. April 1, 1831; d. in Oswego, N. Y., Aug. 18, 1848, aged 17.

74. HEMAN THOMAS⁴ (son of Amos,³ Amos,² William¹) was b. in New Salem, Mass., June 21, 1785; m. Jan. 21, 1808, Anna Martin, who was b. in Norton, Mass., July 7, 1774. He remained at the old homestead even after he reached manhood, and to this place, at the age of 22, he brought his bride. Here the same room in which he was born served as birthplace for each of his four children, and the same physician officiated.

In 1818 he removed to Hardwick, where he lived six years. After three years' residence in New Braintree, he returned to his native town, this time making a home in the same house where his wife had lived and at which