

draughting office of the Brooklyn Navy Yard where he served his time

He returned to South Scituate Mass. and in company with his eldest bro. and Joseph Clapp built 1829, the Sch "Only Daughter," 70 tons of Hingham 1833 Stephen White and others bought Grand Island on Niagara River N. Y. and engaged Benj F D'o to convert the forest of oak timber that was there into vessels. He took with him his two bros. William H & Edward H, and twenty picked men from his native town.

The venture proved a success, and they built seven vessels. He also built the first steam vessel that plied between East Boston & Boston. 1847 he received an appointment as Naval Constructor, and was stationed at Portsmouth N H. and from there was transferred, 1850 to the Brooklyn Navy Yard where he was Chief Naval Constructor, retired June 11-1873.

At Portsmouth he constructed the "Saranac." He constructed twenty-one war vessels from 1861-65, among them the daring dispatch boat "Iroquois," the "Oneida," "Nyack," "Wampanoag," and "Mattawaska." He also converted numbers of harmless merchantmen, bought by the government, into death-dealing war vessels, and worked day and night over his plans for their reconstruction.

The life of Edward Hartt Delano was not unlike that of his bro. Benj. He served in the Brooklyn Navy Yard, was with his brother later, and 1848 was commissioned Naval Constructor, and ordered to Pensacola Fla. and afterwards transferred to Norfolk Va, & Charlestown Mass. He built the U. S. steam frigate "Merrimac," and Admiral Farragut's famous flag-ship, the "Hartford," d Charlestown while in charge at that station. See reproduction of the "Hartford" fr. "Harpers Weekly" 1865—to whose rigging Farragut was lashed—at Mobile, etc)

1 of Benjamin Delano Jr

William Delano, d S Scituate Feb 2 or 15-1815 (Will 1817, Bk 41. Guardians appointed for daus Mary E., Prudence C., Sarah, Lucy S., Sons W'm H., Benj F., and Edw. H.—Bk 50 Sarah D'o appointed guardian to Mary, Prudence, Benj Lucy, Edw. Wm. & Sarah, minors Dec 3-1822.) m By Rev John Lathrop Boston Dec 27-1803 Sarah, dau of Edmund & Elizabeth (Clark) Hartt, b Boston Aug 18-1778 d do. 1861 1 Mary Elizabeth, b Scituate 1803, un-m. d Apr 20-1872 2 William Hartt, b 1804. 3 Prudence Clark, b May 4-1806 un-m. d Norwell Mass. Feb 4-1894. 4 Benjamin Franklin, b Sept 17-1809. 5 Edward Hartt, b Aug 12-1811. 6 Sarah, b 1813, un-m. d Norwell Mar 13-1891 7 Lucy Snow, b 1814, un-m. d do. Apr 8-1890.

2 of William Delano

William Hartt Delano, d East Boston July 21-1883, (Will Suffolk Co Probate Rec proved Aug 20-1883, mentions bros. Benj F., Alfred, Otis son of Benj F., Sis. Prudence C. Sarah H. Lucy S. Edward F son of late bro. Edw. dau. Emma L, & wife Sarah.) m Scituate Mass. Sarah, dau of Simeon and Hannah (Southworth) Brooks, b do. d E Bos. Oct 29-1887. 1 Sarah Ann, b 1829 d