

Devonshire Haydons were engaged in shipping about the time of the emigration to America. April 15, 1628, "Letters of Marque were issued to ship *Phoenix* of Dartmouth, owned by Captain Ramley Gilbert, but commanded by John Haydon."

Five months later, September 28th, "Letters of Marque were issued to Gideon Haydon and others, owners of the ship *Dove* of Limston (Lymston), 80 tons, commanded by Gideon Haydon."

These entries may possibly serve yet as a clue to the connecting link between the Devonshire and American lines. Those issues occurred about the time the Massachusetts Bay Company was getting organized. Dartmouth and Lymston are in close proximity to the Haydon homes in Devonshire. And the ship *Mary and John*, which in the summer of 1630 brought over our ancestors, William and John Haydon, to Dorchester, sailed from Plymouth, near by. [It may be interesting here also to observe that the ancestor of General Grant came over in the same ship.]

These instances may serve to show the large amount of information which with careful study may yet be brought together in relation to different branches of the family in the old country.

Though belonging to the Braintree line, descending from John. I find I am to-day called upon to speak for the Windsor branch, descended from William, which I am very happy to do, as I am a namesake of his. And I trust that our families will see to it that these two good old Hayden names, William and John, are kept up as in the past, and handed down to the coming generations.