

with Sergeant Sam²⁷, the blacksmith, until they went to Harwinton. Nothing appears to show that they were not at the time of their removal in prosperous circumstances. They left some of the best lands of Windsor, the churches, schools, roads, and the general culture and comfort which had been attained in the river towns in 116 years, to go into a new country, where only a beginning had been made, to struggle on with many of the discomforts experienced by our ancestor William¹ 108 years before on the very ground they were leaving. We can only surmise that Ebenezer's¹¹ "Western lands" were supposed to offer a wider field for David's³¹ enterprise than an old town so nearly finished as Windsor then was, and where land was cheap. Doubtless the father bravely accepted the situation, because of the advantages David¹¹ might reap from the change, and the same spirit has been cropping out in some of every generation of their descendants since. Nor is this branch of the family peculiar in this respect. The first William¹ was the patentee, and all his descendants inherited the right, and many have exercised it, and doubtless there are many new communities yet to start with a Hayden family among them.

David's³¹ work in Harwinton was not one of success financially, though he evidently supposed he had property when he made a will, March 24, 1772; yet when his estate was settled in 1773 it was declared insolvent. It was appraised 181£. 3s. The distributors, in 1773 set out to the widow the household furniture (14£. 2s. 5d.) and the widow's dower in the land. April 8, 1774, it was ordered that "the debt to the colony and the last sickness should be paid in full," "the rest to be paid 11s. 6d. on the £," 57½ per cent. Only one of the sons seem to have remained permanently in Harwinton. The others pushed on to newer fields in the interior of New York.

36. Daniel Hayden, East Windsor (Daniel¹⁶, Daniel⁵, Daniel², William¹); born at Haydens, Nov. 10, 1742; died 1815; married 1767, Tirzah Loomis.

CHILDREN.

92 SARAH, b. Jan. 22, 1767; m. Charles Rockwell, East Windsor.

+ 93 NATHANIEL LOOMIS, b. Oct. 27, 1770; m. Mary Cook, Hartford.