

Gilbert, from Kingston, Mass. Hannah B., was born July 27, 1812, and married to Mr. Dudley July 15, 1832.

He married, 2nd, Violet Landers. He is a Universalist in religion and a farmer, has held various town and county offices, having lived a temperate and honest life, and brought up a family of intelligent and enterprising children. He has written rue a great number of letters. He had cataracts grow upon his eye-balls so as to make him blind, about 1860. This was apparently inherited from his father and grandmother Elizabeth (Gilman) Dudley. She had defective eyesight and seems to have transmitted it to many of her descendants. I remember now that her sons James and Nathaniel, and her daughter Susanna, became blind in their last days, also, in the next generation, several descendants had defective sight. Short, or near, sightedness has reappeared very often, as well as many of the good qualities of the ancestors. Uncle Wm. K. Dudley went to the Boston Eye and Ear Infirmary in 1862 or 3, and got his cataracts removed, so that he sees now from one eye enough to work at farming but not enough to read and write. He still lives at North Freeman.

His children by both wives were as follows:

i. ANNA SMITH,⁸ born in 1833, graduated at the Farmington Female Academy and became a teacher and missionary to the Freedmen at Richmond, Va., where she labored for the colored people, and built churches for them from the time of the Rebellion to about 1875 or 1880. Then she married Rev. L. E. Bates and lives in New York State. ii. HARRIET GILBERT, b. Sept. 25, 1834; d. at 19 unm. iii. LLEWELLYN K., b. July 11, 1836, a jeweller of Newport, Me.; m. Arabella Hight, s. p. iv. JAMES P., b. Oct. 7, 1833, a lumberman of Eustis, Me.; married s. p. v. WM. F., b. Sept. 6, 1840, a soldier of the Union Army of the late War, lost a leg in Battle. vi. MARY P., b. July 29, 1843; m. Thomas M. Parker, trader, Phillips, Me. vii. LUCIEN P., b. Jan. 6, 1845, lumberman, of Kingfield, Me.; m. Miss Page, dau. of Ivory, of New Portland, Me. By second wife: viii. A DAUGHTER d. young. ix. ALICE, m. Harlan Durrell, of Freeman, Me. This lady is now living with her father at North Freeman. She is a nice writer.

130. JOHN⁷ DUDLEY (*Moses,⁶ John,⁵ James,⁴ Stephen,³ Samuel,² Thomas¹*), was born at Raymond, Oct. 8, 1789, and married Miss Sarah Swett, of Maine, and died at Waite, Me., Jan. 25, 1873. He wrote to my grandfather, his uncle, July 7, 1823, from the town of Perry, Washington County, Me., saying that his brother Franklin Dudley was with him, and they had a saw-mill in operation, and commenced sawing in March. Up to the time of his writing, they had sawed 185,000 feet of lumber worth six dollars per thousand. "I have been chosen Surveyor of land for this town. My father sent me a compass, chain-scale, and dividers with Flint's work on surveying. In winter-time I work some at black-smithing, logging, etc., being a kind of Jack at all trades. * * * Tell Edmund I have not forgotten him and mean to write him soon. I have three daughters living. Our little son Moses died two years ago. My commission of Justice of the Peace brings me some business."

Mr. Dudley afterwards sold his estate in Perry, and moved to Waite, Me., in 1832, where he was Postmaster and flourished well.