

Judah and Mercy Wright of Northampton. Mercy, wife of Judah Wright, was daughter of Henry and Eulalia Burt, the English emigrants to Springfield, Mass. Judah Wright, father of Mercy, wife of Samuel Allen, was born May 10, 1642, and the son of Dea. Samuel Wright the emigrant, and is found in Springfield, Mass., Dec. 12, 1639, where he soon became deacon of the first Church there. He removed to Northampton in 1655, and died there 1665. Survived by wife, Mary Wright. He was descended from John Wright of Kelveden, County Essex, England.

Samuel Allen was first of Northampton; he removed thence to Deerfield, where on Dec. 8, 1705, he bought of Samuel Carter the lot later known as the Dr. Willard place, now opposite the Unitarian Church. Carter had bought the place in 1694 with a house on it. The present Dr. Willard house was built in 1768 by Joseph Barnard. In the rear of this house is a small ell, very ancient in appearance and construction, which is probably the same house bought by Samuel Allen, and in which Joseph Allen, the father of Gen. Ethan Allen, was born. Samuel Allen sold this place in 1711 to Samuel Barnard and bought the Hawks place in Wapping (Deerfield), which in turn he sold in 1713, and soon removed to Coventry, Conn., where he died on Oct. 14, 1718. In 1720 his widow, with her children, removed to Litchfield, Conn., where she died Feb. 9, 1728, aged 59. She inherited some property from her father's estate for we find years afterwards that her children sold their several interests to their uncles, Judah and Ebenezer Wright, of Northampton. She purchased quite a