

"This commemorates a member of the family, who, after the execution of the Marquis of Montrose, 1650, secretly removed the head of that nobleman from a spike on the Talbooth, in Edinburgh, upon which it had been placed, and the clouds indicate the mystery, with which his exploit was regarded."

About the first of May, 1890, the death of Baron Hammond, son of George Hammond, of England, was announced; but whether there is any consanguinity between the above named "Hammonds," and Thomas Hammond, of Lavenham, the writer has not the facts before him. As there were two persons, living at the same time (about 1600) bearing the name "William," their families have been somewhat mixed, by historians, as they easily might be.

William of Lavenham, William of London; William of Lavenham married Elizabeth; William of London married Elizabeth; William of Lavenham married Elizabeth Payne; William of London married Elizabeth Penn, and the two Elizabeths, with three or four children, each, came to America in 1634.

It is not the intention to trace the line of descent farther than the paternal and maternal line runs parallel between them.

**WILLIAM 2 HAMMOND** (Thomas 1. of Lavenham, England,) b. in 1575. m. Elizabeth Payne, June 6, 1605. The Lavenham Register, (says Dr. R. Hammond, of Campello, Mass.) gives them eight children, of whom the first three died young. Anne b. about 1616; Thomas, who continues the line, b. Sept. 17, 1618; Elizabeth b. 1619; Sarah b. 1624; John b. 1627; the first two, Anne and Thomas, both came to America, somehow, possibly and probably with their father, William, who