

12. *Rufus*, b. March 16th, 1807; m. Dorcas Mathews, daughter of George and Nancy (Scott) Mathews, Dec. 20th, 1832. She was born Oct. 10th, 1810; died April 8th, 1890. He died May 8th, 1873. Buried at Poland, O.

12½. *Almon*, b. April 22d, 1809; died Feb. 17th, 1810. Buried at Barkhamsted.

a. Third daughter of Elam and Sarah (Hyde¹) Jones. He was born in Barkhamsted, Conn., Sept. 29th, 1774; m. Sarah Hyde, April 27th, 1801. She was born May 18th, 1776; died August 30th, 1870. He died December 3rd, 1851; buried at Hartford, O. Elam Jones emigrated to Hartford, O., in 1805; arrived in Hartford, July 4th, after a journey of forty-three days. His father was Samuel Jones, who was born in Enfield, Conn., July 31st, 1749; m. Ruth Ackley, Dec. 7th, 1773; and resided in Barkhamsted, Conn. He died March 29th, 1822; buried—probably—at East Hartland, Conn. His father was Capt. Israel Jones who was born in Enfield, March 18th. 1715-16; m., Jemima Clark, Nov. 29th, 1744; moved to Barkhamsted about 1759 and was the second settler in that town. He died Dec. 28th, 1798. His wife died June 3rd, 1788. His father was Lieut. Thomas Jones of Enfield. He was born in 1680; m. Mary Meacham, April 14th, 1708. She was born in 1685; died Nov. 8th. 1744. He died Nov. 4th, 1763. The records show that he was a man of influence and more than ordinary ability. He was Ensign and later Lieutenant in the Enfield Train Band; was selectman from 1711 to 1738; one of a church committee to settle difficulties between the church and their pastor, the Rev. Nathaniel Collins in August 1713; one of a committee to influence Mr. Collins to lay down the work of the ministry in March 1731-22; appointed moderator of town meetings 14 times between 1726 and 1743; was town measurer of land, 1723-1734; was Tythingman 1734-1737; one of a committee to seat the meeting house 1739; Delegate from Enfield to the Connecticut General Assembly May, 1750. His father, Benjamin Jones of Enfield, was born in Gloucester, Mass., July 31st, 1651; m. Elizabeth ———; and died June 25th, 1718. This Benjamin Jones, was the father of Benjamin Jones of Somers; was a soldier in "King Philip's war" in 1675; received his first grant of land in Enfield, (which then belonged to Mass.,) Nov. 8th, 1686, which consisted of a "home lot, twelve acres; field land forty acres; and meadows four acres, on condition that he come with his family and settle the next spring." His son Benjamin who m. Ann Pryor, with several other members of the family settled Somers, where Benjamin Sr., owned a large tract of land. It does not appear that Benjamin Sr., ever lived in Somers; but lived and died in Enfield street. This home lot of twelve acres was situated on the east of Enfield street and was between the lot of Thomas Howard on the north and James Harwood on the south. The home lot went to his son Thomas at his death; and on this lot he lived and probably died, though he may have gone to Somers in his last days where the most of his children resided. Benjamin Jones Sr., seems to have devoted his attention to his own business and to caring for his children, who grew up an honor to their parents. Benjamin's father was Thomas Jones of Gloucester, Mass. We find no American record back of the birth of his son Thomas Jr., who was born March 25th, 1640. Thomas Jones of Gloucester m. Mary North, daughter of Richard North, and probably emigrated with a colony from Gloucester, England. Tradition says the family were Welsh; which is undoubtedly correct. Gloucester records show that "Thomas Jones deceased the 11th of 7th mo: 71." "Mary Jones deceased the 4th of 12th mo: 81."