

## LYDIA SAWIN'S POSTERITY.

## § 1.—LYDIA'S CHILDREN.

JONAS TWICHELL, born between 1745 and 1756, went to Maine.—LYDIA TWICHELL, b. within the same period, died before 1798, and no more is known of her.—DANIEL TWICHELL, born 1757, and was apprenticed to a saddler. He rallied for his country, was in the battles of Lexington and Breed's Hill, where he barely escaped through the water, having tarried till the last moment in an attempt to recapture a brass cannon; and continuing in the army till April 1, 1780, he was in other battles, in the latter years as orderly sergeant. Passing through Middlebury, Vt., he became enamored of the country, where he afterward established with Timothy Williams a saddler's shop and store, 1790. Meanwhile he had settled in Weston, Mass., having m. Eunice Childs,\* 1784. After the birth of three ch. in Weston, he passed two summers in Middlebury, then abandoned his trade, removed his family to Weybridge, Vt., 1793, and worked his farm and a "potash." Almost in the outset of his farming career, he was arrested in the woods by the fall of a huge elm limb athwart the left side of his head, which injured the skull, destroyed one eye, suspended speech for six weeks, broke the force of his health, and partially crushed his enterprising spirit. After this 3 ch. were born to him in W.; but he was less prosperous, sold his farm, bought another, and again sold; and then purchased a farm of wild land, with only a log cabin, in New Haven, Vt. The next year, July, 1800, consumption closed his life, and his 7 ch. were left to struggle into manhood as his father's children had done. His posterity are characterized as very large and muscular, prosperous and in comfort, sober and discreet; and nearly all are singers, and many of them pious.

## § 2.—OFFSPRING OF DANIEL, SON OF LYDIA.

LYDIA TWICHELL, 1785–1845, m. David Everts Griswold,† farmer and coal maker, 1810; r. New Haven, Vt. 9 years, where 4 ch. were b.; Waltham, Vt., 5 ys. where 3 ch. were b.; New Haven, again 5 ys.; parents and Edwin 9 months in Ill. 1830; in 1831 with his brother-in-law and both families removed to Applecreek Prairie, Green Co., Ill., where the father was living, 1853; she was a devout Epis. Methodist from the age of 40 until the Mormons came into her vicinity, and taking advantage of her recent dream, turned her faith to their delusions, in which she died.—*Melissa Abigail Griswold*,‡ 1812, Meth. emigrated to Ill. 1837, m. Wm. P. Burroughs, far. and mechanic, 1832, 7 ch.; Cornelius E., 1833 infant, at Applec. P.; daughter, 1835; David Wm., 1837, N. Haven; daughter, 1840, String Prairie, Ill.; Damon R., 1841–50, Str. P.; Solon Edgar, 1850–52, Str. P.; Sarah Ellen, 1852–53, of whom only one survives;—*Sophia Louisa*, 1813, Pres. old sch., m. Ransom Swallow, clothier and far., 1834, and became a widow 1845, 5 ch.; Diodama and sister, 1836, d. 1838, Whitehall, Ill.; Geo. R., 1839, Wh.; Albert, 1842, Manchester, Ill.; Lydia Ann, 1845, Man.—*Oscar Damon Griswold*, 1815, m. Luthera Swallow, 1834, and settled in Applecreek Prairie, 3 ch.; Oscar, 1835–38 at Castleton, Vt.;

\* Of Samuel Child the 8th dau., b. 1760, Weston.

† He was son of David and Submit, early settlers of Waltham, Vt.; David, senior, and his three brothers, John, Nathan, and Adonijah, were by the Indians carried to Quebec and kept 3 years; her father Luther Everts and family fled back to Salisbury, Mass., after burying their goods. After peace they resumed their farm in W., and David and 2 brs. also returned. He died 1820, æ 59, in New Haven, where she also d. 1824.

‡ To whom we are indebted for much of this section.