

and in 1806 "the four-wheeled carriage and four miles to meeting." She united with the Cong. church in 1790, and was a member of Bible, Miss'y, and Temp. Societies. Having sent out three children to found other homes, they deeded their own to their son Gilman, with provisions for their old age, and in 1828 six years after, he left all the loved and loving, dying in a land of liberty and among a people of religious habits, which he had always sought to nourish and perpetuate. — The mother was remembered by her country and received a pension of \$26 annually for 11 years, and afterward \$24. She became more frail and sickly, but being carefully nourished by her son, and in her own quiet room by her youngest daughter, she continued through a widowhood of 28 years, until, 1856, when full of infirmities and her work long ago done she fell asleep, and was laid down one with New England's pious and blessed dead. She had nourished her children in the stern virtues of industry, truthfulness, and justice, and seen the seeds of piety she had sown growing in all her children and many of her children's children. She was one of the very few of the FIFTH generation who saw the middle of the nineteenth century.

APPENDIX D.—See page 11.

REV. A. A. SAWIN was one of those very few who have lifted themselves out of very adverse circumstances into a life of letters and professional usefulness. His home was a place of misrule and cruelty, his mother being finally driven from it and from her children. But he thought for her happiness and for her children's. By assiduity to books and public speaking he became a successful minister in the best of causes, the proclamation of God in the mission of Jesus. As accessory means to his early chosen purpose, he traveled two years at the West in the beginning of his ministry, and afterwards canvassed Vermont with improved school books, which he triumphantly introduced into its schools. Not only himself did he thus help, but aided his suffering sister Susan and snatched his youngest brother from a home of confusion. He was first "settled" as a pastor in the Baptist church of Ticonderoga, N. Y., and then in Colchester, Vt., two years each, and itinerated elsewhere.*

In 1851 he was in England, at the World's Fair in London, and having our subject upon his mind made some researches, coming to the conclusion "that there are no Sawins in England;" but this is probably premature.

Soon after his return, he became pastor of the church in Bristol, Vt., Jan., 1852. During his residence there, he left his benign influence upon the Addison Co. Bap. Association, of which he was Clerk and Treasurer. The history from his pen of the Bap. Ch. in Bridport, (in Minutes of 1852,) bears the marks of a scholarly head and a Christian heart.

Thence he returned to the West as a missionary, and in 1857 gathered a church in Clinton, Iowa, then only two years old with 1500 inhabitants! Though he revisited Mass. in 1859, to adjust his property and traverse the haunts of his childhood, he was still shedding the light of learning and piety in the Great Valley, until, as the Am. and For. Bib. Society report, he died, one of their members, at Irving, Benton Co., Io., May 19, 1864. — We miss thee, brother, — thy buoyant, social, hopeful, sympathetic, devout, and toiling soul.

APPENDIX E.—See page 14.

MISS BETSEY BACON, born in her grandfather David's house, and oldest of his only five grandchildren, has passed her days there with the exception of a few years spent in Gardner with her parents. She has not precisely inherited his old estate, but rather earned it by affectionate assiduity to him and his in their old age. The death of her father, 1838, and mother, 1855, did not so much af-

* He took part in the ordination of Rev. N. Cyr, at Grand Lign, Can., Aug. 29, 1849; and that of Rev. M. H. Bixby, Williston, Vt., Sept. 13, same year.