

## GENEALOGY.

Rev. James Noyes, the immigrant ancestor of our branch of the numerous Noyes family in this country, was born in Choulderton, Wiltshire, England, in 1608, came to New England in 1634, and died in Newbury, Mass., October 22, 1656, in the forty-eighth year of his age. His father, Rev. William Noyes, was rector of the parish of Choulderton, situated between Amesbury and Andover, near the great Salisbury Cathedral, built in 1220, whose lofty tower overlooks the dead Roman city of Sarum and "Stonehenge," the ruins of the wonderful prehistoric temple of the ancient Celtic Druids, in the midst of Salisbury Plain. The register of the diocese shows that he officiated in the parish from 1602 to 1621, when he resigned and was succeeded by Rev. Nathan Noyes, possibly a son or nephew. The wife of Rev. William and mother of our immigrant ancestor, was sister of Rev. Robert Parker, a learned Puritan divine and a graduate of Oxford, who was driven to Holland for non-conformity. Our ancestor, Rev. James, married in 1634 Sarah, eldest daughter of Mr. Joseph Brown, of Southampton, England, and in March of that year embarked for New England, in company with his brother Nicholas and his cousin Thomas Parker, in the ship "Mary and John," of London. He preached first at Medford, Mass., where he was made a freeman September 3, 1634; then for a time officiated at the Watertown church, and in 1635 he went to Newbury, where he preached until his death. His will was dated October 17, 1656, five days before his death, the inventory showing a good estate. His widow survived until September 13, 1691.

### CHILDREN.

1. JOSEPH<sup>d</sup>, born Oct. 15, 1637, died in Newbury, 1717; married first in 1662, Mary, daughter of Robert Darvell, by whom he had 8