

ROBERT FIELD, in the settlement of Flushing, including a notice of his ancestors, was deposited with the records of the town of Flushing, where they remained more than a hundred years, when unfortunately, in the year 1789, the building in which they were deposited, with all its contents, was destroyed by fire. Much valuable information was thus irretrievably lost, but the descendants of ROBERT FIELD, or at least some of them, had, for their own satisfaction, obtained from these records a list of their ancestors, back to JOHN FIELD, the astronomer. These lists were very defective on some accounts, containing little more than the names of the parties with the years of their birth, not furnishing any account of their occupations, and in many instances, no date as to the time of their death. These omissions continued to about the year 1700.

The old gentleman on leaving, said he would call again in a few days, when he would like to obtain a memorandum of the ancestors of ROBERT FIELD, and that, in return, he could furnish some interesting accounts of the Massachusetts branch of the FIELD family. He left his card and stated that he was residing temporarily with a friend of his in Harlem, whose place he described with an intimation that he would be gratified with a call from JOSIAH FIELD, if he should at any time be in that vicinity.

JOSIAH FIELD was anticipating a call from his old friend but new acquaintance for some weeks, but he did not make his appearance. JOSIAH FIELD finally called on a relative of his, to go with him to Harlem and look after him. On reaching the place, they learned that the old gentleman had a day or two previously gone to Troy to spend a few days with the intention of returning very soon. He, however, never did return. He died suddenly, either at Troy, or on his way back.

JOSIAH FIELD mislaid his card, but was pretty certain the old gentleman's name was HENRY FIELD.

JOSIAH FIELD, died some years since at about the age of 84 years.