

Phelps, one of the colonists who came over from England in order that they might enjoy greater liberty of conscience in the New World. He came to this country in the same vessel with William Gaylord in 1690, and settled with him in New Windsor, Conn. Lynde Phelps was of Scotch descent, and the family at one time bore the name of Philips. His father's name was Joshua. He died before the writer was born.

His mother's name was Hannab Birge, a woman of superior mind, combined with great firmness and decision of character, and blended with gentleness and refinement. She was better educated than the generality of women who lived at her day. She and her husband removed to Burlington, Conn., after their marriage, and raised a family of seven daughters and two sons, all of them bearing more or less traits of the Scotch character modified and softened by the gentleness and refinement of the mother. She was truly a "mother in Israel," whose children arose up to "call her blessed." She lived to the good old age of ninety-six.

Lorena, youngest daughter of Aaron Gaylord, and wife of Lynde Phelps, was the mother of seven children, all daughters.

Marilla, the eldest, married Chauncey