

recently at the corner of Essex and Cambridge Streets. He set sail, 17 June, 1734, from Salem to Virginia, and there was made manager of the estates of his cousin Thomas, sixth Lord Fairfax, who had become possessed of them by inheritance, through his mother, Catherine, daughter of Lord Culpepper. At first he took up his residence in Westmoreland County, Va., but subsequently removed to a beautiful plantation of nearly two thousand acres on the Potomac, called Belvoir, fourteen miles below Alexandria, whither came, as a frequent and favored guest, a youth destined, in a score or two of years, to become "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen."

Besides superintending the affairs of his cousin, Mr.

Susanna, the wife of John Touzell (see Bulletin of Essex Inst., Vol. I, page 76, also Essex Reg. Deeds, Book 5, fol. 283), and from her it passed to her daughter Mary, the wife of William Hathorne, and for many years it was in the possession of that branch of this family.

In the taking down of this house in May, 1872, the various alterations and additions were traced from the original, located about fifteen feet from the street, with two rooms and an entry between, and the projecting second story in front, and a lean-to in the rear.

The following deposition from the manuscripts on file in the Library of the Institute confirms this tradition:—

"The Deposition of Christian Swasey, formerly Christian Legree, who saith That about five years ago she Lived with Capt. John Touzell and Susanna his wife in the House Mr. Fairfax now dwells in in Salem, and that Mr. Phillip English, the Father of the said Susannah. Then dwelt with Them in said House, and That she Then & There att Diverse Times heard the said Phillip English Say to his Daughter Susannah Touzell I give you all my Household goods and att Several Times when he said So He also bid Her fetch it up every Thing from his House to Her House, To which She Replied she had not House Room Enough to Hold it and That about four years Since They all removed Down to the House where They now Live, & That she often Times since has heard the said English' say He had Given all his Household Goods to his Daughter Touzell for her & her children.

The Mark.

Christian X Swasey.

Essex, ss. Aug. 2, 1733.

Then Christian Swasey made oath to the truth of the foregoing Deposition (Philip English Jr. & Wm. Brown being present at the Caption who objected that their Father Mr. Phillip English sen. hath not for these several years past been of a sound & Disposing Mind) and this evidence is Taken to be in Perpetuum rei memoriam.

Benj. Lynde } Justice of
Benj. Lynde Jun. } Quorum unus."