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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

To the living descendants of Robert Greene,* who lived in Wales, Mass., in the early settlement of that town, we offer this imperfect sketch of his posterity.

We have prepared it, not for publication, but to gather and preserve for the benefit of the family, the perishing fragments that remain to tell us of a worthy and honored ancestry.

It is meet that we who are now reaping a rich harvest of benefits from the life-long trials of our ancestors, should not only manifest a grateful recognition of their toils and struggles, but endeavor to make a record of such facts, that shall go down to posterity.

It is to be hoped that this feeble effort will bring together a circle of relatives and friends whom time and distance has estranged, if not rendered ignorant of each other's existence. To further this purpose, we call upon all interested parties to collect and communicate any information which will enable us to supply defects, fill vacancies, and thereby render as complete as possible, a work which, at best, is scarcely begun.

*NOTE—The use of the final E in spelling the name Greene, was used in the records, and as it is in conformity with the ancient orthography we think it correct; but it seems to have been used or omitted in this country to suit the taste of the individual.