

Recd. May 30, 1781, of the Treasurer, the contents of the above order, being twelve shillings and nine pence.

SAMUEL WILLIAMS, *Captain*.

FOSTER.

I. JOHN FOSTER, SR., was born in England in 1626. He came to this country with a Company, including Roger Conant, Christopher Foster, and others, who landed first at Weymouth, but soon after removed to the north shore of Cape Cod bay. Married in Salem in 1646, Martha Tompkins. The first record of John Foster, in Salem, was in 1657. He was a blacksmith, and also a "husbandman." He

He reared a family of four daughters, and nine sons, who grew up to mature age. He died in Salem, in 1688, aged 62 years. Will dated Mar. 14, 1688. Inventory 136.

II. HON. JOHN FOSTER, the second son of John and Martha Tompkins Foster, was born in Salem, in 1650; married Mary Stuart, March 18, 1672, who died in 1690. Married 2d, Mary Pomeroy, July 12, 1692. He was a blacksmith, an active influential citizen; a Justice of the Peace, and Moderator of town meetings.

He reared a family of six sons and six daughters.

Will dated Jan. 30, 1707, Inventory, 336. He died and was buried in Salem in June, 1714, aged 64 years.

III. MAJOR JOHN FOSTER, son of John and Mary Stuart Foster, was born in Salem, Nov. 15, 1680; married Margaret Ware, daughter of Robert and Sarah Metcalf Ware; born in Wrentham, June 16, 1685. She died and was buried in South Attleboro, Nov. 4, 1761. He was a blacksmith, also surveyor, Justice of the Peace, and Moderator of town meetings, many successive years, and Representative to the General Court, from Attleboro.

He reared a family of nine sons and six daughters.

He died and was buried, in South Attleboro, Dec. 24, 1759, aged 79 years. His tomb-stone was standing in 1906.