

APPENDIX VII.

DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD AND ABIGAIL STOCKTON.*

I. RICHARD STOCKTON, of Flushing, Long Island, and afterwards of Oneanickon, Springfield Township, Burlington County, New Jersey, who is presumed to have been a descendant of John Stockton, Esquire, of Keddington, previously referred to, arrived at Flushing from England some time prior to November 8, 1656, when his name appears in a petition of some of the inhabitants of that town requesting the release of William Wickendom, who had been fined and imprisoned for preaching without license.

Richard Stockton was a freeholder of the town; in 1665 appointed lieutenant of the Horse Company of Flushing, and in 1669 elected lieutenant of the Foot Company of the same place, which latter appointment the Governor allowed him to decline on account of his previous employment in the Horse service. About this time, or shortly afterwards, he became a member of the Society of Friends, and in 1690 removed to New Jersey, purchasing the Oneanickon estate, which consisted of about 2000 acres in Springfield Township, Burlington County. In 1694 he disposed of his property at Flushing for the consider-

* Compiled principally from the records of wills, conveyances, births, marriages, and deaths, and reliable information obtained from several members of the family, though the compiler is indebted to Mr. J. W. Stockton's history of the Princeton branch of this family for his account of the descendants of Richard Stockton the Signer, and his brother, the Rev. Philip Stockton. This is, of course, not even a full list of the descendants of Richard and Abigail Stockton bearing the name of Stockton, but is inserted here as the compiler believes it to be accurate as far as it goes, and very nearly complete in the first four generations. He hopes, however, some time to publish a full and complete history of the American Stocktons, and will be glad to correspond with any descendants of the family who may feel disposed to assist him in any way.—W. F. C.