

ANCESTRAL RECORD
OF THE
AUTHOR OF THE HAYDEN GENEALOGY.

The following Record will possess a degree of interest to others, by showing the contrast between tracing the descendants of "one of the first settlers" and reversing the order and tracing the ancestors of one of the descendants, through the same number of generations back to several of "the first settlers." I am of the seventh generation, and except where the lines have crossed each other and the same ancestor appears two or more times, I have had 126 ancestors this side the sea (not all discovered yet). Those who belong to the eighth generation have had twice as many. Number 1,024. Margaret Alger Hayden, of the tenth generation, has had (with the exception before mentioned) 1,020 ancestors.

The record shows that it is not altogether a figure of speech when we call "the first settlers" our fathers, and when we consider that the individual existence of each of us hung on the question of the union of our own parents with each other, and that not one link in the chain of unions which binds us to "the first settlers" could be dropped out without dropping us out, the record suggests a startling proposition. My own life was as much at stake in the Pequot fight 251 years ago as were the lives of either William Hayden or Capt. Mason.

JABEZ HASKELL HAYDEN, Windsor Locks, Conn.; born Dec. 20, 1811.
Son of

1. Levi Hayden, Haydens.
 2. Wealthy Haskell, Windsor.
1. LEVI HAYDEN, Haydens; born July 31, 1773; died Jan. 30, 1839, æ. 65.
3. Levi Hayden, Haydens.
 4. Margaret Strong, Windsor.
2. WEALTHY HASKELL, Windsor; born Dec. 13, 1776; died Feb. 16, 1861, æ. 84.
5. Jabez Haskell, Windsor.
 6. Elizabeth Bissell, Haydens.