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Joe Barber's Column

This letter is being started to facilitate the exchange of research information among Jabez descendants and to encourage and assist with ongoing research.

The "Genealogy of the Olmsted Family in America 1632-1912" (GOFA) doesn't have a great deal of information on the Jabez line. No doubt many receiving this first newsletter can add new information or corrections as GOFA is known to contain errors. If you have problems in your research share them with us as well in the queries section, maybe another descendant will have information for you or have suggestions for other research to do.

Those familiar with GOFA will recognize the first line of page 390 which says "the ancestry of Jabez Olmsted who was born about 1690 is one of the unsolved genealogical problems". Various theories were set forth at the time this statement was published and while others have been developed since, conclusive proof as to the ancestry of Jabez is still missing.

Ariel Crowley, a Jabez descendant, in past years did a great deal of research into Jabez Olmsted/Crowley ancestry. Much of this research is now available from the Latter Day Saints library system in a series of microfilm. Most of the Olmstead research is on films -1,035,675; 1,035,677; and 1,035,748. Crowley came up with at least two theories:

That Jabez descended from Richard (vicar of

Dennington, Suffolk) and his wife Elizabeth Hawes. This Richard was born in 1576 at Bocking, Essex. In the Tree Leaves issue of April 1975 William J. Olmstead, a Certified Genealogist, also concluded that Jabez descended from Richard, vicar of Dennington.

A second theory was the German ancestry theory that Jabez descended from Nicholas Umstead (or Umstadt) who died at Crefeld, Germany in 1682.

Our group may not make any progress in proving the ancestry of Jabez. On the other hand, with the indexing and cataloguing of research material which is now available, research is probably easier and more productive now than it has ever been.

Present plans are to have two letters per year and the cost of production & distribution on this basis is estimated at \$5.00 US or \$7.50 Can. per addressee. To make this venture a success we hope you will subscribe and also that you will send us items to include in future letters. Articles should be documented. If you know of others who are not on this initial list who you think would be interested in participating, tell us about them as well. You can contact either Carl Hommel or Joe Barber. We would appreciate receiving comments on this newsletter.

JABEZ OLMSTED OF WARE

We plan to commence a series of articles, compiled from the published histories of various Central and Western Massachusetts Towns, that contain references to Jabez and his family. We will start with "History of Ware, Massachusetts, 1911, by Arthur Chase. There are too many pages in Chase about Jabez to print them all in the first issue of the newsletter. Sometimes the Olmsted name has an 'a' in it, and sometimes it does not, and sometimes there is no 'l'. It is copied exactly as was in Chase. I

have interjected some notes of my own in the text, in brackets, signed COH.

Page 7 of Chase

Saw and grist mills were established at the falls on Ware River soon after 1729 by Jabez Olmsted. These are believed to be the earliest mills within the territory.

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DEATH OF WILLIAM OLMSTEAD

The GOFA, in its article on Jabez, mentions that Sheldon's History of Deerfield contains an accounting of the death of William Olmstead, who was killed by Indians in 1704. Sheldon's account is as follows:

"July 31st, a scout was ambushed near Westfield, and two Connecticut soldiers, William Olmstead and one Benton, killed. Another English scout coming up soon after, killed in turn two of the Indians".

Reference: Sheldon, George, "A History of Deerfield, Massachusetts: The Times When and the People by Whom it was Settled, Unsettled and Resettled; with a Special Study of the Indian Wars in the Connecticut Valley, with Genealogies", Deerfield, MA, 1895. p. 322.

The same episode was related as follows by Judd.:

"July 31, 1704, Capt. Allen of Connecticut lost 2 men, Benton & Olmstead between Northfield & Westfall, & killed 2 Indians, - John Hawks of Deerfield wounded".

Reference: Judd, Sylvester, "History of Hadley, Including the Family History of Hatfield, South Hadley, Amherst and Granbury, Massachusetts", Springfield, 1905.

QUIZ

One of the features of our newsletter will be a quiz, to test your knowledge of the Olmsted Family. The answer to the quiz is elsewhere in the newsletter. Contributions for future quizzes are welcome. Answers should be documented.

First Quiz:

What is the relationship of Thankful Barnes, Jabez's wife, to Longfellow's Wayside Inn?

CONSTABLE JABEZ OF BROOKFIELD

Jabez Olmsted was a Constable in Brookfield in 1720. In May of that year, Benj. Walker and Hopskill Hinds of Brookfield killed a wolf, and brought its head to the Constable, who cut off its ears in the presence of the selectman, who then ordered the bounty be paid.

One of the selectman was Jabez's father-in-law, Thomas Barnes, and one of the others was his brother-in-law, Samuel Barnes.

Reference: Roy, Louis E. , "History of East Brookfield, Massachusetts 1680-1970", The Heffernan Press, Worcester, MA, 1970.

HISTORY OF NORTH BROOKFIELD

J. H. Temple's, "History of North Brookfield, Massachusetts", 1887, contains three references to Jabez Olmsted, one of which is quite interesting. Sometimes Temple spells Olmsted an 'a' in it, and sometimes without. I copied it exactly as it was in the reference. I have added a note of my own at the end, in brackets, indicated by COH.

Page 179 of Temple

At the meeting of the Committee for Brookfield, September 4, 1713:

"Granted to new comers.....80 acres of land to Jabez Olmsted (In a valley between the two Mohawk Hills and partly on them.)

Page 194 of Temple

Jabez Olmsted's property tax in 1717 was 1£ 8 p, of a total tax of 200£. His was 18th highest, out of 121 on the tax rolls.

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THE OLD FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR, 1744-1749

War was declared by France against England, Mar. 15, 1744; and on the 29th, England declared war against France in return. This contest between the powers over the water, meant for New England a war with the Indians, with a repetition of all the atrocities and distress of former struggles with the savages .

Brookfield was no longer a frontier town. Leicester, Sturbridge, Brimfield, Western and Hardwick had been planted on her borders, and served as sentinels and guards. And settlements had been pushed up the Connecticut valley towards Canada, as far as Walpole and Charlestown, where the brunt of first assaults must be borne. The part which our people took in this war was chiefly to furnish officers for field expeditions, and soldiers to defend the distant frontier forts.

The declaration of war took the Provinces by surprise, and in a measure unprepared. Defensive forts were hastily constructed in most of the towns; and a continuous line of fortifications was built from Groton as far west as Adams. Fire-arms were put in repair; and the old men "fought their battles o'er again ", to arouse the spirit and courage of the young.

At the March meeting, 1745, Brookfield *voted*, "To choose a committee to require and receive the former Town Stock; of Ammunition; and to make a tax on polls and estates of 110 pounds, old tenor, to provide a new Stock of Ammunition."

Some of the old garrisons, particularly Gilbert's fort, must have been still in serviceable condition. And at least one new fort was built within our limits. This was "The old French Fort," which stood on the top of Coy's hill. Mrs. Eunice P. Cutter of Warren, who was born near by, has often heard her father and the old people describe the fort, the foundations of which had not wholly disappeared in her childhood. It was located on what is still known as " Rich land," north of the Powers' place. Probably it was what was termed a *mount*, i.e., a heavily timbered building, 18 or 20 feet square, and two stories high, with a look-out at the top surrounded by a balustrade and covered with a roof. These structures sometimes formed one corner of a stockade. The one in question appears to

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Jabez OLMSTED OF WARE continued

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Jeremiah Olmsted, who had received a Hundred acre lot adjoining the farm of his father, Jabez Olmsted, which later comprised the Hollingsworth Grant. Jabez in 1739 sells the farm, (described in the deed as the 100 acre lot granted him by the General Court in 1733)

Pages 47-following of Chase

In the following year[NOTE-1729. COH] the tract [NOTE-Above was a detailed description of the property, which was not copied. COH] was conveyed to Jabez Omstead of Brookfield for £400, at a handsome profit to Jonas Clarke. [NOTE - Although this price seems strange, remembering that at the time of Jabez's death in 1752, his estate was worth £269, it must be noted that he had given most of it to his children before his death. COH] A careful study of the Hollingsworth Tract has brought the writer [Chase] to an unexpected conclusion in regard to its original location. The plan of Mr. Samuel Prince's farm, surveyed in 1714, gives but two important landmarks by which to determine its location, Muddy Brook and the Hadley Road. One naturally asks why the Ware River was not indicated on the plan, for that is a landmark about which there never could be any question. If the surveyors crossed the river in measuring off the tract they could hardly have failed to indicate it. So the question arises, did they cross the river? Following the specifications given on the plot, and drawing the Prince Farm to the scale of a map of the whole town, it immediately becomes apparent that if Muddy Brook entered the farm at the point indicated by the survey, the farm would not include the falls of the river. Furthermore, when the Hadley Road was projected in its most ancient position, running straight across the town, or as nearly so as possible, from the narrows off the Ware River to Swift River Bridge, it was found that the two landmarks corresponded, the Hadley Road leaving the Prince Farm just where the latter touched the edge of the Manour (though the Manour was not plotted until nearly two years later). Thus locating the farm by the brook and the road, we find that it does not reach to the Ware River at all.

Samuel Prince, for whom the plat was made, sold the farm to Thomas Clarke, and he in turn sold it to Jonas Clarke. Thus it had changed hands twice before it was bought by Jabez Omstead; and Omstead was the first to locate on the tract, doing so just fifteen years after the plot was drawn. It is not likely that a single one of the corner bounds was recognizable after so many years, and the farm had to be practically relocated. What more natural than that Omstead should have run his lines so as to include the most desirable territory that was available? As a matter of fact, he did run them so as to include the falls of the river.

The later survey of 1742 of the Marsh Tract and part of Kingston locates the Omstead farm, not where theoretically it should be, but where it actually was, for Omstead had then been in possession twelve years. Instead of the Hadley Road running through the middle of the farm, as indicated in the plat of 1714, it actually ran along its northern boundary.

Tradition has it that Jabez Omstead built a house just on the west side of Ware River at the end of the ancient bridge above the village. The cellar-hole, long an object of interest and curiosity, has recently been filled up in grading for the road through Grenville Park. Great quantities of ashes mixed with the earth about the spot lead to the speculation that Jabez set up a leach near his house for the manufacture of potash - an industry pursued by the early settlers in their spare time to a considerable extent.¹

¹ Jabez sold his farm in Brookfield July 9, 1729, which helps us fix the date of his removal to Ware. Apparently a later house was erected east of the Bank - "It was a large two story house, called 'the Great House' and was standing when the first movements were made to erect factories here in 1813. Mr. Demond occupied it for a year or more, and it stood till 1821." [Hyde, Hist. Add.]

To Jabez Omstead is due the credit for establishing the first mills, locating them at the point in the river now occupied by Stevens's dam. There are no means at hand for determining the date of the establishment of Omstead's Mills. Hayward's Mill in Brookfield was set up before 1708; a grist-mill was put in at the falls in Western (now Warren) about 1720. In 1731 a saw-mill was in operation at the outlet of Potaquatuck Pond (Forest Lake) and a grist-mill in 1737. In 1736 a grist-mill was erected on Steward Southgate's mill-lot on the Ware River, south-west of Potaquatuck Pond. It is supposed that Omstead's Mills antedated these last-named, and were the first mills erected on the Elbow Tract.

The earliest reference to them that I [Chase] have found occurs in a deed dated 1743, when Jabez, "in consideration of the tender respect I bear unto my loving son Israel Omstead," gives him 942 acres of land "on the East side of Ware River, beginning at the end of the bridge below the mill." Nine years later, in 1752, Jabez Omstead for £50 sells to Job Lane of Brookfield, "the one half of my Grist-mill and Stream on Ware River at the falls where the Mill now stands with all privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

Jabez Omstead died in 1753. In 1759 certain of his heirs, Noah Gilbert and Sarah Gilbert, husbandman and spinster, both of Ware, for £233, 6, 8, sell to Isaac Magoon the tract known as the Omstead farm, "with appurtenances and privileges to the same belonging, viz. House and Barn, Saw mill and Grist mill with all the appurtenances to them belonging." Exception is made of the rights and titles of the heirs of Martha Omstead, wife of Thomas Hommond, and of Thankful Omstead, wife of Timothy Brown. Ruth Brown of Palmer in the same year sells to Magoon her share in "the estate of my honored Grandfather, Jabez Omstead late of Ware River," for £2, 8. Quitclaims of the other heirs I [Chase] have not found.²

² Large portions of the original tract were sold at various times by Jabez Olmstead, and much of his estate given to his children before his death. Previous to this sale, in 1758, Jeremiah Omstead for £15 quitclaimed his share in the estate of Jabez Omstead, his father, to Noah Gilbert of Ware River Parish.

NORTH BROOKFIELD continued

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have been a part of, or adjacent to Rich's tavern, a noted hostelry on this height of land on the old Hadley road.

Col. Joseph Dwight of Brookfield took an important and honorable part in this war. He was commander of the Ninth Mass. regiment, in the memorable expedition against Louisburg in 1745, the success of which was the distinguishing feature of this war. He was commissioned Brigadier General by Gov. Shirley, Feb. 10, 1745; and in the active operations of the siege had command of the artillery, who, in order to bring their fire upon an undefended part of the town, were forced to draw their cannon by hand across a morass, where oxen and horses could not be used. The siege lasted 49 days; and the fort capitulated June 17. Gen. Dwight received special commendation from Sir Wm Pepperell; and June 20, was appointed judge of a Court of Admiralty.

Capt. Jabez Olmstead took part in this expedition. He

commanded 10th Co. in Col. Samuel Willard's 4th Mass. regiment. James Fry was 1st Lieut.; and John Bell 2d Lieut. Edmund Bemis of Spencer was also a Lieut. in this Expedition. Bell and Bemis were armorers, and were allowed wages as such from Apr. 17, to June 17. Bell was allowed 7 pounds 6 shillings and 6 pence, old tenor, "on account of his sickness after his first return from Louisburg." The French had spiked their guns before surrendering, thus making them unserviceable; but Bemis built a wood fire around the breech, which so dilated the metal, that the spike was readily driven in, without injury. His ingenuity was rewarded by a handsome premium.

Jonathan Clary of Brookfield enlisted in Capt. Olmstead's Co. as drummer, Feb. 15, and died at Cape Breton June 7.

[NOTE - It should be noted that this expedition against Louisburg was the first time that an American Colonial army defeated a European army without receiving help from other Europeans! It is ironic that in the peace Louisburg was returned to the French.. COH]

VITAL RECORDS OF WARE

We plan to feature a series of articles showing selected portions of the Vital Records of various Massachusetts Towns in which Jabez Olmsted and his descendants lived. We will commence with the Vital Records of Ware, copied from the Cobin Collection. We will show only Olmsted births, marriages and deaths in the first issue of the newsletter, and show other names in future issues. The numbers refers to the number of an individual in the GOFA, and were assigned by the editor [COH]. We ask readers to review the assignments. Olmsted was spelled variously, as shown. Given names in the first column are as spelled in the VR. Note spelling of Tiden, 9094, as GOFA spelled it Gideon. Note a "new " daughter of Jeremiah (9071) and Elizabeth, named Luvana. The dates do not necessarily agree with those in the GOFA.

Surname OLMSTED/OMSTED

BIRTHS/BAPTISMS

Aaron	9089	s. of Jeremiah (9071) & Elizabeth	b.	2/11/1737
Abigail	9078	d. of Jabez & Thankful, at Ware	b.	3/24/1731
Darcus	9075	d. of Jabez & Thankful, at Brookfield	b.	4/15/1724
Dorothy	9096	d. of Israel (9072) & Sarah	b.	12/15/1737
Elizabeth	9091	d. of Jeremiah (9071) & Elizabeth	b.	7/31/1741
Israel	9072	s. of Jabez & Thankful, at Brookfield	b.	3/24/1716
Israel	9104	s. of Israel (9072) & Anna	bap.	6/4/1748
Jabez	9129	s. of Moses (9080) & Abigail	b.	6/4/1760
Jabish	9088	s. of Jeremiah (9071) & Elizabeth	b.	7/29/1735
Jedadiah	9090	s. of Jeremiah (9071) & Elizabeth	b.	2/13/1739
Jeremyah	9071	s. of Jabez & Thankful, at Brookfield	b.	1/6/1714-15
Joseph	9101	s. of Israel (9072) & Sarah	bap.	4/28/1751
Hannah	9073	d. of Jabez & Thankful, at Brookfield	b.	4/22/1718
Luvana		d. of Jeremiah (9071) & Elizabeth	bap.	8/11/1751
Martha	9074	d. of Jabez & Thankful, at Brookfield	b.	9/16/1721
Martha	9092	d. of Jeremiah (9071) & Elizabeth	b.	12/17/1743
Moses	9080	s. of Jabez & Thankful, at Ware	b.	1/29/1736
Moses	9130	s. of Moses (9080) & Abigail	b.	6/20/1762
Prudence	9079	d. of Jabez & Thankful, at Ware	b.	10/28/1733
Sarah	9076	d. of Jabez & Thankful, at Brookfield	b.	5/24/1726

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Silence	9077	d. of Jabez & Thankful, at Brookfield	b.	11/30/1728
Silence	9095	d. of Jeremiah (9071) & Elizabeth	b.	9/30/1749
Simon	9099	s. of Israel (9072) and Sarah	b.	9/27/1741
Tiden (Gideon)	9094	s. of Jeremiah (9071) & Elizabeth	b.	7/17/1747
Thankful	9070	d. of Jabez & Thankful, at Brookfield	b.	2/15/1712-13
Thankful	9097	d. of Israel (9072) & Sarah	b.	10/7/1739
Timothy	9100	s. of Israel (9072) and Sarah	b.	11/19/1743

MARRIAGES

Darcus	9075	to Benoni Wolcot	10/13/1741
Hannah	9073	to Judah Marsh, at Brookfield	11/4/1736
Israiel	9072	to Sarah Banister, b. 12/9/1718, d. of Joseph & Sarah 5/12/1737	
Jeremyah	9071	to Elizabeth Litten	12/11/1734
Martha	9074	to Thomas Hammond	8/21/1741
Moses	9080	to Abigail Elwell, both of Ware	6/4/1759
Sarah	9076	to Ephraim Marsh	10/8/1741
Thankful	9070	to Joseph MacMitchell	1/21/1756

DEATHS

Aaron	9089	s. of Jeremiah (9071)	a. 3 y 7 mo 27 d	10/7/1740
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OTHER JABEZ OLMSTEDS

The given name, Jabez, was handed down to many of the descendants of Jabez of Ware, and is also found among members of the Hartford Branches of the family. The following list shows other Jabez Olmstedes we are aware of. We request readers to inform us of those we may have missed.

<u>Born-Died</u>	<u>GOFA # or page</u>	<u>Other Information</u>
1690-1752	p. 393	m. Thankful Barnes.
1735-1777	#9088	m (1) Elizabeth ? , m(2) Miriam Husse, 1758 (V.R. of Sheffield, MA). s/o Jeremiah #9071.
1760-	#9145	m. Elizabeth ?. s/o Jabez #9088.
1760-1813	#9129	m (1) Martha Chapman, m(2) Lydia Ives. s/o Moses #9080.
c1773-		In 1850 census, living in Delaware Co., NY with w. Betsy.
c1774/5-	#371, pp. 570/620	m. Miranda? Moved to East Masonville, NY. Buried on his farm there.
c1782-c1826	#9226A	m. Mrs. Anna (Warren) Day. May be s/o Jabez #9145.
1797-1883	pp. 712/713	m. Jane Bailey. In 1860 census, living in Troy, Rensselaer Co., NY with w. and s. Samuel.
	#9229	Born in Hope, Hamilton Co., NY. Killed by falling tree.
1798-1864		s/o Gideon #9147. m. Hilda Humphrey.
1798-		in 1850/60 censuses, living in Greene Co., NY, with w. Mary & children Watson & Harriet. May be #867.
1798-	#867	m. Mary Merwin. s/o Ichabod #369 and Rebecca Griswold.
1804-1892	#10408, pp. 557/620	m(1) Betsy Jackson, m(2) Laura Green. In 1860 census, living in Delaware o., NY with w. Laura and sons George W. and John. Buried in Morris Cemetary, Otisco Co., NY, with w. Laura (1806-1894) (Tree Talks, Vol. 15, 1975)
1806-1880		m. Orpha Night in 1832. s/o Jabez & Rebecca. b. in Washington Co., NY, d. in Jefferson Co., NY.
1815-1876	#9362	m(1) Mary (Jane) Green, m(2), Nancy Maria ?, m(3) Margaret Chillingworth. In 1850 census, living in Onondaga Co., NY with w. Jane, and in 1860 census, with w. Nancy and d. Elizabeth.

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FUTURE ISSUES

When Carlton Hommel asked if I would be willing to write articles for the "Jabez of Ware Newsletter" it only took a moment of reflection to realize how much I would enjoy sharing with the readers some of the wonderful genealogy research adventures we've had over the years on our travels around the U.S. and Canada. My interest in tracking down information on Olmsteads began over 25 years ago and from that moment on I handily managed to arrange every single family vacation so that we passed through at least one place where I could do a little research! My ever-so-patient husband, Bill, was never quite as enthused about my hobby as I was, but he always willingly escorted me to quaint little towns, long forgotten cemeteries, libraries, out of the way town halls, courthouses, and on endless other escapades that I had schemed. Much to his amazement and that of our four children, we almost always had some exciting adventures which often were the highlight of our trip, met wonderfully helpful people, and have many treasured memories of those times together. Much to my amazement, Bill often turns out to be a better detective than I; usually the first to spot an Olmstead tombstone, dig up an old land record, or decipher some strange or illegible

word on an archaic document.

I wouldn't be very honest if I failed to mention that not all of our experiences were great ones. We've been up to our knees in muck and mire, snagged by barbed wire, caught in downpours, consumed mouthfuls of gnats in cemeteries, faced crabby librarians and irritable town clerks who more resembled security guards than public servants. Sometimes we were just plain disappointed to come up empty handed in our quest for information! These times were the exceptions and usually only made me more determined than ever not to give up or lose hope that "somewhere out there" intriguing clues about our ancestors were just waiting to be discovered.

In the next newsletter I will tell about the exciting information we found on our first two trips to Berkshire County, Mass. I consider these to be some of the most valuable records I've ever collected and am eager to share them with you.

Doreen Dolleman

OTHER JABEZ OLMSTEDS Continued

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1827-1896

1827

#10082

1829

1835

1847-

c1863

#9360

m. Mary Ann Cain. s/o Job. Born in Ohio. In 1860 census, living in Chippewa Co., MI with w. and s. George.

m. Diadama ? Born in Ohio. In 1850 census, living in Lake Co., IN with w. and d., who was born in IL.

s/o Jabez #371.

Grandson of Jabez #371.

m. Eliza ? Born in Canada. In 1860 census, living in Lewis Co., NY with w. and children Margeret, Eliza & Reuben

s/o Jonas #9225.

s/o John E. & Harriet. In 1880 census, living in Green Co., NY.

Jabez as a Middle Name

1842-

1831-1832

#1884

5525

Willis Jabez O., s. of Orrin O. & Polly Loomis.

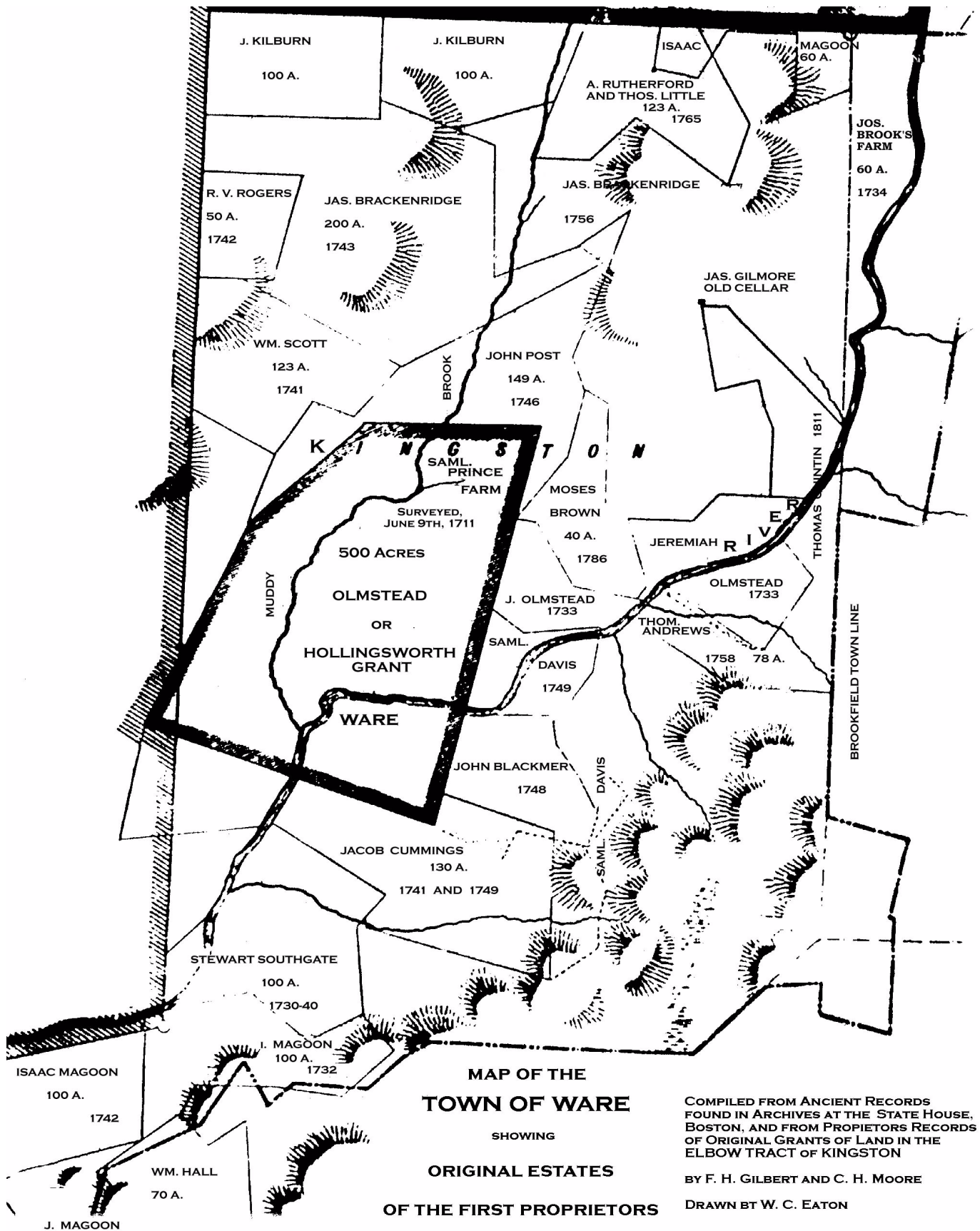
Simeon Jabez O. s/o Gardner Hicks O. (May have been named after maternal grandfather, Jabez Robertson.)

ANSWER TO QUIZ

According to "The History of Sudbury, Massachusetts, 1638-1898", by Alfred Sereno Hudson, Sudbury Press, Sudbury MA, 1898, the Red Horse Tavern on the Boston Post Road in Sudbury, that Longfellow later called the Wayside Inn, was established by David Howe. David was Thankful's first cousin

once removed, as David was the grandson of John Howe, Thankful's great grandfather.

In future issues we will trace the ancestry of Thankful to 1535 on both her Goodenow and Bent lines.





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EARLY OLMSTED DEEDS

Doreen Dolleman has been collecting early Olmsted deeds and land records from Western Massachusetts towns. Following are summaries of various ones she has found. We invite other readers to supplement this list.

1744, from John Popnehonukwoh and Jehoiakim Yokum of Stockbridge, Hampshire County, Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England Gentleman and Indian Claimers of a certain tract of land lying between Stockbridge ... and ...Spencer-town, to Jeremiah Olmsted,, Jabez Olmsted ... by paying us the sum of Sixty Pounds, New York Currency....

1749, TO ALL PEOPLE TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL (illegible) , Greetings, Know ye that I Jabez Olmstead living at Ware River on the Road from Hadley to (illegible) Brookfield in the County of Hampshire and province of Massachusetts Bay in New England Husbandman for and in consideration of the sum of One Hundred and Twenty (illegible) Pounds Lawful Moneypaid by Robert Joyner and W. Joyner of Cornwell in the Colony of Connecticut ...have given, granted, ... a certain Tract or parcel of Land containing two

Hundred Acres granted to me by the General court of this Province 26 Janr. 1736....

1761, Jeremiah Olmsted of a place called the County Land west of Stockbridge in the county of Hampshire and Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England yoeman in consideration of one hundred and ten Pounds Lawful Money ... to Philip Case of Sheffield.

1760, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that for the consideration of six pounds lawful money I Jerediah Olmstead living West of Stockbridge on the province Land do give (etc) unto John George JenkinsI quitclaim to him the one half of a Right of Land being in the tract of Land commonly called olmstead Town West of Stockbridge in the province of Massachusetts Bay

1766, SURVEY BILL. Gore of Land West of Stockbridge in the County of BerkshireSurveyed, and laid out to John Georg Jacquin One Hundred Acres of Land on Jedediah Olmsteds Right of Land in the said Gore

1766, Survey Bill. Surveyed and laid out to Jabez Olmstead Seventy Acres of Second Division of Joseph Flemings Right of Land in the Gore West of Stockbridge in the County of Berkshire...