

October, 1820, and dismissed in 1833. He engaged in business at Hartford, when twenty-one years old, and had a good fortune when he was thirty-seven years of age, but lost it at that time by unfortunate business ventures. He moved to Westfield in 1833, and lived there the remainder of his life, a man respected for his honor and integrity and true Christian spirit. He married daughter of Eleazar Porter. He married (second) October 9, 1834, Statira Adams, at Southwick, Massachusetts, where she was born February 19, 1811, died at Westfield, February 10, 1861 (see Adams VII). He married (third) October 11, 1862, in Montville, Massachusetts, Almira Phelps, who died at Westfield, March 25, 1867, daughter of Benajah and Sarah (Newton) Phelps. He married (fourth) October, 1867, Mrs. Mary Orville Bridges. Children by first wife, born in East Hartford: 1. Oliver Porter, born February 9, 1817, died March 28, 1871; married, May 12, 1840, Emeline Stedman. 2. George, born October 27, 1821, died November 24, 1856; married, December 29, 1844, Sarah Antoinette Johnson. 3. Mary Elizabeth, born November 22, 1827; married, October 13, 1853, Edward M. Dewey. Children, born in Westfield by second wife: 4. Ellen Louisa, born October 25, 1838, died September 11, 1849, in Westfield. 5. Edward Adams, born November 27, 1845; married (first) November 22, 1870, Clara Jane Tirrell, (second) June 5, 1883, Josephine Valentine. 6. Frederick Howard, mentioned below. 7. Anna Frances, born February 8, 1854, died September 18, 1890, at East Weymouth, Massachusetts; married, March 18, 1874, William H. Pratt, and had children, born at East Weymouth; Anna, May 2, 1881, died same day; Anna Treat, September, 1890.

(VII) Frederick Howard, son of Oliver Treat, was born March 4, 1851, in Westfield, Massachusetts. He attended the public schools in his native town and the Westfield Academy. He then became engaged in the dry goods business at Westfield, continuing for four years. In 1871 he entered the employ of Coffin, Altemus & Company, with offices and warehouses in Philadelphia, New York, Boston and Baltimore. He built up a large western and southern business. He continued with this firm for a period of twenty-four years. In 1888 he formed an alliance with Clarence P. King in building and operating electric street railways, from Wilmington to Delaware City, Phoenixville to Spring City. They purchased control of the Pottsville railway, and built large extensions to different points around Pottsville; they also purchased control of the railways of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and made large extensions; they purchased control of the Washington, Alexandria & Mount Vernon railway and the Washington, Arlington & Falls Church railway and combined them into the Washington-Virginia Railway Company. They purchased the Schuylkill Haven Gas & Water Plant, the Consumers Gas Company of Atlantic City, and built the New Jersey Gas Company of New Jersey, with 240 miles of mains.

In 1896 his connections with Coffin, Altemus & Company were severed. Mr. Treat then entered into partnership with Harman Wendell, under the firm name of Wendell & Treat, for the development of real estate and suburban property about the cities of Philadelphia, New York and Washington, D. C. They built the towns of Wayne, St. Davids, Devon and Wynnewood. They are also building a town at Essex Fells, New Jersey, having about one thousand acres of land; Bradley Hills, four thousand acres of land near Washington, is now being built by them, and Rosemont, near Washington. Mr. Treat is at the present time president of the Washington Utilities Company of Washington, D. C.; president of the New Jersey Gas Company; president of the Pottsville Gas Company; vice-president of the Wayne Title & Trust Company; vice-president of the Fidelity Storage & Warehouse Com-

pany; director of the Eastern Light & Fuel Company; United States Trust Company of Washington, D. C., and Bradley Hills Land Company. He is a member of the Union League of Philadelphia, Merion Cricket Club, Commercial Club of Washington, D. C., and the St. Davids Golf Club. He is a commissioner of Radnor township, Pennsylvania. In politics he is a Republican. He is affiliated with the Sons of the Revolution, and a prominent member and trustee of the Radnor Presbyterian Church of Wayne, Pennsylvania.

He married at Peoria, Illinois, October 24, 1878, Mary Lucie Day, born at Brattleboro, Vermont, daughter of Lucius L. and Elizabeth L. (Farr) Day. Children: 1. Howard Day, born July 21, 1879, died May 7, 1883. 2. Herbert Adams, born at Philadelphia, September 14, 1882; married Edith P. Ball, daughter of Joseph A. Ball, of Boston, Massachusetts; children: Edith Adams, born August 24, 1909, New York; Anne MacPherson, born March 12, 1912, New York. 3. Frederick Howard, born March 31, 1887. 4. Mary Lucia Day, born in Philadelphia, January 2, 1890; married Dr. William Armstrong De Witt, son of William F. De Witt, of Troy, Pennsylvania, August 28, 1912.

(The Adams Line).

(I) Statira (Adams) Treat was a descendant of Henry Adams, the emigrant ancestor of the Adams family of America, from which sprang Presidents John and John Quincy Adams. Henry Adams, of Braintree, Massachusetts, arrived in Boston with eight sons and a daughter. The date is fixed at 1632 or 1633. The name of his wife is not known, but the belief is that she returned to England with her son John. Henry Adams died in Braintree, October 6, 1646, and was buried two days later. President John Adams erected a monument to this ancestor, his great-grandfather in the churchyard of the old church at Quincy with the inscription: "In memory of Henry Adams, who took his flight from the Dragon persecution in Devonshire, England, and alighted with eight sons near Mount Wollaston. One of the sons returned to England, and after taking time to explore the country, four removed to Medfield and two to Chelmsford. One, only, Joseph, who lies here at his left hand, remained here: an original proprietor in the township of Braintree."

President John Adams was a descendant of this seventh son, Joseph, who was his great-grandfather. Joseph (2), his grandfather, Deacon John, his father, who married Susanna Boylston; President John, their son, was of the fifth American generation. The line of descent to Statira (Adams) Treat is through Lieutenant Thomas, the second son.

(II) Lieutenant Thomas Adams, son of Henry Adams, of Braintree, was born in England, 1612. He came with his father, but moved with his brothers, Samuel and John, from Braintree to Concord, Massachusetts, in 1646. Thomas and Samuel settled later in the west part of the town of Chelmsford. He was chosen chief sergeant of the military company in 1659, but the county court refused to confirm him on account of his religious views—later he modified his position sufficiently to permit his confirmation. He was chosen ensign in 1678 and lieutenant in 1682, in the company of which his brother Samuel was captain. He held other important offices, including selectman and representative to the general court. He died in Chelmsford, July 20, 1688. He married in 1642, Mary Blackmore, who survived him until March 23, 1694, aged eighty-two years, the mother of eleven children.

(III) Samuel, sixth child and fourth son of Lieutenant Thomas Adams, was born in Chelmsford, 1652-53. He was a millwright; moved to Charlestown, Massachusetts; thence to Canterbury, Connecticut, where he died November 26, 1727. He was elected, May 31, 1699, a member of the first board