

KINGSLEY ANCESTRY.

Direct Line of Ancestors From John to Joseph.

John Kingsley came from Hampshire, England, to Boston, Mass., and settled at Dorchester in 1635. He afterwards removed to Rehoboth where he died in 1679. His third son

Eldad Kingsley, born in Mass., 1638, married Mehatible Mansey, daughter of Roger Mansey. He died at Rehoboth, Mass., in 1679. His first son

John Kingsley born at Rehobeth, Mass., May 6, 1665, died at Windham, Conn., May 17, 1732. He married Sarah Sabin, daughter of Samuel Sabin. His fourth son

Ezra Kingsley, born at Windham, Conn., Dec. 10, 1698. He married Elizabeth Wright Dec. 31, 1719. His son

Salmon Kingsley the 1st, born at Windham, Conn., Sept. 27, 1723, was married to Lydia Burg, Jan. 24, 1743. His son

Salmon Kingsley the 2nd, born at Windham, Conn., Sept. 17, 1755, married first Alathea Smith who died at Ira, Vt., Oct. 16, 1792, age 36. He married second Betsey Farge, a widow whose maiden name was Chubb. He was a soldier in the war of the American Revolution. He moved from Vermont to Mich. in 1825 and died at Livonia, Wayne County, Mich., Sept. 23, 1827.

Joseph Kingsley, son of Salmon and Alathea Smith, born at Hartford, Conn., Feb. 15, 1780. He married first Lucinda Winchester who died at Ira, Vt., Jan. 31, 1808, age 23. Second he married Lucy Farge, daughter of his father's second wife. He moved to Mich. in 1825 and died at Livonia Oct. 20, 1855. His second wife (Lucy) died at Plymouth, Mich., Sept. 19, 1880. She was born in Mass., March 10, 1786.

JOHN KINGSLEY.

In Vol. VI American Ancestry on page 207, we find the following: "John Kingsley of Dorchester, Mass., born at Hampshire, Eng., emigrated from there to Taunton, Mass., where he was one of the original purchasers. Removed to Dorchester 1635. His ancestors spelled the name Kyngesley and bore these arms: Vert, a cross engrailed ermine, crest in a ducal coronet gules a goats head argent. Descended from Randulphus de Kyngesleigh of Chester 1120."

In the history of Dorchester, Mass. By the Committee of the antiquarian and Historical Society (Page 125) we also find the following: "John Kingsley or Kingsley was here as early as 1635. He was a grantee of land in 1635 and one of the original signers of the covenant in 1636. He had a share in the great lots in 1646, was a rater in 1648 and a freeman in 1651. He had a son named Eldad born in Dorchester in 1638 and a daughter, Renewed, born Jan. 19, 1644. He had a son Enos who went to Northampton and a daughter who married Samuel Jones, son of Richard Jones. John Kingsley married a daughter of William Daniels of Milton and lived there in 1670."

From the vital statistics of Rehoboth, Mass., where he lived during the later years of his life, we learn that John Kingsley was buried Jan. 6, 1678. Also that Alice^x the wife of John Kingsley was buried Jan. 4, 1673.

He was one of the seven original members who organized the Church at Dorchester in 1636 and signed the Covenant. Rev. Richard Mather the grandfather of Cotton Mather was the first pastor under the covenant. Kingsley was the last of the seven to survive.

He was a man of strong religious convictions and was obliged to leave England on account of his religious principles.

The first letter in the appendix gives us an insight into the character of the man. It is taken from the Public Records of the Colony of Conn. Vol. covering Records from 1665 to 1678. Pages 445 to 447.

Following is an extract from the Atlas of Portage Co. Ohio in connection with the history of Walcott Chafee who married Abigail Kingsley, a descendant of John Kingsley.

"They were members of the colony of New Plymouth and arrived in 1630, the first bearing the family name in this country being John Kingsley junior. The family name was continued in the person of Eldad who had a son John, etc."

Following is a list of the children of John Kingsley of Dorchester, Mass., as taken from Henry Stoddard Ruggles' Geneology of the Kingsley family. He says that we can not feel at all sure that the list is a complete one.

Sons: John, Samuel, Eldad, Enos, Edward.

Daughters: Renewed, Freedom.

Eldad—Second Generation.

Eldad Kingsley, son of John Kingsley, born 1638 and died at Rehoboth, Mass., Aug. 30, 1679. He is spoken of as being an Elder of the Church at Rehoboth. He married Mehittable Maury, daughter of Roger and Bithie (Tibitha) Maury. The following are from Birth Records at Rehoboth:

CHILDREN OF ELDAD AND MEHITTABLE KINGSLEY.

- Elizabeth, Jan. 20, 1662, at Rehoboth, Mass.
- John, May 6, 1665, at Rehoboth, Mass.
- Samuel, June 1, 1669, at Rehoboth, Mass.
- Johnathan, Feb. 21, 1671, Rehoboth, Mass.
- Mercy, Oct. 7, 1675, at Rehoboth, Mass.
- Nathaniel, Feb. 5, 1678, at Rehoboth, Mass.

John—Third Generation.

John Kingsley, eldest son of Eldad Kingsley, was born at Rehoboth, Mass., May 6, 1665 and died at Windham, Conn., May 17, 1732. In 1686 he married Sarah, daughter of Samuel Sabin. The latter was a soldier in King Philip's war and engaged in the Naraganset Expedition under Major Bradford. (See his name page 117 in History of Rehoboth, Bristol Co., Mass., by Leonard Bliss, Jr., 1836.)

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND SARAH KINGSLEY.

- Mary, born 1686.
 - Tibitha, born Sept. 23, 1688.
 - Sarah, born Oct. 9, 1690.
 - Elizabeth, born Dec. 29, 1692.
 - John, born Feb. 26, 1694.
 - Josiah, Jan. 18, 1696 or 7.
 - Amoss, Jan. 18, 1696 or 7.
 - Ezra, born Dec. 10, 1698.
 - Mary.
 - Eliphalet, born Feb. 2, 1704.
 - Eldad, born Jan. 8, 1707.
- By second marriage to Elizabeth _____, her last name is not known.