

Westmoreland, N. H., Dec. 16, 1838. Res. Chicago, Ill., 1908.  
Children:

- a. Edward Smith, b. Washington, D. C., Dec. 29, 1871; res. Upper Montclair, N. J., 1908; mar. June 26, 1901, Mary Watkinson Rockwell; children, John Rockwell, b. May 16, 1902; Elizabeth Shaw, b. Feb. 9, 1905; d. Nov. 11, 1905; Edward Shaw, b. Jan. 7, 1908. He graduated at Cornell University as mechanical engineer in 1894, and is now a consulting engineer of New York City.
- b. Julia Elizabeth, b. Chicago, Ill., Jan. 31, 1875; graduated at Smith College, Northampton, Mass., in 1897; mar. Aug., 1904, Rev. Daniel Johnson Fleming of Lahore, India; child, Elizabeth, b. May 5, 1906.

After an academic course at the Kimball Union Academy at Meriden, N. H., John A. Cole entered the engineering office of Thomas Doan of Boston, Mass. Here he remained three years and was afterwards engaged as civil engineer on the state survey of the Sudbury meadows, Mystic Water Works. In Aug. 1862 he volunteered as a delegate of the U. S. Christian Commission and went to the Army of the Potomac, then on the Peninsular. After the battle of Antietam he returned to New England and spent three months in addressing public meetings in the larger cities and organized societies for the Commission work. In Jan. 1863 he was appointed general field agent for the Commission for the armies east of the Alleghanies, and until the end of the war was engaged in the field. Over \$3,000,000 were expended for supplies, etc., in his department.

After the surrender at Appomatox, at which he was present, he went into the service of the Commission in Louisiana and Texas. For one year he was in N. Y. City as Sec. of the American Christian Commission. He then located in Washington, D. C. and opened an office as civil engineer. He was for several years secretary and financial agent of Howard University at Washington. At that time he was also president of Lincoln Mission. In 1872 he removed with his family to Chicago and is at present engaged in engineering. Among other public works he has constructed a water tunnel under Lake Michigan one mile in length. He built the Lake View Water Works, the Hyde Park Water Works and designed the sewer system of a large part of the present city of Chicago. Mr. Cole is a descendant of Thomas Cole, who came to America in the ship "Mary and John," 1633.

Mrs. Julia (Alvord) Cole graduated at the Van Norman Institute, New York City and removed with her parents to Washington, D. C. in 1867, where they lived near Howard Univ. Here she perfected herself in music and became a teacher.