

- iii. MARY, m. Storer. iv. ELIZABETH, m. Mr. Barrel.
 v. MAETHA, m. 1st, Mr. Barrel; 2nd, Mr. Simpson; 3rd,
 Gov. James Sullivan.
 vi. ABIGAIL.

LEAVITT, OF EXETER, N. H.*

DOROTHY³ DUDLEY (*Rev. Samuel,² Gov. Thomas¹*) married Moses Leavitt, of Exeter, N. H., Oct. 26, 1681. Mr. Leavitt was a son of Dea. John, of Hingham, Mass. Moses was born Aug. 12, 1650, at Hingham. His father, born in Scotland, 1608, was a tailor, settled at Hingham, about 1636. Dea. John's first wife, "Sarah," died July 4, 1646. His second wife, also "Sarah," died 1700. Dea. John died Nov. 20, 1691, aged 83, at his homestead, on Leavitt street, Hingham, mostly owned, in 1827, by his descendants through his sons, Israel and Josiah Leavitt. His will mentions his six sons and four daughters. The above Moses, the fourth son, settled at Exeter with the Gilmans and Folsoms, who were also from Hingham. He was a land surveyor, or civil engineer, as it is now often called.

A writer in the *Exeter News-Letter* about 1848, whose name was Dearborn, living in Exeter, thus describes Moses Leavitt and several of his descendants :

"Moses, the Lot Layer, lived where the late Susy Leavitt lived. He married a daughter of the Rev. Samuel Dudley, in 1681, and had twelve children, and died in 1730 or 1731, aged about 82 years. His son John lived on his homestead, and died in 1764. Dudley lived on the Creighton Place, and died in 1765. Daniel and Stephen lived in Brentwood and died about 1654-5. Joseph lived on the edge of Kensington, a part of his life. His son Joseph resided where the late James Folsom lived. Dudley Leavitt, the Almanac-maker, is his descendant. We think another son of Moses, the Lot Layer, was Moses Leavitt, Esq., of Stratham. One daughter married Francis Lyford. The descendants and family of the Lot Layer have always been noted for longevity. John, son of Moses, had a daughter, married Creighton, who lived to be 100 years old, and her daughter 100 years. Many have lived to be over 80 years old. Some are still alive of that age."

* John Farmer, Esq., the late eminent antiquary, says: "Samuel and Moses Leavitt, sons of Dea. John, settled in Exeter, N. H., and were living there in 1683. Of their numerous descendants were the late Gen. Moses Leavitt, for seven years senator in the General Court, and Thomas Leavitt, Esq., and Dudley Leavitt, the astronomer and mathematician, of New Hampshire."

Lincoln's History of Hingham, says of Dea. John Leavitt: "The tradition is he ran away from England at nineteen, being an apprentice to a tailor."