

Marsh Family

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Including information from the book

"Genealogy of John Marsh of Salem and his Descendants 1633-1888"

by Lucius Bolles Marsh 1888

John Marsh

b. 28 July 1611 England

d. 16 Nov 1674 Salem, Massachusetts

m. c1635 Salem, MA

Susannah Skelton

d/o Reverend Samuel Skelton

b. 1620 Tattershall, Lincolnshire, England

d. 12 May 1695 Salem, MA

John came from England in 1634 to Salem (the portion of which became Peabody and in turn parts of Danvers). She remarried to Thomas Rix of Salem in 1675.

Children MARSH (11 Total):

1. Zacheriah Marsh

b. 30 Apr 1637 Salem, MA

d. 1693 Salem, MA

m. 15 Aug 1664 Salem, MA

Mary Sillsbee

d/o Henry & Dorothy Sillsbee of Salem

b. 1644 Salem, MA

d. 1695 Salem, MA

Children MARSH (9 Total):

7. Ezekiel Marsh I

b. 1676 Salem, MA

d. 1750 Salem, MA

m. 1 July 1702 Salem, MA

Rebecca Gould

d/o Thomas Gould & Hannah Knight

b. 26 Aug 1678 Salem, MA

d. 1772 Danvers, MA

Children MARSH (7 Total):

5. Ensign Ezekiel Marsh II

b. 27 May 1710 Salem, MA

d. May 1798 Danvers, MA (Marsh Family Homestead Cemetery, Salem)

m. 24 June 1732 Salem, MA

Sarah Buffington

b. 1716 Massachusetts

d. 1809 Danvers, MA

Children MARSH (5 Total):

2. Lt. Ezekiel Marsh III

b. 26 Jan 1740 Danvers, MA

Revolutionary War

- d. 15 Sep 1822 Fairfield
- m. 31 May 1764 Andover, MA
- Abiah Hartshorn
- d/o Thomas & Abiah Hartshorn*
- b. 25 Mar 1745 Reading, MA
- d. 19 Mar 1800 Danvers, MA (Marsh Family Homestead Cemetery, Danvers)

Children MARSH (7 Total):

- 6. Captain Thomas Hartshorn Marsh, Sr **War of 1812 Massachusetts Militia, Danvers**
- b. 9 Jul 1776 Danvers, MA
- d. 20 Oct 1870 Hartland (Fullers Corner Cemetery) at 94 yrs 3 mos
- m1. 27 Apr 1800 Danvers, MA
- Sarah Newhall
- b. 18 Mar 1780 Lynnfield, MA
- d. 11 Mar 1814 Danvers, MA at 33 yrs (Marsh Family Homestead Cemetery, Danvers)

- m2. 22 Nov 1814 Danvers, MA
- Sarah Curtis Bronsdon
- d/o John Bronsdon & Abigail Baker*
- b. 24 Feb 1783 Milton, MA
- d. 24 Feb 1855 Hartland (FC) at 72 yrs

"Thomas first came to Waterville from Danvers (with his elderly father) in 1818 then onto Fairfield in 1820 and was living in Hartland by 1829. He served as a Captain in the Massachusetts Militia in the War of 1812. In 1829 he moved to Hartland, Maine, where he lived for 40 years and 10 months when he died. He was a deeply religious man, and when he was too old to take care of his horse, and get into his wagon comfortably, he commenced to walk to church, a distance of three miles, with three hills to ascend and descend, and this was continued for some ten years until he was nearly 90 years old. In the autumn of 1830 he had five of his ribs broken by a loaded ox-team passing over him; a few months later he was exposed to extreme cold weather and had a shock of palsy. All the left part of his body was apparently dead, and for three years he was in all respects as helpless as an infant. Nine years passed before he had any feeling in his left arm, but in a few years afterward he had entirely recovered, and his mouth and left eye which had been drawn to one side, were completely restored to their normal condition. His photograph, that was taken when he was 86, does not show any defect either in his mouth or eye, and for the last fifteen years of his life his health was excellent. When in his 94th year he gave from memory the history of not only his father, the Lieut. Ezekiel Marsh, but also that of Ensign Ezekiel Marsh, his grandfather."

Of the 6 children of Thomas Marsh Sr and his 2nd wife, only 3 of them would remain in Hartland into adulthood following their parents move to West Hartland from Fairfield in December of 1829. Based on the information provided in the Marsh book, we can infer 1829 is when the original Marsh house was built. "At 11 years (referring to Lucius in early 1829), his father and brother being absent in Hartland, building and preparing for the removal of the family in the early winter."

The oldest daughter, Lydia Bolles Marsh never married and lived with her father and her oldest brother, Thomas Jr, until her death in 1874 at 53 years old. The youngest daughter, Mary M. D. Marsh married William D. Laws of Hartland in 1848 but died in 1857 at 35 years old.

The oldest, and only, male heir to remain in Hartland is his son, Thomas Hartshorn Marsh Jr who married Malinda Warren. They are shown with their son, Charles Sumner Marsh, living with his father (with Sr noted as the Head of Household) in the Census of 1850 in West Hartland and again in 1860 &

1870 but now with Jr noted as the Head of Household in the latter reports. On the 1860 Map of Hartland the "T. H. Marsh Jr" residence is noted along with his "Shop" beside it just above the Thomas Fuller residence.

Thomas Sr passed away in 1870 and within a couple of years Thomas Jr also died leaving but one local male Marsh heir, his son Charles. However, Charles married in 1877 and moved to Exeter by the Census of 1880 living with his wife's parents. On the 1883 Map, we now see the former Marsh lot now owned by Enoch Lincoln Ford (noted as E. L. Ford) (**See Ford Family Bio**)

Enoch and his wife, Abigail Pennell, moved from Brighton following the 1860 Census and were living in West Hartland in the 1870 Census. The Fords are shown a few houses away from the Marsh house in 1870 which appears to be fairly close to the Prince Thompson homestead based on the neighboring names listed on the Census.

Exactly who sold the Marsh Homestead isn't yet clear but one scenario would be either Jr's widow, Malinda, or his son, Charles, sold the property to their neighbors, the Fords following his death. The transaction could have also been done by Sr's only remaining son alive at the time, Lucius Marsh, who was living in Boston at the time. Sr's daughter from his 1st marriage, Sarah (Marsh) Hewes, was still living (until 1883) but was married and living in Lynnfield, MA. Malinda died in 1899 in Exeter so she was likely living with Charles and his family after Thomas died.

Ch. MARSH w/Sarah Newhall:

I. Sarah Marsh

b 18 July 1807 Danvers, MA

d 25 July 1807 Danvers, MA (Marsh Family Homestead Cemetery, Danvers) at 7 days old

2. Sarah Marsh (aka Sally)

b. 10 May 1811 Danvers, MA

d. 6 June 1883 Lynnfield, MA (West Burying Ground, Lynnfield, MA)

m. 28 Apr 1830 Massachusetts

Joel Hewes

b. 1810 Lynnfield, MA

d. 1 Apr 1875 Lynnfield, MA

Ch. HEWES:

I. George Warren Hewes

b. 1832 Lynnfield, MA

d. 21 Aug 1853 Lynnfield, MA at 21 years old

II. Henry Augustus Hewes

Civil War

b. 1833 Lynnfield, MA

d. 3 Oct 1864 Newbern, North Carolina (**Typhoid Fever**)

III. Frances M. Hewes

b. 1836 Lynnfield, MA

d. 1867

IV. Sarah R. Hewes

b. 1837 Lynnfield, MA

d. 1902

3. James Marsh *Twin*
b 22 Feb 1814 Danvers, MA
d 22 Feb 1814 Danvers, MA (Marsh Family Homestead Cemetery, Danvers)

4. John Marsh *Twin*
b 22 Feb 1814 Danvers, MA
d 22 Feb 1814 Danvers, MA (Marsh Family Homestead Cemetery, Danvers)

Ch. MARSH w/Sarah Bronsdon:

5. Thomas Hartshorn Marsh, Jr
b. 30 Oct 1815 Danvers, MA
d. 29 Sep 1873 Hartland (FC) at 58 yrs
m. Sep 1847 Hartland
Malinda Warren
b. 10 Jul 1815 New Hampshire
d. 6 Nov 1899 Exeter (FC) at 84 yrs
They lived at the Marsh Family Homestead in West Hartland until his death.

Ch. MARSH:

I. Charles Sumner Marsh
b. 1853 Hartland
d. 14 July 1925 Exeter (Crowell Cemetery, Exeter)
m. 1877 Exeter
Isabel Trefethen
d/o John & Mary Trefethen
b. 1852 Exeter
d. 19 Aug 1943 Exeter
They lived in Winchester, Massachusetts from about 1910 with their daughter, Linda, until about 1925 before returning to Exeter.

Ch. MARSH:

a) Linda Bell Marsh
b. 3 Mar 1878 Exeter
d. 18 Nov 1954 Bangor (Crowell Cemetery, Exeter)
She received her education in the Dexter schools. She graduated from Emerson College of Oratory in Boston and was a teacher of piano for a number of years. She died in a Bangor hospital of injuries received in a hit and run accident in Massachusetts about five weeks before.

b) Charles Fred Dudley Marsh
b. 19 Aug 1879 Exeter
d. 7 Dec 1969 Dover-Foxcroft (Crowell Cemetery, Exeter)
m. 5 June 1906 Maine
Edna M. Merrill
b. 5 June 1880 Dexter
d. 5 Feb 1970 Dover-Foxcroft (Crowell Cemetery, Exeter)
They moved to Winchester, Massachusetts by 1920 and were living with his parents there until returning to Dexter by 1930 where Charles was a Police Officer.
They had 5 children.

6. Lucius Bolles Marsh

b. 18 Apr 1818 Danvers, MA

d. 14 Aug 1901 Cambridge, MA (Mt Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, MA) at 83 years old

m. 5 July 1842 Boston

Caroline Elizabeth Mann

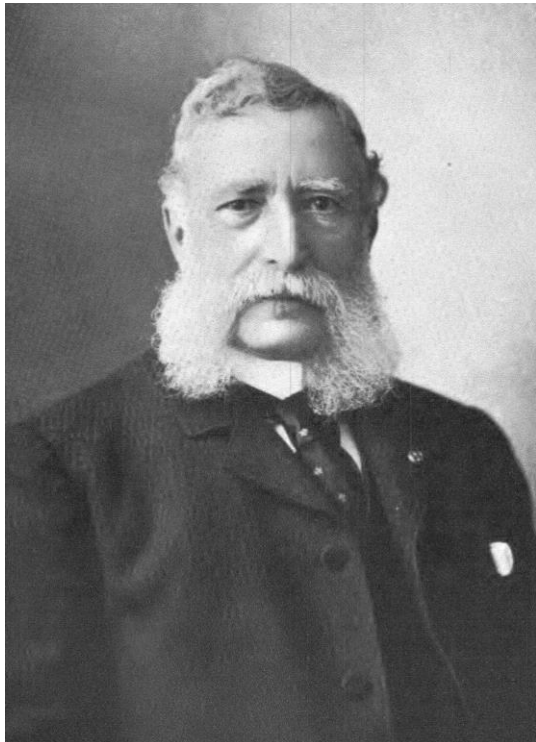
d/o John & Katie Mann (John is a direct Mayflower descendant)

b. 9 Mar 1820 Boston

d.

"Lucius Bolles Marsh attended school some two months in summer, and about the same length of time in winter, until he was 11 years old, working on the farm when the school did not keep. When he was 10 years old, he drove an ox team into the woods, and hauled the winter's and summer's wood for the house, and cut most of it ready for the fire. At 11 years, his father and brother being absent in Hartland, building and preparing for the removal of the family in the early winter, Lucius plowed and prepared the ground, planted the corn and potatoes, gathered the crops, and, with a brother five years old, he carried a load of apples to a cider mill, and without assistance, he returned home with a barrel of cider which he had made during the day. He went from Fairfield, Maine, with his parents, to reside in Hartland, Maine in December of 1829. He worked in the woods in the winter, and on the farm in the spring, which having just been cleared up and burnt over, the corn and potatoes had to be planted amongst the roots of the trees, and in the ashes of the burnt logs. In July of 1830, at the age of 12, Lucius, with his brother Thomas, then two and a half years older than himself, with a horse and a herd of cattle, came from Hartland to Milton, Massachusetts, a distance of 230 miles, occupying nine days, including the Sabbath, which day they rested. Lucius carried the money and made all the bargains. He expected to remain and receive an education in the vicinity of Boston, but his father having been disabled by a stroke of palsy, he was obliged to commence, at this early age of 12, to earn his own living, in which he was not only successful, but was also able to assist his parents, who had become dependent on account of his father's total inability to do anything."

Lucius Bolles Marsh 1886



Ch. MARSH:

- I. Lucius K. Marsh **Civil War 60th Massachusetts, Company E**
b. 28 May 1843 Boston
d. 30 Jan 1910 Brookline, MA (Mt Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, MA)
m. 26 Oct 1869 Boston
Charlotte E. Bates (aka Lottie)
b. Nov 1845 Cambridge, MA
d. 13 Apr 1886 (Mt Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, MA)

Ch. MARSH:

- A) Charlotte Elizabeth Marsh
b. 11 Aug 1870 Boston
d. 18 Nov 1888 Boston (Mt Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, MA) at 18 years old

- II. John G. Loring Marsh
b. 24 Feb 1845 Boston
d. 1 Mar 1845 Boston at 5 days old

- III. Katie Harrington Marsh
b. 27 Jan 1847 Boston
d. 11 June 1925
m. 7 Jan 1868 Boston
George F. Kimball
b. 4 Jan 1844 Boston
d. 29 Jan 1898 Brookline, MA
George was a Tea Merchant in Boston.

Ch. KIMBALL:

- a) George Edward Kimball
b. 7 Mar 1869 Boston
d.

- b) Allen Kimball
b. 2 May 1872 Boston
d. 1928

- IV. Elizabeth Loring Marsh
b. 25 Oct 1849 Boston

- V. William Harrington Mann Marsh, Sr
b. 29 Apr 1854 Boston
d.
m. 14 Apr 1880
Mary Ann Harris
d/o Honorary John F. Harris
b. Marblehead, MA
d.
They resided in New York City after 1880 where he was the proprietor of Globe Print Works. They eventually moved to New Jersey

Ch. MARSH:

a) Mary Anna Marsh
b. 22 Feb 1881 New York City
d.

b) Caroline E. Marsh
b. 3 July 1882 New York City
d.

c) Helene Alicia Marsh
b. 19 Oct 1885 New York City
d.

d) William Harrington Mann Marsh, Jr
b. 20 Feb 1887 New York City
d. 28 July 1897 at 10 years old

VI. Caroline Bronsdon Marsh

b. 15 May 1858 Boston
d. after 1940 Seattle, Washington
m. 18 Apr 1877

John Franklin Harris, Jr

s/o John Franklin Harris, Sr & Anne Ashton Brown

b. 28 Dec 1852 Marblehead, MA
d. 16 Feb 1907 Spokane, Washington

John was an 1876 Graduate of Harvard University and the Owner of "Joseph Harris & Sons" Shoe Manufacturer in Marblehead, Massachusetts.

Ch. HARRIS:

a) Richard Brown Harris
b. 23 Feb 1878 Marblehead, MA
d. Seattle, Washington

7. Lydia Bolles Marsh

b. 2 Mar 1821 Fairfield
d. 2 Nov 1874 Hartland (FC) at 53 yrs

She never married. She lived with her parents then with her sister, Mary, in 1850. Following Mary's death she lived in West Hartland with her brother, Thomas.

8. Mary M. D. Marsh

b. 27 Oct 1822 Fairfield
d. Apr 1857 Hartland (FC) at 35 yrs
m. 22 Jan 1848 Hartland

William D. Laws

Civil War 19th Massachusetts, Company E

s/o Thomas & Mary Laws

b. 1821 Madison
d. 8 Mar 1889 Malden, MA

William was a Brick Mason by trade. They were living in Madison before moving back to Hartland in 1850. He moved to Massachusetts with their son soon after Mary's death and remarried in 1860 to Lettie Campbell of Winterport.

Ch. LAWS:

I. Lucius M. Laws
b. 1849 Madison
d. after 1918 Winthrop, MA
m. 17 Oct 1874 Boston
Mary Frances Bean
They resided in Winthrop, MA.

Ch. LAWS: (4 total, 2 died in infancy)

a) William Bails Laws
b. 23 June 1875 Boston
d.

b) Ella M. Laws
b. 30 Oct 1879 Boston
d.

9. Ezekiel Bronsdon Marsh
b. 16 Sep 1824 Fairfield
d. 28 Apr 1851 Millbury, Massachusetts (FC) at 26 yrs
m. 22 Apr 1848 Boston
Margaret Ann Symonds
b. 1829 Massachusetts
d.

He moved to Boston where he married Margaret and was living in Millbury. He had been recently promoted to a Railroad Superintendent for The Boston & Albany Railroad Company when he died of pneumonia following a night of exposure while he was clearing snow for railroad cars coming into the Millbury Station. He had been the only Bookkeeper for the railroad previously and worked long hours keeping up with the job which would have normally been handled by 2 or more men. "It was discovered his lung had pushed into his rib cage from the years of leaning into his desk on his 18+ hour daily shifts...literally worked to death."

Ch. MARSH:

I. Lydia A. Marsh
b. 1 Aug 1848 Millbury, MA
d. 2 Oct 1848 Millbury, MA at 2 months old

II. Caroline A. Bronsden Marsh
b. 1 Nov 1849 Millbury, MA
d. 8 Feb 1941 Los Angeles
m1. 31 Aug 1869 Boston
H. M. Richardson

m2.

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They resided in Burlington, Vermont

Ch. RICHARDSON:

a) Catherine Richardson
b. 5 Nov 1876 Montpelier, VT
d.