



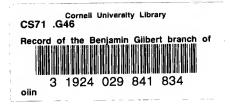
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Benjamin Gilbert (1799-1872)

# A RECORD of the BENJAMIN GILBERT BRANCH of the GILBERT FAMILY IN AMERICA

(1620-1920)



Also the Genealogy of the FALCONER FAMILY, of Nairnshire, Scotland, (1720-1920), to which belonged Benjamin Gilbert's wife, MARY FALCONER

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Jack and Martha Symmer of 1919

### A FAMILY LETTER

To my cousins, big and little:

A summer spent in Stamford with Jack and Martha, two of the youngest members of the Gilbert family, great-great-grandchildren of our grandfather, Benjamin Gilbert, recalled to my mind a request of one of our young relatives and her husband, that I write out for them and their children what I know about the family history.

This I am glad to do, both in honor of our grandparents and for the information of those of you who did not know them.

For the facts concerning the five generations preceding Benjamin's father, Jesse Gilbert, we are indebted to Miss Julia Annette Gilbert of Albany, N. Y., who sent them to us, the result of long, careful research by her father, Josiah Hotchkiss Gilbert, a grandson of Jesse's brother Josiah; and also to our kinsman Harold S. Gilbert of Portland, Oregon, who has completed a larger genealogy of the family.

The history of Jesse, especially of his military service, is recorded, together with its sources, in Chapter II of this publication.

Our record of grandmother's family goes back only to her grandfather, William Falconer of Nairnshire, Scotland. Her father, Archibald Falconer, came to America about 1792 and settled in New York City, where his daughter Mary was born in 1801. From 1808 till his death in 1842, he was a farmer in Stamford, Delaware County, N. Y., owning land in Stamford Township, over the mountain, not far from the Jesse Gilbert farm.

From all I can learn, the Falconers were substantial Christian people of strong character. One might infer this from knowing grandmother's ideals and influence.

I was eleven years old when she died and I remember her well, as gentle and affectionate, though not demonstrative. With all her gentleness, however, she was firm in the management of her children and her household, hut in a way that inspired in them all respect and affection for her. I have never known anyone to whom could be more aptly applied that description of a worthy woman, as found in Proverbs 31:10-31.

Her death came suddenly in her sixty-fourth year. It was in 1864, at the end of a beautiful October day. She had retired a little earlier than usual, after reading her nightly portion in the big-print Bible, and then, falling asleep almost at once, she passed away peacefully in her sleep.

I saw grandfather last when I was sixteen, but he seemed sad, never again the same after "Mother's" death, though he was deeply devoted to his daughter Eliza (Mrs. David Kennedy) and her family, with whom he made his home till his own end came, in 1872. He was a man of strong personal opinions on religious and political questions, and in the remote mountain community in which he lived, he stood for higher education, for religious character, and for the general uplift of community and country. Because of the superior educational advantages offered by the older towns of Massachusetts, he took his family to Amherst, Mass., about 1840, and resided there several years. Upon returning to Stamford he, together with several of his fellow towns men, was prominent in founding the first seminary in Stamford, the forerunner of the present academy there.

How interested he and grandmother would be in you and your children! How much you would have enjoyed visiting at the farm! It was surrounded by mountains and was just beyond the woods along the west side of the road that is now called Mountain street and leads to the township and to the top of Mt. Utsayantha.

We would drive up the long, steep road from the village, letting the horses rest now and then at the "thank-you-marms," till finally, at the last ridge, we'd pass through the big gates of the private drive and be at grandfather's. Then what warm welcome and good cheer! There were plenty of interests for everyone, old or young; but what interested us most, as children, what now, after nearly sixty years we remember vividly, were the wonderfully good caraway cookies, the delicious maple sugar, the big shining pails of warm foaming milk; and, outside, the flowers and the fruit trees and the long watering trongh with its ceaselessly flowing stream of sparkling spring water, where it was fine fun to splash and to sail our make-believe boats.

Even yet I can picture to myself the cows, down the lane, coming trailing home after the tinkling bell of the leader and with our playfellow, Carlo, self-important, bringing up the rear, while beyond, under the sunset sky, was a background of mountains, their sides checkered with vari-colored fields. Now, all our people are gone from the farm on the mountains! It was sold, long ago, to strangers and the house has been replaced hy one more modern.

Sincerely,

#### ELIZA HOWE GILBERT.

September, 1920.

In this, the first published record of our family, the half-tone cuts have been contributed by our cousin, F. Newell Gilbert of Binghamton, N. Y. The work has been compiled with much pleasure and in the hope that it may serve to draw together in friendly interest all Benjamin Gilbert's descendants. The omissions and any possible mistakes, much to be regretted, must be left to you to supply or correct, as you have opportunity.

## Ancestors of Benjamin Gilbert

CHAPTER I

#### Five Generations of American Ancestors.

(From records compiled by Josiah Hotchkiss Gilbert of Albany, N. Y., grandson of Jesse's brother Josiah, and from the larger genealogy of the Gilbert family, entitled "Thomas Gilbert and Some of His Descendants," a work arranged with great care by Harold S. Gilbert of Portland, Oregon, a descendant of Thomas's son, Thomas, Jr.)

The first record of Thomas in America is his purchase of land in Braintree, Mass., Feb. 12, 1639. From Jan. 1644 to 1655, he lived in Windsor, Conn. (See "Hist. of Anc. Windsor" by H. R. Stiles). The last four years of his life he was a resident of Wethersfield, Conn. He was a farmer and carpenter.

Children of Thomas and Lydia, all probably born in England, were:

1. Jonathan, 2. Ezekiel, 3. Sarah, 4. Thomas, 5. John, 6. Josiah, 7. Obadiah.

II. Josiah Gilbert (1628-1688), m., about 1651, Elizabeth Belcher (1632-1682), his first wife, daughter of Gregory and Catharine (\_\_\_\_\_) Belcher of Braintree. In 1687 he married as his second wife, the widow of John Ward of Middletown, Conn., Mary (Harris) Ward (1645-1722), daughter of William and Edith (\_\_\_\_\_) Harris.

"Josiah Gilbert resided at Wethersfield for a few years after his marriage, and then removed to Westchester, N. Y., where he remained for six or seven years. He returned to Wethersfield about 1662 and continued there until his death."

Children by his first wife:--1. Benjamin, 2. Elizabeth, 3. Lydia, 4. Josiah, 5. Sarah, 6. Eleazer, 7. Moses, 8. Caleb, 9. Mary, 10. Amy.

Child by his second wife:-John, b. 1688; died probably soon after 1697.

III. Caleb Gilbert (1668-1715).

Elizabeth------ (-------).

He removed from Wethersfield, Conn., to Southampton, L. I., about 1694. It is probable his wife belonged to a Southampton family. The records relating to Caleb's family are very meagre. He may have resided in his old age with his son Caleb, in Orange County, New York.

Children:-1. Bethia, 2. Mary, both daughters born before 1698; 3. Caleb, Jr.

IV. Caleb Gilbert, Jr., (1700-about 1760).

Phoebe  $\rightarrow$  (1712-1739), his first wife. She is buried in the old north end burying ground in Sonthampton.

He was born at Southampton. He removed, before 1744, to Orange County, New York, and settled in or near the town of Cornwall. Some of his children were by his second wife, whose name is not known. In an old deed recorded in Orange County, he is called "carpenter."

Children:—1. Phoebe, 2. Ebenezer, 3. Stephen, 4. John, 5. Josiah, 6. Hannah, 7. Jeremiah.

V. Ebenezer Gilbert (-----before 1790).

Ruth Carpenter (------).

He was a signer of the "Articles of Association" of New Paltz, Ulster County, New York. He was a builder of mills, and so was exempt from military service.

His wife probably lived in Goshen, N. Y., before her marriage. (Consult Eager's "Outline History of Orange County (N. Y.)," page 489.)

Children:—1. Jesse, 2. Phoebe, 3. Polly, 4. Josiah, 5. Joseph, 6. Elizabeth.

According to the records of some of the other branches of the Gilbert family, Thomas was either the brother or son of Sir John Gilbert of Devonshire, England, "who settled in Taunton, Mass., in the Plymouth Colony, in 1638, one of the incorporated body of forty who settled in that Colony."

According to others, there is said to be "documentary proof in the State House in Hartford, Conn., that five brothers: John, born about 1615; Jonathan, about 1618; Obadiah, 1619; Thomas, 1620; and Josiah, 1622, came to this country together, all sons of William, who was made freeman in Windsor, Conn., in 1640, and 'was supposed' (not authentic) to be a son of Sir John of Devonshire, England."

#### CHAPTER II (Jesse Gilbert:---Military Service.)

From "Military Records of Schoharie Co. (N. Y.) Veterans of Four Wars," compiled by George H. Warner, late Co. C., 134th N. Y. Vol. 1nf., and published in Albany, N. Y., in 1891, we read (page 63):

"Jesse Gilbert resided in Dutchess County. previous to the beginning of the Revolution and became enrolled for militia service in the Third Regiment, under Capt. Broadhead, late in the year 1775. After expiration of term, we find him again enrolled, in Col. John Hathorn's regiment and called out 'on alarm at Minisink' in July, 1777.

"On the organization of the regiment 'for the immediate defense of the State,' under Lieut-Col. Albert Pawling, we find him enrolled in that organization under Capt. Gilbert I. Livingston, April 27, 1781.

"Soon after this enrollment he came to Schoharie County with a detachment and remained through the war. He soon became a favorite of Murphey (Timothy Murphey, p. 59) and accompanied him in his expeditions, accepting and answering to the name of 'Joot' bestowed by the bold Irishman (Murphey).

"He participated in the action at Jefferson Lake; also escaped with Murphey by breaking through the line of Indians when they found themselves unexpectedly surrounded.

"He received a bayonet wound in the side and directly under the right arm during a charge in the engagement with the Indians and Tories under Butler.

"After the end of the war he married and became a farmer in the town of Harpersfield and later removed to a farm near the present village of Stamford, Delaware County, and added the occupation of miller to that of farmer.

"He afterwards removed to and occupied a farm at the base of what is now called Mt. Utsayantha, where he died in the year 1838."

Note: On the tombstone erected to him by his son Benjamin, our grandfather, the date of his death was given as 1839.

He was buried in the old graveyard in the westerly part of Stamford in what is now called Churchill Park, north of the Hotel Rexmere; but his grave and others found there of members of his family were removed in the summer of 1906 to the present cemetery, on a spur of Mt. Utsayantha in Lot F23, as indicated on the present cemetery association's map of the lots. This deed and that of the lot of Benjamin Gilbert are in possession of the cemetery association of Stamford, N. Y.

From General Headquarters, State of New York, Adjutant-General's Office, Bureau of Records of the War of the Revolution, Albany, N. Y.,

July 21, 1893, a certificate, in answer to a request for data as to the service of Jesse Gilbert in the Revolution, reads as follows:

"The records on file in this office show the name of Jesse Gilbert as a private of Broadhead's Company of Hathorn's Regiment, and the name of Jesse Gilbert again as a private of Livingston's Company and Pawling's Regiment."—(Signed by the Assistant Adjutant-General, Fred Phisterer.)

Note: This certificate is in the possession of Josephine Maynard (Gilbert) Sanford (Mrs. George DeWitt Sanford), of Stamford, N. Y., daughter of Jesse Benjamin Gilbert, the great-grandson of Jesse.

Y The following is a copy of Jesse Gilbert's commission as Second Sergeant in the Militia of New York: "By Lieut.-Col. Alexander Harper, Esq., Commandant of the Regiment of Foot of the Militia of the State of New York, to Mr. Jesse Gilbert, Greeting:

"Reposing especial trust and confidence in your good conduct, valour and fidelity, I do, by these presents, constitute and appoint you to be Second Sergeant in Capt. Benjamin More's Infantry Company in the Regiment under my command. You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of Sergeant by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto belonging, and I do strictly charge and require all Non-Commissioned Officers and soldiers under your command to pay due regard and obedience to your orders—and you are to observe and follow such orders and directions as you shall receive from time to time from me or any other your Superior Officers, agreeable to the Law of this State, for which this shall be your sufficient Warrant.

"Given at Harpersfield this 20 day of April, 1793, under my hand and seal—

"ALEXANDER HARPER, Colonel Commanding."

Note: This commission, framed, is in the possession of our cousin, Jesse Benjamin Gilbert, of Stamford, N. Y., great grandson of Jesse.

#### CHAPTER III

#### (Jesse Gilbert's Family and Descendants-1787-1920)

Jesse Gilbert (Mar. 13, 1760-Oct. 2, 1839), married Sarah (Hallenbeck) Gilbert (1761-Jan. 21, 1834).

(Jesse Gilbert was born at Esopus, seven miles below Kingston, N. Y. The Albany Gilberts have an old account book which his father, Ebenezer, kept.)

Family of Jesse and Sarah (Hallenbeck) Gilbert:-

1. Mary ("Polly") (1787-1806), unmarried.

2. Fanny, married to —-Hallock.

Children:-1. John;

2. Caroline.

3. Sarah, married to ——Reynolds.

Children:-1. Hiram;

2. Harriet;

3. Sarah, married to —-Paine; went west to live.

4. Elizabeth ("Betsy") (1792-1878), married to James Churchill (1785-1843).

Children:—1. Charles Gilbert Churchill (1817-1874), married a widow, Ruth (Peck) Ackley (1815-1895).

Children:-1. Elijah Peck Churchill;

- 2. Millie Frances (Churchill) Richtmyer;
- 3. Lydia Augusta (Churchill) Smith;
- Mary (Churchill), first, Clark; second, Beebe.
- 2. Sally Ann Churchill (1822-1829);
- 3. Elijah Churchill (1824-1848);
- 4. James Churchill (1826-1853);
- 5. George Churchill (1830).
- Andrew Livingstone Churchill (1832-1907), married Amelia Ackley, who was born in 1836, daughter of Ruth (Peck) Ackley and her first husband.
  - Children:—1. Adelaide (Churchill), married to, first, David B. Ścott; second, George Hamilton.
    - Mary Eva (Churchill), first wife of Frederick William Dow; their daughter, Jessie Eva Dow, who has a position in the State Laboratory, Albany, N. Y.

- Eliza Belle (Churchill), second wife of Frederick William Dow, who was for many years connected with the U. S. Navy, in an official position.
- Frederick Hayes Churchill, married Grace Cadmus; their son is Frederick Livingstone Churchill.
- Addison Jesse Churchill (1836-1916), for many years the proprietor of the Catskill Mountain Line of stages; a Sheriff of Greene County, N. Y., in 1882; a proprietor for many years of Hotel St. George in New York City. His first wife was Mary Elizabeth Houghtaling, a daughter of John Staats and Mary Ann (Fiero) Houghtaling. J. S. Houghtaling was the pioneer proprietor of the Catskill Mountain Stage Line.
  - Children:—1. John Staats Churchill, captain of the Catskill Steamboat Line; married, 1893, Katherine Gilfillan of Washington, D. C.
    - Mary Elizabeth Churchill, married, 1885, to Emory A. Chase, who has been a Justice of the Supreme Court and is now a Judge of the Court of Appeals of New York State. Their children are (a) Jessie (Chase), married to J. Lewis Malcolm; (b) Albert W. Chase.
    - Frank Gilbert Churchill, married, 1887, Nellie Gilfillan of Washington, D. C.; he died March 16, 1915.
    - James Edwin Churchill, married, 1914, Jessica Stimpson of Troy, N. Y.; their son (a) James Addison Churchill.

Addison Jesse Churchill's second wife, Mary Elizabeth Fiero, is cousin of his first wife.

5. Ebenezer Gilbert, settled in Catskill, N. Y.

Children:-1. Ebenezer, Jr.

2. Andrew.

- 3. Sarah, married to George Leonard, Oxford, Mass.
- 4. Laura, married to —— Wright, ——, Conn.
- 5. Jerusha, died unmarried.
- 6. Phoebe Gilbert (1797-1846), unmarried.

7. Benjamin Gilbert (1799-1872), settled as a farmer in Stamford, N. Y., married Mary Falconer (1801-1864).

#### Children:-1. Archibald F.

- 2. Jesse.
- 3. Francis R.
- 4. William F.
- 5. Sarah E.
- . 6. Don A.
  - 7. Eliza B. (See later chapters.)
- 8. Ruth, married to Jacob Hunt.

Children:-1. William.

- 2. Gilbert.
- 3. Elmer.
- 4. Jacob, Jr.
- 5. Mary.
- 9. Hiram (1803-1837).

Children:---1. Harriet.

- 2. Roswell.
- Hiram, who was born in 1830 and died, unmarried, in 1909.

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#### CHAPTER IV

#### (Descendants of Jesse's Brother.)

Josiah Gilbert (1770-), married Hannah Boughton. Children:

- 1. Margaret (Aug. 22, 1795-March 24, 1841), unmarried.
- 2. Betsey (Dec. 12, 1797-Dec. 2, 1823), unmarried.
- 3. Stephen (April 12, 1800-).

4. Levi (Sept. 19, 1802-Feb. 9, 1877), married Julia C. Baldwin (Aug. 1, 1805-Oct., 1892).

Children:-1. Josiah Hotchkiss Gilbert, (1834-1909).

- 2. Vanessa (1839-1841).
- 3. Judson (1842-1871).
- 4. Anson (1849-1914).

5. Boughton (Jan. 28, 1803 ). Supposed to have been killed in the border wars in Jamestown, N. Y.

 Lucy Ann (Sept. 10, 1807-May 6, 1888), married to Stanley Day. Children:—1. Elizur Day.
 2. Coleman Day.

- 8. Sheldon (March 10, 1812), married Evadne Fellows.
- 9. Ebenezer (Aug. 10, 1815), unmarried.
- Josiah (March 30, 1818), married. Children:—1. Otis Gilbert.
   2. Orville Gilbert

# Chart I Benjamin Gilbert's Descendants (1825-1920)

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### Descendants of Benja and Mary (Falconer)

	CHILDREN (7)		GRANDCHILDREN (24)
1	Archibald Falconer Gilbert (1825- 1866)	ł	Eliza Howe Gilbert (1853- —) Mary Falconer Gilbert (1854-1875)
		ſ	Mary Frances (Gilbert) Cook (1851)
2.	Jesse Gilbert (1826-1863)	$\left\{ \right.$	Sarah Jane (Gilbert) Hart (1854)
		l	Henry Easton Gilbert (1855) Edward Payson Gilbert (June-Aug., 1858)
			Frank Newell Gilbert (1859- —)
З.	Francis Russell Gilbert (1830-1897)		
			Jesse Benjamin Gllbert (1870)
		l	Mary Elizabeth (Gilbert) Patterson (18727 —)
4.	William Falconer Gilbert (1833- 1905)		Samuel Wilde Gilbert (1869)
5.	Sarah Elspeth (Gilbert) Kendall (1835-1911)	Ś	Geo. William Kendall (1863-1920) Archibald Gilbert Kendall (1868)
		ſ	Mary Augusta (Gilbert) Lyon
			(1864-1920)
			Frank Bixby Gilbert (1866- —) Don Alonzo Gilbert, Jr. (1868- —)
6.	Don Alonzo Gilbert (1838-1902)	$\left\{ \right.$	Ralph Falconer Gilbert (JanMar., 1871)
			Maurice Benjamin Gilbert (1872)
			Archibald Falconer Gilbert (1875)
		ι	Chas. Kendall Gilbert (1878)
7.	Eliza Belle (Gilbert) Kennedy (1842-1915)	$\left\{ \left. \right\} \right\}$	Gilbert Falconer Kennedy (1872) Chas. David Kennedy (1874) Mary Falconer Kennedy (1879-1882) Anna MacPherson Kennedy (1882) Adelaide Gilbert Kennedy (1886)

## **t Family** amin Gilbert (1799-1872), Gilbert (1801-1864).

GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN (21) GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN (13)Harold S. Bennett (1896--) Emily J. (Cook) Bennett (1873--) Maurice G. Bennett (1899-1907) Berdena Julia (Hart) Ward (1875--) Hart Day Leavitt (1909----) Myrtle Rose (Hart) Leavitt (1878--) Julia Leavitt (1915- ---) Mary Frances Hart (1889-1890) Ralph Martin Glibert (1889--)....Jean Elizabeth Gilbert (1918--) Francis Russell Gilbert (1890--).....Russell Martin Gilbert (1916---) Marjorie Ellen McCarthy (1913----) Rosemary Elizabeth McCarthy (1915----) Neil Dillon McCarthy (1917----) Marguerite Mead (Gilbert) McCarthy (1891- ---) Cathleen Cecelia McCarthy (1919--) Elizabeth Blackinton Gilbert (1894---) Mariel Brayton Gilbert (1904----) Josephine Maynard (Gilbert) Sanford Martha Josephine Sanford (1918----) (1893- ---) Francis Benjamin Gilbert (1900--) John Henry Friedmann, Jr. (1918--) .....Esther Falconer (Kendall) Friedmann (1894---) Mary Frances Smith (1919----) Marjorie Eleanor (Lyon) Smith (1889- ---) Mildred Lyon (1892--) .....Falconer Reese Gilbert (1895---)



Josiah Hotchkiss Gilbert (1834-1909)

## Josiah Hotchkiss Gilbert

Josiah Hotchkiss Gilbert (1834-1909), son of Levi (1802-1877), son of Josiah (1770), son of Ebenezer, son of Caleb, Jr., who died in 1760, son of Caleb (1668-1715), son of Josiah (1628-1688), son of Thomas (1592-1659).

Josiah H. Gilbert, Ph.D. (Union Uni.), was connected for fifty-four years with the Albany, N. Y., Schools, much of that time as Professor of Mathematics in the High School; he was also an author of many text books. He married, Aug. 19, 1857, Miss Abby E. Newell, who was born, April 11, 1835, a daughter of Andrus and Julia (Bushnell) Newell of Durham, N. Y. Their children:

1. Julia Annette Gilbert, born 1862; at present a teacher in the Albany High School.

2. Charles Newell Gilbert, born 1863; married, Dec. 31, 1895, Mabel D. Strong, born Jan. 16, 1870, daughter of Edward and Annie (Hervey) Strong of Andover, Mass. Mabel Strong is a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College.

Children:--1. Ruth, born April 9, 1899.

- 2. Edward Strong Gilbert, born Jan. 12, 1902.
- 3. Josiah Archibald, born Dec. 19, 1907.

Charles N. Gilbert is a manufacturer in Albany. He graduated from Union University, Pharmacy Dept.

3. Archibald Gilbert, born 1868; married April 9, 1910, Anna E. Morris, born Sept. 8, 1875, daughter of John Vedder and Maria Lydia (Bennett) Morris, Amsterdam, N. Y.

Children:-1. Marie Lydia, born March 12, 1911.

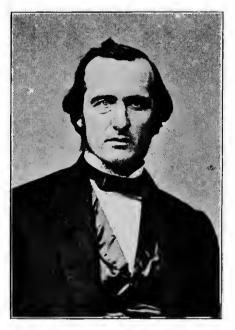
2. Vedder Morris, born May 12, 1914.

Archibald Gilbert is a physician and surgeon in Amsterdam, N. Y. He is a graduate of Union University, Medical Dept.

4. Emma Hope Gilbert, born 1871; married May 28, 1913, to Edgar L. Strong, born September 25, 1869, son of Horace and Julia (Hull) Strong of Durham, N. Y. He is a sheep farmer in Durham.

Child:--1. Elizabeth, born March 17, 1914.

5. Elizabeth, born 1875; married Dec. 6, 1900, to Robert H. Whitten, son of William M. and Margaret (Milliken) Whitten of South Bend, Ind.; graduated from University of Michigan; took post graduate work at University of Chicago and Columbia from which he got his degree, Ph.D. He is now city plan consultant to Cleveland, Ohio, in which city they are living.



Archibald Falconer Gilbert (1825-1866)

#### CHAPTER V.

#### Archibald Falconer Gilbert, Eldest Son of Benjamin (May 31, 1825-June 16, 1866)

He was born in Stamford, N. Y.; was educated at Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass., and at Amherst College, where he gratuated, 1850. He married, April 15, 1850, Lydia Eliza Howe, born Aug. 22, 1823, daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth (Wetherbee) Howe, of Marlboro, Mass. She was at one time a pupil of Mary Lyon at Mount Holyoke Seminary; 1850-1854, A. F. Gilbert was principal of a young ladies' seminary, Mercersburg, Pa.; 1854-1860, principal and proprietor of the Stamford (N. Y.) Seminary; 1860 until his death in 1866, he was an ordained minister of the Reformed Dutch Church of Prattsville, Greene County, N. Y., a church that was founded in 1804.

- Children:—1. Eliza Howe Gilbert, horn, Mercersburg, Pa., March 23, 1853; educated in the public schools of Worcester, Mass., graduating from the High School there in 1873; later, she had supplementary, special study, during many summer vacations, with college professors in this country and in Italy and Greece. She taught Latin and Greek in High Schools for 43 years—1874-1878, Bainbridge, N. Y.; 1878-1881, Whitehall, N. Y.; 1881-1882, Brooklyn Heights Seminary, Brooklyn, N. Y.; 1882-1916, in Montclair, N. J. Retiring from this position, June, 1916, she hecame a New Jersey teacher pensioner, according to the State laws.
  - Mary Falconer Gilbert, born, Stamford, N. Y., Aug. 29, 1854; died, Worcester, Mass., Jan. 29, 1875.

Lydia Eliza (Howe) Gilbert, died in Montclair, N. J., June 30, 1897. After her husband's death, she and her children lived in Worcester, Mass., until her younger daughter died in 1875. From that time on she made her home with her elder daughter, whose whole life has been helped by her wise mother-love and her strong Christian faith.



Jesse Gilbert (1826-1863)

#### CHAPTER VI

#### (Jesse Gilbert, 2nd Son of Benjamin, Sept. 13, 1826-Oct. 4, 1863)

After teaching for a year in the south, he settled for a time as a farmer in Stamford Township, but later engaged in mercantile business, having a general store in Stamford Village, where he was also postmaster. He married, Oct. 9, 1850, Emily Cynthia Pratt, (1827-June &, 1858, daughter of Henry and Susan (Crane) Pratt of Jefferson, N. Y., and later of Stamford Township.

Mr. Pratt was very closely identified with every activity in the Presbyterian Church, in which he was an elder for many years. He lived to be ninety years of age, a man held in high esteem by the whole community.

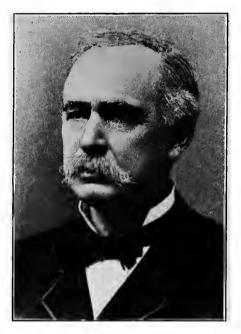
> Children:—1. Mary Frances Gilbert, born Stamford, Nov. 4, 1851; married Nov. 6, 1872, to Henry C. Cook, born South Gilboa, July 25, 1844, son of Joseph and Mary P. (Hodge) Cook.

- Child:---1. Emily Jessie Cook, born Harpersfield, N. Y., Sept. 14, 1873; married, Dec. 5, 1892, Sherman Oscar Bennett, born, Stamford, N. Y., Aug. 5, 1863, son of Oscar I. and Selina S. Bennett; he died, Stamford, Feb. 22, 1907. Children:---1. Harold S. Bennett, born Stamford, July 12, 1896. Maurice G. Bennett. born Stamford. Jan. 26, 1899; died,
  - April 11, 1907.
- Sarah Jane Gilbert, born Stamford, June 11, 1854; educated, Stamford Seminary and Elmira College; married, October 4, 1875, to Leverett Cornish Hart, born Sept. 9, 1850, son of Abner Slade Hart and Julia (Rose) Hart, of Barkhamsted and Riverton, Conn. Mr. Leverett Hart was a merchant, at one time, in Riverton, later in Hartford, Conn., but retired from bushness several years ago.

- Children:-1. Berdena Julia Hart. born. Riverton, Conn., Sept. 17, 1875: married. June 7. 1899, James Ward Ward, born. Riverton. Conn., March 7, 1872, son of Samuel Bunnell and Abby Nancy (Ward) Bunnell; grandson and legally adopted son, at two years of age, of William H. and Martha Ann (Pinney) Ward. He is a practicing physician in Hartford, Conn., having his degree from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md. He is a member of the City, County and State Medical Societies. and of the American Medical Association. They have no children.
  - 2. Myrtle Rose Hart, born, Riverton, Conn., May 9. 1878: married, Sept. 7. 1904, Ashley Day Leavitt. born, Chicago, Ill., Oct. 10, 1877, son of Burke Fay Leavitt and Lena (Day) Leavitt. Rev. Ashley Day Leavitt, a graduate of Yale University and of Hartford Theological Seminary, is a Congregational minister. He has had the following pastorates: Assistant pastor "South" Church. Hartford; pastor, Willimantic, Conn.; Concord, N. H.; State St. Church, Portland, Me., and now

"Harvard" Congregational Church, Brookline, Mass. About two years a g o Bowdoin College conferred upon him the degree of D.D.

- Children—1. Hart Day Leavitt, born. Concord, N. H., Dec. 29, 1909.
- Julia Leavitt, born, Cumberland, Me., July 22, 1915.
- Mary Frances Hart, born. Riverton, Conn., Jan. 17, 1889; died, Feb. 12, 1890.
- Henry Easton Gilbert, born, Stamford, N. Y., Nov. 29, 1855; went west, Feb. 20, 1877, to Oswego, Kansas, where he engaged in the livery business; married, Dec. 15, 1883, Alice Warrence, born, Aug. 8, 1861, in St. Louis, Mo., daughter of William Frederick and Hannah S. (How) Warrence. H. E. Gilbert is now sheriff of Wallace County Kansas.
- Edward Payson Gilbert, born Stamford, N. Y., June 4, 1858; died in Stamford, Aug. 17, 1858.



Francis Russell Gilbert (1830-1897)

#### CHAPTER VII

## Francis Russell Gilbert, Third Son of Benjamin (Sept. 20, 1830—Oct. 1, 1897)

He was educated in public and private schools in Stamford, N. Y., and Amherst, Mass., where the family lived for several years. He was a graduate of Union University, Law Department. He married, June 24, 1857, in Harpersfield, N. Y., as his first wife, Adelaide Mima Newell (1835-Aug. 16, 1860), daughter of Ralph and Mima (Birge) Newell of Harpersfield and Stamford, N. Y. After her death, Aug. 16, 1860, he married, June 25, 1868, in Augusta, Ga., as his second wife, Josephine Virginia Crocker, born at Galena, Ill., Feb. 16, 1849, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Birge) Crocker, of Galena, Ill., and later of Augusta, Ga. Elizabeth Birge was a sister of Mima Birge, Adelaide's mother.

Francis Russell Gilbert was prominent politically in New York State. In 1862 and 1863 he was a member of the State Assembly from Delaware County. In 1884, a delegate to the National Democratic Convention, Chicago, which nominated Grover Cleveland as President of the United States. In 1887 he was a justice of the New York Supreme Court, Sixth Judicial District. In 1890-1891, Deputy Attorney-General, during Governor Flower's administration; also a member of a state Constitutional Convention. He was the largest individual contributor to the building of Stamford Seminary and a member of the Board of Trustees for several years. He was one of the original promoters of the huilding of the Rondout & Oswego (now U. & D.) Railroad into Delaware County, a Town Railroad Commissioner and at one time general counsel for the corporation. It was largely through his leadership and influence that this railroad was continued to Stamford and not diverted to a more southern route through the county. He was a law partner of Isaac H. Maynard, under firm name of Gilbert & Maynard, and later of the firm of Gilbert & Andrus (Chas. L. Andrus) at Stamford, N. Y., and later of the firm of Maynard, Gilbert & Cohn at Albany, N. Y.

- Children:---1. Frank Newell Gilbert, son of Adelaide Mima (Newell) Gilbert, first wife.
  - 2. Jesse Benjamin Gilbert, son of Josephine V. (Crocker) Gilbert, second wife.
  - 3. Mary Elizabeth Gilbert, daughter of Josephine V. (Crocker) Gilbert, second wife.

Children of Francis Russell Gilbert:

Frank Newell Gilbert, born Stamford, N. Y., June 29, 1859, son of Francis Russell Gilbert and his first wife, Adelaide Mima (Newell) Gilbert; educated in the Stamford, N. Y., Academy, Amherst College, from which he graduated in 1881, and in the Union University; Law Department, in 1883. He married, Feb. 1, 1888, in Binghamton, N. Y., Fannie A. Martin, born Aug. 22, 1862, Whitney Point, N. Y., a daughter of Judge Celora E. Martin, Justice of the Supreme Court and Judge of the Court of Appeals of New York State, and Almanza B. Martin, his first wife. Their daughter graduated from The Temple Grove Seminary, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

Frank N. Gilbert is an attorney and counsellor at law, Binghamton, N. Y., and was secretary of the Binghamton Board of Trade, 1899-1903. He is the author of two books, "Forensic Quotations," 1903; the other, "Digest of the Law of Negligence," 1912

Children of Frank N. and Fannie A. (Martin) Gilbert: 1. Ralph Martin Gilbert, born in Binghamton, N. Y., Apr. 21, 1889; graduated from Binghamton High School in 1909 and from Cornell University in 1913 as mechanical engineer. Is employed with Massey-Harris Co., Ltd., of Toronto, Canada, in experimental engineering and designing of tractors and gasoline engines; member of Society of Automotive Engineers. Married, in Toronto, Canada, July 2, 1917, Nellie Constance Benster, born Oct. 11, 1891, Silver Creek, Merrick Co., Neb., daughter of Joshua Giles and Cora E. (Jones) Benster, who were originally from New England, but later lived in Michigan, Nebraska and Illinois; their daughter graduated from Cornell in 1916.

Child of Ralph and N. C. (Benster) Gilbert: Jean Elizabeth Gilbert, born June 20, 1918, in Toronto, Canada.

2. Francis Russell Gilbert (second), born in Binghamton, July 28, 1890; educated in the Binghamton schools, Winona, N. J. Military Academy, Lowell's Business College, and at the Boston Conservatory of Music. Engaged for several years in theatrical work in New York; was assistant Chief Clerk of the Bristol, Pa., shipyards during the war and since then engaged as assistant manager of the motion picture industry In New York. Married in Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 11, 1915, Lovina Clara Smythe, born in Philadelphia, Nov. 4, 1892, daughter of the late Adam Aurvill Smythe, a prominent politician of Philadelphia, and Sarah Ann (Frisby) Smythe.

Child of Francis R. Gilbert (second) and L. C. (Smythe) Gilbert: Russell Martin Gilbert, born in Binghamton, Oct. 10, 1916.

3. Marguerite Mead Gilbert, born in Binghamton, Nov. 10, 1891; educated in the Binghamton schools and at The National Park Seminary, Washington, D. C. Married in Binghamton, Sept. 23, 1912, to Neil Steere McCarthy, born in Los Angeles, Cal., 1887, son of James and Elizabeth (Enwright) McCarthy, who were originally from Boston, Mass.

Neil S. McCarthy graduated from the University of Michigan, Law Department. He was at one time a teacher of languages in the high school, Phoenix, Arizona. At present he is general counsel for the Lasky and other picture and financial corporations of California, and extensively engaged in ranching in Arizona. He resides in Los Angeles, Cal.

Children of M. M. (Gilbert) and N. S. McCarthy, all born in Los Angeles:

- 1. Marjorie Ellen, born Nov. 24, 1913.
- 2. Rosemary Elizabeth, born March 13, 1915.
- 3. Neil Dillon, born Jan. 1, 1917.
- 4. Cathleen Cecelia, born Aug. 19, 1919.

4. Elizabeth Blackinton Gilbert, born in Binghamton, May 31, 1894; educated at schools in Binghamton and Poughkeepsie and at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y., and at the Art League, New York. She has a studio in New-York and has attained high rank as an artist and illustrator in well-known publications in New York. 5. Mariel Brayton Gilbert, born in Binghamton, Jan. 31, 1904. At school.

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#### F. R. Gilbert's Children by Second Wife

2. Jesse Benjamin Gilbert, born in Stamford, N. Y., Apr. 2, 1870, son of Francis Russell and Josephine V. (Crocker) Gilbert, his second wife; graduated from Stamford Academy and from Jones' National School of Auctioneering, Chicago, Ill.

He married, Apr. 15, 1891, in Oneonta, N. Y., Minnie Elizabeth Maynard, born in Oneonta, Nov. 6, 1868, daughter of Thomas A. and Josephine (Montgomery) Maynard of Oneonta, N. Y.

Jesse B. Gilbert chose farming as his profession and owns what used to be known as the "Capt. Churchill" farm, now the "Gilbert" farm, situated in Harpersfield, N. Y., on the state road to Hobart, N. Y., about one mile from the village of Stamford. He is also a professional auctioneer and for six years he served as Supervisor of the Town of Harpersfield.

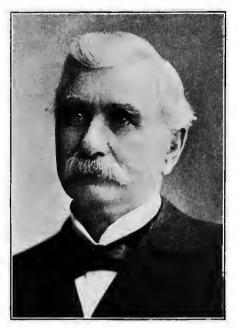
Children of Jesse B. and Minnie E. (Maynard) Gilbert: 1. Josephine Maynard Gilbert, born in Harpersfield Mar. 15, 1893; graduated from Stamford Academy and the Stamford Teachers' Training School. Married, Oct. 11, 1916, to George DeWitt Sanford, born in Stamford, Feb. 12, 1890, son of Roswell M. and Fannie (McClelland) Sanford. G. DeWitt Sanford graduated from the Stamford Academy and the Studebaker Corporation Automobile School, Detroit, Mich. He is an automobile mechanic.

Child of Josephine M. (Gilbert) and G. DeWitt Sanford: 1. Martha Josephine Sanford, born Feb. 15, 1918, in Stamford.

2. Francis Benjamin Gilhert, born in Harpersfield, July 21, 1900; a student at the Stamford Academy. In Sept., 1918, he was registered for military service and was in training till the war closed in November. He was in Morgan, N. J., at the time of the great explosion in 1918, and had a narrow escape from death. He was serving the government on locomotives, hauling products to be loaded on boats. Afterwards he worked at the Remington Gun Works at Ilion till December, when they closed down. 3. Mary Elizabeth Gilbert, born in Stamford, Feb. 22, 1872, daughter of Francis R. and Josephine V. (Crocker) Gilbert; graduated from the Stamford Academy, and later a student at the Burnham Classical School, Northampton, Mass. (1891-1892). She was married in Augusta, Ga., Apr. 19, 1906, to Charles Blome Patterson, born in Augusta Oct. 2, 1868, son of Rev. Joshua Speer Patterson, originally of Nashville, Tenn., and of Helen (Crocker) Patterson, born in Galena, Ill., and sister of Josephine V. (Crocker) Gilbert.

Joshua Patterson was an own cousin of Justice Emory Speer of U. S. Federal Court, and his great-uncle was father of Elizabeth Patterson, the wife of Jerome Bonaparte. Two governors and several Supreme Court and U. S. Federal Court judges are, and have been, in this generation of the Patterson family. His father was City Treasurer and Auditor of Augusta, Ga., for 37 years.

Dr. Charles Blome Patterson graduated from the Medical College of the University of Georgia in 1890. He practiced medicine seven years, but for the past fourteen years he has been the manufacturing pharmacist for the Medical College and the hospitals of the University of Georgia.



William Falconer Gilbert (1833-1905)

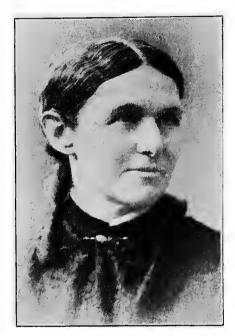
#### CHAPTER VIII

#### William Falconer Gilbert, Fourth Son of Benjamin (Nov. 16, 1833-March 25, 1905)

In his early manhood, he was a teacher in a college in Bolling Green, Kentucky; afterwards he became a merchant in Elmira, N. Y., and later a School Commissioner at Horseheads, N. Y., and a manufacturer. He married, at Alexandria, Va., Sept. 3, 1868, Hannah Elizabeth Wilde, born, Conway, N. H., March 7, 1840, daughter of Rev. John Wilde, originally of Dorchester, Mass., and of Julia M. (Forbes) Wilde, who was of Westboro, Mass.

Hannah E. (Wilde) Gilbert died Horseheads, N. Y., July 8, 1908. Her father, Rev. John Wilde, born Dorchester, Mass., July 17, 1802, had pastorates in Maine and in other states in Congregational churches. In 1860, he succeeded Archibald F. Gilbert in the Stamford (N. Y.) Seminary, as its principal and proprietor. He was uncle of Mr. Samuel Wilde, who was for many years a prominent, public-spirited citizen of Montclair, N. J., and one of the founders of the First Congregational Church of Montclair to which his widow presented, as a memorial of her husband, a handsome stone chapel.

> Child:—Samuel Wilde Gilbert, born Horseheads, N. Y., July 12, 1869; married, July 11, 1914, Mary A. Smeaton, born, April 17, 1868, on the old Bosworth Homestead in Pennsylvania, near Waverly, N. Y., daughter of Thomas B. and Frances A. (Bosworth) Smeaton.



Sarah Elspeth (Gilbert) Kendall (1835-1911)

### CHAPTER IX

## Sarah Elspeth Gilbert, Elder Daughter of Benjamin (May 30, 1835–Mar. 29, 1911)

She was born in Stamford, N. Y. Her early education was received in the schools of Stamford, and of Amherst, Mass., where the family lived for several years. From 1850, for three years, she was a pupil in her brother Archibald's school in Mercersburg, Pa.; 1853-54 she was a teacher there. June 21, 1859, she was married in Stamford, N. Y., to Rev. Charles Kendall, as his second wife, step-mother to his three motherless children by whom she was dearly loved, as long as they lived. Their mother, the first wife of Mr. Kendall, was Maria Howe, a sister of Archibald Gilbert's wife, Lydia Eliza (Howe) Gilbert, and daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth (Wetherbee) Howe, of Marlboro, Mass. She died in 1858 at Petersham, Mass.

Mr. Kendall was born in Westminster, Mass., Feb. 14, 1813; he was educated at Amherst College and Andover Theological Seminary. He had pastorates in Congregational churches in Hinsdale, N. H., South Royalston, Bernardston, Petersham and Auburn, Mass., and in the Presbyterian church in Windham, N. Y., where he died, Mar. 19, 1873.

#### Descendants of Charles Kendali

By his first wife, Maria (Howe) Kendall:

- Harriet Elizabeth, boru in Marlboro, Mass., Sept.
   1843. Graduated from Mount Holyoke Seminary, June, 1866; died Aug. 22, 1866.
- Charles Henry Kendall, born Bernardston, Mass., July 15, 1845; married Eliza Eldora Prentiss, who was born in Auburn, Mass., December 22, 1844, daughter of Josiah and Susan Prentiss, and died in Worcester, Mass., Apr. 15, 1903. Charles Henry died in Worcester, Mass., Sept. 20, 1901.

Their children: 1. Annie Dora, born in Auburn, Mass., June 10, 1869; married Oct. 2, 1902, to John Henry Sykes. 2. Josie Mary, born in Auburn, Mass., Sept. 2, 1875; married Dec. 7, 1904, to Louis Miles Webb.

 Agnes Maria Kendall, born in Petersham, Mass., Sept. 15, 1858; graduated from Mt. Holyoke College in June, 1881; died in Jan., 1883. By his second wife, Sarah E. (Gilbert) Kendall:

4. George William Kendall, born in Auburn, Mass., May 18, 1863; educated in Stamford, N. Y., Academy and Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Married Oct. 30, 1889, to Minnie E. Fredenburg, born in Gilboa, Schoharie County, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1863, daughter of Meander and Marietta (Richtmyer) Fredenburg. Mr. Fredenburg was for many years before his death, president of the Stamford, N. Y. National Bank.

G. W. Kendall died May 25, 1920, after an illness of two years. He was connected with the National Bank of Stamford for many years, first as bookkeeper, 1887-1891; then as cashier till, in September, 1918, when forced by ill health, to resign; finally, as chairman of the Board of Directors, to which office he was elected in January, 1919.

In 1904-1905 he was president of the Village of Stamford; 1906-1907 he was president of the Board of Trade.

He did much to advance Stamford as a summer resort. In 1897 he opened Kendall Place, the large and well-known summer hotel which he and Mrs. Kendall have conducted so successfully that their guests return year after year, not only as patrons but as warm personal friends.

To quote from the notices appearing in various newspapers concerning him: "For years he was a central figure in all local matters, being found on the side of progress, an ardent champion for civic improvements. His wide range of experience and financial knowledge made his advice and counsel a benefit to many.

"Socially he was a favorite with all, yet, while desirous of holding the friendship of his fellowmen, he never let the fear of unfavorable comment on his actions sway him as to the best methods of advancing the welfare of the community."

Rev. Alfred J. Sadler of Jersey City and formerly of the Presbyterian church of Stamford, the pastor under whom Mr. Kendall joined the church, and the one from whose tribute to Mr. Kendall's mother we quote in another place, referred in the funeral address to his "genial, kindly, helpful spirit of friendship; to his integrity and stability of character; to his affection and loyalty as a son and husband; and to his trust in our Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour."

His wife, Minnie E. (Fredenburg) Kendall, passed away June 24, 1920, four weeks after her husband. I cannot do better than to quote here from her home paper, "The Stamford Mirror-Recorder" of June 30, 1920, words to which I can most heartily subscribe:

"Kendall Place, her home, was ever a success, due in no small measure to her charm as hostess, her ability as manager and to her constant effort to make others happy and promote the welfare of those with whom she came in contact.

"Loving care and unmeasured devotion marked her association with her husband during the years of his illness." (I would say during the whole of their married life.)

"Measured in terms of love, sacrifice and helpfulness, hers was a wonderfully complete life."

 Archibald Gilbert Kendall, assistant manager at Jacob Decker Sons, Packers, Mason City, Ia., was born in Windham, N. Y., June 21, 1868. Married Sept. 8, 1892, to Julia Edith (Roberts) Finch (Apr. 4, 1869-Oct. 1, 1895), widow of Minot Finch and danghter of William and Mary Roberts of Binghamton, N. Y.

Child of Archibald and Julia Kendall: 1. Esther Falconer Kendall, born in New York City, Nov. 16, 1894; educated at Stamford Academy. Married Sept. 30, 1914, to John Henry Friedmann, born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Apr. 1, 1891, son of Henry George and Clara (Moser) Friedmann.

To Esther F. (Kendall) Friedmann, niece of G. W. and M. E. (Fredenburg) Kendall, their property was left by will.

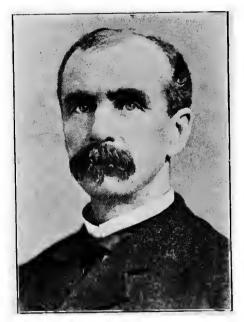
Child of J. H. and Esther F. (Kendall) Friedmann: John Henry Friedmann, Jr., born in Stamford, N. Y., Feb. 4, 1918. Archibald Gilbert Kendall married as bis second wife, on Sept. 17, 1913, Jennie Wheeler, born in Westkill, N. Y., Feb. 21, 1869, daughter of George and Dolly (More) Wheeler.

After the death of her husband in 1873. Sarah E. (Gilbert) Kendall, with her two sons and her young step-daughter, Agnes, moved to Stamford, where she spent the remainder of her life. At the time of her death, her pastor, Rev. Alfred J. Sadler, published a memorial of her, in which he expresses his own estimation of her Christian character and incloses tributes of affection and appreciation from her associates in different lines of Christian work. She was a charter member of the Stamford W. C. T. U., which was organized there in 1890; afterwards she was for many years its president, and for several years she was the president of the County (Delaware) W. C. T. U. Her pastor says: "She was also an earnest worker in the Missionary Society and other organizations of the church. and she was a courteous, queenly woman, revealing the gentleness of the Christ in her motherhood and friendship.

"Her large-hearted Christian charity and lovely spirit of gentleness were combined with exquisite tact" are the words used by one writing of her influence in the town and in the county W. C. T. U.

"Clear-visioned, firm and fearless in every question of right, her kindly heart looked with sympathy upon all human weakness" is a part of the appreciation expressed in the resolution adopted by the Town W. C. T. U."

To those who knew her, all the above seems very true and just.



Don Alonzo Gilbert (1838-1902)

#### CHAPTER X

# Don Alonzo Gilbert, Fifth Son of Benjamin (Oct. 30, 1838-Jan. 20, 1902)

In his early childhood the family was living in Amherst, Mass. Upon their return to Stamford, N. Y., he was educated in the Stamford Seminary and later, in the Delaware Literary Institute, Franklin, N. Y. About 1861 he went to Bainbridge, Chenango County, N. Y., where he spent the rest of his life. Until 1868 he was in the mercantile business, at first as clerk, later for five years, as partner; 1868-1874, he was in partnership with his brother-in-law, Ira Bixby, in the foundry and milling business; 1874-1899, he was in the lumber business, carrying on extensive transactions throughout the state, especially with the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company. In 1883 he, with other business men of Bainbridge, organized the Gilbert Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of children's. sleds and express wagons, and among the leaders in this industry, until forced by the panic of 1893 to close. He devoted himself unselfishly to church, school, village, town and county, laboring incessantly for the welfare of his neighbors, friends and the community. He held many public offices-for many years, a member of the Board of Education of the Bainbridge Union Free School District, its president when the present academy was established and built in 1874; he was a trustee of the Presbyterian Church from 1868 to his death, 1902; he was president of the village at various times; supervisor of the town several terms, having been first elected in 1884; a member of the county board of supervisors, where he was instrumental in accomplishing many administrative reforms; from 1885-1889, he was postmaster, appointed by President Cleveland. His. family life was most happy. He was the daily guide and companion of his boys in whom he inculcated true respect for constituted authority in the home, the school, the church, and the state.

Don A. Gilbert married April 9, 1863, Amelia Hannah Bixby, born Oct. 9, 1838, daughter of Charles and Hannah (Stowell) Bixby of Bainbridge, N. Y.

> Children:—1. Mary Augusta Gilbert, born Bainbridge, Feb. 6, 1864; student in Bainbridge Academy, and, 1884-1886, in the Teacher-Special Course, Wellesley College; married Sept. 12, 1888, to Frank Russell Lyon, born, Bainbridge, June 28, 1864, son of Thomas Jefferson Lyon and Ellen (Kelley) Lyon, of Bainbridge. F. R. Lyon has been engaged for many years in the wholesale seed business; eight years with the E. W. Conklin Co., Binghamton, N. Y.; and 10 years in a most



Mary Frances Smith

responsible position with the Albert Dickinson Co., Chicago, said to be the largest farm seed firm in the world. Mary, herself, is now chairman of the Civics-Education Department of a Woman's Club of 400 members in Chicago; she is also Thrift Chairman for the D. A. R. chapter there.

Children:—1. Marjorie Eleanor Lyon, born, Bainbridge Aug. 5, 1889; graduated, Oberlin College, 1911; Chicago School of Civics and Philanthropy, 1913; worked for four years for the United Charites, Chicago, and in Washington, D. C., one and one-half years as a special investigator for the Bureau of Labor Statistics; married, June 1, 1918, to Chas. Edward Smith, Jr., born, Dec. 6, 1886, son of Chas. Edward and Emilie (LaDuc) Smith of Winston-Salem, N. C.; graduate of The William and Mary Technical College in North Carolina, about 1910. He is a farmer by choice, and owns land in the Ozaarks, near Mena, Ark.

> Child of C. E. Smith, Jr. and M. E. (Lyon) Smith: Mary Frances Smith, born, Chicago June 2, 1919.

2. Mildred Lyon, born, Binghamton, N. Y., Feb. 18, 1892; graduated from The Chicago Art Institute, 1914; she is an artist, an illustrator of advertising, etc., with studio at 21 East Van Buren Street, Chicago.

3. Gilbert Russell Lyon, born, Binghamton, Feb. 13, 1894; had his A. B. degree from Hamilton College, 1917, but was at that time in military service. He took up aviation, ground school work at Cornell, field training at Fort Sill and Post Field, Oklahoma; received his commission as second lieutenant, as an observer, just a short time before the Armistice was signed. He is now (March, 1920) teaching in Sag Harbor, L. I., Principal of a High School having eighteen teachers.

On July 22nd (1920), our beloved cousin Mary died most unexpectedly. The news of this grief came to us all as a terrible shock. There are many to bear tribute to the usefulness of her life, to her powerful influence for good in her family, and in the church and community. As one of her brothers writes: "She was always an encouraging, uplifting influence."

2. Frank Bixby Gilbert, born Bainbridge, N. Y., March 10, 1867; graduated from Hamilton College, 1889; studied law with Judge Francis R. Gilbert and Judge Isaac H. Maynard; admitted to the bar 1891; appointed by the Statutory Revision Commission as Law Assistant, February, 1892; appointed in 1901, one of the two attorneys in charge of the Legislative Bill Drafting Bureau; 1895-1906, he maintained, with Mr. Robert C. Cumming, an office for the practice of law in Albany; 1906, was appointed State Law Librarian and Law Lecturer in the Albany Law School; 1918, was appointed one of the trustees of the Albany Law School. He remained State Law Librarian till October, 1908, when he was appointed Chief of the Law Division and Counsel of the State Department of Education; in July, 1919, he was appointed Deputy Commissioner of Education, acting in this capacity as Counsel for the State Education Department; in 1915, was appointed by Governor Whitman as Executive Counsel, under a leave of absence from the State Education Department; in 1917, he was special counsel, appointed by the Wicks Committee investigating agricultural conditions, as a result of which the present Farms and Markets Law was enacted; in 1917 and 1918, he acted also as personal counsel to the president pro tem of the Senate, Elon R. Brown.

From 1901 to the present time he has been connected with many important law publications; he has contributed to the American Cyclopedia of Law and Procedure the following articles: Bankruptcy, Divorce, Dower and Statutes. He was given the degree of L.L.D. at the June Commencement of Hamilton College, 1920.

Frank Bixby Gilbert was married Oct. 14, 1895, to Mary Frances Freiot, born, Bainbridge, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1868, daughter of John Henry and Helen Dorr (Winsor) Freiot.

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3. Don Alonzo Gilbert, Jr., born, Bainbridge, N. Y., March 13, 1868; married, June 6, 1893, Emma Jane Reese, born, Kingston, Pa., November 14, 1870, daughter of Thomas A. and Sarah L. Reese. D. A. Gilbert, Jr., has been Law Librarian at the Court House, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., for about ten years (1920).

Child:-Falconer Reese Gilbert, born, Bainbridge, N. Y. Feb. 22, 1895; a student at Hamilton College, he left in his Junior year for the Training Camps, May, 1917; was commissioned a First Lieutenant of Infantry, Nov. 26, 1917, at Fort Niagara. Dec. 14, 1917, he was ordered to Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.; transferred to Camp Wadsworth, Spartansburg, S. C., Feb. 2, 1918; he was recommended by Col. Robbins for promotion to Captain, but this was prevented by his being transferred to a regiment ordered overseas. To quote from a note written by Col. Robbins from Camp Wadsworth, S. C., Feb. 19, 1919: "I considered Lieutenant Gilbert one of the most efficient officers in my regiment." He was ordered overseas Sept. 2, 1918, with Company A, 56th Pioneer Infantry. He was under shell fire for some time along the Meuse River, and when the Armistice was signed their regiment was a part of the Army of Occupation, and reported to Army Headquarters. Dec. 15, 1918, at Coblenz on the Rhine, being one of the first regiments to enter Coblenz. He was placed in charge of a rail-head at Wittach, Germany, for some time; returned to America, July 2, 1919, after being in France and Germany about ten months. At present (February, 1920) he is Superintendent of Schools, Encampment, State of Wyoming.

Lieutenant Gilbert was married in Utica, N. Y., July 8, 1917, to Cecelia Cabill, who was born Jan. 26, 1895, daughter of James and Mary Cabill of Utica.

4. Ralph Falconer Gilbert, born, Bainbridge, N. Y., Jan. 12, 1871; died in Bainbridge, March 30, 1871.

5. Maurice Benjamin Gilbert, born, Bainbridge, June 13, 1872; married, Oct. 5, 1898, Ida Meade Beatty, born, Bloomfield, N. J., Sept. 16, 1873, daughter of William Colter Beatty and Mary Elizabeth (Baxter) Beatty.

Child:-Elizabeth Beatty Gilbert, born, Bainbridge, N. Y., Aug. 29, 1904.

Maurice B. Gilbert graduated from the Bainbridge Academy; engaged in manufacturing business with his father at Bainbridge, until his father's death, after which he moved to Jamaica, L. I., where he was in business as a contractor and builder. He moved, about 1915, to South Orange, N. J., where he now resides; he is engaged in the manufacture of refrigerators at Newark, N. J.

6. Archibald Falconer Gilbert (2nd.), born Bainbridge, N. Y., Feb. 19, 1875; graduated from Bainbridge Academy; studied architecture, first, at Binghamton, and then at Buffalo, where he was employed as a draughtsman in construction of buildings of the Pan-American Exposition. In 1901, he went to Chicago, office of D. H. Burnham. He was draughtsman, designer and supervising architect in employ of Graham, Burnham & Co., until 1918. He came to New York in about 1910, taking charge of Graham & Burnham's New York office; he was supervising architect in charge of many large buildings in New York and other eastern cities; he had charge of the construction of office building, 80 Maiden Lane, and the new Equitable Life Building, the largest office building in the world. Since 1918, he has been in business for himself, with offices at 80 Maiden Lane. In October, 1902, he married Inez Cecelia Andrus, born, Port Crane, N. Y., Dec. 4, 1878, daughter of Elmore and Nancy Meritta Andrus of Binghamton, N. Y.

Children:---1. Gwendolyn Inez Gilbert, born Chicago, Nov. 5, 1907; died, Oct. 23, 1908.

2. Don Stevens Gilbert, born, Chicago, Feb. 7, 1910; died, South Orange, N. J., Aug. 22, 1916.

7. Charles Kendall Gilbert, born, Bainbridge, N. Y., Aug. 6, 1878; graduated, Hamilton College, 1902; from The General Theological Seminary, 1905. He has had the following positions: Rector, New Dorp, Staten Island, 1905-1906.

Rector, Milbrook, Dutchess County, N. Y., 1906-1912.

Secretary, Social Service Committee, 1912-1913. Editor, "The Churchman," 1913-1918.

Rector, Scarsdale, N. Y., 1918-1920.

Executive Secretary, Social Service Commission, Diocese of New York.

Vicar of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York, 1920.

Rev. Charles K. Gilbert married, June 21, 1906, Anna Louise Brownell, who was born in New Bedford, Mass., Oct. 29, 1874, daughter of A. M. and May (Smith) Brownell of New Bedford.

Child:-Frederick Don Huntington Gilbert, born, April 24, 1907.



Eliza Belle (Gilbert) Kennedy (1842-1915)

#### CHAPTER XI

# Eliza Belle Gilbert, 2nd Daughter, 7th and Youngest Child of Benjamin (Dec. 22, 1842-May 17, 1915)

She was born in Stamford, N. Y., and was educated in the Stamford Seminary. She was married Sept. 4, 1867, to Dr. David Kennedy. David Kennedy was born Apr. 20, 1832, in New York City, and died Aug. 4, 1901, in Kingston, N. Y.

He was son of Alexander and Mary (Phinney) Kennedy, both of whom were born in Scotland and died in Stamford, N. Y. In 1851 he went to California, via Isthmus of Panama; worked in the gold placer camps, studied medicine in San Francisco and later in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, from which he received his degree, M. D., in 1860.

In the early days of the Civil War he was assigned as surgeon to the 19th Pennsylvania Infantry with rank of Captain; he participated in the second battle of Bull Run, Slaughter Mountain, Antietam and others; was ordered to Fortress Monroe, where he was president of the examining board for deportation of soldiers, was assigned to Saterlee U. S. General Hospital at West Philadelphia, as president of the examining: board and as consulting surgeon; he was the recipient of many testimonial gifts in recognition of valuable services.

After the war he practiced medicine in Titusville, Pa., and was actively interested in the newly-discovered oil fields of that section.

From 1870 to date of death, 1901, he resided in Rondout (now a part of Kingston), N. Y., where he established a large general practice and also engaged in the manufacture of various well-known proprietary preparations. He was interested in civic, professional and business affairs; member of the Ulster County Medical Society; Mayor of Kingston for two successive terms; Presidential Elector on the first Cleveland ticket, etc.

Dr. Kennedy's older brothers, Gilbert, James, John and William, served with honor and distinction in the Civil War.

> Children:—1. Gilbert Falconer Kennedy, born in Rondout, N. Y., Apr. 10, 1872; educated, Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass., Harvard University, where he graduated in 1895; Columbia Law School, 1898.

> > Sept. 20, 1900, he married Helen Clifford Mc-Cormick, born in Milton, Pa., Aug. 20, 1872; died in New York City, Mar. 9, 1918. She, was an artist, successful as an illustrator and portrait painter. She was the only daughter of Charles C. McCormick and Charlotte (Wright) McCormick. Charles

C. McCormick was a general in the Civil War, on General Thomas' staff. He served through the entire war, entering as a captain when twenty-nine years of age.

Child: Charlotte Falconer Kennedy, born in Kingston, Sept. 8, 1901. At present (1920) she is an art student in New York, at the Art Students' League.

- 2. Charles David Kennedy, born in Kingston, Mar. 10, 1874; educated at Williston Seminary, Easthampton. Mass., and at the Worcester, Mass., Academy; graduated from Amherst College in 1897, studied law at the New York Law School and also in the office of Hon. Richard L. Hand, in Elizabethtown, N. Y. He was admitted to the bar in 1900. He is a member of the Bar of New York and of Colorado. where in 1908, he was in practice at Hot Sul-Grand County. ohur Springs. and at Den-In 1909 and 1910 he was County Attorney ver. (Grand County); 1910-1912 he was Prosecuting Attorney; 1912-1916 he was County Judge; in 1916 he became a member of the law firm of Kennedy and Fullerton, Denver.
- Mary Falconer Kennedy, born in Harpersfield, Delaware County, N. Y., May 19, 1879; died in Kingston, N. Y., May 9, 1882.
- 4. Anna MacPherson Kennedy, born in Kingston, March 5, 1882; educated at the Capen School for Girls, Northampton, Mass.; at Miss Weeks' and Miss Lougee's School, in Boston; and at the Emma Willard Seminary, Troy, N. Y. She graduated in May, 1919, from the Presbyterian Hospital School for Nurses, New York.
- 5. Adelaide Gilbert Kennedy, born in Kingston, Feb. 27, 1886; was educated at the Kingston Academy; at the Capen School for Girls, Northampton, Mass.; and at Vassar College, where she graduated in 1907. She studied at the Art Students' League in New York; for over two years she taught in boarding schools, in Poughkeepsie and in Englewood, N. J.; and later, after completing a course in a Secretarial School in New York, she accepted a position in the Foreign Department of the Y. M. C. A., in New York.

# Chart II William Falconer's Descendants (1720-1920)

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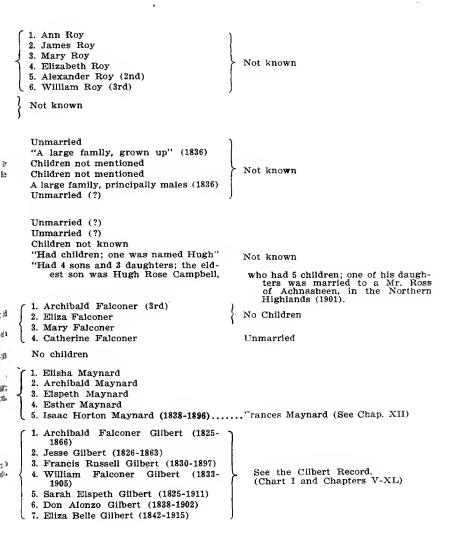
# The descendants of William Falconer (1) and Elspeth (Miller) Falconer, his wife (

CHILDREN (All born in Scotland, 1743-1760)	GRANDCHILDREN
l. John Falconer, died before 1850.	Unmarried
2. Mary Falconer, died 1826, wife of William Roy.	1. William Roy, Jr. 2. Alexander Roy 3. Archibald Roy 4. John Roy
<ol> <li>Margaret Falconer, died before 1836, wife of Colin Campbell, of Rait.</li> </ol>	1. Archibald Campbell2. Charles Campbell3. Elspeth Campbell, m. to Alex. Roy4. Lilley Campbell, m. to Alex. Rose5. William Campbell6. Alexander Campbell
4. Jean Falconer, still living 1836, and wife of Hugh Campbell of Nalrn.	1. Willlam Campbell 2. Hugh Campbell 3. Donald Campbell 4. James Campbell 5. John Campbell
5. Archibald Falconer, born, Scotland, 1760; died, America, 1842. His wife, Elspeth Russell (1766-1841).	<ol> <li>William, born in Scotland, 1791; died in America, 1827.</li> <li>Elspeth Falconer, born and died in N. Y. C. (1795-1796)</li> <li>Archlbald Falconer, Jr. (1797-1831)</li> <li>Jane Falconer (1799-"about 1860"); m. to Isaac Maynard of Bovina, N. Y.</li> <li>Mary Falconer (1801-1864); m. to Benjamin Gilbert of Stamford, N. Y.</li> </ol>
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Mary (Falconer) Gilbert (1801-1864)

# Genealogy of the Falconer Family of Nairnshire, Scotland

### CHAPTER XII

The grandparents of Mary (Falconer) Gilbert and their descendants: William Falconer (1720-"after 1778"), a farmer, Geddes Mills, Nairnshire.

Elspeth (Miller) Falconer (1723-1778).

They are buried in a churchyard in Auldearn, Nainshire.

Children:-1. John ( )who left home when a young man,

and in time became a merchant in Cheapside, London. He died in London before 1850, unmarried.

 Mary, who died in 1826; she was the wife of William Roy.

Children: 1. William, who married a daughter of James Falconer, Nairn.

Children: 1. Ann, married to \_\_\_\_\_\_ Ritchie of Nairn. 2. James. 3. Mary. 4. Elizabeth. 5. Alexander, who, in 1832, was a student at the Academy of Nairn, "at Latin and Greek," and said to have "talents above mediocrity, to be steady and persevering and to have every prospect of doing well"; and 6. William.

2. Alexander, who married his cousin, Elspeth Campbell. 3. Archibald. 4. John, who married a daughter of Hugh Grant, a farmer in Nairn.

 Margaret, who died some time between 1832 and 1836; wife of Colin Campbell (1750-1835), "a farmer and miller of Rait."

> Children: 1. Archibald Campbell, who became a lawyer and was, at one time, of the firm of McAndrew and Campbell, of Inverness, a partnership which was dissolved in 1836. He was never married. 2. Charles, who, in 1832, lived in Dalmes (?) and had a large family, "but none of them had received an education which would enable them to earn a livelihood except by hard labor." 3. Elspeth Campbell,

referred to above, wife of her cousin, Alexander Roy. 4. Lilley, married to Alerander Rose; her address, in 1832, was Red River Settlement, Hudson Bay. 5. William Campbell, who, in 1832, was living in Rait and had a large family, several of whom were grown. His second son went south, near Perth, and married there. 6. Alexander Campbell, who died at Glasgow in 1832.

4. Jean, who was still living in 1836; wife of Hugh Campbell, a farmer of Nairn, said not to be related to Colin Campbell, the husband of Margaret Falconer.

> Children: 1. William Campbell, in 42nd Regiment, stationed (1827) at Gibraltar, where he afterwards died. 2. Hugh, Jr., who died unmarried. 3. Donald, who went to Raleigh, N. Carolina. 4. James, who came to America, where his uncle. Archibald Falconer, aided him to secure education for the ministry. In about 1843 he was in Newburgh, Orange County, N. Y.; later he was in Howard, Steuben County, N. Y.; according to one account, he went, finally, as a missionary to Zanzibar, where he was killed by the natives; but another report. states that he died in Addison, N. Y., and left a wife and one or more children; that one of the children, probably the eldest, was named Hugh. 5. John, a ship carpenter in Nairn. He left a family of four sons and three daughters. the eldest son, Hugh Rose Campbell of Nairn in 1901, No. 3 Bath street.

 Archibald Falconer, born in Scotland, 1760; died in America at Stamford, N. Y., Dec. 7, 1842; he married in Scotland, Elspeth Russell (1766-July 25, 1841), daughter of William Russell, who, in 1800, was in Blackhellak, Scotland.

> Children: 1. William Falconer (born in Scotland, Oct. 15, 1791; died in New York City, Aug. 12, 1827, leaving four children:

1. Archibald Falconer, who died in San Francisco in 1852. 2. Eliza Falconer. 3.



Isaac Horton Maynard (1838-1896)

Mary Falconer. 4. Catherine, who died unmarried, in Elizabethtown, N. J., December, 1856. In 1852 she was preceptress in the Stamford Seminary.

2. Elspeth Falconer, born and died in New York (1795-1796). 3. Archibald Falconer (1797-1831), who married Eliza Borland (?) ( ). He was a merchant in Philadelphia and had acquired considerable property, much of it real estate, in New York City. In accordance with his will, his estate was not settled until after the death of his widow, when, as stipulated, it was to have been divided between his sisters and various philanthropic institutions. But his sisters having died, their shares were distributed among their children. Archibald Falconer died Feb. 13, 1831, at Rio Janeiro. S. America, while on a sea voyage undertaken for his health. 4. Jane Falconer (1799(?)about 1860), married to Isaac Maynard, Bovina, N.'Y.

Children:—1. Elisha Maynard; 2. Archibald Maynard; 3. Elspeth Maynard; 4. Esther Maynard, and 5. ISSAC HORTON MAYNARD, who was born in Bovina, N. Y., April 9, 1838; was prepared for college at Stamford Seminary, by its Principal, his cousin, Archibald Falconer Gilbert; he graduated from Amherst College, 1862, the valedictorian of his class. His public career:

1875 and 1876, member of New York State Assembly from Delaware County.

1877-1883, County Judge of Delaware County.

1884-1885, Deputy Attorney General, New York State.

1885-1887, Second Comptroller of United States Treasury.

1887-1888, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

1889, Statutory Revision Commissioner of New York State.

1892-1896, Judge of Court of Appeals.

Judge Maynard married, June 28, 1871, Margaret Maxwell Marvine, who was born, Aug. 9, 1840, daughter of Charles Augustus and Frances (Foote) Marvine of Delhi, N. Y.; he died in Albany, June 12, 1896.

Child: — Frances Maynard, was born in Stamford, N. Y., Dec. 3, 1876. and was married in New York City, Feb. 26, 1902, to David Ford of Rome, Ga.

> Children:—1. Isaac Maynard Ford, born, New York, Oct. 23, 1907; 2. Louisa Ford, born, Stamford, N. Y., July 11, 1909; 3. Lucy Ford, born, New York, Oct. 20, 1915.

5. Mary Falconer (1801-1864), born in New York City; died in Stamford, N. Y.; she was married to Benjamin Gilbert of Stamford, N. Y.

Children:—1. Archibald Falconer Gilbert (1825-1866); 2. Jesse Gilbert (2nd.), (1826-1863); 3. Francis Russell Gilbert, (1830-1897); 4. William Falconer Gilbert, (1833-1905); 5. Sarah Elspeth Gilbert, (1835-1911); 6. Don Alonzo Gilbert, (1838-1902); 7. Eliza Belle Gilbert, (1842-1915).

(See Record of Gilbert Family.)

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The data concerning the Falconer Family, we have obtained from the following sources:

1. Letters written to Archibald Falconer of Stamford, N. Y.; March 1, 1827, by Hugh Campbell, signed "brother," really brother-in-law, Nairn; April 3, 1832, from Geddes Mills, Nairnshire, by William Roy, nephew; Dec. 28, 1832, and Aug. 1, 1836, from Inverness, by Archibald Campbell, nephew.

2. Facts related by grandmother and other relatives and acquaintances in America.

3. Answers given by descendants of the above writers to my special inquiries, by letters to them in 1889 and 1890, and in person on a trip to Scotland in 1901.

"It was through the interest of Mr. F. Russell Gilbert of New York City that we learned of the larger genealogy of the Gilbert Family soon to be issued by Mr. Harold S. Gilbert of Portland, Oregon, to whom we have referred elsewhere."

