

Pennell Family

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Samuel Pennell

War of 1812

s/o Jeremiah Pennell, Sr & Priscilla Thompson

b. Sep 1788 Gray

d. 6 July 1866 Hartland (Fullers Corner Cemetery w/Sarah) at 77yrs

m. 9 Aug 1810

Sarah Leighton

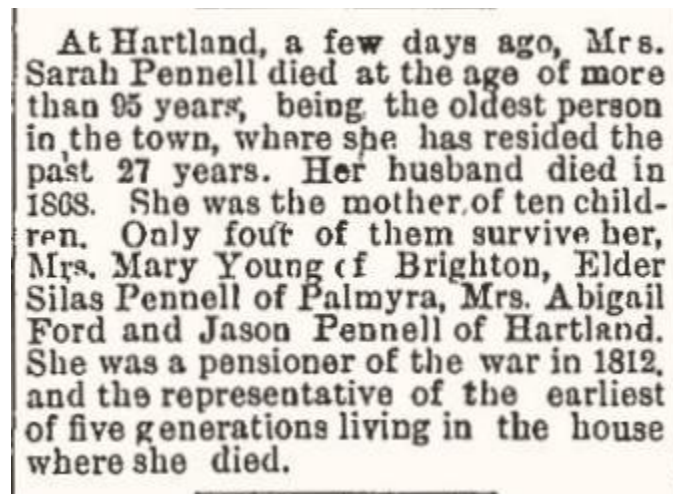
d/o Silas Leighton & Bethiah White

b. 31 Aug 1793 Falmouth

d. 21 Nov 1888 Hartland (FC) at 95yrs

Samuel enlisted in January of 1813 in Falmouth and served until the end of the war. His father served in the Revolutionary War from 1777-1780 enlisting in Falmouth in Capt. Thomas Seward's Company under Col. John Crane's Regiment including service at Valley Forge.

Samuel & Sarah were living in Brighton in C/1850 & C/1860 before moving in 1861 to the former Thomas Marsh, Sr Family Homestead at Fullers Corner in West Hartland along with their daughter Abigail (Pennell) Ford and her family and their son Silas Pennell and his family. Following Samuel's death, Sarah stayed with Abigail and her family at the homestead in C/1870 & C/1880 and remained there until her death.



At Hartland, a few days ago, Mrs. Sarah Pennell died at the age of more than 95 years, being the oldest person in the town, where she has resided the past 27 years. Her husband died in 1808. She was the mother of ten children. Only four of them survive her, Mrs. Mary Young of Brighton, Elder Silas Pennell of Palmyra, Mrs. Abigail Ford and Jason Pennell of Hartland. She was a pensioner of the war in 1812, and the representative of the earliest of five generations living in the house where she died.

Ch. PENNELL: (10 children; below are the 4 connected to Hartland)

1. Mary Pennell

b. July 1819 Cumberland

d. 7 Feb 1902 Hartland (No record of her burial location)

m. c1840

Samuel P. Young

b. 1818

d. 30 Dec 1896 Parkman

In C/1900, she reported 8 children born, 4 living.

They lived in Brighton by C/1850 up until Samuel's death when she moved to West Hartland and was living with her widowed brother-in-law Enoch Ford in C/1900.

2. Silas Leighton Pennell

b. 1823 Brighton

d. 19 July 1908 Palmyra (FC w/Isabell) æ 85yrs

m1. 16 Dec 1847 Brighton

Isabell Boynton Ford **(See Ford Family)**

d/o Enoch Ford & Jane Gahan

b. 16 Sep 1830 Mayfield Township (birthdate as noted by her sister Mrs. Ruth Ford Knowlton)

d. 1863 Hartland (FC) æ 33yrs

They were living in Brighton in C/1850 next to his parents with their 2 oldest children. They remained in Brighton with their children in C/1860 before moving in 1861 to West Hartland with his parents and her brother Enoch Ford who married his sister Abigail Pennell. Silas remarried and was living in Palmyra in C/1870 with his 2nd wife where he remained until his death.

“Silas was a well-known Minister of the denomination known as the Church of God and organized the first church of the denomination in the State of Maine at the Gale Schoolhouse in Palmyra in September of 1873.”

Ch. PENNELL:

I. Catherine Pennell “Catie”

b. 1849 Brighton

d. 23 Apr 1868 Palmyra (Warren Hill Cemetery, Palmyra) at 19yrs at childbirth

m. 26 July 1865 Parkman

Darius Prescott

II. Permelia I. Pennell

b. Apr 1850 Brighton

d. before 1920 Clinton

m1. c1865

Ebenezer Lewis

m2. 19 Apr 1893 Pittsfield (2nd marriage for both, both widowed)

Seth F. McKinney

III. Enoch Ford Pennell

b. 21 Jan 1853 Brighton

d. 12 Apr 1926 Pittsfield (Pittsfield Village Cemetery) at 73yrs

m. 1 Sep 1874 Palmyra

Abbie Robinson

IV. Silas Greenleaf Pennell

b. 1856 Brighton

d. 1920 Clinton (Joy Cemetery, Clinton) at 63yrs

m. 11 Sep 1877 Palmyra

Addie M. McKinney

V. Sarah L. Pennell “Sadie”

b. Nov 1857 Brighton

d. 1936 Pittsfield (Pittsfield Village Cemetery) at 78yrs

m. 29 Apr 1876 Clinton

Charles Frank Gerald “Frank”

m2. 23 Apr 1865 Palmyra

Ellen A. Gerald

d/o Charles F. & Mary E. Gerald (Mount Pleasant Cemetery)

b. Apr 1850 Canaan

d. 1934 Palmyra (Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Palmyra) at 83yrs

They were living in Palmyra in C/1870 with his children Enoch, Silas & Sarah and their daughter Cora noted at 1 year old.

Ch. PENNELL: (C/1900 notes 2 children born, 2 children living)

VI. Cora M. Pennell

b. 1869 Palmyra

d. after 1938 Waterville

m. 13 Nov 1895 Fairfield

Warren F. Whitten

VII. Leighton Gerald Pennell

b. 2 Aug 1877 Palmyra

d. 28 Nov 1940 (Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Palmyra) at 63yrs

m. 18 Oct 1905 Palmyra (her 2nd marriage, his 1st)

Della M. Temple

3. Abigail S. Pennell

b. 27 Sep 1828 Brighton

d. 8 June 1890 Hartland (FC w/Enoch) at 61yrs

m. c1848 Brighton

Enoch Lincoln Ford **(See Ford Family)**

d/o Enoch Ford & Jane Gahan

b. 4 July 1828 Mayfield

d. 30 Jan 1902 Hartland (FC) at 73yrs

They were living with her parents in Brighton in C/1860. They moved to West Hartland in 1861 along with her parents and her brother Silas who married Enoch's sister Isabell Ford. They were living there in C/1870 along with her widowed mother and remained there until their deaths.

Ch. FORD:

I. Sarah J. Ford

b. 1849 Brighton

d. before C/1860 Brighton

Noted with her family in Brighton in C/1850 but not in C/1860.

II. Charles M. Ford

b. July 1850 Brighton

d. 23 Nov 1924 Green Township, Michigan (Evergreen Cemetery, Alpena, Michigan)

m. 1885

Emma W. Smith

III. Joseph L. Ford

b. 14 Apr 1857 Brighton

d. Dec 1929 Hartland (FC) at 72yrs

m. c1882 Hartland

Agnes Mary Jackson

IV. Sada Ford
b. 1859 Brighton
d. 26 July 1915 Hartland (Pine Grove Cemetery) æ 56yrs
m. c1877
Vialle Walker Stedman (See Stedman Family)

V. Rowena Ford
b. 1863 Hartland
d. 23 Apr 1870 Hartland (FC) æ 7yrs

VI. Elsie B. Ford
b. 1869 Hartland
d. 4 June 1886 Hartland (FC) at 16yrs, 8mos

VII. Horace L. Ford
b. 3 Dec 1871 Hartland
d. 29 Oct 1883 Hartland (FC) at 11yrs, 11mos
Noted as "Blind & Idiotic" on C/1880.

4. Jason Pennell
b. Sep 1829 Brighton
d. 6 Nov 1910 Hartland (Fullers Corner Cemetery w/Fannie) at 80yrs
m. 28 Sep 1858 Brighton
Fannie P. Brown
b. 1837 Benton
d. 19 Nov 1898 (FC) æ 61yrs
They were living in Gardiner in C/1860 where he worked in the mill and moved soon after to Fullers Corner in West Hartland where they were living next to his sister Abigail Ford and her family in C/1870. They moved to Academy Street by C/1880 living there at the time of Fannie's death in 1898. Jason was living with his son George on Pleasant Street in C/1910 where he took his life by hanging attributed in his death notice to over a year of pain and suffering from terminal cancer.

Ch. PENNELL:

I. Calista Lucinda Pennell "Lucinda or Lu"
b. 19 Mar 1860 Gardiner?
d. 18 Jan 1928 Clinton (*Evergreen Cemetery, Clinton) at 67yrs
m. 1878
George M. Nutt
s/o James W. Nutt & Hannah M. Snell
b. 1851 Exeter
d. 1937 Clinton (*Evergreen Cemetery, Clinton) æ 85yrs
Her birth location is noted as Corinna or Hartland on various death and marriage certificates of her children. She is listed in the 1860 Census with her parents in Gardiner taken on June 7, 1860.

**As noted on Find-A-Grave Memorial ID 90865528, Nutt Family members believe Lucinda and George are buried in Evergreen Cemetery without markers. Their graves cannot be found and the original cemetery records were lost in a fire.*

Ch. NUTT: (C/1910 notes 10 children born, 10 living)

1. Lamont Julian Nutt

b. 23 Sep 1879 Shirley

d. 29 Dec 1949 Fairfield (Maplewood Cemetery, Fairfield) at 71yrs

m. 26 Dec 1906 Fairfield

Ethel Louise Whitten

2. Maude Nutt

b. 1880 Shirley

d.

m. 8 Dec 1900 Fairfield

George McLure

3. Belle Nutt

b. 1881 Shirley

d.

m. Fred Smith

4. James Walter Nutt-Wesley

b. 22 Oct 1883 Exeter

d. 29 Aug 1969 Stetson (Clark's Hill Cemetery, Stetson) at 85yrs

m. 15 Oct 1907 Bangor

Charlotte M. Sweet

Records compiled by family member Josephine Ellen Grant Shorey of Corinth indicate he was an illegitimate child of Calista, his biological mother, but the child's father was not her husband George. He was raised in their household but legally changed his name to James Walter Wesley around 1904.

5. Nora E. Nutt

b. 3 June 1884 Newport

d. 26 Feb 1917 Benton (Maplewood Cemetery, Fairfield) at 32yrs Tuberculosis

m. 8 Aug 1911 Fairfield

Clyde M. Gibbs

6. Donald George Nutt

b. 2 Mar 1889 Clinton

d. 6 Nov 1951 Benton (Evergreen Cemetery, Clinton) at 62yrs

m. 1 Jan 1913 Clinton

Cora B. Hall

7. Frances J. Nutt

b. 1891 Clinton

d. 7 June 1920 Augusta

m1. 1907 Arthur J. Claire (divorced)

m2. 1914 Linwood W. Hopkins (divorced)

m3. 1916 Stephen Gage

8. Philip Dalton Nutt

b. 8 Mar 1893 Clinton

d. 3 Dec 1981 Stoughton, Massachusetts at 88yrs

m. 5 Jan 1918 Fairfield

Lillian Emerson

9. Ida May Nutt

b. 10 May 1896 Clinton (noted as the 9th child)

d. 4 July 1937 China (Branch Mills Cemetery, China) at 41yrs

m. 17 May 1913 Benton

Franklin Robert Shorey

10. Frances Rowena Nutt

b. 20 Sep 1898 Clinton (noted as the 10th child)

d. 9 Sep 1967 Clinton (Green Lawn Cemetery, Clinton) at 68yrs

m1. 7 Oct 1916 (divorced 1921)

Hiram M. Jewett

m2. 8 Jan 1921 Clinton

Alton G. Pooler

II. George Delmar Pennell

b. 1868 Hartland

d. 1 Apr 1927 Hartland (PG w/Georgia) æ 58yrs

m. 26 July 1897 Newport

Georgia E. Parkman **(See Libby Family)**

d/o Albion Benton Parkman & Betsy E. Libby (PG)

b. 21 Mar 1877 St Albans

d. 20 June 1958 Hartland (PG) at 81yrs

They were living in Pittsfield in C/1900 after they married where he was noted as a Telegraph Operator. By 1903, George had taken the Station Agent position at the Seabcook & Moosehead Railroad Depot and they moved to Hartland living on Pleasant Street by C/1910. Following his father's death, they moved to his former house on Academy Street living there in C/1920 along with their foster daughter Frances with his occupation still noted as Station Agent which had since been taken over by Maine Central Railroad.

He continued working there for several more years despite lingering health issues until February of 1927 when he was granted a leave of absence by the railroad due to his failing health resulting in his death in April. Frances and her husband Newton Smith had moved into her parents' house after they married in 1925 and were living there in C/1930 with their 3yr old daughter Delma and Georgia. By C/1940, Frances had been divorced for a few years and was still living with Georgia at her house on Academy Street along with her daughter Delma where they were also boarding 4 local teachers. The 3 of them were still living together at the house in C/1950.

Child (Foster):

1. Frances Viola Ingalls

d/o John Ingalls & Abbie Linscott

b. 17 July 1904 Seal Harbor, Mount Desert Island

d. 19 Dec 1959 Bangor (PG w/her foster parents) at 55yrs

m. 25 Nov 1925 Hartland (divorced)

Newton Earl Smith **(See Coston Family)**

WWII U. S. Army

s/o Harry Newton Smith & Mary Addie Coston

b. 17 Apr 1906 Hartland

d. 8 Apr 1993 (St Albans Village Cemetery w/Ruth) at 86yrs

She was taken in as a foster child by C/1920 and raised in Hartland by George & Georgia. She was a member of Twilight Rebekah Lodge No. 60 of Hartland and was working at a local hardware store in 1950. She moved to Bangor and worked as a Pastry Cook at the University of Maine at Orono. Newton remarried to Ruth Mower on June 16, 1947.

Ch. SMITH:

A) Delma Mae Smith

b. 8 Apr 1926 Hartland

d. 24 May 2019 Newport at 93yrs

m. 11 Oct 1954

Gerald Richard Corey, Sr

WWII U. S. Navy

s/o Richard Thomas Corey & Cecelia T. Haddad

b. 3 May 1914 Bangor

d. 26 July 1980 Newport (Mt Hope Cemetery, Bangor)

Ch. COREY:

aa) Gerald Richard Corey, Jr

b. 1955 Newport

bb) John Corey

b. 1957 Newport