

16 years, two under 16; total household 10. "The Rhode Island Census of 1782" (*Register*, 127 [1973]: 225) lists Josiah Giffard [*sic*] at Providence, head of a household of four males under 16, one female under 16, two males 16 to 22, one female 16 to 22, three males 22 to 50, and one female 22 to 50, or a total of twelve. The United States census of 1790 shows at Providence Josiah Gifford, head of a family of four males over 16, three under 16, and six females.

Children (this again is partly conjectural):

- i. ? A SON⁶, b. ca. 1776.
- ii. ? A SON, b. ca. 1778.
- iii. JOHN, b. ca. 1780; d. "ae. 17 years, son to Capt. Josiah and Mary" (*Providence Gazette*, 23 Sept. 1797).
- iv. SALLY, b. ca. 1782; m. 13 Oct. 1804, "dau. of late Josiah, Esq., and SYLVESTER BOWERS, by Dr. Gano" (*Providence Phenix*, 27 Oct. 1804).
- v. ANN MARCY, b. ca. 1784; m. 20 June 1809, "dau. of late Capt. Josiah, and Edward Mason of Providence, by Rev. Mr. Cornell" (*ibid.*).
- vi. SAMUEL, b. ca. 1786; d. "son of Capt. Josiah and Mary, aged 11 years" (*Providence Gazette* of 30 Sept. 1797).
- vii. MARIA, b. ca. 1788; d. "aged 9 years, dau. of Capt. Josiah and Mary" (*ibid.*).
- viii. LOUISA, b. ca. 1792; d. "aged 4 years, dau. of Capt. Josiah and Mary" (*ibid.*).

100. DAVID⁵ GIFFORD (*John⁴, Josiah³, John², William¹*) was born 22 June 1741 and died 5 June 1814 (Falmouth Town Records, hereafter FATR). The inscription on his gravestone in the Old Town Cemetery reads: "4 June 1814, in the 73rd yr. of his age" (from copy made by H. H. Smythe in *The Falmouth Enterprize*, 1903-1904).

He married 19 May 1763, TEMPERANCE DIMMOCK (FATR), who was born 15 January 1741/2, baptized 23 January 1742/3 (Falmouth Church Records, hereafter FACR), and died 23 June 1823, "wife of David in her 82nd yr" (g.s. beside that of her husband in the Old Town Cemetery, Falmouth). She was the daughter of Theophilus⁴ Dimock (*John³, Shubael², Thomas¹*) and Sarah⁴ Hinckley (*Benjamin³, Samuel²⁻¹*) of Falmouth.

Under the date 30 September 1761, the Sandwich Friends Monthly Meeting records show:

We have been informed that David Gifford, son of John Gifford and Lusanna, his wife, did enlist himself as a soldier in the (French and Indian) War, it being contrary to the good order of Friends, this meeting appoints Samuel Bowerman and David Bowerman to labor with him and make report to the next monthly meeting. We are likewise informed that John Gifford, father of the sd David Gifford, did hire a man to go into the war in his son's

stead. Samuel Bowerman and David Bowerman are also appointed to Discourse with him concerning his outgoings and make a report to the next meeting.

Neither father nor son "made Friends' satisfaction," and both were disowned as "of our meeting." Thus we see that even before his marriage David Gifford had left the Quaker Meeting, and the records show that he performed military service during the Revolution also as a private in Capt. Joseph Palmer's company in 1778 and again in 1779.

The will of John Gifford of Falmouth, dated 18 April 1783, gives land there to this son David Gifford, and the latter appears in the 1790 census as head of a family of five males over 16, three under 16, and five females. He evidently disposed of his property through deeds, as we find no probate records for him, or for his widow.

Children recorded in Falmouth Town Records:

- i. WARREN⁶, b. 13 Aug. 1763; d. 14 Nov. 1814 (FATR); m. 9 May 1790 RACHEL⁶ HATCH, daughter of Samuel⁵ Hatch of Falmouth. His widow administered his estate (Barnstable County Probates, hereafter BACP). Children, from Falmouth records: 1. *Abiather*, b. 17 Sept. 1791. 2. *Martha Hatch*, b. 10 Feb. 1793. 3. *Julia Greenville*, b. 24 Oct. 1797. 4. *Warren*, b. 16 Feb. 1801. 5. *Leander*, b. 23 May 1808; d. 17 Mar. 1844.
- ii. ABIGAIL, b. 19 June 1766; m. 23 June 1790 EBENEZER WEEKS, JR., son of Levi Weeks.
- iii. ENSIGN (called also INSIGN), b. 17 June 1768; d. Falmouth, intestate, in 1802; m. 25 July 1793 RHODA DOWNS (Harwich Town Records, int. at Yarmouth 29 May 1793). She evidently died intestate at Falmouth in 1826. Not further traced but may have had issue.
- iv. DAVID, b. 6 Aug. 1770; d. testate (BACP, 34:170). He is said to have d. Kingston, Jamaica, B.W.I. He m. 23 Sept. 1793 LYDIA DILLINGHAM, daughter of Samuel and Lydia (Smith), b. 14 June 1778 (FATR). Children: 1. *Consider*, b. before 10 Nov. 1795 when named in the will of her grandfather, Dr. Thomas Smith. 2. *Lydia*, b. 10 Dec. 1799. Possibly others. Not further traced.
- v. ALDEN, b. 13 Oct. 1772. Not further traced.
- vi. CHLOE, b. 2 Apr. 1774; d. 31 Dec. 1859; m. 6 Aug. 1796 MOSES NYE "of Sandwich" (FATR), d. Falmouth 16 Nov. 1869.
- vii. ACHSAH, b. 26 Aug. 1777; m. 16 Nov. 1802 JOB HATCH, son of David Hatch (FATR).
- viii. ABNER, b. 29 Nov. 1779; m. ca. 1800 RUTH MATTHEWS.
- ix. JOHN, b. 17 Aug. 1782. Not further traced.
- x. ALFRED, b. 19 May 1786; d. Hudson, N. Y. 1868; m. 14 Oct. 1817 CLARISSA CROCKER (Barnstable Town Records, here-

after BATR). Unconfirmed notes allege that Alfred Gifford had seven children born at Hudson, where he was a lumber merchant. Research is needed in Columbia County, N. Y., deeds and probates to confirm.

101. JESSE⁵ GIFFORD (*John⁴, Josiah³, John², William¹*) was born 23 February 1745 and died, testate, in Falmouth in 1821 (FATR).

He married in Falmouth 2 January 1771, MEHITABLE THOMAS "both of Falmouth" (*ibid.*).

John⁴ Gifford, in his will dated 18 April 1783, gave this son, Jesse Gifford, part of the Falmouth property on which Jesse's house then stood, and named him sole executor.

By a deed of 4 February 1788 "Jesse Gifford of Falmouth, yeoman, as Executor to the Estate of John Gifford of Falmouth, deceased, in said capacity" conveyed for £62 2s. paid by Prince Gifford of Falmouth, yeoman, a piece of Falmouth land, bounded by Long Pond, land of James Jenkins, and of Hoksey, containing about 40 acres. Jesse Gifford signed the deed; witnesses were Nathaniel Shiverick, Timothy Crocker; acknowledged 4 February 1788 and recorded 3 April 1788 (Barnstable County Deeds, hereafter BACD, 40:197—original from the Arnold B. Gifford Collection at Falmouth, furnished by Charles A. Davis, hereafter ABG:CAD).

The will of Jesse Gifford of Falmouth, boatbuilder, dated 1 October 1821, gives:

To my daughter Anna Gifford, \$20, to be paid one year after my decease. To my four daughters: Sabra Edwards, Lydia Lovell, Mahala Gifford and Mehitable Gifford, \$3 each to be paid in one year after my decease. To my grand children, the children of my daughter Thankful Nye, deceased, \$1 each. To his beloved wife comfort and support and maintenance out of the residue of both personal and real estate . . . by whom hereafter expressed (in lieu of dower). To my two sons Asa Gifford and Jesse Gifford the residue of the estate, to be equally divided between them, both real and personal, on condition that they support and maintain my beloved wife, Mehitable, in sickness and in health, during her widowhood.

He directed that the bequests of real property hold to the respective devisees and their heirs and that the money bequests do likewise to the designated heirs. He appointed his son Asa sole executor. The will was signed by the mark of Jesse Gifford and witnessed by Thomas Fish, Joseph Hatch, and Braddock Gifford (BACP, 43:9).

In the 1790 census Jesse Gifford is listed in Falmouth as head of a family of two males over 16, four under 16, and six females.

Children recorded to Jesse and Mehitable in Falmouth Town Records:

- i. ANNA⁶, b. 13 Dec. 1771; d: unm. 21 June 1823. She is named in her father's will.