

THOMAS¹ OF WOBURN

Sixth Generation

No. 6761

NAME: Jeremiah⁶ Chamberlain

Father: John⁵ Chamberlain (No. 6632)
[John⁴ (Thomas³⁻²⁻¹)
and Abigail (Woods) Chamberlain]

Mother: Mary Patch

Born: 31 Dec 1760, Pepperell, Middlesex Co., MA

Died: 24 Oct 1831, Damariscottia, Lincoln Co., ME, "aged 71 years, 9 months, 24 days"

Buried:

Married: 12 Nov 1789, Sidney, Kennebec Co., ME

Other Marriages:

No. 13916

SPOUSE: Sarah Roberts "Sally"

Father:

Mother:

Born: 30 Aug 1767,

Died: 10 Jan 1857, probably Damariscottia, Lincoln Co., ME

Buried:

Other Marriages:

CHILDREN

- F 6970 Melinda⁷, b. 1 Dec 1790, Seven Mile Brook, Lincoln Co., ME. Probably married Alexander Smiley, Int. 1818, Nobleboro, ME.
- F 6971 Cynthia⁷, b. 20 Jan 1792, Seven Mile Brook, Lincoln Co., ME. Joined the church at Damariscottia (then a part of Nobleboro), in 1819. In 1850, she was unmarried and living with her mother Sarah in Damariscottia.
- M 6972 Ira⁷, b. 25 Aug 1793, Seven Mile Brook, Lincoln Co., ME. Married Ruth Hawthorne, about 1820 (?), Woodstock, ME. Died 1890, probably Bangor, ME. +
- F 6973 Sally⁷, b. 27 July 1795, Seven Mile Brook, Lincoln Co., ME. Died young.
- F 6974 Sally⁷, b. 28 May 1796, Seven Mile Brook, Lincoln Co., ME. Joined the church at Damariscottia (then a part of Nobleboro), in 1819. Perhaps married James Bond, 1818, Nobleboro, ME.
- F 6975 Temperance⁷, b. 3 Apr 1798, Seven Mile Brook, Lincoln Co., ME.

BIOGRAPHICAL

On or about 1 June 1780, Jeremiah enlisted from Suffield, Hartford Co., CT, as a Private, in the Continental Army for the duration of the war, serving in a number of different organizations, for a period of about two years and was at the battle of Jamestown and the surrender of Cornvallis. (See pension application data following.) After the war, Jeremiah, his father, and brothers Moses and Stephen, all removed to Embden, ME, then a part of Massachusetts.

In his Intention of Marriage filed at Vassalborough, 4 Oct 1789, Jeremiah stated that he was “of a place called Seven Mile Brook.” However, in the pension application by Jeremiah’s widow, Sarah (then living at Damariscottia), said that she and Jeremiah were actually married in Sidney (in Kennebec county), which was on the opposite side of the river from Vassalboro, adjoining Augusta. She also stated that they had lived at Damariscottia for 48 years (hence, since 1805).

Jeremiah probably left Embden about 1789 to live at Norridgewock (Seven Mile Brook). He and his family settled that part of Nobleboro which became Damariscotta about 1805, and here, their daughters Cynthia and Sarah, and their only son, Ira, joined the church in 1819. Glazier says that Jeremiah owned land that adjoined his brother Stephen, but does not identify the jurisdiction and time period.

The births of all their children were recorded on the Norridgewock town records as having occurred at Seven Mile Brook.

In 1790, Jeremiah Chamberlain was living in Titcomb, Lincoln Co., ME, heading a family of 2-0-3 (2 males 16 years of age and upwards, 3 females).

In 1800, Jeremiah Chamberlain was living in Oak Hill, Kennebec Co., ME, heading a family of 2001-4001 (2 males under the age of 10 years, 1 male between the ages of 26 and 45 years, 4 females under the age of 10 years, 1 female between the ages of 26 and 45 years).

In 1810, Jeremiah Chamberlin was living in Nobleboro, Lincoln Co., ME, heading a family of 21001-0111 (2 males under the age of 10 years, 1 male between the ages of 10 and 16 years, 1 male aged 45 years and upwards, 1 female between the ages of 10 and 16 years, 1 female between the ages of 16 and 26 years, 1 female between the ages of 26 and 45 years).

Jeremiah is not found in the 1820 census.

In 1830, Jeremiah Chamberlain was living in Nobleboro, Lincoln Co., ME, heading a family of 0000000001-000010001 (1 male between the ages of 70 and 80 years, 1 female between the ages of 20 and 30 years, 1 female between the ages of 60 and 70 years).

In 1840, Jeremiah’s widow, Sarah Chamberlain was living in Nobleboro, Lincoln Co., ME, heading a family of 001-0000001001 (1 male between the ages of 10 and 15 years, 1 female between the ages of 40 and 50 years, 1 female between the ages of 70 and 80 years).

In 1850, Jeremiah’s widow, Sarah, was living in Damariscotta, Lincoln Co., ME. Dwelling No. 85, Family No. 85, 24 July 1850, as follows:

ID	OR	Given	Surname	Age	Sex	Race	BP	LN	Remarks
53	1	Sarah	Chamberlain	83	F	W	ME	13916	\$600.
53	2	Cynthia	Chamberlain	45	F	W	ME	6971	

Cynthia's age is incorrectly stated as 45 in this census record. Based on her age given in the 1850 record, Glazier mistakenly assumed that the Cynthia born in 1792 had died young, and that there was another and younger daughter of the same name. The 1840 census record correctly states her age bracket (between 40 and 50 years).

Damariscottia was formerly a part of Nobleboro. Kennebec County was formed from Lincoln County in 1799; Somerset County was created from Kennebec in 1809. Vassalboro formerly in Lincoln county is now in Kennebec County; Seven Mile Brook and Norridgewock which were originally in Lincoln county are now in Somerset county. E.G. Walker located the settlement of Seven Mile Brook as being within the town of Embden (*Embden Town of Yore*, pp. 230-235).

The Rev. Paul Coffin, of Buxton, ME, recorded in his journal under the date of 20 Sep 1798, under the heading *Carritunk*, that he called at Jeremiah Chamberlain's and gave a primer with much religious counsel. "He (Jeremiah) and his wife sensibly felt instruction, owned their neglect, thanked me heartily, and wished me to call again." (*Maine Historical Papers*, Vol. 4, P. 369)

Jeremiah Chamberlain, of Norridgewock, mortgaged one-half a saw mill "on Martine's stream called in the Seven Mile Brook Settlement being on Lot 23" with ten acres adjoining it, 6 Nov 1792. On 27 Mar 1799, Jeremiah Chamberlain, of the Seven Mile Brook Settlement, purchased 75 acres on the east side of Kennebunk River in Norridgewock, a part of Lot 70 (*Lincoln County Deeds*, Vol. 21, P. 43, Vol. 43, P. 117).

On 4 Apr 1818, Jeremiah, then a resident of Nobleborough, Lincoln Co., ME, applied for pension benefits based on his military service. He deposed as follows:

I Jeremiah Chamberlain, a native of Pepperell in the County of Middlesex, now of Nobleborough in the County of Lincoln and District of Maine, a citizen of the United States on oath declare and say: That at Suffield [Hartford County] in Connecticut, in May of the first of June in the year 1790 [1 June 1780], I enlisted as a private soldier in the Continental Establishment in the War of the revolution, during the war. In a few days after I passed muster before Major Wallbridge, in the same month, I joined the army in New Jersey, below West Point and was enroled and served in the company of Capt. Alden in the second regiment of the Connecticut Line commanded by Col. Hoyt [Hait] till a new arrangement of the line in the next autumn when the second and ninth regiment were united as the third regiment and commanded by Col. [Samuel B.] Webb. About the last of the January following I was arranged in the infantry in the company of Capt. Welles in the regiment commanded by a Lieut. Col. Called Temotte De Motte, or a name of that sound. I continued to serve in this company more than a year, I think it was as much as sixteen months, and was at the taking of Cornwallis. After this fatigue duty was urgent at Yorktown and I met with a bruise in my leg by a rolling cask. My lameness from this was such that about the first of May following, the infantry being called to active duty, I was transferred to Capt. William's company in my former third regiment where I remained incapable of duty from lameness about two months till about the first of July when I received a regular discharge having served more than two years. My discharge I have lost. Jer^h. Chamberlain {L.S.}

Jeremiah's pension was subsequently granted. After his death, Sarah applied for pension benefits on 5 Nov 1838, while then a resident of Nobleboro, ME, and when her age was given as 71. There are 13 pages in the pension folder for Jeremiah with many details. The War Department wrote a letter to a W.D.S. Boyd, 414 Walnut St., Cincinnati, Ohio, regarding Jeremiah's service record. It mentions that a Cynthia Chamberlain was a resident of Newcastle, Maine, in 1855, but no relationship was given. This letter also says that Jeremiah was in the battle of Jamestown and at the surrender of Cornwallis.

Besides the pension benefits, Sarah applied for a Bounty Land warrant (3516-160-55) which was granted.

Glazier mentions an unidentified John Chamberlain, born about 1790, listed in the 1850 census at Nobleboro, implying that he may have been another son of this couple.

PREPARATION OF THIS RECORD

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