A BRIEF HISTORY

OF THE

ANCESTRY AND POSTERITY

OF

ALLAN MACLEAN

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The seven different branches of the McLean family have each their own Coat-of-Arms, although the central shield is the same in all. That of the MacLeans of Coll consists of the four quartered shield with the crest resting upon it, and, just above, a scroll with the words, "Altera Mercies." Under the shield is a scroll with the words, "Virtus Durissima Terit." The supporters consist of a hound and an ostrich.
In these days we lead such a strenuous, earnest life that we seldom think of the trials and struggles of our ancestors who crossed the seas to seek a home in this pleasant land. Some of us know little of the progenitors of the McLean race. Having leisure, and access to valuable papers, I have found pleasure in compiling the following pages, and trust that the survivors of our branch of the old stock will find something to interest them.

In the early history the wars and clan contentions seem fearful, but we must remember that those were fierce times and only by fighting could one keep his own. The character of those western clansmen, and the making of such character, is well shown in Lang's History of Scotland, Vol. I.

For the history of our ancestry I have tried to condense the ancient history of the McLeans as found in the "History of the Clan," published in 1889 by Prof. J. P. McLean, giving the character and exploits of the most prominent chiefs and lairds down to the time of our progenitor, Allan MacLean. Some facts have been given me by Rev. A. McLean Sinclair, Belfast, Prince Edward Island, Dominion of Canada, and much aid and encouragement from a relative by marriage in Connecticut who is well versed in McLean genealogy.

In tracing the posterity of Allan MacLean down to the present time I have had access to a manuscript volume of recollections by Col. Francis McLean, of Ver-
non, Conn., penned by his daughter in 1859, also some parts of a similar volume by Rev. Allen McLean of Simsbury.

Some one has said that "We are true to ourselves only when "we act with becoming pride for the blood we inherit and which we transmit to those who will soon fill our places." So may it be with all the McLeans as the swift days pass on until the night cometh.

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THE CLAN MACLEAN

The MacLeans have every reason to be proud of their history and ancestry, even though it be judged in the light of the civilization of this age. Of all the clans of Scotland none is more deserving of honorable mention, or having its history carefully recorded, than that of MacLean. For centuries in the history of Scotland it held a conspicuous place for independence of bearing and disinterested loyalty. It rapidly grew in influence and power until it reached its zenith in 1453, at which time, during the reign of James VI. it was accounted the most powerful in the Hebrides. In 1493 the lands belonging to the clan comprised the greater part of the large island of Mull, the whole of the islands of Coll and Tiree, portions of Islay and Scarba, and districts on the main land in Morvern, Lochaber and Knapdale.

No clan has received more honorable mention. Sir Walter Scott has sung concerning it: *

May the race of Clan Gillian, the fearless and free,
Remember Glenlivat, Harlow and Dundee.

Prof. John Stuart Blackie says, † "There were mighty men in Mull in those days, and the MacLeans were among the mightiest. "William Allen, ‡ a Scottish poet, says, "The MacLeans were all brave men—all Hectors, and the finest swordsmen of the Highlands." Andrew Lang writes of the MacLeans of Mull—"The Spartans of the North who never gave back in battle."

* Flora McIvor's Song.
† Altavona, pp. 169, 178.
‡ Letter to J. P. McLean.
The clan called in earlier history, Clan Gillian and Clan Lean, as well as Clan MacLean, existed more as a tribe than as a clan during its traditionary period. From 1366 to 1493, when the MacLeans were vassals of the Lords of the Isles, the history is clear and positive. In 1493 the MacLeans became independent and numbered four powerful branches—Duard, Lochbuy, Ardgour and Coll. They were among the most loyal of the loyal in their adherence to the house of Stuart, and shared the sorrows of the disowned monarch at Inverkeithing and Culloden in 1746. During this period the clan underwent great vicissitudes, the lands being nearly all alienated and the house of Duard becoming practically extinct. From this time the history of the clan, as a clan, disappears and is succeeded by the records of various families. In religion the Clan MacLean followed the beliefs of their age, though never becoming idolaters.

The growth of the clan was rapid till the chieftainship of Sir Lachlan Mór MacLean in 1580, when the zenith of its power was reached, although others would place it as late as the first baronet, Sir Lachlan, 16th Laird of MacLean in 1630. After this latter date the decline can be easily traced. The causes are manifold,—the long feud with the MacDonalds, the adherence to the house of Stuart and the enmity of the powerful house of Argyle, chief of the clan Campbell on the East. Skene, the greatest of all historians of Keltic Scotland, in speaking of the Argyle family, says, * "Its history consists principally in the details of a policy characterized by cunning and perfidy and which obtained its usual success in the acquisition of great temporal grandeur and power."

The chiefs maintained the dignity of the family. The clansmen were also true Highlanders in whatever was regarded as essential to dignity and hospitality. The

MacNeils, a celebrated race of bards, were the hereditary harpers of the MacLeans of Duard. For their physicians, the Beatons, the most famous of Scotland, were chosen, who also became the family seanachaidhs or genealogists, to whom the clan history owes its preservation.

The home of the MacLeans is the island of Mull, one of the Hebrides, thirty miles long and twenty-five miles wide, and separated from the main land of Scotland by the Sound of Mull on the north and the Firth of Lorn on the east. A distinguishing feature of the island is Ben More, an extinct volcano rising to the height of three thousand one hundred and seventy-two feet.

In 888 Harold Harfagr added the island to his kingdom of Norway, but the Norsemen made no permanent settlement there.

In the year 1156 a bloody battle took place between Godred and Somerled, Thane of Argyle, and the great progenitor of the Lords of the Isles, which resulted in the former ceding to the latter several islands and districts including Islay, Jura and Mull. It is recorded that "the Danes were put to flight and the land of Mull and Morvern being freed at last from their yoke and slavery."*  

Angus Og MacDonald, fifth in descent from Somerled, was a faithful friend of Robert Bruce in his attempt to free his native land from the harsh grasp of England. As a reward for his services Bruce conferred upon him in 1314 the lordship of Lochaber and the islands of Mull, Jura, Coll and Tiree, which had belonged to the family of Lorne.

Angus Og was succeeded by his son John as first Lord of the Isles, about the year 1329; he died about 1386 and was succeeded by his son Donald as second lord. Donald granted to Lachlan MacLean, July 12, 1390, charter to several lands and holdings in Mull and other isles, the

*Collectanea de Rebus Albanicis, p. 324.
keepership of several castles and the office of steward of the house of Donald of the Isles. The above shows that the MacLeans possessed a portion of Mull by charter as early as 1390.

Dr. John Beaton, the last genealogist of the MacLeans of Duard, and Dr. Kennedy, in his "Dissertation on the Royal Line of Stuarts," trace the MacLean line back to Erc, an Irish chieftain, and through Erc to Aonghas Turmhi Teambrach, an ancient Irish monarch. It cannot be proved that Gilleain was or was not descended from any of the sons of Erc. Unquestionably, the MacLeans are of a purely Highland origin.

The MacLeans can trace their origin with precision to Old Dougall, of Scone, who must have flourished about the year 1100, and has been described as an "influential, just and venerable man." He had one son, Raingee, whose son Conduilig, from whom the clan Conduilig, (that is clan McLean,) in the Island of Mull, became lay abbott of the Monastery of Lismore in Argyleshire; his son was Niall, whose son was Rath or MacRath, who married a sister of the Somerled, mentioned above. He had a son—

1. Gilleain—the First chief and founder of the Clan MacLean, or Clan Gilleain. He is often called Gilleain of the Battle-ax, from his habit of carrying that implement as his ordinary weapon and constant companion. He flourished about the year 1250. Gilleain means "Servant of St. John." His son—

*The following anecdote is related of him, which probably accounts for the origin of the MacLean crest, which consists of a battle-ax between a laurel and cypress branch, symbols of death and victory, and is still used on the coat-of-arms. He was on one occasion engaged in a stag-hunt upon a mountain, and having wandered from the rest of the party, the mountain suddenly becoming covered with mist, he lost his way. After three days wandering, he entered a cranberry bush, where, fixing the battle-ax in the ground, he laid down to rest. His friends discovered him by seeing the head of the battle-ax above the bush.
II. Gille-Iosa (Servant of Jesus) was Second chief, and a distinguished warrior under Alexander III. of Scotland. He performed prodigies of valor and in battle received honorable mention. He died in 1300 and was succeeded by his son—

III. Malcolm, called also Gille-Calum, meaning Servant of Columba, fought at Bannockburn at the head of his clan, June 24, 1314, and died in the reign of King David Bruce. He had three sons, Donald, Niall and John. He was succeeded by his son—

IV. John, known as John Dubh, or Black John. He married a daughter of Cumming, Lord of the Braes of Lochaber, and died during the reign of Robert II. He had two sons, Lachlan, the Wily, and Hector, the Stern, to the former of whom he gave the lands of Duard; to the latter, those of Lochbuy. These two brothers made a considerable figure during the reigns of Robert II. and III. They were affectionate brothers—faithful in their friendships but fearful in their resentments. They engaged in desperate feuds with the clan MacDougall and the clan Cameron. Hector was the founder of the house of Lochbuy and that of Urquhart in Inverness, which for several centuries was one of great power. John was succeeded by his son—

V. Lachlan Lubanach, first MacLean of Duard. His time probably antedates 1365. In 1366 he married Margaret, daughter of John, first Lord of the Isles, being forced to obtain a dispensation from the Pope for the marriage. Lachlan took the precaution to have his lands confirmed by charter in 1390. He had five sons, Hector, John, Lachlan, Neil and Somerled. He lived to a great age and died before 1405. He was succeeded by his son—

VI. Red Hector of the Battles, or Hector Roy, renowned as one of the best swordsmen of his time and of
gigantic strength. Many knights came from distant parts to measure weapons with him, among them a knight from Norway who challenged him to mortal combat. They fought at Salem, in Mull, and the Norwegian fell. An old Gaelic poem affirms that Hector led a great fleet to the coast of Ireland and there defeated some of the ships of the King of England.

In 1409 Hector received a charter from Donald, Lord of the Isles, for certain lands, and is there described as "Lord of Duard and Constable of the castle of Cairnburg," a small island two miles from Mull, almost inaccessible by nature, and used as a royal garrison for more than a thousand years. Hector married a daughter of the Earl of Douglas. In the renowned battle of Harlow MacLean commanded the right wing and performed prodigies of valor. Near the close of the battle fought July 24, 1411, he and Sir Alexander Irvine of Drum engaged in single combat with such fury that they fell dead, foot to foot on the field e'er a friend could assist them. Hector's body was entombed on Iona. Tradition represents him generous as well as brave. He left two sons, Lachlan and John Dubh, the former of whom became the Seventh chief.

VII. Lachlan Bromnach accompanied his father in the battle of Harlow and was made prisoner by Alexander Stewart, Earl of Mar, whose daughter he afterward married. He had one son, Lachlan Og, his heir and successor. By his second wife, who was a daughter of William MacLeod of Harris, he had two sons, Niel of Ross and John Garbh of Coll, who founded the Coll branch of the family.

VIII. Lachlan Og, or Young Lachlan, so called to distinguish him from his father, was Lord of Duard and
chief of MacLean during a period when great political changes were about to take place in the Western Isles. The western chiefs had thought themselves practically independent of the King, and obedient only to the Lord of the Isles who ruled in princely style. In the rebellion that resulted the MacLeans adhered to John MacDonald, Fourth Lord of the Isles. Lachlan Og was beset both within and without in these troublous times. The genealogists declare him "to have been a good and pious man." He possessed rare judgment and maintained a peaceful demeanor. He married Catherine, daughter of Colin Campbell, first Earl of Argyle, and although his father-in-law sought to involve him in difficulties, his judgment and skill warded off every blow. He was living in 1478. His son Hector succeeded him.

IX. Hector Odhar, the Swarthy, was also called the Brave, because of his warlike disposition which he displayed in encounters with Angus MacDonald, son of the Lord of the Isles. As chief of his clan and Lieut-General of the Lord of the Isles, he fought under John, Fourth Lord, at the battle of Bloody Bay in 1482, and was killed at Flodden Field August 22, 1513.

Before the time of Hector Odhar the chiefs of MacLean and those of other clans had been in feudal subjugation for several generations to the Lords of the Isles—the chiefs of the clan MacDonald, then the most powerful in Western Scotland. From them they received a great portion of their lands confirmed by charter to them and their heirs, in time considering themselves practically independent of the King. Very important trusts were committed to them, and in battle the post assigned the chief of MacLean was in the van, at the right of the Lord of the Isles.

The MacDonalds were in frequent conflict with the
reigning sovereign. The chief of MacLean was one of the prominent leaders, and the valor of the MacLeans has been celebrated in story and song. John the Fourth Lord of the Isles was treacherous, and in a naval battle, fought in 1482, was subdued by his son Angus, referred to above. In 1493 the MacDonalds were conquered, and at a parliament held in Edinburgh, the possessions of the Lord of the Isles were declared to be irrevocably forfeited to the crown.

It was during the chieftainship of Hector Odhar that the clan thus became independent of the Lords of the Isles and subject only to the King. By him the charters to their lands were confirmed. Several branches of the clan had already sprung from the parent stock, the most important of which were the families of Lochbuy, Coll and Ardgour, and to each of them, as well as to that of Duard (whose chief, according to an ancient writer, was "callit Great McLean,"*) separate charters were given. From henceforth "the clan rapidly grew in influence and power until it reached its zenith, near the close of the sixteenth century, at which time it was accounted the most powerful of any in the Hebrides." * The McLeans were an independent clan from 1493 to 1598. He was succeeded by his son—

X. Lachlan Catanach, or the Shaggy, who was involved with the chiefs of other clans in an insurrection of the MacDonalds by which it was hoped to restore to the Lords of the Isles their former supremacy. Argyle, as usual, was deputed by the King to suppress them. The conflict was long and the success of the King's party only partial, but becoming disgusted with the selfishness and recklessness of MacDonald and the deceit he had

*Gregory's Western Highlands, p. 419.
practised upon them, Lachlan and the chief of MacLeod abandoned his cause and offered their submission to the regent, then in the place of the King who had fallen at Flodden. Some years later Lachlan was on terms of friendship with the new king, James V., and having letters of protection from him, went to Edinburgh where he was treacherously stabbed to death in bed and unprotected, by Sir John Campbell of Calder, brother of Sir Colin, Earl of Argyle, who probably instigated the deed. This was in 1527.

Lachlan's first wife was Elizabeth, daughter of Archibald Campbell, second Earl of Argyle. He afterward married Margaret, daughter of Sir Dugald Campbell. His third wife was Marian, daughter of John MacLean of Treshnish, Capt. of Cairnburg, by whom he had two sons, Hector Mór, his successor, and Ailean na Sop. His marriages took place before he became chieftain, and he resided for many years in the stronghold of Cairnburg. The reason of his murder was that the Argyles wished to get possession of his lands.

XI. Hector Mór, or Hector the Great, succeeded his father in 1527. He was a noble chieftain—good, kind, affectionate and brave—an accomplished politician and an approved warrior. He granted extended leases to his vassals to encourage the improvement of lands and the building of more comfortable dwellings. He lived more like a modern noble than a feudal baron. He founded that noble addition to Duard Castle, called the Great Tower. (Duard, meaning Black Promontory, from the high rock on which the castle stands to this day in ruins.) The King called him to his councils, and he took a seat in parliament as one of the lords of the kingdom. He married Mary, daughter of Alexander MacDonald of Islay and the Glens, by whom he had two sons and seven daughters. He provided handsomely for his daughters,
who were all married to leading men in the kingdom, and he left to his oldest son and heir an unburdened estate with a considerable amount of money.

He sought to avenge the murder of his father by taking part in burning the house of Roseneath, Lennox and Craignish, for which he received a royal remission in 1531. In 1557 an invasion of his lands was contemplated by Archibald Campbell, fourth Earl of Argyle. When he found Hector was ready to receive him, whether he came as friend or foe, the invasion was given up, changed into a nuptial gathering at Duard Castle, where a double marriage took place, Argyle receiving Catherine, second youngest daughter of Hector Mór, for his third wife, and giving his own daughter Janet to the heir of the chief of Duard. Hector Mór died about 1568 and was succeeded by—

XII. Hector Og, or the Younger, was a spendthrift, who burdened the estate with debt. He inherited none of his father's noble qualities and was the only worthless chief of MacLean. He built a residence on Iona, the ruins of which are still shown as "Garden of Young Hector." He had one son and three daughters. Survived his father but five years, dying in 1573. His son—

XIII. Sir Lachlan Mór MacLean, Knight, called also "Big Lachlan," both on account of his stature and the greatness of his mind, was the most accomplished and warlike chief that ever held sway in Duard. Historians say "he was one of the most remarkable men connected with the Highlanders of Scotland in his day."* "By his education on the continent he had learned civility and good manners and lived accordingly."† "It is good for the MacLeans to cherish in their heart of hearts Lachlan

* Book of Scottish History, p. 638.
† Spottiswoode's History of Church of Scotland, Vol. III, p. 344.
Mór and Hector Mór." "He was the most talented and conspicuous among all chiefs, and in war and personal prowess had no equal." King James VI. became very much interested in him and had him sent to Edinburgh and brought up in his court. His military genius fitted him to meet the emergency upon which the future of his clan seemed to depend. In 1576, at the age of eighteen, he took possession of the estates, and during his twenty-two years rule the clan was almost continually involved in strife either for the King, its allies or itself. He was an important personage in the cause of England during the reign of Elizabeth. In Aug. 1598 he was slain in Islay through the base treachery of his nephew, Sir James MacDonald, who had persuaded him to visit the island on pretext of an amicable settlement of their differences.* His death, in the 41st year of his age, was deeply lamented, not only by his own people but by the Highland clans generally. His affable and kind bearing toward his vassals and friends, his cool behavior on the field of battle, and his commanding presence, always made him an ideal chieftain, while his early education biased him in favor of the Reformed religion, which he ardently embraced from a conviction of its truth, and thus became the first Protestant of his name. By example as well as precept he demonstrated to his people that he had no faith in the teachings of the Romish church. He married Margaret, daughter of William Cunningham, Earl of Glencairn, and had four sons and one daughter. He lies buried in the churchyard of Kilchoman, Islay.

XIV. The first act of his son, Hector Og, or Young Hector, who became chief at twenty years of age, was to adopt retaliatory measures upon the MacDonal ds for the death of his father and kinsmen, and, being joined by the Camerons of Lochiel and

*Clan His. pp. 91-137.
other friendly clans, they descended on Islay, swept the MacDonalds off the island, severely wounded their chief and burned their dwellings. The removal of King James VI. from the court of Edinburgh to that of London was beneficial to the Isles as better laws were enacted for the government of the Isles. Hector Og married first, Janet, daughter of Cailean Cam, 11th MacKenzie of Kintail, by whom he had Hector Mór, his heir, Lachlan, and Florence who married John Garbh, 7th MacLean of Coll.* He married, second, Isabella, daughter of Sir Archibald Acheson of Gosford, by whom he had two sons, Donald, first MacLean of Brolass,† and one daughter. He died in 1618, in the fortieth year of his age.

XV. Hector Mór succeeded to an extensive and unencumbered estate, when the family had great influence. He died childless in 1626—the first failure in direct succession in four hundred years. His brother Lachlan succeeded him.

XVI. Sir Lachlan MacLean, Bart., the first baronet, came into possession under the most favorable circumstances. He had power and influence sufficient to guard him against any open attack, possessing the favor of the King (Charles I.) as some security against treachery, although his irreconcilable foe, Archibald Campbell, 8th Earl of Argyle, made many attempts to entrap him. The first visit of Lachlan to court after the death of his brother was in 1631, and while there Charles created him baronet of Nova Scotia, by the title of Sir Lachlan MacLean of Morvern. The reception tendered him by the King made a lasting impression on his generous nature and confirmed him in that steadfast loyalty from which

*See Clan His. p. 287.
†See Clan His. p. 224.
he never swerved, but which laid the foundation of many disastrous results to the clan.

About this time there began that rapid decline of the clan in power and possessions due in a measure to the jealousies existing among the several branches of the family and the severe conflicts with the clan MacDonald, all of which were fostered and encouraged by the avaricious King James whose grasping policy and cunning behests were executed by those princes of perfidy and duplicity, Archibald and Colin Campbell, but more especially to the machinations and greed of the Campbells who, because they could not induce the MacLeans to join them in their treachery and intrigue, and being covetous of their lands and holdings in the isles, became their most bitter foes.

The close of the civil wars in 1644-48, which resulted in the triumph of the parliamentary armies and the de-thronement of Charles I. brought to the front the ambitious and unscrupulous, the result of which was that law and justice were trampled under foot. The time had now come when the long cherished desire of the house of Argyle against the MacLeans might be realized. Since the commencement of this strife of parliament with the King's forces, the estate of MacLean had paid none of the public dues, Sir Lachlan estimating the amount of those dues trifling enough to indemnify him for the expense of maintaining a thousand armed followers on behalf of the King during Montrose's campaigns; and, from conscientious reasons, he now felt less disposed to pay them into the hands of those whom he believed had usurped the King's authority.

Noncompliance on the part of Sir Lachlan was just what Argyle desired. He instantly set himself about purchasing all the debts, both public and private, which he could find against the Chief of MacLean, and these
debts, with certain alleged to be owing to the bishop of
the isles, and some old debts, for the payment of which
he pretended to be security, enabled Argyle to establish
a claim of £30,000. He then issued secretly and of his
own authority a writ of attachment against the person
of Sir Lachlan, who was taken prisoner “at Inverary and
thrown into Argyle’s castle of Carrick for a debt due to
Archibald Campbell, Marquis of Argyle.” For upward
of a year Sir Lachlan suffered imprisonment rather than
sign a bond of acknowledgment of the debt demanded by
Argyle. His health at length declining, and seeing no
hope of relief by legal measures, in a country now pro-
strate, he was induced to yield to the wishes of his friends
and signed the bond; whereupon he was liberated, to re-
turn in a dying condition to his castle in Mull where, on
the 18th of April, 1648, he expired. * * * The
settlement of this claim was purposely delayed by the
Campbells many years, and continually augmented, until
by craft and falsehood, added to great influence at court,
they succeeded in obtaining about £100,000 from the
MacLeans, and finally the larger part of their lands.

It is recorded that “Archibald Campbell, 1st Marquis
of Argyle, for his many crimes was beheaded at the cross
at Edinburgh, May 16, 1661,” and his son Archibald,
“for treachery and treason was beheaded June 30, 1685.”

Sir Lachlan MacLean married Mary, second daughter
of Sir Roderick MacLeod of MacLeod, by whom he had
two sons, Hector and Allen, and three daughters.

XVII. Hector Roy, or Hector Rufus, Bart., succeed-
ed his father. His lines were cast upon evil times, civil
commotions continuing during his rule. Charles II.
was crowned at Scone in 1651. He was slain in the
battle of Inverkithing. Of the 800 MacLeans engaged
but forty escaped alive. As Hector never married, he
was succeeded by his brother Allen.
XVIII. Sir Allen MacLean, Bart. His death occurred in 1674. His son—

XIX. Sir John, Bart., succeeded at the age of four, under two kinsmen as regents till 1686, when Sir John appointed four agents for his business and started on his travels, first to England, thence to France, whence he returned to Ireland with King James II., to whom he remained faithful, resisting the government of William and Mary. He was continually persecuted by the Argyles, as his ancestors had been. He lived much of the time in London. He died at Gordon castle, 12th of March, 1716, aged 45, and was the last of the powerful lords of Duard. He left one son and five daughters. He was fine looking, graceful and agreeable, his polite address showing he had spent much time at court. He was well educated, speaking Gaelic, English and French fluently. A sturdy honesty was the leading characteristic of his family and from that standard he never departed. His gallant behavior at Killiecrankie when but eighteen, and at Sheriffmuir showed his bravery. His life was a monument of the injunction, "Put not your trust in Princes." It is gratifying to know that the Morvern estates and Duard passed out of the Argyle family in 1819. Sir John was succeeded by his son—

XX. Sir Hector MacLean, Bart., born at Calais in 1703. At the age of four he was taken to England, thence to the Highlands, to the care of Donald MacLean of Coll till he was 18. He then studied in Edinburgh, and in 1721 went to France to complete his studies in belle-letters and civil law, where he remained till the revolution under Prince Charles Edward Stuart broke out in 1745. The battle of Culloden, disastrous to the Prince, may be said to have ended the clan system. Sir Hector remained faithful to the Stuart cause till his death which occurred at Rome Oct. 1750. He died without issue. He was
succeeded by Sir Allan MacLean, fourth Laird of Brolass, a descendant of the second marriage of Hector Og, 14th Chief of the MacLeans.

XXI. Sir Allan MacLean, Bart., of Brolass, embraced a military life and was Captain-commandant of nine companies of Montgomery's Highlanders, sent to America and serving at Fort Duquesne, Ticonderoga and Crown Point until the termination of hostilities in 1760. He afterwards attained to the rank of Colonel and retired on half pay, with his three daughters, to the island of Inch Kenneth where he lived in plenty and elegance. He had a tedious, expensive law suit with the Duke of Argyle, gaining a portion of his ancient patrimony. He entertained the celebrated Dr. Samuel Johnson in 1773, who gives a very interesting account of his visit at the "hut" (huts were distinguished from "houses" by being of one story only,) in his "Tour to the Hebribes." This was "furnished with unexpected neatness and convenience, and occupied by a gentleman and two ladies of high birth, polished manners and elegant conversation, who practised all the kindnesses of hospitality and refinements of courtesy." He died Dec. 10, 1783. The name of Sir Allan MacLean is still spoken of with great respect in Mull and the adjacent islands. He was particularly noted for his hospitality to strangers, amiability of disposition and courteous bearing. He was buried in the ancient cemetery on the island of Iona where his grave can be seen, covered by a sculptured sand-stone, enclosed by a low stone wall, not far from the ruins of the ancient chapel.

As he'died without male heirs he was succeeded in his titles by his nearest of kin, a descendant of his grand-uncle, Hector Og.

XXII. Sir Hector MacLean, Bart., who died without
issue Nov. 2, 1818, and was succeeded by his half-brother—

XXIII. Sir Fitzroy Jeffreys Grafton MacLean, Bart., who made the profession of arms his choice and rose rapidly from the rank of Ensign to that of General in 1837. He spent twenty-eight years of active service in the hot climate of the West Indies. In 1815 he returned to England and lived in London till his death, July 5, 1847. He married the widow of John Bishop of Barbadoes, and was succeeded by his son—

XXIV. Sir Charles Fitzroy MacLean, Bart., who commanded the 81st Regiment of Scotch Guards and died in 1883. In 1831 he married Emily, daughter of Rev. Jacob Markham, D. D., Canon of Windsor. His son—

XXV. Sir Fitzroy Donald MacLean, Bart., the hereditary chief at the present time, served in the Crimean war in 1854-5. His last visit to the United States was in 1893, upon invitation of the MacLeans of Chicago and vicinity, to visit the Columbian Exposition as their guest. A royal reception was tendered him, and he appeared in full Highland costume, the plaid being the MacLean dress tartan, his bonnet, with the three eagles' feathers, in his right hand. He also wore the Crimean medal, two clasps and Turkish medal received for services in the Crimean war. Every one of his clansmen wore the tartan.

The menu card was a work of art and bore upon its title-page the family crest, an uplifted battle-ax crossed by a branch of laurel and one of cypress. Among the prominent guests were Hector MacLean, of Nova Scotia, and Archibald John MacLean, of Pennycross. Sir Fitzroy responded to the toast, "Our Guests." A concert was the last of the entertainment provided, the music being exclusively Scottish, whether produced by the
bagpipe, violin, orchestra or human voice. The chief expressed deep appreciation of the courtesies shown him.

In time there came to be many branches of the family, each with its chief called "laird," a term implying considerable landed estate and tenantry, and from each of these allegiance is due to the chief of the house of Duard who was descended in the line of the eldest son from the progenitor of all, Gilleain.

An association has been formed in Scotland with branches in America for "reviving and promoting clan interests by collecting records and traditions, the cultivation of social intercourse among its members, rendering assistance to needy clansmen and encouraging the study of the Gaelic language and literature," to which all MacLeans are eligible.

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The MacLeans believed that the Stuarts were their rightful sovereigns, as they were, according to the old law of succession which by many in those days was considered the law of God. The clan continued its adherence to the house of Stuart until the cause became utterly hopeless—losing immensely in men, money and lands in its defense.

The English kings, to whom they were compelled to submit, regarding the system of clanship as incompatible with the exercise of their own authority, determined to put an end to it, and enacted very severe laws for the purpose. The chiefs were deprived of their hereditary jurisdiction and the power to protect and provide for the clansmen who had always adhered to them with such loyalty and love. A disarming act took from them the arms they had often used with such vigor and skill so that not enough were left to them for the defense of their homes. Heavy penalties were inflicted upon any found in possession of weapons; transportation for seven years following the second offense.
Still more grievous was the act that forbade the wearing of the dress that had been the national costume from time immemorial, and which distinguished the Highlanders from all other people, and, by slight differences, each clan from every other. The Lowland dress was very inconvenient and obnoxious, and they felt themselves insulted in being compelled to wear it; but for any man or boy, upon whom appeared any part of the Highland garb, the punishment for the first offense was imprisonment for six months, and for the second, transportation for seven years. So unpopular was this act that after a while it became impossible rigidly to enforce it, but it was not repealed until it had been on the statute books nearly forty years. In the meantime these oppressive laws had driven thousands of Highlanders out of the country, very many of them emigrating to America, carrying with them a passionate love of their old home, and loyalty to their chief as their rightful head.
The island of Coll is distant about six miles from the extreme western point of the island of Mull. It is fourteen miles long and two and a half broad. It is an undulating moorland with fertile patches and some low hills, the highest, Ben Hogh, 339 feet. The sea coast is rocky and precipitous, indented with several inlets, affording very good harbors. There are 48 fresh water lochs on the island, one of them, Loch Breachacha, is upon the east side of the south-western part, and near its head is Breachacha Castle, the seat of the MacLeans of Coll. The earliest description of it is contained in an official document written between 1577 and 1595. It is 80 feet in height, surrounded by three walls, and is still entire although deserted. Breachacha (Breachd or Breac, spotted, and achadh, a field or meadow, so called because in summer it is enameled with clover and daisies.)

The Coll family, to which the writer belongs, is one of the older and more powerful branches of the Duard family, descended from John Garbh, the second son of the second marriage of Lachlan Bronnach, 7th Chief of MacLean who was living in 1493.

I. John Garbh was so called from his gigantic stature and great strength. The clan was then, as it had been for more than a century, subject to the Lord of the Isles, and from him John Garbh demanded an inheritance. He was granted the island of Coll, also lands in Mull, Lochaber and Morvern, and afterward purchased the island of Rum. He lived, feared by his enemies and respected by his friends. He married Isabella, daughter of Frazer of Lovat, and became founder of a highly esteemed and influential branch of the clan, of which he was first laird. His only son—
II. John Abrach, so called on account of his living most of the time on his possessions in Lochaber, married Janet, daughter of Ewen, 5th MacLean of Urquhart, and had two sons, John and Hector, who were very young at the time their father was killed by Cameron of Lochiel. A branch of the Camerons, however, fought bravely for Coll, and rescued and cared for his wife and children, for which service there was ever after a reciprocal friendship between the two families, and in token of this amity it was cut in stone over the gate of Breachacha Castle that any of this tribe should be welcome there and should be rescued and protected against all enemies.

III. John, the oldest son, was in possession of the estate in 1493. In 1545 he was one of the lairds who consented to a treaty with the English king. He was succeeded in his estates by his brother—

IV. Hector, a man of letters, who understood Latin well, and devoted much of his time to writing poetry, both Latin and Gaelic, showing a devout spirit. In 1561 a feud broke out between the families of Duard and Coll on account of the former insisting that the latter should follow him in all his private quarrels, which Coll declined because he held his lands direct from the crown, thus claiming the privileges of a free baron who owed no service but to the Sovereign as his feudal superior. Irritated by the independent tone assumed by Coll, the Lord of Duard, Hector Mór taking advantage of Coll's temporary absence, caused his lands to be ravaged and his tenants imprisoned so that the family of Coll, from being in a prosperous condition, was reduced to the brink of ruin, and it was several years before the privy council took note of the situation and ordered Duard to make reparation. Hector married Meve, daughter of Alister MacDonald of Islay, by whom he had one son—

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V. Hector Roy, who married Marian, daughter of Hector Og, 13th chief of Duard, and was succeeded by his son—

VI. Lachlan, a prominent figure in his day, who ruled between 1580 and 1640. One of his first acts was to free his lands from the hands of Sir Lachlan Mór MacLean who had taken possession of them during his minority. He petitioned the privy council for redress which was granted. In 1609 he was one of the chiefs who met the Bishop of the Isles at Iona when the famous statutes of Icolmkill were enacted. In 1616 he appeared before the privy council which bound him to exhibit annually one of his kinsmen, to reside at his castle of Breachacha, and to keep not more than one tun of wine, also to build and repair the parish kirk. It is stated that when he became convinced of the truth of the reformed doctrines, he converted his tenants in Mull from papacy by meeting them when going to chapel, and driving them back into a barn where a Presbyterian clergyman was to preach. He lived to a good old age and was much respected. He married Florence, daughter of the laird of MacLeod, and was succeeded by his son. (His third son was Neil of Drimnacross, founder of the Drimnacross branch of the Coll family.)

VII. John Garbh, his eldest son, was a man of great wisdom and piety—a lover of men and given to hospitality. "He exhibited temperance and piety during his whole life." He married Florence, daughter of Sir Dougal Campbell, of Auchnabreck, by whom he had Hector Roy, who married Marian, daughter of Hector MacLean of Torlisk. He died before his father, leaving as successor his son—

VIII. Lachlan, a man of brave and warlike spirit, much regarded at home and abroad. He went to Holland
where he was captain of a Dutch regiment. He was drowned in the water of Lochy, in Lochaber, August, 1687. He married Marian, daughter of John Dubh, Captain of Clanroland, by whom he had one son, his successor—

IX. John Garbh, a youth of great promise, accidentally killed in Edinburgh at the age of eighteen. He was succeeded by his uncle Donald, second son of Hector Roy.

X. Donald married Isabella, dau. of Sir Rory MacLeod of Tallisker, by whom he had one son, Hector. He married the second time, Marian, dau. of Sir Norman MacLeod, by whom he had four sons and one daughter. He died in April, 1729, universally respected. To him succeeded his eldest son—

XI. Hector, a tall, handsome man, with black hair and eyes, a fine complexion, an expressive countenance, polite in his address and endowed with an excellent memory, quick perception and a solid judgment. Although practising great economy, he was generous. He knew how to make money and how to use it judiciously. His passions were strong but fully controlled. The estate had been greatly burdened with debt, but through the judicious management of his father and himself he left it free of all encumbrances and a handsome fortune besides. Near the castle he built a handsome residence where he lived opulently and contented, with hospitality. His influence was such that to a great extent he had the direction of the clan MacLean. He was opposed to the revolution of 1745; not that he opposed the house of Stuart, but knew the effort would be futile.

The last harper in Mull, Murdoch MacDonald, was harper to Hector MacLean of Coll until 1734. The MacNeils were the hereditary harpers of the MacLeans of
Duard. Hector was twice married, but leaving no male issue, was succeeded by his half-brother—

XII. Lachlan, who married Catherine, daughter of Donald MacLean of Brolass, but leaving no children, was succeeded by his brother—

XIII. Hugh, who married Janet, daughter of Donald MacLeod of Tallisker, by whom he had seven sons and one daughter. He was succeeded by his brother—

XIV. Alexander, a thorough Highlander, of independent character, generous disposition, kind to his tenants, and a student at law. He married Catherine, eldest daughter of Capt. Allan Cameron of Glendessary, and had one son and six daughters. He died in 1835 and was succeeded by his son—

XV. Hugh, a man of dignity, commanding appearance, kind, affable and just. His father, Alexander, removed from Coll in 1828 to Mull, and the family never returned to live in Coll. In the immediate neighborhood of Tobermory is a beautiful loch, called Mary's Lake, which was owned by Hugh. The spot is a beautiful one, situated between two finely wooded hills, extremely precipitous in their descent. This spot Hugh improved in a manner highly creditable to his taste and judgment, and on its banks erected the elegant mansion of Drumfin. He was born in 1782, and having preferred a military life, rose to the rank of lieutenant-colonel and served in the Guards. He received the estate burdened and added to the indebtedness, so that it was deemed advisable to sell the whole estate which was done in April, 1856, causing its owner great sorrow. It was an evil day to the inhabitants of Coll as the long line of lairds had been generous to those who looked to them for succor.

Hugh married, first in 1814, Janet, daughter of James Dennistoun, by whom he had four daughters; married,
second, in 1825, Janet Robertson, and had four sons and two daughters. During the latter years of his life he lived in London, and in 1861 died at Woodville, in the house of his daughter Margaret. His oldest son succeeded him.

XVI. Alexander, the last laird of Coll, inherited in a remarkable degree the characteristics of his family, great benignity and kindliness of disposition which made his forefathers among the most popular landlords of their day. In 1849 he emigrated to Natal, Africa, where he died July 11, 1875, aged 47. He was never married. In him the family of Coll in the direct line became extinct.

When Allan MacLean, our progenitor, left Scotland in 1740, for America, Hector, the Eleventh Laird of Coll, had possession of the island, or a greater part of it, and being a not distant relative, was doubtless well known to him.

THE MACLEAN CROSS

The tombs of the MacLeans are in the cemetery of St. Oran's Chapel, Iona. "By the street of the dead,—at one time lined with crosses,—we came to the beautiful Runic cross, known as MacLean's cross. It is formed out of a single slab of mica schist, and stands about 11 feet high, on solid masonry, unprotected. Within the circle, in the upper part is represented the crucifixion of Christ. On one of the arms is an hour-glass, on the other, a cross. It is undoubtedly the oldest cross in existence, and is assigned to the period of St. Columba, 563 A. D. The tracery of its interlacing lines is perfect, and although the cross erected 600 years later, to Martin of Tours, is the Iona Cross of Christendom, MacLean's cross is unique.

M. E. Leicester Addis. Frank Leslie, 1846.
This branch is descended from Neil MacLean of Drimnacross, third son of Lachlan, sixth laird of Coll.

He was an officer in the Highland Regiment of Sir Lachlan MacLean, 17th chief of the clan during the civil wars, and under Sir Hector Roy MacLean of Duard and Morvern, Colonel of Foot for the County of Argyle, was severely wounded at Inverkeithing July 20, 1652. He fought for Prince Charles against Cromwell. In this battle there were 800 MacLeans and 700 Buchanans, and others who stood and repulsed for four hours the attacks of a section of Cromwell's army, thrice their number, which had entirely surrounded them. Their desperate purpose being to "neither yield nor fly," they fought with unabated fury until, according to some historians, but forty of the MacLeans remained alive, these being severely wounded and taken prisoners; another more moderate statement affirms that "Sir Hector was left among the slain with 500 of his followers."

He married Florence, daughter of Allan MacDonald of Morrer, and had issue: Hector, Allan, Marian, Ann,—Florence, Margaret and Janet.

The eldest son, Hector MacLean of Torrestan, was a Captain in Sir John MacLean's regiment at Killiecrankie, July 27, 1689, and was killed at Dunkeld. He had married Florence, daughter of Lachlan MacLean of Calgary. Allan MacLean, the second son, was born probably somewhat before the last quarter of the 17th century, and died not many years before or after the first quarter of the 18th. His home was at Grisiboll, or Grishipoll, on the island of Coll. The ruins of Grisiboll castle can still be seen in the center of the island. By tradition, he was a professor in a university in Scotland. He married Catherine MacLean, daughter of Hugh, or Ewen (the names
are the same in old Gaelic manuscripts) MacLean of Balliphetrish, of whom an old manuscript says "he was a worthy gentleman of the family of Borreray." Professor John MacLean, of Princeton University, N. J., and his son, Rev. Dr. John MacLean., late President of the same college, and Rev. Dr. Alexander MacLeod of New York, were descended from the Borreray branch. Catherine was born Aug. 1668, and lived to the good old age of 96 years, as a letter from her son Lachlan to his brothers in America, written in 1764, refers to her as then living at that extreme old age. Their children were Lachlan, John, Neil, Allan. Florence, who married Donald MacLean of Calgary, and Mary, married to John MacLean of Guirdhill, in Rum.

Lachlan, the eldest son, was born June 21, 1693. He was a merchant in Glasgow, and from that place wrote to his brothers Neil and Allan, in this country, in 1759, 1764 and 1765. Four letters have been preserved and are now in the possession of a descendant of Allan MacLean. There is also a letter written in 1760 to Sir Allan MacLean, a Baronet of Brolass, who became the 21st chief of the clan. In 1757 he came to America as one of the captains of the 77th regiment (Montgomery's Highlanders) stationed in Canada. The letter was sent to Dr. Neil MacLean of Hartford, Conn., to be forwarded to Sir Allan. It is easy to imagine why it was not sent to its destination and so came down to us.

Lachlan was much older than his brothers Neil and Allan, and his interest in them and their children, and in other nephews in Europe and America, is more like that of a father than a brother or uncle, and is very pleasant to notice. Furthermore, as far as these letters refer to any individual or event mentioned in the "History of the Clan MacLean," (by John P. MacLean, pub. in Cincinnati, O.) they confirm the printed work, and the history which is so much fuller in some cases in detail, throws
light upon some things merely hinted at in the written letters, because understood by those to whom they were written. The letters and the history thus unintentionally corroborate each other.

29 Glasgow, Octor. 1759

Dear Brother:

* * * * I now come to congratulate you upon your present happy state of Matrimony, it gives me pleasure to find she proves a Kinde Mother to the Motherless. (refers to Dr. Neil’s second marriage in 1757.) * * * *

I must observe to you that I have been very sensible of your long silence to my repeated letters. * * writing * * * * 2 or 3 times in the year can be no trouble where brotherly love remains.

Glasgow, 1 June, 1764

Dear Brother:

* * * * Considering our advanced age, we should now be Strongly cemented in Brotherly love, being a material part of religion, and in order to ascertain that indispensable principle of mutual regard and affection, we should for the short remainder of our time Imbrace proper opportunity of Corresponding, and as we have no chance during our short abode here to enjoy the pleasure of any personal interview, we should cheerfully use the faculty and means which God in his wisdom and kinde providence has favored us with to Supply the want of personal presence, that of exchanging our sentiments affectionately by Missive letters. I incline it much, and the pleasure resulting should be reciprocally as the duty is mutual. * * * May God bless your family and children, & I am most affectionately

Your Loving Brother,

La: MacLean.

The part of this letter of 29th Octor. was scribbled over in great hurry with candle light. I wish you may be able to read it.
Lachlan was twice married. By his first wife he had several sons and daughters, all of whom died young except Lachlan, unmarried, and Catherine, married to David Burnett of Annat Hill.

John, Allan's second son, married Anne, daughter of Rev. John MacLean of Kilmore, in Mull, by whom he had John and Archibald. John was a merchant in Norfolk, Virginia, where he was married and left one daughter. Archibald was a merchant in Dantzig and married May, daughter of Mr. Symson, one of the magistrates of Memel, and had issue four sons and several daughters.

Neil, Allan's third son, was born, according to some records, in 1702, (another, 1705) on the island of Coll. According to reliable tradition, he came to America with the distinguished Dr. Morrison (of Hartford) in 1736, and this fact serves to corroborate the tradition that he, like Dr. M., was a graduate of the University of Edinburgh. He practised in Wethersfield for some years afterward, both he and Mr. M. settled in Hartford, and both became eminent physicians. Dr. Russell of Hartford wrote of him, "he has always been spoken of as a man of refined education, great dignity and ease of manner, and uncommon benevolence of heart."* He died in Jan. 1784, aged 82 years.

Succeeding records of Dr. Neil's family are to be found in history of his family, published by John J. McLean, Palmyra, N. Y.

FAMILY OF ALLAN MACLEAN
1715—1786

ALLAN, fourth son of Allan and Catherine MacLean of Grisipoll, states in his own handwriting in a manuscript volume (a copy of which is now in the possession of Ex-Governor George P. McLean of Simsbury, Connecticut) that he was born at "Kilbride,"* "Island of Coll, Shire of Argyle, North Britian, 1 August, 1715. Sailed from Newport, Glasgow, Scotland, July 22, 1740. Arrived at Boston, September 17th. Went to Hartford, Conn. in Oct. of the same year. Was married to Mrs. Susanna Beauchamp, daughter of Mr. Isaac Beauchamp, an eminent merchant in Hartford, and honorable family, the 28th of Oct., 1741. She departed this life the 5th of Dec., 1742, and was buried in her father's tomb at Hartford." (This tomb is in the Cemetery, back of the Centre Church.) "I was favored with her good and religious conversation for thirteen months and eight days."

Allan must have brought property with him from Scotland as he soon after established himself as a merchant in Hartford, was unfortunate and lost all, in accounting for which he would often say, "the Yankees were too cunning for me." He entered into the service of the English in the French and Indian war as Lieutenant and Commissary, being stationed at Stillwater, N. Y. from 1757 to 1762. He was in Col. Carlisle's Regiment. As his name does not appear in the Colonial Records at the State House, Hartford, it is probable that he was connected with a regular British Regiment. In 1768 a mandamus was received

*The word "Kilbride" is not inserted in the manuscript which gives as his birth-place "Island of Coll, etc.," but is taken from the fly-leaf of a volume of Watts' Sermons which was bought in Boston soon after his arrival. This book was a few years since in the possession of Dwight McLean of Hartford, Conn.
from the King, granting him 3000 acres of land for services rendered. There was an attempt to locate this grant in Westchester Co., 40 miles from New York, by the eminent lawyers, Leake, Butler and Small, of that city, and after two years of services on their part, a hearing was given the case before the Gov. and Council, but was decided adversely on the ground that there was no vacant land in the county. So great was the expense incurred in these proceedings and so much anxiety that it worried the good old veteran through his life and undoubtedly hastened his death.

In 1810 his grandson, Col. Francis McLean visited St. Albans, St. Armaud and Montreal, Canada, in the interest of his grandfather's mandamus. He had employed lawyers in these three places, seeking to have the grant of land located in Canada. The case was tried in Quebec but amounted to nothing. The original document can be found among the royal archives in Quebec.

Soon after Allan's return from Stillwater, he purchased a tract of land in Vernon, then North Bolton, Conn., but afterward lived with his son Alexander, in Bolton, about eight years. In 1779 he with his son removed to the Wheaton Place, a mile N. E. of Vernon, where he died April 9, 1786, and was buried in the old cemetery in the eastern part of Vernon.

The following inscription is upon his tombstone: "Here lies the body of Mr. Allan McLean who died April 9th, 1786, in ye 71st year of his age.

A sweet remembrance of the just
Shall flourish while they sleep in dust."

Allan MacLean received a good education, both secular and religious, in Scotland, as shown by his subsequent writings, especially the manuscript volume penned by him Jan. 6, 1780, and May 15, 1784, consisting of prayers, a few verses of hymns, and reflections upon religious
subjects after the manner of Doddridge and others near the same period, showing that he was a good old Scotch Presbyterian. He was a man of great kindness of heart and courtesy of manner. His ancient family Bible, printed in Scotland in 1731, is now in the possession of Mrs. Edward McLean, of Oakland, Cal.; a hymn book containing the inscription, "Allan MacLean bought this book, Scaterzkill, in Mull, 12 Julie, 1738, memento mori," printed in the old Gaelic language, was placed in the Historical Rooms, Atheneum Building, Hartford, several years ago. The original Lachlan MacLean letters from Scotland, several letters from lawyers, bills and commissary accounts, deeds and various documents, together with his spectacle-case and wallet are carefully preserved in a little quaintly stamped leather trunk, eleven by six inches, brought from Scotland by our ancestor, and are now in the possession of the writer.

Allan MacLean married (2) Dec. 6, 1744, Mary Loomis, dau. Mr. Jabez and Mary Ferry Loomis of Bolton. The following children were born in East Hartford:

1. Mary b. Sept. 10, 1745, d. May 15, 1819

His wife, Mrs. Mary Loomis MacLean was born Sept. 28, 1723, d. Aug. 6, 1790, in the family of her son Alexander.

1. Mary, eldest daughter of Allan and Mary Loomis MacLean, m. (1) March 9, 1764, Beriah Bronson. She contracted this romantic marriage with a poor man somewhat against the advice of her parents, who had selected for her a wealthy man of Bolton. She became the mother of six children. Her husband died in 1794. She married (2) March 9, 1797, Oliver Skinner, and lived in
Wapping."  "She was a tall, stout-built woman, like her mother; social, full of fun—always cheerful, and always humoring her children." She was greatly beloved by all her friends and relatives.

4. **Susannah**, fourth child of Allan and Mary Loomis MacLean, m. (1) David Dorchester, and had six children. m (2) Elijah King. "She governed her children better than her mild-tempered sister Mollie," and was a bright, energetic woman.
FAMILY OF CAPT. ALEXANDER McLEAN,
N. BOLTON, NOW VERNON, CONN.

2. ALEXANDER, for many years the only son of Allan and Mary Loomis McLean, received an education good for the times in which he lived, well fitting him for the common business of life. He was a hard-working, ambitious man, fond of business and a great farmer. In all his business affairs he was his own accountant and lawyer, thus saving much expense and trouble. Having a strong, vigorous constitution, he became, by his enterprise and labors, a wealthy man for the times in which he lived. He was a leader among men, a man of versatile talent, was unwearied in the care of the poor and did much for the prosperity of the town of Vernon. He led an exemplary Christian life. He was unwell for several years and this time of feebleness was blessed to his sanctification and moral elevation of character. His death was that of a triumphant Christian.

He married, Dec. 27, 1768, Johannah, dau. of Jonathan and Miriam (Spalding) Smith, of N. Bolton. They lived for eight years in So. Bolton, then removed to the Wheaton Place, Vernon, thence in 1788 to the old red house then near the church. About 1793 he built the new house opposite, where the Orphans' County Home now stands. His father and mother lived with him a number of years and died in his family.

CHILDREN:

B. Alexander b. June 12, 1772, " " d. Nov. 11, 1843
C. Mary b. Nov. 5, 1774, " " d. Oct. 18, 1776
D. Francis b. Sep. 26, 1777, at S. Bolton, d. Nov. 6, 1861
E. Allen b. June 20, 1781, at N. " d. Mar. 19, 1861
F. Mary b. Jan. 15, 1785, " " d. Dec. 27, 1805

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JOHANNAH Smith McLean, wife of Alexander, born July 19, 1748, was the eldest of five daughters. She was a woman of medium height, possessing a strong, resolute will, much executive ability, and a most wonderful voice that could be heard, trumpet-like, for more than a mile. She and her husband were well fitted for each other. They were harmonious in their views of discipline, education, and the training of their children, and in the discharge of all religious and public duties. The death of her husband in 1806 was blessed to her spiritually. She survived him sixteen years, living in the family of her son Francis. Her death, which occurred May 29, 1822, was calm and peaceful. Her son Allen wrote, "For fourteen years she lingered under the power of a wasting consumption."
A. Hannah, being the oldest of the seven children of Alexander and Johannah McLean, had an opportunity to exercise many kind, sisterly traits, and her influence was felt by every member of the large family. Marrying at the age of 23, a well-known physician, her sphere of influence widened at her first home at Vernon Center and afterward in East Windsor, where her husband had an extensive practice. In stature, she was somewhat short and stout, with active, energetic habits, an excellent housekeeper, a wise and judicious mother, and brought up her three sons and four daughters in the fear of the Lord.

Her brother Allen wrote of her the following:

"During her youthful days she possessed a very feeble constitution, but her health and strength gradually improved until she became a person of uncommon energy and activity. As a wife and mother she acted well her part. She was unwearied in her labors, and her candle went not out by night. "The heart of her husband safely trusted in her." From childhood, she was apparently thoughtful and considerate, but gave no decisive evidence of piety until she was more than forty years of age. Her last sickness was long and exceeding painful. She was peaceful and supported in her last conflict. She committed her husband and beloved children to the care of a kind and holy Providence."

Dr. Reed was social, genial and pleasant in conversation, with a winning smile and kind word for all his friends."

He received the degree of M. D. from the Medical Society of Conn. and practised medicine 56 years.
"As a mathematician, a Latin scholar and an historian he was somewhat distinguished for the times in which he lived. As a physician, he was among the most skilful in Hartford Co. For some years he was president of the Medical Society in that Co. He left a manuscript which contains an account of his treatment of Fevers during the whole time of his professional practice. His practice in fevers was in accordance with the Phlogistic system. He was very attentive to the education of his children. His death was very sudden and unexpected."

Two beautiful water-colored miniatures of the doctor and his wife, in the quaint costume of that period, are now in the possession of a member of the family, and will have a wonderful charm and interest to their descendants for all time.

Hannah m. Jan. 6, 1792, Elijah Fitch Reed, M. D., who was b. May 13, 1767, So. Windsor. d. Sept. 9, 1847, aged 80 years.

CHILDREN:

1. Julia b. Oct. 8, 1792, d. April 14, 1879
2. Ebenezer Fitch b. Feb. 4, 1799, d. Nov. 5, 1832
7. Rosanna b. May 14, 1810, d. Aug. 20, 1839

I. JULIA, the oldest child, m. Sept. 5, 1809, Henry Watson, of E. Windsor Hill.

CHILDREN:

2. Julia . b. July 30, 1812, d. 1894
3. Theodore j. b. Aug. 27, 1814, d. 1903
5. Alfred . b. May 12, 1816. d. 1903

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7. Ebenezer Bliss  b. Nov. 21, 1819, d. Aug. 26, 1877
8. Cornelius II. b. Jan. 8, 1821, d. 1862
10. Sereno . b. Dec. 1, 1826, d. Mar. 9, 1892
12. Donald . b. Apl. 22, 1831, d Nov. 6, 1833

III. Maro McLean, M. D., third child of Hannah McI. and Elijah F. Reed, "graduated from Yale College in 1822, at the age of 21, and received the degree of M. D. from the Medical College, Castleton, Vt., in 1826. Practised medicine with his father in E. Windsor, later in Hartford till 1830, when he removed to Jacksonville, Ill. Here he practised Allopathy for 25 years with marked success. He was then led to embrace Homeopathy, which he practised for 27 years. He was an active practitioner for 52 years. At the age of 25, through the faithfulness of his sister Harriet, he gave himself fully to the Lord. The text chosen by his pastor for the funeral discourse, Col. 4, xiv., "The beloved physician," was very appropriate." (E. L. R.)

He m. Sept. 16, 1830, Elizabeth Lathrop.

CHILDREN:
1. Harriet . b. June 21, 1831,
2. Edward . b. Mar. 6, 1833 d. Aug. 3, 1883
3. Albert Hale . b. Feb. 12, 1836,
4. Elijah Fitch . b. Jan. 5, 1838, d. young
5. Maria Lathrop b. Jan. 27, 1839,
6. Sarah . b. Apr. 10, 1841, d. young
7. Julia . b. Nov. 20, 1846,

Elizabeth Lathrop, his wife, b. Aug. 20, 1807, at Hartford, Conn, m. at the early age of 23, and with her husband, Dr. Maro M. Reed, at once started for their western home
at Jacksonville, Ill., which they reached after six weeks of travel. She heroically taught the negro, and her home was one of the "stations" of the Underground Railroad."

For many years she resided with her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Reid, at Belmont, Cal., where, in the boys' school, she found many opportunities for usefulness. Here she lived a lovely Christian life, beloved by all. "The fragrance of her spiritual life was as ceaseless and as natural as that of the cedar," says Rev. Mr. McDougal, in "The Cricket" for April, 1904, a monthly journal published at Belmont School, Cal.

As the years rolled on one could see that she was repining for glory, till Feb. 9, 1904, her spirit took its flight, to be forever with the Lord.

1. Harriet, the oldest dau. of Maro M. and Elizabeth L. Reed, has been a teacher for many years, and is still connected with Belmont School, Cal.

3. Albert Hale, oldest son of Maro M. and Elizabeth L. Reed, graduated at Yale College and studied for the ministry, m. May 13, 1868, Julia Wentworth. Most of their married life has been spent at Jacksonville, Ill., but in recent years they have lived in Newton, Iowa.

CHILDREN:

1' Elizabeth b. July 2, 1869,
2' Julius Alexander b. Aug. 14 1871,
3' Jennie b. Sept. 10, 1874, d. Apr. 19, 1879
4' William Thomas b. Oct. 13, 1877,

4' William Thomas, fourth child of Albert H. and Julia W. Reed, m. Nov. 22 1899, Mabel Edwards.

CHILDREN:

1" Laura Wentworth, b. Sept. 30, 1900
2" Jennie Meek b. Oct. 5, 1902

5. Maria Lathrop, fifth child of Maro M. and Eliza-

CHILDREN:

1' Maro Reed  
   b. June 28, 1867

2' Sara Lathrop  
   b. Sept. 11, 1870

3' Harriet  
   b. Apr. 5, 1878

1' Maro Reed, oldest child of Maria L. and J. W. Thompson, m. Aug.—, 1889, Elenor McClosky Clements.

CHILDREN:

1'' Catherine McLean  
   b. Nov. 25, 1890

2'' Allen Clements  
   b. Nov. 24, 1892

3'' Paul Bradford  
   b. Nov. 19, 1894

4'' Donald Cossy  
   b. Sept. 26, 1896

5'' Maro Wilson  
   b. Dec. 30, 1898

2' Sara Lathrop, oldest dau. of Maria L. and J. W. Thompson, m. June 30, 1897, Oscar Nettleton Taylor, M. D. Res., San Francisco, Cal.


7. Julia, seventh child of Maro M. and Elizabeth L. Reed, m. Aug. 16, 1870, William Thomas Reid, b. Nov. 8, 1842, for several years a teacher in the High School, San Francisco, Cal., four years Pres. of the University of Cal., now at the head of a large, prosperous boys' school at Belmont, Cal.:

CHILDREN:

1' Julia Frances  
   b. Aug. 10, 1871

2' William Thomas, Jr.  
   b. Oct. 25, 1878

1' Julia Frances, graduated at Wellesly College, Mass. m. July 21, 1897, Charles Wesley Willard, a lawyer in San Francisco, Cal.
2' William Thomas, Jr., graduated at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., is now teaching in his father's school at Belmont, Cal., m. July 2, 1902, Christine Lincoln at Brookline, Mass.

1'' William Thomas, Children—III. b. March 17, 1903.
2'' Edith Williams, b. Dec. 1, 1904.

9. MARY ELIZA, ninth child of Maro M. and Elizabeth M. Reed, m. Dec. 23, 1883, Francis Adelbert Blackburn, a professor at Chicago University, at which place she died July 8, 1900.


CHILDREN:

1. Harriet b. Dec. 22, 1833, d. 1842
2. Charles Crocker b. June 6, 1836,
4. Robert A. b. Sept. 11, 1839,


CHILDREN:

1' Tensa C. b. May 28, 1873,
2' Frederick F. b. Aug. 16, 1876,
3' Alfred R. b. Mar. 28, 1879, d. May 30, 1898
4' John Edward b. Dec. 24, 1882,
5' Mary R. b. April 25, 1883,

Residence, Berkeley, Cal.


VI. REV. JULIUS ALEXANDER, seventh child of Hannah M. and Elijah F. Reed, acquired a collegiate and theological education, and for many years was a teacher and
preacher in Iowa, m. Dec. 1, 1835, Caroline Blood, who
died Oct. 1, 1890.

CHILDREN:
1. Anna b. Aug. 30, 1836, d.
2. Rosanna b. Aug. 11, 1839, d. Apl. 25, 1840
3. Mary b. Feb. 9, 1843,


CHILDREN:
1' Henry Lawrence b. Aug. 10, 1865
2' Alfred Hall b. May 29, 1868
3' Anna Reed b. Jan. 10, 1870

3' Anna Reed, only dau. of Anna R. and Henry Wilkinson, m. Oct. 9, 1895, Edward Harris Rathbone, Woonsocket, R. I.

CHILDREN:
1'' Rachel Harris b. Sep. 13, 1897
2'' Lawrence Wilkinson b. July 18, 1900
3'' Anna Reed b. Sep. 25, 1902


CHILD:
1' Anna Reed, b. Sept. 15, 1870.

VII. Rosanna, youngest dau. of Hannah M. and Elijah F. Reed, m. Oct. 17, 1838, Stanley White.
FAMILY OF DEA. ALEXANDER McLEAN
MANCHESTER, CONN.

B. DEA. ALEXANDER, the eldest son of Alexander and Johannah Smith McLean, was b. in N. Bolton, attended school in S. Bolton and Windsor. With the exception of one winter when he taught school, aided his father upon the farm until his marriage in 1793, at the age of 21. He conducted a farm in Vernon for a number of years. Afterward, he and his brother, Col. Francis McLean, built and carried on the cotton mills at the village now called Talcottville. Here Alexander lived till the death of his wife in 1814, when he removed to a farm in Manchester where he spent the remainder of his life. He was an energetic, business man, given to hospitality, and winning a host of friends by his kind, pleasant manners. For many years he was an active, influential deacon in the Cong. Ch.' Manchester. His house has long since disappeared, but the hill upon which it stood is still called "McLean Hill."

m. (i.) Apr. 25, 1793, Betsey Thrall, who d. Aug. 9, 1814, aged 42 years, the mother of four sons and three daughters.

CHILDREN:

II. John b. Sept. 6, 1796, d. Mar. 14, 1877
III. Betsey b. July 5, 1798, d. June 1, 1834
IV. Clarissa b. June 19, 1800, d. Dec. 9, 1897
V. Allen b. Dec. 24, 1802, d. Mx. war, 1847
VI. Mary b. Oct. 6, 1806, d. Sept. 12, 1895
VII. Charles b. May 30, 1811, d. Dec. 20, 1881


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CHILDREN:

1. Alexander  
   b. Oct. 2, 1818, d. Aug. 29, 1877

2. Henry  
   b. Nov. 1, 1819, d. Apr. 5, 1826

3. Edwin  
   b. July 3, 1821, d. Feb. 25, 1875

4. Frederick Hudson  
   b. May 6, 1823, d. Oct. 19, 1831

5. Geer Allen  
   b. Feb. 13, 1825, d. Feb. 13, 1825

6. Henry  
   b. Dec. 18, 1826, d. Mar. 29, 1831

I. ALEXANDER, oldest son of Alexander and Mary Meekins McLean, m.—1847, Nancy—

CHILDREN:

1. Alexander  
   b. 1849, d. July 1876

2. Edwin  
   b. 1851

3. Calvin  
   b. 1855

4. Minnie  
   b. 1857

5. Julia  
   b. 1861

3. Edwin, third son of Alexander and Mary M. McLean, a successful merchant in Rockville, Conn., afterward in Great Barrington, Mass., m. (1) April, 1847, Nancy Griswold of Surbridge, Mass., who d. in 1849. m. (2). Nov. 11, 1849, Julia H. Ladd of Tolland, Conn.

CHILDREN:

1. George Edwin  
   b. Aug. 31, 1850

2. Minnie Rose  
   b. Nov. 11, 1856

3. William Bradley  
   b. Oct. 25, 1862

1. Rev. George Edwin, eldest son of Edwin and Julia L. McLean, graduated at Williams College, Mass., and studied Divinity. In 1893 he was Prof. in State University Minneapolis, Minn., now Pres. State University, Iowa City, Iowa, m. May 20, 1874, Clara Stanley Taylor, b-Sept. 25, 1849.

CHILDREN:

1' Margaret McLean, b. Aug. 9, 1888
2' Harold Arthur b. Aug. 8, 1889

3' William Bradley, second son of Edwin and Julia L. McLean, is a commission merchant of Minneapolis, Minn., m. Sept. 14, 1889, Addie M. Lockwood.

CHILD:

1'' Edwin Lockwood, b. Aug. 9, 1890

II. John, second son of Dea. Alexander and Betsey Thrall McLean, m. (1) July 19, 1821, Sarah Bunce, who d. Dec. 6, 1834.

CHILDREN:

2. Rosanna b. Sep. 30, 1825, d. June 9, 1876
3. Sarah b. Apr. 18, 1827
4. John Dwight b. Feb. 4, 1829

II. John m. (2) in 1840, Rhoda Woodford.

CHILD:


2. Rosanna, second dau. of John and Sarah B. McLean, m. June 30, 1856, George Talcott of Rockville.

CHILD:

1'' George Frederick, b. Feb. 23, 1858, m. (1) Carrie Bissell, who d. Dec. 10, 1900, m. (2) June, 1901, Maud Burnett, who d. Dec. 28, 1903.


CHILDREN:

1' Zopher Y. b. July 18, 1846
2' Lottie M. b. Apr. 3, 1854, d. June 18, 1871

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7. Almena, dau. of John and Rhoda W. McLean, m. Edward Gilman. Son—
   Almeron, b. Oct. 21, 1871

d. March 14, 1877, at Canton, Conn.

   Spencer who d. Dec. 5, 1864, at Manchester, Conn.

   CHILDREN:
   3. Simeon Dwight b. Jan. 5, 1829,
   5. George McLean b. Sept. 19, 1836, d. July 11, 1901

   I. John O., oldest son of Clarissa M. and Simeon A.
   Spencer, m. (1) May 18, 1848, Mary A. Winchester who
   1. John O. m. (2) Feb., 1857, Charlotte G. Darrow.
      Child, 3' Mary G. b. Feb. 23, 1861.

      1' Clinton A., son of John O. and Mary W. Spencer, m. Dec. 28, 1875, Rosa Tryon, Manchester, Conn. Chil-
      dren, 1" Harry, b. Sept. 17, 1878; 2" Ethel, b. Dec. 24, 1881, at Wilmington, Del.

      2' Hattie S., dau. of John O. and Mary W. Spencer m. Sept. 5, 1876, Frederick H. Badet. Son, 1" Harry
      Badet, b. July 15, 1877, at So. Bend, Ind.


   2. Abigail T., dau. of Clarissa and Simeon A. Spen-
cer, m. Sept. 20, 1853, George S. Parkhurst, Manchester, Conn.


2' Frank, only son of Simeon Dwight and Mary W. Spencer, m. April 26, 1892, May Antoinette Parker, Res. Manchester, Conn. Children: 1" Dwight Parker, b. July 28, 1895; 2" William White, b. Jan. 31, 1900.


5. Rev. George McLean, fourth son of Clarissa M. and Simeon A. Spencer, graduated at Dartmouth College, was in the civil war as a private. Afterward studied law and practised in Hartford, Conn., for some years. After studying theology he was settled over a church in Iowa, afterward removed to San Francisco, Cal., where he died, M. (1) May 21, 1868, Abby A. Rose, who d. May 3, 1873, Child, 1' Ruth Hale, b. May 3, 1873, died the following day. M (2) Jan. 11, 1876, Lizzie Kimberly, who d. June 28, 1881.


CHILDREN:

1' Kate Bissell b. Aug. 31, 1851,
2' Sue Temple b. April 19, 1853, d. Apr. 10, 1858
3' Christopher b. April 29, 1856, d. Oct. 28, 1869
4' Maria E.  b. May 21, 1860,
5' Walker Anson  b. May 16, 1863, d. Sept. 11, 1863
1. Christopher, m, (3) Jan. 14, 1869, Ann R. C. Davis,
   Newbern, N. C.
   **CHILDREN:**
6' John Davis  b. Dec. 16, 1869, d. Sept. 20, 1870
7' Wannie Davis  b. Mar. 22, 1871, d. Jan. 24, 1872
8' Donald  b. Mar. 13, 1872, d. same day

1' Kate Bissell oldest child of Christopher and Susan
   T. McLean, m. June 17, 1874, Fred Case.

VI. MARY, sixth child of Dea. Alexander and Betsey
   T. McLean, m. April 5, 1838, Geo. D. Morgan.
   **CHILDREN:**
1. Elizabeth R.  b. Aug. 17, 1839, d. Aug. 6, 1846

VII. CHARLES, seventh child of Dea. Alexander and
    Betsey T. McLean, m. May 8, 1839, Octa S. Strong, who
    d. May 28, 1887.  Res. Manchester, Conn.
    **CHILDREN:**
2. Jerusha Day  b. April 9, 1845,
4. Charles Noble  b. May 24, 1850,
6. Clara Frances  b. Aug. 20, 1856,
7. George Lincoln  b. Aug. 9, 1861,

2. Jerusha Day, second child of Charles and Octa S.
   McLean, m. George S. Parkhurst, Oct. 20, 1872.  Daughter,
   1' Abby b. May 12, 1874.  Res. Simsbury, Conn.

3. Octa Ella, third child of VII Charles and Octa S.
   McLean, m. June 24, 1877, George Talcott, Rockville,

CHILDREN:

1' Emma Jane b. July 26, 1875,
3' Clara Belle b. Aug. 20, 1881,
4' Charles Ralph b. Nov. 8, 1883,
5' Minnie b. Aug. 10, 1889,

1' Emma Jane, a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College, Mass.


CHILDREN:

1. Mary Eliza b. Dec. 29, 1839,
2. William Sheldon b. June 17, 1843,
3. Alfred P. b. Nov. 18, 1844,
4. Clarence T. b. Mar. 18, 1848,
5. Arthur Eliot b. Aug. 10, 1849,

1. Mary Eliza, oldest daughter of William and Mary P. McLean, m. Nov. 6, 1864, Theodore H. Eldridge, Norwich, Conn.

CHILDREN:

1' Minnie b. July 5, 1865, d. Nov. 8, 1873
2' Bertha Maria b. Apr. 22, 1870, d. Sept. 18, 1870
3' Grace Edith b. July 12, 1872,
4' Alfred Earl b. July 4, 1877, d. Aug. 8, 1879

3' Grace Edith, m. Nov. 26, 1903, Robert Harvey Montgomery, Norwich, Conn.

X Dea Alexander McLean m. (2) June 8, 1813
Mrs. Bethany Sheldon, widow of Elizur Kellogg.

b Sept 6, 1780. d. Oct 16, 1867.
2. William Sheldon, oldest son of William and Mary P. McLean, (a farmer in Bolton, Conn.) m. April 29, 1869, Martha E. Risley.

CHILDREN:
1' Clarence Sylvester b. June 8, 1870,
2' William Allen b. May 1, 1875,
3' Mary Elvira b. Nov. 4, 1877, d. Dec. 22, 1877
4' Ellena b. Jan. 5, 1880,
5' Anna L. b. Sept. 7, 1883,


4' ELLENA, fourth child of William S. and Martha R. McLean, graduated at Rockville High School, is now a student at Mt. Holyoke College, Mass.

5' ANNA L. fifth child of William S. and Martha R. McLean, graduated at Rockville High School in 1902.

3. ALFRED P., second son of William and Mary P. McLean, is a farmer in Plainville, Conn. Unmarried.


5. ARTHUR E., fourth son of William and Mary P. McLean, has been landlord of "The Hillhurst," Norfolk, Conn., for 18 years, during the summer; Plainville, Conn. in winter. M. May 30, 1883, Florence Sophia Lewis.

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VIII. William, divorced from his first wife; m. (2) Oct. 21, 1856, Helen Christian, at Rockton, Ill.

CHILDREN:

1. Minnie b. June 16, 1858,
4. Frank b. Aug. 21, 1863,
5. Charles b. May 2, 1865,
7. Ida d. June 24, 1869, d. Sept. 1, 1869
8. Rosanna b. Oct. 26, 1871,
9. Ernest b. July 4, 1874,
10. Kate Ellen b. Dec. 31, 1876,

6. Edwin Christian, sixth child of William and Helen C. McLean, m.—two sons—1' Frank Bernard; 2' Paul Williams.

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FAMILY OF COL. FRANCIS McLEAN
VERNON, CONN.

Col. Francis, the second son of Capt. Alexander and Johannah Smith McLean, was born in So. Bolton. His childhood's home was at the Wheaton Place, Vernon. He attended school in Windsor and Vernon. He always remembered with interest Abner Reed, with whom he studied mathematics and surveying—his favorite studies.

In 1789 the family moved to the old red house at Vernon Center, and soon after the family homestead was built opposite, where the County Orphans' Home now stands. A fine row of maple trees was set out in front of the house—the ornament of the village. In the winter of 1794, when 17 years of age, Col. McLean taught school in Manchester. He hoped to continue teaching, but his father needing him on the farm, he taught no more. He early became interested in manufactures. About 1805, he built a grist-mill, saw-mill and dam in the western part of town, afterward removed the grist-mill to Phoenix village, building a dam and saw-mill. He, with his brother Alexander and Col. Tinker, built the mills for manufacturing cotton where the flourishing village of Talcottville now stands, and erected the brick-houses near the bridge. Col. McLean first noticed the wonderful power of Snipsic Lake (Indian name, Shenipsit) a few miles from Rockville, and its grand fall of 250 ft., as an ideal power for a fine manufacturing village. The following is from the pen of Rev. Stanley Kellogg in the "History of Tolland County."

"In the spring of 1821 Col. McLean, having sufficiently matured his plans, purchased lands of the Grant heirs, also bought of the heirs of Dea. Hall, Brockway and Wells, and built the first factory—the old Rock for mak-
ing satinet. He formed a partnership with George and Allyn Kellogg and Ralph Talcott, with a nominal capital of $16,000. A strong dam was first thrown across the stream where it now stands (and where it is likely to stand until some extraordinary convulsion takes place) as an enduring monument of strength. This is the present Rock dam. The canal was dug, the wheel-pit located and the power determined by a simple but accurate process. Spirit-levels and intricate mathematical instruments were not then on hand, but a ready ingenuity supplied their place. Col. McLean improvised a level by taking a piece of scantling, six or eight feet long, with a straight edge which was grooved to hold water. With this level he made the surveys and located the wheel. These surveys have proved accurate. In the mean time timber was cut from the adjacent hillsides and a building promptly erected, 80 ft. long by 30 ft. wide, three stories high—an enormous building in those days. McLean's woolen factory was a nine days' wonder. Three sets of woolen machinery were put in and began making blue and blue-mixed satinet. Power-looms were introduced in '22 and '23, but crude and imperfect. At the May session of the Legislature, in 1828, a charter was obtained and the firm organized under the name of 'The Rock Manufacturing Co.,' Capital, $25,000. In 1832 the capital was increased to $45,000. The old mill was used till 1851 when it gave way to the new. The original incorporators were Col. Francis McLean, George Kellogg, Ralph Talcott and Aaron Kellogg. The first meeting was held Dec. 31, 1828, when the following gentlemen were named as officers: Pres., Francis McLean, salary, $400; Sec'y, Geo. Kellogg, salary, $410, with house and garden, $60. Col. McLean, having closed his connection with the Rock, with Alonzo Bailey, organized a company and built the Frank Co. mills in 1831. The frame-work was
the original frame of the Vernon meeting-house. The Frank was erected and started with six sets of cassimere machines in 1847. This building, architecturally the finest in the village, was consumed by fire Sept. 1851. The Florence was erected in 1864 in the same place. In 1833 Col. McLean built the paper-mill and owned more than half of it. This ends the long list of important enterprises originated and carried out by this energetic man with most wonderful success." Col. Wm. A. Grover, M. D., of Berkeley, Cal., wrote in 1892, "The Rock Factory was built of chestnut timber, hewed and framed in Tolland by Mr. Grover, the builder, and carried to what is now known as Rockville, and put together. It was an exceeding plain building, without any ornamentation whatever, and painted red. It was an exceedingly lonely place as there was not another building in the vicinity. For the sake of the water-power it was built in a deep ravine, and the picture of the rapid stream with its falls, as it poured over the precipitous rocks,—the deep gorge surrounded on all sides by sunny hills, with the red mill standing in the center,—has never been erased from my memory. It was the commencement of Rockville and Col. McLean was looked upon as the enterprising pioneer of that now beautiful city." The Col. built four tenement houses near the Rock, six near the Frank and two near the Paper Mill. He surveyed and laid out various roads about the Factories and Vernon. In 1826 he was the prime mover in the erection of Vernon Church and Academy.

At the age of 18 he entered the State militia as private and was rapidly promoted to the different offices. For eight years he was Captain of the First Division of the First Brigade of 19th Regiment of Light Infantry. In October, 1812 he was appointed Major of the same Brigade and served two years. In 1813, the second year of his
being Major, his younger brother, Rev. Allen McLean, of Simsbury was Chaplain of the same Brigade. In 1816 the Col. was appointed Lieut-Col. Commandant of the same Regiment and served one year. In 1816 he represented his district in the State Legislature.

He was a leader of men, identified himself with every project for the good of Vernon and Rockville and probably accomplished more good than any other man of his day and generation.

He m. (1) Feb. 10, 1800, Roxey, dau. of James McKinney of Ellington, b. June 10, 1780, d. March 30, 1811. "Her natural disposition was easy, kind and affectionate. She was an excellent wife, an affectionate mother and a very consistent Christian." On the death of Capt. Alexander McLean in 1806, her mother McLean entered the family, increasing her cares.

CHILDREN:

I. Otis b. Feb. 27, 1801, d. Dec. 31, 1836


III. Francis b. Aug. 1, 1804, d. Dec. 26, 1862

IV. Mary b. Aug. 27, 1806, d. July 19, 1831

V. John b. Apr. 4, 1808, d. May 17 1828

VI. Rosanna b. May 27, 1810, d. June 29, 1835

1. Otis, a bright, intelligent, ambitious man, was accidentally killed. M. Dec. 1822, Clarissa Munsell, who d. in 1889 at St. Louis, Mo. Children—1. Clarissa, b. 1823, d. 1861, at St. Louis, Mo.; 2. Roxanna, b. 1826, d. 1852 at St. Louis, Mo.

1. Clarissa, the oldest child of Otis and Clara McLean, was educated by her grandfather McLean, at the Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham, Mass. In 1841, m. James Hamilton Fyler, a college-bred man, the son of Rev. Dr. Fyler of Mississippi, b. in 1822 and d. in 1850. Children—1' Louise, b. 1842, d. at St. Louis, Mo. Jan.
1869; 2' Mary b. 1846, d. at St. Louis, Mo. 1873; 3' James Otis Dudley, b. Mar. 22, 1850.

1' Louise was a fine-looking, intelligent woman with a large family, and the care of her aged grandmother in 1865. Their plantation was on the banks of the Depere river, seven miles south of St. Louis. She m. 1857, Chas. D. Lake. Child—1" Mary, b. 1858, m. 1885, Ennis Hopkins, child b. 1886.

2' Mary, the second daughter of Clarissa M. and James H. Fyler, was a most beautiful woman. M. Sept. 1865, John Kredel of St. Louis, Mo., who d. Dec. 23, 1903. Children—1" Otis Hamilton, b. 1866; 2" Katie Gertrude. 1868, d. Aug. 1882; 3" Clara Louise, b. 1870.

3' James Otis Dudley, the third child of Clarissa M. and James H. Fyler, is an energetic, business man in St. Louis, m. 1868, Ellen Frances Wilburn. Children—1" Lillian May, b. May. 1869; 2" Cora Elizabeth b. 1871, d. 3" George Hamilton, b. 1873.

1" Lillian May, Dau. of James Otis D. and Ellen F. Fyler, m. Aug. 21, 1897, T. Hill. St. Louis, Mo.


II. LORA was a delicate woman, of fine, fastidious tastes, yet withal very efficient. She was educated at Hartford Fem. Sem., then under the management of Catherine and Harriet Beecher. M. Nov. 19, 1863, Judge Phineas Talcott who d. June 6, 1883. At the time of the marriage he was Stewart of the Retreat, Hartford, where his wife became Matron. She was much beloved by the inmates, who called her good Mother Talcott. Children—1. Frederick, b. Dec. 27, 1824, d. Sept. 22, 1849; 2. George, b. Jan. 20, 1827.
2. George, the second son of Lora and Phineas Talcott, is President of the First National Bank, Rockville, Conn. M. (1) June 30, 1856. Rosanna, dau. of John and Sarah Bunce McLean of Manchester, Conn. who d. June 8, 1876. Son—t" George Frederick, b. Feb. 23, 1858, m. (1) Carrie Bissell, who d. Dec. 10, 1900; m; (2) June, 1901, Maud Burnett, who d. Dec. 28, 1903.


III. Major Francis, the third child of Col. Francis and Roxey McLean, was a small, delicate child and when about 10 years old experienced a serious accident. Playing one day in a trough, used for watering stock, he fell in, could not extricate himself, and was nearly drowned. It was with difficulty that he was restored to consciousness. Through the unwearied care of loving parents he recovered, and, though a small-sized man, enjoyed a comfortable measure of health through life. He purchased the old Homestead in Vernon in 1848 and beautified it. He joined the Conn. State Militia and rose to the rank of Major. He was a pleasant, kind man, frugal in expenditures and exact in all business transactions. He d. at the age of 57.

III. Major Francis m. (1) June 25, 1834, Louisa L. Chapman of Tolland, b. July 7, 1813, d. Nov. 9, 1847. She was a sweet, lovely Christian woman, winning the hearts of all about her—a model mother and housekeeper, and always ready for every good word and work in the home, church and community. Her memory is blessed.

CHILDREN:

1. Francis Eugene b. May 19, 1835, d. Apr. 5, 1885
2. Lora Cordelia b. Sept. 21, 1836, d. Mar. 16, 1840

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1. Francis Eugene, the oldest son of Major Francis and Louisa McLean, was a bright, intelligent boy, educated in the schools of Vernon, and worked upon the farm for his father. Upon his marriage in 1871, nine years after the death of his father, he sold the Old Homestead and went to Cherokee, Iowa, where he bought property. Later, removed to Springfield, Mass. He m. Jan. 20, 1871, at Talcottville, Conn., Emma Buckland of Somers, b. 1853. No children.

3. Emma Louisa, the third child of Major Francis and Louisa McLean, was a noble girl of fine character, a devoted Christian and an excellent teacher. Taught for several years in the schools of Rockville.

4. Ellen S., the fourth child of Francis and Louisa McLean, possessed a quiet, studious temperament. She was an exceedingly industrious, warm-hearted Christian girl and woman.

iii. Major Francis m. (2) Jan. 18, 1849, L. Maria Slater of Manchester, Conn, b. Feb. 1811, d. Nov. 17, 1895. She was a most excellent Christian woman, a kind neighbor—conscientious and faithful in all her duties. The death of her husband in 1862 left her the sole guardian of her son George, then eleven years old. Upon the marriage of her son in 1878 she took up her abode in his family, where she lived 17 years, attaining the good old age of 84.

5. George Clifford, the only son of Major Francis and Maria S. McLean, b. Aug. 30, 1851, was a fine-looking, bright boy of active temperament. At the early age of eleven he was bereft of a father's care and left with an indulgent mother. He has matured into a warm-hearted, enterprising business man in Hartford, Conn. M. June 21, 1878, Mary Emmeline, dau. of William S. and Jane Smith of Hartford, who is well-fitted to be a helpmeet for her husband, "looking well to the ways of her household
and eating not the bread of idleness." Child—t' Frances
May, b. March 4, 1891.

IV. Mary was taller than her sisters, of a more serious
turn of mind, and much more grave in her demeanor.
Her mother found her a strong arm to lean upon in
household cares and worries. She m. May 27, 1828, Da-
vid Talcott Smith, who d. July 25, 1855. She died at
the age of 25.

CHILDREN:
1. Francis, b. Mar. 17, 1829

1. Francis, the oldest son of Mary and David T. Smith,
M. (2) Nellie Plympton, b. d.
M. (3) Susan Scott, b. d. Nov. 1892

He has been an active business man all his life; is now
living in Hartford, Conn., retired from business.

VI. Rosanna, was a pretty dark-eyed woman, of an
affectionate disposition, much energy of character, and
an exemplary Christian. She graduated at Miss Cath-
erine Beecher's Sem. Hartford. She m. Oct. 9, 1832,
Gardiner Childs, b. Aug. 19, 1801, d. Feb. 27, 1841, Troy,
N. Y. Her short married life of three years was spent in
Granby, Lower Canada, where her husband was a mer-
chant.

CHILDREN:
1. Rosanna, b. Aug. 2, 1833, d. July 2, 1854

1. Rosanna, possessed a fine intellect and winning
manners. After the death of her mother she lived at her
grandfather McLean's, and with her cousin, Mrs. Dick-
Mass. Taught in New York, afterward was Principal of a
Fem. Sem. at Hagerstown, Md., where she died the tri-
umphant death of a Christian at the age of 21.
2. Sarah Berry was a beautiful girl of sunny temper and vivacious manners. She studied the piano and taught music at Hagerstown Sem., Md.; Ipswich Sem., Mass., and Logansport, Ind., where she m. Oct. 9, 1858, William Neff. No children.


Mrs Sarah B. McLean was married from the home of her uncle, Dr. Scotaway Hinckley in Vernon. "She was a warm-hearted Christian and one of the most companionable, social persons in all my acquaintance. It shall be told as a memorial of her that she took the best care of her aged mother McLean."

CHILDREN:

VII. Edward
b. Feb. 24, 1818, d. June 30, 1886

VIII. Roxey
b. Feb. 10, 1820, d. Mar. 7, 1904

IX. Sarah
b. Nov. 8, 1822, d. Mar. 9, 1870

X. Harriet
b. June 10, 1825, d. Sept. 25, 1874

XI. Maria
b. Feb. 7, 1828, d. Nov. 22, 1854

XII. Mary
b. Jan. 27, 1831,

XIII. John
b. Nov. 8, 1833.

VII. Edward, the oldest son of Col. Francis and Sarah Childs McLean, was a quiet, studious, affectionate boy—a comfort to his mother, a kind brother and counselor to the younger members of the family. He was educated at Vernon Academy, Wilbraham Academy, Mass., preparing for college at Bacon Academy, Colchester. He graduated at Yale College in 1843. He early united with the Cong'l Ch. and continued in its fold through life. While studying divinity, ill health obliged him to pause. He afterward became one of the partners in a book-store in Philadelphia, Pa., the firm being Grattan & McLean. After a few years he was obliged by ill health to
take a sea voyage, and went to California, crossing the Isthmus, horseback and by foot, in 1854. The following is from the pen of Pres. Martin Kellogg of the University of Cal.: "He settled in San Francisco where he engaged in the insurance business. He brought the Hartford Insurance Co. to this coast, in 1869, as its general manager here, which, under his direction, became one of the most extensive companies in its operations on the coast.

He afterward engaged in the real estate business in Oakland for twelve years, when ill health obliged him to go to Southern California. He organized the Santa Gertrudes Co. which owned the lands where now are the towns of Downey, Norwalk and Fulton Wells, and he was its general manager till all its lands were sold. It was while this Co. was boring for artesian water that the sulphur springs were found which have since become famous as Fulton Wells. He also originated the Mutual Orchard Association, which owned lands about Olive-wood, Passadena.

He was one of a commission of three men, Rev. Horace Bushnell, D. D. being another, to chose the site of the College of Cal. at Berkeley, now the University of Cal. He was a Regent of the College.

He was senior member of the firm McLean, Rust & Wilson, in the real estate business in Los Angeles, and lived there seventeen years. He believed in the future of the southern country and was enthusiastic in its praise.

He was a cordial, open-hearted man, free from ostentation, quiet, but intensely interested in all public enterprises." He was a wise father and exemplary Christian. He m. Dec. 31, 1857, Sarah E. dau. of Socrates Chester of Ellington, who was b. April 3, 1833.

CHILDREN:
1. Agnes Maria b. Dec. 21, 1858,
2. Edward Chester b. Mar. 21, 1862, d. Dec. 25, 1885

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3. Fannie Williams  b. May 29, 1863,
4. Francis Herbert  b. Nov. 12, 1868,

1. Agnes Maria, the oldest daughter of Edward and Sarah Chester McLean, graduated at the High School, Oakland, also at the "School of Expression," Boston, Mass. She has followed the profession of teaching for several years. Is now teacher of Elocution and Gymnastics in the State Normal School, Baltimore, Md. She established and conducted a prosperous mission Sunday school there for a number of years.

2. Edward C. the oldest son of Edward and Sarah Chester McLean, was a quiet boy, remarkably fond of reading and study. He aided his father upon the farm in Pasadena.

3. Fannie W., the second daughter of Edward and Sarah Chester McLean, was a delicate child and for many years a source of much anxiety to her parents. She graduated at the Oakland High School, also the University of Cal. Berkeley, in 1885. Was teacher in the Berkeley High School several years, then was engaged in the Settlement work at Rivington street, New York, and at Phil., Pa. Is now first assistant in English in the High School, Berkeley.

4. Francis H., the youngest son of Edward and Sarah Chester McLean, graduated at the Los Angeles High School, also the University of Cal. in 1892. Afterward took post-graduate work at Johns Hopkins Institute, Baltimore, Md. and Columbia University, N. Y. Was engaged in the journalistic business, then became Secretary of Associated Charities in New York, for a time, afterward held the same position in Montreal, Canada. Is now engaged in the same work in Chicago, Ill. He m. May 16, 1901, Julia Bruson of Brooklyn, N. Y.

VIII. Roxey, the oldest daughter of Col. Francis and
Sarah Childs McLean, was but fifteen years of age at the death of her mother, and was left with the immediate care of the five younger children, a trust which she executed conscientiously and well. She graduated at the Vernon Academy and Wesleyan Academy at Wilbraham, Mass.

She was a superior woman, of unusual native energy of character, a worthy helpmeet of her husband, aiding him greatly to gain a high position in the medical profession. She was a faithful mother, an excellent nurse, a devoted Christian, delighting in the ministrations of the church and Sunday school, and laboring in the temperance and missionary societies.

She has heard the welcome plaudit, "Well done good and faithful servant," and has entered into her rest.

She m. Sept. 28, 1840, Francis Lemuel Dickinson, M. D., b. Jan. 29, 1817, d. June 2, 1897. The Dr. fitted for college at Bacon Academy, Colchester and graduated at Yale Medical College in 1840. They lived in Willington, Conn. from '41 to '63, when they removed to Rockville.

He was a man of great dignity of character, of sound judgment, of decided conservative opinions, sympathetic in the sick room and a skilful physician. He represented Willington in the State Legislature in 1850 and 1857. Was elected State Senator from Rockville district in 1877, 1878 and 1879.

CHILDREN:

1. Francis Palmer b. Aug. 16, 1841,
2. Amasa Palmer b. Feb. 4, 1844,
4. Arthur Talcott b. July 23, 1855,

1. Francis P., the oldest son of Roxey M. and Francis L. Dickinson, served as commissary in the civil war, '61-'65. Lived for several years in Tolland, Conn., is now in Springfield, Mass.

M. April 8, 1866, Lucy C. Noyes of Bloomfield, Ill. b. Aug. 16, 1849.
CHILDREN:

1. James Edward  
b. May 16, 1867, d. Nov. 18, 1873
2. Charles Arthur  
b. Jan. 31, 1869,
3. Emma May  
b. May 27, 1870,
4. Eliza Mary  
b. April 7, 1872,
5. Harriet Sophia  
b. Sept. 1873, d. May 1, 1893
6. Sarah Ione  
b. May 4, 1875,
7. Grace Ellen  
b. July 14, 1877,
8. Francis Noyes  
b. June 23, 1876, d. Sept. 2, 1876,
9. Howard Churchill  
b. Nov. 15, 1878,
10. Henry Eugene  
b. July 25, 1880,
11. Maud Roxana  
b. Jan. 30, 1888,
12. Allen McLean  
b. Oct. 6, 1889,


2. A. Palmer, second son of Roxey M. and Francis L. Dickinson, has held the position of Sheriff of the city of Rockville and Tolland Co. for a number of years. M. Aug. 8, 1872, Anna F. Sill, b. Mar. 15, 1847.

CHILDREN:

1' George Edward  
b. Feb. 16, 1874,
2' Ella Sill  
b. Oct. 16, 1875,
3' Francis McLean  
b. Dec. 27, 1877,
4' Ernest Hyde  
b. Sept. 1879, d. July 2, 1881
5' Ray Palmer  
b. June 12, 1883, d. Nov. 22, 1883

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1. George E. is in the government employ in Rockville. M. Nov. 6, 1901, Anna Katherine Lentzen, b. Oct. 8, 1877.

2. Ella S., graduated from the Rockville High School and Mt. Holyoke College. Remained at the latter four years as assistant Registrar. Is now connected with the National Cathedral School, Washington, D. C. 3. Francis McLean, graduated at the Rockville High School, also from the Yale Scientific School, New Haven, in 1900. Is now in the Medical Department, Columbia University, New York. 4. Arthur Talcott, third son of Roxey M. and Francis L. Dickinson, has been for many years a well-known electrician in Rockville and vicinity. He was loyally devoted to his aged mother till the end came. M. Sept. 5, 1893, Belle Hodge. Child—1' Bernice Mae, b. May 1, 1895.

IX. SARAH, the second dau. of Col. Francis and Sarah Childs McLean, was an unusually gifted woman, and a superior scholar both in the Home Academy, Wilbraham and Mt. Holyoke Seminary. She fitted herself for a teacher, a profession which she followed with marked success. She was quiet, unobtrusive, lady-like in manner, of commanding figure and presence, and influential wherever she moved—always finding work to do for the Master. She had charge of a private school at Willington, also one at Danville, Ky., for several years. She m. May 27, 1857, James Bannister Maynard of Rockville, b. Jan. 11, 1814, d. Sept. 11, 1884.

CHILDREN:
1. James Edward b. Jan. 31, 1860,
2. Elizabeth McLean b. Nov. 30, 1863,

1. James E. is a quiet, studious, industrious man and an exemplary Christian. For a number of years he has held a position of trust with the Springville, a large manufacturing establishment in Rockville.
2. Elizabeth M. graduated at the Rockford High School and taught in the public schools of that place for a number of years. In 1898 she entered the Normal School at Los Angeles, Cal., and graduated from the Kindergarten department, with distinction, in 1900. She has since taught in kindergarten schools in Santa Ana and Los Angeles. She is an affectionate, large-hearted, vivacious Christian woman, filling well her sphere in life, in church, home, society and school.

X. Harriet, the third dau. of Col. Francis and Sarah Childs McLean, was educated at Vernon Academy and Mt. Holyoke Seminary. She was a very attractive young lady, a fine musician and a very devout Christian. She delighted in her Sunday School class and in all church and missionary work. Having a leading soprano voice she loved to use it in the service of her Master in the church choirs of Vernon and Talcottville. "I would not live alway." M. May 7, 1851, Dea. Charles Denison Talcott, b. Sept. 11, 1823, d. July 17, 1882. He was one of the firm of "Talcott Bros." who carried on the manufacture of satinet at Talcottville with wonderful success, in time owning all the landed property in the village, building a fine brick church, school-house, Athenaeum, etc., making it a model manufacturing village.

XI. Maria, fourth dau. of Col. Francis and Sarah Childs McLean, when an infant, met with an accident which rendered her lame for life. She was a brilliant girl, of a loving, confiding disposition. She possessed a wonderful voice, and diligently studied music, and afterward taught the piano and singing in Vernon and Rockville. In 1852 she taught in a sem. at Easton, Pa. In Sept. 1854 she went to Logansport, Ind. "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

XII. Mary, the fifth dau. of Col. Francis and Sarah Childs McLean, was educated at Vernon Academy and
Mt. Holyoke Sem., graduating in 1852. After two years of teaching, she returned home and remained with her father till his death in 1861. In 1865 she was at the head of the Latin department in Western Sem. Oxford, O. In 1866 she established a Young Ladies’ Sem. at Des Moines, Ia. and conducted it successfully for two years. In 1868 she went to Cal. where she has ever since resided. She m. Dec. 22, 1869, Hon. Jacob Hardy of Oakland, Cal. b. Dec. 5, 1827. Child—


CHILDREN:

1’ Donald Munson b. Jan. 21, 1897
2’ Elizabeth McLean b. Apr. 28, 1901

XIII. John Hall, the youngest son of Col. Francis and Sarah Childs McLean, joined his brother Edward in Cal. in 1854. Is now a contractor in San Francisco. He is a warm-hearted man—strongly attached to his relatives and friends and ever ready to help the needy.

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FAMILY OF REV. ALLEN MCLEAN
SIMSBURY, CONN.

E. REV. ALLEN McLEAN, the fifth child of Capt. Alexander and Johannah Smith McLean, was born at the Wheaton Place, North Bolton. "Until I commenced my eighteenth year," he says, "my education was no more than could be called common." He was past sixteen years of age when religion became a matter of personal concern with him. During a great revival in Vernon he heard a sermon, the closing words of which made a powerful impression upon him, "Whosoever shall fall upon this stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder." After a long struggle and distress of mind, peace came at length, and from that time his heart was set upon the work of the Christian ministry. He prepared for college under Rev. Charles Backus of Somers, and entered Yale College in 1801. As there were no railroads or stage-coaches in those days, a team was sent from home each term to carry the two young collegians, Allen McLean and Francis King, to the scene of their studies in New Haven. He graduated in 1805. Studied divinity with Dr. Dwight and Rev. Asahel Hooker of Goshen. Was ordained pastor of the church in Simsbury in 1809, where he remained until his death. The salary offered was $450 a year. The remark of a neighboring venerable clergyman that "perhaps it was all that Christ could give" decided its acceptance. A good farm aided in the care of his family.

His religious belief was the generally accepted New England theology of the day. He regarded the Assembly Catechism as a summary of the essential truths of the
Bible, and as "nearer perfection than any other human production." Quite late in life he said he had "never changed his creed as he believed it to be in accordance with the Scriptures." His life was very uneventful except for his tremendous interest in religious things which kept him always in a state of more or less mental excitement, and the occasional revivals of interest among his people must have stirred his soul to its very depths. It could be said of him that he "watched for souls as they that must give account," "ceasing not to warn every one night and day and with tears." His anxieties and labors seem never to have relaxed while he lived, except as the infirmities of old age caused him to desist. When about sixty years of age his sight began to fail, and, when nearly seventy the blindness suddenly became total. Strength was given him to endure this infliction with patience and much cheerfulness, and during the long twelve years that followed he exhibited a character worthy of admiration. He often preached in his own and his son's pulpit, and always to edification. It was a touching sight to see the venerable pastor stand, hymn-book in hand, and repeat verse after verse of his favorite hymns. One of his best-loved tunes was good old Lenox, to the words, "Blow ye the trumpet blow," etc.

He prepared and dictated several manuscript volumes of reminiscence, farewell and reflection. When a collegian was chosen in 1850 he declined longer to receive his salary. The church voted to give him $100 yearly as long as he lived.

Toward the close of his twelve years of blindness came the 50th anniversary of his settlement in Simsbury, and with much thought and deep feeling he prepared a long sermon for that occasion, which was read to a large audience by his son, Rev. Charles Backus McLean. It made a deep impression upon those who heard it and called forth

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great love and sympathy for the aged pastor. After this he lived two and a half years, passing to his reward March 19, 1861.

He m. (1) Jan. 21, 1810, Sally, dau. of Daniel Pratt of East Hartford, b. July 27, 1781. In her later youth and up to the time of her marriage she was a member of the family of her aunt, Mrs. Ebenezer Kellogg of Vernon. She was admirably fitted to be his wife, and the relation was a very happy one. To the day of his death he used to speak of "my wife that's in the grave" with great tenderness and even reverence. She died Oct. 27, 1831, greatly esteemed by all who knew her.

CHILDREN:

I. Allen Neal  b. Mar. 18, 1811, d. Sept. 30, 1843
II. Lloyd  b. Jan. 27, 1813, d. June 7, 1879
III. Charles Backus  b. Ang. 23, 1815, d. Oct. 29, 1873
IV. Sarah Olmstead  b. Aug. 23, 1817,
V. Dudley Bestor  b. Feb. 12, 1821, d. Dec. 29, 1894

1. Allen Neal, m. Emmeline Barber of Simsbury who d. in Elizabeth, N. J. June 11, 1886.

CHILDREN:

1. Allen  b. Nov. 17, 1837, d. Apr. 21, 1882
2. Calvin Barber  b. Aug. 21, 1839, d. Jan. 12, 1905
3. Thomas Neal  b. Feb. 17, 1843,

1. RRV. Allen, the eldest son of Allen Neal and Emmeline McLean, graduated at Yale College in 1865, and from the Theological Sem. 1868. Was Pastor of a Congregational Ch. in East Orange, N. J. for six years. M. (1) Dec. 1, 1869, Anna Belden, dau. of Horace Belden of Simsbury, Conn., who d. Apr. 27, 1875, in the South of France.

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1' Anna Genevieve, b. June 11, 1872.

In Nov. 1875 Mr. McLean became acting pastor of the Cong’l Ch. in Litchfield, Conn., where he remained till
the winter of 1881, when he was compelled by failing health to seek a more favorable climate in Florida where he died.

M. (2) June 13, 1878, Fannie Maria Coit, dau. of Henry Coit of Litchfield.

CHILDREN:

2' Allen b. July 14, 1879
3' Henry Coit b. Nov. 15, 1881

2. REV. CALVIN BARBER, the second son of Allen Neal and Emmeline B. McLean, was first a successful teacher, afterward an insurance agent, then a minister and pastor of several churches. In 1889 was clerk in the General Office of the Penn. R. R., Philadelphia. In 1902 he was pastor of a Congl. Ch. in Danbury, then bought a farm in Cobalt.


CHILDREN:

1' Mary Lucia Ethelwynne b. June 7, 1866
2. Allen Francis b. Apr. 2, 1873

1' Mary L. E., a graduate of the Woman's Medical College, Phil., is now a practising physician at Manila, P. I.

2. ALLEN FRANCIS, the second child of Calvin B. and Caroline F. McLean, enlisted for service in Cuba at the outbreak of the Spanish war. Served one year there and two in the Phillipines, having participated in over forty battles and skirmishes. In 1902 was stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, as Sergeant of Troop D., 4th U. S. Cavalry, expecting to be commissioned Second Lieutenant. M. Jan. 11, 1905, Maria Mueller of Havana, Cuba. Now at Chicamauga, Tenn.
3. Dr. Thomas Neal, third son of Allen Neal and Emmeline Barber McLean, is a graduate of the Medical College, New Haven. He has been settled for a number of years in Elizabeth, N. J., where he has a large practice. M. Oct. 13, 1875, Sarah Elizabeth Bayliss, dau. of John Bayliss of New York City.

CHILDREN:
1' Ethel b. Sept. 3, 1878,
2' Bessie b. May 30, 1880,

III. Rev. Charles Backus, third son of Rev. Allen and Sally Pratt McLean, was an amiable, gentle, studious boy. He graduated at Yale with honor in 1836. Was ordained pastor of the Congl. Ch. in Collinsville, Feb. 7, 1844. His pastorate was a long one of over 22 years, and an unusually happy one. He was an earnest, impressive, winning preacher. Failure of health in May 1866 brought his ministry to a close. In 1870 he visited California, accompanied by his wife, hoping to be benefitted by a change of climate. On his return he lived at the home of his wife in Wethersfield till the release came. "His record is on high." He m. July 9, 1845, Mary Dyer, dau. of John and Mary Dyer Williams of Wethersfield, b. Feb. 10, 1822. She was a woman of fine physique, of superior mind and great moral excellence of character. She was peculiarly fitted to be the wife of a pastor and aided greatly in making his pastorate successful. She was a beloved daughter of her father McLean who enjoyed her gentle ministrations and expressed sympathies, especially after his great affliction came upon him. He was never happier than in the home of his son at Collinsville where both inmates cheered his lonely heart and brightened his hopes of the Eternal.

She still cheers by her presence the friends in her Wethersfield home. She has wrought much fine literary
work, but is quite loth to have it known. She is never idle, but yet is quietly waiting for the Master's call to 'come up higher.' May the day be far distant!

IV. Sarah Olmstead, the fourth child and only daughter of Rev. Allen and Sally Pratt McLean, received an excellent education, and for a time taught a private school of young ladies in her father's house. She is a woman of much refinement and nobility of character, and given to benevolence. She has substantially aided many of her relatives who are less favored by fortune than herself. She was her father's amanuensis in the preparation of his manuscript volumes. She has always been strongly attached to her childhood's home at Simsbury, and generally spends her summers there, while in the winter she lives at her home in New York City. Of her father's immediate family she alone survives in her 88th year.


V. Dudley Bestor, the youngest child of Rev. Allen and Sally Pratt McLean, lived with his father and carried on the farm in Simsbury. He was a warm-hearted, genial man, kind in all the relations of life and an excellent Christian. He cared affectionately for his aged father in his last years. M. Sept. 16, 1846, Mary, dau. of Solomon and Hannah (Bishop) Payne of Canterbury, b. 1820. She was an energetic and faithful wife and mother,
training her children in the fear of the Lord. She is now living with her son George in Simsbury.

CHILDREN:

1. Hannah Bishop b. Jan. 17, 1848,
3. John Bunyan b. Dec. 17, 1852,
4. Sally Pratt b. July 3, 1855,
5. George Payne b. Oct. 7, 1857,

1. Hannah Bishop received an excellent education, graduating at Mt. Holyoke Sem., So. Hadley, Mass., in 1867. For several years she was a successful teacher. She is now living in Cambridge where her two younger children are at school. M. in 1880, Wm. H. Greeley of Lexington, Mass., who died in 1889. Children—' Roger, b. May 12, 1881; 2' Dorothea, b. Nov. 17, 1882; 3' Hugh Payne, b. Mar. 5, 1884. 1' Roger, the eldest child, has fitted himself for the profession of architect

2. Charles Allen, second child of Dudley B. and Mary P. McLean, was a surveyor and civil engineer by profession, also a skillful farmer and house-builder. He was a devout, active Christian. M. Oct. 13, 1874, Harriet Woodford of Avon.

CHILDREN:

1' Lorna Woodford b. Jan. 21, 1855,
2' Mary Payne b. Nov. 5, 1887,

1' Lorna Woodford is now a student at Wellesley College, Mass.

2' Mary Payne is a member of the High School, Cambridge, Mass.

3. Rev. John Bunyan, the third child of Dudley B. and Mary P. McLean, graduated at College and Theological Sem. He is a licensed preacher of the Congl. denomination. For several years, he was at the head of the "McLean Sem." Simsbury. He is now teaching in
an Episcopal Boys' School of a high order in the same place. He is a man of stirling worth, possessing a fine mind and a high moral character. He m. (1) Ida Stillman of Hartford. M. (2) Caroline Stillman, her sister. Both died a short time after marriage. M. (3) Ella Bottume.

CHILDREN:

1' Margarite Eliza b. Aug. 21, 1890,
2' Marian Kathleen b. Oct. 29, 1892,
3' Allen Charles b. Oct. 26, 1898,


CHILDREN:

John Lynde
Dudley McLean Twins—lived but two months.

5. George Payne, fifth child of Dudley B. and Mary P. McLean, studied law and practised in Hartford. Was for two years representative from Simsbury in the Legislature, and afterward Senator from his District. Was elected Governor of Conn. in 1900, and served successfully and creditably for two years. Ill health prevented his re-election in 1902.

He is a brilliant man, a ready speaker and a keen politician. He possesses marked executive ability and is a statesman of high order. He was honored by the conferring of the degree of M. A. by Yale College at the Commencement exercises in 1904. Res. Simsbury.

R. Rev. Allen McLean m. (2) Jan. 18, 1833, Nancy, dau. of Lot and Keziah Morgan of Plainfield, b. Jan. 25, 1795. In her days of health she was very energetic and efficient. Her husband bears ample testimony to her excellent management of their household affairs, her kind
sympathy and untiring labors in sickness, and her devotion to the interests of his children, especially during their youth when they most needed a mother’s watchfulness and care. She suffered much in her later years from nervous disorders which finally terminated her life, Sept. 22, 1860.

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F. Mary, the sixth child of Capt. Alexander and Johanna Smith McLean, was born in North Bolton. "She was tall and well developed in figure and of a good disposition." She attended the excellent school of Abner Reed in Hartford for several years, and there contracted consumption, from which she died.

G. Rosannah, the seventh and youngest child of Capt. Alexander and Johanna Smith McLean, was quite the opposite of her tall, vigorous sister Mary in physique. She was lively and social in her nature and of an affectionate disposition. She was also a member of Abner Reed’s school in Hartford, and among other accomplishments learned water-colored painting. After the death of Mary in 1805 and her father in 1806, she painted a mourning piece in memory of the departed. She also painted the coat-of-arms of her mother’s family "By the name of Smith." Both pictures are still preserved. She died of consumption in 1809.