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# DANIEL ELKINS, FIRST MINISTER OF JACKSON, N.H.: HIS PATRILINEAR ANCESTRY AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS

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Daniel Elkins came to live in Jackson (which was called Adams until 4 July 1829) about 1808, but he had been visiting the town frequently since 1803 when he helped establish the Church of Christ in Adams, a Freewill Baptist Church. The first record of the church, dated 24 January 1804, states that "the order of baptism was administered by Elder D. Elkins of Gilmantown in the space of three days" (Jackson Freewill Baptist Church, Jackson, N.H.). However, according to Nathan F. Carter in *Native Ministry of New Hampshire* ([Concord, N.H.: The Compiler, 1906], 431), Daniel Elkins began preaching about 1798 and was ordained in Sandwich on 21 June 1804.

He had come originally from Nottingham, N.H., where, on 15 February 1787 (Priscilla Hammond, comp., "Vital Records of Nottingham, New Hampshire, 1734-1877." Typescript, 1934. New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, Mass., 9, hereafter Nottingham Records), he married Hannah Gray, but by the time of the 1790 census, he and his wife were living in Gilmanton.

The records of the monthly meetings of the Jackson church refer to Daniel Elkins as a "Ruling Elder," and describe several controversies in which he was involved. (Clergymen in the Freewill Baptist denomination were called "elders.") "Elder Daniel Elkins was its first minister. He was an honest, good man, and labored much and successfully for the good of the church and town" (Rev. Benjamin G. Willey, *Incidents in White Mountain History* [Boston, Mass.: The Author, 1856], 172).

He is first mentioned in Adams town records in the tax inventory of 1809, when he owned buildings and unimproved land valued at \$100.00, at which time he was assessed \$2.15 (Jackson Town Records. Vol. 1, 1766-1829. Genealogical Society of Utah, microfilm number 0015187, 79, hereafter Jackson Town Records). Most deeds before 1886 for land in Jackson were lost in a fire at the Coos County Courthouse in Lancaster that year, but several sources indicate that Mr. Elkins lived on the Carter Notch Road and that he may have built the house now owned by William Loring, about one mile from Jackson Village. Daniel and Hannah Elkins remained in Jackson until their deaths in 1845.

No record of his birth has been found; however, through probate records and deeds, the family has been traced back to Henry<sup>1</sup> Elkins, who came from Boston, Massachusetts, to Hampton, New Hampshire, in 1638 or 1639. The line is shown below.

1. HENRY<sup>1</sup> ELKINS, a tailor whose origin is unknown, was in Boston, Massachusetts Bay Colony, before 9 November 1634, on which date he was admitted to the church there (Richard D. Pierce, ed., *The Records of* the First Church in Boston, 1630-1868. Volume 1, being volume 39 of the Publications of The Colonial Society of Massachsuetts [Boston, Mass.: The Colonial Society of Massachusetts, 1961], 19, hereafter Boston First Church). He was assigned eight acres of land in Boston in 1637 (Charles H. Bell, History of the Town of Exeter, New Hampshire [Exeter, N.H.: The Author, 1888], 25, hereafter Bell's Exeter). Apparently a follower of Rev. John Wheelwright, Henry and his wife, MARY \_\_\_\_\_, were dis-missed to Exeter, N.H., on 3 March 1638/9 (Boston First Church, 23), and there Henry received a small share of upland in the first division of lands, and was one of the signers of the famous "Exeter Combination" (Bell's Exeter, 17, 25). He moved to Hampton between 1645 and 1650 (ibid., 25; Sybil Noves, Charles Thornton Libby, and Walter Goodwin Davis, Genealogical Dictionary of Maine and New Hampshire [Portland, Me .: The Anthoensen Press, 1928-1939 (reprinted Baltimore, 1972)], 218, hereafter Genealogical Dictionary). Mary Elkins died in Hampton on 17 March 1658/9 (George Freeman Sanborn Jr. and Melinde Lutz Sanborn, eds., Vital Records of Hampton, New Hampshire, to the End of the Year 1900. Volume One. [Boston, Mass.: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 1992], 112, hereafter Hampton VR). "old Henery Elkins" died there on 19 November 1668 (Hampton VR, 115). His will, dated 27 April 1667 and proved on 9 and 13 April 1669, mentions bequests to his sons, Gershom and Eleazer. The witnesses were Samuel Dalton and Mehitable Dalton. The estate, appraised by Godfrey Dearborn and Giles Fuller, amounted to £45.7.10 (Albert Stillman Batchellor, ed., Probate Records of the Province of New Hampshire. Vol. 1: 1635-1717, being volume 31 of the New Hampshire State Papers series [Concord, N.H.: The State of New Hampshire, 1907], 95-96, hereafter NHSP).

A large number of deeds and other early manuscript documents relating to Henry<sup>1</sup> Elkins and his descendants are located in the genealogy collection of the Amesbury [Mass.] Public Library, and should be carefully examined by those interested in this family.

Children [only three known] of Henry and Mary (\_\_\_\_\_) ELKINS (Genealogical Dictionary, 218):

- MARIE<sup>2</sup> [Mary], bapt. in the First Church in Boston, 8 Apr. 1638 (Boston First Church, 282); n.f.r.
- ii. GERSHOM, b. in Exeter, ca. 1641. In Feb. 1708/9 he was living in Hampton (*Genealogical Dictionary*, 217). "Deacon Gershon Elkins" died there 12 Jan. 1717/8, "aged about 77 yars" (Hampton VR, 125). His will, dated 9 June 1714 and proved 5 March 1717/8, mentions his wife, Mary, sons Jonathan, Moses, and

Thomas, and daughter, "Joannah," and was witnessed by Peter Johnson, Thomas Murrie [sic], Elizabeth Smith, and Joseph Smith, the bond being signed by Thomas Elkins, Jabez Smith, and Peter Johnson. The inventory, taken by Jabez Smith and Peter Johnson on 28 Feb. 1717/8, amounted to £555.8.6 (NHSP, 1:732-734). He mar. in Hampton on 15 May 1667, MARY<sup>2</sup> SLEEPER, dau. of Thomas<sup>1</sup> and Joanna ( ) Sleeper of Hampton and Kingston, N.H. (Hampton VR, 75 and 556; Genealogical Dictionary, 638). Issue (surname Elkins), all b. in Hampton: 1) Jonathan, b. 24 Jan. 1668/9 (Hampton VR, 100 and 561), d. in Hampton 12 Feb. 1745/6 (ibid., 208), m. there Joanna Robie (ibid., 58); 2) Moses, b. 4 Dec. 1670 (ibid., 102 and 563), d. Kingston, 10 May 1737 (Priscilla Hammond, comp., "Vital Records of Kingston, New Hampshire, 1681-1823." Typescript, 1935. New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, Mass., 2), m. there 17 Nov. 1701, Anna Shaw (ibid.); 3) Joseph, in 1684 he was an apprentice to Rev. Seaborn Cotton (Genealogical Dictionary, 217); 4) Mary, b. 2 Sept. 1674 (Hampton VR, 106), d. unm., 9 Feb. 1702/3, being burned to death (ibid., 120); 5) Joanna, b. 14 Mar. 1676/7 (Hampton VR, 108), d. unm., presumably in Kingston, 12 Jan. 1762 (Genealogical Dictionary, 217); 6) Henry, killed by Indians in Kingston 17 [not 15] Sept. 1707 (The New Hampshire Genealogical Record, 3 [Apr. 1906]:150); 7) Thomas, b. ca. 1682, d. Hampton 25 May 1760 (Genealogical Dictionary, 217). He m. 8 Feb. 1710/11, Hannah Fogg (Hampton VR, 61).

### 2. iii. ELEAZER, b. presumably in Exeter.

2. ELEAZER<sup>2</sup> ELKINS (Henry<sup>1</sup>), born, presumably in Exeter, died, probably there, circa 1694 (*Genealogical Dictionary*, 217). His birthdate is unknown. He married in Hampton on 31 December 1673, DEBORAH<sup>2</sup> BLAKE, daughter of Jasper<sup>1</sup> and Deborah (Dalton) Blake of Hampton (Hampton VR, 76; *Genealogical Dictionary*, 217). He bought property in Exeter in 1668 and was a soldier in King Philip's War (George Madison Bodge, comp., Soldiers in King Philip's War, Being a Critical Account of that War with a Concise History of the Indian Wars of New England from 1620-1677 [Boston, Mass.: The Compiler, 1906 (reprinted Baltimore, 1976)], 449). His children are known through a deed, dated 14 October 1708, in which "Thomas Bigsby of Andover [Massachusetts] in right of my wife Deborah, daughter of Eliazer Elkins, late of Exeter, deceased, and Jasper Elkins and Abiah Elkins, for 10 pounds to each...to our brother Samuel Elkins of Exeter...all that part of our father's estate..." (Rockingham County Deeds, 14:340-341).

Children of Eleazer and Deborah (Blake) ELKINS (order uncertain, all probably born in Exeter):

- JOHN<sup>3</sup>, b. 3 Dec. 1674 (Genealogical Dictionary, 217; Bell's Exeter, 12g), not mentioned in deed of 14 Oct. 1708 [supra].
- 3. ii. SAMUEL, b. 27 June 1677 (ibid.).
  - iii. ABIGAIL [Abiah], b. 22 June 1678 (Genealogical Dictionary, 217), mar. after 14 Oct. 1708 [supra], MARTIN (ibid.).
  - iv. JASPER, living on 14 Oct. 1708 [vide supra]. He was perhaps the father of that Eleazer Elkins who mar. Mehitable<sup>4</sup> Clifford, dau. of Zechariah<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2-1</sup>) and Mehitable (Smith) Elkins of Hampton Falls and Chester, N.H. (Henry Harrison Metcalf, ed., Probate Records of the Province of New Hampshire. Vol. 2: 1718-1740, being volume 32 of the New Hampshire State Papers series [Bristol, N.H.: The State of New Hampshire, 1914], 195-197, hereafter NHSP; Genealogical Dictionary, 151).
  - DEBORAH, mar. in Andover, Mass., 8 Dec. 1703, THOMAS BAXBY [Bixby] of that place (Vital Records of Andover, Massachusetts, to the End of the Year 1849. Volume I. - Births. Volume II -Marriages and Deaths [Topsfield, Mass.: Topsfield Historical Society, 1912], 2:111). They had at least two children, both recorded in Andover: 1) Child, b. 9 Oct. 1704 (*ibid.*, 67); and 2) Mary, b. \_\_Mar. 1710 (*ibid.*, 62).

3. **SAMUEL<sup>3</sup> ELKINS** (Eleazer<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>) was born, probably in Exeter, on 27 June 1677 (*ibid.*). He married **MERCY<sup>3</sup> TILTON**, born in Hampton on 25 May 1679, daughter of Daniel<sup>2</sup> (William<sup>1</sup>) and Mehitable (Sanborn) Tilton of Hampton (Hampton VR, 82; *Genealogical Dictionary*, 217 and 686).

On 5 September 1699 he was granted 20 acres of land by the Town of Exeter, and in 1725 was shown as possessing 100 acres of granted land (Bell's *Exeter*, 139, 142). On 14 October 1708 he bought the interest of his brother and sisters in his father's estate, which acreage may be included in the above total (Rockingham County Deeds, 14:340-341). Nevertheless, a citation was issued against him on 24 September 1734, on complaint of his sister, "Abiel Martin," to appear and give an account of the estate of his father [unnamed] who died intestate "about forty years ago" (NHSP, 32:516-517).

In 1712, in response to Indian troubles in the area, a number of men were raised to serve as a scouting party under the command of Capt. James Davis, including Samuel<sup>3</sup> Elkins.

On 15 January 1741, he and his five sons signed a petition to have Epping separated from Exeter (John J. Tilton, comp., *History of Epping, New Hampshire*, 1741-1941 [n.p.: The Compiler, 1941], 10). In 1742, Samuel Elkins of Epping gave to each of his sons, Samuel, John, and Daniel, all

of Epping, 1/3 part of his share [100 acres] of common lands in Exeter (Rockingham County Deeds, 35:198-199, and 69:493). In 1748 he sold to his son, Jeremiah, 30 acres of land in Epping, next to land he had sold to another son, Eleazer (Rockingham County Deeds, 63:286).

Children of Samuel and Mercy (Tilton) ELKINS, probably all born in Hampton (order unknown):

# i. SAMUEL<sup>4</sup>; n.f.r.

JOHN, res. in Nottingham and Gilmanton, N.H., and seems to have ii. mar. HANNAH<sup>3</sup> BEAN, dau. of Jeremiah<sup>2</sup> (John<sup>1</sup>) and Ruth ) Bean, and sister of Tabitha Bean, wife of John's brother, Daniel [vide post]. Hannah was probably the woman whose death was noticed in the following record: "An aged woman Mrs. Elkins died May [1760]" (Katie M. Follansbee, "Copy of the Records of the Congregational Church in Gilmantown. Being the Records Kept by Isaac Smith Pastor of the Old Smith Meeting House et als." Typescript, 150 pp. [indexed], 19 August 1912. N.H. Historical Society, Concord, 85, hereafter Smith Meeting House records). John d., testate, prob. in Gilmanton, between 3 Aug. 1790 and 3 Aug. 1792, the dates of making and proving his will, and it was apparently he whose death was noticed as "old Mr. Elkins" in "1792" (ibid., 87). In his will, he names no wife, but children: 1) Nathaniel [the eldest], of Gilmanton; 2) Richard [the second son], of Pittsfield; 3) James [the third son], of Gilmanton; 4) Ruth, m. Jacob Tucker, of Gilmanton; and 5) Tabitha, m. Ezekiel Hoit, of Gilmanton (Helen F. Evans, Abstracts of the Probate Records of Strafford County, New Hampshire, 1771-1799 [Bowie, Md.: Heritage Books, Inc. 1983], 45-46).

#### 4. iii. DANIEL.

- iv. ELEAZER, b. ca. 1710. "M<sup>rs</sup> Elkins, the wife of Eleazar Elkins died June 24<sup>th</sup> [1781] aged 70 years (William Plumer, "List of Deaths in Epping 1768-1842." Manuscript, N.H. Historical Society, Concord, 18, hereafter Plumer's Deaths). "Eleazar Elkins, was a peaceable, quiet, & honest man; he was poor, but industrious, & frugal, & supported himself & small family in a comfortable way & manner, He died aged 73 years [1783]" (*ibid.*, 23); n.f.r.
- v. JEREMIAH. He may be the Jeremiah Elkins who mar. (1), Sarah Dolloff, and (2), Ann \_\_\_\_\_, and res. in Epping, N.H. He had a grandson named Tilton Elkins (John R. Eastman, History of the Town of Andover, New Hampshire, 1751-1906 [Concord, N.H.: The Author, 1910], 132, hereafter History of Andover; Rockingham County Deeds, 126:271-272). "Jeremiah Elkins died in March, of an apoplexy aged 53 [1775]" (Plumer's Deaths, 9). On

29 Sept. 1789, Anne Elkins of Epping, widow, Samuel Elkins of Salisbury, County of Hillsborough, yeoman, Jeremiah Elkins, and Jude Hacket, both of Epping, yeomen, and Sarah Hacket, wife of the said Jude, sold to Ezekiel Robinson of Poplin Inow Fremont], yeoman, 14 acres and 60 rods of land in the second range in Poplin, bounded on the north by land said Samuel and Jeremiah sold to the said Jude on the same date. "Anne Elkins" made her mark, and all the others signed their names, including "Judah Hacket jun," who was otherwise called Jude, evidently. It was acknowledged the following day by all the grantors, including "Judah Hacket jun," and recorded on 30 Jan. 1790 Rockingham County Deeds, 126:271-272). Issue (surname Elkins), all prob. b. in Exeter [later Epping] (History of Andover, 132): 1) Samuel, b. ca. 1757, m. Esther Robinson and res. in Salisbury Mills and Andover; 2) Jeremiah, b. ca. 1760, m. Lydia Jenness and res. in Andover; 3) Richard, b. ca. 1763, m. 10 July 1791, Elizabeth [Betsey] Smith and res. on Beech Hill in Andover; and 4) Sarah, m. Judah Hacket Jr. of Epping, who has been called "Abel Hacket" in error in one source (History of Andover, 132).

4. DANIEL<sup>4</sup> ELKINS (Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Eleazer<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>) lived in Epping, Nottingham, and Lee. His date of birth is not known. He died, probably in Nottingham, before 25 May 1768, when administration of his estate was granted to his widow, Tabitha (Otis G. Hammond, ed., Probate Records of the Province of New Hampshire. Vol. 9: 1767-1771, being volume 39 of the New Hampshire State Papers series [n.p.: The State of New Hampshire, 1941], 147). He married, before 20 May 1747, when they signed a deed selling land that belonged to her father, late of Exeter, deceased (Rockingham County Deeds, 36:171), TABITHA<sup>3</sup> BEAN, daughter of Jeremiah<sup>2</sup> (John<sup>1</sup>) and Ruth ( ) Bean, and sister of Hannah Bean, wife of Daniel's brother, John [vide supra]. Tabitha was probably that "Old Mrs. Elkins" who died in the Upper Parish of Gilmanton [now Belmont] in June or July of 1803 (Smith Meeting House records, 92). A deed from Daniel and Tabitha Elkins to Jeremiah Bean, dated 8 March 1748, mentions "our father, Jeremiah Bean, late of Exeter, deceased, and our mother, Ruth Bean" (Rockingham County Deeds, 48:511). The claim that Ruth, mother of Tabitha (Bean) Elkins and Hannah (Bean) Elkins, was Ruth Johnson, daughter of Matthew and Rebecca (Wiswall) Johnson of Woburn, Mass., is wrong, for that woman married someone else (Bernie Bean, The Life and Family of John Bean of Exeter and his cousins. Volume 1, fourth edition [Cut and Shoot, Tex.: The Clan MacBean Register, 1979], 707).

On 14 April 1748, Daniel and John Elkins, both of the Parish of "Eppin," bought 50 acres of land with a dwelling house thereon in Nottingham from Robert Read of "Woban," in the County of Suffolk, and Province of

Massachusetts Bay, which deed was acknowledged the same day (Rockingham County Deeds, 56:396-397). On 12 November 1749, John Elkins of Epping sold his half to Daniel Elkins, of Epping, and the deed was acknowledged the following day (*ibid.*, 56:394-396). Sometime later, Daniel seems to have moved his family for a time to neighboring Lee, N.H.

Daniel's children are known from a deed, dated 25 September 1788, in which Tabitha Elkins, widow; Tabitha Elkins, junior, spinster; Daniel Elkins, yeoman, all of Nottingham; Joseph Clark, miller, and Mercy, his wife; Jasper Elkins and Jonathan Elkins, husbandmen, all of Gilmanton; sell the property in Nottingham inherited from their husband and father, the late Daniel Elkins. A related deed of the same date is signed by Daniel Elkins and his wife, Hannah (*ibid.*, 136:427-428, and 127:168).

Children of Daniel and Tabitha (Bean) ELKINS (order unknown):

# 5. i. **DANIEL**<sup>5</sup>, b. ca. 1760.

- JASPER, of Gilmanton on 25 Sept. 1788 [supra]. He lived in Gilii. manton, where he d. about 1827. He made his will 27 Mar. 1826, and it was proved 12 Oct. 1827 (Strafford County Probate, 36:285-288). Issue (surname Elkins), list perhaps incomplete: 1) Sarah [Sally], m. in New Durham, N.H., 12 May 1795, Daniel Flanders of New Durham Gore [later Alton] (Edith Flanders Dunbar, The Flanders Family from Europe to America... [Rutland, Vt.: The Author, 1935], 217-218); 2) Mary [Polly], m. in New Durham, 2 Nov. 1795, Manoah Glidden of Gilmanton (George Walter Chamberlain, comp., and Lucia Glidden Strong, ed., The Descendants of Charles Glidden of Portsmouth and Exeter, New Hampshire [Boston, Mass.: The Editor, 1925], 125); 3) Daniel, m. in Gilmanton, 18 Nov. 1802, Sarah [Sally] Hill (Gilmanton Town Records. Vol. 1, 1727-1786. Vol. 2, 1786-1856. Genealogical Society of Utah, microfilm number 0015146, 2:487).
- iii. JONATHAN, of Gilmanton on 25 Sept. 1788 [supra]. He was prob. the Jonathan Elkins of Nottingham who mar. in Epsom, N.H., on 3 Apr. 1787, Mary Bickford of Epsom (Epsom Town Records. Vol. 1, 1721-1827. Genealogical Society of Utah, microfilm number 0015133, 425). By the time of the 1790 census, he and his wife were in Gilmanton with a son and a dau., and in 1810 they were still there with three sons and two daus. On 26 Sept. 1808 he purchased land in Gilmanton from his brother, Daniel Elkins and the latter's wife, Hannah, probably at the time Daniel and Hannah removed to Adams [now Jackson] (Strafford County Deeds, 59:342-344).

iv. JEREMIAH, d. before 25 Sept. 1788 [supra]. He mar. KEZIAH TUTTLE and had at least: 1) Deborah, m. Jeremiah Wiggin of

Stratham and Wakefield (Franklin C. Thompson, ed., "Wiggin Genealogy." Typescript, ca. 1960, New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, Mass., 29, 72; Rockingham County Deeds, 154:162-163); 2) **Ruth**; and 3) **Joseph**, m. Lydia Davis. On 21 Feb. 1798, Joseph Elkins of Nottingham, tailor, for \$5.00, purchased from Daniel Elkins and Jonathan Elkins, husbandmen, and Joseph Clark, miller, and his wife, Marcy Clark, all of Gilmanton, all rights to that strip of land lying partly in Nottingham and partly in Epping "which our hon<sup>d</sup> father Daniel Elkins...used as a road from his farm to Newmarket Road" (Rockingham County Deeds, 170:428).

# v. MERCY, mar. JOSEPH CLARK before 25 Sept. 1788 [supra]; n.f.r.

 vi. TABITHA, unm. on 25 Sept. 1788 [supra]. She may be the "Tub [i.e., Tab] Elkins died [of] fits" in June or July, 1794 (Smith Meeting House records, 88).

5. DANIEL<sup>5</sup> ELKINS (Daniel<sup>4</sup> Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Eleazer<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>) was born in Lee, N.H., circa 1760, and died in Jackson on 4 June 1845, aged 85 years, and was buried there in Jackson Village Cemetery (gravestone; David C. Young and Robert L. Taylor, comps., *Death Notices from Freewill Baptist Publications, 1811-1851* [Bowie, Md.: Heritage Books, Inc., 1985], 112, hereafter Young and Taylor). He married on 15 February 1787, HAN-NAH GRAY of Nottingham (Nottingham Records, 9). She was born about 1766, and died on 25 October 1845, aged 79 years, and is buried beside her husband (gravestone, Jackson Village Cemetery; Young and Taylor, 112). It has been said that Daniel Elkins had contracted an earlier marriage, but no record of it has been found (Georgia Drew Merrill, ed., *History of Carroll County, New Hampshire* [Boston, Mass.: The Editor, 1889], 954, hereafter *History of Carroll County*).

Daniel and Hannah were living in Nottingham in 1788 when they signed deeds relating to the property of his deceased father [vide supra], but had moved to Gilmanton by the time of the 1790 federal census. At that time his household included one male over 16, one male under 16, and three females. By the 1810 census he was living in Adams [Jackson] with one male 10-16, one male under ten, one female over 45, one female 16-26, three females 10-16, and two females under 10, in addition to himself. He first appears on the Adams tax list in 1809 [vide supra].

As stated above, he was the first minister of the first church in Jackson and lived on the Carter Notch Road, as indicated by Highway Surveyor Lists in the Jackson Town Records and an 1860 map of Jackson, which shows the home of his son, Granville (*Topographical Map of Carroll County, New Hampshire, from Actual Surveys under the Direction of H.F. Walling* [New York, N.Y.: Smith and Peavey, 1860], hereafter 1860 Carroll County map).

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All gravestones cited below are in Jackson Village Cemetery, unless otherwise noted.

Child of Daniel ELKINS and an unknown first wife:

i. REBECCA<sup>6</sup>, of Gilmanton, mar. by Richard Martin, clergyman, on 18 July 1803, DAVID GOULD of Gilmanton (N.H. Vital Records. Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics, Concord, N.H., hereafter NHVR). She has been called "Polly" [Mary] in error in one source, while the same source tried to make her sister, Hannah, into the missing Rebecca [vide post] (History of Carroll County, 954).

### Children of Daniel and Hannah (Gray) ELKINS:

- ii. SARAH, b. 25 Nov. 1788 (Jackson Town Records, 1:355), d. in Randolph, N.H., 28 Mar. 1850, aged 62 yrs. (Young and Taylor, 148), m. by her father, 20 Jan. 1814, JAMES GRAY, Esq. (Jackson Town Records, 1:248), having previously filed her intention to marry on a date not stated, but recorded on 4 Mar. 1814 (ibid., 1:134). James Gray d. in Lancaster, N.H., of old age on 27 Apr. 1880, aged 90 yrs. (NHVR). The family left Jackson before 1840 and moved to Lancaster (History of Carroll County, 953), apparently settling later in Randolph before returning to Lancaster. James Gray's name last appears on the Adams tax list in 1824 (Jackson Town Records, 1:345). The federal censuses show a James Gray living in Randolph, N.H., in 1840 and in Whitefield, N.H., in 1850. Issue (surname Gray), all b. in Adams (Jackson Town Records, 1:355): 1) Evelina, b. 19 Oct. 1814; 2) Alben, b. 24 July 1816; 3) Hosea Smith, b. 10 Apr. 1818; and 4) Eliza F., b. 21 July 1820.
- iii. HANNAH, mar. by her father, 16 Apr. 1809 (Jackson Town Records, 1:247), ASA DAVIS. They do not appear in Jackson records after 1816. She is erroneously called "Rebecca" in one source, which has confused her with her half-sister of that name, the latter being called "Polly" [Mary] by mistake (*History of Carroll County*, 954).

iv. DANIEL, b. 4 Jan. 1795 (Jackson Town Records, 1:355).

v. JOANNA, b. 1 Oct. 1796 (Jackson Town Records, 1:353), mar. by her father in Adams, 2 Mar. 1815 (*ibid.*, 1:249, 353), her intention to marry having been previously filed on a date not stated, but recorded with 1814 business (*ibid.*, 1:146), JOHN TUTTLE LUCY, b. in Nottingham, N.H., 27 Oct. 1792 (Nottingham Records, 29; Jackson Town Records, 1:353). They had left Jackson by 1840 when the family appears in Alton, N.H., in the census there that

year. They were in Gilmanton on 26 Sept. 1850 when the census was taken there that year, and widow Joanna is listed in the household of her daughter, Lydia T., in Upper Gilmanton [later Belmont] at the time of the 1860 census. Issue (surname *Lucy*), all b. in Adams [later Jackson], list evidently incomplete): 1) **Benjamin H.**, b. 19 Nov. 1815 (*ibid.*), d. in Adams, 24 Jan. 1821 (*ibid.*, 1:350); 2) **Daniel E[lkins?]**, b. 10 Sept. 1817 (*ibid.*, 1:353); 3) **Lydia T.**, b. 10 July 1819 (*ibid.*), m. (1), Christopher C. Dicey of Alton, N.H., and (2) Elbridge Myron Evans of Upper Gilmanton [now Belmont], N.H. (NHVR); 4) **Matilda C.**, b. 23 Apr. 1821 (*ibid.*), m. Isaac Leighton Stockbridge of Alton, N.H. (NHVR); 5) **Calista J.**, b. ca. 1836, m. (1), \_\_\_\_\_\_ Rogers, and (2), Ira W. Mitchell (NHVR); and 6) **David G[ould?]**, b. ca. 1844.

- VI. EUNICE, b. 1799, d. 6 Feb. 1823, aged 23 yrs., 11 mos., and 8 days (gravestone), mar. as his first wife, 31 Dec. 1818 (Jackson Town Records, 1:250), JAMES COLEMAN TRICKEY, b. 15 Feb. 1794 (*ibid.*, 1:354). He later mar. her sister, Ruth [*vide post*]. Issue (surname *Trickey*), both b. in Adams: 1) Joseph B., b. 1820, d. 1895 (gravestone); 2) Martha D., b. ca. Sept. 1821, d. in Jackson, 2 May 1849, aged 27 yrs. and 8 mos. (Young and Taylor, 340; gravestone).
- vii. RUTH B., b. ca. 1801, d. 2 Mar. 1880, aged 79 yrs. (gravestone), mar. (1), in Adams, 11 July 1824, her intention to marry being filed on the same day, as his second wife, JAMES COLEMAN TRICK-EY (Jackson Town Records, 1:337), he having previously mar. her sister, Eunice [vide supra]; mar. (2), as his second wife, 10 Apr. 1828, WILLIAM EASTMAN (Jackson Town Records. Vol. 2, 1825-1842. Manuscript, Selectmen's Vault, Jackson, N.H., 57, hereafter Jackson Town Records, 2). Issue (surname Trickey), both b. in Adams: 1) Emily Sleeper, b. 1825, d. 1900 (gravestone), m. 7 Nov. 1855, George Pinkham (Record of Marriages, Births, and Deaths, 1850-1878. Manuscript, Jackson Town Clerk's Office, Jackson, N.H., n.p., hereafter Jackson VR, 1850-1878); 2) Eunice, b. 1826, d. 19 Mar. 1827, aged 12 mos. (gravestone). Issue (surname Eastman), all b. in Jackson: 3) Nancy, b. ca. 1829; 4) Susan, b. ca. 1832; and 5) Melvina, b. ca. 1845 (1850 census).
- 7. viii. JOSEPH, b. 1804.
  - ix. SUSAN C., under 10 in 1810 (1810 census), d. in Lisbon, N.H., of paralysis on 25 June 1891, aged 88 yrs., 4 mos., and 28 days, and was bur. in Randolph, the record stating that she and her father were b. in "Guilford" (NHVR). She mar., prob. after 1840, GRAY (History of Carroll County, 954).

### 8. x. GRANVILLE, b. ca. 1811.

6. DANIEL<sup>6</sup> ELKINS (Daniel<sup>5-4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Eleazer<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>) was born, probably in Gilmanton, N.H., on 4 January 1795 (Jackson Town Records, 1:355). The place and date of his death are not known. He married in Adams, by his father, on 4 October 1816, SARAH [Sally] MESERVE (*ibid.*, 1:249), born on 30 July 1795 (*ibid.*, 1:355), daughter of Isaac and Betsey (Pinkham) Meserve. On 11 March 1817 Daniel Elkins Ju<sup>r</sup> was chosen surveyor for the south or middle district of Adams at the town meeting held on that date (*ibid.*, 1:198). He was living in Jackson in 1830 with his wife, two sons and one daughter, but had left before 1840, when he is listed in Pinkham's Grant, just north of Jackson. At the time of the 1850 census, Daniel and Sarah Elkins were living in Guildhall, Vt. Joseph W., 25, and Harriet, 20 [perhaps Joseph's wife], were in the same household. In 1860 Daniel and Sarah were living in Northumberland, N.H., and Joseph W., aged 4 [presumably a grandson], was living with them.

Children of Daniel and Sally (Meserve) ELKINS, all born in Adams (Jackson Town Records, 1:355):

- i. ISAAC M.<sup>7</sup>, b. 16 Nov. 1817.
- ii. EUNICE T[RICKEY?], b. 2 Apr. 1823, d. unm. in Pinkham's Grant, N.H., 10 Nov. 1841, aged 18 yrs. (Young and Taylor, 112), and was bur. in Jackson Village Cemetery in Jackson, where her gravestone states in error that she d. on 11 Nov. 1841.

iii. JOSEPH W., b. 2 Apr. 1825.

7. JOSEPH<sup>6</sup> ELKINS (Daniel<sup>5-4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Eleazer<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>) was born, probably in Gilmanton, N.H., in 1804, and died in Jackson on 23 September 1859, aged 55 yrs. 5 mos. (gravestone). He married on 9 April 1828, EUNICE PINKHAM (Jackson Town Records, 2:57), who was born about 1807 and died on 17 October 1850, aged 44 years (Young and Taylor, 112; NHVR), and she was buried in Jackson Village Cemetery, where the gravestone shows her date of death in error as 17 October 1851, aged 44. The census records show them living in Jackson in 1830, 1840, and 1850. The 1860 Carroll County map shows his house on the Carter Notch Road, just south of his father's house. In his will, dated 27 August 1859 and proved 4 October 1859, Joseph left to his son, Avander, his real estate, one yoke of two-year-old steers, one yoke of one-year-old steers, and one five-year-old mare, and to his daughter, Mary Fernald, wife of Henry C. Fernald, one cow (Estate of Joseph Elkins, Carroll County Probate, No. 1600).

Children of Joseph and Eunice (Pinkham) ELKINS, all born in Jackson:

- BENJAMIN HARRISON<sup>7</sup>, b. ca. 1829, d. 2 Aug. 1850, aged 21 yrs. (NHVR), or 3 Aug. 1850, aged 21 yrs. (gravestone).
- MARY, b. 2 Nov. 1832 (gravestone), d. 11 Jan. 1909 (*ibid.*), mar. 8 Feb. 1859, HENRY C. FERNALD (Jackson VR, 1850-1878), b. 16 July 1839 (gravestone), d. 11 Jan. 1890 (*ibid.*).
- iii. AVANDER, b. ca. 1842. In 1859, when his father died, Avander inherited the farm, and on 6 Mar. 1860, G.W.M. Pitman of Bartlett was appointed his guardian (Estate of Joseph Elkins, Carroll County Probate, No. 1600). He was 19 when he mar. in Jackson, 15 Sept. 1861, ELLEN SWETT, aged 17 (Jackson VR, 1850-1878). In 1864, Avander sold the farm left to him by his father and moved from Jackson (Carroll County Deeds, 44:379). No further information has been found except that on the 1900 census of Gorham, Me., an "Avendar Elkins" of about the same age was living without a family.

8. GRANVILLE<sup>6</sup> ELKINS (Daniel<sup>5-4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Eleazer<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>) was born in Jackson, circa 1811, and died in Jackson of apoplexy on 21 June 1889, aged 84 years, the record calling his mother "Mary" Gray, in error (NHVR). He was buried in Jackson Village Cemetery, where his gravestone gives the date of his death in error as 22 June 1889 (gravestone). He married in Jackson, on 24 June 1832, SARAH ANN EASTMAN (Jackson Town Records, 2:178; family record), born in Conway, N.H., on 11 July 1811 (NHVR), died probably in Jackson on 23 March 1872 (gravestone), daughter of William and Nancy (Lovejoy) Eastman. They lived on the family farm on the Carter Notch Road (1860 Carroll County map). Granville was described as "a prominent citizen, always interested in the welfare of the town" (History of Carroll County, 954). He was active in the formation of the Protestant Chapel Association, which built the church in Jackson Village that eventually replaced the Freewill Baptist Church where his father preached. Granville was also well known as a promoter of temperance.

Children of Granville and Sarah Ann (Eastman) ELKINS, all born in Jackson:

 HANNAH<sup>7</sup>, b. ca. 1834, d. 1 Sept. 1862 (gravestone), mar. 12 Oct. 1853, DAVID GRAY (Jackson VR, 1850-1878), b. ca. 1809, d. 28 Dec. 1879, aged 90 yrs. (gravestone). Issue (surname *Gray*): 1) Colbert E., b. 20 Feb. 1854 (Jackson VR, 1850-1878), d. 25 Nov. 1891, aged 38 yrs., 9 mos., and 6 days [*sic*] (gravestone); 2) Charles M., b. ca. 1856, d. 1 June 1942 (gravestone); 3) Susan, b. ca. 1861 (1870 census).

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 SUSAN A., b. 27 June 1836 (gravestone), d. 16 Oct. 1856 (*ibid.*), mar. JOSEPH WILSON, b. 10 Feb. 1832 (gravestone), d. 28 June 1900 (*ibid.*). Issue (surname Wilson): 1) Frank, b. ca. 1856 (1860 census).

### WILLIAM E[ASTMAN?] [twin], b. 11 Dec. 1842 (family records of Doris Fernald Cotton, granddaughter of Nancy Eastman [Elkins] Davis, hereafter family records).

NANCY EASTMAN [twin], b. 11 Dec. 1842 (ibid.), d. 15 Feb. 1926 iv. (Record of Marriages, 21 Mar. 1898-29 Nov. 1937; Record of Births, 3 Feb. 1898-26 Dec. 1937; Record of Deaths, 24 Apr. 1898-15 Dec. 1937. Manuscript, Jackson Town Clerk's Office, Jackson, N.H., 38, hereafter Jackson VR, 3), mar. 12 Dec. 1869, GEORGE HENRY DAVIS (Jackson VR, 1850-1878), b. 15 Aug. 1846, d. 15 Sept. 1925, son of Noah and Eliza (Dearborn) Davis (Bible of Mrs. Eliza A. Davis, Eaton, N.H., 1849; Jackson VR, 3:37). Issue (surname Davis): 1) Ada Eldora, b. 16 Oct. 1870 (family records), d. 16 Apr. 1965 (Annual Report of the Officers of the Town of Jackson, New Hampshire, for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 1965 [Center Lovell, Me .: The Town of Jackson, 1966], 55), m. 24 May 1892, Edwin Moody (Record of Marriages, 5 Apr. 1878-21 Mar. 1898; Record of Births, 25 May 1878-3 Dec. 1897; Record of Deaths, 9 Mar. 1878-14 Nov. 1897. Manuscript, Jackson Town Clerk's Office, Jackson, N.H., n.p.); 2) Eva May, b. 7 July 1874 (family records), d. 1 June 1978 (Annual Report of the Officers of the Town of Jackson, New Hampshire, for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 1978 [n.p.: The Town of Jackson, 1979], 38), m. 20 May 1893, Leonard Albert Fernald (JVR, 1878-1895); 3) Dean Wilbur, b. 1 Jan. 1882 (family records), d. 9 Dec. 1957 (Annual Report of the Officers of the Town of Jackson, New Hampshire, for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 1957 [Center Lovell, Me.: The Town of Jackson, 1958], 38), m. 2 Nov. 1904, Eva Lois Magner (Jackson VR, 3:13).

10. v. ALBERT, b. 11 May 1852 (Jackson VR, 1850-1878).

9. WILLIAM E.<sup>7</sup> ELKINS (Granville<sup>6</sup> Daniel<sup>5-4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Eleazer<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>) was born in Jackson on 11 December 1842 (family records), and died there on 25 May 1933 (Jackson VR, 3:45). He married on 3 March 1871, SUSAN MARILLA HACKETT (Jackson VR, 1850-1878), born in September 1849, and died on 10 February 1929, daughter of George and Charlotte (Dame) Hackett (Jackson VR, 3:41). He built a house on the Carter Notch Road south of the farm formerly owned by his cousin, Avander. In 1929, William E. Elkins sold all the land he owned in Jackson to his younger son, Chester, for one dollar and other valuable consideration (Carroll County Deeds, 185:304).

Children of William E. and Susan Marilla (Hackett) ELKINS, both born in Jackson:

- i. LEON WHITNEY<sup>8</sup>, b. 28 Aug. 1872 (Jackson VR, 1850-1878), was living in Lewiston, Me., at the time of the 1900 census.
- ii. CHESTER H., b. in June 1888 (1900 census), mar. before 1914, AN-NIE McLANE, b. in Canada (birth record of daughter). They lived in Jackson on his father's farm until 1934 when he sold the property to Arthur P. Gale and moved to Jefferson, N.H. (Carroll County Deeds, 199:438). Issue (surname *Elkins*): 1) Elizabeth, b. in Jackson, 15 Aug. 1914 (Jackson VR, 3:27).

10. ALBERT<sup>7</sup> ELKINS (Granville<sup>6</sup> Daniel<sup>5-4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Eleazer<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>) was born in Jackson on 11 May 1852 (Jackson VR, 1850-1878), and died on 15 February 1937 (gravestone). He married in Jackson, on 6 March 1873 (Jackson VR, 1850-1878), LUELLA E. [Ella] WENTWORTH, born in Jackson on 8 July 1855 (John Wentworth, comp., *The Wentworth Genealogy: English and American*, in three volumes [Boston, Mass.: The Compiler, 1878], 2:552, hereafter *Wentworth Genealogy*, died on 14 February 1928 (gravestone), daughter of Warren Chandler and Sarah E. (Sinclair) Wentworth of Jackson (*Wentworth Genealogy*, 2:552). In 1874 Albert and Ella sold the farm which he had received from his father, Granville, to Ira R. Harriman, and they moved away (Carroll County Deeds, 63:308, and 65:338). In 1889 he was living in Stow, Me. (*History of Carroll County*, 954). By 1900 he was living alone in Hebron, Me., while his wife and children were living in Stow, Me. (1900 census). In his later years he returned to Jackson to live with his niece, Ada Moody.

Children of Albert and Luella E. [Ella] (Wentworth) ELKINS:

- i. FLORENCE<sup>8</sup>, b. Mar. 1880 (1900 census).
- RALPH, b. 27 Dec. 1887 (gravestone), d. 15 Dec. 1912 (*ibid.*). He is bur. near his mother in Jackson Village Cemetery.

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