

ed the town of Brookfield from the Nipnet Indians, who had burnt every house but one, and had almost reduced that to capitulation. When Lancaster was destroyed by the Indians, Major Willard removed to Salem, where he spent the rest of his days.— He had two sons, one of whom was a settled minister in the town of Groton; which place he was driven from by the Indians, and was afterwards installed in Boston.— His other son, Simon, established himself on Still River, since taken from Lancaster, and incorporated into the town of Harvard. He had nine sons, Simon, Henry, Hezekiah, John, Joseph, Josiah, Samuel, Johnathan and James; Josiah removed to Winchester in New-Hamshire, and afterwards commanded Fort Dummer; the rest inherited the substance of their father, and lived to very advanced ages in the vicinity of their birth. They all left numerous families, who spread over the United States. His eldest Son, Simon, was my grand-father; he had two sons, Aaron and Moses: Aaron lived in Lancaster. and Moses, my father, removed to Lunenburg. I ought to remark that, my grandmother Willard, after the death of her husband, married a person by the name of Farnsworth, by whom she had three sons, who were the first settlers of Charlestown, No. 4—one of them was killed by the Indians.