

The children sent to Halifax were:

JOANNA STAIRS, the eldest, then aged 17, who married Daniel Bessonett, a watchmaker, who died aged 27, leaving one son, John Stayner Bessonett. She married the second time William Brown, in 1810, and died March 3rd, 1839, and lies in St. Paul's burying ground in the same grave where her first husband and his father had successively been laid. The grave is directly up from the gate to the western side, and a stone records the death of the first occupant, Daniel Bessonett, who was a captain in a regiment called the "New Jersey Volunteers," raised by the British Government during the Revolutionary War in North America. Captain Bessonett was on half pay, and died at Halifax.

(Children of Joanna Stairs,—William Masters Brown, died May 29th, 1888, aged 77 years; George Stairs Brown; Eliza King Brown; John Stayner Bessonett, died May 7th, 1896, aged 91 years; Edward King Brown; Michael Septimus Brown; Joanna Brown.

JOHN STAIRS, the second, became a shipmaster, married Catherine Fraser, had two sons and eight daughters.

MARY STAIRS, fourth, married John Westray, a tanner. She died in 1810, aged 21 years, at the place known as Lawson's Mills, then called Letson's Tanyard, on the western side of the North-West Arm. Three daughters survived her; two lived to grow up (Isabel and Margaret), who went with their father to New York. Margaret married and went to Florida.

ABIGAIL STAIRS, fifth, was an infant when her mother died. She married Henry King, and they went to Boston with their children about 1834. She died there in 1867, aged 74 years. One son and three daughters survived her.

Her son, Henry King, died at Memphis, on the Mississippi, of yellow fever. Her daughters are now (1886) in Boston; Mrs. Small, Mrs. Dudley. Mr. King died at St. John, N. B.