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Howe, who it is said got possession of most of the property of our great grandfather, disposed of it in fast living and then left this land mixing himself up with the rebellion of 1776. Our great grandmother died among her relatives in Connecticut whither our grandfather Alpheus went to visit her often during her life. She died at the close of the last century about 1794, or thereabouts. Our great grandfather came here in the service, sent here by Lord Amherst, under whom he had served through the French and Indian wars, died at Fort Lawrence in the old fort now passed away, receiving his pension to his death and these grants of lands for services. He had a brother who entered the ministry of the Church of England and was stationed at Boyleston Mass. He was a devoted adherent of the British Crown and he and his family suffered for their loyalty in the loss of their property. He was a most accomplished scholar and a man of much versatility of talent.

I send you his portrait which I will be glad if you will return to me at your earliest leisure for I intend getting it enlarged so as to have it in my house. There are many more incidents I could relate to you but I fear I have wearied you too much already. I must leave them until I have the pleasure of meeting you, which I trust will be soon. And now with the kindest regards to yourself and Sir Charles and your sons Stewart and Charles who are with you, as I gather from your note, and with best remembrances from Mrs. Morse,

I am,
Yours faithfully,
W.A.D. MORSE.

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