

FAMILY I.



THOMAS WOOD of Rowley, Mass., is supposed to be the first of his line in this country. His ancestors have not been discovered. There is some reason to believe he belonged to the Wood family of Norwich, Norfolk County, Eng. (*see Appendix H.*) The first known of him is his marriage, recorded in Rowley:—Thomas and Ann Wood were married 4^{mo} 7^d. 1654. His wife is thought to have been Ann Hunt. Rowley records show that he was a man of excellent Christian character and of high standing among his fellow citizens. All that is known of him is published in *Essex Co. (Mass.) Institute Collections*; therefore only the essential facts are here given. He was buried 12th September, 1687. His descendants are many and widely scattered.

Children Recorded in Rowley, Massachusetts:

1. Mary, b. 15th March, 1655; probably the Mary Wood who married Edward Ordway, 12th December, 1678. (Newbury, Mass., Records.)
2. John, b. 2nd November, 1656. FAMILY II.
3. Thomas, b. 10th August, 1658; m. Mary Hunt, 26th June, 1683; had 9 children; was buried 1st December, 1702. His widow married a Davis and removed to Mansfield, Conn.
4. Ann, b. 8th August, 1660; m. Benjamin Plummer, 15th January, 1678-9; resided in Rowley.
5. Ruth, b. 21st July, 1662; m. Capt. Joseph Jewett 16th Jan., 1680-1; resided in Rowley. She married (2)