

By second marriage:

3 George, b. 1703.

4 Elizabeth, b. 1705.

5 Daniel, b. 1707.

LIEUT.-COLONEL GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

(The United Empire Loyalist).

This George Wightman was the grandson of the Rev. Daniel Wightman, being the son of his eldest son George. He was born November 4th, 1726, and would consequently be fifty years old when the Revolutionary War broke out. At the close of the war Lieut.-Col. Wightman became one of the Loyalist exiles, and shared in the grants of land made by the government in what was then Nova Scotia; but as his family was pretty well grown up and scattered during the war, he seems to have preferred going to England rather than face life at his age in a new and unsettled country. He consequently went to England. He seems to have had means to keep a very comfortable place in London, where the rest of his life was spent. It is said that, apart from private means, and what the government gave as compensation for his services and losses, he had the patronage of the Duke of Northumberland, whom he greatly aided while in America. He died in London about the year 1806, aged about ninety years. After removing to London he married a second time, by which union he had two children, a son and a daughter. This son, Percy, died in Egypt of sunstroke while travelling as a private secretary of Lord Amherst. During a considerable period of the Revolutionary War Lieut.-Col. Wightman commanded the regiment known as the "Loyal New Englanders," which he had been instrumental in recruiting. Lieut. John Wightman, of the same regiment, was his son. Of his issue a complete record is not to hand, but so far as available it is as follows: