



report was accepted and its recommendations adopted. The letters from the New London Board of Trade, and the New London County Historical Society, extending invitations to visit them, were read, and it was voted unanimously to accept their generous proffer of hospitality. President Ely was instructed to convey to the officers of those organizations the Society's acceptance, and to extend its compliments for their great kindness in offering to furnish the expedition with an escort while visiting their historic grounds, and also to thank the New London Board of Trade for their generous invitation to partake of a dinner at their expense. The Society voted to invite members of the Sons of the Revolution, Sons of the American Revolution, Daughters of the Revolution and Daughters of the American Revolution to accompany them on the excursion.

On motion of Mr. Crane all matters covering sale of tickets, providing cars for transportation and other necessary arrangements to provide for the comfort of the party on the trip be left in the hands of the present committee.

Adjourned.

#### DIARY OF A REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER.

This diary of Ichabod Corbett, of Mendon, Mass., a Revolutionary soldier, furnishes data not to be found in the printed records of the soldiers and sailors of the Revolutionary War, as published under the direction of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

There are two expeditions referred to in this diary. The first one, covering a period of three months, from the 22d day of December, 1776, to the 22d day of March, 1777, where the principal portion of the time was spent about the Hudson River and in the state of New Jersey. The other expedition was called out on an alarm from Rhode Island, and the term of service from January 8, 1778, to the first day of April, that year.

In vol. 4, "Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War," page 70, under the name of Captain Samuel Craggin, there appears to be a reference to this expedition "year not given." This diary supplies that date in full, with the days, months and year, also gives many names of those who participated in that service. Nearly all these men served at various times in other companies.

Ichabod Corbett was private in Capt. Gershom Nelson's company, that marched to Cambridge and Roxbury on the alarm of April 19, 1775, serving eight days; also served again in Capt. Nelson's company July 19, 1776. He also served in Capt. John Tyler's company, Col. Joseph Read's regiment; return endorsed Dec. 10, 1775.

Then followed the service he rendered, which is recorded in this diary, now for the first time published. He also enlisted Aug. 23, 1778, in Lieut. Hezekiah Ware's company, Col. Haws's regiment, and was discharged Sept. 12, 1778. This service of twenty-one days was rendered in Rhode Island and the roll sworn to in Suffolk County, Mass.

The names of his fifty-nine or more associates which appear in this diary may give their descendants records of a service perhaps not elsewhere disclosed.

## DIARY OF ICHABOD CORBETT OF MENDON, MASS.

### 3 MONTHS' SERVICE.

On Monday, the 22d day of December, 1776, I marched for Providence with 8-7-0 of cash. Spent at Lanlord Peniman, 0-0-3-0. At Elias Thayer's\* . . . . .

#### *December.*

25. Marched into town and bought an inkstand 0-3-0-0, and spent 0-1-2-0, and received of Jonathan 0-1-6-0.

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\*The entries made during the 23d and 24th have become so faded that they are illegible. But they relate to his march from Mendon to Providence, R. I.

26. Spent 0-0-8-0.

27. To a ribbon 0-1-9-0. To a "silkhankerchief" 0-15-0-0.

28. To a "pockethankerchief" 0-6-2-0. To a sheet of paper 0-0-2-0. To a pair of scissors 0-1-0-0.

29. Received orders to march to York.\*

30. To a cake of chocolate 0-1-6-0, and marched out of Providence about one o'clock and lodged at Cranson. For cider and vitals 0-1-8-0. To a dram 0-0-3-0.

31. To a Sugar Box 0-1-2-0. To a half pint of rum 0-1-0-0.

Coventry. Bowin's for dinner 0-1-0-0. At Bennet's in Volintine [Voluntown] lodged.

*January, 1777.*

1. Plainfield, at Mr. Hawls [Hall's]. Went to breakfast 0-1-0-0 at lanlord Eaton's. Received my billiting from Providence to Danbury, L. I., 1-8-0-0. At Canterbury bought sugar 0-2-4-0. To Mr. Bond's supper 0-0-4-0 and lodging there.

2. potland [Portland], at Webb's, breakfast 0-0-10-0. At Landlord Hibbard spent 0-0-3-0. At Lebenon supper and lodging 0-0-6-0.

3. To a breakfast at the same place 0-0-10-0. At Landlord English's Lebanon to a dram 0-0-3-0. At Briant's, East Hartford to a supper 0-0-8-0. and lodged there.

4. At Landlord Woodbridge to a dram 0-0-3-0. At Mr. Mackee's Pak and garded the cart the same day. At Hartford two pounds of chocolate 0-5-4-0. At Landlord Simson (or Simon) received for my feather 0-6-0-0. Received for a cake of chocolate Hartford 0-1-6-0. To a dram and supper 0-0-9-0.

5. To a dram at same place 0-0-3-0, and breakfast

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\*New York.

0-0-10-0. At Landlord Lues's [Lewis's] of Farmingtown to cider 0-0-2-0. At Mr. Lanktons supper 0-0-8-0. At Landlord Deming to a dram 0-0-3-0 and lodged there.

6. To a dram and breakfast at same place 0-0-8-0. At Landlord "Duese" to cider 0-0-1-0. At Waterbury to a dinner 0-0-8-0. At Landlord Bridson's to cider 0-0-2-0. To supper 0-0-4-2. and lodged at Mr. Abbott's.

7. At Mr. Taylor's of Woodbury to a breakfast 0-0-10-0. At Landlord Thompson's to a dram 0-0-3-0. At Mr. Curtis to a dinner 0-0-8-0. To a supper 0-0-6-0. To washing shirt and stockings 0-0-4-0.

8. To a breakfast at Mr. Hacock's 0-0-6-0. At Newtown to cider one "Copper." At night arrived at Danbury. To supper 0-0-9-0. To apples 0-0-2-0. To bread 0-0-3-0. Received 0-0-4-0.

9. To cider 0-0-2-0.

10. To a dram 0-0-4-0. To bread 0-0-3-0. To mending my shoes 0-0-4-0. To a part of the "Chist" 0-0-8-0. Received for chocolate 0-0-6-0. To a drink of "Samson" 0-0-6-0. Received for chocolate 0-0-6-0.

11. To a bottle 0-0-6-0. To a part for pail 0-0-2-0. To cider 0-0-2-0. About one o'clock in the afternoon we marched for the Peekskills and at Mr. Lovel's lodged in Salem and a supper and cider 0-0-6-0.

12. To cider 0-0-2-0 In Plombrook a quart of rum 0-3-0-0, and garded the cart, and lodged at Mr. Delanu [Delano] in Crompond.

13. Received 0-0-2-0. Received orders for the North Castle, and arrived there at night. Then received orders for Tarrytown. At Mr. Rights [Wright's] lodged.

14. Marched for Tarrytown. In Philipsborough at landlord Hammond's to a dram 0-0-4-2. Arrived at Tarrytown about the middle of the afternoon. To bread 0-0-2-0.

15. Mounted guard at Capt. "Maguars" for four and twenty hours. To bread 0-0-3-0.

16. We received orders to march at four o'clock with three days provision and blankets.

17. Received orders to march at two o'clock and arrived at the Mild [mile] Square.

18. Marched about five o'clock in the morning for Roggers [Rogers'] at "yuneas" in Philips Borrower [Philipsborough]. To a quart of rum 0-4-0-0. At night marched back about three miles to supper 0-1-0-0.

19. Marched back again and marched for West Chester for quarters at night.

20. To breakfast 0-1-0-0, and marched away towards the North River and back again at night.

21. To cider 0-0-2-0. Received orders to march toward the North River and built a tent to lodge in.

22. To a dram 0-0-4-0.

23. To bread 0-0-4-2. And went upon main guard and saw the skirmish between our men and the enemy.

24. Marched in a bad storm to Tarrytown.

25. Received orders to march to "Mild" Square. Received for the cards 0-1-6-0. Received for chocolate and bullets 0-0-9-0. About three o'clock paraded for a march and were dismissed until two o'clock at night.

26. At about four o'clock in the morning marched for the "Mild" Square and as soon as we got there had orders to march to "Volentines" Hill, and at night marched back to the "Mild" Square.

27. Marched to Volentines Hill and laid siege against Fort Independence, and laid there until night, and then marched back to the Mile Square again.

28.

29. To bread 0-0-6-0. At night received orders to parade at five o'clock at the Generals and marched to Tarrytown in a snow storm.

30. Marched about three miles towards the White plain and went upon "Doar" guard at night.

31. To sugar 0-1-6-0. To washing my cloths 0-1-0-0.

*February.*

1. To brandy 0-1-0-0. To chopping wood 0-0-2-0. To milk 0-0-2-0.
2. To brandy 0-1-0-0. Received for a gun that we took 0-7-6-0. Received for rum 0-1-8-0.
3. To brandy 0-0-9-0.
4. To brandy 0-0-6-0. Mounted guard for four and twenty hours.
5. To rum 0-0-9-0.
6. To brandy 0-0-6-0. Went upon picket guard.
- 7.
8. About three o'clock marched down to Philips [Castle Philips] and got back again at night.
9. To sugar 0-1-9-0. Received for chocolate 0-2-0-0.
10. To brandy 0-0-6-0. Marched for the Jersey's this morning. "Courtling Manner" at "Bleeniee" to supper and lodging 0-1-0-0.
11. To bread 0-0-4-0, and marched to "Crompond."
12. To milk 0-0-1-0. At the Peekskills to a dram 0-0-4-2. To cheese 0-6-0-0. To rum 0-2-6-0. To ginger 0-0-4-0. Lodged at the Peekskills.
13. Marched to the King's Ferry and crossed and lodged at Hervistown [probably Haverstraw].
14. To bread 0-0-2-0. and marched to "Rammapo" and lodged there.
15. Lodged at Morris County.
16. "Cuponic" at Lanlord Ecubo's to cider 0-0-6-0. Lodged at Boontown.
17. Marched into Morristown then marched back about two miles for quarters.
18. — 0-0-6-0.
19. Received orders to march to Bounbrook.
20. Received for bottle 0-0-6-0, and marched about four miles beyond Morristown.
21. To washing 0-0-4-0.

22. To a pint of milk for Thayer and I 0-0-2-1.
23. We drewed the first allowance of preaching. At night we received orders to cook four days' provision and be ready at a minutes warning, when we had but two days' rations drawn.
24. To a pint of milk 0-0-2-1.
- 25.
26. To a pint of milk for Thayer and I 0-0-2-1. To a pint of milk 0-0-2-1.
27. Went upon fatigue.
28. To a pint of milk 0-0-2-1.

*March.*

1. To a pint of milk 0-0-2-1.
2. Had a meeting.
3. To a pint of milk 0-0-2-1. To a pint of milk 0-0-2-0.
4. Went upon quarter guard.
5. To washing 0-0-4-0. To baking at sundry times 0-1-11-0.
6. Had a sermon preached to us.
7. Went upon picket guard.
8. Tapping my shoes 0-3-0-0.
9. To nails 0-0-6-0.
10. To milk 0-0-2-1. Went upon picket.
11. To a dram 0-1-0-0.
12. To a pint of milk 0-0-2-1.
13. Received for a Baggonet 0-5-6-0. Went upon main guard.
14. Received for a sugar box 0-2-0-0. To a dram 0-0-7½.
15. Received for a pair buckles 0-4-0-0. To a dram 0-1-0-0. Paid for carying my pack 0-3-8-0.
16. Went upon guard.
17. To a dram 0-1-0-0.



18. Received my wages 6-17-4-0.
19. Went upon main guard.
20. To rum 0-1-0-0.
21. Paid for cooking 0-2-6-0.
22. Went upon main guard. To cider 0-0-3-0. and found 0-10-0-0 to a gun case.
23. Marched for home. At Quponix 0-0-9-0. Lodged at Puntown. To some milk 0-0-3-0.
24. To a dram 0-0-6-0. To breakfast 0-0-3-0. At Rammapo to a dram 0-0-6-0. Smith's Clove to a dram 0-0-6-0, and lodged in the same town. In Cornwall to breakfast and a dram 0-0-10-0.
25. For crossing "New Winsor Ferry" 0-1-0-0. Fish-kill's to cider 0-0-6-0. "Hopewill," "Bacans presink" lodged and a dram 0-0-6-0. To milk 0-0-2-1. In Dover to a dram 0-0-4-2. At Kent to dinner 0-0-8-0. New Milford to cider 0-0-2-0. To a dram 0-0-6-0. At Kent to lodging and supper 0-1-0-0. To breakfast and a dram 0-1-4-0. Litchfield to a dram 0-0-6-0. Hedrintown to a dinner 0-0-10-0. Farmingtown to a dram 0-0-8-0. Lodging, supper 0-1-0-0. To a dram 0-0-3-0. Hartford to a breakfast 0-1-3-0. East Hartford to a dram 0-0-9-0. To a dinner 0-1-3-0. Bolton. Coventry to lodging 0-1-3-0. Mansfield to breakfast 0-1-3-0. Willington. Ashford to a dram 0-0-3-0. Pomphret to a dinner 0-0-10-0. Killingly lodged and a dram and supper 0-1-4-0. Thompson to a dram and breakfast 0-1-3-0. Douglas to cider 0-0-1-2. Uxbridge to a dram 0-0-8-0. To a dinner 0-0-9-0. Mendon to a dram 0-0-6-0.

ICHABOD CORBETT,  
of Mendon.

On the pages that follow are to be found this record:

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Darius Sumner, Ser.   | Jacob Haywood,   |
| Caleb Boyenton, Drum, | Ichabod Albee,   |
| Samuel Nelson,        | Samuel Warfield, |

|                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| Simeon Chapin, | Eleazer Daniels, |
| Joseph Nelson, | Ichabod Corbett, |
| John Nelson,   | James Sprague.   |

All belonging to one mess:

|                                |                                   |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Nathan Allen,                  | John Harthorn,                    |
| David Boyden,                  | Alpheus Lion,                     |
| Oliver Chickerre [Chickering], | Bennone Moxe [Morse],             |
| Timothy Cudwith,               | David Owen,                       |
| Rufus Clap,                    | Lot Perry,                        |
| Ichabod Corbett,               | Ebenezer Page,                    |
| John Fuller,                   | Joseph Rockwood,                  |
| John Ferret,                   | Eleazer Streeter,                 |
| Jesse Ferret,                  | Benjamin Twitchell <sup>1</sup> , |
| Darius Holbrook,               | Nathan Thayer,                    |
|                                | Seth Wright.                      |

Mr. Corbett was evidently a man of business and apparently acted as cashier for those of his friends who wished to take advantage of his comfortably well filled purse for that time. The reader will, however, have to balance the individual accounts.

The account kept with his customers has the following heading: For value received do promise to pay Ichabod Corbett or order the sum of nine pounds L. M. on demand with interest till paid as witness my hand, Tom Dick.

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Ichabod Albee, Debt.   | 9-0-0-0.  |
| Samuel Warfield, Debt. | 0-8-0-0.  |
| Samuel Warfield, Debt. | 0-4-0-0.  |
| Debt. to Samuel War.   | 0-2-0-0.  |
| Joseph Rockwood, Debt. | 0-0-4-2.  |
| Jer Perry, Debt.       | 0-0-4-0.  |
| Due to Perry,          | 0-0-4-2.  |
| Due to Perry,          | 0-0-6-0.  |
| Rufus Clapp, Debt.     | 0-0-6-0.  |
| Darius Holbrook,       | 0-0-6-0.  |
| Due to Perry,          | 0-1-10-2. |

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| Twitchell, Debtor, | 0-0-2-2. |
| Perry, Debt.       | 0-0-4-0. |

An account of what sugar we lent at times:

|                                     |       |          |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Twitchel,                           | 1     |          |
| Daniel,                             | 1     |          |
| Perry,                              | 2     |          |
| Darius,                             | 2     |          |
| Perry, Dept.                        |       | 0-0-9-0. |
| Paid for milk,                      |       | 0-0-2-0. |
| Debt to Henry,                      |       | 0-0-1-2. |
| Debt to Amariah,                    |       | 0-0-6-0. |
| Rufus Clapp, Debt.                  |       | 0-1-0-0. |
| Nathan Thayer, Debt.                |       | 0-1-0-0. |
| Twitchell paid for pail.            |       |          |
| Streater paid                       | “ “   |          |
| Thayer                              | “ “ “ |          |
| Debt to Thayer,                     |       | 0-0-9-0. |
| Twitchell, Debt.                    |       | 0-0-6-0. |
| Thayer, Debt.                       |       | 0-0-3-0. |
| Joseph, “                           |       | 0-0-4-0. |
| Darius, “                           |       | 0-4-0-0. |
| To Rum,                             |       | 0-0-8-0. |
| Due to Perry,                       |       | 0-1-0-0. |
| Perry, Debt.                        |       | 0-0-2-0. |
| Cor Fuller, Debt.                   |       | 0-0-2-0. |
| Debt to Perry,                      |       | 0-0-1-2. |
| Cook paid for chocolate.            |       |          |
| Perry Debt. one copper.             |       |          |
| Twitchell, Debt.                    |       | 0-0-6-0. |
| Joseph, “                           |       | 0-0-4-0. |
| Darius, “                           |       | 0-1-8-0. |
| Darius paid for chocolate and pail. |       |          |
| Debt to Twitchel,                   |       | 0-1-0-0. |
| Lot paid for pail.                  |       |          |
| Joseph paid for pail.               |       |          |

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Amariah paid for pail.                             |          |
| Joseph Rockwood, Debt.                             | 0-1-0-0. |
| Cor Cook,                   “                      | 0-1-0-0. |
| Nathan Thayer,           “                         | 0-0-6-0. |
| Twitchel,                   “                      | 0-0-2-0. |
| Nathan Thayer,           “                         | 0-0-2-0. |
| Darius,                   “                        | 0-0-2-0. |
| Streater,                  “                       | 0-0-3-0. |
| Joseph,                   “                        | 0-0-2-0. |
| January 11, I paid for a pail for the meals,       | 0-2-0-0. |
| Nathan and Perry paid their part of the chocolate. |          |
| Debt to Cor Fuller,                                | 0-0-4-2. |
| Joseph, Debt.                                      | 0-0-2-0. |
| Cook paid for pail.                                |          |
| Perry   “   “   “                                  |          |
| John   “   “   “                                   |          |

## SECOND EXPEDITION.

## CAPTAIN SAMUEL CRAGGIN'S COMPANY.

*January, 1778.*

8. Marched for Providence and lodged at Mr. Bucklin's in Smithfield.
9. Marched into Providence town.
10. Got into Barracks till further orders.
12. Received orders to march to Quonset point.
13. We "drawed" ammunition. No. of C. 17.
14. About 12 o'clock we marched for "Quonset pint," lodged at lanlord "Arnolds" in Greenwich.
15. Marched to.
16. Received orders to march to Quidneset and marched about sunset and when we get there I mounted gard.

17. Was as stormy a night as most ever was.
19. Phineas Ward like to be drowned.
20. Mounted gard.
21. Received for a pare of taps 0-6-0-0.
22. Went to Jobdik's; Newtown; by water to draw provision.
23. Mounted gard. "Countersine" Mendon.
27. Mounted gard.
31. Mounted gard.

*February.*

2. Had a large "hangon."
4. Mounted gard.
6. Mounted gard and were taken by the Grand Round.
8. A Barge chased one of our boats.
10. Mounted gard.
13. Mounted gard.
15. Marched home.
20. Marched back to Providence.
21. Marched to Quidnesset pint.
23. Stephan Nigh received a bad wound in his thy.
24. Mounted gard.
25. Our gard at Boston Neck was fired upon by the tories, as was supposed.
26. Altered our allowance, for a half pound of beef received a half pound of rice.
28. Mounted gard.

*March.*

3. Mounted gard, Countersign, Rosebury.
6. Mounted gard, Countersign, "Homer."
11. Marched to Littlerest in South Kingstown.
13. Mounted gard.

14. Marched back to Quidnesset Point.  
 22. Mounted gard.  
 24. " "  
 26. " "  
 28. Was called of to go to Pindjuda [Point Judith].  
 Boat hired.  
 29. Mounted gard for the man that went for me.  
 31. Received orders to march towards home and marched to Pawtuxet.

*April.*

1. Marched home.

A provision return of Captain Samuel Craggin's company in Colonel Ebenezer Sprout's regiment for three days, viz. March 16, 17 & 18, March 16th, 1778.

|                              |      |
|------------------------------|------|
| Captain,                     | 3    |
| 1. Lieutenant,               | 2    |
| 2 " "                        | 2    |
| Non commissioned & Privates, | 72   |
| Rations pr day,              | 79   |
| Whole Rations,               | 237  |
| Rations returned,            | 12   |
| Rations drawn,               | 225  |
| Bread,                       | 225  |
| Beef,                        | 225  |
| Rice in place of beef,       | 112½ |

Jacob Hayward debtor to me 0-11-0-0.

Ser. Sumner 61, 62.

Eleazer 64.

Samuel Hill 63. No. 65.

Silas Holbrook 66.

Joel Legg No. 67.

Joseph Torry 68.

Jacob Haywood 69, 70.

James 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81.

Ichabod 82, 83, 84, 85, 86.

Ser. Chase 89, 90.

“Paroes” No. 36, 37.

Morse 30.

Timothy Wood No. 22, 23, 24, 87, 88.

John Allen No. 17, 16, 48.

David Haywood 53, 54.

Simeon Morse 47.

Isaac Strate 38.

Benjamin Rob 20.

Jesse Marsh 39.

Ser. Keith 19, 26, 27, 28, 29.

Morse 3, 42.

Samuel Nelson 21.

Joshua Wood 1, 2.

Moses Warren 5, 6.

Josiah Nelson 4, 40, 41.

Phineas Ward 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 91.

Ichabod Albee No. 13, 14, 15.

Simeon Chapin No. 43, 49, 55.

Denis Darling No. 56.

Pellatiah Dorr No. 57.

Daniel Haz [Haws] No. 44.

Daniel Fiske No. 45, 46.

Lemuel Munro No. 58, 59, 60, 50, 51, 52.

Simeon Fish No. 11.

Baley No. 12.

Jesse Chapin No. 18.

|    | G  | F  | E  | D   | C  | B  | A  |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|
|    |    | 9  |    | 2 3 |    |    | 1  |
|    | 47 | 12 | 6  | 11  | 8  | 5  | 10 |
|    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4   | 5  | 6  | 7  |
|    | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11  | 12 | 13 | 14 |
|    | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18  | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 10 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25  | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 9  | 29 | 30 | 31 |     |    |    |    |
| 8  |    |    |    |     |    |    |    |
| 7  |    |    |    |     |    |    |    |

In the army of the State of Rhode Island. I for Samuel Warfield of Mendon and Margery Joy Intend marriage.

|               |         |
|---------------|---------|
| Samuel N.     | 0-6-0.  |
| J. Sprague    | 0-6-0.  |
| I. Albee      | 0-6-0.  |
| Ichabod C.    | 0-12-0. |
| E. Daniels    | 0-6-0.  |
| Simeon Chapin | 0-6-0.  |
| Samuel Ward   | 0-6-0.  |
| Ichabod Albee | 0-5-0.  |
| Simeon Chapin | 0-4-6.  |
| Cor Boynton   | 0-3-0.  |
| Samuel Nelson | 0-2-0.  |
| John Nelson   | 0-4-0.  |



|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Eleazer Daniels | 0-11-6. |
| Hayward         | 0-2-6.  |
| Warfield        | 0-2-6.  |
| Ser. Sumner     | 0-2-6.  |
| James Sprague   | 0-2-6.  |

Samuel Craggin of Mendon, marched as private in Capt. John Albee's company on the alarm of April 19, 1775, and from that time until the close of the war was most of the time actively engaged in the service. He soon was appointed Sergeant, Captain and Lieut.-Colonel, 1779.

## ATTEMPT AT RHYME.

General Lee our second commander  
may he prove valliant in fighting  
as great Alexander.  
Our civil rights be a defender  
and scatter the troops of the pope  
and pretender.

General Putnam whose courage was ritten  
that struck such dread on  
the troops of Great Brittan,  
At Bunker Hill fight they all  
ran like Devils, and for a shelter  
crept under their swivels.

General Montgomery who talks  
of his praises that liberty loves  
and Regiments he raises, St. Johns  
was taken, and the rest did  
surrender, and "Camel" is taken  
that hellish pretender.

When this news get's home,  
Lord O North will tremble, to  
think that America doth not  
resemble But quick to revenge  
and histed a swivel and bid  
a defiance to Brute and the Divil.

Here is a health to the Congress  
 our gard and protector,  
 and they prove valliant as Hiram that great art Director  
 God grant them success in their  
 place and his station, and  
 may they act wise for America Nation.

May General Washington have his  
 desire and conquer his foes and  
 kill the goliath, our people's rights  
 keep which are to be prised,  
 and holter the troops of the  
 uncircumcised.

#### ANCESTRY OF ICHABOD CORBETT.

Robert Corbett, the records say, was of Weymouth, Mass., where he took the oath of allegiance 1679. He was soldier in King Philip's War, and subsequently actively interested in the settlement of the town of Woodstock, Conn., at that time considered in Massachusetts. For a time was a resident of that place. He married Priscilla Rockwood of Mendon, Mass., Feby. 23, 1682.

Had:

1. John, b. Dec. 7, 1683; m. Mehitabel Holbrook.
2. Joseph, b. April 20, 1685.
3. Probably, Daniel, who m. Sarah Jones, Dec. 4, 1717.

John m. Mehitabel Holbrook, Dec. 23, 1703. He was a skilful physician of liberal education and enjoyed a large practice among the people of his district.

Had:

1. John, b. Nov. 4, 1704; m. Hopestill Chapin, Dec. 27, 1727. Recorded in Boston.
2. Priscilla, b. Aug. 14, 1706; m. Nathaniel Jones, son of John.
3. Margaret, b. April 3, 1708; m. Walter Cook, son of Samuel.

4. Joseph, b. Sept. 4, 1712; m. Deborah Albee, July 3, 1733.
5. Rachel, b. Aug. 1, 1717; m. Josiah Ball, July 3, 1733.
6. Mehitabel, b. July 13, 1722.
7. Josiah, b. June 13, 1725; probably d. in infancy.

Joseph Corbett m. Deborah (Thayer) Albee, July 3, 1733, by Rev. Joseph Dorr of Mendon, Mass. He died Nov. 26, 1797.

Children:

1. Jesse, b. Mch. 2, 1734; m. Mary ——.
2. Isaiah, b. June 26, 1737; m. Lydia Vickery, Jany. 12, 1758.
3. Mehitable, b. Mch. 13, 1742.

Jesse Corbett m. Mary ——. It is stated he was drowned not long after his marriage, in the Charles River, leaving but one child:

1. Ichabod, b. April 21, 1756, on the Corbett homestead, opposite the Bicknell family cemetery in that part of Milford now South Hopedale; m. Olive Lassall.

Ichabod Corbett was married to Olive Lassall, of Mendon, Sept. 16, 1779, by Rev. Joseph Willard. She was born July 7, 1758.

To this man belongs the credit of writing out the record which we find in this diary, and the man to whom homage is due for furnishing to posterity a memorandum of special historical moment. Although his life may not have been marked by numerous brilliant events, his service during that eventful struggle, rendered at various times during that trying period, together with the preservation and transmission to his descendants of this valuable document, is sufficient cause for holding the man in high esteem. He was a noted singer of patriotic and old-time songs, and frequently entertained his neighbors and the

people where he went with his selections. He was the village veterinary, a man of kind heart and generous impulse, and frequently called to attend the sick.

He died in Milford, Feby. 19, 1829. His widow died Oct. 12, 1837. Katherine Fuller, a granddaughter, is now, 1903, living in Milford.

1. Truelove, b. Jany. 22, 1780; m. 1st David Adams, 2d John Knights.
2. Otis B., b. July 29, 1782; d. 1868, Worcester.
3. Pamela, b. May 2, 1785; d. Jany. 14, 1859, unmarried.
4. Leavitt, b. Aug. 7, 1787; removed to Charlestown, and from there to Malden, where he purchased the "Chittenden Farm" of Joseph Hurd in 1831, for forty-five hundred dollars. Here he d. Aug. 9, 1855, an honored citizen. Published to Lucinda Winn Nov. 21, 1813, in Charlestown.
5. Jesse, b. April 18, 1789; m.; settled in Keene, N. H.; d. there.
6. Nancy, b. April 15, 1792; d. Sept. 9, 1866, unmarried.
7. Polly, b. Jany. 25, 1795; d. Sept. 2, 1832, unmarried.
8. Horace, b. April 13, 1797; settled in Lisbon, Maine, where he was a manufacturer of wooden wares and a prominent citizen of that place.

Truelove Corbett [1] m. 1st David Adams; he d. in 1815 and she m. 2d John Knights. By her first husband she had three children:

1. Otis C. (Adams), b. Aug. 14, 1805; d. Oct. 16, 1859.
2. Adeline (Adams), b. Jany. 10, 1808; d. Jany. 28, 1852.
3. David (Adams), b. Jany. 17, 1815.

David Adams [3] m. Feb. 9, 1841, Jemima Rawson, daughter of Simon, and in line of descent in the seventh

generation from Edward Rawson, Secretary of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

Mr. Adams was born in Milford. But soon after the death of his father went to live in Mendon, where he grew to manhood and passed a long and useful life, enjoying the confidence of the entire community. He died April 14, 1900, after having held the office of Town Clerk, by annual elections, for thirty-five years, resigning the charge at his own desire on account of failing health in 1890; at which time his son, Horace Corbett Adams, was elected to succeed his father as Town Clerk, and now, 1903, retains that position, having also enjoyed the distinction of representing his district as representative to the General Court for two years. Children of David Adams and Jemima his wife were:

1. Isabella Phipps (Adams), b. Oct. 27, 1841; m. Charles H. Spencer.
2. Horace Corbett (Adams), b. July 18, 1848; m. Cora G. Taft.
3. Maria Miller (Adams), b. Oct. 31, 1850.

Truelove Corbett, by 2d marriage with John Knights, of Woburn, July 20, 1820, had:

2. Augustus (Knights), twin, b. Dec. 24, 1822; m. Sarah Wheelock. He d. Aug. 17, 1889.
3. Charles (Knights), twin, b. Dec. 24, 1822; m. Esther C. Warfield. He d. June, 1902.

Otis B. Corbett [2] m. Mary S——. Mr. Corbett came to Worcester when a young man and served his apprenticeship with Mr. Geer Terry, a native of Enfield, Conn., who kept a watch and jewelry store on the east side of Main street just south of School street. About the year 1814, Mr. Terry returned to his native town, where he died May 26, 1856.

Mr. Corbett early entered into business on his own account, occupying a store on the west side of Main street,

opposite the site of the present Mechanics Hall. Being quite successful, through frugality and strict attention to business, he soon accumulated a competency and became interested in other enterprises. In 1844 he was associated with W. A. Draper & Co. in the shoe and leather trade, and three years later he was conducting that business alone, continuing it, until 1852, when he seems to have retired. His first home for twenty years was on Front street, on the site of the present Chase Building. But in the early forties he removed to a new home on Corbett street, on the site now occupied by the Young Women's Christian Association Building, corner of Chatham and High streets.

Mr. Corbett, from his first introduction into business, enjoyed the entire confidence of the community. As early as 1815, he was called to assume duties of public life, and from thenceforward nearly to the time of his death there was very little time that he was not engaged with the responsibility of some public trust assigned him by a vote of the inhabitants of the town. He filled with credit and honor nearly every station within the gift of his constituents: Moderator at town meetings, Assessor, Selectman, School Committeeman, Representative to the General Court for six years and on numerous special important committees. In May, 1829, he was chosen cashier of the Central Bank, but resigned the office in the fall of the same year. He was for many years one of the trustees of the Worcester Academy; always interested in educational institutions; a man of strict integrity, sound judgment, of kind and courteous manners.

He died Feby. 6, 1868.

Their children, born in Worcester, were:

1. Caroline Mary, b. Feby. 18, 1808; school teacher in Worcester for many years.
2. Calista, b. Jany. 16, 1810; m. Levi A. Dowley, Oct. 29, 1828.

3. Charlotte, b. Sept. 4, 1811; m. Theophilus B. Thompson of Bangor, Me., Nov. 1, 1841.
4. Emeline, b. Dec. 7, 1813; m. Jonathan Day of Webster, Sept. 23, 1835.
5. Eliza, b. Mch. 19, 1816; m. Henry P. Stevens of Augusta, Me., Aug. 22, 1839.
6. Otis Grafton, b. Feby. 1, 1819.
7. Sidney, b. Aug. 10, 1826.