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Ye heaven-washed souls that beautify these bowers,
Are not your hearts refreshed like sprinkled flowers?
Not vainly have you spent your lives on earth—
Your offspring testify their patriot birth.

R. EMSTONS, M. D., in *Freedom*.

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Beneath the roots of tangled weeds,
Afar in country graveyards lie
The men whose unrecorded deeds
Have stamped this nation's destiny.

We praise the present stock and man;
But have we ever thought to praise
The strong, still, humble lives that ran
The deep cut channels of these days?

Beneath these tottering slabs of slate
Whose tribute moss and mold efface,
Sleeps the calm dust that made us great,
The true substratum of our race!

J. BUCHANAN in *Munsey*.

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THE DOOLITTLE FAMILY

PART III.

FIFTH GENERATION.

They were the fathers of the mighty West,
Their arduous labors Heaven above has blessed.
Before them fell the forest of the plain,
And peace and plenty followed in the train.—*ANON.*

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Philemon Doolittle (John, John, Abraham, Abraham) s. of John and Hannah (Royce) D. was b. at W. Sept. 1, 1738. He m. Jan. 5, 1757 Lydia Hall of W. where they settled. In 1771 they rem. to Blanford, Mass., thence to Western New York in 1795. Their first seven children were b. at W.

CHILDREN.

804. i. Phebe b. May 25, 1759, m. Orange Dean.
805. ii. Keziah b. Apr. 20, 1760. Her intent of m. to Nathan Paris was published at Montgomery, Mass., Nov. 13, 1781.
806. iii. Lydia b. Oct. 22, 1761, d. y.
807. iv. Hannah b. Mar. 2, 1763.
808. v. Patience b. Jan. 3, 1765; prob. the dau. who m. Mr. Holliday and res. in New Haven (near Oswego), N. Y.
809. vi. John Frederick b. Feb. 11, 1767.
810. vii. Rice b. Aug. 27, 1769.
811. viii. Jared b. Feb. 19, 1771.
812. ix. Jesse b. Sept. 25, 1778.
813. x. Rhoda d. y.

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Hannah Doolittle (John, John, Abraham, Abraham) dau. of John and Hannah (Royce) D. was b. May 12, 1744 at W. She was m. 1] Jan. 11, 1767 to Zophar s. of Daniel and Phebe (Beach) Tuttle (). He was b. at W. July 19, 1746. They moved to Vt. and later to Susquehanna Co. Pa. He d. there, and Hannah m. 2] Jonah (s. of Aaron) Blakeslee. They had 3 sons and perhaps other children from whom a large number of the name of Blakeslee in Western Pa. are descended.

CHILDREN, (1 M.)

814. i. Ezra Tuttle b. in W. Mar. 20, 1768; was taken to Vt. by his parents when quite young; m. June 1, 1787, Rebecca Thomas. In 1811 he rem. his family from Weathersfield, Vt., to Susquehanna Co., Pa., where he bought a farm of 300 acres for as many dollars. He was a carpenter, mill wright and farmer; constructed a large part of the Wilkes Barre turnpike; lived and d. highly respected. Ch.: (b. in Weathersfield, Vt.) Abiahar, Sylvia, Sabrina, Benoni, Betsy, Achannah, Myron.
815. ii. Abiahar Tuttle b. Aug. 29, 1769.
816. iii. John Tuttle lived and d. in Vt.

(2 M.)

817. iv. Benjamin Blakeslee.
818. v. Lymon Blakeslee.
819. vi. Zophar Blakeslee m. and raised a family. Ch.: James I., Sarah M. m. Asa Packer who was b. in Mystic, Ct., went to Pa. as a boy and became a carpenter's apprentice; afterward was connected with the Lehigh canal and interested in building canal boats; was widely known as a contractor and later as an extensive coal shipper from Mench Chunk where he res. in a beautiful home. In 1852 he alone began building the Lehigh Valley R. R., and though this venture put him heavily in debt, it ultimately made him the richest man in Pa. He was twice elected to Congress and served under Pierce's administration.

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Titus Doolittle (John, John, Abraham, Abraham) s. of John and Hannah (Royce) D. was b. at W. June 12, 1745. He m. Nov. 20, 1764 Mary dau. of Dr. Benj. Lewis of C. who was s. of Ebenezer and Esther (Matthews) L., gr.s. of Wm. and Mary (Hopkins) L., and gt. gr. s. of Wm. Lewis who came in the ship Lion in 1632 and settled in Farmington, Ct.

Titus and Mary rem. to Westfield, Mass. in 1771 with a young family and settled in that part which was set off into the town of Russell in 1792. He was a farmer and d. in R. Nov. 23, 1818, a. 73. He and his w.f. are both buried at R.

CHILDREN.

820. i. John b. Jan. 17, 1766, at W., d. in early life unm. In Oct. 1793 his bro. Joel was admr. of his est.
 821. ii. Elizabeth b. in 1767; m. Abraham Bradley.
 822. iii. Titus b. 1768.
 823. iv. Mary b. 1769; m. Noble Fowler.
 824. v. Joel b. Apr. 1773.
 825. vi. Amasa b. 1776.
 826. vii. Martin m. Solomon Gillet.
 827. viii. Mark b. Dec. 5, 1781.

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Obed Doolittle (Obed, John, Abraham, Abraham) s. of Obed and ——— D. prob. m. ——— Talmage,

CHILDREN.

828. i. Obed b. at Walcott, Ct., Mar. 3, 1764.
 829. ii. Jonathan b. in 1768.
 830. iii. Abraham (prob.) whose three children died at Water-town, Ct., between 1800 and 1807.

350.

Mehitable Doolittle (Hezekiah, Abraham, Abraham, Abra-

ham) dau. of Hezekiah and Hepzibah (Tyler) D. was b. at W. Feb. 28, 1738. When she was 12 years old the family rem. to Litchfield, Ct. and 7 years later on May 8, 1757 she was m. to Isaac Kilbourn of that place by Rev. Solomon Palmer, missionary. Isaac was b. in L. Jan. 16, 1737, s. of Abraham and Rebecca K. This Abraham and his cousin Capt. Joseph K. were eminent men in Conn. Isaac was a surveyor of highways. They settled at L. near her father's home. Her husband d. at L. in 1807. This family affords a remarkable instance of the facility with which brothers and sisters were sometimes lost to each other a hundred years ago. Of the 7 sons who lived to maturity each went forth to settle independent of the others, so that in 1848 when inquiry was made concerning them, their surviving sisters in L. knew not certainly the place of residence or fate of a single one of the number. All were b. in L.

CHILDREN (SEVERAL OTHERS D. Y.)

831. i. Abraham Kilbourn b. Nov. 15, 1759; rem. to Vt. in early life, where he m. Elizabeth Morraville; had 10 ch.: David, Truman, Hiram, Amos B., Alvenus, Alphonzo, John M., Mehitable, Martha, Martin. He d. in Poulney, Vt., in 1806.
832. ii. Ira Kilbourn b. Jan. 31, 1762; m. Thankful Benedict of Norfolk, Ct.; sett. at Orwell, Vt., where he d. in 1796 a. 34. His ch.: Ira, Marcus, James B.
833. iii. Anthony Kilbourn b. Mar. 17, 1764. He lived for a time at Castleton, Vt., and is said to have rem. to Canada.
834. iv. Rebecca Kilbourn b. Jan. 27, 1767; m. Joseph Westover of L. Sept., 1787, and had 4 co.: Marsha, Ira, Leman, Rebecca. In 1795 Rebecca (the wf.) d., and Joseph m. 2d in Sept., 1796, her sister Mehitable, (see below).
835. v. Nancy Kilbourn b. June 13, 1769; m. Capt. Philander Westover of L.