

and Beloit Ry. In June 1857 he went to Minn. and in May, 1858, he turned the first sod for a railroad in that state near the Catholic cemetery in St. Paul. From 1863 until 1870 he was chief engineer and superintendent of the construction dept. of the Chicago and St. Paul Ry. In 1871 he began his career as a contractor being appointed general manager of the Northwestern Construction Co., at that time engaged in building the Northern Pac. Ry. to Fargo. As a contractor Mr. Shepard built six hundred and seventy-five miles of the Canadian Pac. Ry., from Oak Lake to Calgary in 1882-3. In the year 1887 the company built eleven hundred and seventy-five miles of railroad, at an average rate of three and a quarter miles a day. Aug. 8, 1887, over eight miles of track were laid by the regular force. Mr. Shepard was living at St. Paul, Minn., in 1905.

Mrs. Frances (Alvord) Shepard, when a child, was adopted by Chauncey and Wealthy (Hitchcock) Parsons of Geneseo, N. Y. She had a cousin Miles Barnes at York, N. Y., also Dean relatives there. Mr. Shepard thinks her mother was a Dean.

1821. MARY ALVORD (*Milton, Bezaleel, Azariah, John, John, Thomas, Alexander*), born prob. Geneseo, N. Y.; married ———. Mr. Shepard says she lived and died in Michigan. (No further record could be secured.)

1825. HENRY SAUL ALVORD (*Hubbell Buell, Saul, Saul, Saul, John, Thomas, Alexander*), born Torrington, Conn., Dec. 18, 1861; married 1st Vineland, N. J., July 12, 1887, Hattie Maud Tinker daughter of William R. and Mary Ann (Harris) Tinker. She was born Ansonia, Conn., Oct. 28, 1865; died Vineland, N. J., Feb. 21, 1894. He married 2nd Vineland, N. J., June 18, 1896, Wirt Sutherland Brewer, daughter of Dr. Charles and Maria P. (Cooke) Brewer. She was born Vineland, N. J., Feb. 25, 1874. Res. Vineland, N. J., 1908. Children:

2697. Grace, b. Vineland, N. J., Jan. 16, 1889; d. July 16, 1890.

2698. Ruby Margaret, b. Vineland, N. J., Aug. 17, 1890.

2699. Dorothy Buell, b. Vineland, N. J., May 9, 1901.

2700. Henry Brewer, b. Vineland, N. J., July 16, 1904.

Henry Saul Alvord was admitted to the bar in June 1883, and has since been actively engaged in the practice of law in Vineland. Mrs. Alvord's father, Dr. Brewer, was surgeon in U. S. Army, and later resident physician of the N. J. State's Prison at Trenton. Her grandfather was Judge Nicholas Brewer of Annapolis, Md. Her maternal grandfather was Maj. Gen. Philip S. Cooke, U. S. A.