

and the Wid^o Mary Goldthwait to sweep the meeting house this year." For the next five years it continued to be voted that she should "ring the bell and sweep the meeting house this year," after which, in March, 1763, Joseph Stacey was again appointed sexton. Whether the widow had then died, or removed with the son, Thomas, who went to Springfield in 1762, does not appear. The names of Thomas Goldthwaite's children, as here given, are from the old record of 1829, made out with the assistance of Mr. Erastus Goldthwaite, son of Thomas, Jr. Which, if any, of these children are by Eunice Flint, is not known. Children :

- 71 + THOMAS^s, b. —, 1738 ; m. Lucy Flint and Lois Stebbins.
 72 EUNICE, b. —, — ; m. Isaac Buffum.*
 73 + WILLIAM, b. —, 1743 (?) ; m. Abigail King.
 74 + JAMES, b. —, 1746 ; m. Hannah Whittemore.
 75 ELIJAH, b. probably 1749 ; "prest into British navy" is the account of him in the old record. The tradition regarding him, handed down among the descendants of his brother William in Peabody, is that he was eating dinner with the family in their house, which stood on the corner of the present Main and Holton streets in that town, when a press gang entered and carried him off, never to be again seen or heard from by his friends. He must have been then a youth, under age, since he never appeared in the parish tax-lists. Each of his three brothers, who had sons, named one of them after him, showing the deep impression his fate made on his family.
 76 + BENJAMIN, b. —, 1752 ; m. Sarah Gowing.
 77 AARON, b. —, 1755 ; "died at sea." He was baptized† at South Danvers, Aug. 5, 1759. "Guardianship of Aaron Goldthwait, a minor aged sixteen years, and son of Thomas Goldthwait, late of Danvers, deceased, was granted to Nath'l Felton, who gave bond with John Proctor Jun^r and Joseph Ross as sureties for his faithful discharge of that trust. This twelfth day of Aug^t A. D. 1771. (Signed) Nath'l Roper." (Prob. Rec., Salem.)

* Isaac Buffum and Eunice Goldthwait married 12th month, 25th, 1766. This is from a collection of Quaker marriage certificates presented to the Lynn Hist. Soc. by Mr. Charles Buffum. There were a number of Quaker families in South Danvers, and seven out of these 27 certificates relate to Buffums. Eunice, named probably from her father's first wife, cannot well belong to any other family.

† He is erroneously recorded as "son to *Elizabeth* Goldthwait, widow."