

at the bottom, and twenty inches square near the top, from which it tapers to a point, and towers thirty-one feet above the plinth. The whole structure stands forty-six feet high.

The inscriptions are as follows: On the west face of the second base is "DEARBORN," in heavy raised letters; on the north face of the die, "Ancestor of the Dearborn family in America, who emigrated from Exeter, England, to Exeter, N. H., in 1639, settled in Hampton in 1650, and died in 1686;" on the west face of the die, "Erected 1890, by Joseph Frederic Dearborn, son of Jonathan and Sarah Towle Dearborn, in memory of Godfrey Dearborn;" on the south face, "Joseph Frederic Dearborn, born May 14th, 1817; died March 15th, 1889." On the four sides of the lower margin of the cap are the mottoes: "First the useful, then the ornamental;" "Trust few, deceive none;" "Be resolute and persevere;" "Do right and fear not." On the four sides of the plinth are the words "Temperance," "Economy," "Truth," "Industry."

This solid memorial of the sturdy forefather of a numerous posterity, scattered throughout the United States, was unveiled with appropriate ceremonies, on the 20th of June, 1891. After dinner at the hotel, given to a large number of invited guests, by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Currier, the ceremonies at the monument were placed in the hands of Mr. G. H. Dearborn, of Melrose. Very appropriately, the act of unveiling was performed by Mrs. Currier, in that supreme moment when she saw the purpose of years accomplished, in the stately monument towering high above the assembled throng and overlooking the village and cultivated fields, beautiful in their June freshness, that could have had no being but for the brave daring and self denying toil of those early years commemorated.

The president, Mr. G. H. Dearborn, sketched the lives of Godfrey Dearborn, the ancestor, and Joseph F. Dearborn, the donor of the monument. Addresses were made also by Dr. J. W. Dearborn, of Parsonsfield, Me., Hon. Sylvester Dana, of Concord, Hon. N. C. Berry of Boston and Charles M. Lamprey, Esq., of Hampton. And the elements of prayer and song carried all hearts heaven-ward, whither the tall shaft silently points.

XXXIV. JOHN DEARBORN, Colonel, son of Simon (26), married Dec. 16, 1816, Sarah, daughter of Capt. Thomas Ward (6); lived at Captain Ward's, where Mrs. Dorothy Ward now lives; was a carpenter, surveyor, teacher; was killed by a fall from a building, in Lynn.

Children: