

In 1790 Eleazer Alvord was living at Lanesboro, Mass., in 1804 at Stephentown, N. Y.

Statement by Eleazer Alvord to Sylvester Judd in 1835:

"When seventeen years old weighed the wife of Ithamar Strong, 210 lbs.; Jemima Lyman, aged eighteen, daughter of William, 220, Deborah Marshall, wife of Samuel, 215; Mary, wife of Elisha Alvord, 212. His grandmother Hamilton died at his father's. His g. f. b. died in Blandford. They came from Scotland, settled first in another place, east. Elisha Alvord removed from Saul Alvord place, he says in 1766 in the spring when he was forty-seven years old. Removed the old saddler's shop and traded in it. He lived in the house that had been Elisha Pomeroy's. It was a gambrel roof, one and one-half story, had one or more upright windows in the roof. Gurnsey owned the property. His silver-smith shop was in the upper story a little room with a window in the roof. Gurnsey died in 1767. Alvord says he went to school in old brick school house. It fronted down-hill or north-easterly. Two rooms, one on each side of chimney and front entry. Learned to read and write, had Dilworth Spelling Book, Psalter and Bible, nothing else. He went from the English to the grammar school, thinks about the same was taught in both schools, except that there were three or four Latin scholars in the grammar school. Has no recollection of anyone studying grammar or arithmetic. Says Elisha Pomeroy was the means of Eleazer Burt's failure. Pomeroy reported in Boston that Burt was running wild and extravagant. Creditors struck upon him. The timber was sold at auction and Pomeroy bought it and built with it the great house on his lot. He died soon after and was insolvent or pretty near it. Large debts came out from England—some thought to be unjust."

Second statement by Eleazer Alvord to Sylvester Judd. Not dated:

"Old home-lot on meeting-hill. Saul Alvord sold this to Elisha Alvord and removed to Bolton about 1762 or 3. The old house stood N. W. of the old well (now remaining) and had a small door-yard before it. The well was near the front fence and southerly of the house—not in front of the house. The front door of the house was directly opposite to the front or end door of the porch of the old meeting-house or opposite the middle of the steeple. The front or south fence ran from the corner a little east of the well, nearly straight to the west corner, about two rods from Samuel King's fence. This last corner was where the cellar of Whitney's store now is. The line of this fence struck King's fence a little north of King's well (now in W's cellar), and King's house was, the whole of it, north of this line. King's well was close to the fence, could draw water and stand in the street. The house two or three rods north of the well. The road between Samuel King's home-lot and Saul Alvord's was about two rods wide. The east end of Saul Alvord's lot went down near the elm trees—perhaps between them. The north end of the lot was somewhat circular. Saul Alvord's shop was on the east line and a few rods below the well. The lean was on the west line or near it, not at the corner but below it. There was a garden at the corner. The barn was sold to Abner Lyman—about forty feet long. The