

## FRANCIS WEEKES,

OF OYSTER BAY, L. I.,

In reasonable probability, a brother of GEORGE, of Dorchester, and of THOMAS, of Huntington, came from England in the same year with them—1635, and located at Salem, Mass. Sympathizing with Roger Williams, he went to Providence in 1636, being then about twenty years of age,\* where he married Elizabeth Luther. He held the office of secretary of the colony. After 1641, he removed to New York, where three of his children were born. A plantation lot in Gravesend, L. I., was granted him, Aug. 10, 1648. In 1650, he was in Oyster Bay, L. I., and became a joint proprietor. He had children—Samuel, Joseph, John, Thomas, James, Elizabeth (m. Nicholas Simkins), Ann (m. Joseph Carpenter), Daniel: the names of five sons appear among the purchasers of additional lands from the Indians in 1685. His will (now in possession of John A. Weekes, Esq., a descendant, who owns the old homestead) is dated June 25, 1687. His descendants are numerous on Long Island, in New York City, and along the lower Hudson, with some in Connecticut and southern New Jersey. Some retain the old form of name—WEEKES, though the majority use the shorter form. The name is spelled in a variety of ways in the public records—Weekes, Weeks, Wicks, Wickes, and Wyckes; consequently the form of name cannot be depended on as proving the family connection.

SAMUEL m. a d. of Henry Rudick; had d. Elizabeth, who m. Thomas Youngs.

JOSEPH m. Elizabeth, d. of Henry Rudick; had a large family—among them, Henry, Jacob, Abraham, Silas, John, Charles, Joseph, Micah, Abigail (m. — Dodge). He r. to Matinecock. Will dated 1754.

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\* See Arnold's History of Rhode Island, p. 103.