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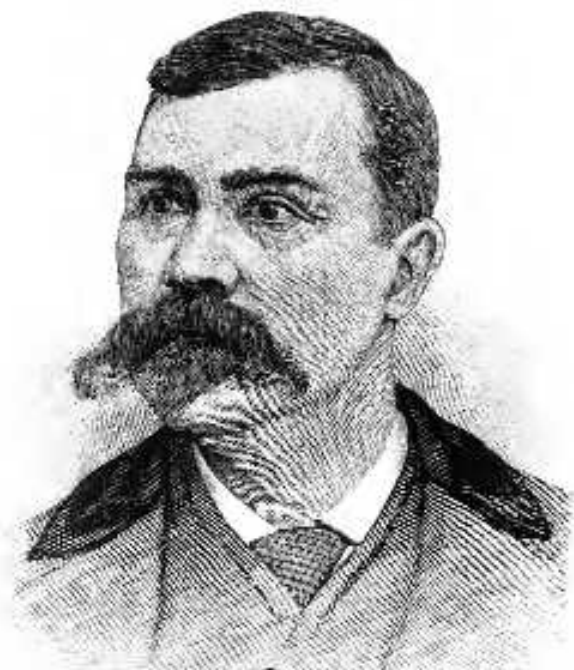
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WITH SKETCHES OF DISTINGUISHED PERSONS OF THE NAME,
ORIGIN OF THE NAME, EARLY SETTLERS OF THE NAME
IN AMERICA, SETTLEMENT OF IPSWICH, MASSA-
CHUSETTS; LOVELL, MAINE; APPENDIX.

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AUDUBON, IOWA.
WILLIAM E. BRINKERHOFF.
1890.

INTRODUCTION.

The researches for this work have extended over a period of more than twenty years, conducted under diverse circumstances; one of which has been remoteness from the old family homes, in Massachusetts and Maine, where the records and information necessary for the history were to be principally found. The writer has never had the pleasure to visit Ipswich, Massachusetts, the cradle of the family in America; had this privilege been accorded, no doubt this book would have been more full, complete and accurate; but his investigations have been conducted largely through an extensive correspondence; with the inspection of such books and copies of records as could be secured; aided by the testimony of living witnesses.

About the year 1867, he procured from his grandfather, Isaac S. Andrews, then 79 years old, a man of remarkable memory, who was well acquainted with his kinsmen in Massachusetts and Maine, an account of the family history, as far back as his grandfather, Solomon Andrews. Except for this information, so timely preserved, it would have been more difficult to connect the relationship back to the first settlers, and perhaps this book would never have been written.

The identification of members of the family by a living witness, back to about the year 1750, has been of priceless value in establishing the Family Genealogy.

Until within the last few years, little has been published on this branch of the family. No connected Genealogy of this family has been published prior to this work.

The Andrews Memorial, published in 1872, barely mentions Robert Andros, of Ipswich, 1635, and his children.

General Christopher C. Andrews, of St. Paul, has published some disconnected extracts from the records of Ipswich and Salem, in the *Maine Historical and Genealogical Recorder* in 1886-8. The writer had never seen these papers until 1889, but had procured similar information from the same records, though not so full.

We desire to acknowledge valuable assistance, by information furnished for this work: by General C. C. Andrews, above; S. M. Watson, Esq., editor of the *Maine Historical and Genealogical Recorder*, of Portland, Maine; from the Abraham Hammett Papers; the Ipswich Antiquarian Papers, by Augustine Caldwell, Esq., and Arthur C. Dow, Esq., of Ipswich; the Andrews Memorial, by Rev. Alfred Andrews; Savage's *Genealogical Dictionary*; the *Stearns Genealogy*; by Dr. Solomon S. Stearns, of Washington D. C.; the Amos Otis Papers; the *Portland Transcript*; and from the many friends who have kindly furnished family records, etc.

It is with hesitation that we present these pages to our kinsfolks, not unmindful that they probably contain some unavoidable errors, and other imperfections.

It has been prepared chiefly during the hours taken from busy professional cares and duties.

We trust it will assist in preserving and perpetuating the history of Robert Andrews and his descendants, and make the family better acquainted, one with the other: hoping that other hands may improve and complete what is here presented.

The writer has acquired many pleasant acquaintances during the preparation of the history, and now submits the results of his labors for the favorable inspection of the family.

With kindest regards,

H. F. ANDREWS.

AUDUBON, IOWA, November, 1890.

ORIGIN OF THE NAME.

Andrews is a Christian name. The English word *Andrew*, and its equivalents in other languages has been used as a name for members of the human family from the time of remote antiquity.

The Greek word *Ανδρ.* pronounced with the long sound of the last *a*, *Ανδρ.* signifies *a man*, in the most comprehensive sense.

The Latin word *Andreas*, signifies *a man*, or *manly*, or *like a man*;

The English word *Andrew* means the same.

It was the name of the first disciple of Jesus. One commentator suggests, that probably the apostle had also a Hebrew name, and that the name *Andrew* was given to characterize his manly spirit, as his brother, whose Hebrew name was Simon, was called Peter, the rock. Perhaps this was about the earliest use to be found in history, of the word as the name of an individual. Because of the fact that it was the name of so distinguished and illustrious a personage in the annals of Christian history, it is not improbable, but quite natural for the believers and followers of Christ and his apostles to adopt and continue this name; the same as at present people name their children after noted and illustrious persons. The home of Andrew was at Bethsaida, in Gallilee, then a Roman province.

It is supposed that after the Crucifixion, this apostle preached in Scythia, Greece and Epirus, and finally suffered martyrdom at Patre in Achaia, A. D. 62 or 70, on a cross called *St. Andrew's Cross*, formed thus: ×

St. Andrew, is the patron Saint of Scotland, and is also held in great veneration in Russia as the apostle who according to tradition first preached Christianity in that country. In both countries there is an order of Knighthood named in his honor.

If these traditions are based upon facts, there were opportunities to spread and perpetuate the name. Communication between the Jewish provinces and Rome, at that period, would naturally take the name to the latter place; and it would become coined into the Latin language; even if it had not been already borrowed from the Greek; just as we coin new words into our language to-day. Names or nouns are words most readily borrowed.

It was the most natural thing for the early Christians to preserve the names of their saints; their first teachers and preachers; their authorities in doctrinal matter; they were land marks, so to speak.

There are no requirements more firmly impressed upon the different races of people, than their religious customs and usages.

It may have been considered a mark of distinction to bear the name of a martyred Christian. It may have been regarded a duty by the Church to perpetuate the names of its saints and martyrs, by bestowing them upon living individuals. The signification of the name itself, alone, renders it peculiarly appropriate as a name for man. When the name became established once as a familiar one with the Romans, it naturally spread through Christendom, to every place where the Roman arms were victorious; or where the Christian religion was established, and so we find it all over Europe; Andrea in Italy; Andreas in Germany; Andre and Andrieux in France; Andres in Spain; and Andrew with its various terminations and corruptions in England.

In England it is a very old as well as common name; probably carried there by the Romans. Five hundred years of Roman rule was sufficient to permanently fix the name there.

The English books on Heraldry give a full description of many *Coats of Arms* of the different branches of the family.

Like many other old English names, the orthography has

been corrupted; there are various terminations which have as little signification as the *Coats of Arms*; the name is spelled variously, thus: Andrew, Andrews, Andrewes, Andros, Andross, Andrus, Andruss, Andras, Anders, Androse, Androwes, Androuse, Andores, &c., &c.

Antiquaries give little heed to the mere spelling of names; either by living individuals or as found in records; as evidence of relationship; other tests must be considered.

It is not uncommon to find known relatives at the present time who spell their names differently; Two hundred years ago and prior to that time there were no standards for English orthography; the people spelled very carelessly, each to please his fancy, any way and every way; many were then unable to read or write at all and trusted such matters to public scribes and to the parish officials; one clerk would spell the name in his peculiar manner, while the clerk in a neighboring town spelled it differently; long continuance in the same place by the same family, tended to the adoption of a form of the name peculiar to a given family of relatives, while the separation of relatives, exhibited frequently, a marked difference in the name.

In such ways the forms of the name have multiplied. It is a wonder that our names have been so well preserved.