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BOSTON, MASS., 1902. THIS publication is issued under the authority of a vote passed by the NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, 6 November, 1901, as follows:

Voted: That the sum of \$20,000, from the bequest of the late Robert Henry Eddy, be set aside as a special fund to be called the Eddy Town-Record Fund, for the sole purpose of publishing the Vital Records of the towns of Massachusetts, and that the Council be authorized and instructed to make such arrangements as may be necessary for such publication. And the treasurer is hereby instructed to honor such drafts as shall be authorized by the Council for this purpose.

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Standope Press P. B. GILSON COMPANY BOSTON. U.S. A. THE TOWN OF ALFORD, Berkshire County, was established as the District of Alford, February 16, 1773, from a part of Great Barrington and certain common lands.

August 23, 1775, the District of Alford was made a town by general act.

February 11, 1779, a part of Great Barrington was annexed to Alford.

February 6, 1790, the bounds between Alford and Egremont were established.

February 18, 1819, a part of Great Barrington was annexed to Alford.

March 17, 1847, a part of West Stockbridge was annexed to Alford.

Population by Census: 1776 (Prov.), 298; 1790 (U. S.), 577; 1800 (U. S.), 518; 1810 (U. S.), 522; 1820 (U. S.), 570; 1830 (U. S.) 512; 1840 (U. S.), 481; 1850 (U. S.), 502; 1855 (State), 526; 1860 (U. S.), 542; 1865 (State), 461; 1870 (U. S.), 430; 1875 (State), 389; 1880 (U. S.), 348; 1885 (State), 341; 1890 (U. S.), 297; 1895 (State), 280; 1900 (U. S.), 272.

#### EXPLANATIONS.

- 1. WHEN places other than Alford and Massachusetts are named in the original records, they are given in the printed copy.
  - 2. In all records the original spelling is followed.
- The various spellings of a name should be examined, as items about the same family or individual might be found under different spellings.
- 4. Marriages and intentions of marriages are printed under the names of both parties, but the full information concerning each party is given only in the entry under his or her name. When both the marriage and intention of marriage are recorded, only the marriage record is printed; and where a marriage appears without the intention recorded, it is designated with an asterisk.
- 5. Additional information which does not appear in the original text of an item, i.e., any explanation, query, inference, or difference shown in other entries of the record, is bracketed. Parentheses are used only when they occur in the original text, or to separate clauses found there—such as the birth-place of parents, in late marriage records.

### ABBREVIATIONS.

a. — age

*b.* — born

ch. — child

chn. — children

Co. - county

d. - daughter; died; day

Dea. — deacon

dup. — duplicate entry

f. — female

h. - husband

inf. — infant

int. - publishment of intention of marriage

Jr. — junior

m. - married; male; month

prob. - probably

rec. - recorded

s. — son

Sr. — senior

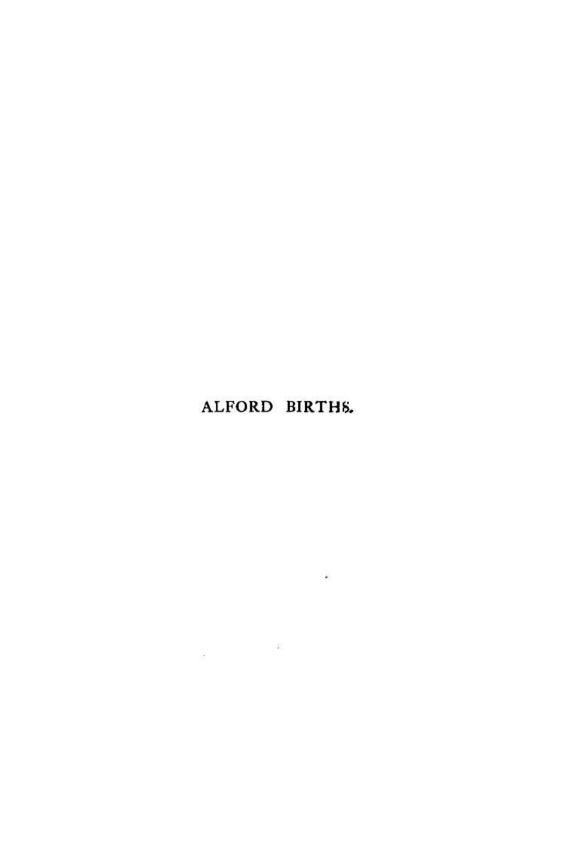
w. — wife; week

wid. - widow

widr. - widower

y. — year

2d. — second



### ALFORD BIRTHS.

TO THE YEAR 1850.

ADAMS, Abner, ch. John and [w.], Mar. 10, 1772. Fanna, ch. John Jr. and Aner, Nov. 3, 1785. Henry, ch. John Jr. and Aner, June 24, 1784. Huldah, ch. John and [w.], Jan. 28, 1780. Joseph, ch. John and [w.], Oct. 4, 1775. Laura, ch. John Jr. and Aner, Dec. 14, 1780. Lucy, ch. John and [w.], Dec. 9, 1777. Mary, ch. John and [w.], May 15, 1768. Ruth, ch. John and [w.], Feb. 16, 1770. Sabra, ch. John Jr. and Aner, Aug. 12, 1782.

BARITT (see Barret, Barritt), David, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, Aug. 9, 1773.

BARNES, James William, s. Timothy (b. Gt. Barrington) and Rhoda (b. Tyringham), June 27, 1849. Mary J., d. Timothy and Rhoda L., Feb. 14, 1847.

BARNUM, chn. Dr. Forward [none rec.]. Melinda, d. La Fayette and Caroline, May 11, 1844.

BARRET (see Baritt, Barritt), Emma Delia, ch. Daniel and Cornelia, Mar. 22, 1808. Lawrence, ch. Daniel and Cornelia, Sept. 15, 1806. Maryan, ch. Daniel and Cornelia, Jan. 1, 1804. Timothy, ch. Daniel and Cornelia, Apr. 29, 1805.

BARRITT (see Baritt, Barret), Daniel, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, June 27, 1778. Estir, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, Dec. 3, 1779. Izael, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, May 20, 1776.

Izael, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, May 20, 1776. Marry, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, July 8, 1767. Midan, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, Sept. 27, 1769. Sally, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, Dec. 29, 1771. Wait, ch. Eleazer Jr. and Sarah, Apr. 28, 1764.

