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TO MY DAUGHTER

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THROUGH WHOSE FONDNESS FOR HISTORICAL
RESEARCH I WAS LED TO PREPARE
THIS VOLUME IT IS RESPECT-
FULLY DEDICATED
BY

HER LOVING FATHER

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PREFACE.

In the year 1900 the author became interested in the history of his own ancestry and, visiting the Public Library in Boston, was surprised to find how largely they had contributed to the pioneer work in Connecticut and especially in the founding of New Haven Colony. The accumulation of such material, during the last four years, has led to the conviction that it should be preserved in some enduring form and so arranged as to be of historical value not only to members of the Brockett family but to the general public.

He sought long for some one to engage in such an undertaking, failing to find any one willing to assume so great an expense, or engage in work requiring so much of time, travel, and correspondence, he reluctantly undertook the work himself, believing as Frederick Douglas once said, that "We owe it to the generations that go before us, and to those which come after us, to perpetuate the memory and example of those who in a signal manner made themselves serviceable to humanity."

The author of the "Doolittle Family in America" has happily expressed his view of genealogical work as follows:

"With the passing years distance seems to lend an enchantment to our view of the olden time, and year by year we gain a more appreciative glimpse of that wondrous fabric into whose warp and woof our forefathers wove their lives. Pride in ancestry may be a form of vanity, but on the authority of a well known writer, 'It is an impersonal sort of failing, which, like to the excessive love of country, leans virtueward,' for the man who fears to disgrace his ancestors is certainly less likely to disgrace himself."

This generation, more than any other, is looking up from the crowding cares of business to catch an inspiration from the characters of those who laid the foundation of this, the most glorious nation of all times.

That it is a highly coveted privilege to number one's ancestors among the fathers of the Republic, the large membership in numerous patriotic societies, as well as the recent publications of many family histories will testify.

In sending forth this work, which has cost me so much of time and labor during the last four years, I wish to acknowledge to the fullest extent my obligations to Mr. John B. Koetteritz of Little Falls, N. Y., who kindly prepared the history of the descendants of Amos Brockett from 1757 to the present time; to Mr. Charles A. Brockett of Kansas City, who has spent much of time and money in tracing the English history; to Mr. Francis E. Brockett of East Orange, who aided me greatly in conducting the immense correspondence requisite in its preparation; to Mr. Sheldon B. Thorpe of North Haven for access to his extensive manuscripts relating to the settlers in North Haven; and for valuable information kindly furnished by Mrs. D. M. Wells of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. J. R. Holley and Mrs. B. F. Judd of Bristol, Conn.; Mrs. Mary B. Fenton of Atwater, Ohio; Mr. Thomas Brockett of Fargo, North Dakota; Mr. Frank S. Brockett of Parkersburg, W. Va., and Mr. A. C. Bates of the Connecticut Historical Society at Hartford.

The arrangement, which is substantially that recommended by the New England Historic-Genealogical Society, is simple, and possesses many advantages to the general reader.

Every person of direct descent, whether male or female, has a consecutive number, which can be ascertained by consulting the alphabetical index.

Where a cross (+) appears before that number it shows that a more extended sketch of that person will appear further on, under the same number in large black figures.

Grandchildren will appear with alphabetical prefixes in parenthesis, thus (a), (b). Great-grandchildren in Roman numbers (i.) (ii.) (iv.).

Names received too late to receive their appropriate consecutive number will appear with alphabetical suffices, thus 959a, 959b, 959c.

In giving an equal prominence to the daughters as well as