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## PREFATORY NOTE.

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THE following address was prepared for, and delivered on September 7th, 1886, at a clam-bake and reunion of upwards of three hundred citizens and friends upon Mill Island, at Bluehill Falls, where the settlement of the town of Bluehill, Maine, was begun April 7th, 1762.

In its preparation much time was expended, and many authorities were consulted, that it might be made worthy of the occasion ; but no thought was given to the subject of its publication. Those who listened to it deemed it worthy of publication and preservation for the benefit of the youth of the town and vicinity, as well as for others interested in historical data ; the request was made and acceded to, that the address should be printed by, and sold in aid of, the Ladies' Social Library of Bluehill, thereby contributing whatever might remain above the cost of publication to a needy and meritorious object.

The author acknowledges his indebtedness for facts mentioned in the address to the Town Records ; the " Record " of Rev. Jonathan Fisher ; the Church Records ; the address of B. W. Hinckley, Esq., at the Centennial Anniversary of the Town's Settlement ; the address of Rev. Stephen Thurston, at the Centennial Anniversary of the gathering of the Congregational Church ; the New England Historic Genealogical Register ; W. B. Sprague's Annals of the American Pulpit ; John F. Pratt, M. D. of Chelsea, Mass. ; contributions to the *Ellsworth American* newspaper, from papers in the Massachusetts Secretary of State's Office ; Diary of Jonathan Darling, as



quoted by Rev. Mr. Fisher; to Miss Abby L. Pierce, of Brookline, Mass.; to the late R. G. W. Dodge, Esq., of Bluehill; and to various other persons held in remembrance, but not mentioned here.

To the gentlemen who composed the Committee of Arrangements for the reunion and clam-bake, and to whose endeavors the pleasure and success of the occasion were largely due, the author confesses his own indebtedness, and all who were present must acknowledge theirs, and give them words of hearty commendation and praise for the success of the undertaking.

And now for this pamphlet which the author has taken much interest in writing — while he claims for it no merit as a literary production — he asks a kindly reception by an indulgent public for the facts it contains, and for the object in aid of which it is published.

R. G. F. CANDAGE.

*Brookline, Mass.,*  
October 21st, 1886.

# Order of Exercises

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DINNER.

BASKET PICNIC.

BAKED CLAMS.

GREEN CORN.

COFFEE.

GROUP PHOTOGRAPHED.

**Singing.**

"AULD LANG SYNE."

By the Assembly, led by CHARLES C. CLOUGH, Esq.

**Address.**

By R. G. F. CANDAGE, Esq., of Brookline, Mass.

A Native of Bluehill.

**Singing.**

"MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE."

By the Assembly.

**Benediction.**

By the REV. L. S. TRIPP.

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