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THE TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN, Berkshire County, was established June 21, 1765, from the plantation called West Hoosuck.

April 9, 1838, certain unincorporated lands were annexed to Williamstown.

Population by Census: 1765 (Prov.), 1083 ;
1776 (Prov.), 1083 ; 1790 (U.S.), 1769 ;
1800 (U.S.), 2086 ; 1810 (U.S.), 1843 ;
1820 (U.S.), 2010 ; 1830 (U.S.), 2134 ;
1840 (U.S.), 2153 ; 1850 (U.S.), 2626 ;
1855 (State), 2529 ; 1860 (U.S.), 2611 ;
1865 (State), 2555 ; 1870 (U.S.), 3559 ;
1875 (State), 3683 ; 1880 (U.S.), 3394 ;
1885 (State), 3729 ; 1890 (U.S.), 4221 ;
1895 (State), 4887 ; 1900 (U.S.), 5013 .

EXPLANATIONS.

1. WHEN places other than Williamstown and Massachusetts are named in the original records, they are given in the printed copy. The vital records of Williamstown are imperfect.

2. In all records the original spelling is followed.

3. 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. 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 birthplace of parents, in late marriage records.

ABBREVIATIONS.

- a.* — age
abt. — about
b. — born
ch. — child
chn. — children
Co. — county
C.R. — church record, Baptist
d. — daughter ; died ; day
Dea. — deacon
dup. — duplicate entry
G.R.1. — gravestone record, West Cemetery
G.R.2. — gravestone record, College Cemetery
G.R.3. — gravestone record, East Lawn Cemetery
G.R.4. — gravestone record, Oak Hill Burying Ground
G.R.5. — gravestone record, Hopper Burying Ground
G.R.6. — gravestone record, Comstock Burying Ground
G.R.7. — gravestone record, Sweet Burying Ground
G.R.8. — gravestone record, South Williamstown Cemetery
h. — husband
hrs. — hours
inf. — infant
int. — publishment of intention of marriage
Jr. — junior
m. — married ; month
prob. — probably
rec. — recorded
s. — son

Sr. — senior

w. — wife ; week

wid. — widow

widr. — widower

y. — year

1st. — first

2d. — second

3d. — third

WILLIAMSTOWN BIRTHS.

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