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## P R E F A C E .

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This record is nearly complete; and I have sought to make it entirely accurate. In a very few cases I have failed to find records of the children of Baldwin women; and in one case, that of 189 Samuel Ziba Baldwin, a Baldwin family record is missing. This record of descendants of John Baldwin of Stonington, has not been made without a considerable expenditure of time and money. It is not very extensive, but the families collected in it are scattered through every part of the country, and were not easily found. Not many of his descendants are now left in Stonington, although it is only within the last hundred years, or since the close of the revolutionary war, that they began to emigrate. Jonathan Baldwin, son of 38 Sylvester, appears to have been the first to leave the town. I have done this work, not for profit, but because I thought it should be done, and found nobody else willing to undertake it. I hope that some of those connected with the race will find it useful.

ABBREVIATIONS.

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b. means born.  
bapt. " baptized.  
m. " married.  
d. " died.  
dau. " daughter.



# BALDWIN GENEALOGIES.

## CHAPTER FIRST.

### THE FIRST AMERICAN BALDWINS.

The Baldwins who came to America, in the early colony times, and remained here, were as follows:

1. SYLVESTER BALDWIN'S FAMILY, who settled in New Haven, in 1638, and were afterwards of Milford, Conn. Sylvester died on the passage from England, leaving a widow, two sons, and four daughters. The sons were Richard, about 16 years old, and John, about 3 years old. He left a large estate.

2. JOSEPH BALDWIN, of Milford, Conn., in 1638, and, after 1663, of Hadley, Mass., where he died Nov. 2, 1684. Some of his children and grand children settled in Newark, N. J. The others settled in Hadley, Malden, Charlton and other towns of Massachusetts.

3. NATHANIEL BALDWIN, of Milford, Conn., in 1638 and later; afterwards of Fairfield, Conn. He has many descendants. His son John settled in Newark, N. J., where he was known as "John Baldwin, Jr." Hon. H. P. Baldwin, of Michigan, Ex-Governor, now U. S. Senator, is one of the descendants of this Newark "John, Jr."

4. TIMOTHY BALDWIN, of Milford, Conn., in 1638, and after. He has no descendant who bears the family name.

5. JOHN BALDWIN, SENIOR, of Milford, Conn., in 1638, and after. He had two wives and fifteen children, and died in Milford, June 21, 1681. His son John settled in Newark, N. J., where he was known as "John Baldwin, Sen'r;" and among his descendants are the Virginia Baldwins.

6. JOHN BALDWIN, known as John Baldwin of Norwich, came to America in 1638, in the family of Sylvester Baldwin, being then 6 or 7 years old. In 1653, he went from Milford to Guilford, Conn., where he married Hannah Birchard. In 1662, he settled in Norwich, Conn., where he died. Among his many descendants, was Hon. Roger S. Baldwin, of Conn.

7. HENRY BALDWIN, of Woburn, Mass. He was there in 1650. His wife was Phebe Richardson, and his oldest child was born in 1651. He was a deacon. He has many descendants.

8. JOHN BALDWIN of Billerica, Mass. He seems to have been a relative of Henry of Woburn. His wife was Mary Richardson. They came to Boston in the Speedwell, in 1656, and the entry of their arrival says: "John Baldwin aged 21, and Mary Baldwin aged 20." In Billerica, lands were granted to them in 1657. They had three sons and three daughters. The sons settled in Billerica and left descendants there.

9. THE BOWDOINS belong to this list. They were Huguenots and came from France, where Baudin, Boudin, and Boudoin, are merely French forms of the name Baldwin, the French having no *w* in their alphabet. The name went to France from Germany, in proper form, but was changed. Here it was altered from the Frenchified Boudoin to Bowdoin.

OTHER BALDWINS arrived here, but did not remain. There was, among these transient Baldwins, a Henry

Baldwin at Portsmouth, N. H., in 1631; there were, also, a John Baldwin who arrived in Virginia, but left immediately for Barbadoes; and a John Baldwin at Woburn, Mass., who was one of the "petitioners for Chelmsford," in 1653, but who disappeared, and is not heard of again in the records. He seems to have returned to England. I suppose him to have been one of the two boys who arrived in the "Pied Cow," in 1635, in charge of Wm. Harrison, and were described as follows: "John Baldwin aged 13, and William Baldwin aged 9." My supposition is, that William died young, and that John, after being at Woburn, returned to England, to inherit property, or for some other reason.

A RICHARD BALDWIN was at Mount Wollaston, Braintree, in 1637, and earlier, who had with him a marriageable daughter named Jane. This was not Sylvester's son Richard, who was born in 1622. He appears to have been a relative of Sylvester's father. This Richard Baldwin did not remain in Braintree. He was not there in 1640, when the town was organized; and no Baldwin appears in the records of that town during the next hundred years. There are reasons for supposing that he returned to Aston-Clinton, where he had lived before coming to America. He had there a wife Phillippa; and the baptisms of four of their children are recorded in Aston-Clinton thus:

1. REBECCA, baptized in 1611.
2. JOHN, bapt. Feb. 15, 1614.
3. JANE, bapt. in 1618.
4. HENRY, " Feb. 8, 1623.

It has been conjectured that the son John was John, Sen'r of Milford, and that the son Henry was Henry of Woburn; but this conjecture, although not improbable, lacks the support of record evidence.