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THE list of **Petersham** Births, Marriages and Deaths comprised in this volume includes all found in the Town Books covering the period from the earliest date there recorded to the end of the year 1849. Some additions and corrections have been made from other sources, these being indicated in each instance by proper reference.

All of the records are condensed in print as much as is consistent with intelligibility, accuracy, and completeness of information. Differences in duplicates, and explanatory or other matter which seemed necessary or desirable, appear in brackets.

Marriages and intentions of marriage are printed under the names of both parties, but the full information concerning each person is given only under his or her name. An asterisk after a marriage indicates that the intention was not found recorded, and in many cases this is accounted for by the fact that neither party belonged in **Petersham**, and consequently publication was made elsewhere.

The double date is used in the months of January, February and March prior to 1752 only when it so appears in the original, and instances of the modern form after 1725 are not uncommon.

When places other than **Petersham** and **Massachusetts** are named in the original records, they are given in the printed copy.

ABBREVIATIONS.

- a.* — age
abt. — about
b. — born
ch. — child
chn. — children
co. — county
C.R. — church record
d. — daughter; day; died
Dea. — deacon
D.R. — death record
dup. — duplicate entry
f. — female
G.S. — gravestone record
h. — husband
inf. — infant
int. — publishment of intention of marriage
Jr. — junior
m. — male; married; month
P.R. — private record
rec. — recorded
s. — son
Sr. — senior
w. — wife
wid. — widow
widr. — widower
y. — year
2d. — second
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Petersham.

THIS township was an original grant made by the General Court in 1732, as a compensation to certain soldiers in the Indian wars. The place was called Nichewaug until the town was incorporated in 1754. In 1801 the town of Dana was formed of parts of Greenwich, Hardwick and Petersham, and in 1842 another portion of Petersham was annexed to Dana.

Population at different periods: 1765, 707; 1790, 1,560; 1800, 1,794; 1810, 1,490; 1820, 1,623; 1830, 1,696; 1840, 1,775; 1850, 1,543.

Population in 1900, 853.

Number of Births printed	1,975	
Marriages	1,572 =	3,144 names
Deaths	744	
	<u>5,863</u>	total

- GALLOND, Elmira Adeline, d. George B. and Adeline, Oct. 27, 1849.
 George Babbit, s. Jeremiah and Dorcas, June 27, 1824.
 Hariot, d. Jeremiah and Dorcas, Jan. 26, 1802.
 Irana (see under Goddard).
 John, Aug. 28, 1780. [Perhaps same as John Galland above.]
 John Homer, s. John L. and Nancy, April 18, 1831.
 John Lysander, s. John and Sally, June 28, 1807.
 Joseph, s. Jeremiah and Dorcas, May 22, 1811.
 Louisa Ellen, d. Jeremiah and Dorcas, Jan. 23, 1816.
 Nancy Babcock, w. John L., Dec. 6, 1808.
 Sally Gleason, w. John, May 25, 1780, in Hardwick.
 Sarah Aurelia, d. John L. and Nancy, Feb. 15, 1832.
- GANSON**, John, s. Benjamin and Sarah, April 13, 17[torn].
 Sally, d. Benjamin and Sarah, Dec. 12, 17[torn].
- GARFIELD**, Fanny Sophia, d. Joel and Loisa, Aug. 24, 1820.
 Frederick Henry, s. Joel and Loisa, Nov. 8, 1828.
 James Williams, s. Joel and Loisa, July 22, 1826.
 Sally Maria, d. Joel and Loisa, Sept. 26, 1822.
- GATES**, Augustus Stephen, s. Sylvanus H. and Louisa, Oct. 23, 1837.
 Caroline, d. Oliver C. and Mary H., June 3, 1811.
 Charles Larkin, s. Larkin N. and Mary L., Jan. 6, 1849.
 David G., s. Elbridge G. and Martha S., Sept. 20, 1844.
 Francis, s. Sylvanus H. and Louisa, Feb. 19, 1845.
 Isabel, d. Sylvanus H. and Eliza, Nov. 15, 1847.
 Luthera, d. Sylvanus H. and Louisa, Feb. 22, 1836.
 Pamela, d. Oliver C. and Mary H., Jan. 29, 1813.
 Polly H., d. Oliver C. and Mary H., Aug. 15, 1816.
 Sylvanus H., s. Oliver C. and Mary H., Nov. 2, 1806.
 Thaniel Phineas, s. Benjamin A. and Chloe T., Nov. 11, 1845
 (name was changed to Joseph Nathaniel Gates).
- GILES**, Hannah, w. George Bosworth, March 11, 1771, in Phillipston.
- GLAZIER**, Charles Davis, s. Jotham and Elizabeth, Jan. 22, 1818.
- GLEASON**, Betsy, d. Joseph and Sarah, March 1, 1783.
 Curtis, s. Joseph and Sarah, April 1, 1785.
 David, s. Joseph and Sarah, Feb. 20, 1775.
 Deborah, d. Joseph and Sarah, Nov. 29, 1768.

GALLOND, George B. (s. Jeremiah and Dorcas, a. 22) and Adeline Blanchard, June 22, 1847.

Jeremiah Jr. and Dorcas Babbet, March 15, 1801.

John and Sally Gleason of Hardwick, int. May 1, 1804.

John L. and Nancy Babcock, June 28, 1829.

John L. (s. John and Sarah, a. 41, widr.) and Mary B. Williams, Sept. 3, 1848.

Joseph and Nancy Williams, May 19, 1836.

Louisa A. and Nathaniel Cook, June 11, 1834.

Mary and Abraham Haskell of Munson, Dec. 4, 1808.

Ruth and Elijah Glover (Grover?) of Montague, Oct. 29, 1802.

Sarah and Silas Babet, int. July 6, 1788.

GALLOWAY, William and Margarit Oliver, both of New Rutland, March 19, 1753.*

GANSON, Benjamin and Susanna Cook of New Salem, int. April 24, 1772.

GARDNER, Eliza of Enfield and James Learned of Dennis, May 3, 1837.*

GARFIELD (see Gerfield), Lydia O. and Anson Bangs of Barre, int. April 7, 1837.

GATES, Abby D. and Luther S. Benjamin, May 9, 1848.

Anna and Daniel H. Wiswell of Barre, Dec. 16, 1824.

Charles and Mercy White, May 31, 1832.

Charles and Mary A. Tower, March 24, 1836.

Elbridge G. and Martha S. Grosvenor, Jan. 11, 1826.

George and Lucy Howe, int. Aug. 29, 1818.

Harriet and Thomas E. Winchester of Leicester, May 19, 1835.

John and Elizabeth Gleason of Barre, int. June 1, 1806.

Lovicy and George Holland, int. Aug. 11, 1821.

Moses and Anna Towne, Dec. 25, 1823.

Oliver C. and Mary Howe, Nov. 3, 1805.

Polly and Samuel Henry of Rutland, Oct. 22, 1795.

Samuel and Hannah Dike, int. Nov. 22, 1789.

Susanna and Samuel McNear, Sept. 8, 1788.

Sylvanus H. and Louisa Parmenter, April 30, 1835.

William Esq. of Lunenburg, Vt., and Mrs. Betsey Hapgood, Jan. 28, 1829.

GEARAY, Sarah of Luninburgh and Moses Whitney, int. Aug. 16, 1766.

* Intention not recorded.

- Town, Esther of Gerry and Asa Clements, int. July 12, 1794.
 Harmon [Heman in int.] of Greenwich and Polly Amsden, Feb. 18, 1813.
 Capt. John Jr. of Dana and Betsey Shaw, int. May 24, 1828.
 Martha H. (a. 29, wid.) and Hosea Carter, July 29, 1845.
 Sarah and Ebenezer Curtis, Oct. 14, 1789.
- TOWNE**, Abby E. (d. Jonathan and Abigail, a. 19) and Nehemiah H. Doubleday of Dana, May 2, 1849.
 Anna and Moses Gates, Dec. 25, 1823.
 Fanny and Harrington McClallan, int. Feb. 14, 1818.
 Samuel of Dana and Rachel Johnson, April 3, 1834.
- TOWNSEND**, Hannah of New Salem and Joshua Johnson Jr., int. Oct. 2, 1796.
 Col. Thomas of Athol and Ann Goddard, Sept. 17, 1827.
- TRAIN**, Lucy and Aron Allen, int. Oct. 15, 1768.
- TROW**, Elizabeth and Philip Spooner, March 8, 1795.
- TRUMBLE**, Joseph and Elizabeth Paine of Worcester, int. Dec. 31, 1785.
- TUCKER**, Dr. Joshua of Boston and Susan L. Morse of Winchendon, June 4, 1840. In Winchendon.*
 Sophia Elizabeth and Nathan S. Weeks, int. April 4, 1842.
- TUFTS**, Mary Ann of Charlestown and Holmes Willard, int. Sept. 8, 1836.
- TWICHELL**, Abner W. of Athol (s. Alfred and Hannah, a. 24, widr.) and Jane E. Smith, Nov. 29, 1849.
 Esther and George Gabyer, int. Dec. 25, 1776.
- TWITCHEL**, Hannah of Athol and Calvin Peabody, int. Dec. 23, 1820.
 Relief of Athol and Ebenezer Doane, int. Dec. 23, 1814.
- TWITCHELL**, Eliza and Eli Crawford of New Salem, Sept. 17, 1822.
 Evi of Athol and Irene Whitney, int. Dec. 12, 1816.
 Lucetta Oriana of Athol and Levi Young Jr., int. Dec. 19, 1840.
 Lydia and Jaazaniah M. K. Johnson, Jan. 1, 1838.
 Mary and Zuri Stone, April 7, 1836.
- TYLER**, Nathan of Mendon and Elizabeth Brooks, June 20, 1811.
 Nathan of Boston and Mary Ward, int. April 22, 1819.

* Intention not recorded.

FROST, Elvira, w. Ephraim R., d. Willard and Hannah Blackmer, March 13, 1847, a. 30 y. 5 m. 15 d. Lung fever.

GALE, Daniel, July 12, 1834, a. 81. G.S.

Elizabeth Jane, d. Lewis and Elizabeth W., May 13 [14 in dup.], 1845, a. 10 m. 8 d.

Esther, w. ———, d. Comfort and Martha Rice, Aug. [11 or] 13, 1848, a. 92 y. 5 m. 27 d. Born in Worcester.

Hannah H., w. Jesse, d. John and Hephsebeth Holland, Aug. 11, 1848, a. 68 y. 7 m. 18 d. Paralysis.

GALLOND, Dorcas, w. Jeremiah, d. Abner and Thankful R. Babbit, April 2, 1847, a. 66 y. 11 m. 3 d. Born in Berkley.

Hariot, d. Jeremiah and Dorcas, Sept. 10, 1803.

Nancy, w. John L., d. James and Hannah Babcock, May 18, 1847, a. 38 y. 5 m. 12 d. Consumption.

Irana, w. Capt. Joseph, d. William and Rachel Woodward, Dec. 30, 1849, a. 82 y. 7 m. 25 d. Born in Raynham.

Jeremiah, Sept. 4, 1803, a. 63 y. G.S.

John, Oct. 30, 1807, a. 27 y. G.S.

Capt. Joseph, Aug. 16, 1832, a. 60 y. G.S.

Sarah, w. Jeremiah, Nov. 30, 1801, a. 57 y. G.S.

Sarah, w. John, Nov. 5, 1807, a. 27 y. 5 m. G.S.

GARFIELD, Joel, July 28, 1837, a. 51 y. G.S.

Moses, March 22, 1843, a. 77 y. G.S.

Sally, d. Joel and Loisa, Oct. 16, 1825, a. 3 y. 20 d. G.S.

GATES, Betsey, relict John, Oct. 8, 1835, a. 55 y. G.S.

David H., s. E. G. and Martha, Sept. 24, 1849, a. 4 y. 11 m. 23 d.

Eliza H., d. George and Lucy, May 17, 1844, a. 20 y.

Frances E., d. Moses and Ann, May 30, 1839, a. 11 y. G.S.

Frederic E., s. Elbridge G., Feb. 3, 1839, a. 17 m. G.S.

Isabella, d. Sylvanus H. and Louisa, Sept. 19, 1849, a. 1 y. 10 m. 4 d.

James, Feb. 6, 1820, a. 61 y. G.S.

Loena H., d. George and Lucy, July 24, 1841, a. 19 y. G.S.

Mary, w. Oliver C., July 14, 1841, a. 64 y. G.S.

Mary J., d. Elbridge G., Dec. 1, 1839, a. 19 d. G.S.

Mary Jane, d. George and Lucy, Aug. 19, 1837, a. 7 y. G.S.

Mercy, w. Charles, June 25, 1833, a. 22 y. G.S.

Oliver C., Aug. 13, 1841, a. 65 y. G.S.

Samuel, Oct. 29, 1822, a. 56 y. G.S.

GIBBS, Hiram Eugene, s. Hiram and Lucinda, Jan. 5, 1849, a. 2 y. 8 m. 19 d. Born in Prescott.