

APPENDIX A

Extracts from the Parlin Genealogy

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Introduction

The Parlins are from the Highland Scotch.

"The Scottish Highlanders are the remnant of the great Celtic race which remained untouched by the Roman and Saxon invasions on the south, and the Danes on the east and west of the country, and they were the last to oppose with perfect success the otherwise conquering arms of Rome.

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"Malduin's son and successor was Partholan or Parlan, from whose proper name the family obtained the patronymical surname of MacParlan or Pharlane, or Parlan-sons, from which MacFarlane was derived, the letters P and F being easily convertible in Gaelic."

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Skene gives the name of the clan as Pharlan; and says: "This clan is the only one, with the exception perhaps of the Clan Donnachie, whose descent from the ancient earls of the district in which their possessions lay can be proved by charter, and it can be shown in the clearest manner that their ancestor was Gilchrist, brother of Maldowen, the third

Earl of Lennox. Gilchrist had a son Duncan; from a grandson of Duncan, termed Bartholomew, or in Gaelic Parlan, the clan took their surname."

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The Pharlane or MacFarlane Arms. -- The Armorial device of the clan, like all the earlier heraldic bearings, is very simple, indicating their connection with the ancient Earls of Lennox, as traced on a preceding page, whose "coat" it closely follows, inasmuch as the Earl for the time being was regarded as the head of the family. The chief difference between the blazons is found in the edge or border of the principal charge, which is a saltire, "an honorable ordinary called by Scottish heralds the cross of St. Andrew," well known as the patron saint of that kingdom.

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The Pharlane or MacFarlane tartan is a plaid of five colors.

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"The original use of these chequered garments was not, as now, to show the tribe or clan to which their owner belonged, but was a distinctive emblem of the rank or position which he held. There was but one colour in the clothes of servants; two in the clothes of rent-paying farmers; three in the clothes of officers; five in the clothes of chieftains; six in the garments of Druids or poets; while the King, Ard-righ, or chief, had right to seven colours."

JOHN PARLIN

(From Drake's "Founders of New England")

20 Novembris 1636.

Theis under written names are to be transported to the Barbadoes, imbarqued in Expedition, Peter Blackler m^r. The men have taken the oaths of Allegence and Supremacie. And have been examined by the minister of the towne of Gravesend touching their conformitie to the orders and discipline of the Church of England die et A^o prd

John Parlin 21

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Nicholas¹ Parlin

Nicholas¹ Parlin (believed to be the son of the John above named) appears in Cambridge records about 1660. He moved to Concord, Mass., about 1680. Probably he was born about 1640. He married Nov. 30, 1665, at Cambridge, Mass., Sarah Hammore, of Charlestown, Mass. He died Mar. 9, 1722, at Concord.

Children - John, Sarah, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary, Susanna, Abigail, Ester

John² Parlin

John² Parlin (Nicholas¹), born March 31, 1666, at Cambridge, Mass.; married Nov. 1, 1688, Mary Hartwell, daughter of Samuel and Ruth (Wheeler) Hartwell, of Concord, Mass., born Feb. 16, 1668; died Mar. 14, 1739, at Concord. He died there February 24, 1750. Mr. Parlin lived in the north part

of Concord, "near unto Berry Corner," where he owned considerable land.

Children - John, Mary, Joseph, Joseph, Jonathan, David,
Ester, Ruth

John³ Parlin

John³ Parlin (John,² Nicholas¹), born July 11, 1689, at Concord, Mass.; married May 12, 1716, Mary Heald, daughter of John and Mary (Chandler) Heald, born ----, 1691; died Jan. 5, 1754.

Children - John, Amos, Elizabeth, Jonathan, Lydia, Esther, Stephen

John⁴ Parlin

John⁴ Parlin (John,³ John,² Nicholas¹), born Feb. 8, 1719 at Concord, Mass.; married April 2, 1745, Margaret MacCollo, probably the daughter of Archibald and Margaret (Melvin) MacCollo, of Marlborough, Mass.; died Mar. 25, 1806, at Norridgewock, Me.

It appears that he went to Maine several years after his sons went there. He was there in 1786. He was Moderator of the Norridgewock Town Meeting from 1789 to 1794 inclusive.

Revolutionary War Record - The name of John Parlin appears upon a "List of men raised to serve in the Continental Army (year not given); residence, Concord; engaged for town of Concord; also, list of men appearing under the heading 'Hartwell Brook the first Everidge;' said Parlin appears among 8 months men (year not given, probably 1775), among men who went with Lieut. Amos Hosmer, and also among men with Capt. Abishai Brown at Nantasket (date not given); also, certificate dated Concord, Sept. 17, 1777, signed by Ephraim Wood, Town clerk, by order of the Selectmen, certifying

that said Parlin went with others from Concord to Boston on an alarm to convey stores thence and returned with empty teams; said Parlin travelled 19 miles to Cambridge."

Children - John, Azubah, Nathan, Hephzibath, Jonas, Eleazor, Silas, Mary, Thaddous, Jonathan, Tebua, Sally

Silas⁵ Parlin

Silas⁵ Parlin (John,⁴ John,³ John,² Nicholas¹), born Aug. 15, 1760, at Concord, Mass.; married -----, 1781, Lydia Wood, daughter of Oliver and Lucy (Hosmer) Wood, born Mar. 10, 1762; died Aug. 15, 1820. He died March 27, 1828, at Concord, Me. Silas Parlin went to Maine after the Revolutionary War, was a resident of Norridgewock when it was incorporated as a town in 1789, but later settled at Bingham. He was quite a hunter and was the first white man to settle in that section. Parlin Pond took its name from him.

Revolutionary War Record - Silas Parlin. Private, Capt. Joseph Hosmer's (Light Infantry) co.; Company return endorsed "1776"; also, list of men raised to serve in Continental Army (year not given); residence, Concord; engaged for town of Concord; also, private, Capt. John Minott's co., Col. Dike's regt.; pay abstract for equipments for Dec., 1776, Jan. and Feb., 1777; also, private, Capt. Theophilus Wilder's co., Col. Dike's regt.; muster roll for Dec., 1776-Feb., 1777; credited to town of Concord; enlisted Jan. 1, 1777; regiment raised to serve until March 1, 1777; service, 5 mos. 28 days, at Rhode Island; also, Corporal, Capt. Daniel Harrington's co., Col. Jonathan Reed's regt. of guards; muster rolls dated Cambridge, May 9, and June 1, 1778; enlistment, 3 months from April 2,

1778; also, same co. and regt.; joined April 2, 1778; service to July 3, 1778, 3 mos. 2 days at Cambridge; also, lists of men appearing under the heading "Hartwell Brook the first Everidge"; said Parlin appears among men in a detachment which marched to Rhode Island, agreeable to resolve of Sept. 6, 1778; also, private Capt. Thomas Hovey's co., Nathan Tyler's regt.; enlisted Aug. 24, 1779; discharged Dec. 25, 1779; service, 4 mos. 6 days, at Rhode Island; also, same co. and regt.; pay roll for Dec., 1779, allowing 1 mo. 4 days service at Rhode Island, including travel (80 miles) home.

Children - Silas, Abel, Lucy, Stephen, Alpha

Stephen⁶ Parlin

Stephen⁶ Parlin (Silas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ John,² Nicholas¹), born Feb. 9, 1789, at Norridgewock, Me.; married Jan. 31, 1810, Elizabeth Fletcher of Concord, Me., born Sept. 1, 1789; died Sept. 16, 1869. He died Feb. 5, 1879. They settled on a farm in Bingham, Me., where they remained about nine years. Then they moved to a farm in Concord, where Elizabeth was born, which was known as the Fletcher farm.

Children - Amos Fletcher, Ephraim Wood, Stephen Wellington, Levi Fletcher

Amos⁷ Fletcher Parlin

Maj. Amos Fletcher Parlin (Stephen,⁶ Silas,⁵ John,⁴ John,³ John,² Nicholas¹), born June 19, 1811, at Bingham, Me.; married (1) Oct. 30, 1834, Climena Steward, daughter of Daniel and Olive (Patton) Steward, of Anson, Me., died July 15, 1872, at Skowhegan, Me.; married (2) Jan. 25,

1877, Mrs. Huldah Goodwin Lake of Skowhegan, born ----, 1827; died May 11, 1902. He died Oct. 13, 1899, at Skowhegan.

Mr. Parlin was the oldest of four sons of Capt. Stephen and Elizabeth (Fletcher) Parlin. When about two years of age his parents moved to the Amos Fletcher farm about two miles above Bingham village on the west side of the Kennebec river in the town of Concord, later Pleasant Ridge plantation. In his youth he attended school in Norridgewock, and was a clerk in the store of his uncle Amos Fletcher of that town. Later he was a clerk in the store of Eben H. Neil in Skowhegan, and still later in the store of Daniel Steward in North Anson.

In 1832, Mr. Parlin entered business in Skowhegan, having a partner by the name of Jewett. They erected the building at the corner of Madison Avenue and Russell Street, where Mr. Parlin continued his business until 1846, when he retired for a time. He went west with the intention of locating there, but a severe illness caused him to return to Maine, and he located in Machias, where in April, 1847, he again entered into business. He continued in trade there about eight years.

In 1851, he received the appointment as Register of Probate for Washington County, but held the office only one year, when he was removed by Governor Crosby.

In 1854, he was appointed Postmaster of Machias and held the office during the balance of President Pierce's administration.

In 1857, he was appointed Collector of Customs of the Machias district by President Buchanan, and served during the term. He also held office of Trial Justice in Machias for several years.

In May, 1864, he returned to Skowhegan and purchased the Edward McClellan homestead on Elm Street, where he resided during the remainder of his life. He engaged in farming and gardening in which he justly took much pride.

Mr. Parlin received the title of Major by service in the State Militia in the days of his vigorous and active young manhood. He was for some years Captain of cavalry, being in command of a company at the time of the Arcostock war, and his command was held in readiness to move to the scene of action, but was not called upon. He was later promoted to Major by Governor Hubbard.

He was a life-long temperance man, being a total abstainer from intoxicants throughout his life. He was one of the active Washingtonians of the town when Washington Hall, corner of High Street and Madison Avenue, Skowhegan, was erected.

While living in Machias he became a member of the Order of Odd Fellows and Sons of Temperance, in which he took much interest.

Mr. Parlin was a life-long Democrat and enjoyed the confidence of his party to an unusual degree, because of his well-known probity and great popularity. He was a man of convictions and had the courage to maintain them in action. He served as State Senator during two terms - 1879 and 1880. During his term he served on several important committees, and was instrumental in securing a law providing for a woman on the Board of Trustees of the State Insane Hospital.

Mr. Parlin was respected and loved by all who knew him, for his sterling qualities of head and heart.

Children - Franklin Smith, George Albert, Ella Maria, Gustavus Steward, Amos Wellington, Olive Steward, Stephen

Gustavus Steward⁸ Parlin

Gustavus Steward⁸ Parlin, born Dec. 14, 1839, at Skowhegan, Me.; married June 7, 1863, Harriet Burnham, born Dec. 14, 1839, at Machias, Me., died June 8, 1920. ~~He died~~ March 28, 1880 at Brodhead.

Children - Clymena Steward, Charles Coolidge

Charles Coolidge⁹ Parlin

Charles Coolidge⁹ Parlin, born Feb. 18, 1872. Married Daisy Blackwood Aug. 11, 1897.

Children - Charles C., George Steward, Ruth, Grace Elizabeth

Charles C.¹⁰ Parlin

1. Charles C.¹⁰ born July 22nd, 1898. Graduated from Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania 1919. Graduated from Harvard Law School 1922. Had position with Simpson, Bartlett and Thacher, as attorney, New York 1922-1926. Position with Cotton, Franklin, Wright and Gordon, 63 Wall Street, N. Y. 1926. Became member of firm Jan. 1, 1931. Residence, Tonafly, N. J. Married Oct. 11, 1924, Miriam Boyd, Philadelphia.

Children - Charles Coolidge¹¹, born Feb. 12, 1928;
Camilla¹¹, June 9, 1930

2. George Steward¹⁰, born July 28, 1900. Graduated from Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania 1921. Graduated from Harvard Law School 1924. Had position with Cravath and Henderson as attorney 1924-1929. Position with Cotton, Franklin, Wright and Gordon 1929. Residence Glen Ridge, New Jersey. Married June 29th, 1926, Dorothy Elcome, Philadelphia, (born

Feb. 11, 1901)

Children - George Steward, Jr.¹¹ born March 31, 1927;
Edward Elcom¹¹ born Feb. 14th, 1929

3. Ruth¹⁰, born August 2nd, 1904. Graduated from Wellesley College, A.B. 1926. Received A.M. degree in Music Columbia University 1928. Residence Glen Ridge, New Jersey. Married September 24th, 1927, C. Howard Sanborn, Glen Ridge, New Jersey (born October 26, 1901.)

Children - Howard Parlin Sanborn¹¹, born June 24th, 1928

John Davis Sanborn¹¹, born May 5th, 1931

4. Grace¹⁰, born May 30th, 1911. Wellesley College student.
(Sophomore in 1931)