

surname is from the personal name of Osgood Clap, a Danish noble at the court of King Canute, 1017-36. The ancient seat of the family was Salcombe, Devonshire England.

N. E. Heads XLVIII; Mass. Pioneers p. 100; John and Mary p. 76.

Abigail wife of Ezra Clapp was dau. of:

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WILLIAM POND

MARY DYER

d. Feb. 16, 1710 10 chil.

Wm. Pond, Dorchester, Mass. was admitted to church with 'goody' Pond Dec. 28, 1641. Contracted to lay the groundills of the meetinghouse July 10, 1655.

Ref: Mass. Pioneers p. 361; Mary and John p. 21 and 14.

Mary wife of Wm. Pond was dau. of:

GEORGE DYER

Will dated 1671 probated 1672

ABIGAIL

Lived in Dorchester, Mass.; juryman 1630; freeman May 18, 1631. One of the attorneys for Thomas Purchase, May 13, 1641. Planter and weaver. Bequeathed his looms for weaving to son-in-law. Came on the 'Mary and John' from Somerset, 1630, under patronage of Rev. John White. Arrived in Antucket May 30.

Dyer- occupation name, one who dyes cloth.

Ref: Mass. Pioneers p. 148; Planters of Commonwealth p. 87.

Mary wife of Miles Palmer was dau. of:

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CALEB BARKER JR.

b. July 14, 1783 Dresden, Me.

m. m. Feb. 12, 1809

d. Sept. 5, 1866 buried in Coss Cemetery Pittston, Me.

MARY WOODWARD P. 16

b. Mar. 10, 1780 Newton, Mass.

d. Mar. 3, 1880 Pittston, Me. 7 chil.

He was a farmer and stock raiser.

Ref: Barker Gen. p. 203; Dresden History

Caleb Jr. was son of:

CALEB BARKER

b. 1749 Hanover, Mass.

m. Oct. 14, 1773 Dresden, Me.

d. Oct. 25, 1843 Dresden, Me.

ILLATHERA HOWLAND dau. of Capt. Benj. and Mary Howland

b. 1751

d. Oct. 18, 1824 10 child.

The origin of the name Illathera, which is still preserved in the Barker family involves a simple story of romantic interest. Capt. Howland was wrecked on Eleuthera, one of the Bahama Islands and did not succeed in reaching home for 3 years. He was given up for lost by all except his wife. Soon after he left home a little girl was born and the mother looked to him to name the child on his return. He called her Illathera for the island which had been his home. A combination of Isle and Eluethera.

Ref: Barker Gen. p. 188; History of Dresden p. 161.