

found here a home. The ancestor of this family in America was Squire Humphrey Tiffany, who appears at Rehoboth, Massachusetts, as early as January 22, 1663. He had wife, Elizabeth, and for a few years before his death he resided in Swansea. While riding on horseback with Frances Low, a daughter of a neighbor, from Swansea to Boston, on Wednesday after-

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noon, July 15, 1685, a thunder storm arose and he and his companion were both killed by lightning, and in accordance with the views of that period it was called "the solemn judgment of God." We may add here that the title of "Squire," an abbreviation of Esquire, was the popular title of a man who held the office of justice of the peace, and is continued down to the present day in rural districts. The widow, Elizabeth Tiffany, was appointed administratrix of her husband's estate by the court, October 27, of the same year. Their children were: James, see forward; Thomas; Ebenezer; Consider; Sarah, born July 6, 1683; and Hezekiah, who was drowned December 4, 1685.