"Principles of Nature" in 1802. On his mother's side, his descent is said to have been from the Rev. John Robinson of Leyden, Holland, and the well known Miles Standish. What a falling off was this !!

* HIRAM PAYNE, A. M. the son of John and Jemima (Hutchinson) Payne, was born at Andover, Ct, in 1763, and died at Palmyra, N. Y. Mar. 22, 1845, z. 82. He early went to the island of Cape Breton; after 8 years returned to Hanover; then lived in Pennsylvania engaged in land business; was next at Lyons, N. Y. a merchant; and at length removed to Palmyra. He married Chloe Thayer.

* JOHN PORTER, A. M. the son of Col. Asa and Mehitabel (Crocker) Porter, was born at Haverhill. He read law and settled in Chester; afterwards removed to Broome, Canada East, dying there at an unknown date. Moses Porter, D. C. 1798, was his brother.

* PIERSON THURSTON, A. M. was born in Sterling or Lancaster, Ms, in Dec. 1763, and died at Leominster, Ms, Aug. 15, 1819, *E*. 55. He studied divinity with the Rev. Dr Nathaniel Emmons of Franklin, Ms, and the Rev. Dr Samuel Spring of Newburyport, Ms; was ordained pastor of the Cong. Ch. at Somerville, Feb. 1, 1792; dismissed Nov. 16, 1812; installed at St. Johnsbury, Vt, Oct. 25, 1815; dismissed Oct. 13, 1817. He married, 1. Jerusha, dau. of Samuel Greenleaf of Newburyport, Nov. 16, 1795. 2. — Loring of Hingham, Ms.

1788.

• JOSIAH LYNDON ARNOLD, A. M. the son of Dr Jonathan and Molly (Burr) Arnold, was born at Providence, R. I. Apr. 22, 1768, and died at St Johnsbury, Vt, June 7, 1796, \pounds . 28. He was tutor in the now Brown Univ. at Providence from 1790 to 1792; read law in that city, but never practised; set out with his wife on horseback from Plainfield, Ct, to St Johnsbury, and there began its settlement. He had a fine literary taste, and after his premature death a volume of poems from his pen was published. He married Susan, dau. of Dr Elisha Perkins of Plainfield, Feb. 8, 1795. Lemuel Hastings Arnold, D. C. 1811, was his half brother.

• OLIVER AYERS, A. M. was born at Franklin, Ct, and died at Richland, N. Y. in July 1832, E. 67. He studied divinity with the Rev. Dr Samuel Nott of Franklin; was ordained pastor of the Cong. Ch. at West Stockbridge, Ms, May 29, 1793; dismissed June 14, 1807; was successively installed at Augusta, Richland, and Sandy Creek, all in N. Y. He married Phebe, dau. of Elijah Brown of Stockbridge, Ms.

• JOSEPH BACKUS, the son of the Rev. Simon and Rachel (Moseley) Backus, was born at — Dec. 26, 1764, and died at Bridgeport, Ct, Jan. 17, 1838, Æ. 73. He read law, practising at Stratford, Ct, but residing at Bridgeport. He married Huldah, dau. of Stephen Burroughs of Stratford, Oct. 15, 1797.

* STLVANUS BACKUS, was born in Ct, and died at Pomfret, Ct, Feb. 4, 1817, *z.* 48. He read law and went into practice at Pomfret; was State's Atty for Windham Co. and was elected a member of Congress, but did not take his seat, being prevented by death. He married Hannah Waldo at Pomfret in Feb. 1797.

* THOMAS BROOKS. All that is learnt of him is from his classmate, Dr Dana; "His character in College was consistent and excellent."

* DANIEL CHIPMAN, A. M.-LL. D. the son of Samuel and Hannah (Austin) Chipman, was born at Salisbury, Ct, Oct. 22, 1765, and died at Ripton, Vt, Apr.

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