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CAPT. STEPHEN NILES

father of Ichabod Niles (44) and son of Ebenezer Niles (176) and Elizabeth Tucker (177) was b. about 1735, probably at Stonington, Conn. and d. at Alburg, Vermont in December, 1810 and is buried at that place. He removed from Stonington, Conn. to Stephentown, N.Y. just prior to the Revolution. In the War, he served with the Albany County, N.Y. Militia. He was commissioned First Lieutenant on Oct. 20,1775 in Capt. James Dennison's Company of Col. Stephen J. Schuyler's Regiment of Albany County Militia (Sixth Co, Sixth Regiment), transferred to Killian Van Ranssalaer's Regiment (Fourth Co, Albany County Militia) Reb. 20,1776. He was commissioned a Captain vice James Dennison, deceased, March 4, 1780 in the same regiment and was discharged in 1783 at Albany, N.Y.

According to the official town records of Stonington, Conn. he was the owner of land there prior to the Revolution.

He m. ca. 1755 Desire Pendleton (89) at Westerly R. I. One authority gives the date of this marriage as Jan. 9,1755. Desire Pendleton (89) was the daughter of James Pendleton (178) and Abigail Brown (179). She was b. 1738.

Their children were:

- 1. Lucy Niles, b. 1756, m. Rev. George Sheldon.
- 2. Rev. Robert Niles, b. 1758, Revolutionary War Soldier. Baptist clergyman at Sempronius, N.Y. where he d. Jan. 24,1816.
- 3. Nathan Niles, b. 1762, d. 1836 at Alburg, Vt.
- 4. Sands Niles, d. 1826 at Alburg, Vermont.
- 5. Stephen Niles, d. March 20,1844 at Alburg, Vt.
- 6. Prudence Niles
- 7. Eunice Niles
- 8. Desire Niles
- 9. Ichabod Niles (44), b. 1769, d. 1859, m. Anna Kenyon (45). m.2nd. Catherine
- 10. Paul Niles. d. after 1853.

Authorities:
Pown Records, Alburg, Vt.
Bemetery Records, Alburg, Vt.
Dillon Ancestry by Arthur O. Dillon.
State Archives of N.Y. Vol. 1, P.264