

of 1786; bought the Thayer place; built the present house on Thayer's cellar. Thayer's house was not half finished. The grist mill was above the bridge. Did not buy the mill. It ran in the winter of 1786-7, but not after. It rotted down and stones fell into the river."

"Eliab says he lived with his grandfather, Nathaniel Strong, from 1762 to 1764, or from about seven to nine years old. Strong was an excellent man, but petulant and fretful at times; this was called Stebbins blood. His wife was always mild and calm. He had a pasture over Rocky Hill brook,—part of it this side of the brook. Eliab used to go to this pasture with cows, etc., was once thrown off the horse in crossing Mill River at west end, and drawn out by the horse by holding to the bridle. Col. Pomeroy and others were at work on the bridge. Strong, in the spring of '63 or '64 went out to make sugar on or near Joel Bartlett's farm. Alvord went with them to bring back the horses, three or four. No house then on the Norwich road, but a small one of Timo. Pomeroy's (where Ephraim Wright lived) and Ebenezer French's (where Chapman lives.) Samuel Kingsley had a barn up but no house. When they left Norwich road, had no road—went near where the present road is by Dea. Edward's. Men carried out provisions and lived in a shelter. Noah Strong and William Bartlett lived on the other road. Sugar place so near that they called to N. Strong who was at work on his land.

"Norwich road had the appearance of considerable travel, but was only a path in the woods. Buck, he says, settled in Chesterfield in 1762. There was a severe winter in 1762-3, and a man who came through from Pittsfield on snow shoes, brought word that Buck was suffering for provisions. Elijah Rust, Noah Strong, Joel Strong and Joseph Allen volunteered and carried out provisions to Buck on snow shoes. If Alvord is correct, Noah Strong did not remove to Westhampton until after the winter of 1762-3." (Judd Manuscript.)

Rev. War Service: "Eliab Alvord was a Rev. Soldier and in 1776 during the invasion of Canada several men being taken sick with small pox, he remained to take care of Solomon Clapp at Chamblee. Afterwards both returned." (Hist. of Northampton, Mass.)

"Alvord, Eliab, Northampton, Private, Capt. Jonathan Allen's Co., Gen. Pomeroy's Reg., which marched Apr. 20, 1775 in response to the alarm of Apr. 19, 1775; service 8 days; reported, enlisted into the army Apr. 27, 1775. Also Capt. Allen's Co., Col. John Fellows' Reg. Muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775. Enlisted Apr. 27, 1775; service 3mos. 1 week, 4 days. Also company return dated Dorchester, Oct. 7, 1775. Also order for bounty coat or its equivalent in money, dated Camp at Dorchester, Nov. 7, 1775." (Mass. Soldiers in Rev.)

Eliab Alvord applied for a pension May 18, 1818. His claim was allowed. In application it is stated that he served also from Feb., 1776 to Feb., 1777, in Capt. Israel Chapin's Co., Col. Elisha Porter's Reg.

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