

cation of the New England Galaxy, a weekly journal which under his auspices with almost the single aid of his talent and industry reached the highest rank and the largest circulation of any secular journal of that day, and wielded more influence than any similar journal has ever attained in this country. The paper had also the supplementary title of Masonic Magazine, as Mr. Buckingham was an early member of the Masonic fraternity. He was the originator of the Boston Courier, the first number of which he published Mar. 2, 1827. He continued its publication with much favor and success, though not with great profit until 1848, when from political reasons he retired from newspaper publication, and finally left his long occupied editorial chair, though he continued to write for various journals after that time. In 1831, in connection with his son Edwin, Mr. Buckingham commenced the publication of the New England Magazine, a monthly periodical of much literary ability; but the enterprise was discontinued two years afterwards, as he had no heart to continue it after the death of his much loved coadjutor. He was a member of the Mass. House of Reps. from Boston and from Cambridge. He was also Senator from Middlesex Co. for two years. He was Pres. of the Mass. Charitable Mechanic Ass. for many years, and during his presidency the Mass. Mechanic Ass. took up the business of finishing the Bunker Hill Monument, which at that time was only a heap of stones upon an open field. To no man more than to Joseph T. Buckingham belongs the credit of raising and finishing the Bunker Hill Monument.

396. ALPHEUS ALVORD (*Caleb, Elijah, John, Thomas, Alexander*), born Greenfield, Mass., Jan. 17, 1787; died Austinburg, O., Jan. 2, 1874; married Chatauqua, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1821, Clara Sackett, daughter of Philo and Deborah (Waterman) Sackett. She was born Ferrisburg, Vt., Aug. 28, 1799; died Watson, Allegan Co., Mich., June 15, 1883. Res. Madison, O. (1815-21), Bristol, O., and Geneva, O. Children:

- 967. Fanny Eliza, b. Bristol, O., Apr. 11, 1823; d. Oct. 19, 1825.
- 968. Mary Deborah, b. Bristol, O., Sept. 6, 1826.
- 969. Eliza Fanny, b. Bristol, O., Aug. 14, 1828.
- 970. Elijah Sackett, b. Bristol, O., June 26, 1830.
- 971. Allen McLean, b. Bristol, O., Apr. 23, 1832; d. Dec. 19, 1832.
- 972. Maria Anna, b. Bristol, O., Aug. 19, 1834.
- 973. Harriet Newel, b. Bristol, O., Jan. 14, 1838.
- 974. Allen McLean, b. Bristol, O., May 10, 1840; d. Chattanooga, Tenn., June 8, 1864. He enlisted in the Union Army Aug. 10, 1861, as a private in Co. D 36th Reg. of Ill. Vol. He served his country