BASSETT 25

Dixonary," two concordances, and many commentaries on books of the Bible.

Later a highway was laid out to run by "old Goodm Rassett's "

"The last will and Testament of William Bassett Sen. (as dictated by him on his death bed) exhibited to the court, holding at Plymouth the 1st day of June, Anno Dom. 1667, on the oath of William Brett and John Carey.

The third of the second month Anno Dom. 1667, the last will and Testament of William Bassett, Sen. being very weak and sick, and having spoken to his wife, and said, 'Wife, I must leave thee, but I shall leave thee with the Lord. If God had lengthened out my life it might have been that thou mightest have been more comfortably provided for.' But it being demanded of him by one who was acquainted with his mind about the disposition of his estate, whether his mind was as formerly: That he would give his movable goods with his chattels to his wife, answered, yes, it was his mind: and that she should have his house and grounds till she died: If she married not, and then he would give it to his son William, and his tools to his son Joseph: and it being demanded about his books which he formerly took care about, answered he could not now do it.

To satisfy as soon as we may. Present then with him we have set our hands as witnesses to the above writing so far as we know.

Witnesses hereunto

William Brett.

John Carey.

## Children, all born in Flymouth:-

- +1. William, b. 1624-5, d. 1670, m. 1652, Mary Rainsford (Edward).
- 2. Elizabeth, b. 1626, m. Nov. 8, 1648, Thomas Burgess, Jr. After 13 yrs, she got the first recorded divorce granted in Plymouth Colony. He left in disrepute and went to R. I. She is said to have m. (2) William Hatch.
- 3. Nathaniel, b. 1628, d. 1710, m. 1672, Mary (or Dorcas?) a dau. of John Joyce, m. (2) Hannah —.
- Joseph, b. 1629, d. 1713, m. a. 1658, prob. Mary Lapham, d. 1676,
  m. (2) 1677, Martha Hobart (Edmund¹).
- 5. Sarah, b. a. 1630, d. 1711, m. 1648, Peregrine White (William<sup>1</sup>), 1st child of Mayflower pilgrims.
- Ruth, b. a. 1632, m. 1655, John Sprague (Francis<sup>1</sup>), d. 1676, m.
   Thomas.