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Here lies ye Body of Mr. Phinehas Redington Who Died Septm ye 19th 1763 in ye 66th year of his Age.

Here Lyes Interr'd the Remains of the Worthy, Virtuous & Ingenious Gentle Woman Mrs. Hannah Sherman Wife to Mr. Joseph Sherman who Died Noumr ye 12th 1736 Aged 19 Years.

In Memory of Mr. Joseph Sherman . . . Departed this life June the 10th 1744 in the 33d year of his age.

In memory of Mr. Abiah Smith who died May 7th 1805 in ye 47th year of his age.

Mr. Ezekiel Smith Died March 31st 1825 In the 70th year of his age.

Here Lyes ye Body of Mrs. Mary Sprague ye Wife of Mr. Benjamin Sprague Who Died July ye 10th 1725 In ye 43 Year of Her Age.

4th day 1759 in the 20th year of his age.

Mrs. Mary Thacher the beloved . . . wife of Rodolphus Thacher Obt. Oct. 24, 1775, AE. 33.

Mrs. Mary Thacher Daughter of Rodolphus Thacher Obt. May 23, 1794 AEt. 18.

In memory of Rhodolph & Elizabeth children of Mr. Peter Thacher. (Rhodolph) died Octobr ye 12th 1740 in ye 12th year of his age. The other in October 1740 in ye 3d [?] year of her age.

Rodolphus Thacher Obt. Aug. 6, 1788. AEt. 46.

Here Lies ye Body of Sarah ye Daughter of Mr. Andrew & Mrs. Elizabeth Vetch Who Died July ye 1st 1777 [?] In ye 2 Year of Her Age.

Here Lies ye Body of Mrs. Ame Woodworth [*illegible*] Of Mr. Jedediah & Mrs. Margaret [?] Woodworth Who Died Desem ye 22d 1742 In ye 18th Year of Her Age.

Here lies the Body of Mr. Benjamin Woodworth who Died Febr the 4th 1759 in the 30th year of his age.

Here lies ye Body of Margaret daughter of Mr. Jedediah Woodworth & Margaret his wife who died Febr 24th 1759 in ye 8th year of her age.

Here Lies ye Body of Samuel Wright Son to Insigne Able Wright & Rebeckah His Wife who Died IVne ye 12th 1718. Aged 20 Years.

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Of late years there seems to be a revival of interest in Charlemagne. In 1935 Prof. Dr. Eric Brandenburg printed at Leipsic his "Die Nachkommen Karls des Grossen", a careful and critical compilation of the descendants of the emperor for fourteen generations or roughly down to about the year 1200. In 1942 Dr. Marcellus D. R. von Redlich of Chicago issued the first volume of "Pedigrees of Some of the Emperor Charlemagne's Descendants", which was the first attempt in America to compile a carefully checked series of present day descents from him.

The descendants of Charlemagne today are numbered in the millions and they are to be found in every country of Europe and the United States; for among the early settlers of this country there was a considerable number whose descent from Charlemagne can be fully