

: The Maltby Association. :

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The Third Annual Report

The end of January, nineteen hundred and nine marks the completion of the third year of life for the Maltby Association, and as we look back upon our beginning with its doubts and fears, its struggles and trials, then glance at our present membership roll, should we not all feel just a bit pleased with the result of our labors?

In view of the increased membership it seems not unfitting that a few words should appear in Booklet Two which would give members, especially the new members, some slight idea of our history and our work; how we came to exist, and so on.

In February, nineteen hundred and six, two or three of the Maltby cousins were brought to face with these questions--Who was going to care for the tombstones of the early ancestors? Who- was going to preserve the family records? What was to become of the few old relics and Maltby homesteads? Were no photographs to be taken, that these might be preserved to posterity? and many similar queries. The result of all this was that those few undertook to interest other cousins, and to form a Maltby Association--bound together through the tie of blood, to accomplish these several things.

Treasurer



MRS. JAMES WILLEY TODD

Treasurer Maltby Association

There were twenty-seven original members—all joining during February and March of 1906.

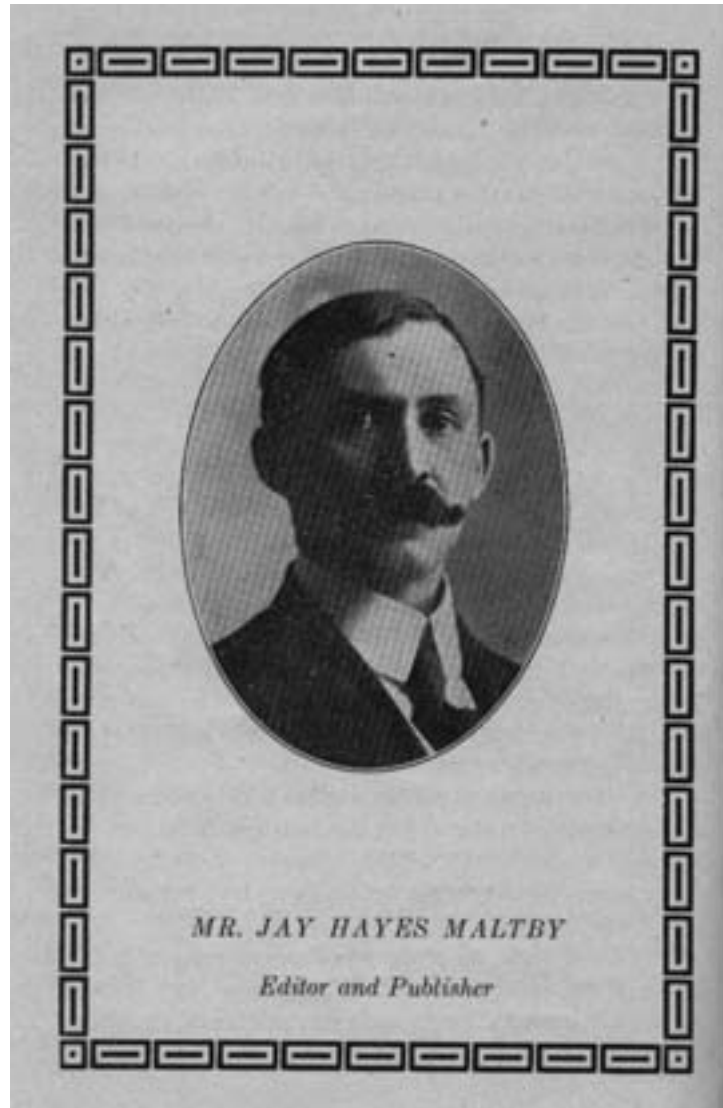
At the end of the year our number had grown to forty, and having practiced the strictest economy and contributed from private sources we found we had \$34.80 in the Treasury. Certainly not enough to warrant any expenditure, though there were the annual reports to be got out. It was through the kindness of our Treasurer, Mrs. Todd, that these were furnished with no expense to the Association.

The work of the second year is fully shown in Booklet No.1. We closed the year with 59 members and \$66.22 in the Treasury. Again the question of getting out the reports was perplexing us and again were these furnished privately. This time by Mr. Jay Hayes Maltby, editor of the Forman News, of Forman, North Dakota. Booklet No. 1 received so much praise from the members that any words here would be superfluous. What these booklets did for the Association is best shown by the large increase in membership. We find ourselves at the close of this third year with about one hundred members, and \$74.77 in the Treasury.

Our membership roll includes 108 names, but there are sever members in the list who have not as yet paid their dues for 1908. Some of these, we think, have simply neglected to pay, and some very likely may wish to resign.

We do not wish to urge members to remain in the Association, and yet we dislike to lose any of the cousins. It would be a great convenience if members wishing to resign would formally notify the secretary

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to this effort, and thus simplify making out the reports.

There are also eight members who joined the Association in January, and there has not been time as yet to hear from them since they were notified as to their dues. One member paid this year's dues last year, and two members do not pay, having furnished work gratis, which otherwise would have cost the Association in the neighborhood of fifty dollars. The officers felt that the least return was to extend honorary membership to them.

Treasure's Report.

<i>Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1908,</i>	- - - - -	\$66.22
<i>Received three belated dues (1907-8)</i>	- - - - -	3.00
<i>Received in dues to Feb. 1, 1909,</i>	- - - - -	<u>88.00</u>
Total,	- - - - -	\$157.22
Expenses, 1908,	- - - - -	<u>82.45</u>
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1909,	- - - - -	\$ 74.77

YEAR'S EXPENSES -----1908

Postage	\$ 20.14
Envelopes55
Typewriting Paper75
Letter-Heads (500)	4.50
Printed Receipt Cards	1.75
Circular Letters (200)	1.10
English Photographs50
Query in "I.G.D."	1.21
Vicar of E. Retford's fee	2.75
Check for Mr. Fothergill	48.70
Fee for same50

Total spent to Feb. 1, 1909	\$ 82.45

Death has taken several of our kindred from us and the loss is indeed great, not only to those closely related, but to those who, through letters, had grown to feel a strong personal friendship as well as the blood tie.

Booklet No. 2 we owe to Mr. Jay Hayes Maltby, who has spared neither time nor money to make it attractive and interesting. The expense of such a booklet is large and with the hope that he might cover the actual expense of printing and so forth, we have asked fifty cents a copy for them. The booklet will be the same price to non-members as to the members of the Association.

It is the hope of the officers that the day may come when the Association is entirely self-supporting, but first we shall have to increase our membership. Concerning this, we should like to make an appeal to the members: Are you interested enough in the Association to try and bring some relative into it? It sounds very like the proposition of one's Sunday school days, yet, what a help if each member could interest only one person. Will you not try to help us to this extent?

In gathering material for the Booklet, we have endeavored to procure some photographs which would interest all the descendants.

The views of Maltby, England, and the interesting sketch of a Day at Maltby, by Miss Martha J. Maltby, as well as the reproduction of the Maltby coat-of-arms should interest any of the Maltby name or blood.

We frequently receive letters asking "Is _____ a member of our branch of the family, and if so, how related?"

It is rather a delicate matter to touch upon, but some of the Maltbys have deservedly, made for themselves considerable reputation, and the "lay brothers" who are not so fortunate are justly proud of those who have pushed on in the World's Work. Endeavoring to secure photographs and some sketches, which we know will be interesting to members. We also wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to those who for "the sake of kinship were willing to help us in this way.

In Booklet No. 2 we reproduced a photograph of Rev. Jonathan Maltby, who, so far as we know, was the first person to preserve the family records. His work was amplified by his niece Martha Church Maltby, daughter of Gen. Isaac Maltby (4), who married Harlow Swain Love. One could hardly state that Mrs. Love was the next person to take up this genealogical work, as Deacon Charles Foote (a descendant of Samuel [2] Maltby) who was one year Mrs. Love's senior in age, also labored long and painstakingly to gather the family records and preserve them. His efforts are included in "The Maltby-Morehouse Family." To all of these three we owe much of the early records of the Maltbys. They gave their best efforts to this work; examined records, tombstones, wrote countless letters, met with very little help and considerable hindrance—this is the story of nearly all genealogist—but they did their best against many drawbacks, and their best was good. If there were mistakes, and there were and

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always will be in this sort of work, can we not overlook these, and simply be grateful for the vast amount of data left us.

The present genealogist finds the work progressing always, but far from rapidly. In a way this is unavoidable. Getting records together is a real trial for some people; others have not the time; others mean well, but do not know how to go about it—and lastly there are the “not interested.” The latter can block a whole branch of the family from having their records appear in the genealogy, and the genealogist learns that it is useless to expect any reply from them.

The most important work of the year in the American branch was the placing, after years of hard search of Noah Maltby (5) of New York state. We owe the solving of this mystery to Miss Ethel Lord Scofield of West Haven, Conn., (a professional genealogist) who through some extremely clever work proved the ancestry of Noah Maltby (5) back to William (1) the Emigrant. The ancestry of the Vershire, Vermont. Maltbys was also straightened out, with the aid of Miss Scofield, making on the whole, a very satisfactory progress with the genealogy.

We also got trace of the descendants of the emigrant John Maltby, brother of William; and it gives us pleasure to have one of them, Mr. Maltby Gelston Leach, on our roll of members. John Maltby, the emigrant, is supposed to have been lost at sea about the year 1677. He married about 1671, Mary, daughter of Richard Bryan of Milford, Conn. They had two children, twins, John and Mary, born at New Haven, Conn., June 1, 1673.

Descendent from John Maltby



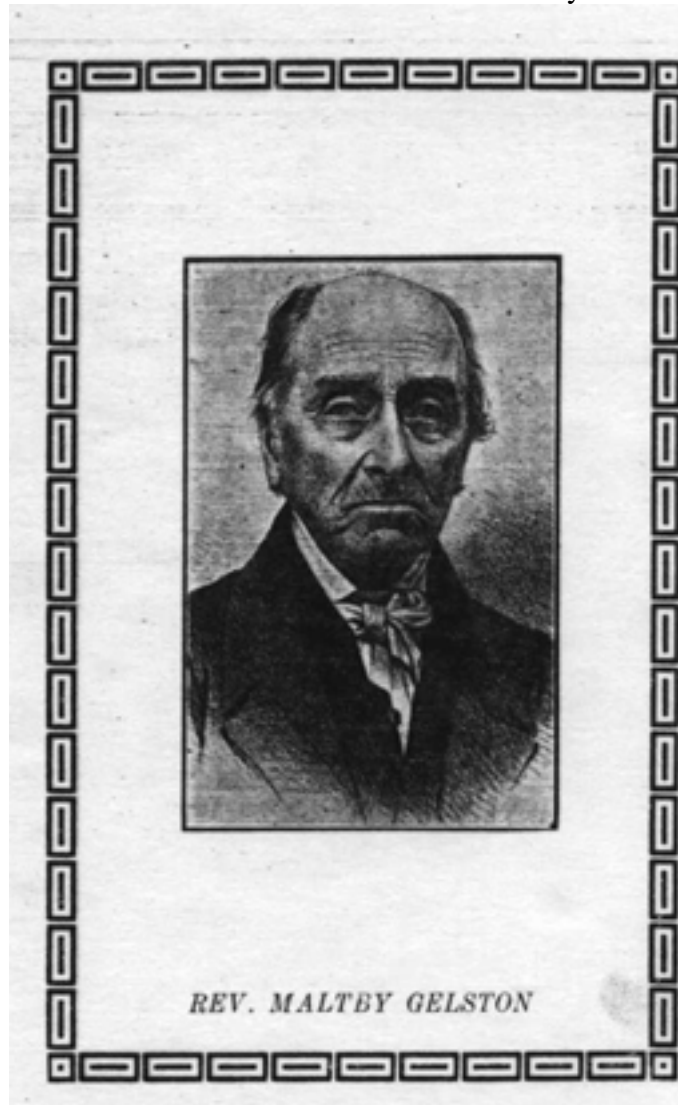
John Maltby Jr., married Susannah Clark. He was of Southampton, Long Island, and he died there June 27, 1706. (The Association endeavored to secure a photograph of this tombstone, but we fear it will be too late to be included in this report.) John (2) had only one child who married; this was Mary (3) who became the wife of Judge Hugh Gelston. (Note here the Maltby name dies out in the line of John Maltby, the emigrant.) Hugh (4) Gelston was their tenth child, and his only child was the Rev. Maltby (5) Gelston, whose picture we have reproduced on another page. Rev. Maltby Gelston was born July 17, 1766, and was ordained April 26, 1797. For forty-five years he was settled in the ministry at Sherman, Conn., where he died December 15, 1856, aged 90 years.

We have been fortunate in securing photographs of the old homestead of Rev. Maltby Gelston, his desk, flintlock gun, and study chair. Mr. Maltby Gelston Leach is a great grandson of Rev. Maltby Gelston.

In the second annual report we mentioned that William (1) evidently had a daughter named Martha (2) and quoted Rev. Jonathan Maltby as our authority. Since the report was issued we have had some investigations made of the records at Branford, New Haven and Wallingford. The records are very puzzling and seemingly contradictory and at this date it is not possible to say whether William Maltby did, or did not have a daughter named Martha.

Recently it was called to our attention that the tombstones of William Maltby, emigrant ancestor,

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The above is a reproduction of the house in which Rev. Maltby Gelston lived at Sherman Conn. A number of his grand-children are in the foreground.

The picture on the side shows a desk and chair a hundred years old, and a flintlock gun, used by the Rev. Maltby Gelston.



and of his second wife, Abigail Bishop Maltby, do not now stand in the same place in the Branford cemetery as they did in 1894; and also Mrs. Maltby's stone no longer stands beside her husband's but at its foot. This is very much to be regretted, and the Secretary wrote to the Pastor of the First Congregational Church to ascertain where to apply for information on the subject. The Pastor sent the address of the Sexton, and a letter was written asking for estimates for replacing the stones side by side, and also asking if the stones could be restored to their original place in the cemetery. This last, we fear, is hopeless, but in the spring the stones can be placed in their former position, even if not on the original graves.

It is with deepest regret that we have to record the deaths of three of our members: Mr. George W. Maltby, Mr. Silas Benjamin Maltbie and Deacon William Maltby. To the bereaved families the Association wishes to tender its sincere sympathy.

The short biographical sketches following this report will give our members a little insight into the lives of these cousins, bring us all into closer touch, and strengthen the tie of kinship.

A word as to the proposed reunion in Branford on Sept. 1, 1910—two hundred years from the date of death of William Maltby.

We are so widely scattered that many of us can not be present at such a reunion, yet there are many descendants who could visit Branford on this date, and to these the following words are addressed:

It is hoped that all the descendants of William Maltby residing within a short distance of New Haven

will try to visit the grave of William Maltby on the date above given. It is too early to form definite arrangements for the reunion, but the following is a rough plan:

The ten o'clock trolley car from the New Haven green would allow one to arrive in Branford shortly before eleven. The ride is a very pretty one, and the fare was, in 1906, fifteen cents; it may have been reduced since. The town hall is open till noon, and here are to be found the early records, with the various deeds, etc., signed by William Maltby, town clerk. In back of the court house is the old academy building, and beyond that the bronze tablet marking the spot where stood the house of the Rev. Samuel Russell, in which Yale College was founded. The cemetery is hardly more than a city square from where the cars stop, and here lies the body of William Maltby, and Abigail, his wife, and descendants could bring flowers with which to decorate the graves.

From the cemetery, the trolley could again be taken down to Indian Neck (fare five cents, we believe) where lunch could be procured. The Montowese House is a very good summer hotel, and here one could get a very desirable lunch; or basket lunches could be taken with one, as there are various pleasant places along the shore where picnic lunches could be eaten. After lunch there would be time for the descendants to meet socially, and also to hold some sort of exercises suitable for the occasion.

The Association would undertake to arrange all details for those who desired to go as one united family; and to those who wished to go in small parties, would gladly furnish any information required.

It must be understood that the reunion is not simply for members of the Maltby Association, but for Maltby descendants and their families.

The Secretary requests letters from members in regard to this reunion with suggestions as to the day's programme. The Secretary also desires that additions and corrections be sent in, whenever mistakes are found, ether in the Booklet of the genealogy.

The Association intended to secure photographs of all their offices for Booklet No. 2, but owing to illness it was impossible to obtain a picture of our second Vice President, Mrs. John P. Victory. We hope that the next booklet will contain a photograph of Mr. Victory, who has worked long and untiringly for the Association.

We trust that all members will continue to take an interest in the Association and its work, and that their interest may increase as time goes on. May this interest prompt members to send the Secretary photographs of any old Maltby homesteads, portraits, relics, tombstones, etc., and copies of interesting documents. Only in this way can we preserve these things to posterity.

The Association thanks the members for their kind support and encouragement, and wishes each cousin a happy New Year.

DOROTHY MALTBY VERRILL,
(Mrs. Clarence Verrill,)

Feb. 1st. 1909.

Secretary.