

Josiah and Enoch Shaw were sons of Josiah Shaw of Falmouth (Portland). Their grandfather, Calib Shaw, moved from Hampton N.H. to Falmouth about 1765. Josiah was baptized July 31, 1774; Enoch, Mar. 7, 1779. Josiah Shaw was a saddler by trade. He was also an inn keeper in the house now occupied by Mr. Lucian Hunt. In those times Shaw's tavern was famous for good living, and second to none on the road to Coös. He married Tabitha, dau. of John Watson, children

- 1) James b. June 10, 1797
- 2) John b. Nov. 29 1798
- 3) Samuel b. Aug. 29, 1800.
- 4) Leonard b. Jan 14, 1804
- 5) Josiah b. Dec 13, 1807 d. Dec 17, 1850
- 6) William b. Sept 10, 1811 went to Illinois
- 7) Benjamin F. b. Oct 11, 1814. m. Mary Pratt of Yarmouth 1842.

Ann Maria b. June 19, 1816, m. Mr. W. Oliver of Portsmouth N.H. Sept 2, 1841. d. in Portsmouth N.H. in 1893 or 1894.

Benjamin F. son of Josiah, was a Baptist minister, residing in

Waterville. He was a graduate of
Hartmouth in 1837; a trustee of Colby University
and secretary of the Board for some years
and received from them the degree of H. D.
in 1872. as well as that of A. M. in 1871.
He died Feb. 23, 1897. all the other sons
excepting Josiah, died in the far west.
Mr. Josiah Shaw died in Gorham Nov 7,
1852, aged 78. Mrs Shaw died at the
house of her son Benjamin F. in Waterville
Mar. 27, 1868, in her 92d. yr.

Enoch Shaw, brother of Josiah, married
Betsey King of Rainham, May 3, 1804.
She died Oct 15, 1806. at the age of 21,
leaving one child George H. born Jan 1, 1805.
clergyman, and editor (1876) of a paper
in Biddeford. Mr. Shaw married Apr 26
1812) Bethiah Freeman. There are seven
children from this marriage on our records.

- 1) Elbridge G. b. Mar 20, 1813, d. May 26, 1814
- 2) Mary Elizabeth, b. Dec. 18, 1814
- 3) Harriet b. May 15, 1817
- 4) Rebecca, b. Sept 26, 1819
- 5) William born. Jan 24, 1822

6) Joseph F. b. Apr. 14, 1825-

7) John F. b. May 5, 1827.

Crook Shaw moved to Moosehead Lake. He died in Readfield May 16, 1868
aged 89.

Josiah B. Shaw was born in Standish May 12, 1805, and was the son of Joseph and Eunice (Bear) Shaw. He moved to Gorham about 1848, and lived on the river road, between Great Falls, and the Hurricane. He married in 1832 Polly, dau. of Benjamin Haskell. Children.

1) Cyrus H. b. Nov. 15, 1833

2) Chauncey C. b. Mar 4, 1835-

3) Chester B. b. May 4, 1837, d. July 18, 1863.

4) Clinton H. W. b. Aug 6, 1839

5) Carlyle W. b. Feb. 24, 1842, m. Clara Parker.

All these sons served in the Union Army in the Civil War. Capt. Chester B. Shaw was killed in the night assault on Fort Wagner.

Josiah B. Shaw died Apr. 22, 1883 and his wife in Aug. 1894.

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