

SAYER.

To Elizabeth F. Hopkins.

June 18, 1981

"Grandmother's mother (Elizabeth Fripp Green Sayre) died suddenly on her birth anniversary." She left three small children; - Sarah, Ben, and "Becky" (Mrs. Francis Hopkins).

Mr. John Verdier of Beaufort was their guardian. He was an honorable one and turned over to them their property greatly enhanced in value. It was considerable, including a plantation on Hilton Head and property in Elizabeth, N. J. (their father's).

Little Ben died soon after the war, from small-pox. O...
.....Sarah and Becky's father died soon after his wife and the little girls lived in Beaufort with their aunt, Mrs. Ellis, (nee Green).

Uncle John's (John Livingston Hopkins (1)) first wife was a daughter of (Elizabeth G.) Mrs. Paul McKee; her name was Sarah, too.

They (the Sayres) must have lived in New Jersey at one time during the war, as I have always heard that grandmother was in the "Blockhouse" to escape the British, with the "women and children".

Her father was a young man and must have been in service.

Grandmother was born in March, 1776.

(The occupation of Elizabethtown by the British, June 7-23, 1780, necessitated the fleeing of women and children to a place of safety.)

My aunt,

Mrs. S. L. Mallard (Mary Elizabeth Hopkins Mallard, verified in application 223, 169) told me that she knew, from statements made to her by her father, Dr. Thomas Spalding Hopkins, that his mother, Rebecca Sayre, was born in Elizabeth, N. J.

Rebecca Sayre was born, March, 1776, and the Revolutionary commissions of her father state that he was in service in New Jersey in 1776 and 1777.

X Sarah Bell Sayre, youngest child, was born March 6, 1786
As Elizabeth Fripp Sayre was born July 17, 1755, she died not earlier than July 17, 1786.

Father O Jeremiah Sayre, Ca. 1787. died?

This Sayre line is a fine one - our real "Yankee" line. Eng. to Mass., to Long Is., to N. J., to S. C., where Jeremiah mar. Elizabeth Green. The Greens were from Rhode Is. originally and both Sayres and Greens were shipbuilders or shipowners and that brought them South.

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before
1700