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### ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Cousins:

Three topics will be discussed briefly in this year's newsletter: the progress of the Genealogy, with the necessity of better co-operation in obtaining material for it; the disposition of past contributions, and the need for continued contributions; and the meeting in June. Two other projects, the proposed war memorial booklet, and the sketches of outstanding Hartwells, seem to have fallen by the wayside, and unless more active interest is shown, they will not be revived.

Work on the new Genealogy has been going on steadily, and the farther it progresses, the more I am impressed with the magnitude of the task. Up to April 15th, 208 typewritten pages had been done, comprising 5811 names, many with short biographical sketches. About two thirds of this work has been on the Younger Male Line, in which there are fewer serious problems, and in which the seventh and eighth generations (roughly from 1825) are being constructed. Of the Elder Male Line, about half of generations 6-7 is done. And this word "done" means that this material is supposed to be in its final form, subject to no more additions or emendations. From the 7th generation on, it should not be difficult to obtain material. Most of you can tell more or less about your grandfathers and grandmothers, uncles and aunts, brothers and sisters. Many of you have sent me this data, but there are some hundreds of letters asking for data, that are still unanswered, and so, many ugly gaps are bound to occur unless replies are received soon. You should know that this is the last chance to have your important segment of the Hartwell family published in the new Genealogy, as it is impossible to wait forever for delinquents, and I appeal to you to summon enough pride in the family records and accomplishments, to send in your contributions of data at once.

A year ago a special research fund was solicited. Fifty members offered to "chip in", and twenty-nine did so, sending in a total of \$161.00. I have employed genealogists in Conn., Vt., N. Y., Mich. and Calif. at \$1.00 or \$1.50 an hour, and I have written to numerous town, city and county clerks, librarians, historical societies and individuals, some of whom made no charge, some a fixed fee, and others "what you think it is worth." In these ways I have spent, or am in the process of spending about \$145.00. The results have been excellent, uncovering much obscure data, and fully justifying the expenditure, I believe. However, there are still dozens of town and county records where information can be obtained, and several places where genealogists should be employed, so the need for a special fund still exists, and I would suggest that nearly all of you who send in dues could add fifty cents or a dollar for the special fund. As you know, whatever money is finally left in the special fund will be deposited with the publishing fund, so don't be afraid of the special fund becoming too large,—I'm not.

Now for the meeting! It is unique in being the first meeting outside the Boston area. This will afford members from New England, and New York a pleasant ride, and for all others an opportunity to see the beautiful Connecticut valley, and a little of the famous Green Mountain State.

For the meeting is to be held in Bradford, Vt., at the Hartwell cabins one mile west of the village on Route 25. There is a large and beautiful picnic area at the Cabins, a pavilion in case of rain, supervised swimming (the children will like this), and plenty of overnight accommodations for those who come from a greater distance, or who wish to extend their vacations. On Sunday, the day after the meeting, the Mt. Mansfield chair lift will be in operation, affording breathtaking views of the Green and White mountains, Lake Champlain and the Adirondacks.

**The date is June 24th; the time 9 A.M.; the place Hartwell Cabins, one mile west of Bradford, Vt.** Bradford is on the Connecticut river about 160 miles from Boston and about 150 from Albany. Bring all the family, including the children, who will be well cared for, and suitably amused and entertained.

I nearly forgot to say that those within driving distance should bring a picnic lunch; those from a greater distance will be provided with generous samples of good Vermont cooking. The Lake Morey Hotel is only a few miles away for those who might like to dine there.

Will see you on the 24th of June!

Cordially yours,  
John F. Hartwell, Cor. Sec.