

KENDALL FAMILY from "HISTORY OF
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The family came to Boylston in 1792 from Ashburnham. Caleb Kendall, the Revolutionary ancestor, was born in what is now Sterling, lived in Shrewsbury and Ashburnham and finally in Winchendon and Boylston, then part of Shrewsbury. He served in the Revolution from Shrewsbury in Captain Ezra Beaman's company.

The immigrant ancestor, Francis Kendall was the progenitor of all the Kendall's of this section: came from England before 1640 and settled in Woburn; was for eighteen years selectmen; owned a grist mill; was one of the foremost citizens.

Samuel Kendall, son of Francis Kendall settled in Lancaster, where the family has been prominent to the present time; Samuel Kendall, of the fourth generation, was a soldier in the French and Indian wars.

Horace Kendall, father of Charles D., Sanford C., and Frederick H. Kendall, was for many years an auctioneer and dealer of furniture in this city. [Worcester] His place of business was in the Mechanics building. He came here from Boylston, his native town, in 1871.

CHARLES DAVID KENDALL

President of the Warren Leather Goods Company of this city, was born in Boylston, November 10, 1854, son of Horace and Sarah A. (Maynard)

Kendall. He received his education in the public schools of his native town. When his father started the business in 1871, the son became the clerk in the store. From 1880 to 1888 he lived in Grafton, returning then to engage in business with his father. He and his brother Frederick, who were partners with Sanford C. after their father died, sold their interests in 1902, and with Bamford Elliot and Wm. H. Hayden organized the Warren Leather Goods Company, of which he is now president. The Warren Leather Goods Company was incorporated in 1902 with a capital of \$30,000, and in 1916 was increased to \$300,000. The original officers were J.J. Hickey, of Shrewsbury, president; Charles D. Kendall, vice president; William H. Hayden, secretary; and Fredrick H. Kendall, treasurer.

Mr. Kendall married, June 26, 1884, Kate Elizabeth Lindsay, of Grafton, born January 16, 1860, daughter of Ira and Mary (Estabrook) Lindsay. Horace Clayton, born in Grafton, September 26, 1885, graduate of the English High School, 1904, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, 1907, now assistant manager of Rockwood Sprinkler Company; Herbert Lindsay, born here June 22, 1889; Charles Donald, born here August 14, 1899. Mr. Kendall's home is at No. 84 Burncoat Street. He also has a summer home and large farm in Grafton.

SANFORD CLAYTON KENDALL

Furniture dealer, was born in Boylston, October 6, 1856, son of Horace and Sarah A. (Maynard)

Kendall. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and came to this city with his parents in 1871. He was associated in business with his father until his death in 1899, managing the business during the last years of his father's life.

Under the name of the Kendall Furniture Company, the three sons, Charles D., Frederick H. and Sanford C. Kendall continued the business their father had established. In 1902 two of the brothers withdrew, leaving Sanford C. as the sole proprietor. The Kendall store is well known to buyers of antique and modern furniture. Mr. Kendall became one of the leading auctioneers of this section, and widely known. The store is still located at No. 319 Main Street, in the Mechanics building.

Mr. Kendall was prominent in municipal affairs for a number of years. He was elected to the Common Council in 1895, and was president in 1900 and served until elected an alderman. In the Council he was on the committee on charities, street lighting, military affairs and various other committees. He served on the Aldermanic Committee on Elections. In politics he was a Republican.

Mr. Kendall married, December 25, 1877, Jennie Bruce. They have one child, Clayton. Their residence is at No. 30 Wachusett Street.

FREDERICK HORACE KENDALL

Treasurer of the Warren Leather Goods Company, of this city, was born in Worcester, January 20, 1875, son of Horace and Fanny [Buck] Kendall.

Frederick H. Kendall was educated in the public schools of Worcester and at Cushing Academy in Ashburnham [MA], from which he graduated in 1894. He immediately engaged in business with his father, and then afterward was in partnership in the furniture business with his brothers under the name of the Kendall Furniture Company. He sold his share of the business however in 1902, and in the following July bought an interest in the Warren leather Company, becoming the treasurer, a position he has filled to the present time. This company was formed to take over the business of the J. J. Warren Company. The company has been enlarged from year to year and now occupies the spacious factory at No. 8 Austin Street, manufacturing suit cases of every description, traveling bags and a great variety of leather and canvas goods.

Mr. Kendall is a member of the Commonwealth, Worcester Country, Automobile and Economic Clubs. In religion he is a Congregationalist; in politics a Republican. His home is on Quinapoxet lane near Mountain East.

Mr. Kendall married, December 7, 1900, Fanny E. Chambers, daughter of Calvin M. and Frances (Keyes) Chambers, of Red Wing Minnesota. Children: Eleanor, born April 17, 1904; Jean, born March 23, 1916.

