

BLANCHARD FAMILY HISTORY

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CHILDREN OF SETH & CHARLOTTE BRYANT BLANCHARD

1. Watson Sylvester	b. February 10, 1845, Charlestown MA	d. July 26, 1921, W. Windsor VT
2. Julia Ann	b. November 3, 1846, Charlestown MA	d. August 26, 1902, W. Windsor
3. Ferdinand	b. November 8, 1851, West Windsor VT	d. Dec. 18, 1892, Washington DC
4. Addie	b. August 10, 1855, West Windsor VT	d. November 15, 1875, W. Windsor
5. Adolphus	b. October 19, 1859, West Windsor VT	d. October 27, 1898, W. Windsor

DR. FERDINAND BLANCHARD

Ferdinand, the son of Seth and Charlotte Bryant Blanchard, was born in West Windsor, Vermont on November 8, 1851.

His schooling consisted of:

1. Montpelier Seminary
2. Dartmouth College, graduating in 1874
3. Dartmouth Medical School, graduating in 1878

He married Alice G. White, a schoolteacher in Woodstock, Vermont, on April 28, 1875. She was from Pomfret, Vermont. They lived on Hammond Hill, Brownsville, where their first two children were born.

Ferdinand practiced medicine in Union Village, Vermont for two years then moved to Peacham, Vermont where he practiced for ten years.

While in Peacham their three small children died of diphtheria. Dr. Blanchard also got diphtheria but survived. Three more children were born to Ferdinand and Alice. Only two survived, Linn R. and Helen Glee.

The family moved to Washington, D. C. in 1890. He practiced medicine but devoted most of his time to Botany. His herbarium, numbering thousands of specimens, was one of the best in the country. He gave a collection to the St. Johnsbury Museum.

He died on December 18, 1892, in Washington, D. C. He left his body to the Dartmouth College Medical Division. His daughter, Glee Blanchard Washburn, left her body to the Medical Division, University of Vermont.

CHILDREN OF DR. FERDINAND & ALICE WHITE BLANCHARD

1. Mabel J.	born January 31, 1876, West Windsor, VT	died April 14, 1880, Peacham, VT
2. Clair (son)	born November 16, 1877, West Windsor, VT	died April 27, 1880, Peacham, VT
3. Ida Wild	born August 31, 1879, Peacham, VT	died May 19, 1880, Peacham, VT

The above named children died of diphtheria. They are buried in Lot #5, Peacham Cemetery, Peacham, VT.

4. Linn Rudolph born June 17, 1881, Peacham, VT d. September 12, 1944, Washington, D.C.
MARRIED May 3, 1911 to: Sara Etta Johnston (died June 3, 1940 in Washington, D.C.)

5. Seth born January 1, 1885, Peacham, VT d. October 13, 1885, Peacham, VT
This child died of hydrocephalus. We have been unable to locate the grave for this child.

6. Helen Glee born June 18, 1888, Peacham, VT d. April 1, 1970, Springfield, VT
MARRIED May 13, 1916: Harold Reed Washburn (born March 11, 1890 in Woodstock, VT; died
November 28, 1956 in Gifford Memorial Hospital in Randolph, VT, buried in Riverside Cem., Woodstock,
VT)

After Ferdinand Blanchard's death, his widow, Alice G. White [daughter of John and Mary (Shattuck) White] married Hugh White on May 14, 1896 in Reading, Vermont. They had one son, Neal Dowd White (born March 20, 1897; died May 8, 1970 in Brookline, MA). Alice Blanchard White and her second husband, Hugh White, are both buried in cemetery in Woodstock, VT. Neal Dowd White was buried in the Hugh White plot in South Woodstock, Vermont. He never married.