

From. Mrs. A. B. Wilson
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Start on Smithfield Pike along side of North Burying ground & west of it follow on past Sale's Bleachery at the right till you pass friend's meeting-house, on the left, through the ancient village of Massassuck whose newly repaired grist-mill is at the left and also Butterfly factory; fail not to observe the outstretched wings of the butterfly—Also near by at the right the unique mansion, at first the residence of Stephen Smith, who ornamented his grounds with every variety of Wild flower possible & also cultivated, or transplanted many to Quimoneket. Soon after passing butterfly factory you come to the divergence of two roads, or one, take instruction from the guide board which says 5 miles to Georgiaville, passing down this, to the left, go over the brook & ascend the other side a rod or two when you will see on the left side of the road some flat rocks & 4 or 5 unhewn timbers lying at the foot of them to smooth the passage of wheels, also near a spectral tree will delight your imagination seeming to guard the entrance to the ^{once} enchanted forest. Walk boldly over these timbers & rocks and following carriage way you may soon take possession of the Pine skirted ravine in the name of Botanical Science.



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