Preface to the Reader

IN good time Roger, the son of Simon Wolcott and Martha Pitkin, was married. His thirteenth child, Ursula Wolcott, was born at Windsor, Connecticut (now South Windsor), 30th October, 1724. In 1741 her father became Chief Justice of the Superior Court, and in later years a Major-General and Governor.

Ursula married her second cousin Matthew Griswold of Lyme 11th November, 1743, and died 5th April, 1788. The story here related is true, both as to the lady who would "wait a little" and in fact waited a life-time, and also as to the scene on the stairs. Ursula's husband and her son Roger Griswold were Governors of Connecticut, as were her father, brother, and nephew.