

300 Bushels of Illinois Corn @ \$3.62/bu = \$1,084 Gift to Children

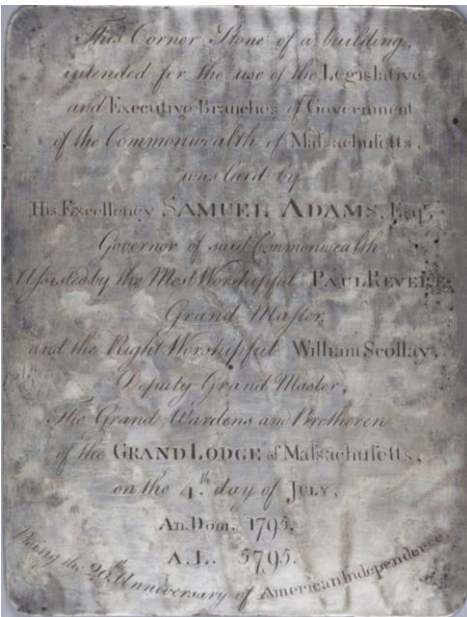


Harold Winship lives in Galesburg, IL but owns the family farm (photo left) located at Putnam, IL that has been in his family since 1868. Harold and wife Judy (photo, below) have the farm custom-farmed. A graduate of the College of Agriculture, University of Illinois, Harold has expanded his farming interests into Winship Farm Management, a company responsible for management of 8,000 acres in West Central

Illinois. Judy, a business graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University, is his partner in the business.

They saw an SHC ad on television recently, and Harold called my office saying, because they were so impressed with our children and our mission, they were making 300 bushels of corn available to SHC - Chicago. A week later, he notified me that his corn at Rumbold & Kuhn, Inc. grain elevator had been transferred to our name and was ready to sell. I called the elevator, and staff member Cristy Brown informed me the price of corn was \$3.62/bu, a good price, up substantially from a week ago. "It's a good time to sell," she reported. I did, and we earned from our crop \$1,084.

We are delighted with so much about this brief story: We love the response to our remarkable national advertising program, very popular with people across the country. We are intrigued to be given a farm commodity as a gift to our children and our hospital. We are pleased to meet Harold Winship, whose ancestry in America reaches back to the 18th Century, and whose inheritance of kindness and generosity is integral to our national character. We thank the farmers; we thank the elevator people; we thank the land!



Freemasonry Integral to American History

In 2015, my favorite English literary journal, *Times* [of London] *Literary Supplement* (TLS), published the image left, with a story telling that, on July 4, 1795, Samuel Adams, Governor of Massachusetts, asked two Freemasons, Paul Revere, renown silversmith and hero of the American Revolution, and William Scollay, a Boston developer, to assist him in the laying of the cornerstone of the State House in Boston.

The first "time capsule" to be imbedded in an American building, this cornerstone was rediscovered and reburied in 1855. In 2014, it was opened by conservators at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, and the contents put on display.

These included a lead box containing 20 or so coins and tokens, a silver plate, probably engraved by Paul Revere (left), and a copper medal of George Washington, all of which were perfectly preserved.

The artifacts were on exhibit at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts in 2015.

