

## **Dr. Josiah Hamilton of Brookfield**

1758 December 7 (Thursday). Dr. *Hamilton* here -- dined with us. I can't recommend this place for him to settle in. He goes to Mr. Daniel Forb. I invited him to return and lodge here: which he did.

1758 December 8 (Friday). Dr. *Hamilton* returned to Brookfield.

According the *Commemorative Historical and Biographical Records of Wood County, Ohio* (Chicago, 1897), 467, in the early eighteenth century, Josiah Hamilton came to Boston from Edinburgh; studied medicine; and settled in West Brookfield.

His son Josiah also became a physician in the same town, and his son, Asa, also studied medicine, starting his practice as early as age 17 or 18. Asa settled in Somers, Connecticut.

From the *Brookfield Vital Records*:

Josiah, son of Josiah and Hulda, was b. Feb. 5, 1752 (p. 114)

Asa, son of Josiah and Hulda, was b. May 1, 1758 (p. 112)