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### **Humphrey Family**

#### **Thomas Humphreys, farmer, of County Tyrone, Ireland 1764 – 1839**

##### **1. THOMAS HUMPHREYS <sup>1</sup>**

He was born in County Tyrone, Ireland in 1764 and as with many of the Anglo-Irish in Ulster province, he was Presbyterian in religion. He married RUTH ELIZABETH COULTER about 1798 in Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania and afterwards they left Westmoreland County and settled in western Pennsylvania in Butler County where he was a farmer. Thomas died 29 July 1839 in Worth Township, Butler County. **See James Coulter Family (Pennsylvania), 1.**

She was the daughter of James Coulter and his wife Margaret. His Will was recorded at Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania in Will Book One, Part 2, page 348. James Coulter died in early 1814 and his Will was dated 9 April 1814 and recorded 30 May 1814. In his Will he mentioned his wife Margaret, four sons, two daughters, one of whom was 'Ruth Humphreys.' She died in 1848 in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. She might have been born in Ireland, Pennsylvania, or New Jersey before the family permanently settled in Pennsylvania.

William Humphrey, child of Thomas, was alive in 1915 and then age 80 years. He reported the children of Thomas Humphreys and their spouses, including his brother, "Harvey Humphrey, who married Elsie Douglass." William's son paraphrased his father:

He came here from Greensburg, in Westmoreland County about the year 1798. From the best information available, he originally came from Ireland and stopped at or near Greensburg for a short time before coming to what was this new settlement. There came with him William and John McNees, who settled on adjoining lands. When Thomas Humphreys immigrated here there were no roads, only as they were cut out so a pack horse could get through. Thomas Humphreys, as I remember, was of medium size, wore no whiskers, had auburn hair, and of a sallow complexion, and blue eyes. He married before coming to this section to Ruth Coulter a sister of Charles Coulter, who later started what was called a Fulling Mill at the site of the Sutliff Mills which are now demolished, and the dam that was used for running the mills.

The year 1798 was significant in that Indians occupied this land until 1784 when the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania signed a treaty with the Indians requiring them to leave the land. It was not until 1790 that the land north and west of the Allegheny River was permitted to be settled by white men. This land was divided up into 500 and 100-acre plots and was known as the Donation and Depreciation lands. It was all set aside as payment to Revolutionary War veterans, although the veteran did not have to settle the land and, so it was frequently sold to the highest bidder. This led to a quick depreciation of the original land grants; so more acreage was added to it, known as the Depreciation lands. This land speculation led to the rise of Pittsburgh as a commercial center. The Donation lands were the northwest

corner of the state. They were divided into plots of 100 to 400 acres and were sold at a cost of \$20.00 per 100-acre tract. From this land program Thomas Humphreys purchased his Butler County land at a cost of twenty cents per acre. This was a homestead act, wherein the purchaser received a warrant for the land upon purchase and received deed to it only after he had occupied and cultivated the land and built a home. Humphreys originally bought 200 acres, adjoining David and Joseph Studebaker who had 400 acres each.

Butler County was created by an act of the legislature in 1800, with the town of Butler as the county seat. In 1804, the first county tax lists showed many of the early settlers: Thomas Humphreys with his 200 acres, one \$8.00 horse, and four cows valued at four dollars each. His tax was 76 cents. He resided in Slippery Rock Township and built his log cabin near a fresh water well. The deed to the Humphrey land was passed down to his son William Humphrey, then to his son John, to his son Sherman, and then to his son Glenn Humphrey who held the land well into the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The deed granted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was recorded in Butler County Patent Book H, Volume 36 page 338 and was in possession of the Glenn Humphrey family.

To all whom these presents shall come. Greeting: Know Ye that in consideration of the monies paid by Thomas Humphreys at the granting of the warrant hereinafter mentioned, there is granted by the said commonwealth unto the said Thomas Humphreys a certain tract of land situate in Slippery Rock Township in the County of Butler, Beginning at a black oak grub, thence by lands of Joseph Studebaker North eighty-seven degrees East and two hundred and forth one perches to a white oak; thence by lands of James McNeece South forty degrees West two hundred seventy-seven perches to a post, thence by, Donation lands South eighty-seven degrees West, two hundred and three perches to the place of beginning. Containing one hundred ninety-six acres and one hundred and fifty-six perches and the usual allowance. Which said tract of land was surveyed in pursuance of a Warrant dated the 12th of February, 1807, granted to the said Thomas Humphreys. To Have and to Hold the said tract or parcel of land with the appurtenances unto the said Thomas Humphreys and his heirs to the use of said Thomas Humphreys, his heirs and assigns forever, free and clear of all restrictions and reservations as to Mines, Royalties, Quit-Rents, or otherwise excepting and reserving only the fifth part of all Silver and Gold Ore for the use of the Commonwealth to be delivered at the Pitts mouth clear of all charges. In witness whereof, John Gebhart, Secretary of the Land Office of the said Commonwealth, hath hereto set his hand; and the Seal of the land office of Pennsylvania hath been hereunto affixed the twenty-second day of July in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six and of the Commonwealth the sixty-first. Attest: Joseph Henderson, Deputy Land Office.

Thomas Humphreys completed the requirements for the granting of the deed in 1834. He moved onto the land in 1798 and in 1804 paid taxes for his land. The warrant was dated 12 February 1807, which he held until receiving his deed, or patent, in 1834. The 'usual allowances' in the deed meant 6% extra



ground for roads. Also, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania reserved rights to a one-fifth share of all gold and silver that might later be found on this land.

The Humphrey family attended the Plain Grove Presbyterian Church in Butler County. He was listed as a subscriber of the church for the years 1815 and 1816, 1827, and 1834 to 1837. In 1827, Ruth Humphreys and daughters Eliza H. Book and Margaret H. Riddle were also listed. William Humphrey, Thomas's son, was listed from 1834 to 1838. His daughter Mary and her husband Michael Steindorf joined the church on 11 May 1839 and transferred to the Portersville Presbyterian Church in 1842. Six of the Steindorf children were baptized in 1841 at Plain Grove Presbyterian Church.

Thomas Humphreys was believed to have been buried in the Plain Grove Cemetery in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, but years later his memorial marker was found on the Book farm in Butler County. According to the Humphrey family history:

At the family reunion in 1938, a remark was made that one of the great-grandsons of George Book (married to Eliza Humphrey), had stated that in laying a stone floor of a porch on the original farm of George Book, a stone had been used on one side of which was the name of 'Thomas Humphreys.' Thomas Humphreys was previously thought to have been interred in the Plain Grove Cemetery, but this proved to be his original tombstone, suggesting he had been buried nearby on the Book farm, a common practice in frontier areas: In Memory of Thomas Humphreys who departed this life July 29th A.D. 1839 aged 75 years.

Thomas Humphreys wrote his Will on 25 May 1839 and died 29 July 1839. The Will was filed 19 July 1839 and the executors took their oath on 23 September 1839. The witnesses were James Balph and Alexander McBride.

In the name of God, Amen. I, Thomas Humphreys, of the town ship of Slippery rock, in the County of Butler, and state of Pennsylvania, being weak in body and of sound mind, memory and understanding, praise be to God for it, and considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and to the end I may be the better prepared to leave this world whenever it shall please God to call me hence, do therefore make and declare this my last will and testament in the manner following, viz:- First and principally, I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, my creator, hoping for the free pardon and remission of all my sins and to enjoy everlasting happiness in the heavenly kingdom through Jesus Christ, my Savior. My body I consign to the earth at the discretion of my executors hereinafter named and as to the worldly property wherewith it hath pleased the Lord to entrust me, I dispose in the following manner, viz.-First: I bequeath to my wife Ruth, at my decease, the use of all the part of my farm and all the personal property for her support during her natural life; and if there should not a sufficient therefrom, I allow my two sons, William and T.A. Humphreys, to be equal sharers in the expense of the balance of the support she may require in order to make her comfortable and Second: I bequeath unto my son, William Humphreys, all that part of my farm which is now bounded by the graded road, the Jack road, Andrew Douglass and Joseph Studebaker and Third: I bequeath unto my son, T.A. Humphreys, at the death of my

wife all that part of my farm which is bounded by the graded road, Joseph Studebaker, James McNees and the Jack road, and Fourth: I bequeath unto my son Harvey, all that part of my farm which is bounded by the Jack road, James McNees, the donation line and Andrew Douglass, and two hundred dollars- one hundred to be paid by my son, William, and the other to be paid by my son, T.A. Humphreys, and Fifth: I bequeath unto my son, James, and my five daughters, Jane Emery, Margaret Riddle, Eliza Book, Mary Standorff and Sarah Christy. [Seventy?]-five dollars to be paid by my sons, William and T.A. Humphreys, equally between them, and Sixth: Allow my sons, William and T.A. Humphreys, to settle and pay all debts and demands which may come against my estate as they will have received the greatest part of my estate for that purpose and others enumerated in this instrument, viz., paying the part which I have all-owed my other children, and keeping their mother, and I allow them also to receive and collect all moneys that are due or coming to the estate and for that purpose I hereby appoint them, the said William and T.A. Humphreys, my executors in law in order that these things before enumerated may be done according to the directions contained in this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of our Lord 1839.

The family of Thomas Humphreys remained in the vicinity of his home, though the place names changed. Worth Township was created from Slippery Rock Township about 1854 and the portion of Butler County that the family lived in was later formed into Lawrence County.

Sources: *Descendants of Thomas Humphreys and Ruth Coulter Humphreys*, second edition, June 1961, written by a family association; Plain Grove Cemetery records from New Castle Public Library, New Castle, Pennsylvania 16101; 1850 Federal census of Mercer County, Pennsylvania; Lawrence County History, 1909; Lawrence County Will records; 1860 Butler County census; Venango County early death and Will records; Westmoreland County wills; *Conrad Emery and Descendants*, page 95; records compiled by Martha Laderer, R.D. Route One Box 48, Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania, referring to the 1810 through 1850 census returns of Butler County, Plain Grove and Wolf Creek Cemetery records, 1881 and 1895 histories of Butler County, 1890 Venango County history, early Butler County Wills and death records, public records of Mercer County; see also *Studebaker Family in America 1736-1976*, by Walter Carlock, Alvin Faust, and E. Irene Miller, 1976, the Studebaker Family National Association, 6555 S.R. 202, Tipp City, Ohio 45371 regarding the Humphrey family.

The children of Thomas Humphreys and Ruth Elizabeth Coulter, born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania and Slippery Rock Township (later Worth Township), Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. James Humphrey. He was born about 1797 in or near Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. He was married 1 March 1820 to Catherine Glenn. **See 2.**
- ii. William Humphrey. He born 26 December 1798 or 1799 in Worth Township, Butler County and he died there on 24 October 1864. He was married to Elizabeth Dunbar in 1825. **See 3.**
- iii. Jane Humphrey. She was born about 1804 at Worth Township, Butler County. She was married in 1824 to Jacob Emery. She died

- 24 April 1885 in Mercer County, Pennsylvania and was buried there at Clarksville Cemetery. Her husband was born 25 November 1797 in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania and died 8 March 1861.
- iv. Margaret Humphrey. She was born 6 March 1806 in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. She married about 1833 to John William Riddle. **See 4.**
  - v. Ann Elizabeth Humphrey. She was born 13 April 1808 in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. She married on 19 June 1828 to George W. Book, the son of George Book and Isabella Vogan. He was born 11 September 1805 and died 25 January 1873. She died 30 June 1886 at Worth Township and was buried at the Plain Grove Cemetery in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania. **See Book Family, 8.**
  - vi. Mary Humphrey. She was born about 1810 in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania and married about 1829 to Michael Steindorf. She died in 1876 at Slippery Rock Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. **See 5.**
  - vii. Thomas Armstrong Humphrey. He was born about 1812 in Worth Township and married about 1840 to Ruth Thorn. She was born about 1812 and died 23 January 1879. He died 31 January 1883 at Hope, Hempstead County, Arkansas, and was buried at Rose Point, Lawrence County, Pennsylvania.
  - viii. Harvey Humphrey. He was born 10 August 1813 at Butler County, Pennsylvania and married about 1830 to Elsa Douglass. They moved to Jackson County, Iowa in the mid-1850s and in 1870, the family moved to Nodaway County, Missouri where he died on 7 May 1891 at age 72 years. **See 6.**
  - ix. Sara Humphrey. She was born between 1815 to 1820 at Slippery Rock Township, later Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. She married about 1839 to Ebenezer Christy. **See 7.**

*Second Generation*

2. JAMES HUMPHREY <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1797 in or near Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. He was married 1 March 1820 to CATHERINE GLENN. He was deceased by 1883, probably in Texas. Despite being the eldest son, he received a relatively small part of his father's estate. Catherine Glenn was born 24 July 1798 and died 24 September 1825. She was buried at Wolf Creek Cemetery, Butler County, Pennsylvania.

Sources: *Descendants of Thomas Humphreys and Ruth Coulter Humphreys*, second edition, 1961, written by a family association.

The children of James Humphrey and Catherine Glenn, born in Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. Robert Glenn Humphrey. He was the first of two children born before Catherine's early death at age 27. His wife was Margaret Maxwell. They were the parents of William Humphrey, Milton Humphrey, Mary Humphrey, Nancy Humphrey, Norman Humphrey, and Wellington Humphrey.
- ii. Thomas H. Humphrey. He married to Mary Ramsey. Among their children were William Humphrey, Robert Humphrey, James Humphrey, Kate Humphrey, Creighton Humphrey, Glenn Humphrey, and Jennie Humphrey.

3. WILLIAM HUMPHREY <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

He born 26 December 1798 or 1799 in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. At that period the locality was known as Slippery Rock Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. He married ELIZABETH DUNBAR in 1825. They both died in Butler County, Pennsylvania, William on 24 October 1864 and her in 1890 at age 84 years. They were buried at the Plain Grove Cemetery in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania.

Sources: *Descendants of Thomas Humphreys and Ruth Coulter Humphreys*, second edition, 1961, written by a family association; *Studebaker Family in America 1736-1976*, by Walter Carlock, Alvin Faust, and E. Irene Miller, 1976, the Studebaker Family National Association, 6555 S.R. 202, Tipp City, Ohio 45371; Plain Grove Cemetery records from New Castle Public Library, New Castle, Pennsylvania 16101; Federal Census of 1900 for John Riddle Humphrey; Portersville Presbyterian Church records.

The children of William Humphrey and Elizabeth Dunbar, born in Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. Angeline Humphrey. She was born in June 1837 and married to Alexander Rutter from New Castle, Lawrence County, Pennsylvania. He was born in 1824 and died 26 January 1883. They resided in Lawrence County, where they were buried.
- ii. James Humphrey. He was born in June 1829 and married 11 August 1865 to Ruth Studebaker. He served in the Pennsylvania State Legislature in 1878 and he died 9 February 1907. She was born 10 June 1837 and died 5 January 1912. They were buried at the Plain Grove Cemetery in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania.
- iii. Mary Jane Humphrey. She was born in 1831 and married to David Bennett. He was born in March 1828 and died 12 January 1911. She died before her husband, on 30 November 1897. They were buried at Log Cemetery, Barkleyville, Pennsylvania.
- iv. William H. Humphrey. He was born 22 August 1835 at Worth Township and married in 1856 to Elizabeth Riddle. He died in Portersville, Butler County, Pennsylvania on 16 November 1917. She was born in 1837 and died 27 September 1925. Her parents were John William Riddle and Margaret Humphrey. Their seven children were James Cecil Humphrey, born 1856 and died 1931; William W. Humphrey, born 1858 and died 1863; Laura H. Humphrey, born 1864 and died 1875; John Riddle Humphrey, born 1867 and died 1955; Walter Newton Humphrey, born 1870 and died 1911; Edwin Wilson Humphrey, born 1873 and died 1966; and Margaret Jane Humphrey, born 1876 and died in 1946.
- v. George Washington Humphrey. He was born about 1838 and married about 1875 to Mary. They moved to Texas.
- vi. Thomas Andrew Humphrey. He was born in 1837 and died as a young man in May 1850.
- vii. David Wilson Humphrey. He was born 6 September 1843. Upon his return home from service in the Union Army during the Civil War, he married on 29 December 1864 to Julia Ann Studebaker. She was born 13 March 1845 and died 13 September 1913. He was a farmer and a carpenter and died 16 July 1871. They were buried at the Zion Baptist Church in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania.
- viii. Ruth Humphrey. She was born 4 May 1846 or 1748 and married in 1866 to Mr. Davis. She died 8 May 1916 and was buried at Zion Baptist Church Cemetery.
- ix. John Humphrey. He was born 13 July 1833 in Worth Township and married Lydia Studebaker on 13 September 1856. She was born 6

April 1838 and died 6 January 1879. He married secondly to Mrs. Millie Book. He died 28 June 1905 in Butler County, Pennsylvania and was buried at Zion Baptist Church Cemetery.

4. MARGARET HUMPHREY <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 6 March 1806 in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. She married about 1833 to JOHN WILLIAM RIDDLE. He was born 12 January 1812 and died 4 May 1852. She died 3 July 1892 at Portersville, Butler County and was buried at the local Presbyterian cemetery.

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The children of Margaret Humphrey and John William Riddle, born in Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. William Riddle. He married Pamilla Forrester and married secondly to Felicia Brandon. His son was J. Newton Riddle.
- ii. Elizabeth Riddle. She married to William Humphrey, the son of William Humphrey and grandson of Thomas Humphrey.
- iii. Ruth Ann Riddle. She married James M. Marshall. Their children were J.D. Marshall, A.S. Marshall, H.N. Marshall, Thomas Marshall, Margaret Marshall, Laura Marshall, W.R. Marshall, James E. Marshall, Emma Marshall and Edwin Marshall.
- iv. Newton Bracken Riddle. He married Wealthy Ann Burdick. Their children were Edward Newton Riddle and John William Riddle.
- v. Margaret Riddle. She married to I.N. Fithian. Their children were Edward John Fithian, Pearl Fithian and C. Frederick Fithian.
- vi. Annetta Humphrey Riddle. She married Calvin Weller. Their children were Cynthia Weller, Margaret Weller, Mary Weller, Elizabeth Weller, Laura Weller, Newton Weller, J. Ralph Weller, G. Austin Weller, Weltha Weller and Ada Weller.

5. MARY HUMPHREY <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born about 1810 in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania and married about 1829 to MICHAEL STEINDORF. He was born 1808 and died 16 March 1868. She died in 1876 at Slippery Rock Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania and was buried in Pleasant Valley, Cherry Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania.

Sources: *Descendants of Thomas Humphreys and Ruth Coulter Humphreys*, second edition, 1961, written by a family association; *Studebaker Family in America 1736-1976*, by Walter Carlock, Alvin Faust, and E. Irene Miller, 1976, the Studebaker Family National Association, 6555 S.R. 202, Tipp City, Ohio 45371.

The children of Mary Humphrey and Michael Steindorf, born in Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. Thomas Steindorf.
- ii. Henry Steindorf. His children were John Steindorf, Conness Steindorf, Frederick Steindorf, and Carl Steindorf.
- iii. Amanda Steindorf. She married William Dickey. Their children were Mary Dickey, Joseph Dickey, Lorenzo Dickey, Lillie Dickey, Calvin Dickey, Perry Dickey, and Esther Dickey.
- iv. Ruth E. Steindorf. She married Samuel Shira and was the mother of Curtis Shira, Ida Shira, Anna Shira, William Shira, Madge Shira, Thomas Shira, and Eleanore Shira.

- v. Calvin Steindorf. His sons were John Steindorf and Bower Steindorf.
- vi. Alfred Steindorf. His children were William Steindorf and Mary Steindorf.
- vii. Mary Annetta Steindorf. She married to Alfred Shira and was the mother of Clara Shira, Adrian Shira, Minnie Shira, Ethel Shira, Mae Shira, Rebertha Shira, Florence Shira, Kathryn Shira, and Harry Shira.

6. HARVEY HUMPHREY <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 10 August 1813 at Butler County, Pennsylvania and spelled his first name as Harvy. He and his brothers generally used the surname Humphrey, having dropped the last letter in Humphreys. He was a carpenter and a farmer and married about 1830 to ELSA DOUGLASS, the daughter of Andrew Douglass and Mary Kelly of Butler County, Pennsylvania. His father, Thomas Humphreys, and father-in-law, Andrew Douglass, had adjoining land and both were close friends of the McNees family. Elsa was born 27 October 1808 in Pennsylvania, either in Butler County or Pittsburgh, where Andrew lived while serving in the War of 1812. She died 30 July 1879 at Nodaway County, Missouri. The family left Pennsylvania for the West in mid-1850s and settled in Jackson County, Iowa. In 1870, they moved from Iowa to Nodaway County, Missouri where he died on 7 May 1891 at age 72 years. **See Douglass Family, 2.**

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The children of Harvey Humphrey and Elsa Douglass, born in Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. Emily Emana Humphrey. She was born 19 July 1831 in Worth Township, Butler County. She married 13 April 1853 in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania to Joseph Book. She died at age 75 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa on 18 February 1910. **See Book Family, 17.**
- ii. Mary Humphrey. She was born 15 May 1835 and moved to Nodaway County, Missouri, where she died 14 October 1909. She was buried at High Prairie Cemetery, Lincoln Township, Nodaway County, Missouri, next to her father Harvey Humphrey and mother Elsa Douglass Humphrey. Her husband was Michael Kirby, who was born 9 August 1831 and died 5 January 1911. Their children were Lewis Kirby, William Kirby, Andrew Kirby, Eli Kirby, Charles Kirby, Major G. Kirby, Ora Kirby, and three others whose married names were McKnight, Stiele, and Adams.

- iii. Thomas B. Humphrey. He was born 8 January 1840 at Harlansburg in Butler County, Pennsylvania. He married in 1866 to Martha Jane Gilmore and died 14 February 1910 at Nodaway County, Missouri. **See 8.**
- iv. Ruth Elizabeth Humphrey. She was born 24 January 1843 and married to J. Reed. They lived in Nodaway County, Missouri, where she died 12 November 1874 at age 29 years.
- v. Andrew Humphrey. He was born after 1850 and died at age 13, probably in Jackson County, Iowa.
- vi. James A. Humphrey. He was born in 1851 in Muddy Creek Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania and died 25 May 1888 at Clearmont, Atchinson Township, Nodaway County, Missouri. He and his wife Minerva resided in Missouri and were the parents of Ora May Humphrey; Maud Humphrey; Fred Humphrey; Innies Humphrey; and William T. Humphrey, whose son was William Burch Humphrey.

7. SARA HUMPHREY <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born between 1815 to 1820 at Slippery Rock Township, now Worth Township, in Butler County, Pennsylvania. She married about 1839 to EBENEZER CHRISTY. He was born 5 May 1815 and died 16 September 1883. Sara died about 1849 in Washington Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania.

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The children of Sara Humphrey and Ebenezer Christy, born in Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. Glenn W. Christy. He married Samira Hilliard. Their children were Harry Christy, Lula Christy, and Claude Christy.
- ii. John Rainey Christy.
- iii. Ruth Christy. She married first to W.M. Coulter and secondly to Lewis Daubenspeck. Her children were William Coulter, Sarah Coulter, Almeda Daubenspeck, Kathryn Daubenspeck, Lottie Daubenspeck, Annie Daubenspeck and Maude Daubenspeck.
- iv. Mary Christy. She married Robert Hogg.

*Third Generation*

8. THOMAS B. HUMPHREY <sup>3</sup> (Harvey<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 8 January 1840 at Harlansburg, Butler County, Pennsylvania and married in 1866 to MARTHA JANE GILMORE. She was the daughter of James Gilmore and Margaret Roderick. Martha Gilmore Humphrey and was born 28 February 1844 and died 11 February 1885 from complications of a pregnancy. Thomas died 14 February 1910 at Nodaway County, Missouri. His biography was included in a Missouri county history.

The plain story of a simple life of honest endeavor and legitimate success is always interesting, and it cannot but be instructive and encouraging to those who are bravely and honorably waging the warfare of life. The biographical sketch which follows is not only a record of human endeavor; it is more, a narrative of patriotism which, in the time of our nation's need, impelled its subject twice to enlist as a soldier and many times risk his life for humanity. Thomas Humphrey was born near Harlansburg, Butler

County, Pennsylvania, January 8, 1840, a son of Harvey Humphrey and a grandson of Thomas Humphrey. Thomas Humphrey, the grandfather, was born in Ireland, and soon after he came to America locating in the state of Pennsylvania, while his wife was from New Jersey. There Harvey Humphrey was born and reared and learned the trade of carpenter. He married Elsie Douglass, of Scotch descent, but a native of Butler County, Pennsylvania, and a daughter of Andrew Douglass. In 1854, gathering together his movable property and his young family, Harvey Humphrey emigrated to Jackson County, Iowa and settled near Maquoketa. There the family remained until 1870, during a period of 26 years, when they moved to Nodaway County, Missouri and located in Lincoln Township. There Harvey Humphrey died aged 77, and his wife at the age of 80 years. This worthy couple had six children, three of whom are living: Emily, who married Joseph Book of Jackson County, Iowa; Mary, who married Michael B. Kirby of Lincoln Township, Nodaway County; Thomas, the subject of this sketch; Andrew who died in his thirteenth year; Ruth Ellen who died at about 22 years of age; and James, who died at Clearmont, Nodaway County, and left a family. Thomas Humphrey was reared on a farm in Jackson County, Iowa and attended the public schools near his home. He had only just passed his majority when the war of the rebellion broke out. In August, 1862, responding to President Lincoln's call for three hundred thousand volunteers, he enlisted in Company F, Thirty-first Iowa Volunteer Infantry, under the command of Colonel Wood. He was in the battles and skirmishes at Walnut Ridge, Vicksburg, Arkansas Post and Little Rock. He participated in the fighting on the march back to Vicksburg along the Arkansas and Mississippi Rivers. He was discharged from the service on account of disability at St. Louis in 1863, and returned to Jackson County, Iowa. Later here enlisted and served continuously until the close of the Civil War. Returning home again in 1865, he was, in 1866, married to Miss Martha Gilmore, a daughter of James Gilmore and Margaret (Roderick) Gilmore and a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. James Gilmore, also a native of Pennsylvania, removed with his family to Jackson County, Iowa when his daughter was a mere child: there she was reared and educated. Mrs. Humphrey was a worthy and helpful wife until the end of her life. Her death, in 1885, at the age of forty-two, was the one great sorrows of Mr. Humphrey's life and her removal was a loss to her children which nothing could ever repair. In 1883, Mr. Humphrey took up his residence in Lincoln Township, Nodaway County, Missouri, and secured a small farm with only a few acres under cultivation, which has since grown gradually into a valuable farm of two hundred and twenty acres, with a good house, barns, outbuildings and essential equipment of every kind. The children are Otis B., Edgar A., Eugene, Adella, Minnie, Fred and Lucy, now Mrs. Dallas Hearst. The family are members of the Christian Church. Mr. Humphrey is a



Democrat. In all public affairs he takes a deep and abiding interest and his zeal for his party never flags and his solicitude for the success of its principles is always keen. In all matters of business he is a model of honesty and promptitude, and his neighbors often remark that 'is word is as good as his bond.'

Sources: *Biographical History of Nodaway and Atchison Counties, Missouri*, Chicago: Lewis Publishing Company, 1901.

The children of Thomas B. Humphrey and Martha Jane Gilmore, born in Nodaway County, Missouri:

- i. Otis B. Humphrey. He was born in 1867 and died in 1944.
- ii. Edgar A. Humphrey. He was born in 1869 and died in 1915.
- iii. Eugene V. Humphrey. He was born in 1876 and died in 1959.
- iv. Adella L. Humphrey.
- v. Minnie E. Humphrey.
- vi. Fred A. Humphrey.
- vii. Lucy M. Humphrey. She married Dallas Hearst.
- viii. Myrta Humphrey. She was born in 1883 and died as a young child in 1885.

#### Coulter Family

Ruth Elizabeth Coulter married Thomas Humphreys (*First Generation*)

#### 1. JAMES COULTER <sup>1</sup>

He was born in 1751 in Ireland and immigrated to Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. He was from Ulster Province in the north of Ireland and in faith Presbyterian, according to the 1895 history of Butler County. He married MARGARET in either Ireland or Pennsylvania. They resided in Westmoreland County, which was founded in 1773 as the first of Pennsylvania's counties west of the Allegheny Mountains. She was born in 1753 in Ireland and died in 1827 in Pennsylvania. James Coulter was in the censuses of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania in Mount Pleasant Township in 1786, Unity Township in 1790, then in Derry Township in 1800 and 1810 as James Coulter, Sr. He was possibly a soldier in the American Revolution. **See Humphrey Family, 1.**

His will was signed 'James Colter Senior' and witnessed on 30 May 1814 by Samuel Miller and Thomas Culbertson.

In the name of God Amen, I James Coulter of Derry Township, Westmoreland County, being sick and weak of body, but of sound mind, memory and understanding (blessed be God therefore) do make this my last Will and Testament. And first, I commend my soul to God who gave it, and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors herein after named. And as it hath pleased God to bless me with some worldly estate it is my Will that it be disposed of in manner and form following. To my loving wife Margaret I bequeath a mare and colt, a cow and calf, my best bed and furniture, whatever part of the household and kitchen furniture she chooses together with free liberty of the house and a sufficient maintenance of meat, drink and apparel during her natural life. To my son Charles Coulter, I bequeath four hundred dollars as soon after my lands can be sold and the money received as conveniently can be done. To my son Robert, I bequeath three hundred and fifty dollars to be paid in the same manner as that bequeathed to Charles, provided he pays a

sum of money for which I became his surety which has been put in suit against us, but should that money be collected from my estate, it is my Will that it be deducted from the said legacy with interest until said legacy would have become due. To my son Joseph, I bequeath four hundred and fifty dollars. To my daughter Betsey Miller I bequeath three hundred dollars. To my daughter Polly Patrick, I bequeath fifty dollars. To my daughter Ruth Humphreys fifty dollars. To my grandson James Humphreys I bequeath fifty dollars on his arrival at the age of twenty-one years. To my grandson James Coulter son of Robert, I bequeath fifty dollars to be paid at his arrival at the age of twenty-one years. To my grandson James Washington Coulter son of Charles, I bequeath fifty dollars to be paid at his arrival at the age of twenty-one years, but none of the legacies above mentioned can be demanded until my real estate can be sold for a reasonable price and not at too great a sacrifice, and then to be paid in such proportion as sales obtained will admit of. To my son James Coulter I bequeath the residue of my estate, both real and personal, to him and his heirs and assigns forever. He paying all my just debts and providing his mother in manner aforementioned, and further I do hereby empower my said son James to sell and convey any or all part of my real estate and to sign and seal such instrument as to make a sufficient title to the purchaser. And lastly, I nominate and appoint my son James to be my only executor of this my last Testament and last Will. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

A relationship was not discovered between this James Coulter and James Coulter of Belfast, County Antrim, Ireland, whose daughter married John Neill, **See James Coulter Family (Belfast), 1.**

Sources: James Coulter will of 30 May 1814 from Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania in Will Book One, Part 2, page 348; 1790 Federal Census of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania; 1800 Federal Census of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania; 1810 Federal Census of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania; 1850 Federal Census of Butler County, Pennsylvania; "Miss Mary White Dungan," 99512, National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution, *Lineage Book*, 1913, Volume 100, page 163, in "North America, Family Histories, 1500-2000, Ancestry.com (There was inadequate evidence that James Coulter was the same man as served during the American Revolution in the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion of the Pennsylvania Militia in Captain William Morehead's company in 1779 from Cumberland County); Charles Coulter, Findagrave.com website number 110773141, retrieved 17 July 2016; Charles Coulter, Fold3.com, War of 1812 pension number 16,871, retrieved 17 July 2016; *History of Butler County, Pennsylvania*, Chicago, Illinois: R. C. Brown Company, 1895, page 610; Pennsylvania Septennial Census, 1786, from Ancestry.com database.

The children of James Coulter and his wife Margaret, born in Pennsylvania:

- i. Robert Coulter. He was born in 1780 and married Catherine Johnston in 1805. His son, James Coulter, was mentioned in the will of James Coulter in 1814. Robert died in 1854.
- ii. Charles Coulter. He was born 17 March 1782 and married Elizabeth Cornelius on 4 July 1809. Their son, James Washington Coulter, was

mentioned in the will of James Coulter, Sr., in 1814 whose grandsons each named James each received a fifty-dollar legacy that was payable upon reaching the age of 21 years. Charles served in the company of Captain John Shaffer in the Pennsylvania militia during the War of 1812. He died 14 May 1871 at Slippery Rock, Butler County, Pennsylvania and was buried there at the Wolf Creek United Presbyterian Church cemetery.

- iii. Joseph Coulter.
- iv. James Coulter, Jr.
- v. Elizabeth Coulter. She was called Betsey and her married name was Miller.
- vi. Mary Coulter. She was called Polly and her married name was Patrick.
- vii. Ruth Elizabeth Coulter. She married in Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania to Thomas Humphreys about 1797. She died in Worth Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania in 1848. Her son, James Humphrey, received a legacy from his grandfather, James Coulter, in 1814. **See Humphrey Family, 1.**

#### Douglass Family

Elsa Douglass married Harvey Humphrey (*Second Generation*)

#### 1. ANDREW DOUGLASS, SR. <sup>1</sup>

He lived in western Pennsylvania in the late 1700s when it was a sparsely populated frontier. He moved from Franklin County to Butler County, Pennsylvania where he died in September 1805. He was of Scottish origin and a Douglass descendant in Butler County, Emmaline Douglass, was remembered by her grandson as 'always reciting Bobby Burns and singing Scottish songs.' The surname Douglass was Gaelic, 'Dubh Glass,' and translated as 'dark green.' It was uncertain if he was born in Scotland or America.

Andrew Douglass's Will indicated he was one of the first settlers of Butler County to die there. The Will was recorded in Book A, page 3. He named his children James Douglass, Edward Douglass, Ann Douglass, Robert Douglass, Thomas Douglass, Elizabeth Tonihill, and Andrew Douglass. He also mentioned his daughters-in-law Mary, wife of James Douglass, and Ruth Douglass. The preamble to his Will read: "January the sixteenth in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four. The Last Will and Testament of Andrew Douglass. Whereas I, Andrew Douglass, formerly of Franklin, but now of Butler County..." In the style of his era he signed his last name as 'Douglaifs'.

To my sons James and Edward Douglass I do in the presence of God and these witnesses, Will and Bequeath the whole of the tract of land I now live on, containing two hundred acres with the usual allowances to Fully and Clearly as their own property.

These two sons received the bulk of the Douglass estate, and were named as the Executors of the Will. They were also given:

One wagon, gears, and all the employment belonging thereunto, together with four head of horned cattle, that is to say one black cow, one flacket bull and two heffers, together with the household furniture, bed and bedding, co-equal.

Ann Douglass, a daughter, received thirteen dollars and fifty cents, as did his son Robert Douglass and his daughter-in-law Mary Douglass, "now wife to James Douglass." Children Thomas Douglass and Elizabeth Tonihill both received fifty dollars as their portion of the estate.

I do in the presence of God and these witnesses Will and bequeath to my son Andrew Douglass the just and full sum of three hundred dollars truly to be paid to him or his lawful heirs. The payment to be made as to wit: one hundred dollars to be paid at expiration of four years after my decease, and one hundred dollars to be paid yearly until all paid in, and whereas there is now in my hand five different bonds due to me.

The bonds referred to by Douglass were the basis of the payments to son Andrew. Ruth Douglass, his daughter-in-law was left twenty dollars for 'her only as compensation to her for her care to me.' In his summary, he stated his name as "Andrew Douglass Senior" and his signature was scrawled at the bottom of the Will. It was witnessed by Archibald Fowler and James Campbell, both Scotsmen. The Will was proved on 10 September 1805 after the decease of Andrew and the inventory and appraisal was on 30 October 1805.

Sources: 1805 Will of Andrew Douglass of Butler County, Pennsylvania in Book A, page 3; 1800 Federal census of Pennsylvania.

The children of Andrew Douglass and his wife, whose name was unknown, born in Pennsylvania:

- i. James Douglass. His wife was Mary.
- ii. Edward Douglass.
- iii. Ann Douglass.
- iv. Robert Douglass.
- v. Thomas Douglass.
- vi. Elizabeth Douglass. Her married name was Tonihill.
- vii. Andrew Douglass. He was a veteran of the War of 1812. His wife was Mary Kelly, and they resided at Butler County, Pennsylvania. **See 2.**

## 2. ANDREW DOUGLASS, JR. <sup>2</sup> (Andrew<sup>1</sup>)

Andrew Douglass was born about 1780 in Pennsylvania, probably in Franklin County. He was age 70 years in the 1850 census and he died shortly thereafter in September 1851. At the time of his death he was a farmer with \$2,200 of land and was living with his son Joseph and family. He married MARY KELLY, who was of Irish origin. She was born 31 May 1784 and died 29 October 1829 at the Douglass farm in Butler County, Pennsylvania. Andrew was a soldier in the War of 1812, representing Allegheny County and his Will mentioned his bounty land received for his service in the war with Great Britain.

Andrew Douglass was shown as the first corporal of Lieut. Joseph Elrod's Light Infantry militia volunteers in the Company D muster rolls on file at the National Archives. His period of service was between 18 November 1814 and 2 December 1814, only two weeks later. He was paid at a rate of ten dollars per month for his service, which was paid prorated for \$3.66. He was paid an additional 96 cents for traveling pay to return from Somerset, Pennsylvania where he was discharged to his residence in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The travel allowance was for three days travel pay to go the 60-mile distance.

Military service records in the National Archives records showed that Andrew Douglass and Mary Kelly were the parents of nine children. The sons were Thomas Douglass, Andrew Douglass (III), Joseph Douglass and Samuel Douglass, and the daughters were Else Humphrey, Margaret Allison, Mary Morrow, Rebecca Double and Eleanor Douglass.

The Will of Andrew Douglass was signed by him on 6 August 1851 in the presence of William McNees, Jr., John M. McNees and James I. Hoge. The Will began: "In the name of God, Amen, I, Andrew Douglass of the Township of Slippery Rock in Butler County and State of Pennsylvania..." About one-fifth of his Will reflected his religious convictions.

I may be better prepared to leave this world whenever it shall please God to call me hence, do therefore make and declare this my last will and testament in manner following. That is to say, first and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my creator, for free pardon and admission of all my sins, and to enjoy everlasting happiness in the Heavenly Kingdom through Jesus Christ my Savior. My body I commend to the Earth at the discretion of my Executors.

His personal property was instruction to be sold: "As for my personal property and notes and accounts, I allow it to be sold and the money distributed as follows viz. (after paying my honest debts and expenses)" The proceeds were to be given to his children: "to be equally divided between my son Thomas Douglass and my daughters Else Humphrey, Margaret Allison, Mary Morrow, Eleanor Douglass and Rebecca Double." After son Andrew received the bounty land, his father Andrew divided up the remaining residential and farm land between sons Joseph and Samuel.

The tract of land that I now live on I allow to be divided between my sons Joseph and Samuel as follows viz. Samuel to have fifty acres of the south end of the tract and Joseph to have the balance, the same more or less. Also my Sugar Camp that lies in Lawrence County I allow to be equally divided between the said Joseph and Samuel.

The Will was presented before the county registrar on 3 October 1851 by William McNees, Jr., and John McNees who swore "they were present with Andrew Douglass the Testator to the foregoing will and they saw and heard the said Testator sign, seal, and publish, and declare the foregoing instrument." Letters of testament were issued that day to Andrew Douglass, who served as executor of his father's Will, which was recorded in Book C, page 196. The inventory and appraisal were filed on 30 October 1851.

The only Andrew Douglass found in the early Pennsylvania census was of Westmoreland County in 1800 though other Douglass families were then located in all the major regions of Pennsylvania. The Douglass family was populous in Butler County, Pennsylvania. In 1840, there was four Andrew, two James, two Thomas, and an Edward and Joseph Douglass. In 1850, there was James in Middlesex Township, Catherine, four John Douglass families, Samuel, Susannah, and Thomas. Some of these families may be related to Samuel Douglass, who was living in Butler County in 1800 and might have been related to Andrew Douglass.

Sources: War of 1812 military file at the National Archives for Andrew Douglass, Jr.; 1851 Will of Andrew Douglass from Butler County, Pennsylvania in Book C, page 196; 1800 Federal census of Pennsylvania; *Biographical History of Nodaway and Atchison Counties, Missouri*, Chicago: Lewis Publishing Company, 1901.

The children of Andrew Douglass, Jr., and Mary Kelly, born in Pennsylvania:

- i. Elsa Douglass. She was 27 born October 1808, either in Butler County, or Pittsburgh, where her father Andrew lived during service in 1814 with the Pennsylvania militia. She married Harvey Humphrey in Butler County, Pennsylvania before moving to Jackson County, Iowa in the spring of 1854. Elsa, or 'Else', died at age 70 years on 30

- July 1879 and she was buried at the High Prairie Cemetery in Nodaway County, Missouri. **See Humphrey Family, 6.**
- ii. Andrew Douglass. He was born about 1810 in Pennsylvania, and his wife Eleanor was seven years younger than he. Andrew Douglass (III) was a farmer and a tanner and was mentioned in the Will. **See 3.**
  - iii. Joseph Douglass. He was born about 1814 in western Pennsylvania and married Margaret, who was born about 1814. **See 4.**
  - iv. Samuel Douglass.
  - v. Thomas Douglass.
  - vi. Margaret Douglass. Her married name was Allison.
  - vii. Mary Douglass. Her married name was Morrow.
  - viii. Eleanor Douglass.
  - ix. Rebecca Douglass. Her married name was Double.

### 3. ANDREW DOUGLASS <sup>3</sup> (Andrew<sup>2</sup>, Andrew<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1810 in western Pennsylvania and resided in Portersville, Muddy Creek Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. He married ELEANOR, who was born about 1817. He was a farmer and a tanner, and was mentioned in the Will of his father several times. "I give and bequeath to my son Andrew my old rifle gun together with butted pouch powder horn and tomahawk." He also received a share of real estate: "To my son Andrew I give and bequeath the bounty land that I am entitled to for my service in the late war with Great Britain." He was then appointed as the Executor in the final paragraph: "And I do ordain and appoint Andrew Douglass, tanner of Portersville, sole executor of this my last will and testament, with full power to act thereon as such."

Sources: War of 1812 war file at the National Archives for Andrew Douglass, Jr.; 1851 Will of Andrew Douglass from Butler County, Pennsylvania in Book C, page 196; 1850 Federal census of Pennsylvania.

The children of Andrew Douglass and his wife Eleanor, born in Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. Edward E. Douglass. He was born about 1838.
- ii. John B. Douglass. He was born about 1847.
- iii. Lewis C. Douglass. He was born about 1849.

### 4. JOSEPH DOUGLASS <sup>3</sup> (Andrew<sup>2</sup>, Andrew<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1814 in western Pennsylvania, as was MARGARET, his wife. Their family included their five children in 1850 and one unidentified child, Elizabeth Bennett, age 4 years. An odd statement was found in the 1851 Will of Joseph Douglass's father in which he said: "And lastly, I restrict and prohibit my son Joseph from harboring, boarding or lodging Elizabeth Miller on any of the aforesaid bequeaths or from the effects or profits arising therefrom." There was an Elizabeth Miller who lived next door to the Douglass farm according to the 1850 census. The two matters may be connected, and Elizabeth Bennett may be his child.

Sources: War of 1812 military file at the National Archives for Andrew Douglass, Jr.; 1851 Will of Andrew Douglass from Butler County, Pennsylvania; 1850 Federal census of Pennsylvania.

The children of Joseph Douglass and his wife Margaret, born in Butler County, Pennsylvania:

- i. Andrew N. Douglass. He was born about 1839.
- ii. James W. Douglass. He was born about 1841.
- iii. Mary Douglass. He was born about 1843.
- iv. Susannah M. Douglass. She was born about 1846.
- v. Margaret Douglass. She was born about 1849.

**DueMong Family**

**Nicolaus Dumont, farmer, of Frankenholz, Rheinland  
1642 – 1713**

1. NICOLAUS DUMONT <sup>1</sup>

He was born in 1642 in the French-speaking town of Quaregnon in the Spanish Netherlands that later became independent as the nation-state of Belgium. The town was in the province of Hainaut and was mere miles from the French province of the same name. His name at birth in French-speaking Spanish Netherlands was 'Nicola du Mont'. The defining characteristic of the Dumont family was that the family was French-speaking, which differentiated them from the Dutch-speakers in nearby Flanders. The American tradition that the family originated in Alsace-Lorraine was confirmed by records placing Nicolaus in both Lorraine and Alsace.

The du Monts may have lived in Quaregnon, a town of 18,000 persons, for up to two hundred years before the birth of Nicola. Pierre du Mont lived there in the 1400s and in 1652 Claude du Mont was born there, who might have been a younger brother or cousin of Nicola. The surname was spelled du Mont and was also rendered in the French as DuMont, Du Mont, and dumont. The surname literally means 'from the mountain' although this term may have applied to a hilltop landowner. Nicola du Mont followed a migration pattern that took him along the western border of Belgium from Quaregnon to the town of Chiny in the French-speaking Walloon province of Luxembourg. Although some descendants claim his first two daughters were born in Chiny, it may have just been a stopping point in Belgian Lorraine. Crossing through the Grand Duchy and independent nation-state of Luxemburg, du Mont entered the Alsacian Rheinland and had a short journey to the village of Frankenholz near Spiesen. He never lived more than a day's journey from a border with France.

The villages of Spiesen and Frankenholz had been largely depopulated in the early 1600s from the marauding armies of the Thirty Years War. The Treaty of Westphalia ended the war in 1648 but gave possession of Rheinland territory (Alsace, Lorraine, and Saare) to France at the expense of the German-controlled Holy Roman Empire. Fighting soon resumed with the Dutch Wars that continued into the 1670s until there was a peace that was strong enough to hold for a century. Repopulation started under German control in the 1680s and 1690s with former residents returning with new residents of both French and German heritage.

Lists of Spiesen residents that began in 1701 documented a quick transition of French speakers into German culture as names were near-universally changed into a German form during the 1690s. While some surnames were changed literally such as Charbonnier to Kohler, or phonetically such as Escrieur to Greber, du Mont changed only in form and accent to Dumont. Consequently, Nicola du Mont became Nicolaus Dumont, and his son Hilaire du Mont became Johann Hilaire Dumont. These two generations spoke both French and German, while the following three generations (Heinrich, Johannes, and Jakob) spoke only German. John Duemong who immigrated to America spoke German and English, as did his son John Baptist Due Mong. Thereafter, descendants spoke English only.

The Dumont family belonged to the Catholic Church in Spiesen, which was the location of their baptisms, weddings, and funerals. Nicolaus Dumont died in Frankenholz on 7 February 1713, and was buried in Spiesen, Rheinland. The Dumont's were said to be wealthy landowners of Alsace-Lorraine according to American tradition. This claim was true to the extent that the family did own a farm in Spiesen, Rheinland, and wealth was defined in the era in terms of land ownership. Johann Hilaire Dumont owned this farm in the town of Spiesen and upon his death left it to his son Heinrich Dumont, the great-grandfather of John Duemong of Minnesota.

Regional violence continued in the Rheinland with the French Revolution in the 1790s followed by Napoleonic warfare in the early 1800s. In the first decade of the 1800s the German-controlled Holy Roman Empire dissolved and Spiesen and the Rheinland came under the control of the kingdom of Bavaria. With the rise of Prussia as a German power, the young men of the Rheinland were forced to serve in the Prussian army, which was a major cause of immigration to America in the 1840s, such as with Nicolaus Dumont's great-great-great-grandson Johann Dumont (or, John Duemong). The modern nation-state emerged from Prussian domination and by the 1870s Germany was at war with France with the Rheinland region once again in contention. In the 1900s Alsace and Saare in the Rheinland were at the center of political and military conflict between Germany and France in both World War I in the 1910s and World War II in the 1940s. The Dumont home in the Rheinland was eventually incorporated into Germany as the last federal state (or, Lander) of Saarland after the close of World War II.

Sources: Rex Hotchkiss, "Hotchkiss Family Genealogy – The Scottish Lines", 2008, retrieved on August 25, 2010, from Website [Hotchkissclan.org/Gen/index.html](http://Hotchkissclan.org/Gen/index.html). Used by permission of author with credit. Original sources cited were parish church registers of the Catholic Church in Spiesen. Secondary source cited was: *Saarlandische Familienkunde, Band 2, Jahrgang VII-1974, Heft 27*, by Alois Lorscheider, Saarbrücken, Saarland, Germany, 1974. This author documented family relationships of Spiesen residents between 1688 and 1788 using church registers and village inhabitant lists of 1701, 1707, 1730, 1733, 1737, 1741, 1748, 1763, 1771, and 1778; International Genealogical Index (IGI) of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon) at [Familysearch.org](http://Familysearch.org) for Germany and Belgium for various spellings of Nicolaus Dumont and Nicola du Mont. These records were submitted by family members after 1991 and were not documented by original sources. Two different sources gave the birth place of Nicolaus as Quaregnon, Belgium in either 1642 or 1643.

The children of Nicolaus Dumont and his wife, born in Frankenholz, Rheinland:

- i. Nicole Dumont. She was born about 1682 and married twice. She married Andre Flory, or Spichtig, who was born in 1673 and died on 20 January 1713 in Frankenholz, Rheinland. She married secondly to Anton Vallay, or Walch.
- ii. Francoise Dumont. She was born about 1684, and later was known by the German variation of her name, Franiziska. She married Nicolaus Berny and they were the parents of a surviving child, Hubert Berny. She died on 19 August 1784 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- iii. Johann Hilaire Dumont. He was born about 1686 and married Anna Catharina Collet on 23 October 1704. He died on 3 February 1740 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 2.**
- iv. Johann Dumont. He was born about 1688 and died in 1713.
- v. (child) Dumont. This child was born about 1690 and probably died young.



*Second Generation*

2. JOHANN HILAIRE DUMONT <sup>2</sup> (Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1686 in Frankenholz, Rheinland and as an adult he resided in nearby Spiesen. He went by the name Hilaire, as it was German custom to use Johann as a first name although his middle name Hilaire and surname Dumont were of French origin. He married on 23 October 1704 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen, Rheinland to ANNA CATHARINA COLLET, who was born about 1686 in Ottweiler, Rheinland. Her husband's name was alternately rendered in the Latin, French, and German languages. The French style was Hilaire Dumont; the German style Illaire or Iller Dimmong; and the Latin, Hilarius Dumont or Dimmong. The spelling of Dimmong was the phonetic spelling of the name reflected in the use of the surname rendered as Due Mong or DueMong in America. Hilaire Dumont died on 3 February 1740 in Spiesen, Rheinland and his wife died there on 16 December 1758. She did not remarry after his death.

JEAN COLET

He was born about 1660 and died on 21 March 1705 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He and his wife Maria were the parents of two daughters, possibly twins. Maria was born about 1662 and died 27 March 1724 in Spiesen. Their daughter Anna Catharina Collet was born about 1686 and married Johann Hilaire Dumont. Anna Catharina's sister, Jeanne Collet, was born about 1686 and married Bastian Huy.

After the death of Jean Colet, Maria married secondly to Johannes Pirrot who was also known as Jean Pierreau and Jean Pierett. Maria and Johannes Pirrot did not have children, although he was the father of Martin Pirot with his second wife, Katherine Margrav. Johannes Pirrot was born about 1665 in Oberbexbach, Rheinland and died 19 January 1738 in Spiesen, Rheinland. His parents were Henry Piron and Catherine Braier. Katherine Margrav was born about 1660 in the town of Walbach and was the daughter of Heinrich Margrav. After the death of Johannes Pirrot, Katherine Margrav married secondly to Jacob Jung, also known as Jakob Junck. Jacob Jung married secondly to Anna Maria Ruffing after the death of Katherine Margrav. His father was Johannes Jung, and his grandfather was Antoine LeJeune. **See Patard Family, 3.**

Jeanne Collet died before 5 July 1717 and was the mother of one daughter, Maria Johanna Huy. Bastian Huy was also known as Sebastian Huje, and was born about 1686 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. He died 14 January 1740 in Spiesen, Rheinland. Bastian Huy was the son of Ludwig Huart and his wife Gertrude. After the death of Jeanne, Bastian Huy married secondly to Margaretha Sema, or Seuma. Margaretha Sema was born about 1697 in Mittelbexbach, Rheinland and died 9 September 1739. After the death of Bastian Huy, Margaretha married secondly to Paschalis Ruffing, or Roufin. Bastian Huy was also survived by a son who resided in the town of Ormesheim (the region of this town was not known). **See Patard Family, 2.**

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The children of Johann Hilaire Dumont and Anna Catharina Collet, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Catharina Johannetta Dumont. She was born on 4 March 1706 and married to Johannes Wachs on 27 January 1722 in Spiesen. She died on 21 November 1786 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 3.**
- ii. Heinrich Dumont. He was born 28 October 1710 and married to Anna Eva Greber on 12 January 1734 in Spiesen. He died on 26 April 1779 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 4.**
- iii. Anna Catharina Dumont. She was born on 7 January 1714 and married to Simon Kraut on 18 May 1734 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland. He was the son of Bernhard Kraut and his wife Margaretha.
- iv. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 19 June 1716 and married to Johannes Weckler on 22 November 1735 in Spiesen. She died before 20 July 1762 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 5.**
- v. Maria Magdalena Dumont. She was born 2 September 1721.
- vi. Anna Margarethe Dumont. She was born 9 October 1722 and married to Johann Georg Pack on 8 May 1742 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland. He was born about 1710 and died on 10 February 1764 in Schiffweiler, Rheinland. Their daughter Anna Barbara Pack was born about 1744 and died 16 January 1811 in Schiffweiler. Anna Barbara Pack was the second wife of Nickel Meyer.
- vii. Christian Dumont. He was born 25 August 1725 and married to Anna Catharina Zart on 29 October 1753 in Ottweiler, Rheinland. He died in Gottlob, Banat, Rheinland. **See 6.**
- viii. Nicolaus Dumont. He was born 30 October 1728 and died in infancy on 21 June 1729 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

*Third Generation*

3. CATHARINA JOHANNETTA DUMONT <sup>3</sup> (J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 4 March 1706 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married there to JOHANNES WACHS on 27 January 1722 in the Catholic Church in Spiesen. He was born about 1702 in Frankenhofzeuge, St. Ingbert, Rheinland and died 23 December 1774 in Spiesen, Rheinland. His father, Nicolaus Wachs, was from the town of Phommovich (the region or nation of this town were not known) and migrated to Spiesen about 1709 to 1714. Nicholaus Wachs and his wife Elisabeth Muttig were the parents of Wilhelm Wachs, Johannes Wachs, and Frantz Wachs who married Angelika Greber. Johannes Wachs was a farmer in Spiesen. **See Greber Family, 5.**

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The children of Catharina Johannetta Dumont and Johannes Wachs, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Anna Wachs. She was born about 1732 and married to Johannes Eich on 11 January 1752 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He was born about 1722 and was the son of Bartholomäus Eych and Elisabetha Pressman.
- ii. Johannes Wachs. He was born about 1748 and was twice married. He died on 10 July 1787 in Spiesen, Rheinland. His first wife was

Maria Johanna Gorge, who was born about 1748 and died before 15 April 1776. Her father was Peter Gorge and her mother was Anna Margaretha Greber, the daughter of Michel Greber and Juliana Landmesser. The second wife of Johannes Wachs was Magdalena Tournois, who was born about 1752 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland and died 13 December 1813 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See Greber Family, 7(iii).**

4. HEINRICH DUMONT <sup>3</sup> (J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 28 October 1710 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married to ANNA EVA GREBER on 12 January 1734 in the Catholic Church in Spiesen. She was the daughter of Michel Greber and Juliana Landmesser. Heinrich Dumont inherited his father's farm in Spiesen which he in turn left to his son Johannes. He died on 26 April 1779 in Spiesen, Rheinland, two weeks after the death of his wife. She was born in November 1713 in Spiesen, Rheinland and died there 8 April 1779. Local records also spelled his surname as Dymond and Dimmong. **See Greber Family, 3.**

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The children of Heinrich Dumont and Anna Eva Greber, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Peter Dumont. He was born 3 December 1734 and died on 3 February 1736.
- ii. Maria Magdalena Dumont. She was born 6 March 1737 and married Johannes Ruffing on 18 January 1751 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland. She died 26 April 1796 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See Patard Family, 4.**
- iii. Anna Margaretha Dumont. She was born 20 November 1739 and married Hans Adam Patard on 12 February 1765 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland. She died 24 August 1806 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He was born about 1737 and died 6 October 1807 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See Patard Family, 3(ii).**
- iv. Anna Catharina Dumont. She was born 7 July 1742.
- v. Mathaus Dumont. He was born 20 December 1744.
- vi. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 3 April 1747 and married Hans Adam Ruffing on 6 February 1769 in Spiesen, Rheinland. She died before 21 August 1823 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See Patard Family, 6.**
- vii. Johannes Dumont. He was born 2 August 1749 and married Margaretha Truntzer on 14 November 1774 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He died 2 December 1804 at the farm in Spiesen that he inherited from his father. **See 7.**
- viii. Christian Dumont. He was born 3 December 1752 and married Anna Eva Bick on 18 May 1779 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland. **See 8.**

5. ELISABETH DUMONT <sup>3</sup> (J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 19 June 1716 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church there on 22 November 1735 to JOHANNES WECKLER. She

died before 20 July 1762 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He was born about 1715 and died at age 76 years before 1788. Johannes Weckler was the son of Michael Weckler and Margaretha Mohr, and he was a weaver in Spiesen. Michael Weckler came to Spiesen from the town of Huttigweiler.

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The children of Elisabeth Dumont and Johannes Weckler, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Anna Margaretha Weckler. She was born about 1744 and married on 17 January 1764 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen to Johann Patard. He was born about 1744 and died 13 September 1801 in Spiesen, Rheinland. Their daughter Elisabetha Patard married Heinrich Dumont. **See 11; See Patard Family, 3(i).**
- ii. Jakob Weckler. He was born about 1747 and married about 1767 to Magdalena Kuhr of St. Ingbert, Rheinland. She died on 12 January 1777, and he died on 28 February 1779 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 9.**
- iii. Hinrich Weckler. He was born about 1756 and married Sophia Neumann on 8 January 1776 in Spiesen, Rheinland. She was born about 1756 in the town of Vogelbach to parents Johann Neumann and Margaretha Sommer. She died 24 February 1814 in Spiesen, and he died there on 29 November 1831.

#### 6. CHRISTIAN DUMONT <sup>3</sup> (J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 25 August 1725 in Spiesen, Rheinland and as the younger son he did not inherit farmland. He married in Ottweiler, Rheinland in the Catholic Church to ANNA CATHARINA ZART on 29 October 1753. Christian Dumont died in Gottlob, Banat, Rheinland. She was born 1 September 1731 in Landsweiler, Reden, Rheinland and died 4 November 1785 in Gottlob, Banat, Rheinland.

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The children of Christian Dumont and Anna Catharina Zart, born in Landsweiler, Rheinland and Gennweiler, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Georg Dumont. He was born on 2 February 1755 in Landsweiler, and moved to Bildstockerhof, Rheinland where he died on 13 March 1806. He married to A. Shaefer on 15 September 1778 in Illingen, Rheinland. He married secondly to Barbara Kiefer on 20 April 1785 at the town of Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland. After her death, he married thirdly in 1794 to Catharina Brill. Johann Dumont had children with each of his three wives. **See 10.**
- ii. Anna Margarethe Dumont. She was born on 2 March 1757 and married Jakob Sehn on 7 January 1789 in Illingen, Rheinland. She died 15 June 1839 in Illingen.

- iii. Susanne Dumont. She was born on 4 October 1760 married to J. Oberthamer on 14 June 1785 in Illingen, Rheinland. He was the son of Heinrich Oberthamer and Elisabetha Streck of the town of Sulzbach.
- iv. Maria Johanna Dumont. She was born 20 October 1763 in Landsweiler and married Peter Schindell on 17 January 1786 in Gottlob, Banat, Rheinland.
- v. Angela Dumont. She was born 19 September 1766 in Gennweiler and married Jakob Haas on 22 November 1785 in Gottlob, Banat, Rheinland.
- vi. Johann Dumont. He was born on 25 October 1774 in Gennweiler, Rheinland.
- vii. Peter Dumont. He was born on 20 August 1778 and died as an infant in Gennweiler, Rheinland on 13 September 1778.

*Fourth Generation*

7. JOHANNES DUMONT <sup>4</sup> (Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 2 August 1749 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married to MARGARETHA TRUNTZER on 14 November 1774 in the Catholic Church in Spiesen. He died 2 December 1804 at the farm in Spiesen that he inherited from his father. His wife died on 24 January 1814 in Spiesen. Margaretha Truntzer was born 17 February 1756 in Spiesen, Rheinland and was the daughter of Johannes George Truntzer and Anna Margaretha Ruffing. **See Patard Family, 5.**

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The children of Johannes Dumont and Margaretha Truntzer, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Christian Dumont. He was born 25 December 1775 and died as an infant on 24 February 1776.
- ii. Heinrich Dumont. He was born 31 December 1776 and married on 2 November 1802 to Elisabetha Patard in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. He died 14 December 1817 in Spiesen, Rheinland at the family farm that he inherited from his father. **See 11.**
- iii. Johannes Dumont. He was born 12 September 1780 and married on 29 December 1809 to Elisabeth Weiskircher in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. **See 12.**
- iv. Johann Adam Dumont. He was born on 10 August 1782 and married Margarethe Denk on 14 September 1805 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. He died 29 July 1821 in Spiesen. **See 13.**
- v. Maria Magdalena Dumont. She was born 30 September 1784 and died as an infant on 10 January 1795.
- vi. Johann Friedrich Dumont. He was born 30 May 1786 and died as an infant on 17 April 1787.
- vii. Magdalena Dumont. She was born 23 January 1788 and married to Ludwig Weckler on 27 April 1805 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. She died on 3 September 1853 in Spiesen, Rheinland. They were second cousins, both descended from Johann Hilaire Dumont. **See 9(i).**

- viii. Jakob Dumont. He was born 23 September 1790 and married to Catharina Hellenthal on 23 September 1790 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He died on 11 January 1825 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland, and his wife died there on 7 September 1832. **See 14.**
- ix. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 8 December 1792 and married to Bernard Kohler on 31 December 1814 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. She died on 26 October 1838 in Spiesen. He was born about 1786 in Spiesen and died there on 17 May 1841. His father was Bernhard Kohler and his mother was Barbara Gorge, the daughter of Peter Gorge and Anna Margaretha Greber. Elisabeth Dumont and Bernard Kohler were second cousins, and both descended from Michel Greber and Juliana Landmesser. **See Greber Family, 10.**
- x. Michael Dumont. He was born about 1796 and died 23 April 1835 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He married Elisabeth Henrich on 17 August 1819 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. After her death he married secondly to Maria Koop on 28 March 1824 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. **See 15.**

8. CHRISTIAN DUMONT <sup>4</sup> (Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 3 December 1752 in Spiesen, Rheinland, and married on 18 May 1779 in the Catholic Church in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland to ANNA EVA BICK. She was born in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland and was the daughter of Michael Bick and Catherina Lambert.

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The children of Christian Dumont and Anna Eva Bick, born in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland:

- i. Maria Dumont. She was born 14 February 1781.
- ii. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 20 February 1784.
- iii. Johann Dumont. He was born 15 October 1786 and married to Maria Catharina Kurtz on 20 February 1811 in Illingen, Rheinland. He died 23 July 1842. **See 16.**
- iv. Johann Christian Dumont. He was born 12 February 1789 and married on 17 November 1815 to Elisabeth Meyser in Illingen, Rheinland.
- v. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 23 July 1791.
- vi. Johann Adam Dumont. He was born 1 August 1797 and married to Barbara Pistorius on 23 January 1823 in Volklingen, Rheinland. He died 20 April 1867 in Puttlingen, Rheinland. **See 17.**
- vii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 29 December 1800.
- viii. Margarethe Dumont. She was a twin, born on 25 April 1804.
- ix. Eva Dumont. She was a twin, born on 25 April 1804, and she died as an infant on 23 May 1805.
- x. Franz Dumont. He was born 20 July 1809.

9. JAKOB WECKLER <sup>4</sup> (Elisabeth<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1747, and married about 1767 to MAGDALENA KUHM in the Catholic Church of St. Ingbert, Rheinland. She died on 12 January 1777, and he died on 28 February 1779 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

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The children of Jakob Weckler and Magdalena Kuhm, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Ludwig Weckler. He was born about 1772 and married on 27 April 1805 to his second cousin, Magdalena Dumont in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. He died 10 November 1828 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 7(vii).**

10. JOHANN GEORG DUMONT <sup>4</sup> (Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born on 2 February 1755 in Landsweiler, Rheinland and moved to Bildstockerhof, Rheinland where he died on 13 March 1806. Dumont was a member of the Catholic Church. He married first to A. SHAEFER on 15 September 1778 in Illingen, Rheinland. She was born 9 May 1754 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland, where she died on 17 November 1784 at age 30 years. She was the daughter of Nicolaus Shaefer and Margaretha Schultes of Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland. Dumont and Miss Shaefer were the parents of three children.

Dumont married secondly to BARBARA KIEFER on 20 April 1785 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland. She was born on 20 April 1765 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland died on 10 December 1793 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland at age 28 years. She was the daughter of Peter and A. M. Kiefer whom resided in Wemmetsweiler. Dumont and Barbara Kiefer were the parents of four children.

After her death, Dumont married thirdly in 1794 to CATHARINA BRILL. She was born on 20 April 1770 in Huttigweiler, Rheinland. She was the daughter of Nicolaus Brill and Elisabeth Zimmer. Dumont and Catharina Brill were the parents of six children born in Bildstockerhof. She died on 11 March 1833 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland at age 62 years and survived her husband by 28 years.

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The children of Johann Georg Dumont and A. Shaefer, born in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland:

- i. Anna Maria Dumont. She was born 14 July 1779 and died as an infant on 8 July 1780.
- ii. Johann Dumont. He was born 11 May 1781.
- iii. Johann Georg Dumont. He was born 21 February 1784 and married Anna Maria Zeller on 24 April 1806 in Illingen, Rheinland. She was born 22 June 1778 in Merchweiler, Rheinland. He died 26 February 1843 in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland. **See 18.**

The children of Johann Georg Dumont and Barbara Kiefer, born in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland:

- iv. Johann Lorenz Dumont. He was born 10 August 1787 and married Anna Thinnies on 17 August 1815 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland. He died 30 July 1864 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland. **See 19.**

- v. Anna Maria Dumont. She was born 5 October 1789.
- vi. Peter Dumont. He was born 18 November 1791 and died on 13 February 1792.
- vii. Anna Maria Dumont. She was born 18 June 1793 and married Michel Paul on 13 June 1815 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland. He was born 29 September 1784 in Obersalbach, Rheinland and was the son of J. Paul and A. M. Blass. She died on 23 September 1832 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland.

The children of Johann Georg Dumont and Catharina Brill, born in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland:

- viii. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 18 February 1795 and married on 17 June 1834 in Dudweiler, Rheinland to Johann Recktenwald. She died 9 December 1862 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland. They were the parents of one son who went by the surname Dumont. **See 20.**
- ix. Conrad Dumont. He was born 21 November 1796 and died as an infant on 22 January 1797.
- x. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 16 December 1797 and married to J. Blum on 6 January 1825 in Dudweiler, Rheinland. He was born about 1800 in Rohrbach, Rheinland, and was the son of Michel Blum and Catherine Krammer.
- xi. Mathias Dumont. He was born 15 February 1800 and married on 29 April 1826 in Dudweiler, Rheinland to Eva Recktenwald. Her brother Johann married Mathias's sister Elisabeth. **See 21.**
- xii. Ferdinand Dumont. He was born 3 November 1803 and died 24 April 1864 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland. He married Louise Zentz on 26 November 1827 in Dudweiler, Rheinland. After her death he married secondly to Catharina Wachs, the daughter of Johannes Wachs and Catherina Greber. They married on 11 February 1846 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. She died, and Ferdinand married thirdly on 15 April 1853 in Dudweiler, Rheinland to Elisabeth Ley. **See 22.**
- xiii. Andreas Dumont. He was born 16 April 1806 and died as an infant on 17 February 1807 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland.

*Fifth Generation*

11. HEINRICH DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 31 December 1776 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married on 2 November 1802 to ELISABETHA PATARD in Neunkirchen, Rheinland in the Catholic Church. They were second cousins who were both descended from Johann Hilaire Dumont. Additionally, they were second cousins once removed through their common ancestor Jean Patard. Heinrich Dumont died 14 December 1817 in Spiesen, Rheinland at the family farm that he inherited from his father. She was born 10 September 1773 in Spiesen and died there on 16 October 1836. Her father was Johann Patard and her mother was Anna Margaretha Weckler, the daughter of Johannes Weckler and Elisabeth Dumont. **See 5(i); See Patard Family, 3(i).**

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The children of Heinrich Dumont and Elisabetha Patard, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:



- i. Johann Adam Dumont. He was born 3 September 1804 and died 9 October 1804.
- ii. Johann Dumont. He was born 22 September 1805 and died 5 July 1808.
- iii. Karl Dumont. He was born 14 December 1806 and married 18 January 1827 to Susanna Ruffing in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. He died 28 September 1869 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 23.**
- iv. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 16 October 1809 and married 1 July 1804 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Peter Ruffing. She died 10 December 1876 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He was born 7 September 1804 in Spiesen and died there on 4 November 1875. He was the son of Nicolai Ruffing and Maria Sisesemm.
- v. Johann Adam Dumont. He was born 14 May 1811 and died 30 June 1845 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- vi. Heinrich Dumont. He was born 30 September 1813 and died 14 September 1856 in Spiesen.
- vii. Maria Dumont. She was born 3 May 1814, and died two days later on 5 May 1814.

12. JOHANNES DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 12 September 1780 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married on 29 December 1809 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland in the Catholic Church to ELISABETH WEISKIRCHER. She was born 31 July 1788 in Wustweiler, Rheinland and died 5 March 1820 in Spiesen. She was the daughter of Wilhelm Weiskircher and Susanne Hein of Wustweiler, Rheinland.

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The children of Johannes Dumont and Elisabeth Weiskircher, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Dumont. He was born 6 December 1810 and died 6 March 1823 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- ii. Magdalena Dumont. She was born 26 October 1812 and married 6 May 1843 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Jakob Kolling. She died 12 December 1879 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- iii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 5 May 1815 and died 14 September 1893 in Spiesen.
- iv. Margarethe Maria Dumont. She was born 6 August 1816 and died 14 September 1893 in Spiesen.
- v. Johann Adam Dumont. He was born 14 October 1817 and married on 30 January 1844 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Margarethe Metzinger. He died 20 October 1859. **See 24.**
- vi. Margarethe Dumont. She was born on 23 February 1820 and died 22 March 1820.

13. JOHANN ADAM DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born on 10 August 1782 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married on 14 September 1805 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland in the Catholic Church to MARGARETHE DENK. He died 29 July 1821 in Spiesen, Rheinland where he was a tailor (or, Schneider). She was born 10 April 1785 in Spiesen, Rheinland and died there 14 December 1846. She was the daughter of Friedrich Denk and Maria Johannetta Kohler.

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The children of Johann Adam Dumont and Margarethe Denk, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Dumont. He was born 11 December 1806 and died 3 April 1808.
- ii. Magdalena Dumont. She was born 7 February 1809 and married on 30 January 1847 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Johann Meyer. She died 8 December 1856 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- iii. Heinrich Dumont. He was born 29 May 1811 and married on 22 November 1838 to Maria Wachs in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. He died 26 November 1866 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 25.**
- iv. Johann Dumont. He was born 26 January 1814 and married on 25 April 1844 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Maria Rammo. He married secondly on 24 July 1851 in Neunkirchen to Margarethe Eich. He died 23 August 1876 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 26.**
- v. Maria Dumont. She was born 17 September 1816 and died 27 February 1830.
- vi. Johann Adam Dumont. He was born 20 April 1820 and married on 25 February 1846 to Magdalena Koop in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. **See 27.**

14. JAKOB DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 23 September 1790 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married there about 1820 to CATHARINA HELLENTHAL in the Catholic Church. She was born in St. Ingbert (or, Sankt Ingbert), Rheinland and was the daughter of Georg Hellenthal and Elisabeth Haas. He died on 11 January 1825 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland where he was a shoemaker (or, Schuster) in that village. When his wife died in St. Ingbert on 7 September 1832 their two young children were left orphaned.

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The children of Jakob Dumont and Catharina Hellenthal, born in St. Ingbert, Rheinland:

- i. Magdalena Dumont. She was born 22 August 1822, and was baptized on 24 August 1822. She married to Christian Osthof on 15 July 1844 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland.
- ii. John Duemong. He was born 23 December 1823 and was baptized on 27 December 1823 as Johann Dumont. He married to Elisabetha Kiefer on 29 April 1847 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland. They immigrated to America where he died on 6 March 1898 in Winona, Minnesota. **See 28.**

15. MICHAEL DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1796, and died 23 April 1835 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He married on 17 August 1819 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to ELISABETH HENRICH. She was born about 1796 in Rohrbach, Rheinland, and died there on 29 October 1823. She was the daughter of Peter Henrich and Maria Muller.

After her death he married secondly on 28 March 1824 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to MARIA KOOP. She was born 3 September 1799 in Spiesen, Rheinland and died there on 8 February 1845. She was the daughter of Jakob Koop and Anna Maria Normang. Michael Dumont died in Spiesen, Rheinland on 23 April 1835 at about age 40 years.

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The children of Michael Dumont and Elisabeth Henrich, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Catherina Dumont. She was born 13 July 1820 and died as an infant on 26 January 1821.

The children of Michael Dumont and Maria Koop, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- ii. Jakob Dumont. He was born 10 October 1824 and died as an infant on 23 June 1825.
- iii. Johann Dumont. He was born 9 June 1826.
- iv. Johann Nicolaus Dumont. He was born 28 January 1828 and died 6 July 1829.
- v. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 3 March 1830 and married on 27 September 1849 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Johann Schirra. He was born 29 September 1822 in Zinserhütten, Rheinland and died 7 November 1889 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He was the son of Johann Schirra and Catharina Treitz. She died 10 May 1899 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- vi. Johann Dumont. He was born 19 September 1832 and married on 26 November 1857 in Heusweiler, Rheinland to Maria Margarethe Merfeld. **See 29.**
- vii. Magdalena Dumont. She was born 14 February 1835 and died as an infant on 17 May 1835.

16. JOHANN DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (Christian<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 15 October 1786 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland and married on 20 February 1811 in Illingen, Rheinland in the Catholic Church to MARIA CATHARINA KURTZ. She was born about 1785 in Dirmingen, Rheinland and was the daughter of Louis Kurtz. They resided in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland where she died 3 February 1861. Johann Dumont died there on 23 July 1842.

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The children of Johann Dumont and Maria Catharina Kurtz, born in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Dumont. He was born 13 November 1811 and died as an infant on 18 May 1815.
- ii. Maria Dumont. She was born 25 January 1814 and married on 18 February 1831 to Jakob Uwer in Saarbrücken, Rheinland. He was born 1 April 1811 in Saarbrücken and died there on 15 June 1858. He was the son of Christian Uwer and Anna Maria Walter. She died on 3 May 1867 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland.
- iii. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 4 May 1816 and married on 17 September 1859 in Illingen, Rheinland to Nicolaus Meiser. He was born on 13 July 1826 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland, and was the son of Jakob Meiser and Anna Maria Heli.

- iv. Peter Dumont. He was born 29 December 1818 and married on 20 February 1844 to Christine Berndt in Saarbrücken, Rheinland. He married secondly on 18 November 1876 to Catharina Heitz. He died 16 June 1902 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland. **See 30.**
- v. Catharina Dumont. She was born 5 April 1821 and died 16 December 1826.
- vi. Johann Dumont. He was born 13 January 1827 and married Maria Eberhardy. He died 23 July 1885 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland. **See 31.**
- vii. Jakob Dumont. He was born 13 January 1827 and married on 22 November 1854 in Illingen, Rheinland to Magdalena Schafer. He died 1 June 1889 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland. **See 32.**
- viii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 11 August 1829 and died 11 November 1829.

17. JOHANN ADAM DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (Christian<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 1 August 1797 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland and married on 23 January 1823 in Volklingen, Rheinland in the Catholic Church to BARBARA PISTORIUS. She was the daughter of Peter Pistorius and Anna Maria Breunig. She died 21 November 1861 in Puttlingen, Rheinland, and he died there on 20 April 1867.

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The children of Johann Adam Dumont and Barbara Pistorius, born in Puttlingen, Rheinland:

- i. Maria Catharina Dumont. She was born 14 August 1826 and married Johann Diwo. She died on 1 July 1888 in Puttlingen, Rheinland. He was born 13 August 1826 in Volklingen, Rheinland and died 13 March 1893 in Puttlingen. He was the son of Heinrich Diwo and Elisabeth Thiel.
- ii. Johann Dumont. He was born 9 November 1828 and married on 27 January 1853 in Volklingen, Rheinland to Anna Altmeyer. **See 33.**

18. JOHANN GEORG DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 21 February 1784 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland and married on 24 April 1806 in the Catholic Church in Illingen, Rheinland to ANNA MARIA ZELLER. She was born 22 June 1778 in Merchweiler, Rheinland and died on 2 November 1843. She was the daughter of Christoph Zeller and Barbara Nau. He died 26 February 1843 in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland.

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The children of Johann Georg Dumont and Anna Maria Zeller, born in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland:

- i. Johannes Dumont. He was born 10 October 1807 and died on 18 December 1809.
- ii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 6 December 1810 and married on 18 January 1834 in Illingen, Rheinland to Johann Dorr. She died on 11 April 1867 in Merchweiler, Rheinland.
- iii. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 2 April 1813 and married on 13 July 1836 in Illingen, Rheinland to Mathias Martin. She died 8 March 1851 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland.

- iv. Barbara Dumont. She was born 1 February 1816 and died on 1 March 1819.
- v. Mathias Dumont. He was born 3 March 1820 and married on 13 September 1849 to Sophie Maria Fey in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. **See 34.**
- vi. Nicolaus Dumont. He was born 23 December 1822 and died on 9 January 1847 at age 25 years in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland.

19. JOHANN LORENZ DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 10 August 1787 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland and married ANNA THINNES on 17 August 1815 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland in the Catholic Church. He died in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland on 30 July 1864. She was born on 16 April 1782 in Obersalbach, Rheinland and was the daughter of Peter Thinnes and Catharina Jacob of Obersalbach. She died on 15 March 1850 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland.

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The children of Johann Lorenz Dumont and Anna Thinnes, born in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland and Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland:

- i. Maria Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 12 October 1816 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland, and died there on 23 January 1825.
- ii. Johann Georg Dumont. He was born 22 August 1821 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland, and died there as an infant on 10 October 1821.
- iii. Johann Dumont. He was born 16 August 1823 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland and married on 20 January 1845 in Illingen, Rheinland to Mary Klein. He died on 1 March 1855 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland. **See 35.**

20. ELISABETH DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 18 February 1795 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland and married on 17 June 1834 in Dudweiler, Rheinland in the Catholic Church to JOHANN RECKTENWALD. He was born on 17 November 1807 in Landsweiler, Rheinland, and was 12 years younger than his wife. Johann Recktenwald was the son of Johann Recktenwald and Magdalena Eich, and had one sister, Eva. Eva Recktenwald married Elisabeth's younger brother, Mathias Dumont. Elisabeth Dumont died 9 December 1862 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland, and her husband Johann died there on 28 April 1864. Elisabeth was 39 years old at the time of her marriage and both Recktenwald children had married into the Dumont family. They had one son who went by the Dumont surname. **See 21.**

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The children of Elisabeth Dumont and Johann Recktenwald, born in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Dumont. He was born 24 May 1826 and married on 23 January 1851 to Karoline Lang in Dudweiler, Rheinland. He died 22 July 1882 in Heiligenwald, Rheinland. **See 36.**

21. MATHIAS DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 15 February 1800 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland and married on 29 April 1826 in Dudweiler, Rheinland in the Catholic Church to EVA RECKTENWALD. She was born 12 June 1805 and was the daughter of Johann Recktenwald and Magdalena Eich. Her brother Johann married Mathias' sister Elisabeth. **See 20.**

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The children of Mathias Dumont and Eva Recktenwald, born in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland:

- i. Ferdinand Dumont. He was born 16 February 1827.
- ii. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 22 April 1829.
- iii. Caroline Dumont. She was born 24 June 1831.
- iv. Johann Dumont. He was born 22 November 1833.
- v. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 13 July 1836.
- vi. Wilhelm Dumont. He was born 5 June 1840.

22. FERDINAND DUMONT <sup>5</sup> (J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 3 November 1803 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland and died there on 24 April 1864. Like his father he was married three times, and had children with two of them. He married in the Catholic Church to LOUISE ZENTZ on 26 November 1827 in Dudweiler, Rheinland. She was born on 5 October 1805 in Merchweiler, Rheinland and died at age 39 years on 2 May 1845. After her death he married secondly to CATHARINA WACHS, the daughter of Johannes Wachs and Catherina Greber. They married on 11 February 1846 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. She was born on 6 November 1808 in Spiesen, Rheinland, and died on 16 February 1852 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland at age 43 years. Ferdinand Dumont married thirdly on 15 April 1853 in Dudweiler, Rheinland to ELISABETH LEY. She was born on 2 June 1805 in Schiffweiler, Rheinland, and was the daughter of Nicolaus Ley and Catharina Margarethe Bosel. **See Greber Family, 9(iv).**

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The children of Ferdinand Dumont and Louise Zentz, born in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland:

- i. Catharina Dumont. She was born 13 November 1829 and married in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland on 31 March 1851 to Johann Eckert.
- ii. Louise Dumont. She was born 27 November 1838 and married in Dudweiler, Rheinland on 19 January 1860 to Adam Klein.
- iii. Margarethe Marie Dumont. She was born 20 September 1841 and married on 23 August 1864 in Dudweiler, Rheinland to Conrad Neuhauser.

The children of Ferdinand Dumont and Catharina Wachs, born in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland:

- iv. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 8 September 1847 and married in Neunkirchen, Rheinland on 9 May 1871 to Conrad Neurohr. She died on 10 March 1926 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- v. Johann Dumont. He was born 26 December 1848 and married on 3 June 1871 in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland to Margarethe Hoffmann. They were the parents of eleven children. He died on 26 April 1921 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland. **See 37.**

- vi. Ferdinand Dumont. He was born 3 December 1850, and died in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland on 29 November 1925. He married first on 1 June 1875 to Catharina Neurohr in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland. After her death he married secondly to Maria Schmitt in Friedrichsthal on 18 May 1893. He was the third generation in a row of Dumonts to have multiple marriages and children with each wife. **See 38.**

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23. KARL DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Heinrich<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 14 December 1806 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church at Neunkirchen, Rheinland on 18 January 1827 to SUSANNA RUFFING. She was born 25 September 1807 in Spiesen, Rheinland, and died there on 27 February 1872. She was the daughter of Friedrich Ruffing and Maria Weckler. He died 28 September 1869 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

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The children of Karl Dumont and Susanna Ruffing, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Maria Dumont. She was born 27 October 1830 and married on 26 July 1853 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Johann Carl Werth. She died 16 April 1901 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- ii. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 6 February 1832 and died 12 March 1891 in Spiesen, Rheinland. She married on 17 February 1869 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Heinrich Leonard. After his death she married secondly to Jakob Schneider on 27 June 1867 in Neunkirchen.
- iii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 13 December 1834 and died the same day.
- iv. Magdalena Dumont. She was born 16 April 1836.
- v. Caroline Dumont. She was born 26 January 1839 and married on 6 February 1866 to Friedrich Weckler.
- vi. Karl Dumont. He was born 20 November 1842, and died on 28 November 1842.
- vii. Sophie Dumont. She was born 17 March 1844 and married in Neunkirchen, Rheinland on 17 August 1871 to Peter Ruffing. He was the son of Peter Ruffing and Maria Greber. She died on 25 June 1919 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

24. JOHANN ADAM DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Johannes<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 14 October 1817 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 30 January 1844 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to MARGARETHE METZINGER. He died 20 October 1859 in Spiesen. She was born 3 January 1816, and was the daughter of Nicolaus Metzinger and Catharina Kessler of Wustweiler, Rheinland. She died on 7 April 1873 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

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The children of Johann Adam Dumont and Margarethe Metzinger, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Maria Dumont. She was born 31 December 1844 and married in Neunkirchen, Rheinland on 8 January 1867 to Heinrich Schirra. She died 14 April 1914 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- ii. Johann Dumont. He was born 14 September 1848 and died 22 April 1849.
- iii. Mathias Dumont. He was born 30 November 1849 and died 27 July 1850.
- iv. Nicolaus Dumont. He was born 1 May 1851 and died 10 January 1870.
- v. Jakob Dumont. He was born 9 April 1853 and died 15 February 1854.
- vi. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 6 November 1854 and married Johann Solbach. She died 21 February 1937 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- vii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 5 August 1858 and died 30 October 1860.

25. HEINRICH DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (J.Adam<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 29 May 1811 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 22 November 1838 to MARIA WACHS in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. She was born 26 October 1815, and was the daughter of Johannes Wachs and Catherina Greber of Spiesen, Rheinland. Heinrich Dumont died on 26 November 1866 in Spiesen, and she died 4 July 1887 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. **See Greber Family, 9(iv).**

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The children of Heinrich Dumont and Maria Wachs, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Catharina Dumont. She was born 1 September 1839 and died 13 December 1841.
- ii. Heinrich Dumont. He was born 28 August 1841 and married in Neunkirchen, Rheinland on 9 November 1872 to Margarethe Roth. He died 23 December 1878 in Spiesen. **See 39.**
- iii. Johann Dumont. He was born 11 October 1844 and died 25 November 1894 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- iv. Maria Dumont. She was born 9 March 1847 and married to Peter Dillenburg on 11 January 1871 in Spiesen, Rheinland. She died 16 April 1905 in Spiesen.
- v. Andreas Dumont. He was born 14 November 1849.
- vi. Karl Dumont. He was born 1 August 1852 and married on 9 November 1878 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to Maria Rammo. He died 25 November 1886 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 40.**
- vii. Adam Dumont. He was born 5 October 1855 and married Catharina Ruffing on 16 November 1880 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. He died 30 January 1913 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 41.**

26. JOHANN DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (J.Adam<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 26 January 1814 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 25 April 1844 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to MARIA RAMMO. She was born 7 August 1821 in Spiesen, and was the daughter of Christian Rammo and Margarethe Weckler. Maria died on 8 April 1851 at age 29 years in Spiesen. Johann Dumont married secondly on 24 July 1851 in Neunkirchen to MARGARETHE EICH. She was born 13 June 1829 in Spiesen,



and was the daughter of Johann Eich and Maria Meiser. Margarethe died on 18 August 1859 at age 30 years. Johann Dumont died 23 August 1876 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

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The children of Johann Dumont and Maria Rammo, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Dumont. He was born 10 September 1845 and died 10 April 1867 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- ii. Christian Dumont. He was born 13 February 1848. He was the father of three sons: Robert Dumont, Christian Dumont, Friedrich Dumont.
- iii. Magdalena Dumont. She was born 26 January 1850 and married in Neunkirchen, Rheinland on 27 November 1875 to Jakob Solbach. She died 2 April 1908 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

The children of Johann Dumont and Margarethe Eich, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- iv. Nicolaus Dumont. He died 22 August 1852.
- v. Friedrich Dumont. He was born 3 May 1854 and died on 9 May 1854.
- vi. Robert Dumont. He was born 3 May 1855.
- vii. Johann Friedrich Dumont. He was born 22 June 1857.
- viii. Jakob Dumont. He was born 1 July 1859 and died on 21 August 1859.

27. JOHANN ADAM DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (J.Adam<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 20 April 1820 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 25 February 1846 to MAGDALENA KOOP in Neunkirchen, Rheinland.

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The children of Johann Adam Dumont and Magdalena Koop, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 20 February 1847 and died 6 July 1916 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- ii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 25 July 1849 and died 7 August 1849.
- iii. Johann Robert Dumont. He was born 12 February 1851. He was the father of three sons: Jakob Dumont, Peter Dumont, Johann Robert Dumont.
- iv. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 1 November 1853 and died 25 February 1933 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

28. JOHN DUEMONG <sup>6</sup> (Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

Jakob Dumont and Catharina Hellenthal were the parents of one son, Johann, who was the ancestor of the American and Canadian branches of the Duemong, Due Mong, and DeMong families. He was variously known as Johann Dumont in his native Alsatian style, Johann Dümon in German, and John Duemong in English. He was born in the small Rheinland town of St. Ingbert (Sankt Ingbert in German) where his father was a village shoemaker. According to American family tradition he was orphaned at age 5 years. Records from the Rheinland showed that his father died when he was one year

of age and he was orphaned when his mother died in 1832 when John Duemong was 8 years of age. He was born on 23 December 1823 according to his gravemarker in America, which was consistent with his baptism record from the Catholic Church in St. Ingbert, Rheinland, on 27 December 1823. He married in that same church on 29 April 1847 to ELISABETHA KIEFER. When Johann and Elisabetha left St. Ingbert soon after their marriage it was to avoid mandatory service in the Prussian army that had recently taken control of the nominally independent kingdom of Bavaria that was then ruling over the Rheinland. Elisabetha left behind a large extended family, while Johann had a single sibling, his sister Magdalena. Elisabetha Kiefer was born in the town of St. Ingbert on 18 August 1823 and was the daughter of George Kiefer and Elisabetha Uhl. **See Kiefer Family, 2.**

John Duemong first spelled his surname as Johann Dümon, as he spoke and wrote only in German, and later in life as Dumong and ultimately as Duemong on his gravemarker. In the English translation the 'ü' became 'ue', hence the emergence of the Duemong, DueMong, and Due Mong spellings. In Canada, which had a strong French influence, a son of John Duemong spelled his name as DeMong and Demong. His children who were the first generation of the family in North America thus spelled their names with striking inconsistency: John Baptist DueMong, Ferdinand DeMong, Jacob Duemong, Joseph DeMong, and Elizabeth Dumong.

Immigrating to America and finding a home in Pennsylvania, John Duemong became a coal miner after settling in the town of Pottsville, Schuylkill County for almost nine years. The couple soon started their family, although the first four children all either died at birth or shortly thereafter. The first of their children to survive was John Baptist DueMong, who was born in 1852. It was when John Baptist was three years old that the family moved west to Minnesota, and John, Sr. began farming in Winona County. This was to be the last move for the family as they settled into their new home in Warren Township, Winona County, Minnesota. The chronology of John and Elisabeth:

1823-1847: St. Ingbert, Rheinland, Bavaria

1847-1855: Pottsville, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania

1856-1898: Warren Township, Winona County, Minnesota

Nine more children were born to John and Elisabeth once in Minnesota. There was another set of twins, both girls, as well as three girls and three boys surviving as children. As there were no schools in the area the girls were placed in Catholic schools where they chose to remain to become nuns and to teach. Although most lived to advanced ages, the youngest child, Mary DueMong, died at age 30 years at the convent. The family did correspond frequently, and many of their letters were preserved. John wrote to his children in German, and spoke of sending John Baptist DueMong's photograph back home to Germany. Their daughter, Elizabeth Duemong, entered the convent and was known as Sister Fintana.

She wrote a letter in 1928 to her niece Edna DueMong, the youngest daughter of her older brother John Baptist DueMong. In it she describes the upbringing of her and her siblings in Minnesota:

Our parents were married in Europe at the age of 24 and at once sailed for the America about the year 1846. They settled down in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, where your father was born April 27, 1852. There our Father worked in the coal mine for about 8 years. Then they moved to Minnesota and began farming in Winona County where all the rest of their children were born. There was not much of any schooling to be had at our place, and your father had the least of it, for he being the older boy had to help his

Father with the work. To our knowledge, we don't think your father had a like for farming, he therefore hired out to a blacksmith to learn the trade. After some years he went to Miles, Iowa where he got acquainted with your Mother and got married to her.

Religion was an important topic for the Duemong children. Three of the daughters became nuns, and the other surviving sister, Maggie, was a Catholic. Except for Fred, all the boys became Protestant. In fact, Ruby Book Neill said that the main reason John Baptist moved to Iowa and took up blacksmithing was to avoid the priesthood, which was the desire of his parents. He later attended the Methodist Church with his wife and children, but was buried with his Crucifix. This was what Sister Pintana went on to say about their Christian upbringing:

Our parents, being good Catholics, tried to bring up their children as such too. But it was very hard in those times to bring up children in any religion, as there was not a word said about God in school, and our nearest church was ten miles away. The boys had only a little instruction in religion, that our parents gave them, but that did not suffice and therefore they were not firm in their religion. Our brother Fred is alright, he is firm, because he stayed longest with the Parents. We three girls were put to board with the Sisters for some time and we got closer acquainted with our holy Religion, and that caused us to afterwards join the Religious Order, and we are happy we made that step. So the only thing we regret is, that your Father, Uncle Jake and Joe, our three brothers, were not firm enough in their religion to go through life.

The theme of Catholicism was also found frequently in the letters of John Duemong to John Baptist DueMong, his son. In between farming concerns and news of the family was an abundance of advice and religious instructions. Among some of the lines he wrote include: "I tell you don't join any society that isn't Catholic." And, "If you get married, marry only a Catholic girl and no one that has another religion." He also wrote: "So are you going to Mass and Instruction and Vespers. That is better than running around on the streets and spending your money." John Duemong, an immigrant, later told his son: "In this country you have to figure every one is a rascal." A letter dated April 1876 from John Duemong in Minnesota to John Baptist DueMong reads:

Received your letter with picture. I noticed a band on your lapel. I hope you don't belong to any society. The Turners have such bands. I tell you don't join any society that isn't Catholic. Another thing, if you get married, marry only a Catholic girl and no one that has another religion. I know you fell off your religion. Many children whose parents aren't good Catholics just go to church to pass the time. Dear Son, a few words from your mother- Stay a good and true son. I pray every day for you there. You cause me a lot of worry because you are so far away. I guess you like it better there than here. Mary and I wait every day Saturdays for you. I don't know any more. P.S. Your mother sent your picture to Germany. Greetings, John Dumong.

Another letter from John Dumong to John Baptist DueMong was mailed to Iowa and dated 29 June 1878 in North Warren, Minnesota. This too was full of fatherly advice in the Old-World tradition:

Dear Son, We received your letters and have answered them. But your return address wasn't readable and they came back. So are you going to Mass and Instruction and Vespers. That is better than running around on the streets and spending your money. Don't trust anyone. In this country you have to figure every one is a rascal. You are old enough now so I can tell you. Stay away from dance floors and bad women. They are the curse of this land. That's about all I have to write about and to tell you that we are well and the harvest is good. Greetings from your loving parents and sisters. John Dumong. P.S. On June 21st we had a torrential rain for two hours. Then it rained lighter the whole night. All the bridges were out and the mill dams. It kept on raining for a couple of days. Now it is nice again.

It was interesting that at the time this letter was written, his son John Baptist DueMong was already 26 years old and had been on his own for quite some time. Also, John Baptist had married a Methodist girl three months earlier. That must not have been welcome news for his parents, and they did not yet know this. Farming and family news were also topics of writing between John Dumong and his son. The following letter was from July 1877:

To my son, We received your letter. It made us happy to hear that you arrived safe. I don't have any news. If you want to you can get me seed corn, enough to make two quarts. You'll have to check to see if it is ready. Don't let it freeze. If it ripens there we can probably grow it here. You painted the front door just once and now I don't have any more paint the same color. Our wheat looks very good. Regards from all, John Dumong. Stockton, Winona County, Minnesota. P.S. When you come again Mary will pull your ears because you lied to her.

John Duemong again wrote to John Baptist on 30 September 1877 to tell his son of crops and family matters. The last sentence was interesting, "I believe Jacob wrote you that Elizabeth sent you the picture of the lost son," but its meaning was unknown.

You wrote regarding the seed corn. I just need three quarts, but if it froze before it got good and dry I can't use it. I just wanted to plant some in the garden and cultivate it well and get it used for our climate. Your mother said Mary's dress material was more for an old grandmother and not a young girl. Mary said it was alright because it was from you. We took in drunken Werrner's Lizzie. Where the other children are we don't know. That's the way it goes with riff-raff. We thrashed 720 bushels of wheat, 224 bushel oats. The corn is bad. We haven't had rain since the end of June. Our wheat weight 62 pounds per bushel. It is almost impossible to plow the fields. About every three or four days the plow has to go to the shop for repairs. Send it to this address by Express, Conrad Scherer Jr., Winona, Minnesota. I believe Jacob wrote you that Elizabeth sent you the picture of the lost son. Greetings to all, John Dumong, Stockton, Winona County, Minn.

In a letter dated 14 July 1878, family was the main topic, as John Duemong updated his son John Baptist DueMong about his siblings, and he did not appear pleased with his sons.

Dear Son, We received your letter Saturday. Hadn't heard from you in three months. What kind of rent do you have to pay? Your brother Jacob bought 40 acres. Now he doesn't know how he can pay for it. He doesn't have any money and he may ask you for some and he will pay you interest. That's the way it goes when children don't listen to their old parents. I told him just to buy 20 acres. Our wheat looks good but it rains every day and it is so hot we can hardly stand it. Our hay is down 8 days already. It has rained so long the wheat is getting moldy. Don't know what the outcome will be. I don't think I can help Jake out the way things look. He has to have \$300. in the spring. Maria wants to thank you for the dollar. Wilhelmina hardly knew her. In your next letter we want to know how you liked her. She is still where she was. She says she would rather hoe potatoes than write a letter. That's the way with you too. Elisabeth is now in Elm Grove, Wisconsin. It is two miles from Milwaukee. We hope you receive this letter in good health. Maria likes you the best. She likes it in school. Jake hasn't given anything yet. Fred is as tall as Jacob. John Dumong. Stockton, Winona Co., Minn.

Three of the daughters of John and Elizabeth DueMong entered the convent to be nuns. Elizabeth DueMong became Sister Fintana, Wilhelmine 'Minnie' DueMong became Sister Ursulina, and the youngest child, Mary DueMong, became Sister Mary Lawrence. Mary died at the convent in Elm Grove, Wisconsin, 17 April 1900 at age 32 years. A letter written by Elizabeth Dumong to John Baptist DueMong dated at "Chicago, March the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1878":

Dear Brother, I received your last letter many months ago, I suppose you thought that I had forgotten you because I never answered it. I am going to Milwaukee tomorrow, I thought perhaps that you would come here to see me sometime this spring. Dear Brother you must excuse me for writing you such a little letter because I have no time to write much. I only want to let you know that I'm not in Chicago any more. Our parents don't know anything about it but I will let them know. I remain your loving sister, Elizabeth Dumong

Elizabeth did notify her parents by way of a letter dated 5 August 1878. The letter was then forwarded on to John Baptist DueMong. Elizabeth was age 21 years when she became a sister.

Candidate of the Mother House for the School Sisters  
Convent

d. N.D. 5 August 1878

Beloved Parents: On 31 July I went from Elmgrove back to Milwaukee's Motherhouse. Two years I have prepared myself for the investiture. Since 4 August I belong to the lucky ones that will be received 22<sup>nd</sup> August. You have waited a long time for this happy news and have prayed for me. Please pray for me, especially now, that I may do well. I hope at least one of you will come to visit me. Dear Parents, You have known for a long time that I have very poor teeth. I'd like to have them taken care of. It will be \$6.00 for that. The Investiture clothes will come to \$60.00. I am asking you kindly for that, if possible. It would please me if you would ask brother John for some money. I don't know if he is still

in Iowa or I'd write him myself. Invite him to visit me. If you would like my picture, let me know. We can get 4 for 50 cents. Let me know as soon as possible. Dear Parents and Sisters, I'll never forget you and I'll pray for you often. Dear Ones, I ask for your blessings and prayers in this big and sacred step I'm taking.

Your thankful child,  
Elizabeth Dumong  
Milwaukee 5 August 1878  
GSYH

Dear, We are sending you your sisters letter. We sent her \$30.00, all we could afford. The big heat cut our wheat crop in half and all the rain rotted the hay. I can't write much, I'm too tired. Greetings to you from your loving parents.

John Dumong  
Stockton, Winona County, Minnesota

A letter was sent some years after the above, dated 1 January 1883 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. It was from Wilhelmine Dumong, then known as Sister Ursulina, to John Baptist DueMong. She was at the Convent School Sisters de Notre Dame in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She lived to be an old woman in the convent, before dying in 1949 at age 90 years. Her letter read:

At last the joyous Christmas time has come, and I gladly embrace the opportunity it gives me of writing to you. I hope this letter will find you in the enjoyment of health. I have grown tired of waiting for a letter from you, it seems you have quite forgotten me, my dear brother, I have not forgotten you, I pray daily for you. I hope you have spent a Merry Christmas and I wish you a happy, thrice happy New Year, and the choicest blessings of heaven. The Christmas celebration here was very touching, we had midnight Mass. Dear Brother why is it that you never write to me! I have written two letters but received no answer. I hope that you will at least answer this and let me know how you are getting along. Dear brother I am very happy and contented in my convent home. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain with much love, Yours devotedly, Sister Mary Ursuline

My health is not very good as I am troubled with hoarseness and sore throat pretty often. Praised be Jesus Christ.

Sister Ursuline also wrote a letter on 8 January 1928, to her niece Edna DueMong, the youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong. At the time she was at Mt. Calvary in Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, and her sister, Sister M. Fintana was at Marianum, Elm Grove, Wisconsin. Her letter to Edna read:

Your card I received and was glad to hear from you. I hope this letter will find you back at your place again, well and busy. You see I had first to write to sister Fintana at Elm Grove as she is older than I, and I left home at 16. So Sister Fintana knew more about family affairs than I. Enclosed you will find her information. I will send the addresses of all in case you would like to have them. If there is anything else then let me know. I wish you a Happy New Year. I hope every day of the New Year will bring to you new joys and the choicest gift you wish for yourself. With love and heartfelt good wishes I remain your devoted Aunt, Sr. M. Ursuline.

Two of Sr. Ursulina's nieces visited her in her later years: Paula DueMong in 1921 visited Minnie at the Academy of Our Lady in Longwood, Illinois, near Chicago when Paula lived at Chicago Heights. Edna DueMong also visited her aunt. A letter dated 26 December 1933 from Sr. Ursulina to John Baptist's widow, Eliza DueMong was written when they were the last of the family to survive. They were all getting quite old.

Dear Eliza, Your letter with best wishes I received. I was so happy to hear you are well and happy and enjoying the Christmas season. We too had a very pleasant Xmas. The weather is fine. Lots of snow and quite cold. Real Christmas weather. We surely are aging. Although they say in the seventies is not old. I do not feel old as yet. I try to think and try to be as young as I can. Lizzie is poorly, although up and around. She told me to send greetings and best Wishes to each and all. Here are the ages of Jake, born Dec. 20, 1854, Lizzie born June 24, 1857, Myself, born May 7, 1859, Fred May 30, 1862, and Joe July 30, 1864. I am so glad you are well taken care of and your children nearby. You surely won't be lonesome. I will close for this time. Hope to hear from you soon again, Greetings and Best Wishes to each and all from Yours lovingly, Sr. M. Ursuline, S.S.N.D.

The three daughters of John Dumong who became nuns all died in the convents where they lived. They spelled their family name as did their father in the 1870s and 1880s as Dumong, not Duemong. Elizabeth Dumong, Sr. Fintana, died in 1940 in Elm Grove, Wisconsin. Wilhelmine 'Minnie,' Sr. Mary Ursulina, died in 1949 at the School Sisters de Notre Dame in Milwaukee. The youngest of the Duemong children, Mary Dumong, Sr. Mary Lawrence, died in 1900 in Chicago, Illinois at age 32 years.

The surviving children of John Dumong were again listed with their addresses in a 1928 letter from Sr. Ursuline, Wilhelmina Duemong, to her niece Edna DueMong. At this point, the surviving children were: Jacob Duemong, 1808 Grand Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota; Fred DeMong and his family were in Canada at 565 W. 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan; Joseph DeMong lived at Garvin, Minnesota; Sr. Fintana, Elizabeth Duemong, was at Marianum, Elm Grove, Wisconsin; and Sr. Ursuline lived at Mt. Calvary Convent in Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin.

The Dumong boys that grew to adulthood to have families were John Baptist DueMong of Iowa, Joseph DeMong of Minnesota, Jacob Duemong of Minnesota, and Ferdinand (Fred) DeMong of Saskatchewan. The children who died as infants were twins John Dumong and Joseph Dumong, and Peter Dumong, Adam Dumong, Clara Dumong. Another daughter, Margaret Dumong died unmarried in 1886 at age 27 years. Elizabeth, Wilhelmina, and Mary all went away when young to the Catholic schools and then stayed to become nuns. Of the 14 children of John and Elisabeth Dumong, only four boys lived to have families of their own. The descendants of John and Elisabeth Dumong began as fourteen children, of whom only eight lived to adulthood. The third generation, their grandchildren, consisted of eleven grandsons and twelve granddaughters, all of whom carried the Dumong name, either as DueMong, Duemong, or DeMong.

John Duemong wrote his Last Will and Testament in 1892, and it was probated after his death in 1893. Note that between 1878 and 1892 he changed the spelling of his surname from 'Dumong' to 'Duemong'.

I, John Duemong, of the town of Warren, County of Winona, and the State of Minnesota, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, conscious of the lapse of time and

mindful of the changes that in the order of nature must soon occur and wishing to place my worldly affairs in such order as shall be just between myself and each member of my family, do herein and hereby make, publish and declare this my last Will and Testament. Item First, It is my will and desire that at my decease, out of any property belonging to my estate, all my just debts and liabilities including the expenses of my last illness and funeral charges may be paid and discharged. Item Second, That out of and from the residue and remainder of my said property there shall be paid to each of my children the following bequests, that is to say: I give and bequeath to my son John B. Duemong three hundred dollars, to my son Jacob Duemong five dollars, to my son Joseph Duemong five dollars, to my daughter Elisabeth Duemong ten dollars, to my daughter Wilhemina Duemong ten dollars, to my daughter Mary Duemong ten dollars. Item Three, That is to all other property owned by me or that I may be in any manner interested in at the time of my decease, of whatsoever name or nature the same may be or however situated; I hereby give, devise and grant (subject to the foregoing bequests and promises) the home and all thereof to my son Ferdinand Duemong, now residing in the town of Warren in said State, to have and hold the same to himself, his heirs and assigns forever. Item Four, I hereby make, constitute and appoint John Farrer of the town of Warren, sole executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have signed and sealed and published and declared this instrument as my Will at Warren this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1893. John Duemong (Sen.)

The Will of John Duemong was probated at the Winona County Courthouse in Winona, Minnesota.

State of Minnesota, County of Winona, In Probate Court. In the matter of the Estate of John Duemong, Deceased. To the Probate Court in and for said County: The petition of John Farrar of Warren in the County of Winona and State of Minnesota, respectfully requests that John Duemong late of Warren in the county of Winona and State of Minnesota, died the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, A.D. 1898 at the county of Winona testate as the Petitioner believes, that the instrument in writing herewith presented to this court, is the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, as Petitioner believes; and that your petitioner is the identical John Farrar, named and appointed in and by said Last Will and Testament as executor thereof. That the names, ages, residences of the heirs and devisees of the decedent, so far as known to your Petitioner are as follows: John B. Duemong, residing at Miles, Iowa; Jacob Duemong, residing at Garvin, Minn.; Joseph Duemong, residing at Garvin, Minn.; Elisabeth Duemong, residing at Elm Grove, Wis.; Wilhelmine Duemong, residing at Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Mary Duemong, residing at Chicago, Illinois, and Ferdinand, residing at Warren, Winona County, Minnesota. All of full age and being children of the deceased. That the probable value of the personal property of the estate is two hundred



dollars. That the probable value of the real property of the estate is three thousand dollars. That the name of the executor named in the Will is John Farrar and his residence is Warren, Winona Co., Minnesota. Your Petitioner therefore (illegible) Will may be proved and allowed as the Last Will and Testament of said John Duemong, deceased, and that Letters Testamentary granted to John Farrar. Dated at Winona, Minn. the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 1898.

After the death of John Dumong in 1898, he was buried next to his wife Elizabeth who had died six years earlier. They were buried at the Wilson Cemetery in Winona County, Minnesota. The grave markers were written in German and translated into English:

HIER RUHET ELIZABETH DUEMONG GEB. IN ST.  
INGBERT/RHEIN BAYERS

18 AUGUST 1823, GEST. JULI 26, 1892 R.I.P.  
Here Lies Elizabeth Duemong Born in St. Ingbert  
Over-the-Rhine Bavaria

18 August 1823, Died July 26, 1892 R.I.P.  
HIER RUHET JOHN DUEMONG GEB. DEC. 23, 1823 GEST.  
6 MARZ, 1898

ALTER 74 JAHR 2 MO. UND 13 TAGE  
Here Lies John Duemong Born Dec. 23, 1823  
Died 6 March 1898

Aged 74 years, 2 months and 13 days

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida, that included Duemong family letters that were written in German and translated into English in 1979 and Elliott family letters; probate record of John Duemong from Winona County, Minnesota courthouse, 1893; Correspondence from St. Ingbert, Germany Catholic Church regarding Kiefer family in parish records about 1985 [Note: The Church supplied an erroneous records of Johann Dumon as the son of Johann Dumon and Mary Uhl]; Rex Hotchkiss, "Hotchkiss Family Genealogy – The Scottish Lines", 2008, retrieved on August 25, 2010, from Website Hotchkissclan.org /Gen/index.html. Used by permission of author with credit. Original sources cited were parish church registers of the Catholic Church [erroneously had birth of John Duemong in April 1823 instead of December 1823]; International Genealogical Index (IGI) of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon) at Familysearch.org through the Germany portal wiki-de.genealogy.net/for Sankt Ingbert church records of christenings C042408 for the years 1798 through 1834, retrieved on 6 July 2010.

The children of John Duemong and Elisabetha Kiefer, born in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, and Winona County, Minnesota:

- i. John Duemong. He was a twin, born and died 23 February 1848 in Pottsville, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.
- ii. Joseph Duemong. He was the twin brother of John and died shortly after birth.
- iii. Mary Duemong. She was born 17 April 1849 in Pottsville, Pennsylvania and died the same day.
- iv. Peter Duemong. He was born 26 March 1850 and like his siblings died the same day, shortly after birth.
- v. John Baptist DueMong. He was born 27 April 1852, in Pottsville, Pennsylvania. He married on 18 March 1878 in Jackson County, Iowa to Eliza Jane Elliott. They made their home in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa where he died 28 February 1913. **See 42.**

- vi. Adam Duemong. He was born 22 January 1854 in Pottsville, Pennsylvania and as with four of five of the eldest children, he died the same day, shortly after birth.
- vii. Jacob Duemong. He was an 'Irish twin', born within a year of his brother Adam. Jacob was an infant when his family moved across the United States from Pennsylvania to Minnesota. He was born 20 December 1854. He remained his entire life in Minnesota, where he died in Garvin, Minnesota, on 17 October 1945, at age 90 years. His wife was Augusta Pearsall, who was born 10 April 1865 and died 17 April 1934. Jacob and Augusta were married 4 December 1884. **See 43.**
- viii. Elizabeth Duemong. She was born 24 June 1857 in Winona County, Minnesota. She entered the convent where she became Sister Fintana. She died 23 May 1940 in Elm Grove, Wisconsin.
- ix. Wilhelmine Duemong. She was born 7 May 1859, and was also a nun, Sister Ursulina. Inside the family, her name was 'Minnie'. She died 26 June 1949 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- x. Margaret Duemong. She was a twin of Minnie, born 7 May 1859 in Winona County, Minnesota. She was called 'Maggie' by the family. She died in October 1886 at age 27 years.
- xi. Clara Duemong. She was born 19 July 1861 and died the same day shortly after birth.
- xii. Ferdinand DeMong. He was born 30 May 1862 in Winona County, Minnesota. He married Katherine Schular, who was born 15 January 1860 and died 7 January 1944. Ferdinand was known as Fred DeMong and he was a successful rancher in the Canadian West. He died 12 June 1940 in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan Province, Canada. **See 44.**
- xiii. Joseph DeMong. He was born 30 July 1864 in Warren Township, Winona County, Minnesota. He married Mary Coyle, who was born 5 December 1872 and died 29 October 1951. They were married 29 March 1891 in Minnesota. Joseph DeMong died 28 April 1947. **See 45.**
- xiv. Mary Duemong. She was born on 17 January 1868 when her father was age 44 years. She entered the convent, where she was Sister Mary Lawrence. She died 17 April 1900 in Chicago, Illinois at age 32 years.

29. JOHANN DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Michael<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 19 September 1832 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 26 November 1857 in Heusweiler, Rheinland to MARIA MARGARETHE MERFELD. She was born 17 December 1828 in Bettingen, Rheinland, and was the daughter of Peter Merfeld and Elisabeth Munz.

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The children of Johann Dumont and Maria Margarethe Merfeld, born in Holz, Rheinland:

- i. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 26 May 1853.
- ii. Elisabeth Dumont. He was born 2 September 1858.
- iii. Johann Dumont. He was born 3 July 1862.
- iv. Peter Dumont. He was born 21 November 1872.

30. PETER DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Johann<sup>5</sup>, Christian<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 29 December 1818 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 20 February 1844 to CHRISTINE BERNDT in Saarbrücken, Rheinland. She was born 9 March 1818 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland, and was the daughter of Georg Michel Berndt and Catharina Margarethe Schmidt. She died on 5 April 1874 in Saarbrücken. Peter Dumont married secondly on 18 November 1876 to CATHARINA HEITZ. She was born 15 December 1820 in Urweiler, Rheinland and died 4 March 1895 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland. She was the daughter of Jakob Heitz and Eva Wurtz. Peter Dumont died 16 June 1902 in Saarbrücken.

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The children of Peter Dumont and Christine Berndt, born in Saarbrücken, Rheinland:

- i. Michael Peter Dumont. He was born 26 September 1844. He was the father of three sons: Peter Dumont, Johann Dumont, and Georg Dumont.
- ii. Catharina Margarethe Dumont. She was born 9 February 1847 and died in Saarbrücken, Rheinland on 29 April 1895.
- iii. Maria Catharina Dumont. She was born 11 April 1851.
- iv. Wilhelmine Sophie Dumont. She was born 1 November 1856 and died on 1 August 1857.
- v. Peter Philipp Dumont. He was born 6 February 1859. He was the father of one son, Georg Dumont.

31. JOHANN DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Johann<sup>5</sup>, Christian<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 13 January 1827 and married in the Catholic Church to MARIA EBERHARDY. She was born 9 November 1826 in Britten, Rheinland and died 7 June 1885 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland. Johann Dumont died 23 July 1885 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland.

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The children of Johann Dumont and Maria Eberhardy, born in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Dumont. He was born 8 February 1851.
- ii. Peter Dumont. He was born 18 September 1853 and died 25 October 1854.
- iii. Maria Dumont. She was born 17 September 1855 and died 8 April 1858.
- iv. Peter Dumont. He was born 24 December 1857.
- v. Nicolaus Dumont. He was born 12 July 1860. He was the father of one son, Johann Dumont.
- vi. Jakob Dumont. He was born 10 October 1862 and married on 28 January 1889 in Illingen, Rheinland. He died 27 December 1939 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland.
- vii. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 14 April 1867 and died in 1926 in Merzig, Rheinland.

32. JAKOB DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Johann<sup>5</sup>, Christian<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 13 January 1827 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland and married on 22 November 1854 in the Catholic Church in Illingen, Rheinland to

MAGDALENA SCHAFFER. She was born 31 August 1827 in Uchtelfangen, and was the daughter of Andreas Schafer and Elisabeth Fuchs. Jakob Dumont died 1 June 1889 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland.

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The children of Jakob Dumont and Magdalena Schaffer, born in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland:

- i. Peter Dumont. He was born 15 January 1856. He was the father of two sons: Johann Jakob Dumont and Reinhold Jakob Dumont.
- ii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 19 October 1857 and married on 21 October 1885 in Illingen, Rheinland to Friedrich Wilhelm Zimmer. She died 20 August 1901 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland.
- iii. Maria Dumont. She was born 17 September 1859 and married on 14 September 1885 to Jakob Scherer in Puttlingen, Rheinland. She died 15 July 1901 in Puttlingen.
- iv. Jakob Dumont. He was born 16 December 1861. He was the father of one son, Jakob Dumont.
- v. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 16 April 1862 and married to Leonard Blaes on 16 November 1886 in Puttlingen, Rheinland. She died in Puttlingen on 10 March 1927.
- vi. Magdalena Dumont. She was born 31 May 1867.

33. JOHANN DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (J.Adam<sup>5</sup>, Christian<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 9 November 1828 in Uchtelfangen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 27 January 1853 in Volklingen, Rheinland to ANNA ALTMAYER. She was born 5 August 1830 in Puttlingen, Rheinland and died there on 13 January 1871. She was the daughter of Jakob Altmeyer and Anna Breunig.

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The children of Johann Dumont and Anna Altmeyer, born in Puttlingen, Rheinland:

- i. Heinrich Dumont. He was born 8 May 1854. He was the father of two sons, one of whom was Heinrich Dumont.
- ii. Johann Peter Dumont. He was born 3 February 1856.
- iii. Hubert Peter Dumont. He was born 28 September 1858. He was the father of three sons: Johann Dumont, Heinrich Dumont, and Paul Dumont.
- iv. Anna Dumont. She was born 18 July 1861.
- v. Conrad Johann Dumont. He was born 13 April 1867 and died 26 March 1868.

34. MATHIAS DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (J.Georg<sup>5</sup>, J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 3 March 1820 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 13 September 1849 to SOPHIE MARIA FEY in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. She was born 4 April 1827 in Wellesweiler, Rheinland. She was the daughter of Christian Fey and Sophie Zimmer.

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The children of Mathias Dumont and Sophie Maria Fey, born in Neunkirchen, Rheinland:

- i. Ferdinand Dumont. He was born 28 August 1848 and died 18 October 1870 in Gefallen, Germany.
- ii. Karl Dumont. He was born 10 February 1850.
- iii. Sophie Dumont. She was born 29 March 1851.
- iv. Charlotte Dumont. She was born 28 April 1852 and died 18 February 1854.
- v. Catharina Amalie Dumont. She was born 17 January 1854.
- vi. Friedrich Dumont. He was born 11 June 1855 and died 13 June 1855.
- vii. Berta Catharina Dumont. She was born 23 August 1857.
- viii. Helene Dumont. She was born 11 April 1860.
- ix. Friedrich Dumont. He was born 21 August 1864 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland.

35. JOHANN DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (J.Lorenz<sup>5</sup>, J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 16 August 1823 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland and married on 20 January 1845 in the Catholic Church in Illingen, Rheinland to MARY KLEIN. She was born 11 September 1860 in Wiesbach, Rheinland, and was the daughter of Peter Klein and Margarethe Schwirtz. She died 3 May 1883 in Wemmetsweiler where her husband had died on 1 March 1855.

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The children of Johann Dumont and Mary Klein, born in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland:

- i. Paul Dumont. He was born 25 November 1845. He was the father of two sons: Jakob Dumont and Peter Dumont.
- ii. Peter Dumont. He was born 15 March 1847 and died 8 May 1847.
- iii. Johann Peter Dumont. He was born 8 April 1848. He was the father of one son, Paul Josef Dumont.
- iv. Catharina Dumont. She was born 4 October 1849 and married on 8 November 1873 in Illingen, Rheinland to Josef Kiefer. She died 13 March 1915 in Wemmetsweiler, Rheinland.
- v. Jakob Dumont. He was born 20 November 1851.
- vi. Johann Dumont. He was born 7 October 1853. He was the father of one son, Peter Dumont.

36. JOHANN DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Elisabeth<sup>5</sup>, J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 24 May 1826 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 23 January 1851 to KAROLINE LANG in Dudweiler, Rheinland. He died 22 July 1882 in Heiligenwald, Rheinland. She was born 18 June 1827 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland, and was the daughter of Christian Lang and Catharina Handchen. She died 14 April 1899 in Heiligenwald, Rheinland.

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The children of Johann Dumont and Karoline Lang, born in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland and Heiligenwald, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Dumont. He was born 4 July 1851 in Bildstockerhof. He was the father of three sons: Peter Dumont, Johann Dumont, Adolph Dumont.
- ii. Wilhelm Dumont. He was born 11 May 1853 in Bildstockerhof. He was the father of one son: Rudolf Jakob Dumont.
- iii. Maria Dumont. She was born 14 May 1855 in Heiligenwald, Rheinland.
- iv. Johann Ludwig Dumont. He was born 27 May 1857 in Heiligenwald, Rheinland and died there on 9 May 1857.
- v. Karl Dumont. He was born 1 June 1858 in Heiligenwald, Rheinland, where he died on 19 January 1860.
- vi. Elisabeth Margarethe Dumont. She was born 29 October 1860 in Heiligenwald, Rheinland, where she died on 11 May 1862.

37. JOHANN DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Ferdinand<sup>5</sup>, J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 26 December 1848 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland and married on 3 June 1871 in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland in the Catholic Church to MARGARETHE HOFFMANN. She was born 21 September 1852 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland, and was the daughter of Nikolaus Hoffmann and Maria Frisch. She died 10 September 1920 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland, where he died on 26 April 1921.

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The children of Johann Dumont and Margarethe Hoffmann, born in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland:

- i. Henriette Dumont. She was born 28 June 1872.
- ii. Elisabeth Dumont. She was born 18 October 1874 and married on 18 September 1871 to August Mohrbacher in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland. She died 22 October 1938 in Bildstockerhof.
- iii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 30 July 1877 and died on 1 February 1944 in Bildstockerhof.
- iv. Margarethe Maria Dumont. She was born 24 February 1879 and married on 5 May 1904 in Schweib, Germany to Friedrich Peter Thesen. She died 19 February 1965 in Bildstockerhof.
- v. Anna Catharina Dumont. She was born 7 July 1880.
- vi. Johann Dumont. He was born 14 October 1883 and died 1 February 1887.
- vii. Johann Jakob Dumont. He was born 16 March 1886 and died 31 March 1889.
- viii. Johann Nikolaus Dumont. He was born 9 April 1888. He was the father of one son, Paul Johann Dumont.
- ix. Karl Dumont. He was born 29 January 1890.
- x. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 20 August 1892 and married to Jakob Dorr on 30 July 1914 in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland. She died on 16 October 1918 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland.
- xi. Maria Therese Dumont. She was born 7 May 1895 and died 26 June 1895.

38. FERDINAND DUMONT <sup>6</sup> (Ferdinand<sup>5</sup>, J.Georg<sup>4</sup>, Christian<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 3 December 1850 in Bildstockerhof, Rheinland, and died in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland on 29 November 1925. He married first on 1 June

1875 in the Catholic Church to CATHARINA NEUROHR in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland. She was born 8 August 1853 in Friedrichsthal and was the daughter of Nikolaus Neurohr and Elisabeth Deutscher. She died on 13 September 1888 in Altenwald, Rheinland. After her death he married secondly to MARIA SCHMITT in Friedrichsthal on 18 May 1893. He was the third generation in a row of Dumonts to have multiple marriages and children with each wife.

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The children of Ferdinand Dumont and Catharina Neurohr, born in Friedrichsthal, Rheinland and Altenwald, Rheinland:

- i. Ida Louise Dumont. She was born 2 April 1876 in Friedrichsthal, and died on 18 March 1951 in Kleinbittersdorf, Rheinland.
- ii. Ferdinand Engelbert Dumont. He was born 7 November 1877 in Friedrichsthal. He was the father of two sons, Alois Ferdinand Dumont and Walter Emil Dumont.
- iii. Albert Nikolaus Dumont. He was born 19 July 1879 in Altenwald, Rheinland, and died on 2 December 1879.
- iv. Emil Conrad Dumont. He was born 22 March 1881 in Altenwald. He was the father of two sons: Oskar Dumont and Paul Emil Dumont.
- v. Albert Michael Dumont. He was born 23 November 1882 in Altenwald.
- vi. Alois Adam Dumont. He was born 6 June 1884 in Altenwald. He was the father of one son, Herbert Viktor Dumont.
- vii. Catharina Louise Dumont. She was born 1 January 1886 in Altenwald where she died on 5 December 1886.
- viii. Karl Dumont. He was born 11 March 1887 in Altenwald and married on 27 March 1913 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland to Maria Biedinger. He died 18 July 1930 in Merzig, Rheinland.

The children of Ferdinand Dumont and Maria Schmitt, born in Altenwald, Rheinland:

- ix. Maria Dumont. She was born 16 February 1894 and married on 16 February 1952 to Jakob Stephan in Saarbrücken, Rheinland. She died on 30 January 1969 in Saarbrücken.
- x. Anna Wilhelmine Dumont. She was born 22 March 1896 and died 25 April 1896.

#### *Seventh Generation*

39. HEINRICH DUMONT <sup>7</sup> (Heinrich<sup>6</sup>, J.Adam<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 28 August 1841 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church at Neunkirchen, Rheinland on 9 November 1872 to MARGARETHE ROTH. She was born 19 September 1851 in Spiesen, Rheinland, and was the daughter of Mathias Roth and Catharina Jungfleisch. Heinrich Dumont died 23 December 1878 in Spiesen, Rheinland, where she died on 29 July 1900.

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The children of Heinrich Dumont and Margarethe Roth, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Sophie Dumont. She was born 10 October 1873 and died 29 October 1873.
- ii. Maria Dumont. She was born 10 May 1878 and died on 29 April 1886 in Spiesen, Rheinland.

40. KARL DUMONT <sup>7</sup> (Heinrich<sup>6</sup>, J.Adam<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 1 August 1852 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married in the Catholic Church on 9 November 1878 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland to MARIA RAMMO. She was born 31 August 1850 in Spiesen, Rheinland, and was the daughter of Christian Rammo and Maria Schmidt. She died 8 May 1917 in Spiesen where her husband died on 25 November 1886.

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The children of Karl Dumont and Maria Rammo, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Jakob Dumont. He was born 15 September 1881.
- ii. Catharina Dumont. She was born 17 August 1883 and married in Spiesen on 2 November 1905 to Peter Frohnhof. After his death she married secondly on 21 February 1914 to Johann Robert Weckler.
- iii. Johann Dumont. He was born 2 November 1885.

41. ADAM DUMONT <sup>7</sup> (Heinrich<sup>6</sup>, J.Adam<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 5 October 1855 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married CATHARINA RUFFING on 16 November 1880 at the Catholic Church in Neunkirchen, Rheinland. She was born 22 May 1861 in Oberbexbach, Rheinland and was the daughter of Josef Ruffing and Eva Wiehn. He died 30 January 1913 in Spiesen, Rheinland, where she died on 15 June 1936.

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The children of Adam Dumont and Catharina Ruffing, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Peter Dumont. He was born 19 October 1881.
- ii. Josef Dumont. He was born 1 February 1883.
- iii. Anna Sophie Dumont. She was born 15 September 1884 and died 19 March 1885.
- iv. Margarethe Dumont. She was born 30 December 1885 and married on 22 November 1913 to Johann Mueller in Elversberg, Rheinland. She died on 24 July 1968 in Spiesen, Rheinland.
- v. Maria Dumont. She was born 31 August 1887 and married on 13 June 1908 in Saarbrücken, Rheinland to Anton Schamper. She died on 28 September 1959 in Saarbrücken.
- vi. Catharina Dumont. He was born 16 April 1889 and died 26 October 1890.
- vii. Adam Heinrich Dumont. He was born 29 November 1890.
- viii. Heinrich Dumont. He was born 23 March 1893.
- ix. Christian Peter Dumont. He was born 20 December 1894 and married to Klara Hoffmann on 8 July 1921 in Elversberg, Rheinland. He died on 9 October 1964 in Elversberg.



- x. Karl August Dumont. He was born 27 December 1896. He was the father of one son, Peter Bernhard Dumont.
- xi. Gottlieb Dumont. He was born 11 November 1898 and died 3 March 1900.
- xii. Paula Dumont. She was born 31 July 1900 and married 11 September 1922 to Nikolaus Wilhelm Schuh in Spiesen, Rheinland. She died 14 March 1985 in Ottweiler, Rheinland.

42. JOHN BAPTIST DUE MONG <sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 27 April 1852 in Schuylkill County in the Pennsylvania coal mining district. He moved with his family to a farm in Winona County, Minnesota where he stayed until learning the blacksmith trade. He married in Iowa on 18 March 1878 to ELIZA JANE ELLIOTT, a Canadian whose father was English, and mother was Scottish. **See Elliott Family, 1.**

He left Minnesota and settled in Iowa, as he did not share his parents' ambitions for the priesthood. Having been raised Roman Catholic, he married a Methodist woman and joined that church. As Sister Fintana wrote in 1928:

Our parents, being good Catholics, tried to bring up their children as such too. But it was very hard in those times to bring up children in any religion, as there was not a word said about God in school, and our nearest church was ten miles away.

DueMong's granddaughter, Ruby Book Neill, wrote that John Baptist had very little contact with his parents or siblings after he married a Protestant. She said that shortly after World War I, John Baptist's brothers, Ferdinand and Jacob, came to Iowa to visit his widow and her children. Rather than an interest in the priesthood, John Baptist DueMong was a blacksmith and a father of a large family. By his own account, he outlined his life in a short paragraph which was handwritten probably about 1900.

John B. Duemong was born in Schuylkill County, Pottsville, Pennsylvania in the year 1852, April 27. When about 3 years old he with his parents moved to Winona County, Minnesota and there engaged in farming until he was about 18 years old. He made up his mind to learn the blacksmith trade. After working at his trade he came to Jackson County, Iowa and worked at his trade about 3 years in other shops. Then he engaged in business for himself in the year of 1878, January 11. In the same year March 18, 1878 he was married to Eliza J. Elliott. To them was born 10 children.

The marriage record of John and Eliza DueMong was recorded in Jackson County, Iowa, and reads as follows: "This is to certify that on the 18 day of March 1878 at Maquoketa, I did solemnize the marriage of Mr. John B. DueMong of Maquoketa and Miss Eliza J. Elliott of Maquoketa, Iowa. H.B. French, Justice of the Peace." Shortly thereafter they began their family and a son was born eleven months later. Nine more children would follow, and John Thomas would remain the only surviving son. John Baptist opened his blacksmith shop in Nashville, Jackson County, Iowa early in 1878. His daughter Edna DueMong wrote about time:

My father opened his shop in Nashville, Iowa, in 1878 and built a small house. Grandfather Morehouse, my Mother's stepfather was a wagonmaker and he and my father made wagons in partnership. My Father also did horseshoeing, worked on plows, made hayracks and woodracks. For a

short time he was also in business with Johny Copp. Nine children were born in Nashville, with three boys dying at birth or shortly thereafter. On November 2, 1897 the family moved to Miles, Iowa, where they lived thirteen and a half years. This move was made so the children could go to school and have a better education. Until that time they had attended a country school. I [Edna DueMong] was the only one born in Miles. In Miles my Father worked for Henry Kruse six years and later for George Hebner. April 1, 1911 the family moved to Maquoketa where he again worked for Henry Kruse as well as Will Blunt and Hiram Suthers. Many times I have watched my Father make horseshoes and fit them to the horses hooves. Each shoe had to be made to fit the hoof. Father was about the only man who would still shoe the large stallions. They were very dangerous at times and caused many injuries. It was exciting to see him keep pumping the bellows to keep the forge going and then to see the sparks fly when he would pound the shoes into shape. Father always wore a leather apron when working at the forge because the sparks flew in any direction. He continually warned us to stand back as my bare feet many times received burns from the sparks. Every evening before we retired we all sat in the living room and my Father always read to us from the *Bible* and we all knelt for prayer afterwards. While we were getting ready for bed he read to himself from the Catholic *Bible*. We children were all raised in the Methodist Episcopal Church with our Mother. I do not remember any argument regarding religion, but my Father always insisted that we all go to Sunday School and Church with Mother. I remember my Father had a very beautiful bronze crucifix and the day he was buried I saw my Mother place it in his casket. Grandfather Dumong wanted my father to be a priest, which was natural as he was the oldest son who lived. My Father was not interested in being a priest and also did not think that his three sisters should have been put in the convent. Uncle Jake and Uncle Joe's families became Lutherans, but Uncle Ferd remained Catholic. My Father was a very kind but strict parent. I remember I was the recipient of a paddling with his slipper just once which was enough. I always called him 'Papa' and I believe my brother and sisters did until they were adults.

Chronology of John Baptist DueMong's residences:

1852 to 1855	Pottsville, Pennsylvania
1855 to 1870	Winona County, Minnesota
1870 to 1875	Apprentice in Lewiston, Minnesota
1875 to 1878	Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa
1878 to 1897	Nashville, Jackson County, Iowa
1897 to 1911	Miles, Jackson County, Iowa
1911 to 1913	Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa

John Baptist DueMong was born 27 April 1852 and died 28 February 1913 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. He was buried March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Buckhorn Cemetery in Jackson County, Iowa. His death certificate indicated that alcoholism was a contributing cause of his death. John married 18 March 1878 to Eliza Jane Elliott, the daughter of Thomas Elliott and Elizabeth Currie. She was born 1 September 1857 near Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. She was a

widow for three decades, before she died on 10 November 1944 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. She was also buried at Buckhorn Cemetery. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

When John Baptist DueMong began his first smith shop in Nashville he went into partnership with his wife's step-father. One of their early agreements has been preserved in John's account book. This book, along with his *Bible*, was later given to his daughter Lettie. This agreement was dated "Nashville, Iowa Aug. the first 1879".

Article of Agreement between G.W. Morehouse and J.B. Duemong in which the said Morehouse has bought the shop tools and stock there in which the said Duemong has him to work in. And the said Morehouse agrees to furnish all the stock and material which is necessary to run the shop successfully and the said Duemong agrees to run the shop in good workman like maner and give to the said Morehouse one half of all moneys and accounts earned in the shop and that the said Duemong shall have the prievledge to buy the shop tools and stock on hand at any time he wishes to.

G.W. Morehouse

J.B. Duemong

The account book of John DueMong contained a listing of prices charged for various services. They were under the heading of "Prices charged for work 1879-1881."

sharpen plow	.25
fit 6 shoes	.90
8 shoes set	1.10
new neckyoke wood	.50
whippletree	1.00
set 2 good steel shoes	.55
rep. hay fork	.40
sharp plow and fit 2 shoes	.40
rep. & paint bugey	8.00
steel corked shoes 1set	3.50
rep harness & bugey	.25
clapper in bell	.25
sharp & rep plow	.35
bolt in shovel	.10
fix butter churn	.10
Price 1888	
to paint top bugey (illegible)	4.50
to paint rep sulky	7.00
to paint 2-seated bugey	5.00
to make hay rack	75.00
New Wagon	65.00

Many of the accounts were settled by way of barter. John Duemong used the list below for determining the value of goods he commonly accepted as payment for his blacksmith services:

sweet corn	1.00
crab apples	1.00
potatoes	2.60
corn, bushel	.75
potatoes, bushel	1.00
Groceries	
50 pounds flour	1.75

9 lbs. beef .45  
7 lbs. flour .17

Agreements between John B. DueMong and John L. Copp were included in the account book. The first was dated "Nashville, Iowa, Jan 20, 1880".

Article of agreement between John B. Duemong and John L. Copp in witch I hav rented one half of the wagon shop to the sait Copp in witch he is to put up new work wagons and bugeys and other work as it is called for all but reparing witch I reserve for myself unless there is more then I want to do. Then the said Copp is to help me do the reparing at whatever prise we can agree upon, and if I am not buisey at repeire work I shel have the privledge to do new woodwork.

A second agreement was signed "Nashville, Iowa, March the 24, 1881" by DueMong and Copp. This agreement also reads in the original spelling:

Article of agreement between G.W. Morehouse and J.L. Copp in witch the said J.L. Copp sells to said Morehouse one equal undivided half of wagon shop wich belonging to Duemong and Copp in Nashville, Iowa, for \$96.00 to be paid as follows, \$24.00 in hand, the next \$24.00 on the first of July and the next \$24.00 on the first day of October and the next \$24.00 on the first of January 1882. In kase the said Morehouse should fail to make these paments J.B. Duemong shel have the wright to fulfill these payments. The said Copp shel have the prilige of renting one half of the said wagon shop and in witch the said Copp shel cary on nothing but wood work and for rent he shel pay \$1.00 per month and said Copp shel have the prilige of renting said wagon shop for one year or longer as he wants to.

Witnefs

John B. Duemong                      Johny Copp  
John W. Higgins                      G.W. Morehouse

June the 18, 1881

Received on the within article, \$24.00, June 18, 1881

Recieved on the within article, \$24.00, Sep. 15, 1881

Recieved on the within article, \$24.00, Dec. 22, 1881

Dec 22, 1881

The above account paid is to settle the written article

Johny Copp

The wedding of John and Eliza DueMong's daughter, Alma, was published in a detailed account in the local newspaper, the *Sabula Gazette* of Jackson County, Iowa on 26 March 1905.

A Very Pretty Wedding. On Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Due Mong occurred the marriage of their daughter Alma to George Book. About thirty relatives and friends gathered to witness the ceremony. The home was beautifully decorated throughout but most profusely in the sitting room, the wall being literally covered with pink and white hearts and carnations. The northwest corner was built into an arch of lace and decorated with ferns and smilax interwoven with flowers of various descriptions. At two o'clock Miss Elsie Smith struck up a pretty wedding march and little Miss Edna DueMong, sister of the bride and Master Hart Bowder appeared and with strings of hearts soon formed as aisle along the line of march from the stairway to the arch. The

sight was a most beautiful one as they calmly waited for the bridal party, which appeared from the stairway, and took their position under the arch, and listened with rapt attention while Rev. H.J. Bowder of the Methodist-Episcopal Church pronounced the words which made the happy young couple man and wife. The bride was dressed in a white Persian silk gown trimmed with white lace and carried white carnations. She was attended by Miss Lizzie Weise of DeWitt, who acted as bridesmaid and carried out her part very well. She was dressed in white organdy and carried white carnations. The groom was dressed in the usual black and was attended by John DueMong brother of the bride who also wore black and was undoubtedly best man with the exception of the groom. Immediately after the ceremonies were over with congratulations were in order, after which all were seated for the wedding dinner. Pink and White being the selected colors, the sandwiches, knives, forks and spoons were tied together with pink ribbons. The waiters, Miss Elsie Smith, Lula Stewart, and Lettie Due Mong wore heart shaped caps and aprons and showed no partiality but gave everyone all they could eat. Dinner was served in courses and sandwiches meats, pickles, salads and other good things that were in the lead, followed up by any amount of ice cream, cake, etc. proved to be a most satisfactory meal for the inner man.

The obituary of John B. DueMong was published following in 1913 in the local newspaper of Maquoketa, Iowa.

John B. DueMong was born in Pottsville, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, April 27, 1852 and died at Maquoketa, Iowa, February 28, 1913 at the age of 60 years, 10 months and 1 day. At three years of age he went with his parents to Winona county, Minnesota, remaining on the farm until 18 years of age. In 1875 he came to Maquoketa where he engaged in work as a blacksmith. Three years later he established a shop for himself at Nashville. In 1897 he moved to Miles, Iowa, where he remained until April, 1911 when he came to Maquoketa. During the last four years of his life he had been gradually failing until he passed away. During his last sickness of seven weeks he suffered greatly from complications of diseases. Everything was done for him that loving hearts and hands could do, but the Father took him to be at rest. He was united in marriage at Maquoketa, Iowa, March 18, 1878, to Eliza J. Elliott and to them were born ten children, three of whom died in infancy. He leaves to mourn the loss the wife, Eliza J., one son, John T. of Miles, Iowa; six daughters, Mrs. George Book of Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Walter Graul of Maquoketa; Minnie, Lena, Mary and Edna at home; two sisters, Lizzie of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Minnie of Mt. Calvary, Wisconsin, three brothers, Jake of Minneapolis; Fred of Hoodoo, Saskatchewan, Canada; and Joseph, of Garvin, Minnesota. Funeral services were conducted at the home on Monday morning at 10 o'clock by Rev. B.B. Keister. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. The remains were laid to rest in the Buckhorn Cemetery. The following

blacksmiths were pallbearers: Henry Kruse, Hiram Suthers, Al Robbins, Will Blunt, Chas. Seda and Art Morris. Relatives from out of town who attended the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. John T. Due Mong and son of Miles, Mr. and Mrs. George Book and daughters of Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. James Hahn and daughter Arabelle of DeWitt, Iowa, Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Bradley of Clinton, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Currie of Baldwin, Mrs. Mary Logan and son Joe of Monmouth and Mr. and Mrs. James Elliott and daughters of Fulton.

The DueMong daughters had longevity that ran in their maternal line, though of the boys three died as infants and John Thomas was killed in an accident when age 52 years. Of the daughters, Alma was age 92 years, Minnie was age 83 years, Lettie was age 92 years. Lena Maude was age 52 years, Mary was age 77 years, and Edna was age 93 years. Alma's daughter, Ruby Book, was age 95 years. Six of the children had families, totaling 18 grandchildren of John Baptist DueMong, three of whom were triplets of John T. Duemong who died as infants.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida; marriage record of John B. Duemong from Jackson County, Iowa; death certificates from the state of Iowa for John B. DueMong and Elizabeth DueMong; correspondence of Ruby Book Neill; obituary clipping from the Maquoketa, Iowa newspaper owned by Ruby Book Neill and later given to the author; newspaper clipping from the *Sabula Gazette* of Jackson County, Iowa, on 26 March 1905 regarding the wedding of Alma DueMong and George Book.

The children of John Baptist DueMong and Eliza Jane Elliott, born in Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. John Thomas Duemong. He was born 13 February 1879 in Nashville, Iowa. He married 7 February 1907 to Lizzie Wiese in Miles, Iowa. She was born 28 April 1883 and died 25 February 1931. John T. Duemong died 29 July 1931 in an auto accident that also took the life of his daughter. He spelled the name Duemong, whereas his sisters used DueMong. **See 46.**
- ii. Alma Elizabeth DueMong. She was born 12 February 1881 and was married on 29 March 1905 to George W. Book in Miles, Iowa. She was known by her nickname 'Nan.' George Book was born 6 July 1871 and died 21 September 1941. She lived until 24 March 1973, also like her mother having been a widow for over three decades. **See Book Family, 37.**
- iii. Minnie Ethel DueMong. She was born 15 October 1883 and died 21 March 1967. She was called Peg. She married Benjamin Helferich on 14 December 1920. He was born 26 February 1888 and died 13 May 1934. They did not have children.
- iv. Lettie Ann DueMong. She was born 18 September 1886 and died 17 April 1979. She married first to Walter Graul on 11 November 1910. Walter was born 24 December 1889 and died 30 December 1918 at age 29 years. 'Ted' as she was nicknamed, married secondly on 13 February 1929 to Arthur Klauser. He was born 22 March 1890 and died 28 April 1960. **See 47.**
- v. Herbert DueMong. He was born 26 October 1888 in Nashville, Iowa, and died there one month later, on 29 November 1888.
- vi. Lena Maude DueMong. She was born 27 May 1890 and died 27 June 1942. She was known as 'Paula' and married Lloyd Suthers on 31 December 1919. He was born 1 July 1890 and died 8 November 1951. **See 48.**

- vii. Byron Elliott DueMong. He was born 29 November 1892 and he lived one month. He died 5 January 1893.
- viii. Mary Uhl DueMong. Named for her great-grandmother in Bavaria, she was born 5 February 1895 and died 4 March 1972. She married on 10 March 1920 to Parke Fleming. He was born 7 September 1893 and died 24 December 1950. **See 49.**
- ix. Benjamin DueMong. Bennie was born on 12 July 1897 and died the same day.
- x. Edna Edith May DueMong. She was the only child to be born in Miles, Jackson County. Known as Dee, she married on 16 October 1929 to Milton Lawrence Skelton. She was born 23 May 1901, and died 18 May 1995 in Orlando, Florida. Her husband was born 3 March 1899 and died 17 September 1972. **See 50.**

43. JACOB DUEMONG <sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 20 December 1852 in Warren, Winona County, Minnesota and spent his entire life in Minnesota. 'Jake' died 17 October 1945. His wife was AUGUSTA FLORENCE, who was born 10 April 1865 and died 17 April 1934. They were married on 4 December 1884. Jake was the topic of a letter dated June 10, 1876 from John Duemong to Jake's brother John Baptist DueMong. It was interesting in that it shows the conflict between Jacob Duemong's desire for an education and his father's attitude toward work.

Dear Son, You wrote that you want to come home this fall for a visit. It would please me if you could come for the harvest, on account of your brother Jacob. I can't get anything out of him, what he wants to do. Perhaps you can help me to persuade him to learn a trade. He just wants to go to school for a year and that would cost \$300 and that is just throwing your money away and he will be a lazybone. Let me know right away if you are coming. John Dumong  
P.S. Your mother would like two of your pictures, one for herself and one to send to Germany. Maria wants one.

A second letter followed from Jake Duemong to his brother John Baptist DueMong, dated 27 July 1876, and continued the discussion of Jacob's desire for an education.

Dear Brother, I thought I would let you know that I can't go to school any more. But I will not give up on my study yet, my desire is to get more education but because I can't go to school any more. I will study by myself. And in this letter I will send you our photographs. I got one dozen taken of mine and one dozen of mothers. They look very natural indeed. Sister Mary said if you would write her a letter she would write you one. And now as quick as we get done staging I am going to hire out or learn the wagon trait. The harvest will be on hand within ten days. The Jinge guys are very bad in the valleys, but we have not noticed any in our wheat yet. We have very cold days now and no rain that amounts to anything. That young man that learned his trade in Lewiston when you did, Christ I believe his name is, sends you his best respects. That is all for this time. From your brother Jacob Duemong. North Warren, Winona Co. Minn. We just received a letter from S. Winny, she is in Calvery, Wisconsin, working on their farm or in the garden.

Her address is Mrs. Wilhelmina Duemong, Calvery, Fond du Lac Co. Wisconsin.

Various records regarding the family show the residences of Jake Duemong and his family. In 1876 he resided in North Warren, Winona County, Minnesota; in 1898 in Garvin, Minnesota; in 1913 in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and in 1928 at 1808 Grand Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Jacob Duemong and Augusta Florence, born in Winona County, Minnesota.

- i. Agnes Mary Duemong. She was born 2 September 1886 and died 17 December 1929. She was married to Odin Simmons on 27 April 1910 and they were the parents of a daughter, Luella Gertrude Simmons. Luella was born 9 March 1912 and married John T. Melzer. Luella and John Melzer had two children and six grandchildren.
- ii. Jesse Viola Duemong. She was born 3 March 1890 and married to Fred Sorenson on 31 March 1918.
- iii. Clyde LeVoy Duemong. He married Ethel Lyseen on 26 November 1921. They were the parents of a son, Vance Clyde Duemong. He was born 23 January 1924 and was unmarried. He was a hospital administrator in Minnesota.
- iv. Choral Frances Duemong. She was born 25 August 1897 and married Hobart M. Mohr on 1 November 1924.

44. FERDINAND DE MONG <sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in the town of Warren, Winona County, Minnesota on 30 May 1862 and was called 'Fred' or 'Ferd'. He was a cattle rancher who settled in the Canadian province of Saskatchewan although he was still living at home in Warren, Minnesota when his father died in 1898. He stayed at home with his parents longer than the other male children and for this reason his sisters believe he retained the Catholic religion more so than his brothers. Later, he and his wife KATHERINE moved to a farm in Canada. In 1913, he was listed as residing in Hoodoo, Canada in Saskatchewan. On 13 January 1929, Fred DeMong wrote a letter to his niece Edna DueMong from Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. The letterhead read: "Fred DeMong. Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle and Tamworth Hogs." He was said by Ruby Book Neill to have been a successful rancher.

Dear Niece Edna, Got your card. Thanks. We are quite well since we moved to town. I sold the home place and quit farming and work. I was quite sick on the farm the last two years and my nerves are quite bad yet. It makes the sweat roll off my back to right a letter for that reason I have not been writing many letters. Now about my parentage. Mother was born the 28 of Augst, died 26 of July 1892, age 69, 11 month. Father was born 1823, 25 of Dec. and dyed Mar. 6, 1898, 74 years, 2 M. 12 dayes. Both born in Beverian St. Ingbert Germany. We had very fine weather until Xmas but since it is getting colder and snow. We halve 8 in. of snow yesterday it was 40 below today 34 below. How is your mother. Good by right. Fred DeMong, 565 15 St. W., Prince Albert, Sask.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando,



Florida; the Estate of Ferdinand DeMong at the Saskatchewan Court House, Central Avenue and 19<sup>th</sup> Street in Prince Albert, Canada S6V 4W7; File No. 55/40; letter from Ferdinand DeMong to Alma Book in 1936; comments of Ruby Book Neill Andrlle to the author about 2002.

The children of Ferdinand DeMong and his wife Katherine, born in Minnesota and Canada:

- i. Mary DeMong.
- ii. Matthew DeMong.
- iii. Henry DeMong.
- iv. Frank DeMong.
- v. Peter DeMong. He was mentioned in a letter from his father to Alma DueMong Book after the birth of John Peter Neill in 1936. Ruby Book Neill knew Peter DeMong and she stated to the author that this was the cousin who inspired her son's name, who went by his middle name, Peter Neill.
- vi. Martha DeMong. She married and was the mother of four children. Her children were Fred, who was age 19 years in 1950; Veronica, who was age 24 years in 1950; Norbert, who was age 21 years in 1950; and Susanna who was age 28 years in 1950. At that time, Susanna had two children with her husband Raymond Cloutier: Janet Marie Cloutier, age 4 years; Thomas Cloutier, age 2 years.

45. JOSEPH DE MONG <sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in North Warren Township, Winona County, Minnesota, on 30 July 1864. An account of Joseph DeMong was given by his grandson, LaVern DeMong of Clinton, Iowa in a 1985 letter to the author.

[He was born] in a sod hut near Winona, Minnesota. As a young man he went to southwestern Minnesota and homesteaded 160 acres of land in Lake Sarah Township, Murray County, Minnesota. It is about five miles south of the small town of Garvin, Minnesota. Joseph's four children were all born there. My father was the eldest.

Joseph DeMong's family was Roman Catholic, and remained for the most part in Minnesota. Joseph and his sons spelled their name DeMong. Jacob Duemong was the only one of four brothers to use the surname of Duemong. John Baptist used DueMong, and the son of John Baptist was John Thomas who spelled his name as did Jacob, which was 'Duemong'. The name continued by way of Joseph's son Harland DeMong who had three sons.

Joseph DeMong died at his residence in Garvin, Minnesota, on 28 April 1947 at age 82 years and was buried at the Catholic cemetery in Currie, Minnesota. Among the children of LaVern DeMong was Diana DeMong, who in 1985 was living in Chicago, Illinois and employed with AT&T. In May, 1985, she was at a training seminar in Cincinnati, Ohio when she checked into the Clarion Hotel, downtown. The author, at the time, was a supervisor at the hotel and asked Diana if she was from Iowa. She was surprised at the question, as she was indeed from Iowa, and was a third cousin of the author. She said her family was quite large and there were many DeMong grandchildren.

A letter of October 1876 was written in German by John Dumong in Stockton, Minnesota to John Baptist DueMong. One of the topics of the letter was Joseph.

Dear Child, The way I get it, you didn't understand your brother. He meant that when you have a blacksmith shop of your own you could teach him the trade. He thinks he could

learn it in a couple years and not have to go to Trade School for three years. He wouldn't expect any wages, just room and board and clothes, which aren't very expensive now. You should go into business for yourself and not with a partner. You should work for yourself and not others in Minnesota. You do what you want. Then you'll want to get married and that costs money. If you are a bit short on money, I won't send Joseph to Winona this winter and I'll send you \$100. If I can't raise all of the \$300. I promised your brother, you'll have to return the money. Since winter is at the door I don't think your brother can start up for himself as there won't be much work. He will have to figure that out for himself. Answer right away so I know where I'm at. In two weeks Joseph should go to Winona to school. It would please me a lot if you would teach him the trade because he couldn't find a place here and he looks sad at times. I remain your loving Father, also your Mother. John Dumong, Stockton, Winona County, Minnesota

Joseph DeMong's wife, Mary Levina Coyle, was born 5 December 1872 in Olmsted County, Minnesota, and died 29 October 1951 in Garvin, Minnesota. She was buried at Calvary Cemetery, Currie, Minnesota. After the death of her husband she moved to Tracy, Minnesota, where she resided until her death. In the Coyle family history, it was stated:

As an infant one year old, Mr. Coyle [Mary's brother, George, three years younger] came with his parents in a covered wagon to homestead in the Lake Sarah community, at a time only six years after the railroad came as far west as Tracy and one year after the railroad pushed west to Garvin. Mr. Coyle experienced the rugged life of pioneer days, was a boy of ten at the time of the fierce blizzard of 1888, and lived through the period of reconstruction and rapid settlement of the area following the grasshopper scourge. He attended District 9 rural school in Lake Sarah township, Murray County, and lived his entire life on the farm five miles south of Garvin until 1943 he moved to Garvin.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida; LaVern DeMong in a 1985 letter to the author from 707 Eclipse Lane, Clinton, Iowa; Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, pages 314-349, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Joseph DeMong and his wife Mary, born in Garvin, Minnesota:

- i. Harland Ray DeMong. He was born in Garvin, Minnesota, on 12 December 1895, and died 16 August 1959. He was married to Rose Brown in Garden City, California. **See 51.**
- ii. Roland Lester DeMong. He was born 1 September 1898 and married Bertha G. Grinde on 1 September 1926. He died at Garvin, Minnesota on 3 December 1904. **See 52.**
- iii. Agatha Flossie DeMong. She was born 3 July 1900 and married on 14 February 1925 to Thomas Holland. **See 53.**
- iv. Joseph Ferris DeMong. He was born 20 December 1908 and died 8 January 1909. He was buried at the Catholic cemetery in Currie, Minnesota.

*Eighth Generation*

46. JOHN THOMAS DUEMONG <sup>8</sup> (John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 13 February 1879 in Jackson County, Iowa and died 29 July 1931 in a truck accident that also killed his daughter and a niece. He married on 7 February 1907 in Miles, Jackson County, Iowa to LIZZIE WIESE. She was born 28 April 1883 to Henry and Caroline Wiese. She died a few months before her husband's accident on 25 February 1931 in Jackson County, Iowa. Of their five children, only their son Harold Bruce Duemong survived to have a family. The obituary of Lizzie Duemong appeared in February 1931.

Mrs. DueMong Buried Saturday. Maquoketa- Funeral services for Mrs. John Due Mong, whose death occurred Wednesday night, were held Saturday afternoon at the family home on Route 2. The Rev H.H. Dill, pastor of the Maquoketa Methodist Episcopal Church officiated. She was born Lizzie Wiese, daughter of Caroline and Henry Wiese, near Nashville, April 29, 1882. She made her home in DeWitt several years previous to her marriage to John DueMong, Jr., February 7, 1907, they having been married a quarter of a century this month. The first six years of their married life were spent in Miles. Later they moved to this locality, and have resided near Maquoketa ever since. They were the parents of triplets, who died in infancy, a daughter Norma, at home, and a son, Harold, of Fulton, Iowa. Besides the husband and children, she leaves her aged mother who has made her home with Mrs. DueMong for several years. There are also two brothers, Henry and Ben Wiese of Morrison, Illinois; two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Peters of Iron Hill and Mrs. Amelia Graves of Maquoketa; and one half-sister, Mrs. Ida Luett of Baldwin. There is also one grandchild, Thelma.

The local Maquoketa newspapers carried the following accounts of the accident that killed the Duemongs:

John DueMong, Daughter Norma, and Miss Esther Peters Meet Almost Instant Death Northeast of Baldwin. One of the most fearful and deplorable tragedies which has occurred in this locality for years happened about 4:30 Wednesday afternoon when the truck owned and driven by John DueMong, who resides east of Esgate, accompanied by his daughter Miss Norma, aged 18, and a niece, Miss Esther Peters, aged 15, plunged off the approach of a small bridge just south of what is known as the Olmstead farm northeast of Baldwin, down a fifteen foot embankment, resulting in the death of all three occupants. Mr. DueMong had been to Monmouth to get a load of feed and was returning to his home when the tragedy occurred, having left that place about four o'clock. Not until about 7 o'clock in the evening were the bodies found underneath the wreckage of the overturned car. Dr. Bradley of Marion making the discovery while enroute home from his farm in that vicinity and who immediately rushed for help, and to summon medical aid. As soon as possible the bodies were removed and it was evident, according to the physicians that the two young ladies had been killed instantly, Miss DueMong's neck

having been broken while Miss Peters' body was fearfully crushed. Although Mr. DueMong had sustained severe cuts and bruises, the physician stated that death was probably due to suffocation and that his life could perhaps had been saved had help reached him earlier. The bodies were brought to this city and prepared for burial, thence to their respective homes. All of the victims of the awful accident have been lifelong residents of this county, and highly respected people and the community is saddened and shocked by the terrible tragedy. Mr. DueMong leaves one son, Harold, of Lost Nation, his wife having passed away last February; his aged mother of this city; and six sisters, Mrs. Arthur Klauser of Route 1, Mrs. Ben Helferich, Mrs. Lloyd Suthers, Mrs. Park Fleming of this city, Mrs. George Book of Cedar Rapids, and Mrs. Milton Skelton of Fort Wayne, Indiana. No funeral arrangements have been made. Obituaries will appear later. Funeral services for Mr. DueMong and daughter will be held at 2:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Methodist church and interment will be made in Buckhorn Cemetery. Funeral services for Miss Peters will be held Saturday, but the hour and place have not been decided.

A second article appeared in an unspecified Iowa newspaper, that was received "by long distance phone."

Truck Goes Off Bridge, 3 Killed. Farmer and two girls are crushed to death in cab of vehicle on road near Baldwin. Baldwin, July 30- John DueMong, age about 50, Norma DueMong, 17, and Esther Peters, 14, were killed yesterday afternoon about 5 p.m. when the DueMong truck, loaded with feed, crashed through a wood bridge railing four miles northeast of here and plunged ten feet to the ground. The truck landed upside down on the cab, in which three persons were riding. The tragedy was discovered about 7 p.m. by Dr. C.A. Bradley, veterinarian of Marion, who noticed that the bridge railing was broken. DueMong was apparently strangled to death. His daughter suffered a broken neck. Miss Peters, his niece, suffered a crushed chest. All had been dead for some time when found. Dr. Giffin of Baldwin was called and the bodies were taken to Maquoketa when coroner J.W. Jordan could not be found. The farmer was returning to his home northeast of Baldwin from Monmouth, where he had obtained the feed. The place where the accident happened is a dangerous one, at the bottom of a hill where there is loose sand and where there is a sharp turn for the bridge. Surviving Mr. DueMong is a son, Harold, of Lost Nation; his mother, Mrs. Eliza DueMong; six sisters, Mrs. George Book of Cedar Rapids, Mrs. Ben Helferich, Mrs. Arthur Klauser, Mrs. Park Fleming, Mrs. Lloyd Suthers, all of Maquoketa, and Mrs. Edna Skelton of Fort Wayne. Mrs. DueMong died in February. Esther Peters was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Peters of Iron Hill and she is survived by five sisters and two brothers.

An article appeared in a local Iowa newspaper, likely from Maquoketa, regarding the funeral services for the family.

Funeral Services Are Held Saturday for Accident Victims. John Thomas DueMong, son of the late John B. DueMong and Mrs. Eliza DueMong, was born in Nashville, Iowa, February 13, 1879, and died at the age of 52 years, 5 months and 6 days. When about 18 years of age, he with his parents, moved to Miles, Iowa, where he worked on a farm for 11 years. On February 7, 1907, he was united in marriage to Lizzie Wiese of Nashville, and to this union was born triplets, one boy and two girls, who died in infancy, also a son Harold and a daughter Norma. His wife passed away at their home February 25, 1931, following a brief illness. He and his daughter lost their lives in an automobile accident on Wednesday evening, July 29, 1931. After his marriage Mr. DueMong resided on a farm near Miles, until 1914, when he moved to a farm west of Maquoketa. Nine years ago he moved to the Baker farm near Esgate, where he resided until his death. Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Eliza DueMong of Maquoketa, a son Harold of Lost Nation, Mrs. Alma Book of Cedar Rapids, Mrs. Minnie Helferich, Mrs. Lettie Klauser, Mrs. Paula Suthers and Mrs. Mary Fleming of Maquoketa, and Mrs. Edna Skelton of Fort Wayne, Indiana, his mother-in-law Mrs. Caroline Wiese, who has made her home with him, two grandchildren, Thelma and Velma DueMong of Lost Nation, besides numerous other relatives and friends. Mr. DueMong was an honest and industrious man, ever ready to help a neighbor, a loving husband, an indulgent father who lived for his family. His untimely death and that of his daughter was a shock to the entire community. Norma Elizabeth DueMong, Norma Elizabeth, daughter of John and Lizzie DueMong, deceased, was born September 17, 1913, near Miles, Iowa, being at the time of her death 17 years, 10 months and 12 days old. When about one year of age she moved with her parents to a farm near Maquoketa. After graduating from the eighth grade country school she attended the Maquoketa High School. She is survived by one brother, Harold, of Lost Nation, her grandmothers, Mrs. Eliza DueMong of Maquoketa, and Mrs. Caroline Wiese who has made her home with them the past eight years, also several cousins and aunts. Norma was a member of the Rosebud Sunday School class at Esgate. Since the death of her mother in February, she has kept the home for her father. Norma was of a happy, lovable disposition, and numbered her friends by her acquaintances. She was always ready and willing to do all she could for others.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida; truck accident and obituary clippings from Iowa newspapers owned by Ruby Book Neill and later given to the author.

The children of John Thomas Duemong and Lizzie Wiese, born in Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. (daughter). She was a triplet, born 7 September 1907 and died shortly after birth.
- ii. (daughter). She was a triplet, born 7 September 1907 and died shortly after birth.

- iii. (son). He was a triplet, born 7 September 1907 and died shortly after birth.
- iv. Harold Bruce Duemong. He was born 8 June 1909 and married RUBY JOHNSON on 11 September 1929. **See 54.**
- v. Norma Elizabeth Duemong. She was born 17 September 1913. She died in the truck accident that killed her father on 29 July 1931 when she was age 17 years.

47. LETTIE ANN DUE MONG <sup>8</sup> (John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

Lettie was called 'Ted' DueMong and was born 18 September 1886 in Jackson County, Iowa and died there on 17 April 1979. Her obituary read: "Maquoketa, Iowa- Mrs. Lettie A. Klauser, 92, of Maquoketa River Village died Tuesday morning at Jackson County Hospital here. Her first husband, Walter Graul, died in 1918, and second husband, Arthur Klauser, died in 1960." She married WALTER GRAUL on 11 November 1910 and he died eight years later in 1918 at age 29 years. After the death of Walter Graul, Lettie DueMong married secondly to ARTHUR KLAUSER on 13 February 1929.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Lettie Ann Due Mong and Walter Graul, born in Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Eleanor Dorothea Graul. She was born 8 November 1911. She married in 1943 to George Kingsley, and secondly in 1978 to Wayne Smith. **See 55.**
- ii. Clinton Dale Graul. He was born 12 August 1913 and married 11 November 1942 to Dorothy Louise Lanz. **See 56.**  
The children of Lettie Ann Due Mong and Arthur Klauser, born in Jackson County, Iowa:
- iii. Helen Louise Klauser. She was born 10 February 1930, nineteen years after the birth of her half-sister, Eleanor Graul. She was married 1 September 1957 to Arlo Drury. **See 57.**

48. LENA MAUDE DUE MONG <sup>8</sup> (John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 27 May 1890 in Jackson County, Iowa and was called 'Paula'. She died 27 June 1942. She married LLOYD SUTHERS on 31 December 1919. He was born in 1890 and died in 1951.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Lena Maude DueMong and Lloyd Suthers:

- i. Lois Suthers. She was born 23 November 1920 and married James Stone on 26 June 1948. He was born 2 June 1923. Their children were Roderick Stone, who was born 16 March 1952 and married 29 February 1980 to Ann Ellis; Paula Elizabeth Stone, who was born 10 May 1954; and Andrew Stone, who was born 24 April 1958.
- ii. Doris Suthers. She was born 23 November 1922 and married Gordon Morehead on 18 January 1944. **See 58.**
- iii. Elizabeth Suthers. She was born 3 March 1924 and married Raymond Langley on 6 May 1945. He was born on 22 June 1919. Their three children were Gregory Allen Langley, who was born 26 October 1950 and married 28 July 1973 to Nancy R. Carter. They had a son, David Langley, who was born 28 January 1978, and a

daughter; David Lee Langley, who was born 29 June 1953. He married Ronna Flinders in 1979; and Paul Langley, who was born 28 April 1958.

49. MARY UHL DUE MONG <sup>8</sup> (John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 5 February 1895 in Jackson County, Iowa and died 4 March 1972. She married on 10 March 1920 to PARKE FLEMING. He was born 7 September 1893 and died 24 December 1950.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Mary Uhl DueMong and Parke Fleming:

- i. Mary Darlene Fleming. She was born 29 November 1925 and she married William Retz on 4 September 1949. He was born 23 August 1925. Their children were Jeffrey Parke Retz, who was born 20 June 1953; Linda Fae Retz, who was born 14 April 1956; and Amy Retz, who was born 28 May 1958.

50. EDNA EDITH MAY DUE MONG <sup>8</sup> (John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 23 May 1901 in Miles, Jackson County, Iowa and was called 'Dee'. She married on 16 October 1929 to MILTON LAWRENCE SKELTON. He was born 3 March 1899 and died 17 September 1972, the son of William Skelton. She died 18 May 1995 at age 93 years, after having lived much of her retirement years in Orlando, Florida. They were married in a Methodist Church by Rev. E.G. Hunt, according to their wedding announcement. According to a local newspaper:

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Eliza Due Mong and is well known here, having made her home in Maquoketa until the last few years. After completing her school work she held the position of bookkeeper at McAllister's store for some time. About five years ago she went to Fort Wayne, Indiana where she has held a responsible position as bookkeeper and stenographer for Reichle Ueber Company. She has been active in the various circles of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Fort Wayne, and prominent in Y.W.C.A. work. For the past year she has been president of the Wohela Study Club. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Skelton of Fort Wayne, and is employed in the electrical department of the S.F. Bowser, Inc.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida; Social Security Death Index.

The children of Edna Edith May DueMong and Milton Lawrence Skelton:

- i. Richard Alan Skelton. He was born 10 January 1933. He married Patricia Bragg on 10 April 1955 and they divorced with no children. He married second to Claudia Catonia and she was the mother of Karen Beth Skelton, who was born 24 February 1960. They divorced, and he married thirdly to Carol Ann Cohn. Their children were Richard Alan Skelton, Jr., who was born 1 May 1967; and Jeffrey Alan Skelton, who was born 29 January 1969. Richard and Carol Skelton divorced in 1973.

- ii. Susanne Skelton. She was born 5 July 1934 and married 18 November 1961 to William Poe. They divorced in November 1975.

51. HARLAND RAY DE MONG <sup>8</sup> (Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 12 December 1895 in Garvin, Minnesota and married ROSE BROWN on 27 November 1919. He died 9 August 1951 in a two-car crash. "Funeral services were held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Currie Minnesota, burial Calvary Cemetery." He was "Survived by his three sons: Maurice Dale, Rochester, New York; LaVern Eugene and Donald James of Freeport, Illinois; three grandsons and one granddaughter. The Victor Hege American Legion Post Number 273 conducted military services at the grave." His son, LaVern DeMong, wrote:

My father was in Europe in the Army in World War I. He met my mother, who was from Freeport, Illinois, but was visiting in Garvin, Minnesota, shortly after he was discharged from the Army. They were married and had five children. The three of us boys lived to adulthood. My older brother Maurice passed away in 1980 from complications arising from diabetes. My uncle Roland had three daughters, but no sons, so the name does not live on in their family. In 1939, my mother and father separated (divorce was taboo in the Catholic Church at that time). My mother returned with my two brothers and me to Freeport, Illinois, which had been her home. My younger brother, Donald, still lives in Freeport. Before coming to Clinton in 1965, I owned a drugstore in a small town near Freeport for 13 years. Most of my children were born in Freeport.

His grandson, Richard F. (Rich) DeMong, also provided information on the family. He was contacted by the author in 2003 when he published analysis on the mortgage industry in his capacity as a professor of the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia. The author recognized the last name and suspected, due to the unusual spelling, that he was of the Joseph DeMong family.

Sources: Letter of LaVern DeMong to the author, 1985; Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, page 343, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004; obituary of Harland DeMong from *Tracy Headlight Herald*, 16 August 1951.

The children of Harland Ray DeMong and Rose Brown, born in Garvin, Minnesota:

- i. Josephine Marie DeMong. She was born 13 November 1921 and died 9 August 1922 in Garvin, Minnesota.
- ii. Maurice Dale DeMong. He was born 21 February 1923 and had four children: Richard F. DeMong, born 1944; Robert Dale DeMong, born 1947; Cheryl Darlene DeMong, born 1951; and Maurice Dale DeMong, Jr., born 1956. Of his children, only Richard F. DeMong had children. Cheryl Ann DeMong was born in 1969 and Lynn Ann DeMong was born in 1976, and he had two step-children.
- iii. LaVern Eugene DeMong. He was born 19 December 1924. He resided in Clinton, Iowa, and was the father of five children. His daughters were Mary DeMong, Diana DeMong, and Melissa DeMong. His sons were twins, Mark DeMong and Michael DeMong. Three of the children, Melissa, Mark, and Michael, were adopted.
- iv. Donald James DeMong. He was born 26 August 1928.



- v. Rosemary DeMong. She was born in August 1931, and died in November 1931.

52. ROLAND LESTER DE MONG <sup>8</sup> (Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 1 September 1898 in Garvin, Minnesota and died 2 October 1962. He married 1 September 1926 to BERTHA GEORGINA GRINDE. She was born 3 December 1904 in Garvin, Minnesota.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, page 343-345, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Roland Lester DeMong and Bertha Georgina Grinde, born in Minnesota:

- i. Camilla Ann DeMong. She was born 3 March 1928 in Slayton, Minnesota and married Howard Robert Alton, Jr., on 3 September 1944. **See 59.**
- ii. Norene Marie DeMong. She was born 19 August 1930 in Slayton, Minnesota and married 9 April 1960 to Donald Joseph Harty. **See 60.**
- iii. Darlene Gale DeMong. She was born 12 July 1933 in Pipestone, Minnesota and married 14 February 1959 to H. James Jacobsen. **See 61.**

53. AGATHA FLOSSIE DE MONG <sup>8</sup> (Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 3 July 1900 in Garvin, Minnesota and married there on 14 February 1924 to THOMAS HOLLAND. He was born 26 September 1882 in Polenia, Iowa, the son of Thomas Holland and Martha Gurine Iverson. He died 4 July 1979 and was buried in Slayton, Minnesota. Agatha's husband was the brother of George Holland who married her first cousin, Viva Cornelia Coyle. The Coyle history stated:

Thomas Holland, Sr., born 5 September 1851 at Stavanger, Norway and married 22 October 1877 to Martha Gurine Iverson. She was born 24 June 1854 at Avaldanes Sogn, Norway. They came to America in 1882 and settled in Marshall County, Iowa. Five years later they moved to Paullina, Iowa; then in 1911, they moved to Lake Sarah Township, Murray County, Minnesota. Thomas, Sr., died 12 April 1933; Martha died in April 1922; both are buried at Slayton, Minnesota.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, pages 343-348, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Agatha Flossie DeMong and Thomas Holland, born in Tracy, Minnesota:

- i. Lavina Mae Holland. She was born 27 December 1924 and married to Kenneth Huso. **See 62.**
- ii. Howard Earl Holland. He was born 30 March 1927 and married to Elaine Frances Meyer Buesing on 14 November 1970 at Lake Sarah Lutheran Church in Lake Sarah Township, Minnesota. She was born 14 July 1935 in Alta, Iowa, to Herbert Chris Meyer and Elsie Christine Molgaard.
- iii. June Atlanta Holland. She was born 25 June 1928 and married to Vernon Albert Pauling. **See 63.**

- iv. Thomas Dale Holland. He was born 26 July 1929 and married to Beverly Ruth Nelson. **See 64.**
- v. Velma Elaine Holland. She was born 18 December 1932 and married to James Henry Blinkman. **See 65.**

*Ninth Generation*

54. HAROLD BRUCE DUEMONG <sup>9</sup> (John<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 8 June 1909 in Jackson County, Iowa and married RUBY JOHNSON on 11 September 1929. She was born 28 May 1911. As was common to his father, grandfather, and grandfather, there was high infant mortality, especially among the male children. His five daughters had a total of 16 children between them.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Harold Bruce Duemong and Ruby Johnson, born in Lost Nation, Iowa:

- i. Thelma Duemong. She was born 12 January 1930 and married to Eugene Gruenwald. **See 66.**
- ii. Velma Duemong. She was born 28 March 1931 and married 11 June 1950 to Leo Gruenwald. **See 67.**
- iii. Elizabeth Duemong. She was born 6 June 1932 and she married Eugene Hagy. **See 68.**
- iv. a son. He was born in 1934 and died shortly after birth.
- v. Harold Bruce Duemong, Jr. He was born in 1936 and died as an infant.
- vi. Lois Ann Duemong. She was born 17 June 1938 and died 22 May 1969. She married Owen Davison. **See 69.**
- vii. Norma Duemong. She was born 13 February 1940 and died 8 June 1976. She married Victor Howell, and she married secondly to Robert Beeckh and married thirdly to Raymond Burnett. **See 70.**

55. ELEANOR DOROTHEA GRAUL <sup>9</sup> (Lettie<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 8 November 1911 and married on 18 August 1943 to GEORGE KINGSLEY. He was born 16 July 1890 and died 22 May 1973. They were the parents of one daughter. She married secondly in 1978 to WAYNE SMITH.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Eleanor Dorothea Graul and George Kingsley:

- i. Ann Louise Kingsley. She was born 12 September 1944 and married 16 September 1960 to Edward Eugene Freyermuth. He was born 11 March 1941. They were the parents of Sherri Ann Freyermuth, who was born 16 September 1962; and Lynn Renee Freyermuth, who was born 28 August 1965.

56. CLINTON DALE GRAUL <sup>9</sup> (Lettie<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 12 August 1913 and married 11 November 1942 to DOROTHY LOUISE LANZ. She was born 28 July 1916.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Clinton Dale Graul and Dorothy Louise Lanz:

- i. Terry Allen Graul. He was born 15 August 1951.
- ii. Walter Dale Graul. He was born 5 July 1944 and married 29 November 1963 to Joanne Trollope. She was born 3 July 1944 and they had a daughter, Julianne Graul, born 27 August 1967.

57. HELEN LOUISE KLAUSER <sup>9</sup> (Lettie<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 10 February 1930, which was 19 years after the birth of her half-sister, Eleanor Graul. She was married 1 September 1957 to ARLO DRURY. He was born 16 June 1931.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Helen Louise Klauser and Arlo Drury:

- i. Brenda Sue Drury. She was born 23 July 1958.
- ii. Timothy John Drury. He was born 9 February 1960.
- iii. Douglas Dean Drury. He was born 11 May 1961 and was a twin.
- iv. Daniel Dwaine Drury. He was born 11 May 1961 and was a twin.
- v. Gary David Drury. He was born 5 August 1963.
- vi. Randy Jo Drury. She was born 1 May 1966.

58. DORIS SUTHERS <sup>9</sup> (Lena<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 23 November 1922 and married GORDON MOREHEAD on 18 January 1944. He was born 10 October 1920.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Doris Suthers and Gordon Morehead:

- i. Julie Ann Morehead. She was born 28 July 1948 and married 22 January 1971 to Bruce Betschart. Their sons were Jeffrey Bruce Betschart, born 5 May 1974; and Nathan Joseph Betschart, who was born 2 November 1976 and died 6 May 1979.
- ii. Jacqueline Morehead. She was born 5 July 1950. She married David Gunn on 9 March 1974, and later divorced. She died on 6 May 1979 as did her nephew Nathan.
- iii. Peter Morehead. He was born 13 September 1956.
- iv. Matthew Morehead. He was born 13 May 1959, and died at age 12 years on 17 June 1971.

59. CAMILLA ANN DE MONG <sup>9</sup> (Roland<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 3 March 1928 in Slayton, Minnesota and married on 3 September 1944 in South Dakota to HOWARD ROBERT ALTON, JR. He was born 12 May 1927 in Pipestone, Minnesota to Howard Robert Alton and Vera Edna Boehmke. They moved to Navarre, Minnesota.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, pages 343-348, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Camilla Ann DeMong and Howard Robert Alton, Jr., born in Minnesota:

- i. Ann Leslie Alton. She was born 10 September 1945 in Pipestone, Minnesota and married on 14 July 1979 to Gerald Russel Freeman.
- ii. Jeanine Patrice Alton. She was born 6 April 1957 in Pipestone, Minnesota and married on 14 August 1982 to Shawn Michael Ryan.
- iii. Howard Robert Alton, III. He was born 9 December 1959 in Pipestone, Minnesota.
- iv. Patricia Denise Alton. She was born 14 November 1961 in Pipestone, Minnesota.
- v. Michelle Diane Alton. She was born 11 November 1963 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

60. NORENE MARIE DE MONG <sup>9</sup> (Roland<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 19 August 1930 in Slayton, Minnesota and married 9 April 1960 in Pipestone, Minnesota to DONALD JOSEPH HARTY. He was born 25 November 1927 in St. Paul, Minnesota, the son of Nelson J. Harty and Florence Kraemer. They moved to Fargo, North Dakota.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, pages 343-348, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Norene Marie DeMong and Donald Joseph Harty, born in St. Paul, Minnesota:

- i. Lynn Marie Harty. She was born 1 September 1960 and married 23 October 1982 to Scott Ketelsen.
- ii. Pamela Jo Harty. She was born 21 December 1961.
- iii. Paul Joseph Harty. He was a twin of Pamela, born 21 December 1961.
- iv. Kristine Ann Harty. She was born 19 September 1962.

61. DARLENE GALE DE MONG <sup>9</sup> (Roland<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 12 July 1933 in Pipestone, Minnesota and married H. JAMES JACOBSEN on 14 February 1959 in Pipestone, Minnesota. He was an IBM engineer in Rochester, Minnesota. She died in Rochester, Minnesota on 15 August 1974 after an illness with cancer. "She was active with Brownie Scouts and taught Sunday School at Zumbro Lutheran." She was buried at Oakwood Cemetery in Rochester, Minnesota.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, pages 343-348, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Darlene Gale DeMong and H. James Jacobsen, born in Rochester, Minnesota:

- i. Jill Marie Jacobsen. She was born 2 March 1960.
- ii. Jennifer Kay Jacobsen. She was born 9 August 1962.
- iii. Sarah Jean Jacobsen. She was born 5 November 1970.

62. LAVINA MAE HOLLAND <sup>9</sup> (Agatha<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 27 December 1924 in Tracy, Minnesota and married KENNETH HUSO on 18 June 1946 at Modum Church in Lake Sarah Township, Minnesota. He was born 27 December 1919 in Minnesota, to Herman Huso and Alice Ueland.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, pages 343-348, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Lavina Mae Holland and Kenneth Huso, born in Marshall, Minnesota:

- i. Gary Dean Huso. He was born 24 June 1953.
- ii. Gail Deanne Huso. She was born 25 September 1960.

63. JUNE ATLANTA HOLLAND <sup>9</sup> (Agatha<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 25 June 1928 in Tracy, Minnesota and married to VERNON ALBERT PAULING on 29 June 1950 at Modum Lutheran Church in Lake Sarah Township, Minnesota. He was born 4 March 1926 in Truman, Minnesota, to Albert Pauling and Alma Tesch.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, pages 343-348, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of June Atlanta Holland and Vernon Albert Pauling, born in Minnesota:

- i. Linda Elaine Pauling. She was born 10 April 1951 in Tracy, Minnesota.
- ii. Duane Vernon Pauling. He was born 13 February 1952 in Tracy, Minnesota.
- iii. David Richard Pauling. He was born 16 November 1955 in Tracy, Minnesota.
- iv. Dale Howard Pauling. He was born 3 October 1961 in Alexandria, Minnesota.

64. THOMAS DALE HOLLAND <sup>9</sup> (Agatha<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 26 July 1929 in Tracy, Minnesota and married to BEVERLY RUTH NELSON on 18 June 1954 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Tracy, Minnesota. She was born 7 November 1933 in Tracy, Minnesota, to Pearly Hilton Nelson and Fern Schmidt.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, pages 343-348, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Thomas Dale Holland and Beverly Ruth Nelson, born in Tracy, Minnesota:

- i. Gregory Dayle Holland. He was born 10 March 1955.
- ii. Lynn Charie Holland. She was born 6 September 1956.
- iii. Paul Douglas Holland. He was born 26 September 1959.
- iv. Kathryn Jo Holland. She was born 30 September 1960.
- v. Thomas Michael Holland. He was born 26 May 1962.

65. VELMA ELAINE HOLLAND <sup>9</sup> (Agatha<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 18 December 1932 in Lake Sarah Township, Minnesota at the home of her maternal grandparents. She married on 23 August 1958 at Lake Sarah Lutheran Church to JAMES HENRY BLINKMAN. He was born 23 March 1930 in Luverne, Minnesota to Chris Blinkman and Annette Behnke.

Sources: Maurine E. Struthers, *Coil/Coyle*, Route 3, Box 215, Annadale, Minnesota 55302, 1984, page 343-348, received from Richard F. DeMong, 881 Tilman Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901, in 2004.

The children of Velma Elaine Holland and James Henry Blinkman, born in Minnesota:

- i. Nancy Annette Blinkman. She was born 2 November 1961 in Mankato, Minnesota.

- ii. Dawn Joy Blinkman. She was born 3 October 1966 in Pipestone, Minnesota.

*Tenth Generation*

66. THELMA DUEMONG <sup>10</sup> (Harold<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 12 January 1930 and married on 1 July 1949 to EUGENE GRUENWALD. He was born 15 September 1927.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Thelma Duemong and Eugene Gruenwald:

- i. Samuel Gruenwald. He was born 23 June 1950 and married 26 June 1971 to Diana Christiansen. Their children were Amanda Gruenwald, born 14 October 1975 and Samantha Gruenwald, born 6 April 1979.
- ii. Chester Lee Gruenwald. He was born 10 February 1952 and died two days later.
- iii. Charles Lee Gruenwald. He was the twin of Chester and married to Eileen Voss.
- iv. Onalee Carol Gruenwald. She was born 9 May 1958 and married 7 October 1978 to Dean Steege.

67. VELMA DUEMONG <sup>10</sup> (Harold<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>))

She was born 28 March 1931 and married 11 June 1950 to LEO GRUENWALD. He was born 7 February 1921.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Velma Duemong and Leo Gruenwald:

- i. Bonnie Gruenwald. She was born 15 September 1950 and married 3 July 1970 to John Wheeler. They divorced in 1979. Their children were Daniel Alan Wheeler, born 10 January 1973; and Ryan Ashley Wheeler, born 27 February 1975.
- ii. Rodney Lee Gruenwald. He was born 21 June 1954 and married 26 October 1974 to Bonnie Brown. Their son Ty William Gruenwald was born in September 1980.

68. ELIZABETH DUEMONG <sup>10</sup> (Harold<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 6 June 1932 and married EUGENE HAGY. He was born 10 January 1932.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Elizabeth Duemong and Eugene Hagy:

- i. Nancy Ann Hagy. She was born 23 June 1953 and married 13 November 1976 to Larry Shell.
- ii. Kathy Jean Hagy. She was born 18 October 1955 and married 29 December 1979 to Perry Keating.

69. LOIS ANN DUEMONG <sup>10</sup> (Harold<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 17 June 1938 and died 22 May 1969 at age 30 years. She married OWEN DAVISON. He was born 27 September 1937.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Lois Ann Duemong and Owen Davison:

- i. Beth Ann Davison. She was born 6 April 1958 and married 14 February 1978 to Robert Wood.
- ii. Mark Owen Davison. He was born 23 September 1959.
- iii. Josh Matthew Davison. He was born 24 December 1960 and died 7 January 1961.
- iv. Todd Davison. He was born 12 December 1962.
- v. Lisa Bea Davison. She was born 17 January 1964.
- vi. Greg Davison. He was born 9 July 1965.

70. NORMA DUEMONG <sup>10</sup> (Harold<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup>, John B.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jakob<sup>5</sup>, Johannes<sup>4</sup>, Heinrich<sup>3</sup>, J.Hilaire<sup>2</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 13 February 1940 and died 8 June 1976 at age 36 years. She married VICTOR HOWELL who was born 26 June 1936. They divorced and she married secondly to ROBERT BEECKH, and married thirdly to RAYMOND BURNETT.

Sources: Manuscript of the DueMong family written by Edna DueMong Skelton, youngest daughter of John Baptist DueMong, in 1980, Orlando, Florida.

The children of Norma Duemong and Victor Howell:

- i. Victor Merlin Howell. He was born 23 December 1959.
- ii. Vonie Howell. She was born 21 November 1961.

#### Greber Family

Anna Eva Greber married Heinrich Dumont (*Third Generation*)

#### 1. JACOB ESCRIVEUR <sup>1</sup>

He was born after 1650 in Spiesen, Rheinland after the Peace of Westphalia gave control of the Rheinland territory (Alsace, Lorraine, and Saare) to France. The Germans of the Holy Roman Empire gained back control of the Rheinland by the 1680s when the area was repopulated and by the end of the 1690s the Frenchmen of Spiesen became Germans. By 1700, they were speaking German with a French accent while their German children had no accent to distinguish them. Sometime between 1690 and 1701 Jacob Escrieur married MARGARETHA KLING in the Catholic Church and the family adopted the German rendering of their surname as Greber. Lists of village residents in Spiesen that began in 1701 in "Die Salzliste von 1701" documented a quick transition of the native French into German culture as names were near-universally changed into a German form during the 1690s. Jacob Escrieur had become Hans Jacob Greber, and still married to Margaretha Kling. He was the father of several surviving children and died in Spiesen about 1 February 1731.

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The children of Jacob Escrireur and Margaretha Kling, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Hans Jacob Greber. He was born after 1680 and married Anneliesse Brust. They resided in Spiesen where he died on 17 February 1735. **See 2.**
- ii. Michel Greber. He was born about 1690 and married about 1710 to Juliana Landmesser at the Catholic Church in Spiesen. He died in Spiesen on 23 June 1749. **See 3.**
- iii. Johannes Greber. He was born about 1701 and resided in Spiesen where he died on 3 May 1762. He married on 3 February 1721 to Anna Magdalena Sonn. After her death he married secondly about 1730 to Maria Franziska Cornelius. **See 4.**
- iv. Anna Margaretha Greber. She was born about 1707 and married on 30 October 1727 in Spiesen to Johannes Wittlich. She died on 25 April 1762 in Spiesen. Their surviving child was Maria Magdalena Wittlich who married on 19 April 1757 to Andreas Hollweck. **See 2(i).**

## 2. HANS JACOB GREBER <sup>2</sup> (Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

He was born after 1680 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married ANNELIESSE BRUST in the Catholic Church. They resided in Spiesen where he died on 17 February 1735.

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The children of Hans Jacob Greber and Anneliesse Brust, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Maria Johanetta Greber. She was born about 1701 and died about 30 April 1762 in Spiesen. She married Frantz Peter and was the mother of Susanna Peter. Susanna married on 8 February 1763 as the second wife of Andreas Hollweck. **See 1(iv).**
- ii. Angelika Greber. She was born about 1704 and married 18 July 1724 in Spiesen to Frantz Wachs. She died there on 12 January 1771. **See 5.**
- iii. Matthias Greber. He was born about 1708 and married 10 November 1733 in Spiesen to Anna Toussaint. After her death he married secondly to Katherina Sahner on 28 November 1775. He died on 21 March 1776. **See 6.**

## 3. MICHEL GREBER <sup>2</sup> (Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1690 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married there about 1710 in the Catholic Church to JULIANA LANDMESSER. He died in Spiesen on 23 June 1749, and she died there on 7 May 1752. She was the daughter of Jacob Landmesser and Johanna Bronigin of Spiesen. Jacob Landmesser was



originally from the area of Homburg at the Mark Brandenburg, and died on 2 May 1731 in Spiesen, Rheinland. The surname was German in origin and spelled Lantmesser and Landtmesser.

Juliana Landmesser had a sibling baptized on 11 January 1688 with Johannes Peter as the godfather and had two surviving brothers, Hans Dietrich Landmesser and Hans Paulus Landmesser. Hans Dietrich Landmesser was born about 1688 and died in 1706 in Spiesen at about age 19 years. His widow, Margarethe Neufeind, married secondly to Peter Rammo (or, in French, Rameaux) and was the mother of Anton Rammo. Hans Paulus Landmesser was born about 1694 and married on 30 January 1714 in Spiesen to Anna Margaretha Stecker. They were the parents of three children: Marie Katherine Landmesser, Jacob Landmesser, Bernhart Landmesser.

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The children of Michel Greber and Juliana Landmesser, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Anna Margaretha Greber. She was born about 1711 and married on 9 January 1731 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Peter Gorge. She died on 8 October 1809. **See 7.**
- ii. Anna Eva Greber. She was born in November 1713 and married on 12 January 1734 to Heinrich Dumont. She died in Spiesen, Rheinland on 8 April 1779. **See Dumont Family, 4**

#### 4. JOHANNES GREBER <sup>2</sup> (Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1701 and resided in Spiesen, Rheinland where he died on 3 May 1762. He married at the Catholic Church in Spiesen on 3 February 1721 to ANNA MAGDALENA SONN, the daughter of Johann Georg Sonn and Eva Kunigunde Hoffmann. He married secondly about 1730 to MARIA FRANZISKA CORNELIUS, the daughter of Emmanuel Cornelius.

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The children of Johannes Greber and Maria Franziska Cornelius, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Peter Greber. He was born about 1735 and married on 22 November 1757 to Anna Margaretha Eich. In 1763, he was a day-worker in Spiesen and had one child in his household. She was the daughter of Heinrich Eich and Anna Margaretha Jung. Her grandparents were Anthony Jung and Anna Margaretha Neufeind. Anthony Jung was the son of Antoine LeJeune. **See Patard Family, 3.**

#### 5. ANGELIKA GREBER <sup>3</sup> (Hans<sup>2</sup>, Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

She was born about 1704 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married 18 July 1724 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen to FRANTZ WACHS. He was born about

1704 in Spiesen and was the son of Nicolaus Wachs and Elisabeth Muttig. He died in Spiesen on 1 January 1762, and she died there on 12 January 1771. His brother Johannes Wachs married Catharina Johannetta Dumont. **See Dumont Family, 3.**

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The children of Angelika Greber and Frantz Wachs, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Matheiss Wachs. He was born about 1728 and was a farmer in Spiesen, Rheinland. He married Katharina Ruffing. **See 8.**

#### 6. MATTHIAS GREBER <sup>3</sup> (Hans<sup>2</sup>, Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1708 and married 10 November 1733 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen to ANNA TOUSSAINT. After her death, he married secondly late in life to KATHARINA SAHNER on 28 November 1775. He died a few months after his second marriage, on 21 March 1776.

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The children of Matthias Greber and Anna Toussaint, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johannes Greber. He was born about 1734 and married on 27 November 1760 to Katherina Spaniol. He died 23 January 1779 and she married secondly on 3 November 1781 to Jakob Koop.
- ii. Johann Adam Greber. He was born about 1735 and married on 23 February 1764 in Spiesen to Barbara Eich. She was the daughter of Kylian Eich and Maria Catherina Jacques. Nicolaus Eich and Magdaline Borgignon were her grandparents. Adam and Barbara Greber were the parents of three children: Karl Greber, Margaretha Greber, Eva Greber. **See 7(i); See Patard Family, 1(i).**
- iii. Johann Nickel Greber. He was born about 1737 and married in Spiesen to Maria Johanna Werth on 10 January 1764. He married secondly on 29 August 1775 in Spiesen to Maria Magdalena Wagner. **See 9.**
- iv. Anna Maria Greber. She was born after 1740 and married in Spiesen on 2 February 1770 to Christian Severin. She died on 9 May 1798 in Spiesen and had no surviving children.

#### 7. ANNA MARGARETHE GREBER <sup>3</sup> (Michel<sup>2</sup>, Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

She was born about 1711 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married on 9 January 1731 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen to PETER GORGE. She died on 8 October 1809. He was born about 1711 in Welschbach, Rheinland and was the son of Johann Gorge. Peter Gorge was a farmer who had four children in his household in 1763, and died in Spiesen on 4 December 1765.

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The children of Anna Margarethe Greber and Peter Gorge, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Anna Margaretha Gorge. She was born about 1743 and married on 18 July 1763 in Spiesen to Henrich Busch. She died 8 October 1809 in Spiesen and he died there on 6 November 1813. He was the son of Hans Adam Busch and Katharina Eich. She was the daughter of Nicolaus Eich, or Eych, and his wife Magdaline Borgignon who were in Spiesen by 1712. **See 6(ii); See Patard Family, 1(i).**
- ii. Barbara Gorge. She was born about 1745 and married on 9 January 1765 to Bernhard Kohler. She died on 17 February 1810. **See 10.**
- iii. Maria Johanna Gorge. She was born about 1748 and married on 5 July 1768 in Spiesen to Johannes Wachs. She died before 15 April 1776. Johannes Wachs was the son of Johannes Wachs and Catharina Johannetta Dumont. **See Dumont Family, 3(ii).**

8. MATHEISS WACHS <sup>4</sup> (Angelika<sup>3</sup>, Hans<sup>2</sup>, Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1728 and was a farmer in Spiesen, Rheinland. He married on 11 June 1748 at the Catholic Church to KATHARINA RUFFING. She was born about 1728 and died on 24 March 1801 in Spiesen. Katharina Ruffing was the daughter of Martin Ruffing and Anna Patard. **See Patard Family, 2(i).**

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The children of Matheiss Wachs and Katharina Ruffing, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Magdalena Wachs. She was born about 1767 and married on 23 October 1787 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Christian Werth. She died on 3 February 1791 and he married secondly on 10 May 1791 to Anna Margaretha Peter. There were no surviving children of Magdalena Wachs.

9. JOHANN NICKEL GREBER <sup>4</sup> (Matthias<sup>3</sup>, Hans<sup>2</sup>, Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1737 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married there at the Catholic Church on 10 January 1764 to MARIA JOHANNA WERTH. She was the daughter of Matthias Werth and Katharina Moineau. Maria Johanna Werth was born after 1737 and died on 26 February 1774 in Spiesen. He married secondly on 29 August 1775 in Spiesen to MARIA MAGDALENA WAGNER. She was the daughter of Jacob Wagner and Catherine Stoffel. Johann Nickel Greber died on 28 January 1798. He was also known as Hans and his surname rendered as Graser. **See Patard Family, 4(i).**

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The children of Johann Nickel Greber and Maria Johanna Werth, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Nicholai Greber. He was born about 1764 and married Susanna Ruffing. They were the parents of nine children. He died on 20 January 1844 in Spiesen. **See Patard Family, 4(i).**
- ii. Anna Eva Greber. She was born about 1765 and married in Spiesen on 10 May 1785 to Wilhelm Peter Assion.
- iii. Anna Margaretha Greber. She was born about 1768 and married on 7 July 1795 in Spiesen to Nickel Muller. The children of Johann Nickel Greber and Maria Magdalena Wagner, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:
- iv. Catherine Greber. She was born about 1780 and married in 1808 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Johannes Wachs. They were the parents of two surviving children, both daughters who married into the Dumont family: Catharina Wachs who married Ferdinand Dumont, and Maria Wachs who married Heinrich Dumont. **See Dumont Family, 22, 25.**

10. BARBARA GORGE <sup>4</sup> (Anna Margarethe<sup>3</sup>, Michel<sup>2</sup>, Jacob<sup>1</sup>)

She was born about 1745 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married there at 1<sup>st</sup> the Catholic Church on 9 January 1765 to BERNHARD KOHLER. He was born about 1745 and died 30 June 1794 in Spiesen. She died there on 17 February 1810. He was the son of Berhart Kohler and Maria Magdaline Heyni. His grandfather was Hans Jacob Kohler, the son of Nicolaus Charbonnier and Elisabeth Petit. **See Dumont Family, 10.**

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The children of Barbara Gorge and Bernhard Kohler, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Barbara Kohler. She was born about 1776 and married on 30 January 1802 to Petrus Henrici Normann. They had five children and their eldest son Petrus Normann married Elisabetha Ruffing. **See Patard Family, 6(i).**

Patard Family

Margarethe Truntzer married Johannes Dumont (*Fourth Generation*)

1. JEAN PATARD <sup>1</sup>

He was born about 1675 in Neunkirchen, Rheinland and moved nearby to Spiesen where he died on 9 December 1705 at about age 30 years. He was the son of Jean Patard who resided for a period of time in Neunkirchen and who

was born about 1650. His wife was JOHANNA HENRY with whom he had three children. The family surname was also spelled Bastard, Batar, Batard, Battar, Battard, Patar, Pattar, and Pattard. The English translation of the name was Bastard, an obvious reference to an illegitimate birth in a prior generation.

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The children of Jean Patard and Johanna Henry, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Henrich Patard. He was born about 1698 and married about 1718 in Spiesen to Maria Elisabeth Eich. She was the daughter of Nicolaus Eich, or Eych, and his wife Magdaline Borgignon who were in Spiesen by 1712. Henrich and Magdaline Batard were the parents of two children. Their son was Henrich Patard who married Katharina Kohl and died in Spiesen on 1 June 1758. Their daughter was Maria Katharina Patard who married Johannes Aprull Zimmerman. **See Greber Family, 6(ii), 7(i).**
- ii. Anna Patard. She was born about 1705 and married on 16 October 1725 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Martin Ruffing. She died on 19 November 1776 in Spiesen. **See 2.**
- iii. Louis Patard. He was born about 1711 and married on 30 January 1731 to Susanna Jung in Spiesen. He died 31 December 1774 in Spiesen. **See 3.**

## 2. ANNA PATARD <sup>2</sup> (Jean Patard<sup>1</sup>)

She was born about 1705 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married on 16 October 1725 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen to MARTIN RUFFING. She died on 19 November 1776 in Spiesen, Rheinland. He was born about 1705 in Oberbexbach, Rheinland and died on 18 October 1752 in Spiesen. The family surname was of French origin and was predominantly rendered as Roufin in French and Ruffing in German. He was the son of Paschalis Ruffing and Margaretha Sema of Spiesen. Margaretha Sema, or Seuma, was born about 1697 in Mittelbexbach, Rheinland and was first married to Bastian Huy. She married secondly to Paschalis Ruffing, and died 9 September 1739 in Spiesen, Rheinland. Bastian Huy's first wife was Jeanne Collet, the daughter of Jean Colet. **See Dumont Family, 2 (Jean Colet).**

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The children of Anna Patard and Martin Ruffing, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Katharina Ruffing. She was born about 1728 and married on 11 June 1748 to Matheiss Wachs. She died on 24 March 1801 in Spiesen. **See Greber Family, 8.**

- ii. Johannes Ruffing. He was born 10 January 1735 and married on 18 January 1751 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland to Maria Magdalena Dumont. He died on 30 August 1793 in Spiesen. **See 4.**
- iii. Anna Margaretha Ruffing. She was born about 1734 and married on 29 April 1754 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Johannes George Truntzer. **See 5.**
- iv. Hans Adam Ruffing. He was born about 1749 and married on 6 February 1769 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Elisabeth Dumont. **See 6.**

3. LOUIS PATARD <sup>2</sup> (Jean Patard<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1711 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married there at the Catholic Church on 30 January 1731 to SUSANNA JUNG. He died 31 December 1774 in Spiesen, Rheinland. She was born about 1711 in Spiesen, Rheinland and died there one week after her husband's death, on 4 January 1775. Susanna Jung was the daughter of Anthony Jung and Anna Margarethe Neufeind, and the granddaughter of Antoine LeJeune. **See Dumont Family, 2 (Jean Colet); See Greber Family, 4(i).**

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The children of Louis Patard and Susanna Jung, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Patard. He was born about 1744 and died in Spiesen on 13 September 1801. He married on 17 January 1764 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Anna Margarethe Weckler. She was the daughter of Johannes Weckler and Elisabeth Dumont. The daughter of Johann Patard and Anna Margarethe Weckler was Elisabeth Patard who married Heinrich Dumont. **See Dumont Family, 5(i), 11.**
- ii. Hans Adam Patard. He was born about 1737 and married on 12 February 1765 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland to Anna Margaretha Dumont. He died on 6 October 1807 in Spiesen, Rheinland. His wife was the daughter of Heinrich Dumont and Anna Eva Greber. **See Dumont Family, 4(iii).**

4. JOHANNES RUFFING <sup>3</sup> (Anna Patard<sup>2</sup>, Jean Patard<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 10 January 1735 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married on 18 January 1751 in the Catholic Church in St. Ingbert, Rheinland to MARIA MAGDALENA DUMONT. She was born 6 March 1737 in Spiesen, Rheinland and died there on 26 April 1796. She was the daughter of Heinrich Dumont and Anna Eva Greber and her sister married to her husband's brother. Johannes Ruffing died on 30 August 1793 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 6; See Dumont Family, 4(ii).**

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The children of Johannes Ruffing and Maria Magdalena Dumont, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Elisabeth Ruffing. She was born about 1759 and married on 19 October 1779 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Karl Werth. She died in Spiesen on 2 February 1816 and he died there on 28 August 1798. He was the son of Matthias Werth and Katharina Moineau. **See Greber Family, 9.**
- ii. Susanna Ruffing. She was born about 1768 and married to Johann Nicholai Greber. She died on 10 January 1837 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See Greber Family, 9(i).**

5. ANNA MARGARETHA RUFFING <sup>3</sup> (Anna Patard<sup>2</sup>, Jean Patard<sup>1</sup>)

She was born about 1734 in Spiesen, Rheinland and married on 29 April 1754 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen to JOHANNES GEORGE TRUNTZER. She died on 20 April 1786 in Spiesen. He was born about 1730 in Immenthal, Allgau, Rheinland, and was the son of Josef Truntzer and Anastasia Karchin. Johannes George Truntzer was a carpenter who was residing in Spiesen, Rheinland between 1754 and 1759, and lived in Neunkirchen in 1769. The family surname was also spelled as Drunzer. There were no records of siblings for Johannes George Truntzer, and his daughter was the only recorded surviving child of the couple.

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The children of Anna Margaretha Ruffing and Johannes George Truntzer, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Margaretha Truntzer. She was born 17 February 1756 and married on 14 November 1774 in Spiesen, Rheinland to Johannes Dumont. **See Dumont Family, 7.**

6. HANS ADAM RUFFING <sup>3</sup> (Anna Patard<sup>2</sup>, Jean Patard<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1749 and married on 6 February 1769 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen, Rheinland to ELISABETH DUMONT. She was the daughter of Heinrich Dumont and Anna Eva Greber, and her sister married to her husband's brother. She was born 3 April 1747 and died before her husband, who died on 21 August 1823 in Spiesen, Rheinland. **See 4; See Dumont Family, 4(vi).**

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The children of Hans Adam Ruffing and Elisabeth Dumont, born in Spiesen, Rheinland:

- i. Johann Jakob Ruffing. He was born about 1774 and married at age 27 years on 28 July 1801 at the Catholic Church in Spiesen to Maria Johanetta Kohler. They were the parents of a daughter, Elisabetha

Ruffing, who was born about 1816 and married to Petrus Normann. He was the son of Petrus Henrici Normann and Barbara Kohler. **See Greber Family, 10(i).**

Kiefer Family

Elisabetha Kiefer married John Duemong (*Sixth Generation*)

1. JOHANN GEORG KIEFER <sup>1</sup>

He resided in St. Ingbert, or Sankt Ingbert, where he attended the Catholic Church with his wife and children. He married BARBARA HAAS and raised a family in St. Ingbert.

Sources: International Genealogical Index (IGI) of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon) at Familysearch.org through the Germany portal [wiki-de.genealogy.net/for Sankt Ingbert](http://wiki-de.genealogy.net/for/Sankt%20Ingbert) church records of christenings C042408 for the years 1798 through 1834, retrieved on 6 July 2010; Sankt Ingbert church register record received in correspondence about 1985 that George Kiefer was the son of Johann George Kiefer. The Latinized church record names have been rendered in the local German language version.

The children of Johann George Kiefer and Barbara Haas, born in St. Ingbert, Rheinland.

- i. George Kiefer. He was born before 1798 and married to Elisabetha Uhl. He resided in St. Ingbert where he raised his family. **See 2.**
- ii. Elisabetha Kiefer. She was born and baptized on 12 March 1799 and died as an infant.
- iii. Elisabetha Kiefer. She was born 13 July 1802 and was baptized on 14 July.
- iv. Heinrich Kiefer. He was baptized on 19 August 1805.

2. GEORG KIEFER <sup>2</sup> (Johann Georg<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in St. Ingbert (or, Sankt Ingbert), Rheinland where he attended the Catholic Church with his wife and children. He married ELISABETHA UHL in St. Ingbert on 11 April 1822. Their first child was born a month before their marriage and was baptized in the mother's maiden name according to German church custom for children born outside of a marriage. Elisabetha Uhl was born in St. Ingbert and was baptized there on 24 October 1799 in the Catholic Church. She was the daughter of Johannes Uhl and Maria Johanna Schmelzer.

JOHANNES UHL

Johannes Uhl married to MARIA JOHANNETTA SCHMELTZER and they resided in St. Ingbert (or, Sankt Ingbert), Rheinland. They belonged to the Catholic Church in St. Ingbert where their nine children were born: (1) Elisabetha Uhl; (2) Apollonia Uhl, born 12 August 1801 and baptized on 13 August 1801; (3) Johannes Uhl, baptized 8 May 1803; (4) Johann Josef Uhl, baptized on 23 July 1806; (5) George Uhl, baptized on 26 August 1808; (6) Carolina Uhl, baptized on 11 October 1810; (7) Maria Uhl, baptized on 15 November 1812; (8) Jakob Uhl, baptized 18 June 1814; and (9) Maria Catharina Uhl, born 24 August 1816 and baptized on 25 August 1816.

Sources: International Genealogical Index (IGI) of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon) at Familysearch.org through the Germany portal [wiki-de.genealogy.net/for Sankt Ingbert](http://wiki-de.genealogy.net/for/Sankt%20Ingbert) church records of christenings C042408 for the years 1798 through 1834, retrieved on 6 July 2010; Sankt Ingbert church register record received in correspondence about 1985 that George Kiefer was the son of Johann George Kiefer and marriage



record of George Kiefer and Elisabeth Uhl. The Latinized church record names have been rendered in the local German language version.

The children of George Kiefer and Elisabetha Uhl, born in St. Ingbert, Rheinland.

- i. Barbara Uhl. She was baptized on 8 March 1822 as the daughter of George Kiefer and Elisabetha Uhl. She was baptized before her parents were married and accordingly she was given the surname Uhl, although she likely used the Kiefer surname.
- ii. Elisabetha Kiefer. She was baptized on 27 August 1823 and married Johann Dumont (later called John Duemong) on 29 April 1847 in St. Ingbert, Rheinland. They immigrated to America where she died on 26 July 1892 in Winona, Minnesota. **See Dumont, 28.**
- iii. Johannes Kiefer. He was baptized on 24 August 1825.
- iv. George Kiefer. He was baptized on 8 January 1828.
- v. Maria Kiefer. She was baptized on 18 September 1830.
- vi. Catharina Kiefer. She was baptized on 8 September 1833.

### **Elliott Family**

#### **Thomas Elliott, laborer, of Maquoketa, Iowa 1817 – 1863**

##### **1. THOMAS ELIOTT <sup>1</sup>**

He was born 21 May 1817 in England and immigrated twice during his lifetime of 46 years—first to Canada, secondly to the United States. He married to ELIZABETH CURRIE on 20 May 1849, in Binbrook, Ontario, Canada, later incorporated into the city of Hamilton. He registered for the draft during the Civil War, on 23 July 1863 in Jackson County, Iowa. He died there the next month, on 14 August 1863. Despite detailed written notes from his wife and daughter, his exact origin remained unclear. His widow Elizabeth Morehouse wrote, “Mifs Phebe Hampshire was the name of Thomas Elliott Mother.” His daughter Eliza wrote that Thomas was born in 1827, his gravemarker indicated he was born 21 May 1817, though neither year was corroborated by the draft record that Elliott self-reported indicating 1819. The spelling of his surname Elliott with only one ‘l’ was peculiar to the family. It was rendered as such on the gravemarkers of Thomas, his sons Malcom and James, and recorded in documents by his daughter Eliza and grandson Joseph Perry Logan. While the date and circumstances of his arrival in Canada were not identified, his brother-in-law James Currie gave him the following instructions in 1861 for coming to Iowa:

If you come you had better take the second class car but don’t take the emigrant train. From Suspension Bridge to the Detroit Bridge, then to Chicago, then you must move one mile from the Chicago depot to the Fulton depot then to Fulton City, Illinois, then ferry across the Mississippi River to Lyons and if the cars run from Clinton City to DeWitt take them which is six miles down the river from Lyons, if not take the stage to Maquoketa. Put your luggage in the store house and get a receipt from them. DeWitt is 18 miles from here. We live six miles West of Maquoketa on the Iowa City Road.

Elizabeth was born on 16 May 1829 in St. Catherines, Ontario in the Niagara region, then called Canada East and raised nearby Thurold. Her story was told in the DueMong Manuscript by her granddaughter Edna DueMong Skelton in the late 1970s. The manuscript text was rich in colorful detail, although with the occasional error. Corrections to errors or unsubstantiated facts were noted by the author. **See Currie Family, 1.**

Her first suitor, however, was James Forsyth, the brother of Walter Forsyth who married Elizabeth’s sister Mary Ann. At the end of their summer together, James had to return to Helena, New York, to work. Before he left, he and Elizabeth took a long walk together through the Canadian woods, and Forsyth made a walking cane for her from the branch of a beech tree. Although she kept the cane and later gave it to her daughter Lettie, Elizabeth did not wait for his return and opted for a marriage to Thomas Elliott. Early in her life Elizabeth united with the Methodist Church, in the town of Benbrook, Canada. When she arrived in Iowa, she took her

letter from the church and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at Millrock, where Rev. Harmon was the pastor. Later, she transferred to Smithtown when she resided in Clinton County. Their first home in Iowa was near the James Currie farm at Shelly Hollow in Jackson County, not far from Millrock. Eliza Jane Elliott remembered her parents' land with the 'rocks and the big wolves that wandered along by the bluff up from Shelly Hollow.' Thomas Elliott had been in Iowa for only two years before his death in August of 1863. He left six children, among them an infant son James. Elizabeth Elliott, then a widow, moved to bordering Clinton County where she purchased a four and one-half acre farm for \$18.00 and had a small four-room house moved onto the land. Elizabeth cleared the land with the help of her eldest sons, Malcom and Thomas. This farm was located in the town of South Grove. In 1865, Elizabeth's widowed sister Mary Ann Forsyth came from Canada with her six young children and lived in the two rooms upstairs while Elizabeth with her six children and orphaned niece Mary Ann Wallace lived downstairs. For two and one-half years the fifteen persons lived in the small home.

Elizabeth's daughter Eliza Jane Eliott DueMong, wrote down the family's history of the family, and preserved in the DueMong Manuscript.

My Father's name was Thomas Eliott, born in Essex, England, in 1827 [correction, 1817, per gravemarker]. His Mother's name was Phebe Hampshire. Both parents died in England. My Mother's name was Elizabeth Currie, born May 16, 1829 in St. Catherines, Canada. My brother Thomas was born September 16, 1850, Malcom 1852, Phebe 1855, I was born 1857, Mary Elizabeth born 1859 and James George born 1862. With the exception of James, born in Iowa, all of us were born in Benbrook, near Hamilton, Canada. We came to Iowa in July 1861 and settled near Millrock in Jackson County. We lived on the place near Shelly Hollow, now the James Currie farm, and we children went to school at Millrock. Sunday School was in the same school house. My first school was in a home. We had one room and when it rained we went in the other part as the roof leaked. Jessie Wood's Mother, Amanda Summers, was my first teacher. When it rained I cried to get home before the water ran over the plank across the creek as I was afraid of thunder and lightning. There were many rocks and small caves near our home. Another day I cried because I had put a big amber bead on a string around my cat's neck, but the cat ran away into a big hole. My brother said that I would never get it back and I cried so hard. The next year we moved to another place near the Currie farm. My father died in 1863 and I was six years old and a month later I went to school at Millrock. Miss Wilson taught school and every day she would lock the door and tell us to keep quiet and play around while she lay down and slept on a bench behind her desk. That winter the snow was four feet deep and our young heifer and a hog were under the straw stack three days before they could get the snow shoveled. Mother came in and took pancakes and a warm drink to them as she was

afraid they would die. Mother bought a place of four and one-half acres at four dollars an acre and bought a house and had it moved onto the place. The acres were covered with Hazel brush and we had to cut brush every day to make paths. In 1865 my Aunt Mary Ann Forsythe, whose husband Walter had died, came from Canada and lived with us for one year. She had six children and lived upstairs and Mother had six and we lived downstairs, making fourteen in all as Mary Ann Wallace, Mother's niece, also lived with us. We moved over to the Myatts farm for one year and Aunt still stayed in our house. Later they moved to a place one-half mile away. Mother and brother Thomas bought a team, harness, and wagon. One horse we named 'Nell' and she was so balky and would not go up hill, but Mother could put on a saddle and ride her. One year Malcom and all helped to grub cut brush and clear a field. Thomas and two Johnston men came over with four yokes of oxen and broke up the ground for a corn field. Mother bought more land so now she had twenty acres of land. We planted cane and in the fall Mother and Malcom made molasses and sold it for forty cents a gallon. Mother also worked for Uncle James and George Currie in the home or in the field where ever they needed help. We children were alone so much but we had work to do as we carried water from one of the neighbors one-half mile away until Malcom dug a well about eighteen feet deep and we drew up water with a chain. When we came to Iowa in 1861 I was only three years old but my eye had been hurt when I was two years old. When I was four months old Mother's sister Jane Wallace died leaving Mary Ann three months old. The baby's father brought Mary Ann three hundred miles across part of Canada and left her with us. Mother nursed both of us but Mary Ann grew stronger than I did. In the spring the boys brought green willow switches up near the door. Mary Ann picked them up and was playing across the door and when I went close the switches came right through my eye and I have never seen out of that eye again. Mary Ann lived with Grandmother most of the time until she was fourteen when Grandmother went blind and went to live with Uncle James Currie. Mary Ann came to stay with us some and worked out. Up until this time we had two miles to go to Tozers school in winter. The snow was so deep it was up over the fences and we could walk up on the top of the snow until it got warm and the snow melted. Sometimes we would get a ride with the woods teams in the mornings but they went back home before school was out. There were a lot of we girls, three Barnes, three Butalpps, two Forsythes and three Eliotts. Sometimes we all got a ride. One team driver was a young man that had been raised up among the Indians. He was so funny and wore a high cap about eighteen inches high like a clown and yelled all the time. If he was ahead he had most of the load of girls. We stood up and held on to the sled stakes but in summer we walked. When vacation came we did all the work at home. When Mother was home a day she would wash and bake. Every one let the cows run out but

we had to watch they did not get in any ones fields. We had to get them in before dark and Mary and I would milk six cows and put the milk away, then Mother and Malcom would milk in the morning and go away for all day. One day when I was thirteen I said we should get some good cold water and churn so Mother would not have to do it after she came home. We churned for hours and we could not get the butter to gather. We tried to strain the butter out but it was too warm to make butter and when Mother came home she could not do much with it either. One time Mrs. Peter More lost her geese about twelve of them had wandered off. We were after our cows about a mile, away and saw her geese about a mile from home. We started the cows home and then drove the geese up to Mores. She was so pleased that she said we should wait. She gave us a small pig and I carried it home in my arms. It grew so big and Mother sold the hog to a man who never paid for it. He said he would pay for it as soon as he got the money. I am still mad at that man Joe Uptigraft. When I was fourteen years old I did the work and Mother said I should learn to spin yarn. Mary worked at Mrs. Ingles and Phebe was at Mrs. Wilcox, our Dr. Wilcox. I spun yarn for blankets but I tied the yarn together and when the blanket was woven the knots all showed. I learned better later. Before I was fifteen I went to work for Mrs. Nellie Potter and stayed there three years and one month taking care of her baby and learning how to sew and cook for seventy-five cents a week. One year I was eighteen I lived at Burleson's for \$2.00 a week and took care of the babies there while they went to the World's Fair at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1876, the Centennial year. In the year 1874 I lived in Maquoketa at George Bradley's with ten in the family for \$2.00 a week. On March 18, 1878 I was married to John B. DueMong of Nashville, Iowa. In 1879 we built our little house in Nashville, and set the evergreen trees that are still growing there yet, and the big soft maple tree that is growing in the south west corner of the yard. We had gone on a picnic down by the river and I brought seeds home and planted them. I planted that tree when Minnie was a baby. Father Morehouse built his house near ours in Nashville, the year Alma was a baby and they moved in about December 1, 1882. Father Morehouse was a wagon maker and he and your Father made new wagons as John was a blacksmith. They worked in partnership and did lots of work. John did lots of horse-shoeing and plow work, made hayracks and woodracks. In the year 1890 Father Morehouse died and the next year Mother sold her home in Nashville to Bill Goenwaldt, and moved back over-in the Big Woods. Later our house was sold to Mrs. Teeple, Wilcie's Mother, who later sold it to Mrs. John Widiman. The shops were torn down and moved away. In 1897 we moved to Miles, Iowa, where we lived thirteen and a half years so the children could go to school and have a better education. John worked for Henry Kruse six years, then for George Hebner. Edna was born in Miles May 23, 1901. We moved to Maquoketa April 1, 1911 where John worked for Henry

Kruse one and one-half years, then for Will Blunt and Hiram Suthers. John was sick a long time and died February 28, 1913. We bought our home, 310 N. Eliza Street April 27, 1913 and moved May 5.

Elizabeth Eliott raised her children and was widowed ten years before marrying secondly in Jackson County, Iowa to Gardner Morehouse on 23 September 1873. They resided in Clinton County, Iowa for twelve years before moving to a log home in Big Woods, South Fork Township, Jackson County, located seven miles west of Maquoketa. They later built a house in Nashville in Jackson County where he died on 19 February 1890. He was born 18 August 1819, and had previously married and resided in Anamosa, Jones County, Iowa. After Gardner Morehouse died, Elizabeth returned to South Fork Township to live with her son, Malcom. She later moved back to Nashville, only to sell her home a few years later and return to South Fork Township about late 1898 or early 1899 and to purchase a home and small farm. She married thirdly on 13 May 1900 to John O'Kelley in Jackson County, Iowa.

Certificate of Marriage. This certifies, That on the 13 day of May 1900 at South Fork T.P. in Jackson County, Iowa, according to law, and by authority and license under the seal of the District Court, I duly Joined in Marriage J.H. O'Kely and Elizabeth Morehouse. Given under my hand this 13 day of May 1900. W.J. Kelche, Justice of the Peace.

John O'Kelley probably knew Elizabeth Currie from childhood in Canada, as they were raised in the same town of Thurold, Ontario. O'Kelley moved to Wisconsin in 1850 and fought in the Civil War, in which two of his sons died. He resided in Monmouth, Jackson County, Iowa when he and Elizabeth wed. He died 5 October 1914 and his obituary was published in a local newspaper.

Aged Veteran Crosses the Great Divide. After a long and useful life of over 93 years, Mr. John O'Kelley of near Monmouth passed away at his home, death being caused from infirmities incident to old age. Mr. O'Kelley was born in Thorald, Canada, April 5, 1821, and on September 27, 1842, was united in marriage to Miss Susane Rodgers to which union were born six children, all of whom with the mother have been called home, with the exception of one daughter, Mrs. Mary Woods of Marion, Iowa. In 1850 he with his family moved to Wisconsin and he there answered his country's call to arms and later his two sons enlisted in the service, both of whom were killed in battle. After the close of the war in 1868 Mr. O'Kelley returned to Wisconsin, and moved the remnant of his family to Monmouth, Iowa, where he has since resided for many years, and where his faithful wife passed away some years ago, her death leaving but a single child to comfort him. In May 1900 he was married to Mrs. Eliza Morehouse of South Fork Township, Long Grove District, where they have since resided. Years ago while at Monmouth he was converted to the Christian faith and we trust he has since maintained his faith in Christ. Besides the wife and daughter he leaves to mourn two sisters, Amanda Boyer of Minneapolis and Mrs. Marguerite Nevins of Onaka, South Dakota, nine grandchildren, two of whom were present at the funeral, and eighteen great-grandchildren. The funeral was held at the Baldwin church Wednesday with the Rev. S. F. Gilkison officiating. Interment was made at the Monmouth cemetery.

Elizabeth O'Kelley died on 19 September 1918. She was buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa, near Maquoketa. Her obituary was published in a local Maquoketa newspaper.

An Aged Woman Called Home. Mrs. John O'Kelley Passes Away on Wednesday Evening. Funeral at Buckhorn Church Sunday. Mrs. John O'Kelley, a resident of this county for more than a half century, passed away Wednesday evening at her country home seven miles north of this city. She had been in failing health for many months and the last illness coupled with her advanced years, made it impossible to longer stay the hand of death. Mrs. O'Kelley was a native of Canada, being born in Thurald, Ontario, on May 16, 1829. Here she spent her early life and grew to young womanhood. She was united in marriage to Thomas Elliot and they came to Jackson County in July 1861. Mr. Elliot passed away in 1863. In the year 1873, she was married to Gardner Morehouse and they made their home in Nashville for many years, or until the death of Mr. Morehouse in the year 1890. She then moved to her farm seven miles north of this city where she has since resided. In 1900, she was married to John O'Kelley, and they lived happily until 1914, when Mr. O'Kelley was called to his heavenly home. The life of Mrs. O'Kelley had been one of loving toll and faithful battles in behalf of her home and friends. Following are the children who are left to mourn the loss of a loving mother: Mrs. John DueMong, Mrs. James Hahn, Malcom Elliott and James Elliott all of this vicinity. The funeral services were held from the Buckhorn church, Sunday at 12 o'clock, Rev. J.J. Kidder officiated. Interment was made in the Buckhorn cemetery.

Letters to Thomas and Elizabeth Eliott were kept by their daughter Eliza Jane DueMong, and were transcribed in the DueMong Manuscript by their granddaughter, Edna DueMong Skelton. A mimeograph copy of the DueMong Manuscript was given to the author about 1980.

Elizabeth, Dear Sister, I write you these few lines hoping it will find you all in good health as it leaves us at present. Thanks be to God for all his kindness to us. We received your kind letter and was happy to hear that you was all well but sorry to hear of such a dangers disease near you but Dear Sister we should strive to live prepared for such diseases wait around to hurry mortals home. We had a letter from James. He says Mother is not homesick yet but likes that place very well and has had her healthier better than when they left Canada but would not be so lonesome if we were out there. They have lost their dog. He is dead. Malcom and family is well. I can't tell you how our Uncle and Aunt is for they have been gone for nearly two weeks on a visit to the Grand River and perhaps to the Suspension Bridge and left there two little girls with us. We expect them home soon. I have no news to send you but would like to see you all once more if we go to Iowa. We will try and come and see you if we can. I wrote a letter to Mrs. Thompson be received no answer yet. Give my kind love to Thomas and the children and to all inquiring friends and except the same yourself. No more from your loving Sister, Jane Wallace

Walkerton, Brant, January 27<sup>th</sup> 1857

Dear Brother Thomas, I take my pen in hand to write these lines to you to let you know that we are still in good health and hoping these few lines will find you all enjoying the same blessing. I received a letter on the 20 day of this month not from you but from your wife but still I was happy to hear that you were all in good health. We had a letter from James on the 13<sup>th</sup>. They were all well and James is as keen as Brier to go farther west. I would like to go there in the Spring if I can I have had an offer for my place and if the man can raise the money away I go to Iowa. We have very stormy weather here at present. The snow is not very deep yet for it only takes me to the crouch. Pork is ten dollars per hundred. Potatoes six shillings per lb. Wheat 5 y shillings per lb. If we go in Spring I will try to come and see you before we go. If I go I wish it could be so that you could go along. I have not much to say at present only write soon. My kind love to Elizabeth and children no more at present but remain your Brother. James Wallace

Waterford, May 25<sup>th</sup> 1858

Dear Sister and Brother, I take my pen to answer your letter that I received from you. We got a letter from Wallace before I got yours. It was hard reading to hear of such a thing but we can't help it. We have wrote to him to see if he could give us some reason for it. We haven't got an answer yet. He said in his letter that he was again to try to get you to take the child but I think that you have enough to do with what you have already and if he can't keep one child I think that is good that they won't be no more. We have very wet weather here. It has been wet ever since the first week of March. So wet that we can't get our oats and corn in the ground. The times is so hard here that we can't get one cent of money to do anything with. No work for men nobody will hire to pay money. You can judge for yourself wheat 38 cents per bushel and draw it 25 miles at that. Corn 20 cents. Butter 8 cents per pound. So you can see how the times is here. We are in midlen health. I want you to write to me and let me know how the weather is with you and how the times is. I sent a letter to Mary Ann. I hope these few lines will find you all well. I remain your brother and friend. Malcom Currey

Dear Brother and Sister

I embrace the opportunity of writing a few lines to you to let you know that we are still in the land of the living, which we feel, thankful to God for. We are all well at present hoping that these few lines will find you all enjoying the same blessing. But the late news from Brant has caused much grief and sorrow to us all. We are expecting another letter from Wallace every day. Mother wants to know if you still think of coming to Iowa. I still intend to go west this summer if I can get money. But money is a scarce article here at present. I have been thinking this last month a good deal about going to Canada but I will not go at present as



money is scarce and I want to go west. It is said that there is a gold mine found in Clark County in this State but I don't know whether it is true or not. Joseph Current died about six weeks ago leaving a wife and four children. George is still farming this year. I am not doing anything but farming for myself. No more at present but remain your affectionate brother. James Currie

Watterford, May the 27<sup>th</sup> 1858

Dear Brother and Sister, while I am at the post office to mail this letter I have received a letter from Walter and Maryann and also one from James Wallace. He writes that he is a going down to your place and before I write again I shall expect a letter from and you together. You can tell Wallace that his letter finds us all well. Write soon. Give my best respects to all inquiring friends. I remain your Brother. James Currie

Walkerton, Brant, Canada, 14<sup>th</sup> [illegible] 1858

Dear Brother and Sister, I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well and hoping this will find you all enjoying the same blessing. I wrote to let you know that I have been disappointed in the team going down there but I will start either on the 16<sup>th</sup> or the 21<sup>st</sup>. First I will have to walk from Hamilton. If nothing happens I will be at Woodford either on the 18<sup>th</sup> or the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Dear Brother and Sister I am almost out of my head by being disappointed for I want to get Maryann where I can say that she will be home. But I am determined to come at the time I have stated. Excuse my short letter for I think I will soon see you to talk to you. No more at present from your affectionate Brother. James Wallace

To Elizabeth Eliott [about 1861]

Dear Brother and Sister. I am sorry that I cannot answer your request as concerning money. What we had left we let it out on interest until the fall. We would like to have you come if you could but you had better settle all that you intend to about your place before you come for times is too hard to spend money running back and forward on the cars. I think that you can do better here than you can do on the RR but as for giving one third to get your notes cashed I would not do it. I wish you would see Kirkpatrick in Chippewa and try him if he will cash our mortgage we will give fifteen percent share that is nine besides what it [illegible] try other who you think would do it. If you can get any to do it we will get it signed and sent it to them. If you come you had better take the second class car but don't take the immigrant train from Suspension Bridge to the Detroit then to Chicago. Then you must move one mile from the Chicago Depot to the Fulton Depot then to Fulton City Illinois then cross the Mississippi river to Lyons and if the cars run from Clinton City to DeWit take them which is six miles down the river from Lyons. If not take the stage to Makoquetta put your luggage in the storehouse and get a

receipt for them. DeWit is 18 miles from here. We live six miles west of Makoquetta on the Iowa City road. Write soon and let us know if your are coming. James Currie

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The children of Thomas Elliott and Elizabeth Currie, born in Binbrook, Ontario, Canada and Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa:

- i. Thomas Edward Elliott. He was born 16 September 1850 in Binbrook, Ontario, Canada. In 1870, he was a farm laborer and resided with his mother and siblings in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa. He was mentioned as "Thomas Edward" in a latter about 1857 from Elizabeth to her sister Jane Wallace. This letter also mentioned Elizabeth's husband Thomas, so the use of the full given name was likely for clarity and the full names of siblings Phoebe Ann and Eliza Jane were also used. He was unmarried when he died on 4 March 1875.
- ii. Malcom Elliott. He was born 22 December 1852 in Binbrook, Ontario, Canada and was unmarried. He was a farmer, and according to the 1920 census he arrived in Iowa in 1861. He died in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa on 30 March 1921 and was buried at the Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa. His estate was probated on 2 April 1921 in Jackson County.
- iii. Phoebe Ann Elliott. She was born 21 March 1855 in Binbrook, Ontario, Canada and married James Henry Hahn in Jackson County, Iowa. She died 31 December 1925 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. **See 2.**
- iv. Eliza Jane Elliott. She was born 12 September 1857 in Binbrook, Ontario, Canada and married on 18 March 1878 to John Baptist DueMong. She died 10 November 1944 in Jackson County, Iowa. **See DueMong Family, 42.**
- v. Mary Elizabeth Elliott. She was born 22 February 1860 in Clinton County, Iowa and married on 18 November 1877 to Peter A. Logan in Jackson County, Iowa. She died 12 October 1914 in Jackson County, Iowa. **See 3.**
- vi. James George Elliott. He was born 21 March 1862 in Clinton County, Iowa. He married on 2 January 1889 to Ida Mae Liston in Jackson County, Iowa. He died 2 April 1940 in Fulton, Jackson County, Iowa. **See 4.**

*Second Generation*

2. PHOEBE ANN ELIOTT <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 21 May 1855 in Binbrook, Hamilton, Ontario and moved to Iowa where she resided by 1860. She could both read and write. According to the 1925 state census of Iowa, her father Thomas Eliott was born in England her mother Elizabeth Curry born in Scotland, and they married in Canada. She married in Jackson County, Iowa to JAMES HENRY HAHN. Hahn's parents were from Pennsylvania, and James was born 5 June 1860 in Jackson County, Iowa. He was a horse trainer, and died 27 May 1922 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. In 1910, they resided on Washington Street in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa. In 1925, Phoebe was widowed and had two daughters and two grandchildren residing with her. She died 31 December 1925 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. They were buried at Elwood Cemetery in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa.

Phoebe A. Eliott Hahn, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Eliott was born in Canada, May 21, 1855, and departed this life December 31, 1925, at the age of 70 years, 7 months and 10 days. At the age of six years she came to the United States with her parents and settled in Jackson County, Iowa, where she has resided for a number of years. On October 7, 1879 she was united in marriage to James Hahn. To this union six children were born. Her husband and three children having preceded her in death. The surviving ones are Mrs. Anabell Schroeder and Mrs. Mina Hammer, both at home, and Mrs. Pearl Snyder of Delmar. She also leaves to mourn her loss one brother James Eliott of Iron Hill and one sister, Eliza Due Mong of this city. She also leaves nine grandchildren, a number of nieces and nephews, and a host of friends to mourn her untimely death. Funeral services were held at the Buchner parlors Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m., conducted by the Rev. F.C. Worcester of the Methodist Episcopal church. Interment was made in the family lot at DeWitt. The following were present from out of town: James Eliott and daughter, Trula, and Mrs. Melvin Howell and two children all of Iron Hill; James Currie and son Eldon of Baldwin; Mr. and Mrs. John Due Mong of near Esgate; Mantus Hahn and son Charles of Blue Grass, Iowa, and George Hahn of Rockford, Illinois.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Phoebe Hahn, "Iowa, State Cemetery Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Phebe A. Hahn, "Iowa, Death Records, 1920-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Cemetery record of Phoebe Ann Hahn, Findagrave.com record number 110302493, retrieved 3 January 2018; Cemetery record of James H. Hahn, Findagrave.com record number 110302340, retrieved 3 January 2018; Ada Pearl Hahn to John P. Snyder, Arabelle Elizabeth Hahn to John Schroder, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Ada Pearl Hahn, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; obituaries from unspecified and undated newspaper clippings owned by Ruby Book Neill Andrle for James G. Elliott and Phoebe Eliott Hahn, given to the author about 1995; Myrtle May

Hahn, "Iowa, Births and Christenings Index, 1800-1999", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018.

The children of Phoebe Ann Eliott and James Henry Hahn, born in Jackson County, Iowa and DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa:

- i. Arabelle Eliabeth Hahn. She was born about 1882 in Jackson County, Iowa. She married on 24 October 1914 in Marion, Linn County, Iowa to John Schroder. **See 5.**
- ii. Myrtle May Hahn. She was born 7 February 1887 in Eden, Clinton County, Iowa and died between 1900 and 1905.
- iii. Harry S. Hahn. He was born in July 1888 and died between 1905 and 1925.
- iv. Ada Pearl Hahn. She was born about 1891. She married 6 October 1910 in Clinton County, Iowa to John P. Synder. **See 6.**
- v. Mina Hahn. She was born 13 June 1894 in Clinton County, Iowa and married 21 August 1917 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa to Emil Otto Paul Hammer. She died in November 1979 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. **See 7.**
- vi. (child). This child died before 1925.

### 3. MARY ELIZABETH ELIOTT <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 22 February 1860 in Clinton County, Iowa and she married to PETER A. LOGAN on 18 November 1877 in Jackson County, Iowa. He was born in 1854 in Pennsylvania and died on 6 June 1898 in Monmouth, Jackson County, Iowa. He was a farmer. She married secondly on 26 December 1899 in Jackson County, Iowa to ASA D. FUGATE. He was twice widowed and it was his third marriage. He was born in Jackson County, Iowa about August 1855, the son of Josiah Fugate and Sarah Coffee. She died 12 October 1914 in Jackson County, Iowa, according to information in the DueMong Manuscript.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Mary E. Elliott to Peter Logan, "Iowa, Select Marriages Index, 1758-1996", from Website Ancestry. com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Joseph Perry Logan, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Peter A. Logan, "Iowa, Deaths and Burials, 1850-1990", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Edward Logan, Asa Fugate, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Edward Alferd Logan, "U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918", from Website Ancestry. com, retrieved 7 January 2018.

The children of Mary Elizabeth Eliott and Peter A. Logan, born in Fayette County, Iowa and Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Edward Alferd Logan. He was born 14 September 1879 in Fayette County, Iowa and married Edna M. Bickford on 28 November 1906 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa. He died about 1919. **See 8.**
- ii. Joseph Perry Logan. He was born 25 December 1883 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa. He married to Josie May Chapman on 22 January 1918 in Muscatine, Muscatine County, Iowa. **See 9.**

### 4. JAMES GEORGE ELIOTT <sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 21 March 1862 in Clinton County, Iowa. He married on 2 January 1889 to IDA MAE LISTON in Jackson County, Iowa. She who was born 12 September 1869 in Packaway County, Ohio, the daughter of Isaac Liston and Liza Wenes. She died 29 November 1919 in Jackson County, Iowa. He died 2 April 1940 in Fulton, Jackson County, Iowa and was buried at the

Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa near Maquoketa. James George Elliott was perhaps named after his great-grandfather James Halliday and grandfather George Halliday.

James Elliott Dies at Local Hospital. James Elliott, 78, of Fulton, passed away at City Memorial Hospital at 7:00 a.m. today, following a two years illness. He was a patient at the hospital for several months and returned home some time ago, but his condition gradually grew worse and he re-entered the hospital Monday evening for care. The body was moved to the Carson-Balster Funeral Home and funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at the Buckhorn church with Rev. C. Edw. Holyoke officiating. Interment will be made in the Buckhorn Cemetery. James Elliott, the son of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Currie Elliott, was born in Clinton County, on March 21, 1862. On January 3, 1889, in Maquoketa, he was united in marriage to Ida Mae Liston, who preceded him in death several years ago. He had spent his entire life in this community. Surviving are five daughters: Iva A. Elliott, Mrs. Ethyl B. Huell, Mrs. Opal A. Gibson, Mrs. Gertrude Hull, and Miss Trula Elliott; also one sister, Mrs. Eliza DueMong.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1800, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 8 January 2018; obituaries from unspecified and undated newspaper clippings owned by Ruby Book Neill Andrlé for James G. Elliott and Phoebe Elliott Hahn, given to the author about 1995; James G. Elliott to Ida May Liston, Ethel Blanche Elliott to Melvin Howell, Opal Elliott to Howard J. Gibson, Iva A. Elliott to Mannie Howell, Gertrude L. Elliott to George Howell, Trula L. Elliott to Samuel F. Wheeler, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Ida May Elliott, Findagrave.com record number 70517711, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of James G. Elliott, Findagrave.com record number 70517596, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Ivy A. Smith, Findagrave.com record number 12682987, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Ethel B. Howell, Findagrave.com record number 47843235, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Opal A. Gibson, Findagrave.com record number 12676088, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Gertrude L. Riordan, Findagrave.com record number 70518705, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Trula L. Wheeler, Findagrave.com record number 145342273, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Samuel F. Wheeler, Findagrave.com record number 145342320, retrieved 9 January 2018; Opal Ava Gibson, Trula L. Wheeler, Samuel F. Wheeler, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 9 January 2018; Iva Howell, "1916 Canada Census of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 8 January 2018; Ivy Alta Smith, "Minnesota, Death Index, 1908-2002", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 9 January 2018; Trula Wheeler, "U.S., Obituary Collection, 1930-2017", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 9 January 2018; Samuel F. Wheeler, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 9 January 2018.

The children of James George Elliott and Ida Mae Liston, born in Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Iva Alta Elliott. She was born 7 January 1892. She married on 7 December 1910 to Mannie Howell in Jackson County, Iowa. They resided in 1916 in Dauphin, Manitoba, Canada and were of the

- Adventist faith. She married secondly to Mr. Smith. She died 14 March 1969 in Kanabec County, Minnesota and was buried at Bridgeport Cemetery in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. They had no children.
- ii. Ethel Blanche Elliott. She was born 26 August 1895. She married on 18 May 1916 to Melvin Howell in Jackson County, Iowa. She died 18 December 1973 in Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa and was buried at the Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa. **See 10.**
  - iii. Opal Ava Elliott. She was born in 1900 and married in Jackson County, Iowa on 25 December 1916 to Howard John Gibson. She died in 1991. **See 11.**
  - iv. Gertrude Lenora Elliott. She was born 9 October 1904. She married on 22 May 1922 to George Howell in Jackson County, Iowa. She married secondly to Mr. Riordan. She died 18 June 1964 and was buried at the Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa. **See 12.**
  - v. Trula Lucille Elliott. She was born 23 March 1912 and married on 5 April 1940 to Samuel Foot Wheeler in Fulton County, Iowa. He was born in 29 October 1872 in Darlington, Wisconsin, the son of Frank Wheeler and Mary Harris, and he had been previously married and divorced. He died in 1944 and she died 29 December 1999, and they were buried at the Sutton Cemetery in Fulton, Jackson County, Iowa. His daughter was Mary Wheeler Tallman of Maquoketa, Iowa.

*Third Generation*

5. ARABELLE ELIZABETH HAHN <sup>3</sup> (Phoebe <sup>2</sup>, Thomas <sup>1</sup>)

She was born about 1882 in Jackson County, Iowa. In 1910, she resided with her parents and worked as a lunch room server. She married on 24 October 1914 in Marion, Linn County, Iowa to JOHN SCHRODER. He was born about 1874, the son of Henry Schroder and Fredo Fisher. He worked as a laborer and resided in Chicago, Illinois when they married. The couple separated and Arabelle resided with her mother Phoebe in 1920 in Jackson County, Iowa and in 1925 in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa. After her mother's death, she resided in 1930 with her sister Mina in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa and worked as a dishwasher. In 1940, Arabelle, her son Ivan, sister Mina and her son William, all resided in the Logan residence in Maquoketa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Arabelle Elizabeth Hahn to John Schroder, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; obituaries from unspecified and undated newspaper clippings owned by Ruby Book Neill Andrie for James G. Elliott and Phoebe Elliott Hahn, given to the author about 1995; Ivan H. Schroder, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018.

The children of Arabelle Elizabeth Hahn and John Schroder, born in South Fork Township, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Ivan H. Schroder. He was born 4 July 1914. He died 23 February 1990 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa.

6. ADA PEARL HAHN <sup>3</sup> (Phoebe <sup>2</sup>, Thomas <sup>1</sup>)

She was born 17 March 1891 in Jackson County, Iowa. She married 6 October 1910 in Clinton County, Iowa to JOHN PETER SNYDER. He was born

9 February 1870 in Germany, the son of Peter Snyder and Mary Myers, and came to the United States about 1880 to 1882. He served during World War I as a sergeant in the U.S. Army and was a laborer. He died 3 June 1922 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa and was buried at the Elwood Cemetery in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa. He had suffered from lung cancer and syphilis. By 1930, she was an inmate at State Hospital for Insane in Washington, Buchanan County, Iowa and in 1940 resided with her sister Mina Hammer in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. She died 13 July 1964 in Clinton County, Iowa and was buried there at the Elwood Cemetery in DeWitt.

During the period that she was in the mental health institution, her younger children were institutionalized as inmates of the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home at 3800 Eastern Avenue in Davenport, Scott County, Iowa. The Snyder children residing in the Orphans Home comprised three age sets: (1) John, Marvin, and Frank, who were enumerated in the 1925 Iowa state census with Pearl and certainly born before the death of Pearl's husband John Peter Snyder; (2) Mary and Norman, who were in the 1925 Iowa state census with Pearl and born around, or after, when John Peter Snyder died; and (3) Elmer, Jackson, and Betty J., who were certainly born after John Peter Snyder's death and after the 1925 Iowa state census enumeration. The last three children were all age 5 years or under in the 1930 census, and enumerated together with the other Snyder children in the Orphans Home. By 1940, only Norman and Jackson remained at the Orphans Home. For the five youngest children, no further records regarding them were located after the Orphans Home.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Ada Pearl Hahn to John P. Snyder, Arabelle Elizabeth Hahn to John Schroder, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Ada Pearl Hahn, John P. Snyder, Velma Snyder, Marvin Elliot Snyder, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; obituaries from unspecified and undated newspaper clippings owned by Ruby Book Neill Andrlle for James G. Elliott and Phoebe Elliott Hahn, given to the author about 1995; Cemetery record of Ada Pearl Snyder, Findagrave.com record number 79748181, retrieved 53 January 2018; Cemetery record of John B. Snyder, Findagrave.com record number 79748182, retrieved 53 January 2018; James Snyder, Marvin Snyder, "U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2010", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 5 January 2018; James Harry Snyder, Marvin E. Snyder, John Peter Snyder, Frank E. Snyder, "Iowa, World War II Bonus Case Files, 1947-1954", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; James Harry Snyder, Frank Snyder, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 5 January 2018; Velma M. Snyder, "U.S. Public Records Index, 1950-1993, Volume 2", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 5 January 2018; Frank Eugene Snyder, "Minnesota, Death Index, 1908-2002" from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; John Peter Snyder, Iowa, Death Records, 1920-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018.

The children of Ada Pearl Hahn and John Peter Snyder, born in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa:

- i. James Harry Snyder. He was born 2 October 1911 and before 1921 went by the name Harry James Snyder. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy from 22 July 1941 through 27 November 1945. He entered the service at Great Lakes training, served on the U.S.S. Rodman (DMS 21), and at the Naval Air Station in Corpus

- Christi, Texas. He returned to Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa after the war. He died 15 December 1978 in Waterloo, Black Hawk County, Iowa.
- ii. Velma Marie Snyder. She was born on 13 January 1913. In 1930 and 1940, she was a maid in the household of Merle Jacobs in Davenport, Scott County, Iowa. At one point, she resided in Waterloo, Black Hawk County, Iowa. She died 26 February 1995 in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa. She was unmarried.
  - iii. John Peter Snyder. He was born 15 July 1914 and resided in 1930 at the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home. In 1940, he worked as a farm laborer for Charles Van Gorder on a farm in Fairfield Township, Jackson County, Iowa, east of Maquoketa, where he registered for the draft. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, from 18 April 1941 to 6 September 1945, in the 133<sup>rd</sup> Infantry and in the 38<sup>th</sup> Engineering Training Battalion. He died 25 July 1997 in Waterloo, Black Hawk County, Iowa.
  - iv. Marvin Elliot Snyder. He was born 16 June 1916 and resided in 1930 at the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II toward the end of the war, from 28 February to 27 October 1945, in Company C, 105<sup>th</sup> Infantry Training Battalion at Camp Joseph T. Robinson in Arkansas. He died 5 November 1992 at West Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.
  - v. Frank Eugene Snyder. He was born on 8 May 1919 (or, 1918 according to his Iowa World War II bonus case file) and resided in 1930 at the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home. He reported his birth place as Lost Nation, Clinton County, Iowa. In 1940, he worked as a farm laborer for Ferd Hansen on a farm in Lincoln, Emmet County, Iowa. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II from 8 March 1941 to 28 October 1945 in Company E, 40<sup>th</sup> Division, 185<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment. He was overseas from 8 August 1942 to 5 April 1943. He was residing in Armstrong, Emmet County, Iowa when he died on 11 February 1980 in Martin County, Minnesota.

The children of Ada Pearl Hahn and John Peter Snyder or another father, born in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa:

- vi. Mary E. Snyder. She was born about 1922 and resided in 1930 at the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home.
- vii. Norman L. Snyder. He was born about 1923 and resided in 1930 and 1940 at the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home.

The children of Ada Pearl Hahn and an unknown father or fathers, born in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa:

- viii. Elmer Snyder. He was born about 1925 and resided in 1930 at the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home.
- ix. Jackson Snyder. He was born about 1927 and resided in 1930 and 1940 at the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home.
- x. Betty J. Snyder. She was born in 1930 and by age two months she was placed in the Iowa Soldiers Orphans Home.

#### 7. MINA HAHN <sup>3</sup> (Phoebe <sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 13 June 1894 in Clinton County, Iowa and married 21 August 1917 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa to EMIL OTTO PAUL HAMMER. The couple separated by 1925, and after separating she resided with her mother and then sister. He was born 8 November 1894 in Elwood, Clinton County, Iowa and baptized on 18 November 1900 in Decorah, Iowa at the St. John Lutheran Church. He registered for the draft during World War I at DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa, and was described as medium height and build



with brown hair and gray eyes. He worked as a laborer for a railroad and she as a seamstress. His parents, Heinrich Johann F. Hammer and Johana M.D. Dosch, immigrated from Germany. He died 8 July 1956 in Willows, Glenn County, California and was buried there at Willows Cemetery. She died in November 1979 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; Federal Census of Illinois, 1930; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Nina Hahn, "Iowa, Select Marriages Index, 1758-1996", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; obituaries from unspecified and undated newspaper clippings owned by Ruby Book Neill Andrls for James G. Elliott and Phoebe Elliott Hahn, given to the author about 1995; Mina Hammer, William Hammer, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Hamer, "Iowa, Births and Christenings Index, 1800-1999", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Emil Hammer, "World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Cemetery record of Emil Otto Hamer, Findagrave.com record number 114240897, retrieved 3 January 2018; Cemetery record of Phoebe Ann Hahn, Findagrave.com record number 79747815, retrieved 5 January 2018, William H. Hammer, "Iowa, World War II Bonus Case Files, 1947-1954", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 5 January 2018; William Hammer, "U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2010", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 5 January 2018.

The children of Mina Hahn and Emil Hammer, born in Eden, Clinton County, Iowa and Hurtsville, South Fork Township, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Clara E. Hammer. She was born in 1918 in Eden, Clinton County, Iowa and died there in 1920. She was buried at Elwood Cemetery in DeWitt, Clinton County, Iowa.
- ii. William H. Hammer. He was born 16 May 1921 in Hurtsville, South Fork Township, Jackson County, Iowa and died 9 November 1987. He had a third grade education and resided in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II from 18 November 1944 through 10 February 1946.

#### 8. EDWARD ALFERD LOGAN <sup>3</sup> (Mary<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 14 September 1879 in Fayette County, Iowa and resided with his parents in Jones County, Iowa in 1880 when an infant. He was a farm laborer in Jackson County, Iowa. After the death of his father in 1898, his mother remarried and Edward and brother Joseph resided in the household of Asa Fugate in Farmers Creek, Jackson County, Iowa in 1900. He married to EDNA M. BICKFORD on 28 November 1906 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa. She was born 23 May 1889 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa, the daughter of Doc Bickford and Marinda Harp. Edward and Edna Logan resided in the neighboring towns of Baldwin and Monmouth, several miles west of Maquoketa in Jackson County, Iowa. Edward Logan resided in Monmouth when he registered for the draft during World War I on 12 September 1918 in Jones County, Iowa. He was described as medium height and slender build, with black hair and brown eyes. He was married and had two children at the time of the draft. He died within a year of the draft, possibly in the war, and Edna remarried.

Edna Bickford Logan married secondly on 18 November 1919 to James P. Hanna in Davenport, Scott County, Iowa. In 1920, the couple was enumerated in the census with two children, Marie Logan and George Logan. In 1922, the couple had a child, Porter, and in 1925 were together with her two older children. Soon after, Edna and James Hanna divorced and by 1930 she and

son Porter resided in the household of Thomas R. Aten in Montpelier, Muscatine County, Iowa. She married thirdly to George Roberts and they resided in Rock Island, Rock Island County, Illinois. She died there on 18 October 1937.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Edward Alferd Logan, "U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Edward Logan, Eva Marie Logan, Asa Fugate to Mary E. Logan, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Edna Roberts, "Illinois, Deaths and Stillbirths Index, 1916-1947", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; George Aaron Logan, "Iowa, Death Records, 1920-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; James P. Hanna, "Iowa, World War II Bonus Case Files, 1947-1954", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; James P. Hanna, "U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2010", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; James Porter Hanna, "U.S. Veterans' Gravesites, ca.1775-2006" from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; James Hanna, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018.

The children of Edward Alferd Logan and Edna M. Bickford, born in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Eva Marie Logan. She was born about 1907 and married on 18 December 1922 to Willard Joseph Privia in Davenport, Scott County, Iowa. He was born about 1903 in Pontoosut, Illinois, the son of John Privia and Hattie Nelson. At their marriage they both resided in Rockingham, Scott County, Iowa near Davenport. By 1925, the couple no longer lived together and Willard had returned to reside with his parents.
- ii. George Aaron Logan. He was born 15 March 1913 and died 18 January 1930 in Montpelier, Muscatine County, Iowa after his appendix ruptured. He was buried at Hickory Grove Cemetery in Jackson County, Iowa.

The children of Edna Bickford and James P. Hanna, born in Davenport, Scott County, Iowa:

- iii. James Porter Hanna. He was born 7 March 1921 and died 19 June 1986 in Davenport, Scott County, Iowa. He enlisted as a Private in the U.S. Army on 17 October 1939 at the outbreak of hostilities in Europe and served to 23 September 1945 at the end of the war. He deployed overseas from 6 February 1944 through 15 September 1945 during D-Day and the invasion of Europe. He fought in the 10<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery, 3<sup>rd</sup> Division, 603 Tank Destroyer Battalion and the 45<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery, 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division. He was buried at the Rock Island National Cemetery in Rock Island, Illinois.

#### 9. JOSEPH PERRY LOGAN <sup>3</sup> (Mary<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 25 December 1883 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa and resided in 1900 in Farmers Creek. Jackson County, Iowa with his mother, brother Edward, and step-father Asa D. Fugate. In his Social Security application, Joseph spelled his mother's maiden name 'Eliott'. He married to JOSIE MAY CHAPMAN on 22 January 1918 in Muscatine, Muscatine County, Iowa. She was born about 1889 in Adams County, Nebraska, the daughter of William Henry Chapman and Polly Martha Watson. Joseph Perry Logan resided in Muscatine when he registered for the draft during World War I on

12 September 1918. He was described as tall and of medium build, with light brown hair and blue eyes. He was self-employed as a painter at the time of the draft. In 1920, he was a painter residing in Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois, and by 1930 resided there at the Marquette Hotel as a painter and decorator. Between 1935 and 1940 during worst economic times of the Great Depression, he returned with his family to Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa where they resided with his Elliott cousins, Mina Hammer, Arabelle Schroder, and Pearl Snyder.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; Joseph Perry Logan, "U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Joseph Perry Logan to Josie May Chapman, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Lullah M. Logan, David R. Logan, "Indiana, Death Certificates, 1899-2011", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Joseph Perry Logan, Joseph Elmer Logan, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Joseph Elmer Logan, U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Cemetery record of Joseph Elmer Logan, Sr., Findagrave.com record number 88547645, retrieved 7 January 2018; Major David Logan, Cathryn Marie Logan, "U.S., Cemetery and Funeral Home Collection, 1847-2017", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018; Lullah M. Logan, "Indiana, Marriage Certificates, 1917-2005", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 7 January 2018.

The children of Joseph Perry Logan and Josie May Chapman, born in Muscatine County, Iowa and Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois:

- i. Lullah M. Logan. She was born 25 September 1918 in Muscatine County, Iowa and was a pastor with the Salvation Army in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana. She died there on 31 July 2009 and was buried at the West Ridge Park Cemetery. She was unmarried. The informant for her death certificate was her nephew, Paul Logan.
- ii. William Logan. He was born about 1921 Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois. He resided with his parents in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa in 1940.
- iii. Joseph Elmer Logan, Sr. He was born 27 May 1923 in Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois and died 30 March 2007 in Crystal Lake, McHenry County, Illinois. He was buried at Windridge Memorial Park and Nature Sanctuary in Clay, McHenry County, Illinois. He was married to Viola and had children.
- iv. David R. Logan. He was born 26 March 1930 in Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois and was a Major in the Salvation Army. He married Cathryn Marie Foster and were the parents of Mary Jo Logan and Samuel P. Logan. He died 21 September 2012 at Bedford, Lawrence County, Indiana and buried at Park Lawn Cemetery and Mausoleum in Evansville, Vanderburgh County, Indiana.

10. ETHEL BLANCHE ELIOTT <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 26 August 1895 in Jackson County, Iowa and married there on 18 May 1916 to MELVIN HOWELL. They resided in 1930 and 1940 in Farmers Creek, Jackson County, Iowa. She died 18 December 1973 in Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa and was buried at the Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 8 January 2018; obituaries from unspecified and undated newspaper clippings owned by Ruby Book Neill Andrlé for James G. Elliott and Phoebe Elliott Hahn, given to the author about 1995; Ethel Blanche Elliott to Melvin Howell, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Ethel B. Howell, Findagrave.com record number 47843235, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Melva B. Ellithorpe, Findagrave.com record number 82399359, retrieved 13 January 2018; Cemetery record of Joseph Carter Ellithorpe, Findagrave.com record number 82399359, retrieved 13 January 2018; Cemetery record of Kenneth L. Howell, Findagrave.com record number 13573262, retrieved 13 January 2018; Cemetery record of Augusta S. Brenner Howell, Findagrave.com record number 13740176, retrieved 13 January 2018; Melva Ellithorpe, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 13 January 2018

The children of Ethel Blanche Elliott and Melvin Howell, born in Farmers Creek, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Melva B. Howell. She was born 12 April 1918 and married on 17 June 1940 in Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa to Leonard Carter Ellithorpe. He was born 7 August 1912 and died 6 October 1992. She died on 9 September 2009, and they were buried in Savanna Township Cemetery in Savanna, Carroll County, Illinois.
- ii. Kenneth L. Howell. He was born 21 February 1920 and married to Augusta S. Brenner. She was born 19 February 1931 and died 16 September 1991. He died 18 December 1974 in Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa, and they were buried there at Dubuque Memorial Gardens.

11. OPAL AVA ELIOTT <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in 1900 in Jackson County, Iowa and married there on 25 December 1916 to HOWARD JOHN GIBSON. He was born 5 August 1891 in Iowa, the son of John Gibson and Olive Orr. They resided in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa in 1920, where he worked as a delivery person for a retail grocery store. In 1930 her father, James Elliott, resided with the family. He died 1 January 1969 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa, and she died there in 1991. They were buried at the Bridgeport Cemetery in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 8 January 2018; obituaries from unspecified and undated newspaper clippings owned by Ruby Book Neill Andrlé for James G. Elliott and Phoebe Elliott Hahn, given to the author about 1995; Opal B. (sic) Elliott to Howard J. Gibson, Thelma Gibson to William E. Keeney, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Opal A. Gibson, Findagrave.com record number 12676088, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Howard John Gibson, Findagrave.com record number 12676077, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Darrell L. Gibson, Findagrave.com record number 14118962, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Robert S. Gibson, Findagrave.com record number 12676100, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of William J. Gibson, Findagrave.com record number 12676113, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Merlin E. Gibson, Findagrave.com record number 14117617, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Merlin E. Gibson, Findagrave.com record number 14117617, retrieved 9 January 2018;

Cemetery record of Mary Gibson Elliot Dague, Findagrave.com record number 63581594, retrieved 9 January 2018; Cemetery record of Eldon L. Dague, Findagrave.com record number 12674961, retrieved 10 January 2018; Harold F. Gibson, "Iowa, Death Records, 1920-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Mary Alice Gibson, "Iowa, Delayed Birth Records, 1856-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 10 January 2018; Verna Gibson, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 3 January 2018; Obituary of Mary Dague, from Website Carsonandson.com/obituary/20387/Mary-Dague/, retrieved 12 January 2018.

The children of Opal Ava Elliott and Howard John Gibson, born in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. William James Gibson. He was born 23 April 1918 and died 26 April 1969. He was buried at the Bridgeport Cemetery in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa.
- ii. Harold Francis Gibson. He was born 4 March 1920 and died 1 November 1934 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. He was buried at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Jackson County, Iowa.
- iii. Thelma L. Gibson. She was born about 1922 and married on 17 August 1938 to William E. Keeney in Davenport, Scott County, Iowa.
- iv. Mary A. Gibson. She was born 25 July 1923 and married on 9 March 1940 to Gayle B. Council in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. She married secondly to Eldon L. Dague on 21 February 1948 in Mt. Carroll, Illinois. He was born 5 March 1920 and died 29 August 1986. She died 28 December 2010 in Brainerd, Crow Wing County, Minnesota. They were buried at the Bridgeport Cemetery in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa.

Mary Dague, 87, of Brainerd, Minnesota, and formerly of Jackson County, died on Tuesday, December 28, 2010, at her home, surrounded by five generations of her family. A celebration of her life will be held at 2 p.m., Monday, January 3, 2011, from the Carson & Son Funeral And Cremation Services in Maquoketa, Iowa. Visitation will be held from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. Service Time on Monday, January 3, 2011, from the Carson & Son Funeral And Cremation Services in Maquoketa, Iowa. Burial will be at the Bridgeport Cemetery, rural Maquoketa, Iowa, at a later date. Mary Gibson was born on July 25, 1923 in Jackson County, Iowa, to Howard J. and Opal A. (Elliot) Gibson. She was united in marriage to Eldon Dague on February 21, 1948 in Mt. Carroll, Illinois. He preceded her in death. Mary was very accomplished at quilt making and donated many of her quilts. She also made Christmas stockings and donated them to the Lincoln Education Center. Mary enjoyed cooking and baking for everyone. Mary is survived by five children, Carol Hodgden, Earl 'Pat' (Sheryl Ann) Council, Gary (Ellen) Council, Doris

(Jeff) Krueger, and Randy (Sussie) Dague; sister, Lois Melton; brothers, Arnold (Marie) Gibson and Leon (Glenda) Gibson; 21 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great grandchildren; and a special niece, Linda Kessel. She was preceded in death by her husband, Eldon, three children, John Council, Leonard Wayne Council and Rick Dague, six brothers and two sisters. In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, memorials may be directed to the American Cancer Society.

- v. Merlin E. Gibson. He was born 25 March 1925 and called Bud. He died 23 April 1983 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa and was buried there at Bridgeport Cemetery.
- vi. Verna Rae Gibson. She was born 10 January 1927 and died 3 March 1997. Her married name was Tallman beginning in 1953, and Martensen beginning in 1986.
- vii. John Howard Gibson. He was born 2 November 1928 and died 30 June 2006.
- viii. Robert S. Gibson. He was born in 1931 and died in 1942. He was buried at the Bridgeport Cemetery in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa.
- ix. Lois Gibson. She was born about 1933 and her married name was Melton.
- x. Darrell L. Gibson. He was born 3 April 1935 and died 20 April 1984. He was buried at the Bridgeport Cemetery in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa.
- xi. Arnold Gibson. He was born about 1938.

12. GERTRUDE LENORA ELIOTT <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 9 October 1904 in Jackson County, Iowa and married there on 22 May 1922 to GEORGE ESBIN HOWELL in Jackson County, Iowa. She married secondly to Mr. Riordan and they resided in Brandon, Jackson County, Iowa. She died 18 June 1964 and was buried at the Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 8 January 2018; obituaries from unspecified and undated newspaper clippings owned by Ruby Book Neill Andrie for James G. Elliott and Phoebe Elliott Hahn, given to the author about 1995; Cemetery record of Cecil E. Howell, Findagrave.com record number 19171189, retrieved 10 January 2018; Cemetery record of Marion Francis Howell, Findagrave.com record number 82177245, retrieved 10 January 2018; Cemetery record of Verna Lee Howell, Findagrave.com record number 60181146, retrieved 10 January 2018; Verna Lee Ketcham, Floyd Ervin Howell, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 10 January 2018; Floyd Ervin Howell, "California, Death Index, 1940-1997", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 10 January 2018.

The children of Gertrude Lenora Elliott and George Esbin Howell, born in Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Cecil E. Howell. He was born 12 September 1922 and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He died 17 December 1964 and was buried at Streets Cemetery in Iron Hill, Jackson County, Iowa.

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- ii. Marion Francis Howell. He was born 25 May 1924 and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He died 20 February 2009 in California and was buried at Woodville Cemetery in Woodville, Tulare County, California.
- iii. Florence Howell. She was born about 1928.
- iv. Verna Lee Howell. She was born 19 April 1929. Her married name in 1948 was Vohringer, and in 1970 was Ketcham. She died 9 April 1981 in Moline, Rock Island County, Illinois and was buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.
- v. Floyd Ervin Howell. He was born 30 June 1931 and died 27 January 1986 in Tulare County, California.
- vi. Grace Howell. She was born about 1934.
- vii. John Howell. He was born about 1937.
- viii. Joseph Howell. He was born about 1937.
- ix. Donald Howell. He was born about 1939.

### **Currie Family**

#### **Malcom Currie, seaman, of Ontario, Canada 1782 – 1855**

##### **1. MALCOM CURRIE <sup>1</sup>**

He was born in Scotland on 9 December 1782, according to the DueMong Manuscript, although no definitive birth record in Scotland was located. Many such parish records in Scotland were destroyed by fire over the centuries, so data was incomplete. The DueMong Manuscript was prepared by Currie's great-granddaughter, Edna DueMong Skelton, using letters and other written artifacts from Malcom's children and grandchildren together with information from gravemarkers and oral history. Malcom Currie was a seaman and eventually a ship's captain. He immigrated to North America with his wife and their elder children, settling in the Niagara district first in Canada, then New York, then back to Canada. He died in Welland County, Ontario, Canada on 31 March 1855 and was buried there in Doan's Ridge Cemetery.

The name Currie was alternately spelled Curry, as it was pronounced. The family originated in Scotland's Western Isles, an area of admixed Gaelic and Viking peoples. The Isles and Highlands were a family clan-based society, and Currie was considered an Isles clan of Gaelic origin. Clan lore had it they were hereditary bards to the MacDonald (alternately, MacDonnell) Lords of the Isles and came with them from Ulster in the north of Ireland to the Western Isles. MacMuirach became a hereditary surname meaning "son of" (*mac*) plus Muirach, which meant "seaman" in Gaelic. The lessened *M* sounds rendered it Curry. The namesake Muirach was said to have been a man of the O'Daly clan in Ulster. The O'Daly claimed kinship to the O'Neill and O'Donnell families of Ulster. The name Malcom, or Malcolm, meant disciple (*mael*) of Colm that referred to Saint Columkille of the O'Neill dynasty and who founded a monastery on the island of Iona in the Western Isles.

Malcom Currie married on 7 January 1812 to ANN HALLIDAY in Scotland, where she resided in Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Isle of Bute and he in Inverchaolain, Argyll. Their marriage was recorded in both registers because they resided in separate parishes. Port Bannatyne and Inverchaolain were located several miles apart on opposite shores of Loch Striven, and on the waterway leading to Glasgow. Ann was born 7 October 1794, according to her gravestone. According to the DueMong Manuscript, Ann was born in Glasgow although no parish record was located. Ann's father George Halliday had moved from county Berwick in the Borders region in the east of Scotland to the Isles in the west, so it was possible she was born at Glasgow. However, the family's oral tradition was incorrect in that she did not marry in Berwick (called Berwickshire) in Scotland, nor in the nearby port town of Berwick-upon-Tweed in England's county Northumberland. Ann's mother was Elizabeth Tait, whose maiden surname was rendered "Heath" in the DueMong Manuscript. The differences among regional accents might have at least partially accounted for the difference between Heath and Tait. Elizabeth died when Ann was a child, but probably not an infant as described by DueMong, nor was Ann an only child. **See Halliday Family, 1.**

After Malcom's death, Ann Halliday Currie left Ontario, Canada for the United States and settled in Jackson County, Iowa, nearby several of her children. The area had fertile farmland because the Maquoketa River ran



through Jackson County and its main town, Maquoketa, before emptying into the Mississippi River about 20 miles eastward. Ann died in Jackson County, Iowa on 2 May 1882 and was buried there in Buckhorn at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery.

The story of Ann and Malcom Currie was recounted in the family's oral history and written down in the DueMong Manuscript. According to DueMong, Malcom Currie went to sea when he was age 16 years, as did his brothers. Their marriage was made difficult by his life at sea. Ann saw her husband infrequently, when he was on furloughs Malcom would visit and then be gone again for months as a time. Once, Malcom made port in Quebec, and a sailor friend wished to surprise him. The sailor took young Malcom and approached Currie on shipboard. "Do you know this lad?," he said to Currie. "No," Malcom replied, "Whose lad is he?," The sailor laughed and chided Malcom, "It is a poor father who does not know his own son." As told by DueMong:

Malcom Currie was a sailor and ten years Ann's senior.  
Perhaps George Holiday realized that Ann's marriage to a sailor would mean that she would not be returning home. Indeed, soon after their wedding Ann and Malcom Currie departed for Liverpool, England and later resided in Canada and then America. Not happy with her husband's absences, Ann about 1823 decided to take her young sons and cross the Atlantic to meet her husband's ship as he docked in Quebec. After a voyage of several months, Ann arrived, only to learn that she and Malcom's ships had passed en route. Disheartened, she returned to her father's home. Ann, still quite determined, made a second voyage to Canada and this time arrived before her husband.

The family reunited about 1824, they settled in the Lockport, New York about 20 miles east of the Canadian border at Niagara Falls. The next year, their daughter Mary Ann Currie was born in Lockport on 18 August 1824. It was during the years in Lockport that their son Archibald Currie died. Ann was well-taught in household work and sewing skills, vital to women of her era. She was remembered for her bright blue eyes and for being a fine singer. Her granddaughter, Eliza DueMong, remembered Ann Currie liked to sing:

The coo coo was a pretty bird,  
She sings as she flies,  
She brings us good tidings,  
But tells us no lies.  
She sucks the sweet flowers,  
To keep her voice clear,  
And the more she sings coo coo,  
The summer draws near.

Malcom progressed as a seaman to second mate, at one time serving under his captain and brother, John Currie. Malcom later became captain to his brother's sister ship, and the story was told of a storm in which Malcom's ship went down. The cargo sank to the ocean floor with the ship and all on board were saved, rescued by nearby ships which among them were John Currie. A fortnight later, the ship was raised from the ocean bottom and Malcom's strong box was retrieved. Among his valuables was a water-soaked edition of *The Pilgrims' Progress*. The strong box was kept by Ann and later inherited by their great-granddaughter, Edna DueMong Skelton. He spent about thirty years at sea, eventually becoming captain of the ship *Lord Nelson*. During the clearances of the Scottish isles *Lord Nelson* was used to transport islanders to Canada's Atlantic provinces. The cleared families included McNeill and MacNeill families, as noted in *The Galley* of the Clan Macneil. Malcom Currie's

brother, John, was last heard from when he and another brother settled in Australia.

Malcom Currie retired from the sea and took up farming. He and Ann purchased a small farm in Thurold, Ontario, located a few miles west of the Canadian border opposite Lockport, New York. Already having had children born in Scotland and the United States, their younger ones were born in Canada. These children were twins Isabel and John, Elizabeth, twins Jane and George, and James. Malcom farmed in Canada during his final decades before his death in 1855. Meanwhile, his son Malcom left for Iowa in 1848 where he settled in Clinton County, south of the town of Millrock and north of Jackson County.

In 1857, Malcom, Jr., wrote his mother “what a wonderful land of promise it was” in Iowa, and Ann Currie sold her 25-acre farm in Ontario and left with sons George and James. She built a house in South Grove, Monmouth Township, Jackson County, and sons George and James used oxen teams to clear land for farming. Ann’s daughters Elizabeth Eliott and Mary Ann Forsyth left Canada and joined Ann in Iowa, in 1861 and 1864 respectively, along with their surviving families. Ann’s daughter Jane Wallace remained in Canada where she died, though her only child, Mary Ann, was raised in Iowa by her aunt Elizabeth Eliott. In her later years, Ann Currie was fully blinded from an accident about 1874 and age 80-years. She had already lost one eye about 1854 when pulling up brush roots at their farm in Canada. Ann’s granddaughter, Eliza Jane Eliott, would often visit her and be asked, “Is that you Eliza? See if I have dropped a stitch.” Eliza would pick up the stitch in the knitting and set up the heel of the sock for her grandmother to finish. Eliza herself was blind in one eye, from when age two-years her cousin Mary Ann Wallace accidentally struck her right eye with a small switch.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; “Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925”, from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; DueMong Manuscript, by Edna DueMong Skelton of Orlando, Florida about late 1970s, and a mimeograph copy given to the author in 1980 and draft of the manuscript about 1975 from Edna DueMong Skelton, 315 East 4th Street, Rockfalls, Illinois 61071; Marriage record of Malcom Currie and Ann Halliday from the National Records of Scotland searchable online at Scotlandspeople.gov.uk, retrieved 24 January 2015; Cemetery record of Malcom Currie, Findagrave.com record number 46480762, retrieved 1 July 2016; Birth records of Malcom Currie and Archibald Currie from the National Records of Scotland searchable online at Scotlandspeople.gov.uk, retrieved 24 January 2015; *The Galley* of the Clan Macneil Association of America regarding *Lord Nelson*; Cemetery record of George Currie, Findagrave.com record number 17920131, retrieved 14 January 2018; Curry, “The MacMhuirich Bardic Family”, from Website Clancurriegathering.com, retrieved 20 January 2018; Curry in FamilyTree DNA, from Website familytreedna.com/public/curry/, retrieved 20 January 2018; O’Daly, from Website dalyirishclan.com, retrieved 20 January 2018; Cemetery record of Ann Currie, Findagrave.com record number 17920025, retrieved 11 February 2018.

The children of Malcom Currie and Ann Halliday, born in Rothesay, Scotland; Lockport, New York; and Ontario, Canada:

- i. Archibald Currie. He was born 28 September 1812 in Rothesay, Isle of Bute, Scotland and baptized 6 October 1812. He was the son of “Malcom Currie, seaman, Rothesay” and Ann Halliday. (DueMong incorrectly gave his birth as 1814 in Liverpool, England). He died in New York about 1823.

- ii. Malcom Curry. He was born about 1817 in Scotland and married in Canada to Charity A. Fletcher. He died about 1873 in Jackson County, Iowa. **See 2.**
- iii. Mary Ann Currie. She was born 18 August 1824 in Lockport, New York. She married Walter Forsyth in Ontario, Canada and died in Jackson County, Iowa. **See 3.**
- iv. Isabel Currie. She was a twin and died as an infant in Ontario, Canada.
- v. John Currie. He was a twin and died as an infant in Ontario, Canada.
- vi. Elizabeth Currie. She was born on 16 May 1829 in St. Catherines, Ontario, Canada and married to Thomas Elliott on 20 May 1849 in Binbrook, Ontario. She married secondly to Gardner Morehouse on 23 September 1873 in Jackson County, Iowa, and married thirdly there on 13 May 1900 to John O'Kelley. She died 19 September 1918 in Jackson County, Iowa. **See Elliott Family, 1.**
- vii. Jane Currie. She was born 12 June 1833 in Thuroid, Ontario, Canada and married to James Wallace. She died about 1858 in Walkerstown, Ontario. **See 4.**
- viii. George Currie. He was born 12 June 1833 in Thuroid, Ontario and was the twin of Jane. He married Esther A. Towers. He died 12 June 1876 in Jackson County, Iowa and was buried there at the Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery. **See 5.**
- ix. James Currie. He was born 14 January 1836 in Thuroid, Ontario. He married on 10 January 1865 to Emeline Gruver in Clinton County, Iowa, and married secondly on 22 October 1878 in Jackson County, Iowa and to Nannie May Porter. He died on 31 October 1910 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa. **See 6.**

*Second Generation*

2. MALCOM CURRY (JR.) <sup>2</sup> (Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1817 in Scotland, and married in Ontario, Canada to CHARITY A. FLETCHER. They resided in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa, where he was a farmer. The family spelled the surname primarily Curry and Currey, rather than Currie. She died 2 September 1866 in Clinton County, Iowa. He married secondly by 1870 to ELIZA J. in Clinton County, Iowa. She was born about 1823 in Pennsylvania. He died between 1870 and 1880 in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1860 (Malcomn Curry), 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; DueMong Manuscript, by Edna DueMong Skelton of Orlando, Florida about late 1970s, and a mimeograph copy given to the author in 1980 and draft of the manuscript about 1975 from Edna DueMong Skelton, 315 East 4th Street, Rockfalls, Illinois 61071; Cemetery record of Malcom Currey, Findagrave.com record number 71151636, retrieved 17 January 2018; Cemetery record of Joseph W. Curry, Findagrave.com record number 64858835, retrieved 17 January 2018.

The children of Malcom Curry and Charity A. Fletcher, born in Ontario, Canada and Clinton County, Iowa:

- i. Elizabeth Curry. She was born about 1847 in Ontario, Canada.
- ii. Jacob Curry. He was born about 1849 in Ontario, Canada and married about 1875 in Iowa to Mary A. Buttolph. He died after 1920 in Missoula County, Montana. **See 7.**
- iii. Eliza Curry. She was born about 1851 in Ontario, Canada.

- iv. Isabelle Curry. She was born about 1853 in Ontario, Canada.
- v. Malcom Curry . He was born 8 January 1856 and died 9 February 1856 in Clinton County, Iowa. He was buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.
- vi. Harriett Curry. She was born about 1857 in Clinton County, Iowa.
- vii. Joseph W. Curry. He was born in 1860 and married on 16 October 1877 to Lydia Nodde in Monmouth, Jackson County, Iowa. He died in 1938 in Clinton County, Iowa. **See 8.**

3. MARY ANN CURRIE <sup>2</sup> (Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 18 August 1824 in Lockport, New York. She married to WALTER FORSYTH in Ontario, Canada. He was born in Scotland. They resided in 1861 in Crowland, Welland County, Ontario, Canada, near the Niagara Falls border with New York, and belonged to the Presbyterian Church of Scotland. In 1865, they moved from Canada to Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa and he died there shortly after arriving. She moved to Wright County, Iowa where she died in 25 September 1898. She was buried at Rose Hill Cemetery in Eagle Grove, Wright County, Iowa.

Sources: Census of Canada, 1861; Federal Census of Iowa, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 6 January 2018; DueMong Manuscript, by Edna DueMong Skelton of Orlando, Florida about late 1970s, and a mimeograph copy given to the author in 1980 and draft of the manuscript about 1975 from Edna DueMong Skelton, 315 East 4th Street, Rockfalls, Illinois 61071; Cemetery record of Mary A. Forsyth, Findagrave. com record number 70715825, retrieved 19 January 2018; Cemetery record of Walter Forsyth (including obituary from *Eagle Grove Eagle*, January 16, 1930, page 1), Findagrave.com record number 122071023, retrieved 19 January 2018; Walter Forsyth to Gennie Martes, George A. Forsyth to Sarah Delawye, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 19 January 2018.

The children of Mary Ann Currie and Walter Forsyth, born in Welland County, Ontario, Canada and Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa:

- i. Margaret Forsyth. She was born about 1844. Her married name was Voss and she resided at Fort Dodge, Webster County, Iowa in 1930.
- ii. James Forsyth. He was born about 1846 and resided in Clinton County, Iowa in 1870.
- iii. Walter Forsyth (Jr.). He was born 21 February 1849 and died 8 January 1930 in Eagle Grove, Wright County, Iowa. He resided in Clinton County, Iowa in 1870. He resided in Oxford Junction, Clinton County, Iowa when married secondly on 6 April 1885 to Gennie Martes at St. James Catholic Church in Toronto, Clinton County, Iowa. She was born in Ireland about 1846, the daughter of James Martes and Jane Woodside. He was buried at Rose Hill Cemetery in Eagle Grove, Wright County, Iowa.

Walter Forsyth was born February 21, 1849 at Humeston, Welland county Ontario, Canada and died in Eagle Grove, Iowa, January 8, 1930. He came to Iowa in 1865 and lived at South Grove, Clinton county, Iowa. He worked on the farm and then took up well drilling, which occupation he followed until the few years. In 1872 he was married to Miss Ella Willetts of Union, Iowa. Three

children were born to this union, and two children died in infancy. He has one daughter at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Mrs. Forsyth died in 1878. In 1884 he was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Mardis of Lowden, Iowa. One daughter was born to them, Mrs. J. H. Martin of this city. They lived in Lowden and conducted what is now the North Western Railroad hotel. In 1892 they moved to Eagle Grove, where he has since resided. Mr. Forsyth has drilled a large percent of the wells in and around Eagle Grove. Mr. Forsyth was found dead by his nephew, George E. Scott, Wednesday morning, January 8 about 9:30 o'clock. Had he lived until the 21st of February he would have been 81 years old. He is survived by one daughter from his first marriage, Mrs. Kimball of Aberdeen, South Dakota, who, due to illness, was unable to attend the funeral, and Mrs. J. H. Martin of Eagle Grove; also three sisters, Mrs. Margaret Voss, Fort Dodge; Mrs. E. E. Her married name was Voss and she resided at Fort Dodge, Webster County, Iowa in 1930; Bradley of Clinton, Iowa, and Mrs. Jane Bates of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; several nieces and nephews, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the undertaking parlors of Kubitschek & Kastler on Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. G. Eaton and burial was made in Rose Hill cemetery.

- iv. Jane Forsyth. She was born about 1852 and resided in Clinton County, Iowa in 1870. Her married name was Bates and she resided at Sioux Falls, South Dakota in 1930
- v. Mary Ann Forsyth. She was born about 1856 and resided in Clinton County, Iowa in 1870.
- vi. Martha J. Forsyth. She was born about 1859 and resided in Clinton County, Iowa in 1870.
- vii. George A. Forsyth. He was born about 1862 in Crowland, Welland County, Ontario, Canada and married on 15 December 1890 to Sarah Delawye in Eagle Grove, Wright County, Iowa. She was the daughter of Harrison Delawye and Hannah Wood. His occupation was brakeman.
- viii. Nellie Forsyth. She was born about 1865 in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa.

4. JANE CURRIE <sup>2</sup> (Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 12 June 1833 in Thuroid, Ontario, Canada and married in Ontario to JAMES WALLACE. She died about 1858 in Walkerton, Ontario, when her daughter Mary Ann was an infant. According to the oral history by DueMong, James Wallace took his daughter to Iowa to be with the rest of the

Currie family. Mary Ann was raised in the household of her aunt Elizabeth Eliott after her father James Wallace died in the Civil War. There was a James H. Wallace who served from Iowa and died from disease during the Civil War in 1863, although his identity was not confirmed. The following letters were written to James and Jane Wallace from various relatives in Scotland, Canada, and Iowa.

James Wallace  
Care of Malcom Currie  
Crowland Post Office  
Paisley  
Ramberton Shire, Canada West  
20<sup>th</sup> April 1853

Dear Grandson, I received your welcome letter of 15<sup>th</sup> February and I was glad to learn from it that you was well. I have worried very much to hear how you was coming on in America but I am sorry to hear that you have been rambling about too much from place to place. I think you would have been much better to have engaged with some tradesman as an apprentice. And stopped until you had learned your trade and learned steady habits as there is no getting on in any kind of business without patience and perseverance. Or you might have engaged with a farmer for some time until you were able to take charge of a piece of land for yourself as you mentioned of having the right of your fifty acres. You have been thinking of coming home to Paisley you might have been as well here as the trade was very dull for a number of years. But it is better this last year and a half with weavers and shawl printers, boat builders, engineer's wrights and all kinds of trades. A great many of them has gone to Australia and good number wishing to go yet. But just at the times I am writing this letter I have got a letter from your Mother to her father which informs us that she got word in a letter that your Uncle Robert was married. But she could not tell his wife's name. Also that you was married. Also if it is the case you and your Uncle Robert has very sly in your letters. But we heartily wish you both much joy with your partners for life. But we hope you will write soon and give us the correct information and introduce your wife to us by letter, as we cannot see one another personally. Your mother and your brothers, Joseph and Robert, and your sister Agnes and your Brother David was all in good health. She says she is in better circumstance than she could expect. I am happy to inform you that your Aunt Elisabeth has got well of her sore leg and can walk quite well with it again. She has grown very tall and stout. She was very glad to hear that you expect to be settled. For some time she did not like to hear of your rambling about from place to place broken hearted and discontented. She thinks you would be better to learn some trade. She wishes you much success in all your undertakings. Your Aunt Jannet is in good health and working in the warehouse of Mr. Coats Mill. She would like very well you were in Paisley learning some trade but if you are married it will not be easy for you to come home but I cannot believe it until I hear from yourself. I did not expect you would have beat me. I

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wish you much joy and success whether it be true or not. You must take courage and not be broken hearted nor discontented but put a stout heart to stay brave and there is no fears but you will succeed. Your Grandfather in Thillbride is dead some years since your Uncle John is still alive yet. I send you a small card; I sincerely wish you all the blessings it contains. Your Aunt Margret and her husband and family are all in good health. They have four children, they send their kind love to. Thomas is working in a print field. Aunt Jean and husband and family is in good health. They have seven of a family. Cousin Margret is working in Coats Mill at the twining frames. Janet is drawing a runner plaid with her father. They send their kind love to you also. Your Uncle David is in Paisley. At present David & Archabald is doing no better than they should do. We all send kind love to you hoping this will find you in good health as this leaves us all at present. I must conclude I remain your affectionate Grandmother Margret Riddle Wallace.

North Gower, April 27<sup>th</sup> 1853

Dear Son and Daughter, I received your letter and I was happy to hear that you was well as this leaves us. Thank God for it. Dear son I think you do well in looking after your land. I often regret that I gave up my lot for the agent thought he was entitled to keep it for Joseph. The way things had happened I take it very kind of your offer to look out for a lot for Joseph. I hope you will succeed and don't know what to say about letting Joseph for a while. I often thought that had not done my duty in learning you but hope God will direct us for the best. If you think there is any possibility of getting my clothes brought or sent on if you and Robert could get them disposed of I would be very pleased. Give my love to Robert as to his wife. I would be very glad to hear from them. Give my love to Janet and I hope you are both well. Write as soon as convenient. No more at present from your affectionate mother. Agnefs Wallace

Dear Brother and Sister, I hope you are both well. I am very thankful for your kind letter to us. Dear Brother I would like very well to come to you but my mother can't say much about it yet. I would like to see you and my new friend but I suppose I can't for a while. Remember me in your next. No more at present. From your Brother, Joseph Wallace

[folded and sealed with no envelope;

postmarked "North-Gower Ap 27 1853 UC"]

Addressed to: Mr. James Wallace  
to the care of Mr. Malcom Curie  
Humberstonshire Crowland Post Office  
by Kingston

February the 18<sup>th</sup> 1854

James Wallace, Dear Sir I received your letter and was very glad to hear that you are well and doing well and I am glad

to hear that Brant is flourishing as it is. I am in good health at present and hope that this will find you enjoying the same blessing. All the rest of us are well. Mother's hand is very bad yet. Thomas Eliott is up and about. Elizabeth and the children are well. Wheat is twelve shillings per bushel and everything else accordingly. But as for my coming up there in the spring I cannot say for certain for I don't know if I will have money enough. But I will know better by the time that I get your letter and let me know how much that I will have to pay down on a hundred acres and let me know how far it is to your nearest railroad and its name. Other railroads are finished through to the Great Western and we can go all over Canada now in a few days on the cars. I would advise you to come down early in the spring for the wages is very high and plenty of chances. I have worked one month for John Thompson for ten dollars and he wants someone to work all summer or a year and plenty other chances. And if you come down and by the time you will go back I will go with you. James Stringer had sold out for six thousand dollars and he has bought again in Shougerloaf. There has not been one weeks sleighing here, there has been six feet of snow in London England and ten feet in Chicago by the papers. I got two deer this winter and Walter got four. We are about to have the courthouse at the Aqueduc. Write soon and let me know how you and your relations is and the news of the Country. No more at present but remains yours. James Currie

Humberston, July the 22 1855

Dear Brother, I take the opportunity of writing to you these few lines to let you know that we are all well at present and I hope these few lines will find you enjoying the same blessings. I think it strange of you that it has been so long since you wrote to us to let us know how you are and what you are about. I am with Joshua [illegible] with for six months and began to work for him the Monday following after you left here. The wheat crops is about middling here. Meadows are very good here and haying is all most done and harvest begins this week. Sir before you come down I wish you would see if there is any land near your place for sale and the price of it. I hope and think that in about four months I shall visit your part of the country. And I wish you would see and find out the nearest place where there is land and how much the first payment is as I think if that part suits me I shall get some land there. Excuse a short letter. Give my best respect to all who wishes to see me. No more at the present but remain your affectionate Brother and well wishes. James Currie

Dear Brother, We received your letter in one time. We were happy to hear you were all well. But Robert strange to say for all the letters I have sent you, you have never as much mentioned me in any of your letters to my Mother. I hope you have not forgot me and I must excuse you for this time. I will send a present to your daughter by Jean Smith. I am



happy to hear that you are getting on well. I want you to send me a little of your hair and your wife's and family's—no more at present but remain Your affectionate Sister Janet Wallace

Paisley October 22nd 1855

Dear Grandson, I received your letter but did not think in writing you as you said Robert would write soon. I thought I would wait till I received your Uncle's letter but nevertheless do not [illegible] that you are not to write to me but write me often [illegible]. I was very proud to see by your letter that you were married. And I hope that you have got a good wife and they way to make a good wife is to be a good husband and Dear James you were left alone in the world. I hope that through the care of Him whom we profess to follow you will be guided through this world and thence onwards you will reap life everlasting. I hope your next letter will inform me how you are getting on with your ground. I have to inform you that your Uncle John McCormick died some months ago and John McCormick's son is going to be married to Matthew Armon's daughter. I had a letter from your Mother and they are all well. Your Aunt Jean and Margaret were very well pleased to hear of your marriage and they hope you are settled and will leave happy. They send their respects to you both. Be sure and write soon and not forget us. It gives me great pleasure to hear from you. My best respects to your wife and all inquiring friends. I am your most affectionate Grandmother Margaret Wallace

Dear Nephew, I was happy to hear that you were married and that I must [illegible]. You will be saying like the poet of course,

'I have a good wife and a home of my own and O  
may I never live single again'

I have no time and have no more to say at present with best respects to your wife and all my friends--write soon. I am your affectionate Aunt, Elizabeth Wallace

Humberston (Canada) July the 23 1855

Dear Husband, I take my pen in hand to write you these few lines to let you know that I am well at present and I thank God for mercy to me. Hoping these few lines will find you enjoying the same blessing. I am sorry to say that it is so long since I had a letter from you as the last one I got was dated May the 17 and now this is July the 23. I think it a long time since I saw you [illegible] think it hard that I cannot hear from [illegible] thought that as you did not write perhaps you intended to come down before this. Mother as well as myself is getting very uneasy about you. I wrote a letter a week ago but did not send it as I thought perhaps you or a letter might come last week. Dear James I wish you would write as soon as you receive this and let me know how you are getting along and when you intend to come down. I have not much news at this time but I must let you know that Micle Barnhard is married to Eliza Jane Current

and that James Forsyth came from Manasota about two weeks ago and took away little James Forsyth with him to lower Canada. Mary Ann and her family are well. Elizabeth and her family is well. Mother [illegible] she thinks you have left me for good, as you do not think me worth writing to for postage is not very dear. Give my kind love to Uncle and Aunt and except the same yourself from your True and Loving Wife Jane Wallace

Thomas Elliot, Binbrook, January the 10<sup>th</sup> 1858

Dear Brother and Sister, I take my pen in hand to write these few lines to you to let you know that we are still in the land of the living. I received your kind letter and I was happy to hear that you were all well. I wish you much joy with your thing and if you could see it you would think it is a smart one. I hope the next letter you send you will [illegible] to tell me the name of your thing. If you go away west don't go without letting me know for I intend to go as soon as I get a chance to sell. We have about 18 inches of rain here tonight instead of snow. Here now there is plenty of everything here but money and that is hard to be got and so it ends here. Wheat is 6 shillings wages here at present is nothing and cutting cordwood is 3 shillings and board yourself. I wish you would come and pay us a visit this winter and see how we are getting along. I would be very happy to see you all again and [illegible] while to chat. I must let you know what I did [illegible] it and Elizabeth found it and we have a great big bouncing daughter and we call her Eliza Jane and she looks like Jane only much better looking and it is smarter than you ever was. I will try to cut off my whiskers before I see you for I am sure to have them pulled if I don't. Dear Brother I was down to Toronto not long ago and I saw the grand trunk Train come in and I expected to see you on it. But you wasn't there. I went seeing about my place and I think it will all come right now soon and I wish it does then away I go to Iowa for I have the Iowa Fever. And I wish we could all go together and get land together. Give my kind love to the children and except the same yourself. No more at present but I hope you will excuse my scribbles. No more from your loving Brother Thomas Elliott.

Dear Nephew--We received your letter and were happy to perceive by your letter that you were married. I hope you will be happy all your days. You have really [illegible] although I must say I thought I would have a [illegible] however. I hope you will lead a happy life and that you will never live single again -- write soon. I am your affectionate Aunt Janet Wallace

If there is any small thing you would like sent let us know when you write and we will send it with Jeanie Smith.

Binbrook, April the first 1858

Dear Brother and Sister [James and Jane Wallace], I take my pen in hand to let you know that we are all in the land of

the living. Yet while no more of our fellow creatures are going from time to an eternity but thank be to God who has spared us a day or two longer that we may prepare our poor souls for that day that is a coming. Hoping this will find you all living and waiting the same coming. Dear Sister we received your kind letter and was glad to hear from you and to hear that you was well for we often feel lonesome when we think about you. Dear sister I should have wrote to you sooner but I have been very sick for the last two months and suffer much at this same time but am better now. I can go about and do my work. Dear Sister I have suffered from what I think you may call the consummation. The children is all well but we have had a great many deaths about here and Sharlotys husband is sick now with the inflammation on the lungs. The last letter we had from mother was dated January the 21. I wrote them last week. We have had no word from Maryann since last fall. Dear Sister I have been much disappointed in not seeing some of you this winter but now I will give up and trust in God who can do all things if we never meet in this world that we may in the next. Dear sister it is very lonesome for me to sit here and talk to you and wait so long for an answer think for yourself. Thomas goes away Monday morning and comes home Saturday night and the boys both goes to school so there is none but me and my two little ones all day at home so if you hear of my death you can say that grief has won its victory. Dear Sister I can't write much but if we could see each other we could say a good deal. Dear Sister excuse a short letter for it hurts me to write. Write soon for we take great pleasure in hearing from you. The children all join in sending their love to you all. Dear Sister give my kind love to James and tell him to write soon and except the same for self. No more from your lonesome and broken hearted sister. Elizabeth Elliott

Binbrook, April 20<sup>th</sup> 1858

Dear Brother, I take my pen in hand to let you know that we are all in the land of the living and in the place of hope which we feel thankful to God for his mercy to us. Dear Brother we read your letter but how to answer it I know not or how to reconcile myself to it. I know not but we will try and trust in God for help to bear it. Dear Brother you spoke of child, the child I want and we will try and come up if we can get means to come. And if it isn't wanted, don't want it for I should try and nurse it but don't give it away so can't get it and we would like to have you also to come to but write soon and let us know how the child is. I can't say much we got your letter yesterday. No more from your brother and sister Thomas and Elizabeth Elliott.

Dear Brother and Sister, It is with the greatest of pleasure that I take my pen in hand to let you know that we are still in the land of the living. Which we feel thankful to God the giver of all mercies for hoping this will find you all enjoying the same blessing. We received your kind letter and was

happy to hear from you and to hear that you were all well for we was thinking long to hear from you. We haven't had any letter from Mother lately but we had a man to visit us from Iowa. He is Malcom's nearest neighbor and he said they are all well. Thomas was down to see Walter and Maryann their all well. Dear sister I wish you much joy with your young daughter. And I should be very happy to see you all once more but I don't see any ways that we can come up there for we have so many little ones and no team and no roads to come on. Dear sister my baby was born on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September and we call her Eliza Jane and we are going to get her and Phebe Ann christened next Sunday week if their well and the weather is fine. Dear sister if we go away west I wish you could go along or come and see us before we go. O I must tell you that I have the Biggest and the smartest Baby I ever had for her age and the best [illegible] one. Dear sister you can have an excuse now to come after your cradle and then we could chat a bit and I could tell you many a [illegible] story since we seen each other for I seen a good many this summer while I lived alone. Dear Sister Thomas Edward commenced a peace to you but I am in a hurry so he can't finish it. Write as soon as you receive this. No more from your loving Sister. Give my kind love to James and except the same yourself.  
[Elizabeth Elliott]

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; DueMong Manuscript, by Edna DueMong Skelton of Orlando, Florida about late 1970s, and a mimeograph copy given to the author in 1980 and draft of the manuscript about 1975 from Edna DueMong Skelton, 315 East 4th Street, Rockfalls, Illinois 61071. Manuscript included letters of Jane Currie Wallace; James H. Wallace, other James Wallace entries, "U.S., Registers of Deaths of Volunteers, 1861-1865", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 15 January 2018; Cemetery record of Mary Ann Stanton, Findagrave.com record number 71876740, retrieved 16 January 2018; Cemetery record of Elliott O. Stanton, Findagrave.com record number 71876871, retrieved 16 January 2018.

The children of Jane Currie and James Wallace, born in Binbrook, Ontario, Canada:

- i. Mary Ann Wallace. She was born 12 October 1857 and married in Iowa to Elliott O. Stanton. She died in 1891 in Jackson County, Iowa.

**See 9.**

#### 5. GEORGE CURRIE <sup>2</sup> (Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born on 23 February 1833 in Thuroid, Ontario, Canada and was the twin of Jane. He married on 13 February 1860 to ESTHER ANN TOWERS in Jackson County, Iowa. She was born about 1842 in Berlin, Delaware County, Ohio, the daughter of Andrew and Lethindia Towers. He was a farmer in Jackson County, Iowa in 1860 when he, his wife Esther, and brother James were enumerated in the census on 9 August. They moved to Scandia, Republic County, Kansas, where they resided on 1 March 1875. He died not long after moving to Kansas, on 12 June 1876, and was buried in Monmouth Township, Jackson County, Iowa at the Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery. By 1880, she had married secondly and was using the surname Lemon. She used the surname Squires in 1894 when she died and was buried at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in

Republic County, Kansas. Her mother Lethindia Towers died in 1897 and was buried at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Kansas, whereas her father had died in 1863 and was buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, Federal Census of Kansas, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; DueMong Manuscript, by Edna DueMong Skelton of Orlando, Florida about late 1970s, and a mimeograph copy given to the author in 1980 and draft of the manuscript about 1975 from Edna DueMong Skelton, 315 East 4th Street, Rockfalls, Illinois 61071 (James Currie born on 12 June according to DueMong and 23 February according to his gravemarker. The gravemarker data was used as the more reliable data. Also, DueMong rendered Esther's surname Towers incorrectly as Stowers); George Currie, "Kansas State Census Collection, 1855-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; George Currie to Esther Ann Gower (*sic*, Towers), "Iowa, Select Marriages Index, 1758-1996", from Website Ancestry. com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of George Currie, Findagrave. com record number 17920131, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of Esther Ann Towers Squires, Findagrave. com record number 40230387, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of Lethindia Towers, Findagrave.com record number 40230446, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of Andrew Towers, Findagrave.com record number 72025987, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of James Monroe Currie, Findagrave.com record number 40230040, retrieved 21 January 2018.

The children of George Currie and Esther Ann Towers, born in Baldwin, Monmouth Township, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. George W. Currie. He was born about 1861.
- ii. Andrew T. Currie. He was born about 1863.
- iii. William K. Currie. He was born about 1868.
- iv. James Monroe Currie. He was born 9 February 1871 and married about 1892 to Emma Jane Gray. He died 17 March 1920 in Republic County, Kansas and was buried there at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery.

**See 10.**

**6. JAMES CURRIE <sup>2</sup> (Malcom<sup>1</sup>)**

He was born 14 January 1836 in Thurold, Ontario, Canada. He married on 10 January 1865 to EMELINE GRUVER in Clinton County, Iowa. Her first married name was Gordon. She was born 12 December 1839 in Ohio and died 3 October 1877 in Jackson County, Iowa. He married secondly on 22 October 1878 in Jackson County, Iowa to NANNIE MAY PORTER. She was born about 1847 in Missouri. In 1880, the Currie household included his mother Ann, wife Nannie, and step-son Louis Gordon age 19 years. In 1900, the household included his nephew Harry Leroy Stanton who was enumerated a Lee Roy H. Stanton. James Currie was a farmer and resided near Baldwin in Jackson County, Iowa, where he died 31 October 1910. Two children were named in his will, James H. Currie and George H. Currie. James and Emeline Currie were buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; DueMong Manuscript, by Edna DueMong Skelton of Orlando, Florida about late 1970s, and a mimeograph copy given to the author in 1980 and draft of the manuscript about 1975 from Edna DueMong Skelton, 315 East 4th Street, Rockfalls, Illinois 61071; James Currie, "Iowa, Deaths and Burials, 1850-1990", from Website Ancestry.com,

retrieved 20 January 2018; George H. Currie to Martha Webster, George H. Currie to Matie Johnson, Nellie F. Currie, Devello Earl Currie, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 20 January 2018; George Herbert Currie, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 20 January 2018; James Currie to Emaline Gordon, James Currie to Nannie May Porter, "Iowa, Select Marriages Index, 1758-1996", from Website Ancestry. com, retrieved 20 January 2018; Cemetery record of James Currie, Findagrave.com record number 17920175, retrieved 20 January 2018; Cemetery record of Emeline Currie, Findagrave. com record number 17920006, retrieved 20 January 2018; Cemetery record of Nathan H. Currie, Findagrave.com record number 18915104, retrieved 20 January 2018; Cemetery record of James Henry Currie, Findagrave.com record number 18915309, retrieved 20 January 2018; Cemetery record of Lessie Murphy Currie, Findagrave.com record number 18915231, retrieved 20 January 2018.

The children of James Currie and Emeline Gruver, born in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. James Henry Currie. He was born 30 December 1865 and married to Lessie Murphy. He died 11 August 1951 in Jackson County, Iowa. **See 11.**
- ii. George Herbert Currie. He was born 20 July 1867 and married on 19 June 1896 to Matie Johnson in Jackson County, Iowa. He married secondly to Martha McDougall on 24 December 1924 in Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa. **See 12.**
- iii. Nathan H. Currie. He was born 23 November 1876 and died 13 June 1878 in Jackson County, Iowa. He was buried near his mother at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.

### *Third Generation*

#### 7. JACOB CURRY <sup>3</sup> (Malcom<sup>2</sup>, Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about April 1849 in Ontario, Canada and immigrated to the United States as a child in 1853. He married about 1875 in Iowa to MARY A. BUTTOLPH. She was born about February 1858 in New York. In 1880, they resided in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa and by 1900 in Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa where he was a well driller. They resided in 1910 in Hellgate, Missoula County, Montana with their youngest child, Ward. In 1920, Jacob was a wood cutter, residing on Rattlesnake Road in Rattlesnake, Missoula County, Montana.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1860 (Malcomn Curry), 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 17 January 2018; Jacob Curry, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 18 January 2018; Altha V. Curry to Walter Grant, "Montana, County Marriages, 1865-1950", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 17 January 2018; Altha V. Curry to Walter Grant, "Montana, Death Index, 1907-2015", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 17 January 2018.

The children of Jacob Curry and Mary Buttolph, born in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa and Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa:

- i. Altha V. Curry. She was born about August 1878 in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa and was a school teacher in 1900. She married on 8 May 1907 in Missoula, Missoula County, Montana to Walter Grant, and died there on 30 May 1966.
- ii. Winifred Curry. She was born about July 1881 and was a school teacher in 1900.

- iii. Jacob W. Curry. He was born about March 1883.
- iv. John Ward Curry.

8. JOSEPH W. CURRY <sup>3</sup> (Malcom<sup>2</sup>, Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1860 in Clinton County, Iowa and married on 16 October 1877 to LYDIA NODLE in Monmouth Township, Jackson County, Iowa. In 1880, he resided in Monmouth with his wife Lydia and their only child, William. She was born in 1860 and died 1 April 1935. He died in 1932, and they were buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1860 (Malcomn Curry), 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 17 January 2018; Cemetery record of Joseph W. Curry, Findagrave.com record number 64858835 (including date of marriage with no source stated), retrieved 17 January 2018; Cemetery record of Lydia Nodle Curry, Findagrave.com record number 64859526, retrieved 17 January 2018.

The children of Joseph W. Curry and Lydia Nodle, born in Baldwin, Monmouth Township, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. William B. Curry. He was born 27 December 1878 and married Laura Andresen. He died 9 August 1939 in Gillette, Campbell County, Wyoming. **See 13.**

9. MARY ANN WALLACE <sup>3</sup> (Jane<sup>2</sup>, Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 12 October 1857 in Binbrook, Ontario, Canada and raised in the household of her aunt Elizabeth Elliott in Ontario and in Jackson County, Iowa. She married ELLIOTT O. STANTON. He was born in 1856 in Sharon Township, Clinton, County, Iowa the son of James Stanton and Sophrony Allen. His given name was alternately spelt Elliott or Elliott, and its use indicated he was possibly related to the Thomas Elliott family. (The Stanton family was in Iowa five years ahead of the Elliott family.) His parents had arrived within the prior 24 months from New York state, as his sister was born there in 1854. James and Sophrony Stanton were both born in New York and also married there.

They were farmers in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa, where Mary Ann died in 1891 at age 34 years. He married secondly on 29 December 1892 in Jackson County, Iowa to Lettie Wood, the daughter of Asburg Wood and Aurelia Duell. They were married by clergy of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He died in 1932 and was buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa nearby his first wife, Mary Ann, and several of their children. Lettie was born 21 March 1872 and died 21 March 1945. She was buried at Buckhorn Cemetery.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 8 January 2018; Elliott O. Stanton to Lettie Wood, Fred C. Behnke to Hazel Lenora Stanton, Earl L. Stanton to Erma E. Kuhlman, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 16 January 2018; Elliott O. Stanton, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 16 January 2018; Cemetery record of Cora Stanton Kuhlman, Findagrave.com record number 137284299, retrieved 16 January 2018; Cemetery record of Hazel L. Behnke, Findagrave.com record number 71883061, retrieved 16 January 2018; Cemetery record of Lettie Stanton, Findagrave.com record number 71875775, retrieved 16 January 2018; Cemetery record of Charles O. Stanton, Findagrave.com record number 71875686, retrieved 16 January 2018;

Cemetery record of James E. Stanton, Findagrave.com record number 101658323, retrieved 16 January 2018; Cemetery record of Nellie M. Stanton, Findagrave.com record number 101658329, retrieved 16 January 2018.

The children of Mary Ann Wallace and Elliott O. Stanton, born in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa:

- i. Charles O. Stanton. He died 4 August 1871 and died 21 September 1878. He was buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.
- ii. Cora M. Stanton. She was born 25 May 1885. She died 18 November 1978 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa and was buried at Smithtown Cemetery in Lost Nation, Clinton County, Iowa.
- iii. Maude I. Stanton. She was born about 1886 and married on 30 June 1909 in Jackson County, Iowa to Dana F. Widle. He was born in Nebraska about 1889, the daughter of Nathan J. Widle and Lizzie Rachel Murphy. Maude and her brother Harry married siblings Dana and Iven Pearl Widle.
- iv. Harry Leroy Stanton. He was born about 1888 and in 1900 he resided with his uncle James Currie. He married on 30 June 1909 in Jackson County, Iowa to Iven Pearl Widle. She was born in Nebraska about 1889, the daughter of Nathan J. Widle and Lizzie Rachel Murphy.
- v. James Elliott Stanton. He was born 28 April 1880 and married to Nellie Mae Graves. He died 9 November 1965 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. She was born in 1887 and died in 1943. They were buried at Monmouth Cemetery in Monmouth, Jackson County, Iowa.

The children of Elliott O. Stanton and Lettie Wood, born in Sharon Township, Clinton County, Iowa:

- vi. Hazel Lenora Stanton. She was born 14 September 1893 and married in Jackson County, Iowa on 18 June 1914 to Fred C. Behnke. He was born about 1889 in Jones County, Iowa, the son of Carl Behnke and Minnie Mueller. She died 21 October 1946 in Iowa and was buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.

#### 10. JAMES MONROE CURRIE <sup>3</sup> (George<sup>2</sup>, Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 9 February 1871 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa and moved with his parents to Kansas by 1875. He married in Republic County, Kansas about 1892 to EMMA JANE GRAY. She was born about August 1867 in Illinois, the daughter of Stedman and Mary J. Gray. He was a farmer. He died 17 March 1920 in Republic County, Kansas and was buried there at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, Federal Census of Kansas, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 22 January 2018; "Kansas State Census Collection, 1855-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 22 January 2018; Cemetery record of James Monroe Currie, Findagrave.com record number 40230040, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of Charles Stedman Currie, Findagrave.com record number 40230037, retrieved 22 January 2018; Cemetery record of Alice Beauchamp Currie, Findagrave.com record number 40230036, retrieved 22 January 2018; Cemetery record of Mary Esther Currie Giles, Findagrave.com record number 40230100, retrieved 22 January 2018; Cemetery record of William Ross Currie, Findagrave.com record number 40230041, retrieved 22 January 2018; Cemetery record of Ada Alice Currie Ingraham, Findagrave.com record number 40230138, retrieved 22 January 2018; Cemetery record of Marshall Edward Ingraham, Findagrave.com record number 40230143, retrieved 22 January



2018; Cemetery record of Marshall Edward Ingraham, Findagrave.com record number 40230106, retrieved 22 January 2018.

The children of James Monroe Currie and Emma Jane Gray, born in Arkansas and Scandia, Republic County, Kansas:

- i. Mary Esther Currie. She was born 6 August 1891 in Scandia, Republic County, Kansas and died 19 April 1955. She married Richard Carleton Giles. He was born 13 March 1884 and died on 15 February 1967. They were buried at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Republic County, Kansas.
- ii. Ada Alice Currie. She was born in 1892 Scandia, Republic County, Kansas and died in 1980. She married Marshall Edward Ingraham. He was born in 1880 and died in 1957. They were buried at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Republic County, Kansas.
- iii. Charles Stedman Currie. He was born 13 February 1894 in Arkansas and served as a Private in the U.S. Army during World War I. He married Alice Beauchamp. She was born 1 October 1903 and died 21 June 1990 in Republic County, Kansas. He died 29 October 1983 in Republic County, Kansas. They were buried in Republic County, Kansas at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery.
- iv. William Ross Currie. He was born 8 November 1898 in Arkansas and died 25 July 1901 in Scandia, Republic County, Kansas. He was buried at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Republic County, Kansas.
- v. Emma Mae Currie in Scandia, Republic County, Kansas.

11. JAMES HENRY CURRIE <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 30 December 1865 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa and married to LESSIE MURPHY. She was born 16 May 1867 and died 27 October 1949. He died 11 August 1951 in Jackson County, Iowa. They were buried in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Devillo Earl Currie, "Iowa, Deaths Records, 1920-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Nellie F. Currie, Devello Earl Currie to Celeste Minnie Clapp, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of James Henry Currie, Findagrave.com record number 18915309, retrieved 20 January 2018; Cemetery record of Lessie Murphy Currie, Findagrave.com record number 18915231, retrieved 20 January 2018; Cemetery record of Devillo Earl Currie, Findagrave.com record number 17919987, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of Celeste M. Currie, Findagrave.com record number 18777303, retrieved 21 January 2018; Devillo Earl Currie, "U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018.

The children of James Henry Currie and Lessie Murphy, born in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Nellie F. Currie.
- ii. Devello Earl Currie. He was born 21 September 1886, and married on 10 March 1909 to Celeste Minnie Clapp in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. He died 14 March 1923 in Monmouth Township, Jackson County, Iowa. **See 14.**
- iii. Eldon Louis Currie.

12. GEORGE HERBERT CURRIE <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 20 July 1867 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa and called Herbert. He married on 19 June 1896 in Jackson County, Iowa to MATIE

JOHNSON, the daughter of Lester A. Johnson and Mahala Dewell. He married secondly to MARTHA McDUGALL on 24 December 1924 in Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa. She was born in Scotland, the daughter of John McDougall and Mary Nolan, and her first married name was Webster. He was a farmer in 1910, a carpenter in 1924, and a machinist in 1930. He died in Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; Federal Census of California, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; George H. Currie to Martha Webster, George H. Currie to Matie Johnson, Clifford R. Fox to D. Bernadine Currie, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 20 January 2018; Herbert Currie, George Herbert Currie, Dortha Bernadine Bradshaw, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Dorothea Bernadine Currie, "Iowa, Delayed Birth Records, 1856-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of D. Bernadine Bradshaw, Findagrave.com record number 166831523, retrieved 21 January 2018.

The children of George Herbert Currie and Matie Johnson, born in Baldwin, Monmouth Township, Jackson County, Iowa:

- i. Dorothea Bernadine Currie. She was born 28 February 1906 and married on 20 July 1933 to Clifford R. Fox in Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa. They divorced, and between 1935 and 1940 she moved to Oakland, Alameda County, California where he was a secretary. Her second married name was Bradshaw. She died in 2006 in Oakland, Alameda County, California and was buried there at Mountain View Cemetery.

#### *Fourth Generation*

#### 13. WILLIAM B. CURRY <sup>4</sup> (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Malcom<sup>2</sup>, Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 27 December 1878 in Baldwin, Monmouth Township, Jackson County, Iowa and married LAURA ANDRESEN. They resided in Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa. He died 9 August 1939 in Gillette, Campbell County, Wyoming. She was born in 1883 and died in 1983. Her surname was originally Andresen and later rendered Anderson, which was also their son's middle name. They were buried at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa.

Wyoming man was killed. William Curry in car collision, his wife was injured internally. William Curry, 62, of Wyoming was injured fatally in a car collision near Gillette, Wyoming, August 9. His wife was injured internally but attending physicians reported that she would probably recover. Occupants in the other car were unhurt. Bernard Curry of Wyoming [Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa] left as soon as he received word of the accident. A telegram was received Thursday by Mrs. Curry's sister, Mrs. Kate Gerdes, telling of the death of Mr. Curry. Mr. and Mrs. Curry had been visiting at Missoula, Montana, and had taken a tour through Yellowstone park. They were on their way home to Jones county at the time of the accident. Bernard Curry is their only child.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 17 January 2018; Cemetery record of William B. Curry (including

image of obituary clipping from *The Monitcello Express*, 17 August 1939), Findagrave.com record number 94816382, retrieved 17 January 2018; Cemetery record of Laura Andresen, Findagrave.com record number 94816522, retrieved 17 January 2018; Bernard Anderson Curry, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 18 January 2018; Bernard A. Curry, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 18 January 2018.

The children of William B. Curry and Laura Andresen, born in Anamosa, Jones County, Iowa:

- i. Bernard Anderson Curry. He was born 1 July 1912 and died 29 January 1994. He resided in Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa.

14. DEVELLO EARL CURRIE <sup>4</sup> (James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Malcom<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 21 September 1886 in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa and married on 10 March 1909 to CELESTE MINNIE CLAPP in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. She was born 8 April 1885, the daughter of Leonard Clapp and Eliza Lane. He registered for the draft during World War I, when he was described as medium height and build, with dark hair and brown eyes. He died 14 March 1923 in Monmouth Township, Jackson County, Iowa and she died 15 September 1966 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. They were buried in Buckhorn, Jackson County, Iowa at Buckhorn Waterford Cemetery.

Sources: Federal Census of Iowa, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, 1940; "Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Devillo Earl Currie, "Iowa, Deaths Records, 1920-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Devello Earl Currie to Celeste Minnie Clapp, "Iowa, Marriage Records, 1880-1940", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of Devillo Earl Currie, Findagrave.com record number 17919987, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of Celeste M. Currie, Findagrave.com record number 18777303, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of James L. Currie (including obituary, *Midland Times*, 3 December 1987, page 12), Findagrave.com record number 110496296, retrieved 21 January 2018; Cemetery record of Mary A. Wolfe Currie, Findagrave.com record number 110496217, retrieved 21 January 2018; Devillo Earl Currie, "U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018; Nellie Franck, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014", from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 21 January 2018.

The children of Devello Earl Currie and Celeste Minnie Clapp, born in Oxford Junction, Jones County, Iowa:

- i. Nellie F. Currie. She was born 5 April 1911 and died 24 January 2012 at age 100 years. Her married name was Franck.
- ii. James L. Currie. He was born 4 March 1913. He married to Mary A. Wolfe, who was born 10 November 1906 in Jones County, Iowa and died there on 21 August 2004. Her first married name was Hults. He died 20 November 1987 in Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa. They were buried at Pence Cemetery in Baldwin, Jackson County, Iowa.

James L. Currie, 74, of Oxford Junction, died Friday, November 20, 1987 at Finley Hospital in Dubuque. He was born March 4, 1913 at Oxford Junction, the son of Odvillo [sic, Devello] and Celesta [sic, Celeste] Clapp Currie. James was raised in the Baldwin area and graduated from Baldwin High School. He farmed south of

Baldwin for several years before beginning work at the Clinton Engine Company of Maquoketa. For the next 21 years, James lived on the farm near Baldwin and worked at Clinton Engine Company. On October 16, 1965 he married Mary Hults at Maquoketa and in 1969 they moved to Oxford Junction. He is survived by his wife, Mary, one daughter, Connie, Mrs. Robert Yarolem of Baldwin; one stepson William Hults of Anamosa; two stepdaughters, June, Mrs. Robert Peterson of Des Moines, and Betty, Mrs. Robert Hora of Anamosa; two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Franck of Maquoketa, and Thelma, Mrs. Lumir Vacek of Thompson, Illinois; four grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren, and four step-great grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents and two brothers. Funeral services were held Monday, November 23, at 1:30 p.m. at the Hayden Funeral Home in Oxford Junction, with burial in Pence Cemetery near Baldwin. The Rev. Glenn Bailey of Faith Methodist Church officiated. Pallbearers were James Yarolem, Randall Yarolem, Rusty Yarolem, Royce Currie, Allen Currie and Gale Currie.

- iii. Thelma Currie. She was born about 1916 and married Lumir Vacek.
- iv. John Currie. He was born about 1918.
- v. (son) Currie. He was an unnamed newborn at the time of the 1920 census enumeration.



Ann Halliday Currie  
Jackson County, Iowa about 1880



Elizabeth Currie Elliott  
Jackson County, Iowa about 1890



Eliza Jane Elliott & John Baptist DueMong  
Jackson County, Iowa Wedding Day 1878



John Baptist and Eliza Jane Elliott DueMong and family

From left and standing: Lena, Alma, Minnie (or Lettie), John Thomas, Lettie (or Minnie); in middle standing between her parents: Mary; in middle sitting between her parents: Edna



### **Halliday Family**

#### **George Halliday, cartwright, of Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Scotland 1754 – 1841**

##### **1. GEORGE HALLIDAY <sup>1</sup>**

He was born about 1754 in Fogorig, Fogo parish, Berwickshire, Scotland, the son of James Halliday. He was baptized on 31 March 1754 in the Fogo parish Church of Scotland. His baptism record stated: "George son to James Halliday Slyne in Fogorig was baptized Robert Turn-bul Tennant in Cairnmiln and George Steele wright in Bogend being witnesses." Bogend was a small village neighboring Cairn's Mill and both were about a mile northeast of the village of Fogorig, all in Berwickshire. The transcription of Slyne was uncertain, and if correct was indeterminable whether this referred to an occupation or placename such as Slyne in Lancaster, England. George Halliday married to ELIZABETH TAIT by 1783, although a marriage record was not located. In one of their children's baptismal record she was called Betty. The DueMong Manuscript had the couple identified as George Holiday and Elizabeth Heath. The baptismal records for their children had the surname rendered alternately as Holyday, Holiday, Hallyday, though the spelling Halliday was used consistently in the family by 1800.

Elizabeth Tait was born in Berwickshire, Scotland was baptized there on 10 December 1759 in the Langton parish Church of Scotland. She was the daughter of John Tait and Elizabeth Drysdal, who wed on 14 May 1747 at Eccles parish Church of Scotland in Berwickshire. George and Elizabeth Halliday resided in Swinton, Berwickshire, where four of their children were baptized. Swinton parish and Eccles parish both were on the southern border of Fogo parish, and Langton parish to its north. He family moved by 1798 to Port Bannatyne, a port town on the island of Bute, which was also the county or shire called Buteshire. Their home was in the parish of Rothesay until 1835, when the parish of North Bute formed. She died between 1798 and 1814 in Port Bannatyne. He was a widower and then residing in Port Bannatyne, Rothesay when he married secondly on 6 February 1814 to MARY BAXTER. She was born about 1781, the daughter of Archibald Baxter, a coltar from the town of Kilmachalmay and who was deceased by 1814. George Halliday was a cart wright and later a master cart wright and house proprietor in Port Bannatyne, which might have meant homeowner or type of leasor. He resided there in 1841 with his wife Mary Halliday and Janet Baxter, who was born about 1791 and ten years younger than Mary. George Halliday died sometime after the 1841 census enumeration at which time he was age 87 years.

Sources: Census of Scotland, 1841, from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 24 January 2018; George Halliday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 558/30 page 145 Rothesay, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; Elizabeth Halliday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 558/30 page 113 Rothesay, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; John Halliday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 558/30 page 131 Rothesay, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; Margaret Halliday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 558/30 page 123 Rothesay, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; John Halliday, National Records of Scotland,

Statutory registers Death 557/9, from Website Scotlandspeople. gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; Margaret Miller, National Records of Scotland, Statutory registers Death 558/126, from Website Scotlands people. gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; Ann Halliday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 558/00 0030 0138 Rothesay page 1, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; Elizabeth Holiday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Births 755/10 155 Swinton and Simprim page 155, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 28 January 2018; Janet Hallyday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Births 558/20 232 Rothesay page 232, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 28 January 2018; John Holiday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 775/10 page 163 Swinton and Simprim, from Website Scotlandspeople. gov.uk, retrieved 30 January 2018; Margaret Holiday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Births 775/10 page 170 Swinton and Simprim, from Website Scotlandspeople.gov.uk, retrieved 30 January 2018; James Holyday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Births 775/10 page 177 Swinton and Simprim, from Website Scotlandspeople. gov.uk, retrieved 4 February 2018; Elizabeth Taitt, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Births 747/10 page 20 (entry at top of page with limited visibility) at Langton, from Website Scotlandspeople. gov.uk, retrieved 5 February 2018; John Tait to Elizabeth Drysdal, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 737/10 page 307 Eccles, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 5 February 2018; DueMong Manuscript, by Edna DueMong Skelton of Orlando, Florida about late 1970s, and a mimeograph copy given to the author in 1980 and draft of the manuscript about 1975 from Edna DueMong Skelton, 315 East 4th Street, Rockfalls, Illinois 61071; Cemetery record of Ann Currie, Findagrave.com record number 17920025, retrieved 11 February 2018; Marriage record of Malcom Currie and Ann Halliday from the National Records of Scotland searchable online at Scotlandspeople.gov.uk, retrieved 24 January 2015.

The children of George Halliday and Elizabeth Tait, born in Swinton, Berwickshire, Scotland; Glasgow, Renfrewshire, Scotland; and Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Scotland:

- i. Elizabeth Halliday. She was born 25 April 1783 in Swinton, Berwickshire and married to John Menzies on 30 November 1801 in Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Isle of Bute, Scotland. He was the son of John Menzies of Greenock, Renfrew-shire near Glasgow.
- ii. John Halliday. He was born 15 November 1784 in Swinton, Berwickshire, Scotland. He married Catherine Currie on 23 February 1809 at Port Bannatyne, Rothesay in Buteshire. He died 10 May 1861 in Hamesburgh, North Bute parish, Isle of Bute, Buteshire, Scotland.
- iii. Margaret Halliday. She was born 11 August 1786 in Swinton, Berwickshire, Scotland. Her baptismal record in the Swinton and Simprim parish of the Church of Scotland in Berwickshire read: "August 17<sup>th</sup> 1786. Margaret lawful Daughter of George Holiday Wright in Swinton-hill and Eliz. Tait his spouse, born 11<sup>th</sup> Ulto." She married to William Miller on 23 April 1805 in Port Bannatyne, Rothesay. His occupation was slater, a skilled tradesman covering roofs in slate. She died 13 July 1866 at her residence, 20 Columbkil Street in Rothesay. Her son William Miller reported her death.
- iv. James Halliday. He was born 11 May 1788 in Swinton, Berwickshire, Scotland. He was baptized on 18 May the Swinton and Simprim parish of the Church of Scotland in Berwickshire: "James lawful son

- of Geo. Holyday Wright in Swinton-hill and Betty Tait his wife born 11<sup>th</sup> curr.”
- v. Ann Halliday. She was born 7 October 1794, and according to her daughter and granddaughter Ann was born in Glasgow, Renfrew county, Scotland although no record of her birth was located in Scotland. Glasgow was west of Berwick yet nearby Port Bannatyne. She married to Malcom Currie on 7 January 1812 in Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Isle of Bute and when he resided nearby in Inverchaolain parish, Argyll. She died 2 May 1882 in Jackson County, Iowa. **See Currie Family, 1.**
  - vi. Janet Halliday. She was born 4 April 1798 and baptized on 8 April in Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Scotland. Her baptismal record in the Rothesay parish of the Church of Scotland in Buteshire read: “Janet Daughter to George Hallyday Wright in Port Bannatyne and Elizabeth Tait his wife born 4<sup>th</sup> Bapd 8<sup>th</sup> Inst.”

## 2. JOHN HALLIDAY <sup>2</sup> (George<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 15 November 1784 in Swinton, Berwickshire, Scotland and baptized on 21 December 1784. His baptismal record from the Church of Scotland in Swinton and Simprim Parish, Berwickshire, read: “December 21<sup>st</sup> 1784. John lawful son Son of George Holiday Wright in Swinton-hill & Eliz. Tait his spouse born 15<sup>th</sup> Novr. last.” He married on 23 February 1809 at Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Isle of Bute, Scotland to CATHERINE CURRIE. She was the daughter of Malcom Currie of Inverchaolain parish in Argyll, Scotland. The Malcom Currie of Inverchaolain parish who married John Halliday’s sister, Ann, was possibly Catherine’s brother. In his marriage record John’s father was listed as George Halliday of Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Isle of Bute, Scotland. The family resided in 1841 on Shore Street in Port Bannatyne. He died 10 May 1861 in Hamesburgh, North Bute parish, Isle of Bute, Scotland. Shortly before his death, he had been enumerated in the 1861 census of North Bute and gave his birthplace as Berwickshire, Scotland. In 1851, he had reported his birthplace as Dunse, Roxburghshire, bordering Berwickshire. John was a widower and had been a cart wright, like his father. His son Malcolm Halliday reported his death.

Sources: Census of Scotland, 1841, 1851, 1861, from Website Ancestry.com, retrieved 24 January 2018; John Halliday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 558/30 page 131 Rothesay, from Website Scotlands people.gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; John Halliday, National Records of Scotland, Statutory registers Death 557/9, from Website Scotlandspeople.gov.uk, retrieved 8 January 2018; John Holiday, National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Registers Marriages 775/10 page 163 Swinton and Simprim, from Website Scotlandspeople.gov.uk, retrieved 30 January 2018.

The children of John Halliday and Catherine Currie, born in Port Bannatyne, Rothesay, Isle of Bute, Scotland:

- i. George Halliday. He was born about 1821.
- ii. Mary Halliday. She was born about 1826.
- iii. Archibald Halliday. He was born about 1827.
- iv. Malcom Halliday.

## **Board Family**

### **Cornelius Board, miner, of Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey 1690 – 1745**

#### **1. CORNELIUS BOARD <sup>1</sup>**

The year was 1730, some nine decades after the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth Plantation, and two generations before the hostilities of a colonial revolution. At issue was the raw resource of copper ore needed for English industry, and the intention of Lord Stirling to discover, mine, and ship the vital material back to England via his American land holdings. <sup>1</sup> A chief beneficiary of Stirling's plan would be Cornelius Board, described as an "adventuresome Englishman" <sup>2</sup> who was a civil engineer and surveyor. <sup>3</sup> Board had the ideal background, qualifications and disposition to make Stirling's idea work. In 1730, Board left England <sup>4</sup> and settled in Bloomfield, Essex County, Jersey whence begun his quest for ore. <sup>5</sup> A quest for copper mines that brought Cornelius to America likely started in Wales, nearby his English home. **See Table 2.3.**

Cornelius Board was born about the 1690s, probably in England where he resided in Whiteparish, Wiltshire in southern England by 1719. He married ELIZABETH KERVILL on 20 June 1719 at the Salisbury Cathedral of the Church of England in Wiltshire, England. Both resided in Whiteparish in Wiltshire, England when they wed. He might have had a family connection to the Board family of Sussex, although no evidence was located to support this claim which was most prominently published in 1901 by Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole. These authors stated that Cornelius's wife Elizabeth was Welsh, although no evidence was located for this claim, either. Like Sussex, Wiltshire was in southern England and the lack of deeper Board records in Wiltshire indicated Cornelius Board's family likely originated elsewhere.

By 1690, the rolling, green meadows of Sussex, not far from England's southern shoreline, had for centuries been the home of various Board families. Among the earliest of these Boards was Sir Stephen Boorde, a Knight of England during the twilight of the medieval age. Among those who preceded Cornelius were found a Member of Parliament, and holders of vast estates, such as Boorde Hill. <sup>7</sup> No longer the residence of the Boord family, Boorde Hill remained intact as of 2000 with the original manor house and sprawling gardens that were open to the public. <sup>8</sup> These Boards were an arms-bearing family and these same arms were thought to have been brought to America by Cornelius Board, as this coat of arms <sup>9</sup> was located in Boston on an 18<sup>th</sup> century silver piece. Although there was no proof of his parentage, there was a degree of certainty that Cornelius originated from this Sussex family. Other circumstances tended to support this notion. Primarily, to be a civil engineer and surveyor, Board would have had to come from a background of education and privilege. He would also have had to been well connected to, or part of, the aristocracy to have been placed in Lord Stirling's service.

The Boord, or Board, name was derived from the Old French, translating as 'of or from the cottage'. <sup>10</sup> Given the proximity of Sussex to the French coastline, the first Board (or 'de la Borde') might have been of French extraction, probably arriving with the Norman Conquest of England in 1066. (One descendant's name, Byron Board, was a redundant literal translation

from Old French; both first and last name meaning 'of the cottage'.) The given name of Cornelius was peculiar for 17<sup>th</sup> century England. One might suppose that Cornelius's father was an educated man, as the name Cornelius was a Latin name and not found in the general populace. In New Jersey Cornelis was a common given name among the Dutch. And even though Cornelius's children intermarried with prominent Dutch families, none were given Dutch or Latin names by their father.



Silver piece with Board coat of arms

Cornelius Board took to the mountains of northern New Jersey and southern New York in 1730 under the patronage of Lord Stirling to discover his copper ore. <sup>11</sup> "Board failed to find any additional copper mines and settled at Little Falls where he built a grist mill," according to Edward R. Hewitt, whose family later purchased the Board properties and forge. <sup>12</sup> Board's search ]became successful as "Indians [Lenni-Lenape] told Board of the existence of outcrops of iron ore in the hills and showed him the country. He found many large and rich ore outcrops extending over a wide range of country." <sup>13</sup> After

searching the Ramapo Valley for ore, Board's discovery at one of the headwaters of the Ramapo creek was dubbed Sterling. A forge was erected there in 1736.<sup>14</sup> The significance of Board's find was described in *The National Cyclopaedia of American Biography*: the iron ore "which, until the discovery of Iron Mountain, Missouri, more than a century later, was considered the largest body of iron ore in America."<sup>15</sup>

The colorful history of the Sterling ironworks goes back to the year 1736. Cornelius Board (said to have been an agent for the Earl of Stirling) wandered up the Taughpompapack River in the Ramapo Mountains to the mouth of a small pond, searching for mineral deposits. The river later became known as the Ringwood River and the pond as Sterling Lake. Board discovered outcroppings of iron ore at the southwest end of Sterling Lake. Today, the shafts of the Sterling and Lake mines lie here. On October 1, 1736, Board obtained by warrant from John Burnet, an East Jersey Proprietor, a tract of 100 acres for himself and his partner Timothy Ward. On November 10, he acquired an additional 50 acres from Burnet. Soon after Board and Ward erected a bloomery, where they produced the first iron made at Sterling and in 1738 they built a forge. On February 13, 1739, they acquired from Burnet 10 small tracts of land in the Sterling area, ranging from 1/2 to 10 acres, totaling 27.72 acres. Presumably these tracts were bought to provide additional locations for waterpower and mining operations. All of these property acquisitions from Burnet were believed to have been within the limits of Bergen County, New Jersey, at that time.

The partition line between the provinces of New York and New Jersey, a subject of much controversy over the years, was not settled until 1769, when a commission appointed by George III of Great Britain determined its position. According to the new boundary, the Sterling ironworks was located in New York rather than in New Jersey. Property owners, like those who owned the Sterling works, found themselves in an awkward situation. They sought to confirm their property rights. On September 26, 1772 the General Assembly of New Jersey passed an act upholding the titles of those who had purchased their land from the East Jersey Proprietors or from those whose land had originally been a proprietary grant. Among all those property owners who were named in this New Jersey Act were: Cornelius Board, Timothy Ward, William Smith, William Hawxhurst, and James Burling, all of whom at one time or another were owners or part owners of the Sterling ironworks. By 1774, when all controversies had been settled, the commissioners marked the state line with large stones. Some of these boundary markers are still in place in 1993.

In 1740, Cornelius Board sold out his interests at Sterling to his partner Timothy Ward and moved to Ringwood. Ward seems to have had a silent partner named Colton, with whom the purchase was made. On July 23, 1740, a total of 370.9 acres was surveyed to 'Timothy Ward, William Smith and Company' in the Sterling area. It is possible that Ward was involved in two separate land ventures in the region at the same time. Two months earlier, on May 2, 1740, a deed in the nature of a quitclaim for 100 acres at Sterling was given by William Smith, James Alexander (see below regarding the Lord Stirling), and John Chambers to Colton and Ward. A little over a year later, Colton and Ward deeded the parcel to Edward Burling. Edward Burling then deeded to Samuel Burling an eighth part of this land with covenants on July 18, 1742, for £315 British Pounds. The last four property transactions were

among those whose titles were affirmed by an act of the New Jersey General Assembly passed September 26, 1772.

In the early days the name of the works was sometimes spelled 'Stirling' but when the noted surveyor, Charles Clinton, was laying out the Cheesecocks Patent, between 1735 and 1749, he entered the name of the ironworks as 'Sterling' rather than 'Stirling'. Clinton's field record, called the 'Marble Book', because of its marbled covers, was in the possession of the Townsend family until 1919, when McGrane Cox, who had married into the family, gave it to the Orange County planning board in Goshen, New York. The Cheesecocks Patent, granted by the Indians to a group of New York merchants in 1702 and confirmed by Queen Anne on March 25, 1707, covered a huge tract of land in the southern part of Orange County. After he surveyed the patent, Clinton, according to his instructions, divided the property into fair shares for each of the patentees. Three tracts of land containing 131 ¼ acres at Sterling were resurveyed May 7, 1750 by James Burling. Ward and Colton are believed to have hired a stone mason, Peter Green, the following year to build the first furnace at Sterling. In 1752, the Nobles built a forge near the furnace, turning out their first anchors in 1753 (pages 177-179).<sup>16</sup>

James Alexander, or Lord Stirling, was the patron of Cornelius Board. Lord Stirling was not a remote Scottish noble, but a New Jersey settler himself whose only son, William Alexander, not only inherited his title but fought for New Jersey's independence as a General in the American Revolution. The story of William Alexander was in *Lord Stirling* by Alan Valentine. It described James Alexander's role in early New Jersey and refuted such myths that he was part of the 1715 Scottish Jacobite rebellion and among those who were thereafter cast out to America.<sup>17</sup>

On October 24, 1715, James Alexander was in New York, for on that date his commission as Surveyor General of East Jersey was confirmed. A few days later James Alexander presented in person that commission to the Provincial Council of East Jersey, sitting at Perth Amboy (page 6). The character and ability of James Alexander would probably by themselves have won him a successful career in the colonies, but no so rapidly without impressive credentials. Perhaps it was by supplying them that the Duke of Argyll had helped him. For he could not have been in America more than a few months at most when he was appointed Surveyor General of East Jersey. *Qualified civil engineers were in short supply and great demand in the colonies* [emphasis added; this described Cornelius Board], but so important an appointment would not have been given so soon to an unknown young Scot, no matter how able. Nor would he have been so rapidly accepted into New York's tight little circle of the governing elite without some distinguished sponsorship (page 7)...Within two years Stirling was Surveyor General not only of the royal province of East Jersey but of the royal province of New York as well - the only man who had held both these posts concurrently. Within another year, in 1718, he became Secretary-Recorder of the province of New York, a position to which his friend William Smith later pronounced to be 'the best school for instruction in matters of government.' By 1720 he qualified as a practicing attorney, and became a member of the New York Provincial Council (page 8).

Alexander married to Maria Sprat, the granddaughter of Johannes De Peyster and consequently became "well entrenched in the top level of the Dutch mercantile and patroon families that formed, with the English aristocracy, New York's elite (page 9).<sup>18</sup>

In 1750 there had been only two mines producing iron in the province of New York. One of these was owned by a syndicate headed by James Alexander's old colleague William Smith. The other, at Ancram, was owned by William Alexander's relations the Livingstons. The Smith mine, located on land just north of the disputed boundary between New York and New Jersey, bore the name of the Sterling Iron Works, though Lord Stirling had no direct connection with it. Later, after war with Britain broke out, it was the Sterling Iron Works which produced the heavy links of iron chain, weighing in all 186 tons, which were laboriously conveyed by wagons to West Point and there welded together and stretched across the Hudson River to prevent incursion by British warships. Lord Stirling did have a part in that undertaking (page 119).

While Board was establishing a mining operation in the Ramapo, another family was already well established in the north of Jersey. As Hewitt describes: "The Schuylers were, at that time [1730], profitably mining copper ore at Belleville, New Jersey."<sup>19</sup> Arent Schuyler, the head of this mining family died in 1730. He was the son of the founder of Albany, New York, and a landholder who owned much of what is now Newark, New Jersey and the Meadowlands. These two important New Jersey mining families, responsible for the earliest mining in the New Jersey-New York border area, intermarried the following generation when James Board, son of Cornelius, and Ann Schuyler, granddaughter of Arent, married and settled at the Board estate in Ringwood. The first born of this union was Phillip Board, the Kentucky pioneer.<sup>20</sup>

The story of the Board settlement in America was best related by Cornelius' son, James Board, who gave a sworn deposition during the proceedings of *Wawayanda vs. Cheesecocks*. This case was begun on May 19, 1785, to determine the land boundaries of the Wawayanda land patent, which was not explicit to determine exactly where it began and where it ended, although nearly two hundred thousand acres were claimed in the patent. This boundary was important in that it delineated New York from New Jersey.<sup>21</sup> One of the commissioners appointed to determine the colonial boundaries was James Alexander, also known as Lord Stirling.<sup>22</sup> Testifying in the Yelverton barn in Chester, Orange County, New York, Board here met Alexander Hamilton, who would later become Secretary of the Treasury, and his co-counsel, Aaron Burr. Burr later became Vice-President of the United States, and then killed Hamilton in a duel in 1804. Hamilton and Board were related through marriage as their wives, Ann and Elizabeth Schuyler, who were cousins.<sup>23</sup> Board deposed:

Aged 65, born in England, came with his parents in the year 1730, his father was sent to discover copper mines and he discovered Stirling, and purchased 150 acres under New Jersey of John Barnet (in 1736 made a purchase of 50 acres and afterwards the whole) the oar end stream or outlet of the stream. A little after they built a Bloomery, in 1738 the forge was built and going; in the year 1740 removed to Ringwood." In regards to the patent at hand, Board stated he "always understood the Mountains along by the east side of Smith Clove to be the Highlands, and so accounted by



people his way. Sterling was never called or deemed to be in the Highlands but the Mountains east of Sidmons or Smiths Clove; the Mountains west called by particular names, and ridge below called Ramapo Mountain extends twelve miles. The mountains west toward Warwick were called the Warwick Mountains, the Sugar Loaf called by that name ever since his remembrance.

Of the forge sold in 1740, Board said: "Soon after the forge got a going his father sold to Colden & Ward," and moved to the New Jersey side of the Ramapos.<sup>24</sup> Edward Hewitt described the initial purchase of Board mining land: "Cornelius Board secured fifty acres of land at the outlet of Stirling Lake from the East Jersey Proprietors, as this region was at the time considered part of New Jersey." Hewitt noted that "this title was verified by an Act passed in 1772 to confirm the titles to settlers along the New Jersey boundary just established by the Royal Commission."<sup>25</sup>

The iron works that Board established in northern New Jersey was in Bergen County, later Passaic County.<sup>26</sup> He located in the town of Ringwood, by which name the iron works was known throughout its many owners, and he also founded the adjacent town of Boardville, in Pompton Township.<sup>27</sup> This was where Board settled permanently and "became one of the largest land owners in the Pompton valley."<sup>28</sup> The second iteration of the home of Ringwood Manor was begun in 1810, and in 1936 was donated to the State of New Jersey for use as a state park. A 579-acre estate surrounds Ringwood, a rambling mansion of fifty-one rooms.<sup>29</sup> As detailed below, the iron works was passed through a succession of owners: from Board, to the Ogden family, to Peter Hansclever, to Robert Erskine, to the Ryerson family, to Peter Cooper, and finally to Abram Hewitt. Mining ceased in 1931, and in 1936 the property was donated by its final private owner, Erskine Hewitt.<sup>30</sup> Edward Hewitt in his book *Ringwood Manor, The Home of the Hewitts*, verified 1740 as the date of the beginning of Ringwood Iron Works by Cornelius Board. He stated:<sup>31</sup>

Board built an iron forge at Ringwood in 1740. This was located below the dam of the mill pond beyond the gate entering the Manor grounds. Cornelius Board took up the land of the Ringwood valley, and also along the Long Pond River, later building his own house at Boardville, where the Long Pond River and the Ringwood River join. The land later became my own farm.

The success of this operation can be attributed to the ideal circumstances at Ringwood. "The iron men succeeded because close together were the elements in colonial iron making: abundant ore, ample woodlands and swiftly-flowing streams to supply the power."<sup>32</sup> Board's interest was apparently more in mining than managing. About 1742 he sold his New Jersey forge, as he had his New York forge in the previous decade. Hewitt wrote of the new owner: "The Ogden family of Newark bought the forge from Cornelius Board about 1742, and built an iron furnace at Ringwood, which was located where the bank above the old dairy is cut by the present waterfall." The Ogden named the mining enterprise 'The Ringwood Company.'<sup>33</sup> The reason for the sale has not been documented, but Cornelius may have known he was in ill health and chose to sell his firm rather than continue the daily operations. He wrote his Will in January 1745, and died later that same year. Cornelius was not an elderly man; if born in 1690, he would have been age 55 years at the time of his death.<sup>34</sup>

James Ransom in 1966 published *Vanishing Ironworks of the Ramapos: The Story of the Forges, Furnaces, and Mines of the New Jersey-New York Border Area*. He described the humble beginnings of this industry when "iron miners

took to the those hills as early as 1736, when Cornelius Board first sank his pick into the slopes at Sterling, New York." Then, "Four years later he sold out his New York interest and took up mining in the Ringwood area of northern New Jersey." Ransom placed Board's accomplishments in proper historical perspective when he stated: "Just as the Sterling venture probably was the first ironworks in New York, so the Ringwood operation was the first in the New Jersey section of the Ramapos." These initial mining centers gave rise to a much larger regional industry. "Many others followed in the passing decades. Mr. Ransom has found seventy-five distinct mines in the area of nearly 403 miles on either side of the New York-New Jersey line."

Board sold out his interest in the Sterling ironworks in 1740 to Ward and moved to the Ringwood area where, on February 28, he had purchased three tracts of land from the Proprietors of East Jersey. The largest of the three pieces of land contained 246.76 acres and reached all the way from the junction of the Ringwood and Long Pond rivers to the vicinity of the millpond and manor house at Ringwood. There he promptly erected a forge about a half mile south of the manor house, on what became Cooper Union property. He built his home on the second tract, 28.13 acres on the southern boundary of the first tract. The third parcel, slightly more than 30 acres, lay on a hill east of the first and largest tract. In less than two weeks' time after acquiring the three tracts, Board was busy securing more property. On March 11, 1740, he purchased two pieces, totaling ten acres, lying to the west of his largest tract. Although small in size, they were rich in iron deposits. By now Board had acquired extensive holdings at Ringwood, which early deeds often referred to as 'Board's Plantation.'

Curiously, on April 15, 1740, he sold sixteen acres of his recently acquired property to the Ogden family of Newark, New Jersey, for £63 British Pounds sterling, though he had owned the land for less than two months. This particular tract was located just to the north of the junction of the Long Pond and Ringwood rivers, and probably the ironworks which became known as the 'lower forge' was built soon after. The Ogdens also bought land from the Proprietors of East Jersey that month.

There were nine tracts involved in this transaction, the largest being 165.78 acres lying north of the manor house. The greater part of this was on the west side of Long Hill, but a portion of it extended to the Ringwood River, with a very narrow strip following north along the river to the present state line. The small red house, which still stands, and the millpond at both there. Five of the other tracts were located along the Long Pond River near Board's home. Another was situated to the northeast of the forge site on the Cooper Union property. This was a 40 acre tract upon which the Ogdens were soon to erect a furnace. The other two tracts, where some mining was done, were small, less than three acres each, and north of the manor house on Long Hill. Ransom detailed each specific mine that comprised the early iron industry in New Jersey. Among these was the following: <sup>35</sup>

Board Mine. Located on top of a knoll about two miles northeast of old Boardville (a community now submerged beneath the Wanaque Reservoir), this mine is over a mile west of Ringwood. It was opened in 1872. By the end of 1873, the ore, mined and shipped, totaled 11,000 tons. The vein was 9 feet wide and had been worked for a length of 100 feet to a depth of 70 feet. The mine remained idle from 1875 to 1882 and was abandoned late in 1884, after being worked intermittently during the intervening two-year period. Again the depressed state of the iron market caused a stoppage. A second opening made to the northeast of the

main one was not worked to any great extent. While the mine was in operation in 1884, the lessee, Joseph L. Cunningham, amassed over 4,000 tons of ore stock on the mine bank. In 2004, all that could be seen was two caved-in pits and a small dump (page 290).

With the acquisition of these properties, the Ogdens formed the famous Ringwood Company and in 1742 built the first blast furnace to be erected there, thus becoming the first volume producers of iron. Little was known about the operations at the Ringwood Company's ironworks during the twenty year period through 1760, except that the Ogdens acquired a new partner, Nicholas Gouvernour, who advertised in the *Pennsylvania Journal*, May 24, 1759, the sale of refined and stamped bar iron, and some 'Share' molds made at Ringwood. Gouvernour claimed in his advertisement that the quality of the iron was so excellent that it was most suitable for shipbuilding and 'country work.' This iron was judged the equal of the best Swedish iron which had a worldwide reputation for the finest quality.

In 1762, the Ogdens built a new furnace at Ringwood. Two stones from this early Colonial stack still survive and have the year '1762' marked on them. One can be seen on the ground at the southeast side of the manor house wing at Ringwood. The other was discovered in the cellar of the house, coincidentally, just two hundred years after the building of the furnace. The first mentioned stone had the initials 'D.B.' and the latter bears the initials 'H.M.' The 'D.B.' stands for David Board, the son of Cornelius, who was the furnace master as Ringwood. Although it was more than likely that the stones forming the cascade by the driveway are also from the same stack, these two stones were the only definite remaining traces of this old Ogden furnace that helped make the name of the Ringwood Company so well known in Colonial America.

According to the account book of the Ringwood Company kept by the Ogdens from November 14, 1760 through April 11, 1764, David Ogden, Sr., David Ogden, Jr., and Nicholas Gouvernour 'settled up and closed' the Ringwood works on December 10, 1763. The Ogdens and Gouvernour must have continued to purchase land, either for their own use or for company purposes, as they were listed as buying six-and-a-half acres for £6 British Pounds, 10 shillings on February 1, 1764, from Joseph Board, the son of Cornelius. They also acquired from the same owner "a tract of land scituate lying and being at Ringwood, near the Old Forge and dwelling house of Walter Erwin." Apparently the settling up and closing described in the Ogdens' account book was preliminary to offering the Ringwood Company works for sale on the open market. An advertisement in the *New York Mercury*, March 5, 1764, seemed to point to this. The properties and access to shipping facilities were clearly described:

To Be Sold. A new well built furnace; good iron mines near the same; two forges - one with three, the other with two fires - a saw mill, several dwelling houses and coal houses; and several tracts of land adjoining; and forges are situated on a good stream 28 miles from Acquakanung landing and 36 from Newark. Whoever inclines to purchase the same may apply to Nicholas Gouvernour in New York; or to David Ogden, Sr., Samuel Gouvernour and David Ogden, Jr., at Newark who will agree for the same' (pages 29-31).

Of the colorful and powerful figures associated with New Jersey mining, none was greater than Peter Hansclever,<sup>36</sup> the successor to the Ogden family as owner of Ringwood. He was:<sup>37</sup>

A self-made German who learned his iron-making while working as a boy and young man in a steel mill in his native Germany. Hansclever became a British citizen in 1763, at the age of forty-seven, and promptly formed an investment company. He looked to America for his future, deliberately seeking iron, unlike so many who believed that the only thing worth mining was gold.

Hansclever "was sure of himself even before he sailed from England. He hired forgemen, furnacemen, miners and others in Germany and arranged for their passage to America. He arrived in New York in the late spring of 1764." He then bought the Ringwood ironworks and acquired up to 50,000 acres of land in northern New Jersey. "He spent lavishly and he lived well: his indulgences in his wilderness stronghold earned him the name of 'Baron.'" <sup>38</sup> As to the scope of Hansclever's work, in 18 months after acquiring the Ringwood Company, he had built a mining complex of more than 65 buildings, shops, furnaces and forges, and brought in 535 German miners and their families to operate the works. <sup>39</sup> Hansclever was credited with having created an enthusiasm for the northern New Jersey mountains and for the black stone within them. <sup>40</sup> In 1771, the Ringwood mining operation passed to the third successor of Cornelius Board. Robert Erskine, the new owner, soon afterwards became noted as the geographer and surveyor-general to the Continental Army. <sup>41</sup> During this crucial period in American history, Ringwood played an important role in arming the rebellious colonies. <sup>42</sup>

The products of Ringwood's furnaces and forges were of great importance to the Colonies during the American Revolution. During the war, troops were stationed here and Ringwood Manor saw many military personages. General George Washington made it his headquarters on several occasions and his horses were shod in the old blacksmith shop. Robert Erskine, manager of the Ringwood Mines and Surveyor General for the American Army, prepared many maps here for Washington in his military campaigns.

Robert Erskine's tenure of ownership was the period of Ringwood history most noted for the legends and tales surrounding the mine and the owner himself. He died October 2, 1780, and was buried on the property overlooking the lake. <sup>43</sup> Erskine's ghost "is said to have sat on top of his vault on pitch black nights, and it is told that he escorted passersby down the road as far as the old bridge, a blue lantern clanking against his leg bone." <sup>44</sup> Also, a ghost was also said to haunt the manor house: "It was said to enter the house on stormy nights, slam the front door and walk up the stairs and stop- never to make another sound until it reappears at a future date to repeat the visit." <sup>45</sup> Erskine's and his mines' service to the country during the war was remembered by General George Washington who together with his wife planted a tree at the Erskine gravesite in 1782. <sup>46</sup>

More widely debated than the celebrated ghosts was the exact nature of Ringwood products in the benefit of the American Revolution. Although cannon balls and musket balls were undoubtedly furnished, it was popularly claimed that the great chains that spanned the Hudson River at West Point were manufactured at Ringwood. From the 1901 Board history by Treman, reads: "It is absolutely certain that this first Stirling forge was the beginning of the works that later made iron for cannon balls used during the American Revolution; also for the great chain stretched across the Hudson at West Point." <sup>47</sup> A descendant of Cornelius Board, Frank Durland, stated in a 1933 article titled "The Board Pioneers" that Ringwood produced "one of the great chains (perhaps the final one) which was stretched across the Hudson." <sup>48</sup> He

cited the "Public Papers of George Clinton" as his source for information concerning a contract for the purchase of a chain "in length 500 feet, each link 2 feet long to be made of the best sterling iron."<sup>49</sup> Ransom in *Vanishing Ironworks* believed the chain across the Hudson (used to thwart British ships from entering the interior of New York) was not from Ringwood.<sup>50</sup> Among the relics of the Ringwood iron-making days were "an anvil and trip hammer from the Hewitt forge, a deck gun from the frigate *U.S.S. Constitution*, and a Civil War mortar, the carriage of which was made by the Hewitts under a 'rush order' issued by President Lincoln."<sup>51</sup> There was also a replica of a water wheel on the site once occupied by an iron forge. Passage of ownership from the Erskine family to the Ryerson family dates to "about 1807."<sup>52</sup> Although the iron works history was relatively uneventful during Ryerson ownership, Ringwood did contribute to the war effort again in the manufacture of ordinance for the American troops in the War of 1812.<sup>53</sup>

In 1853, a decade before the outbreak of the Civil War, the Ryerson family sold Ringwood to Peter Cooper, "New York philanthropist best known as founder of the Cooper Union Institute",<sup>54</sup> who had made his fortune manufacturing glue. Cooper no doubt purchased the Ringwood works to serve as a source of raw ore for his Trenton Iron Company.<sup>55</sup> Soon after the purchase his daughter Amelia decided "to make Ringwood their country residence."<sup>56</sup> At this time the manor consisted of the Ryerson house- now the west wing. Ringwood Manor passed upon the death of Peter Cooper to his daughter Amelia and her husband, Abram S. Hewitt.<sup>57</sup> Hewitt became actively involved in the operation of Ringwood's mines and has been described as "America's foremost iron master of the 19<sup>th</sup> century." Abram S. Hewitt was born in Haverstraw, New York, in 1822. "He became a friend of the Cooper family when he tutored Peter's son, Edward. He married Cooper's daughter, Amelia, in 1855."<sup>58</sup> Hewitt was not only the son-in-law of Peter Cooper, but his business partner as well, taking over Cooper's mining interests in Ringwood after Cooper's decease in 1883. In addition to his businesses Hewitt was elected Mayor of New York City in 1887.<sup>59</sup>

Ringwood Manor, a fifty-one room mansion, was used by the Hewitts as a summer home, while residing the remainder of the year in New York City. During the Cooper ownership the Manor house was enlarged (primarily between 1854 and 1878) and beautiful gardens were added:<sup>60</sup>

The west end of the house is the oldest part of the present building. Additions were made by moving up nearby buildings and attaching them to the main house. The structure was given assemblance of unity by Mrs. Hewitt who built a new roof over the tops of the assembled buildings. An economical woman, she stuccoed the house to avoid paying bills. The manor is surrounded by formal gardens which were developed by Mrs. Hewitt.

The lake near the house was constructed in 1895.<sup>61</sup> With the passing of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Hewitt, the Manor became the property of Mr. Erskine Hewitt, about 1930. In 1936, Hewitt deeded the Manor and its property to the State of New Jersey, which now maintains it. In 1967, Ringwood Manor was designated a Registered National Historic Landmark. The Manor as of 2004 was open to the public as a museum and park, and preserved and decorated in the original 19<sup>th</sup> century style.<sup>62</sup>

When the mining operations closed in 1931 it was estimated that "the dozen mines which were known as the Ringwood group have yielded as much as 2.5 million long tons of ore during almost two centuries of operation."<sup>63</sup> Ransom wrote that they closed, "not because the ore ran out, but because railroads reached into other regions and brought out ore or iron products so much less

expensive.”<sup>64</sup> A statement written in a 1969 newspaper article nicely summarized the contribution of Cornelius Board, whose mines produced iron ore from 1740 until 1931: “the history of the manor and the mines at Ringwood is the history of the development and early blossoming of this nation’s iron industry in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century.”<sup>65</sup> An account of Cornelius Board and his land transactions outlined above was compiled and published in the 1901 history by Ebenezer Mack Treman. The author also quoted a summary published in “The History of Iron in all Ages in Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society for 1891.”<sup>66</sup>

Cornelius Board was searching for cooper mines and bought, in 1732, 150 acres of land, half a mile along the Passaic River, at Little Falls, evidently in connection with a proposed iron industry. He also bought in 1737 several tracts of land along the Wanaque and Ringwood Rivers, evidently for the iron in them and for water power. He sold in 1740, to Ringwood Company- the Ogdens of Newark- 16 acres at Ringwood for £63 British Pounds.

In *The History of Orange County, New York* by E.M. Ruttenber and L.H. Clark, it stated: “Cornelius Board and his sons owned the land in Pompton valley, consisting of some fifteen hundred acres.”<sup>67</sup> The deed of most historical significance was the 1732 deed showing the purchase of 150 acres by Cornelius Board. This deed was recorded at Perth Amboy, New Jersey in Liber K, folio 260 and was included in Treman’s 1901 history.

Deed. This indenture made the seventeenth day of August in the year one thousand seven hundred thirty-two, between John Burnett of the City of Perth Amboy in the Province of New Jersey, merchant of the one part, and Cornelius Board, of the County of Essex, and Province aforesaid, Gent., of the other part, witnesseth that the said John Burnett, for and in consideration of the sum of sixty-seven pounds ten shillings current money at eight shillings per oz. to him in hand paid by the said Cornelius Board. The receipt whereof, he, the said John Burnett doth hereby acknowledge, and himself to be therewith fully satisfied and contented for himself, his executors and administrators forever, doth by these presents acquit, release and discharge the said Cornelius Board, his executors and administrators forever. He, the said John Burnett, Hath granted, bargained, sold, released and confirmed to the said Cornelius Board, his heirs and assigns, one hundred and fifty acres of land in common in the Eastern Division of the Province of New Jersey to be taken up, surveyed and ascertained to the said Cornelius Board, his heirs and assigns, at his or their election any place or places unappropriated in the said Eastern Division of New Jersey being, part of the said John Burnett, his second Dividend of Land in common in the said Eastern Division of New Jersey in right of the half Proprietary which he holds and is seized of in virtue of conveyance Robert Gordon Cluny. Together with all and all manner of woods, underwoods, trees, mines-minerals, Quarries, Hawkings, Huntings, Fowlings, Buildings, Hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever unto the same, one hundred and fifty acres of Land belonging or in any wise appurtenaning, and all the Estate, right, title, interest, possession, property, claim and demand whatsoever in Equity as in Law of him,

the said John Burnett, of, into or out of the said bargained premises or any part or parcel thereof. To Have and to Hold the said one hundred and fifty acres of land and premises and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances unto Him, the said Cornelius Board, his heirs and assigns to the sole and only proper use, benefit and behoof of him, the said Cornelius Board, his heirs and assigns forever, and the said John Burnett for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators doth covenant and agree to, and with the said Cornelius Board, his heirs and assigns, that the said John Burnett at the time of the sealing and delivering of these presents is lawfully and rightfully seized of the said bargained, one hundred and fifty acres of Land and premises of a good, sure, perfect, absolute and indefeasable Estate of Inheritance in the Land in fee simple and hath in himself, good right, full power and lawful authority to grant, bargain and sell the same to the said Cornelius Board, his heirs and assigns in manner as aforesaid.

In Witness whereof the parties to the present Indentures have interchangeably set their hands and seals the day and year above written. Sealed and delivered in the presence of Rob. Montgomerie, Thos. Jackman.

John Burnett (seal)

Be it remembered that on the seventeenth day of August, 1732, came before me, Thomas Jackman, one of the Witnesses to the within Deed and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he saw John Burnett, party to the within Deed, seal and deliver the same as his act and deed.

K. L. Hooper

May 10th, 1733, returned the within to Cornelius Board - at the little falls of Pisaack [Passaic].<sup>68</sup>

By James Alexander, Surveyor-General

Board's iron works was sold to the Ogden family of Newark, New Jersey. From records in the office of the Secretary of State at Trenton, New Jersey: "Cornelius Board and Elizabeth, his wife, gave a deed April 15, 1740, to Josiah Ogden and others of 16 acres at Ringwood." The witness to the transaction was James Board.<sup>69</sup>

Cornelius Board died in 1745 at his residence in Boardville, Bergen, County, New Jersey, probably near the age 55 years. The Board property was to be ultimately distributed to his three sons James, David, and Joseph who all remained in Boardville. His three sons all raised large families, creating a large and prominent Board clan in Bergen, later Passaic, County. In addition to the nearly two dozen Board grandchildren from the three sons, Cornelius and Elizabeth were the parents of six daughters from which other descendant groups flourished.<sup>70</sup>

The Will of Cornelius Board was filed with the State of New Jersey and indexed in the *New Jersey Calendar of Wills 1730-1750*, as was the subsequent settlement of his estate.<sup>71</sup>

In the name of God, Amen. I, Cornelius Board, of the County of Bergen, in the Eastern Division of the Province of New Jersey, Yeoman, being sick and weak of body, but of sound disposing memory and understanding, thanks be to God for the same, calling to mind the uncertainty of life and

certainly of death, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following:

First - I recommend my precious and immortal soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it me, and my body to the earth to be there interred at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter mentioned.

Item - It is my will that all my just debts and funeral charges be truly satisfied and paid in some convenient time after my Decease, for the doing of which I do hereby invest my Executors or Trustees with full power to sell and dispose of all the lands that I have a lawful right to in the County of Essex, and likewise a certain tract or Parcel of land in the County of Morris which I purchased of William Davenport, and all the land that I have a just right unto above the small tract I formerly sold to the Oggdens, commonly called the Falls in the County of Bergen, and to give lawful Deeds for the same, and if the money accruing upon the sale of the lands as above be not sufficient to pay my just debts and funeral charges, then and in such case I do hereby invest my Executors and Trustees with further power, that is to say, to sell and dispose of so much of my Personal Estate as will make it sufficient to pay my just debts and funeral charges as above said.

Item - I give, devise and bequeath to my Eldest son, James Board, the sum of twenty shillings current money in full Bar and satisfaction of all or any manner of claims he can or may have to my Real Estate, as being my Eldest son and heir-at-law.

Item - I give, devise and bequeath unto my kind and loving wife, Elizabeth Board, my best feather bed with its furniture, and it is my will that my said wife shall have the sole management and receive all the incomes of the Farm or Plantation which I shall hereinafter give, devise and bequeath unto my youngest son, Joseph Board, until my said son Joseph come to the age of twenty-one years, if she remain so long my widow, and after my said son Joseph is arrived at the age of twenty-one years, it is my will that my said wife shall have what room she please to live in his house and a comfortable and decent maintenance from his Farm or Plantation so long as she remain my widdow, and if she so remain durement her natural life.

Item - I give, devise and bequeath unto my eldest son, James Board, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all that part of my said Plantation on which I now liveth, being at a place called or known by the name of Ringwood in the County of Bergen that lyeth on the west side of the Long Pond River, and likewise another small tract or parcel of land lying between the said Plantation on which I now live, and the land of Phillip Pise on the east side of said Long Pond River, and likewise the just and full sum of forty pounds lawful money of New Jersey to be paid unto him by his brother Joseph, or his heirs, executors or administrators within one year after his said brother Joseph comes to the age of twenty-one years.



Item - I give, devise and bequeath unto my son, David Board, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all that part of my Plantation on which I now liveth scituate lying and being as above that lyeth in the fork of the Long Pond River, and the Eastermost part of the Iron work or Furnace River, and likewise all that part of my said plantation on which I now live, that lyeth above the lowermost fork of the said Iron work or Furnace River, that is to say, all that is above the line that begins at said fork and running due east to the rear line of the entire tract or Plantation.

Item - I give, devise and bequeath unto my son, Joseph Board, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all the remaining part of my Plantation on which I now live, scituate, lying and being as above, he or they allowing my said wife, Elizabeth Board, to have the sole possession of it till he comes to the age of twenty-one years, if she remains my widdow, and after he comes to the age of twenty-one years, allowing her a room in his house and a maintenance as above and likewise yielding and paying unto my son, James Board, or to his heirs, executors or administrators the just and full sum of forty pounds lawful money of New Jersey, and that within one year after he comes to the age of twenty-one years.

Item - it is my will that after my just debts and funeral charges be satisfied and paid as above, the remaining part of my personal estate be divided into four parts as near in quality as possible, after which Division is made one equal fourth part I give, devise and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Board, her heirs and assigns forever; one other fourth part I give, devise and bequeath unto Daughter Shusana Board, her heirs and assigns forever; and one other fourth part I give, devise and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Board, her heirs and assigns forever; and the remaining fourth part I give, devise and bequeath unto my daughter, Martha Board, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item - I nominate, constitute and appoint my loving son, Joseph Board, sole Executor of this my last will and Testament.

Item - I nominate and appoint my trusty and beloved friends, Jonathan Davis and Joseph Bartram, trustees of this my last Will and Testament, and I desire my Executor out of Brotherly love and my Trustees of this my last Will and Testament out of neighborly love, to see the same performed according, to the true intent, design and meaning of the same, and I do hereby disannul all former or other Will or Wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and allowing this to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty-ninth day of January, in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred forty-four and five.

Signed,

Cor. Board

Signed, Sealed, pronounced and declared by the said Cornelius Board, to be his last Will and Testament in

presence of us who hereunto subscribe our names in the  
presence of the Testator.

Robert Sturgeon, v.d.m.

Joseph Bartram

Garrit Fitzgarri

(The British calendar system in use at this time recognized two different years. The civil calendar began on March 25, and the historical calendar began on January 1. Each year from January 1 through March 24 there were two years given when expressing the date. The civil year in this record was 1744 and the historical year was 1745. The use of the civil calendar was dropped by England in 1752 when the country also switched over to the Gregorian calendar. See 'Calendar' in the chapter "How To Use This Reference.")

The settlement of the Board estate began shortly after his death with the appointment of James Board as administrator after Joseph Board was disqualified as being a minor, and Elizabeth Board, Cornelius's widow declined. Land transfers based upon the Will above actually took place over a period of nearly twenty years, until the death of the widow.<sup>72</sup> Below were the "Letters of Administration" of the Will of Cornelius Board, Granted to James Board".<sup>73</sup>

Jonathan Belcher, Esq., Captain-General and Governor in Chief in and over His Majesty's Province of New Jersey and Territories thereon depending in America, Chancellor and Vice-Admiral in the same, etc., To James Board, eldest son of Cornelius Board, late of Bergen County, deceased, sendeth greeting:

Whereas, the said Cornelius Board in and by his last Will and Testament (a true copy whereof is hereunto annexed) appointed his son, Joseph Board, sole Executor thereof, which Joseph is a minor of the age of ten years as is said, and the said Will having been duly proved before Uzal Ogden, Esq., thereunto authorized is now appointed and allowed of by me, and he, the deceased, having while he lived and at the time of his death goods chattels and credits within this Province, I desiring that the goods, chattels and credits of the Deceased may be faithfully administered and disposed of according to the same Will, Do grant unto you, the said James Board, in whose fidelity in this behalf I very much confide, full power by the tenor of these presents to administer the goods, chattels and credits of the said deceased and faithfully to dispose of them according to the intent of the said Will, during the minority Of the said Joseph Board, that is to say, until he arrives at the age of seventeen years; also to ask, collect, levy and receive the debts whatsoever which unto the said Deceased while he lived and at the time of his death were due, and to pay the debts whatsoever of the said Deceased so far forth as the goods, chattels and credits can thereunto extend, being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists well and truly to administer, and to make and exhibit a true and perfect inventory of said goods, chattels and credits and to render a just account of your administration.

Requiring you to exhibit the said Inventory unto the Secretary's Office at Perth Amboy on or before the seventeenth day of January next ensuing, and to render an account of your administration at or before the seventeenth

day of October the next following; and I do ordain, depute and constitute you the said James Board, Administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the said Cornelius Board, Deceased, according to the true intent of the said Will and during the minority of the said Joseph Board.

In testimony whereof I have caused the prerogative seal of the said Province of New Jersey to be hereunto affixed the eighteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty-seven. Thomas Bartow, Regr.<sup>74</sup>

The inventory was performed as required, on September 27, 1747, and yielded a substantial personal estate worth £633.4.9 British Pounds that converted into 1998 United States dollars equivalent of \$768,000. This did include Real Estate of over fifteen hundred acres. A yardstick to measure the worth of this estate was by the £67 British Pounds paid by Board fifteen years earlier for the 150 acres which included the iron ore deposits that he would mine. Board's personal estate also included a sword, cash of £100 British Pounds, wheat, notes and bonds, and a lengthy ledger of those who had borrowed money. Board held two enslaved persons, who were presumably house servants.<sup>75</sup> England did not have a standing army, so the sword might have been from the English civil war of the 1640s. Swords were typically inherited through the senior male line of descent.

This personal wealth might also have explained a silver cup that was spotted in Boston in 1979 with the Board arms emblazoned on the front. This piece was offered for sale at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel and, although unproven, might have been an article from the estate of Cornelius Board.<sup>76</sup>

Dear Mrs. Keightley, Thank you for your telephone call this morning concerning our Queen Anne silver cup and cover made by Anthony Nelme, London, 1708. We have sent the piece to you today by registered mail for your inspection. The cup measures 7 ¼ inches in height, weights 21 ounces 2 dwt., and bears armorials on the cover and body contemporary to it. It is fully marked and has a maker's mark in the cover. The cup is a very early example of the form by one of the top level London silversmiths of the Queen Anne period and is in pristine condition. The price is as I mentioned \$5,250.00. Very truly yours, Firestone and Parsons, David Firestone

The deed to the Board plantation was transferred per the Will of Cornelius Board to his widow Elizabeth. On file with the Secretary of State at Trenton, New Jersey, were the following three records:

Jonathan Davis and Joseph Bertram, trustees of Cornelius Board, give deed to Elizabeth Board of Ringwood, Bergen County, New Jersey. Mentions Will of Cornelius Board in which Joseph Board is sole executor (January 29, 1744). James Board one of the witnesses to deed, May 6, 1754.

This transfer was made in 1754, after Joseph Board, as executor, had attained the age of seventeen years. Other land was transferred that same day to Walter Ervin, May 6, 1754, by "Jonathan Davis and Joseph Bertram, trustees of Cornelius Board. February 1, 1764."<sup>77</sup>

Despite the death of Cornelius Board and the sale of Ringwood, his son David Board remained employed as furnace master at Ringwood Furnace. A generation before the American Revolution, the Furnace was critical to the British war effort in the French and Indian War. The initials 'DB' appeared on

an early howitzer that was forged at Ringwood for General Forbes in Philadelphia that was deployed at Fort Ligonier southeast of Pittsburgh; these initials were determined to be those of David Board, the furnace master that produced the howitzer. This information was provided by Elbertus Prol, Curator of Ringwood Manor in a letter to the author dated March 16, 2006.<sup>78</sup> Fort Ligonier was on the western frontier of the American colonies and was an important outpost during the French and Indian War in 1757 to protect against Indian encroachment into populated areas. By 2006, it was also one of the few existing forts recreated from that era. A copy of the request for payment by provider by the Curator of Fort Ligonier, Brad Mooney, to Elbertus Prol, the Curator of Ringwood Manor in New Jersey:

No. 6

An account of the Traveling charges and expences of Captn.  
Lieut. David Hay from March the 1st 1758 to May 31st 1738  
in order  
to join Brigadier General Forbes at Philadelphia and each  
Howitzer and shells necefsary for that expedition.

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To a Double Sleighs for self and hires for guide of  
Horses from Albany to New York being 170 miles...} 20 . 0 . 0

For Horse hire and a guide from New York to  
Ringwood Furnace at different times .....} 12 . 10 . 0

For Corr. Hire and a guide from New York to  
Philadelphia being 100 hires .....} 10 . 0 . 0  
£ 42 . 10 . 0

You are hereby ordered and directed to pay me the above  
sum of Forty-two Pounds ten shillings Sterling for my  
Traveling expences as above for which this shall be your  
Voucher of Satisfaction.

I am, Sir, Yours [illegible],  
David Hay

Elizabeth Board, widow of Cornelius, and probably aged in her sixties, died about 1763, based upon the following deed. This record was a result of Elizabeth's death and subsequent sale by Joseph Board, who it will be remembered in the Will above, was to inherit Cornelius's land and home after the death of Elizabeth. As sole owner of this land, Joseph Board made the this sale:<sup>79</sup>

Joseph Board, of Bergen County, to Nicholas Gouverneur  
and others: 'Part of a tract surveyed to Cornelius Board,  
deceased, on the 28<sup>th</sup> of Feb. 1739, being same tract deed to  
Elizabeth Board by Jonathan Davis and Joseph Bertram,  
trustees of Cornelius Board. February 1, 1764.'

The legacy of Cornelius Board and his wife Elizabeth did not end on February 1, 1764; rather it was manifest in such persons as their grandson, Phillip Board, who like his grandfather settled in the westernmost reaches of civilization. Phillip was but one of the twenty-three Board grandchildren of this couple born from their three sons James, David, and Joseph Board, as well as other grandchildren from his daughters' families. By 2000, upwards to eleven generations of descendants later, there were thousands of descendants from this adventuresome, pioneering, and industrious American.

The old Board homes, forges and farms have all been lost to nature over the centuries. Boardville, New Jersey, later became Erskine, New Jersey<sup>80</sup> and the land subsequently flooded for a man-made reservoir.<sup>81</sup> The homes of the three

sons, James, David, and Joseph, were built in Boardville shortly before the Revolution and stood until the early 1920s. A descendant of David Board, Charles H. Board of 16 Liberty Street, Ringwood, New Jersey, described the fate of the Board lands in a January 15, 1965 letter to Byron Board, a James Board descendant who resided in Cincinnati, Ohio.<sup>84</sup>

Three houses were built by the sons (of which I have pictures taken shortly before being torn down) and occupied by Boards until 1872 when my Grandfather, Edmund Kingsland Board, sold and moved to Orange County, New York. The houses were at a place called Boardville on a grant of land which Cornelius had come in possession of; also contained the Board family burying ground. As the Newark Water Commission had purchased land for the Wanaque Reservoir, so it was necessary to remove the old burying ground. In the early 1920s, four plots were bought in the Pompton Reformed Church Cemetery, Pompton, New Jersey, and the removal of the old burying ground consisting of 22 graves, three unmarked and nineteen stones, was undertaken.

In 1928, the Cornelius Board Association erected a monument, or seat of stones, from the foundations of the three houses that also included a replica of the lintel from the Joseph Board house (the original was in Ringwood Manor's storage area)<sup>82</sup> and a bronze plaque to Cornelius and Elizabeth's memory.<sup>83</sup> Boardville, as it originally stood was described in the *Gazetteer of New Jersey* as "on the Ringwood River and on the Ringwood and Longwood turnpike road in Pompton Township, Bergen County, 21 miles northwest from Hackensack; contains a Dutch Reformed Church, a forge, a distillery, a school house, and several farm houses. The narrow valley in which it lies is rich and well-cultivated land.

The three Board sons who survived Cornelius Board went on to become respected and prominent men in northern New Jersey, as was their father. Their lives were so similar and intertwined that their stories were inseparable. James, David, and Joseph Board remained in Ringwood after they established their own families. Each son inherited a sizeable estate of his own, which was used primarily for farming. In the mid-1920s, Albert H. Heusser wrote in an article that "the sons of Cornelius Board were prosperous farmers, occasionally working at the Ringwood or Long Pond mines, and sometimes employing their well-fed horses or oxen to convey the pig iron down to the 'Acquackanonck Landing' to the Passaic River."<sup>85</sup> In addition to their business and farming interests, the brothers became involved in the civic affairs of the colony, making their most valuable contributions during the Revolution.

Having been well provided for by their father, the Boards then married into other noted families of the region. James Board married in the late 1750s to Ann Jenneke Schuyler, whose grandfather Arent Schuyler was "successfully mining" at the time that Cornelius Board arrived in New Jersey,<sup>86</sup> and whose great-grandfather had founded the city of Albany, New York. This union of old mining families was no doubt considered an ideal match by her father, Philip Schuyler. Ann was born in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey on October 6, 1628 to Philip Arent Schuyler and Hester Kingsland, the daughter of Isaac Kingsland of New Barbados Neck, Bergen County, New Jersey. Kingsland was a Member of the Council of New Jersey and a wealthy landholder who had inherited 5,000 acres of coastal property from his uncle Nathaniel Kingsland, a prominent Caribbean sugar cane grower who was a member of the Barbados Assembly.<sup>87</sup> Access to the Dutch and English ruling class of New York and New Jersey was provided by James Alexander, Lord

Stirling, who was Cornelius Board's patron, and Stirling's son, William Alexander, whose wife was a sister of Governor Livingston of New York.<sup>88</sup>

David Board, the middle brother, also married into the Kingsland family, to Ann Schuyler's second cousin, Hannah Kingsland in 1764. Hannah was the daughter of John Kingsland and Hannah Crane, and granddaughter of Jasper Crane, one of the original settlers of New Haven (Connecticut) Colony. After the death of Hannah Board, David Board remarried to Mary Ford. He had children by both wives.<sup>89</sup>

Joseph Board, the youngest brother, was the first male Board born in America. And unlike his brothers who were nearly age 40 when each married, Joseph wed on November 15, 1762, at the age of 25 years. His wife was Phebe Beach, a fifth generation colonist, whose ancestor Thomas Beach was part of the New Haven Colony in 1654. Phebe's brother was Thomas Beach, who married Martha Board, Joseph's sister.<sup>90</sup>

In the 1760s James, David and Joseph all began their families, resulting in about one dozen children between them by the close of the decade. The first of these children was James's eldest son, Phillip Board, born in 1760. While the Board brothers were raising their families, they worked and lived within close proximity to one another, remaining in Boardville, Bergen County. About 1926 it was written by Albert Heusser that "for years thereafter [1745], the Boards were numerous hereabout; the present hamlet of Boardville perpetuating the family name."<sup>91</sup> The 1926 article by Heusser titled "The Old Stone House of Captain Joseph Board" described the Board home.<sup>92</sup>

The picturesque and solidly built twelve room dwelling erected in 1774 by Joseph Board beside the ancient highway leading from the Pompton neighborhood to Greenwood Lake, and situated a little to the south of the road branching off to Ringwood Manor, is one of the few duly authenticated Revolutionary homesteads in this region....Joseph Board, when he built his house near the intersection of the Wanaque and Ringwood Rivers, placed over the door a brownstone lintel upon which is chiseled a rather curious cipher reading as follows:

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By 1926, the Joseph Board home had passed through a succession of owners, but like the homes of James and David, it was destined to be inundated by the Wanaque Reservoir. The *Newark Evening News* of October 31, 1925, said the home was "built in 1774 and is marked for removal because its location in the watershed that is being developed."<sup>93</sup> The home had recently been restored and in 1926 it was the Carper Craft Shop. Prior to its restoration it had sat vacant for six years, having been owned by Abram S. Hewitt but unoccupied. In between Board and Hewitt the home had also been owned by the Van Duyn family who raised thirteen children in it.<sup>94</sup>

The background of the Boards demonstrated the three brothers to be Protestant in their religious faith. On May 23, 1755, James Board signed an article titled "Abjuration of the Papacy" supporting the rejection of the Bishop of Rome.<sup>95</sup> Such sentiment was shared between the English and Dutch churches.<sup>96</sup> The Board men and their families practiced the Dutch Reformed faith. The Dutch Reformed Church was brought to America by the Dutch settlers who were the primary settlers of New York and northern New Jersey when Cornelius Board arrived. As Cornelius Board's sons and daughters resided among and intermarried with the Dutch (such as the Schuylers), it appeared this religion was adopted by the Boards, so that Dutch Reformed was the predominant religion of the grandchildren of Cornelius.

For the three brothers residing in Boardville, the period from 1760 to 1775 was certain to have been a happy time. Not only were they well situated financially and socially, but they all had young families and prosperous careers. As nondramatic as these years might have been, the rising tensions between Colonists and England would soon bring war to northern New Jersey, and to the Board family. The Board brothers, two of whom were born abroad, possessed little sentiment for England, and were enthusiastic partisans of independence in the American Revolution. The risks of wealth, property and life made by the Boards during this struggle were significant.

The eldest brother, James Board, was age 57 years when the fighting broke out in Massachusetts. Although he did not fight, his three sons, Phillip Board, James Board, and Cornelius Board were enlisted in the New Jersey Militia and fought as privates.<sup>97</sup> Phillip stated in his 1832 pension application that he had participated in several skirmishes with British troops. In August of 1776 he was "on the march crossing the Hackensack [and] we could distinctly hear the firing of the Battle of Long Island"; Phillip at the time had just passed his sixteenth birthday. Later, Phillip volunteered to serve in a company of Rangers, and served in various units until "after the capture of Lord Cornwallis."<sup>98</sup>

Joseph Board, the youngest brother, was age 40 years when the hostilities began. He responded quickly to the war effort and for this he was made Captain in the Bergen County Militia. "Upon the outbreak of the Revolution, Joseph Board helped materially in the organization of a company of militia, of which he was subsequently commissioned captain."<sup>99</sup> His nephew Phillip served under him, who later wrote "I performed three tours under Captain Joseph Board." The militia was involved in skirmishes throughout northern New Jersey.<sup>100</sup>

A tradition survived that General George Washington had on occasion stopped at the home of Captain Joseph Board in Boardville, and had drunk from his well. Heusser called this claim "without doubt trustworthy." Although much has been attributed to General Washington, Heusser documented the claim: "On five occasions Washington was the guest of his Surveyor General Robert Erskine, the master of the Ringwood iron mines; and in coming or going he must necessarily have passed this way on three of these visits."<sup>101</sup> Erskine's military maps of this section of the country, some of which were preserved at the New York Historical Society, collaborated the location of Captain Board's house.<sup>102</sup>

David Board served in the New Jersey Militia in the rank of Major and was also Paymaster for his Regiment. Like his brother James, David Board also served the colonial cause in wartime government. James Board was Commissioner of Confiscated Estates in Bergen County. In this capacity he served as a revenue source for the Continental Army by coordinating the sale of British property that had been seized, as well as property seized from British Loyalists in the county.<sup>103</sup> Later, James Board was recognized by the National Daughters of the American Revolution for providing aid and comfort to Continental troops during the war.<sup>104</sup> It was said that "James Board's house was a welcome and hospitable stopping place for officers and soldiers of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War."<sup>105</sup>

David Board's involvement in the government of the colony dated to the tensions that preceded the outbreak of the Revolution. On September 21, 1775, Board was chosen as a member of the Committee of Correspondence and Observation,<sup>106</sup> entrusted with monitoring British troop movements and intentions which ultimately led to the decision of war. In *Founders of Freedom* the origin of this group was described: "When the British closed the port of Boston in 1774 in retaliation against the 'Boston Tea Party,' a committee of

correspondence was formed in Newark, New Jersey, with William Livingston as a member.” The following year, 1776, Livingston left the committee and was sent to Philadelphia as a member of the Continental Congress which ratified the Declaration of Independence, and Board became a member of the New Jersey Assembly. David Board continued to serve in the New Jersey Assembly during war and its subsequent statehood. William Livingston went on to become a New Jersey signer of the United States Constitution.<sup>107</sup>

Meanwhile, William Alexander, the son of Lord Stirling who was the patron of Cornelius Board, also joined the rebellion. He was made a general in the Continental Army after capturing the British transport ship *Blue Mountain Valley* with forty volunteers in a pilot boat. He led the construction of several fortifications, including Fort Stirling in Brooklyn Heights, which bore his name. On August 27, 1776, Stirling led the American right wing in defense of the coastal road during the Battle of Long Island. Attacked by General Grant, the rear of his forces was met with an assault by a detachment of General Cornwallis. The main body of Alexander’s 1,500 to 2,000-man force forded Gowanus Creek in a retreat together with the General surrendered near the end of the battle to the German missionary De Heister. Stirling was commended by Washington, and later exchanged with the British. Stirling went on to lead troops in the Battle of Trenton, Battle of Brandywine and the Battle of Germantown, many of the key engagements in New Jersey in which the grandsons of Cornelius Board participated. The youngest of the Board brothers, Joseph Board, joined the fighting while his brothers James and David supported the cause as community leaders. Joseph Board served under the command of Col. Theunis Dey, who was the brother-in-law of James Board. Further, Cornelius D. Board, the son of David Board served in the New Jersey Militia under Captain Joseph Board.<sup>108</sup>

Joseph Board was well known as Captain of the local militia and served in the Revolutionary War from March 1776 to November 1783. He held the rank of Captain in Col. Dey’s Regiment of the Bergen County Militia and took part in the Battle of New Bridge, near Hackensack in the spring of 1778, the Battle of Acquackanonk Bridge in September 1778 and also the action at English Highlands on October 17, 1778.

In his application for a war pension, Cornelius D. Board described his service in the New Jersey militia:<sup>109</sup>

He entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated namely that this declarant in the month of May 1778 joined as a volunteer Private in a company of Militia then called out for service under the command of Captain Joseph Board and Lieutenant John Neaphes. That the said company belonged to a regiment of Militia under the command of Colonel Anthony [Teunis, in Dutch] Dey, Majors Richard Dey, Hermanus Hutches and was composed in the County of Bergen in the State of New Jersey. This declarant at the time of his joining the said company resided in the town of Saddle River [Boardville was in this vicinity] in the county and state last aforesaid. This declarant proceeded with the said company in his capacity of volunteer private to Smith’s Clove in the State of New York in pursuit of a body of Cow Boys [Loyalist, or Tory, raiders] who had made an incursion in the neighborhood of Bergen County. The said company were accompanied upon this service by a company of



regulars or militia from the American Army – the most of them (if not all) were from South Carolina. We were not successful in bringing them to action and after an absence of one week in service this declarant returned home with his company and was discharged from the service. About three weeks after this time this declarant went as a volunteer in the said company and as a private from the town of Saddle River to the Ramapo Mountains in pursuit of a company of Cow Boys and succeeded in recovering a quantity of booty they had taken consisting principally of arms provisions and households goods and returned home after an absence of one week – from which last mentioned time this declarant remained in the said Captain Board's company until the next winter. Captain Board's company consisted at that time of twenty eight individuals among whom were some Blacks (that number being all that could be mustered in the place) through the season of 1778 it was necessary to keep up a constant guard each night on order to protect our families and ourselves from the depredations of the Cow Boys which was done in this manner. Captain Board's company would assemble according to orders from him just after sundown upon the heights and keeping themselves and their station concealed as much as possible would remain under arms through the night. Those not engaged on sentry or as patrols sleeping on their arms until it came their turn to relieve those on guard and keeping sentinels and patrols through the night then returning to ordinary business in the morning. On one occasion during this season this declarant while on duty as sentry challenged and caused to be arrested two deserters who were attempting to make their escape from the American Army to the British. This declarant at that time understood that both had broke jail from Morristown where they were confined one on a charge of murder and the other for desertion. The one charged with desertion was named John Robison the name of the other he does not recollect. They were sent under guard the next day to Morristown. This declarant continued in service keeping guard nights until the next winter had set in and computes his service in keeping to be five months service namely from the tenth of July to and until the tenth day of December in the year last aforementioned which is according to the best of this declarant's recollection. This last mentioned service was all performed in the town of Saddle River aforesaid. During the season of 1779 from the first day of April to and until the first day of December this declarant was engaged in the service as a Private under Captain Board in keeping guard in the same manner as is above stated. The inhabitants of Saddle River were the most of them in the British Interests, that is Tories, which made it necessary for us to be extremely vigilant and which was the cause of the small number of Captain Board's Company. During this season a company of British (Cow Boys) having attacked the Commissary's guard of General Erskine at Ringwood in Bergen County in General Erskine's absence and taken a

quantity of Negroes, Horses, and Plate. They were pursued by Captain Board's Company (with whom this declarant went as a private) to the Ramapo Mountains and the Negroes and Horses retaken. This declarant computes his service in the season of 1779 to be eight months service. As near as this declarant can recollect the first day of May 1780 this declarant marched with the said last mentioned company under Captain Board to the lines at Hackensack. Captain Board with part of the company returned home. This declarant was drafted into the company of Captain Thomas Blanch. There was at that time three companies belonging to the Regiment under Colonel Dey at Hackensack to wit Captain Blanch's Company, Captain Huyler's Company, and Captain Van Busson's Company. There was no field officer then out but Captain Blanch had the command. After this declarant had remained in service at Hackensack about a fortnight Captain Blanch's Company and Captain Huyler's Company marched to surprise a Block house near Fort Lee which was a place of refuge to the Cow Boys. The block house was composed of two redoubts and mounted four cannon - two on each redoubt. The British were then engaged in building the Blockhouse. We reconnoitered the Blockhouse and finding it well manned and that we had not sufficient force to make an attempt upon it Captain Blanch determined to retreat which was done. We were pursued by the British - a party throwing themselves between us and our camp at Hackensack at a tavern called 'The Sign of the Three Pigeons'. We had a skirmish with the party in our front and drove them, taking a British Ensign and six privates prisoner. About a half mile further on we had another skirmish with the same party in which four of the enemy were killed and one man of Captain Huyler's company was wounded. We defeated them and succeeded in getting into camp a little after sundown. This declarant remained at Hackensack six weeks on duty when being relieved he was discharged and returned home in the latter part of June in the year last aforesaid from which time this declarant resumed his station as a private in Captain Board's Company and continued in service in said last mentioned company in keeping guard in the manner above mentioned as near as he can recollect one month and until the latter part of July following when he went out as a volunteer Private under Captain David Van Busson to Hackensack. After being there about four weeks he went with Van Busson to the Salt Meadows about five miles distant where we had understood that a party of British were collecting some cattle to embark aboard two vessels for New York. Our company arrived at the Salt Meadows in season to prevent the embarkation of the cattle and we retook about eight head. We then returned to Hackensack where this declarant remained on duty in the lines as a private seven weeks and three days and until about the middle of September when he was discharged and returned home to Saddle River from which time until about the middle of December this declarant did duty at home in

keeping guard at night and for a period of not less than three months as a private under Captain Board. At the time of the skirmish near the 'Three Pigeons' one John Berry called 'Jack the Regular' belonging to the Cow Boys (refugees) as a noted character one who boasted that he had killed forty-eight persons, was killed. During the season of 1781 this declarant remained at Saddle River and did duty through the whole of that season from about the middle of April to the first of December a period of not less than seven and a half months as a private under Captain Board. His duty during this season was in keeping guard nights in nearly the same manner as is hereinbefore described. This declarant was also engaged in the same service in the same manner as is last above stated as a private under Captain Board during the whole of the season of 1782 in the town of Saddle River aforesaid namely from the fore part of April to and until the middle of December a period of not less than eight months. On the second day of January 1783 this declarant was called out in and with Captain Board's company to go on the water in long boats on the Narrows between Bergen Point and Staten Island to watch for and take if possible a British vessel. We did not succeed and returned after an absence of two weeks. This declarant was a private on this service and was then discharged. This was the last service of the declarant, Peace being declared the next April. This declarant knew among the regular officers General Knox, Colonel Barber, and Colonel Ogden of the Jersey line; Major Cummins also of the Jersey line, also Colonel DeHeart and Captain DeHeart both of the Jersey line, and did duty with a Regiment of the Connecticut line which we called 'The Hairy Caps.'

After the war started, in 1778, the paths of the Boards and the Founding Fathers again passed, as David Board was referenced in a letter to Robert Morris from John Cleves Symmes. Morris was a founding father from Pennsylvania who was a signer of the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution. Symmes became a land speculator of the Miami lands in Ohio and later sold acreage there to the Board brothers (see below.) The letter from Symmes to Morris read: <sup>110</sup>

Springfield [New Jersey] the 10<sup>th</sup> of March 1778

I have been informed by David Board at whose house I lodged in my way home, that a court of Oyer & Terminer is soon to be held in the County of Bergen, and I am also told by the people in this place that one is soon to be called in Essex. If these reports are true, I beg sir that you will advertise me of the day appointed in the Commission that I may order my business so as to give my attendance, I wish to go to Sussex [New Jersey] as soon as my business will permit but I think it not prudent to go until I hear from you on the subject, please honor me with a line by Capt. Meeker. If your honor or Mr. Justice Smith expects to attend I should take it kind to be informed. O Gods what a fine girl I saw the other day at Long Island, I have the honor to be sir your devotedly, John Cleves Symmes

Honble Robert Morris Esqr

To Honorable Robert Morris Esquire

Trentown by Capt. Meeker

Upon the successful conclusion of war in 1784, the Boards returned home to Boardville, New Jersey. Their fate had been that of the Revolution itself. Not only had they risked their lives as soldiers, but had the American Revolution failed the Boards would have been guilty of treason against England as officers of rebel militias and officeholders in an opposing government. Just as James Board had served in the administration of confiscated British property, so too had the Boards risked their land, property, and wealth in promoting the Revolution.

The Revolution passed and a new generation had come of age. Phillip, James, and Cornelius Board returned from the war to begin lives of their own, having left as teenagers and returned after having spent one-third of their lives in war. They were part of a large family which also included brothers Peter and John, and sisters Elizabeth, Hester, and Ann. Among their numerous cousins in Boardville were the children of Major David Board: Cornelius, David, Joseph, James, Eleanor, and Nathaniel Board. Captain Joseph Board extended the family with his nine children: Annas, Martha, Elizabeth, Mary, Charles, Phebe, Sarah, Joseph, and Susannah. There were other nearby Board cousins, as well, whose mothers were the sisters of James, David, and Joseph Board.<sup>111</sup>

Joseph Board mentioned one of his sisters shortly after the Revolution in his 1785 deposition regarding the Wawayanda and Cheesecocks Patent. The court was interested in Board's knowledge of natural boundaries.<sup>112</sup>

Joseph Board was born in Essex County is now 49 years old, has been acquainted in this part of the country since he was 14 years of Age- his sister married Southerland and lived near the foot of Butter Hill 26 or 27 or 30 years ago. He bought a horse of Southerland; in the woods Southerland's father and Deponent [Board] looked for the horse 5 days on the mountains from Butter Hill to the forest of Dean when there were Iron Works - this was 25 years ago.

As the nineteenth century began, two of the Boards, James and Joseph, became involved in western land speculation. Phillip Board had lived in the west for a dozen years, and about one hundred miles to his north was the Miami Purchase land. This land, located between the Great Miami and Little Miami Rivers, was purchased by a northern New Jersey native John Cleves Symmes. His plan was to establish a city in this very fertile area and to sell surrounding land for settlement and farming. Many of Symmes purchasers were fellow New Jersey residents willing to risk large sums of money for an appreciation in their investment. History showed mixed results for Symmes: his planned community of North Bend, Ohio, remained only a small village and his wealth was bankrupted because of his land deals and subsequent land title problems. Yet, the Miami Purchase gave rise to the city of Cincinnati, with the main downtown square donated to the city by Symmes.<sup>113</sup>

In 1801 Symmes deeded over to James Board 170 acres of Miami land, and to Joseph Board 150 acres.<sup>114</sup> These deeds were recorded at Cincinnati, Ohio, in the early deed books of Hamilton County, Ohio. The deed of John Cleves Symmes to James Board read as follows:<sup>115</sup>

This indenture made the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 1801, between John Cleves Symmes of Northbend in the county of Hamilton and Territory of the United States, Northwest of the River Ohio of the first part, and James Board of Bergen County in the state of New Jersey of the second part. Witnesseth that the said John Cleves Symmes for and in consideration of the sum of \$426.00 and 2/3 of a dollar in

final settlement certificates of debts due from the United States to him in hand well and truly paid at or before the ensembling and delivery of these presents by the said James Board, the receipt whereof the said John Cleves Symmes doth give, grant, bargain, sell and convey and confirm unto the said James Board, his heirs and assigns forever. All that certain tract and parcel of land situate and beginning at a point in the Standard line, 120 poles South of the Northwest corner of the Seventh Section in the township, in the Second Fractional Range of townships, the Miami Purchase and county aforesaid, thence running South along the meridian called the Standard line to the Northwest corner of the land of Daniel Symmes, thence East 100 poles to a corner of Daniel Symmes land, thence South along the lines of the said Daniel Symmes to the South line of the said Seventh Section, thence East 46 poles to a point in the same south line of the section thence North 148 poles to the Southwest corner of the Revd. James Kemper's line 52 poles to the southeast corner of Peter Kemper's land. Thence west to the southwest corner of Peter Kemper's land. 65 poles and 120 hence still west 81 poles to the said Standard line, taking in the whole distance from James Kemper's land to the Standard line on the west-side of the said Seventh Section 146 poles to the place of beginning containing 170 acres be the same included in the boundaries, more or less, together will all and singular the privileges and appurtenances to the same tract of land belonging or in any way appertaining to have and to hold all and singular, the premises and lands aforesaid with their appurtenances, unto the said James Board to the only proper use and benefit and behoof of the said James Board and heirs and assigns forever. And the said John Cleves Symmes for himself and his heirs doth covenant with the aid James Board and with his heirs and assigns that all and singular the premises and lands aforesaid with their appurtenances unto the said James Board and to his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims and demands whatsoever be the said John Cleves Symmes and his heirs, executors and administrators shall and will well and truly warrant and forever truly defend. Provided, however, and the true intent and meaning of this present indenture and mortgage is such that if the above named John Cleves Symmes or his heirs, executors or administrators shall well or truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said James Board or to his executors or administrators the full and just sum of \$800.00 of the United States, and that on or before the 20<sup>th</sup> of Feb., 1803, together with the interest thereon, from the date thereof, this being the estimated value of \$426.00 and 2/3 dollars in certificates of debts due from the United States paid to the said John Cleves Symmes in the purchase of a Miami land warrant for 646 acres which the said James Board caused to be located on the land lying in the Sixth Range in the Miami Purchase and county aforesaid which claim or right of the said John Cleves Symmes to the said lands demured to by Congress, it becomes just and proper that the said

James Board should receive a reasonable compensation for the certificates which were advanced by him which if the said John Cleves Symmes or executors discharge by paying the said sum and interest thereon from the date of the present then this indenture of mortgage and also the said Miami Land Warrant and receipt and extract of the record now in the hands of said James Board shall be void and of none effect or else to - remain in full force and virtue in the law. In testimony whereof the said John C. Symmes, has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal, the day aforesaid." The deed was sealed and delivered in the presence of Mary Mapes and Elijah Morsley. It was signed by John Cleves Symmes.

The names mentioned in the deeds were well known throughout Cincinnati. The Symmes were responsible for the settlement of the Miami Valley and the Kemper name was recognizable as Cincinnati city streets. Rev. James Kemper made his mark as a Presbyterian minister and evangelist in Cincinnati.<sup>116</sup> His antique oil portrait hung in 1990 at the Pleasant Ridge Presbyterian Church on Montgomery Road in Cincinnati.<sup>117</sup>

The 120 acres of Joseph Board's land was located "in the south side of the twenty-third section in the third township and second fractional range of townships in the Miami Purchase," and the other 30 acres "in the first section in the second township and third or Military range of townships in the Miami Purchase." James's and Joseph's land purchase was recorded at the Hamilton County Courthouse on March 26, 1801.<sup>118</sup> The exact location of the Board land in the present day has not been determined. The search for this land has been obscured by the splintering of Hamilton County into several new counties not long after these 1801 purchases. A review of Hamilton County deeds did not produce a subsequent sale or transfer deed from the Board families to other ownership.<sup>119</sup> It was likely that this land was located in the suburban area along the northern perimeter of Greater Cincinnati, as the range of townships that James Board purchased land within was located "about twenty miles" north of the mouth of the Great Miami River.<sup>120</sup> The third Board brother, David, might also have owned land in the Miami Valley, as Treman in 1901 wrote that "he owned lands in Miami, Ohio."<sup>121</sup> This claim was not substantiated by a review of Symmes's personal land records<sup>122</sup> or by a review of the deed records on file at the Hamilton County Courthouse. David Board died two years before James and Joseph purchased their Miami land, indicating that the 1901 statement might have been in error. As to the final disposition of the James Board land, it was known that the property descended to his eldest son, Phillip Board, upon the death of James Board in 1803. He wrote in his Will that Phillip should receive "all my Miami lands."<sup>123</sup>

The missing transfer remained the sale from Phillip Board to the subsequent owners. Frances Board Keightley-Moseley remembered her father, J. Phillip Board, saying that Phillip Board traded this land for one hundred horses, and that he had seen the original deed. As with many long-term investments, this land was sold before it reached its true value, which in year 2000 dollars at an estimated \$100,000 market value per acre in this heavily developed area, would be \$10,000,000.

David Board predeceased his brothers, James and Joseph, at the age of seventy-one years. He was born March 24, 1727 and died January 19, 1799, in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey. David left five sons, a daughter, and his second wife, Mary. His descendants remained active in the civic and political affairs of New Jersey and and one descendant, John M. Board, later declined the Whig party's nomination for the United States

presidency.<sup>124</sup> The Will of David Board survived only partially intact, with the last published owner of this document being D.C. Gordon of Newburgh, New York. It read:<sup>125</sup>

In the name of God- Amen- this thirtieth day of the Year of Our Lord - one thousand, seven hundred ninety-eight. I, David Board of the Township of Pompton, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, being weak in body, but of a perfect sound mind and memory, thanks be to God, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form as followeth. First of all, I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the direction of my Executors herein named hoping to receive the same again by the mighty power of God at the General Resurrection of the Dead, and as touching such things as hath pleased God to bless me with in this life- I give Devise and Bequeath as followeth. First it is my will that all my just debts and Funeral charges be honoured and paid - Item, it is my will that my beloved wife Mary, if she survives me shall during the time she remains my widow shall have the best room in my House to her own use, and I do bequeath to her my Negro Girl named Jane, a Bed with suitable bedding as she herself shall make choice of, and also the Gum Cupboard now standing in my house, as also her clothing and wearing apparel. It is also my will she be decently and comfortably maintained out of my Estate during the time she shall remain my widow but if she should consider the maintenance insufficient she shall have a right to demand Five pounds York currency from Nathaniel my son, who is to pay her that sum yearly, and every year if demanded, while she remains my widow and is she dies my widow she is to be decently buried at the expense of my said son Nathaniel - Item, it is my will that my son Cornelius Board be paid at the Expiration of one year after my decease the sum of Twenty five pounds New York currency over and above what already received - Item, it is my will that my son David Board be paid...[torn]...satisfying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament In witness whereof I have herewith set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year above written. Signed, sealed, published Pronounced and declared by the said David Board as his last will and testament in the presence of Joseph Board, Charles Board, Isaac Haulenbeck.

James Board's death came three years after his younger brother David's death. James Board was age 83 years. He was born November 10, 1720 and died December 5, 1803 in Boardville, New Jersey. The widow, Ann Schuyler Board, later resided with their son Cornelius Board in the bordering county of Orange County, New York. She died March 31, 1816 and was buried in Goshen, Orange County.<sup>126</sup> James Board was buried in the family plot at Boardville, although his gravesite was later removed and transferred to the Pompton Dutch Reformed Church where his family was re-interred before the flooding of the Wanaque Reservoir. James was also survived by five sons and three daughters, with Phillip being the only child to leave the region.<sup>127</sup> According to the final tally of the assets, James Board left a large estate which

was divided among his children. An abstract of the Will of James Board has been preserved in the New Jersey Archives: <sup>128</sup>

September 18, 1802. James Board of Pompton Township, Bergen County, Wife (unnamed) £50 pounds and £30 pounds per year during her life; also my old wench, Dinah, who is to have her freedom after my wife's decease. Son, Philip, all my Miami lands, also a book account against him for horses and cash (£130.15 pounds.) Son, Cornelius, £63-10.0 pounds also a bank account against him for £286.8 pounds. The heirs of son James £112.10 pounds and a bank account against him for £287.10 pounds. Daughter, Elizabeth Post, £75.12 pounds, and a book bill against her for £224.7 pounds; also Negro wench, Gin. Daughter, Hester, cupboard in the girls room, bed, ½ of new linen and £300 pounds. Daughter, Ann, cupboard, bed, ½ of new linen and £300 pounds. Residue to be divided among named children, excepting Philip, share and share alike. Executors son, Cornelius; friends William Colfax and Adrian Post. Witnesses- Nathan Board, Christopher Robertson, John Hagen. Proved December 13, 1803. Inventory- December 12, 1803 \$6,973.28 ½ made by Nathan Board and Peter Slott.

The youngest Board, Joseph, lived the longest, and "died at the ripe old age of ninety-four," <sup>129</sup> some eighty-six years after the death of his own father, Cornelius. Joseph Board was born August 2, 1737, in Essex County, New Jersey, and died in Boardville, Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey, on December 12, 1831. He was survived by seven daughters, and two sons. The Board name continued through his son Charles Board and through his daughter Annas Board, who married her cousin Cornelius Board. <sup>130</sup> At the time of Joseph's death it had been over one hundred years since his father, Cornelius Board, arrived in the colonies to search the mountains for copper ore. Joseph had witnessed the incredible success of the Board mines and the establishment of the family's wealth and he had participated in a Revolution and saw the founding of the American nation. Upon the birth of his great-grandson, Charles S. Board, in 1830, Joseph had known five generations of American Boards.

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The children of Cornelius Board and Elizabeth Kervill, born in Wiltshire, England, and northern New Jersey:

- i. James Board. He was baptized 25 August 1720 at Whiteparish Church of England in Wiltshire, England. According to his gravemarker, he was born 10 November 1720 and died 5 December 1803 in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey. The reason for discrepancy in sequence in records was not determined. He married Ann Schuyler of Pompton Township in the late 1750s. She was the daughter of Philip Arentse Schuyler. **See 2.**
- ii. Cornelius Board. He was baptized 18 April 1723 at Whiteparish Church of England in Wiltshire, England. He died there and was buried at Whiteparish, Wiltshire on 12 July 1723.
- iii. Elizabeth Board. She baptized 27 April 1724 at Whiteparish Church of England in Wiltshire, England.
- iv. David Board. He was born 24 March 1727 and baptized 18 April 1728 at Whiteparish Church of England in Wiltshire, England. The discrepancy in year was possibly due to the difference between New and Old Calendars used in the 1700s. Considering the legal calendar of the era considered the year 1727 to be from April 1727 through March 1728, it was likely he was born in April 1728. He died 19 January 1799 in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey. He married Hannah Kingsland and married secondly to Mary Ford. **See 3.**
- v. Susanna Board. She was born 11 May 1729 (in Wales, according to one record that did not list the source of the information), and was baptized 12 June 1729 at Whiteparish Church of England in Wiltshire, England. These birth and baptism records are consistent for sequence. She married on 22 January 1755 in Orange, New York to Andrew Sutherland. He was born 3 March 1728 in New Windsor, Orange County, New York. She died on 31 December 1792 and he died 22 September 1794. There was record of one child, a daughter, Elizabeth Sutherland. She was born 23 August 1762 in Orange, New York and died 5 March 1848.
- vi. Joseph Board. He was born 2 August 1737 in Essex County, New Jersey and died in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey

- on 12 December 1831. He married on 15 August 1762 to Phebe Beach. **See 4.**
- vii. Jane Board. She married Poules Rutan and resided in Totowa, New Jersey near Acquackanonck (later Paterson), New Jersey. They had a daughter, Anna Rutan, born in 1764.
- viii. Eleanor Board. She was the second wife of John Banta and was known by her Dutch equivalent of Lena Banta. They had five children and “removed from the neighborhood of Paramus to Totowa, near Paterson, and subsequently to Slotter Dam, on the Passaic River, near Acquackanonck (Paterson), New Jersey.” **See 5.**
- ix. Sarah Board. She married on 3 June 1789 to Cornelius Erwin.
- x. Martha Board. She married Thomas Beach and resided in Newark, New Jersey. They did not have children. His sister Phebe Beach married Joseph Board, Martha’s brother.

Ringwood, June 2002

In June of 2002, I was in northern New Jersey at a company picnic for Home 123 Corp. Having a Saturday morning free, Lisa accompanied me on a side trip to Ringwood Manor. Leaving Parsippany in bordering Morris County we took I-287 north through the Ramapo Mountain region. It was a beautiful, sunny day and driving through the mountains was striking. With little or no development along the highway, I image it looked very similar to what Cornelius Board saw when he first explored the area with the native Americans – rolling hills, lush green trees. Getting closer to Ringwood, we drove for some miles alongside the Wanaque Reservoir which was a large, made-made lake that permits no motor boats. The natural beauty of their area again was striking. We stopped by a lodge at the reservoir where people were swimming and picnicking and we enjoyed the view of the vast lake.

After my usual dose of wrong turns, we ended up at the Manor. I saw the creeks where Cornelius Board first set up his operations – out in front of the current manor. The location of the original manor, built and owned by Cornelius, was under the waters of Wanaque along with the original Board cemetery. The current manor was undergoing rehabilitation but from the outside it was large and impressive to view – especially the sun room. Lisa and I walked the grounds for about a half hour before returning to the car. My grandfather, Byron Board, had been to the manor in 1965 and I suppose he was the first of the family to have been to the site since Phillip Board left New Jersey in 1788.

We returned the way we came, which worked well until we came to the highway and had to detour because of construction at the highway entrance ramp. We continued south along Route 511 when I started noticing familiar names of towns. Suddenly I saw a cemetery marked “Pompton Reformed Church” to my right and had to pull in since I remembered there was a connection to either the Board or Schuyler family. Now running late to the picnic, Lisa and I scrambled along the headstones and before long I found the Board plot! The headstones were transferred there before the flooding began for Wanaque, along with the 1774 cornerstone from the Boardville home of Cornelius’ son Joseph Board, which was perfectly preserved and incorporated into a monument to Cornelius and Elizabeth Board.

The short detour turned out to be a pleasant surprise. The markers of all three sons were located nearby each other – James Board, David Board, and Joseph Board. It was odder still since the prior weekend, June 14-16, 2002, happened to be the Board Reunion at Harrodsburg, Kentucky, where I saw the marker of Phillip Board – Cornelius Board’s grandson.

Northern New Jersey, May 2004

I returned on business to northern New Jersey monthly if not weekly between 2002 and 2004, when in May of that year on behalf of the bank I sold Home 123 to a company from California. I spent the weekend of May 14 in New Jersey handling the switchover of company ownership. I spent much of Saturday and Sunday visiting Wayne, Long Pond, Ringwood, and Lyndhurst. It was the nicest weather I had seen in my two years of traveling to New Jersey—with warm, sunny blue skies and temperatures in the mid-70s.

My first stop was in Wayne, New Jersey, located off Totowa road in northern New Jersey. This was the home of Colonel Theunis Dey, the uncle of Phillip Board. Dey married the sister of Phillip's mother, Ann Schuyler. This was a beautiful orange-red brick home built in the Dutch style that was now a Passaic County park with a golf course on the old family farming lands. In the winter of 1781 it also served as Washington's Headquarters; Washington, Hamilton, Benedict Arnold all stayed there. Hamilton in fact eventually married into the Schuyler family when he wed Ann Schuyler Board's second cousin, Elizabeth Schuyler. The house was restored back to the period in which the Dey family lived in it. The docent, or trained volunteer, who was on duty that day gave me privileges reserved for family members of going into the private rooms, sitting on the chairs, and taking photographs of the interior. It was a memorable occasion to visit a family home that was historic in its use and little-changed in over 225 years. Upstairs in the attic was a small museum of era uniforms, weapons, etc., where I bought each of the boys a miniature replica revolutionary war cannon. I do not have evidence of Phillip ever being at the house but I suspect it was likely that during the course of the war he visited this home where his aunt and uncle lived and that served as the headquarters of the Continental Army.

The next stop was Long Pond in a more rural area of New Jersey. It was not difficult to find but the site was modest. At the entrance to the Long Pond ironworks was a small museum and bookstore in a building that once served as a general store. In this museum were artifacts and references to Cornelius Board who founded iron ore mining in America at this very site. In the museum store I bought several small samples of iron ore, which are easily proven by their magnetism. The next couple of hours were spent walking the pathways of the ironworks which have been abandoned since the 1800s, and looked like it. The buildings—homes, offices, waterwheels, furnaces—were all dilapidated and roughly half intact and half in ruins. There was the occasional hiker, tourist, or jogger, but I was more concerned with black bears which are populous in these woods of rural New Jersey (yet no more than an hour away from Manhattan.) The most impressive structure there was the stone casing to the old water wheels which were mammoth in size and situated alongside the river that moved in a series of rapids. The water was crystal clear but the river bed and banks were dark from the soil that was rich in black iron ore and still sending slag (waste material from the ore) onto the banks. The entire site was preserved as a state park, albeit without funding or preservation. Still, it was amazing to consider that this site was explored, discovered, and mined by my ancestor some 350 years before. As a memento of the trip I picked up a small metal fragment of the water wheel that I carry with me.

Ringwood Manor was next on my list. I was pleasantly surprised to meet Elert (Bert) Prol the curator of Ringwood who was happy to meet a descendant of the original Board founders of Ringwood; I gave him a copy of the Phillip Board book that I wrote years earlier. Bert was a congenial man with expansive knowledge of the area's history. After completing a group tour he took me on a private tour of the manor house including a visit to the attic.

There I was shocked to see the original lintel from the Board homestead – a replica of which was incorporated into the Cornelius Board memorial at the Pompton Dutch Reformed Church. I was shattered into numerous pieces and apparently had been recovered after the destruction of the Joseph Board home in preparation of the 1920s flooding to create Lake Wanaque. Mr. Prol has subsequently began writing a history of Ringwood and its iron mining operations. It was a thrill to be in the home, which was also significant to New Jersey history after the Board family. Ringwood Manor was at one point in time the largest private residence in the United States. The company, Ringwood Company, founded by Cornelius Board, was still in existence and was one of the oldest (if not the oldest) company in continual existence in America. One of the current owners was Mrs. Carol Green of New York City, according to Bert Prol.

One of the family mysteries I could not clear up was why no one in New Jersey that I worked with knew the area that the Schuyler's were from: New Barbados Neck. It was actually old Kingsland land that they named after arriving in colonial America from Barbados in the Caribbean. I described the geographic area and a man from Nutley said that sounded like the area he was from but he did not recognize the name. After getting a local map and overlaying the old map I figured out the discrepancy. The Kingsland land was 5,000 acres and occupied a series of New Jersey towns – Lyndhurst, Nutley, the Meadowlands (including the New York Giants football stadium) and others. I estimated the land value – this was shortly after the September 11, 2001 attacks on neighboring New York City- at \$5 billion dollars for this land. While New Barbados Neck was obviously a regional name used in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, I was certain that I found the spot I was looking for when I ended up at the intersection of Kingsland Avenue and Schuyler Avenue. From this vantage point one could see the Manhattan skyline in the distance. Kingsland Avenue was a fairly major east-west regional artery that crossed over the Passaic River. Like Barbados, the Kingsland New Jersey land holdings were vast, historically significant, and of great value.

### *Second Generation*

#### 2. JAMES BOARD <sup>2</sup> (Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was baptized 25 August 1720 at Whiteparish Church of England in Wiltshire, England. According to his gravemarker, he was born 10 November 1720, although the reason for the discrepancy in the baptism record preceeding the birth records was not determined. The baptismal record was from a digital image of the original record, and trusted. He died 5 December 1803 in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey. He married to ANN JENNEKE SCHUYLER of Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey in the late 1750s. She was the daughter of Philip Arentse Schuyler and Hester Kingsland. James Board supported the American Revolution as the Commissioner of Confiscated Estates in Bergen County, New Jersey. James and Ann Board resided in Boardville, which was then part of Bergen County and in Passaic County as of 1837. Much of the Board property spanned two counties of Bergen and Passaic. **See Schuyler Family, 3.**

The Board burying ground in Boardville, Passaic County, New Jersey became the bottom of a lakebed as the result of a man-made dam. A published volume of New Jersey cemeteries recorded the Board graves: "This burying ground was one of those removed by the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission from the site of the new Wanaque Reservoir. The remains and headstones were removed in May, 1922, to the Pompton Reformed Church Yard." The Pompton Reformed Church was of the Dutch Reformed faith, and

stood in 2004 in Pompton Township, Pompton, New Jersey. The gravemarkers from the Board plot in the Pompton Reformed Church in Pompton Township, New Jersey were:

IN MEMORY OF JAMES BOARD

Who Died Decb 5th, 1803, Aged 83 Years & 25 Days

IN MEMORY OF JAMES BOARD, JUNr

Who Departed This Life Oct. 2nd, 1801 - 38 Years Old

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; Edwin N. Hopson, Jr., "Gravestone Records From Board Family Plot, Boardville, Passaic County. Copied August 14, 1920 by Edwin N. Hopson, Jr." (From a published volume of New Jersey grave records), 1920; Florence Christoph, *Schuyler Genealogy. A Compendium of Sources Pertaining to the Schuyler Families in America Prior to 1800*, Albany: The Friends of Schuyler Mansion, 1987; Baptisms of James Board, Cornelius Board, Elizabeth Board, David Board, Susannah Board (digital images), Wiltshire, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812" database, retrieved 26 December 2017 from Website Ancestry.com.

The children of James Board and Ann Jenneke Schuyler, born in Boardville, Passaic County, New Jersey:

- i. Phillip Board. He was born in 1760, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, and was the only known member of the early Board family of New Jersey to remove West. He settled outside the town of Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky, where he died in 1850. He married to Eleanor Thompson in 1788 and married secondly to Mary 'Polly' Castleman, in 1804. **See 6.**
- ii. Cornelius Board. He was born 21 February 1763 and was also a soldier in the Revolution. He married his cousin Annas, the daughter of Joseph Board. They lived in Chester, New York where he died 5 September 1830. **See 4 (i), See 7.**
- iii. James Board, Jr. He was born in 1763 and died in October 1801 in Ringwood, Bergen County, New Jersey, about age 38 years. He married Nancy Heard on 4 April 1791. **See 8.**
- iv. John Board. He was born in 1764 and died 21 December 1792 at the age 18 years. He was not married.
- v. Hester Board. She was born in 1765 and died 15 May 1857. Hettie was the second wife of Captain Phineas Heard. **See 9.**
- vi. Peter A. Board. He was born about 1766 in Ringwood, New Jersey and married to Barbara. He was the father of one child, Anna Margaretha Board, born 27 January 1784 in Germantown in western New Jersey and baptized 29 August 1784.
- vii. Nancy Ann Board. She was born in 1767 in Ringwood, New Jersey. Ann Board was the wife of Anthony Dobbin, who owned a large estate at Goshen, New York. They did not have children, and the estate was inherited by their nephew, John James Heard, upon the death of Nancy, who died 4 March 1857. In Treman's 1901 history, he said Dobbin's "house was made in those days the popular stopping place of the Governor of the State on occasions of a review of the State troops, and also of judges and other men of note. He died sometime before 1829."
- viii. Elizabeth Board. She was born in 1768 in Ringwood, New Jersey and married 12 June 1789 to Henry Post. Their child was Ann Post, who married to Benjamin Ferris, and who had a daughter, Eliza A.S. Ferris, who married Andrew McGown.

3. DAVID BOARD <sup>2</sup> (Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 24 March 1727 and baptized 18 April 1728 at Whiteparish Church of England in Wiltshire, England. The difference in years between his 1727 birth and 1728 baptismal records was explained both by the change of Old to New calendars and in consideration of the then-legal custom of considering the year 1727 to span from April 1727 through March 1728. This interpretation indicated his birth as 24 March 1728. He married about 1763 to HANNAH KINGSLAND, the daughter of John Kingsland and Hannah Crane. Her grandparents were Isaac and Elizabeth Kingsland [**See Kingsland Family, 6 (ii)**]. After the death of Hannah, he married secondly to MARY FORD. He died 19 January 1799 in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey and she died 30 August 1825 at the age of 82 years. David Board served in the American Revolution as a Major in the New Jersey Militia, as well as being a member of the Committee of Correspondence and Observation. The gravemarkers from the Board plot in the Pompton Reformed Church in Pompton Township, New Jersey included David and his family:

DAVID BOARD Born March 24th 1727

Died Jan. 19, 1799; 72 Years Old

MARY - RELICT OF DAVID BOARD

Died August 30, 1825 Aged 82 Years -

2 Months and 1 Day

JAMES D. BOARD Born 1st Sept. 1773

Died Aug. 11, 1831 Aged 77 Years 11 Months 11 Days

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; Edwin N. Hopson, Jr., "Gravestone Records From Board Family Plot, Boardville, Passaic County. Copied August 14, 1920 by Edwin N. Hopson, Jr." (From a published volume of New Jersey grave records), 1920; Claire K. Tholl, "The Adventure of Cornelius Board", in *The New Jersey Highlander. A Quarterly Publication of the North Jersey Highlands Historical Society*, Newfoundland, New Jersey, 07435, Winter, 1972, pages 3-15.

The children of David Board, born in Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey:

- i. Cornelius D. Board. He was born 28 January 1764, "that he has a record of his age copies from a record kept by this declarant's father that it is contained in a book at this declarant's house," according to his pension application. He served in the American Revolution as part of the New Jersey Militia under the command of his uncle, Joseph Board. He applied for a federal pension on 10 June 1834 when he resided in Genesee County, New York that was rejected due to technicalities of the Act of June 7, 1832, which required a six month's continual service period and did not recognize patrol duties. He was not married and moved frequently and resided, according to his lengthy pension application, in New Jersey, Vermont, and New York.

That he was living at Saddle River in the County of Bergen [New Jersey] when called into the service and immediately after the Revolutionary War went to Morristown in the State of New Jersey remained a little more than a year then returned to Saddle River remained at Saddle River until September 1790 then moved to the town of Fairhaven County of Rutland and state of Vermont remained there three months then moved to Castleton in the same

county and remained there until the month of May 1811 and then moved to Olean in the county of Cattaraugus in the state of New York and remained there until the month of April 1816 then moved to the town of Rushford in the county of Allegany, New York, and remained there until the spring of the year 1823 then moved to Centreville in the same county and remained there (except a few months residence in Pike and Eagle in the said county) until the month of September 1831 then moved to the town of Warsaw in the County of Genesee, New York, where this declarant now resides.

- ii. Joseph Board. He was married to Margaret Sherman and moved to New York City. He married secondly to Elizabeth Bancker Leaycroft. **See 10.**
- iii. Eleanor Board. She married on 9 May 1786 to Peter Dey and died in 1801 in Bergen County, New Jersey. **See 11.**
- iv. David Board, Jr. He was born in 1769 and married Mary Morris. He died on 5 August 1867 in New York City where he was active in politics. **See 12.**
- v. James D. Board. He was born 1 September 1773 and died 11 August 1831. He married Jane Black and moved to New York City where he was a flour merchant. They had one known child, Elizabeth Board, born 22 April 1797 and baptized 4 February 1798.
- vi. Nathaniel Board. He was born 27 September 1775 and married Mary Kingsland. He was active in New Jersey politics and died 31 December 1842. **See 13.**

#### 4. JOSEPH BOARD <sup>2</sup> (Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 2 August 1737 in Essex County, New Jersey and died in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey on 12 December 1831 at age 94 years. He married on 15 August 1762 to PHEBE BEACH, the daughter of Josiah Beach. Her brother Thomas Beach married Joseph's sister Martha Board. Joseph Board served in the American Revolution as a Captain in the New Jersey Militia. She was born 20 November 1737 in New Haven Colony in Connecticut. She was a descendant of Thomas Beach of New Haven, an ancestor of John Peter Neill, who married Natalie Board. Thomas Beach was the father of Zophar Beach, and grandfather of Josiah Beach who was the father of Phebe Beach. **See Beach Family, 2 (iv).**

The gravemarkers for Joseph and Phebe Board from the Board plot in the Pompton Reformed Church in Pompton Township, New Jersey read:

IN LOVING MEMORY OF JOSEPH BOARD

Died December 12, 1831 - Aged 94 Years and 4 Months

PHEBE - WIFE OF JOSEPH BOARD

Died Dec. 20, 1816 Aged 79 Years 1 Month

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; Edwin N. Hopson, Jr., "Gravestone Records From Board Family Plot, Boardville, Passaic County. Copied August 14, 1920 by Edwin N. Hopson, Jr." (From a published volume of New Jersey grave records), 1920; Claire K. Tholl, "The Adventure of Cornelius Board," in *The New Jersey Highlander. A Quarterly Publication of the North Jersey Highlands Historical Society*, Newfoundland, New Jersey, 07435, Winter, 1972, pages 3-15.



The children of Joseph Board and Phebe Beach, born in Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey:

- i. Annas Board. She was born 18 October 1762. She married her first cousin, Cornelius Board, the son of James, on 5 April 1845. They resided in Chester, New York where he died 5 September 1830 and she died 5 April 1845. **See 2 (ii), See 7.**
- ii. Martha Board. She was born 3 February 1765 and married on 1 April 1787 to Joseph Durland. They resided in Chester, New York. **See 14.**
- iii. Elizabeth Board. She was born 10 October 1766 and was married to Charles Howell in 1802. **See 15.**
- iv. Mary Board. She was born 5 August 1768 and died 12 November 1853 in Warwick, New York, at the age 85 years. She married John Denton. He died and she married secondly at age 62 years to John Pelton on 4 May 1831. He was born 27 February 1766 and died 5 April 1856 at age 90 years. She did not have children.
- v. Charles Board. He was born in 1777 or 1778 and was married 15 December 1804 to Joanna Seely. **See 16.**
- vi. Phebe Board. She was born 4 December 1773 and died unmarried on 3 May 1856.
- vii. Sarah E. Board. She was born 3 January 1777 and died 26 April 1826. She married Abram Stickney and it was not known if they had children.
- viii. Joseph Board, Jr. He was 21 November 1779 and married Mary Kingsland. He died in 1857. They did not have children.
- ix. Susannah Board. She was born 5 April 1782 and died married on 28 August 1866. She was not married.

5. ELEANOR BOARD <sup>2</sup> (Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was the second wife of JOHN BANTA and was known by the Dutch name of Lena Banta. She and her family "removed from the neighborhood of Paramus to Totowa, near Paterson, and subsequently to Slotter Dam, on the Passaic River, near Acquackanonck (Paterson), New Jersey."

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of Eleanor Board and John Banta, born in northern New Jersey:

- i. George Banta. He was born 30 April 1768 and married 6 September 1791 to Elizabeth Van Idenstyne. He died 30 May 1831.
- ii. Sarah Banta. She was born in 1770 and married 20 November 1789 to Robert Glass.
- iii. Anne Banta. She was born 12 August 1772 and married on 23 October 1791 to Michael Van Idenstyne.
- iv. Aaron Banta. He was born 19 January 1776 and married 10 June 1804 to Polly Debaun. He died at age 33 years on 15 January 1810.
- v. Richard Banta. He was born in March 1780 and was baptized 23 April 1780. He married on 1 February 1816 to Sally Goetchius Post. He died 18 February 1834.

*Third Generation*

6. PHILLIP BOARD <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 16 August 1760 in Boardville, Bergen (later Passaic) County, New Jersey and he was the first child of James Board and Ann Janneke

Schuyler. Phillip Board was a soldier of the Revolution serving the state of New Jersey and after the war he moved to the Bluegrass region of Kentucky, then a part of Virginia. He married there in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky on 7 August 1788 to ELEANOR THOMPSON, daughter of William and Elizabeth Thompson, whose name was spelled phonetically on her marriage bond as Aliner. After her death, he married secondly in 1804 in Kentucky to MARY CASTLEMAN, who was called Polly. This marriage was recorded in Book I of Mercer County marriages, page 98. Polly Board was born 5 October 1779 (from her gravestone) in Tennessee and was married previously to John L. Mischler, whose surname was also spelled Mischler and Mitchell, who was the father of her son Jacob Mitchell. Their marriage was recorded in the Davidson County, Tennessee courthouse at Nashville, where John L. Mischler and Mary Cassellman married on 17 December 1791. Polly Castleman Board died at the Board homestead near Nevada in Mercer County, Kentucky on 31 July 1827. Phillip died there 3 June 1850. His extensive estate was recorded in the Mercer County court records.

Harrod's Town, Mercer County, Virginia. The Summer of 1788.

In the town growing up around Fort Harrod arrived a 27-year-old from New Jersey. It was the summer of 1788, and Phillip Board joined the increasing population of settlers, pioneers and frontiersmen in the first permanent settlement of the West. After eight years of service as a soldier in the Revolution, Phillip returned to New Jersey for four years only to find the aftermath of the bitter and bloody civil war that raged in Bergen County. The families and ancient friendships of his birthplace were torn asunder and the newly opened land west of the Alleghanies offered a fresh perspective for a young man. Settled his new home, primary among his concerns was marriage. No record in the agreements, suits, and public works of the Mercer County court house yet mentioned Phillip Board. Indeed, his first documented day among the pioneers of the Bluegrass was July 21, 1788, when Board concluded his marriage intention to Eleanor Thompson on a handshake with her father William, and fifty pounds bond to the Governor of Virginia.

William Thompson was no doubt impressed with his acquaintance of Phillip Board. He was of a background not common to the young men in and around the Fort. Board's parents were from prominent and wealthy colonial New Jersey families. He had proved himself in battle during the American Revolution. Thompson, for his part, was not without wealth. He was among the largest landholders in the Bluegrass region. He first acquired land in 1780, just six years after the settlement of Fort Harrod, the first outpost in Kentucky.

William's only daughter Aliner became Board's wife that summer. On August 7, 1788, they wed. The marriage bond between Board and Thompson was in the Mercer County Courthouse in Harrodsburg, in Marriage Bond book one, page 12. <sup>1</sup> It read:

Know all men by these Presents that we Philip Board and William Thompson are held firmly bound unto Edmund Randolph, Esqr., Governor of Virginia, in the sum of fifty pounds current money to the payment of which well and truly to be made to the said Governor and his successors we bind ourselves, our heirs, Excs. and Admns. jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 21st day of July 1788. The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be introduced between the above bound Philip Board and Aliner Thompson for which a license has been issued. Now it there be no lawful course to obstruct the said

marriage then this obligation to be void or else to remain in full force and virtue.

Phillip Board  
William Thompson

Phillip Board came to Kentucky by way of the route of James Harrod. Harrod left Redstone (later Uniontown) Pennsylvania, down the Ohio River on a flatboat and hence to the Kentucky River where "Harrod's Landing" was founded in 1774. The north part of Mercer County was settled primarily by this route, whereas the southern part of the county (now Boyle County) was primarily settled by the Wilderness Road from North Carolina, such as by William Thompson. Board was also thought to have made ventures in to the Miami lands north of the Ohio River, in which his father James Board invested when he purchased land there in 1801; land that was given to Phillip after his father's decease.

Fourteen years before Board arrived, James Harrod led the expedition into the Kentucky interior that led to the founding of Fort Harrod. *The Frontiersman* recreated the event:

Nearly one hundred miles south of the Ohio River in the vast unexplored interior of Virginia's Fincastle County, a small group of permanent buildings was being raised not far from the Kentucky River, close to the east bank of the Salt River. It was the first permanent settlement of whites ever to be established in the Can-tuc-kee lands, and the leader of the party, toward the close of the day, eyed his men's hard work and nodded approvingly. 'I've always dreamed of establishing a town and naming it after myself, therefore I name this settlement Harrodsburg.' <sup>2</sup>

From that summer day in 1774 until Board arrived in 1788, the fort was central to the establishment of the first outpost in the West. Americans were building a nation, and to Kentucky were brought self-government and an opportunity to clear and farm new land. The establishment of a new frontier society took root quickly. In *The Frontiersman* it was said during this era:

It was hard for many of the earliest settlers... to realize that less than a score of years ago this vast unknown territory, described only as Fincastle County, was a sprawling deadly wilderness west of the Appalachians. And then Fincastle had been broken up and Kentucky became a single county of Virginia, apart from western Virginia. <sup>3</sup>

Kentucky County was sub-divided in 1780, with Harrodsburg being included in Lincoln County, and five years later made the seat of government for the new county of Mercer, as it has so remained (*Kentucky Genealogical Research*, Schweitzer). <sup>4</sup>

Despite great strides in the settling of Kentucky by the whites, even three-year-old Mercer County was not secure from Indian troubles. Just north of the Kentucky lands, Shawnee leader Blue Jacket led a nation defending their homeland and sacred hunting ground, Can-tuc-kee. Into the next summer, 1789, the situation was no better with the Native Americans. Phillip Board was no doubt among the settlers who took refuge at Fort Harrod during such times of trouble, as was described in the *Frontiersman*. <sup>5</sup>

If the depredations by Indians in Kentucky had seemed bad before, they grew infinitely worse now. Scarcely a day went by when surprise attacks did not occur somewhere among the settlements or isolated cabins. Nor were these attacks limited to the northern part of Kentucky along the river. For too frequently they were occurring as deep inland as

Harrodsburg and Danville and Stanford. Boats were attacked by the scores and now it seemed the Indians were more inclined to kill than take prisoners. It was a rare week indeed when the ruins of a dozen or more boats did not drift past Maysville, with evidence of more tragedies upstream.

Despite Native Americans and other hazards of the wilderness, momentum carried forward the settlement of Kentucky. The year 1792 saw the ratification of the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a state into the American union. At the advent of statehood Fort Harrod provided safety with its fortified walls during times of uncertainty.<sup>6</sup>

The late 1780s and the decade of the 1790s proved to be a time of establishment and accomplishment for Phillip Board. Little time was wasted in beginning his family and his wife Aliner was pregnant with their first child by the close of 1788, the year they married. Their good fortune extended to their home, a two-story log cabin deeded to Phillip and from his father-in-law for "natural love and affection."<sup>7</sup> This house became the newlywed's home and remained so throughout their lifetime while undergoing a series of additions and renovations. The Board home, begun before 1788, remained in family possession until its demise two centuries later.

The old Board home and land were described in Deed Book one, page 155, of Mercer County, Kentucky.<sup>8</sup> From within the legal jargon of this deed emerges a portrait of the land: a winding creek through rolling hills, populated with red and white oaks, elm and walnut trees, ash, buckeye, hickory and sugar trees. Essentially in its natural state, it was just being introduced to human habitation.

This Indenture made the twenty-sixth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight. Between William Thompson of the county of Mercer in the District of Kentucky of the one part and Phillip Board of the same county and District of the other part, witnesseth that the said William Thompson for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which he hath beareth unto the said Phillip Board his son-in-law and also for the sum of five shillings current money to him in hand paid... a certain tract of land being in the said County of Mercer on the waters of Chaplin's Fork of Salt River being part of the said Thompson's Preemption and adjoining Colliers land on the North. Beginning at an ash and white oak on Colliers line and running with his lines East one hundred poles to a black oak and two white oak trees, thence North nine poles to a black oak and two white oaks, thence East 148 poles crossing a branch to an ash and sugar tree on the bank thence North 28 poles to an elm-Hickory and buckeye trees on the bank of a river, thence East 326 poles to a white oak and sugar tree and ash trees on French's line and bending thereon South 120 poles to two red oak trees Thence West 240 poles a hickory tree thence South 34 poles to a red oak and white oaks trees thence West 96 to a Hickory and white oak tree thence South 8 poles to an elm and white oak tree thence West 218 poles to a white oak, elm, and walnut tree on the top of a ridge thence North 160 poles to the beginning containing 416 acres together with all buildings, improvements commodities hereditments and appurtenances.

A great deal of research into the history of this dwelling was conducted by Frances Board Keightley of Harrodsburg. She filed a report on the house with the Kentucky Heritage Commission, dated November 23, 1973. The structure was originally owned by William Thompson and was of two-story log and frame construction. The final heir, in a series of heirs, was Mr. Ernest Cannon, a descendant of Phillip Board. Its story was detailed in the report that in the late 1770s William Thompson "came to Mercer County to claim his Virginia Land Grant of 4,000 acres on the Dry Fork of the Chaplin River. He built a cabin and outbuildings halfway up a hillside overlooking the creek and near a large spring." <sup>9</sup> The 418 acres deeded to Phillip contained this home and was to be the focal point of a plantation that eventually included over one thousand acres owned by Board. The dimensions and interior design of the log cabin were carefully documented by personal inspection. <sup>10</sup>

The original structure was 2 rooms, one over the other, with an enclosed stairway. A dog-trot and 2 more rooms were added about 1788. The hand hewn timbers are 14 inches square resting on a fieldstone foundation. The dog-trot hall measures 6 feet 3 inches wide by 192 feet long. On the left, the first rooms measure 112 feet by 192 feet; on the right, the rooms measure 122 feet by 192 feet. Ceilings are 7 feet and doorways, 6 feet. A part of a chair rail exists in the hall. Windows are not original. Doors are plain, jambs are 16 inches with a molded casing. Floors are ash and poplar. Later a room was added at the right front, much more formal than the rest of the house. Rising one step, it contains a reeded hand carved mantel with bullseye corners. Obviously, this was the new parlor. In the rear, one step up, a kitchen and dining room were built. The ice house, to the rear, was faced with fieldstones. At the top of the hill in the family graveyard, lie the remains of Board, his wife and many of their children.

In 1973, the home was in a state of disrepair, as it had been a generation since it was actively lived in and maintained. The physical condition of the structure was considered "endangered"; the interior and exterior were both considered to be in poor shape. By 1988, it was no longer standing and many of the tombstones of the pioneer Boards lay buried in an overgrowth of weeds. The surrounding farmland remained in the possession of the Cannon descendants and was located in the vicinity of Dixville on the Mercer County side of the road from Harrodsburg to Perryville, Boyle County.

For the homes of the era in the Bluegrass wilderness, Phillip and his family lived spaciouly and comfortably. Additions were necessary for the Boards, as their first child was already due and no doubt others would follow. Less than one year after Phillip and Eleanor wed, their son James was born, on June 5, 1789, in the family's home. <sup>11</sup>

Phillip Board increasingly became a man of stature in the Mercer community. He was soon found in a variety of county records that track his responsibilities and financial standing. Nine months after his marriage to Eleanor, or Aliner, Phillip Board was among the taxable men of Mercer County. The tax list of March 28, 1789, on file at the Mercer County Courthouse, showed Board as the owner of ten colts and mules, as well as twelve head of cattle. His land consisted of 400 acres. Board was not thn a slaveholder, although he would later come to rely on the labor of enslaved persons for domestic help. <sup>12</sup>

The following month, on April 30, 1789, the 1788 deed between William Thompson and Phillip Board was recorded at the court house in Harrodsburg.

This was the first entry for Phillip Board in the Court Order Books of Mercer County, as abstracted in *Mercer County Kentucky Records Volume I*.<sup>13</sup> This deed was witnessed by William McBrayner, James Thompson and Lawrence Lowe, and the entered into the public record. Later in 1789 Board was again on record in a matter heard before court on September 22. "Jeremiah Briscoe appointed overseer of the road from the Dry Fork to the path that leads from Andrew Jamison's to Joseph McCallister's, and to have the following hands to assist him... Philip Board." As early as March 25, 1790, there was evidence of Phillip Board's role as a local lender. On this day the court heard the matter of: "John Craig, assignee of John Cowan who was assignee of Philip Board, versus Henry French, on debt. Assessed damages for the plaintiff for 2 shillings, 7 pence, plus the debt of £6 pounds, 10 shillings and costs. Judgment accordingly."<sup>14</sup> In the absence of formal banks and lending institutions on the frontier, Board provided the service of lending his personal funds to those who could repay him with interest. The lending activity documented at Board's decease was a testament to his success in this role.

That Board was enterprising and willing to travel for commerce was well documented. He conducted business in New Jersey, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee and Louisiana. Tennessee in particular traded with Kentucky between Nashville and Harrodsburg. The route was either overland or by water. Curd's Landing was on the Dix River (now Harrington Lake) and emptied into the Kentucky River; from the Kentucky to the Ohio River and back eastward on the Cumberland River was Nashville. Less than two years after arriving in Kentucky, Board was already engaged in commerce down the Mississippi River into Spanish America. In 1787, former General and flatboard entrepreneur James Wilkinson had begun regular trips down the river and was advising fellow Kentuckians on how to do business with the Spanish government.<sup>15</sup>

Wilkinson was not the only flatboatman to penetrate the Spanish barrier, but he was one of the first and most enterprising. He understood the Spaniards' fears and aimed to salve them. If the Spaniards wanted new subjects and loyalty oaths – and after 1788 they did – then that was exactly what they would get. With 'a view to protect my own fortunes and to benefit my fellow citizens,' Wilkinson in 1787 made his first decent to New Orleans. He later sent personally or sponsored score of southbound flatboats laden with flour and tobacco. Wilkinson instructed his pilot 'to put on your best Bib & Tucker,' treat all Spanish commandants with great courtesy and a bribe, announce 'a determination to settle in Louisiana,' and take 'the Oath of Allegiance.' Say 'nothing that is not flattering to Louisiana.'

Phillip Board was included in the records of Spanish America among the boatload of Americans (with readily recognizable Kentucky names) "to settle" in Louisiana then under Spanish control. He was listed in a flotilla of five flatboats that landed at Natchez, Mississippi on April 19, 1790, carrying 150,095 pounds of tobacco freshly grown in Kentucky and 70 barrels of flour. The owner of the boats was Guillermo Thomson, a Spanish translation that shows Phillip Board's father-in-law William Thompson was working from the Wilkinson playbook by translating his own name into Spanish. The lists including "Philip Board, to settle" were included with the following cover letter from Carlos de Grand-Pre (Rubric) to Senor Don Estevan Miro.<sup>16</sup>

April 22, 1790. I enclose to Your Lordship three reports listing the people and goods recently arrived from North America. I distinguish between the ones who have come

here to settle and those who are returning. Also listed are the goods which they brought are taking down to that capital with the exception of those of Ezekiel Forman. May God protect Your Lordship many years. Natchez, April 22, 1790.

Among the other 'settlers' who arrived a day or two after Board were Mercer Countians John Cowan and Hugh McGary. The route they took was also to leave Curd's Landing on the Dix River to the Kentucky River, which was followed to the Ohio River, hence down the Mississippi River to the town of Natchez.

One court case related to this Natchez travel was to have significant national implications in 1824. On September 27, 1793, the case of Lewis Robards against Rachel Robards "in adultery" was heard in Mercer County Court.

This day came the Plaintiff by his attorney and thereupon came also a Jury, towit, James Bradsbury, Thomas Smith, Gabriel Slaughter, John Lightfoot, Samuel Work, Harrison Davis, John Ray, Obadiah Wright, John Miles, John Meaux, Joseph Thomas and Benjamin Lawless, who being elected tried and sworn well and truly to inquire into the allegations in the Plaintiff's Declaration specified upon their Oath do say that the Defendant Rachel Robards hath deserted the Plaintiff Lewis Robards and hath and doth still live in adultery with another man. It is therefore considered by the court that the marriage between the Plaintiff and the Defendant be dissolved.

Hugh McGary and John Cowans were witnesses for Robards testifying that they came up the Natchez Trace with Andrew Jackson and Rachel Robards, and that they slept under the same blanket "as man and wife." The Natchez Trace was dangerous with Indians and so people traveled in groups. The story, as relayed by Frances Keightley Moseley was that Andrew Jackson and Hugh McGary had a "falling out" on the trip back. McGary thought the group should post more guards and Jackson did not.

Board was not involved in the case, but he was on the jury in the case that followed that day and likely heard first-hand about these proceedings. More detail was impossible to find, as all other records and depositions related to the case disappeared from the county courthouse in the early 1820s. While Lewis Robards was a notorious slave-trader who frequented the Natchez Trace route, the man with whom his wife Rachel lived in adultery was none other than Andrew Jackson, later the hero of the Battle of New Orleans, and President of the United States, who lost in his first attempt in 1824 amid rumours of his scandalous marriage to Rachel, who later became the First Lady of the United States.<sup>17</sup>

Although the Mercer County court records tended to detail many of the more mundane aspects of life during these legend-building times, one other case heard the same day as the Board's involved two of the more notable Bluegrass residents in the case of Daniel Boone versus James Harrod. It was hard to imagine that Phillip Board did not personally know these men, or at least, had met them.<sup>18</sup> On April 27, 1791, Phillip Board was appointed overseer of the road project that he had previously served on, replacing Jeremiah Briscoe. This road was from "the Dry Fork to the path that leads from Andrew Jamison's to Joseph McCallister's." The following summer Board was also appointed, by act of court, to be overseer of the road construction of the road "from the first large branch on the other side of the Widow Hale." This was ordered in Mercer County court on May 28, 1793.<sup>19</sup>

Tax records on file at the courthouse showed Phillip Board among the taxable men on June 29, 1792. Board was also on the 1793 tax list, but absent from 1794's list. The following year on June 29, 1795, Board was taxed on his real estate holdings, which consisted of his 418 acres from William Thompson.<sup>20</sup> Occasionally, insight into Board's activities was found though the court records. One such document indicated that Board had owned a weaving operation. In 1794, he took in two apprentices to teach the trade, and to educate them. Both children were orphans of Thomas Brown. The contractual requirements of each party as found in the apprenticeship record in Deed Book Two of Mercer County, dated April 10, 1794.<sup>21</sup>

Indenture of Thomas Allen and Mercer County Court to Philip Board (weaver). Philip took John Brown, the orphan of Thomas Brown as an apprentice. Philip to teach him to read and write and common arithmetic including the rule of three in addition to the trade of weaving. At the age of 21 he is to be free with three pounds and ten shillings and a decent new suit of clothes....Indenture of Nancy Brown to Philip Board to teach her spinning and knitting and arts in trade. He agreed to provide good and sufficient apparel, meat, drink, and lodging. To be dismissed at 21 with three pounds and ten shillings and a decent new outfit of clothes.

Another matter in which Board became involved was acting as administrator of an estate which was required when one died without leaving a Will. Phillip Board was appointed to serve in this capacity for the settlement of Joseph Bohannon's estate. He was required to post a one hundred pound bond, for which John Harbison was surety, or guarantor. On January 27, 1795, Board was in court regarding the Bohannon estate, as well as to serve as witness in the following case:<sup>22</sup>

William Zekelidge versus John Mills, on appeal. Upon hearing, the court decreed that the judgment heretofore granted to John Hale, Justice, be confirmed, and that the appellant pay to the appellee his costs. Zekelidge to pay Philip Board and John Little, each, two shillings, one penny for attending one day as witnesses for him.

Phillip Board was also involved in the public works of the county, an important role in the settlement of remote areas, as Mercer County was at this time. Several entries from Court Orders in the late 1790s detail his involvement. On January 26, 1796, the court excused Board from overseeing the road project "from the large branch of the other side of the widow Hale's to the Dry Fork," and replaced him with Isaac Van Arsdal. Board had served several years as overseer of this road project. On March 28, 1798, court session records show Phillip Board was appointed overseer of an important road project that constructed a permanent route along what had been "Shepherd's Path." The court order stated:<sup>23</sup>

The precinct of the road leading from Harrodsburg to Cumberland, beginning at the Dry Fork of the Chaplin River, up the same to Hastings Road, thence a direct line to Salt River below Henry French's plantation and down said river to Wilson's direct line to William Shepherd's, thence a direct line to the mouth of the Dry Fork and up the same to the place of the beginning. Ordered that Philip Board be overseer and that all the hands living wit: the above bounds assist him in keeping the road in repair.

Board undoubtedly had a strong interest in the construction of a permanent roadway leading from his land located on the "Dry Fork of the Chaplin River,"



outwards into the county and connecting the Dixville area into a larger network of roads. Some years later, Board's son John opened a tavern near this site for local residents and stagecoach travelers. Phillip Board directed this road effort for two years, and was succeeded on May 26, 1800, by Abraham Brown.<sup>24</sup>

The tax books of Mercer County also continued to record Phillip Board among the taxable men of the county. On May 19, 1796, Board was listed as the owner of 416 acres of land situated nearby the waters of the Dry Fork in Mercer County. For purposes of tax evaluation, the land was graded as "third class." William Thompson was given as the person "land in whose name originally entered, surveyed and grant issued." Board also owned eleven colts and mules, and fourteen head of cattle. The tax list of May 29, 1797 were found to be somewhat illegible, but Phillip Board was listed, and with taxes paid. The tax book of 1798 no longer exists, but Phillip Board was found again on May 27, 1799, as the owner of 416 acres of land on the "Dryfork." Subsequent evaluations on May 29, 1800, and August 18, 1801, continued to show Board as the owner of 416 acres. In 1801 he was also taxed on his ownership of four horses.<sup>25</sup>

At the advent of the nineteenth century, Board had been in Mercer County for twelve years, and was in a position to begin expansion by acquiring neighboring farmland. On February 26, 1800, Phillip Board purchased 300 acres from the estate of William Stewart. This transaction increased his holdings to 716 acres. This transaction read:<sup>26</sup>

Hannah Harris and Mary Hunter, heirs of William Stewart, deceased, by Thos. Todd, attorney-in-fact of Franklin Co., to Philip Board of Mercer County for £100 pounds, a tract of land patented in the name of William Stewart on Chaplin Fork of Salt River to begin south to corner of Thompson's land in Stewart settlement line thence west 118 poles to NW corner to Stewart's 600 acre survey, west 120 ½ poles to the SE corner of Goodnight, on his line N 177 ½ poles with Goodnight line east 228 poles in Thompson line and with said line 247 ½ poles to the beginning with all appurtenances containing 300 acres.

Phillip Board had a well-documented relationship with the Thompson family, and appeared to have enjoyed a genuine friendship with William Thompson. Thompson, along with his wife, sons, and infant daughter Aliner, came to Kentucky a decade before the arrival of Phillip Board. In *Jillson's Land Grants* several men by the name of William Thompson were recorded. It was certain that William Thompson, the father-in-law of Phillip Board, was granted 1,000 acres, "land on the Dry Branch of Chaplin's Fork" in Lincoln County, now Mercer. The land sales were initiated by the state of Virginia so that all persons who possessed land in Kentucky prior to June 1776 were provided 400 acres of homestead.

A second land law, more important to Board history, was passed in 1779 that promised every settler who had occupied a tract of land in Kentucky and raised a crop before January 1, 1778, the opportunity to buy 400 acres priced at twenty-five cents an acre, and further gave the right to preempt an additional 1,000 acres at forty cents an acre. In 1780 the homesteaders came to locate their land warrants. On June 2, 1780, William Thompson claimed his one thousand acres on the Dry Fork of the Chaplin River, for forty cents an acre, at a total cost of \$400. Part of this land would eventually be passed from William Thompson to his son-in-law, who retained the land until his death in 1850. The land has been bequeathed to Board descendants down through the generations, and has begun its third century in family hands.<sup>27</sup>

Board's father-in-law William Thompson was among the first settlers of Kentucky. *Jillson's Land Grants* indicated Thompson was in Kentucky and farming just four years after the raising of Fort Harrod. There was no question that such a settler would have lived through the Indian raids and unsettled times with such men as Daniel Boone and James Harrod. As stability and settlement grew, so did Thompson's land holdings. He purchased another one thousand acres on June 9, 1784, located at "Harrod's Landing and Shawnee Run." This land, found in Lincoln County Deed Book Two, page 115, placed him among the largest landholders in Mercer County.<sup>28</sup>

Court records concerning Thompson showed him to have been "a distiller of spirits" in addition to being a farmer, which was likely his secondary occupation. It was during this early period in Kentucky that Bourbon Whiskey was developed in the Bluegrass. The only record of this business was in 1798 when William Thompson initiated a suit in Mercer County court against John Hoback for mismanagement of the distillery. Witnesses for Thompson were Phillip Board, Jonathan Collier, Arthur Thompson, Henry French, and William Cannon. Board appeared to have been part of a very close circle of men based upon business and family ties in Mercer County. Frequently mentioned with Phillip Board was Arthur Thompson, his brother-in-law, along with William Thompson. The family business dealings usually included all three men.<sup>29</sup>

A dispute in the spring of 1799 led one James Thompson to file suit against William Thompson for trespassing. For this wrong he sought a settlement of fifty pounds currency. The following summer William Thompson filed suit against James Thompson for "slanderous words" spoken against Elizabeth, wife of William Thompson. One other Thompson suit involved Thomas Thompson, who like James Thompson was not known to be related. Thomas sued Phillip Board in a dispute concerning land Thompson rented from Board and subsequently built improvements upon, and refused to pay rent. The court at Danville found in Thomas Thompson's favor, but later reversed this verdict in favor of Board.

In other litigation, on September 26, 1795, William Thompson was in the Mercer County courthouse filing suit against Samuel Woods for "2,000 pounds of good tobacco." An obligation was on record from Woods and witnessed by Philip Board and Jonathan Collier. In 1799 William Thompson sued James Debon, with Collier a witness along with Thompson's sons James and Arthur. The next year Thompson sued another Debon, Joseph Debon, this time for an unpaid debt. Phillip Board was a witness in court for William Thompson. It seemed likely from these records that Thompson had a lending practice, as it was known Board later had. One last court record showed a sale of land from Thompson to Jonathan Collier, also witnessed by Phillip Board, and Samuel French.<sup>30</sup>

William Thompson's business dealings were throughout central Kentucky. One real estate purchase was in Nelson County, when Thompson purchased 360 acres of land from William Arnet on Still Creek of Chaplin's Fork. This deed, dated 1789, was also witnessed by Phillip Board, showing an early involvement with Thompson and his business affairs. Thompson holdings in Mercer County and central Kentucky were extensive, including 200 acres in Henderson County of land patented to him (that is, the first owner of the land), as well as patented land of 1000 acres in Mercer County near the Kentucky River. Interestingly, he owned but one horse and held no slaves.<sup>31</sup> In the summer of 1804, William Thompson died. He may be remembered as one of Kentucky's first pioneers; as a distiller, tobacco farmer and businessman. Although no record existed to determine his age at death, his son's 1795 marriage would indicate William was probably born in the 1740s or 1750s. If that was the case, Thompson would have been in or near his fifties. In the

sixteen years that he was a friend and father-in-law to Phillip Board, he probably exerted the greatest influence and direction of any person on Board's adult life.

William's son Arthur Thompson was requested to become executor of the estate by his mother, Elizabeth, in Mercer County Court on July 19, 1804. (Mercer Will Book 3, page 56.)<sup>32</sup> Arthur settled the estate of his father, to which he and his brother James were heirs. Aliner and Phillip had been given their share of Thompson's wealth back in 1788 and were not designated to receive additional assets. In Mercer County Deed Book Six, page 1, the Thompson sons were mentioned as heirs in a sale to George Caldwell; they were listed as "Arthur and Martha Thompson" and "James and Mary Thompson."<sup>33</sup>

Arthur Thompson was the brother-in-law of Phillip Board and part of the trio including his father and Board that was active in running the Thompson business affairs. Arthur married in Mercer County (Book One, page 34) in 1795 to Martha Cochran.<sup>34</sup> County tax books reveal that Arthur lived in the Gaines District of Mercer County—the east side of the Danville Road in 1795—and that he owned between 5 and 12 slaves at all times between the years 1797 and 1810. According to Frances Keightley Moseley, Thompson owned the Yellow Horse Inn in southern Mercer County which was a tavern and inn originally across the street from Jeremiah Clemens tavern (from which family comes Samuel Clemens, or Mark Twain).<sup>35</sup> Three years later he bought real estate, Lot Twelve on West Street in the town of Danville. Then, in 1812, Arthur and his family moved to Garrard County, Kentucky, where he acquired 342 and three-quarters acres from David Findley, located on Dick River. (Garrard County Deed Book D, page 200.)<sup>36</sup> Arthur Thompson died at his Garrard County farm six years later, in 1818. Arthur was buried, according to Judge Calico, at "Amon at Camp Dick Robinson, Old Hickman Road at the junction."<sup>37</sup> Before the 1812 Garrard County purchase, Arthur sold his Mercer County land to his brother-in-law, Phillip Board. This transaction was found in Mercer County Deed Book 7, page 31:<sup>38</sup>

This Indenture made this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1810, between Arthur Thompson and Martha his wife of the county of Mercer and state of Kentucky of one part and Philip Board of said county and state of the other part for \$227.50 sell a tract on the waters of the Dry Fork of the Chaplin containing 65 acres. Beginning at an elm in Briscoe's line and corner to said Board's, thence 388 poles to an oak and walnut to Briscoe's thence N 25 poles to 2 black oaks and walnut corner to said Board thence westward with Board's old line to the beginning.

Shortly after this 1810 deed, Arthur Thompson disposed of a significant tract of land- 1,800 acres which he had inherited from his father's estate. The proceeds of this sale were eventually used for the purchase of a high quality Garrard County farm, which cost \$4,113. The 1,800 acres were sold to Jeremiah Briscoe, and was recorded in Mercer County Deed Book One, page 515:<sup>39</sup>

This land was on both sides of the road leading to Green River, on the Dry Fork of Chaplin's River, bounded by Henry French, Phillip Board, William Bottoms, Stewart, Bob Baumse, Edward Pennington and Edward Davis. 2,000 acres except 200 in the SW corner which was sold by his father William Thompson to Edward Thursby.

The estate of Arthur Thompson was proved in Garrard County court in 1818. Estate sales after his decease produced income of \$4,953 on the initial

sale, followed by \$2,620 and \$750. The items auctioned told much about their owner. Arthur apparently continued in the distilling trade that his father engaged in: one still was sold in 1818 to William Hoskins, and one still along with 250 gallons of alcohol was sold to Alec Sneed. Arthur also owned a pair of surveyor's compasses, probably needed during the many real estate deals transacted over the years. Thompson also owned a personal library, indicating education and learning that was often unusual in the frontier areas. Sold was a six volume set of Marshall's *Washington* to William Fields for \$25. Other books went to Thompson's son, Mason, to Samuel Smith and Meredith Kelsey, who paid \$10. for items in the collection. <sup>40</sup> Martha Thompson, Arthur's widow, survived twenty-two years after her husband's decease. Her Will was proved in Garrard County, Kentucky (Book K, page 248) on August 20, 1840. She mentioned her surviving children Daniel Thompson, Mason Thompson, Bushrod Thompson, Caroline Myers, Emily Duke, and Josephine Ralston. <sup>41</sup>

Phillip Board and James Thompson also shared land devised from the original William Thompson grant. In 1824, James Thompson, then a resident of Indiana, transferred 27 acres to Board. This deed was witnessed by John May and John Ludwick. Their agreement read, in part: <sup>42</sup>

This Indenture made 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 1824 Between James Thompson and Phillip Board For \$80 dollars in current notes (Bank). Tract of land conveyed by Arthur Thompson to Philip Board and bounded as follows Beginning with a white oak in the edge of the road leading from Harrodsburg to Perryville, thence N 25 E 38 poles to Philip Boards old line thence with the same N 88 W 94 poles to a Hickory thence South 35 poles to a white oak thence N 88 poles to a stake in Philip Board's field thence S 8 poles to an elm thence E to the beginning.

The final disposition of the Mercer County Thompson land from James and Arthur—the heirs of William—was in 1831, on October 6<sup>th</sup>. Alexander Thompson of Monroe County, Missouri gave right-of-attorney to his brother James Thompson of Jackson County, Indiana to dispose of 230 acres on the Chaplin River formerly belonging to his father James Thompson, deceased. <sup>43</sup> From thereon the only Thompson land that remained in family hands has been the old Phillip Board tract, and it remained so into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

The children of Phillip Board appeared to have been strongly influenced by the Dutch heritage of their father, especially given the presence of the Low Dutch community in Mercer County and central Kentucky. Although the Boards originally worshipped as members of the Dutch Reformed Church, their faith eventually became incorporated into the Cumberland Presbyterians. Phillip's son David was an active Presbyterian. <sup>44</sup> David Board married a Dutch woman and their son Jacob Mitchell Board was primarily Dutch in ancestry, as were Jacob's sons. A descendant of Jacob Board's sister, Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, wrote in a 1954 letter to Carl Board that, "my grandfather said I was short like the Board's who were Dutch." <sup>45</sup>

The birth and death information of this family was primarily from the *Bible* of Phillip Board, with a range of dates from 1760 to 1882 that was owned in 2000 by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky who inherited it from her father, J. Phillip Board, the great-grandson of Old Phillip Board, and the last of the name in Mercer County. The "Family Record" from the *Bible* was from copies certified in 1964 at the Mercer County Courthouse, in an exact transcription.

# *Chronicle of the Neill Family*

BIRTHS	DEATHS
Phillip Board was born August 16, 1760	Died June 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 1850
Eleanor Board was born 1776	Died July 24 <sup>th</sup> , 1798
James Board was born June 5 <sup>th</sup> 1789	Died September 26 <sup>th</sup> , 1825
William Board was born October 16, 1791	Died March 1814
Anne Board was born December 1792	Died August 7 <sup>th</sup> , 1795
John Board was born January 12 <sup>th</sup> , 1794	
Eliza Board was born June 19 <sup>th</sup> 1796	Died June 1815
Polly Board was born October 1779	Died July the 31 <sup>st</sup> 1827
Jacob Mitchell was born February 6 <sup>th</sup> , 1793	Jacob Mitchel died September the 1, 1872
David Board was born August 4 <sup>th</sup> , 1799	David Board died July 1882
Joseph Board was born November 7 <sup>th</sup> , 1800	Joseph Board Died Sept. the 2, 1872
Thomas Board was born December 16 <sup>th</sup> , 1803	Died March 13 <sup>th</sup> , 1833
	Martha Board died on the 18 <sup>th</sup> of Feb. 1833
Cornelius Board was born January 24 <sup>th</sup> , 1806	Died August 16 <sup>th</sup> , 1824
Maria Board was born December 16 <sup>th</sup> , 1809	Married John Sweeney
Benjamin Board was born January 24 <sup>th</sup> 1811	

## Boardville, New Jersey Colony. The Summer of 1760.

Phillip Board was born on August 1, 1760, in the hamlet of Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey. <sup>46</sup> He was the first child of James and Ann Board, and the grandson of Philip Arent Schuyler of Bergen County. His grandfather, for whom he was named, was then seventy-three years old and in failing health. Although the date has not been recorded, Phillip Board would have been baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church, probably in nearby Pompton.

No facts or tales have come down through time concerning the childhood of Phillip Board in New Jersey, other than to say that it was probably brief due to the Revolution. He was still fifteen years old when the Declaration of Independence was signed at Philadelphia on July 4, 1776, setting into motion a series of events monumental in the life of Phillip Board and of the nation. Four days past his sixteenth birthday, on August 20, 1776, he enlisted in the New Jersey militia and immediately began the march on Elizabethtown to fight the British. <sup>47</sup>

From the time of his birth in 1760 until the march on Elizabethtown, which marked the end of a youthful era, Board lived a privileged life. Board was the grandson of two very prominent and successful colonists, Cornelius Board who founded the iron mining industry in America, and Philip Schuyler, whose grandfather of the same name had founded Albany, New York in the previous century and whose own family had significant wealth from copper mining. Phillip Board's grandmother, Hester Kingsland Schuyler, was the daughter of Isaac Kingsland who was given a 5,000 acre parcel of coastal land in New

Barbados Neck, Bergen County, from his uncle Nathaniel Kingsland, a Member of Assembly for Barbados and owner of extensive sugar plantations in the Caribbean and South America.<sup>48</sup> The Schuylers and the Boards both owned mining facilities in northern New Jersey, setting the stage for the union of these two families in the marriage of James Board and Ann Schuyler.

James and Ann Board made their home in Boardville on land once owned by Cornelius Board, and later occupied by James and his brothers David and Joseph. Each brother built a large home in Boardville and raised equally large families. Here Phillip grew up, surrounded by brothers, sisters, and numerous cousins. The cousins must have had an idyllic childhood. The Native Americans had vacated this area during their grandfather's lifetime, and the woods, rivers and hills still possessed their natural beauty. Not far away, the Ringwood mines were the hub of activity and commerce, and no doubt an amusement for Phillip and his younger cousins.

Inside the home, two Black women slaves, Dinah and Gin performed the basic household chores and cooking for the family.<sup>49</sup> While James Board attended to farming and business affairs, Ann Board guided the raising of Phillip and the younger children. Rules of good behavior were strict for children of this era, and a good deal of time appears to have been devoted to Phillip's education, either at home under tutors or in the classroom. Later in life Phillip took in apprentices whom he taught to read, write, and to do arithmetic. Religion also played an important role in the Board household, as Mr. Board was a devout Protestant affiliated with the Dutch Reformists.

A primary concern in raising Phillip and his brothers was to lead them into the world of business and commerce. James Board obviously possessed the business acumen that Phillip displayed in life, as he was appointed to oversee the liquidation of British property seized in Bergen County during the Revolution. It was known that both Cornelius Board and Phillip Board (and likely James as well) were lenders of capital in communities which had no such formal institutions. This business ability appeared to have been a strong Board trait, as it was evidenced in an unbroken line of Board's who engaged in business under their own names from Cornelius Board in the mid-1700s in New Jersey on through the Kentucky generations to Byron Board in the mid-1900s in Cincinnati. Byron Board's maxim that wealth was determined by whether you earned interest, or paid interest, seems to have been the philosophy handed down from father to son.

The year 1776 represented the coming of age of Phillip Board, albeit a diversion from what he likely had planned. The events of this year, and the following war years, were well remembered by Phillip Board, who on October 1, 1832, recalled the following events.

On the 20<sup>th</sup> of August 1776, I was drafted in the New Jersey Militia under Captain Joseph Board, Company of Colonel Dey's Regiment, and then marched to Elizabethtown point and thence back to Bergen town near Powell's Hook, and when on the march crossing the Hackensack we could distinctly hear the firing of the Battle of Long Island. My time of service in Captain Board's Company was two months and when my time expired, I was discharged at Fort Lee and returned home having faithfully performed my duty as a soldier during the time I aforesaid, and in January 1777 while the British were in possession of New Brunswick after the Battle of Trenton and Battle of Princeton, I was again drafted in Captain Board's Company and was stationed at Millstone as a guard under Colonel Dey, over one month while I was discharged after remaining at home one month,

I volunteered one month in Captain Peter Fells' company of Rangers. And again the alternate month, I was drafted in the militia service until after the capture of Lord Cornwallis and in this way I performed three tours under Captain Joseph Board, two tours under Captain Richard Dey, two tours under Captain Elias Romine, two tours under Captain Daniel VanBuzen and four under Captain Board, and several tours under some officers whose names I cannot recall. I was first under Colonel Freylingheusin who commanded while we were stationed in Hackensack, while I was in service, I was stationed at Millstone, Elizabethtown, Newark, Hackensack, and the English Neighborhood during part of the time the British occupied New York. I was stationed at the above named place. Whenever called out and when the Battle of Monmouth was fought I was on the march to aid but did not arrive in time. I was in skirmishes in the English Neighborhood. Served over two years or about three. I do not know of any person who knew me while I was in the service but Peter Huff and Daniel Covert, who were present at many of the places. They can relate the things which took place but did not personally know me.

Peter Huff and Daniel Covert both moved to Mercer County, Kentucky and became acquainted with Phillip Board. They made a sworn statement in Mercer County Court on his behalf.

Said Board was with them in the service of the Militia, the state of New Jersey at Mill Stone during the winter of 1777- and also in camp near Hackensack and the said Daniel Covert has no doubt he was in service with him at Elizabethtown, Bergen Town and near Hackensack as the said Board told him of many of the incidents which took place at these places more than thirty-eight years ago soon after the said Board came to Kentucky and became acquainted with him.

Board served nearly three cumulative years of service according to his statement. Various tours included guard duty, and duty as a "ranger," or member of an advanced scouting unit. Phillip Board was an Orderly Sergeant during the later tours under his uncle Captain Joseph Board, although he was at this point still a young man. This rather obscure fact was penned in the margin of an affidavit of David Board's when settling his father's Revolutionary pension account with the government as executor of the Board estate.<sup>50</sup>

Phillip Board served in the militia until the final days of the American Revolution and the "surrender of Lord Cornwallis." The year was 1784, and Phillip was now in his mid-twenties, returning to Boardville. Board had been caught up as a participant in the most dynamic period of American history, and spent his late teens and early twenties as a soldier and learning how to survive in a hostile environment. Within a few years, by late 1787, Phillip Board had decided to leave his comfortable but war-torn life in New Jersey and remove westward to Kentucky where new settlements were taking root. Perhaps it was a certain restlessness found in many of the early Kentucky pioneers that propelled Board to join so many other Revolutionary veterans in taming the western lands. Certainly the tranquility of his youth no longer existed, as the revolutionary era in Bergen County, New Jersey was traumatic to its residents. The population was evenly split between loyalist and revolutionary leanings. The area was frequently overrun alternately by British and American armies, and the people experienced what can only be properly

described as civil war in this 'neutral ground' where neighbors turned enemies. Rebel families like the Boards were regularly targeted by the Greencoats—native New Jersey Loyalist troops supported by the British—whose farms were destroyed, their men killed and women raped.

Board stated in 1832 that it was "about 1789" that he arrived in Kentucky.<sup>51</sup> It was known from marriage records that he was in Mercer County in 1788. His journey to Harrod's Town appeared to have followed the Buffalo Trail, a path leading from Maysville, Kentucky on the Ohio River, down to nearby Lexington. On this same route was Bracken County, Kentucky, where Phillip Board briefly appeared on the county tax list.<sup>52</sup> The journey was, of course, hazardous to travel. Overland from Boardville, Phillip Board would have had to travel southwest into Pennsylvania, to Fort Pitt where the Ohio River began at what became Pittsburgh. There pioneers left on flatboats for the voyage down river, which included the dangers of hostile Shawnees and navigating the Ohio. Maysville was the outpost of western civilization, and it was believed here that Phillip Board first set foot on Kentucky soil.

The Board Farm, Mercer County, Ky. The Autumn of 1813.

In September 1813, Phillip Board sold to his son James Board a one hundred acre tract of land on "Thompson's original line" on the Chaplin River, for one dollar an acre.<sup>53</sup> This was the first such sale to the third generation of Board owners; James was the eldest of the generation, and the youngest, Benjamin, was at the time age three years. The parcel of land was only a fraction of the expansive Board plantation, as throughout the years Phillip Board's holdings increased through various sales and purchases which were underwritten by profits from farming and business ventures. County tax records show that Board usually kept around ten horses and mules on the property, in addition to the 14 head of cattle that we kept from 1793 to 1796.

<sup>54</sup>  
Through the settlement of the estate of Phillip Board emerged a vivid picture of him and his farm. One Mrs. May, who had known Mr. Board as a neighbor since she as an infant, stated: "It was his habit to ride about his farm and neighborhood, and when he attended and overlooked his own hands he made more grain and sold more stock than he did when he had (an overseer)." She described him as "an industrious man, made and saved his money well, and was a particular man about his business." This sentiment was shared by a local blacksmith, Burnette Bull, who said: "from the years 1842 to 1848 Philip Board came to his shop every week and frequently every day, that he did Philip Board's blacksmith work: that Board was a particular man about his work, and paid his bills punctually."<sup>55</sup>

The farm contained wheat grains, oats and corn, as well as a variety of livestock. According to the settlement of the estate, a Sorrell horse was the most highly valued piece of property owned on Board's farm, with a market value of \$60.00 in 1851. Three mares had a combined value of \$100, and two colts were valued at \$80. There was also seven head of cattle and twenty-five head of sheep. The cattle were described individually as "brindle cow", "red spotted cow and calf", "pided cow and calf", "roan steer", "red heifer", "heifer and Brindle steer", and a "speckled bull calf 2 years old." The cattle were valued at \$89, and the sheep at \$22.50. Board also, owned at the time of his death, four sows, four "Bassins hogs", and 24 pigs. The total value was \$29. In the field, there was one large haystack and two small haystacks, as well as a "wheat fan." Corn in the field was valued at \$100, and oats in the field at \$20; the approximately 400 bundles of oats were valued at \$4.

Tools on hand indicate some of the skills needed to operate a farm, and also give evidence of his weaving operation. These included a set of blacksmith tools, valued at \$18, and a set of old cooper's tools and of turning tools. There



was also a "loom and rigon", as well as old spinning wheels, hachels and bench, large spinning wheels, and steelyearlds. Another expensive item owned by Board was a "wagon and bed," valued at \$25. Miscellaneous items found in the barn and sheds included: box of old irons, drawing knives, hand saw and plains, whip saws, cross cut saw, sickle iron square, old axes and iron wedges, old irons, seive, trunk and chest, old reels, a safe, old square, scythes, hoe and harrows, neck yoke and pitch fork, broad ax, old hoes, flax brake, ox yoke, spake and mattoch, pair of stretchers, 16 two horse collars and bridles, two pair of gear, one set of harness, five washtubs, one fifth chain and log chain, shovel plows, and a rock hill plow and clovis.<sup>56</sup>

The loom mentioned above was probably the remnant of a once common cottage industry of weaving. In 1794, Phillip Board took in two orphans for the purposes of running such an operation, John Brown and Ann Brown. In the Lexington newspaper, the *Kentucky Gazette*, was found an advertisement on November 26, 1796, from "Phil. Board, living in Mercer County," and seeking information regarding a missing apprentice, Ann Brown, who was then 17 years old. This, however, was probably the extent of the operation.<sup>57</sup>

Phillip Board's financial position was enhanced upon the settlement of his father's estate in 1802, and he received a sizeable inheritance, as Phillip was the eldest son. Among the real estate left to Board was "Miami land," from the John Cleves Symmes purchase in the Miami Valley in Ohio.<sup>58</sup> This land was roughly twenty miles north of present-day Cincinnati.<sup>59</sup> As stated above, the family tradition was that Phillip traded this land for 100 horses, which he then sold for cash.<sup>60</sup> Other land transactions between Phillip and his children were found shortly after the deed to his son James Board in 1813. On March 17, 1814 Philip and Polly Board sold to Jacob Mitchell a 54 acre tract on the Chaplin River that began "at a swamp in an island." (Phillip later purchased this plot of land back from Jacob in 1832.) The following week, on March 23, 1814 son John Board received a tract of 150 acres of land on the "waters of the Dry Fork of the Chaplin River."<sup>61</sup> Phillip Board apparently engaged in other property investments and sales, as he filed suit in Mercer Circuit Court at least once for breach of covenant in a land transfer. This particular case was in regards to a deed dated August 21, 1820, whereby Board sold land to Abraham VanArsdale and Peter Huff, but was not paid \$100, which was the price specified in the deed.

An enterprise that Phillip Board ran with great success was as a local lender. By the time of his death and subsequent inventory of estate, he had assets in excess of \$5,000 that was comprised of small loans primarily to those residing in Mercer County. The terms were not recorded, but the notes seem to have been kept to fairly short terms. Many of those whom Phillip lent money to were recognizable names, which indicated he knew well those to whom he lent, and probably based his lending on his trust in the individual. Below was the amount and the names of the persons which were in his personal estate inventory taken August 22, 1850.

\$52.	Cash on hand
\$200.	James Clark and R.P. Gregory
\$280.	Joseph Willis and James Noel
\$400.	William Rains and Cornelius Rains
\$37.	James Noel, note listed as "doubtful"
\$250.	G.S. Caldwell and James Brumfield
\$5.	William Rains
\$83.50	Jefferson McGinnis
\$64.50	William McGinnis and Thomas Moman
\$110.58	A. Fulkerson and J.W. Bunton
\$348.00	John Harlan

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\$66.25	William May and Hannah May
\$100.	Edward French and John French
\$65.	Jesse Bull and William Semonis
\$34.	Nelson Crain
\$695.	Samuel McDowell
\$300.	B.P. Gregory and William Gregory
\$87.50	P.B. Huff
\$50.	James DeShazer and John S. May
\$179.	For "Taylor Service", no name identified
\$50.	Isaac Souders
\$100.	William H. May, C.H. May and William Gregory
\$28.24	Jacob Goodnight
\$28.37	John Barber
\$26.18	Bennett Bull
\$10.	John May and Hannah May
\$50.	William Semonis
\$100.	N.A. Thompson and J.S. Tucher
\$28.25	J.H. McGinnis
\$50.	C.B. Kirkland and John Kirkland
\$57.	Mary Daviess
\$10.	Philip Board, Junr.
\$50.	Mason Collier and Nancy Collier
\$150.	C.J. Board
\$105.	C.J. Board
\$100.	C.J. Board
\$5.	C.J. Board
\$5.	C.J. Board
\$3.80	C.J. Board
\$159.	Jeremiah Briscoe
\$5.	David Board
\$20.	Thomas J. Board and C.J. Board
\$50.	Joseph L. Board
\$12.	Joseph L. Board
\$4.	Joseph L. Board
\$39.	Jesse Hale, "doubtful"
\$20.	John Ludwick
\$22.50	Jeremiah Briscoe and David Hart
\$400.	David Board
\$339.	Mr. Moman
\$50.	Ben Chatham, issued through Benjamin Board
\$286.50	Nancy Collier, John Collier and Daniel Collier
\$100.	Joseph Wighham
\$224.82	John S. Walker

The notes listed below were "no good" according to the appraisers William Semonis, John Ludwick, and Daniel Collier, all of whom were themselves borrowers from Phillip Board. These bad debts were most significant in their range in dates, from 1818 to 1840, indicating that this lending operation was an ongoing business that Board conducted over at least four decades. He never wrote-off a debt and lost \$67.86 of capital during these decades.

\$20.	Harry Hamlington, assigned to Simon Hamlington
\$4.80	James Utley
\$2.	Enoch Lualen
\$2.	A. Dye
\$4.	Harry Hamlington
\$3.95	Simon Hamlington

\$8.	Alen Dye
\$2.25	Philip Board
\$20.86	Charles Humphries
\$27.64	William Hall
\$19.04	Enoch Coffman
\$67.40	Thomas Sterman and William Sterman
\$30.67	William Hall
\$2.	Enoch Luellin and Harry Hamlington
\$15.	John Haubler and John Kirkland

To help in his farming operations and in the running of his household, Board had slaves, as was custom for such farms. His advice in this matter was sought by Mrs. May about 1848, when she later recalled that Board “came to her house about two years before his death to assist her in buying and paying for a negro; she considered him a safe councillor.”<sup>62</sup>

There was a great deal of knowledge about the Board slaves due to Phillip’s recording each birth and death in his *Bible*, beginning with his daughter Sally. They were responsible for the daily chores about the farm and for assisting with the crop from clearing until harvesting. The women also helped, although they also performed household chores along with the girls. The oldest slaves were Peter Board, born about 1800 in Virginia, and Sally Board who was Peter’s wife. Sally was given her freedom after the death of Phillip Board, as he stipulated in his Will, and she later made Peter a freeman. They remained nearby the Board farm where they purchased a small amount<sup>63</sup> of land and lived until their deaths at advanced ages. They had a daughter Nancy Board and a grandson Jeremiah Board who later lived with them. Sally Board was able to live in freedom some fifteen years before the abolition of slavery. Phillip Board paid a great deal of attention to this issue in his Will, determining which enslaved person remained with each heir. Those he mentioned by name were Jack, Daniel, George, a girl Sidney, and Milly. Charles and Haley were sold to another family, and there remained several children: James, Edmund, William Harrison, Sarah, Mahala.<sup>64</sup> In the family graveyard with Phillip Board, his wives and many children, were also buried the Board slaves.<sup>65</sup>

Much of the essential character of Phillip Board was apparent in the story of his life yet the personality of one who was born centuries ago was more difficult to ascertain. Board, having served as a soldier in the Revolution in his teens, maintained an interest in American history into his last years. Even in his late 80s, he would visit Burnette Bull’s blacksmith shop where Bull’s son would read history to him. The elder Bull said, “he was fond of hearing history ... and he would listen for hours with interest.”<sup>66</sup> It was likely that Board’s eyesight had failed to the point where he could no longer read by this time. He obviously enjoyed reading such history when younger, as among the possessions found in his estate was a pair of ‘silver specs,’ or reading glasses. Bull also said Phillip Board enjoyed talking about the early history of Mercer County and the Harrodsburg settlement.

Another word frequently used to described Board was “particular” and “industrious” when it came to matters of business, which occupied a great deal of his time. In business and other matters, Board was described as “high tempered.” From these and other matters of record, it was fair to say that he was a strong-willed individual and exercised his temper when crossed. Bull said, “when injured (Board) was slow to forget it.”<sup>67</sup>

The Phillip Board home was spacious and sturdy and built on a foundation of field stones. It stood for over two hundred years. Inside, the home was well furnished for his wife and children. Stepping in through the door and up one step, in the front right of the home was the family’s parlor. This room featured a “reeded, hand-carved mantle with bullseye corners,” with the fireplace

providing heat, light, and a convenient family gathering place. Among the items in his estate that may have furnished this room were several chairs, a couple small tables, and utensils for the fireplace. It was probably here in the corner cupboard that Phillip kept his most valuable personal item, an 118-day bass clock, which was worth \$25, about the cost of a horse.<sup>68</sup>

Next to the parlor, and another step upwards, was the dining area and kitchen. Here Phillip had a "large dining table" and tablecloths and a set of chairs for himself, his wife, and numerous children. He probably kept the cupboard in this room, and with it the set of silver tablespoons and tea spoons, "cupboard ware," and a valued dish perhaps an antique. Adjoining the dining room was the kitchen where three meals were prepared daily for the dozen or so family members, as well as meals for farm hands. These meals were prepared by the Black women who worked inside the home and in the kitchen. They prepared fresh vegetables and fruits, and took the meat from the smoke house located outside to the rear of the home not far from the trough and lard stand. With the churn and bucket, butter was prepared from fresh milk and used at every meal. The kitchen was well equipped with a "large oven" and numerous kettles. There were iron tea kettles, buckets and coolers, grind stoves, pots, and skillets. The laundry was another task done by these women. A clothing basket was kept to keep the dirty clothes separate, and when cleaned there were two "smoothing" irons available to press out the wrinkles.

Across the foyer and to the stairwell was a closet on the second step before ascending the stairs. Upstairs were the bedrooms, with a high posted bedstead in the master bedroom and other "beds and furniture" in the other bedrooms. There were a number of blankets, "coverlids" or "coverlets", sheeting for the beds, an old quilt, and bed warmers. In the bedrooms there were also pewter basins, seven in all, as well as shaving "tools" for Phillip and his sons. A large trunk was kept in the master bedroom.<sup>69</sup> Other personal items that Phillip used frequently were a rifle and a musket for hunting, along with steel traps that were kept out in the barn. He also owned a saddle for his horse, worth about the value of a rifle.<sup>70</sup>

His wife Polly was literate and could both read and write, which was rare for women of the frontier. She practiced her handwriting on scraps of paper and wrote out *Bible* verses as well which she read from the large family *Bible* owned by Phillip. One such verse, in the spelling of the era, was from the Beatitudes of St. Matthew: "Blefs are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousnefs for they shall be filled in the day of their affliction." She signed her name using her maiden name, "Mary Castleman Board", which was almost brazen in an era where she would properly have been "Mrs. Phillip Board."<sup>71</sup>

Phillip Board remained the rest of his life in the homestead first shared with his bride in 1788. He survived both his wives and when his second wife Polly died in 1827 his youngest child Ben Board was sixteen years old. Then age 67 years and left with his many children, Phillip was a widower for the last twenty-three years of his life. These years were passed in the pursuits of those activities which had always been so much a part of his life—farming, business, his children, and other interests such as history. Even up until 1848 Board was active on his farm riding horseback through the fields to personally oversee work, and running the business aspect of the farm.<sup>72</sup>

When Phillip Board was 84 years old he wrote out his final Will, requesting the disposition of his assets after his death. Over the years Board had accumulated a great deal of land, as well as his "cash notes" from lending that was the main asset of his estate.<sup>73</sup>

In the name of God Amen: I Philip Board being full of years but sound of memory do constitute and make this my last will and testament, revoking all others heretofore made.

Item 1; It is my will that all of my just debts be paid out of my estate, as also my burial expenses.

Item 2; I will unto my sons, John, David, Thomas Board's heirs, and Joseph Board, all of my cash notes to be equally divided between them after my death.

Item 3; I will unto my son David 90 acres of land according to title bond which he now holds given by me, to be laid off and deeded by my Executors after my death.

Item 4; I will unto my son Joseph Board 90 acres of land to be laid off and deeded to him by my Executors according to title bond given by me.

Item 5; I will unto the heirs of my son Thomas Board, deceased, 100 acres of land laid off my home tract adjoining Joseph Board, the residue of my home tract of land and premises to be sold by my Executors, and the money arising therefrom to be divided between the above named heirs, that is, John Board, David Board, Joseph Board, and Thomas Board's heirs equally.

Item 6; I will unto Benjamin Board 50 acres of land where he now lives, to be deeded him by my executors.

Item 7; I will unto my daughter Mariah Sweeny and her bodily heirs 50 acres of land where they now live, to be retained by for Mariah Sweeny's benefit during her natural life and after her death the land to be sold and the proceeds of the sale to be equally divided between all her children.

Item 8; I will unto James Board's heirs \$50.00 to be equally divided between them.

Item 9; I will unto John Board, David Board, the heirs of Thomas Board deceased, and Joseph Board, all of my personal property to be equally divided between them.

Item 10; I will my Negro man Jack to John Board.

Item 11; I will to David Board my Negro man Daniel.

Item 12; I will unto the heirs of Thomas Board my Negro boy George.

Item 13; I will unto Joseph Board my Negro girl Sidney.

Item 14; I will unto Mariah Sweeny the Negro she has now by the name of Milly during her natural life and afterwards to her heirs.

Item 15; I will that my old Negro woman Sally be set free after my decease.

Item 16; I will that my Negroes Haley and Charles be sold and the proceeds divided equally between John Board, David Board, Thomas Board's heirs, and Joseph Board.

Item 17; I appoint my friends John Ludwick and Isaac Chaplin and David Board, my Executors.

Given under my hand and seal this 6th day of February 1844. Phil Board

The Will was witnessed by Jacob Chaplain and Isaac Chaplin, and Peter B. Huff, whose family also came from New Jersey after the Revolution, and by James McDowell.<sup>74</sup>

Phillip Board was not a frail man and continued living actively until just a few years before his death, at which time his advanced age began to take its

toll, according to his old friend Mrs. May. <sup>75</sup> By this time the aged pioneer had outlived most, if not all, of his early Mercer County contemporaries and was one of the few remaining pioneer settlers of the Bluegrass. He had lost two wives during his lifetime, survived many of his children, his children's spouses, and even several grandchildren. <sup>76</sup> The last ten years of his life were spent quietly at home with his household consisting of him, his daughter Sally, and six other slaves that were part of Sally's family and in fact were his own grandchildren and great-grandchildren. <sup>77</sup>

When the summer of 1850 arrived, the family was preparing a celebration of Phillip Board's ninetieth birthday which would have taken place August 16, 1850. It was not, however, to be. On June 3<sup>rd</sup> Phillip passed away. <sup>78</sup> The Board family lost its patriarch, and Mercer County lost a leading pioneer citizen. When he was laid to rest it was according to his wishes in the family graveyard on top of the hill overlooking the Dry Fork of the Chaplin River and well within sight of where he had made his home. Lest it be forgot, he had instructed his son and Executor David Board to mark his grave with what he had been most proud: "Revolutionary War Soldier."

Epilogue. The Board burying grounds, outside the family home, was the final resting place of Phillip Board and his family. These grounds, overlooking the Dry Fork of the Chaplin River, consist of the following markers. <sup>79</sup>

Phillip Board	Aug. 16, 1760	June 3, 1850
Revolutionary War Soldier		
Polly Board	Oct. 5, 1779	July 31, 1827
Wife of Phillip		
David Board	Aug 4., 1799	Aug. 20, 1882
Mary Board	July 25, 1801	Oct. 18, 1875
Wife of David		
John Irvin Board	Aug. 19, 1844	Aug. 5, 1849
Son of D. and M.		
Martha Board	Jan. 4, 1833	July 19, 1841
Dau. of D. and M.		
Elijah G. Chatham	March 21, 1822	Aug. 2, 1853
Jacob Mitchell	Feb. 6, 1793	Sept. 3, 1872
Soldier in the War of 1812		
Margaret Mitchell	July 29, 1797	May 22, 1876
Wife of Jacob		
J.J. Sweeney	March 11, 1805	Sept. 6, 1848
Consort of Mariah S. Sweeney		

The estate of Phillip Board took years in settlement due to the magnitude of land and other assets to be distributed, and as the original Will was contested and determined to be invalid. This subject was discussed in an letter from David Board to Hugh Allen (who married John Board's daughter Mariah) dated July 8, 1853 from Mercer County, Kentucky. Below, in its entirety, was David Board's correspondence, with minor corrections of current spelling and punctuation. <sup>80</sup>

Dear Sir, I received your favor of the 21<sup>st</sup> of last month and was glad to hear of your health and prosperity. Yours finds us well. The health here is very good this season though we are suffering greatly from a drought. We have not had rain to wet the ground sufficient to put it in a good condition to plow since the middle of May; we had some light showers last week. Our crops are worse than they have been for twenty years and the price of hogs and cattle have fallen considerably though they were as high as you represent them in your country. All kinds of property is high here. The

hemp and tobacco crops are a failure and the oats; nearly no wheat is good. I am pleased that William is well and doing well. I am getting along slowly with the Settlement of father's estate. I have got the suit to set aside the will thrown out of court. Benjamin has moved to Hopkins County, Kentucky, and Martin Board to Daviess County. I don't think they will renew their suit. I found that I cannot sell the land without the decree of the court and have filed a petition, and think we will get a decree this fall- there being three Executors the title does not vest in one. The land will have to be sold to the highest bidder, and in time if they do not renew their suit, I will make a great effort to settle up the estate as soon as possible. The prospect is good that the business will wind up as well as was expected. The land and Negroes will bring more. I want you to write to Brother John. Make some arrangement by which I can buy a check and send him or you. I can get a check on New York for a half percent which is good anywhere, and there is no danger in sending a check. I suppose I can get a check on [illegible] which I suppose would be as good as the money to him. I intend to try to collect \$1,000 for him this year. Please write- after I want you to write to my Brother, and go soon as you can hear from him- write to me. Give my love to cousin Mariah and the children, [and] accept it yourself. Yours affectionately, David Board

The settlement did extend well beyond David Board's letter of 1853, and activity in disposing of the land is recorded as late as 1858 in the Mercer County deed books. On May 9, 1857, David Board, acting as Executor, sold sixty acres in Mercer County to James Russell, assignee of David J. Jackson, for eight hundred dollars. It was noted in the deed that a graveyard "now enclosed by a stone wall" was excluded from the property to be transferred.<sup>81</sup> On October 20, 1858, the last such transfer was recorded in Mercer County. The heirs mentioned were John Board, Joseph Board, David Board, Benjamin F. Board, and the heirs of the deceased brother Thomas Board. Thomas's heirs were Charles Board, Sarah E. Silvers and Andrew Silvers, and Ester A. Brown and Patrick H. Brown. Two transactions on this day were recorded selling land of fifty acres for \$400, and ninety acres for \$900.<sup>82</sup> The other Board land was divided on April 16, 1853, according to the exhibit showing the old Board plantation being parceled off for Phillip's sons David, Joseph, and the heirs of Thomas. The original diagram of this transaction was found in Drawer B-107 of the documents from Mercer County Circuit Court. The westernmost parcel was given to David Board, and contained the home and burying grounds owned by his late father.<sup>83</sup>

The legacy of Phillip Board lives on through his several hundred descendants, many of whom resided in Mercer County. As the patriarch of the Board family, Phillip left fifty-one grandchildren, twenty-four of whom were grandsons named Board. By 1990, however, the descendants who carried the name of Board were relatively few. In the family of David Board of Mercer County, there were few men of the present generation who carried the name. The last such Board of Mercer County was James Phillip Board, who died at Harrodsburg in 1938. Many of the descendants to still carry the Board name were from his daughter, Sally, in Kansas.

Geographically, the grandsons who continued the Board name became widely distributed. The sons of Joseph Board and Benjamin Board resided primarily in Caldwell County, Kentucky, while the two sons of James Board

and the son of Thomas Board all moved to other areas of Kentucky. John Board and his sons migrated to Missouri, and several went west in the Gold Rush of 1849 and settled in California. Only David Board and his children remained in Mercer County, although his descendants were located in Cincinnati, Ohio and Indiana. Most of Phillip Board's descendants in Mercer County originated in the many female lines that sprang through the daughters of David Board. Phillip's African-American daughter, Sally, moved to Kansas where she had a large family and numerous descendants named Board.

Note on the spelling of Phillip Board

There were no original documents found in which Phillip Board used a middle name or middle initial. He was named for his maternal grandfather, Philip A. Schuyler, but does not appear to have used Schuyler as a middle name, as was long thought. Part of this confusion stemmed from the fact that he had two grandsons named Philip Schuyler Board. One of these grandsons (see the estate inventory) called himself Philip S. Board, Jr., which simply meant there was an older relative alive at the same time with the same name. Once established in Kentucky in 1788, Phillip Board consistently used the spelling of Phillip with two l's which reflects an English influence, as the single l was the standard Dutch spelling. What his parents intended for him was a question for which there was no documentation. Board did have a maternal cousin named Philip Schuyler Kingsland. In the *Treman* history by Treman and Poole, they did use the name of Philip Schuyler Board but the source was not cited. This same source included Phillip Board in Kentucky as an unidentified branch of one of the Board families of Virginia so there was doubt as to the reliability of the source. He was simply called Phillip Board in this history even through a prior book by the author, *Phillip Board: Bluegrass Pioneer 1760-1850*, also used the name Phillip Schuyler Board. Despite the uncertainties this book uses the name he himself preferred, Phillip Board, even though to the family he remains "Old Phillip."

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The children of Phillip Board and Eleanor Thompson, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. James Board. He was born 5 June 1789 and married 4 June 1812 in Washington County, Kentucky to Nancy Mercer. He died 26 September 1825. **See 17.**
- ii. William Board. He was born 16 October 1791 and died in March 1814 at age 23 years. He was unmarried and had no children. The inventory of his estate was found in Mercer County Probate Book 5, page 129, from 1814. His estate was administered by his father and was valued at \$60, of which \$35 was "a bay horse."
- iii. Anne Board. She was born December 1792 and died 7 August 1795 at age 2 years.
- iv. John Board. He was born 12 January 1794 and moved to Missouri where he died 2 February 1878. He was married five times. **See 18.**
- v. Eliza Board. She was born 19 June 1796 and died in June 1815 around her nineteenth birthday.

The children of John L. Mischler and Mary Castleman, born in Davidson County, Tennessee:

- vi. Jacob Mitchell. He was born 6 February 1793 and married Margaret Graves in 1859. He was a veteran of the War of 1812 and died 1 September 1872. Margaret Graves was born 29 July 1797 and died 22 May 1876. They did not have children. **See 19.**

The children of Phillip Board and Mary Castleman, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- vii. David Board. He was born 4 August 1799 and married 1 February 1821 to Mary Lowe. He died in July 1882 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 20.**
- viii. Joseph Board. He was born 7 November 1800 and married Eleanor B. Dunn. They moved to Caldwell County, Kentucky where he died 2 September 1872. **See 21.**
- ix. Thomas Board. He was born 16 December 1803 and married Martha Hart. She died 18 February 1833 and he died 13 March 1833 during the cholera epidemic in Kentucky. **See 22.**
- x. Cornelius Board. He was born 24 January 1806 and died 16 August 1824 at age 18 years. He was unmarried and had no children.
- xi. Mariah Board. She was born 16 December 1809 and married John J. Sweeney of Danville, Boyle County, Kentucky. She moved to Missouri. **See 23.**
- xii. Benjamin Franklin Board. He was born 24 January 1811 and married Sarah Ann Burdett. He died on 26 November 1885 when was the last surviving Board child. He moved to Caldwell County in southern Kentucky. **See 24.**

The children of Phillip Board and an unknown African-American enslaved woman, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- xiii. Sally Board. She was born 24 August 1805 at the Board home in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married Peter, probably enslaved by Jeremiah Briscoe, who took the name Peter Board. They moved with their children to Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas in 1878. Sally later moved to Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas in 1888, where she died 18 August 1892. **See 25.**

7. CORNELIUS BOARD <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and ANNAS BOARD <sup>3</sup> (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

Cornelius Board and Annas Board were first cousins who married and raised ten children. Their marriage license was dated 27 August 1785. He was born 21 February 1763 and she was born 18 October 1762. They resided in Chester, New York, where he died 5 September 1830 and she died 5 April 1845.. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War in the Bergen County, New Jersey Regiment. Cornelius and his brother James moved to Chester (then Goshen), New York shortly after the Revolution. Cornelius lived in the Sugar Loaf Valley for the remainder of his life. Cornelius was also one of the incorporators of the Goshen and Munroe Turnpike Company in 1823 and 1824.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of Cornelius Board and Annas Board, born in Goshen (now Chester), New York:

- i. James Board. He was born 12 January 1786 and died young.
- ii. Phebe Board. She was born 21 July 1787 and died 13 June 1873. She married John Wood.
- iii. Ann Board. She was born 30 July 1789 and married to Mills Davis. Their daughter, Ruth Ann Davis, married in 1852 to Charles Board Howell, the son of Elizabeth Board, and grandson of Joseph Board. Ruth Ann Davis and Charles Board Howell were second cousins, once removed through James Board, and first cousins, once removed through Joseph Board. **See 15 (i).**

- iv. Elizabeth Board. She was born 23 December 1791 and married to Gabriel Wisner.
- v. Joshua Board. He was born 12 November 1793 and died young.
- vi. John Board. He was born 1 December 1794 and married to Julia Satterly. He had six children: Cornelius Board; George Board, born 1816 and 1891, who was unmarried; Seeley Board, who married Mary Young; Rev. James Board, who married Sarah Armstrong; Elizabeth Board; and John Board.
- vii. Thomas Beach Board. He was born 12 September 1797 and died young.
- viii. Mary Board. She was born 29 November 1799 and was the second wife of Gabriel Wisner.
- ix. Joseph Board. He was born 17 September 1801 and died young.
- x. Caroline Board. She was born 22 August 1804 and died 26 May 1882. She married Jesse Bull.

8. JAMES BOARD, JR. <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1763 and died in October 1801 in Ringwood, Bergen County, New Jersey. He was the first husband of NANCY HEARD, whom he married on 4 April 1791. Nancy Heard was born in 1772, the daughter of Phineas Heard and Mary Tooker. Nancy's step-mother was Hester Board, James' sister [See 9]. After his death, Nancy married secondly to Isaac Kingsland, who like James Board was a descendant of Isaac Kingsland of New Barbados Neck, New Jersey. Nancy and Isaac Kingsland were the parents of six sons. **See Kingsland Family, 6.**

The Treman history stated:

Prior to his marriage, and soon after the Revolutionary War, James Board, with his brother Cornelius, moved to Chester (then Goshen), Orange County, New York, and purchased some 300 acres of land in Sugar Loaf Valley. James found his wife there, returned to the homestead in Ringwood, New Jersey, where he died in October, 1801. Letters of guardianship were granted to Nancy Board, Cornelius Board, and William Colfax, as guardians of Mary Board, Anna Board, Hester Board, Elizabeth Board and John Board, children of James Board, Jr., of Bergen County, New Jersey, October 27, 1801.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of James Board and Nancy Heard, born in Ringwood, Bergen County, New Jersey:

- i. Mary Board. She was born in 1792. Polly married James Howell.
- ii. Ann Board. She married John Romaine.
- iii. Hester Board. She married Gilbert Lawrence.
- iv. Eliza J. Board. She married James Jackson.
- v. John H. Board. He married Axie Flippan.
- v. James J. Board. He was born after the death of his father, on 30 March 1802, and he died 5 March 1894. He married in December 1822 to Hulda Hudson. **See 26.**

9. HESTER BOARD <sup>3</sup> (James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in 1765 and died 15 May 1857. She was called Hettie was the second wife of Captain PHINEAS HEARD, a colorful character in early Chester,

New York history. He was the son of William Heard and Agnes Moore, born in 1748 in Woodridge, New Jersey and died in 1818. He married first to Mary Tooker who was born about 1754 and died 6 January 1804. Mary had been an invalid for several years before her death. Phineas then married Hester Board as his second wife. Their marriage was relatively brief as Phineas Heard died in 1818, and then Hester lived as a widow for about the next 40 years until her death at age 92 years. According to the Treman history, Hester:

Had one son, John James. After the death of Phineas, his widow and little son made their home in Goshen, New York, with her sister, Ann Board Dobbin, on a large farm. Eventually John J. Heard inherited the Dobbin estate and, living to be over ninety, his farm was gradually surrounded by the growing village of Goshen and he became a prominent citizen.

Heard was a soldier of the American Revolution. He was an Ensign in the militia, commissioned on 15 September 1775 in Colonel Woodhull's Cornwall Regiment and later Lieutenant Commander of the Light Horse Cavalry of Orange County, New York. The Heard history was told in a 3 September 1942 article titled "Stirling Tales of Early Days and People In and Around Farmingdale and Craigville-Locust Lane Farm," by Margaret H. Seaman in the *Chester News*.

One of the historical farms of the town of Blooming Grove is 'Locust Lane' home of Captain Phineas Heard. His grandfather, John Heard, came from England in the reign of Queen Anne and settled at Woodridge, New Jersey. He had two sons, Nathaniel and William, and three daughters. Nathaniel was a General in the Revolutionary War [**See Schuyler Family, 2**] and had two sons, General John Heard and James Heard in the war. William had five sons and a daughter; his fourth son, Phineas, born in Woodridge in 1748, came to Orange County and settled on some two hundred and fifty acres in the town of Blooming Grove. We do not know the year he left New Jersey. Nor do we know why he selected the site where he built his home. However, he made a wise choice for his farm proved wonderfully productive, situated on the crossroads from Hamptonburgh to Blooming Grove Church, a mile north of Craigville. It is in a beautiful valley with woods and meadows and the Cromeline Creek running the length of the farm enriching its pastures. Captain Phineas Heard built his home on a knoll above the Cromeline and several hundred feet from the road. The driveway to the house was bordered by locust trees that were transplanted and flourishing giving the place its name....In a field near the Heard homestead general training was held during the Revolutionary and Civil wars and many soldiers must have marched up and down the lane. It was a patriotic neighborhood as in nearly all the nearby families were officers in the Revolution....On this land is a field where a pest-house stood during the Revolution for soldiers stricken with smallpox. The field is still called the 'Pox Lot.'

A story told by Mrs. Seaman involved Phineas Heard's inhumane treatment of an enslaved child.

Captain Phineas once gave a dinner. He had an extra-large turkey to serve and roasted with it a plump partridge to

show the difference in the size of the birds. As dinner was served a little slave girl carried in the big blue platter with the big turkey and the little bird by its side. Her foot slipped on the doorstep, down she fell, and the precious platter smashed, and its contents scattered. The men withdrew to see the little slave get a thrashing in the woodhouse, and the women gathered up the remains.

Mrs. Seaman added alternate imagery to the memory of Heard:

We would rather remember the soldiers and the weddings [Phineas' six daughters were married in the home], the great chestnut trees on the banks of the Cromeline, the water lilies, the fishing parties at the old red bridge, the swimming hole, and 'Phillip's Den'- a cave where a runaway slave lived for years, the old garret with its treasures of long ago, and the many children who loved the old house, and who would visit 'Uncle Joe' [Joseph, son of Phineas Heard] to hear his stories and see the sword Captain Phineas carried in the Revolution.

Phineas Heard died and he was buried in a grave near the house at Locust Lane near his wife Mary, other members of his family, and with the persons he enslaved. The beautiful homestead was eventually inherited by a grandson, Jackson Heard, who turned the home and its 200 acres into a vast country estate proved its fall although "the wine cellar proved his undoing." It 1863, the farm was sold at a premium by public auction.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; Margaret H. Seaman, "Stirling Tales of Early Days and People In and Around Farmingdale and Craigville- Locust Lane Farm", *Chester News*, Chester, New York: 3 September 1942.

The children of Captain Phineas Heard and his wife Mary, born in Blooming Grove, Orange County, New York:

- i. Elizabeth Heard. She was born in 1773 and died 1848. She married Birdseye Youngs, II.
- ii. Delia Heard. She married Jesse Foster.
- iii. Mary Heard. She married James Duryea.
- iv. Samuel Heard. He born 1782 and died in 1842. He married Elizabeth Thompson.
- v. William Heard. He married Julia Horton.
- vi. Joseph Heard. He was born in 1780 and died in 1847. He married Ann Coleman.
- vii. Charles Heard. He who was killed in a train accident in Chester, New York in 1830.
- viii. Margaret Heard. She was born in 1792 and died in 1833. She married Jesse Tuthill.
- ix. Abigail Heard. She married Reuben Tooker.
- x. Nancy Heard. She was born in 1772. She married James Board, who her step-mother's brother, and married secondly to Isaac Kingsland.

**See 8.**

The children of Hester Board and Captain Phineas Heard, born in Blooming Grove, Orange County, New York:

- xi. John James Heard. He married 20 August 1833 to Mary Van Duzer of Cornwall. He was born on 5 July 1807 and died in 1897 at age 90 years. He was the father of eight children. His wife Mary was born 12 August 1812, the daughter of Isaac Van Duzer.

10. JOSEPH BOARD <sup>3</sup> (David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey and moved to New York City after the Revolution. He married MARGARET SHERMAN and married secondly to ELIZABETH BANCKER LEAYCROFT, daughter of Lieut. William Leaycroft of Col. Lamb's Regiment of New York Artillery of the Line and one of the founding members of the Society of the Cincinnati. Her great-grandfather, Evert Bancker had been Mayor of Albany, New York for many years. Margaret had been previously married to Capt. John Henderson of the Ranger Privateers with whom she had four daughters and one son. Joseph Board was a soldier in Capt. Shaver's Company of the 2<sup>nd</sup> New Jersey Regiment of the Continental Army. Joseph Board moved to New York City and was an Assistant Alderman from 1803 to 1805. He was a carpenter by trade and he died in New York City in 1837.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of Joseph Board and Margaret Sherman, born in New York, New York:

- i. Eliza Board. She was born 8 February 1800 and baptized 23 February 1800.
- ii. Jackson Board.
- iii. Harriet Board. Her married name was Real.
- iv. Margaretta Board. Her married name was Nichols. She did not have children.

The children of Joseph Board and Elizabeth Bancker Leaycroft, born in New York, New York:

- v. Joseph Board. He died at the age 2 years.
- vi. Louisa Henderson Monroe Board. She was born 7 January 1821 at 194 Broadway in New York City. She married to Theodore Mitchell Koues on 8 August 1833. He was born 31 January 1811 in Portsmouth, New Hampshire and died 24 May 1893. She died in 1899 in New Orleans, Louisiana.

11. ELEANOR BOARD <sup>3</sup> (David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey and married PETER DEY on 9 May 1786. He was born 17 March 1760 in Preakness, New Jersey and died 4 June 1833. Peter and Eleanor Dey resided in Bergen County, New Jersey, where she died in 1801. Peter Dey was the son of Hester Schuyler and Theunis Dey, and grandson of Philip Schuyler and Hester Kingsland. His aunt was Ann Schuyler Board. **See Schuyler Family, 8 (vii).**

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of Eleanor Board and Peter Dey, born in Bergen County, New Jersey:

- i. Hannah Dey. She was born 12 June 1787 and died 17 March 1841. She married a relative, Anthony Dey, on 19 January 1816.
- ii. Mary Dey. She was born 12 December 1788 and married Daniel Hudson.
- iii. Esther Dey. She was born in 1790 and died in infancy.
- iv. Hester Schuyler Dey. She was born 30 November 1790 and married in 1816 to David Hudson. She died 12 January 1860.

- v. Jane Dey. She was born 29 August 1798 and married 20 November 1817 to Benjamin Johnson. Jane died 29 September 1881.
- vi. Eleanor Dey. She was born in 1800 and married to Ebenezer Mack.

12. DAVID BOARD, JR. <sup>3</sup> (David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1769 in Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey. He married MARY MORRIS, the daughter of John Morris of Bloomfield, New Jersey. After his death she married Orrin Freeland. David Board was a carpenter and was active in the politics of New York City. He was an Assistant Alderman from 1818 to 1819 and Alderman in 1820 in New York City. He died on 5 August 1867 in New York City.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of David Board and Mary Morris, born in New York, New York:

- i. David Board. He was born 24 September 1793 and married in 1816 to Rebecca Mead. **See 17.**
- ii. Horace Board. He resided in Brooklyn, New York and died at an advanced age. He was not married.
- iii. Joanna Board. She resided in Brooklyn, New York.
- iv. Frances Board. She resided in Brooklyn, New York.
- v. Clarinda Board. She married Jasper Cropsey.

13. NATHANIEL BOARD <sup>3</sup> (David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 27 September 1775 and married to MARY KINGSLAND, a granddaughter of Isaac Kingsland of New Barbados Neck, New Jersey. Nathaniel's mother was Hannah Kingsland, and she likely named him after Nathaniel Kingsland, the uncle of Isaac Kingsland. **[See Kingsland Family, 6].** She was born 20 November 1779 and died 19 November 1850. Nathaniel died 31 December 1842. Nathaniel was a colonel in the militia and a judge of the Court of Common Pleas in 1826 and 1831. His Will was admitted to probate in Paterson, New Jersey on 26 January 1843. A history of Nathaniel Board was found in *History of Bergen and Passaic Counties, New Jersey*.

[David's] youngest son, Nathaniel, father of Peter Board, born September 27, 1775, died 31 December 1842, secured a liberal education while young, and succeeded to his father's estate. At the age of nineteen he volunteered to fill the place of another who was drafted to serve as lieutenant to pursue the 'Whiskey Boys' to Kentucky, in what was known as the Whiskey Rebellion. He also distinguished himself with gallantry during the War of 1812, and was for six months stationed at Sandy Hook. His general occupation was farming, and he became a large land-owner, and was known a leading agriculturalist of Passaic County. Nathaniel Board was an active and influential politician, and for many years stood at the head of his party in the county. For several terms he served in both branches of the New Jersey legislature, where his ability, sound judgment, and safe counsel were publicly acknowledged, and in which positions his public, alike with his private, life was untarnished and his honor unimpaired. As a public officer of his township, or as member, deacon, or elder of the church of his choice (Dutch Reformed), he ever bore the character of manliness, dignity, and integrity. He was frequently sought after as



counselor among his neighbors and townsmen, and often selected as executor and administrator of estates. His wife, Mary Kingsland, a native of Morris County, bore him the following children, who grew to manhood and womanhood: Edmund K., John F., Mary A., wife of Daniel H. Bull, of Orange County, New York, Peter, Eleanor, deceased, was the wife of James H. Bull, Harriet, wife of O.E. Maltby, of New Haven, Sarah J., wife of John C. Zabriskie, and David J. Board.

The gravemarkers of Nathaniel and Mary Board were located at the Pompton Reformed Church in Pompton Township, New Jersey with the David Board family.

NATHANIEL BOARD

Born Sept. 27, 1775 Died Dec. 31, 1842

MARY - WIFE OF NATHANIEL

Born Nov. 20, 1779 Died Nov. 19, 1850

JOHN F. BOARD

Died Nov. 24, 1878 Aged 63 Years 8 Months 3 Days

PHEBE ANN BOARD

Died Jan. 10, 1843 Aged 34 Years 10 Months 18 Days

2 INFANTS - ONE MATILDA - Aged 1 Year 1 Month 2 Days

Children of John F. and Phebe Ann Board

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; Edwin N. Hopson, Jr., "Gravestone Records From Board Family Plot, Boardville, Passaic County. Copied August 14, 1920 by Edwin N. Hopson, Jr." (From a published volume of New Jersey grave records), 1920; *History of Bergen and Passaic Counties, New Jersey*, page 330.

The children of Nathaniel Board and Mary Kingsland, born in Pompton, Bergen County, New Jersey:

- i. David Board. He was born 21 September 1800 and died at age 18 years in Pompton, New Jersey, on 4 November 1818. He was unmarried.
- ii. Edmund Kingsland Board. He was born 28 July 1802 and died 20 December 1884 in Washingtonville, New York. He married Abigail Heard on 7 December 1840. **See 28.**
- i. John Ford Board. He was born 21 February 1801 and died 24 November 1878 in Boardville, New Jersey. He married Phebe Ann Garretson, who died 10 January 1843. He married secondly to Sophia Vreeland, who died in 1878. **See 29.**
- ii. Mary Ann Board. She was born 5 March 1807 and died 10 May 1885. She married 8 January 1840 to Daniel Harvey Bull.
- iii. Peter Board. He was born 19 August 1809 and died 14 December 1891 in Paramus, New Jersey. He married Matilda B. Zabriskie on 30 May 1833. **See 30.**
- vi. Eleanor Board. She was born 7 January 1812 and married on 6 January 1831 to James Harvey Bull.
- vii. Harriet Board. She was born 14 May 1814 and married on 6 October 1840 to Oliver E. Maltby of New York, New York.
- viii. Sarah Jane Board. She was born 25 December 1817 and died 17 March 1903. She married on 3 January 1838 to John C. Zabriskie.
- ix. David James Board. He was born 28 April 1820 and married Susan Lewis. He was an attorney and moved to Illinois.

14. MARTHA BOARD <sup>3</sup> (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 3 February 1765 in Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey and married on 1 April 1787 to JOSEPH DURLAND, a veteran of the American Revolution. He was born 31 March 1762 to Charles Durland and Jane Swartwout of Chester, New York; Charles was a veteran of the French and Indian War. Joseph Durland died 28 August 1827 in Chester, New York and he was described in the Treman history:

He was a scout during the close of the Revolutionary War. Durland inherited a part of the homestead at Chester, upon which he resided during his life. He was known as a man of strong force of character and a supporter of all worthy local objects. He assisted in building the first Presbyterian Church edifice at Chester. He was an honorable and upright citizen and a man of correct habits.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; In *Phillip Board: Bluegrass Pioneer 1760-1850*, by the author, it was incorrectly attributed for Thomas Beach to be the husband of Martha Board, the daughter of Joseph Board. Thomas Beach was the husband of Martha Board, the daughter of Cornelius Board, and Joseph's sister. Martha Board's marriage at the age of 22 years to Joseph Durland has been determined to be her first and only documented marriage.

The children of Martha Board and Joseph Durland, born in Chester, Orange County, New York:

- i. James Durland. He was born 22 April 1789 and drowned 10 June 1816 in Chester Pond.
- ii. Charles B. Durland. He was born 20 January 1791 and died in 1840.
- iii. Thomas B. Durland. He was born 8 March 1793. He died along with his brother James when he drowned in Chester Pond on 10 June 1816.
- iv. Elizabeth Durland. She was born 12 September 1795 and died in October 1843. She married Jonas King on 6 April 1815.

15. ELIZABETH BOARD <sup>3</sup> (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 10 October 1766 in Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey. She married to CHARLES HOWELL in 1802 and she was his second wife. Charles Howell was the son of Hezekiah Howell and Susanna Sayre, who moved in 1727 from Long Island to Blagg's Cove, Orange County, New York. Charles and Elizabeth Howell resided in Blooming Grove, Orange County, New York, where she died in 1841 and he died in January 1843.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of Elizabeth Board and Charles Howell, born in Blooming Grove, Orange County, New York:

- i. Charles Board Howell. He was born 7 September 1803 and died 3 April 1865. He married in 1852 to Ruth Ann Davis. She was the daughter of Mills Davis and Ann Board, the daughter of Cornelius Board and his first cousin Annas Board. **See 6 (iii).**
- ii. Edmund Sayre Howell. He was born in September 1804 and died 23 April 1898. He married 16 February 1836 to Nancy C. Bell.
- iii. Joseph Henry Howell. He was born 3 December 1805 and died on 13 December in 1877 or 1878. He resided in Little Britain, New York.

16. CHARLES BOARD <sup>3</sup> (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1777 or 1778 in Boardville, Bergen County, New Jersey where he resided. He was married 15 December 1804 to JOANNA SEELY, the daughter of Thaddeus Seely. Charles Board was a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in 1822 and 1823, a General in the New Jersey Militia, and a member of the New Jersey Legislature for thirteen years in succession. He died on 22 December 1858 and his Will was probated on 22 January 1859 in Paterson, New Jersey. They were buried in the Board plot at the Pompton Reformed Church in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey.

BOARD

CHARLES Born Aug. 27, 1772

Died Dec. 22, 1858, Aged 88 Years, 3 Months, and 25 Days

JOANNE, WIFE OF CHARLES

Died Oct. 16, 1841 Aged 62 Years, 4 Months and 2 Days

JOSEPH - SON OF CHARLES BOARD

Who Drowned June 1816 - Aged 3 Years, 3 Months and 20 Days

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; Edwin N. Hopson, Jr., "Gravestone Records From Board Family Plot, Boardville, Passaic County. Copied August 14, 1920 by Edwin N. Hopson, Jr." (From a published volume of New Jersey grave records), 1920.

The children of Charles Board and Joanna Seely, born in Boardville, New Jersey:

- i. Sarah Board. She was born 7 January 1815 and married Nathaniel Roe.
- ii. Peter Seely Board. He was born in 1815 and married to Susan Mapes. He married secondly to Madeline C. Conklin. **See 31.**
- ii. Thaddeus Board. He was married to a Miss Houston of Edenville, New York and they died before 1855.
- iii. Mary Board. She died 16 November 1856.
- iv. Phebe Board. She died in June 1876.
- v. Joseph Board. He drowned in June 1816 at age 3 years.
- vi. Joanna Board. She was born in June 1817 and married Charles F. Johnson.
- viii. Elizabeth H. Board. She married to Rev. James Elmendorf Bernart.

*Fourth Generation*

17. JAMES BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 5 June 1789 at what became the town of Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky. He married on 4 June 1812 in Washington County, Kentucky to NANCY MERCER, the daughter of George Mercer. The marriage bond referred to Philip Board, the father of James, and to George Mercer who gave his consent for his daughter Nancy to marry. The marriage bond was signed by Nimrod Greenwood, Jacob Mitchell, and John Board. He died in Boyle County, Kentucky on 26 September 1825 at age 36 years. His house was still standing in 2001 near Perryville in Boyle County on land that his father Phillip Board had purchased on the Chaplin River. The following deed abstract showed his land remaining with his children Philip Board and Eliza Board Armstrong.

Deed Book 7, page 288: John Armstrong to Philip S. Board.  
30 May 1859. John Armstrong and Eliza Armstrong his wife  
(late Board) of the county of Marion, Kentucky, to Philip S.

Board, Boyle County, Kentucky, for \$266. with interest from April 25, 1857 land in Boyle County on waters on Chaplin-supposed to contain 120 acres in the whole tract and this conveys interest which descended to Eliza Armstrong from her father James Board, deceased. And upon which land said James Board lived and died and is the same land upon which said Philip Board now resides.

Of the original tract of 120 acres owned by James Board, 40 of those acres were set aside as dower rights for the widow, Nancy Board, by order of the Mercer County Court in the April term of 1830 that was recorded in the settlement of the James Board estate. A small sketch of this land showed its northwest border on the Chaplin River, bordering Joseph Board and Nimrod Greenwood.

Sources: Boyle County, Kentucky, Deed Book 7, page 288; Phillip Board *Bible*; Phillip Board Will; Mercer County, Kentucky inventory of estate in Book 8, page 399 and settlement of estate in Book 9, pages 124 and 326; Dower of Nancy Board in Mercer County, Kentucky, Probate Book 9, page 326, from 1830; Washington County, Kentucky marriage records Book I, page 117; estate records of Jacob Mitchell, Mercer County, Kentucky. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of James Board and Nancy Mercer, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Martin Board. He was born in 1817 and was alive in 1850 when he challenged the Will of his grandfather Phillip Board.
- ii. Philip Schuyler Board. He was born on 24 August in 1818 or 1819, and died 19 April 1890 in Boyle County, Kentucky. He married on 20 May 1841 to Mary Jane Graham. **See 32.**
- iii. Mary Jane Board. She was born 27 February 1822 and died prior to 1859. It was not known if she married.
- iv. Eliza Board. She was born in 1825 and married John Armstrong. They resided in Marion County, Kentucky in 1859 before buying her father's land in Boyle County, Kentucky.

18. JOHN BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 12 January 1794 in Mercer County, Kentucky in what became the town of Nevada and he died 2 February 1878 in Callaway County, Missouri. John Board was married twice in Mercer County, Kentucky and he had three more marriage in Missouri. He married on 17 April 1816 in Washington County, Kentucky to ELIZA WEATHERS, who died in 1822. She was the daughter of James Weathers, according to her marriage bond. John Board married secondly the following year on 13 January 1823 to ELIZABETH NEFF in Mercer County, Kentucky. She was born 17 April 1800 and died 12 January 1839 at age 38 years. John Board married thirdly on 31 October 1839 to JANE CALLERSON in Missouri. His fourth wife was ELIZABETH MATTHEWS. They married in Missouri between 1866 and 1870. He married his fifth wife MARY around 1870 to 1874. There were no children from his last two marriages. At one time John operated a stage coach stop near the Mercer-Boyle County line. One wife he was said to have divorced because she refused to clean his boots, according to Frances Board Keightley.

Sources: Phillip Board *Bible*; Phillip Board Will; Washington County, Kentucky marriage records; Mercer County, Kentucky marriage records Book I, page 286 for Elizabeth Neff, and Book I for Eliza Weathers in 1816; estate records of Jacob Mitchell, Mercer County, Kentucky; Federal Census of Missouri for 1860, 1870, and 1880; Federal Census of California for 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of

Harrodsburg, Kentucky and Mrs. Judith Board, Holm Oak Road, Citrus Heights, California.

The children of John Board and Eliza Weathers, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. David Board. He was born 30 November 1818 and died 17 April 1898 in California. He married 17 November 1841 to Mary Martin. **See 33.**
- ii. Mariah Board. She was born between 1819 and 1822 and married W. Hugh Allen on 25 February 1847.  
The children of John Board and Elizabeth Neff, born in Callaway County, Missouri:
  - iii. William Board. He was born 11 May 1825 and died 1905 in Sonoma County, California. He married on 14 July 1855 to Mary Hamilton and married secondly on 4 May 1879 to Izora Oliver. He went to California in the Gold Rush of 1849 and then back to Missouri until 1852 when he returned with his brother David to California. **See 34.**
  - iv. Nancy Board. She was born in 1827 and married 23 November 1854 to Landon Craig.
  - v. Jane Board. She was born in August 1829 and married 10 June 1847 to William C. Hamilton.
  - vi. Amanda Board. She was born in May 1831 and died 20 January 1871. She married 26 September 1849 to Newton Jones.
  - vii. Thomas Board. He was born in August 1836 and married in 1865 in Boyle County, Kentucky to his first cousin Lucyia B. Sweeney, daughter of Mariah Board Sweeney. He was later Mayor of Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri, where he died in 1902. **See 23 (vi), See 35.**
  - viii. Martha Board. She was born 25 November 1837 and died in Shamrock, Callaway County on 6 August 1921. She married William H. Norris on 5 May 1859 and married secondly to D.A. Maupin on 3 April 1865.

The children of John Board and Jane Callerson, born in Callaway County, Missouri:

- ix. Ibby Board. She was born in 1841 and married Philip T. Moore.
- x. John Board, Jr. He was born in 1843.

#### 19. JACOB MITCHELL <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was the step-son of Phillip Board, who was born 6 February 1793, the son of Mary Castleman and John L. Mischler. Jacob Mitchell married late in life to MARGARET GRAVES in Mercer County, Kentucky. They did not have children. Jacob Mitchell was a veteran of the War of 1812 and by an Act of Congress dated 14 February 1871, War of 1812 veterans were eligible for pension benefits from the United States government. Jacob Mitchell served in the war as a soldier in Captain Peter Watts' Kentucky Militia. He initially enlisted 18 September 1812, was discharged 30 October 1812, and subsequently served from 10 November 1814 to 10 May 1815 under Captain William Phillips in the Kentucky Militia. His declaration of 18 March 1871 indicated he met the several criteria for benefits: that he served at least 182 days, that he was not already a veteran pensioner, that he was of good character, and that he was not a participant in the recent rebellion of the Southern states. Jacob Mitchell, age nearly 70 years when the Civil War began had no active role in the Confederacy though it would be difficult to imagine that he was not a supporter of the Confederacy as were the Boards. The following affidavit addressed this pension request:

Richard Board [no relation; he has been linked to the Breckinridge County, Kentucky family that originated in

Virginia] and Nelson Rue subscribing witnesses to the application of Jacob Mitchell survivor of 1812 No. 1349, under act of Congress of the 14<sup>th</sup> February 1871 granting Pension, after careful investigation I am convinced that the above witnesses at no time during the late rebellion against the authorities of the United States, adhered to the cause of the enemies of the Government, giving them aid and comfort or exercised the functions of any office whatever, under any authority or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States. Witness my hand this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 1871. JD Smelly, U. States Comer.

For his service in the War of 1812, Mitchell was granted a pension of eight dollars per month to be administered by the Lexington Agency. His certificate of pension was dated 4 September 1871, which was just days after his death. He had also received government land for his service, which he had signed for on 12 November 1850. The affidavit for this land grant read:

State of Kentucky, County of Mercer, SS: On this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D. 1850 personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county and state aforesaid, Jacob Mitchell, aged 57 years, a resident of Mercer County, in the State of Kentucky, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Jacob Mitchell, who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain William Philips, in the 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Kentucky Detached Militia, commanded by Col. G. Slaughter, in the War with Great Britain declared by the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 1812, and that he was drafted on or about the (blank) day of September 1814, for the term of six months, and continued in actual service in said war for the term of six months and was honorably discharged in Springfield, Kentucky on the (blank) day of 1815, as will appear by the muster rolls of said company. He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which he is entitled under the 'act granting Bounty Land to certain officers and soldiers who have been engaged in the military service of the United States, passed September 28<sup>th</sup>, 1850.' Jacob Mitchell

The 1871 application further detailed the campaigns of the war in which Mitchell was involved, and stated the commands in which he served. His first enlistment was under the company of 'J. Briton'. His second commander, Captain Philips, was in a command structure that reported to "Col. Gabrl. Slaughter's Regiment, to Carroll's Brigade, General Thomas Divis." The two primary incidents of the war in which Mitchell fought were "under General Hopkins in the Hopkins campaign against the Illinois Indians" and he "served in the Battle of New Orleans 8 January 1815." The military history of these campaigns in which Private Jacob Mitchell served was in *Kentucky in the War of 1812*. The Hopkins campaign against the Illini began in 1812:

In the summer of 1812 the Indians of Indiana and Illinois territories were showing every symptom of intense hostility; and Ninian Edwards, Governor of Illinois Territory, appealed to the Governor of Kentucky for aid. Colonel Barbour's regiment of Kentuckians were on their way to the assistance of the Illinois settlers, when they were diverted from their course by orders to go to the aid of Fort Harrison, in Indiana Territory, which was again threatened by a large force of

Indians, and was garrisoned by only one company of regulars under Colonel Zachary Taylor. Colonel William Russell, of the Seventh United States Infantry (regulars recruited in Kentucky), with twelve hundred men, including Colonel Wilcox's regiment of Kentucky volunteers, was also sent to beat back the hordes of Indians in the vicinity of Fort Harrison, and threatening its destruction. The Indians fled upon the approach of these troops. September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1812, Governor Shelby issued a stirring proclamation, in response to Governor Ninian Edwards, appeal for help, calling for volunteers to protect the frontier settlements of Illinois and Indiana Territories. He asked the Kentuckians to rendezvous at Louisville on September 18<sup>th</sup>, with thirty days provisions [on the pension application of Jacob Mitchell same days was given as his day of enlistment], 'and give to the world a new evidence of their love of country and their determination at every hazard to protect their fellow men from the devastations of a cruel and barbarous enemy.' These troops were to repair immediately to Vincennes, Indiana, under the command of the venerable Brigadier General Samuel Hopkins, who had served in the Revolutionary War as a commander of Virginia troops. Governor Shelby's proclamation brought throngs of Kentuckians to Louisville from every part of the State- a great many more than were needed- and hundreds of them, to their cruel disappointment, were turned away. One veteran Indian fighter, who was rejected, said: 'Well, Kentucky has often glutted the market with hemp, flour and tobacco, and now she has glutted it with volunteers.' On October 10<sup>th</sup>, 1812, he set out with these mounted riflemen for the Indian country, going by way of Fort Harrison, with the design of attacking the towns of the Kickapoo and Peoria Indians, on the Illinois River, the former being eighty and the latter one hundred and twenty miles distant from Vincennes. They crossed the Wabash on the 14<sup>th</sup>, and then the guides of the expedition began to expose their ignorance of the route, and were suspected of treachery; the food and forage became very scarce, and the prairie surrounding the army was set on fire, presumably by the Indian spies lurking in the vicinity. The term of enlistment of the men expired on the 18<sup>th</sup>, and as they had for some time before been murmuring discontentedly, they now broke out into open mutiny; and on October 20<sup>th</sup> they absolutely refused to march any further. General Hopkins, greatly mortified, called for five hundred volunteers to follow him on to the Indian towns, but not a man volunteered. His men turned back on the march to Vincennes, and refused to submit to his leadership. He had completely lost his authority over the men, and he *followed* [original emphasis] his army back to Fort Harrison, which they reached on the 25<sup>th</sup>. Here he disbanded his troops, whose enlistment had expired a week before, and organized a force for another expedition to the Indian country.

Jacob Mitchell was among those 2,500 soldiers who turned back from Vincennes and returned to Kentucky after discharge on 30 October 1812. As

was typical among fighters in this war, Mitchell was inactive for the next two years and he next reenlisted on 10 November 1814 until 10 May 1815, during which time he was involved in the most successful campaign of the War of 1812, the Battle of New Orleans. Mitchell's service in the Illinois campaign was under Captain Peter Watts of Mercer County, which was the 3<sup>rd</sup> Company of Lieutenant Colonel Samuel South's Regiment of Kentucky Volunteer Mounted Militia. Mitchell fought in the New Orleans campaign under Lieutenant Colonel Gabriel Slaughter, who organized a Regiment on 10 November 1814 for the purpose of advancing to New Orleans. Captain William Phillips headed the 10<sup>th</sup> Company of Slaughter's Regiment, in which was a private. Colonel Slaughter was one of Mercer County's most prominent residents. *Kentucky In the War of 1812* described Slaughter:

Colonel Gabriel Slaughter, of Mercer County, commanded a Regiment in the battle of New Orleans—the only regiment of Kentucky militia that participated as a whole in that great victory. It was his regiment, with Major Harrison's battalion of Mitchusson's regiment and Carroll's Tennesseans, occupying the center and left center of the long American line, that stood the full brunt of the fierce and desperate attacks of the British, and won that incomparable victory. Colonel Slaughter was a native of Culpeper County, Virginia, but emigrated early to Kentucky, and settled in Mercer County, about four miles from Harrodsburg, on the road to Lexington. Under the call of Governor Shelby, in November, 1814, he raised a regiment of troops in Mercer and the neighboring counties for the New Orleans campaign. No troops engaged on the American side did more fatal execution in the Battle of New Orleans than did the men of his regiment. In 1816, Colonel Slaughter was elected Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky on the ticket with Major George Madison, hero of the River Raisin. Madison died shortly after being inaugurated, and Slaughter was installed as Governor. He served out his term, and then retired to his country home.

This same source had a detailed description of the events leading up to the Battle of New Orleans and the defeat suffered by the British:

On October 12, 1814, Governor Shelby issued a call for men for the New Orleans campaign, and under that call three regiments of Kentucky Detached Militia were brought into the field and organized. Slaughter's Regiment, organized November 10, 1814, was commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Gabriel Slaughter, of Mercer County: Majors Louis Armstrong, and William Wakefield. The regiment had ten companies, with a total strength of seven hundred and eighty-nine officers and enlisted men.

The two other regiments organized that same day were Gray's Regiment and Mitchusson's Regiment. "The troops were commanded by Major General John Thomas, with Brigadier General John Adair as his Adjutant General." There were 2,721 Kentucky troops between the regular Kentucky regiments of the United States Infantry and the three volunteer regiments. Of these troops, "1,641 were on the firing line, and engaged in the battle of New Orleans. One thousand and eighty-one of the Kentucky militia did not take part in the battle because they could not be furnished with arms." *Kentucky In the War of 1812* was continued with:



General Jackson left Mobile on November 21, 1814, reached New Orleans on December 2, and took up his permanent headquarters there. The troops then available for the defense of the city consisted of only two small regiments and a weak battalion of militia: there were no effective naval forces in the adjacent waters, and money, credit, arms and munitions were all wanting. The 'invincible armada,' consisting of a fleet of sixty great ships, had on November 26, 1814, set sail from Negril Bay, Jamaica, for the conquest of Louisiana. Including sailors, marines, artillerymen and others who did not land, the expedition consisted of at least eighteen thousand men. Never before in her history had Great Britain fitted out an expedition so grand a scale. The hostile fleet reached Ship Island, off the Bay of St. Louis, near New Orleans, on December 12, 1814; and from that time on there were a series of indecisive land and naval engagements, leading up to the climatic battle of January 8, 1815." However, Jackson was in full knowledge of the British battle plans, whose secrets were betrayed by the pirate Jean Lafitte to the Governor of Louisiana. On December 28, 1814, the entire British force, led by General Parkenham in person, made a fierce and impetuous attack upon Jackson's lines, but they met a determined resistance that after three hours of hot fighting they were compelled to retire in mortification to their camp, after a loss of one hundred and twenty killed and wounded. The American loss was only seven killed and eight wounded. On January 4, 1815, the long-delayed Kentucky militia reached New Orleans. They were commanded by Brigadier General John Adair, on account of the illness of Major General John Thomas. It was in the midst of an unusually severe winter, in a season of almost daily rainfalls, when the troops reached New Orleans. The went into camp without tents or blankets, or bedding of straw, on the open and miry alluvial soil, with the temperature at times at the freezing point. In speaking, in an official report, of the condition of the Kentucky militia upon their arrival at New Orleans, General Jackson said: 'Not a man in ten was well armed, and only one man in three had any arms at all.' Such arms as the Kentuckians took to New Orleans were their own private property. Of this little force all but the eight hundred and eighty-four regulars were raw militia. Opposed to them, altogether, stood and eighteen thousand men, nearly all of whom were regulars of the British army, or marines of the British navy- the best trained troops then on the globe." When Jackson's force was finally set in place, there were 6,504 American troops, forty percent of whom were Kentuckians. Among the other units serving were the United States Infantry, Marines and an Artillery detachment; the Louisiana militia, and New Orleans supplied a local militia and rifle company; Lafitte supplied 300 buccaneers; militias also arrived from Tennessee and Mississippi; as well as Choctaw Indians, and a battalion of 'San Domingo Free Men of Color.' "Jackson's main line of battle on the left bank of the river was drawn up on the plains of Chalmette, five

miles below the river, and was eighteen hundred yards long, extending from the river, on the west, to an impenetrable swamp to the east." Fully two-thirds of the battle line was occupied by the Kentucky and Tennessee militia, one thousand and five Kentuckians under General Adair. Early on the morning of Sunday, January 8, 1815, when the mists began to clear away, the British line was seen stretching two-thirds of the way across the plains of Chalmette, drawn up in battle array. Rockets were fired from its extreme right and left, and at that signal the 'thin red line' marched steadily forward upon the American works, the main assault being directed upon the left center, that part of the works defended by a thousand Kentuckians under Adair, and five hundred Tennesseans under Carroll. The American batteries opened upon them, and whole platoons were prostrated, whose places were instantly filled by others, and the column of British veterans pressed steadily onward, without pause or recoil, toward the longer and weaker line covered by the Kentuckians and Tennesseans. Lossing, the greatest of the historians of the War of 1812, says: 'By this time all the American batteries, including Patterson's on the right bank of the river, were in full play. Yet steadily on marched Wellington's veterans, stepping firmly over the dead bodies of their slain comrades, until they had reached a point within two hundred yards of the American line, behind which, concealed from the view of the invaders, lay the Tennesseans and Kentuckians, four ranks deep. Suddenly the clear voice of General Carroll rang out, 'Fire!' His Tennesseans rose from cover, and, each man taking sure aim, delivered a most destructive volley upon their foe, their bullets cutting down scores of the gallant British soldiery. The storm ceased not for a moment, for when the Tennesseans had fired, they fell back, and the Kentuckians took their places, and so the four ranks, one after the other, participated in the conflict. At the same time, round, grape and chain shot went crashing through the ranks of the British, making awful gaps, and appalling the stoutest hearts.' They fell back to the swamp, reformed, and immediately charged again; but again were forced to retire. General Parkenham was killed, General Gibbs was mortally, and General Keane seriously, wounded. The command was assumed by Major Wilkinson, the officer of the highest rank still left with an assaulting column. He reformed his broken lines, and made a third assault upon the works so gallantly defended by the Kentucky and Tennessee riflemen. They marched right up to the entrenchments and attempted to scale them. Again they were repulsed, and Wilkinson fell, mortally wounded, upon the very top of the parapet. His discomfited men fell back, and retreated in the wildest confusion, and the battle upon that part of the line was over." The Kentucky historian McAfee described this final episode: "Yet their columns pressed on with such force and desperation that many of their men entered the ditch in front of our breastworks, where they were shot down in heaps at the very muzzle of our guns. Slaughtered,

shattered and disordered, they were again forced to retreat." The British left with "the field literally covered with the dying and the dead. This was one of the most remarkable battles known to history. In the brief space of twenty-five minutes the enemy lost seven hundred killed, fourteen hundred wounded, and five hundred prisoners- a total loss of twenty-six hundred men; the American loss being only seven killed and six wounded. The Kentuckians who bore so distinguished a part in this brilliant victory were Colonel Gabriel Slaughter's regiment of 700, and Major Reuben Harrison's battalion of 305 men from Mitchusson's regiment, all under the command of Brigadier General John Adair.

Sources: Phillip Board *Bible*; Phillip Board Will; Mercer County, Kentucky marriage records; estate records of Jacob Mitchell, Mercer County, Kentucky, 1872; Cemetery records from the Phillip Board farm recorded by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley about 1970; Harrodsburg Historical Society, *Cemetery Records Mercer County, Kentucky*, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, Volumes 1, 2, and 3, date not cited; Military and pension files from the National Archives for the War of 1812, Washington, D.C.; Anderson Chenault Quisenberry, *Harrison County, Kentucky in the War of 1812*, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Company, 1969. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

20. DAVID BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 4 August 1799 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married there on 1 February 1821 to MARY LOWE, the daughter of Abraham Lowe and his wife Hannah. She was from a New Jersey Dutch family and was born 25 July 1801 in New Jersey. Mary died 18 October 1875 and David died in July 1882. They were buried in the Board graveyard that was a stone's throw from the old Phillip Board home. David Board was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and was active in that faith.

Board's involvement in local education seen in a deed dated 22 September 1852 whereby "David Board, William Semonis and Mason Collier, being Trustees of Common School District No. 34 of Mercer County" purchased 81 poles of land from Thomas and Sarah Utley on behalf of the school district. The schoolhouse ('appurtenances' in the deed) was located on the Dry Fork of the Chaplin River "near Mason Collier's lower gate." In *Chaplin Hills, History of Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky* by Geraldine Crain Harmon, David Board was listed as the President of the Board of Trustees of Perryville Seminary, which was an institution of higher learning for the Presbyterian Church. "Perryville Seminary opened about 1850, mostly small boys. It continued for four years as exclusively a male school. The principal being the Rev. James Vincent, and at times was referred to as Vincent's College." The 1854 charter declared that "the instruction imparted to pupils is not sectarian. There is not the least interference with any one's religious sentiments." It further stated that "Pupils are not allowed to idle away their time" and "no one will be retained who is not industrious, well qualified, and of good moral character." In regards to the horse stable, there would be "no riding for pleasure," as "students have enough to do without engaging in sports and pleasures." By 1857, there were 220 students in that year's graduating class with the Boards among the "notable graduates of Perryville."

David Board grew up in the Nevada vicinity and was said to have owned a large white-pillared home not far from the Phillip Board home. An elderly resident of Harrodsburg told Frances Board Keightley that this home burned down

about 1911 to 1914 and that no trace of this home remained. It was not until David Board's later years that the town of Nevada was created by an 1879 Kentucky Act. Pending elections, H.C. Banta, Aaron Vanarsdall and Joseph Vanarsdall were authorized by the Legislature to fill the positions of Trustee. James Buchanan Bonta acted as town marshal and David Board's son, Jacob M. Board, was police judge. The town boundaries were described as:

Begin on the Nevada and Quirk's Run Turnpike at the crossing of the Boyle County line, running north to Bethel Church, including the church property and cemetery thereto attached, then westwardly with the County road to old Petersburg Church; then southwestwardly with a ridge to David Board's big spring, including Huston Graves; thence a straight line to the Lexington and Perryville Turnpike road at the Boyle County line; then eastwardly with aid line to the beginning.

The 1859 tax list of Mercer County listed David Board as the owner of 200 acres of real estate along the Chaplin waterway in Mercer County that was valued at \$4,000 dollars. At this time David also owned 10 horses (valued at \$5,000 dollars), five cattle, and 25 hogs. He farmed corn and wheat crops. He also held enslaved persons in 1859, shortly before the outbreak of the Civil War. Mercer County Deeds showed that David Board made numerous land purchases in addition to his inheritance. In 1858, he bought land from the heirs of his father Phillip Board (Deed Book 32, page 125). He purchased other tracts in the years preceeding the Civil War: from J.R. Tewmeyer in 1859 (Deed Book 32, page 365), from A.M. Williamson that same year (Deed Book 32, page 408), and from John W. Cannon in 1861 (Deed Book 33, page 460). He was also heir to his half-brother Jacob Mitchell from whose widow, Margaret Mitchell, he purchased land in 1872 (Deed Book 42, page 62).

The David Board family *Bible* was inherited through a daughter's line, and by 1950 was owned by Woodrow Catlett, Rural Route Catlett Road, Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Mary Carico, a David Board descendant through the Kirklands, copied these entries about 1950. It was believed this *Bible* remained with the Catlett descendants. Further, the Birth section of the *Bible* was certified by a Notary Public in 1964. The following was a verbatim copy of the Births section:

#### BIRTHS

David Board was Born August the 4th 1799  
Mary Board was Born July the 25th 1801  
Elizabeth Board was born April the 2nd 1822  
Hanah Board was born December the 7th 1823  
Thomas J. Board was born November the 6th 1825  
Catherine Board was born November the 4th 1827  
Hester Ann Board was born August the 9th 1834  
Mary E. Board was born Sept. 18th 1830  
Martha Board was born January the 4th 1833  
Nancey Jane Board was born February the 10th 1836  
Philip S. Board was born January the 8th 1839  
Jacob M. Board was born March the 17th 1842  
John Irvin Board was born August the 19th 1844

The birth and death entries of those who were born or married into the David Board family were listed below. These entries were from his family *Bible*:

#### DEATHS

Martha Board died July 19, 1841  
J.I. Board died August 5, 1849  
Elijah G. Chatham died August 2, 1852

Mary Board died October 18, 1845  
Hester Kirkland died February 14, 1890  
J.W. Jackson died September 1, 1845  
Serena Westerfield died December 3, 1881  
Nannie B. Jackson died December 17, 1888  
John M. Jackson died December 17, 1888  
Ida S. Jones died November 1, 1890  
Amanda F. Graves died September 5, 1893  
Catherine, wife of D.J. Jackson, died November 5, 1898  
James Jackson was born August 8, 1796, died June 28  
1833  
Catherine Jackson, mother of D.J. Jackson, was born  
November 13, 1797 and died May 22, 1889  
Elijah G. Chatham born June 9, 1828  
D.J. Jackson born September 30, 1826  
D.J. Jackson born 1850 [illegible] -  
Catherine Jackson was born November 1828  
Amanda F. Jackson was born July 12, 1849  
James H. Jackson was born 30th (illegible) 1851  
Andrew B. Jackson was born April 9, 1853  
Mary E. Jackson born November 20, 1854  
Susan Jackson born December 8, 1856  
Nannie B. Jackson was born June 23, 1858  
Serena C. Jackson was born April 15, 1860  
Ida S. Jackson was born March 17, 1862  
John M. Jackson was born February 4, 18- [illegible]  
Emma F. Jackson was born September [illegible]  
Ella Catlett was born August 20, 1874

When Jacob Mitchell died on 1 September 1872 in Mercer County, Kentucky his estate was significant and immediately triggered a response from relatives neglected in his last Will and Testament. Jacob's Will was proved in court two days after his death (Will Book 18, page 124) and all was left to his surviving wife, Margaret. There were no children born to this couple. Jacob Mitchell was age 66 years when he wed Margaret Graves in 1859 in Mercer County, which was the first marriage for both. The marriage lasted thirteen years until the death of Jacob, who made the provision in his Will that his estate would go to Margaret and after her death to be divided evenly between his heirs and hers. Margaret lived four more years, until 1876 when she died in Mercer County, Kentucky. She was then buried at her husband's side in the Phillip Board graveyard. Upon her death, half of the Mitchell estate went to her heirs Samuel Graves, Elizabeth H. Graves, and Jacob Graves, and the other half went to the appointed heirs of Jacob Mitchell. This was the point of contention that resulted in the suit against the Mitchell Will of 1872. Of the Board siblings, only David Board and his son-in-law David J. Jackson were heir to the Mitchell estate. This wealth included some 100 acres of land and \$15,000 in cash and other assets. The excluded siblings took action against the estate, resulting in depositions that verify conclusions from the names and dates recorded in the Phillip Board *Bible*.

A Petition in Equity was filed in the Mercer County Circuit Court by the surviving Board siblings in October 1872. This document was housed in Circuit Court Bundle 99-339. The legal position of these siblings was that they were not mentioned in the Will and hence unfairly excluded. If no Will had been left by Jacob Mitchell, they indeed would have been heirs based on common law principles and all would have shared in an equal proportion to David Board. The dusty, bundled documents stored in the Courthouse stated

the relationships of all those involved. These definitions were involved: a sibling was one who shared both the same parents with another child, *half* meant but one common parent was shared, and *step* meant there was no common parents, but rather a marriage between the parent of one and the parent of another.

David Board and Benjamin Board state that they are the half brothers of Jacob Mitchell; Ellen Silvers, wife of A.A. Silvers—heir of Thos. Board, a Half brother; Maria S. Sweeny half sister; the following are the children and heirs of Joseph Board, deceased, who was a half brother of Jacob Mitchell: David Board, Mary C. Board, Sophia Board, Benjamin Board, William Board, John Board, Josiah Board.

The half-brothers and half-sister of Jacob Mitchell mentioned in this case were all born after August 1799, which was after the recorded death of Eleanor Thompson Board in July 1798. The *half* indicated Jacob Mitchell shared one common parent with David Board, Benjamin Board, Mariah Board, Joseph Board and Thomas Board, namely, thir mother Mary Castleman. It was significant that the other Phillip Board children were not participants in this court action. The surviving heirs of Phillip and Eleanor Board were John Board and the children of James Board as William Board, Anne Board and Eliza Board all had died with no children. Their lack of participation was certainly due to their *step* sibling status, which as such had no common law basis for inheritance.

David Board was close to his six-year-older, half-brother Jacob Mitchell throughout his lifetime. David was closest in age to Jacob and both remained in Mercer County, Kentucky long after the other Polly Board children had moved away or died. They both lived to an old age and were subsequently buried with 'Old Phillip Board' in the family graveyard. Jacob Mitchell's father was John L. Mischler, whom Mary Castleman had married on 17 December 1791 at Davidson County, Tennessee, a place that Phillip Board and his father-in-law, William Thompson, frequented on business in the town of Nashville. Mischler's fate was not determined, although he likely died in the mid-1790s in the period between the 1793 birth of his son Jacob Mitchell and the 1799 birth of Mary Castleman's son, David Board. Mercer County, Kentucky court records had 1804 as the year of marriage of Phillip Board and Mary Mitchell (or, Mischler, Mitchler). It was not known why the marriage of Phillip and Mary Board was not officially recorded until 1804.

Some of the Mitchell land was disposed on 17 April 1876 between "David Board, D.J. Jackson and Catherine his wife, S.H. Graves and Margaret his wife, J.H. Graves and Mandy his wife, the first part" and "Obediah W. Lester of the second part all of the county of Mercer and state of Kentucky" containing 42 acres on the waters of the Chaplin River for the sum of six hundred dollars (Deed Book 45, pages 64-65). The final disposition of Mitchell's land appeared to be the deed dated 16 February 1877 for 210 acres on the waters of the Chaplin River in Mercer County for which a title bond was issued to David Board, David J. Jackson, Catharine Jackson, Jacob H. Graves and Amanda F. Graves (Deed Book 45 page 307). In addition to these documents cited, on 2 October 1991 Frances Board Keightley stated she had recently visited with a Terhune descendant while compiling information on the Phillip Board family. This person owned the family *Bible* of Cornelius Terhune who married Mary Ellen Board, David's daughter. In the *Bible*, the Terhunes wrote that Mary Ellen's father, David Board, was the "son of Philip Board and Mary Mitchell." Mrs. Frances Board Keightley did not obtain a photocopy though she saw the original inscription. This furthered confirm the mother of David Board as Mary

Castleman and not Eleanor Thompson, as was believed by the family for most of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

ABRAHAM LOWE

Abraham Lowe and his wife Hannah were from New Jersey, where they were both from Dutch families, as was David Board's grandmother. Frances Board Keightley Moseley stated in 2004 that "My father said it was pronounced Lough and may have been spelled Low." There was a record of a marriage on 11 May 1799 between Abraham Lowe and Hannah Gersey in Somerset County, New Jersey, yet the time frame was inconsistent with the marriage of their daughter Catherine just ten years later in 1809. The three known children of Abraham and Hannah Lowe were (1) Catherine Lowe, who married Barney Verbyrick in 1809 in Mercer County, Kentucky; (2) Mary Lowe, who was born in 1801 and married David Board in Mercer County, Kentucky; and (3) Elisha Lowe, who was born about 1806 in Kentucky, according to the 1850 census of Mercer County, Kentucky. He married Elizabeth, who was born about 1807. Their children, all born in Kentucky, were: Minerva Lowe, born about 1831; Hannah Lowe, born about 1833; Benjamin Lowe, born about 1835; Sarah Lowe, born about 1836; Mary Lowe, born about 1838. Also living with the family in 1850 was Robert Jones, born about 1765 in Pennsylvania and a veteran of the Revolution. He might have been the father of Elizabeth Lowe.

Sources: Phillip Board *Bible*; Phillip Board Will; Mercer County, Kentucky marriage records Book I page 268; Mercer County Deed Book 32, pages 125, 365, 408, Deed Book 33 page 460, Deed Book 45 page 307; Guardian Inventory in Mercer County, Kentucky, Probate Book 13, page 52 from 1848; estate records of Jacob Mitchell, Mercer County, Kentucky; *Chaplin Hills, History of Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky*, by Geraldine Crain Harmon, Bluegrass Printing Company, Danville, Kentucky, 1971; Mercer County, Kentucky tax lists and deeds; The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Days Saints (Mormon), Temple Bureau Index of David Board, filed by Mary Carico of 2128 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia, 1952; Family notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, dated about 1950; David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; Cemetery records from the Phillip Board farm recorded by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley about 1970; Harrodsburg Historical Society, *Cemetery Records Mercer County, Kentucky*, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, Volumes 1, 2, and 3, no date; Acts of the Kentucky legislature regarding the town of Nevada; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; manuscript by Mary Carico, "Board Family of Mercer County, Kentucky", Huntington, West Virginia, 1951, typewritten.

Sources-Lowe: *Somerset County Historical Quarterly*, Somerville, New Jersey, A. Van Doren Honeyman, editor, Volume VI, Number 4, October 1917, page 283, Abraham Low married Hannah Gersey on 11 May 1799 which was inconsistent with the birthdate of Mary Lowe Board; *Somerset County Historical Quarterly*, Somerville, New Jersey, A. Van Doren Honeyman, editor, Volume VI, Number 3, July 1917; "The Readington Lowe (Low) Family", which had no proposed relationship to Abraham Lowe; 1850 Federal Census of Kentucky; marriage records of Mercer County, Kentucky, published by the Mercer County Historical Society. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of David Board and Mary Lowe, born in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Elizabeth Board. She was born 2 April 1822 and died 13 May 1903 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married on 17 October 1844 to Elijah

- G. Chatham and married secondly on 25 February 1856 to George Cannon. **See 36.**
- ii. Hannah Board. She was born 7 December 1823 and died 3 September 1888 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married 14 November 1844 to Mason Collier. **See 37.**
  - iii. Thomas Jefferson Board. He was born 6 November 1825 and died 19 July 1892 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married 17 November 1846 to Mary Jane Crane. **See 38.**
  - iv. Catherine Board. She was born 21 November 1828 and died 5 November 1898 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married 1 August 1848 to David J. Jackson, the son of James Jackson and Catherine Vanderipe. **See 39; See Vanderipe Family, 3 (iii).**
  - v. Mary Ellen Board. She was born 18 September 1830 and died 14 May 1901 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married 1854 to Cornelius Terhune. **See 40.**
  - vi. Martha Board. She was born 4 January 1833 and died as a young girl on 19 July 1841.
  - vii. Hester Ann Board. She was born 9 August 1834 and died in 1890 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married Alexander Kirkland on 18 December 1854. **See 41.**
  - viii. Nancy Jane Board. She was born 10 February 1836 and died 25 August 1880 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married in 1854 to John William Cannon. **See 42.**
  - ix. Philip Schuyler Board. He was born 8 January 1839. He enlisted in the Confederate Cavalry with his brother Jacob on 2 September 1862 during the Confederate occupation of the Bluegrass by General Kirby-Smith. Philip was never heard from again after the war. **See 43.**
  - x. Jacob Mitchell Board. He was born 17 March 1842 and died 19 September 1911 in Louisville, Kentucky. He married Susan B. Adkerson in 1864. **See 44.**
  - xi. John Irvin Board. He was born 19 August 1844 and died as a child on 5 August 1849.

21. JOSEPH BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 7 November 1800 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died in Caldwell County, Kentucky on 2 September 1872. Joseph Board was buried at the Deboe Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky. He married on 25 November 1822 to ELEANOR BREWSTER DUNN, the daughter of James Dunn and Jane Davis in Mercer County, Kentucky. She was born 3 December 1801 and died 2 September 1858 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. Joseph Board was a minister affiliated with the United Baptist Church in Princeton, Caldwell County, Kentucky. This church was organized on 30 March 1850 and was described as a "good wooden building" in *First History of Caldwell County, Kentucky*. This building was used "until April, 1878, and was afterwards sold and used as a tobacco warehouse." The first minister was Elder J.W. Mansfield who died in October, 1853 after three years as pastor. "Elder Joseph Board succeeded him and served as pastor two or three years." Mercer County, Kentucky, Deed Abstracts Book 4, page 159, recorded the sale of Mrs. Board's land in 1850 that she received as an inheritance:

Joseph Board to D.W. Dunn. August 31, 1850. Between Joseph Board and Eleanor B. Board, formerly Dunn, his wife of the County of Hopkins, state of Kentucky, to Davis W. Dunn, Boyle County, Kentucky, for 160 Dollars- interest in tract of land where Davis Dunn lives and belonging to the heirs of James Dunn, deceased, and being the dower of the



widow of said James Dunn. Land in Boyle County on the road leading from Danville to Perryville.

Joseph Board married Eleanor Dunn, who was a member of the Deep Creek Baptist Church in Mercer County, Kentucky. He began his career in ministry when he joined the Deep Creek Baptist Church in November 1827 by 'experience', which was a term used to describe a personal experience of spiritual awakening. In the recorded minutes of the church it was noted that on 4 April 1830 the church decided to encourage Brother Joseph Board to exercise his gift "in exhortation of divine love in the bounds of this church and neighboring churches." Exactly two years later on 4 April 1832 a 'difficulty' broke out between Board and Charles Hart (the brother-in-law of Joseph Board's brother Thomas Board who married Martha Hart) that would last three years and threaten the ministry of Joseph Board. Later that month the church decided that Charles Hart would not receive a letter of dismissal because of the conflict with Board, but the trouble continued. In June 1832 four deacons were chosen to go to the association to "lay the dispute before the Brethren." Joseph Board accused Charles Hart of:

(1) Heresy, in denying the operation of the Spirit in giving evidence of the forgiveness of sins, being necessary before baptism, and endeavoring to promote the above-named doctrine. (2) Disorder in starting to the church that Sister Nancy Bottom had sworn, contradictory to some of the brethren and several other persons in inducing us to believe she had sworn false before he had taken gospel steps with her. (3) For threatening the church if they ever put him out, 'they should have more trouble with him than they had with Brother Dickerson.'

The quarrel quickly became personal, more about hogs than heresy, as shown by the counter-charges by Hart against Board:

(1) For acting improperly in fattening and slaughtering and making use of a hog which was not his own and refusing to pay the Widow Prewitt for said hog when it was claimed by her, and for making incorrect statements about the same. (2) For you stating to me at your house that all the other Brethren you had conversed with on the subject was harder with me than you were; that they wished me dealt with and excluded. Afterwards denying the same in the presence of the Brethren that was trying to help us settle our difficulties. (3) For you stating to me at the Stand in the presence of Brother Cull, Sallee, and Divine that your brethren and neighbors had certified for you with a perfect knowledge of the reports that were circulating against you. (4) For stating at our last meeting you did not know how the Brethren came in possession of the last part of the record of the meeting before which I was grieved and had labored with you and you would not give satisfaction.

The matter was not immediately resolved despite the intervention of other churches in the area who reviewed the accusations.

The church agreed to call on three sister churches for help. Brethren were appointed to visit said churches and request two members from each to assist at the next meeting. Chilton Rice, Joshua Lawson, were to help. At Perryville Brother T. Wingate and W. Bottom; at Doctors Fork, G. Warner and M. Bottom. Also voted to extend the call to the Salt River Church, Brothers Charles Hart, Sr., nominated to

visit that church. On 4 July 1832 the brethren of the various churches met and decided that Charles Hart was wrong and should be excluded unless he made proper acknowledgement to the church. The unanimous opinion was that Brother Board has not done it with any criminal intent but has nonetheless been guilty of making incorrect statements about it, and he should be excluded unless he made proper and satisfactory acknowledgement to the church.

In stubbornness, Board and Hart refused to make acknowledgment and both were excluded the following month. The matter carried on for another year when in June of 1833 Henry Wingate was named the principal witness against Brother Board in the trial for exclusion. In August 1833, Board was granted an appeal hearing to attempt to invalidate the testimony that led to his exclusion. In September 1833, the church agreed to receive Joseph Board into fellowship provided he removed the difficulty between him and Brother Charles Hart. The difficulty remained and in December 1834 four churches were again called to hear and decide the dispute with Charles Hart being invited to come forward and say why Brother Board should not be admitted. In January 1835, the meeting called Charles Hart who gave the following reasons why Joseph Board should not be admitted: (1) "Board made erroneous statements concerning myself and another individual now deceased. (2) Saying Brother J. Wingate and myself advised him not to pay the Widow Prewitt for a certain hog." In May of 1835, nearly three years since the difficulty with Hart that boiled down to a dispute over the ownership of a hog, Joseph Board was restored to membership by the Deep Creek Baptist Church.

Board's good fortune continued to improve as one year after being restored to the church, he was to be examined for purposes to be "ordained to the gospel ministry." A presbytery of Joel Gordon from Deep Creek Baptist Church and John Rice with Strother Cook from Shawnee Run Baptist Church examined his qualifications in July 1836 and ordained him to ministry. The following year, in 1837, Board went to Brush Creek to assist in the ordination of Brother Steenburger. This church was in western Kentucky's Green County, south of Hardin County and not far from Caldwell County where Board settled. His last recorded acts in the Deep Creek Baptist Church of Mercer County, Kentucky was a letter of 'dismissal' granted 4 April 1839 and his wife 'Elinor Board' was granted a letter of dismissal on 4 May 1839. The Board family then moved southwest to Caldwell County, Kentucky, where they remained and his brother Benjamin Board later joined them.

Sources: Phillip Board *Bible*; Phillip Board Will; Mercer County, Kentucky marriage records Book I, 22 November 1822 filed; Mercer County, Kentucky, Deed Abstracts Book 4, page 159; estate records of Jacob Mitchell, Mercer County, Kentucky; Caldwell County, Kentucky, Will Book C, page 320, for J.A. Board; Federal Census of Caldwell County, Kentucky, for 1860 and 1870; *First History of Caldwell County, Kentucky*, by Clauscine R. Baker, 1936, Madisonville, Kentucky: Commercial Printers; *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*, by Samuel W. Steger, Paducah, Kentucky: Turner Publishing Company, 1987, article submitted by descendant Helen Evilsizer; *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*, by Arawana Kyle, published by Arawana Kyle, 1967; "Minutes of the Deep Creek Baptist Church," Mercer County, Kentucky, researched by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley.

The children of Joseph Board and Eleanor Brewster Dunn, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Mary C. Board. She was born about 1826.

- ii. William Board. He was born 15 October 1830 and married 1868 to Mary Elizabeth Tudor. He died 30 June 1894 in Caldwell County, Kentucky and was buried there with his wife and parents at Deboe Cemetery. **See 45.**
- iii. David Board. He was born about 1832 and married in October 1854 to Jane Tudor.
- iv. Sophia Board. She was born 8 June 1836 and died 8 January 1877. She was unmarried. She was buried with her parents at Deboe Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky.
- v. Benjamin Board. He was born about 1838 and married 10 August 1857 to his first cousin, Mary Board, the daughter of Benjamin F. Board. Mary's husband, father and brother were all three named Benjamin Board. **See 24 (i).**
- vi. John T. Board. He was born in 1842 and died in 1918. He was known as Rev. J.T. Board, and was an ordained Baptist minister. He married Hannah L. Harper and married secondly to Louisa. She was born 2 December 1824 and died 10 March 1909 in Caldwell County, Kentucky.
- vii. Josiah Board. He was born about 1847 and married in 1868 to Eveline T. Harrold.
- viii. Joseph A. Board. He was born about 1850. He was 'J.A. Board' whose estate was settled in Caldwell County, Kentucky (Book C, page 320). He was formerly of Marion County, Kentucky and he had a "half interest in a house and lot situated in Springfield, Washington County, Kentucky." His Will was dated 4 April 1914 and probated 6 September 1915 in Caldwell County, Kentucky in which he referred to his three children Ida Board, Lunetta Board, and Joseph Edward Board.
- ix. J.J. Board. He was born about 1852.

22. THOMAS BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 16 December 1803 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there on 13 March 1833 at age 29 years. He married in Mercer County, Kentucky on 13 February 1827 to MARTHA HART, the daughter of Charles Hart. Martha Board died less than one month prior to her husband, on 18 February 1833, as they were both victims of the cholera outbreak in central Kentucky at that time. His estate was settled in 1834 and included three slaves: Lydia, age 10 years; Milton, also called 'Dock' in the inventory; and Louisa, age 15 years. As was custom, this 'human property' was listed along with the usual contents of the household and farm. The farm contained crops of wheat, rye, flax, and oat and animals including 35 sheep, 11 lambs, 6 cattle, and 16 hogs. Thomas Board owned a 'brown mare' and a 'blind horse'. The cash settlement value of his estate was \$1,549.90 and the administrators were David Board and Samuel Hart.

Sources: Phillip Board *Bible*; Phillip Board Will; Washington County, Kentucky marriage records; Mercer County, Kentucky marriage records Book I page 326 for Thomas Board and 1847 filing for son Charles Board; Mercer County, Kentucky, Probate Book 10, page 87 inventory of Thomas Board estate from 1833 and settlement in Book 10, page 451 from 1836; estate records of Jacob Mitchell, Mercer County, Kentucky. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Thomas Board and Martha Hart, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Charles J. Board. He was born 16 September 1830 and married 11 September 1847 to Mary Ann Coleman. In January 1837, his

grandfather Phillip Board made a notation in his *Bible* that Charles Board was “sent away to school” and this was the last known record of him.

- ii. Sarah Eleanor Board. She married Andrew A. Silvers. In the 1872 estate settlement of Jacob Mitchell she was the only heir of Thomas Board mentioned.
- iii. Ester A. Board. She married Patrick H. Brown.

23. MARIAH BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 16 December 1809 in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married there to JOHN J. SWEENEY in 1826. They resided in Boyle County, Kentucky in 1850, when her children were enumerated in the census. By 1860, their Boyle County household included only Mariah, who was a farmer, and four children. John Sweeney was born 11 March 1805 and died 6 September 1848 in Boyle County, Kentucky. He was buried in the family cemetery on the Phillip Board farm in Mercer County, Kentucky. She moved to Missouri after 1860.

Sources: Stephen Douglas Lynn, editor, *Confederate Soldiers of Kentucky. A Roster of Veterans 1861-1865*, published Stephen Douglas Lynn, Lexington, Kentucky, 2002; Phillip Board *Bible*; Phillip Board Will; Mercer County, Kentucky marriage records Book I page 326; estate records of Jacob Mitchell, Mercer County, Kentucky; Cemetery records from the Phillip Board farm recorded by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley about 1970; Harrodsburg Historical Society, *Cemetery Records Mercer County, Kentucky*, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, Volumes 1, 2, and 3, date not cited; Military file of Basil Sweeney from the National Archives, Washington, D.C.; Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Mariah Board and John Sweeney, born in Boyle County, Kentucky:

- i. Schuyler Sweeney. He was born about 1828.
- ii. Martha Sweeney. She was born about 1832.
- iii. Thomas M. Sweeney. He was born about 1834.
- iv. Benton Sweeney. He was born about 1836.
- v. Minerva I. Sweeney. She was born about 1841.
- vi. Lucia B. Sweeney. She was born about 1845 and married her first cousin Thomas Board. They resided in Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri. **See 18 (vii), See 35.**
- vii. David Sweeney. He was born about 1848.
- viii. Basil Sweeney. He was listed as ‘Basil Sweeney’ in the 6<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, Company G, of Kentucky Confederate forces in the Civil War. He enlisted in the same regiment as his cousin Jacob Board: the 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Cavalry of Grigsby’s Regiment, Buford’s Brigade, and he served as a private under Captain T.W. Gray’s Company G. He enlisted on 25 August 1862 in Lexington, Kentucky during the occupation of the state by Confederate States General Braxton Bragg and, remarkably, he was captured by Federal troops that same day “at Shelby farm.” The muster roll showed no further record and no record of pay. Taken prisoner so early in the war, it was likely he suffered the fate of so many prisoners who succumbed to disease in the prison camps. No further record was found of Sweeney in military or civil records.

24. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 24 January 1811 in Mercer County, Kentucky and grew up on the Phillip Board farm in Nevada, near Harrodsburg, Mercer County,

Kentucky. He married about 1840 to SARAH ANN BURDETT of Marion County, Kentucky, the daughter of John and Easter Burdett. Benjamin Board was in the Mercer County Circuit Court records in 1854 and by 1860 he was residing in Caldwell County, Kentucky. He died in Caldwell County, Kentucky on 26 November 1885. Benjamin Board's family was in the 1987 *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*:

[He] left Mercer County after his father died in 1850, came to Caldwell County. Was a successful farmer in tobacco and sugar-cane, had many slaves. Attended Flat Rock Baptist Church. Died 1885, buried old Board-Bayler Cemetery, she [his wife] died 1892, buried Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Caldwell County. Benjamin F. became a successful farmer and prominent citizen in Caldwell County.

Benjamin Board's gravesite on 4 April 1967 was described as "terribly grown up with vines and honeysuckle" and his monument was the only such marker not destroyed. This site, at the old Board-Bayler Cemetery was located between highway 70 and highway 139 in Caldwell County, according to *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*. The gravemarker of Board read "Benjamin F. Board B. Jan. 1811 D. Nov. 26, 1885." A great-great-grandson, Newman Ray Board, of Caldwell County, Kentucky, wrote in 1996:

About 1840 he met and married Sarah Ann Burdett, the daughter of John and Easter Burdett who lived nearby in Marion County, Kentucky. Ben and Sarah set up housekeeping and took up farming on about 50 acres of his father's land.

The estrangement of Ben Board from his father dated back to the late 1840s when he resided with his father and worked for him overseeing the farm and slaves. According to an incident described in "Evidence in regard to Phillip Board's Will" filed in the settlement of the estate of Phillip Board in the Mercer County courthouse, Ben was stricken from his father's Will and he subsequently left Mercer County, this being the last time the two were together. When Ben Board left, his nephew Thomas Board (the son of David) took over his position. Thomas met a similar fate as Phillip "thought that he [Thomas] did not comply with the contract and refused to pay the money due for the work." Thomas Board stated that Phillip considered Ben Board "ungrateful to his father," and "said he would not give him anything after, said that Ben Board was a spendthrift and lazy and that he intended that it was useless to give him any more of his money."

Sources: Phillip Board *Bible*; Phillip Board Will and estate settlement; Mercer County, Kentucky marriage records; Mercer County Circuit Court docket B-107 regarding estate of Phillip Board; estate records of Jacob Mitchell, Mercer County, Kentucky; Federal Census of Caldwell County, Kentucky, for 1860 and 1870; *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*, by Samuel W. Steger, Paducah, Kentucky: Turner Publishing Company, 1987, article submitted by descendant Helen Evilsizer; *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*, by Arawana Kyle, published by Arawana Kyle, 1967; Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, correspondence to the author, 1996.

The children of Benjamin Franklin Board and Sarah Ann Burdett, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Mary Board. She was born in 1841 and died in 1933 at age 92 years in Illinois, where she left a sizeable estate to charities and churches. She married 10 August 1857 to her cousin Benjamin Board, son of Joseph and Eleanor Board. [See 21 (v)]. Newman Ray Board wrote:

His father and mother disapproved of the marriage and tried to dissuade the two youths, but to no avail. They disinherited Mary when she and Benny paid them no heed. Mary and Benny left Kentucky and moved to Harrisburg, Illinois. I understand that Benny and Mary were quite prosperous, and that at her death she left a sizeable amount to charity. Some of my Great-Uncles related accounts from their father, Marion Board, of the family in Kentucky taking their horses to Illinois during the Civil War to avoid their being taken by General John Hunt Morgan in some of his raids into Caldwell County.

- ii. Joseph Board. He was born in 1842 and died of smallpox shortly after returning from his service in the Civil War.
- iii. John Burdett Board. He was born in 1843 and died in 1922. He married Theresa Ann Creekmur, who was born in 1843 and died in 1920. **See 46.**
- iv. Calvin Board. He was born in 1845 and died in the Civil War.
- v. Benjamin Morrison Board. He was born 6 March 1847 and died 5 August 1926. He married Rebecca Ann Baker, who was born in 1851 and died 1885. He married secondly to Dora Elizabeth Nuckols, who was born in 1870 and died 1937. **See 47.**
- vi. Robert Marion Board. He was born 28 February 1849 and died 24 November 1915 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. He married 21 May 1871 to Mary Serilda McGregor, who was born 10 December 1850 and died 31 August 1918. **See 48.**
- vii. James Alfred Board. He was born in 1850 and married Sallie C. Wade. **See 49.**

25. SALLY BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

Sally Board was a remarkable individual. Her achievements include sponsoring and providing land for a Baptist Church, founding and leading a town in Kentucky, caring for and guiding newly emancipated slaves, and homesteading on the Kansas plains. This was accomplished by Sally Board while raising a family of eight children and bearing the burden of living 45 years in slavery. The story of Sally Board was unlocked in the *Bible* of Phillip Board, whose meticulous records have descended in the family down to the present day and strayed no more than ten miles from his home over 175 years. In Board's *Bible* he recorded the birth of a 'Negroe' child, "Sal was born August 24<sup>th</sup> 1805" at his 1,000 acre farm in the heart of Kentucky's Bluegrass. And according to Sally's great-granddaughter, Ruth Pleasant, Sally was born on a farm in Kentucky to an enslaved woman and the white owner, named Board. This father-daughter relationship endured the era of America's great tumult.

Phillip Board was the eldest son of James Board and Anne Schuyler born in Boardville, New Jersey. His parents' marriage represented the merger of the Board and Schuyler mining interests in the New York and New Jersey region. His grandfather, Cornelius Board, was an Englishman whose wealth was created by discovering iron ore in the colonies. Phillip's maternal ancestors, the Schuylers, also were mine-owners. Phillip's great-great-grandfather was Philip Schuyler who founded the city of Albany, New York and built wealth trading beaver pelts with the Mohawk.

Like his ancestors, Board was a rugged individualist who sought the frontier land. He left New Jersey and settled in 1788 in Virginia's wilderness later known as the Commonwealth of Kentucky, after having been to the Ohio Valley to inspect land options. Successful in business, he married and had a family of five children. In other respects this independent-minded veteran of America's Revolution was thoroughly Southern. He lived in the center of Kentucky slavery and was adjudged by his peers to be expert in the valuation of slaves. Board was a financier, ran a weaving operation in a loom house, was a landowner, and a trader in southern goods in Kentucky and Tennessee.

The first enslaved person owned by Board was recorded in the tax list of 1800 in Mercer County, Kentucky. Board was then a recent widower with several children and in the late 1790s acquired from Thompson a female enslaved person to care for his children. This was a seemingly natural solution to Board's dilemma as he himself was raised in New Jersey under the care of an enslaved woman named Gin. The twist to our family story was that this unknown woman, a generation or two removed from African ancestors, bore him a child. The child, Sally, grew up in Kentucky on the farm with the children of Phillip Board's first marriage and of his subsequent marriage to which another six children were born.

In 1810, Sally and her mother were still living together at the Board farm in Mercer County, but this was the last record of them together. The unknown mother faded into the unrecorded history of African-Americans whom we do not know by name. By all other accounts Sally Board was well-favored by her father. She entered a marriage relationship (actual marriage was illegal for Negroes) with PETER, an enslaved man from a neighboring farm, perhaps that of Jeremiah Briscoe who purchased the land of Phillip's deceased father-in-law, William Thompson. Briscoe's estate of 1823 listed an enslaved man named Peter, with a modest valuation of \$100. Money from her father was eventually used by Sally to purchase for Peter his own freedom from slavery. Peter even assumed the surname of his wife - Board - as she had something that few other slaves owned, a family name from her father.

The only church in the area of the county where Peter and Sally both lived was the Deep Creek Baptist Church of Mercer County, Kentucky, not far from the Washington County line. Starting in 1827 the church allowed slaves, called "colored members", to use a shed at the rear of the property. The lists of black members were small. There was record of "Peter, a man of color, joined by letter" in 1843, and in 1845 there was "Sally, a woman of color, dismissed by letter." This might have been Peter and Sally Board, although certain identification was lacking. If this was Sally Board, and why she sought dismissal by the congregation was unknown. It was perhaps when she started the church at Petersburg.

At the death of her 90-year-old father, Sally Board was freed when the Will of Phillip Board was proved in court in the summer of 1850. Such emancipations by Deed or Will were rare in Kentucky and in the South. In 1859, by comparison, only 176 slaves were set free in Kentucky - often the children of men who enslaved them. Oddly, given the harshness of various state laws throughout the South and the lack of civil rights, slavery could even be the lesser of the evils. Free blacks were subject to numerous regulations, including laws that would require them to leave the state.

The grown children of Sally Board remained with the Board family for another fifteen years, until the end of slavery. Sydney Board, the eldest daughter, was born in 1829 and married Thomas Ewing. Mahala 'Haley' Board was born in 1834 and married Richard McDowal. The sons of Sally Board, James Board, born 1845, and Charles Board, born 1842, both fled to behind the Union lines in 1864 where they enlisted in the Colored troops of the Union

Cavalry at Camp Nelson, Kentucky. (One of the more unusual ironies of family life in wartime Kentucky involved the Boards. Phillip's son David Board raised his son Jacob, born 1842, a white man, together with Jacob's cousin, James Board, born 1845, a black man. In 1864, the men fought in opposing Kentucky armies—Jacob in the Confederate Cavalry and James in the Union Cavalry. After the war Jacob helped his aunt and cousin migrate to Kansas by purchasing their Kentucky land. Both men served in the cavalry, reflecting the skill of horsemanship that was common to the family.)

When Sally Board used her money to buy land she did not go far from home. In 1861, she and Peter purchased 9 acres from John May, whose farm neighbored that of Phillip Board. Her home was a modest hewn log cabin with a stone chimney, built on the right side of the road known as Catlett's Lane that led from Harrodsburg in Mercer County to the county line with Boyle County. Across the street from their home Sally and Peter Board built a Baptist Church which during slavery days was the focal point of the local African-American faith and culture. As a free black woman with relative financial means, Sally Board became a leader in the community of enslaved persons in southern Mercer County and in northern Boyle County. She named the settlement Petersburg in honor of the husband who took her surname. A cemetery was added to the church grounds where in 2000 fieldstones could still be seen marking the burials of anonymous graves.

When the end of the Civil War came in 1865, Kentucky's slaves claimed their freedom and Petersburg grew to include 50 persons by the 1870 census. Few blacks in Kentucky were experienced with living freely in white society so growth of the Petersburg community was logical given the background of Sally and Peter Board. Education, legally forbidden to slaves, came to the community via the Petersburg Baptist Church that was described as the local schoolhouse in a 1871 deed. The marriage record for Sally Board and Peter Board was in Mercer County, Kentucky, when their marriage was registered with the county on 4 August 1867 after Black marriages were ruled to be legal. It stated they had been married for 25 years. (This record placed their marriage at about 1842, although this should be considered an approximate date.) Sally Board and Peter Board signed their names with an 'X'.

Daily life remained harsh for the emancipated slaves as they coped with poverty and disease. Families were large and their acreage small and difficult to farm in the hilly terrain of central Kentucky. The Petersburg Cemetery took on a more personal meaning for the Board family as was two of their wives were buried there during the 1870s. Belle Proctor Board, wife of Charles Board, died in 1872, and James's wife Martha Wade Board died and were buried at Petersburg. Their graves were marked by a Limestone fieldstone at the head and a smaller stone at the foot of the grave. By 1877, alluring broadsides began to appear in the Bluegrass:

COME! To the Colored People of the United States of America: This is to lay before your minds a few sketches of what great advantages there are for the great mass of people of small means that are emigrating West to come and settle in the county of Hodgeman, in the state of Kansas - and more especially the colored people.

Younger leaders emerged from the black community to lead the migration, such as Rev. John F. Thomas of Lexington, and Thomas P. Moore of Harrodsburg. Moore was the valet of Ambassador Thomas P. Moore, and was an educated man who had traveled widely in Europe and South America in the service of Ambassador Moore.

Sally Board was age 72 years when she and her family migrated to Kansas in 1878. Complete to a person, the settlement of Petersburg was abandoned



and much of the land purchased by Jacob Board, the nephew of Sally's who had served in the Confederate States army. The Baptist Church finally collapsed about the 1930s and the cemetery had been at times clear and at times overgrown in the years since the migration. About 2003, Kenneth Kirkland, the Mercer County judge executive and Phillip Board descendant, arranged for the county to restore the cemetery to a respectable condition.

Hope of land and a better life drove the migration. One hundred and sixty acres and a farm of their own lay before the homestead settlers. Peter Board lived another four years in Kansas where he died in Jetmore, Hodgeman County on 13 December 1882. According to the *Jetmore Reveille* he:

Died at the residence of James Board near Jetmore. Peter Board (colored) age 82 years. He lived to a ripe old age, his hoary head was white with frost of many a winter, and bleached by the sun of many a summer.

Sally Board lived to see the homestead land deeded into her name. She lived 14 years in Kansas and died in Dodge City on 18 August 1892, quite unaware that nearly 87 years ago her birth was recorded by her father in the family *Bible* on a hot summer day in Kentucky. The *Western Herald* of 18 August 1892 announced: "Mrs. Sallie Board, colored, died at Dodge City on Tuesday of last week. She settled in Hodgeman County in 1878 and moved to Dodge City ten years ago. She was 105 and died of old age." Her actual age at death was 87 years, but this documentation was not known to her or her family.

Sally Board grew up on the Board farm as one of the many children of Phillip Board, with numerous half-brothers and half-sisters, representing the offspring of four different couples. The children included those of Phillip Board with his first wife, Eleanor, or 'Aliner', Thompson Board; Sally, the daughter of Phillip and an African American slave; children with his second wife Mary Castleman Mitchell Board; and Jacob Mitchell, the son of Mary and her first husband, John L. Mischler or Mitchell, whom Phillip raised as his own son.

There were no records of the mother of Sally Board. By virtue of Sally's birth in 1805, it was only approximated that her mother was born around the year 1785, which would have made her age 20 at the time of Sally's birth. Her mother was almost certainly a Virginian, either by virtue of having been born in what became Virginia, or by having been born in what became Kentucky, which was a county of Virginia until 1790. It was also unknown whether Sally's mother was African-born or several generations American, or whether she was a mulatto or fully black.

Sally's mother was a domestic enslaved woman who appeared to have been bought by Phillip Board after the death of his first wife, when he was left a widower with several young children. From all that was known of Phillip, he had owned no other slaves before Sally's mother and subsequent slaves appear to have been primarily children or grandchildren of Sally. What was known was that Sally and her mother were separated at a tender age. Sally's mother was gone by 1810, when Sally was only 5 years old. We can only imagine what trauma this must have been for the young girl to be separated from her mother in this way.

A vital discovery gleaned from countless hours of research at the Mercer County Courthouse by Mrs. Frances Board Moseley was the possibility that Sally's mother was referred to as an enslaved woman in an 1827 Board court case. It seemed that Phillip Board and his brother-in-law, Arthur Thompson, sued each other over an enslaved woman that Board had turned over to Thompson to be sold in 1807, and whether or not this was done to satisfy an existing debt to Thompson. This woman, referred to simply as 'Tiller' in the court records, *might have been* the mother of Sally Board. A common fate of surplus enslaved persons in Kentucky was to be "sold down the river" at the

markets of Natchez, Mississippi, which was reached by the Kentucky River onto the Ohio River and down to the Mississippi River town.

Sally must have forged strong ties with the various Board brothers and sisters, and her children lived with the Board's from the death of Phillip in 1850 until the Civil War. Sally's nephew, the Confederate officer Jacob Mitchell Board, assisted with the purchase of Petersburg land so that Sally and her family could migrate to Kansas in 1878. Unlike her siblings, Sally was the only child of Phillip Board to have never left home and remained with her father until his death. In Phillip Board's *Bible*, he recorded the births of Sally and her family between 1805 and 1850, shortly before Phillip's death. Based on an analysis of the handwriting, the first two entries were entered in 1824 at the same time.

Names of the Negroes ages  
and birth

Sal was born August 24th, 1805

Milly was born March 11th, 1824

Dan was born November 15th, 1825

Jack was born January 24th, 1827

Sydney was born March 1 1829

George was born 5 June - 1839

Haley born June - - 1834

Charles 1 January 1842

James Born Nov 28th - - 1845

Ned Born Jan. 19th - - 1846

Sary Jane Born 18th Nov 1847

Wm. Harison Born May the 10th 1848

Sally Ann was Born March the fifteenth 1850

The analysis below of the *Bible* entries identify the children and the family relationships between Sally, Peter, and the children listed. The three eldest children were probably born to Sally Board and a black man before her marriage to Peter. Milly was left to Maria Board Sweeney in the estate of Phillip Board and that census records of 1860 verified that. The same census records matched Ned and William as sons of Milly and they probably went by the surname of Sweeney, not Board.

		Sally's <u>age</u>	Milly's <u>age</u>	Sydney's <u>age</u>
Milly	1824	19	-	-
Daniel	1825	20	1	-
Jack	1827	22	3	-

In Freedman's Bureau records James Board, born 1845, listed Milly and Sydney as his sisters and Daniel and Charles as his brothers. Sydney, Charles and James were known to be children of Sally and Peter, according to Kansas descendants. Haley was found in Kentucky and Kansas records. George was presumed to be a son of Peter and Sally due to his birth year, but there was no record of him after 1850 indicating he might have died by 1865. James Board had a son George Board.

		Sally's <u>age</u>	Milly's <u>age</u>	Sydney's <u>age</u>
Sydney	1829	24	5	-
George	1832	27	8	3
Haley	1834	29	10	5
Charles	1841	37	17	12
James	1845	40	21	16

Ned was born 2 months after James and therefore was not the son of Sally, so the mother was Milly or possibly Sydney. Sarah Jane and William H. were

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born 7 months apart, also indicating different mothers. Sarah Jane and Sarah Ann could have been sisters as the elder Sarah died in 1848. Sydney had a daughter Sarah born in 1853. Haley had a daughter Sarah born in 1856. Sarah Ann, born 1850, could have been the daughter of Sally, Milly, or Sydney.

		Sally's <u>age</u>	Milly's <u>age</u>	Sydney's <u>age</u>	mother
Edmund 'Ned'	1846	41	22	17	Milly
Sarah Jane	1847 (died 1848)	42	23	18	Sally
William H.	1848	43	24	19	Milly
Sarah Ann	1850	45	26	21	unknown

Nancy Board was living in 1860 as a free person with Sally and Peter and listed as 'yellow' in the census which meant she was a mulatto who appeared more white than black. Under the laws governing slavery, the child of a white woman, regardless of the race of the father would be free, indicating that her mother and her mother's mother would have been black. Yellow could also have resulted from a white parent and mulatto parent. On rare occasions, a child who was legally a Negro (one who had *any* Negro ancestry) would be free if he or she could pass for a white person. Nancy's son Jeremiah Board, age 2 years in 1860, was likewise listed as yellow, and probably had a white father. Sally's 1841 birth of Charles precludes Nancy as her daughter, but Nancy was likely Sally's granddaughter. Jeremiah was never included in Phillip's list of Negroes, again pointing to a white father and Milly as the mother.

		Sally's <u>age</u>	Milly's <u>age</u>	Sydney's <u>age</u>	mother
Nancy	1841	36	17	12	Milly

The analysis below was based on residence of Sally Board family members in 1860, which was during a federal census, ten years after the death of Phillip Board, and five years before the end of the Civil War.

1. Sally: free and living in Mercer County with Peter; Nancy (daughter of Milly and a white man) and Nancy's son Jeremiah; Sally was the daughter of Phillip Board.

2. Milly: daughter of Sally before Peter; sent to Mariah Board Sweeney in Boyle County in Will of Phillip Board of 1850.

3. Daniel: son of Sally before Peter, or Milly had a husband also named Daniel; with Milly and Mariah Board Sweeney in 1860.

4. Jack: son of Sally before Peter; sent to John Board in 1850 estate; John Board was in Missouri in 1860; no further data on Jack.

5. Sydney: daughter of Sally and Peter; not located in 1860; perhaps in Caldwell County, Kentucky, with Joseph Board to whom she was sent by Phillip's Will.

6. George: son of Sally and Peter (probable); not located in 1860; perhaps with heirs of Thomas Board, or deceased.

7. Haley: daughter of Sally and Peter; no specific heir in estate of Phillip; with David Board in 1860 in Mercer County who purchased her from the estate.

8. Charles: son of Sally and Peter; also not sent to a specific heir in estate of Phillip; with David Board in 1860 in Mercer County; also purchased by David from the estate.

9. James: son of Sally and Peter; with David Board in 1860 in Mercer County.

10. Edmund 'Ned': son of Milly and a black man; living with Mariah Sweeney in Boyle County; probably went by the surname Sweeney. Mariah took Milly, Dan, and Milly's children so as to not separate the family.

11. Sarah Jane: could not have been daughter of Milly due to overlap of pregnancy with Milly's son William; probably daughter of Sally and Peter; deceased in 1848.

12. William H.: son of Milly and a black man; living with Mariah Board Sweeney in Boyle County, probably went by Sweeney or Harrison (listed as 'William Harrison' at birth and likely named after the President at the time).

13. Sarah Ann: could have been daughter of Sally, Milly, or Sydney. She was not with Milly and her family in 1860; Sydney had a daughter Sarah born about 1856 (six years after Sarah Ann); no known Sarah as surviving daughter of Sally; possibly deceased by 1860.

Four additional enslaved children were born between the time Phillip Board died and his estate was settled, according to a letter from David Board to his brother John in Missouri. They were probably the children of Milly, Sydney and Haley. The following records were from the 1860 Slave Schedule showing the possible identification of the Sally Board descendants as they were listed in this census with children of Phillip Board.

Mariah Sweeney, pages 41-42 Boyle County, Kentucky:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Race and Gender</u>	<u>Year Born</u>	<u>Preliminary Identification</u>
36	black female	1824	Millie
13	male mulatto	1847	Edmund 'Ned'
11	male black	1848	William Harrison
35	male black	1825	Daniel
9	male black	1851	unknown (not in estate)

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<u>Age</u>	<u>Race and Gender</u>	<u>Year Born</u>	<u>Preliminary Identification</u>
25	female yellow	1835	Haley
17	male yellow	1843	Charles
15	male yellow	1845	James
6	female black	1854	Mahala, daughter of Haley
5	female black	1855	Sarah, daughter of Haley
<u>Age</u>	<u>Race and Gender</u>	<u>Year Born</u>	<u>Preliminary Identification</u>
2	male black	1858	Dick, son of Haley

At the dawn of African-American freedom there arose a settlement in Mercer County, Kentucky of newly freed men, women, and children. Petersburg, named for a former slave, became a small, thriving community of some fifty persons and the spiritual hub for neighboring Black residents. From its inception at the end of the Civil War in 1865 until a mass migration to Kansas in 1878, Petersburg was a cradle of self-determination.

In 1995, the name was not to be found on the map and none in the Black community had passed-down knowledge of the settlement. A local map of Mercer County in 1876 did not state the name of the settlement, rather listed the land of 'P. Board' (for whom the community was named) and the land of the 'Colored Church' across Catlett's Lane from Peter and Sally Board's home. The year after the community was vacated the Kentucky legislature approved the incorporation of this land into the town of Nevada. The boundary of Nevada was delineated as: "westwardly with the County road to old Petersburg Church; then southwestwardly with a ridge to David Board's big spring." The new village had only 14 residents in 1879, all white persons—the Board, Banta and Vanarsdall families. This population reflected the loss of the Petersburg residents who had recently migrated. It was also important contemporary documentation of the church and settlement of Petersburg.

In 2000, a visit to Petersburg yielded only an abandoned cemetery as evidence of a settlement. The cemetery covers perhaps an acre of land and over the years was alternately clear and overgrown with foliage. The final resting

places of the souls who were buried here in the years immediately following emancipation reflect the traditional graves of enslaved persons. The burials were recognized by a limestone marker that was used in the stead of engraved tombstones. The residents were too poor to afford better and it sufficed for the flat, common field stones to mark their departed. The stones were familiar in Kentucky's Bluegrass region as they were used in the construction of the stone fences that line the landscape. (Contrary to folklore, the stone fences of the Bluegrass were not built by slaves clearing stone from the fields, but rather primarily by skilled fence-builders who immigrated from Ireland and Great Britain.) Although two traditional tombstones from twentieth century burials remained in satisfactory condition, the cemetery itself was in clear need of preservation. Each grave was sunken upwards to a foot deep. Limestone markers were slowly being covered through the constant build-up of natural decay. Overgrowth threatened the borders of the cemetery.

The cemetery was adjacent to the center of the Petersburg community which was a Baptist Church that served for worship and education. The driving force behind this church was Sally Board, who had been free for fifteen years by the time the Civil War ended. Sally was the daughter of an enslaved woman and Phillip Board, a wealthy white landowner who came to the frontier from northern New Jersey where his family owned iron mines. Additionally, Sally was a woman of some means, having had enough money to not only purchase land, but according to her descendants, enough money to purchase her husband Peter out of slavery. According to Woodrow Catlett, a life-long resident of Nevada, the town of Petersburg was a community of fifteen to twenty families of emancipated African-Americans. These families worshipped at Petersburg Baptist Church and were buried in its cemetery. The nearby Leesburg settlement was likely abandoned as was Petersburg in the 1878 migration westward.

In 1765, one hundred years before the attributed date of 1865 as the founding of Petersburg, this land was sacred hunting ground for Native Americans. These Americans were primarily from the Shawnee nation in the Ohio River Valley and hunted buffalo and wild game in Kentucky. As Daniel Boone opened up the Wilderness Trail from North Carolina, white people gradually moved into the area, and in 1774 James Harrod established the first permanent Kentucky settlement at Harrod's Town, now Harrodsburg. The land later known as Kentucky had been claimed by the colony of Virginia and later subdivided into counties. Land in these counties was issued and recorded in early grants with Mercer County having been established in 1785. Among the contemporaries of Phillip Board was a neighboring farmer, John May, whose land was adjacent to Board's, and who was a grantee of this land from the Commonwealth of Virginia.

In 1861, Sally Board purchased somewhat over 9 acres from John May for the sum of \$250.50 for land "on the waters of the Dry Fork of the Chaplin River... with appurtenances" (Mercer Deed Book 33, page 292). Four years later with the emancipation of African-Americans, the Board residence became the hub of a settlement. In 1866, Thomas Ewing purchased 8 ½ acres from Mary A. Tucker (Book 37, page 124) on the "waters of the Chaplin River." Richard Cox owned 8 acres (Book 46, page 218), and smaller one to two acre lots were owned by McDowell and Cowan families.

Ten years after Sally Board's purchase, in 1871, she and Peter transferred land to their sons Charles Board and James Board (Book 41, page 378). The following year, 1872, Charles Board purchased three more acres, "with appurtenances" from his parents. On 4 May 1874, the sale of the Petersburg Baptist Church was conducted between Sally Board and the Trustees of the Church (Book 43, page 424):

Sally and Peter Board, her husband, of Mercer County, to Trustees (Thos. Ewing, Wallace Cowan, Richard McDowell and William McDowell) for Baptist Church at Petersburg, Mercer County, for \$20.00, the use of the Baptist Church schoolhouse and burying ground, one lot of land in Mercer County on waters of the Dry Fork of Chaplin's River to begin in edge of road NW opposite to a stone in edge of road West in Thos. Ewing's line and with his line to Mrs. Semonis line being one acre.

It was with a high degree of certainty that Sally Board's daughter-in-law, Belle Proctor Board, wife of Charles, was buried in the Petersburg Cemetery. According to the veteran disability pension papers of Charles Board, his wife Belle died "near Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky, in 1872." This was during the period when direct ownership of the cemetery was in the hands of Sally and Peter Board. This information represents the closest documentation yet found for the identification of a Petersburg interment.

The Petersburg Baptist Church remained in the hands of the Trustees until the migration to Kansas in 1878. The church, burying ground, and land was sold on 14 March 1878 to Harvey G. Banta for \$30.00 (Book 46, page 369). This transaction referenced the prior sale from Sally and Peter Board to the Trustees. Other land sales documented the abandonment of Petersburg. On 1 March 1878, William and Mary McDowell sold their acre of land to Jacob M. Board, a grandson of Phillip Board who was in 1886 Sheriff of Mercer County (Book 46, page 221). Board purchased other Petersburg land. On 5 March 1878, Richard Cox sold an eight-acre lot with a home to Board for a sizable amount of \$450.00 (Book 46, page 218). On 6 March 1878, Wallace and Ann McDowell sold 2 and one-half acres to Board for \$150.00 (Book 46, page 200). On 21 March 1878, Board purchased a half acre from John B. and Tabitha Jane Comingo for \$20.00 (Book 46, page 254). As late as 8 August 1878, Jacob M. Board purchased an acre from Elizabeth Nield for \$37.50 (Book 46, page 446).

In 1877 broadsides appeared in Kentucky's Bluegrass urging African-Americans to resettle in Kansas. "COME! To The Colored People of the United States of America:" read one such promotional advertisement.

This is to lay before your minds a few sketches of what great advantages there are for the great mass of people of small means that are emigrating West to come and settle in the county of Hodgeman, in the State of Kansas- and more especially the Colored people, for they are the ones that want to find the best place for climate and soil for the smallest capital. Hodgeman County is in Southwestern Kansas, on the line of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad.

The rallying point of the Kansas migration was Rev. John F. Thomas, minister of the First Baptist Church (Colored) of Lexington, Kentucky. It was announced that a "company was organized and shares sold, primarily to prospective settlers who were living in and around Lexington and Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Thomas, along with another member of the company, was delegated to go to Kansas and find a suitable location." These new Kansas residents were called 'Exodusters', a reference to the freed slaves of the *Bible*.

The prospect of 160 acres of land for a family that was cramped into a few acres of hilly Kentucky property was no doubt compelling. On 24 March 1878, there arrived in Hodgeman County 107 Kentuckians to join the few white settlers, the first of whom arrived just two years earlier. What they found was poor and arid land. According to one early settler, Lafayette Green, "none of

the plantings survived the first year.” Despite a difficult beginning, in April 1879, the Bradshaw clan arrived bringing fifty new settlers divided among seven different families with of 33 men. Their transition was made smoother by virtue of their skilled labor as stonemasons.

Many of the settlers had to seek employment in nearby Dodge City, the notorious western cattle town. Work as “servants and laborers helped sustain their families on the homesteads on neighboring counties.” The town of Jetmore became the center of the Hodgeman County colony of African-Americans, although few, if any, additional settlers joined the 1878 to 1879 wave of migrants. By the end of 1879, Petersburg, Kentucky was deserted. Its thirteen years as a thriving community of emancipated African-Americans was nearly lost to history over the ensuing 125 years.

The population of Petersburg was recorded in the 1870 Federal Census of Kentucky. The area of the enumeration was listed as Nevada, Mercer County. Seven families resided in Petersburg at this time. This number was consistent with the account Woodrow Catlett gave in 1993 that “seven to eight big families lived there.” There was a high degree of intermarriage between the families of Petersburg that were listed in this census. The common link to most of these families was Sally Board and her children. Her son James married into the Gregory family, her daughter Sidney married into the Ewing family, and daughter Haley married into the McDowal family. The following entries were made in 1870 for the inhabitants of Petersburg, of which there were fifty persons:

Dwelling 1: Brumfield

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Brumfield, Ned	30	blacksmith	Black	Kentucky
Margaret	25		Black	Kentucky
Amanda	16		Black	Kentucky
Willie	8		Black	Kentucky
Patsy	7		Black	Kentucky
Richard	5		Black	Kentucky

Dwelling 2: Cowan

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Cowan, Wallace	34	farm labor	Black	Kentucky
Hannah	30		Black	Kentucky
Reuben	18		Black	Kentucky
Nancy	12		Black	Kentucky
Simon	9		Black	Kentucky
John	1		Black	Kentucky

Dwelling 3: Hickman

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Hickman, Wallace	25	day labor	Black	Kentucky
Kittie	21		Black	Kentucky

Dwelling 4: McDowal

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
McDowal, Richard	40		Black	Kentucky
Mahala	15	(not clear)	Black	Kentucky

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
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Dwelling 4: McDowal, continued

Sarah F.	14		Black	Kentucky
William	18		Black	Kentucky
Dick	12		Black	Kentucky
Tom	10		Black	Kentucky
Johnson	4		Black	Kentucky

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Dwelling 5: Gregory

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Gregory, Jack	45		Mulatto	Kentucky
Dolly	40		Black	Kentucky
Robert	19		Black	Kentucky
Phillip	17		Black	Kentucky
George	15		Black	Kentucky
Henry	13		Black	Kentucky
Levier	11	(female)	Black	Kentucky
Emma	9		Black	Kentucky
Laura	7		Black	Kentucky
Fannie	5		Black	Kentucky
Billie	3		Black	Kentucky
Fannie	50		Black	Virginia

Dwelling 6: Board

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Board, Peter	75	farm labor	Black	Kentucky
Sallie	75		Black	Kentucky
Charles	23		Black	Kentucky
James	21		Black	Kentucky
Bell	20		Black	Kentucky

Dwelling 7: Ewing

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Ewing, Thomas	50		Black	Kentucky
Sidney	40		Black	Kentucky
Board, John	20		Black	Kentucky
Peter	18		Black	Kentucky
Sarah	17		Black	Kentucky
Fannie	16		Black	Kentucky
Hawkins, Sarah	15		Black	Kentucky
Edmund	14		Black	Kentucky
Maggie	13		Black	Kentucky
Thomas	12		Black	Kentucky
Joshua	10		Black	Kentucky
Charles	9		Black	Kentucky

Several Black families lived in Nevada, outside Petersburg, though they likely were part of the Petersburg Baptist Church congregation.

Dwelling: Mitchel

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Mitchel, James	30	farm labor	Black	Kentucky
Mariah	35		Black	Kentucky
Charles	12		Black	Kentucky
Julia	7		Black	Kentucky
Mary B.	5		Black	Kentucky
William H.	5		Black	Kentucky

Dwelling: Jackson

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Jackson, Samuel	36	blacksmith	Black	Kentucky
Susilda	30		Mulatto	Kentucky
Henrett	16	(female)	Black	Kentucky
Ellen	13		Black	Kentucky
William 12			Black	Kentucky
Mary	7		Black	Kentucky
Robert	3		Black	Kentucky
Edward	5/12		Black	Kentucky



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Dwelling: Patterson

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Patterson, James	40	farm labor	Black	Kentucky
Harriett	26		Black	Kentucky
Mariah F.	8		Black	Kentucky
George L.	5		Black	Kentucky
Thomas J.	3		Black	Kentucky
Margarett	2		Black	Kentucky
William H.	1		Black	Kentucky
Bottoms, Sarah E.	14		Black	Kentucky

Dwelling: Harley

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Harley, Matilda	45		Black	Kentucky
George A.	20		Black	Kentucky
John	18		Black	Kentucky
Bob	16		Black	Kentucky
Hannah	14		Black	Kentucky
Peters, Louisa	22	housekeeper for J.A. Stewart	Black	Kentucky

Benjamin 5 Mulatto Kentucky

Sarah E. Bottoms resided in the Patterson household in Nevada. The last identifiable burial at the Petersburg cemetery was John Bottoms who died in 1944. Their relationship was not identified, though the importance of the census record was in the surname being connected to Petersburg.

TheSE Nevada residents lived west of the Harrodsburg-Perryville Turnpike:

Dwelling: Collier

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Collier, Wilson	38	farm labor	Black	Kentucky
Elvira	22		Mulatto	Kentucky
James	4		Mulatto	Kentucky
Frank	8		Mulatto	Kentucky
Lewis, Rosa	50		Mulatto	Kentucky

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Dwelling: Chatham				
Chatham, Henry	28	farmer	Mulatto	Kentucky
Lucy A.	22		Black	Kentucky

Dwelling: Griffin

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Griffin, David	38		Mulatto	Kentucky
America	35		Black	Kentucky
Henry	14		Mulatto	Kentucky
Mary	12		Mulatto	Kentucky
William	10		Mulatto	Kentucky

The following white families were residing in the Nevada community in 1870: Neff, Semonas, Whitinghill, Leonard, Cairy, Gammon, Bradly, Hungate, Kirkland, Waters, Henry, Keeling, Board, Sparrow, and Mitchell. The African-American surnames listed above in the Nevada census of Collier, Chatham, and Jackson were the names of the white families in which the daughters of David Board, a half-brother of Sally Board, married into. Jacob Mitchell, a slaveholder, was the half-brother of David Board but not of Sally Board.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky Deeds Book 33 page 292, Book 37 page 124, Book 41 page 378, Book 43 page 424, Book 46 pages 200, 218, 221, 254, 369 and 446; 1876 DeBeer's map of Mercer County, Kentucky; 1994 and 1995 visits to Petersburg Cemetery by the author; 1879 Kentucky Act to establish

Nevada from *Collins' History of Kentucky; Rock Fences of the Bluegrass*, by C. Murray-Wooley and K. Raitz, 1992, Lexington, Kentucky: UK Press; Veteran Pension file of Charles Board, National Archives, Washington, D.C.; Probate record of Phillip Board, 1850, Mercer County, Kentucky; Inventory of the estate of Jeremiah Briscoe, 1823, Mercer County, Kentucky Courthouse; Minutes of the Deep Creek Baptist Church, Mercer County, Kentucky researched by Frances B. Moseley; Mrs. Ruth Pleasant, Dodge City, Kansas regarding Peter being purchased out of slavery by Sally Board; "Call of Kansas Land Left Petersburg Deserted," *Harrodsburg Herald*, page C1, 1993 regrading Woodrow Catlett; "The Hodgeman County Colony," in *Kansas History* journal, pages 210-221; 1870 Federal Census of Mercer County, Kentucky; *Phillip Board: Bluegrass Pioneer 1760-1850*, by Jon Patraic Neill, 1992, Decorah, Iowa: Anundson Press; 1880 and 1890 Federal Census of Hodgeman County, Kansas; *Western Herald* of 18 August 1892; *Jetmore Reveille* of 13 December 1882; 1870 Federal census of Kentucky; 1860 Federal Census of Kentucky slave schedules; Family Bible of Phillip Board in possession of Mrs. Frances Board Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; Hodgeman County court records of Negro citizens from the research compiled by Mrs. Virginia Baldwin of Jetmore, Kansas in 1995. Mrs. Baldwin was the primary researcher of these records and made a major contribution by abstracting county court and census data; See *'Exoduster' Sally Board. An American Heritage: From Kentucky Slavery to a Kansas Homestead, 1805-1892*, by Jon P. Neill and Ray O. Pleasant, 2001, privately published.

The children of Sally Board and Peter Board, born in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Milly Board. She was born 11 March 1824, the daughter of an unknown father who was probably white. **See 50.**
- ii. Jack Board. He was born 24 January 1827, the son of an unknown father.
- iii. Sydney Board. She was the daughter of Peter, born 1 March 1829, and married to Thomas Ewing. She died 9 February 1889 in Hodgeman County, Kansas. **See 51.**
- iv. Mahala Board. She was the daughter of Peter, born in June 1834, and was known as Haley. She married Richard McDowal and died in Petersburg, Mercer County, Kentucky before the Kansas migration. **See 52.**
- v. George Board. He was born 5 June 1839 and probably died before 1865. He was the son of Peter and Sally Board.
- vi. Charles Board. He was born 1 January 1842 and married in Boyle County, Kentucky in November 1868 to Belle Proctor. She died before the migration to Kansas and he did not remarry. Charles Board died in 1898 in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas. He was the son of Peter and Sally Board. **See 53.**
- vii. James Board. He was born 28 November 1845 and married first in 1867 to Martha Wade. After the death of his first wife, he married secondly on 2 March 1878 to Emma Jane Gregory in Mercer County, Kentucky. He died 23 January 1887 in Jetmore, Kansas. He was the son of Peter and Sally Board. **See 54.**
- viii. Sarah Jane Board. She was born to Peter and Sally Board on 18 November 1847 and died in 1848.

26. JAMES J. BOARD <sup>4</sup> (James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born on 30 March 1802, after the death of his father, in Ringwood, Bergen County, New Jersey and died 5 March 1894 in Chester, Orange County, New York. He married in December 1822 to HULDA HUDSON, who

was born 25 July 1801. James Board was mentioned in the 1901 Board history by Treman:

At the age of sixteen he went to learn the tanning and currying business at Washingtonville, Orange County, New York, with Moses Ely, where he remained until reaching his majority, when he purchased 140 acres of land near his uncle's, upon which he resided until 1850. He was a thorough farmer, and dealt considerably in cattle, and for fifteen years supplied West Point with meat. In 1849 he was selected to take charge of the Yelverton estate at Chester, and in 1850 moved to that village and engaged in mercantile pursuits, and freighting produce to New York, in which he continued until about 1874, when he retired from the more active duties of life. Mr. Board was one of the building committee of the Chester Academy in 1842 and was one of the board of trustees as long as the building was used as an academy. He sold the ground for the Presbyterian Church at Chester, it being a part of the Yelverton estate. He has several times been selected as administrator and executor of estates, and his integrity remains unimpaired in all his business transactions. Upon the erection of the town of Chester he took an active part and during its early history was officially connected with it. Mr. Board is a plain unassuming man, who has preferred the quiet life of a business man and farmer to a place in politics. He was a Major in the New Jersey Militia. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Chester. He died at his Chester home in 1894.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of James J. Board and Hulda Hudson, born in Orange County, New York:

- i. Mary Board. She was born in 1822 and married to John Hopper Yelverton. She married secondly to John Winans Roe.
- ii. Susan Board. She was born in 1825 and married Samuel Gillette.
- iii. Emily Board. She was born in 1830 and married Jesse Owen.
- iv. Nancy K. Board. She was born in 1835 and married Joseph Durland.
- v. Jonathan Hudson Board. He was born in 1823 and married to Mary Elizabeth Seely. Their seven children born in Chester, New York were Hulda Board; Virginia Board; Martha Board; Elizabeth Board; and Wicks Board, who was the father of five children; James Board; and Chester Board.

27. DAVID BOARD <sup>4</sup> (David<sup>3</sup>, David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 24 September 1793 in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey. He married in 1816 to REBECCA MEAD.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of David Board and Rebecca Mead, born in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey:

- i. John Mead Board. He was born 21 November 1817 and died 24 April 1895 in Metuchen, New Jersey. He married Nancy Ward in 1843 and married secondly to Elizabeth Carlisle in 1855. **See 55.**
- ii. Mary Catherine Board. She was born in 1819 and died in 1872. She married to John C. Wilkes, and they had no children.
- iii. Emily Arnoux Board. She was born in 1824 and died unmarried in 1860.
- iv. Thomas Dewitt Board. He was born in 1831 and died unmarried in 1876.

28. EDMUND KINGSLAND BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 28 July 1802 and died 20 December 1884 in Washingtonville, New York. He married ABIGAIL HEARD on 7 December 1840.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of Edmund Kingsland Board and Abigail Heard, born in Washingtonville, New York:

- i. Samuel Heard Board. He was born in 1841 and died 1894. He was not married.
- ii. Mary Elizabeth Board. She was born in 1844 and married William Law Foster.
- iii. Nathaniel Board. He was born in 1847 and died in 1900. He married Harriet Tompkins and resided in Elmhurst, New York.
- iv. Matilda Board. She was born in 1850 and married Ebenezer Gilbert.
- v. Joseph Ellsworth Board. He was born in 1853 and married Caroline Brewster.
- vi. Isabella Board. She was born in 1855 and married George Owen.
- vii. Frank Board. He was born in 1861 and married in 1892 to Caroline Knapp.

29. JOHN FORD BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 21 February 1801 and died 24 November 1878 in Boardville, Passaic County, New Jersey. He married PHEBE ANN GARRETSON, who died 10 January 1843. He married secondly to SOPHIA VREELAND, who died in 1878. The gravemarkers of John Ford Board and Phebe Ann Board were located at the Pompton Reformed Church in Pompton Township, New Jersey with the David Board family, after having been relocated from the original Boardville graveyard.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; Edwin N. Hopson, Jr., "Gravestone Records From Board Family Plot, Boardville, Passaic County. Copied August 14, 1920 by Edwin N. Hopson, Jr." (From a published volume of New Jersey grave records), 1920.

The children of John Ford Board and Phebe Ann Garretson, born in Boardville, New Jersey:

- i. Matilda Board. She died as a child.
- ii. Sophia Board.
- iii. Mary Ellen Board.
- iv. Sarah Board.
- v. Peter G. Board.
- vi. Harriet Board.

30. PETER BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 19 August 1809 Boardville, Passaic County, New Jersey and he married to MATILDA B. ZABRISKIE on 30 May 1833. He died on 14 December 1891 in Paramus, Bergen County, New Jersey. The Bergen County history stated:

[He was the] son of Nathaniel Board, born 19 August 1809, on the Board homestead in Pompton Township, where he spent his early life and acquired an education, being prepared for college in the Pompton Academy. Turning his attention to business pursuits, for eight years he was a clerk in general merchandise stores in the vicinity of his birth. He married, May 30, 1833, Matilda B. Zabriskie, of Midland Township, who has borne him two children, Cornelius Zabriskie Board and Mary C. Board, wife of John J. Zabriskie, of Ridgeway. Mr. Board has spent most of his active business life as a farmer; he is a man of strong force of character, decided in his opinions, and of correct habits. He has been honored by his townsmen with positions of trust in his township, and in the Dutch Reformed Church he has been officially connected for many years.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901; *History of Bergen and Passaic Counties, New Jersey*, page 330.

The children of Peter Board and Matilda B. Zabriskie, born in Boardville, Passaic County, New Jersey:

- i. Cornelius Zabriskie Board.
- ii. Mary C. Board. She married John J. Zabriskie of Ridgeway, New Jersey.

31. PETER SEELY BOARD <sup>4</sup> (Charles<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was married twice and the father of five children. He married SUSAN MAPES and after her death he married secondly to MADELINE C. CONKLIN.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of Peter Seely Board and Susan Mapes, born in Chester, Orange County, New York:

- i. Charles Seely Board. He was born 30 January 1830, and died 16 January 1866. He married a Miss Conklin.
- ii. Gabriel Board. He died as a child.

The children of Peter Seely Board and Madeline C. Conklin, born in Chester, Orange County, New York:

- iii. James C. Board. He was born in 1846 and died in 1864. He was not married.
- iv. Helen Board. She was born in 1853 and died in 1872. She was not married.
- v. Joseph Board. He was born 9 October 1842. He married Josephine Bradbury Curry and they were the parents of Charles Board, who was born in 1869 and died in childhood. He married secondly to Hannah Augusta Curry, the sister of his first wife. The children of his second marriage were Joseph Orton Board, born 4 September 1872; Helen Board, born 8 October 1874 and died as a child; Anna Tebbetts Board, born 5 January 1879 and married in 1909 to Edwin Durland

Chamberlain; Ben Curry Board, born 30 December 1880; and Josephine C. Board, born 17 July 1884.

*Fifth Generation*

32. PHILIP SCHUYLER BOARD <sup>5</sup> (James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 24 August 1818 in what became the town of Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky. He died 19 April 1890 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky, where he and his wife were buried at the Perryville City Cemetery. He married to MARY JANE GRAHAM, who was born 27 February 1822 and died 15 January 1893 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky. This deed abstract referred to the Graham family land in Boyle County, Kentucky:

Deed Book 7, page 286: 13 September 1859. John Armstrong, Executor of Mary Board, deceased of Marion County, Kentucky, and Philip S. Board of Boyle Co., Kentucky, for \$200.00, buys Mary Board's interest in the land of her father, deceased, which lies in Boyle County, Kentucky, on Chaplin Creek and upon which said P.S. Board now resides. Was sold by Mary Board, deceased, during her lifetime to P.S. Board.

Sources: Boyle County, Kentucky, Deed Book 7 page 286; Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XII page 119, (Board-McIntyre); Boyle County, Kentucky marriages Book 5 page 361 (Wilson-C.Board), Book 4 page 147 (Edmondson-Board), Book 5 page 363 (Bottom-Board); Mary Carico, 2128 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia, dated 1951, notes from her interview with Georgia Walker Board Robertson; Perryville City Cemetery records; William H. Perrin, *Perrin's Biographies*, Owensboro, Kentucky: Genealogical Reference Company, 1970; obituary of Mrs. Lina Board, *Harrodsburg Herald*, 30 December 1932. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky;

The children of Philip Schuyler Board and Mary Jane Graham, born in Boyle County, Kentucky:

- i. Elizabeth Jane Board. She was born 15 April 1842 and married on 13 January 1862 to James Edmondson in Boyle County, Kentucky, with consent given by P.S. Board. **See 56.**
- ii. Clarissa B. Board. She was born 30 March 1844 and married 7 September 1869 to Daniel Wilson. **See 57.**
- iii. Nancy Anne Board. She was born 23 August 1847 and died in 1910. She married also on 7 September 1869 to Squire Rowan B. Bottom. **See 58.**
- iv. James William Board. He was born 21 May 1850 and died in 1931. He married his cousin, Martha 'Mattie' Board, the daughter of Thomas Jefferson Board on 9 August 1891 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married secondly to Nancy Wilson Whitehouse in May 1884. **See 38 (iii), See 59.**
- v. John M. Board. He was born 10 August 1853 and died 17 March 1865 as a young man.
- vi. Paralee Stevens Board. She was born 24 November 1855 and married 4 December 1873 to Andrew J. Wilson. **See 60.**
- vii. Georgia Walker Board. She was born 28 August 1859 and died in 1954. She married 20 November 1877 to Boyle C. Robertson. **See 61.**
- viii. Thomas Lewis Board. He was born 6 June 1862 and died in 1947. He married 15 November 1883 to Paulina 'Lina' McIntyre. Her obituary read:

Mrs. Lina McIntyre Board, 73, of Hopper Heights, on the Mitchellsburg road, near Perryville, died Monday midnight at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F.J. Greer, in Perryville. Mrs. Board attended the funeral of her sister, Mrs. W. Y. Graves, at Harrodsburg, Monday afternoon, and on her way home, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Greer, suffered a stroke of paralysis and was taken to the home of Mrs. Greer, where she passed away with regaining consciousness. Mrs. Board was born in Mercer County and had lived in Mercer and Boyle counties all her life. She was a member of the Perryville Christian Church and a woman of many lovely traits of character. She is survived by her husband, Thomas L. Board, and two daughters, Mrs. Greer, of Perryville, and Mrs. J. E. Carpenter of Alum Springs.

33. DAVID BOARD <sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 30 November 1818 in Mercer County, Kentucky and moved with his father to Callaway County, Missouri. David Board married in Pike County, Missouri on 17 November 1841 to MARY MARTIN. He and his family moved to California following the Gold Rush of 1849 and settled in Calaveras County. David Board died there on 17 April 1898 in Salt Springs Valley, Calaveras County, California and was buried in the town of Milton in Calaveras County. She was born 12 December 1823 in Shelby County, Kentucky and died 22 January 1895 in Salt Springs Valley, Calaveras County, California and was buried with her husband. She was the daughter of Enoch Martin and Lydia Wright.

Sources: Federal Census of California for 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900, and 1910; family records of the Board's in California compiled by Mrs. Judith (Robert) Board, Holm Oak Road, Citrus Heights, California, roughly between 1975 and 1985; De La Beckwith in George Eleazer Bushnell, *Bushnell Family Genealogy*, Nashville, Tennessee, 1945 in Ancestry.com; Byron De La Beckwith (died 2001) biography.

The children of David Board and his wife Mary Martin, born in Callaway County, Missouri and San Joaquin County, California, Calaveras County, California, and Stanislaus County, California:

- i. Lydia Jane Board. She was born 14 October 1842 in Callaway County, Missouri and married 1 February 1860 to William Snow. She died 4 February 1897 in Calaveras County, California.
- ii. Phillip Board. He was born 5 December 1843 in Callaway County, Missouri and died 12 August 1910. He married 11 November 1875 to Susan J. Mitchell. He died in Stockton, San Joaquin County, California. **See 62.**
- iii. John Martin Board. He was born 12 February 1845 in Callaway County, Missouri and married 15 November 1876 to Ida Jameson. He died 28 January 1924 in Visalia, Tulare County, California. **See 63.**
- iv. Robert Board. He was born 14 April 1846 in Callaway County, Missouri and married 20 December 1881 to Harriet M. Jameson. He died 16 July 1910 in Visalia, Tulare County, California. **See 64.**

- v. Sarah E. Board. She was born 10 March 1848 and died in infancy on 1 April 1848 in Callaway County, Missouri.
- vi. William Board. He was born 7 May 1849 in Calloway County, Missouri and died 16 June 1909.
- vii. Mary Allen Board. She was born 19 January 1851 in Callaway County, Missouri and married 14 October 1874 to Eugene C. Crawford. She died 7 August 1875 in San Joaquin County, California at age 23 years. They had no children from their brief marriage and she may have died in childbirth.
- viii. Enoch Board. He was born 22 December 1852 in Callaway County, Missouri before moving to California. He was unmarried and died 12 December 1874.
- ix. Lawson V. Board. He was born 20 November 1854 in San Joaquin County, California and died as a young child on 11 November 1859 in Stanislaus County, California.
- x. Rufus Edgar Board. He was born 8 July 1857 in San Joaquin County, California and died as a young child on 27 December 1859 in Stanislaus County, California.
- xi. James Milton Board. He was born 19 January 1859 in Calaveras County, California and married 2 November 1910 to Dora Duncan. He died 21 June 1943 in San Joaquin County, California.
- xii. Ella Gertrude Board. She was born in 1861 in Stanislaus County, California.
- xiii. Martha Ann Board. She was born 30 April 1863 in Stanislaus County, California and married 9 May 1887 to Byron De La Beckwith. She died 18 May 1929 in California. He was born in 1866 in Ohio and resided in 1920 in San Joaquin County, California. Their children were: Byron De La Beckwith, Gladys M. De La Beckwith, James H. De La Beckwith, Jesse W. De La Beckwith, Jack S. De La Beckwith, and Doris E. De La Beckwith. Martha Board's son Byron De La Beckwith was a second cousin of a man of the same name, born in 1920 in California, who was the assassin of the twentieth century Civil Rights leader Medgar Evers in 1963 in Mississippi. The 1996 film *Ghosts of Mississippi* told the story of the murder of Evers and the 1994 trial of De La Beckwith.
- xiv. David Board. He was born 15 January 1865 in Stanislaus County, California and died 16 December 1925. He married 1 November 1904 to Mariene Walsh. He died in Arcata, Humboldt County, California.  
**See 65.**
- xv. Horace Frank Board. He was born 25 February 1867 in Stanislaus County, California and married 20 June 1917 to Adeline Harris. He died 16 July 1934 in Arcata, Humboldt County, California.

34. WILLIAM BOARD <sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 11 May 1825 in Callaway County, Missouri and died in 1905 in Sonoma County, California. He married on 14 July 1855 to MARY HAMILTON and married secondly on 4 May 1879 to IZORA OLIVER. William went to California during the Gold Rush of 1849, returned to Missouri, and then moved back to California with his brother David Board in 1852. He was enumerated twice in the 1850 census of California, both in Mariposa County and in Tuolumne County. He was listed in both counties as an age 24 years, white male, born in Missouri. In 1870, he was a stock raiser in Mendocino Township, Sonoma County, California, with his wife Mary who was then age 38 years. She was born in Tennessee.



Sources: Federal Census of California for 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900, and 1910; family records of the Board's in California compiled by Mrs. Judith (Robert) Board, Holm Oak Road, Citrus Heights, California, roughly between 1975 and 1985.

The children of William Board and Mary Hamilton, born in Sonoma County, California.

- i. Horace Board. He was born about 1857.
- ii. Iter A. Board. She was born about 1861.
- iii. Millie Board. She was born about 1863.

35. THOMAS BOARD <sup>5</sup> (John<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and LUCYIA B. SWEENEY <sup>5</sup> (Mariah<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in August 1836 in Boyle County, Kentucky and moved with his father to Callaway County, Missouri. She was the daughter of Mariah Board and John J. Sweeney. They married in 1865 in Boyle County, Kentucky. Thomas Board was the Mayor of Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri, where he died in the summer of 1904. The estate of Thomas Board was probated in November 1904 and was administered by his widow, Lucy B. Board. The proceeds from the sale of the estate's inventory was \$1,670.75.

In the matter of the Estate of Thomas Board: Now comes Laura A. McFadin, one of the heirs in the above entitled cause, and files her exceptions to the final settlement of the Administratrix in said cause, and for cause says that the item of \$100.00 allowed R.D. Rodgers as attorney's fee is excessive, and asks that the same be set aside and allowed for a reasonable amount. P.H. Cullen, Attorney for Laura A. McFadin.

Sources: Boyle County, Kentucky, marriages Book IV, page 299; Estate records of Audrain County, Missouri from the Clerk of Courts in Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri.

The children of Thomas Board and Lucyia B. Sweeney, born in Missouri:

- i. Laura A. Board. Her married name in 1904 was McFadin.

36. ELIZABETH BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 2 April 1822 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there on 13 May 1903. Elizabeth married ELIJAH GATES CHATHAM on 17 October 1844 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was born 21 March 1822 and died 2 August 1852 at age 30 years. David Board was the administrator of the Elijah Chatham estate which was settled in 1853. She married secondly to GEORGE CANNON on 25 February 1856.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky probate Book 14, page 400; David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriage Book II page 126 (Chatham-Board), Book III page 60 (Cannon-widow Chatham), Book X page 127 (Semonis-Cannon); Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; Cemetery records from the Phillip Board farm recorded by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley about 1970; Harrodsburg Historical Society, *Cemetery Records Mercer County, Kentucky*, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, Volumes 1, 2, and 3, date not cited; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; manuscript by Mary Carico, "Board Family of Mercer County, Kentucky", Huntington, West Virginia, 1951, typewritten. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Elizabeth Board and Elijah Gates Chatham, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. James Chatham. He died in infancy.
- ii. Alford Thomas Chatham, II. He was born 26 March 1848. He married twice and moved to Missouri, where he was a medical doctor. **See 66.**
- iii. Martha Ellen Board Chatham. She was born 2 April 1850 and married in 1870 to James Tewmey in Mercer County, Kentucky. She died 2 April 1893. **See 67.**
- iv. David Board Chatham. He was born 12 November 1851 and died on 10 April in 1901 or 1919. He married 11 November 1873 to Mary Elizabeth Downey. **See 68.**
- v. Nancy Jane Chatham. She was born 3 January 1853 and died 17 May 1900. She married in 1874 to George R. Nichols in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 69.**

The children of Elizabeth Board and George Cannon, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- vi. Vernetta Ellan Cannon. She was born in 1864 and married in 1880 to James Franklin Anderson. **See 70.**
- vii. Parthena Cannon. She was born in 1862 and married in 1889 to Benjamin Trapland Nichols. She died in 1947 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 71.**
- viii. Alice Cannon. She married in 1879 to Robert Semonis.
- ix. Charles Byron Cannon. He was born 20 December 1856 and died 16 August 1901. He married in 1879 to Molly Catlett. **See 72.**

37. HANNAH BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 7 December 1823 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there 3 September 1885. She married on 14 November 1844 to MASON COLLIER. He was born 26 July 1821 and died 28 March 1888. They were buried at the Bethel Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book II; Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; manuscript by Mary Carico, "Board Family of Mercer County, Kentucky", Huntington, West Virginia, 1951, typewritten. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Hannah Board and Mason Collier, born in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Mary Elizabeth Collier. She was born 18 June 1847 and married 4 October 1865 to Minor G. Teater. She died 11 January 1922. **See 73.**
- ii. Mary Josephine Collier. She married in 1903 to William Tewmey.
- iii. David Cora Collier. He was born 30 July 1851 and married in 1901 to Mary E. Nichols. He died 9 October 1913. **See 74.**
- iv. Miles Collier. He was born 15 July 1854 and married in 1879 to Mary E. Smith. He died 22 October 1888. **See 75.**
- v. Vinson Collier. He was born 23 June 1857 and married in 1884 to Henrietta Ross. He died 7 November 1902. **See 76.**
- vi. Irvin Collier. He was born on a leap year day, 29 February 1860, and married in 1887 to Belle Ross. He died 10 October 1899. They had no children.

38. THOMAS JEFFERSON BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in what became the town of Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky, on 6 November 1825 and died there on 19 July 1892. He was buried at the Bethel Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Mercer County, Kentucky (the former 'Mud Meeting House'). He married to MARY JANE CRANE in 1846. She

was born 7 March 1830 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky. Thomas Board was listed in the 1865 Mercer County tax list as a member of the 'militia', as was his brother Jacob Board. The National Archives has no military file for Thomas, although it appears he was part of a local Confederate guard in Mercer County during the war. He was age 35 years and the father of several children when the war began. The following deed abstracts referred to inherited land previously owned by Board's father-in-law, Nelson Crane.

Deed Book 7, page 521: Thomas J. Board to James M. Gray. September 24, 1860. Thomas J. Board and Mary J. Board of Mercer Co., Kentucky, to James M. Gray and Thomas H. Gray of Boyle County, for \$802.50, lot with appurtenances in Boyle County, in the town of Perryville on east side of Chaplin River; the lot occupied by Nelson Crane at the time of his death. Beginning at Cross Street near the foot bridge running south with Main or Water Street, contains one-half acre.

Deed Book 8, page 26: Nelson Crane to Thomas Board. September 25, 1860. The actual transfer from Crane to Board was recorded after Board sold the land to Gray. The deed of the property was from the Executor of the estate of Nelson Crane of Boyle County, to Thomas Board.

In Mercer County, Kentucky, Thomas J. Board purchased land in 1857 from Nathan Ferrar (Deed Book 31, page 249). Thomas J. Board also received land from the estate of Jacob Mitchell in 1876, which land he then sold to an in-law heir of Mitchell. "8<sup>th</sup> day of April 1876 between Thomas J. Board and Mary Board his wife of the county of Mercer and State of Kentucky and J.H. Graves" of the same county, \$150.00 for 48 acres in Deed Book 44, page 382.

Sources: Boyle County, Kentucky Deed Book 7 page 521 and Deed Book 8 page 26; Mercer County, Kentucky Deed Book 31 page 249 and Deed Book 44 page 382; Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book III page 108 (Devine-Board), Book XV page 246 (Warner-Board), Book XIII page 586 (Claunch-Board); David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Boyle County, Kentucky marriages Book I page 104; Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; manuscript by Mary Carico, "Board Family of Mercer County, Kentucky", Huntington, West Virginia, 1951, typewritten; Mercer County, Kentucky 1865 tax list. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Thomas Jefferson Board and Mary Jane Crane, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Caroline Catherine Board. She was born 30 November 1848 and married 30 March 1865 to Bluford Divine. She was called Calie. **See 77.**
- ii. Elizabeth J. Board. She was born 11 September 1850 and married James A. Jackson. She died in 1940 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 78.**
- iii. Martha Board. She was born 6 September 1852 and died 2 April 1875 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky. She married 9 August 1871 to James William Board, the son of Philip Schuyler Board and grandson of James Board. They were second cousins through their mutual great-grandfather, Phillip Board. **See 32 (iv), See 59.**
- iv. David W. Board. He was born 7 December 1855 and died 4 October 1883. He was unmarried and had no children.
- v. Susan B. Board. She was born 13 December 1857.

- vi. Lucy C. Board. She was born 5 July 1860.
- vii. John William Board. He was born 28 September 1862 and married in 1885 to Nannie Bailey. He died in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 79.**
- viii. Jacob Mitchell Board, Jr. He was born 19 September 1865 and died in 1946. He married 2 February 1885 to Rachel F. Devine in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 80.**
- ix. Mary J. Board. She was born 27 September 1867 and married in 1888 to W.H. Claunch. She died 24 December 1896.
- x. Fannie Board. She was born 8 September 1872 and married James Hatchell on 3 April 1891. She died 28 July 1960 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 81.**
- xi. Laura Board. She was born 11 April 1874 and married in 1891 to Lee Warner.

39. CATHERINE BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 11 November 1828 and married in Mercer County, Kentucky to DAVID J. JACKSON. He was born 30 September 1826 and died in 1909. He was the son of James Jackson and Catherine Vanderipe. Catherine Board Jackson died in Mercer County, Kentucky on 5 November 1898. **See Vanderipe Family, 3 (iii).**

Sources: David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book II page 160; Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; manuscript by Mary Carico, "Board Family of Mercer County, Kentucky", Huntington, West Virginia, 1951, typewritten. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Catherine Board and David J. Jackson, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Amanda F. Jackson. She was born 12 July 1849 and married in 1868 to John Huston Graves. She died 5 September 1893. **See 82.**
- ii. David J. Jackson. He was born in 1850.
- iii. James H. Jackson. He was born 30 July 1851 and married in 1873 to Mary Ellen Huff. He died 1 September 1875 at age 25. **See 83.**
- iv. Andrew B. Jackson. He was born 9 April 1853 and married Betty Semonis. He died in 1926. **See 84.**
- v. Mary Elizabeth Jackson. She was born 20 November 1854 and married James Harvey Catlett. She died in 1932 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 85.**
- vi. Susan A. Jackson. She was born 8 December 1856 and married Jacob H. Bonta. She died 5 September 1886. **See 86.**
- vii. Nannie Bell Jackson. She was born 23 June 1858 and married in 1884 to Charles Tewmeyer. She died 17 December 1888.
- viii. Serena C. Jackson. She was born 15 April 1860 and married in 1877 to Isaac Newton Westerfield. She died 3 December 1881 at age 21 years in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 87.**
- ix. Ida S. Jackson. She was born 17 March 1862 and died 1 November 1890 at age 28 years. Her married name was Jones. She resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- x. John M. Jackson. He was born 4 February 1864 and died 17 December 1888 at age 24 years.
- xi. Emma F. Jackson.

40. MARY ELLEN BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 18 September 1830 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there on 14 May 1911. She married on 24 September 1854 to CORNELIUS TERHUNE, who was born 1831 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died in 1907 in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky. His estate was settled in 1907 and mentioned his surviving children, David Terhune and Mary C. Wickersham.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky probate Book 19, page 338; David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book III page 11; Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; manuscript by Mary Carico, "Board Family of Mercer County, Kentucky", Huntington, West Virginia, 1951, typewritten. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Mary Ellen Board and her husband Cornelius Terhune, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Byron Terhune. He was born 4 July 1855 and died 10 May 1861 as a young child.
- ii. Medora Alice Terhune. She was born 12 November 1857 and died 27 November 1876 as a young woman.
- iii. David R. Terhune. He was born 15 July 1864 and died in 1925. He married 8 November 1883 to Rachel B. Brady in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 88.**
- iv. Mary Cornelia Terhune. She was born 7 December 1870 and married in 1890 to John W. Wickersham. She died 18 September 1912. **See 89.**

41. HESTER ANN BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 8 August 1834 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married there on 18 December 1854 to ALEXANDER KIRKLAND. She died 14 September 1890 in Mercer County, Kentucky. Alex Kirkland was born 10 January 1833 in Mercer County and died 20 October 1918. They were married at the Bethel Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Mercer County, Kentucky where they attended church, and where they were both buried there.

Sources: David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book III page 6; Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; manuscript by Mary Carico, "Board Family of Mercer County, Kentucky", Huntington, West Virginia, 1951, typewritten; Harrodsburg Historical Society, *Cemetery Records Mercer County, Kentucky*, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, Volumes 1, 2, and 3, date not cited. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Hester Ann Board and Alexander Kirkland, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Robert Kirkland. He was born in 1856.
- ii. Mary Alice Kirkland. She was born in 1860. She married Mr. Hungate and married secondly to W.S. Cox.
- iii. Nancy Ellen Kirkland. She was born 9 June 1860 and died shortly after birth on 10 June 1860.
- iv. Thomas P. Kirkland. He was born 8 May 1866 and married 1 January 1885 to Emma Claunch. She was born in 1865 and died 1898. Thomas died 2 May 1935. **See 90.**
- v. Georgia Kirkland. She died young.
- vi. Emma Dora Kirkland. She died young.

- vii. William Lee Kirkland. He was born in 1867 and married Margaret Claunch. He died 24 August 1936. **See 91.**

42. NANCY JANE BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 10 February 1836 in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married there on 9 November 1854 at the Bethel Cumberland Presbyterian Church to JOHN W. CANNON. He was born 6 February 1835 and died 26 June 1881 in Jackson County, Missouri. His brother-in-law, Cornelius Terhune, was the administrator of his estate.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky probate Book 18, page 319; David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book III page 6; Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; manuscript by Mary Carico, "Board Family of Mercer County, Kentucky", Huntington, West Virginia, 1951, typewritten; Mercer County, Kentucky, 1865 tax list. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Nancy Jane Board and John W. Cannon, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Woodson Cannon. He was alive in 1881.
- ii. Owen Granville Cannon. He was born 15 October 1870 and died 12 April 1897. He was not married.
- iii. Andrew J. Cannon. He was alive in 1881.
- iv. Almeda Mae Cannon. She was born 1 September 1855 and married Dallas McIntyre. She died 13 July 1926. He was born 1845 and died 1903.
- v. George W. Cannon. He was born 24 May 1859 and died as a child on 16 May 1864.
- vi. G. Finley Cannon. He was born 16 December 1875 and died as a child on 22 January 1878.

43. PHILLIP SCHUYLER BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 8 January 1839 and he was a Confederate soldier in the Civil War who enlisted with his brother Jacob M. Board as a private in the Army of the Confederate States on 2 September 1862 in Lexington, Kentucky during the Confederate occupation of the Bluegrass by Generals Bragg and Kirby-Smith. His brother enrolled as 'Jake Board', a 1<sup>st</sup> Corporal in 1862, who later became Captain. Among other familiar names in the Sixth Cavalry Regiment, Company F, were Terhune, Graves, and Van Arsdall. Philip's service was brief and clouded. Philip was arrested on 10 December 1862, just over three months after beginning his three year enlistment in the Confederate Cavalry, in Perryville, Mercer County, Kentucky, near Monticello (later Boyle County). Phillip Board was arrested for collaborating with the Federal Army and he was initially sent to a prison camp in Louisville pending his disposition. The muster roll of the Confederacy's 6<sup>th</sup> Cavalry under Grigsby shows the name of 'Phillip Board' on 14 January 1863, with the remarks "Sent South." As a Confederate Prisoner of War, he was sent by the Provost Marshall of Lexington to Vicksburg, Mississippi. Later that month, he was "sent to Fort Monroe Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> 1863 by order of Gen. Schenck." He survived the terrible conditions of the prisoner camps which often had mortality rates that were higher than the battlefields. He was later involved in a prisoner of war exchange as he was "paroled at Fort McHenry, Maryland."

After his release, Board returned to Kentucky, possibly in the service of Union forces. On 6 June 1863, Board was captured again by Confederate

troops, in Jamestown near the Cumberland River in southern Kentucky. He was again sent to Louisville, where he was held prisoner at the Military Prison. Less than three months later, Phillip Board was released from the Confederate prisoner camp and promptly enlisted on 4 September 1863 as a private in the Independent Battery C of the Kentucky Artillery forces of the United States Army. Elsewhere in Kentucky, his brother Jacob Board was serving under the rebel forces though they did not encounter one another in battle, as ten days later, on 14 September 1863, 'Philip Board' deserted the barracks in Louisville. Although the official record stated: "where probably to be found- Mercer County, Kentucky," Board was never found. In the settlement of his account with the government, he was shown as having been paid through 4 October 1863 and owing the United States \$42.09 for clothing.

Philip Board's whereabouts were never determined and no family tales accounted for him past his affiliation with the Union Army. It was known that he was not welcome back in Mercer County, as he was considered a traitor by his family. Research failed to locate Board in 1870 or 1880 anywhere in the United States. If he was yet alive, which was unlikely, he might have lived under an assumed name somewhere in America. It was difficult to ascertain intentions and actions during a civil war such as was in Kentucky, and it was not certain if Philip Board was a spy or a traitor who betrayed both the Confederacy and the Union. Regardless, during the war Kentucky and other southern states utilized 'home guards', who served in their home counties to locate stray enemy forces and deserters. These guards were notoriously brutal and summarily executed those they suspected of desertion (see the 2003 movie *Cold Mountain* for their portrayal). The likely demise of Phillip Board was his execution on the side of a road by home guards.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Confederate States records of the Civil War from the National Archives, Washington, D.C.; United States records of the Civil War from the National Archives, Washington, D.C.; Adjutant General of Kentucky, *Adjutant General's Report*, Kentucky Archives, Frankfort; State of Kentucky; Federal census indices from 1870 and 1880: no identification made.

44. JACOB MITCHELL BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 17 March 1842 in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky, according to his death certificate and family *Bible*. He resided in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky and he was a veteran of the Civil War. He served in the Confederate States Army as a Captain in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Cavalries of Kentucky and was taken as a Prisoner of War in February 1864. Not long after being released from Federal forces, Jacob M. Board married in Mercer County, Kentucky to SUSAN BUTLER ADKERSON on 1 September 1864. She was born 4 September 1846 in nearby Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky. Jacob and Susan Board were members of the Bethel Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was a close friend of Dr. Carroll Price of Harrodsburg, who was also the physician who signed Board's death certificate. Jacob named two sons after him: Carroll Board and Price Board. Jacob was named after his father's half-brother, Jacob Mitchell, a veteran of the War of 1812 and the Battle of New Orleans. Jacob Board went by a variety of names including Jake, J.M., Jacob and J.M. Board, Sr. Although he had no sons with his name, his nephew Jacob Mitchell Board was known as J.M. Board, Jr., and Jake. **See Adkerson Family, 4.**

In October 1862, after the Battle of Perryville, Board moved south with his regiment into middle Tennessee, where about 15 December 1862 in Alexandria his 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Cavalry was consolidated with another battalion into the Ninth Regiment Kentucky Cavalry. John A. Lewis, former Adjutant of the 9<sup>th</sup>

Regiment stated that "Both battalions had been recruited for the command of General John Hunt Morgan, and both had seen service under that officer before the formation of the Regiment." Through the winter of 1862 to 1863, Board was listed in muster rolls as being in Tennessee, in Bean Station, Knoxville, Sweetwater, Sparta, and Beech Grove. During this time he participated in the Battle of Murfreesboro. Adjutant Lewis said that the men of the 9<sup>th</sup> "actively participated in the Battle of Murfreesboro, and for its conduct during that engagement received honorable mention from the brigade commander for gallantry and efficiency."

On 28 February 1863, Jacob Board at camp in Beech Grove, Tennessee, soon to be returning northward into Kentucky. Although muster rolls did not detail his final year of service before being captured by Union forces, regimental records verified the family tradition that he was with General Morgan during the raids into Ohio. The history of the 9<sup>th</sup> Cavalry stated that during one such raid into Ohio that they served as the rear guard of a column which was in the process of mounting a steep hill up from the Ohio River. They were in continuing skirmishes with the enemy until "we made our last stand but were run over and captured by superior force." Most of the regiment was taken prisoner and effectively ended the activity of the 9<sup>th</sup> Cavalry. The events described in this passage also correspond to the family tradition that Jacob Board escaped, in disguise and across the river, after his regiment had been routed by Union forces during a Morgan foray into Ohio.

Captain Board made his way back into central Kentucky and was later captured by the Union army and brought as a Prisoner of War to Louisville, Kentucky on 25 February 1864. As an officer of the Confederate Army, Board was fortunate to have served only four days in the squalid conditions of the prison camp before, by order of General Burbridge of the United States Army, he was released on condition of his Oath to the United States and a \$500.00 bond. As a further condition of his release, he reported on the first of each month to the military police in Mercer County. The war by this time was in the final stages of the Union victory. The regimental history of the 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky gave more detail regarding the activities in which Captain Board was involved.

The recruiting and organization of the Sixth Regiment, Cavalry, Kentucky Volunteers, Confederate States of America, was begun at Stanford, Kentucky, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 1862. When the regiment was organized, Colonel J. Warren Grigsby of Lincoln County, Kentucky, was made Colonel; Thomas W. Napier of Lincoln County, Kentucky, Lieutenant Colonel; and William G. Bullitt of Paducah, Major. The regimental staff was as follows: E.T. Rochester, Captain and A.Q.M.; John S. Hughes, Lieutenant and A.C.S.; J.W. Alcorn, Lieutenant and Adjutant; James W. Hansford, Ordnance Sergeant. The captains of the respective companies were A- Robert D. Logan; B- Thomas H. Shanks; C- M.B. Perkins; D - W.W. Cleaver; E- W.S. Edwards; F- William Campbell; G- Thomas W. Gray; H- B.E. Roberts; I- Captain Jewett; K- Captain Ireland. The regiment was first assigned to the brigade of Brigadier General Buford and composed a part of that brigade from September 1862 until March 1863. While with that brigade it took part in the Battle of Perryville and in field skirmishing incident to Bragg's retreat from Kentucky. It also actively participated in the Battle of Murfreesboro, and for its conduct during that engagement received honorable mentioned from the brigade commander for gallantry and efficiency. In the first



days of March 1863, Brigadier General Buford was assigned to the Mississippi Department and this regiment and the 5<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Cavalry were then transferred to the command of Brigadier General John H. Morgan, with which it continued in service until nearly all the regiment was captured during the last days of Morgan's Ohio raid. Soon after its assignment to Morgan's command the regiment took part in a severe engagement at Milton, Tennessee, in which Colonel Grigsby was severely wounded and Lt. Colonel Napier was so severely wounded that he was permanently disabled from active service. When Morgan's command in the closing days of the Ohio raid was nearly at the Ohio River it as frequently, each day, attacked by commands of the Ohio Militia. The 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky was on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July assigned as advance of the command and was frequently attacked that day by both militia and leg troops. In every instance when attacked, it dispersed the enemy so quickly that the majority of the rear of the column was not, at any time, seriously impeded. Colonel Grigsby, though suffering from the wounds which he had received at Milton, Tennessee, took active command of the regiment that day. Morgan's command left 'Buffington Ford' of the Ohio River after night fall on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, and General Morgan ascertained that a body of the enemy occupied some earth works in a position to control the ford at which he had expected to cross. Owing to the darkness of the night, he postponed, until the next morning, an attack of the column, every man being required to hold his horse by the bridle reins so that he would be ready to go at any time. Just before daybreak the 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky, and the regiment immediately to its rear, received orders from General Duke to move down the river to the earth works and carry them by assault as quickly as possible. In execution of that order the two regiments moved down the river in line perpendicular to the river. It was so intensely dark that a man could not be discerned ten feet away. After the regiments had moved in that way some six or seven hundred yards, the regiment of the 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky ran into the earth works and found them abandoned. Word to that effect was passed up the line. The movement of the two regiments was halted for orders and while so halted, a couple forces of cavalry was heard moving about 100 yards in front and towards the river. It was soon found to be a body of the enemy, and the 6<sup>th</sup> promptly moved forward and began firing. The enemy retreated in confusion. From prisoners captured it was ascertained that the force which had been attacked was the escort and a part of the command of Brigadier General Judah, U.S.A. They fell back to the main body of their force about a mile down the river and very soon began a forward movement with artillery and cavalry. The 6<sup>th</sup> attacked that body, and after capturing its artillery, drove the enemy back on its infantry support. While the enemy was then held in check, the sick and disabled men, including Colonel Grigsby, were sent across the river at the ford. By that time two gunboats appeared, coming up the river and threw shells at rapid intervals.

Owing to the smallness of our force, it was deemed advisable to fall back for support. The 6<sup>th</sup> fell back and formed a new line in the river bottom and remained in that position until ordered to retire from it. While it was in that position we would see the cavalry of the enemy overpowering and driving back our supports on the right, and we could also see a couple bodies of infantry advancing directly on our front. The gunboats were in action and attempted to shell the ground upon which we were located. When ordered to retire from its position, the regiment slowly retreated several hundred yards to the rear, and there formed to protect the retirement of a large force of our command which was still immediately in our rear. The regiment formed with its right flank confronting the cavalry, its center confronting the infantry and its left flank confronting the gunboats. Of the conduct of the cavalry on that occasion, General Duke in his *History of the Morgan Cavalry* says, 'The 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky was almost surrounded. This regiment behaved nobly. It stood the heavy attack of the enemy like a bastion.' It remained in that position until the men in our rear had left the field; then it began a hasty retreat, the objective point being a ford about two miles up the river. When we reached that ford, General Morgan and his staff and a number of soldiers plunged into the river for the purpose of crossing. About the time that General Morgan had reached the east bank of the river, the gunboats had got to the location of the crossing and commenced throwing shells into the river at the ford. Seeing that a large part of his force was left on the west bank of the river, General Morgan dashed back into the river and returned to us. His face was placid as if he were on parade. As he passed the line he called out, 'Follow me, boys,' and with a cheer every man turned and followed him. After going up the river two or three miles, he turned to the left almost at right angles to the river and after going several miles, halted to rest his command. About night fall, he began his ascent up a large and steep mountain, every man marching in single file, dismounted and with his hand upon the tail of the horse in front. When General Morgan had crossed over the mountain, he turned to the left on a road which ran parallel to and down the river. The march was kept up all night long and when about three o'clock in the afternoon of the next day, when a couple pursuing forces of the enemy appeared in sight. The 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment was the rear guard of the column and by repeated skirmishes kept the enemy in back until we came near the town of Cheshire, on the banks of the Ohio River. By that time the advance with General Morgan was several miles away. We hoped he was safe. Our aim had been to afford him a chance to get out of reach by pursuing the enemy. We then made our last stand but were run over and captured by the superior force of the enemy. We were taken to prison and the greater part of the regiment was kept in prison until March 1865, when a large portion of the enlisted men was taken to Richmond for exchange. The officers, with a few exceptions, were kept in prison until the

close of the war. The regiment, as a regiment, did not after the Ohio raid, participate in any of the subsequent engagements of the Morgan command.

Jacob Board's wife, Susan, was remembered by her family as an ardent Confederate who was proud of her husband's service under General Morgan and frequently told stories of Jacob's involvement in the war. Her nickname was 'Miss Puss', which was said by her family to be an Irish term meaning 'sourface'. In a newspaper article, "The Harrodsburg Sayings" of 14 February 1900, her son Clayton Board was quoted when on active army duty in the Philippines:

He says he will take full advantage of the first opportunity to enquire of General Joe Wheeler if he remembers where he ate breakfast on the memorable day of the Battle of Perryville, and that he will write his parents of his response. Upon enquiry, the reporter learned that General Wheeler took breakfast that day with the family of Mr. William Adkinson [Adkerson], in Perryville, and that she was present and prepared the coffee served on that occasion.

In addition to his military service in the Confederate Army he served two terms as Sheriff of Mercer County and several years on the Harrodsburg City Council. In 1865, he was running a poor house in Mercer County, after returning from war. Circuit court records included business ventures he was involved in and his 1911 death certificate listed him as a 'merchant'. On 11 March 1886, he formed a partnership with Willie Hatchell and Robert Russell to buy and sell cattle, hogs, and sheep in Covington and Cincinnati. This partnership terminated that December. The following year, 1887, J.M. Board was running a grocery that in March 1887 he transferred to his wife Susan. Jacob Board was mentioned in the December 1887 "Harrodsburg Sayings and Doings" regarding one of his business interests: "Elder W.T. Corn has purchased the interest of J.M. Board in the Florence Washing Machine and will thereafter conduct the business." In 1888, Board was in a court case in *Board v. Van Arsdale*, in which he was acting in his capacity as Sheriff, and also in 1888 he was a trustee of the town of Harrodsburg when his son Phillip was appointed a policeman.

There were numerous real estate transactions from Jacob and Susan Board in Mercer County, Kentucky. A few years after the end of the Civil War, on 14 September 1869, David and Polly Board sold to Jacob M. Board "one tract of land in the town of Nevada on the waters of the Chaplin" consisting of one acre for \$200.00. The deed was signed by David Board and Mary Board, the parents of Jacob (Deed Book 39, page 104). On 4 March 1876, Jacob and Susan Board sold to Cornelius Terhune "one undivided sixth" interest in two tracts of 25 acres on the waters of the Salt and Chaplin Rivers for \$600.00 (Deed Book 44, page 533), and then purchased land from Martha Williamson in 1876. Other land was purchased around this period by Jacob Board that belonged to Sally Board and other African-American families in Mercer County that facilitated their move to Kansas. These included 1878 purchases from Richard Cox (Deed Book 46, pages 218 and 254), William McDowell (Deed Book 46, page 221), and Elizabeth Nield (Deed Book 46, page 446). They sold their home on one acre in the town of Nevada to W.L. Lewis on 1 January 1878 for \$400.00 (Deed Book 46, page 133). Jacob and Susan Board then sold a one acre lot in Nevada on 30 November 1878 to J.H. Gray (Deed Book 46, page 468). On 20 December 1880, Jacob and Susan Board sold to Cornelius Terhune a house and lot in Nevada, Mercer County (Deed Book 48, page 156). The couple sold 7¼ acres near the waters of the Salt River for \$300.00 to Clay

McGuire on 11 December 1886 (Deed Book 54, page 63). In 1887, Board sold more jointly owned land (Deed Book 54, page 440):

15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1887 between John B. Comingo and Tabitha Comingo and J.M. Board, John B. Comingo in the lifetime of his sister Sally Terhune...Mercer County, Kentucky on the waters of Chaplin River known as Lot No. 3 in the division of Woodland among the heirs of the widow of A. Comingo, deceased, to Ned Wade, William McDowell, and the colored persons.

Susan B. Board purchased lots in the town of Harrodsburg on 16 June 1891 on East Street from W. T. and Virginia C. Woolridge for \$360.00 (Deed Book 57, page 57) and on 29 August 1899 for \$80.00 from Ellen and James Liston (Deed Book 67, page 205; references Deed Book 57, page 167). In 1894, he purchased an interest in land that belonged to his brother Thomas's daughter Elizabeth as part of the Thomas Board estate settlement. On 17 December 1900, James M. Hardin and Jacob M. Board purchased a lot on the south side of Water Street in Harrodsburg from William and America Logan for \$175.00 (Deed Book 48, page 405).

An article appeared in the 1890 souvenir edition of the *Harrodsburg Democrat* titled "J.M. Board."

The subject of this sketch is a native of Mercer County and spent his early life on a farm. He attended school at Perryville, Kentucky. He entered the Army at an early age in 1862 and served with gallantry in the Confederate service throughout the entire war, as a member of Capt. William Campbell's company in Gen. John Morgan's famous command. He was present at the terrible Battle of Murfreesboro and Battle of Perryville, and at other hotly contested fields. When war's fierce alarms had ceased Capt. Board married and settled down to a peaceful mercantile business at Nevada, where he continued several years. Serving as deputy sheriff for two years, the people of Mercer signified their confidence in him by electing him sheriff of the county in 1883, and this important office he held for two terms. At present he is successfully engaged in conducting a meat and grocery store on Main Street under the firm name of S.B. Board. Captain Board for the past two years has been a member of the City Council. He has ever been regarded as a brave, though peaceable man, and a good citizen.

In 1910, the Governor of Kentucky, A.E. Willson vetoed a bill to allow \$12.00 a month pension to aged Confederate veterans. At the time there were 25 veterans still living in Mercer County—among them Jacob Board. He died 11 September 1911 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. Susan Board, his widow, survived some twenty years more and she died 27 April 1832 in Lexington, Fayette County, Kentucky though they resided in Harrodsburg during their married life. They were interred at the Spring Hill Cemetery in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky where their son James Phillip Board was later superintendent. Jacob Mitchell Board died in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky in 1911, and his obituary was published in the *Harrodsburg Democrat*:

Yesterday morning death claimed a well known man here when Mr. J.M. Board, Sr. passed away. He had been in failing health for a number of years, and some time ago was forced to retire from business and he has been in declining

health ever since. Mr. Board was a native of this county, having been born and reared in the Bethel neighborhood, and many years ago united with the Bethel Church. He served two terms as sheriff of Mercer County, and was also deputy sheriff, and at one time a valued member of city council. Perhaps no man in the county had a wider circle of acquaintances, and everywhere he was generally liked and respected. For many years after he retired from politics he was in business here and conducted a very successful grocery and flea market. He was about seventy years of age and besides his wife, leaves five sons, Messrs. William and Carl Board of Cincinnati, Messrs. Phil, Clayton, and Price Board of this place. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the First Presbyterian Church with Dr. J.G. Hunter officiating, and the interment will be in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

A second article pointed out that Jacob Board died of paralysis after suffering his third stroke. It stated Board was appointed sheriff upon the death of Sheriff Bissett and later elected to that office, as well as serving several terms as councilman. Perhaps the greatest compliment paid to Jacob Board was as "one of Morgan's bravest and most trusted men." Board was described in the muster rolls as a tall man, over six foot, with dark hair, a dark complexion and hazel eyes. He enlisted on 2 September 1862 during the occupation of Kentucky by Generals Braxton Bragg and Kirby-Smith in September and October 1862. Board enlisted with his brother, Philip, in the 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Cavalry and shortly thereafter was involved in the Battle of Perryville not far from the Board home, which was the battle for control of Kentucky. At the end of his first month in the army he was camped in London, Kentucky. In 1921, for her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday, there was a celebration held for Susan Board by her family, which was covered in one of the local newspapers.

Mrs. Susan B. Board was given a delightful surprise Wednesday by her children and a few friends gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Board to honor her birthday with a large cake having 75 small candles. Guests- Mr. Clayton Board and wife, Louisville, Kentucky, Mr. and Mrs. Price Board and 3 children of Indiana, Dr. and Mrs. T.L. Menaugh and Miss Marie, Mrs. Frank Johnson of Lexington, a sister of Mrs. Board, Mrs. Gibb Hardin, Mrs. John Carr, Mr. and Mrs. David Terhune, Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Million and Miss Julia Board.

The obituary of Susan Board was in one of the Harrodsburg newspaper after he death at age 86 years in 1932.

Mrs. Susan Adkinson Board, 86 years old, widow of the late Jacob Board, died Wednesday morning in Lexington, after a gradual break in health due to her advanced years. She was a daughter of William Adkinson, a former well known member of the community, and was well and favorably known during her long residence here. Early in life she was united with the Bethel Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and her life was in accordance with her profession of the Christian faith. She leaves five sons, Phil Board, Harrodsburg; Clayton and Price Board of Louisville; and Carl Board of Cincinnati. Two sisters also survive, Mrs. Coleman McClure, Franklin, Indiana, and Mrs. Frances Johnson, of Lexington. Her funeral will be held this

afternoon at the Spring Hill Cemetery with the Rev. J.W. Carpenter and the Rev. T. Hassell Bowen officiating.

Although Jacob and Susan Board had seven children, including a set of identical twins, only five of the children lived into adulthood and only three married and had families of their own. In the following generation, Jacob's grandchildren, there were only seven grandchildren, which accounted for the relatively few descendants of Jacob M. Board. The *Bible* of Jacob Board was owned by Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. The Births section of the *Bible* was photocopied and certified by a Notary Public in 1964. The other sections were photocopied from the original *Bible*. The records below were a verbatim account of the original entries.

#### BIRTHS

Jacob M. Board was born March 17th 1842  
Susan B. Board born September 7th 1846  
James P. Board born February 8th 1866  
Clayton H. Board born March the 4th 1870  
Mary Julia Board born November 29th 1874  
William Board born May 31st 1877  
Caral Board born Oct 7th 1882  
Price & Burnie Board was born May 10th 1886

#### MARRIAGES

Jacob M. Board maryed September 1st 1864  
Claton Board was married April 30 1891  
Phil Board was married April 1st 1886  
Coral Board & Adele Meinken married 11 August 1904  
Price Board married November 11, 1905

#### DEATHS

Mary Julia Board died September 17th 1879  
Birnie Board died March 30th 1904  
Jacob M. Board died September 19, 1911  
William J. Board died Dec. 17, 1914  
Susan B. Board died April 27, 1932  
James Phil Board Died October 21st 1938

#### MEMORANDA

Clayton Board and Pearl Gallagher were married April 30, 1891  
James Phillip Board and Hallie Tichenor Shehan married June 17th 1920 in Louisville Ky at Willard Hotel.  
Adele Meinken Board wife of Carl Board died January 15, 1959 Cincinnati Ohio.  
Carol Board died May 5 1959 Cincinnati Ohio

Sources: Jacob M. Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky marriage records Book III page 102; Mercer County, Kentucky tax lists and deeds; Family notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, dated about 1950; David Board *Bible* abstract owned by Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio; Correspondence from Mary Carico of Huntington, West Virginia, to Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, about 1950; handwritten notes of Carroll Board, undated, from about 1905; Jacob M. Board *Bible*; Confederate States records of the Civil War from the National Archives, Washington, DC; regimental history of the 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky from *Adjutant General's Report of State of Kentucky, Confederate Kentucky Volunteers, War 1861-1865*; Adjutant General of Kentucky, *Adjutant General's Report*, Kentucky Archives. Frankfort: State of Kentucky; cemetery records of Spring Hill Cemetery, Harrodsburg, Kentucky; Circuit Court of Mercer County, Kentucky records drawers B-107 and B-175; "Twenty One Years Ago" article in the *Harrodsburg Herald*, "from the files of the Herald, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1910";

Jacob Board death certificate from the State of Kentucky; birthday of Susan Board from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 9 September 1921; obituary of Susan Board from the *Harrodsburg Herald*, 29 April 1932; article in the 1890 souvenir edition of the *Harrodsburg Democrat*, titled "J.M. Board"; obituary of Jacob M. Board from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 22 September 1911; obituary of Jacob M. Board from *Harrodsburg Democrat*, 1911; "Harrodsburg Sayings and Doings", December 1887; "The Harrodsburg Sayings", 14 February 1900, Volume XII, Number 35; obituary of Bernie Board from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 7 April 1904. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; Frances Keightley Moseley regarding Mary Julia Board, 2000; Morgan's Men Association, Lexington, Kentucky number 242 Jon Patraic Neill.

The children of Jacob Mitchell Board and Susan Butler Adkerson, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. James Phillip Board. He was born 8 February 1866 and died 21 October 1938 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky. He married Margaret Ware on 1 April 1886 and after her death in 1916 he married secondly to Hallie Tichenor Shehan on 17 June 1920. **See 92.**
- ii. Clayton H. Board. He was born 4 March 1870 and died 1 May 1940 in Louisville, Kentucky. He married Pearl Gallagher and later divorced. He married secondly to Marion Amie Million in 1909. He did not have children. **See 93.**
- iii. Mary Julia Board. She was born 29 November 1874 and died 17 September 1879 at age four years. She went by her middle name, Julia, and was the namesake of her neice Julia D. Board and great-neice Jullienne Gist Keightley. Frances Keightley wrote that "my father adored her."
- iv. William Jacob Board. He was born 31 May 1877 and died 17 December 1914 in Cincinnati, Ohio. He married Nora Lawhorn and they had no children. **See 94.**
- v. Carroll Board. He was born 7 October 1882 and died 6 May 1959 in Cincinnati, Ohio. He married in Harrodsburg, Kentucky on 11 August 1904 to Adele Emma Meinken of Cincinnati. He was known as Carl C. Board. **See 95.**
- vi. Price Board. He was born 10 May 1886 and died in 1953 in New Albany, Indiana. He married on 11 November 1905 to Rose E. Wright in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky. **See 96.**
- vii. Bernie Board. He was born 10 May 1886 and was the identical twin of Price Board. He died as a young man in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky on 30 March 1904 from appendicitis at age 17 years. "The death of Mr. Bernie Board, which occurred in Harrodsburg last Wednesday, was deeply deplored by a large circle of relatives and friends in the community."

45. WILLIAM BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 15 October 1830 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married 17 March 1868 in Caldwell County, Kentucky to MARY ELIZABETH TUDOR, the daughter of Rev. Hezekiah Tudor and Rebecca Adkins. He died 30 June 1894 in Caldwell County, Kentucky and she died there on 17 May 1915. They were buried at Deboe Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky, alongside his parents, Joseph and Eleanor Board. This cemetery was located one mile north of highway 139.

Sources: Federal Census of Caldwell County, Kentucky, for 1870 and 1880; *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*, by Samuel W. Steger, Paducah, Kentucky: Turner Publishing Company, 1987, article submitted by descendant Helen

Evilsizer; *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*, by Arawana Kyle, published by Arawana Kyle, 1967.

The children of William Board and Mary Elizabeth Tudor, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. John R. Board. He was born 25 April 1869. He was not married.
- ii. William Hezekiah Board. He was born 18 November 1872 and died 15 February 1881 as a young child.
- iii. Melia Elizabeth Board. She was born 26 January 1876 and married 7 September 1918 to William A. Blades.
- iv. Joseph Bruce Board. He was born 1 September 1879 and married Delia.
- v. (baby) Board. This child was born 31 August 1882 and died 11 September 1882.
- vi. Chester O. Board. He was born 3 March 1884. He was not married.
- vii. Enola Florence Board. She was born 24 September 1870 and married 14 August 1894 to Jonathan H. Neighbors. They resided in Caldwell County, Kentucky. **See 97.**

46. JOHN B. BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1843 in Mercer County, Kentucky, and died in 1922 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. He married THERESA ANN CREEKMUR, who was born in 1843 and died in 1920. In 1880, they resided in the vicinity of Farmersville, Caldwell County, Kentucky.

Sources: Federal Census of Caldwell County, Kentucky, for 1870 and 1880; *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*, by Samuel W. Steger, Paducah, Kentucky: Turner Publishing Company, 1987, article submitted by descendant Helen Evilsizer; *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*, by Arawana Kyle, published by Arawana Kyle, 1967; Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, correspondence to the author, 1996

The children of John B. Board and Theresa Ann Creekmur, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. Joseph W. Board. He was born 30 May 1866 and married to Sarah R. Creekmur in Caldwell County, Kentucky. She was born 19 April 1868 and died 5 March 1911. He married secondly in Caldwell County, Kentucky to Rose Kennaday. She was born 8 May 1886, and died 13 July 1956 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. Joseph Board died in Caldwell County, Kentucky on 12 January 1936. **See 98.**
- ii. Sarah Elizabeth Board. She was born about 1867 and married Jefferson Eison. They had two children, John Euel Eison and Les Eison.
- iii. Dora B. Board. She was born about 1872 and her married name was Deboe.
- iv. Mary Ellen Board. She was born about 1876 and her married name was Sigler.
- v. Effie A. Board. She was born 18 November 1880 and married her cousin Willis Bradley Board, the son of Robert Marion Board and Mary S. McGregor. She died 24 September 1967 in Caldwell County, Kentucky and was buried there with her husband at the Cedar Hill Cemetery in Princeton. They had no children. **See 48 (iii).**
- vi. Bertha M. Board. She was the youngest, born after the 1880 census. She married to Walter Blackburn and they had a daughter, Mary Blackburn whose married name was Young.



47. BENJAMIN MORRISON BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 6 March 1847 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 5 August 1926 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. He married REBECCA ANN BAKER who was called Becky, but whose tombstone read 'Rebeckale N'. She was born 16 November 1851 in Tennessee, the daughter of C. and Sarah Francis Baker and she died 16 February 1885. Becky Board was buried at the Leech Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky, which in 1967 was described as located "on Edward and Willie Board's farm, one mile North of Highway 70." After the death of Becky, Ben Board married secondly in 1888 to DORA ELIZABETH NUCKOLS, an orphan. Together they had nine children, bringing the total number of Board children to fifteen. Dora Nuckols was born 5 February 1870 in Crittenden County, Kentucky and died 3 December 1937 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. Her parents were Caswel Nuckols and Julia A. Van Duzen. They were buried at the Perry Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky, which was located off highway 293. A granddaughter of Elmina Board, Sandra Evilsizer Koscak, wrote:

Benjamin Morrison Board lived at Donaldson and Princeton, Kentucky, where he was a farmer. He lived near Flat Rock Church with his first family. Later he gave his eldest son, Frank, land near Flat Rock Church and built himself a 'big house' over in Princeton. Elmina Board said her father had owned slaves. Ben's first wife, Rebecca, was called Becky. He married Dora after Becky died. Dora was an orphan girl living with the Aldridge family on a farm close by the Board farm. Mr. Aldridge took her and raised her after her mother died at childbirth when she was born. One of her brothers, Luther Nuckols, stayed close by while Dora was growing up to make sure she was okay. Luther stayed nearby until she married Ben Board.

Sources: Federal Census of Caldwell County, Kentucky, for 1870 and 1880; *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*, by Samuel W. Steger, Paducah, Kentucky: Turner Publishing Company, 1987, article submitted by descendant Helen Evilsizer; *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*, by Arawana Kyle, published by Arawana Kyle, 1967; Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, correspondence to the author, 1996; Sandra Evilsizer Koscak, 141 Dog Canyon Road, Alamogordo, New Mexico 88310, correspondence to the author, 1998.

The children of Benjamin Morrison Board and Rebecca Ann Baker, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. Benjamin Frank Board. He was born 4 March 1873 and died 16 June 1916. He married Emma Dearing, who was born 12 June 1877 and died 6 December 1956. **See 99.**
- ii. Sarah Francis Board. She was born in 1875 and married 8 December 1892 to Jesse H. Guess. She died 14 October 1940.
- iii. D.A. Board. She was born about 1878 and she died as a child.
- iv. Theodocia N. Board. She was born 4 January 1879 and died 14 July 1883 as a young child. She was buried at the Leech Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky.
- v. Joseph S. Board. He was born in December 1882 and died 29 October 1945. He married in 1901 in Caldwell County, Kentucky to Jennie A. Dearing. He died 29 October 1945.
- vi. (son). He was born on and died on 24 November 1884. He was buried at the Leech Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky.

The children of Benjamin Morrison Board and Dora Elizabeth Nuckols, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- vii. Nora Mae Board. She was born 7 December 1889 and died in infancy.
- viii. Alemeda Board. She was born 1 December 1890 and married Elmer Jenkins in Caldwell County, Kentucky. She died as a young woman on 21 June 1915, at age 25 years, in Caldwell County, Kentucky. Newman Ray Board wrote: "After her death Elmer Jenkins married Macie Goodaker who was a sister to my mother's father, Willie Whitt Goodaker." She did not have children.
- ix. Andrew Harrison Board. He was born 30 October 1892 and married Ethel McGregor. He died 30 January 1984 in Princeton, Caldwell County, Kentucky. **See 100.**
- x. Elmina Board. She was born 29 April 1893 and married to Stephen Barnes on 21 November 1911 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. She died 15 August 1986 in Madisonville, Kentucky at age 93 years. **See 101.**
- xi. Ella Board. She was born 23 March 1896 and died at age 18 years on 11 December 1914. She was not married.
- xii. Stella Board. She was born 26 February 1898 and died at age 31 years on 10 June 1929 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. She was married to Archie Williamson. They had no children.
- xiii. Rosalee Board. She was born 28 May 1907 and died at age 7 years on 14 February 1915.
- xiv. Lillian Board. She was born 15 February 1910 and died at age 30 years on 2 September 1940 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. She married to James Coleman and was called Mamie. They had no children.
- xv. Mary Elizabeth Board. She was born 24 June 1912 and was likely the lastborn great-granddaughter of Phillip Board. She married on 18 March 1929 to George Harty Payne of Caldwell County and she died 23 September 1940 in Caldwell County, Kentucky at age 28 years. She was buried at Perry Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky with her parents. **See 102.**

48. ROBERT MARION BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 28 February 1849 in Mercer County, Kentucky and came with his parents to Caldwell County, Kentucky in the early 1850s. He was called Marion Board and he was a farmer. He was married on 21 May 1871 in Caldwell County, Kentucky to MARY SERILDA MCGREGOR. She was the ninth child of Dison McGregor and Margaret Goodaker, who was born 10 December 1850 and died 31 August 1918. Marion Board died 24 November 1915 and both were buried in the Board Cemetery on his farm in Rufus, Caldwell County, Kentucky. Newman Ray Board wrote:

Following his death, five of the children—Jim, Bob, Sallie, Dick and Nona—continued to live there; all except Dick and Nona died there. Dick Board left only to go to the V.A. Hospital in Marion, Illinois, where he died. Nona Board stayed with relatives and in a rest home until her death. The farm was sold to Jim Schrewsberry in 1973 with access rights to the cemetery being retained. The log house built by Marion Board still stands (rather deteriorated) in 1995, although deserted since 1966.

Sources: Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, 1996 correspondence.

The children of Robert Marion Board and Mary Serilda McGregor, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. James Peyton Board. He was born 12 December 1872 and died 6 August 1947. He was buried at the Board Cemetery. He was not married.
- ii. William Reason Board. He was born 14 September 1874 and died 1 April 1936. He married on 25 July 1897 to Annie V. Creekmur and he married secondly on 17 May 1905 to Miriam Dona Creekmur. **See 103.**
- iii. Willis Bradley Board. He was born 21 November 1876 and died 16 January 1949. He married Effie A. Board, the daughter of John B. Board and Teressa Creekmur. She was born 18 November 1880 and died 24 September 1967. They were buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Princeton, Kentucky. He was known as Bradley Board. They had no children. **See 46 (v).**
- iv. Robert Calvin Board. He was born 7 March 1880 and died 31 July 1949. He was called Bob Board. He was not married, and was buried in the Board Cemetery.
- v. Sallie Board. She was born 26 January 1884, and died 16 April 1951. He was buried at the Board Cemetery. He was not married.
- vi. Richard Dison Board. He was born 12 November 1887 and died 24 July 1966. He was a veteran of World War I. He was buried at the Board Cemetery. He was not married.
- vii. Nona Margaret Board. She was born 25 March 1890 and died 11 March 1973. She was buried at the Board Cemetery. She was not married.

49. JAMES ALFRED BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1850 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married to SALLIE WADE in Caldwell County, Kentucky, where they resided. According to a letter from his sister, he was called Fred Board. The following was a letter from his sister, Mary Board, to James A. Board dated "April the 8<sup>th</sup> 1872". The letter was found in between the pages of the *Bible* of Phillip Board.

Dear Brother, I again attempt to write you a few lines which leaves us in only common health at this time. Mr. Board is complaining a great deal with phthysic and a cough but is up most of his time. Hope when this comes to hand it finds you all well and doing well. The health of the town is good, we are having some nice spring weather. Now there is a great deal of business going on, several dwellings are going up. There is one going up in the corner of the field back of our garden. There is some three or four large business houses going up on the public square. Material on the mound for all but Mr. Micks. They are working on the railroad with a vengeance. Wages are high. Common good hands are getting \$1 25 cents per day. Wood chopper on the road are getting \$1 75 cents per day. We cannot get a hand for less than \$1.25 cents to do gardening nor nothing else. Fred, I wish you would fix yourself up and leave your bad habits in Kentucky and come out here and live. Mr. Board talked like he thought you could get in a position to learn a trade. Any way you would be nearly sure of all the worth you could do at a dollar and quarter a day. His health is so poor and I do not know what may happen and I would rather you was here and had a position. I do not think he has the consumption though it is not impossible. Some of the neighbors believes that he has it. If it is so you can

come. I think it would pay you. Fred, I wrote for you to come out last winter and you did not come nor write to me. Now what did you do that way for if you do not explain yourself satisfactorily I believe I shall have to give my baby brother a spanking when I see him. Well bring as you are not well acquainted out here I report I have not much of importance to you to write. I am kept very busy sewing. They bring it in faster than I can make it up. I feel perfectly tired out. I do not hardly get time to do my own sewing. I wish I could get a little rest. I am not strong enough to work all the time. Some of my neighbors think it is injuring me but it looks like I cannot help myself. If I work for one I have to for another so here it goes. Well I will have to bring my letter to close. Give my love to all relatives and friends. Tell Marion that I would send him that money but I do not know whether you get my letters or not, therefore I do not think it safe. Hoping I will see or hear from you soon, I remain yours as ever, M.C. Board.

Sources: Newnan Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, 1996 correspondence; letter from Mary Board to James A. Board dated 8 April 1872. The letter was found in the pages of the *Bible* of Phillip Board, which was handed down to his David Board, and in the possession of Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley.

The children of James Alfred Board and Sallie C. Wade, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. Mary Board.
- ii. Martha Board. She was called Mattie.
- iii. James Board.
- iv. Joseph Board.
- v. Nettie Board.
- vi. Annie Board.

50. MILLY BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 11 March 1824 in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky and she was the daughter of Sally Board and an unknown father who was probably white. Her husband was believed to have been an enslaved man named Dan or Daniel, based on records in the Phillip Board *Bible*. Milly may have used the surname of her aunt, Mariah Sweeney, as she was enslaved at the time of Phillip Board's death and deeded to Phillip's daughter Mariah in his Will. Mariah Sweeney moved to Missouri after 1860 and it is likely that Milly Board was taken by Mariah to Missouri.

The Phillip Board slaves Edmund (Ned) and William Henry Harrison were possibly children of Milly. Nancy Board was also possibly a child of Milly and a white father. Nancy Board was in census records as a free person in 1860 and she had a light complexion. Nancy Board was the mother of a son, Jeremiah Board.

Sources: *Bible* of Phillip Board in the possession of Frances Board Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; the Will of Phillip Board of Mercer County, Kentucky; 1860 Federal Census of Kentucky.

51. SYDNEY BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 1 March 1829 at the Board farm in Mercer County, Kentucky, according to the *Bible* of Phillip Board. She was known to Ruth Young Pleasant of Dodge City, Kansas to be the daughter of Peter and Sally Board. In the Phillip Board Will, written 1844 and probated 1850, 'Sidney' was bequeathed

to Phillip's son, Joseph Board. Joseph was a minister in Caldwell County, Kentucky, and it was not known if she actually moved to Caldwell County or if she was sent to another Board brother during the settlement of the estate. She was not listed as a free Black person in 1860, which presumed she was still enslaved up until general emancipation. As with her mother Sally, Sydney had Board as a hereditary surname that was again carried in the female line to her children. In the 1870 census of Mercer County, Kentucky, Sydney was listed along with her husband THOMAS EWING in the Petersburg settlement of African-Americans, which was founded by her parents. The 1870 record indicated that Sydney had four children born to her between approximately 1850 and 1854. These children were born during the slavery era when ownership of people was established through the mother.

Sydney Board was listed as age 40 years in 1870, which was consistent with the 1829 *Bible* record of her birth. Her husband was Thomas Ewing, age 50 years, who was also born in Kentucky. Due to the circumstances of marriages of enslaved couples, it was not possible to determine who the father of the children were, other than they appeared to have had a marriage between 1850 and 1854. The Board children's races in 1870 were listed as Black, and they resided in Petersburg, Kentucky.

John Board, age 20, born about 1850 in Kentucky  
Peter Board, age 18, born about 1852 in Kentucky  
Sarah Board, age 17, born about 1853 in Kentucky  
Fannie Board, age 16, born about 1854 in Kentucky

There were other children living with Thomas and Sydney Ewing in the same household in 1870. These children were all Black and born in Kentucky:

Sarah Hawkins, age 15, born about 1855  
Edmund Hawkins, age 14, born about 1856  
Maggie Hawkins, age 13, born about 1857  
Thomas Hawkins, age 12, born about 1858  
Joshua Hawkins, age 10, born about 1860  
Charles Hawkins, age 9, born about 1861

The pattern of these Board and Hawkins births indicated they might have been subsequent children of Sydney Board with a Mr. Hawkins, but this was unlikely due to the duplication of the name Sarah in both lists, with only two years separating the births.

Sarah Board, age 17, born about 1853  
Sarah Hawkins, age 15, born 1855

Thomas and Sydney Ewing lived near what became Catlett's Lane near Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky, not far from the home of Peter and Sally Board. Thomas Ewing was also mentioned in an 1874 deed as being a Trustee of the Petersburg Baptist Church. Thomas and Sydney migrated along with the rest of Petersburg in 1878 to Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas. The 1880 census of Hodgeman County, Kansas enumerated the family. Thomas Ewing was age 61 years and a native of Kentucky. He was a mulatto as was Sydney, as his father's birthplace was given as England and his mother's birthplace as Virginia. Sidney Ewing was age 51 years, with her and her parents all born in Kentucky. The census left it unclear what happened to the Board children—John, Peter, Sarah, and Frances—in 1880. Likewise, it was not certain the exact descent of the children who were listed in the household in 1880:

Thomas Ewing, son of Thomas, age 16, born about 1864 in Kentucky  
William Ewing, grandson of Thomas, age 6, born about 1874 in Kentucky  
Charles Grant, grandson of Thomas, age 6, born about 1874 in Kentucky

Edward Durham, grandson of Thomas, age 4, born about 1878 in Kentucky

Thomas and Sydney Board were living in 1880 next door to her parents, Peter and Sally Board, and then Thomas Ewing died 5 August 1885 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas. The *Jetmore Reveille* of 5 August 1885 stated: "Thomas Ewing was seriously gored by the same bull that nearly killed [Lafayette] Green some time ago. As we go to press we learn that he had died." Her death was noted in several sources. The *Western Herald* of Kansas mentioned Sydney Ewing's death on 9 February 1889 and burial on 14 February in Jetmore. In *Jetmore Siftings* of 14 February 1889, it stated that "Mrs. Sidney Ewing, an aged colored lady who lived 6 miles northeast of Jetmore, was buried in the Jetmore cemetery Monday." The *Jetmore Reveille* of 15 February 1889 wrote, "A Mrs. Ewing (colored) living near this city died on Sunday and was buried Tuesday in the cemetery." Finally, on 16 February 1889, the *Jetmore Journal* wrote, "Died February 9, 1889, Mrs. Thomas Ewing, colored, Funeral on Monday."

The sole census record of Hodgeman County, Kansas that might have matched to a child of Sydney's was that of Sarah Bradshaw, the wife of John Bradshaw. Sarah was age 35 years in 1880, roughly corresponding to the above-mentioned dates of Sarah Board, born about 1853. If any of Sydney's children died between the 1870 census and the 1878 migration to Kansas, then they would have certainly been buried at the cemetery in Petersburg, Kentucky. No other record was located regarding her Board children and it was not certain which of these children were fathered by Thomas Ewing.

Sources: *Bible* of Phillip Board in the possession of Frances Board Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; the Will of Phillip Board of Mercer County, Kentucky; interview with Mrs. Ruth Pleasant of Dodge City, Kansas, with the author, 1995; Mercer County, County deed of 1874 naming Thomas Ewing as a trustee of the Baptist Church at Petersburg; 1870 Federal Census of Kentucky; 1880 Federal Census of Kansas; The *Western Herald* of Kansas lists Sydney Ewing's death as 9 February 1889; *Jetmore Reveille* of 5 August 1885; *Jetmore Siftings* of 14 February 1889; *Jetmore Reveille* of 15 February 1889; *Jetmore Journal* of 16 February 1889.

The children of Sydney Board and an unknown father, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. John Board. He was born about 1850.
- ii. Peter Board. He was born about 1852.
- iii. Sarah Board. She was born about 1853.
- iv. Fannie Board. She was born about 1854.  
The children of Sydney Board and Thomas Ewing, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:
- v. Thomas Ewing. He was born about 1864 and resided in 1880 in Hodgeman County, Kansas.

## 52. MAHALA BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

Haley was born in June 1834 at the Phillip Board farm in Mercer County, Kentucky. Although Mrs. Ruth Pleasant of Dodge City, Kansas did not know of Haley as a daughter of Peter and Sally Board, the birth date of 1834 corresponded to the estate inventory of Phillip Board in 1850 which listed the enslaved child "Mahala, age 15." The Will of Phillip Board directed that Haley and Charles be sold with the proceeds to benefit John Board, David Board, Joseph Board, and the heirs of Thomas Board, deceased. One of the brothers likely purchased Haley as she remained in Mercer County. Little was known of Haley's life. She was born enslaved and lived until age 16 years with her mother, Sally Board, on the farm of her white grandfather Phillip Board in

Mercer County. Where she lived between the probate of the Phillip Board Will in 1850 and emancipation in 1865 was not known, other than she presumably remained with one of the white Board family. Census records of 1870 indicated that she might have died between 1866 and 1870. If so, she would have been buried at the Petersburg Cemetery. This was a period of high African-American mortality following the Civil War and was supported by the available information.

Richard McDowal, age 40, born about 1830 in Kentucky  
Mahala McDowal, age 15, born about 1855 in Kentucky  
Sarah F. McDowal, age 14, born about 1856 in Kentucky  
William McDowal, age 18, born about 1852 in Kentucky  
Dick McDowal, age 12, born about 1858 in Kentucky  
Johnson McDowal, age 4, born about 1866 in Kentucky

She married RICHARD MC DOWELL (also, McDowal) as was evidenced through census records. In 1870, the 15-year-old Mahala McDowal was listed in the household of Richard McDowal of Mercer County, Kentucky in the Petersburg settlement. In 1880, 'Haley McDowal' was listed in the household of Peter and Sally Board in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas as their granddaughter, age 12 years. The ages of Mahala in the 1870 and 1880 census records were inconsistent. Since none of the dates matched within ten years, it was not certain if the records were referring to the mother or daughter. Both the McDowell spouses and some of their children were deceased by 1880. If Haley Board was deceased by 1870, the birth of Johnson would indicate that she was last known alive in 1866. Richard McDowell was found in 1874 as a trustee of the Petersburg Baptist Church along with his brother-in-law Thomas Ewing. The church was founded by their mother-in-law, Sally Board, who was free during the last fifteen years of the slavery era. The 1870 DeBeer's map of Mercer County showed the residence of Richard McDowell close by the Petersburg Church. Richard lived near William McDowell, also a Black man, who might have been a brother to Richard. The census records also showed the McDowals had a daughter named Sarah, or 'Sally', which was likely a reference to Sally Board.

Regarding the McDowell children in Kansas, Ruth Pleasant of Dodge City stated that Haley Board had a daughter, Mahala (also called Haley) who lived in Kansas and married to a white man by the surname of Lewis. They had two children who resided in Topeka, Kansas. Their daughter was Grace Lewis who married a Mr. Petrie and had sons Gilbert Petrie, who passed as white, and Henry Petrie, who died in Alaska. The son was Renely 'Ren' Lewis, who married Ora May Bradshaw, the daughter of Emma J. Gregory Board and Granville Bradshaw.

Sources: *Bible* of Phillip Board in the possession of Frances Board Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; the Will of Phillip Board of Mercer County, Kentucky; interview with Mrs. Ruth Pleasant of Dodge City, Kansas with the author, 1995; Mercer County, County deed of 1874 naming Richard McDowell as a trustee of the Baptist Church at Petersburg; 1870 Federal Census of Kentucky; 1880 Federal Census of Kansas; 1870 DeBeer's map of Mercer County, Kentucky.

The children of Mahala Board and Richard McDowal, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. William McDowal. He was born about 1852.
- ii. Mahala McDowal. She was called Haley and was born about 1855. She married Charles Lewis, Jr. and had children who married into the Bradshaw family. Charles Lewis, Jr. was the son of Charles Lewis and Katie Neal of Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 104.**
- iii. Sarah F. McDowal. She was born about 1856.

- iv. Dick McDowal. He was born about 1858.
- v. Johnson McDowal. He was born about 1866.

53. CHARLES BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

Charles was listed in the Phillip Board *Bible* as born on 1 January 1842 at the Board farm in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was listed with Haley as to be sold, according to the 1850 Will of Phillip Board. It was not known whether he remained with a white Board or whether he was sold to a nearby slaveholder. In either event, Charles likely remained in Mercer County as his Civil War pension file listed him as residing in Fairview (perhaps Fairville, or perhaps Fairview was a plantation name), Kentucky, as a farmer between 1859 and 1864. Charles Board was a private in the Union cavalry during the Civil War. He enlisted together with his brother James Board on 8 September 1864 in Camp Nelson, Jessamine County, Kentucky just south of Lexington. As a cavalry soldier, Charles fought in the elite corps of the Negro troops. He enlisted two years after the Battle of Perryville, which was fought on 8 October 1862 for control of the state of Kentucky. At the time of the battle he would have still been considered a fugitive slave. Perryville was not far from Harrodsburg, with the battle taking place several miles from the Phillip Board house. As a result of this battle the Union gained control of the Upper South, with key river and rail facilities that were used as staging grounds for the eventual conquest of the Deep South. African-Americans were not permitted to formally enlist in the Union Army until 1864. Charles's unit was Company G of the Fifth Regiment, United States Colored Cavalry. It was an important distinction that the African-American soldiers were not part of a state army (as were the white troops), but were Federal soldiers directly serving the United States.

Most of the time that Charles served in the army was spent in the hospital in Camp Nelson recuperating from an injury to his back sustained while trying to break in a horse. Pension records showed that he was laid up from October 1864 to February 1865. There was little or no fighting that the regiment participated in from February until the formal end of the war a few months later. Board was discharged on 16 March 1866, from general offices in Helena, Arkansas, the headquarters of the Department of Arkansas. An important fact gleaned from the pension papers of Charles Board was that he was literate and he consistently signed his own name.

A map of Camp Nelson showed it located on the Kentucky River in Jessamine County, Kentucky, south of Lexington on the Lexington-Danville Turnpike, near the confluence of Hickman Creek and the Kentucky River. Charles's accident probably took place at or near the stables, which were across the road from the hospital. Between the stables and the river was located a refugee camp for fleeing African-American children and women whose fathers and husbands were serving in the army. The 1976 study by Bartnik stated that Camp Nelson served a number of functions, primarily acting as the principal storage depot for Kentucky and Tennessee, also serving parts of Alabama and Mississippi. The camp was a recruiting center between its construction in 1863 and the end of Federal occupation in 1866. Many former slaves came to this camp as refugees and enlisted into the United States Army. The camp was built to a large extent by local enslaved persons and refugees who had escaped their servitude during the chaos of the war. The two groups of Black men and women were kept separate during the construction at the insistence of the slaveholders who did not want their slaves demoralized by those who were free. The facility quickly became part of the Federal grip on the upper South:



As the fortifications were being completed, Camp Nelson grew at a rapid pace. Dozens of frame warehouses were built to store supplies such as two million rations with clothing and equipment in proportion. Stables for two thousand animals and sheds for two thousands more were built, primarily behind the northern defense line (the main line of defense). Workshops, sawmills, machine shops, prisons, hospitals, a convalescent camp, barracks for colored troops, and a settlement in 1865 within the Camp Nelson confines for families of the colored troops who enlisted could be found interspersed among the living quarters, mess halls, etc., of the Union Army.

At its peak, the camp consisted of 300 buildings, of which only one remained by 1976, which was the officers' quarters called the White House. Fort Nelson contained the highest point in a series of forts that served at the northern line of defense. "All that remains today for Camp Nelson are earthwork remnants of the forts, battery, and entrenchments." The line of defense east of the road US 27 was best visible in aerial photographs, according to Bartnik in *A Cultural-Historical Overview of Camp Nelson Concentrating on its Main Line of Defense*.

After the war, Charles resided in Petersburg near Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky from 1866 until 1878, according to his pension file. During this time Charles Board married to BELLE PROCTOR in November 1868 in neighboring Danville, Boyle County. Officiating at the ceremony was Rev. Ellis Slaughter. Charles and Belle were in the 1870 census of Petersburg, Mercer County residing with Peter and Sally Board. Of all Sally's children, it was Charles and James who were most certain to be Peter's children as well. Belle Board died in 1872 in Petersburg near Nevada according to the pension file of Charles. She was certain to have been buried at the Petersburg Cemetery there, with only a limestone field stone to mark her grave. Charles Board was himself in ill health due to his war injury and in 1876 "he had to abandon farming and worked in hotels and restaurants" to earn his living. Charles never remarried and he had no children with his wife Belle.

Charles Board left Kentucky in 1878 in the migration to Kansas and he stated that between the years 1878 and 1880 he lived in Hodgeman County, Kansas. He was listed in the 1880 Kansas census as living next to his parents, Peter and Sally Board. Later, in 1880, he moved to neighboring Ford County where he worked as a waiter in Dodge City. Dodge City of the 1880s was the dusty, rowdy 'cow town' that was stereotypically depicted in the Western movies. Saloons, fights, cattle drives, and frontier justice were all part of the times in which Charles Board lived and labored. The homestead papers of Charles Board were recorded in Hodgeman County, Kansas on 1 July 1886. He applied under number 2768 and was granted Homestead Certificate 3801 from the record office in Larned, Kansas. The land was described as: "Northeast quarter of section eight in township twenty-two south of range twenty-three west of the sixth principal meridian in Kansas, containing one hundred and sixty acres." The papers granting the land to Board were signed by Grover Cleveland, President of the United States, dated 9 June 1886. Charles chose not to farm and instead he sold his 160 acres on 6 June 1888 to Allison M. Drennan of Hodgeman County. Charles Board, listed as a single man, obtained \$1,300 for the sale of this land, a significant sum for the time. A government pension was granted in 1884, with a modification in 1894 for \$12.00 per month. The last record for Charles Board's pension was dated 1898 in Dodge City, Kansas.

The following sworn statement was included in the pension affidavit of Charles Board and was signed in his own hand.

State of Kansas Ford County SS

I Charles Board late private Company 'G' 5 U.S. Cavalry (colored) now residing at Dodge City Ford County Kansas and by occupation a laborer being duly sworn according to law state upon oath that I have furnished the evidence of one comrade as to the origin in the service of the U.S. of my injury in support of my claim No 370 for a pension to wit the evidence of James Board and further declare that I cannot obtain the evidence of any other comrade as to the disability for which I claim pension as alleged in my declaration in claim No 370 for the reason that I have written to every surviving comrade that I have any knowledge of and can receive no answer from any of them, and have no personal knowledge at this time of the residence of any living comrade.

Charles Board

Subscribed and sworn to the 16th day of October 1889

The following medical affidavit described in detail the injury he suffered while in service of the United States Cavalry.

Dodge City, Nov 14 1882.

Now comes Charles Board who makes Claim for Invalid Pension No 439384 and on his oath doth say that his residence for five years immediately preceding his enlistment was at Fairville, Kentucky and his occupation was that of a farmer. His places of residence since his discharge was Nevada, Kentucky from 1866 to 1878 and at Hodgeman County, Kansas from 1878 up to 1880 and from that date until 1882 at Dodge City Ford County Kansas. That in the year 1864 while he was enlisted and his company to wit Co. G. U.S.C. Cavalry was at Camp Nelson, Kentucky the regiment had an unruly government horse which the Lieutenant George Taylor ordered the affiant to ride in the act of drilling in order to break said horse to the drill service. Said horse plunged and reared in so violent a manner that said affiant was violently thrown from said horse and the spinal column of said affiant at that point known as the small of the back was injured to such an extent that this affiant was confined for about three months in the government hospital and was attended by the army surgeon at Camp Nelson Kentucky whose name is not now known to affiant and who is now deceased. He was also treated for the same disability afterwards by Renyon Tuma who resides at Fairville, Kentucky. He this affiant [illegible] he has not suffered from any acute diseases of any kind since his disability was incurred. Affiant further states that he has attempted to follow his former occupation since he was discharged; to wit that of Farming but was unable to perform the manual labor himself and that he was compelled to depend on others to do the same. That in the year 1878 his disability became so agravating [sic] that he was compelled to desist from his occupation; to wit, that of a farmer as well as from all other manual labor whatsoever.

Charles Board

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This 16th day of March AD 1882  
W.F. Petelon, Clerk of the District Court for  
Ford County Kansas

Sources: *Bible* of Phillip Board in the possession of Frances Board Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; the Will of Phillip Board of Mercer County, Kentucky; interview with Mrs. Ruth Pleasant of Dodge City, Kansas, with the author, 1995; "A Cultural-Historical Overview of Camp Nelson Concentrating on its Main Line of Defense", prepared by George T. Bartnik of the Cultural Environment Section of the Division of Environmental Analysis, State of Kentucky Department of Transportation, August 1976, for the purpose of evaluating the Nicholasville Bypass impact on Camp Nelson. Supplied by Mrs. Frances Board Moseley; military and pension file from the National Archives, Washington, D.C.; homestead papers of Charles Board recorded in Hodgeman County, Kansas, on 1 July 1886, application number 2768, and Homestead Certificate 3801 from the record office in Larned, Kansas.

54. JAMES BOARD <sup>5</sup> (Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born on the Phillip Board farm in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky on 26 November 1845 and he was given the name of his great-grandfather, James Board. After serving in the Federal Army during the Civil War, he returned to Mercer County where he lived with his family in the post-war town of Petersburg. The service of James Board during the Civil War was documented in his pension file at the National Archives. A further description of his service, along with his brother Charles Board, was found in the *Report of the Adjutant General of the State of Kentucky*. In the *Report* was listed the enlistment of Private James Board and Private Charles Board on 8 September 1864 at Camp Nelson, Kentucky.

Their unit was "Company G of the Fifth United States Colored Cavalry" which was mustered in at Camp Nelson near Lexington in Fayette County, Kentucky. This cavalry was not a state unit, rather a Federal unit comprised of persons who were legally still fugitive slaves and technically not a citizen of any state. A more detailed record of Board's service was found in *A Compendium of the War of the Rebellion*. The 5<sup>th</sup> US Cavalry Colored was organized at Camp Nelson, Kentucky on 24 October 1864 and attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Division, District of Kentucky and Department of Ohio until February 1865. From that time until March 1866 it was part of the Military District of Kentucky and Department of Arkansas. This regiment during its service lost 35 enlisted men killed in combat, 1 officer, and 151 enlisted men who died from disease. Their service chronology was as follows:

September 20, 1864 to October 17, 1864: in southwestern Virginia. He participated in Burbridge's Raid from Kentucky into southwestern Virginia. On 2 October 1864, these troops were engaged in against Confederate forces at Saltsville, Virginia.

October 19, 1864: at Lexington, Kentucky.

October 21, 1864: at Harrodsburg, Kentucky. The Fifth US Cavalry was engaged in a skirmish in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky, on 21 October.

It was important to note that the 5th was comprised of African-American men from the Bluegrass region, many of whom were natives of the Harrodsburg area. It was likewise noteworthy that no other Union force was engaged in this skirmish. There were no published details regarding this skirmish or the cause for the cavalry call into Harrodsburg. It was known that there was highly publicized Confederate guerilla activity in the region during

this time. General John Hunt Morgan, the leader of Morgan's Raiders, had recently been killed in Tennessee on 4 September 1864 by Federal troops. Many of Morgan's men were returning to their Bluegrass homes, such as Captain Jacob M. Board, the cousin of James Board. Others formed splinter bands of guerilla fighters, such as the notorious Sue Monday.

Mrs. Frances Board Moseley of Harrodsburg suggested that a Sue Monday raid of 8 October 1864, might have been the reason for calling the cavalry into Harrodsburg. According to an eyewitness whose story was recounted in Olde Towne Ledger, Jerome Clark, alias Sue Monday:

Was the nephew of the Honorable Beverly Clark who was Democratic candidate for Governor in 1855, with Governor Beriah Magoffin a candidate for Lieutenant Governor. He had gained the name of Sue Monday by assuming to be a woman; and, in fact, his jaunty way of dressing might well impress the truthfulness of the idea, backed up with such arguments as ivory handled revolvers and pearl handled Bowie knives.

Monday and his partner Sam 'One-Armed' Berry led a band of five men who rode into Harrodsburg on October 8th and provoked a gun fight when attempting to rob the local bank, killing Captain John W. Cardwell. The shoot-out followed a failed attempt by Clark to coerce, by gunpoint, Governor Beriah Magoffin to open the bank. The band remained in the region and on 1 November 1864 killed Adam Harper in Midway, Kentucky between Frankfort and Lexington. During the period of October 18 to 21 when the 5th Cavalry was in central Kentucky, this band and other raiding parties were roaming the countryside in Union-controlled territory. Clark, for his part, met his demise on 12 March 1865 when he and his men were surprised by a detachment of 50 Wisconsin soldiers sent from Louisville.

The service chronology of Board's Fifth United States Colored Cavalry continued:

December 10 to 29, 1864: In southwestern Virginia. The 5th participated in Stoneman's Raid into southwestern Virginia in December 1864. On December 17 to 18, the cavalry was near Marion, Virginia. On December 20 to 21, the regiment participated in the capture of Saltsville from Confederate control and destroyed the salt works. Saltsville was captured by Union forces from the states of Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, and Tennessee, and the United States Colored Cavalry.

January through March, 1866: in Kentucky. Duty in the final phase of the war was confined to Kentucky - specifically, the towns of Ghent, Paducah, LaGrange, Crab Orchard, and Camp Nelson. The regiment was mustered out on 20 March 1866 by the Department of Arkansas.

James Board married not long after the end of the war when Black people could first legally marry in the South. The marriage record of James Board and MARTHA WADE was recorded in Mercer County, Kentucky from 1867. His granddaughter, Ruth Young Pleasant, stated that James and Martha were the parents of one child who she believed to be a daughter. Martha Board died and was buried at the cemetery in Petersburg, Kentucky. In the Civil War pension file of James Board, his daughter Emma J. Brown noted: "do not know name of his first wife; but is deceased. 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage was to Emma J. Grigory."

Martha Board was alive in 1872 when she and James Board resided at "7<sup>th</sup>, between Green and Grayson" in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky, where he likely went to find work after the war ended. He worked in the construction

industry as a 'hod carrier' for Mr. Hehl. A hod was a type of brick used in construction. At that time, on 7 October 1872, Mr. Board opened a bank account at Freedman's Bank of Louisville, a bank that was established for freed slaves in the South. He opened the account with a significant sum of money for the era, \$5.00. The bank also sought family information, probably for potential heirs, and he listed his parents, Peter Board and Sally Board, and siblings Charlie, Daniel, and Sidney Ewing. Last names were not given for Charlie and Daniel. Charlie was certainly Charles Board and Daniel might have used Board, Sweeney, or another surname. James Board gave his birthplace as Mercer County, Kentucky and he listed his wife Martha Board and child Jimmy Board. The gender of Jimmy was not stated, but James Board did use the name 'James Emma' for his daughter born in 1881, as well as for a son, 'James Charles', born in 1887. The recollection of his granddaughter, Ruth Young Pleasant, was that this child was a daughter. No further record of Jimmy Board was found, and this child may have died before the removal to Kansas, and therefore was likely buried at the Petersburg Cemetery in Mercer County, Kentucky.

James married secondly on 3 March 1878 to EMMA J. GREGORY, who was born 28 March 1859 in Kentucky, according to records in her Civil War widow's pension file. The pension files stated she was born in Barren County, Kentucky, although this might have been an error and was likely meant to be Boyle County, which adjoined Mercer County, and was only a few miles from the Petersburg settlement. Their marriage record was filed at the Mercer County Courthouse. The bond, witnessed with the mark of George Gregory, was written by Jack Gregory: "March the first 1878. Mr. Ben C. Allin pleas let James Board have mariages lices to mary my dughter Emmer. Jack Gregory, Doly Gregory." In the pension file Emma Board stated she was married "under the name Emma J. Gregory at Petersburg, Kentucky by Pleasant Roach; that she had not been previously married." Her husband James, she wrote, "had been previously married but do not know name of first wife. He was divorced but do not know when or the date of divorce. Do not know whether former wife is alive or deceased."

Emma Gregory lived in Petersburg, Kentucky with her family. In the 1870 census she was listed with her father Jack Gregory, a mulatto born in Kentucky, age 45 years (born about 1825) and her mother, Dolly Gregory, a black born in Kentucky, age 40 years (born about 1830). Also in the Gregory household in 1870 was Fannie Gregory, age 50 years, who was born in Virginia. At the time the Gregory's had nine children, all born in Kentucky, and listed in order with approximate years of birth: (1) Robert Gregory, born 1851; (2) Phillip Gregory, born 1853; (3) George Gregory, born 1855; (4) Henry Gregory, born 1857; (5) Levier Gregory, a daughter, born 1859; (6) Emma Gregory, born 1861; (7) Laura Gregory, born 1863; (8) Fannie Gregory, born 1865; (9) Billie Gregory, born 1867. Several of the names of the Gregory children came into use in the Board family. Emma became a popular name in the Board and Young family and George Henry was the name given to Emma Board's son. Fannie was common. The name Dolly, Emma Board's mother, was the name given to Emma's granddaughter, Dollie Young, the daughter of Lenora Board. The Gregory family likely lived in Boyle County, Kentucky in 1860 during slavery days. There were four white families named Gregory in 1860 in Boyle County who held slaves and none in Mercer County where Petersburg was located. Mrs. Livia Gregory of Boyle County listed 15 slaves in her household in 1860. The ages of those in the Jack Gregory family as of 1870 matched the ages and genders of those listed in the household of Mrs. Livia Gregory.

The James Board family moved to Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas during the 1878 exodus, shortly after their wedding. James Board died there on 23 January 1887 while breaking in a horse and having the saddlehorn crush his chest. The Civil War pension file of James Board contains a sworn statement by Thomas P. Moore of Hodgeman County in which Moore stated that Board: "died January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1887 from being thrown by a vicious horse. We attended the funeral and have always lived about two miles from them while in Kansas since the spring of 1878." James' widow Emma married secondly in Jetmore, Kansas to GRANVILLE BRADSHAW, a native of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. She died on 7 July 1939 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas, according to the James Board pension file. Emma had been ill since 1 April 1939 and died of apoplexy. Her physician was Dr. C.B. Wycoff of Jetmore.

The Board family in Kansas took advantage of the historic Homestead Act that allowed settlers to claim 160 acres of land and later take title to this land after completing a residency requirement, so in this manner James Board secured land. Homestead certificate number 4090, based upon application 8936, was granted from the land office at Larned, Kansas to James Board. The land was described as: "South-West quarter of Section Eight in township twenty-two, south of range twenty-three west of the sixth principal meridian in Kansas, containing one hundred and sixty acres." It was signed by Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States, and registered on 26 December 1891. The deed was recorded at the Hodgeman County Courthouse on 17 January 1893.

A transcription of the family *Bible* of James Board was included in the documents of the his pension file for service in the United States army during the Civil War.

Family Record

Births

Orange L. Board was born April the 1st AD 1873

Lenora Board was born the 29th of March AD 1879

James Emma Board was born 18th of August AD 1881

Harvey Board was born December 1st AD 1882

Fanna Board was born the 2nd of March AD 1884

George Henry Board born Jan 28th 1886

James Charles Board born April 28th 1887

Family Record

Deaths

In memory of Peter Board who parted this life

Dec 10th 1882 aged 80 years

In memory of James Board who parted

this life Jan 23rd 1887

The following affidavit was prepared by Sallie Board for her son's application for pension based upon his service during the Civil War.

State of Kansas Ford County SS

In the matter of Pension Claim of Emma Board Widow of James Board late of Company G 5<sup>th</sup> Regt U.S.C. Cav No 435194. On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March AD 1891 personally appeared before me a Clerk of the District Court in and for the aforesaid County and State, duly authorized to administer oaths. Sallie Board aged 100 years a resident of Dodge City Ford County Kansas and whose Post Office address is Dodge City Ford County Kansas, well known to me to be a person of good character and entitled credit. Who being sworn upon her oath doth say. I am the mother of James Board above mentioned and have already made oath

in this case that I cannot read or write and that I have heard the records of the family read and believe that the same was true to the best of my knowledge and belief and now further state that I could not give the exact date of all the records, from memory, but I do believe that the record in the *Bible* of James Board which was kept by J.J. Freeman from the beginning to the time I last see it was made and kept correct. That is the way I am able to fix the precise dates of all the Deaths Births and Marriage. In the record of Deaths the said Peter Board was my husband and James Board was my son. I further say that I am not interested in this claim in any way nor am I concerned in its prosecution.

Sallie Board X her mark

Witness to mark L.E. McGarry, D. Gallagher, Jr.

After the death of James Board, his widow Emma married secondly to Granville Bradshaw and they became the guardians of the Board children according to Guardian Letters and Bonds in Hodgeman County, on 2 May 1893. The children listed did not include Orange Board who was already a legal adult, but did list: Lenora Board, age 13; James Emma Board, age 11; Harvey Board, age 10; Fannie Board, age 9; George Henry Board, age 7; and James Charles Board, age 6. The Board and Bradshaw families contained several points of intermarriage, with the marriages linking the two families being early in the history of the Kansas settlement. Emma J. Gregory Board, the widow of Sally's son James Board, married GRANVILLE BRADSHAW and became the stepmother of four Bradshaw children and the mother of two Bradshaw children. Emma's daughter from her first marriage, Fannie Board then married Granville Bradshaw's son, Ernest M. Bradshaw, and was the mother of ten Bradshaw children. *The Standard Atlas of Hodgeman County, Kansas, 1907* referred to Emma J. Board Bradshaw as an early settler. This listing of settlers before 1880 included: "Emma J. Bradshaw, farmer, Jetmore, 1878." Also included in this list were two step-sons of Emma's: "E.M. [Ernest M.] Bradshaw, farmer, Jetmore, 1878," and "George W. Bradshaw, stone mason, Jetmore, 1878."

Granville Bradshaw was born 28 March 1852 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky. He died 7 August 1912 at Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas and was buried at Jetmore in the Fairmount Cemetery. Granville Bradshaw was the son of Lewis Bradshaw and Eliza Broadnax, both of Kentucky, according to his death certificate. On 7 April 1893, Bradshaw married secondly to Emma J. Gregory Board, the widow of James Board of Jetmore, Kansas, at the groom's home in Jetmore according to county records. Bradshaw's obituary was published in the *Jetmore Republican* of 9 August 1912:

Granville Bradshaw died Wednesday and Jetmore and Hodgeman County lose an old landmark. He was one of our most respected colored citizens. He died of dropsy. He leaves a wife, 6 daughters and 3 sons. He was buried in the Fairmount Cemetery.

#### LEWIS BRADSHAW

A *Bible* page titled "Family Record" was transcribed by Ernest M. Bradshaw and included in his paper "Great-Great-Grandfather Lewis Bradshaw, Migrated to Kansas from Harrisberg [sic], Kentucky." Bradshaw said that it was written on 9 December 1972 "when I was able to sit down with four or five of the older living members" of the family. The *Bible* page appeared to have been written between 1869 and 1899 based upon changes in handwriting. It began with Walter Bradshaw and his wife Nancy Bradshaw. It was known from

census records that Nancy Bradshaw was born in Virginia, which was important in determining their place of origin as it related to the white Bradshaws.

Walter Bradshaw born May 15th 1793  
 Nancy Bradshaw born March 15th 1792  
 Lewis Bradshaw born February 16, 1826  
 Eliza Bradshaw born February 13, 1828  
 John Bradshaw born September 27th 1850  
 Granville Bradshaw born March 28th 1852  
 Lewis Bradshaw born December 31st 1855  
 Charley Bradshaw born June 26th 1858  
 Alaxander Bradshaw born August 16, 1861  
 George Bradshaw, born May 4th, 1863  
 Benjamin Bradshaw, born November 25th 1867  
 Mary Bradshaw born March 11th 1828  
 Benjamin Bradshaw born January 3rd 1835  
 Lewis D. Bradshaw Died May 12, 1899  
 Benjamin F. Bradshaw Died July 4, 1899

The Bradshaws were already a family of seven sons when the 1870 census was conducted in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky, nine years before their migration to Kansas. The family was headed by Lewis and Eliza Bradshaw and lived in the town of Harrodsburg. The first record of the family dated to Nancy Bradshaw who was born about 1793 in Virginia, according to this census record. Her son, Lewis Bradshaw, was a 45-year-old farmer in 1870 and was born about 1825 in Kentucky. Granville Bradshaw, the second husband of Emma J. Board, and the father-in-law of Fannie Board, was the second son of Lewis Bradshaw. The Bradshaw family as it was listed in 1870 was:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Born</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
Bradshaw, Lewis	45	1825	Kentucky	farmer
Eliza	42	1828	Kentucky	keeping house
John W.	20	1850	Kentucky	farmer
Granville	17	1853	Kentucky	farmer
Lewis D.	14	1855	Kentucky	farmer
Charles T.	12	1858	Kentucky	farmer
Alexander C.	8	1862	Kentucky	
George W.	7	1863	Kentucky	
Benjamin F.	3	1867	Kentucky	
daughter	3 mo.	1870	Kentucky	(nameless)
Bradshaw, Nancy	77	1793	Virginia	

The origins of the Bradshaw family in Kentucky was not determined. A review of the 1860 Slave schedule in the 1860 Mercer County census did not yield matching ages and genders despite the presence of 4 families surnamed Bradshaw who held slaves. The family might have originated in an adjoining county based on the record of a 'slave sale':

Public Sale. Will be sold to the highest bidder for cash in hand on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, at Robard's & Curd's Store, about 3 miles from the mouth of Dick's River, Mercer County, Six or Eight likely Negroes, to satisfy a decree or judgment of the Jessamine Circuit Court. Ben. Bradshaw, Exe'r of B. Bradshaw, deceased and agent for Curd's Heirs. June 6, 1836.

Benjamin Bradshaw was part of a large family of Bradshaw's centered in Goochland County, Virginia who came to Mercer and Jessamine counties in Kentucky, around 1800, according to a history of the white Bradshaw family.



In Kansas, the family was an important part of the Hodgeman County colony and by sheer numbers they were a significant force as they represented about one-third of the first wave of 107 settlers from 1878 (*The Hodgeman County Colony*).

In spite of the bleak beginning, about fifty new settlers arrived in April 1879, including the Bradshaw clan consisting of seven families and thirty-three men, women, and children. Because they brought the skills of a stone mason with them, their transition to the plains was somewhat easier than most. Although this second contingent had missed the worst of the first winter when two small children had died, they were not spared the rigors of plains life since the drought that had begun in 1878 continued.

The deaths of Lewis and Eliza Bradshaw were noted in the local Kansas newspapers. Mr. Bradshaw died in the summer of the migration. *The Agitator* of 9 August 1879 noted that "Lewis Bradshaw, Sr., one of the Kentucky colonists died near Hodgeman center last Saturday and was buried Sunday. The funeral was largely attended. 50 years old. Buried on his claim." The death of Mrs. Bradshaw was noted in the *Jetmore Republican* of 1 August 1913.

Grandma Bradshaw, for many years a resident of this city died at the home of her son George, north of town Saturday. She reached the age of 87. She came to this county many years ago when a colony of colored folks came from Kentucky. Funeral services at the colored Baptist Church Sunday with burial in the Fairmount Cemetery.

According to the family notes written by Ernest M. Bradshaw in 1972, Lewis Bradshaw was the son of Walter Bradshaw. The seven sons of Lewis Bradshaw were: John Bradshaw, Granville Bradshaw, Lewis Bradshaw, Charley Bradshaw, Alexander Bradshaw, George Bradshaw, and Benjamin Bradshaw. Several of Lewis Bradshaw's sons married and raised families in Jetmore, Kansas. John Bradshaw was the father of Will Bradshaw, Johnny Bradshaw, Grant Bradshaw, and Lisa Bradshaw; none of his children had children. Granville Bradshaw married twice, secondly to Mrs. Emma Board, and his eldest son, Ernest Bradshaw, married to Fannie Board, the daughter of Mrs. Emma Board. Charley Bradshaw's children were Charles Bradshaw, Jr., Clara Bradshaw, Mattie Bradshaw, Maytie Bradshaw, and William Bradshaw. Charley Bradshaw's only grandchild was William Bradshaw, Jr. George Bradshaw, son of Lewis, was the father of Ralph O. Bradshaw, Jeremiah Bradshaw, Hugh Nelson Bradshaw, and Levi Bradshaw. Benjamin Bradshaw's children were Roy Bradshaw, Eva Bradshaw, Juanita Bradshaw, and Ray Bradshaw. Two of Lewis Bradshaw's sons had no children: Lewis D. Bradshaw, and Alexander Bradshaw.

The obituary of George Bradshaw, the son of Lewis Bradshaw, was published on 22 July 1943 and it was an important contemporary document linking the family to Harrodsburg, Kentucky. His Funeral services were at Jetmore Methodist Church.

George W. Bradshaw, son of Lewis and Eliza Bradshaw, was born in Harrodsburg, Kentucky, May 4, 1863 and departed this life July 13, 1943, at the age of 80 years 2 months and 9 days. He came with his parents to Jetmore in 1878 with a colony from Kentucky and settled north of Jetmore. His father died shortly after the family moved here. He became acquainted with the pioneer life and took up a homestead

north of Jetmore. August 13, 1885, he was married to Miss Sarah Melissa Freeman, a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Freeman of Jetmore. To this union nine children were born, five sons and four daughters. Four preceded him in death. Mr. Bradshaw was a faithful husband and a good father. He professed a hope in Christ in 1885 and became a member of the Baptist Church of Jetmore and in 1923 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire according to Acts 2-4 in which he remained faithful to the end.

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Sources for Granville Bradshaw: Obituary of Lewis Bradshaw, Sr., in *The Agitator* of 9 August 1879, Jetmore, Kansas; obituary of Mrs. Eliza Bradshaw in the *Jetmore Republican* of 1 August 1913, Jetmore, Kansas; "Bradshaw Family" undated monograph by Jessamine Bland James (Mrs. Roland M. James), 50 Camino Miramonte, Tuscon, Arizona, "This copy Printed for Philip Pleasant", who provided this information to the author via Ray O. Pleasant; "The Hodgeman County Colony," by C. Robert Haywood in *Kansas History*, pages 210-221; record of a slave sale of Benjamin Bradshaw in Jessamine County, Kentucky, photocopy received from Mrs. Frances Board Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; Federal Census of Kentucky 1860 Slave schedule; Federal Census of Kentucky 1870, Mercer County page 545; obituary of George Bradshaw from an unspecified Jetmore, Kansas newspaper dated 22 July 1943; A *Bible* page titled "Family Record" was transcribed by Ernest M. Bradshaw and included in his paper "Great-Great-Grandfather Lewis Bradshaw, Migrated to Kansas from Harrisberg (sic), Kentucky" that was written on 9 December 1972; death certificate of Granville Bradshaw from Hodgeman County, Kansas; Hodgeman County courthouse marriage records, abstracted by Virginia Baldwin of Jetmore, Kansas; obituary of Granville Bradshaw in the *Jetmore Republican* of 9 August 1912; records and grave markers from Fairmount Cemetery, Jetmore, Kansas; See 'Exoduster' Sally

*Board. An American Heritage: From Kentucky Slavery to a Kansas Homestead, 1805-1892*, by Jon P. Neill and Ray O. Pleasant, 2001, privately published.

The children of James Board and Martha Wade, born in Petersburg, Mercer County, Kentucky or Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky:

- i. Jimmy Board. She was born between 1867 and 1872, and was alive in 1872 and residing in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. She died, probably in Louisville, before the family moved to Kansas in 1878.

The children of either Emma J. Gregory with an unknown father and adopted by James Board, or James Board and an unknown mother, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- ii. Orange Lee Board. He was born 1 April 1873 and died 3 May 1952 in Dodge City, Kansas. He married 21 February 1894 to Fanny May Reed and raised a family in Jetmore, Hodgeman County. **See 105.**

The children of James Board and Emma J. Gregory, born after leaving Kentucky, at Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas:

- iii. Lenora Board. She was born 29 March 1879 shortly after the family's migration to Kansas. She married on 20 November 1902 to Cyrus S. Young, the son of a veteran of the Union Army, whose ancestry was part Irish, African, and Native American. She died 2 March 1941. **See 106.**
- iv. James Emma Board. She was given the names of both her parents, but went by Emma J. Board. She was born 18 August 1881 and married on 8 February 1903 to John H. Brown in Jetmore, Kansas. She died 27 January 1944 in Garden City, Kansas. **See 107.**
- v. Harvey Board. He was born 1 December 1882 and died 19 November 1971 in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas, although his the funeral card gave his date of birth as 31 December 1884 in Jetmore. He was not married. According to his funeral card, Rev. Ralph Bradshaw of Jetmore, Kansas was the officiating minister at the funeral. His obituary was published 25 November 1971.

Harvey Board of Dodge City who had lived most of his life in the Jetmore community, died Friday evening in Trinity Hospital. He had been in the hospital a little more than two weeks. Mr. Board was born December 1, 1882, in Jetmore. He had been a farm laborer most of his working life and moved to Dodge City about one and a half years ago. Survivors include many nieces and nephews, who include Floyd and Jesse Board and Mrs. Luther Lewis, Mrs. Norma Boydston, Mrs. Ellen Phoenix, and Mrs. Ruth Pleasant, all of Dodge City. The funeral was held in Dodge City with burial in the Fairmount Cemetery.

- vi. Fannie Board. She was born 2 March 1884, according to her father's Civil War pension file, and died 18 October 1917. She married 1 September 1901 to Ernest M. Bradshaw in Hodgeman County, Kansas. **See 108 (ix).**
- vii. George Henry Board. He was born 28 January 1886 and died 21 April 1937. He was married to Alberta Fife in October 1919. She was from Larned, Kansas. They had no children. **See 109.**

- viii. James Charles Board. He was born 28 April 1887 and was also called James Board, Jr., according to his father's Civil War pension file. In an affidavit dated 26 December 1890, his grandmother Sallie Board stated "Mrs. Charles Emery was with [Emma Board] at the birth of James Charles on April 28<sup>th</sup> 1887, and she [Mrs. Emery] is dead, and further says that no doctor was present at the births of any of the children." James married Edith M. Fife and their marriage license was granted 27 November 1912 in Larned, Pawnee County, Kansas when they were married by Rev. C. Morrow. She resided in Larned and he resided in Jetmore at the time of their marriage. He inherited the land that his father and mother homesteaded and in the settlement of his estate this land was sold in 1927 by Lawson Reed, his estate administrator. James C. Board died 10 November 1925. They did not have children.

The children of Granville Bradshaw and his first wife, name unknown, born in Mercer County, Kentucky and Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas.

- ix. Ernest Manuel Bradshaw. He was born in 1876 in Mercer County, Kentucky and migrated to Kansas in 1879 as an infant. He married on 1 September 1901 to Fannie Board, the daughter of his stepmother, Emma J. (Gregory) Board. He died 20 September 1943. **See 108 (vi).**
- x. Frances Bradshaw. She was born in 1881 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas and married 27 September 1900 to Edmund Clark in Hodgeman County.
- xi. Florene Bradshaw. She was born in 1885 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas.

The children of Granville Bradshaw and Emma J. (Gregory) Board, born in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas.

- xii. Ora May Bradshaw. She was born in 1893 and married Renely Lewis in Topeka, Kansas on 23 November 1910. Mr. Lewis was the son of Mahala McDowal and the grandson of Haley Board. **See 104 (i), See 110.**
- xiii. Robert A. Bradshaw. He was born in 1895 and resided at Larned, Kansas where he married Luella Johnson. He died 23 January 1943 in Chicago, Illinois and was buried at Larned Cemetery in Larned, Kansas. They were the parents Barbara Bradshaw, Leonard Bradshaw, and Alfred Roland Bradshaw. **See 111.**

55. JOHN MEAD BOARD <sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, David<sup>3</sup>, David<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in Pompton Township, Bergen County, New Jersey on 21 November 1817 and died 24 April 1895 in Metuchen, New Jersey. He married NANCY WARD in 1843 and married secondly to ELIZABETH CARLISLE in 1855. John Mead Board refused the Whig nomination for President of the United States, according to the Treman history of 1901:

Mr. Board was one of the few men who had the opportunity to refuse a Presidential nomination. Under the date of February 1, 1855, he received the following letter:

John M. Board: Dear Sir- At a caucus at the St. Nicholas Hotel, convened Feb. 1, for the purpose of selecting certain persons for candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States, your name was mentioned in a favorable light. Should you think it proper to have your name used as the next Whig candidate for

that high office, please inform me at the earliest moment. I am yours truly,  
Thomas Ritchings

Mr. Board was informed that he could have the nomination. He decided not to accept. He was more of a philanthropist than a politician, though for many years he was a Republican leader in New Jersey. He was a close friend of Horace Greeley. As to Mr. Board's background, he engaged in the real estate business. Afterwards he became a contractor in Hoboken. In 1854 he went to the Assembly. In 1868 he moved to Metuchen, and to abolish tolls on the bridge across the Raritan River at New Brunswick he defrayed the expenses of maintaining the thoroughfare. He equipped men for the front during the Civil War when the war began, and aided families during their absence. Mr. Board was most proud of the fact that he was master of every musical instrument in general use. He was associated with the leading musical societies of New York, and was once organist and choir leader of the old North Dutch Church on Fulton Street. He had been Chief Engineer of the Hoboken Fire Department and Under-Sheriff of Hudson County. At one time he was wealthy. His funeral was held at the First Reformed Church of Metuchen, in New Jersey.

Sources: Ebenezer Mack Treman and Murray E. Poole, *The History of the Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family in America with the Related Families of Mack, Dey, Board and Ayers*, Ithaca, New York: Press of the Ithaca Democrat, 1901.

The children of John Mead Board, (mothers were Nancy Ward and Elizabeth Carlisle, but not identified by child) born in Hoboken, New Jersey:

- i. Nettie Carter Board. She married William Venable and resided at New York City, New York.
- ii. Mary W. Board. She was a noted woman of her era and the only descendant of Cornelius Board to follow in his occupational footsteps.

A New Jersey woman is the head of a Klondike expedition which left on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad today. She is a Black Hills miner and her name is Mary W. Board. The expedition is for the Copper River, where she hopes to establish a colony near Osca, a Russian settlement. Miss Board will probably name her settlement 'Jersey,' as she was born in Hoboken and has lived in Metuchen for many years. Miss Board has been mining for about ten years in the Black Hills, but stopped operations last year on account of scarcity of funds. Her object in going to Klondike is to obtain sufficient means with which to carry on somewhat extensive operations in her Black Hills mines. Miss Board has outfitted her expedition for \$450 a piece. Her contract includes food, clothing, and simple mining machinery for a year. She is an intrepid woman about forty years of age, who long ago gained a reputation for locating quartz and placer mines. Her faith centers in the Copper River, which, she declares, is rich in gold. There are several trained nurses in Miss Board's expedition,

and other women, all of whom, she says, are quite as plucky and determined as the man. Miss Board has done the work of a lawyer in this city and New Jersey, although when she applied for admission to the Bar she was refused. She has never again applied for admission, but has prepared many important cases which have been heard in the courts. Her first trip to the Black Hills was made in the interest of a famous mining suit. She is the daughter of the late John Mead Board, who refused the Whig nomination for President in 1855. Mr. Board was an intimate friend of Mr. Greeley.

- iii. Louis A. Board. He resided in New Brunswick, New Jersey.
- iv. John Dewitt Board. He resided in Jersey City, New Jersey.
- v. Kate Board. She married John J. Sloat.
- vi. Susie Carlisle Board. She married James R. Voorhees.
- vii. William H. Board.

*Sixth Generation*

56. ELIZABETH JANE BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 15 April 1842 in Boyle County, Kentucky. She was married to JAMES EDMONDSON on 13 January 1862 in Boyle County, Kentucky, with consent given by P.S. Board. He was born about 1839 in Marion County, Kentucky, the son of William Edmondson and Mariah J. Scanland. He and Elizabeth Jane Edmondson sold land to Lulu Avritt on 9 March 1888 in Marion County, Kentucky. This was "A tract of land situated in Marion Co. state of Kentucky on the Lebanon and Macksville turnpike road about four miles North East of Lebanon in the line of the original boundary of the Wilson Edmondson tract of land."

Sources: 1870, 1880, and 1900 Federal census of Kentucky; 1880 and 1900 Federal census of Missouri; Boyle County, Kentucky marriage records; Deed Book Marion County, Kentucky, Book 16, page 357. Research compiled by Jerry Edmondson, 7625 Crisp, Raytown, Missouri 64138, from 1998 correspondence to the author.

The children of Elizabeth Jane Board and James Edmondson, born in Marion County, Kentucky:

- i. Charles L. Edmondson. He was born 6 January 1863 and married Evelyn Buckman on 14 September 1886. He died on 18 February 1900 in Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri. **See 112.**
- ii. Lemuel O. Edmondson. He was born about 1865 and married Pettie Bland on 4 December 1888 in Lebanon, Marion County, Kentucky.
- iii. Fannie Edmondson. She was born about 1867.
- iv. Elizabeth Edmondson. She was born about 1869 and married to James Bland on 4 December 1888 in Lebanon, Marion County, Kentucky in a double-wedding ceremony with her brother Lemuel.
- v. James Edmondson. He was born about 1872.
- vi. Cordelia Edmondson. She was born 8 August 1874 and married to C.A. Parker on 22 December 1896 in Carroll County, Missouri.
- vii. Lillie Edmondson. She was born about 1877 and married James Rose on 7 October 1896 in Carroll County, Missouri.
- viii. Robert Edmondson. He was born about 1880 and was a railroad laborer in 1900 in Norborne, Carroll County, Missouri.
- ix. Walter Edmondson. He was born in May 1885.

57. CLARISSA B. BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 30 March 1844 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky and was married there to DANIEL WILSON on 7 September 1864. He was born about 1834 in Pulaski County, Kentucky. She died in May 1939 in Burnside, Pulaski County, in southern Kentucky. Della Anderson wrote, "According to great aunt Pearl, Clarissa lived by herself on the farm in the hills around Burnside after Daniel's death."

Sources: Della Miller Anderson, great-niece of Pearl Wilson, Kentucky, correspondence to the author, 1999.

The children of Clarissa B. Board and Daniel Wilson, born in Kentucky:

- i. John Wilson.
- ii. Andrew James Wilson.
- iii. Inez Wilson.
- iv. William Wilson.
- v. Daniel Wilson.
- vi. Edwin R. Wilson.

58. NANCY ANNE BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born on 23 August 1847 in Boyle County, Kentucky and grew up in that county in Perryville. She married on 3 September 1869 to 'SQUIRE' ROWAN BRIDGES BOTTOM in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky. The bondsman to the marriage was Daniel Wilson. Bottom was born in 1847 in Boyle County and was the son of 'Squire' Henry Pierce Bottom and Margaret Delilah E. Hart. Nannie Bottom died of pneumonia on 9 June 1910 in Boyle County, Kentucky and was buried there at the Perryville City Cemetery. Squire R.B. Bottom died in Boyle County, Kentucky on 14 February 1926 and was buried with his wife. Bottom and his father were local magistrates in Boyle County, Kentucky. During the Civil War, the Battle of Perryville raged on their Boyle County farm. Nannie Board's father-in-law, Squire H.P. Bottom, was noted for his acts of compassion during the Civil War. In an excerpt from *Perryville, Battle for Kentucky*:

It has been reported that a contingent of the Confederate rear guard came forward on the Harrodsburg Road asking for a truce to bury their dead. They were told by the Federals to 'Move on. We will bury your dead.' This was not done, for at this very moment Squire Henry P. Bottom was gathering up many of the Confederate dead from the fields and placing them in piles. He then, over the next few days, examined each for names, insignias or identifying marks. Carefully he made notes of his findings that would help relatives identify the bodies. Finding the largest number of dead near the fence, where Cheatham's men had charged Parson's battery, he decided to dig a mass grave near here on the open knob and bury all the bodies at this point. Assisted by a few farm hands, the Squire dug two rows of pits, four pits on each side and here buried more than four hundred Confederate dead. Later a rock wall was built around the small cemetery.

His deeds were also written about in *Action Front* and copied in Jack Bailey's book on the Bottom family. The article was titled, "Broken In Spirit: The War Claim of Henry P. Bottom."

In the October 1997 edition we provided a brief history of the fighting that took place around the H.P. Bottom House. Squire Bottom was a local cabinet maker, farmer, and justice of the peace. During the October 8, 1862, Battle of Perryville, Confederate regiments under Bushrod Johnson,

Patrick Cleburne, and Daniel Adams battled the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ohio and 15<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Union infantry regiments on the southern end of his property. Much of the fighting on the rest of the field also took place on Bottom's land. Recently, the Perryville Battlefield State Historic Site acquired a microfilm copy of H.P. Bottom's 617-page war claim from the National Archives. According to a synopsis of the claim provided by Kurt Homan, manager of the State Historical Site, shortly after the Battle Bottom field for a claim for damages against the United States government. Despite the many witnesses who attested to H.P.'s loyalty to the Union, Bottom's claim was denied. It appears that several local citizens, including J.A. Burton (who lived in what became Elmwood Inn and ran what is now known as Park's Store) and Dr. Jefferson J. Polk, claimed that H.P. was disloyal. Because of their testimony, the claim was dismissed. Bottom died on September 27, 1901. In his will, he left his claim to his son, R.B. Bottom. Robert had the case re-opened in 1904. The claim shows the devastating impact that the Battle of Perryville had upon both the farm and Bottom, who buried a majority of the Confederate dead. For example, 'Did Henry P. Bottom ever recover from the losses which he suffered at that time?' Bolling replied, 'No sir, he never did. He was broken in spirit from that time on until he died.' Bottom asked to be reimbursed for property that was taken or destroyed after the battle by the Federal army. The United States government would not pay for any property damaged during the fighting or for property that was confiscated by the Confederates. Thus, Bottom's barn and its contents therein that were destroyed during the fighting were not included in this claim. One witness, however, noted that Bottom 'had a barn destroyed during the battle, a good one at that; it could not have been put up for less than six or seven hundred dollars; Bottom had a crop of wheat and oats in the barn at the time they were burned.' The claim was divided into two parts- Bottom listed destroyed 'commissary' property as well as 'quartermaster' property. The list of commissary that was taken included nine head of beef cattle, thirty head of sheep, 8,540 pounds of pork and 4,500 pounds of bacon. The quartermaster property destroyed included 320 cords of wood; 1,300 panels of worm fencing; 3,020 bushels of corn; 22 tons of hay; 50 bushels of oats; one gray mare 15.5 hands high, four years old; one gray horse 16 hands high, seven years old; and eight tons of hay. The amount for all this property taken or destroyed was \$4,862.00. This amount does not include property taken by the Confederate Army or materials destroyed during the fighting. Because it could not be proven that all of this property was taken by the Federal government, the claim was again dismissed. Neither Henry Bottom, nor his son Robert Bottom, ever received any remuneration for the goods taken or destroyed during Kentucky's largest Civil War battle.

In 2000, the Bottom House still stood prominently on land adjacent to the Perryville battlefield historic site that was donated to the Friends of the



Confederacy by Squire R.B. Bottom and his wife Nancy Board Bottom. The house was used as a hospital for Union and Confederate soldiers during the battle and its aftermath. According to Bailey, a local newspaper article published about 2000 read: "Bottom true hero during Civil War battle in Perryville" for his role in burying Confederate dead. A bronze plaque to Bottom was dedicated by his surviving great-granddaughters on the rock wall fence surrounding the Confederate cemetery.

Sources: *The Bottom Line*, by Jack D. Bailey, 527 Scenic Hills, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, published 2002; *Perryville, Battle for Kentucky*, by Kenneth Hafendorfer, 1981.

The children of Nancy Ann Board and Squire Rowan Bridges Bottom, born in Boyle County, Kentucky:

- i. Lillian Lee Bottom. She was born in 1871 and married on 1 March 1888 to James Oliver VanArsdale at her parents' home in Boyle County, Kentucky. She died in 1957 and was buried at Hillcrest Cemetery in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky. James VanArsdale was born in 1864 and died 16 October 1935. They had seven children.

59. JAMES WILLIAM BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and MARTHA BOARD<sup>6</sup> (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

James and Martha Board were second cousins who married on 9 August 1871 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was born 21 May 1850 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky and died 12 February 1939. She was born 6 September 1852 and died 2 April 1875 in Perryville, Kentucky at age 22 years. He married secondly in Boyle County, Kentucky to NANCY WILSON on 6 May 1884. She had been married first to Mr. Whitehouse and she died on 28 January 1951.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book VI page 371; Boyle County, Kentucky marriages Book IX page 499; Boyle County, Kentucky deeds; Mary Carico, 2128 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia, dated 1951, notes from her interview with Georgia Walker Board Robertson; Perryville City Cemetery records; William H. Perrin, *Perrin's Biographies*, Owensboro, Kentucky: Genealogical Reference Company, 1970. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of James William Board and Martha Board, born in Boyle County, Kentucky:

- i. Addie Lee Board. She was born 10 August 1872 and died in July 1955 in Boyle County, Kentucky. She married in 1894 to George White. **See 113.**

The children of James William Board and Nancy Wilson, born in Boyle County, Kentucky:

- ii. W. Polk Board. He was born 5 July 1885 and died 12 July 1960. He married Mamie Russell. They had no children.
- iii. Zelda Board. She was born 26 October 1887.

60. PARALEE STEVENS BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 24 November 1855 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky and married to ANDREW JAMES WILSON in Boyle County, Kentucky on 4 December 1873. In 1860, he was listed as a painter in the census of Boyle County, Kentucky. He was born about 1836 in Pulaski County, Kentucky, and died about 1878 in Marion County, Kentucky. She resided with her sister and brother-in-law, Daniel and Clarissa Board Wilson, after her husband's death. She married secondly on 3 February 1881 at the home of Daniel Wilson to

HENRY HARRISON SMITH. He was born about 1858 in Pulaski County, Kentucky and died in Somerset in 1935. She died at age 99 years on 21 February 1955 in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky and was buried there at the City Cemetery. An article was published in the *Louisville Times* on 22 February 1955, titled "1862 Battle Refugee Dies at 99."

Somerset, Kentucky, Feb. 22 – Mrs. H.H. Smith, an alert little lady who vividly recalled the Civil War battled which ranged around her Perryville home in 1862, died here yesterday at the age of 99. Mrs. Smith often told relatives of the battle which forced her family—herself, her parents, and six brothers and sisters—from their home. She was only 7 years old at the time. They were ordered out of the farm house by Union officers who used the place as a hospital for the wounded. In all 1,446 men, both Confederate and Union, were killed in the battle. More than 5,000 were wounded and 800 were reported missing. Heard Guns. Throughout the day-long battle on October 8 the family could hear the guns booming in the distance. Mrs. Smith said her family had loaded possessions on a cart, and driven their stock down a dusty road to a refuge near the Chaplin Fork of the Salt River [the Board farm in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky]. The stream was nearly dry from a long summer drought. It was several weeks before the family was able to return home. In the meantime, Mrs. Smith's baby brother was seriously ill and was given medical attention by a blue-clad officer. The Battle of Perryville threw back the last Confederate bid to capture Louisville and bring Kentucky into the Southern union. Rebel forces were under the overall command of Lt. Gen. Braxton Bragg, while Kentucky's defense force was headed by Maj. Gen. Don Carlos Buell. Mrs. Smith was married twice. Her second husband, H.H. Smith, was Pulaski County superintendent of schools for several years after 1900 and later became County tax commissioner. He died several years ago.

Her obituary was published in Pulaski County, Kentucky. "One of Pulaski County's oldest citizens, Mrs. H.H. Smith, died Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D.E. Denton, just three months after celebrating her 99<sup>th</sup> birthday."

A daughter of the late Phillip Schuyler Board and Mary Jane Graham Board, Mrs. Smith was born in Perryville in Boyle County, November 24, 1855. She married A.J. Wilson December 7, 1873, and two children were born to this union. Mr. Wilson and both children preceded her in death. Mrs. Smith married Henry H. Smith at Tateville nearly 75 years ago. They had five children, three preceding them in death. Mr. Smith died in 1935. Mrs. Smith was a member of the First Christian Church for many years. Her fine Christian life and warm friendly nature were a constant inspiration to the members of the congregation and to everyone who knew her. Her death is mourned by many friends in this section. Mrs. Smith is survived by two daughters, Mrs. D.E. Denton and Mrs. Gladstone Wesley, both of Somerset; 15 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and 6 great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Denton on Maple

Street. The Rev. L.D. Fisher and Dr. P.L. Ramsey conducted the services. Burial was in the Somerset cemetery.

Sources: Della Miller Anderson, correspondence to the author, 1999, including obituary clippings for Paralee Board Smith from Pulaski County, Kentucky, and Louisville, Kentucky, newspapers.

The children of Paralee Stevens Board and Andrew James Wilson, born in Marion County, Kentucky:

- i. Charles Artimus Wilson. He was born 28 September 1874 and married Millie Keyes. He married secondly on 5 February 1917 to Lizzie E. Helton in Helenwood, Tennessee. He died 23 May 1939 in Livingston, Montana. **See 114.**
- ii. James Andrew Wilson. He was born in 1875. He married on 17 April 1902 to Mallie Mae Nunnely. He died 10 June 1918 in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky. She was born in 1878 and died 18 August 1959 in Cincinnati, Ohio. **See 115.**

The children of Paralee Stevens Board and Henry Harrison Smith, born in Pulaski County, Kentucky:

- iii. Lena Smith. She was born in January 1882 and married Dudley E. Denton on 30 November 1905. They had five children.
- iv. Lula Belle Smith. She was born 21 April 1885 and died 20 March 1888 as a young child. She was buried at the City Cemetery in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky.
- v. Bessie May Smith. She was born in July 1887 and married to Matthew H. Barnett on 16 June 1914 in Pulaski County, Kentucky. They had no children.
- vi. Pearl Smith. She was born 12 December 1894 and married on 11 May 1920 in Pulaski County, Kentucky to Gladstone Wesley. She died 31 July 1999 at age 104 years in Pulaski County, Kentucky. **See 116.**
- vii. Ethel Smith. She was born 11 August 1891 and died as a young woman on 31 July 1905 in Pulaski County, Kentucky. She was buried at the City Cemetery in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky.

61. GEORGIA WALKER BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 28 August 1859 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky and was married there on 20 November 1877 to BOYLE C. ROBERTSON. She died in 1954 in Boyle County, Kentucky. His biography was in *Perrin's Biographies*:

Boyle C. Robertson was born January 31, 1855, in Springfield, Kentucky, and in 1858 moved to Perryville, Boyle County, where he grew to manhood, and in 1879 located at Aliceton, where he has since resided. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of November 1877, Boyle C. Robertson was united in marriage with Miss Georgia W., daughter of Philip S. and Mary J. (Graham) Board of Boyle County, and to them have been born Cassie J., Maggie L., Ada F., and Jennie K. In 1879 Mr. Robertson commenced clerking in the store of James A. Bottom, of Aliceton, and now with his brother, Lemuel M. Robertson, is engaged in conducting a general merchandise establishment, in which they are meeting with encouraging success. In politics, Mr. Robertson affiliates with the Democratic party.

Sources: Boyle County, Kentucky marriages 1877; Boyle County, Kentucky deeds; Mary Carico, 2128 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia, dated 1951, notes from her interview with Georgia Walker Board Robertson; Perryville City Cemetery records; Robertson entry in William H. Perrin, *Perrin's Biographies*,

Owensboro, Kentucky: Genealogical Reference Company, 1970. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Georgia Walker Board and Boyle C. Robertson, born in Aliceton, Boyle County, Kentucky:

- i. Cassie J. Robertson. She married Mr. Crutchfield.
- ii. Maggie L. Robertson. She married Mr. Pipes.
- iii. Ada F. Robertson. She married Mr. Graham. They had one child, Jamie Polk Graham.
- iv. Jennie K. Robertson.

62. PHILLIP BOARD <sup>6</sup> (David<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 5 December 1843 in Callaway County, Missouri and died 12 August 1910 in Stockton, San Joaquin County, California. He married SUSAN J. MITCHELL on 11 November 1875. She was born about 1856 in California. They had one child enumerated in the 1880 census of California. Later, in the 1900 census, Susan Board was listed as a patient at the Stockton State Hospital in Stockton, San Joaquin County. Her husband was next in the 1910 census residing with Mary Tower in Calaveras County, California. She might have been his daughter, Mary.

Sources: Federal Census of California for 1880, 1900, and 1910; family records of the Board's in California compiled by Mrs. Judith (Robert) Board, Holm Oak Road, Citrus Heights, California, roughly between 1975 and 1985.

The children of Phillip Board and Susan J. Mitchell, born in O'Neil Township, San Joaquin County, California:

- i. Mary Board. She was born about 1878.

63. JOHN MARTIN BOARD <sup>6</sup> (David<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 12 February 1845 in Callaway County, Missouri and died 28 January 1924 in Visalia, Tulare County, California. He married IDA JAMESON on 15 November 1876. She was born in September 1855 in California, according to the 1900 census.

Sources: Federal Census of California for 1880, 1900, and 1910; family records of the Board's in California compiled by Mrs. Judith (Robert) Board, Holm Oak Road, Citrus Heights, California, roughly between 1975 and 1985.

The children of John Martin Board and Ida Jameson, born in Tulare County, California:

- i. Mary I. Board. She was born in September 1877.
- ii. Lydia M. Board. She was born in January 1880.
- iii. Leona Board. She was born in April 1883.
- iv. Edna Board. She was born in December 1885.
- v. John M. Board. He was born in June 1888.

64. ROBERT BOARD <sup>6</sup> (David<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 14 April 1846 in Callaway County, Missouri and moved to California with his parents. He married HARRIET M. JAMESON on 20 December 1881, who was born in June 1865 in California. He died 16 July 1910 in Visalia, Tulare County, California.

Sources: Federal Census of California for 1880, 1900, and 1910; family records of the Board's in California compiled by Mrs. Judith (Robert) Board, Holm Oak Road, Citrus Heights, California, roughly between 1975 and 1985.

The children of Robert Board and Harriet M. Jameson, born in Tulare County, California:

- i. Robert H. Board. He was born in August 1882 and married Ethel.  
**See 117.**
- ii. Arthur Board. He was born in October 1884.

- iii. Mable Board. She was born in October 1886.
- iv. Florence Board. She was born in December 1894.

65. DAVID BOARD <sup>6</sup> (David<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 15 January 1865 in California and died there on 16 December 1925. He married 1 November 1904 to MARIENNE H. WALSH. She was born about 1879. They had one child enumerated in the 1910 census of California.

Sources: Federal Census of California for 1880, 1900, and 1910; family records of the Board's in California compiled by Mrs. Judith (Robert) Board, Holm Oak Road, Citrus Heights, California, roughly between 1975 and 1985.

The children of David Board and Marienne Walsh, born in San Joaquin County, California:

- i. Mary E. Board. She was born about 1906.

66. DR. ALFORD THOMAS CHATHAM, II <sup>6</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 26 March 1848 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 27 October 1925 in Clackton, Missouri. He was a physician. He married LYDIA CRABTREE on 1 November 1866 in Daviess County, Kentucky. She born in Daviess County, Kentucky on 23 October 1841 and died 28 February 1907 in Clackton, Missouri. He married secondly to MARY DAVIS on 17 March 1912 in Missouri.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Dr. Alford Thomas Chatham, II and Lydia Crabtree, born in Daviess County, Kentucky:

- i. Lula Chatham. She was born 26 February 1868. She married David Ingram, married secondly to Mr. Sims, and married thirdly to Peter Rooney. **See 118.**
- ii. David Board Chatham, II. He was born 7 July 1869 and died 16 April 1947. He married 20 October 1899 to Ida B. Emory. **See 119.**
- iii. Sarah Lamb Chatham. She was born 25 December 1870 and died 26 June 1898 at age 27 years. She married Mr. Bray. They had no children.
- iv. Ilee Chatham. He was born 28 September 1872 and died 9 February 1958. He married Abbie Taylor and married secondly to Mary Ellen Young in 1902. **See 120.**
- v. Walter P. Chatham. He was born 25 October 1874 and died 7 March 1958. He married 1 January 1902 to Ellen Maude Smith. **See 121.**
- vi. Martha Chatham. She was born 15 December 1877 and died 9 September 1969. She married 4 September 1896 to Bruce Gregston. **See 122.**
- vii. Maude Lee Chatham. She was born 2 December 1879 and died 21 June 1957. She married 15 September 1901 to William T. Dunscombe, Jr. **See 123.**
- viii. Elizabeth G. Chatham. She was born 15 November 1882, and died 2 January 1967. She married 1 January 1902 to Samuel H. Dunscombe. **See 124.**

67. MARTHA ELLEN CHATHAM <sup>6</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 2 April 1850 and died 2 April 1893 on her 43<sup>rd</sup> birthday. She married in 1870 in Mercer County, Kentucky to JAMES TEWMEY.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book VI page 27 (Tewmey-Chatham), Book XXIV page 568 (Tewmey-Nichols), Book XVII page 284 (Langford-Tewmey); correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Mary Ellen Chatham and James Tewmey, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Mary Tewmey.
- ii. Nancy Tewmey. She married in 1896 to J.H. Langford.
- iii. Vergie Tewmey. She was a twin.
- iv. Virgil Tewmey. He was a twin to Vergie. He married in 1912 to Frances R. Nichols.

68. DAVID BOARD CHATHAM <sup>6</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 12 November 1851 in Mercer County, Kentucky where he died on 19 April 1919. He married on 10 November 1873 to MARY ELIZABETH DOWNEY.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XXVI page 25 for Virgil Chatham; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of David Board Chatham and Mary Elizabeth Downey, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Virgil Clayton Chatham. He was born 19 September 1874 and died 24 February 1970. He married in 1914 to Sadie Sutherland.
- ii. Thomas Combs Chatham. He was born 31 October 1876 and died 1 September 1963. He married in April 1901 to Elizabeth Adams. **See 125.**
- iii. Charles Byron Chatham. He was born 2 February 1879. He married Mary Vansant and married secondly to Mrs. Blanche Gully. They moved to California. He did not have children.
- iv. Camillus Thompson Chatham. He was born 14 February 1881 and married 11 September 1906 to Emily Stockton Barnes. **See 126.**
- v. Rena E. Chatham. She was born 18 June 1886 and married in 1911 to Rev. Edmund H. Osborne. **See 127.**
- vi. David LeRoy Chatham. He was born 17 June 1889 and died 17 September 1963. He married June Parrish.

69. NANCY JANE CHATHAM <sup>6</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 3 January 1854 and died 17 May 1900. She married in 1874 to GEORGE R. NICHOLS in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was born 6 February 1853 to Benjamin Nichols and Harriett Nield and he died 21 November 1948.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book VIII page 84; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Nancy Jane Chatham and George R. Nichols, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Thomas I. Nichols. He was born 14 July 1881 and died 26 March 1901. He was not married.

- ii. Eddie Nichols. He was born 18 April 1883 and died shortly after birth on 21 April 1883.

70. VERNETTA ELLAN CANNON <sup>6</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in 1864 and died 6 January 1919. She was called Nettie and she was a nurse. She married in Mercer County, Kentucky in 1880 to JAMES FRANKLIN ANDERSON. He was born 11 January 1854 in Jaswell, Clayborn County, Tennessee and died 8 December 1943 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriage Book X page 178; Mrs. Ethel (Horton) Taylor, South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, DeKalb, Illinois research compiled from roughly 1985 to 1990.

The children of Vernetta Ellan Cannon and James Franklin Anderson, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Laura Lee Anderson. She was born 2 February 1881 and died in 1951. She was not married.
- ii. Elizabeth A. Anderson. She was born in 1883 and married George Willard Collier, her second cousin, and also a great-grandchild of David Board. **See 74 (iii), See 128.**
- iii. Nealy Anderson. She was born 12 July 1884 and married George Edward Land, married secondly to Peter Ross, and married thirdly to Earl D. Niman. **See 129.**
- iv. Mattie Anderson. She was born in 1886 and died as a young woman in 1909.
- v. James Walter Anderson. He was born in 1888 and married Fannie Smothers. **See 130.**
- vi. Charles Anderson. He was born in 1890 and died 6 June 1952.
- vii. Effie Anderson. She was born 22 October 1892 and married 14 November 1909 to Hannibal Taylor. She died 11 September 1932. **See 131.**
- viii. Leonard Anderson. He was born in 1895 and died on 19 January in 1919 or 1920. He married Bertha Hamick, who died in 1918. They did not have children.
- ix. Clayton Virgil Anderson. He was born 26 February 1897 and died in November 1969. He married Bessie Bottoms on 11 June 1921. **See 132.**
- x. Lena Anderson. She was born in 1898 and married Frank Everett Simmons. **See 133.**
- xi. Roy Lee Anderson. He was born 26 May 1900 and married Ruth Thompson. **See 134.**
- xii. Margie Anderson. She was born 10 November 1903 and died 6 June 1952. She was buried at Spring Hill Cemetery in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky. She was not married.

71. PARTHENA CANNON <sup>6</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in 1862 and was known as Athena. She married in 1889 in Mercer County, Kentucky to BENJAMIN TRAPLAND NICHOLS. He was born 1857 and died 16 November 1921. She died in 1947 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XIV page 390; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Parthena Cannon and Benjamin T. Nichols, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Elwood Nichols. He was born in 1891 and died 1923. He was not married.
- ii. Bessie Nichols. She was born in 1894. She married Clint Newley and married secondly to Garret Brewer.
- iii. Marvin Dewey Nichols. He was born 10 May 1898 and married on 31 July 1919 to Ollie Jane Chumley, also a descendant of David Board. **See 135, See 150 (iii).**
- iv. Delia Nichols. She was born in 1890 and died as a young girl in 1898.

72. CHARLES BYRON CANNON <sup>6</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 20 December 1856 and died 16 August 1901 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married in 1879 to MOLLY CATLETT.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book X page 124; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Charles Byron Cannon and Molly Catlett, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Lillie Cannon. She was born 22 February 1880 and married Curtis Taylor McGinnis.
- ii. Ernest Cannon. He was born 18 July 1891 and married Bertie Leonard. **See 136.**
- iii. Nannie Cannon. She was born in 1900 and married George W. Roney. **See 137.**
- iv. John William Cannon. He married in 1904 to Myrtle Leonard. **See 138.**
- v. Virgil Milton Cannon. He married in 1916 to Bessie Teater, also a descendant of David Board. **See 139, See 142 (ii).**
- vi. Ora Cannon. She married in 1915 to Esse Maurice Roberts. **See 140.**
- vii. Carrie Cannon. She married in 1915 to Roy Roney. **See 141.**

73. MARY ELIZABETH COLLIER <sup>6</sup> (Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 18 June 1847 and died 11 January 1922. She married 4 October 1865 to MINOR G. TEATER, who was born 6 January 1846 and died 1 April 1912.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Mary Elizabeth Collier and Minor G. Teater, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Robert H. Teater. He was born in 1866. He married Sarah Matherly in 1893, married secondly to Maggie Roney in 1901, and married thirdly to Ella Bunton in 1904. **See 142.**
- ii. David Teater. He was born in 1869 and died in 1941. He married Emma Jackson, who was also a great-grandchild of David Board. **See 83 (i), See 143.**
- iii. Irvin Teater. He was born in 1870 and married a Miss Purdom.



- iv. Fina Alma Teater. She was born 4 April 1873 and died unmarried on 14 October 1919.
- v. Sophronia Teater.
- vi. John G. Teater. He was not married.

74. DAVID CORA COLLIER <sup>6</sup> (Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 30 July 1851 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 9 October 1913. He married in 1901 to MARY E. NICHOLS, who was born 17 February 1857. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of David Cora Collier and Mary E. Nichols, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Lena H. Collier. She was born in 1873 and married in 1892 to Matthew Divine. **See 144.**
- ii. John H. Collier. He was born in 1874 and died in 1943. He married in 1900 to Pearl McCrystal and married secondly in 1914 to Ethel Murphy. **See 145.**
- iii. George Willard Collier. He married to Elizabeth A. Anderson, also a great-grandchild of David Board. **See 70 (ii), See 128.**
- iv. Allie Collier. She was born in 1876 and married in 1899 to John Williams.
- v. Demetrius Collier. He married Maggie Carey.
- vi. Hannah Collier. She married in 1906 to Alvin McCrystal.
- vii. Pitts S. Collier. He married in 1915 to Maude S. Williams.
- viii. Pearl Collier.
- ix. Breck Collier. He married in 1915 to Zennor McGinnis.

75. MILES COLLIER <sup>6</sup> (Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 15 July 1854 and married in 1879 in Mercer County, Kentucky to MARY E. SMITH. He died 22 October 1888.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Miles Collier and Mary E. Smith, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Naomi Collier. She was born in 1879.
- ii. Mattie Collier. She married 1903 to Philip Williams.
- iii. Sally C. Collier. She married in 1906 to John T. Prather.
- iv. 'Boss' Collier. He was mayor of Pineville, Kentucky.

76. VINSON COLLIER <sup>6</sup> (Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 23 June 1857 and died 2 November 1902. He married HENRIETTA ROSS in 1884. She was born 21 June 1859 and died 16 September 1893. Vinson, also rendered Vincent, married secondly to MARY WIGHAM in 1895 and married thirdly to LILY M. WARE in 1912.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about

1905. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Vinson Collier and Henrietta Ross, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Sonora Collier. She was born 11 September 1885 and died 12 January 1951. She married David Catlett, also a great-grandchild of David Board. **See 85 (iv), See 146.**
- ii. Zilpher Collier. She was born 11 December 1886 and died as a young child on 21 February 1893.
- iii. Ida H. Collier. She was born 26 June 1887 and died 29 December 1903 as a young woman.
- iv. Harvey G. Collier. He was born 24 June 1888 and died 20 April 1957. He married in 1926 to Ethel Broyles.
- v. Turner Collier. He married in 1913 to Grace Powell.
- vi. Flora Collier. She was born 13 October 1890 and married in 1911 to John W. Bugg. **See 147.**
- vii. Albert Collier.

77. CAROLINE CATHERINE BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 30 November 1848 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married there on 30 March 1865 to BLUFORD DIVINE. She died 25 March 1935 in Midway, Kentucky and was buried at the Alton Cemetery in Alton, Anderson County, Kentucky, along with her husband. He was born 28 January 1844 in Mercer County, Kentucky and fought in the Union Army during the Civil War in the 9<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Cavalry. He was the son of John S. Divine and Permelia Downey and died 28 June 1909 in Woodford County, Kentucky.

Sources: *Bury Me In Dixville*, by Jack Bailey, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, page 58; 1880 Mercer County census; Divine family history compiled by Arthur E. Divine, 419 Aqua Vista Drive, Granbury Texas 76049, to the author 1994.

The children of Caroline Catherine Board and Bluford Divine, born in Mercer County, Kentucky, and Anderson County, Kentucky:

- i. Mary E. Divine. She was born in 1867 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married on 14 October 1886 to Alfred B. Cinnamen.
- ii. John Thomas Divine. He was born in 1869 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 4 November 1949 in Louisville, Kentucky. He married Clara Thompson.
- iii. Emma Divine. She was born in 1871 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married 24 November 1886 to Abraham Monroe.
- iv. Oscar Divine. He was born 27 February 1875 and died 27 September 1947 in Danville, Boyle County, Kentucky. He married 30 November 1898 in Anderson County, Kentucky to Laura Catherine Bramblet. **See 148.**
- v. Leora Divine. She was born in 1877 in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- vi. Carrie Divine. She was born in 1884 in Anderson County, Kentucky. She married 16 August 1905 to E.W. Thomas.
- vii. Offa Divine. She was born in March 1880 in Anderson County, Kentucky and married 29 December 1898 to Henry Thomas.

78. ELIZABETH J. BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 11 September 1850 and died 1 April 1940. She married on 20 January 1876 in Mercer County, Kentucky to JAMES ANDREW JACKSON. He was born in 1847 and died in 1931. His obituary was published in Harrodsburg, Kentucky:

Mr. James Jackson one of the most venerable and highly esteemed citizens of Rose Hill passed away Sunday afternoon about four o'clock after a year's gradual failing in health due to his advanced years. Mr. Jackson was a splendid gentleman, popular with all who knew him. His funeral was on Wednesday morning at Berea Christian Church, conducted by Rev. T. Hassell Bowen. Burial was in the Berea Cemetery. Mr. Jackson's six grandsons were the casket bearers. He is survived by his widow, Elizabeth Board Jackson, and the following children: Fred, James, and Carl Jackson; Mrs. Ed Chumley, all of Mercer county; Mrs. Price Terhune and Mrs. Joe Randolph, of Lexington. He also leaves two brothers and a sister, Mr. W.E. Jackson, Harrodsburg; Mr. O.J. Jackson, New York City, and Mrs. Kate Wigham, of Michigan.

After the death of her father, Thomas Board, Elizabeth received a one-fifth interest in a parcel of his land. On 9 July 1894, Elizabeth Jackson and James Jackson, her husband, sold to her uncle Jacob M. Board for \$35 land on the waters of the Chaplin River. She sold her one-fifth interest as an heir of Thomas Board, who bought the land from J.H. Graves (Deed Book 45, page 73) consisting of 48 acres less 15 acres that was sold by Thomas Board during his lifetime (Deed Book 62, page 325). They signed their names Lizzie Jackson and James A. Jackson. Her obituary was published in Harrodsburg, Kentucky:

Mrs. Lizzie Jackson, 89, died at the home of her son, Carl Jackson, near Rose Hill, at 6:30 a.m. Monday, April 1, 1940. She was the widow of J.A. Jackson, who died 1 March 1931, and the daughter of Thomas and Mary Crain Board. She was born and reared in Mercer County and at the age of 11 years joined the Berea Christian Church, near Harrodsburg, and her funeral was held there at 2:30 Wednesday with burial in Berea Cemetery. The Rev. George M. Trout conducted the service. Mrs. Jackson is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Lillie Terhune, Mrs. Ed Chumley, Lexington; Mrs. Joe Randolph, Harrodsburg; three sons, Carl Jackson, Rose Hill; Fred and James Jackson, Harrodsburg; nineteen grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. Belle Board, Harrodsburg; Mrs. Lee Warner, Fenley, Illinois; one brother J.M. Board, of Harrodsburg. Six grandsons were casket bearers at the funeral, Maurice, Marshall and Ray Jackson, Gilbert Terhune, Horace Chumley, and Marvin Nichols.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book IV (Jackson-Board), Book XXII page 92 (Randolph-Jackson), Book XXIII page 22 (Jackson-Bonta), Book XXVI page 47 (Jackson-Straup; spelling uncertain), Book XXXVIII page 1 (Jackson-Devine); Mercer County Deed Book 62; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; Elizabeth Jackson obituary from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 5 April 1940; James Jackson obituary from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 6 March 1931. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Elizabeth J. Board and James Andrew Jackson, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Lillie Bell Jackson. She was born in 1876 and died in 1957. She married in 1897 to Price Terhune in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was born in 1875 and died in 1923. **See 149.**
- ii. Neellie Jackson. She was born 7 July 1876 and died 13 November 1963. She married in 1917 to Edward Lawrence Chumley in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 150.**
- iii. Susie Jane Jackson. She was born in 1886 and died in 1947. She married in 1907 to Joseph Randolph. He was born in 1880 and died in 1953.
- iv. Carl Milton Jackson. He married in 1909 to Mamie Bonta, married secondly in 1914 to Esther Straup, and married thirdly in 1926 to Effie Devine. He died in 1962.
- v. James Jackson. He married Florence Darland and married secondly to Evelyn. **See 151.**
- vi. Fred Jackson. He married in 1915 to Shannon Sims and died in August 1973. **See 152.**
- vii. Charlie B. Jackson. He was born 18 September 1881 and died as a young child on 27 November 1885.
- viii. Walter Jackson. He was born 14 August 1883 and died as a young child on 11 October 1888.

79. JOHN WILLIAM BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 28 September 1862 and was called William Board. He married in 1885 to NANNIE BAILEY. He was murdered by J.W. Bugg in 1896 in Mercer County, Kentucky. His widow, Nannie Board, married secondly to Thomas J. Randolph on 1 March 1900 in Mercer County, Kentucky and they had six children. The case of *Bugg v. Commonwealth of Kentucky* was heard in the Court of Appeals of Kentucky, 13 January 1897. The proceedings were documented in 38 *Southwestern Reporter (Kentucky)*, pages 684-686. The appeal of Bugg was a precedent involving Criminal appeals with 'Matters not Apparent of Record'. This information was obtained by Frances Board Keightley in 1983 when a researcher found this information during a case study of Kentucky law.

Defendant testified that he was told by certain persons that deceased claimed to them he was intimate with defendant's wife; that deceased, when spoken to by defendant, claimed such intimacy, and at the time had a pistol in view in his hip pocket, and his hand on it; that afterwards, on hearing similar statements, he determined to kill deceased, went home and got his pistol, and then went to church; that he saw deceased there, went into the church, sat there an instant and went out; that he felt either he or deceased must die, and he left the church to hunt deceased; that he lost control of himself, and killed deceased. His testimony was corroborated. It appeared that defendant, on going out of the church, stepped near where deceased and others were sitting on the stiles, and shot deceased in the back. Held, that the facts did not authorize instructions on any other theory than that of murder.

Rulings sustaining objections to questions cannot be reviewed unless the offered testimony is made known to the court and certified in the bill of exceptions. Appeal from circuit court, Mercer County. 'Not to be officially reported.' J.W. Bugg was convicted of murder, and appeals. Affirmed. E.H. Gaither, for appellant. W.S. Taylor, for the

Commonwealth. White, J. At the October term, 1896, of the Mercer circuit court the appellant, J.W. Bugg, was indicted, tried, convicted, and given a life sentence, on the charge of murder, by shooting and killing William Board; and, on his motion for a new trial having been overruled, he has appealed to this court, and asks a reversal. The reasons assigned for a new trial are (1) that the court misinstructed the jury; (2) the court refused to properly instruct the jury; (3) verdict is against the law and evidence; (4) the court admitted improper evidence against the protest of the defendant; (5) the court refused to admit competent evidence offered by the defendant.

The evidence in the case, as shown by the commonwealth's witnesses, was that they were at a meeting house known as 'Benton Church', in Mercer County, on the day of the killing; that, about sundown, the appellant drove up to the church with his wife; that the deceased, Board, arrived about the same time, accompanied by his wife and child, and his wife and child went into the church, and Board remained on the outside, and very shortly afterwards appellant, Bugg, and his wife passed into the church, passing not far from Board; that, after Bugg had gone into the church, Board, the deceased, and several others took seats upon a stile. Board facing the north, the stile being east of the church, walking towards the stile, stopping an instant at the well, passing to the south side of the stile, spoke to one of the witnesses sitting on the stile, and almost immediately afterwards a shot was fired, striking Board in the back.

Board fell off the stile on his hands and knees, and as he, Board, arose, Bugg shot two more shots in Board's back. The witnesses did not see Bugg when the first shot was fired, but hearing the report, immediately saw Bugg with his pistol, and saw the other two shots fired by him. After Board had risen up, he fired one shot at Bugg, and threw his pistol at him. Bugg walked on, shaking his pistol at Board. Board staggered a few steps, and fell, and died in about half an hour from the effects of the wounds. Bugg then went to the corner of the church, and returned, with his pistol in hand, near where Board was lying. One witness stated that Bugg said, on his return, 'No damn man can talk about my wife, and live.' Another said his statement was, 'I tried to kill the damn son of a bitch.' Bugg then called his wife from the church, and drove off, but afterwards surrendered to an officer.

Defendant, being sworn, made his statement, in which he says that, about the 26<sup>th</sup> of May, 1896, he was living close neighbor to the deceased; that he was an intimate friend of Board, and that their families were very intimate; that he had known Board, and lived near him, most of his life; that on the day Jake Brady told him Board was too intimate with his (Bugg's) wife, and that he was carrying a pistol for him, that Tom Clanch could tell him everything. Appellant saw Clanch, who told him of Board's connection with his wife, and that Board said he would tell him (Bugg) the truth if he

asked him about it, but he must come to him in a good humor, or he would kill him; that he (Board) did not intend that Bugg should get the advantage of him. Clanch also told him that Board was carrying a pistol for him. The circumstances detailed to him by Clanch so upset him he hardly knew what he did, but he determined to see Board, and ask him about it. But before he went to see Board, Clanch and wife, who was appellant's sister, made him promise to go to Board in a good humor. If he did not, they assured him Board would kill him. The appellant went to see Board about it. When he called Board out, Board came out with his hand on his pistol, which was in his right pants pocket. When he asked Board about it, Board said, partly drawing his pistol at the same time, 'Sit down and I will tell you all.' Then Board said, 'It is all true, and by God, if you had been in my place, you would have done the same thing with my wife, wouldn't you?' Appellant says, being very much distressed and wholly unarmed, he does not remember what he answered, but may have given assent to the proposition. Appellant then says he left the state to avoid the disgrace, and, not wishing to commit a crime by killing Board, that he went to the state of Indiana, to his brother's, and returned about four weeks before the killing; that, while in Indiana, he purchased a small pistol, 38-caliber, but did not do it for the purpose of killing Board.

After his return home he avoided Board. Board passed appellant's place several times, and he kept out of the way, and avoided meeting Board. On the week of the killing, Will Smith told appellant that Board had said to him (Smith) that he (Board) had something here (indicating his pistol pocket) that would settle him. On Wednesday before the killing Lyman Broomfield told appellant that Board was doing as he pleased with his wife, and that he (Bugg) could not help himself; if he made any move about it he would kill him; and in the same conversation Board said he would not let defendant get the drop on him. On the day of the killing, some time in the morning, he met several parties on a bridge near his land. Board was with them, as he passed he did not speak to Board, but did speak to the persons with Board. On the evening of the killing, about two hours before sundown, he was catching his horse to go to church, when James Carey came along, and asked defendant where he was going. Defendant told him he was going to church. Then Carey said to him that he had better look out for Board, for Board had recently told him that he was sleeping with his (Bugg's) wife whenever he wished, and offered to make an appointment with Bugg's wife for the witness; and then witness told him (Board) that he had better look out, as some day Bugg would slip up on him and kill him. Board drew a pistol, showing it to the witness, and said, 'If that son of a bitch makes a move, I will kill him; I have got this timed for him.'

He said, on hearing these statements, he made up his mind to kill Board, and went home, examined and loaded his pistol, and went to church. When he got to church, he

saw Board with his wife and child. Appellant went into church with his own wife, sat there an instant, and came out. When he left the church it was with the determination of hunting Board. He felt that either he or Board must die. He says he lost control of himself, and killed Board.

Appellant and his wife had had some domestic trouble, but it was no such trouble as this. He had never suspected his wife of infidelity. John Clanch, witness for appellant, testified on behalf of the defendant, and corroborated the appellant in his testimony as to conversations detailed by defendant as having been had with him. Clanch also stated that Bugg was terribly distressed, and, when spoken to on the subject, cried like a child, and that Board told him, when speaking of the visit of Bugg to Board in reference to the matter, that he was prepared for Bugg, and that he got a shotgun and pistol, and that he had the gun on one side and the pistol on the other, and made Bugg admit he would have done the same to Board's wife under like circumstances, Jake Brady corroborated him, as to what Brady told him that Board had said about his wife. In fact, the testimony of the witnesses corroborates all the statements made by appellant in his testimony as to what said witnesses had told him that Board had said about his wife. Many of defendant's witnesses testify that appellant, on account of these many charges, said to have been made by Board, was much distressed, and would break down and cry when spoken to on the subject. This extensive statement of the evidence necessary to determine whether the instructions given covered the whole law of the case, and whether the refused instructions should have been given by the court.

At the conclusion of the evidence, the defendant asked the court to instruct the jury as to the whole law of the case, whereupon the court gave instruction Number 1, as follows: 'If you believe, from the evidence in this case, beyond a reasonable doubt, that the defendant, J.W. Bugg, in Mercer County, Kentucky, and before the finding of the indictment herein, willfully, feloniously, and with malice aforethought shot and killed William Board with a pistol, you will find defendant, Bugg, guilty of murder as charged, and fix his punishment as death, or at confinement in the state penitentiary for life, in your discretion, under the evidence. If you have a reasonable doubt that the defendant has been proven guilty, you will render a verdict of not guilty. By the word 'felonious,' as used in the preceding instruction, is meant a deliberate intent to do a wrong act.' This instruction was excepted to by defendant, but we are unable to see any objection to this instruction, and no defect in it has been pointed out by the able counsel that represents the defendant.

Defendant then asked the court to give to the jury instruction Number 2, which was refused as follows: 'If the jury believe, from the evidence, beyond a reasonable doubt, that the defendant, J.W. Bugg, shot and killed William Board, but if the further believe, from the evidence, that

when he shot and killed said Board he had reasonable grounds to believe, and did believe, that the said Board was about to inflict upon him loss of life or great bodily harm, and that the killing of Board was necessary, or apparently necessary, to protect himself from such loss of life or great bodily harm, they should acquit him.' The third instruction asked for, and refused, is as follows: 'If the jury believe, from the evidence, that J.W. Bugg, at the time he killed William Board, if they believe he did kill him, was so mentally insane as not to know that such act was either legally or morally wrong, as not to have sufficient power of control to govern his actions, they should acquit him.' Number 4, also refused, is as follows: 'The word 'willfull,' as used in the first instruction, means an intentional act, done by one in the sufficient possession of his faculties to control his action.' Instruction 5, also refused, is as follows: 'If the jury believe, from the evidence, that at the time of the killing the defendant was acting under excitement or passion, and not through malice, they should find him guilty of manslaughter, and fix his punishment at not less than two nor more than twenty-one years' confinement in the state penitentiary.' Number 6, also refused by the court: 'If they jury believe, from the evidence, that, at the time of the killing, the defendant, Bugg, had been recently informed of any acts and threats of Board, and that the said information had so unsettled defendant's mind that the sight of Board caused in him an ungovernable passion, they are instructed that, while these facts would not excuse the defendant for killing Board they would reduce the offence from murder to voluntary manslaughter, and the jury should so find. It is not necessary that the circumstances revealed to the defendant should be true, but it is sufficient if the defendant believed them to be true.

Without commenting on these instructions as abstract principles of law, neither of these instructions were authorized by proof in this case. From the proof in the case, no such facts were shown to exist that would authorize the court to instruct the jury on any other hypothesis than that of murder, and no error was committed by the refusal to give the instructions asked for by appellant. During the progress of the trial the appellant, while testifying, was asked by his counsel to state to the jury what Clanch had told him Board had said about his (appellant's) wife, the attorney for the commonwealth objected, and the court sustained the objection, and refused to let appellant state what Clanch told him Board had said, to which ruling of the court appellant excepted. The bill of exceptions does not show what the witness would have answered, if permitted to answer. The rejected testimony should have been made known to the court, and certified in the bill of exceptions, to authorize this court to pass on it. We find no reversible error in this record, and the judgment of conviction is therefore affirmed.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XIII page 120 (Board-Bailey), Book XVIII page 458 (Randolph-Mrs. Board), Book XIX page 403



(Randolph-Jennie Board), Book XXIII page 554 (Devine-Board), Book XXVI page 63 (Durr-Board); correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; *Bugg v. Commonwealth of Kentucky*, Court of Appeals of Kentucky, January 13, 1897, 38 *Southwestern Reporter (Kentucky)*, pages 684-686; account of Board killing in *Harrodsburg TS*, 22 July 1896; obituary of Vernie Board from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 19 March 1920. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. [In *Phillip Board: Bluegrass Pioneer 1760-1850*, by Jon P. Neill, has an error that credited the Board-Randolph children below (vii -xi) to Jennie Board; the children were actually from her mother's second marriage: Nannie Bailey Board to Mr. Randolph. Both women's married name was Randolph; edits courtesy of Jack Bailey of Harrodsburg, Kentucky, and Lori Berezovsky, 649 Jaran Street, Salina, Kansas 67401, in correspondence to the author in 1996 including information on the Randolph children.]

The children of John William Board and Nannie Bailey, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Jennie B. Board. She was born 5 July 1886 and married on 16 April 1902 to J.M. Randolph. She died on 6 May 1906 at the age 20 years. They had no children.
- ii. Rilda Board. She was born 30 August 1888 and married on 18 November 1903 to Likus Cummins in Mercer County, Kentucky. She died 11 August 1964. **See 153.**
- iii. Maud Board. She was born 6 July 1892 and married on 29 December 1910 to John Albert Devine. She died 23 August 1987 and was buried in Willisburg, Kentucky. **See 154.**
- iv. Laura Lee Board. She was born 22 March 1894 and married on 24 December 1914 to Thomas Durr in Mercer County, Kentucky. In 1975, Laura Durr resided in Sycamore, Illinois. She died 18 April 1990 in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin. **See 155.**
- v. Vernie William Board. He died 14 March 1920 from wounds in battle during World War I in the First U.S. Cavalry. He was not married. He was buried at Bruner's Chapel Baptist Church in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Mr. Vernie Board, aged 29 years, died at the infirmary in Lexington Sunday morning after an 18 months illness. He was the son of Mrs. Thomas Randolph, who resides near town on the Bellows Mills road, and at the age of seventeen enlisted in the army, in which he served six years. While in the cavalry he was injured by a horse and never recovered from the effects of the accident. He was a fine young man, well liked by everyone. The funeral was at Benton Baptist Church Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Ennis of Mackville, with interment in Patterson graveyard. Besides his mother he leaves several brothers and sisters.

- vi. Douvey Thomas Board. She was born 3 March 1896 and died 19 November 1897. Lori Berezovsky wrote: "My Grandma always said Douvey was a sickly baby and never seemed to thrive."

The children of Nannie Bailey Board and Thomas J. Randolph, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- vii. George Beckham Randolph. He was born 28 June 1901 and died 8 November 1939 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was not married.
- viii. Grace Randolph. She married Lawrence Roberts on 24 August 1922. She died in Indiana on 25 August 1993, and was not married.
- ix. Hollis Kingsbury Randolph. He was born in 1905 and married Mae Carey on 1 January 1927. They had one daughter, Nadine Randolph, who married Frank Johnson and moved to Sycamore, Illinois.
- x. Virgie Thomas Randolph. She was born in August 1907 and married Albert Munson on 15 June 1927. They moved to DeKalb, Illinois with their son Robert Randolph. He was married with two daughters when killed in an automobile accident in 1968 in DeKalb, Illinois.
- xi. Catherine Randolph. She was also known as Caltha Randolph, and her married name was Drury. She was living in 1996 in DeKalb, Illinois, as were her children.

80. JACOB MITCHELL BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1865 and shared the same name as his uncle Jacob Mitchell Board who married Susan B. Adkerson. He was also nicknamed Jake Board, and frequently called J.M. Board, Junior, to differentiate himself from his uncle, with whom he was often confused. Jake Board died in 1946 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married RACHEL FRANCES DEVINE, who was born 14 June 1866 and died at age 38 years on 2 February 1905 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky. Her brother Matthew Divine married Lena H. Collier, also a David Board descendant. They had five children, although none of them had children. Her obituary was published in the *Harrodsburg Herald*:

Mrs. J.M. Board, Jr., died Friday night after an illness of only a few days of pneumonia. The funeral services took place at the Christian church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. M. G. Buckner, and the remains were interred in Spring Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Board who before her marriage was Miss Rachel Divine, was a most estimable woman and a devoted wife and mother. She had a large circle of friends who were shocked and grieved at her untimely death. Besides her husband she leaves several small children to mourn her. Her death is a particularly sad one to the family, coming so soon after the death of Mrs. Board's mother, who, just a month ago to the very day, was laid to rest in Bethel Cemetery.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XIII page 36; Mercer County, Kentucky, probate Book 21 page 556 for J.M. Board, and Book 22 page 439 for Myrtle Board; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; newspaper obituary of Mrs. J.M. Board from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 9 February 1905; obituary of Melissa Board from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 2 July 1920; obituary of Bryan Board from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 4 September 1942. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Jacob Mitchell Board and Rachel F. Devine, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Melissa Board. She was born in November 1885 and died in 1920 from tuberculosis. She was not married.  
At the Hazelwood Sanatorium in  
Louisville on last Monday morning, Miss  
Melissa Board, oldest daughter of Mr.

J.M. Board, passed into the Great Beyond. For several months she had been a sufferer from tuberculosis and everything possible was done for her, but to no avail. When quite a young girl her mother died and she was called upon to assist in rearing her younger sisters and brother and in this duty her unselfish devotion was well worthy of emulation. From her childhood she had been a devoted member of the Christian Church and until her health failed she was ever a faithful worker in all religious and charitable works. Wherever she was called upon to perform any kind of work she won the esteem of her employer and her associates and in deep appreciation of her loyal work the employees of the Blue Front Department Store attended her funeral in a body. Miss Board was 34 years of age and is survived by her father, two sisters, Misses Myrtle and Eunice, and one brother, Mr. Bryan Board. Her life was brief but abundantly full of good deeds and the sweetness of her life will always remain with those with whom she came in contact. Her funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Christian Church by Dr. L.E. Sellers and interment was in Spring Hill cemetery.

- ii. Mary E. Board. She was born 11 January 1887 and died in 11 February 1887 as an infant. She was buried at the Benton Baptist Church in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- iii. Myrtle Board. She was born in June 1889 and was a teacher at Eastern Kentucky University. She died unmarried in 1953 at age 63 years.
- iv. Eunice Board. She was born in March 1892. She was not married and she died of tuberculosis.
- v. Bryan Board. He was born in October 1896 and was a veteran of World War I. He resided in Harrodsburg where he was a cabinetmaker, jailer, and head of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (V.F.W.) He married Emma Lucas. They had no children.

Captain Bryan Board, 45, died at his apartment on South Greenville Street at 6 p.m. Tuesday, September 1, 1942, after a period of failing health due to heart trouble and complications. He was the son of J.M. and Rachel Devine Board and was born and reared here. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Lucas Board, his father, and a sister, Miss Myrtle Board, all of Harrodsburg. Capt. Board was a member of the Christian church, of the Douglas Post Number 52, American

Legion; was a past commander of the post and also Past Commander of the Eighth District American Legion. At the time of his death he was chairman of the troop committee of local Boy Scouts. He organized Company C, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kentucky Regiment, Active Militia, in this city, and was captain until July 10, 1942. He volunteered in World War I on May 6, 1917, just one month after the war was declared April 6. He was active in organizing school patrols in this community, and was interested in civic affairs, especially child welfare work. He was a former member of the Harrodsburg Lions Club, until ill health forced him to relinquish membership. The funeral was held at 4 p.m. Thursday at the Alexander and Royalty Funeral chapel, conducted by his pastor, the Rev. T. Hassell Bowen. Burial in Spring Hill Cemetery with military rites at the grave. The honorary bearers were members of the Douglas Laws Post and Legionnaires attending the funeral from other posts, also members of Company C, Active Militia and Boy Scouts. The active bearers were Glave Vivion, Cecil Brown, J. Donald Edwards, Harrodsburg; W.H. Grace, Frank Routt, Lawrenceburg; and P.C. Mannini, Danville.

81. FANNIE BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 8 September 1872 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there on 28 July 1960. She married 3 April 1891 to JAMES HATCHELL. He was born in 1871 and died 1934.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XV page 352; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Fannie Board and James Hatchell, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Albert Hatchell. He was born 3 July 1892 and died 23 February 1967. He married on 18 December 1910 in Mercer County, Kentucky to Josephine Kirkland, also a great-grandchild of David Board. **See 91 (v), See 156.**
- ii. William Thomas Hatchell. He was born 23 March 1895 and married 15 December 1912 to Estelle Elliott. He died 1 June 1917 when struck by lightning. **See 157.**
- iii. Eunice Hatchell. She was born 27 February 1898 and died 30 July 1972. She married 1 February 1914 to Jake Claunch. **See 158.**
- iv. Lillie Belle Hatchell. She was born 11 March 1906 and died in 1989 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married Ernest Hill on 29 November 1928. **See 159.**

- v. Reatha Hatchell. She was born 14 March 1908 and married to Paul McCrystal on 1 November 1930. **See 160.**
- vi. Fannie J. Hatchell. She was born 14 May 1912 and married 22 December 1934 to Maurice Tyler. **See 161.**
- vii. (child). This child was born 14 May 1912, the twin of Fannie, and died in infancy.
- viii. (child). This child was a twin and died in infancy.
- ix. (child). This child was a twin and died in infancy.

82. AMANDA F. JACKSON <sup>6</sup> (Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 12 June 1849 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 5 September 1893. She married in Mercer County, Kentucky in 1868 to JOHN HUSTON GRAVES. He was born in 1845 and died 1918. They and their children were buried at the Bethel Cemetery in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Amanda F. Jackson and John Huston Graves, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Andrew S. Graves. He was born in 1869 and died in 1914. He married Josie Brady, who was born in 1877 and died in 1930. **See 162.**
- ii. Uney Graves. She was born 14 December 1870 and died as a young child on 13 January 1873.
- iii. William H. Graves. He was born 11 January 1873 and died as a young man on 7 November 1897. He was not married.
- iv. Ida Bell Graves. She was born in July 1875 and died in infancy in October 1875.
- v. Thomas K. Graves. He was born 18 July 1884 and died as a young man on 29 January 1897.

83. JAMES H. JACKSON <sup>6</sup> (Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 30 June 1850 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died at age 25 years on 1 September 1875. He married in 1873 to MARY ELLEN HUFF.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of James H. Jackson and Mary Ellen Huff, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Emma Jackson. She married David Teater, also a great-grandchild of David Board. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 73 (ii), See 143.**

84. ANDREW B. JACKSON <sup>6</sup> (Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 9 April 1853 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there in 1926. He married in 1878 in Mercer County, Kentucky to MARTHA ELIZABETH SEMONIS, who was called Betty.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between

roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Andrew B. Jackson and Martha Elizabeth Semonis, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Eunis B. Jackson. She died as a young child on 27 October 1885.
- ii. Walty A. Jackson. He was born 25 April 1888 and died as a young child on 10 June 1894.
- iii. Fay Jackson. She was born in 1886 and died as a young child in 1894.
- iv. Marie Jackson. She was born 25 December 1895 and married Roy A. Semonis. **See 163.**

85. MARY ELIZABETH JACKSON <sup>6</sup> (Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 20 November 1854 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there in 1932. She married in 1873 to JAMES H. CATLETT, who was born in 1849 and died in 1920.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book VII page 286; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Mary Elizabeth Jackson and James H. Catlett, born in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Ella Catlett. She was born 20 August 1879 and married in 1898 to Iva Lee McGinnis. **See 164.**
- ii. John L. Catlett. He was born 2 December 1875 and married in 1901 to Cordelia Hungate. He died 31 August 1957 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 165.**
- iii. Gore Reed Catlett. He was born in 1877 and died in 1952. He married in 1907 to Margaret Wickersham. **See 166.**
- iv. David Catlett. He was born 2 February 1882, shortly before the death of his great-grandfather David Board. He died 23 October 1943. He married in 1906 to Sonora Collier, also a great-grandchild of David Board. **See 76 (j), See 146.**

86. SUSAN A. JACKSON <sup>6</sup> (Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 8 December 1856 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 5 September 1886. She married JACOB H. BONTA in 1874. He was born in 1854 and died in 1921.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Susan A. Jackson and Jacob Bonta, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Jenkie Bonta. She married Walter Sevier. **See 167.**
- ii. William Bonta. He was born 29 October 1875 and died 11 November 1883 as a young child.
- iii. Henry Bonta. He was born in 1881 and died in 1912. He was not married.
- iv. Charles Cunningham Bonta. He married Mattie Hourigan and died in 1913. **See 168.**

87. SERENA C. JACKSON <sup>6</sup> (Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 15 April 1860 in Mercer County, Kentucky and she was called Rena. She married in 1877 to ISAAC NEWTON WESTERFIELD. She died 3 December 1881 at age 21 years in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See Westerfield Family, 17 (vii).**

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book IX page 139; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Serena C. Jackson and Isaac Newton Westerfield, born in Mercer County, Kentucky, surnamed Westerfield:

- i. Elizabeth Westerfield. She was born in 1879 and died in 1924. She married John Terhune. **See 169.**

88. DAVID R. TERHUNE <sup>6</sup> (Mary<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 15 July 1864 in Mercer County, Kentucky and he died there in 1925. He married RACHEL B. BRADY on 8 November 1883. She was born 30 August 1865 and died in 1943. The obituary of David Terhune was published in the Harrodsburg, Kentucky, newspaper in 1925:

A truly good man was called to his reward Saturday when death came to Mr. David Terhune, one of the best known citizens of Nevada. His health had been failing for some time and yet his death was unexpected and distressing to his many friends throughout the county. Mr. Terhune was born in 1864. For many years he represented his district as a magistrate in the Mercer Fiscal Court and helped conduct the affairs of the county with wisdom and faithfulness. He was foremost in church work and educational matters in his section, and his generosity and interest along that line will be greatly missed. Personally, Mr. Terhune was genial, kindly, and neighborly, and he was very popular with all who knew him. His funeral was held Monday morning at Bethel [Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the former 'Mud Meeting House'], the church of his faith, where he had labored so long and tirelessly in the congregation. Rev. Freeman conducted the service. The burial was in the cemetery beside the church. Surviving are his widow, who before her marriage was Miss Rachel Brady, and two children, Mrs. Charles Nichols and Mr. Wesley Terhune, all of Mercer County.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; Harrodsburg newspaper obituary of David Terhune. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of David R. Terhune and Rachel B. Brady, born in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Owen C. Terhune. He was born 14 August 1884 and died in infancy on 22 February 1885.
- ii. Mary Ellen Terhune. She was born 25 March 1886 and married 8 March 1909 to Clarence A. Nichols. **See 170.**
- iii. Wesley C. Terhune. He was born 27 November 1889 and married 12 December 1914 to Bula Comingo. **See 171.**

89. MARY CORNELIA TERHUNE <sup>6</sup> (Mary<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 7 December 1870 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there in September 1912. She married in 1890 to JOHN W. WICKERSHAM.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; Harrodsburg newspaper obituary of David Terhune. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Mary C. Terhune and John W. Wickersham, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. William C. Wickersham. He was born 21 August 1891 and died in infancy on 14 September 1892.
- ii. Fred O. Wickersham.
- iii. Paul L. Wickersham.
- iv. John D. Wickersham.
- v. Mary E. Wickersham.
- vi. Dora C. Wickersham.
- vii. Marshall H. Wickersham.

90. THOMAS P. KIRKLAND <sup>6</sup> (Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 8 May 1866 and died 2 May 1935 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married 1 January 1885 in Mercer County, Kentucky to EMMA CLAUNCH. She was born in 1865 and died in 1898.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Thomas P. Kirkland and Emma Claunch, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Alexander Kirkland. He was born 15 November 1885 and died in 1973. He married in Mercer County, Kentucky in 1907 to Minnie Devine. **See 172.**
- ii. Lily Kirkland. She was born 9 September 1888 and married Joe Leonard. **See 173.**
- iii. Clem Kirkland. She was born 3 February 1891 and married Lawrence Hoskins. She died in 1958.
- iv. Mary Alice Kirkland. She was born 17 December 1893 and married in 1917 to Ed Moore. **See 174.**
- v. Fred Kirkland. He was born 12 October 1896 and married to Ruth. They resided in Stockton, California in 1972. They had no children.

91. WILLIAM LEE KIRKLAND <sup>6</sup> (Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1867 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there on 24 August 1936. He married MARGARET CLAUNCH. Her obituary was published in the *Harrodsburg Herald*:

Mrs. Margaret Kirkland, 75 years of age, passed away after 5 years of declining health at the home of her son, Clarence Kirkland, Dixville, Monday, May 7, 1945, at 4:45 a.m. She was the daughter of Jacob and Eliza Ann Hungate Claunch, and was born and reared in Mercer County. She was a member of the Benton Baptist Church. Her husband, W.L. Kirkland preceded her in death August 24, 1936. Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. B.F. Logue, Rose Hill; Mrs. Albert Hatchell, Harrodsburg, and Mrs. Cyrus Spears,



Dixville; two sons, Henry Kirkland, Harrodsburg, and Clarence Kirkland, of Dixville; thirteen grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. The funeral services were conducted at the Benton Baptist Church, Tuesday, May 8, at 4 p.m. by her pastor, Rev. John Gilliland. Burial in the Patterson Cemetery. Bearers were: Page Bailey, Jordan Bailey, Thomas Claunch, John Claunch, Robert Lee Claunch, and Charlie Claunch.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; obituaries from *Bury Me At Dixville*, by Jack Bailey, Harrodsburg, KY, 1999, page 145-146.

The children of William Lee Kirkland and Margaret Claunch, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Minnie Kirkland. She was born 27 August 1886 and died 7 December 1964 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married Ben Franklin Logue on 4 April 1904. **See 175.**
- ii. Charles Kirkland. He was born 22 December 1888 and died 28 July 1931. He was not married. His obituary was in the *Harrodsburg Herald*:

Funeral rites were held Wednesday at Benton Baptist Church in the Dixville section, for Mr. Charles Kirkland, 43 years, who died at the home of his parents in Dixville Tuesday morning, after some months of illness. Mr. Kirkland was well known and much liked in the community where he resided. His funeral was conducted by the Rev. J.T. Turpin. Burial was in Benton (Patterson Family) Cemetery. Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kirkland, three sisters, Mrs. John Dean, Mrs. Albert Hatchell, and Mrs. Ben Logue; two brothers, Henry and Clarence Kirkland, all of this county.
- iii. Ethel Kirkland. She was born 5 July 1897 and died 20 May 1972. She married in 1915 to John Dean. **See 176.**
- iv. Virgil Kirkland. He was born 5 July 1897 and died in August 1897 as an infant.
- v. Josephine Kirkland. She was born 31 August 1891 and married 18 December 1910 to Albert Hatchell, who was also a great-grandchild of David Board. **See 81 (i), See 156.**
- vi. Henry Kirkland. He was born 22 April 1904 and married 1 October 1921 to Ocie Ethel Devine. **See 177.**
- vii. Clarence Kirkland. He was born 12 December 1905 and married 23 December 1926 to Josie Low Devine, the sister of Ocie E. Devine. He died 12 June 1976. **See 178.**

92. JAMES PHILLIP BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Jacob<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 8 February 1866 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was called Phil Board and was named for his great-grandfather, Phillip Board. As with the first Phillip Board, spellings varied by document though his death certificate read 'Phillip'. He married on 1 April 1886 to MARGARET R. WARE. She was

born in 1869 and died 23 September 1916. After the death of Margaret Ware Board, he married secondly on 17 June 1920 to HALLIE TICHNOR in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. She was born 3 December 1886 in Nelson County, Kentucky and she died in 1981 in Mercer County, Kentucky. The event was noted in the *Harrodsburg Herald*: "Mr. J. Phil Board of this city and Mrs. Hallie Tichenor Shehan of Nelson County, Kentucky, were married yesterday at the Willard Hotel in Louisville, Rev. Kirkland, the officiating minister."

Hallie Board was previously married and was the mother of Eugene Shehan by her previous marriage. She and Phil Board were married for eighteen years until his death on 21 October 1938 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky from bronchial pneumonia. Among his business activities was the ownership of nearby Tatum Springs, a health resort, and he was superintendent of the Spring Hill Cemetery, where he and many of the Boards were buried. Tatum Springs drew families from throughout the Southern states to its hotel, salt and sulfur springs located at the confluence of the Chaplin River and Glen's Creek in northern Washington County. It was a popular resort that closed before World War I and was later converted into the 4H club for boys in central Kentucky.

When Phillip Board was age 22 years he was appointed policeman of the town of Harrodsburg. This was recorded in the "Regular meeting of the board of trustees of the town of Harrodsburg, Kentucky, Tuesday night, June 19, 1888. Present Cogar, Clarke, Chinn, Jacob Board, and Geffinger." On motion of the board, "Phil Board was elected policeman to serve 60 days from the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June." The next record of the new policeman was three months later on 25 September 1888: "Ordered that Phillip Board be suspended until the committee makes an investigation (charged with shooting Florence Mitchell.)" There was no further record of the case, indicating that he was cleared of wrongdoing, but this apparently then ended Board's law enforcement career.

Later, Phil Board and his brothers resided in Cincinnati, Ohio and were listed in the 1895 directory of that city. At that time 'J. Philip Board' was residing at 817 Spring Grove Avenue. Next door were his brothers, 'Clayton H. Board' and 'Wm. J. Board' at 819 Spring Grove Avenue. Also at 819 Spring Grove was 'J.M. Board', a cousin of the three brothers, who gave his occupation as "Salesman, Hoshal, Crichton & Nowlin." Of the four Board men, none remained long in Cincinnati, and by 1897 both Phil and William were no longer in the city directory. Clayton and J.M. still lived there in 1897, residing at "west side Beard, opposite Elam" in Cincinnati. J.M. Board soon returned to Harrodsburg and Clayton entered the service during the Spanish-American War which began in 1898. A younger brother of the three men, Carroll Board, permanently moved to Cincinnati about 1900.

The family's servant was Annie Edwards, who helped Mrs. Board in the home. She was born into slavery and was then a domestic servant. Her obituary from 1929 read: "Faithful to the End. Annie Edwards, for 25 years a faithful servant in the family of Mr. Phil Board, died Tuesday. She was the wife of Frank Edwards." The obituary of Mr. Board appeared in a Harrodsburg newspaper and also mentioned pallbearers, one of whom was his cousin Tom Adkinson:

James Philip Board, 72 years of age, died at 2:30 Friday morning, October 21, 1938, at his home on North Greenville Street, the end coming after several years of declining health. He was a son of J.M. and Susan Adkinson Board, both natives of Bath County [sic, Boyle; she was born in Boyle County, he in Mercer County] who moved to Mercer, but Mr. Board was identified with activities of this

community since young manhood. He served the city of Harrodsburg for about 28 years as the able superintendent of Spring Hill Cemetery, and was one of the best known employees as well as being the oldest in years and in service. He was liked personally by everyone. He is survived by his wife, Hallie Tichnor Board, a daughter by a former marriage, Miss Julia Board, and a daughter by his second union, Miss Frances Board. He also leaves three brothers, Clayton and Price Board of Louisville, and Carl Board, of Cincinnati. The funeral was at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Baptist Church. Burial in Spring Hill Cemetery.

The James Phillip Board family *Bible* was in the possession of his daughter, Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

Marriages

J.P. Board & Maggie R. Ware were married April 1, 1886

James Phillipp Board and Hallie Tichenor Shehan married June 17, 1920 in Louisville Ky.

Births

Julia Daphyl Board was born May 14th 1887

Frances Gist Board born Dec. 11, 1923. Daughter of J. Phillipp Board and Hallie Tichenor Shehan Board.

James Moore Keightley Born Oct. 26. 1923. Son of Emma Moore and Walker B. Keightley, Harrodsburg Ky.

James Moore Keightley, Jr. born Dec. 20, 1946

Jullienne (Julie) Gist Keightley born Dec. 19, 1947

Deaths

Maggie R. Board died September 23, 1916

James Phillipp Board Died Oct. 21, 1938

Hallie Tichenor Board died 1981

Miscellaneous

Fannie Ware Brady, born March 6 1863 Died Dec. 29 - 1913

Frances Gist Board and James Moore Keightley married Sept. 13 1944 at Beaumont Inn. Harrodsburg Ky.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; June 17, 1920 wedding to Hallie Tichenor in the *Harrodsburg Herald*; Records of the trustees of the town of Harrodsburg, 19 June 1888, 25 September 1888; Williams and Company, *Williams' Cincinnati Directory*, 1895 and 1897 editions, Cincinnati: Williams and Company, 1895, 1897; cemetery records from Spring Hill Cemetery, Harrodsburg, Kentucky; article regarding Tatum Springs from undated Harrodsburg newspaper clipping; obituary of J.P. Board from the *Harrodsburg Herald* from the family newspaper clippings in the scrapbook of Adele Meinken Board; obituary of Annie Edwards from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 25 January 1929; death certificate of J. Phillip Board; Jacob M. Board *Bible*; J. Phillip Board *Bible*; Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of James Phillip Board and Margaret R. Ware, born in Harrodsburg, Mercer County Kentucky:

- i. Julia Daphyl Board. She was born 14 May 1887 and died 10 December 1960. She was six months younger than her step-mother, Hallie Board, with whom she ran Board & Board, a woman's dress shop on Main Street in Harrodsburg. She was not married.

The children of James Phillip Board and Hallie Tichenor, born in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky:

- ii. Frances Gist Board. She was born 11 December 1923 and married on 13 September 1944 to Dr. James Moore Keightley. She married secondly to Rev. Evans T. Moseley. **See 179.**

93. CLAYTON H. BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Jacob<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 4 March 1870 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky and died 1 May 1940 at 2431 Portland Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky. He was a career soldier and was twice married. He had no children. He married PEARL GALLAGHER and they divorced on 19 November 1900 in Fayette County, Kentucky. He married secondly to MARION AMIE MILLION on 22 September 1909. This marriage notice appeared in the *Harrodsburg Herald*:

Mr. Clayton Board of Harrodsburg and Miss Amie Million of near Duncan were married at Lawrenceburg on Wednesday. The groom is a veteran of the Spanish-American War and later served in Government Service in the Canal Zone. His wife is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Million.

Clayton Board served in Company D of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Kentucky Infantry in the 22<sup>nd</sup> U.S. Infantry, Regular Army. He was mustered into the service on 15 May 1898 in Lexington, Kentucky. At the time of his enlistment he was age 27 years and 5 feet 8  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches tall. His eyes were blue, hair brown, and he had a fair complexion. He was born in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky and he was a railroader. According to his war record, Sargeant Board served in the Spanish-American War from 3 May to 31 October 1898 in the Luzon Campaign in the Philippines. He remained there with the army after the war and fought against the Philippine Insurrection from 21 July 1903 to 9 September 1905 as part of the Mindanao Pacification Campaign. After the latter conflict ended, he served in a Philippine-based scout unit as a Second Lieutenant until 1 December 1907. In a local Harrodsburg newspaper's section titled 'The Harrodsburg Sayings' of 14 February 1900, Clayton Board shared that:

[There were] three battles and fourteen skirmishes in which he took part, but thinks he will see no more fighting, as his regiment will probably be ordered from the Island about the first part of March. He describes at length the funeral procession that followed the remains of Gen. Lawton through the streets of Manila; and promises to send his mother some of the evergreens used on that occasion. In this connection, he says he has endeavored to secure some tropical flower seed for her, but learns that no pot flowers are grown there and that the others could not stand the climate of Kentucky.

He returned to civilian life in Jeffersonville, Indiana near Louisville, where he was Assistant Superintendent of the Quartermaster depot working in the United States government. He remained active in veteran groups and served as Chief-of-Staff of the Kentucky Department of the United Spanish War Veterans. His \$50.00 monthly pension for war service commenced in 1938, two years before his death. Although this was not a disability pension, he did suffer from the repeated bouts of malaria he experienced in the Philippines. His widow, Amye Board, married secondly on 10 February 1945 in Providence, Rhode Island to E. Charles Gardner. Mr. Board's obituary was published in the Harrodsburg newspaper:

Clayton H. Board, former resident of Harrodsburg, died at 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 1, 1940, at his residence in Louisville. He was a native of this place, the son of Jacob and Susan Belle Adkinson Board, and was born March 4,

1870. Mr. Board was a Spanish-American War veteran and held many posts of honor in the veterans' organizations. He was a member of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Volunteers of Kentucky in 1898; served as a Lieutenant in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Infantry in the Philippine Islands; was later a member of the Panama Police force and was commissioned a Kentucky Colonel by Gov. Ruby Laffoon. He was past Department Commander of the Spanish-American War Veterans and a Past Camp Commander, and was active in all the charitable and patriotic work of the State and Louisville veterans. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ayme Million Board, of Louisville, two brothers, Carl Board, Cincinnati, and Price Board, Louisville. Miss Julia Board and Miss Frances Board, of Harrodsburg, are his nieces. Mr. Board's remains will arrive at the Bruner & Sims Funeral Home in Harrodsburg at 11 a.m. Sunday. There will be a short service there at 2:30 p.m., and the main service will follow at the Spring Hill Cemetery with military rite by the Spanish-American Veterans of Louisville.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XV page 216 (1891); Boyle County, Kentucky, marriages Book XVI page 16 (1909); Williams and Company, *Williams' Cincinnati Directory*, 1895 and 1897 editions, Cincinnati: Williams and Company, 1895, 1897; Jacob M. Board *Bible*; undated newspaper clipping regarding wedding; unspecified Harrodsburg obituary from 3 May 1940; Spanish-American War records from the National Archives, Washington, D.C.; "The Harrodsburg Sayings", of 14 February 1900, Volume XII Number 35. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

94. WILLIAM JACOB BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Jacob<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 31 May 1877 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky and resided there at the time of his death at age 37 years on 17 December 1914. William had lived for a time in Cincinnati with his brothers and cousin J.M. Board, but had returned to Mercer County. He married to NORA LAWHORN. They did not have children. His obituary was published in the Harrodsburg newspaper:

After undergoing several operations and suffering greatly, Mr. William Board died last Wednesday at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Cincinnati. Some weeks ago he was attacked by acute stomach trouble and local physicians told him that an operation might save him. His devoted brothers, Phil and Clayton Board, took him to Cincinnati, but all they could do for him availed nothing. Two other brothers, Carl of Cincinnati, and Price of New Albany survive him. He was a genial, nice fellow, thirty-seven years of age and leaves a young wife.

This article also appeared:

Many friends in this city heard with great regret the death of Mr. William Board, which occurred at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Cincinnati, yesterday morning about 10 o'clock. He was 37 years of age and had been in ill health for some time, and about three weeks ago was taken to Cincinnati in hope that an operation would be beneficial. He was engaged in business in Harrodsburg and was well liked by many friends. Besides his wife he is survived by his mother, Mrs.

J.M. Board, and four brothers, Messrs. Phil and Clayton Board of this city, Mr. Carroll Board of Cincinnati, and Price Board of New Albany, Indiana. His wife, mother, and brother Clayton Board, were with him when the end came, and Mr. Philip Board who had just returned from his bedside. The funeral and interment will take place today.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XX page 502; Williams and Company, *Williams' Cincinnati Directory*, 1895 and 1897 editions, Cincinnati; Williams and Company, 1895, 1897; Jacob M. Board *Bible*; *Harrodsburg Herald* obituary from 18 December 1914. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

95. CARROLL BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Jacob<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 7 October 1882 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky and moved to Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio at about the turn of the twentieth century. Despite his long years in Cincinnati, he retained his Southern accent from the Bluegrass region of Kentucky, according to his granddaughter Natalie Board Webb. He was named for Dr. Carroll Price of Harrodsburg, but used the spelling and pronunciation of Carl when in Cincinnati. Although he had no middle name, he did use the initial 'C' as an initial. Carl Board married ADELE EMMA MEINKEN on 11 August 1904 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky. She was a native of Cincinnati, where they met. She was the daughter of Hinrich B. Meinken and Anna Louisa Koehnken. Carl Board was engaged in business in Cincinnati and in 1929 started a spice and food wholesale operation that became Linwood Products Company, which operated for fifty years, until 1979. Carl and Adele Board resided at 3530 Edwards Road in Hyde Park, Cincinnati, and later resided there on Linwood Avenue. They also owned a weekend farm in Amelia, Clermont County, Ohio, which stood until the early 1980s in front of Amelia High School, a school built in the 1960s. Adele Board was born 20 November 1881 and died on 29 January 1959 in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio. She was followed in death shortly thereafter by her husband Carl, on 6 May 1959. They were buried at Vine Street Hill Cemetery in Cincinnati, Ohio. **See Meinken Family, 29.**

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; Jacob M. Board *Bible*; Vine Street Hill Cemetery records, Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, Koehnken plot; interview with Mrs. Natalie Board Webb of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The children of Carroll Board and Adele Emma Meinken, born in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio:

- i. Byron Jack Board. He was born 30 June 1905 and married 24 December 1924 in Covington, Kenton County, Kentucky to Louise Mae Jacobs. He died 8 December 1970 in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio. **See 180.**

96. PRICE BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Jacob<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 10 May 1886 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky, along with his identical twin brother Bernie Board. Price Board was named for Dr. Carroll Price, as was his brother Carroll, and did not have a middle name. He married 11 November 1905 in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky, to ROSE ELLEN WRIGHT. She was born 17 May 1883 in Nevada, Mercer County, Kentucky, and was the daughter of Richard Hope Wright and Malvina Vaughn. They family moved to New Albany, Indiana, across the Ohio River from Louisville, Kentucky. The *Harrodsburg Herald* included an article regarding their wedding:

Last Saturday, Mr. Price Board and Miss Rosa Wright of this city drove to Perryville and were united in marriage by Rev.

J.C. Gilliam. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Board and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hope Wright. The bridal party was entertained at the home of Mr. Phil Board with an elegant supper.

A newspaper clipping owned by his brother Carl was an article on Price Board showing him with a photograph of tomatoes.

'A freak,' was the comment of Mr. Board, 54, 108 Boston Court, amateur gardener and railroad clerk, as he displayed almost perfect twin tomatoes which grew from a single stem. 'I've been gardening a lot of years and I've never seen anything like it before,' he said. 'Lots of tomatoes have scrubby little tomatoes growing out of the side but this is the first time I've ever heard of two perfect fruit growing like this.' Commission merchant agreed, 'Such growth is highly unusual.'

Price Board died 30 August 1953 in New Albany, Indiana and was buried at Spring Hill Cemetery in Harrodsburg, Kentucky. His wife, Rose, died 13 June 1965 in Louisville, Kentucky. The obituary of Mrs. Board's father appeared in 1938 and mentioned his daughter, Mrs. Price Board. A grandson, W.R. Board was a pallbearer at his funeral. R.H. Wright died at age 78 in Louisville and was formerly a merchant in Harrodsburg. His parents were John Wright and Rachel Ann Guthrie. His wife, Malvina Vaughn, died 3 December 1928. Their other children were Mrs. Elizabeth Hann, and sons George Wright, Amos Wright, Walter Wright, and A.G. Wright.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Boyle County, Kentucky marriages Book XV page 416; Jacob M. Board *Bible*; undated and referenced newspaper article clipping regarding twin tomatoes from the scrapbook of Adele Meinken Board; undated *Harrodsburg Herald* wedding article clipping; obituary of R.H. Wright from *Harrodsburg Herald*, 15 July 1938; Correspondence with Mrs. Rose Board Becker, 3331 Allison Way, Louisville, Kentucky, 1995.

The children of Price Board and Rose Ellen Wright, born in New Albany, Indiana:

- i. William Richard Board. He was born 7 May 1907 and married to Catherine L. Lewis. He married secondly to Anne O. Wilson and married thirdly to Dorothy Schrader Taylor. He died 17 June 1961. **See 181.**
- ii. Elsa Board. She was born 26 January 1909 and married Hugh Hand on 17 August 1926.
- iii. Elizabeth Board. She was born 24 July 1910 and married to Henry Imhof on 22 March 1930. She died 28 April 1989.
- iv. Rose Malvina Board. She was born 24 July 1924 and married on 20 December 1941 to Peter Sherrill Becker. She resided in 1995 in Louisville, Kentucky. **See 182.**

97. ENOLA FLORENCE BOARD <sup>6</sup> (William<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 24 September 1870 in Caldwell County, Kentucky and married there to JONATHAN H. NEIGHBORS. She died in Caldwell County, Kentucky.

Sources: *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*, by Samuel W. Steger, Paducah, Kentucky: Turner Publishing Company, 1987, article submitted by descendant Helen Evilsizer.

The children of Enola Florence Board and Jonathan Neighbors, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. William Neighbors. He was born 22 May 1895 and died in childhood.

- ii. Delmond B. Neighbors. He was born 16 August 1896 and married 24 December 1914 to Clara Cleaves.
- iii. Frank E. Neighbors. He was born 4 September 1898 and married in 1917 to Myrtle Carner.
- iv. Orah M. Neighbors. She was born 6 May 1900 and married 24 December 1916 to Mack Carner. She died 13 November 1971.
- v. Mamie C. Neighbors. She was born 21 October 1902 and married Kelly C. Lowery.
- vi. Gilbert R. Neighbors. He was born 20 October 1904. He married Ethel Gardener and married secondly to Bessie Pugh.
- vii. Ruby B. Neighbors. She was born 20 August 1907. She married Theo Utley and married secondly to William Larue.
- viii. B. Dolpha Neighbors. He was born 15 May 1909. He married Dorothy Hankins and married secondly to Evelyn Oliver.
- ix. Lee Virginia Neighbors. She was born 29 March 1911 and married Gayus Ray.

98. JOSEPH WILLIS BOARD <sup>6</sup> (John<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 30 May 1866 in Caldwell County, Kentucky and was married there to SARAH R. CREEKMUR. She was born 19 April 1868 and died 5 March 1911. He married secondly in Caldwell County, Kentucky to ROSE KENNADAY. She was born 8 May 1886 and died 13 July 1956 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. Joseph Board died in Caldwell County, Kentucky on 12 January 1936.

Sources: *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*, by Arawana Kyle, 1967; Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, 1996 correspondence to the author.

The children of Joseph Willis Board and Sarah R. Creekmur, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. Herbert H. Board. He was born 10 October 1888 and died 8 April 1943. He married Flora Castleberry. **See 183.**
- ii. Collie A. Board. He was born in 1890 and died in 1949. His wife, Zola, was born in 1896 and died in 1965. They were buried in Caldwell County, Kentucky.
- iii. Elmana Board.
- iv. Evaleah Board.
- v. William Everett Board.

The children of Joseph Willis Board and Rose Kennaday, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- vi. Margaret Board. Her married name was Crider.

99. BENJAMIN FRANK BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 4 March 1873 in Caldwell County, Kentucky where he married to EMMA H. DEARING in 1896. Frank Board died 16 June 1916 and was buried at the Leech Cemetery, one mile north of Highway 70 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. She was born 12 June 1877 and died 6 December 1956 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. His Will was dated 1 February 1916 and was proved in Caldwell County, Kentucky, on 19 June 1916. He left all to his wife, Emma H. Board. She was buried next to her husband. Newman Ray Board wrote:

Ben gave his oldest son Frank (born 1873, and died 1916) some property in the Flat Rock community before building a house and moving to Princeton [Caldwell County]. Frank



married Emma Dearing and they had two children, Ida Mae and Edward. Edward's wife Nellie still lives [1994] on what is now the Nellie Board Road, just off Kentucky Highway 70 near Flat Rock, and her son Billy lives on the same road a short distance behind her. Although I did not know Edward, I remember that he was well known in the area for butchering hogs for others.

Sources: *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*, by Arawana Kyle, published by Arawana Kyle, 1967; Caldwell County, Kentucky Will Book C page 257, from the courthouse in Princeton, Kentucky; Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, correspondence to the author, 1996.

The children of Benjamin Frank Board and Emma Dearing, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. Ida Mae Board.
- ii. Edward Board. He married Nellie Kennedy and resided in Caldwell County, Kentucky. **See 184.**

100. ANDREW HARRISON BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 30 October 1892 and was the only son among the nine children of Benjamin Morrison Board and Dora Nuckols. He resided in Caldwell County, Kentucky where he married ETHEL MCGREGOR, the daughter of William Bailey McGregor and Flora Calvert. Andy Board was a farmer, and a Deacon at the Union Grove Baptist Church. Newman Ray Board wrote: "he lived for years on Briarfield Road in Caldwell County and I remember him visiting a number of times at the Board home at Rufus. Andy moved to Princeton [Caldwell County, Kentucky] several years before his death."

Sources: *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*, by Samuel W. Steger, Paducah, Kentucky: Turner Publishing Company, 1987, article submitted by descendant Helen Evilsizer; Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, correspondence to the author, 1996.

The children of Andrew Harrison Board and Ethel McGregor, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. Shillie Board. He was born 13 August 1918 and married Wilma Morse. **See 185.**
- ii. Geneva Board. She was born 28 February 1926 and married Wilburn Baker. **See 186.**

101. ELMINA BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 29 April 1893 in Caldwell County, Kentucky and was married there to STEPHEN BARNES on 21 November 1911. Stephen Barnes was born 25 April 1886 in Caldwell County, Kentucky, the son of Stephen Barnes and Sarah Elizabeth Perry. Sandra Koscak wrote of her grandparents:

Stephen and Elmina lived in Princeton, Kentucky, until about 1920 when they moved to Herrin, Illinois, where Stephen had a house built for his family. Their son, Bartus, had died at age two and a daughter, Ruby, was eighteen months old at the time. Stephen worked in the coal mines and with the railroad. While working with the railroad, he was seriously injured. Stephen and Elmina left Herrin in 1933 and moved to Missouri where they bought a farm on the outskirts of the town of Sullivan where Stephen became a farmer. When Stephen died at age 57 he was buried in the

graveyard in Sullivan, Missouri. After Stephen died, Elmina moved back to Princeton, Kentucky. Later she moved to Madisonville, Kentucky. She lived to be over 90 years of age, and when she died she was buried in the Perry graveyard in Princeton, Caldwell County, Kentucky.

She died 15 August 1986 in Madisonville, Kentucky, not far from Caldwell County. Stephen Barnes died 15 December 1943. Ray Board wrote of them:

They lived for some time in Princeton and I went to school at Butler High with the two youngest of their children, Benny Theodore 'Ted' and Charles Edison. The other children were Bartis, Ruby Evalene, Dorthy Mae, Edith Magdalene, Texal Earl, Helen Marie, Mary Jeanette and Lillian Rae. I had never met any of these until the death of Elmina. A few years before Elmina died, I was pastor of the Barbee Memorial Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Princeton, which was located beside where there was once a hitch rack for the farmers to tie up their horses when they came in. She wrote me a letter asking if I would conduct her funeral at her death. The letter was addressed to 'Rev. Ray Board, Church by the Hitch Rack, Princeton, Ky.' Wanting to pay for all her expenses prior to her death, she sent me \$40 over the next couple of years, when I wrote and told her that was enough. I did conduct her funeral and met several of the children. It was this encounter that resulted in Helen sending to dad and I the book *The Board Family* for which I am very grateful.

Sources: Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, 1996 correspondence to the author; Sandra Evilsizer Koscak, 141 Dog Canyon Road, Alamogordo, New Mexico 88310, 1998 correspondence.

The children of Elmina Board and Stephen Barnes, born in Kentucky, Illinois, and Missouri.:

- i. Bartus Barnes. He was born 12 July 1912 in Caldwell County, Kentucky, where he died as a child on 6 November 1914.
- ii. Ruby Evalene Barnes. She was born 24 October 1915 in Princeton, Caldwell County, Kentucky. She married Edward Woodville Dorrell, Sr.
- iii. Dorothy Mae Barnes. She was born 28 February 1918 in Herrin, Illinois. She married on 22 May 1938 in Denver, Colorado, to John Leo Dorrell, II. She died on 28 February 1995.
- iv. Edith Magdalene Barnes. She was born 9 March 1921 in Herrin, Illinois and died in May 1987 in Princeton, Caldwell County, Kentucky. She was not married.
- v. Texal Earl Barnes. He was born 25 January 1924 in Herrin, Illinois. He married to Wanda Lee Landing on 21 June 1947 in St. Louis, Missouri.
- vi. Helen Marie Barnes. She was born 27 January 1926 in Herrin, Illinois. She married to Ivan Palmer Evilsizer on 15 July 1946 in Elizabeth City, North Carolina. **See 187.**
- vii. Mary Jeanette Barnes. She was born 28 December 1928 in Herrin, Illinois. She married Fred Hurt and married secondly to Martin Escarcega.
- viii. Lillian Rae Barnes. She was born 13 September 1931 in Herrin, Illinois. She married William Henry Lucius.

- ix. Benny Theodore Barnes. He was born 23 October 1934 in Sullivan, Missouri.
- x. Charles Edison Barnes. He was born 4 June 1938 in Sullivan, Missouri. He married to Rita Darlene Baggett in Shawneetown, Illinois.

102. MARY ELIZABETH BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 24 June 1912 in Caldwell County, Kentucky and married GEORGE HARTY PAYNE on 18 March 1929. She died 23 September 1940 in Caldwell County, Kentucky at age 28 years. She was buried at Perry Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky, with her parents

Sources: *Caldwell County, Kentucky History*, by Samuel W. Steger, Paducah, Kentucky: Turner Publishing Company, 1987, article submitted by descendant Helen Evilsizer; *Caldwell County Kentucky Cemeteries*, by Arawana Kyle, published by Arawana Kyle, 1967.

The children of Mary Elizabeth Board and George Harty Payne, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. William Jessie Payne. He was born 16 May 1930. He lived in Claxton, Kentucky in 1990 and was not married.
- ii. Rosie May Payne. She was born 11 August 1932 in Sugar Creek, Caldwell County. She married Glenn Harold Chronister. **See 188.**
- iv. James Edward Payne. He was born 12 August 1935 and married Betty Lou Brewer. **See 189.**

103. WILLIAM REASON BOARD <sup>6</sup> (Robert<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 14 September 1874 in Caldwell County, Kentucky, and called Will Board. He died 1 April 1936 and was buried at the Young Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky. His married on 25 July 1897 to ANNIE V. CREEKMUR. She was born 23 September 1876 and died 14 June 1904. She was buried at Young Cemetery. He married secondly on 17 May 1905 to MIRIAM DONA CREEKMUR. She was the daughter of L.L. 'Lit' Creekmur and his wife Nancy Jane, later Cavanaugh. She was born 10 September 1890 and died 8 December 1918 and was also buried at Young Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky. Having been twice widowed, he married thirdly on 17 August 1931 to RETTA FIDELIN STRONG MCGREGOR. She was born 24 May 1873 and died 6 April 1943. She was buried at the McGregor Cemetery in Caldwell County, Kentucky. She had two children from her first marriage, Hermon McGregor and Melvie McGregor, whose married name was Davis. Will Board was a farmer in the White School district of Caldwell County and was a member of the Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church. He served many years as a Deacon and Trustee of that church.

Sources: Newman Ray Board, 1166 Jones Keeney Road, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408, 1996 correspondence.

The children of William Reason Board and Annie V. Creekmur, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- i. Violet L. Board. She was born 10 September 1901 and died in infancy on 26 August 1902. She was buried at Young Cemetery with her parents.

The children of William Reason Board and Miriam Dona Creekmur, born in Caldwell County, Kentucky:

- ii. James Hershel Board. He was born 22 May 1906 and died between 10 July and 18 July 1977 in Sacramento, California. He was found dead in his room on July 18, but was last seen alive on July 10.

Having made preparations to return to Kentucky for a visit he was not missed by friends. He had left Kentucky in 1929 and did not return until 1965, but visited between then and his death. He was buried in Creekmur Cemetery in Caldwell County. He was not married.

- iii. Gracie Edith Board. She was born 30 August 1908, died 17 March 1952, and was buried in the Creekmur Cemetery. She married in August 1931 to Eli Sisk, who was born 12 May 1902. They had no children. After her death, he married secondly to Lela Brown.
- iv. William Cecil Board. He was born 27 January 1910 and married on 4 May 1935 to Ava Lee Goodaker. He died on 8 April 1995 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. **See 190.**
- v. Opal Retta Board. She was born 30 November 1916 and married Justin Paul Buntin on 29 August 1931. **See 191.**
- vi. Leemon D. Board. He was born 23 September 1918 and died 12 June 1919. He was buried in the Young Cemetery.

104. MAHALA McDOWAL <sup>6</sup> (Mahala<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was called Haley and was born about 1855 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married CHARLES LEWIS, JR. and they had children who married into the Bradshaw family. Charles Lewis, Jr. was the son of Charles Lewis and Katie Neal of Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Family of Mahala V. Cowan, correspondence to Ray Pleasant, 2003.

The children of Mahala McDowal and Charles Lewis, Jr., born in Kansas:

- i. Renely Lewis. He was married in Topeka, Kansas on 23 November 1910 to Ora May Bradshaw, the daughter of Granville Bradshaw and Emma Gregory Board. **See 54 (xii), See 110.**
- ii. Grace Lewis. Her married name was Petrie and she was the mother of Gilbert Petrie and Henry Petrie.

105. ORANGE LEE BOARD <sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was listed among the earliest migrants to Hodgeman County, Kansas in the *Standard Atlas of Hodgeman County, Kansas, 1907* as 'Mr. O.L. Board, a 'farmer and stockraiser' who resided in Jetmore since 1878. Orange Board was listed as the son of James and Emma Board in the 1880 census of Kansas, and he was the only Board child who was born in Kentucky. Given the six year difference in age between Orange, the eldest child, and the next child, Lenora, it was surmised that Orange was the child of Emma and an unknown father. The circumstances could support a number of scenarios, as the birth-year of Orange was roughly five years before the documented marriage of Emma and James. Emma could have had Orange when she was a young woman of fourteen years. James could have fathered Orange from a relationship that took place during James's first marriage to Martha Wade. The documented evidence was limited but leaned toward Emma and an unknown father as the parents of Orange from a relationship preceding James Board. The rationale was supported by that at the time of conception of Orange, that James Board was residing his wife Martha and daughter Jimmy in Louisville, Kentucky working construction jobs as document by the Freedman Bank records. The "Declaration for Remarried Widow's Pension" of Emma J. (Gregory) Board Bradshaw stated she "do(es) not know name of the first wife. He was divorced but do not know when or the date of divorce. Do not know if former wife is alive or deceased." It would seem unlikely that this statement would refer to Martha Wade, James Board's first wife, as this was information that Emma would probably have known. Emma married James Board in Petersburg,

Kentucky, the same small settlement where Martha died between 1867 and 1870, and where both James and Emma were documented as next door neighbors in the 1870 census.

Family tradition did not directly support either explanation of Orange's parentage. According to Orange's niece, Ruth Young Pleasant, James and his first wife were parents of a child whose name she did not know, but she believed that the couple had a daughter. The Freedman Bureau records identified her as Jimmy. Ruth Young Pleasant's nephew, Ray Pleasant, described Orange as an 'enigma'. A photo of Orange Board showed him to be a handsome man with a strong build and a prominent, dimpled chin. Ray Pleasant stated that Orange's family has a trait of light brown skin and freckles. Orange Board was an important figure in the community and served on the Hodgeman County school board that included five predominantly Black primary schools and an integrated high school ("Board Family Newsletter".)

The marriage record of Orange L. Board and FANNIE MAY REDD (sometimes spelled Reed) was recorded in the courthouse in Hodgeman County, Kansas. Orange's age was given as "20 years, 10 months" which placed his birth in 1873. His wife Fanny was age 22 years and a native of Hopkinsville, Kentucky. They married 21 February 1894 at the "residence of the groom's parents", the home of his mother Mrs. Granville Bradshaw in Jetmore, by Thomas J. Palmer, P.J. Orange's father died in an accident in 1887 when Orange was age 14 years. By 1893 when Orange was age 20 years, Emma Board had remarried to Granville Bradshaw who as the step-father was named guardian of the minor children. Orange was not on this list according to Guardian's Letters of Hodgeman County. Significantly, in the listing of children of James and Emma Board found in the Civil War widow's pension file at the National Archives, Orange was not included as one of their children. This evidence supported the conclusion that Orange was a son of James from a prior relationship.

The 1900 census of Hodgeman County listed the family of Orange L. Board and his wife Fanny M. Board. Orange was born April 1873 and was age 27 years. He and his parents were born in Kentucky. Fanny M. Board was born November 1872 in Kentucky, as were her parents, and was also age 27 years. The couple had been married 6 years though had no children either living or deceased. Orange Board gave his occupation as 'farmer.' Orange and Fanny Board were members of the Baptist Church. The Jetmore obituary of Orange Lee Board was published on 8 May 1952:

Orange L. Board of Dodge City, former resident of Hodgeman County and brother of Harvey Board of Jetmore, passed away Saturday evening at his home. He had been ill for a long time. Mr. Board was born in Nevada, Kentucky, April 1, 1873, and came with his parents to Hodgeman County in 1879 where the family homesteaded. He moved to Dodge City in 1926. Survivors are the widow, two sons, three daughters, a sister Mrs. Renely Lewis of Topeka and the brother Harvey, above mentioned. Funeral services were Wednesday afternoon in the Dunsford Funeral Home at Dodge City and graveside rites were at 4 p.m. in the Fairmount Cemetery, Jetmore.

The funeral card of Mr. Board's stated that he was 'born April 1, 1872', although the obituary and marriage record agreed on 1873, that would place his age at death as 79 years. He died 3 May 1952 and funeral services were held at Dunsford Chapel in Dodge City, Kansas on 7 May 1952 with Rev. E.G. Greene officiating. His was interred at Fairmount Cemetery, Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas. In the *Jetmore Republican* of 25 September 1914, the funeral notice of Mrs. Board was published: "Mrs. O.L. Board died at her

home northeast of town, Tuesday. Funeral services were Thursday and burial was in Fairmount Cemetery." The records at the Fairmount Cemetery in Jetmore, Kansas, included: "Orange L. Board, born 1 April 1872 - died 3 May 1952, Wife Fannie M. Board." and "Fannie May Board, born 26 November 1872 Hopkinsville, Kentucky - died 22 September 1914, Husband O.L. Board." Several of their children were buried at Fairmount as well as his half-sister Lenora and several of her children.

Sources: *Standard Atlas of Hodgeman County, Kansas, 1907*; "Declaration for Remarried Widow's Pension" of Emma J. (Gregory) Board Bradshaw found in the military pension file of James Board at the National Archives, Washington, D.C.; interview with Mrs. Ruth Pleasant of Dodge City, Kansas, with the author, 1995; "Board Family Newsletter", by Ray O. Pleasant, Fall 2001; marriage record of Orange L. Board and Fannie May Redd from the courthouse of Hodgeman County, Kansas; Guardian Letters and Bonds Volume A from Hodgeman County, 2 May 1893; 1900 Federal Census of Kansas; Jetmore obituary of Orange Lee Board, published on 8 May 1952; funeral card of Orange Board; *Jetmore Republican* of 25 September 1914 funeral notice of Mrs. Fanny Board; obituary of Novel Board in the *Western Herald*, 12 March 1903; obituary of Myrtle Board published on 18 September 1965 in Topeka, Kansas; gravestones and records of the Fairmount Cemetery, Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas.

The children of Orange Lee Board and Fanny May Redd, born in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas:

- i. Novel W. Board. She was born 5 October 1902 and died in infancy on 4 March 1903. She was buried at Fairmount Cemetery in Jetmore. Her obituary was published in the *Western Herald* on 12 March 1903. "Novel, 5 month old baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Orange Board died Thursday and was buried Friday."
- ii. Norma Board. She married Edward Boyston, who was called Eddie, and they lived in Dodge City, Kansas.
- iii. Jesse Luther Board. He was born 10 February 1904 and died 28 June 1989. He married on 19 July 1931 to Grace M. Brailey. **See 192.**
- iv. Myrtle Board. Her obituary was published on 18 September 1965 in Junction City, Ford County, Kansas.

Miss Myrtle Board, 56, of Junction City, a former Jetmore and Dodge City resident died Thursday, September 16 at the Stormant-Vail Hospital in Topeka. She was born July 26, 1909 at Jetmore and came here from Dodge City in 1929. Miss Board was a member of the Church of God. Surviving are her step-parents, the Rev. and Mrs. John Arnett of Dodge City; two sisters, Mrs. John Starks of Junction City and Mrs. Norma Boyston of Dodge City; two brothers, Jesse and Floyd of Dodge City; and a foster daughter, Niyoshi Sylva, of the home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the Masshinitt funeral home here [Junction City].
- v. Juanita Board. She was born about 1907. She married Andrew Broils, and after the death of Mr. Broils, she married secondly to John Starks. She died in 2000 at Junction City, Kansas. **See 193.**
- vi. Floyd Bernard Board. He was born 26 December 1912 and died 8 July 1986. He married on 27 February 1936 to Mary H. Hanna. **See 194.**

106. LENORA BOARD <sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 29 March 1879 in the first spring after the Board family's arrival in Kansas, and she was called Nora. She grew up in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas and married there on 15 November 1902 to CYRUS SYLVESTER YOUNG. The obituary of Mr. Young was published 14 November 1924 in the *Jetmore Republican*:

Cyrus Sylvester Young was born in Metropolis, Illinois, March 25, 1881 and died November 4 age 43 years, 7 months and 9 days. He came to Kansas in March 1885. He married Lenora Board November 15, 1902. 8 children—5 girls, 3 boys; 1 died in infancy.

Lenora Young died 2 March 1941 and was buried at the Fairmount Cemetery in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas.

Mrs. Lenora Young passed away at the family home in Jetmore Sunday afternoon after an illness of two years. Her death was due to a stroke caused by hardening of the arteries. Mrs. Young was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Board, who came to Hodgeman County in 1878 with a colony of colored people from Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Mr. Board was killed in an accident a few years later. Mrs. Young was born March 29, 1879, in this county. She was married to Cyrus Young November 20, 1902. Mr. Young passed away suddenly of heart trouble November 6, 1924. Mrs. Young is survived by two sons, Charlie of the home and Robert of Great Bend, five daughters, Mary of Fort Benning, Georgia, Dollie Tilford of the home, Mrs. Emma Thompson of Hugoton, Mrs. Ruth Pleasant, Dodge City, and Mrs. Margaret Hutchinson, Utica; one sister, Mrs. Emma Brown of Garden City and two brothers, Orange L. Board of Dodge City and Harvey Board of Jetmore, and a half brother, Robert Bradshaw of Larned. The funeral services will be held at the Halling Funeral Home Thursday afternoon and burial will be in the family lot in Fairmount Cemetery.

CYRUS M. YOUNG

Cyrus S. Young was born 25 March 1881 near Springfield, Illinois and he was the son of Cyrus M. Young and Anna M. Young. Cyrus S. Young died on 4 November 1924 in Jetmore, Kansas. His father, Cyrus M. Young, was an enslaved man who joined the Union Army during the Civil War and died at Jetmore on 14 April 1885. His mother, Anna M. Young, died 5 June 1887 and was said by her granddaughter Dollie to have been from New York. The early deaths of the Youngs left Cyrus an orphan at age 6 years. The death of Cyrus S. Young was reported in the *Jetmore Republican* of 7 November 1924.

Cyrus Young one of the colored citizens died Tuesday of this week. He had come to town to see Dr. Wycoff in his office where he was found dead of heart trouble. He leaves a wife and 7 children. Burial was in Fairmount Cemetery.

Dollie Young Pleasant, the daughter of Cyrus Young and Lenora Board, gave this account of her father's family:

Cyrus had two brothers and one sister. His brother, Henry Young 1878-1921, while working as a lumber jack in the state of Washington, was killed by a Mexican. That was in 1921. Helen McKenzie, from Pratt, Kansas, was his wife and they had two children. Henry's first wife, Evangeline, died as a young woman. His other brother was Abraham Lincoln

Young ('Abe', 1880-1928). He died while living in Spearville, Kansas.

Hodgeman County records showed the court record of A.F. Weaver who applied for guardianship of the Young children on 27 July 1891. The record listed three sons: Henry M. Young, age 12 years and born about 1879; Abraham L. Young, age 11 years and born about 1880; and Cyrus S. Young, age 10 years and born about 1881. They were listed as the children of deceased parents, Cyrus M. and Anna M. Young of Hodgeman County, Kansas. The guardianship was discharged when the youngest child became age 21 years, on 9 June 1902. The obituary of Abe Young was recorded in Jetmore:

Abraham Lincoln Young was born in Springfield, Illinois in 1879 and passed away at Spearville May 19 [1937] at the age of 58 years, 9 months and 1 day. When a small child he moved with his parents to a homestead on the Sawlog creek near Orwell where he resided until the death of his parents. In 1907 he again made his home on the old homestead until 1930 when he moved to his present home at Spearville where he has carried the mail to and from the post office to the depot. His two brothers Henry and Cyrus preceded him in death. He leaves to mourn his passing, his sister-in-law, Mrs. Cyrus Young and her seven children, Charles Young of Garden City and Robert of Jetmore, Miss Mary Young of Jeffersonville, Georgia, Mrs. Dollie Tilford and Mrs. Emma Thompson, both of Hugoton, Mrs. Ruth Pleasant of Dodge City and Mrs. Margaret Hutchinson of Utica, Kansas. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Halling Funeral Home in Jetmore with Elder Ralph O. Bradshaw presiding. Interment was in Fairmount Cemetery.

Sources: Obituary of Cyrus Young published 14 November 1924 in the *Jetmore Republican*; death notice of Cyrus S. Young reported in the *Jetmore Republican* of 7 November 1924; obituary of Abe Young from a clipping of a Jetmore newspaper from 1937; Hodgeman County records researched by Mrs. Virginia Baldwin, Record of Guardian Letters and Bonds Volume A, guardianship of the Cyrus M. Young children on 27 July 1891; material supplied by Ray O. Pleasant based upon interviews with his mother Dollie Young Reed from 1996 to 1999; National Archives, Washington, D.C., search for Cyrus Young military record, no record found; obituary of Rex O. Young in the *Jetmore Republican* of 15 November 1918.

The children of Lenora Board and Cyrus Sylvester Young, born in various towns in Kansas:

- i. Mary Helen Young. She was born 18 August 1903 in Ness County, Kansas. She married to Mr. Johnson and they resided in Dodge City, Kansas, where she died on 31 May 1979 according to her funeral card. They did not have children. She was buried at Fairmount Cemetery in Jetmore. The casket bearers at her funeral included Paul Bradshaw, Rodney Bradshaw, Roger Bradshaw, and Phillip Braley. Her obituary was published in the Dodge City newspaper of 1 June 1979.

Mary Helen Johnson, 75, sister of Dollie Reed of Liberal, died Thursday, May 31, 1979, at Dodge City Manor. She was born Mary Helen Young on August 18, 1903, in Ness County, Kansas. A retired nurse, she was a member of the Zion Baptist



Church, Denver [Colorado]. Survivors are two sisters, Ruth Pleasant of Dodge City, and Dollie Reed of Liberal. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 2, at Davis Funeral Home, Jetmore, Kansas, by elders Paul Bradshaw and Robert Brown. Burial will follow in Fairmount Cemetery, Jetmore.

- ii. Charles Lincoln Young. He was born 18 December 1904 in Hodgeman County, Kansas. He married to Amanda and lived in Hill City, Kansas, where she died and was buried. After Amanda's death, Charlie moved back to Jetmore to assist his sister, Dollie, in the care of their mother until her death. Later, he married Eva May Moore of Dodge City and moved to Kansas City, Missouri, where they lived the remainder of their lives. His funeral card stated that he died 2 December 1969 in Kansas City, Missouri. He was a member of the VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars). His burial was at Maple Grove Cemetery in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas.
- iii. Ruth Evangeline Young. She was born 28 August 1906 in Kinsley, Edwards County, Kansas. She married to John Paul Pleasant and had five children. She resided until 1998 in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas, before moving to Nampa, Idaho in 1998 to live with her youngest son, Robert. By her many friends in Dodge City she was referred to as 'Mother Pleasant'. She died in the spring of 2000 in Nampa, Idaho and was buried in the family plot at Jetmore, Kansas. **See 195.**
- iv. Margaret Annabelle Young. She was born 1 October 1907 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas. She married Burrell P. Hutcherson and had twelve children. She died 20 June 1977 in Larned, Kansas and was buried at Utica Cemetery, according to her funeral card. **See 196.**
- v. Dollie Agnes Young. She was born 8 June 1909 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas and died 3 June 1999, just short of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. She married on 1 August 1931 to Phillip S. Pleasant, the brother of John Paul Pleasant, her sister Ruth's husband. Dollie married secondly to Ray Tilford of Hugoton, Kansas. She married thirdly to Manuel Reed and they resided for many years in Liberal, Kansas. **See 197.**
- vi. Emma May Young. She was born 3 May 1913. She married to Mr. Thompson and married secondly to Mr. McCune of Topeka, Kansas.
- vii. Robert Edwin Young. He was born 28 January 1916 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas and died 8 March 1964 in Denver, Colorado. He was a veteran of the United States Army in World War II and Korea and became a career soldier. Robert Young was married and subsequently divorced. **See 198.**
- viii. Rex Orland Young. He was born 28 June 1918 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas and died in infancy on 5 November 1918 in Jetmore, Kansas. He was buried at the Fairmount Cemetery. His obituary in the *Jetmore Republican* of 15 November 1918 read: "Little Rex Orland Young infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus and Nora Young died 5 November 1918. He was born June 23, 1918. He leaves parents, 2 brothers, 5 sisters and grandmother to mourn his death."

107. JAMES EMMA BOARD <sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 18 August 1881, according to her father's Civil War pension file, and she was given the names of both her parents though she was called Emma J. Board. She married to JOHN H. BROWN on 8 February 1903 in Jetmore, Hodgeman Couty, Kansas. Emma Brown died 27 January 1944 in Garden City, Kansas. Her children in 1944 were Buster Brown of Chicago and LaVerne Brown Del Gado.

Sources: James Board military and pension file from the National Archives, Washington, D.C.; family records of Ray O. Pleasant.

The children of James Emma Board and John H. Brown, born in Hodgeman County, Kansas:

- i. Buster Brown. He resided in Chicago, Illinois in 1944.
- ii. LaVerne Brown. Her married name was Del Gado.

108. FANNIE BOARD and ERNEST MANUEL BRADSHAW <sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

Fannie Board was born in 1883 in Hodgeman County, Kansas and died 18 October 1917 at her home in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas. She was the daughter of James Board and Emma J. Gregory, who married secondly to Granville Bradshaw. He was the son of Granville Bradshaw and Granville's first wife, and he married secondly to Emma J. Gregory Board. The obituary of Fannie Board Bradshaw was published in the *Jetmore Republican* on 26 October 1917. "Mrs. Earnest Bradshaw died at her home north of town last Wednesday. She had consumption. She leaves a husband and 8 children. Funeral services at the Baptist Church north of town and burial in the Fairmount Cemetery." She was buried at the Fairmount Cemetery in Jetmore.

Ernest M. Bradshaw was born 1876 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky and moved to Kansas in 1879. He was married there at his bride's parents' home near Jetmore, Kansas on 1 September 1901. He died 20 September 1943 in Kansas City and was buried at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Dodge City, Kansas. The obituary of Mr. Bradshaw read:

Relatives here have just received word that Ernest M. Bradshaw passed away Tuesday September 20 in Kansas City and the funeral services and burial were Friday in Kansas City. He had been in poor health for several years and was unable to attend a son Woodson Bradshaw's funeral August 21 in Jetmore.

Sources: James Board military and pension file from the National Archives, Washington, D.C.; Fannie Bradshaw obituary in the *Jetmore Republican* of 26 October 1917; obituary of Ernest Bradshaw from an undated and unspecified newspaper; obituaries of Woodson Bradshaw from an unspecified newspaper on 19 August 1943; obituary of Clarence M. Bradshaw from an unspecified newspaper on 5 June 1982; obituary of Richard Bradshaw in the *Jetmore Republican* of 11 February 1916; family records of Ray O. Pleasant.

The children of Ernest Manuel Bradshaw and Fannie Board, born in Hodgeman County, Kansas:

- i. Woodson H. Bradshaw. He was born 20 March 1902 and died 18 August 1943. He married 25 March 1940 to Lucinda Reed. **See 199.**
- ii. Ellen Bradshaw. She was born 1 October 1903 and married to Mr. Felix, also rendered Phoenix or Phonix. They resided in Emporia, Kansas.
- iii. Irene Bradshaw. She was born 2 February 1906 and married Otis M. Johnson. **See 200.**
- iv. Cecil Bradshaw. He was born in 1907 and died 19 July 1934. He was not married and had no children.

- v. Laura Bradshaw. She died in infancy.
- vi. Clarence Manuel Bradshaw. He was born 21 October 1908. He died on 2 June 1982 and was buried at Maple Grove Cemetery in Dodge City, Kansas. He married on 1 May 1937 to Maud McGee. His obituary read:

Clarence Manuel Bradshaw, number seven of ten children, born to the union of Ernest Manuel Bradshaw and Fannie Board in the Lord year of October 21, 1908 in Hodgeman County on a farm. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Woodson and Richard; four sisters, Ellen Phonix, VeAlma Bradshaw, Irene Johnson, and CECIAL Bradshaw. Clarence grew up in Hodgeman County north of Jetmore, Kansas. He was married on May 1, 1937 to Miss Maud Elizabeth McGee and to that union there were no children. He leaves to cherish his memory a wife Maud, three sisters, Gertrude Johnson of Kansas City, Missouri; Victoria Lewis of Dodge City, Kansas, and Evelyn Pleasant of Yakima, Washington, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.  
A second obituary read:  
Clarence M. Bradshaw, 73, of 1606 Avenue F, died Wednesday at Dodge City Regional Hospital. He was born October 21, 1908 in Hodgeman County. Mr. Bradshaw grew up in that county. In his working years, he lived in several places—Kansas City, Chicago and the states of Washington and California—before coming to Dodge City in the early 1960s. In Dodge City he worked at Woolwine's and later was a construction worker. He and Maude McGee were married May 1, 1937, in Kansas City.
- vii. Gertrude Bradshaw. She was born in 1909 and married Clarence Johnson. They resided in Kansas City. **See 201.**
- viii. Victoria Bradshaw. She was born in 1913 and married to Luther B. Lewis. They resided in Dodge City, Kansas. **See 202.**
- ix. Richard O'Dell Bradshaw. He was born 20 August 1914 and died as an infant on 7 February 1916. He was buried at the Fairmount Cemetery in Jetmore. His obituary was published in the *Jetmore Republican* of 11 February 1916: "Mr. and Mrs. E.M. Bradshaw lost their little son Richard Sunday. The little one was about 18 months of age. Funeral services were held Monday with burial in Fairmount Cemetery."
- x. Evelyn Bradshaw. She was born in 1916 and died 1992. She married Phillip S. Pleasant of Yakima, Washington. Phillip Pleasant's first wife was Evelyn's cousin, Dollie A. Young, the daughter of Lenora Board. **See 203.**

109. GEORGE HENRY BOARD <sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 28 June 1886 in Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas and died on 21 April 1937. He married ALBERTA FIFE in October 1919 and resided in Jetmore. They did not have children. The notice of Mr. Board's death was published in the Jetmore newspaper on 22 April 1937.

George Board, colored, died suddenly at his home north of Jetmore at 9:30 Wednesday morning. George had been suffering with heart trouble for some time and was in Jetmore Monday afternoon but was not feeling very well. George was born in this county and lived here all his life. He was about 52 years of age and is the son of Mrs. Granville Bradshaw. His father passed away when he was a very small boy. A sister, Mrs. Ernest Bradshaw, and a brother, James Board, preceded him in death. He is survived by his aged mother, Mrs. Bradshaw, two brothers, Orange L. Board of Dodge City, Kansas, Harvey of the home, and two sisters, Mrs. Lenora Young of Jetmore and Mrs. Emma Brown of Garden City. At this time no arrangements have been made for the funeral.

The obituary of George Henry Board was published in a Jetmore, Kansas newspaper on 29 April 1937, which read:

George Henry Board was born on June 28, 1886, near Jetmore, Kansas, and departed this life April 21, 1937 at his home northeast of Jetmore at the age of 50 years, 9 months, and 24 days. While yet a very small child, he moved with his mother to Jetmore, where they lived until he was 14 years of age at which time he moved to their present home 6 miles northeast of Jetmore. He attended school in Jetmore and also in his home district. In October, 1919 he was united in marriage to Miss Alberta Fife of Larned, Kansas. He was a farmer and always lived with his mother and helped care for her. He was a good neighbor and was always ready to lend a helping hand to those in need. Although he never joined any church, he was always very friendly toward the church and attended and helped in every way he could. He won a large number of friends and will be greatly missed in the community. He was preceded in death by his father, one sister and one brother. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife and his mother, Mrs. Emma Bradshaw; three sisters, Mrs. Ora Lucas [sic: Lewis] of Topeka, Kansas; Mrs. Nora Young of Jetmore; Mrs. Emma Brown of Garden City; three brothers, O.L. Board of Dodge City, Bob Bradshaw of Larned, Kansas, Harvey Board of the home, many nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Sources: Material supplied by Ray O. Pleasant published in *'Exoduster' Sally Board. An American Heritage: From Kentucky Slavery to a Kansas Homestead, 1805-1892*, by Jon P. Neill and Ray O. Pleasant, 2001, privately published.

110. ORA MAY BRADSHAW <sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and RENELY LEWIS <sup>7</sup> (Mahala McDowal<sup>6</sup>, Mahala<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in 1893 and married Renely Lewis at Topeka, Kansas, on 23 November 1910. Ren Lewis was the son of Haley McDowal and the grandson of Haley Board.

Sources: "Bradshaw Family" undated monograph by Jessamine Bland James (Mrs. Roland M. James), 50 Camino Miramonte, Tuscon, Arizona. "This copy Printed for Philip Pleasant", who provided to the author via Ray O. Pleasant; obituary of Granville Bradshaw in the *Jetmore Republican* of 9 August 1912; records and gravemarkers from Fairmount Cemetery, Jetmore, Kansas; Funeral program and obituary of Mrs. Mahala V. Cowan, 22 January 2003.

The children of Ora May Bradshaw and Renely Lewis, born in Pratt, Kansas:

- i. Mahala VeErma Lewis. She was born 16 June 1912 and died 17 January 2003 in Topeka, Kansas. She married William Clark, married secondly to Sherman Thompson, and married thirdly to Albert L. Cowan. **See 204.**
- ii. Glennis A. Lewis. She married Frank B. Hayes and they had a daughter, Valada Hayes Moore-Lester of Topeka, Kansas. All three resided in Topeka, Kansas in 2003.
- iii. Awilda Lewis. She was called Wilda. She married to Mr. Williams who was a sergeant in the United States Army.

111. ROBERT A. BRADSHAW <sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, Sally<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1895 and resided in Larned, Kansas. He married LUELLA JOHNSON and died 23 January 1943 in Chicago, Illinois. He was buried at Larned Cemetery in Larned, Kansas. His obituary was ublished and read:

Robert Bradshaw, colored, died Saturday, January 23, in the Hines Veteran Hospital near Chicago where he has been a patient for two weeks. He was taken to the Veterans Hospital at Wichita and from there was sent to Chicago. Robert Bradshaw was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Granville Bradshaw and was born in Jetmore forty-seven years ago. He was a soldier in the first World War and had seen 600 days of army service. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Luella Bradshaw who is an invalid, a thirteen-year-old daughter, Barbara and two sons Leonard in high school and Alfred who is in the army and is stationed in Arizona.

Sources: Obituary clipping of Robert Bradshaw from an undated and unspecified newspaper.

The children of Robert A. Bradshaw and Luella Johnson, born in Larned, Kansas and Jetmore, Hodgeman County, Kansas:

- i. Barbara Bradshaw.
- ii. Leonard Granville Bradshaw. He married Flora and married secocndly to Dr. Ruth Gordon. He was a civil rights attorney and died 12 April 2001 at age 77 years. **See 205.**
- iii. Alfred Roland Bradshaw. He was born 22 March 1922 in Jetmore, Kansas.

*Seventh Generation*

112. CHARLES L. EDMONDSON <sup>7</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born on 6 January 1863 in Marion County, Kentucky and died on 18 February 1900 in Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri. He was buried in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri. He was married to ELIZABETH EVELYN BUCKMAN on 14 September 1886 at St. Augustine Church in Lebanon, Marion County, Kentucky. She was born on 14 February 1866 in Washington County, Kentucky, the daughter of Henry Rose Buckman and Sarah E. Webb. She died on 23 March 1946 in Norborne, Carroll County, Missouri with the immediate cause of death of apoplexy due to

arteriosclerosis. She was buried in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri. His obituary from *The Jeffersonian* read:

Charles Edmondson died at his home in this city Sunday night, February 18, 1900 of pneumonia after an illness of about six days. Charles Edmondson was born in Marion County, Kentucky, January 2, 1863. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Buckman September 14, 1886. In March 1887, they moved to this State, locating at Carrollton where they resided until five years ago when they moved to Lexington Junction. In December the family moved to Norborne. Mr. Edmondson was father of eight children, six of whom are living. He leaves a wife, six children, a mother, five brothers, three sisters and many friends to mourn his death. Mr. Edmondson was a man of most excellent habits. His friends say he had not even one bad habit. He was a hard worker and good provider. Besides supplying the wants of his own family he assisted his mother whose home is here. He was a member of the Catholic church, a conscientious Christian. The funeral was preached at the Catholic church in this city by Father Callon Tuesday and his remains were taken to Carrollton for interment. *The Jeffersonian* extends sympathy to the bereaved wife and little children.

Sources: Marion County, Kentucky Marriage Records Book 7A page 369; 1900 and 1910 Federal Census of Missouri; obituary for Charles Edmondson from *The Jeffersonian*; The State Board of Health of Missouri, death certificate for Elizabeth E. Edmondson. Research compiled by Jerry Edmondson, 7625 Crisp, Raytown, Missouri 64138, from 1998 correspondence to the author including gravemarker inscription, 27 August 1997.

The children of Charles L. Edmondson and Elizabeth Evelyn Buckman, born in Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri:

- i. Mary Buella Edmondson. She was born in June 1887 and married to Frank H. Wille on 21 January 1909 in Carroll County, Missouri.
- ii. Charles Wallace Edmondson. He was born on 28 May 1889 and was called Wallace in the 1910 census when he was age 20 years and a salesman at a grocery store. He died on 23 November 1925 and was buried at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri.
- iii. Thomas Raymond Edmondson. He was born 15 July 1891 and married to Violetta Amanda Wilson on 6 November 1912 in Carroll County, Missouri. **See 206.**
- iv. Sarah E. Edmondson. She was born on 2 February 1894 and died on 14 August 1896 in Carroll County, Missouri. She was buried at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri.
- v. James H. Edmondson. He was born on 2 February 1894 and died on 12 August 1895 in Carroll County, Missouri. He was buried in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri.
- vi. Agnes Edmondson. She was born about January 1897 and in 1910 she was age 13 years and attending school.
- vii. Blanche Edmondson. She was born about January 1897 and married Robert Demint on 19 February 1916 in Carroll County, Missouri.
- viii. Catherine L. Edmondson. She was born on 3 September 1899 in Carroll County, Missouri. She died on 11 June 1900 in Carroll County, Missouri and was buried at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri.

113. ADDIE LEE BOARD <sup>7</sup> (James<sup>6</sup>, Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 10 August 1872 in Boyle County, Kentucky and died in July 1955 in Boyle County, Kentucky. She married in 1894 to GEORGE T. WHITE.

Sources: Boyle County, Kentucky marriage Book XXII page 249; Boyle County, Kentucky deeds; Mary Carico, 2128 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia, dated 1951, notes from her interview with Georgia Walker Board Robertson; Perryville City Cemetery records; William H. Perrin, *Perrin's Biographies*, Owensboro, Kentucky: Genealogical Reference Company, 1970. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Addie Lee Board and George White, born in Boyle County, Kentucky:

- i. Martha White. She was born 7 December 1894 and died in 1971. She was called Mattie and married Clyde Mattingly.
- ii. Maggie Lou White. She was born 23 February 1896 and married George Crane.
- iii. Gilbert White. He was born 26 December 1898 and died 21 January 1973. He was a judge and married to Lily Mae Coyle.
- v. Jack White. He was born 12 March 1906 and married Thelma Pittman.

114. CHARLES ARTIMUS WILSON <sup>7</sup> (Paralee<sup>6</sup>, Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 28 September 1874 in Marion County, Kentucky and married in Montana to MILLIE KEYES. He was called Artimus. She died five days after the birth of their second son, on 19 December 1914. He married secondly to LIZZIE E. HELTON on 5 February 1917 in Helenwood, Tennessee. She was born 20 March 1892 and died 5 April 1973 in Livingston, Montana. He died 23 May 1939 in Livingston, Montana and was buried there at the Mountain View Cemetery. Lizzie Helton was the widow of James Logan Buckner. Her father was James Andrew Helton, who was born 22 December 1865 in Pulaski County, Kentucky and died there on 29 August 1951. Her mother was Pauline Destra Haynes, who was born 20 February 1868 in Pulaski County, Kentucky and died there on 2 January 1949. Lizzie Helton and James Buckner were the parents of one daughter, Cassie Beulah Buckner. She was born 22 October 1912 and died 5 August 1969. Cassie Buckner married and was the mother of three children. Artimus Wilson's granddaughter Della Miller Anderson wrote of him in a letter from 1999:

My grandfather did not agree with the plans that his step-father had for him and his life, so he went west to finally land in Montana. Not sure where all he went after he left Kentucky, but I know he did see quite a bit of the territory. He returned to Kentucky at the urging of his mother after the death of his first wife from postpartum hemorrhage. He had two small children and his mother thought he should return to Kentucky so they could help raise them and find a suitable new wife. He met and married my grandmother. She did not meet the family requirements as she had been divorced (from an abusive and alcoholic husband) and had a daughter of her own, my Aunt Cassie. Great-grandmother Smith was very upset about the marriage, so they returned to his farm on Daisy Dean Creek, Park County, Montana. My grandmother truly loved him. She was a fairly young widow with small children at the time of his death, but

never remarried. He fell from a ladder, ruptured his spleen, which the doctor removed, but in a court case, he stated he did not tie off the splenic artery and Grandpa bled to death. The case was filed on behalf of my grandmother, but the court ruled that the doctor had done nothing wrong in his treatment. Malpractice was hard to prove in those days, 1940. Grandpa was a tall man for those times, 6 foot 3 inches, and when he would put me up on his shoulders as he so often did, I was sure that I could touch the clouds. I loved him dearly.

Sources: Della Miller Anderson, 3319 Plum Brook Lane, Missouri City, Texas 77459, correspondence to the author, 1999.

The children of Charles Artimus Wilson and Millie Keyes, born in Marion County, Kentucky:

- i. Christina Pearl Wilson. She was born 24 December 1912 and died 29 January 1940 at age 27 years from heart disease. She was not married.
- ii. James Dudley Wilson. He was born 14 December 1914. He married and had two children.

The children of Charles Artimus Wilson and Lizzie E. Helton Buckner, born in Wilsal, Montana:

- iii. Dester Lee Wilson. She was born 25 November 1918 and married James D. Miller. He died 5 November 1998. They had three children, including Della Miller Anderson.
- iv. Charles Dee Wilson. He was born 10 August 1920 and died 11 January 1968 in Seattle, Washington. He married and had eight children.
- v. Bonnie Ethel Wilson. She was born 17 April 1926. She married and had five children.
- vi. Ruth Marie Wilson. She was born 4 June 1927. She married and had two children.
- vii. Lawrence Artimus Wilson. He was born 9 April 1931. He married and had three children.
- viii. Georgia Ellen Wilson. She was born 20 May 1937. She married and had two children.

115. JAMES ANDREW WILSON <sup>7</sup> (Paralee<sup>6</sup>, Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1875 in Marion County, Kentucky and married to MALLIE MAE NUNNELLY on 17 April 1902 in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky. He died 10 June 1918 in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky and she died on 18 August 1959 in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio.

Sources: Correspondence of Paul M. Kelly, 2192 Swedish Drive, Number 6, Clearwater, Florida 33763, to the author, 1999.

The children of James Andrew Wilson and Mallie Mae Nunnely, born in Pulaski County, Kentucky:

- i. Lina Lee Wilson. She was born in 1904 and married to John Martin Kelly on 1 January 1932. She died 26 November 1984 in Cleveland, Ohio. **See 207.**
- ii. Charles D. Wilson. He was born in 1905 and married Thelma Rachel Saterfield. He died 10 March 1971. **See 208.**
- iii. Mildred Wilson. She was born in 1911. She married Hubert Fish and married secondly to Robert Bolton. She died 26 August 1998 in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky. **See 209.**



116. PEARL SMITH <sup>7</sup> (Paralee<sup>6</sup>, Philip<sup>5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 12 December 1894 and married on 11 May 1920 to GLADSTONE WESLEY in Pulaski County, Kentucky. Pearl Wesley was a public school teacher from 1916 until her marriage in 1920. She died 31 July 1999 at the age 104 years in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky. The following article was written in Pulaski County, Kentucky, by John A. Nelson, "Centurion Celebrates. Pearl Wesley notes 100<sup>th</sup> birthday."

Pearl Wesley rises from her easy chair each time anyone enters or leaves her home. She needs no help, except for the stability of the walker before her. She reaches out her hand and smiles, offering a greeting—and her chair—to her latest visitor. 'I'll get another,' she says. Her visitors are more frequent than usual on Monday, and none would take her chair, for this, December 12, 1994, was Pearl Wesley's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. Relatives and friends gathered in her honor Monday morning. They talked of old times, of how well she looks and of how longevity runs in the family. Mrs. Wesley's mother lived to be 99, her sister 103. 'We got our genes from our mama,' she says. 'She was healthy.' Pearl Wesley, a 1913 graduate of Somerset High School, still lives in the home that she and her late husband, Gladstone Wesley, built on Hawkins Avenue shortly after their marriage in 1921, 73 years ago. Mr. Wesley was a lawyer. He served as county attorney, a member of the state board of education, was an officer in several local banks and was a charter member of the American Legion. 'He was the service officer here from 1920 until he died in 1960, and he had more records on World War I vets in this area than the V.A. did,' recalls John Prather, Sr., who described Mr. Wesley as 'sort of a mentor to me when I was starting.' Parther celebrated his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday Monday. Up until June, when she fell and broke her wrist, Mrs. Wesley was able to get out more, she said. Now she is home, but for occasional visits to the beauty parlor. She is a member of the First Christian Church, but has not been able to attend for about four years. 'I always go to church on television,' she says. She says she reads a lot, and watches a lot of television. 'I watch *As the World Turns* and *The Guiding Light*,' she said. Asked how things have changed in Somerset since the early 1900s, she says, 'There's all the difference in the world. It was kind of a quiet little town then. There have been an awful lot of changes.' Advice for younger folks? Not Mrs. Wesley. 'Oh, no. Let everyone live their own lives,' she says. The attention which comes along with being a centurion did not seem to bother her. In fact, she was anxious says her housekeeper. 'She was up at 4:30 this morning.' And she liked having her picture taken, though she cautioned a reporter, 'If it don't look pretty, don't put it in.' (Editor's note – We thought it looked pretty good.)

Gladstone Wesley, the husband of Pearl Smith Wesley, died 17 June 1960 in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky. His obituary was published in the local newspaper titled "Gladstone Wesley, Prominent Attorney, Dies After Lingering Illness Friday."

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon for Gladstone Wesley, 66, prominent Somerset lawyer, veteran, and civic

leader, who died at Somerset City Hospital Friday. He had been in declining health for several years. Mr. Wesley was educated in the Somerset public schools and graduated from Centre College. He was admitted to the bar in 1921. He was a veteran of World War I and had been service officer of Pulaski Post Number 38, American Legion, since 1919—a national record in length of years. He had served as post commander and had received many citations from the American Legion for outstanding services. He practiced law with his father, the late E.T. Wesley, for many years and held many positions of honor in the community. He was a member of the Kentucky Legislature, master commissioner of Pulaski Circuit Court, city attorney for eight years, county attorney for eight years, vice president of the First Farmers National Bank, director of the Mutual Federal Savings and Loan Association, member of the State Board of Education during the Willis administration, a Mason and member of Knights Templar. Born in Bethelridge August 23, 1892, he was the son of the late E.T. and Frances Godby Wesley, and had lived his adult life in this county. On March 11, 1920, he was united in marriage to Miss Pearl Smith, who survives, and two children were born to the union. They are Betty Wesley Tuggle, a daughter, Somerset, and Joseph K. Wesley, a son, Louisville. He attended the First Christian Church faithfully and was beloved by all the congregation and by the entire community. He was assistant teacher of the Men's *Bible* Class of the church, and was a member of the Somerset Rotary Club. In addition to Mrs. Wesley and children, he is survived by two brothers, John Howard Wesley and Parker Wesley, both of Somerset; and two grandchildren, Sara Hampton Tuggle and William Gladstone Tuggle, both of Somerset. Funeral services were at the chapel of the Somerset Undertaking Company with the Rev. L.D. Fisher and the Rev. Ralph G. Wesley officiating. Burial was in Somerset City Cemetery with full military honors conducted by the Pulaski Post of the American Legion.

Sources: Undated obituary clipping from an unspecified newspaper of Pulaski County, Kentucky for Gladstone Wesley; undated news clipping from an unspecified Pulaski County, Kentucky newspaper, by John A. Nelson, regarding Pearl Wesley 100<sup>th</sup> birthday; Della Miller Anderson, correspondence to the author, 1999.

The children of Pearl Smith and Gladstone Wesley, born in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky:

- i. Betty Wesley. Her married name was Tuggle and she resided in Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky. Her two children were Sara Hampton Tuggle and William Gladstone Tuggle.
- ii. Joseph K. Wesley. He resided in Louisville, Kentucky. He was not married.

117. ROBERT H. BOARD <sup>7</sup> (Robert<sup>6</sup>, David<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born about 1883 in California and was age 27 years during the 1910 census of Tulare County, California, where he and his wife ETHEL resided with their young daughter. In 1920, they resided in O'Neal Township, San Joaquin County, California.

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Sources: 1900, 1910, and 1920 Federal Census of California.

The children of Robert H. Board and his wife Ethel, born in California:

- i. Roberta O. Board. She was born about 1907.
- ii. Merle L. Board. She was born about 1912.
- iii. Robert C. Board. He was born about 1918.

118. LULA CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (Alford Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 26 February 1868 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married twice and had two children with her first husband, Mr. SIMS.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975, primarily with Thomas Dunscombe. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Lula Chatham and Mr. Sims, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Pauline Sims. She was born 23 November 1892.
- ii. Carl Sims.

119. DAVID BOARD CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (Alford Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 7 July 1869 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 16 April 1947. He married on 20 October 1899 to IDA B. EMORY. She was born 25 June 1882 and died 3 January 1922.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975, primarily with Thomas Dunscombe. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of David Board Chatham and Ida B. Emory, born in Missouri and Arkansas:

- i. Byron Chatham. He was born 12 September 1905 in Dunklin County, Missouri.
- ii. Raymond Chatham. He was born 15 March 1907 in Dunklin County, Missouri.
- iii. Ralph Harold Chatham. He was born 2 April 1912 in Drew County, Arkansas and died 6 June 1967. He was not married.
- iv. Maxine Chatham. She was born 16 April 1914 and married Ernest Roberts.
- v. Ruth Elizabeth Chatham. She was born 29 April 1916 and died 23 October 1927. She was unmarried.
- vi. Lucille Chatham. She was born 20 September 1920 and married A.J. Eason.

120. ILEE CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (Alford Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 28 September 1872 and died 9 February 1958 in Drew County, Arkansas. He married ABBIE TAYLOR in Dunklin County, Missouri. She was born in 1878 and died in 1897 at age 19 years. He married secondly to MARY ELLEN YOUNG on 4 February 1902. Mary Young was born 14 February 1875 and died 22 May 1965. They moved from Dunklin County, Missouri to Drew County, Arkansas, where their last child was born in 1917.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975, primarily with Thomas Dunscombe. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Ilee Chatham and Mary Ellen Young, born in Dunklin County, Missouri, and Drew County, Arkansas:

- i. Mary Ileen Chatham. She was born 10 April 1903 in Dunklin County, Missouri.
- ii. Mavis Clair Chatham. She was born 29 August 1905.
- iii. Amelia Vivian Chatham. She was born 10 September 1907.
- iv. Emma Nell Chatham. She was born 26 September 1909 and married M.L. Sheiron.
- v. Arthur Benton Chatham. He was born 9 October 1917 in Drew County, Arkansas and died 15 May 1967.

121. WALTER P. CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (Alford Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 25 October 1874 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 7 March 1958. He married 1 January 1902 to ELLEN MAUDE SMITH. She was born in 1883 and died 1969.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975, primarily with Thomas Dunscombe. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Walter P. Chatham and Ellen M. Smith, born in Dunklin County, Missouri:

- i. Lydia Chatham. She was born 30 November 1902.
- ii. May Chatham. She was born 22 October 1904 and married Frank Chailland.
- iii. Alford Thomas Chatham, III. He was born 23 May 1907.
- iv. Walter P. Chatham, Jr. He was born 5 September 1909 and died on 3 July 1951. He was not married.
- v. Helen Chatham. She was born 29 March 1912.
- vi. James Ilee Chatham. He was born 29 March 1914.
- vii. Joseph Chatham. He was born 28 September 1916.
- viii. William Robert Chatham. He was born 5 August 1921.

122. MARTHA CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (Alford Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 15 December 1877 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 9 September 1969 in Dunklin County, Missouri. She married on 4 September 1896 to BRUCE GREGSTON. He was born 22 July 1870 in Tennessee and died 23 September 1963 in Clarkton, Missouri.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975, primarily with Thomas Dunscombe. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Martha Chatham and Bruce Gregston, born in Dunklin County, Missouri:

- i. Ina Lee Gregston. She born 23 May 1897 and died as a young woman on 9 July 1919.
- ii. Louis Gregston. He was born 2 January 1900 and died 5 May 1963. He married in 1919 to Jessie Shannon.
- iii. Dorris Neville Gregston. She was born 12 November 1910 and married in 1929 to Marion Alexander.
- iv. Meta Kathryn Gregston. She was born 15 December 1919 and married in 1937 to Willis Gaines, Jr.

123. MAUDE LEE CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (Alford Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 2 December 1879 in Daviess County, Kentucky and died 21 June 1957 in Dunklin County, Missouri. She married on 15 September 1901 to WILLIAM THOMAS DUNSCOMBE, JR. He was born 22 February 1880 in

Dunklin County, Missouri and died there on 27 April 1948. He was the son of William T. Dunscombe, Sr..

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975, primarily with Thomas Dunscombe. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Maude Lee Chatham and William Thomas Dunscombe, Jr., born in Dunklin County, Missouri:

- i. Thomas Donovan Dunscombe. He was born 10 October 1902 and married 19 August 1927 to Lucille Anderson Richards. **See 210.**
- ii. Clifford Chatham Dunscombe. He was born 27 June 1904 and died 25 December 1918.
- iii. Susan Elizabeth Dunscombe. She died in infancy.
- iv. Oliver Dunscombe. He died in infancy.
- v. William Thomas Dunscombe, III. He died in infancy.
- v. Alford Leon Dunscombe. He was born 12 March 1912 and married 30 June 1935 to Freda Vernon. **See 211.**
- vi. Mary Maude Dunscombe. She was born 23 March 1914 and married 3 February 1935 to Philip Kentfield. **See 212.**
- vii. Pearl Elizabeth Dunscombe. She born 2 September 1915. He married 19 October 1937 to James Scott Patterson and married secondly to Harvey K. Hentschel. **See 213.**
- viii. Ina Louise Dunscombe. She was born 8 August 1918 and died 15 May 1962. She married George Wallace Johnson. **See 214.**
- ix. Lydia Dunscombe. She was born 21 November 1921 and died as a child.

124. ELIZABETH G. CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (Alford Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 15 November 1882 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 2 January 1967. She married 1 January 1902 to SAMUEL HENRY DUNSCOMBE, the son of William T. Dunscombe, Sr. and Susan Mack. He was born 25 August 1882 and died 9 December 1939.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975, primarily with Thomas Dunscombe. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Elizabeth G. Chatham and Samuel Henry Dunscombe, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Elizabeth Dunscombe. She was born 16 September 1904 and married 26 August 1922 to James C. Starrett. **See 215.**
- ii. Lawrence C. Dunscombe. He was born 24 October 1907 and died in 1913.
- iii. Christine Dunscombe. She was born 24 December 1911 and married 30 May 1944 to T.E. McGrath.

125. THOMAS COMBS CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (David Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 31 October 1876 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 1 September 1963. He married in April 1901 to ELIZABETH SHARP ADAMS. She was born 16 August 1876 and died 22 January 1965.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Thomas Combs Chatham and Elizabeth Sharp Adams, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Margaret Thomas Chatham. She was born 3 January 1916 and married 29 March 1953 to Elmer Lynn. **See 216.**
- ii. Mary Catherine Chatham. She was born in June 1911 and died in 1914.

126. CAMILLUS THOMPSON CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (David Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 14 February 1881 and married on 11 September 1906 to EMILY STOCKTON BARNES. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Camillus Thompson Chatham and Emily Stockton Barnes, born in Florida:

- i. Joshua David Chatham. He was born 17 November 1907. He was married five times and had no children.
- ii. Mary Downey Chatham. She was born 7 September 1916 and married to John H. Brundage, who was called Jack.
- iii. Camillus Thompson Chatham, Jr. He was born 13 November 1912 and died shortly after birth on 17 November 1912.

127. RENA E. CHATHAM <sup>7</sup> (David Chatham<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 18 June 1886 and married in 1911 to Rev. EDMUND H. OSBORNE. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages; Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Rena E. Chatham and Rev. Edmund H. Osborne, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Edmund Osborne (Jr.).
- ii. Elizabeth Rena Osborne.

128. ELIZABETH ALICE ANDERSON <sup>7</sup> (Vernetta Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and GEORGE WILLARD COLLIER <sup>7</sup> (David Collier<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

They were second cousins who were both were great-grandchildren of David Board. She was born 30 June 1883 and he was born 2 March 1877, both in Mercer County, Kentucky. They married in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky on 31 December 1901. He died on 4 July 1951 and she died 27 March 1957 in Mercer County, Kentucky. They were buried at the Bethel Cemetery. Their ten children included a set of triplets.

Sources: Correspondence with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky and Mrs. Ethel (Horton) Taylor, South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, DeKalb, Illinois research compiled from roughly 1985 to 1990.

The children of Elizabeth Alice Anderson and George Willard Collier, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Retha Fae Collier. She was born 22 April 1903 and married 14 March 1939 in Lexington, Kentucky to Charles E. Shouse. She died 1 December 1984. They had no children.
- ii. William Talmage Collier. He was born 28 December 1908 and married Racheal Annelle Baker. **See 217.**
- iii. David Winfield Collier. He was born 12 February 1910 and married Mabel Catherine Quinn. **See 218.**

- iv. Bessie Alma Collier. She was born 29 November 1913 and married 8 April 1939 to Charles Edward Cowan. **See 219.**
- v. Albert Irwin Collier. He was born 17 April 1916 and married Virginia Thompson on 28 May 1949 in Norwood, Ohio. He married secondly to Ilene Webb. **See 220.**
- vi. Buford Collier. He was a triplet, born 17 August 1917. He married Nora Frances Taylor. **See 221.**
- vii. Eula Mae Collier. She was a triplet, born 17 August 1917.
- viii. Uniford Collier. He was a triplet, born 17 August 1917. He married Rachel Carter. **See 222.**
- ix. Mary Elizabeth Collier. She was born 15 February 1922 and died as a young child on 20 April 1925.
- x. Sadie Sue Collier. She was born 18 November 1905 and died as a young child on 18 November 1907.

129. NEALY ANDERSON <sup>7</sup> (Vernetta Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 12 July 1884 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married GEORGE EDWARD LAND on 10 April 1906. He was born in Clayborn County, Tennessee. After his death, she married secondly to PETER ROSS on 7 November 1925 and married thirdly to EARL D. NIMAN on 6 January 1938.

Sources: Mrs. Ethel (Horton) Taylor, South 7<sup>th</sup> St., DeKalb, Illinois research compiled from 1985 to 1990.

The children of Nealy Anderson and George E. Land, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Cecil Marvin Land. **See 223.**

130. JAMES WALTER ANDERSON <sup>7</sup> (Vernetta Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 25 May 1888 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married 24 November 1906 to CARRIE FRANCIS SMOTHERS. She was born 19 December 1888 and died 28 February 1959 in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Sources: Mrs. Ethel (Horton) Taylor, South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, DeKalb, Illinois research compiled from 1985 to 1990.

The children of James Walter Anderson and Carrie Francis Smothers:

- i. Ruby Alma Anderson. She married Harry Revert. **See 224.**

131. EFFIE ANDERSON <sup>7</sup> (Vernetta Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 22 October 1892 in Rose Hill, Mercer County, Kentucky and married HANNIBAL TAYLOR on 13 November 1909 in Washington County, Kentucky. They divorced in 1915. He was born 15 February 1893 in Washington County, Kentucky, the son of Samuel Taylor and Mary Elizabeth Hall. He married secondly to Ovie Hannah Click, on 31 March 1916. He died 1 July 1974 in Lexington, Kentucky and she died 11 September 1932 in Lakeland, Jefferson County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mrs. Ethel (Horton) Taylor, South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, DeKalb, Illinois research compiled from 1985 to 1990.

The children of Effie Anderson and Hannibal Taylor, born in Washington County, Kentucky:

- i. Parthenia Taylor. She was born 12 October 1910 and married 17 December 1932 to Owen J. Bottoms. **See 225.**
- ii. Willard Rue Taylor. He was born 4 September 1912 and married 3 July 1931 to Della Elizabeth Crews. He died 3 March 1983. **See 226.**

- iii. Eula Taylor. She was a twin, born 20 March 1929, and died as a young child.
- iv. Liela Taylor. She was a twin, born 20 March 1929, and married 18 April 1919 to Jacob Shaver. She died 22 March 1960. Their daughter Betty Shaver married Robert Garippo, and they had two children: Louis Robert Garippo, born 1 March 1979 and Jennifer Lee Garippo, born 21 December 1983.

132. CLAYTON VIRGIL ANDERSON <sup>7</sup> (Vernetta Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 26 February 1897 in Rose Hill, Mercer County, Kentucky. He married BESSIE BOTTOMS and they divorced in 1940 in Tipton, Indiana. He married secondly to NANCY ANN HOSKINS on 17 November 1941. They did not have children. He died in November 1969.

Sources: Mrs. Ethel (Horton) Taylor, South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, DeKalb, Illinois research compiled from 1985 to 1990.

The children of Clayton Virgil Anderson and Bessie Bottoms, born in Oklahoma and Kentucky:

- i. Aron Anderson. He was born in 1922 in Tulsa, Oklahoma and died as a child.
- ii. Louise Marie Anderson. She was born 30 May 1923 in Simontown, Kentucky. She resided in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married to William Simmons. **See 227.**
- iii. Warren Lee Anderson. He was born 1 October 1925 in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- iv. Kenneth Anderson. He was born 24 December 1927 in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- v. Thomas Clayton Anderson. He was born 30 May 1930 in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- vi. Colleen Anderson. She was born in 1932 and died in 1933 in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- vii. Irene Anderson. She was born 29 March 1934 in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- viii. Charles Anderson. He was born in 1936 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

133. LENA BEATRICE ANDERSON <sup>7</sup> (Vernetta Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 7 March 1898 in Rose Hill, Mercer County, Kentucky and married to FRANK EVERETT SIMMONS. He was born 5 August 1892 in Tipton, Indiana. They married 10 November 1917 at Pilgrim Holiness Church in Tipton, Indiana.

Sources: Mrs. Ethel (Horton) Taylor, South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, DeKalb, Illinois research compiled from 1985 to 1990.

The children of Lena Beatrice Anderson and Frank Everett Simmons, born in Tipton, Indiana:

- i. Frank Thomas Simmons. He was born 11 January 1917.
- ii. Paul Morton Simmons. He was born 25 December 1919.
- iii. John William Simmons. He was born 29 May 1921 and died as a young child on 5 November 1929.
- iv. Walter Buford Simmons. He was born 29 December 1923 and died as a young child on 23 February 1930.
- v. Jeanette Simmons. She was born 5 June 1923 and died as a child.
- vi. Guy Richard Simmons. He was born 7 August 1925.
- vii. Leon Benjamin Simmons. He was born 12 February 1927.
- viii. Robert Eugene Simmons. He was born 24 January 1928.



134. ROY LEE ANDERSON <sup>7</sup> (Vernetta Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 26 May 1900 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married RUTH THOMPSON. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mrs. Ethel (Horton) Taylor, South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, DeKalb, Illinois research compiled from 1985 to 1990.

The children of Roy Lee Anderson and Ruth Thompson, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Virginia Anderson.
- ii. Roy Lee Anderson, Jr.
- iii. Thelma Anderson.
- iv. Robert Earl Anderson.

135. MARVIN DEWEY NICHOLS <sup>7</sup> (Parthenia Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and OLLIE JANE CHUMLEY <sup>8</sup> (Neelie Jackson<sup>7</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

They were second cousins once removed and both descendants of David Board. He was born 20 May 1898 in Mercer County, Kentucky and they married on 31 July 1919 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Marvin Dewey Nichols and Ollie Jane Chumley, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Margaurite Jane Nichols. She was born 20 March 1921 and married in October 1940 to Elmer Lindsay Brown in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 228.**

136. ERNEST CANNON <sup>7</sup> (Charles Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 18 July 1891 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married BERTIE LEONARD. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriage Book XXXIX page 101 (Nool-Cannon), Book LIV page 37 (Cannon-Rogers), Book LX page 80 (Cannon-Kurtz), Book LXIII page 106 (Cannon-Royalty); Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Ernest Cannon and Bertie Leonard, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Martina Cannon. She was married on 23 January 1928 to Morgan Nooe.
- ii. Mary Violet Cannon. She married to Johnny Crews and married secondly to William Meredith.
- iii. Richard Robards Cannon. He died as a young child from whooping cough.
- iv. Charles Cannon. He was born 26 September 1914 and married 3 August 1940 to Ruth Rogers.
- v. Forrest Cannon.
- vi. Lorraine Malinda Cannon. She was born about 1919 and married 16 July 1940 to Maxwell Kurtz.
- vii. Leonard Cannon. He was born about 1928, and married on 11 June 1947 to Juanita Royalty.
- viii. Andrew Cannon.

- ix. Hazel Cannon. She was born about 1925 and married Wilford Arthur Arnold on 6 April 1944.
- x. Geneva Cannon.

137. NANNIE CANNON <sup>7</sup> (Charles Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in Mercer County, Kentucky and married there in 1900 to GEORGE W. RONEY. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriage Book XVIII page 108; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Nannie Cannon and George W. Roney, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Carl Roney. He married Miss Curtsinger.
- ii. Raymond Roney. He married Lucille Leathers.
- iii. Earl Roney. He was not married.
- iv. Mary Alice Roney. She married Ed Davis and was the mother of a daughter, Reva May Davis.

138. JOHN WILLIAM CANNON <sup>7</sup> (Charles Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in Mercer County, Kentucky and married there in 1904 to MYRTIE LEONARD. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XXI page 2 (Cannon-Leonard), Book LX page 106 (Cannon-Votaw); Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of John William Cannon and Myrtie Leonard, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Shannon Bottom Cannon. She was born in March 1911 and died 10 October 1956. She was not married.
- ii. John Carl Cannon. He was born in 1917 and married 24 December 1943 to Lola Mae Votaw.
- iii. Christine Cannon. She was born in 1922 and was not married.
- iv. Garnetta Cannon. She was born in 1924 and died as an infant in 1925.
- v. Mary Kathleen Cannon. She was born 8 April 1926 and died 12 August 1981. She was not married.

139. VIRGIL MILTON CANNON <sup>7</sup> (Charles Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and BESSIE TEATER <sup>8</sup> (Robert Teater<sup>7</sup>, Mary Collier<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

They were second cousins once removed and both descendants of David Board. They married in 1916 in Mercer County, Kentucky, where they resided.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriage Book XXVII page 86; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Virgil Milton Cannon and Bessie Teater, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Fayrene Cannon. She married a Mr. Logue.
- ii. Marshall Cannon. He was not married.

140. ORA CANNON <sup>7</sup> (Charles Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in Mercer County, Kentucky where she resided. She married to ESSE MAURICE ROBERTS in 1915 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriage Book XXVI page 187; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Ora Cannon and Esse Maurice Roberts, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Louise Roberts. She married Baker Demaree.
- ii. Pauline Roberts.
- iii. Albert Lee Roberts. He was not married.

141. CARRIE CANNON <sup>7</sup> (Charles Cannon<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in Mercer County, Kentucky, where she resided. She married to WILLIAM RAY RONEY in 1918.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriage Book XXIX page 27; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Carrie Cannon and William Ray Roney, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Nannie Ray Roney. She married Paul Catlett, the son of Gore Reed Catlett, whose mother was Mary Jackson the daughter of Catherine Board who was one of David Board's daughters. They were third cousins. **See 166 (iv).**
- ii. Aileen Roney. She married to Ralph Begeman and was the mother of Billie Caroline Begeman and Rose Begeman. Aileen Roney married secondly to Charles Dennis.

142. ROBERT H. TEATER <sup>7</sup> (Mary Collier<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1866 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married SARAH MATHERLY in 1893 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married secondly to MAGGIE RONEY in 1901 and married thirdly in 1904 to ELLA BUNTON.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XVI page 68 (Teater-Matherly), Book XX page 392 (Teater-Burton), Book not cited (1901, Teater-Roney), Book XXXV page 21 (Teater-McCrystal); Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Robert H. Teater and Sarah Matherly, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Walter Teater. He died at the age of 18 years and was not married.
- ii. Bessie Teater. She married in 1913 to Virgil M. Cannon, also a David Board descendant. **See 72 (v), See 139.**

The children of Robert H. Teater and Ella Bunton born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- iii. Lily Teater. She married Claude McCrystal and married secondly to William Roney.
- iv. Marvin Teater.
- v. Elizabeth Teater. She married to Johnny Logue in Danville, Boyle County, Kentucky.

143. DAVID TEATER <sup>7</sup> (Mary Collier<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and EMMA JACKSON <sup>7</sup> (James Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

They were second cousins who were both great-grandchildren of David Board. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Mercer County Courthouse Marriage Book B28 page 25 and Marriage Book B30 page 30. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of David Teater and Emma Jackson, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Effie Teater. She married William Shirley in 1917 and married secondly to Garfield Freeman.
- ii. Ruby Teater. She married in 1919 to Henry Smith Shackelford.
- iii. Fina Alma Teater. She was not married.

144. LENA H. COLLIER <sup>7</sup> (David Collier<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 27 November 1872 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 4 March 1914. She married in Mercer County, Kentucky to MATTHEW DIVINE on 22 December 1892. He was called Bud Divine. They resided in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky. His sister Rachel Devine married to Jacob M. Board, Jr. **See 80.**

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Lena Collier and Matthew Divine, born in Perryville, Boyle County, Kentucky:

- i. Fred Goldie Divine. He was born 7 June 1895 and died 25 September 1972. He married to Hallie Grace Norvell on 24 December 1915.
- ii. Cory Irvin Divine. He was born in October 1897 and married his cousin, Mary Williams, on 13 December 1919. He died on 12 December 1921 at age 24 years.

145. JOHN H. COLLIER <sup>7</sup> (David Collier<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1874 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married PEARL McCRYSTAL, who was born in 1884 and died in 1906. He married secondly to ETHEL MURPHY in 1914. She was born in 1891 and died in 1931. He died in 1943 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of John H. Collier and Pearl McCrystal, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Oliver B. Collier. He was born 6 September 1905 and died as a child on 11 February 1915.
- ii. Mason Collier.

The children of John H. Collier and Ethel Murphy, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- iii. Douglas Collier.
- iv. Pauline Collier.

146. SONORA COLLIER <sup>7</sup> (David Collier<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and DAVID CATLETT <sup>7</sup> (Mary Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

They were second cousins and were both great-grandchildren of David Board. They married in 1906 in Mercer County, Kentucky. David Catlett was born 2 February 1882 and died 23 October 1943. She was born 11 September 1885 and died 12 January 1951. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XXI page 330 (Catlett-Collier), Book LXI page 336 (Catlett-Claunch), Book LVII page 77 (Leonard-Catlett), Book LV page 80 (Hankla-Catlett); *Harrodsburg Herald* obituary of Garnett Catlett; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Sonora Collier and David Catlett, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. David Cecil Catlett. He married in 1945 to Edna Claunch in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- ii. Bernice Catlett. She was not married.
- iii. Gertie Mae Catlett. She married Charles Leonard in 1942 in Mercer County, Kentucky.
- iv. Hazel Catlett. She married Owen Hankla, married secondly to Red Phillips, and married thirdly to Roy Buckley.
- v. Charles Catlett. He was not married.
- vi. Marvin Catlett. He married in 1942 to Annabelle Goddlett and they had a son Donald Catlett.
- vii. Garnett Catlett. He resided in Mercer County, Kentucky, and his obituary was published in the *Harrodsburg Herald*:  
Garnett Catlett, 76, of Perryville Road, Harrodsburg, died Wednesday, August 29, 2001, at the St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington. Born October 9, 1924 in Mercer County, he was the son of the late Dave and Sonora Collier Catlett. He was a member of the Bethel Cumberland Presbyterian Church, where he served as deacon, elder, and financial custodian of the cemetery fund. He was a retired farmer and a 24-year Corning employee. He served on the Mercer County Extension Council and was a Kentucky Colonel. Survivors include: his wife, Catherine Wickersham Catlett, Mercer County; one son, Ricky (Regina) Catlett, Mercer County; two daughters, Jean (Johnny) Currens and Lana (Hugh) Bullock, both of Mercer County; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by four brothers, Cecil, Marvin, Charlie, and Luther Catlett, and three sisters, Hazel Buckley, Gertie Leonard, and Bernice Catlett. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 1, at the Ransdell Funeral Chapel with Gary Allen and James Byrd officiating. Burial was in

Spring Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers were Cary and Stephen Keebortz, Brent Currens, Bill Brown, Roland Arnold, Jr., Jennifer and Christina Catlett, Cathi Chumley, and Josh Pendegrist. Honorary pallbearers were Woodrow and Darryl Catlett, Melvin Mullins, Bill and James Wheeler, Hubert Turpin, Dale Heise, Roy Bonta, James Land, Lee Thompson, and Jessie Spaulding.

- viii. Luther Catlett. He was born in 1910 and died in infancy in 1911 from diphtheria.

147. FLORA COLLIER <sup>7</sup> (Vinson Collier<sup>6</sup>, Hannah<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 13 October 1890 in Mercer County, Kentucky where she married on 29 March 1911 to JOHN WESLEY BUGG. She died 4 June 1966. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Flora Collier and John W. Bugg, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Willette Bugg. She was born 10 May 1912 and died 1 December 1990 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She was married her third cousin, Woodrow Catlett, and both were great-great-grandchildren of David Board. They were the owners of the David Board *Bible* and resided on Catlett's Lane in Mercer County, Kentucky on the original David Board property. They did not have children. **See 165 (vi).**
- ii. Charlie Vinson Bugg. He was born 27 January 1914 and married to Elizabeth Jones on 27 January 1937. He married secondly to Elizabeth Ardway and married thirdly to Dorothy Mae White Mayes. He died 8 March 1967.
- iii. Irene Bugg. She was born 1 February 1916 and died as a young woman on 22 September 1938.
- iv. Mary Thomas Bugg. She was born 23 March 1918 and married Hardin Swope. She died 30 July 1991.
- v. Katherine Bugg. She was born 20 August 1920 and married on 26 May 1942 to Lewis Dunn.
- vi. Myrtle Belle Bugg. She was born 25 March 1923 and married Emerson McCray.
- vii. Mildred Vivian Bugg. She was born 27 September 1925 and died as a young girl on 22 March 1934. She was buried at the Bethel Presbyterian Church on Perryville Road in Mercer County, Kentucky.

148. OSCAR DIVINE <sup>7</sup> (Caroline<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 27 February 1875 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 27 September 1947 in Danville, Boyle County, Kentucky. He married on 30 November 1898 in Anderson County, Kentucky to LAURA CATHERINE BRAMBLET. She was born 22 February 1872 in Scott County, Kentucky, the daughter of James Granville Bramblet and Catharine Riddle. She died 1 January 1930 in Toledo, Ohio and was buried at Minorsville Cemetery in Minorsville, Kentucky. Oscar Divine was buried in the Alton Cemetery with his parents.

Sources: *Bury Me In Dixville*, by Jack Bailey, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, page 58; 1880 Mercer County census; Divine family history compiled by Arthur E. Divine, 419 Aqua Vista Drive, Granbury Texas 76049, to the author in 1994.

The children of Oscar Divine and Laura Catherine Bramblet, born in Alton, Anderson County, Kentucky:

- i. James B. Divine. He was born 23 October 1899 and died 15 May 1946 in Louisville, Kentucky. He was buried at the Evergreen Cemetery in Louisville. He married 25 December 1920 in Lexington, Kentucky to Gladys May Williams and they divorced in 1928. **See 229.**
- ii. Lillard Divine. He was born 17 February 1902.
- iii. Seibert Divine. He was born 28 December 1903 and died 26 July 1994 in Louisville, Kentucky. He married 10 June 1922 to Ruby Lee Tinsley.
- iv. Ira Cecil Divine. He was born 5 June 1906.
- v. Lorena Divine. She was born 9 August 1911.
- vi. Nora Teresa Divine. She was born 1 June 1913.

149. LILLIE BELL JACKSON <sup>7</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in 1876 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died in 1957. She married PRICE TERHUNE. He was born in 1875 and died in 1923.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XVII page 402; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Lillie Bell Jackson and Price Terhune, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Rayford Terhune.

150. NEELIE JACKSON <sup>7</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 7 July 1876 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married in 1897 to EDWARD LAWRENCE CHUMLEY. She died 13 November 1963.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XVII page 416; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Neelie Jackson and Edward Lawrence Chumley, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Bertie Mae Chumley.
- ii. Ollie Jane Chumley. She was born 20 April 1900 and married 31 July 1919 to Marvin Dewey Nichols, who was also a descendant of David Board. **See 71 (iii), See 135.**
- iii. Walter Chumley.
- iv. Isabel Chumley.
- v. Edna Lee Chumley.

151. JAMES JACKSON <sup>7</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in Mercer County, Kentucky where he married to FLORENCE DARLAND. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of James Jackson and Florence Darland, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Myrtle Jackson. She married Gilbert Britton.
- ii. Roy Lee Jackson. He married Lillian Bugg.
- iii. Lucille Jackson. She married Horace Martin Lester.
- iv. James William Jackson. He married Vivian A. Gabhart.

152. FRED JACKSON <sup>7</sup> (Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in Mercer County, Kentucky where he married in 1918 to SHANNON SIMS. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XXVI page 156; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Fred Jackson and Shannon Sims, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Stanley Jackson.
- ii. Ida Mae Jackson. She married Samuel Cummins.
- iii. Morris Jackson.
- iv. Letty Jackson. She married Ralph Harlow.
- v. Walter Jackson.
- vi. Betty Jean Jackson.

153. RILDA BOARD <sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 30 August 1888 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married to LIKUS CUMMINS. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky. His first name was also rendered Lycus and Likers.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XX page 292; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Edits courtesy of Jack Bailey, 527 Scenic Hill Estate, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, from 1995, see *Bury Me At Dixville* by Jack Bailey.

The children of Rilda Board and Likus Cummins, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. J. Maizie Cummins. She was born 9 September 1905 and died 13 March 1986. She did not marry.
- ii. Vernie D. Cummins. He was born 11 August 1907 and married in 1929 to Lida Jackson. He died 2 September 1985 in Mercer County, Kentucky. Their children were Louise Cummins, who married to A. Scatterly; Jean Cummins; Fay Cummins, who married Barry Britton; and Jackie Cummins, who married secondly to Ardis Smith.
- iii. Bessie Cummins. She was born 14 November 1909 and died 5 June 1988 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She was not married.
- iv. James Cummins. He was born 6 February 1912 and married Bertha Thompson. He was an ordained minister and he died 23 January 1974. Their children were James Cummins, Jr.; Brenda Cummins, who married Byron Hill; Tommy Cummins; and Betty Ann Cummins.
- v. David Cummins. He was born 14 February 1914 and married Miss Shoperson. He resided in 1995 in Celina, Tennessee. Their children were Ronnie Cummins, Dallas Cummins, Saundra Cummins, Betty Cummins, and Jerry Cummins.
- vi. Lois Cummins. She was born 27 March 1919 and married Donald Rudick. Their children were Danny Rudick and Martha Rudick.



- vii. John Baker Cummins. He married twice and he was the father of Jerry Cummins and Victor Cummins. He resided in 1995 in Wildwood, Florida.
- vi. Mary Ester Cummins. She was born 16 June 1923. She Curtis Dick, married secondly to Fred T. Kaye, married thirdly to a Mr. Graham, and in 1964 her married name was Phiscator when she was residing in Kennewick, Washington.
- vii. Nancy Cummins. She married Claude Carter of Wildwood, Florida.

154. MAUD BOARD <sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in July 1892 at Mercer County, Kentucky where she married to JOHN ALBERT DEVINE on 29 December 1910. He was born in February 1881, the son of Speed S. Devine and George Ann Clark. The resided in Mercer County, Kentucky, where he died on 19 April 1956. She died 23 August 1987.

Sources: *Bury Me At Dixville*, by Jack D. Bailey, 527 Scenic Hill, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, revised 1999.

The children of Maud Board and John Albert Devine, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Edna Fay Devine. She was born 21 October 1911 and married to Freddie Wallace Lake on 23 May 1931.
- ii. Maurice Devine. He was born about 1914 and married Ruby Lucille Noel on 20 December 1933.
- iii. Buford Thompson Devine. He was born 1 March 1916 and married Janatta Wilham on 1 August 1937.
- iv. Waulten Lee Devine. He was born 2 June 1919.
- v. Dalton Emmett Devine. He was born about 1920 and married Alice Wood McCann on 31 January 1940.
- vi. Paul Devine. He was born 12 December 1921.
- vii. Mary M. Devine. She was born 20 May 1926.

155. LAURA LEE BOARD <sup>7</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 22 March 1894 in Mercer County, Kentucky where she married THOMAS DURR on 24 December 1914. He was born 23 May 1894 in Rose Hill, Mercer County, Kentucky. He died on 26 December 1969 in Sycamore, Illinois she died on 18 April 1990 in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin. They were buried at the Fairview Cemetery in DeKalb, Illinois.

Sources: Lori Sipavich Berezovsky, 649 Jaran Street, Salina, Kansas 67401, correspondence to the author, 1996.

The children of Laura Lee Board and Thomas Durr, born in Kentucky:

- i. John Otis Durr. He was born 13 August 1916 in Willisburg, Kentucky. He married Gloria Marko on 9 December 1944 in DeKalb, Illinois. **See 230.**
- ii. Nancy Lee Durr. She was born 18 February 1923 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married Kenneth Whitney on 22 February 1941 in Clinton, Iowa. **See 231.**
- iii. Anna Marie Durr. She was born 3 February 1925 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married Delmer Lee Way on 5 March 1946 in David City, Butler County, Nebraska. She married secondly to William John Sipavich on 23 September 1953 in Wautoma, Wisconsin. **See 232.**

156. ALBERT HACHELL <sup>7</sup> (Fannie<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>) and JOSEPHINE KIRKLAND <sup>7</sup> (William Kirkland<sup>6</sup>, Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

They were second cousins who were both were great-grandchildren of David Board. They married on 18 December 1910 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He was born 3 July 1892 and died 23 February 1967 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Mrs. Hatchell, 96, of 437 Lin-Wal Drive, Lexington, died at 3:20 a.m. Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> at her residence. Born in Mercer County, she was the daughter of the late William L. Kirkland and Margaret Claunch. She was the widow of Albert Hatchell. She was a member of the Parkway Baptist Church, Lexington. Survivors include three daughters; a brother, Henry Kirkland, Harrodsburg; eight grandchildren; twenty great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Edna Edwards. Services held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Alexander-Royalty Funeral Home with Rev. John T. Wallace officiating. Burial in Spring Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers: Kenneth Kirkland, Guster Jenkins, Jr., Rich McGinnis, James Claunch, Jim Noel, and Emmett Goranflo.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Edits and obituary courtesy of Jack Bailey, 527 Scenic Hill Estate, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, from 1995, see *Bury Me At Dixville* by Jack Bailey.

The children of Albert Hatchell and Josephine Kirkland, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Ruby Hatchell. She was born 1 January 1912 and married on 22 December 1929 to Charles S. Curd. **See 233.**
- ii. Myrtle Hatchell. She was born 27 July 1916 and married in 1932 to Clyde Smith. She married secondly to Joseph Hugh Hisle. **See 234.**
- iii. Alma Fay Hatchell. She was born 31 May 1918 and married on 4 January 1940 to Robert Emmett Goranflo. **See 235.**
- iv. Edna Hatchell. She was born 23 October 1919 and married on 25 December 1939 to David K. Edwards, II. She died in 1977 at Los Angeles, California. **See 236.**

157. WILLIAM THOMAS HACHELL <sup>7</sup> (Fannie<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 23 March 1895 and died at age 22 years after being struck by lightning on 1 June 1917 in Dixville, Mercer County, Kentucky. He married in Mercer County, Kentucky on 15 December 1912 to ESTELLE ELLIOTT. They had one child.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Edits courtesy of Jack Bailey, 527 Scenic Hill Estate, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, from 1995, see *Bury Me At Dixville* by Jack Bailey.

The children of William Thomas Hatchell and Estelle Elliott, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. William J. Hatchell. He was born 9 April 1916 and died 4 October 1973. He married Mary Bailey on 13 October 1934 and married secondly to Mary Freeman on 20 August 1970. **See 237.**

158. EUNICE HATCHELL <sup>7</sup> (Fannie<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 27 February 1898 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 30 July 1972 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She married 1 February 1914 to JAKE CLAUNCH. He was born 10 May 1896 and died 10 December 1950 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Edits courtesy of Jack Bailey, 527 Scenic Hill Estate, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, from 1995, see *Bury Me At Dixville* by Jack Bailey.

The children of Eunice Hatchell and Jake Claunch, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. William Albert Claunch. He was born 31 October 1914 and married June 1936 to Ramah Reed. He died 23 March 1984 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 238.**
- ii. Ernest Claunch. He was born 13 July 1916.
- iii. James Davis Claunch. He was born 10 March 1918 and married 15 December 1945 to Opal Patterson.
- iv. Donald Claunch. He was born 23 June 1924 and died 6 April 1970. He married Beverly McBrayer.

159. LILLIE BELLE HATCHELL <sup>7</sup> (Fannie<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 11 March 1906 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married there on 21 November 1928 to ERNEST HILL. She was called Belle and she died 17 December 1989 in Mercer County, Kentucky. Her obituary was published in the *Harrodsburg Herald*:

Mrs. Belle Hatchell Hill, 82, of R.R. Clayton, Indiana, died December 17. Born in Mercer County, she was the daughter of the late James and Fannie Board Hatchell. She was the wife of Ernest Hill for 60 years. Mrs. Hill lived in Harrodsburg until 1945 when they moved to Clayton area. While living here, she worked in several local stores and for the Harrodsburg Produce Company. She was a member of the United Methodist Church, Clayton. In addition to her husband, she is survived by: a daughter, Mrs. John (Laverne) H. Barnes; four grandchildren, John S. Barnes of Bloomington, Indiana; Cathy B. Arnold of Indianapolis, Indiana; Michael P. Barnes of Cartersburg, Indiana; and the Rev. Thomas J. Barnes, of Orchard, Nebraska, and seven greatgrandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Maurice (Fannie) Tyler of Harrodsburg; several nieces and nephews, including James Claunch and Imogene Hatchell Freeman, both of Harrodsburg. Funeral services for Mrs. Hill were held Wednesday, December 21, at Hampton-Gentry Funeral Home in Plainfield. The Rev. Paul Taylor officiated and was assisted by her grandson, the Rev. Thomas J. Barnes. Pallbearers for the funeral were: John S. Barnes, Michael P. Barnes, Norman Arnold, Robert Hurst, John H. Tyler and Dan Hill.

Sources: Obituary of Belle Hatchell Hill from the *Harrodsburg Herald*, December 1989; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Edits courtesy of Jack

Bailey, 527 Scenic Hill Estate, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, from 1995, see *Bury Me At Dixville* by Jack Bailey.

The children of Belle Hatchell and Ernest Hill, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Laverne Hill. She was born 8 October 1929 and married in 1947 to John H. Barnes. **See 239.**

160. REATHA HACHELL <sup>7</sup> (Fannie<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 14 March 1908 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married 1 November 1930 to PAUL MC CRYSTAL. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Reatha Hatchell and Paul McCrystal, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. (baby) McCrystal. He was born and died 13 January 1933.

161. FANNIE J. HACHELL <sup>7</sup> (Fannie<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 14 May 1912 and married to MAURICE TYLER on 22 December 1934. They resided in 1992 in Harrodsburg, Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Edits courtesy of Jack Bailey, 527 Scenic Hill Estate, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, from 1995, see *Bury Me At Dixville* by Jack Bailey.

The children of Fannie J. Hatchell and Maurice Tyler, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. John H. Tyler. He was born 17 August 1936 and married in 1962 to Rebecca Ashford. **See 240.**
- ii. Doris Jean Tyler. She was born 12 January 1940 and married in 1967 to Robert M. Hunt. **See 241.**

162. ANDREW S. GRAVES <sup>7</sup> (Amanda Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in Mercer County, Kentucky in 1869 and called Bud. He married JOSIE BRADY, who was born in 1877 and died in 1930. He died in 1914 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: David Board *Bible*; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Andrew S. Graves and Josie Brady, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. John Huston Graves.

163. MARIE JACKSON <sup>7</sup> (Amanda Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 25 December 1895 in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married there to ROY A. SEMONIS. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Marie Jackson and Roy A. Semonis, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Frances Kathryn Semonis. She married to Everett J. Catlett, who was also a descendant of David Board. **See 166 (vi).**
- ii. Ruth Semonis. She married to James D. Smiley.

164. ELLA CATLETT <sup>7</sup> (Mary Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 20 August 1879 in Mercer County, Kentucky, where she was married in 1898 to IVA LEE MCGINNIS. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriage Book XVII page 544; David Board *Bible*; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Ella Catlett and Iva Lee McGinnis, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Oliver McGinnis. He married to Cordie Hart.
- ii. Ida Mae McGinnis. She was born in 1902 and married in 1918 to Hugh Leach. She died in February 1968.
- iii. Clyda McGinnis. She married in 1929 to Cloyd Leach.
- iv. Mary McGinnis.
- v. William McGinnis.
- vi. Glover McGinnis.

165. JOHN L. CATLETT <sup>7</sup> (Mary Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 2 December 1875 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died 31 August 1957 in Mercer County, Kentucky. He married in 1901 to CORDELIA HUNGATE, who was born 18 March 1878 and died 3 March 1916. He married secondly in Mercer County, Kentucky to MAY NICHOLS in 1932.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book XLIV page 15 (Stigall-Catlett), Book 44 page 21 (Catlett-Nichols); Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of John L. Catlett and Cordelia Hungate, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Henry Catlett. He moved to Mississippi.
- ii. Mary Esther Catlett. She married Arthur Harmon. They had a daughter Alberta Harmon, who married Joe Green.
- iii. Rhea Catlett. He married Philip Stigall in 1932.
- iv. Fay Catlett. She was a twin to Rhea, and married to William Wade.
- v. Beatrice Catlett. She was born 6 September 1909 and married to Delois Peavier. They had a daughter, Lorina Peavier.
- vi. Woodrow Catlett. He married Willette Bugg, who was also a David Board descendant. They had no children. **See 147 (i).**

166. GORE REED CATLETT <sup>7</sup> (Mary Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in 1877 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there in 1952. He married in 1907 to MARGARET WICKERSHAM, who was called Maggie.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky marriages Book LXI page 337 (Catlett-Semonis); Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs.

Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Gore Reed Catlett and Margaret Wickersham, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Milton Lloyd Catlett. He was born 2 April 1907 and married Elizabeth Murphy. **See 242.**
- ii. William Harvey Catlett. He was born 5 September 1909 and married to Kate Kinmon on 20 July 1929. **See 243.**
- iii. Leon Reed Catlett. He was born 26 May 1912 and married to Lucille Taylor. **See 244.**
- iv. Paul Catlett. He was born in 1914 and married to Nannie Ray Roney, who was also a descendant of David Board. **See 141 (i).**
- v. Clarence Catlett. He was born in 1916 and his wife's name was Betty.
- vi. Everett Jackson Catlett. He was born in 1919 and married in 1945 to Frances Kathryn Semonis, who was also a descendant of David Board. **See 163 (i).**
- vii. Gilbert P. Catlett. He was born in 1922 and died in 1950. He was not married.
- viii. Mary Alma Catlett. She was born in June 1928 and did not marry.

167. JENKIE BONTA <sup>7</sup> (Susan Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married there to WALTER SEVIER. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Jenkie Bonta and Walter Sevier, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Virginia Sevier. She was born in 1905 and married Clayton Arnold. She died in 1972.
- ii. Wanel Sevier. She was born 4 July 1910 and married to Edgar Nield.
- iii. Granville Sevier. He was born in 1915 and married Dorothy Stockton.
- iv. Collins Sevier. He was born in 1917 and died in 1971. He married Margie Stockton, the cousin of Dorothy Stockton.

168. CHARLES CUNNINGHAM BONTA <sup>7</sup> (Susan Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married there to MATTIE HOURIGAN. He died in 1913 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Charles Cunningham Bonta and Mattie Hourigan, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Edna Bonta. She was born in August 1907 and married in June 1929 to Murrell Spalding. **See 245.**
- ii. Henry Bonta. She was born 19 January 1909 and married to Christine Newby. Their son Henry Farrell Bonta was born in 1934.
- iii. Charles William Bonta. He was born 4 December 1911. He married Ava Patterson and married secondly to Ellis Harris. He resided in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 246.**
- iv. Grace Susan Bonta. She was born 4 September 1913 and married 13 May 1934 to James Elmer Leonard.

169. ELIZABETH WESTERFIELD <sup>7</sup> (Susan Jackson<sup>6</sup>, Catherine<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born in 1879 in Mercer County, Kentucky and died there in 1924. She married in Mercer County, Kentucky to JOHN TERHUNE, who was born in 1876 and died 1950. They had one child.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Elizabeth Westerfield and John Terhune, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Rena C. Terhune.

170. MARY ELLEN TERHUNE <sup>7</sup> (David Terhune<sup>6</sup>, Mary<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 25 March 1886 in Mercer County, Kentucky where she married on 8 March 1909 to CLARENCE A. NICHOLS. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975; Mercer County Marriage Book 23 page 14, Book 48 page 46. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Mary Ellen Terhune and Clarence A. Nichols, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Graham M. Nichols. He married in 1935 to Hilda Matherly.
- ii. Violet F. Nichols.
- iii. Nancy J. Nichols.

171. WESLEY C. TERHUNE <sup>7</sup> (David Terhune<sup>6</sup>, Mary<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 27 November 1889 in Mercer County, Kentucky where he married on 12 December 1914 to BULA COMINGO. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Wesley C. Terhune and Bula Comingo, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. David William Terhune.
- ii. Christine Bell Terhune.

172. ALEXANDER KIRKLAND <sup>7</sup> (Thomas Kirkland<sup>6</sup>, Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 16 November 1885 in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married there in 1907 to MINNIE DEVINE. He died in 1973 in Mercer County, Kentucky. She was born 17 May 1892 and died 15 March 1932. The obituary of Minnie Kirkland was published in the *Harrodsburg Herald*:

Mrs. Kirkland, aged 41, wife of Alex Kirkland, a member of the high school faculty at Rose Hill, died Tuesday morning at her home on the Dixville Road after having been ill with tuberculosis since last July. She was the daughter of Elijah Devine and Martha Hatchell and was born and reared in Mercer County, and was a gracious, lovely woman. The funeral was on Wednesday afternoon at Bethel Cumberland

Church, of which she had long been a member, conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. Firkins, assisted by Rev. E.M. Gash. Burial in the Bethel Cemetery. She is survived by her husband; two sons; three daughters, all of whom live in Mercer County, and a granddaughter. She also leaves her parents; two sisters, Mrs. John Hart, Dixville and Mrs. Victor Gibson, who resides near Shakertown.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XXII page 122, and Book 50 page 17 (Kirkland-Chase); Handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; obituary from *Bury Me At Dixville*, by Jack Bailey, Harrodsburg, KY, 1999, page 195.

The children of Alexander Kirkland and Minnie Devine, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Robert Lee Kirkland. He was born 27 January 1908. **See 247.**
- ii. Thomas Kirkland. He was born 18 March 1910 and married Ruby Patterson on 27 August 1932. **See 248.**
- iii. Flossie Kirkland. She was born 11 October 1912 and married 1937 to Frank Chase. Their daughter Ellen Chase married Victor Hellard.
- iv. Martha Kirkland. She was born 13 September 1917 and married Hugh Davis. **See 249.**
- v. Elsie Kirkland. She was born 21 January 1921 and married 21 November 1940 to Edwin Freeman. **See 250.**

173. LILY KIRKLAND <sup>7</sup> (Thomas Kirkland<sup>6</sup>, Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 9 September 1888 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married there to JOE LEONARD. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Lily Kirkland and Joe Leonard, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Paul Leonard. He was born 1 January 1909 and was twice married.
- ii. Garnett Leonard. He married Arlene Ballard and married secondly to Miss Richardson.

174. MARY ALICE KIRKLAND <sup>7</sup> (Thomas Kirkland<sup>6</sup>, Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 17 December 1893 in Mercer County, Kentucky and married in 1917 to ED MOORE. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Mercer County, Kentucky, marriages Book XXVII page 208; Handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Mary Alice Kirkland and Ed Moore, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Connie Moore. He married to Jane Moss.
- ii. Carnelie Moore. She was not married.
- iii. Estelle Moore. She was not married



175. MINNIE KIRKLAND <sup>7</sup> (William Kirkland<sup>6</sup>, Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 27 August 1886 in Mercer County, Kentucky where she married on 4 April 1904 to BEN FRANKLIN LOGUE. She died 7 December 1964 in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Sources: Handwritten notes of Carroll Board of Cincinnati, Ohio, undated, from about 1905; Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Minnie Kirkland and Ben Franklin Logue, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Raymond Logue. He was born 19 March 1906 and died as a child on 8 October 1910.
- ii. Carl Logue. He was born 12 April 1912 and died young.
- iii. Evelyn Logue. She was born 17 November 1917 and married on 30 June 1935 to Guy McGinnes. **See 251.**

176. ETHEL KIRKLAND <sup>7</sup> (William Kirkland<sup>6</sup>, Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

She was born 5 July 1897 in Mercer County, Kentucky where she married on 3 May 1915 to JOHN DEAN. She married secondly to CYPRUS SPEARS. She died in Mercer County, Kentucky on 20 May 1972.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

The children of Ethel Kirkland and John Dean, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Edward Lee Dean. He was born 1 November 1916 and married on 19 September 1942 to Barbara Votaw. **See 252.**

177. HENRY KIRKLAND <sup>7</sup> (William Kirkland<sup>6</sup>, Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 22 April 1904 in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married there to OCIE ETHEL DEVINE on 1 October 1921. They resided in Mercer County, Kentucky. The obituary of Henry Kirkland was published in the *Harrodsburg Herald*:

Mr. Kirkland, 87, of 330 Bacon Court, died at 8:16 p.m. Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> at Haggin Hospital. Born in Mercer County, he was the son of the late William Lee and Margaret Claunch Kirkland. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ocie Devine Kirkland and a son, Kyle C. Kirkland. He was a member of the Benton Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon for 65 years. He was the Sunday School Superintendent for 51 years and a Sunday School teacher for many years. His career in public office included serving as a trustee for Hungate School (Dixville District) in the 1930s and serving as both a Mercer County magistrate and deputy sheriff for a number of years. He was a retired state employee, having worked for the highway and park departments. Survivors include two daughters; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren. Services held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> at Ransdell Funeral Chapel. Dr. Robert DeFoor and Raymond Watts officiated. Burial in Spring Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers: Jim Ashford, Gary

Kirkland, Michael Kyle Vah, Kenneth Kirkland, David Thomas Noel, and Charles Albert Curd.

Sources: Correspondence and interviews with family members by Mrs. Frances Keightley between roughly 1965 and 1975. Compiled by Mrs. Frances Board Keightley Moseley of Harrodsburg, Kentucky; obituary from *Bury Me At Dixville*, by Jack Bailey, Harrodsburg, KY, 1999, page 149.

The children of Henry Kirkland and Ocie Ethel Devine, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Louda Kirkland. She was born 21 October 1922 and married 3 April 1943 to James T. Noel. **See 253.**
- ii. Violet Kirkland. She was born 15 July 1925 and married 4 July 1953 to Irwin P. Cohen. **See 254.**
- iii. Kyle Cecil Kirkland. He was born 26 July 1928 and married 28 January 1956 to Jeanetta Lee Watts. He died 26 July 1971 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 255.**

178. CLARENCE KIRKLAND <sup>7</sup> (William Kirkland<sup>6</sup>, Hester<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, Phillip<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Cornelius<sup>1</sup>)

He was born 12 December 1905 in Mercer County, Kentucky and was married there to JOSIE LOU DEVINE on 23 December 1926. She and her sister, Ocie Ethel Devine, married brothers Clarence Kirkland and William Kirkland. He died at Mercer County, Kentucky on 12 June 1976.

Sources: *Bury Me At Dixville*, by Jack D. Bailey, 527 Scenic Hill, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330, revised 1999.

The children of Clarence Kirkland and Josie Lou Devine, born in Mercer County, Kentucky:

- i. Donald Kirkland. He married on 24 January 1947 to Anne Kurtz. **See 256.**
- ii. Kenneth Byrle Kirkland. He was married on 3 June 1954 to Audrey Mae Cosby. **See 257.**
- iii. Geneva Kirkland. She was born 10 October 1953 to Guster Jenkins, Jr. **See 258.**
- iv. Byford Kirkland. He was born 15 March 1936 and married to Wanda Kay Thurman. He died 18 December 1983 in Mercer County, Kentucky. **See 259.**

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