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SMITH FAMILY

The following is a copy of a letter (or family history) written by John C. Smith, 1876, March 21st. Contributed by a friend.

John C. Smith was born March 19th 1806, on the headwaters of Little Barren, Barren County, Ky. His father & Grandfather Smith was both named William, and I think my Great Grandfather Smith was a sailor upon the bosom of the great ocean. My Grandmother Smith's maiden name was Street, and either her father or my great Great Grandfather Smith was a Welchman, for I have heard my father tell an anecdote on one or the other of them. He said his Grandfather Smith or Street (I dis remember which) was a very large welshman and had a hand as big as a gridiron, he never would Strike a man with his fist for fear of killing him but If a man insulted him he would Slaphim over with his great open hand. I think my Grandfather Smith was born somewher in a Ship as She was plowin the Briny deep, But my Father was Born on James River, under the Tobaccarow Mountain, Amhusk County, Virginia. I cannot state the precise time my Father emigrated to this State (Kentucky) but I believe it was abot the year of 1792 or 1793, his first arrival or the first county he stoped in was Mercer, where he became acquainted with my Mother, who was then a Blooming Girl about 14 or 15 years of age, her name was Margaret Campbell, the Daughter of Josiah Campbell. My Grandmother Campbell's name was Susannah Mitchel before she was married. My Mother was born in the year of our Lord 1777, Bedford County, Virginia. The exact time my Grand Father Campbell emigrated from Virginia to Ky, I am unable to say, but it was at a very early date, For I have heard my Mother say she was a very little girl at that time So Small and so young She could only remember a part of the insodents that took place on the way. She said at that time the people that mooved from Virginia to Kentucky did not moove in waggons like they do now, for there was no rodes at that time, that waggons could pass. They had to moove on pack horse and frequently the paths was so narrow that it was with difficulty they could get a long with there packags. But narrow paths was not all the difficultys they had to contend with in ther passage from Virginia to the rich and fertilizing Soil of Kentucky. Yes they had to pass over Steep Mountains, and hills and deep rivers, Illy prepared to with botes for their Safe convayance. Many times they would follow the windings of their little path up the Mountains or hills untell they would become So Steep or So Sideling that they thought it unsafe for their horses and little ones to pass over. Sometimes a better and mor Safe way would be Sought out but when this could not be done they would take off their packs then leed their horses over one by one untell they was all over, then all hands would engage in carrying over the plunder, and afain restoreing it upon the backs of the beasts of burthen. But while they had these Difficultys to contend with, there was others of a more alarming and dangerous caractor. A Great portion of the rout from the State of Virginia to the great vally of the Mississippi (of which Kentucky is a part) at that time was uninhabited by the white man. The unbroken forest Spread its Shades fourty miles or more in Some places---unmolested by the removal of a single tree, the Sound of an ox had never resounded upon none of its hills or its vallys except to cleare away a small path, and cut a little wood to cook a morsel of food for the hardy pioneers of this western country.

This willderness at that time was posed with Indians of a Savage nature and unfriendly to the white people frequently killing whole

familys of emigrants as they were endeavoring to make their way from the eastern States to the fare west. Oweing to this Sircumstance it became haserdous for any family to undertake the Journey a lone; and besides this there was many wild beasts firce and ferocious that would attact, kill and eat a man; Sometimes a quantity of these animals wold collect together Sufficient in number to distroy a whole Family. My Grand Father having knowledg of this fact he did not venture alone, but I think about Sixty Souls in number consisting of men women & children after loding their beast, and prepareing as well as they could for the journey, the men with their guns on their shoulders and the women with their babes in their arns took up the line of march from Bedford County Virginia to the mutch praised & thinly settled State if Kentucky. Where after a long and tedious Journey they arrived and settled in Mercer County, where I believe my Grand Father & Grand Mother resided and brought up a numerous offspring, living in and enjoying all the privilleges of the Presbyterian Church, and from what I have heard of my Grand father and Grandmother Campbell's religion I suppose it was of a genuine caractor, they endeavored to train up their children in the way they Should go, and so fare as I have any knowledg on the Subject, when they grew old they did not depart from it, though Some of them grew to mature age before they inbraced religion.

There is one thing in the history of my Grandfather, that tho nothing thought of in them days would cast a Stain or a reproach upon the Christians Character in these days. I allude to the business of making and vending ardent Spirits, how fore my Grandfather was engaged in this I am unable to Say, but I think I have herd that he had a Distillery, but I suppose he did not carry it on very extensively as he had a farm to cultivate and was also a blacksmith by trade; but be this as it may, he was a very pious man, a strict observe of the Sabbath day, and ridgedly enjoined it on all his house to remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy.

I am unable at this time to tell the exact age of either my Grandfather or Grandmother when they departed this life; but they both lived to a good old age. My Grandfather left the Shores of time first, his death as I am told was Sudent and unexpected at that time. Indeed we may say to all human appearance, it came upon him like a thief in the knight. O how important it is to watch and with what power Should the Sircumstance of his death bring home to the minds of all his Surviving friends the Scriptural frazealogy of Watch ye, therefore, for in Such an hour as you think not the Son of man cometh. I am told that he was enjoying as good health as was common for and old man of his age to enjoy, up to the very time of his dissolution, the Sircumstance of his death took place as follows: He was standing in his yard conversing with one of his Son in laws, by the name of Philip Shuck, Uncle Philip Sayd he had just turned his head from looking at Grandfather, when he heard him make a Strange noise, his eyes was a gain direcred toward him and he Saw he was falling. Uncle instantly caught hold of him to prevent his falling, he was carryed in to the house and Sat on a Char but alas! for his friends, his Spirit had fled to the God that gave it, leaving the body to be consigned to its Mother earth. Grandmother lived some years after Grandfathers death, and I think before hur deth She entirely lost the power of vision and allthough she lost the Power of Seeing with hur nattural eyes, I trust She did not loose hur Spirit-ual eyesight. But they are gone to the Spirits land, leaving behind a numerous offspring and friends to lament their loss, and though they did morn & weep for a while, yet they did not morn like those that had

no hope. For we believe like as Christ was raised by the Glory of the father even So Shall he raise our Fathers, and our Mothers, who have died in the faith of the Gospel of the Son of God, and allthough they cannot come to us..yet blessed be the name of the Lord we can go to them.

I think my Greatgrandfathers Campell & Mitchel, was both Irish and came from Ireland to America in company together and as the Irish is famous for having Anecdotes told on them, I will here relate an anecdote that I have heard on them; When they first came to this country they saw a great many things that they did not know what they were; among the rest they found (as they thought) some roughcoted apples; after having filled their pockets they commenced eating, but they did not relish them very much, for they turned out to be green walnuts. They were I think both weavers by trade. I have herd a Story on them Some what after the following a bet, or a wager, or something of that kind, was made on one of them, that he could weeve out a Surtain piece or weeb of cloth in one day containing Some thirty or forty yards. He was about to Succeed, but just before the job was completed, a hermage from the nose took place and continued with such violence that the Knig of the Sheckel was compelled to desist. But no sooner did the one drop the Shickel than the other pickedit up, and the job was completed within the given time.

I donot at this given time have heard of any of my great uncles or great aunts spoken of except Uncle Bob Mitchel. He was a drinking man; and when he would get drunk he would Say Pore-Bob. This is all I know of Uncle Bob. But I fain would indulge a hope that he quit his cups and become a Sober man before he launched into a world unknown. We will now state according to our best reccolection what we know and have Seen of my own Uncles & Aunts on Mothers Side of the house.

I think Uncle John Campbell was the oldest Son he had two wives. His first had several children by my Uncle and then left him and hur children; took up or was married to another man; the last I heard of hur She was residing in Leexington, Ky. I have Seen some of hur children and as they are my own Cosens, the Sons & daughters of Mother's Brother, I will speak of them. Their names are as follows: Josiah, Robert, Martain, Susannah & Betsy. These are all I remember now. I have seen Cosen Josiah Campbell house, he had a wife and Several children but I have forgotten their names. Cosen Robert was a Shoe & Boot maker and was the man I learnt my trade with. His wife was a very pretty woman, their childrens names was Sintha Ann, Hester Ann, Willia the rest not reccollected. His wifes name was Betsy Smith, the daughter of John Smith, a Hatter living in Columbia, Adare County. Couzen Martain I think was bound to some trade but before he was twenty-one, he left and was not heard of for a long time, I think it was about the A D 1828, he was living about 50 miles of New Orleans, ingaged in the Shugar makeing trade, and was very wealthy. Couzen Susanah or Sooky, as they all called hur was a very Small and Beautiful woman. She married James Overstreet, an extraordinary high man, and a hatter by trad He fell down once and Uncle Phillip Shuck said he looked like about like three pannels of new fence.

Cosin Betsy married William Tucker he was a man of common Size. Uncle John's second wife was a very pleasant woman and greatly beloved we called hur Aunt Becky, one of hur sons was named John, and he was a very ingenious man, some what about my age. When he was a boy, he sent me a top, or Whirligig, which pleased me very much. Uncle John was the man I was named for, he was a great hand to Sing. I heard him

Sing a Song that was called the "Sour Appletree", he said he had Saw the day when he could sit down and Sing from Sun up to Sun down and never Sing the same Song over. I can just remember the little fur hat he gave me for my name, or because I was his namesake; and I think he also gave me a calico cote, as was common in his day, he used to partitake of the intoxicatting draught but I think before his death he left it off and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. This is A D 1847 and he has been gone frome the Shores of time for severel years and we trust he is happy and soon or later, we shall see him in that bright world above, where Sickness, sorrow, pain and death can never come.

Besides Uncle John there was of my Grandfathers children, David, & Robert, males; Molly, Betsy, Susanah (Lannah) as they called hur, Margaret & Francis females. Uncle David, Married his cousin Betsy Campbell. They had Six children, lived to ge grone, four daughters and two sons. Sarah, Susan & Polly had Black hare, but Lucinda had red hare. None but one of them ever married. But both of the boys married. Elexus married Elen Laswell, my Father's Sisters daughter. I have forgot who Thomas, the youngest Son married but I think she was a girl of some property. Uncle David is Still upon the Land of the living or was last fall for he then visited my Mother, & promised to visit hur once every year, as long as they both live and he is able to travel.

I believe both him and all his house are Presbyterians. When I was at his house, (and I have been there but twice) he seemed to be a man of God, when he arose in the morning, it seemed his first thoughts was turned to that God who had Shielded & protected him through the night; no sooner had the Sun, that Bright luminary of day gilded the Eastern Horizon than the Family Alter, which had long been erected, was resorted to; and although it has been 20 years Since my first visit and about eighteen since my last the Ceane is yet Tolerable fresh in my mind.

About middle ways, on one Side of the house, at the-foot of a bed; there stood a Table, upon whose leaf was spread a clean white Toilet fringed round the edge; upon this was the Family Bible, and a Book of Hymns (or rather I believe they ware Psalms). The Family was conveniently Seated round the room; my eldest Brother, and my Self among the rest, Aunt Betsy a little nearer the table, than any the rest except Uncle, Who was then actualy siting in justiposition with the Table, having the Sacred Volumn, in his hands, he commenced and read a portion of Gods word. We then mingled our boyeses together in singing the high prases of God, after which we nealed before the God of our Fathers, whilst Uncle led in prayer.

Soon after breakfast was ready, and agane God was saugh unto for a blessing, and after breckfast Thanks was returned unto the great giver of all good; and again at dinner and Super, and the like blesings of God was Saugh; and thanks returned for his blesings, and yet again before he Suffered his family to retire to bed; (or as Doctor Young would have it, before their thoughts was Suffered to be locked up in healths restorers sweet) Preyr, Suplication & thanks givings, Assended the hill of Salvation. How pleasant it is for a family thus to live, that when death comes, have nothing to do but to step over Jourdan and swell borous of the redeemed. Some have already Since the time of which I speak Crossed the river of death. I think a bout half the Family; the rest are swiftly hasting to its Swelling billows; afew more battles for my old, and venerable Uncle, and the Victory will be gained

a little longer Successful fighting, and like St Paul he may exclaim, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the Faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me, and not only me, but all those that love his appearing."

Uncle Robert Campbell was cut off in the Bloom of manhood, at or about the age of 18 or 20 years, he served one tour in the Service of his country, in his last struggles against Great Britain and the Creeke Indians, I think he reached home and died in a few days. O How uncertain is life; and how true the proverb, that says, "in the midst of life we are in death." Aunt Molly Campbell married Martin Jones, they had six children; four boys and two girls. The boys names was as follows: Jack or John, Luis, William & Stephen; the girls were Sally and Polly. Uncle Martin Jones was a small man and a cripple, he loved a dram, easy irritated, and would fight. I have heard my Father tell an anecdote or two about his fighting. He said, in the neighborhood where Uncle Martin lived, was a stout and over bearing man; this man and Uncle fought, and Uncle whiped him. Agane, he had another fight and the man that he was fighting had him down, beating him unmercifully. Father, knowing Uncle had resolved never to hallow "enough", he thought to encourage him by hollowing, "Rise, Martin, Rise", Martin responded feebly. "Too drunk, Billy", and Father puled the man off.

Uncle Martin was a good hunter and loved a joke. When he killed a tirky, or a deer he would be shure to try to have a laugh about it. One day he went on a hunting, and came in with a fine fat turkey. He said the way he come to kill it was this wise, when he came in sight of the Turkey's they were feeding along as is common for Turkeys to do; one of them stretched up his neck and looking at him inquired who is that, another, looking answered, O its Davy Campbell never mind him; but another looking cryed out, Its Martin! Its Martin!!! and away they went but he leveled his rifle and brought one of them down, and again one day he killed a deer, and told the following story; On his brother Allen, who was engaged in digging sang; he said when the deer first saw him (there was three in number) one of them said "Look younder, there is Somebody with a gun; another said O its no body but Allen Jones, digging sang. About that time his gun fired and the deer fell. Uncle Martin's death was somewhat misterious. My Father and him was traveling together. One night Uncle went to a house to get fire, whilst Father took care of the horses, and preparing firewood for camping. But Uncle over Stayed his time & Father went after him, and found him dead in the peach orchard, neare the house, with a chunk of fire, neare him. After Uncle Martin's death, Aunt Molly, marryed a Second time, her Second husbands name was Philip Shuck, he was a very large raw boned Dutchman, he wayed about 200 lbs, had a very course voice, and could eat, as much (at least) as two common men, a good many anecdotes could be told on him, but one will Suffice. Father and him comeing home together one very rainy day, they had rode some distance, without a word been Spoken. Father broke the Silence, Well, said he, "Philip my hat leeks, "Ah ! said Uncle, "mine dont leeke atall, it just poars right through" and broke out in one of his big laughs.

I remember two of thir children, they called them Sy and Phil. I suppose their names were Josiah and Phillip. I heard from Sy last year, he followed Boting, up and down the Ohio River; he is said to be in good Circumstance and a man of business. The last I heard of Uncle Shuck and his family, they was living in the State of Indiana. Whether Aunt Molly is yet alive or not, I cannot tell, her Son William Jones

& his wife stayed at my house one night, Sumer before last, on their way to see hur. William Jones, lives in this State Ten miles below or rather west of Shakertown, him and his brother Louis, lived with my father awhile when they was boys, after they was grone, William learned the Wheelrigh trade, and Louis went to learn the trade of the coper-smith. They was both small men but William much the Smallest. One possessed a large Shre of the Spirit of his Father. They both met at a gathering some where, and a fracas took place in which Lewis was involved, William, instantly drew his cote, and exclaimed, "Try big Dick", this Sircumstance acquired him the title of Big Dick ever after.

Aunt Betsy Campbell, was a very handsom woman. She married Allen Jones (a brother to Martain Jones, the first husband to Aunt Molly). I cannot say how many children they had, but I will give the names of those I reccollect, there was two boys: Robert & Martain and 3 girls: Nancy, was the oldest, the names of the other two I have forgot but I know when I was about 18 years old, my eldest Brother and my-self was there, and for the first and the last time, I saw them they were beautiful young girls, there was some younger children than what I have named but how many I cant say.

Cozen Robert Jones, was a young man, the first time I ever saw him and the last account I had of him he was living in Missouri, he was a Shue & Boot maker, and I think learned his trade with Uncle James Jones (of which we shall hereafter Speak). Coz. Martin, was youger than Robert. I sent him a top, when I was quite a boy, and about the time I was eighteen I went to Columbia, Adare County, Ky. to learn the card waining business with Couzen Robert Campbell and after I had been there a month or more, Coz. Martin Jones, come to Columbia and set in to learn the trade wit Coz. Robert Campbell, also, but he had not been there very long until his Brother Robert come in from Missouri and wished him to go home with him; So Robert being a Shoe and Boot maker, and also his Brother he concluded to go to Missouri and learn the trade with his Brother. This was a mater of Grief to me for he was a plesant young man and our affectons was knit together, but the nearest ties in this life are oftin broken. I have not heard of him Since.

Nancy Jones, the Eldest Daughter, of Aunt Betsy lived at my Fathers a good many years. She was a remarkable hansome and industrious young leady. She married Enoch Couch, he was a very industrious Farmer, of Dutch Decent. Uncle Allen and Aunt Betsy was both living in Indiana State, the last I heard of them.

Aunt Hannah, as we ware accustomed to call hur (but I suppose hur right name was Susannah) married Mier Goings (perhaps his name was Jeremiah Goings, but I was taught to call him Uncle Mire). I do not reccollect to ever have seen Aunt Hannah or any of hur children and in fact I am rather of the opinion that she did not have any, but I remember Uncle Mire coming to my Fathers house, I think he was a very active man, at least the most I can remember about him was as follows: When he was at my Fathers the branch or creek, that runns between the house and Spring, was tolerable flush, and the freshes that had been before, had not only washed a considerable quantity of drift wood and trash against the old Sickamore log that we was accustomed to walk, in going to and from the spring, but had actually cut a broad chanel around the root of the old log, so that we ware obliged to make an artificial bridg, from the bank to the root of the old Sikamore in order to get across the branch to the Spring. Well several of us was down there, and the question was asked, "who can jump from the root of this Sickamore log across the branch to the opposit Shore." Uncle Mire,

was the only man that ventured to try it; he jumped across. I think he had red or fair hare. I have heard Mother say Aunt Zannah was a hansom Lady but I have no recollection of ever seeing her. I think they lived in the State of Indiana and perhaps they are still alive, be this as it may there is an affinity between us that seems to twine around my heart and almost irresistibly makes me say while I write, O! that I could see them; O! that the God of Jacob may be with them, and safely guide them through this life, to the Paradise above.

Aunt Francis, or Aunt Franky, as we called her, was (I think) the youngest daughter. She married for her first husband James Jones, he was a brother to Martain and Allen Jones, the husbands of Aunt Molly & Aunt Betsy. We see by this record that three of my Aunts married Brothers by the name of Jones. Uncle James Jones was a Shoe, and Boot maker and carried on business in Danville, Ky., he was a good workman and might have done well but for the intoxicating bowl, that fowl monster that has been the overthrow of thousands was no doubt the exciting cause of the Suicide of my Uncle, his death was on this wise; he had been for a long time indulging in the inebriating and Soul destroying fluid, and of course had neglected his business, involved himself in debt to some extent; and afterwards Cooling off, as it is sometimes called; one night he became restless, and got up out of bed went out of doors, came back again once, or twice, Sit down by the fire and ate some dried beef. Aunt Franky went to sleep while he was sitting there, when she awoke he was absent, and she called him, but receiving no answer. She waited awhile expecting him to come in again, but as he did not return She became uneasy, and got up to see if she could find him; after having lighted a candle, and perceiving he was not in her room, She went into another, (perhaps the kitchen) and to her great Surprise and regret, She there saw the form she so much loved, Suspended by a rope with one end round his neck in a running noose, his hands also tied and feet almost touching the floor. She Shreeked, She cried aloud, it was all She could do; her friends hearing her cries, ran to her and cut him down, but Oh, Alas, it was too late, life had fled apace; his heart had ceased to palpitate, and his flesh almost cold.

This was truly a time of mourning; a time of thick gloom and affliction to my aunt, living as she did some distance from her connections, and having no children, her only hope in life, as it respect worldly pleasures was cut off. She however settled up her business in Danville and my father brought her to his house, where she resided for several years, paying only some ninety-odd pounds; She was called by some, the Widow Jones, but most generally speaking she was called the Little Widow. She was a very pleasant Lady; had good use of her needle, whereby she could make her support & besides this she had some money left her after settling up Uncle's estate in Danville, how much I am not able to say, but I think about two hundred dollars, this she loaned to Cozen Robert Jones, and he had moved to the State of Missouri became somewhat embarrassed and the last I knew of the case he had not paid her neither principal nor interest but it is likely before this time he has paid her all the debt, for it has been more than twenty years since I have seen either of them. I suppose I was about fifteen years old when Aunt Franky left of living at Father's and went home with Uncle Allen Jones. Since that time Uncle Allen moved to the State of Indiana, and she went with him, where I learn, she has a second time joined in holy wedlock, the name of her Second husband I have forgotten; he was a man in good circumstances and they were making our very well but I learn they happened to the misfortune of having their house burned up. How they prospered since that time I know not. The last I have heard of them they were living in Danville Indiana. If Aunt Franky ever had

any progeny I have not been informed of it.

It is remarkable that the towns of Danville seemed to be the most fatal spot to hur happiness. In the town of Danville Ky She lost (in a most hear rending maner) the companion of hur youth; in the Town of Danville Indiana, hur property (the Savings of many hard years labor) which no doubt was expected to make hur easy and comfortable in her declining years, she had the mortification to see enveloped in flames. O how uncertain is all our worldly comforts, and how important it is not to trust in uncertain riches, but to lay up for ourselves bags not old eternily in the Heavens.

I have now given a short traditional account of all Grandfathers & Grandmother's Campbell's children (that I know of) except one; that is my Mother. Hur name (as I have before stated) was Margaret, she is yet living, and a more affectionate Mother (according to my judgment) never did live in any land or country. We used to have a tradition that the 30th Chapter of Proverbs would delineate the character of all Males; each virse answering to the day of the month the person was born. So in like manner the 31st Chapter was called the Females Virses. My Mother being born the 15th day of the month of course we would have to look at the 15th virse to know what sort of a woman she was; and indeed I think it contains as good a history of her life as can be written, in as few words, it reeds as follows: "She riseth also while it is yet night, and givety meat to hur household and portion to her maidens."

She was a great flaxspinner, I have heard hur say she spunn Twenty cuts in one day when she was a girl & got beet at that; I think the girl that beet her was named Polly Rotten. She was considered by some, the fastest spinner in the neighborhood, and my Mother the fastest by others; so a day was set for them to spin & the result was my Mother got beet a few threds. I have frequently went to bed and left my mother spinning & awake before day and here the wheel; and if I opened my eyes and look I would there see my Mother in the Silence watches of night like some Anjelic form siting turning the Wheel; I donot meen to convey the Idea that my mother never slept any, or that she sat up all night, but that she was a very industrious woman & quite an early rise. She would emphatically rise while it was yet night, and give meet to hur household and a portion to hur maidens. She laboured working with hur hands & furnished abundance of clothing for hur family, and bed clothing & everything needfull about a house in the way of cloth, as such as she could make. She even made cloth and my father took it to the fulling-mill and had it fulled to make the male portion of hur family big coats, as they was called. Besides this she would make flax & tow Leinen and Sell it to the merchants for fine goods to dress the Female portion of hur household. If a member of hur family was sick, she was always reddy to do what she could to make them well; if they came home hungry she never thought it hard to cook them a meals vituals. If they dome home late in the night hungry and fategued, she didnot insult them by saying (as some do) it is too late to go to cooking now, and you might come home sooner, or been here at mealtime, none of this sort of talk, it was allkindness and if we said "Mother, we are sorry to trouble you, to get up in the night to go to cooking for us; she would reply it aint any trouble, if I had known you was coming I would have had it reddy for you, by the time you got here!" If we cut or mashed a finger she did not say go and get a rag and tie it up yourself, but she would say "Sit down here and let me tie ut up." In fact she was always reddy to adminerster to their wants whether by night or day. But perhaps we may say more about Mother in another place

after we speake of Fathers' Side of the house.

I think Grandfather Smith had one Sister, she was redhedid woman. He married Betty Street; hur Father was welthy and brother George has his pockett Book at this time, it is a very large Neat Pocket Book guilt with gold. I donot know how many brothers and Sisters Grandmother Street had, but I remember to have heard Father speak of his Uncle Anthony Streete, he was a Baptist and like two many of his brethern of that order, he loved the spirit of corn.

Father used to tell an anecdote on him to this effect: The Church would have him tryed for getting drunk nearly every Church meeting, but never could turn him out; he was allways reddy to confess his falt and implore forgivness telling them how many drams he drank. Some times two and sometimes three, and he would try andnot get drunk any more; the conclusion of the triel jinerly ended in a castigation as followes "Well Brother Street, if three drams makes you drunk you must drink only two"--- (Yes)"and if two drams makes you drunk you must not drink but one"; (Yes, yes) "and if one dram makes you drunk you must not drink any"; (Yes, yes, yes).

Grandmother Smith was a good old Baptist and a very pious woman, but she used to churn on Sunday and thought no harm of it. She was a midwife, and expert on horse back for a woman. She had dark hare, blue eyes, fare skin and weighed neare two hundred pounds. Grandfather Smith never attached himself to any branch of the Christian Church, he was a very stout ablebodyed man, a Solger in the Revolutionary War and as true a Whig as ever lived, he gloried in American Independance; could delightfully entertain those around him with his Songs about Washington and the War. The plainest recollection I hav of him know, is seeing him at Fathers house leaning his Char against the bed, with his Silver locks hanging most to his sholders, singing, "Great Washington he was the man who led the Sons of Freedom on" & etc. He was burning a plant bed for the purpose of sowing tobacco seed (for he was a Farmer) got very warm, went to the house took a drink of water, felt unwell, lay down and in some 8 or ten days his mortal existance was closed by that fatal disease called the cold plague.

After Grandfather dec. Grandmother employed an overseer by the name of Bob Lark, for some two years. She then employed my Brother Wm. S. Smith one year, after which she suffered the property to be divided between the heirs of the estate and she made hur home amongst hur children, but mostly at my Fathers'. I was a great favourite of hurs, in hur declining years, when she was old and well stricken in years, she became very childish and she seemed to think that I could trim hur nales better for hur than any boddy else. One time I found great favor in hur sight, because I discovered the cause of a pain she was labouring under and affected a speedy cure; again one time she had been to Mrs. Whites and I saw hur first and ran and helped hur over the fence.

These accidental favours got for me the esteem of my Grandmother and should any little girl or boy ever reed these lines let me say to you, be always good to old folks, especially to your Grandmother. But to return, my grandmother lived to see hur forth generation. She died at my fathers' and was buryed by the side of Grandfather, on the premises of Grandfather at his burying ground, Cumberland County, Ky.

I believe Grandfather & Grandmother had nine children... 3 boys & 6 girls. Uncle Jeremiah Molton Smith, I believe, was the oldest. He had two wives, the first bore him 7 or 8 children and his last wife 3. Two or three of his first wives' children got killed in a flax-

patch; the lap of a tree falling on them and wounded another making him a cripple for life; his name was Wm. Foubis Smith, he married a Miss Rickett & I think they have 5 children.

Uncle Jeremiah's eldest daughter's name was Betsy, she married David Cruise. The next named Polly and the next Anna, she married James Parke, the eldest son of Joseph Parke, my wife's father. The next oldest girls name was Petty, she married a man by the name of Boteny. The names of the children of Uncle's last wife are Susannah, Eliza & George. After Uncle's death which took place soon after Grandfather's Smiths his last wife married a second time to a man by the name of Absolum Smith. The last I heard of them they was living in the State of Tennessee.

Uncle Thomas Smith was younger than my Father he moved to Masorie, was a Methodist Classleader, his childrens names are not recollected except Jerry, Bill, & Thomas. Aunt Luraner married John Taylor, a stout raw-boned man they raised a large family, can't distinctly remember the Childrens names except George, they had a food farm in Casey County Ky., but Uncle John had a quarrel with a man, and being very strong, struck the man with his fist and killed him, whereupon he left that county & died shortly after with the fever. Aunt Luraner went partially deranged as I have been informed.

Aunt Disy married John Laswell, their childrens names are as follows: Ally married Joshua Davis, Betsy married to Jo Welch, Wm. married Sally Welch 1st and 2nd Elender Parke; Nancy married Daniel Propes; Moses married Mariah Rickitts; Luraner married John Reves; Andrew married Polly Crewes; John Ahart married Lucinda Kessler; Elen married Elexuses Campbell; Polly married John Dickson. Uncle John has gone to his long home but Aunt Disy still remains upon the land of the living. She is a very large woman and a midwife. I saw her at my sisters since I commenced this essay, in the winter of 1848. She is a member of the Christian Church, commonly called Campbellites. Aunt Jinny married Jo Conn. The last I knew of them they was keeping Tavern on the Wabash. Aunt Franky Smith married Samuel Lafferty, she died leaving no offspring and Uncle Sam married Sally Chandler for his 2nd wife. She had four children: Thomas, Chandler, Jacky & Frances. Aunt Anna Smith married first Henry Jarriet, 2nd John Ausbin & 3rd Joseph Parke, they have all gone to try the realities of eternity, and she is a widow at this time. She never had any children by her 1st & Second husbands, but by her 3rd she has 5 living beside some have died. The childrens names are as follows: Thomas S., Timothy Shipton, Charls, Jo Right, and Marthy Leaper. Aunt is a Methodist and I think a very good woman. She is living on the waters of Marrobone, Monroe County & last but not least, my father, William Smith, was the second son of my Grandfather Smith.

I know but little of his history in the early part of his life, but that he was brought up to hard labor & without the benefit of even a common English education. I think it is probable that he never went to school, but if he did, it was but a short time, for I have heard my mother say shee learned him to spell after they was married & I can recollect when it was with great difficulty he could read at all, but he perseveared in trying to learn at every lesure moment untell he could read the Scriptures very well, a blessing which he prized very high, and was a source of great joy & comfort to him in his declining years, for the last years of his life, scarcely a day past over him but what a portion of it was spent in surching & reading the Scriptures, in truth the Bible was his rich treasure, according to the best data I can get. He was married to my Mother in the year 1794 or 5, Murcer County, Ky. They was both poore and commenced housekeeping

in a cabin, without a chimney, they had no land of their own. Their best axe was a tomahawk; their table furniture consisted of a butchers knife & forks made of cane; their only bed was a coarse tick stuffed with straw; they had a tollerable supply of wearing cloths but when that was said, all was said, as it respect property. I think they could well have taken up those beatiful lines of the poett and adopted them as their own, "No foot of land do I possess or cottage in the wilderness a poor wayfaring man" this looks likes a poor begining at housekeeping for a new married pare, especily to those who knows nothing at te hardships and trials to which our forefathers experineded in the first settling of this rich & happyland, that we now inhabit.

They was poor I admit but they had a proverb to this effect: "that a bad begining makes a good ending and whether it turned out to be true or false in their case, I have no doubt but it was calculated to stimulate and comfort them in their poverty and penniless situation; and although they was at that time in povertys vale & destitute of religion, without hope and without God in the world, Yet I thank God while I wright these lines I believe, they was honest & carryed in their own bosomes that nobel principal that they have so often taught me together with the rest of their children to live honestly with all men, never to lay your hand upon anything that is not your own, bee a jentleman & c.

How long they lived in Mercer after they was married I am at this time unable to say but they mooved to Tenessee and settled on Jinenses Creek whare I have been informed he learned to reed while hruding his horses and cattle upon the rich cane that grew in great abundance in that county. How many children they had at that time I cannot tell, but I have heard my eldest brother tellof the Sport the boys had in that country in clearin of the cane, they would throw it in piles and meet at nights to fire the piles which would create a great snapping and popping which was fine sport for the boys of that day, besides this they would try there activity by seeing which could jump over the highest pile of cane whilst burning; this is about all I know of their success in Tennessee, except whilst they lived there Father killed a great many deer andturkeys, shot a bear or two, had a dredful incounte with a wolf, which I have heard him relate as follows: He had some beautiful young hogs that selpt in different beds some distance from the house in which he lived. The wolves in that country was also very plentyful and they made no scruples in visiting hog beds & sheep-folds wherever an opportunity offered and they jenerally left at least one hog less every time they pade a visit. It was not long untell the commenced their ravages upon my fathers hogs, going one morning and finding one half flayed alive he concluded to watch for the intruder and give him the best fight he could. Accordingly the next morining two hours before day (being very cold in the ded of winter and snow frozen on the ground) he stationed himself at the root of a large tree with his dog and gun anxiously awaiting the approach of his adversary.

The weather was so immensely cold, the Frost sparkling on the sno caused his dogs teeth to chatter together at his side, whilst he himself was so effected with the cold that it allmost forced upon him the belief that he should be compelled to decamp for a warmer climate; but still in profound silence he waited, and waited; and waited on; not a voice was heard amid the thick clusters of cane and towering forest, that surrounds him to brake the Stillness of the morning. At length the Eastern Horizon began to grow brighter, day was evidently breaking, thoughts of giving over the hunt was agane entertained; at this

moment his dog sprang to his feet, raised his bristles and fetched a whine, as much as to say, "The enemy approaches."

The direction of the wolf's approach was also pointed out by the dog, and strong solicitations given by him to bring on the attack, but being forbidden, it was not long until the wolf was plainly seen, slowly and cautiously approaching. The fierce appearance and wishful looks of the dog, together with his low whines, was proof enough to my Father that he was anxious to engage with the wolf. But in a low tone of voice, he forbid him. By this time the parties concerned was within about eighty yards distance of each other.

A small opening at the same time intervened so that a fair shot could be obtained, it occurred to the mind of my Father that then was his best chance, he cocked his gun, raised it to his face, took site & fired at the crack of the gun, the wolf fell, seized the bullet hole with his teeth and round & around he whined, permission was then given to the dog, to execute his office, which was done with a spirit and fierceness scarcely ever surpassed. The gun was again loaded and discharged at the wolf but with no better effect than the first. The fight with the dog & wolf still continued amongst the thick canebrake. Crack after crack went the rifle, for six times, one after the other as fast as it could be loaded and a shot obtained & although several balls had penetrated the body of the wolf, he was still resumed his station & gave battle. My Mother hearing the reports of the gun, the barking of the dog, set out with her little fistic dog, in order to learn the cause of all this. Her fistic dog no sooner came in sight of the contending parties, than he rushed forward as if he would in a minute destroy the wolf from off the earth. The first pass the wolf made at him, he was thrown several feet up in the air, among the cane tops. When his feet struck the ground he made no further tarry among them, but without any apology, left for home as fast as his legs could carry him, resolving as I suppose never again to have any thing to do with a wolf. For Mother said so long as he lived he would run & hollow for that wolf skin when ever it was presented or thrown out where he could see it. But the old dog was made of sterner stuff, he stood his ground and fought valiently until Father fired the gun the seventh time with two balls and taking aim at the wolf's head he pulled trigger. This was the finishing stroke, the balls entered the animal's head. He fell at the dog's feet, growled and died.

Having related the wolf tale, killed by my Father, I will now speak of an other wolf scrape in which my Mother was chief actor. My Father being from home one dark cloudy Night and the sheep penned close to the house in order to protect them from the wolves, as was common late in the night, the wolves commenced howling and coming closer to the sheep pen, a gun must be fired to drive away the wolves or the sheep would be destroyed. Mother had never been accustomed to handling a gun and her children too small, she was greatly perplexed how to save the sheep; at length she resolved to try her hand with a gun. She arose and with trembling hand took the gun from the rack, set down outside the door, and laid the gun across her lap, pulled trigger and fired. The howl of the wolves was hushed and she retired to bed, but on reflection she remembered that the muzzle of the gun was pointed toward the sheep pen. And then she was greatly perplexed for fear she had shot some of the sheep. But when morning light appeared she was relieved, the sheep was all alive and unhurt.

Father and Mother, with four children moved from Jennings Creek Tennessee to the head waters of Little Barren (then Green County Ky in the Fall of 1805) afterwards changed to Barren County and now in the year 1867 is Medcalf County, where he bought land and continued to reside until his death, Jan. 8, 1845.

Josiah C. Smith was the first born living child of Father & Mother he was named for Grandfather Campbell he was a Wheelright by trade, a Baptist by profession, a holy and good man; married Barbara Morehead; lived and died in the same neighborhood of my Father; raised 8 children Five boys and three girls. Wm. S. Smith was the eldest son, he has been married three times. His first was Polly Acres, his Second Sally Gooden; his third wife was Lucinda Morehead.

John M. Smith was the second son, he married Lucy Harvey, daughter of Austin Harvey. Rebecca Smith, the eldest daughter married Josiah Murphy. Susannah Smith, second daughter, is not yet married. Almira Smith, married Joseph Wright Parke. David C. Smith married Martha Gooden. George W. Smith married Mary Ann Bradford. James Crouch Smith married Judy Quick. Wm. Street Smith was the second son of my Father & Mother, he married Sarah Chandler. His first son was named Thomas Chandler and his oldest daughter was named Eliza and his second Daughter was named Frances.

My brother, Wm. S. Smith moved to Indiana, stayed a year or two & came back to Kentucky; and then moved to Illinois, then came back to Kentucky, sick and died on Harrobone with the Consumption. His widow married Thomas Morris, moved to the State of Illinois.

Susannah M. Smith was the name of my eldest Sister. She was named for Grandmother Campbell, married Jacob Leamon & lives on the Dividing Ridge of Little Barren & Cumberland River in Medcalf County, about one mile from Fathers old dwelling place & raised a large family of children, their oldest is named James G. Leamon, he married Elisabeth Branstetter. The second son was named Wm. Smith for his Grandfather Smith. He married first a Miss Huffman 2. a Williams. The eldest daughter was named Elisabeth, she married Luis Williams. George Leamon married Narcissa Branstetter; Margaret Leamon was named for my Mother, not yet married. Barbara Leamon married Granvill Williams. Nanch Croper Leamon not yet married. Jonathan Stamper Leamon married Lusetta Amyx, and Josiah, the youngest child, married Mata Vaughn. When I was at their house last summer, 1875, they had one child.

Frances Smith, my second sister, married Archibald Ferguson. They had eight children, four girls and four boys. Their oldest named Margaret Campbell, for my mother. She is not yet married. Joseph Ferguson, their second child and oldest son is a Methodist preacher and married Luiza Branstetter. Sally Ferguson married Ely W. Owen, a Baptist Preacher. William Ferguson died when he was young. Nancy Ferguson married James Amyx. They are both dead, leaving only one child, a daughter, named Mary Frances. John Ferguson married Jemima Kessler. Mary Ferguson died unmarried. Alfred Ferguson married Mary Smith.

John C. Smith, the writer of this memorandum, married Ruth Parke; His oldest daughter Margaret Campbell married Samuel R. Tolle. She died childless. After her death Tolle married a second wife, Miss Bett Childress, they have 3 children, all girls named as follows: Lelah, Florence, Sally Bell & Althea.

Second born & oldest son, Wm. Fletcher, he is a House Carpenter & married Margaret Ballenger. They have six children, named as follows: Lucien, Florence, Ida, Susan, Clarence, & Minnie; Jane Douglass Smith, my second daughter, married Francis Dollins, they have four

living children, named as follows: Frank Price (he is blind), Norah, John and Mary Edd. Lucinda Crippler, my third daughter, died when she was about three years and a month old. My fourth was born dead, and was not named. My wife, my first wife, also in a few days died and I was left a widower, with three living children: Margaret, Fletcher and Jane, as before named. My second wife's name was Lucinda Parke, youngest sister to my first wife. Our oldest or first child was a son named Americus Vespuccia, he died before he was two years old. Our second child, was a daughter, named Elisabeth George. She married John H. Beals, they have two children named Calidonia and Isaac Campbell.

Our third child is a son named David Bristow, and will be seventeen year old the sixteenth day of August 1876, the year I am writing this. I am now 70 years and 2 days old, have only 4 children living; 2 sons and 2 daughters. Fletcher and Jane, my first wife's children, and Elizabeth and David my second wife's children.

David C. Smith, my brother and 4th son of my Father and Mother married Susan Parke, and by her had four sons, namely William Washington, Joseph Wesley, John Linzy and Jeremiah Stamper. William married Miss Matt Hardy, daughter of Lieutenant Governor Hardy. Joseph married Miss Eler Revice of Missouri. John married Betty Dollins and died in time of the last war. Stamper died about the same time, and their mother, my brother David's wife also died in time of the war and left my brother David a widower, he afterward married Matt Murphy, she had two children, a son and daughter named Henry Street and Susan Campbell. They are now living with their brother William, being orphans, their Mother and Father both dead.

Elisabeth Street Smith, my sister & 3rd Daughter of Father & Mother, married Levin Harland. She died in Illinois, leaving 6 children 3 boys & 3 girls named as follows: George Barton, Huldah, William, Mary, Sarah & John. Their Father Levin Harland is a Methodist Preacher and has a second wife, lives in Illinois. Nancy Jones Smith, my sister and 4th Daughter of Father & Mother, married William Douglass Parke, who is now dead, leaving her a widow with about 9 children named as follows: Margaret, William, Joseph, Ruth, Bell, Robert, Lizza, Marian, Phebe.

Jeremiah Molten Smith (Or Motten) my Brother & 5th son of Father & Mother married Pervania Clarke, daughter of Henry Clarke of Virginia, died in Illinois, left his wife a widow with six children, named as follows: Cassandra, Nathaniel, Ann, William, Sarah and Emma.

George Washington Smith, my youngest brother, and 6th son of Father & Mother married Margaret Neal of Allen County. They are both dead, leaving two orphan children, both girls named Elenora Pitts and Melicia Green. Elenora is dead and Melicia is married to William Richey, now living in Metcalfe county.

And, Now in the year 1876, March 21st, I have but one sister living and narry a brother. Myself and sister Nancy is all that is left upon the Land of the Living of my Father and Mothers eleven children.

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COFFIN ACCOUNT
OF
ABRAHAM THOMAS ROCK

Contributed by Mrs Beatrice Slinker, Knob Lick, Ky.

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| 1. Sopha Clark | Feb 13, 1878 |
| 2. John Scott | 1878 |
| 3. Mrs Minor | 1879 |
| 4. Robert Gentry | 1879 |
| 5. L A Atwell | May 27, 1879 |
| 6. John Atwell child | 1879 |
| 7. Billie Atwell child | 1879 |
| 8. Reuben Clark | Mch 2nd 1880 |
| 9. J P C Nunn | Mch 29, 1880 |
| 10. Mike Fantcher's child | 1880 |
| 11. W H London | June 25 1880 |
| 12. Betty Shuffette | July 2 1880 |
| 13. Henry Jewell (Child) | Aug. 9 1880 |
| 14. Nannie Atwell | Oct 12, 1880 |
| 15. Henry Jewell | Oct 21, 1880 |
| 16. Sis Finney's ? | Nov 1st 1880 |
| 17. Ritchard Atwell | Nov 4th 1880 |
| 18. Ab Runyons child | Dec 4th 1880 |
| 19. Louis Nunn's wife | Dec 31, 1880 |
| 20. Jack Scott child | Jan 3rd 1881 |
| 21. M. Scott | Jan 26, 1881 |
| 22. Frank Thompson | Mch 2nd 1881 |
| 23. James Sexton | Mch 14, 1881 |
| 24. Henry Fantcher Child | 7 May 1881 |
| 25. C J Price's child | Sept 12, 1881 |
| 26. Peter Cline's daughter | Sept 15, 1881 |
| 27. Pega Jewell | Sept. 28, 1881 |
| 28. | |
| 29. John Smith's child | Nov 9, 1881 |
| 30. Mr Huffman | Dec 11, 1881 |
| 31. Robert Minor | Jan 12, 1882 |
| 32. Woolbert Atwell | Feb. 7, 1882 |
| 33. Mrs Jane Allen | Apr 14, 1882 |
| 34. David Furgason | June 25, 1882 |
| 35. George Minor | July 9, 1882 |
| 36. Alax Edwards child | Sept. 9, 1882 |
| 37. B. Fancher child | Oct 1st 1882 |
| 38. W. R. Atwell | Oct 16, 1882 |
| 39. B. C. Scott | Oct. 19, 1882 |
| 40. J. B. Lane's child | Nov. 21, 1882 |
| 41. Henry Jewell child | Jan. 18, 1883 |
| 42. Sarah Atwell | Mch 2, 1883 |
| 43. William Hargdes wife | Mch 6, 1883 |
| 44. ----- Hodges | |
| 44. C C Spilts | Mch 29, 1883 |
| 45. Sarah Shaw | April 4, 1883 |
| 46. Millie Clark | Apr 25, 1883 |
| 47. William Shaw's child | Apr 25, 1883 |
| 48. J. A. Runyon child | July 13, 1883 |

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| 49. Poine Eaton | April 22, 1884 |
| 50. James Hiser child | Jan 25, 1884 |
| 51. Sanford Petago's child | June 22, 1884 |
| 52. Pegga Pointer | June 23, 1884 |
| 53. Betty Man (or Mun) | July 12, 1884 |
| 54. J. B Von's child | Aug. 27, 1884 |
| 55. Coffin for child found near Shady Grove, unknown by name Pd by County - \$1.50 | Jan 25, 1885 |
| 56. Ben Fantcher | April 20, 1885 |
| 57. May London | June 23, 1885 |
| 58. Lillie Smith | Aug. 20, 1885 |
| 59. Margret Gentry | Sept. 9, 1885 |
| 60. Wady Thompson | Sept. 14, 1885 |
| 61. W. W. Munn' child | Oct. 21, 1885 |
| 62. David Wade | Nov. 5, 1885 |
| 63. Reb London | Nov. 17, 1885 |
| 64. Henry Jewell' child | Jan. 27, 1886 |
| 65. Green Jewell | Jan. 27, 1886 |
| 66. Perry Scott | Feb 2, 1886 |
| 67. Lorade Jewell's child | Feb. 17, 1886 |
| 68. George Lile | July 7, 1886 |
| 69. Wash Herriens child | Aug. 10, 1886 |
| 70. Lucretia Trobridge | Oct. 1, 1886 |
| 71. Wash Haron (same as 69) | Feb. 16, 1887 |
| 72. Cynthia Shaw | June 25, 1887 |
| 73. Al Breeding | July 6, 1887 |
| 74. Sally Atwell | July 20, 1887 |
| 75. William Houk | Aug. 15, 1887 |
| 76. Lew Jackson | Dec. 3, 1887 |
| 77. David Mouser (child) | Aug. 28, 1888 |
| 78. Sam Meddows (child) | Nov. 30, 1888 |
| 79. Henry Atwell child | April 11, 1889 |
| 80. Gusty Wallace | April 8, 1889 |
| 81. Tom Bostain | May 22, 1889 |
| 82. Judy Comton (Compton) | Aug. 11, 1889 |
| 83. Matty Stilts | Aug. 19, 1889 |
| 84. Elizabeth Nunn | Aug. 19, 1889 |
| 85. Chattie Rock | Sept. 9, 1889 |
| 86. Mary R. Burk | Dec. 1, 1889 |
| 87. Laura Haron | Dec. 20, 1889 |
| 88. Thomas Bostin child | Dec. 23, 1889 |
| 89. J. W. Webb | Mch 5, 1890 |
| 90. Bet Minor | June 2, 1890 |
| 91. Henry Jewell's child | July 1890 |
| 92. Elizabeth Wells | Sept. 14, 1890 |
| 93. Aaron Danan (Donan) | Sept. 18, 1890 |
| 94. William Bush | Oct. 7, 1890 |
| 95. James Nunns child | Nov. 12, 1890 |
| 96. Cat--- Atwell | Dec. 26, 1890 |
| 97. Tilmon South | Jan 11, 1891 |
| 98. J. S. Edwards | May 15, 1891 |
| 99. W. H. Jewell child | July 3, 1891 |
| 100. Cathern Denison | Nov. 5, 1891 |
| 101. Bob Shaw | Nov. 10, 1891 |

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| 102. | Martha Hays | Jan. 27, 1892 |
| 103. | Nancy E. Hunn | Feb. 7, 1892 |
| 104. | Cintha Asbury | March 2, 1892 |
| 105. | Spencer Steavens | March 25, 1892 |
| 106. | Agnes Wells | April 5, 1892 |
| 107. | James Coffey | July 29, 1892 |
| 108. | Abe Ritcherson's wife | July 30, 1892 |
| 109. | W. R. Atwell's wife | Aug. 4, 1892 |
| 110. | Gilliam Finny's wife | Aug. 20, 1892 |
| 111. | J. O. Martin | May 17, 1893 |
| 112. | S. L. South | June 16, 1893 |
| 113. | Susan Atwell | Aug. 4, 1893 |
| 114. | David Nunn's child | Aug. 16, 1893 |
| 115. | J. D. Snider | Oct 16, 1893 |
| 116. | Mannie Smith | Nov. 30, 1893 |
| 117. | Abe Ritchardson | March 29, 1894 |
| 118. | Aaron Higgason | May 17, 1894 |
| 119. | Clarence Bostin child | M---- 29, 1894 |
| 120. | Crit Gregory ? child | July 1, 1894 |
| 121. | Martha Mitchum | Sept. 2, 1894 |
| 122. | Alford Hunn | Oct. 4, 1894 |
| 123. | George Hay's child | Oct. 11, 1894 |
| 124. | Ruth Nunn | Oct. 9, 1894 |
| 125. | W I Nunn | Dec. 2, 1894 |
| 126. | I. Bigg's child | Jan. 2, 1895 |
| 127. | J F Denison's wife | Jan. 14, 1895 |
| 128. | John Richard's child | Feb. 24, 1895 |
| 129. | Benjamin Atwell | Feb. 3, 1895 |
| 130. | James Jewell | Feb. 28, 1895 |
| 131. | J. M. Stilts' child | March 27, 1895 |
| 132. | M. J. Stilts | April 21. 1895 |
| 133. | Louis Edwards child | April 21, 1895 |
| 134. | George Hays' child | May 27, 1895 |
| 135. | George Hays' daughter | June 2, 1895 |
| 136. | Jim Donan' child | Sept. 25, 1895 |
| 137. | B. Fancher's child | Feb. 5, 1896 |
| 138. | Nat Bell's child | Aug. 5, 1896 |
| 139. | David Nunn' child | Aug. 12, 1896 |
| 140. | Opelea Green | Nov. 1, 1896 |
| 141. | Tom Staffords' child | Dec. 13, 1896 |
| 142. | The Widow Pointer | Jan. 30, 1897 |
| 143. | Nick Russel child | Jan. 31, 1897 |
| 144. | Will Thompson child | Feb. 10, 1897 |
| 145. | David Nunn child | Mch 22, 1897 |
| 146. | Rhashal Curl | Mch 25, 1897 |
| 147. | John Powell | April 17, 1897 |
| 148. | Harvy Lock | May 20, 1897 |
| 149. | Dick Harlow child | May 21, 1897 |
| 150. | John Hulsey-child | June 8, 1897 |
| 151. | J. H. Jolly - child | July 2, 1897 |
| 152. | Sam Davis child | July 8, 1897 |
| 153. | Allie ---- | Aug. 7, 1897 |
| 154. | Aaron Lile daughter | Aug. 16, 1897 |
| 155. | Liem ? Gibson | Aug. 17, 1897 |
| 156. | Rachal Bell | Aug. 18, 1897 |

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| 157. Moss Kinslow child | Aug. 23, 1897 |
| 158. Oliver Nance's child | Oct. 20, 1897 |
| 159. Nelson Donan | Nov. 16, 1897 |
| 160. Sam Wells | Dec. 26, 1897 |
| 161. George Kinslow's children | April 18, 1898 |
| 162. J. H. Butler child | May 8, 1898 |
| 163. Flora Jewell | July 28, 1898 |
| 164. Hettie Wilson | Aug. 29, 1898 |
| 165. David Nunn child | Nov. 15, 1898 |
| 166. U. G. Scott's child | Dec. 11, 1898 |
| 167. Lem Pointers child | Feb. 20, 1899 |
| 168. Lem Pointers child | March 11, 1899 |
| 169. Louis Edwards wife | March 30, 1899 |
| 170. Mary Green | July 14, 1899 |
| 171. Mary Skaggs | Sept. 28, 1899 |
| 172. Flora London | Nov. 30, 1899 |
| 173. Nancy A. Martain | Feb. 25, 1900 |
| 174. Walter Rock | May 11, 1900 |
| 175. Tommie Hays | May 26, 1900 |
| 176. Porter Ennis' child | June 1, 1900 |
| 177. Ella South | - - 1900 |
| 178. Will Jewell child | Aug. 10, 1900 |
| 179. George Hays' child | Sept. 27, 1900 |
| 180. Carl Smith | Oct. 1, 1900 |
| 181. W. E. McCubben's child | Dec. 4, 1900 |
| 182. Sam McMahan | Jan. 9, 1901 |
| 185. Henry Mitchel's wife | May 25, 1901 |
| 184. Flora South | June 6, 1901 |
| 185. Greely Farlie's wife | Sept. 7, 1901 |
| 186. Moss Kinslow child | Nov. 14, 1901 |
| 187. Martha Jones | Jan. 22, 1902 |
| 188. Dillaird Jones child | Feb. 4, 1902 |
| 189. George Hays child | March 20, 1902 |
| 190. T. E. Lane's child | April 5, 1902 |
| 191. Mattie Mouser | Sept. 11, 1902 |
| 192. Etta Mouser | Sept. 13, 1902 |
| 193. Sally Atwell | March 28, 1904 |
| 194. Luivicia Nunn | Aug. 28, 1904 |
| 195. Anna C. Stilts | Oct. 20, 1904 |
| 196. Samuel Davis | Nov. 14, 1904 |
| 197. Anna P. South | Dec. 26, 1904 |
| 198. Malissie Cantrell | Feb. 11, 1905 |
| 199. R. J. Atwell | Feb. 14, 1905 |
| 200. George Atwell child | March 1, 1905 |
| 201. George Atwell child | March 5, 1905 |
| 202. John Gentry | July 17, 1905 |
| 203. W. H. Nunn | Dec. 31, 1905 |
| 204. W. J. Atwells child | Feb. 9, 1906 |
| 205. W. J. Bostins child | Dec. 19, 1906 |
| 206. Claude Stilts | April 21, 1907 |
| 207. Addie B. Nunn | June 14, 1907 |
| 208. Jessie Jones | July 14, 1907 |
| 209. Ellard Nunn | Aug. 9, 1907 |
| 210. Bessie Greer | Aug. 24, 1907 |
| 211. G. W. Scott | Feb. 8, 1908 |

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| 212. John Milton child | March 25, 1908 |
| 213. Ethel Atwell | April 3, 1908 |
| 214. Charles Bastins child | May 4, 1908 |
| 215. Alma Mouser | May 15, 1908 |
| 216. L. M. Lile | June 22, 1908 |
| 217. Arvin Atwell | Oct. 2, 1908 |
| 218. Tom Fancher | March 8, 1909 |
| 219. John Milton's child | Oct. 10, 1910 |

Note: Abraham Thomas Rock made coffins for all these 219 people;
I copied them Nov. 22, 1964 from original book.

(A. Thomas Rock lived Center, Ky.) /s/ Beatrice Slinker

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The following is a copy of a Newspaper Clipping sent by Mrs. Aubrey Moorman, Leitchfield, Ky., and was sent to her by Mrs. Kathleen Binford, Castle Rock, Colorado.

DOUGLAS COUNTY NEWS, Castle Rock, Colorado
Thursday May 3, 1962

(Editor Kabolts note) The Press is indebted to Fred Siefkas, Elizabeth Colo., for the use of this newspaper clipping of the farm sale of J L MOSS back in Kentucky, when he sold out and left for Oregon.

J L MOSS SOLD SIX SLAVES, STILL, WHISKY, SOAP, --LEFT FOR OREGON

Having sold my farm and I am leaving for Oregon Territory by ox team, will offer, March 1, 1849, all of personal property towit:

All ox teams except two teams, Buck and Ben and Tom and Jerry; 2 milk cows; o gray mare and colt; 1 pair of oxen and yoke; 1 baby yoke; 2 ox carts; 1 iron foot of poplar weather board; plow with wood mole board;

800 to 1,000 Three-foot clapboards; 1,500 ten-foot fence rails; 1 sixty-gallon soap kettle; 85 sugar troughs, made of white ash timber; 10 gallons of maple syrup; 2 spinning wheels; 30 pounds of mutton tallow; 1 large loom, made by Jerry Wilson; 300 poles; 100 split hoops;

100 empty barrels; 1 thirty two barrel of Johnson Miller whiskey, seven years old; 20 gallons of apple brandy; 1 forty-gallon copper still of oak tanned leather; 1 dozen real books; 2 handle hooks; 3 scythes and cradles; 1 dozen wooden pitchforks; one half interest in tanyard; 1 thirty-two calibre rifle, bullet mold and powder horn, rifle made by Ben Miller; 50 gallons of soft soap;

hams, bacon, and lard; 40 gallons of sorghum molasses; 6 head of fox hounds, all soft mouthed except one.

At the same time I will sell my six Negro slaves -- 2 men, 35 and 50 years old; 2 boys, 12 and 18 years old; 2 mulatto wenches, 40 and 30 years old. Will sell all together to same party, as will not separate them.

Terms of sale, cash in hand, or note to draw 4 per cent interest with Bob McConnell as surety.

My home is 2 miles south of Versailles, Ky., on the McCouns ferry pike. Sale begins at 8 o'clock a.m. Plenty to drink and eat.

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REMINDER - Queries are free to members. They are not limited by the number per year for each member, and may be of a reasonable length to give the proper information. It is important to remember to give the location- State, and County if possible, of your ancestors, as there are many duplications of names in each state. If you do not know the location, it helps to give the last known place they were.

WEST-GIBBS-EATON-BRADSHAW-PITCOCK- Wish to contact descendants of and/or info N P West (Norfleet?) family. He mar Mary Ann Gibbs, their Ch - Mary A "Polly" b J 1839 (mar Matt Bradshaw); Joseph Thomas b Oct 1841 (mar Dicie Eaton); Sarah C b ca 1843; Hugh W b ca 1846; Margaret A b ca 1850 (mar T P Pitcock); James M b ca 1852; Arrabell b ca 1854; Julia F b ca 1856. All ch b orn Ky. N P & Mary A born N Car. N P died between 28 Apr 1856 (deeded land) and 27 Jan 1868, when son Hugh sold his share of estate. Appreciate any help. Mrs Carl L West, 1504 Catalpa, Mt Prospect, Ill 60056

GIBBS-WEST-BRADSHAW-FLETCHER- Thomas Gibbs 80 years old, b Va, in 1850 Census Monroe Co Ky - wife Mary, 70 b N Car. Power of attorney indicates Thomas deceased by 8 Dec 1852 - when did he come to Ky - when died? Dau Mary A Gibbs West b May 1818 - 1850 & 1870 censuses give her bpl N Car - was living with her Dau & son-in-law Matt Bradshaw in 1900. Thos & Mary Gibbs had son Simon b ca 1816 N Car living Monroe Co Ky 1850; also dau Nancy b ca 1819 N Car - mar to Wm Fletcher & living in Allen Co Ky 1850. Any info greatly appreciated. Mrs Carl L West, 1504 Catalpa, Mt Prospect, Ill 60056

WEST-MILLIKEN- Wish to corresp anyone in Simpson Co Ky of West & Milliken fam Hx Agness West (1762-1848); Wm West (1752-1842); Leonard West (1760-1842); Amos West b Va, reared N Car migrated to Sumner Co Tenn then to Simpson or Logan Co Ky. Who did Wm & Leonard marry, who were their ch? Searching for parents of my 2nd great grand-father Leonard West b 1787 - came from? to N Car early 1800's - known to have had one bro James Newton West. Please help me. Polly West Book, Rt 1 Bx 146A, Alexander, N Car 28701

WHITE-ANDERSON- Need info on antecedents of DAVID CROCKET WHITE and ELIZABETH ANDERSON who mar in 1854 & lived in Cumberland Co Ky. He reportedly came from Va with 3 bros - William, James & Martin White. Parents of Elizabeth were Samuel Anderson & Vina ? . Cecil E Gooda, 2 Tudor City Place, New York, N Y 10017

DRANE-LEVILL-LEAVELL- DUFF - Need info on the following ch of Anthony Drane & wife Catherine Scott ? . Anthony Drane Jr b 9 Aug 1803 mar Frances ? ; Martha "Patsy" Drane mar Benjamin Levill-Leveall; Thomas J Drane b 1813 mar Mary ? ; and Sarah "Sally" mar Hubbard Duff son of John Duff. All of Barren Co Ky. App any help. Exchange. Julie Drane Becker, 3890 Crestmont Dr, Santa Maria, Ca 93454

WILLIAMS-SANDERS-SAUNDERS- Samuel Sanders of Barren Co Ky son of James & Margaret ? - mar Sarah Williams b 1795 Va & moved to Barren Co Ky ab 1800-she being dau of James Williams d 1831 Barren Co Ky and Martha ? . Ch of Samuel & Sarah Sanders: born Barren Co Ky - James b 1817; Phelissa Ann Hatcher; Lucretia; Helen Owens; Sara h b 1825; Jane Lambert Cole b 1829 d 1912; Josephine Davis b 1831 d 1917; Cynthia Bradshaw b 1836; Samuel Jy b 1839. According to Fam tradition both James Sanders & James Williams served in the Va Army during the Rev War, that they settled on Rev War Land Grants in Barren Co Ky near Peters Creek. I have some copies of marriages & wills. Wish to correspond with and exchange information on thses. Mrs Jerome Ryback, 1229 Columbia Ave, South Milwaukee, Wis 53172

HOOVER - My gr-gr-grandmother Rebecca Hoover b 15 Oct 1790 Ky mar Richard Jolliff 1810 Green Co Ky - Felix Hover security on marriage bond. Was Felix her bro? father? Richard & Rebecca Hoover Jolliff from Barren Co Ky to Orange Co Ind 1816. Felix Hoover on 1820 census of adjacent Dubois Co Ind. Is this Ky Hoover family related to the Jacob Hoover Rev soldier from Rockingham Co Va b 1751 d 1840 in Bath Co Va? Was the Jacob Hoover 1820 census Green Co Ky "over 45" any relation to Rebecca Hoover Jolliff? Appreciate any information. Mrs B F Hartline, Bx 235, Anna, Ill 62906

ROWLAND-HUTCHENS-STURGEON- John Rowland m "Enos" Sturgeon 1780 Henry Co Va where he d 1807. Who were the par on this couple? Widoe Eunice "Enos" in Cumberland Co Ky with grown ch by 1810 where she d ca 1835. Their Ch: John; Sally m Alexander Hunter; Gilbert m Polly Bouldin; Archibald; George H m Lucy ?; Elizabeth; Wade Hampton m Winifred Murphey; and Nancy m James T Hutchens ca 1817 Cumberland Co Ky. Hutchens couple had dau Harriet Elizabeth b 1818 m Robert Franklin of Turkey Neck Bend, Monroe Co Ky. James T & Nancy Rowland Hutchens moved late 1830's to Monroe Co Ky where she d & he remarried 1840's to Mary Cloyd. Corresp invited all int lines. Mrs Billa Clark Moore, 316 So Morningside, Corpus Christi, Tx 78404

HILL-HALL- Francis Hill b 1783 Va mar Rebecca Hall dau Joseph & Ann ? Hall, Cumberland Co Ky before 1810. Joseph Hall on 1799 Cumberland Co Ky tax list - he died 1815 heirs were: wife Ann; Sons - James; William; Joseph. Daus - Elizabeth m Jones; Jane m Wm Sims; Marian m Wallace; and Rebecca m Hill. Any information welcome, will exchange. Mrs Billa Clark Moore, 316 So Morningside, Corpus Christi, Tx 78404

McMILLIN (McMULLIN)-KEENAN- Daniel McMillin (McMullin) b 1757 Ireland m Nelly Keenan 1780 Greenbriar Co Va - to Cumberland Co Ky by 1799. Their Ch: James b 1783 m Catherine Halsell; John W b 1785 m Nancy ?; Patrick Keenan m Mary Long; Archibald m Pattie Dickens. Nelly dead by/when Daniel m Jane Scone in Cumberland Co Ky & soon moved to Rupley Co Ind. Grown Ch remained Cumberland Co Ky & Jackson Co Tn. Mrs Billa Clark Moore, 316 So Morningside, Corpus Christi, Tx 78404

ARNETT-CARTER-HOLLINGSWORTH-SHORT- I am very anxious to find out more about my family. I was born in Barren Co Ky 4 July 1905 dau of Earl Arthur Williams & Lecta Carter. My paternal g-mother was Ann Eliza Arnett Williams who mar Harrison Ritchie Williams - from Cumberland Co Ky. Ann Eliza's parents were James S Arnett & Eliza Ann Short the dau of Fleming Short & Elizabeth Crenshaw. I lived in Glasgow, Barren Co Ky until I was 15 when we moved to Mississippi. I was recently in Ky and read your October issue of this journal in which the article "Famous Barren County Ky Clock" appeared - bout Fleming Short's clock. I have his arm chair which my grandmother told me was brought from Scotland,- I also have a silver table spoon from the family silver with the initials "F E S" on it, which my dad gave me not long before his death in 1959. I would like to become a member of your society and receive your journal beginning with the October 1975 issue.
Mrs (W A) Helen Williams Bishop, 3585 Edgecomb Cr N W, Cleveland, Tn
37311

SMITH-MOREHEAD- Parents of Squire David C Smith were Josiah Smith (1796-1843) and Barbara Morehead who married Barren Co Ky 12 Jan 1816. Father of Josiah was William Smith (1779-1850). Father of Barbara was John Morehead, Rev War soldier. Would like to corresp with any one knowing anything of these lines.
Naomi J Clark, Rt 9, Bx 476, Muncie, Ind 47302

KELSEY- James Kelsey received a land grant in Barren Co Ky lived there early 1800's, possibly died there. Would appreciate any information on the Barren Co Ky Kelsey lines.
Mrs Donald Barnes, 725 Town & Country Lane, Trenton, Mo 64683

JONES, JESSE AKINS - Jessie Akins Jones was born 1870's - Barren Co Ky? Need names of parents, children & any other information on this line.
Mrs Rondell Harris, Rt 5 Bx 307, Monticello, Ind 47960

CROSS- My maternal g-father was Joel Cross born 1824 Illinois. A Joel Cross received 50 acres land as a grant in Barren Co Ky on Little Barren River - 25 Aug 1813. Also a Joel Cross was in 1820 Goochland Co Va census. Would like to correspond with anyone doing research on the Cross lines.
M W Tibbetts, 910 Padre 5, Salinas, Ca 93901

HELP-HELP- Need any information on these ancestors of mine: Asberry Morefield; James DeMent; John Arbuckle; Napoleon Bertholomey; William or Luther Gilbon - in 1800's or early 1900's. Ky - Like to hear from anyone searching lines with these surnames.
Mrs Fred Ortiz, Bx 23, Juniata, Neb 68955

HOWELL-WELTY- Samuel Howell b 1 Nov 1796 Franklin Co Ga lived then in Barren Co Ky & Allen Co Ky, mar 1818 Elizabeth Welty. His bros: James Madison b 1790; Robert b 1804; Young b 1806; Charles b 1810. Need names of father & mother, and any information on this line.
Mrs Frank Hampel, Rt 1 Bx 120, Moscow Mills, Mo 63362