

G E N E A L O G Y

of the

DAVIS - OTIS - WILLIAMSON
Families

Otis - 1550 to 1883

Davis - 1742 to 1897

Williamson - 1828 to 1968

Also showing line of descent from
JOHN ALDEN, through the Otis-Davis-
Williamson lines of ancestry.

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To those who have so kindly contributed information, my thanks. Doubtless it is not free from errors, if so, forgive. It has seemed important that each of you have a copy inasmuch as you are all involved at some point in the family history. I have rescued from oblivion much that was being lost; and I regret efforts made to have it more complete have failed.

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Family Genealogy

1. JOHN ALDEN, born in England, probably 1597, Died Sept. 2, 1687 at Duxbury, Mass.	m. probably 1621	to Priscilla Mullins, or Molines, daughter of William.
2. ELIZABETH ALDEN, born in Plymouth, about 1623. Died May 31, 1717, in her 94th year, at Little Compton, R.I.	m. probably 1644	to William Pabodie, son of John and Isabel. Born in England about 1620. Died at Little Compton, R.I., Dec. 13, 1707.
3. RACHEAL PABODIE, born Oct. 16, 1660. Died Dec. 3, 1702, at Little Compton, R.I.	m. probably 1680	to William Southworth, born 1659, died June 25, 1719
4. ELIZABETH SOUTHWORTH, born Sept. 24, 1686. Died ?	m. probably Dec. 2, 1703	to David Little, born March 16, 1681 (or 1680), Scituate, Mass.
5. ELIZABETH LITTLE, born Jan. 17, 1719 at Scituate, Mass.	m. probably June 6, 1738 (5)	to Joseph Otis, born 1712, Oct. 1. died 1793 in Richmond, Mass.
6. BARNABAS OTIS born 1756, June 14, died Jan. 15, 1850, in Marion county, Ohio.	m.	to Mehetable Turner
* 7. STEPHEN OTIS born 1784	m. 1805 m. Feb. 17, 1825	to Mary Claudy to Sarah Dyer, of Marietta, Ohio
8. CAROLINE OTIS, born Feb. 23, 1810, in Washington county, Ohio	m. Aug ²⁹ /1829 at Marietta, Ohio.	to Walter Davis, born Mar. 1, 1808, died Sept. 10, 1858.
9. SERENA DAVIS, born Mar. 19, 1835, in Marion Co., Ohio, died Nov. 20, 1896, in Pleasant township, Hardin County, Ohio.	m. Apr. 12, 1855	to Nathaniel Williamson born, Aug. 10, 1828, in Richland Co., Ohio; died Nov. 26, 1885 in Pleasant township, Hardin county, Ohio.
10. OPHELIA BELLE WILLIAMSON (as one exam- ple) born Feb. 9, 1865 in Hardin county, Ohio; died Aug. 24, 1899 in Coeburn, Va.	m. June 15, 1892 at Kenton, Ohio.	to Harry Rollins born 1868, in Virginia died June 20, 1900.

Genealogy of OTIS FAMILY
showing 10 generations.

1. John Otis, born in 1581 in Barnstable, Devonshire, England, came to Hingham, New England, about 1630.
 2. John Otis, Jr., married, in 1633, Mary Jacobs, daughter of Nicholas and Mary Cushing Jacobs. They came over from England in 1633.
 3. Judge Joseph Otis, born in Hingham, Mass., 1666, married his cousin, Dorothy Thomas, who was born Nov. 6, 1670. She was the second daughter of Nathaniel and Deborah Jacobs Thomas of Marshfield. Deborah was a younger sister of his mother, Mary Jacobs. They were married Nov. 20, 1688.
 4. Deacon Joseph Otis, born in 1712, married June 6, 1738, to Elizabeth Little of Scituate, Mass. She was the daughter of David Little and Elizabeth Southworth. David Little was the great-grandson of Richard Warren who came to this country on the Mayflower in 1620. Elizabeth Southworth was the great-granddaughter of John and Priscilla Alden, also passengers on the Mayflower.
 5. Barnabas Otis, born June 1756, died Jan. 15, 1850. In 1812 he lived in Avon, N.Y., moved to Marion, Ohio, in 1812. He married Mehetable Turner.
 6. Stephen Otis, moved to Ohio in 1801, lived in Marietta, Ohio, for a number of years, then moved to Marion, Ohio. His first wife was Mary Claudy; second wife was Sarah Dyer, mother of Gen. Harrison Otis, of Los Angeles, Calif. Walter Davis married his daughter, Caroline, Daughter of Mary Claudy Davis.
 7. Caroline Otis, married Walter Davis. (See p. 2 Davis genealogy)
 8. Serena Davis, married Nathaniel Williamson (See p. 2 Davis ")
 9. Flora Williamson // Ophelia Belle Williamson // or others.
 10. Esther Wagner // Hannah Rollins // or others.
John Wagner
- (11th for John's son) // Charles or // and so on.
John Wagner, Jr. Frank Sergent
- (12th -- their children).

(This page was not re-written to include RICHARD OTIS, first known of line, as information varies. It adds one more generation).

* Items 1 through 7 were prepared by Ethel McFarland Flenniken, who has provided the following information:

John Alden (C 1599 - 1687), Plymouth & Duxbury, Mass. Deputy to the Plymouth General Court of Duxbury 1641 - 1649. Assistant 1632-1640, 1650 - 1686.

Deputy Governor pro tem at Court held Oct. 30, 1677. Member of Council of War 1646 - 1653 - 1658 - 1667.

Authorities:

Plymouth Colony Records Vol. 1, pages 5, 21, 32, 36, 48, 67, 69, 74, 79. Vol. II, pages 16, etc. Vol. III, IV, V, VI.

Joseph Otis and Elizabeth from Otis Genealogy, of Wm. Augustus, pub. in Chicago, 1924.

Elizabeth Little Ancestry for Mayflower Ancestry Boston Transcript. Dec. 5, 1900.

The Mayflower Descendant. Vol. 534, page 145.
The Family Record by Geo. Ernest Bowman.

Other ancestors. Eligible for your membership to Colonial Dames Society:

Judge Joseph Otis (1665-1754). Scituate, Mass., and New London, Conn. Deputy of Scituate to the Massachusetts General Court, May 1710 to May 1713.

Authorities. Acts and Resolves of the Provinces of Massachusetts Bay. Vol. IX, pages 118 to 284.

William Pabodie C (1620-1707) Duxbury, Mass., and Little Compton, R.I. Deputy of Duxbury, Mass. to Plymouth Colony Court. Aug. 1654 - June 1655, June 1656, June 1657 - 1658 - 1659 - 1660 - Oct. 1660 - June 1661 - 1662 - 1670 - 1671 - 1672 - 1673 - Sept. 1673 - June 1674 - 1675 - 1676 - 1677 - 1678 - 1679 - 1680 - 1681 - 1682.

Authorities for Pabodie:

Plymouth Colony Records. Vol. III, pages 63-79, 99, 115, 135, 162, 187, 198, 214.
Vol. II, pages 14-37. Vol. V, pages 34-55, 90, 114, 135, 144, 165, 186.

Nathaniel Thomas (wife, Deborah Jacobs) (C 1643-1696). Marshfield, Mass. Lt. and Captain in King Phillips War. Capt. of Mount Hope Garrison and fought in Mt. Hope Campaign. Established Captain of the Marshfield Military Co. 1681; Member of the Council of War July 1681-

June 1685; Deputy of Marshfield to Plymouth Colony General Court
June 1672 - June 1677. June 1682 - 1683 - 1684 - 1685 - 1686 - 1690 -
1691 - 1692.

Authorities:

Plymouth Colony Records. Vol. V, pages 90-232.
Vol. VI, pages 67, 85, 106, 128, 164, 186, 240, 243.
Acts and Resolves of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, Vol. VII,
page 6.

Constance Southworth (Wife - Elizabeth Collier)

Captain William Southworth (Wife - Rebecca Pabodie)

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11. HANNAH BLANCHE ROLLINS m. May 20, 1914 to John Franklin Sergeant
born Aug. 13, 1893, at Bristol, Va. born
in Rye Cove, Va. (divorced)
died Dec. 6, 1956
at Kingsport, Tennessee
(2) m. Aug. 9, 1927 to Albert J. Reah
at Detroit, born June 10, 1893
Mich. in Germany. Died
Jan. 6, 1951, in
Phoenix, Ariz.

12. CHARLES SERGENT m. 1940 to Grace Seabury
born May 27, 1917, at in Imlay, City, (later divorced)
Gate City, Va. Mich.
(2) m. 29-01 194-9 to Dorothy Wand,
born Oct. 4, 1913,
in Bowling Green, Ky.

13. LYNNE SERGENT
born Oct. 4, 1952,
at ~~Kingsport, Tenn.~~ Atlanta, GA

(1) CHARLES BRUCE SERGENT
born July 6, 1941
at Detroit, Mich.

(2) Charles Rollins Sergeant, Jr.
born Apr. 4, 1954
at Marietta, Ga.

June 1685; Deputy of Marshfield to Plymouth Colony General Court
June 1672 - June 1677. June 1682 - 1683 - 1684 - 1685 - 1686 - 1690 -
1691 - 1692.

Authorities:

Plymouth Colony Records. Vol. V, pages 90-232.
Vol. VI, pages 67, 85, 106, 128, 164, 169, 186, 240, 243.
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at Kingsport, Tennessee
(2) to Albert J. Reah
m. Aug. 9, 1927 born June 10, 1893
at Detroit, Mich. in Germany. Died
Jan. 6, 1951, in
Phoenix, Ariz.

12. JOHN FRANKLIN SERGENT, Jr. m. July 30, 1942, to Jacqueline Thomas
born April 16, 1919, born June 3, 1921 at
at Gate City, Va. Chicago, Ill.

13. JAMES T. SERGENT
born Feb. 20, 1949
at Detroit, Mich.

adopted

CATHERINE HELEN SERGENT
born June 6, 1955,
at Phoenix, Ariz.

Also - Nancy

Sergent

VICKI LYNN SERGENT
born Aug. 12, 1959,
at Phoenix, Ariz.

adopted

MARY LEE SERGENT
born Sept. 28, 1960,
at Phoenix, Ariz.

adopted

LEE ANNE SERGENT
born Jan. 9, 1960,
at Phoenix, Ariz.

adopted

CHRISTINE SERGENT
born July 28, 1962,
at Phoenix, Ariz.

adopted

Priscilla Mullins was the daughter of William and Alice Mullins who arrived on the Mayflower, 1620. There was another daughter and also a son. William Mullins was the tenth signer of the Mayflower Compact. He died Feb. 21, 1621. Priscilla was the only survivor of the Mullins family. She married John Alden (1621). They had eleven children. Their third child and oldest daughter was born 1625, and married Wm. Pabodie (Peabody) in 1644. They had a daughter, Rebekah, born Oct. 16, 1660, who married (John) Southworth. Their daughter, Elizabeth Southworth, was born Sept. 29, 1686, and married David Little, Dec. 2, 1703. Their daughter, Elizabeth Little, was born Jan. 17, 1719, married Joseph Otis, June 6, 1738. Joseph Otis and Elizabeth Little Otis were the parents of Barnabas Otis.

Richard Warren was the 12th signer of the Mayflower Compact. He came over alone and his wife and five daughters came over later. His second daughter Anna married Thomas Little in 1633. They had seven children, Thomas, Samuel Ephraim, Isaac, Hannah, Mercy Ruth, and Patience. Ephraim the third child married Mary Sturtevant in 1672. David Little, son of Ephraim and Mary ? Little, married Elizabeth Southworth, Dec. 6, 1703. Their daughter, Elizabeth Little, married Joseph Otis, June 6, 1738, at Scituate, Mass.

Our Mayflower ancestors (5) were:

Richard Warren -- descendants are:
Anna Warren Little
Ephraim Little
David Little
Elizabeth Little Otis

William and Alice Mullins -- descendants are:
Priscilla Mullins

Priscilla and John Alden -- descendant
Elizabeth Alden (m. Wm. Pabodie).

(Above information noted in Boston Transcript, Dec. 5, 1900)

(The librarian said that Mr. Bowman, who confirmed this lineage in his book on Mayflower Ancestry, was the real authority. Said he was President of the Mayflower Society, and acted on all applications for membership in that society).

"John Alden was hired as a cooper at South Hampton where the ship victuled and being a hopefull yong man was much desired, but left to his owne liking to go or stay when he came here, but he stayed and married here." (from Gov. Bradford's list of the passangers of the Mayflower).

"Thomas Little who married Ann Warren came from Devonshire, England, to Plymouth in 1630. He was a lawyer, and his coat of arms is still preserved at the old homestead in the house of Luther Little at Sea View, formerly known Littleton. He died 1671."

(This page from research of Ethel Flenniken).

OTIS FAMILY GENEALOGY (from first known to 8th generation)

1. RICHARD OTIS, born around 1550; lived in Glastonbury, Somerset county, England. Died in 1611. His will dated Nov. 17, 1611.
(his son)
2. JOHN OTIS, probably born in old family home at Glastonbury, Somerset county, England, in 1581. Came to America probably latter part of 1630 with his family.
(his son)
3. JOHN OTIS, born in Glastonbury, England, baptized Jan. 14, 1621. Married Mary Jacob of Hingham, Mass. He died Jan. 16, 1684.
(his son)
4. JUDGE JOSEPH OTIS, born at Scituate, Mass., 1665; died June 11, 1754. Married his cousin Dorothy Thomas, Nov. 20, 1688; she was born Nov. 6, 1670.
(his son)
5. DEACON JOSEPH OTIS, born Oct. 1, 1712. Married June 6, 1738 to Elizabeth Little in Scituate, Mass. (She was born Jan. 17, 1719). He died in Richmond, Mass. about 1793.
(his son -- his 12th child)
6. BARNABAS OTIS, born June 14, 1756, died Jan. 15, 1850, in Marion county, Ohio. Enlisted at Lebanon, Conn., in Revolutionary War in 1775; honorably discharged at Morristown, N. J. in 1776. In battle of Princeton and Trenton, numerous skirmishes, wounded and subsequently pensioned.
(his son)
7. STEPHEN OTIS married Mary McCloudy (first marriage) in 1805. Married Sarah Dyer, of Marietta, Ohio (second marriage) Feb. 17, 1825.
(his daughter)
8. CAROLINE MCCOLLISTER OTIS, born Feb. 23, 1810. Married Walter Davis in Ohio, Aug. 29, 1829.

(Stephen Otis' son, Stephen Otis, Jr. born Feb. 26, 1812, was the father of Patrick Otis, who was the father of Harriet Otis, Margaret Otis Sharp, and Rebecca Otis Stearns, of Washington, D.C.)

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(NOTE: Above information from an OTIS Genealogy book belonging to Miss Harriet Otis, and sent to Esther Corey on June 8, 1968.

William A. Otis of Chicago worked for years compiling it, and it was printed in 1924, on a subscription basis, before publication).

(NOTE: Mrs. Rebecca Otis Stearns learned that the Xerox Corporation does reprinting of books, and is writing, and will report on the cost, in case others wish a duplicate).

(NOTE: According to Harriet's information, only the OTIS name is followed through. After an Otis daughter was married, no more record was given; as this would necessarily entail much additional information, which would be endless).

Davis - 1.

- I. William Davis, born 1617.
 married (1) Elizabeth ? (buried May 4, 1658)
 " (2) Alice Thorpe on ? 21, 1658.
 " (3) Jane ?

II. John Davis (son of William and Elizabeth Davis) born Oct. 1, 1643. Married Mary Devotion, daughter of Edward Devotion of Roxbury, on Feb. 5, 1667.

III. Samuel Davis (son of John and Mary Devotion Davis), was born June 23, 1681. Married June 23, 1709 at Roxbury, to Mary Child Chamberlain, born Aug. 1, 1687.

In 1720 Samuel Davis bought of Gabriel Bernon in partnership with Thomas Mayo and Joseph Weld (brother of his second wife, Mary, daughter of Thomas Weld, Oct. 13, 1731), the grant of 2500 acres of land in the east part of the town, but did not occupy it until eight or nine years later. On coming to town he took a high position as a citizen and for many years was an important public citizen, selectman, representative deacon 25 years, until his death. He settled at the Nathaniel Davis Place H. 29, upon the hill east of the Plain and gave each of his sons a large farm from his original estate.

Mary Child Chamberlain, born Aug. 1, 1687, at Roxbury, was the daughter of Jacob and Mary Child Chamberlain. Her mother, Mary Child, was the daughter of Benjamin and Mary Child, and was born at Roxbury, Oct. 28, 1660.

IV, Daniel Davis (Deacon Daniel Davis) was born Feb. 1, 1719, died June 24, 1786. Married Jan. 14, 1741 to Tamar Town, who died Aug. 10, 1761. She was the daughter of Jonathan Town.

Married (2) Elizabeth Shurtleif on Dec. 2, 1762, and she died Feb. 25, 1785.

Deacon Daniel Davis moved in 1752 to Killingly, where he was esteemed, selectman, and deacon of the church. His family Bible and arm chair are in possession of Mrs. Harriet D. Palmer, a descendant, living in Great Barrington, Mass.

History - - of Town Family.

William Town and Joanne Blessing were married March 25, 1620, at St. Nicholas Church, Yarmouth, England. Their son, Jacob, was baptized at Yarmouth, Mar. 11, 1632. He resided with his father at Salem 12 years. He was married June 26, 1657, to Catherine, daughter of John Symonds, and died at the age of about 73 years. His sisters, Rebecca and Mary, were victims of witchcraft delusion, and Sarah barely escaped with her life.

John Town, son of Jacob, was born Apr. 2, 1658, at Topsfield. He was married Feb. 2, 1680 (?) to Mary Smith. He was active in public affairs at Topsfield, and administrator of his father's estate, 1704. Removed to Framingham where at the first town meeting, Aug. 5, 1700, he was chosen selectman. In 1708, he resided at Charlestown, came in 1713, at the age of 55 years, among the thirty settlers from Framingham to Oxford, and at the first meeting (town) was chosen town clerk, and selectman, and continued to occupy prominent public position during his life. He was the leader in the formation of the church, one of the four

who met at his house for this purpose and was its first deacon. His abilities, character, and experience fitted him to be what in fact was the Nestor of the new settlement. His lot, H 176, which adjoined the North Common, he sold nearly ten years before his decease to his son, Jonathan. He died at the age of 82, -- in 1740 -- at Topsfield.

Jonathan Town, son of John Town, married Katherine ? one of the 30 English settlers, and had land in partnership with his brother, Ephraim, H 178, opposite the North Common. In 1731, his father being then over 70 years of age deeded him his home lot, 176, which Jonathan probably soon after occupied. He was a substantial citizen, but seemed to not have been particularly active in public affairs. He was chosen June 29, 1739, deacon of the church which office he filled until his death. His will was approved 1771, July 29. Tamar Town, his oldest daughter, was born Feb. 19, 1722, and married Daniel Davis.

Deacon Daniel Davis was a farmer and occupied the 40-acre lot on Oxford place given him by his father, his home having been on the Sutton road near the mill brook. In the spring of 1752 he moved to Killingly, Conn., where he purchased a valuable farm and mill privilege on Five Mile River. He was much esteemed in his new home, serving as a selectman, and in other public capacities and also as deacon and committee of the church at Breack Neck hill. After the death of his wife and the removal of his sons, he followed them to Thompson Parish, originally a part of Killingly, where he owned a farm. He was beloved and honored and allowed the privilege of building in the meeting house a special pew "on the right hand side of the broad alley." He was considered a wise and prudent man, and his counsel was often sought in times of peril. A cause of great grief and sorrow in his old age was the fact of his kindred at Oxford having embraced the new doctrines of the Universalists.

V. Daniel Davis, son of Daniel and Tamar Town Davis, was born Oct. 12, 1742 at Oxford. He married Eliczabeth Whittemore, of Killingly. Both died at Waterford, Ohio, she dying Sept. 16, 1806, and he on November 4, 1807, (?).

Captain Daniel Davis lived in his young manhood on his father's farm in the easterly part of Killingly, and removed soon after coming of age to Thompson Parish, bought land in various quarters, and engaged actively in society and public affairs. He was specially efficient during the revolutionary struggle and was chosen at the very outset to collect subscriptions for the relief of the poor in Boston and retained throughout many responsible services, such as engaging men for army and obtaining for them clothing and other necessaries as they were required, and also providing for the families of those who had entered the service.

His patriotism induced him to sacrifice his own property for the public good, advancing money, which was repaid in depreciated currency, till his estate was seriously involved. He entered personally upon the service and was promoted to the rank of captain. He was often called to lead his company into close contact with the enemy.

After the return of peace his attention was turned to the subject of westward immigration, and he joined the honored "Company Ohio Associates" which under Gen. Rufus began the settlement of Ohio.

A tradition widely held among his descendants is that he was the second man ashore when the boat which took the company down the river struck upon Point Harmar, April 7, 1788, and, as he afterwards declared, wishing to do something of which posterity would speak with pride, cut the first tree felled by settlers west of the Ohio River. This tree being a buckeye or horse chestnut, the incident gave to the state the name which it still retains.

In 1789, he settled at Waterford where he passed the remainder of his life. There he with his eldest two sons participated in the perils of Indian warfare until Waynes Victory in 1794, when he settled down to peaceful pursuits of life and aid very materially in forming the institutions of the new state. His strong mind and prudent forecast gave him great influence and he became a power for good in the section with which he was identified, helping forward every work which would tend to its elevation and advancement.

--Taken from Samuel Davis of Oxford, Mass., and Joseph Davis of Dudley, Mass., and their descendants. Pub. by George L. Davis, North Andover, Mass. 1884.

Captain Daniel Davis married Elizabeth Whittemore, the daughter of Richard Whittemore and Elizabeth Baldwin.

History of Baldwin Family.

Joseph Baldwin was one of the first settlers in Milford, Conn., in 1639, and his name appears Nov. 20 of that year, in the first list of free planters. The homestead of Joseph was on lot 52 on W. Farm Street opposite, joining rears or nearly so, with the homestead of his brother, Timothy. It seems to be clear that Joseph was the brother of Tim, and if so of Nathaniel or the last two were brothers. Joseph was probably the youngest as he was named last in his father's will. There can be no practical doubt that Timothy, Nathaniel and Joseph were the three of that name, sons of Richard, of Cholesbury, County Bucks, England, whose will was proved in 1633, and whose children disappeared from Bucks. (See Richard of Cholesbury in early part of volume, page 23, Richard--second of line, and Richard--first of line, of Bucks). (Proof of his marriage to Hannah Whitlock, see American Genealogy, page 64, vol. 16) ?

His son, Joseph Baldwin, of Hadley, Mass., was born in Milford, Conn., about 1640, baptized Mar. 23, 1644. In 1660, he was a free-man in Hadley where he settled with his father. They not unlikely lived together as the father conveyed to the son one-half in common of the homestead. He was named executor in his father's will, but died Nov. 21, 1681. He married Sarah Coley of Milford, baptized in 1648, the daughter of Samuel Coley. She died 1669.

Their son, Joseph (third of line) was born Oct. 1, 1663, and was married June 26, 1691, to Elizabeth Grover. He settled in Malden, Mass. He died Nov. 22, 1714. His widow died June 2, 1744, aged 75 years 5 months.

Davis - 4.

Their daughter, Elizabeth Baldwin, was born in 1706 (1707)
and was married Dec. 26, 1735 to Richard Whittemore of Killingly.

-- (From Baldwin Genealogy, Page 484, 1500 to 1881).

GENEALOGY OF DAVIS FAMILY

CAPTAIN DANIEL DAVIS, born October 12, 1742, at Oxford, Massachusetts, died November 4, 1807, at Waterford, Ohio; married Elizabeth Whittemore at Killingly, Connecticut, on December 2, 1762. Mrs. Davis was born in 1740 at Killingly, Connecticut, and died September 16, 1807 at the same place. Daniel Davis served in militia and joined General Rufus Putnam in founding the Marietta Colony (Ohio). (See Addenda). Their children were:

Williard Davis, -- b. Nov. 12, 1764; d. Nov. 17, 1862
 m. Sarah Adams in 1787 (b. 1766, d. 1845)

Tamar Davis -- b. Aug. 23, 1766; d. Nov. 10, 1851.
 m. Oliver Torry in 1784.

Walter Davis -- b. Nov. 4, 1768; d. Sept. 10, 1772.

Elizabeth Davis -- b. May 21, 1771; d. Sept. 16, 1771.

William Davis -- b. Oct. 30, 1772; d. March 18, 1843.
 m. Drusilla Olney in 1794 in Nova Scotia. (b. April 20, 1771
 d. 1824).

m. Mrs. Sarah Ransom, nee Wright).
 Daniel Davis -- b. Nov. 30, 1774; d. 1867.
 m. Sarah Olney in 1799 (b. 1781, d. 1854).

Hezekiah Davis -- b. Sept. 15, 1776; d. March --, 1816.
 m. Betsy Coleman.

Jesse Davis -- b. July 23, 1778; d. 1824.
 m. Mary Blackmer in 1804.

Asa Davis -- b. Sept. 20, 1780; d. May 13, 1834.
 m. Joanna Olney in 1802.

Lucena Davis -- b. Sept. 7, 1782; d. 1857.
 m. Col. James Mann in 1799.

Elizabeth Davis -- b. Oct. 15, 1784; d. 1853.
 m. Ezra Perrin in 1802.

Children of CAPT. WILLIAM DAVIS by Drusilla Olney:

Lucena Davis -- b. 1796; d.
 m. Thomas Devin in 1818.

Betsey Davis -- b. 1798; d. 1816.

Asa Davis -- b. May , 1800; d.
 m. Ruth Hallet.
 m. Jane Lake.

James Davis -- b. 1802; d. 1824.

William Davis -- b. 1803; d.
 m. Jerusha Porter.

Willard Davis -- b. 1806; d.
 m. Caroline E. Shepard.

* (Walter Davis -- b. Mar. 1, 1808; d. Sept. 10, 1858.
m. Caroline Otis, Aug. 27, 1829 (b. Feb. 23, 1810, d. 1883). *

Drusilla Davis -- b. Aug. 17, 1810; d.
m. Hugh Allison 1827.

Mary Davis -- b. April 4, 1812; d.
m. Chester Burch 1832.

John Davis -- b. Aug. 10, 1814; d.
m. Mary Jane Cusaac.

Cynthia Davis -- b. Jan. 14, 1820; d.
m. David Myles.

By Sarah Ransom, nee Wright:

Sarah Davis -- b. 1825; d.

Jesse W. Davis -- b. 1827; d.

Sophia Davis -- b. 1830; d.

WALTER DAVIS (b. Mar. 1, 1808, d. Sept. 10, 1858), married on ~~August 27, 1829, at Marietta, Ohio, Caroline Otis (b. Feb. 23, 1810, d. March 1883, at age 73.~~ They moved to the borders of Marion and Hardin Counties (Ohio) in 1834. Their children were:

Lucena Davis -- b. June 5, 1830; d. April 18, 1855.
m. Nathan Baker, Mar. 24, 1853.

Thomas J. Davis -- b. April 15, 1833; d. Dec. 17, 1875.
m. Hannah J. Williamson Nov. 6, 1856 (b. July 17, 1830,
d. May 16, 1921, at age 90 years).

* ~~Star~~ Serena Davis -- b. March 9, 1835; d. Nov. 20, 1897. ~~Star~~
m. Nathaniel Williamson on Apr. 12, 1855
(b. Aug. 10, 1828; d. Nov. 26, 1885).

Mary Jane Davis -- b. July 12, 1837; d. 1874.
m. Elzy Pool Feb. 7, 1860 (b. Nov. 13, 1830; d.)

Julia A. Davis -- b. Sept. 6, 1839; d. 1880
m. Milo Bartram, Sept. 8, 1859 (d. Nov. 5, 1861).
m. Valentine Deal Sept. 25, 1862.

Asa O. Davis -- b. Dec. 3, 1841, killed July 4, 1863 at Gettysburg.

Sheridan K. Davis -- b. Jan. 30, 1849; d.
m. Emma Merriman in 1880 (b. May 5, ; d.)

Walter R. Davis -- b. Feb. 3, 1852; d. Nov. 12, 1853.

Walter D. Davis -- b. Dec. , 1853; d.

Descendants of Walter Davis (other than Serena Davis)
(4th generation)

THOMAS J. DAVIS, b. April 15, 1835, d. Dec. 17, 1875, was married
Nov. 6, 1856 at Upper Sandusky, Ohio, to Hannah J. Williamson
(b. July 17, 1830, d. May 16, 1921).

Rachel Lucena Davis -- b. Sept. 27, 1857, d. Jan. 29, 1905.
m. Everett W. Barron Oct. 28, 1882.
m. W. J. McClaren Sept. 9, 1894.

William Walter Davis -- b. June 22, 1859, d. Nov. 20, 1862.

Jeannettie E. Davis -- b. Feb. 3, 1861; d.
m. John E. Smiley Jan. 24, 1882.
Daughter: Flo Smiley -- b. March 27, 1883; d. Oct. 5, 1911.
m. J. Lee Greear June 1, 1917.

Erminnie C. Davis -- b. Sept. 27, 1865; d. July 26, 1895.
m. J. Lee Greear Sept. 25, 1894.

MARY JANE DAVIS -- b. July 12, 1837; d. 1874. Was married Feb. 7,
1860 to Elzy Pool (b. Nov. 13, 1830).

Roscoe Pool -- b. Nov. 1860.

Lillie May Pool -- b. Apr. 22, 1862.
m. George Crosson.

Charles Pool -- b. June 14, 1865.

Asa D. Pool -- b. April 12, 1868.

Harry Pool -- b. June 4, 1870.

JULIA A. DAVIS -- b. Sept. 6, 1839, d. 1880. Was married Sept. 8,
1859 to Milo P. Bartram (d. Nov. 5, 1861).

Cadiz Senora Bartram -- b. June 28, 1860, d. Oct. , 1862.

Julia A. Bartram was married Sept. 25, 1862 to Valentine Deal.

Amos Deal -- b. 1864, d. 1865.

Walter D. Deal -- b. April 21, 1866.


James H. Deal -- b. Nov. 27, 1871.

Lydia Jane^{Deal} -- b. Aug. 22, 1876; d. Oct. 15, 1878.

SHERIDAN K. DAVIS -- b. Jan. 30, 1849, in Marion Co., Ohio. Was
married in 1880, to Emma Merriman (b. May 5,).

Shirley Blanche Davis -- b.
m. Paul Sheldon Oct. 29, 1901.
m. Alan G. Thurman.

SERENA DAVIS, born March 9, 1835 in Marion county, Ohio, died Nov. 20, 1897 in Hardin county, Ohio. Married April 12, 1855 to Nathaniel Williamson (b. Aug. 10, 1828 in Richland county, now Ashland county, Ohio), died Nov. 26, 1885 in Pleasant township, Hardin county, Ohio. Lived in Hardin county, Ohio. Their children were:

1. Ida Jane Williamson -- b. Mar. 12, 1856; d. May 8, 1887.
m. George McFarland March 29, 1883 (b. Apr. 23, 1858;
d. March , 1938)
2. Florence Rosetta Williamson (Flora) -- b. Oct. 30, 1857;
d. Oct. 29, 1950.
m. Daniel Henry Wagner Sept. 21, 1887
(b. May 21, 1841, d. Mar. 17, 1929)
3. Walter Davis Williamson -- b. July 17, 1859; d. Mar. 11, 1936.
m. Helen Gertrude Clark Aug. 7, 1889
(b. June 20, 1869, d. July 30, 1925)
4. Mary Estella Williamson (Mamie) -- b. Mar. 18, 1861;
d. Nov. 21, 1942.
m. William J. Mathews Aug. 27, 1884
(b. Nov. 4, 1856; d. Dec. 24, 1941).
5. Caroline Clemence Williamson -- b. Mar. 22, 1863; d. Feb. 1865.
-  6. Ophelia Belle Williamson -- b. Feb. 9, 1865; d. Aug. 24, 1899.
m. Harry Rollins June 15, 1892
(b. 1868; d. June 20, 1900).
7. Lillie May Williamson -- b. Jan. 20, 1867; d. Aug. 19, 1962.
m. John Elliott Rubins Dec. 26, 1889
(b. Nov. 27,); d.
8. Jeanetta Viola Williamson (Netta) -- b. Sept. 28, 1868,
d. Nov. 2, 1949.
m. James S. Hedrick April 19, 1899.
(b. Oct. 13, 1857; d. Nov. 6, 1945).
9. William Tecumseh Williamson -- b. Dec. 27, 1870; d. Nov. 14,
m. Mary Elizabeth Steiner Apr. 12, 1899 1944.
(b. March 19, 1871; d. Dec. 16, 1952).
10. Sheridan Earl Williamson -- b. May 1, 1873; d. Mar. 26, 1937.
m. Rose Druschel March 1897
(b. ; d. Dec. 1, 1901)
m. Iona Nancy Lease Feb. 15, 1905
(b. July 20, 1879; d. Jan. 11, 1961).
11. Edna Alice Williamson -- b. Jan. 26, 1877; d. July 24, 1957.
m. Fred H. Steiner Mar. 30, 1898.
(b. App. 20, 1872; d. Apr. 25, 1953).

Descendants of Serena DAVIS Williamson and Nathaniel Williamson
(5th generation - DAVIS)

IDA JANE WILLIAMSON -- b. March 12, 1856, in Hardin county, Ohio;
d. May 8, 1887. Was married March 29, 1883, to George McFarland
(b. April 23, 1858 in Taylor Creek township, Hardin county, Ohio;
d. March , 1938, in Milwaukee, Wisc.

1. Elmo McFarland -- b. Sept. 5, 1883, in Kenton, Ohio.
m. Stella Moon Oct. 7, 1906 in Kenton, Ohio
(b. March 23, 1883 in Lorain Co., Ohio)

- 1). Iris McFarland -- b. Feb. 1, 1909, Kenton, Ohio
m.

- 2). Lillian Ethel McFarland -- b. May 12, 1918 in
Kewanee, Wisc.
m.

2. Ethel McFarland -- b. Oct. 27, 18 ; d. June 2, 1951 in
Buffalo, New York. Was married to Clifton W.
Flenniken, (b. April 5, 1886; d. in Seattle,
Wash.

- 1). James Flenniken --

- 2). William Flenniken -- b. Oct. 7, 1911.

- 3). Sarah Jane Flenniken --

- 4). Clifton W. Flenniken, Jr. --

- 5). Bette Flenniken -- b. Jan. 6,

FLORENCE ROSETTA WILLIAMSON (Flora) -- b. Sept. 30, 1857 in
Hardin county, Ohio; d. Oct. 29, 1930, in Kenton, Ohio. Was
married Sept. 21, 1887 to Daniel H. Wagner (b. May 21, 1941;
d. March 17, 1929, in Kenton, Ohio).

1. Mary Wagner -- b. Oct. 1, 1889.

- m. Dr. Frank Burger (dentist) Sept. 28, 1932, in Kenton,
(b. Jan. 9, 1879; d. March 16, 1954) Ohio

2. Esther A. Wagner -- b. May 6, 1895 in Kenton, Ohio

- m. Charles Grant Phillips Oct. 2, 1930
(b. Aug. 22, 1868; d. July 23, 1932)

- m. G. Webster Moore Oct. 16, 1943
(b. Nov. 23, 18 ; d. Dec. 27, 1946)

- m. Clair E. Corey Sept. 11, 1965
(b. Dec. 10, 1887.

3. John D. Wagner -- b. May 6, 1895 in Kenton, Ohio
m. Bur Parsons April 14, 1927
(b. Nov. 15, 1901 in Parsons, W. Va.; d. July 12,
1945 in Kenton, Ohio)

1). John D. Wagner, Jr. -- b. May 12, 1928, Kenton.
m. Aug. 31, 1949 at Fairview Church, to
Mildred Jean Steinman
(b. July 20, 1929, Kenton, Ohio)

(1) Kathryn Sue Wagner -- b. Aug. 14, 1951

(2) Daniel J. Wagner -- b. Aug. 13, 1954

(3) Lori Ann Wagner -- b. Sept. 27, 1961

2). Martha Jean Wagner -- b. Sept. 4, 1929, Kenton.
m. Aug. 26, 1951, at Church of Christ, Kenton,
Ohio, to Paul Luther Gordon.
(b. Feb. 7, 1930, in Kenton, Ohio)

(1) Michael Luther Gordon -- b. July 29, 1952
in Kenton, Ohio

(2) Michelle Lynn Gordon -- b. Sept. 10, 1956
in Washington Court House, Ohio

3). Mary Ann Wagner -- b. Oct. 12, 1930, Kenton, Ohio
m. Dec. 18, 1949, at Church of Christ, Kenton,
Ohio, to Robert G. Sellers
(b. Oct. 15, 1930)

(1) Ronald Walter Sellers -- b. Jan. 18, 1955

(2) Douglas Bryan Sellers -- b. May 30, 1956.

(3) Thomas Kevin Sellers -- b. July 25, 1957

(4) Cynthia Lou Sellers -- b. June 1, 1959

m. May 3, 1953, to Mrs. Opal (Smith) Myers, in Kenton, Ohio
(b. Sept. 23,

WALTER DAVIS WILLIAMSON-- b. July 17, 1859; d. March 11, 1936.
Was married Aug. 7, 1889, to Helen Gertrude Clark (b. June 20,
1869, d. July 30, 1925).

1. Mildred Gertrude Williamson -- b. June 22, 1890, at the
Williamson homestead, Pleasant township, Hardin county, Ohio.
m. Aug. 22, 1912 to George C. Snashell in Marion, Ohio
(b. ; d. June 9, 1936).

1) Mary Traine Snashell -- b. Sept. 15, 1913,
at West Falls, New York; d. Sept. 16, 1926, Ohio.

m. Jan. 1, 1950 to James Lingo
(b. ; d. Dec. 17, 1953)

2. Hugh Charles Williamson -- b. Aug. 12, 1894; d. July 22, 1956 at East Aurora, New York (was born in Pomona, Calif.)
m. Jan. 26, 1918, to Hazel May Thompson at East Aurora.
(b.)

1). Janet Williamson -- b. June 4, 1921
m. William Leroy Brewer in Union City, Tenn.
(b.)

(1) Ronn Leroy Brower -- b. Feb. 24, 1945
m. Sept. 4, 1965 to Mary Lou Benzel
(b.)

((1)) Wende Lee Brower --b. Dec. 11, 1966.

3. Walter Alan Williamson -- b. Jan. 25, 1898, south of Kenton, Ohio, on a farm; d. Jan. 24, 1955, at Marion, Ohio. (never married).

MARY ESTELLA WILLIAMSON (M^{rs}) -- b. March 18, 1862 in Pleasant township, Hardin county, Ohio. Married Aug. 27, 1884 to William J. Mathews (b. Nov. 4, 1856 in Hardin county, Ohio; d. Dec. 24, 1941 at farm home west of Kenton, Ohio. No children.

CAROLINE CLEMENCE WILLIAMSON -- b. March 22, 1863, in Hardin county, Ohio; d. 1865, about two years of age.

OPHELIA BELLE WILLIAMSON -- b. Feb. 9, 1865; d. Aug. 24, 1899 at Coeburn, Va. Was married June 15, 1892, in Kenton, Ohio, to Harry Rollins (b. 1868 in Virginia; d. June 20, 1900, at Coeburn, Va. He was born at Snowflake, Va.

03 1. Hannah Blanche Rollins -- b. Aug. 13, 1893, in Rye Cove, Va. m. May 20, 1914 at Bristol, Va. to John Franklin Sergeant. (b. Dec. 6, 1871 at Dungannon, Va. Divorced).

2 1). Charles Sergeant -- b. May 27, 1917 at Gate City, Va. m. Grace Seabury in 1940, in Inlay City, Mich. (div.)
(1) Charles Bruce Bergent -- b. July 6, 1941 in Detroit, Mich.
M. June 1966 to Joan ?
(b.)

m. Dorothy Wand
(b. Oct. 4, 1913 in Bowling Green, Ky.)

d. 08 July 2000 - Marietta, GA
(2) Lynne Sergeant -- b. Oct. 4, 1952, in Kingsport, Tenn. *A. White, GA*

(3) Charles Rollins Sergeant, Jr.-- b. Apr. 4, 1954 at Marietta, Ga.
d. 12 July 1985

2). John Franklin Sergent, Jr. -- b. April 16, 1919
at Gate City, Va.
m. July 30, 1942 to Jacquelyne Thomas
(b. June 3, 1921 at Chicago, Ill.)

(1) James T. Sergent--b. Feb. 20, 1949 at
Detroit, Mich.

(2) Cathy Helen Sergent--b. June 6, 1955 at
Phoenix, Ariz.

(3) Vicki Sergent--b. Aug. 12, 1959 at - 2'
Phoenix, Ariz.

(4) Mary Lee Sergent--b. Sept. 28, 1960 at
Phoenix, Ariz.

(5) Lee Anne Sergent--b. Jan. 9, 1960 at
Phoenix, Ariz.

(6) Christina Sergent--b. July 28, 1962 at
Phoenix, Ariz.

m. Aug. 9, 1927 at Detroit, Mich. to Albert J. Reah
(b. JUNE 12, 1893 ; d. Jan. 6. 1951 in Phoenix,
Ariz.)

2. Hobart R. Rollins -- b. March 5, 1896; d. July 6, 1945, at
Detroit, Mich. He was born in Virginia.
m. July 17, 1920 to Katharine Mae Kelly
(b. ; died 1947 in Detroit, Mich.)
(no children).

3. Lloyd Smith Rollins -- b. Jan. 3, 1898, at Coeburn, Va.
m. Feb. 1, 1919 to Zella Elizabeth Kelley
(b. Oct. 1895, at Onkema, Mich.; died March 17, 1932
in Detroit, Mich).

m. July 2, 1938 at Elkton, Md., to Sarah Dailey
(b. Dec. 31, 1893 at Bridgeton, N. J.)

LILLIE MAY WILLIAMSON -- b. Jan. 20, 1867, in Hardin county, Ohio;
died August 19, 1962 in Kenton, Ohio, at 95 years of age. She
was married Dec. 26, 1889, at Ada, Ohio, to John Elliott Rubins
(b. Nov. 27, 1860 at Marseilles, Ohio; died Nov. 25, 1929 at
Kenton, Ohio).

1. Paul W. Rubins -- b. Nov. 9, 1890, in Kenton, Ohio
m. Gladys Adelaide Hobbs in Kenton, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1919
(b. Feb. 3, 1896 in Nashville, Ohio
(d. March 5, 1957 in Ft. Myers, Fla.

1) Phyllis Ann Rubins -- b. Dec. 10, 1922
m. Sept. 10, 1949 to Walker
(b.

(1) Barbara Ann Walker -- b. July 27, 1957 at
Akron, Ohio

- (2) Janice Lee Walker -- b. Jan. 4, 1961, in Akron, Ohio
- 2) Jane Carol Rubins -- b. June 17, 1931, in Akron, Ohio
m. Oct. 25, 1952 to Robert M. Hammond at Akron, "
(b. Aug. 31, 1927 in Washington, D. C.)
 - (1) Karen Leigh Hammond--b. Dec. 8, 1956
 - (2) Marsha Carole Hammond--b. Mar. 11, 1959
 - (3) Scott Marshall Hammond--b. Nov. 15, 1960
 - (4) Amy Elizabeth Hammond--b. July 4, 1967
(above 4 children born at Tucson, Ariz.)
- 3) Barbara Lee Rubins -- b. March 19, 1926, at Akron, Ohio
d. March 6, 1952 at Ft. Myers, Fla. Ohio
m. Jan. 19, 1959 at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. to Grace E. ?
(b. July 22, 1901, at Cypress, Alabama)
2. Dorothy May Rubins -- b. Oct. 13, 1897, in Kenton, Ohio
m. Sept. 28, 1920 at Kenton Church of Christ, to
Carl William Smith.
(b. Feb. 18, 1888; d. Feb. 1, 1964 at Kenton, Ohio)
 - 1) Jeanne Smith -- b. Sept. 12, 1922, in Kenton, Ohio
m. Oct. 22, 1949 to John A. Burke, of Arcadia,
Calif. (b. Apr. 18, 1922)
 - (1) Constance Burke,--b. Sept. 3, 1950 in
Arcadia, Calif.
 - (2) Christopher Burke--b. May 23, 1953 in
Arcadia, Calif.
 - 2) Burke Smith -- b. Jan. 23, 1925 in Kenton, Ohio
m. Sept. 28, 1952 in First Methodist Church,
Gas City, Ind., to Jacqueline Lewark
(b. Nov. 17, 1931)
 - (1) Bruce Smith--b. Oct. 1, 1954 in Kenton, Ohio
 - (2) Scott Smith--b. Aug. 18, 1956 in Kenton, Ohio
 - (3) Stephen Smith--b. May 16, 1960 in Kenton, Ohio
 - (4) Burke Elliot Smith, II,-b. Dec. 12, 1964 in
Kenton, Ohio.
3. John Bower Rubins -- b. March 28, 1908 in Kenton, Ohio;
died April 19, 1960 at Akron, Ohio. Married Oct. 28, 1933
At Martins Ferry, Ohio, to Madeline Sharpe.
(b. June 8, 1910 at Auburn, New York).
 - 1) John Sharpe Rubins -- b. April 13, 1935 in Akron,
Ohio; m. Jan. 10, 1959 in Winchester, Va. to
Nadine Ann Nixon
(b. Oct. 1, 1937 at Mansfield, Ohio)

- (1) Greg Alan Rubins - b. Oct. 7, 1959 at Akron, /
 - (2) Scott Duane Rubins - b. Jan. 1, 1963, at " "
 - (3) Mark Todd Rubins - b. July 8, 1964, at " "
- 2) Robert Paul Rubins -- b. Aug. 17, 1942, at Akron, Ohio
m. Aug. 17, 1963 at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, to
Judith Anne Bond (b. June 22, 1941 at Elyria, Ohio)
 - 3) Carolyn Jean Rubins -- b. June 8, 1946 at Akron, Ohio

JEANETTA VIOLA WILLIAMSON (Netta) -- b. Sept. 28, 1869 in Hardin county, Ohio; died Nov. 2, 1949 in Pleasant township, Hardin county, Ohio. Married April 19, 1899, to James S. Hedrick (b. Oct. 13, 1857 in York county, Pa.; died Nov. 6, 1945 at Ada, Ohio).

1. John Sherman Hedrick--^{in Dunkirk, Ohio} b. March 10, 1902; d. Jan. 22, 1955
at Riverton, Va.

m. Oct. 12, 1933 to Susan Davis Carson at "Dellbrook,"
(b. April 29, Riverton, Va.

1) John Adam Hedrick -- b. Aug. 31, 1934, Winchester, Va.
m. Jan. 20, 1961, at Smithsburg, Md., to
Arlene Marea Dick (b. June 27, 1941)

(1) Susan Marea Hedrick - b. Aug. 26, 1962 in Front Royal, V

(2) Clarke David Hedrick - b. Apr. 19, 1967 in Elmhurst,

2) ^{James} Davis Hedrick -- b. Dec. 12, 1950, in Front Royal, Va. ^{L.I., N.Y.}

WILLIAM TECUMSEH WILLIAMSON -- b. Dec. 28, 1870, in Hardin county, Ohio; died Nov. 14, 1944 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He was married April 12, 1899, to Mary Elizabeth Steiner (b. March 19, 1871, in Kenton, Ohio; died Dec. 21, 1952 in Colorado Springs, Colo.).

1. Ruth Williamson -- b. Feb. 8, 1901 in Kenton, Ohio.
m. Oct. 2, 1926, to Carl DeWitt Fisher, Jr.
(b. March 7, 1904 in Grand Junction, Colo.)

1) Patricia Ruth Fisher--b. Nov. 27, 1928 in Colorado.
m. Aug. 5, 1950 to Stewart L. Gooding
(b. June 22, 1923, in Nebraska).

(1) Steven Kirk Gooding--b. May 10, 1951

(2) Peter Fisher Gooding--b. June 25, 1954

(3) Melissa Gayle Gooding--b. Jan. 12, 1956

2) Carl DeWitt Fisher III,--b. Nov. 28, 1930 in Colo.
m. Nov. 28, 1953 to Patricia Ann Winkler in Chicago,
Ill. (b. Sept. 21, 1931).

(1) David Scott Fisher--b. Oct. 1, 1954 in Kansas
City, Kansas.

(2) Holly Ruth Fisher--b. Dec. 24, 1955 in
Kansas City

(3) Jeffrey Carl Fisher--b. May 12, 1957 in
Birmingham, Ala.

2. Wilfred Steiner Williamson -- b. Dec. 7, 1902, in Kenton,
Ohio; died Dec. 23, 1950 in Colorado Springs, Colo.
m. Nov. 11, 1939 to Martha R. Davis
(b. Sept. 22, 1909, in Fairview, Fulton County, Ill.)
(She married again, in 1960).

3. Serena Elizabeth Williamson -- b. March 24, 1911, in Kenton,
Ohio; died April 12, 1941 at Colorado Springs, Colo.
m. April 13, 1931 to Donald Davis
(b. May 31, 1911, in Cripple Creek, Colo.)

1) Mary Lou Davis--born April 5, 1935
m. April 25, 1954 to Neil Johnson
(b. Nov. 10, 1935 in Colorado Springs, Colo.)

(1) Donald Neil Johnson-b. Feb. 25, 1955

(2) Douglas Frank Johnson-b. June 4, 1956

(3) Robert Craig Johnson -b. Sept. 10, 1957

(4) Bruce McLain Johnson-b. March 20, 1959

(5) Lori Sue Johnson-b. Sept. 20, 1964

(6) Gerald Scott Johnson-b. May 30, 1967

(The first five were born in Colorado Springs, Colo.,
and Gerald in Dallas, Texas).

2) Donna Sue Davis--b. Aug. 10, 1938 in Colorado Springs,
m. Sept. 6, 1958 in Colorado Springs to Gerald L.
Boatright (b. March 24, 1938 in Colorado Springs).

SHERIDAN EARL WILLIAMSON-- b. May 1, 1873, in Hardin county, Ohio;
died March 26, 1937, in Kenton, Ohio. He was married to Rose
Druschel, who died Dec. 10, 1901. (no children). On Feb. 15, 1905
he was married to Ione Lease (b. July 20, 1879; died Jan. 11, 1961
in Kenton, Ohio.

1. Io Corinne Williamson -- b. Sept. 2, 1906
m. 1920 to Theodore Paul in Kenton, Ohio
d. June 26, 1968 in Cohasset, Mass.

1) Richard Eugene Paul--b.
m. Nov. 24, 1951, to Eileen Ahart of Athens, Ohio

2) Mary Elaine Paul -- b. Oct. 22, 1941

2. James Don Williamson -- b. Nov. 16, 1908 in Kenton, Ohio
m. May 14, 1936 to Virginia H. Singer
(b. Aug. 18, 1913)

1) James Don Williamson, Jr.--b. Feb. 16, 1937

EDNA ALICE WILLIAMSON * b. Jan. 26, 1877, in Hardin county, Ohio; died July 24, 1957 in Hardin county, Ohio. Married March 30, 1898, to Fred H. Steiner (b. April 20, 1872; died April 25, 1953 in Hardin County, Ohio).

1. Aleen Steiner -- b. Oct. 23, 1901 in Kenton, Ohio
m. Oct. 24, 1923, to Karl Arn
(b. March 21, 1901)

1) Shirley Jeanne Arn--b. Jan. 1, 1928

2) Marilyn Arn--b. Nov. 4, 1924
m. May 6, 1951, to Morris A. Hendricks
(b. June 21, 1927)

(1) Morris Andrew Hendricks, Jr.--b. Sept. 30, 1952

(2) Dianne Kay Hendricks--b. June 25, 1955

3) Ronald K. Arn--b. June 29, 1940
m. June 28, 1959, to Sandra Sue Ault
(b. Oct. 15, 1939) in Kenton, Ohio

(1) Cindy Sue Arn-b. June 23, 1960

(2) Marilee Kay Arn-b. Jan. 9, 1964

(3) Gregory Alan Arn-b. Aug. 13, 1965

2. Marian Steiner -- b. March 16, 1903, in Kenton, Ohio
m. Aug. 15, 1925 to Donald M. Wagner
(b. May 4, 1897 in Akron, Ohio; d. Aug. 21, 1938 in Akron, Ohio)

1) Richard Steiner Wagner--b. March 10, 1931 in Akron.
m. April 15, 1955 in Akron, Ohio, to Evelyn
McKinstry (b. April 15, 1955, in Akron, Ohio)

(1) Douglas Scott Wagner--b. Feb. 16, 1956, in Akron

(2) Kristen Ellen Wagner--b. Aug. 7, 1958 in
Pittsburgh, Pa.

(3) Richard Thompson Wagner--b. Feb. 22, 1960
in Pittsburgh, Pa.

(4) Donald Robert Wagner--b. March 21, 1962
in Cleveland, Ohio.

2) Robert E. Wagner--b. Nov. 30, 1936 in Akron, Ohio
m. June 16, 1962 in Akron, Ohio to Josephine Jacot
(b. June 22, 1938, in Akron, Ohio)

(1) Jill Lynn Wagner--b. Oct. 12, 1964 in Akron, Ohio

(2) Karen Stacey Wagner--b. April 3, 1968, in
Tyler, Texas.

3. Frederick Steiner -- b. Aug. 18, 1907, in Kenton, Ohio
m. Dec. 21, 1929, to Helen Mae Henderson
(b. Aug. 20, 1910 in Hardin county, Ohio)
 - 1) Dorothy Kay Steiner -- b. Aug. 18, 1936
m. June 15, 1967 to Salim Abdül Haqq
(b. June 15,
 - 2) Donald Henderson Steiner--b. Oct. 8, 1939
m. July 10, 1958 to Janeane Ann Ruhlen
(b. Aug. 28, 1941)
 - (1) Deborah Kay Steiner--b. March 13, 1959
 - (2) Bryan Wesley Steiner--b. Sept. 7, 1960
 - (3) Brent Allan Steiner--b. Sept. 28, 1961
 - 3) Robert Paul Steiner--b. July 28, 1946.
4. Martha Steiner -- b. Nov. 27, 1910 in Kenton, Ohio
m. Dec. 25, 1935 in Kenton to Donald D. Young
(b. Feb. 21, 1909, in Eton Valley, Pa.)
 - 1) Thomas R. Young--b. Aug. 8, 1944, in Akron, Ohio
m. Dec. 29, 1967 in Cleveland to Carolyn Mills
(b. Sept. 21, 1944, in Cleveland, Ohio).
5. Richard Davis Steiner -- b. March 19, 1914, in Kenton, Ohio
m. Nov. 9, 1935 in Kenton, Ohio, to Helen Louise Oglesbee,
(b. Jan. 17, 1915)
 - 1) David Richard Steiner--b. July 12, 1938 in Kenton, Ohio
m. Aug. 29, 1959 in Kenton, Ohio, to Marilyn Kay
Taylor (b. Jan. 6, 1940 in Kenton, Ohio)
 - (1) Scott David Steiner--b. Sept. 29, 1967
 - 2) James Michael Steiner--b. Oct. 28, 1948 in Kenton,
Ohio

A Genealogy of the Descendants of
THOMAS OLNEY

by
James H. Olney

Pages 11 and 12.

Thomas Olney, the ancestor of the Olneys in America, had his birthplace in the city of Hertford, Hertfordshire, England; which city formed a part of the Parish of St. Albans, the seat of one of the most ancient monasteries, and long celebrated in English history as the center of spiritual influence. Of his early life we know nothing. He received a "Permit to emigrate to New England," April 2, 1635, and came to Salem, Mass., by the ship Planter. He was appointed a surveyor in January, 1636, and granted forty acres of land at Jeffrey Creek, now known as Manchester, near Salem. He was made a freeman the same year, and early associated with those who accepted the peculiar views of Roger Williams. With a number of others he was excluded from the Colony, March 12, 1638. Previous to this, however, in company with Williams, he visited Narragansett Bay while seeking some place where they might live outside the jurisdiction of Massachusetts Colony, and had decided upon the west side of the Seekonk River. Accordingly, with eleven others, they formed a new settlement at the head of the bay which they named Providence, in grateful remembrance of their deliverance from their enemies. They thus became the "Original Thirteen Proprietors of Providence," having purchased their rights from the Indians. In July, 1639, he and his wife and their companions were excluded from the church at Salem, "because they wholly refused to hear the church, denying it, and were re-baptized."

His prominence in the Colony is shown by the various duties he was called to perform.

In 1638 he was chosen the first Treasurer.

In 1647 he was chosen commissioner to form a Town Government.

In 1648 he was chosen assistant for Providence, and held the office almost continuously until 1663.

In 1665, with Roger Williams and Thomas Harris, he was chosen a judge of the Justices Court.

In 1656, he was chosen to treat with Massachusetts Bay about the Pawtucket lands.

In 1663, his name appears among the grantees of the Royal Charter of Charles II.

In the same year he was chosen an assistant under the new Charter.

He was one of the founders of the First Baptist Church in Providence, and at one time the acting pastor or minister. He was the leader in a schism in the church upon the question of "the laying on of hands," about 1652-4.

He was evidently a man of stern and decided opinions, who did not hesitate to advance his views among his neighbors. Of him, in his occupation as surveyor it is said, "as he entered upon the surrounding lands with his field book, chain and compass, and mystic words with the peculiar dignity of official characters of that day, he may well have inspired the Indians with profound awe, and led them to feel that no Indian could henceforth dwell upon that part of their tribal property again."

His homestead was located on North Main Street, a short distance south of the State House, and what is now known as Arsenal Lane led through his land. The place of his burial was in the family ground at the rear of his dwelling. All that remained of the earlier members of the family was probably removed to the burial ground now occupying the spot. He was the possessor of a large real and personal estate and occupied one of the better houses in the Plantations.

He was born in the year 1600; married in 1631 to Marie Small; and died in 1682.

II. Epenetus Olney (son of Thomas and Marie Olney) was born in England in 1634, and probably less than a year old when brought to this country. He married Mary, a daughter of John Whipple on ? 9, 1666, and died June 3, 1698. Though not as prominent in public matters as his older brother, yet we find him an active member of the little colony and taking a part in the administration of the affairs, serving as member of the colonial assembly and of the town council.

Their children were:

Mary July 13, 1668
 James Nov. 9, 1670
 Sarah Sept. 10, 1672
 Epenetus Jan. 18, 1675

*John Oct. 24, 1678 Providence, R.I.
 168?
 Mercy
 Thomas May 18, 1686
 Lydia Jan. 20, 1688
 Olney

III. John Olney (son of Epenetus and Mary Whipple), born in 1678, married Rachel Coggeshall on Aug. 11, 1699, and died Nov. 9, 1754. His home was in Smithfield, R.I. (See Page 17 -- Olney History).

Their children were:

John
 *William, born Sept. 7, 1705 (See Page 17 - Olney History).
 Abigail, born Feb. 22, 1706
 Jeremiah, born Nov. 3, 1708
 Freelove, born Nov. 29, 1711 (married Chas. Scott-1728)
 Nedebiah, born Feb. 10, 1714
 Stephen
 Jabez, born Feb. 23, 1721
 Tabitha, born Nov. 20, 1725

IV. William Olney, born Feb. 22, 1704 (or 5), married Alice Dexter (b. Oct. 14, 1705), granddaughter of Gregory Dexter on Feb. 10, 1725. He lived at one time in U.S.

Their children were:

*John, born July 15, 1725

Abraham

Eliezer, born , died in Ohio

Asa , died in Ohio

Coggeshall, born Dec. 28, 1745

(Son of William and Alice Olney)

V. John Olney, born July 15, 1725; married Catherine Jenks. He was probably one of the soldiers at the siege of Louisberg, N.S., and after his discharge from the army moved with his family into the farming regions of Arcadia.

VI. Drusilla Olney (daughter of John and Catherine Olney), was born April 21, 1771, and married William Davis, on Nov. 18, 1794, and settled in Ohio. She died Aug. 21, 1824.

Their children were:

Lucina, born Mar. 4, 1796

Betsy, born Apr. 7, 1798

Asa, born May 26, 1800

James, born Jan. 3, 1802

William, born Mar. 5, 1806

* Walter, born Mar. 1, 1808 ?

Drusilla, born Aug. 17, 1810

Mary, born April 4, 1812

John, born Aug. 10, 1814

Cynthia, born Jan. 14, 1820

Addenda to II.

Mary Whipple, born in 1648 was baptised in Dorchester on April 9, 1648, and died in 1698 in Providence. On March 9, 1666 she married Epenetus Olney, son of Thomas and Mary Small Olney, who was born in 1634, and died June 3, 1698.

Capt. John Whipple, one of the earliest settlers at Providence, R.I., was born in England about 1616 or 1617, and died May 16, 1685. History states 1630 about 1500 persons landed in Boston from England. On Oct. 5, 1632, he was ordered to pay 3 s. 4 d. to his master Israel Stoughton for wasteful expenditure of powder and shot. As he was apprenticed to Stoughton, it is only fair to suppose that he came to this country with him. He married his wife, Sarah, at Dorchester about 1639 or 1640, and they united with the church at Dorchester in 1641. In 1637 he received a grant of land at Dorchester Neck. He was a house carpenter by trade and owned a house and forty or fifty acres of land near Naponset village. He lived at Dorchester about 18 years and during that time were born six sons and two daughters. He sold his house and land to James Minot in 1658 and removed to R.I., settling in Providence with his family. He received appropriation July 29, 1659. He had two sons and a daughter born in Providence town--eleven (11) children in all.

Addenda to III.

Major John Coggeshall was born in County of Essex about 1620, and emigrated with his parents in 1632, and died in Newport, R.I., on Oct. 1, 1708, in his 90th year. He was married at Newport by John Porter, assistant, to Elizabeth Baulstone (or Baulston) on June 17, 1647, the daughter of William and Elizabeth Baulstone of Portsmouth, R.I., who was born at Portsmouth August 1639, and died Oct. 1, 1700. He obtained a divorce from her in May, 1655, and she married Thomas Gould (no issue).

John Coggeshall arrived in Boston September 1632, on the ship Lyon, the vessel which also brought the Indian apostle, John Eliot and Roger Williams. Where he first located is still a matter of conjecture, though it is presumed to have been Roxbury as he joined the church there. This must have been done very soon after his arrival as he was admitted a freeman, Nov. 6, 1632, and one of the necessary qualifications for his membership was the fellowship of some one of the churches. Banished with Roger Williams.

Addenda to VI.

Capt. William Davis (married Drusilla Olney).

The sons of Capt. Daniel Davis were all born in Connecticut, and excepting Williard the eldest who remained in his native state, went with their father to Ohio where they matured amid the unfavorable circumstances of a frontier life. Opportunities for education and advancement were few, and they were familiar with the perils of Indian warfare and the hardships of garrison and campaign life, and spent many months of their early manhood in the old fort which stood on the banks of the Muskingum River, near Waterford, the place of their father's residence. Notwithstanding the adverse living conditions, most all of them arose to fill the position of honorable and useful citizens whose influence for good was marked and widely and permanently felt.

William was seventeen years of age at the time of the emigration, his birthday occurring while on the journey, and for five years subsequently his chief employment was to aid his father in defending the new settlement from the hostile animals and subduing and bringing under cultivation the soil from which their subsistence was to come. Wayne's victory occurring in August, 1794, in November of the same year he was married, and about the same time drew a hundred acre lot in the Bear Creek allotment, Adams township, about twelve miles above Marietta on the banks of the Muskingum, (in Washington county). On this tract he and his brother, Daniel, who was with him for a time soon after built a cabin and began clearing the land, chopping down the trees with the loaded rifle leaning against them, that they might be prepared for an attack from the enemy. Here he and his little family struggled heroically with want and privation for the first few months, but gradually surrounded themselves with comforts and appliances of civilized life. On a bluff near the river he built a house, a horse-power grist mill with a wool carding machine attached, a rope walk, a blacksmith shop and a cooper shop and being a natural mechanic operated either of them as occasion required. Here he continued to live and prosper,

raised a large family and died at a ripe age. He was of a social and hospitable disposition, and although not accustomed to making visits, gave a warm welcome to his friends. He was in manner gentlemanly and courteous, unambitious of office, but served as township trustee, treasurer and school director, was many years deacon of the Christian Church as was strict in religious matters. While the Muskingum River improvements by the state were in progress he opened his house to public entertainment and continued this for several years. He was Captain of the militia. He was among the prominent and influential men of the place and his death was mourned by a large circle of friends.

*Walter Davis lived during his minority with his father (William) at Adams, and was employed in the grist mill and wool carding room. Soon after coming of age in 1829, he was married to Caroline Otis and settled upon a farm near the homestead where he lived until 1834. He then moved to Marion county, Ohio, having bought a farm of 160 acres on which was a water privilege. Here he built a saw mill which he operated and also cultivated his farm.

He was an estimable man, of a gentle and cheerful disposition, a kind father, and was generally respected, an exemplary member of the Christian Church. His wife, a goodly and highly esteem Christian woman, died in Kenton, Ohio, March 1, 1883.

* Their daughter, Serena Davis, married Nathaniel Williamson. ✱

(Note: A town named "Whipple" is shown on the atlas--Rand McNally Road Atlas-- in Ohio, in 1968).

Records from research made by Ethel McFarland Flenniken, on JENCKS.

Nathaniel Jencks, son of Gov. Joseph Jencks, was born at Pawtucket. He became noted for his great physical strength. He lifted on his back by resting on his hands and knees a stick of timber which weighed over 1300 lbs. He was a Captain in the Rhode Island Militia. Captain Jencks married Catherine Scott, and their children were:

Ann, Martha, John, Catherine (who married John Olney) and Joseph.

--From Old Families of Rhode Island, Vol. III.

John Olney and Catherine Jencks were the parents of Drusilla Olney born, April 21, 1771, who married William Davis. ✱

Joseph Jencks was the first of the name in the new world. He was a native of Buckinghamshire, England, and came to Salem, Mass. in 1645. He was the first founder working in Brass and Iron on the American continent. Joseph, Jr., son of immigrant, was born in England in 1632. He accompanied his parent to Salem and was the first to come to what is now Pawtucket, R.I. He, too, was a worker in brass. In 1676 his forge was destroyed by the Indians active in King Phillips War. He became quite prominent in affairs of the town and held the office of assistant for a number of years

He married Esther Ballard, daughter of William and Elizabeth Ballard. They became parents of 10 children.

Joseph Jencks, III, was born in Pawtucket, R.I. in 1656. He was known as Governor. He was one of the distinguished men of his day in New England and was in public office for the greater part of his life, between 1691 - 1732. He was deputy, Deputy speaker of deputies, Asst. Deputy Governor, and Governor. He died June 15, 1740, the father of 6 children.

His first wife was Martha Brown, daughter of John and Mary Brown.

His second wife was Alice Smith, daughter of John and Sarah Whipple Smith. Alice was widow of John Dexter and granddaughter of John Olney.

PIONEER FOUNDERS OF HARDIN COUNTY (Ohio)

WILLIAM WILLIAMSON

The lives of the pioneer founders of Hardin county present a most interesting chapter in the settlement of northwestern Ohio in the 1820's and 1830's. For the most part they were young men of great ability, and possessed with a firm determination to accomplish the goals they set up for themselves. Such a young man was William Williamson, the founder of the well known Williamson family of Pleasant township. He was the son of Bartholomew Williamson of Virginia, where he was born on November 18, 1806. His early education was acquired in the primitive schools of the old Dominion state. He was an excellent student in his youth, and was ambitious to make a name for himself in the field of education.

In the spring of 1825 he was married to Miss Catharine Bryte, also a native of Virginia. Not long after their marriage the young couple sought a new home in Ohio. They selected a site in the fertile farming lands of Richland county, not too far from the present city of Mansfield. How they made the long trip is not of record, but it is presumed that they came in company with some of their friends, which was the custom in those days. Here their eldest daughter, and two sons, Nathaniel and Bartholomew, were born. After a residence of about six years in Richland county, they removed to nearby Ashland county, where they lived for three years. Here they learned of good farming land for sale in the new county of Hardin, and as some of their neighbors were moving farther west in Ohio, they joined the tide of emigration.

Comes to Hardin county

Accordingly on March 5, 1834, William and Catharine Williamson loaded their household goods into a large moving wagon, and with their children set out to take up their claim, which they had purchased at the Land Office in Tiffin. The little family were eight days in making the journey from Ashland county to their new home. In those days the roads were mere trails through the forests, so that the Williamsons found the going through the almost pathless woods a most exacting undertaking. On March 13, 1834, according to the early roll of the members of the Hardin county Pioneer Association, Mr. Williamson reached his destination, after eight days of extremely strenuous travel.

It was timberland of 160 acres, being the northwest quarter of Section 26 of Pleasant township. Discovering a spring of good water in the northwestern part of his claim, Mr. Williamson decided to build his cabin nearby. The family had brought with them the necessary tools and equipment to erect a cabin of hewed logs. While the cabin was in the process of construction, the family made out in a kind of temporary bark hut, and as the weather was still cold they kept huge fires burning. The farm wagon was used for sleeping quarters. A few nearby neighbors assisted in the cabin raising, after which the family moved in. The area where the trees had been cut for the logs for the cabin, now constituted a patch of ground where Mr. Williamson planted his first corn. The growing of corn was essential to the pioneer family for food, used by man and beast alike. It was now the month of May, 1834. Frontier life for this pioneer family had begun.

The summer and fall was a period of hard work for every member of the family. More land had to be cleared and more crops planted. It is quite interesting to note that Mr. Williamson discovered another spring of good water at the south boundary line of his land, where it joined one of the tracts owned by Samuel Wagner, early pioneer of Pleasant township, whose life will soon be reviewed in this series. This spring was the source of a small branch of the Blanchard creek, which a few miles to the north becomes the Blanchard river.

A Court Case

Friday, June 5, 1835 was a great day in the life of Williamson. He had the honor of being one of the twelve members of the very first petit jury, which was called for duty in the first Hardin county brick Court House, even before the building was quite finished, and which was located in the exact center of the east side of Kenton's public square. It was an assumpsit case, Isaac Gray being the plaintiff and Charles Cessna, the defendant. The jury found in favor of the defendant. In law an assumptive case is where one party sues another for return of damages or for promises not kept. This was Mr. Williamson's first experience as a juror.

It was at this same session of the Court presided over by the three Associate Judges, William McCloud, Joseph Bowdle and Portius Wheeler, that the judges appointed a five-man Board of County School Examiners, whose duty it was to select qualified persons to be teachers in the county schools. This Board was composed of Eri Strong, John H. Wear, John W. Williams, Obed Taylor, and William Cary. This was no doubt the examining board before whom Mr. Williamson made application to become a teacher. He received a certificate to teach.

A Pioneer Teacher

In the fall of 1835 after the farm work was done, William Williamson became the first teacher in a brand new log school house, which had been constructed by the early settlers on Fractional Section No. 1 in the south-east corner of Pleasant township. It was located in the forest along what is now the Kenton and Hepburn road, approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles southeast of the Kenton Golf Course, and in the immediate vicinity of the well known Henpeck School, which constituted School District No. 1 of Pleasant township for many years. Here he found a goodly number of boys and girls enrolled, the sons and daughters of the early pioneers who had settled in the Scioto valley.

Mr. Williamson's home was slightly over three miles from the school house and he no doubt rode horseback part of the time at least. The winter term had been concluded all but a few days, when Mr. Williamson became ill. He gradually grew worse and on Friday, February 26, 1836, his death occurred. He was only 29 years, 3 months and 8 days old. His pupils, friends and neighbors were greatly shocked and his wife and children were grief stricken. Here was an example of real trouble, which so often occurred on the frontier settlements of long ago. His body was laid to rest in a family plot on the northwestern corner of his farm; and a monument was erected to his memory. In later years this family burial ground was removed to Grove Cemetery in Kenton, including the monument. It stands today on the lot where his sons, Nathaniel and Bartholomew, and their families are buried. The writer of this sketch recently visited this spot and found the old monument in a fairly good state of preservation.

The Williamson Family

William and Catherine (Bryte) Williamson were the parents of four children, two sons and two daughters. They were:

Rachel A. who married John Gardner, a native of Maryland. He came to Pleasant township in the fall of 1833 and settled on the northwest quarter of Section 22. Rachel A. was born in 1826 and died in 1855 at the age of 29 years.

Nathaniel, the eldest son, was born in Richland county on August 10, 1828, and died on the old homestead in 1885, at the age of 57 years.

Hannah J., the second daughter, became the wife of Thomas Davis, and was long a Kenton resident.

Bartholomew, the younger son, was born in Richland county, on November 3, 1832, and died at his home in Buffalo, New York in 1910, aged 78 years.

Nathaniel's wife was Serena Davis, born 1835 and died in 1896. Bartholomew's wife was Olive S., born 1838 and died in 1906. All of the above named family are buried in the Williamson family plot in Grove Cemetery, except Hannah J. (Williamson) Davis.

William Williamson's widow, Catherine Bryte Williamson, left with four small children, remarried within a few years. Her second husband was John Gumm, a farmer of Washington township. They had one son, John Gumm, Jr. He died at the early age of 19 years, while serving in the Union Army during the Civil War. He was born in 1843 and enlisted in the 45th Ohio Volunteer Infantry on August. 16, 1862, while on duty at Lexington, Ky. Sergt. Gumm is buried on the Williamson lot.

NATHANIEL WILLIAMSON

Nathaniel Williamson was only eight years old at the time of his father's death. He continued to live with his mother and his stepfather, acquiring a good education in the district schools. While yet in his teens he began teaching in the winter season, supplementing his education by reading and home study. On attaining his majority he with his brother and sisters, returned to the paternal homestead in Pleasant township, and resumed the work of clearing the land which his father had begun so many years before. He continued his vocation as a teacher for the next twenty years during winter terms, one of which was at Dunkirk, the others nearer his home. Finally, Mr. Williamson purchased the interests of his brother and sisters in the old homestead, and was there engaged most successfully in general farming until his death in 1885.

He was married on April 12, 1855, to Serena Davis, a native of Marion county, Ohio, the daughter of Walter Davis. They became the parents of eleven children as follows: Ida, born 1856; died 1887, the wife of George H. McFarland. Flora R. wife of Daniel H. Wagner. Walter D. who lived in California. Mamie E. wife of William J. Mathews. Carrie C. born 1863, died 1865. Belle O.; Lillie M. wife of John E. Rubins of Kenton. Nettie V. wife of Dr. James S. Hedrick of Dunkirk. William; Sheridan E.; Edna A. wife of Fred Steiner of Pleasant township. Five of these eleven children became school teachers and one a music teacher.

W. Williamson-4.

Nathaniel Williamson was a man of sterling Christian character, straightforward and honest in all his dealings, and ever ready to respond to any reasonable demand upon his time, energies or sympathies.

A number of his descendants still live in Kenton and Hardin county, including the Steiners north of Kenton; and Mrs. Mary Wagner Burger, Mrs. Esther Wagner Moore, and John D. Wagner, present Hardin county treasurer, all of Kenton, and all grandchildren of Nathaniel Williamson. Mrs. Carl W. Smith (Dorothy) of Kenton is also a grand-daughter.

(From an article in the Kenton Times for Tuesday, July 7, 1959, written by Herbert T. O. Blue).

WILLIAMSON.--Nathaniel Williamson, a much esteemed and universally respected citizen of this county passed peacefully away after many months of illness, on Thanksgiving Day (November 26, 1885). The deceased occupied the old homestead farm, ⁱⁿ originally entered by his father when it was a wilderness. He was married in 1855 to Miss Serena Davis, of Marion county, who survives him. They have been blessed with eleven children, ten of whom are living, and they have been reared God-fearing, intelligent and industrious. The older members are filling positions of usefulness and credit. The deceased was President of the Hardin County Pioneer Association. Mr. Williamson was a most faithful member of the Church of Christ and one of its elders. He lived a true Christian life, and was a most exemplary man. He gave to his family and to the world an example of a Christian life and death. A few days before his death he called his family, singly, to his bedside, and gave to each his fatherly advice, and blessing, having done this he calmly waited, through suffering the Heavenly Father's call.

The funeral services took place on Saturday morning, and a very large concourse of people were present evincing the high esteem in which the deceased was held. Rev. W. J. Lhamon conducted the solemn exercises, and his remarks were fraught with intense feeling, and sank deep into the hearts of his hearers. The days of a good man are numbered, and another pioneer has fallen. S.

(From a newspaper clipping in possession of Nettie Smiley, dated Oct. 2, 1937).

At Home, Jan. 2d, 1876.

Dear Sister and Family:

It is with sorrowful hearts we hear of your sad bereavement. It was unexpected news to us. Yet after Lucy's first letter informing us of her Pa's illness we were fearful he might not recover. Surely it must be hard indeed to have to part with a loved one so suddenly. Yet we know not how soon we too must lay down these mortal frames of ours to molder in the dust. While we cannot be with you to comfort you and help you to bear up under your sad affliction, rest assured our tears of sympathy shall flow with yours. And may God help us all to be prepared for all the changes that await us.

We are having a sore affliction in our family. Our Nettie has a bad gathering on her wrist. The Dr. says he is afraid her wrist will always be stiff. It has been very painful, is a little less painful now, but is very bad yet. To add more to our trouble Serena fell headlong down the cellar stairs her shoe heel caught on the edge of the upper step pitching her forward her head striking on a step near the bottom, bruising her forehead and cutting her face just below the eye. That occurred on Sunday morning, Dec. 26th. She is around now. She is at Ma's with Nettie so as to be near the Dr. It scares me when I think how much worse her fall might have been. Grand Pap Gum is dead. He died on the 16th ult. at Dunkirk. We knew nothing of his sickness or death until we saw it in last week's paper.

I wish I could visit you. But the way things are at present it would be folly to think of it. Ma thinks Sherd cannot go now. Thol says his business is in such a shape that he cannot leave it now. I think we can arrange for one of us to come to you between now and the first of March. I wish you would write me whether you have enough chattel property to pay debts. Can you not get some one to stay with you awhile and attend to your stock? I think your stuff would sell better then than now (in the spring I mean). I would advise you not to sell your place if you can help it, unless you can get something near what it is worth. If you come to Ohio again I think you can find property that would suit you better than R. McCurdy's. I will close for the present.

From your Bro. N. Williamson (signed)

TO H. J. Davis and Family.

P.S. Write me immediately on receipt of this.

(Copy of letter written by Grandfather Williamson to Hannah J. Davis, after the death of Uncle Thomas Davis, her husband).

Died today in Buffalo. Oct. 2, 1937.

Bartholomew Williamson, former resident of Kenton, Ohio, and known to many of the older residents of Kenton as B. Williamson, died suddenly at Buffalo this morning. Relatives here received word of the death this morning, the message being very brief.

The remains will be brought to this city and the funeral and burial will take place here. Mr. Williamson's only sister, Mrs. Hannah Davis, resides in this city, and her relatives who survive are also residents of Kenton. Mr. Williamson went to Buffalo from Kenton twenty-eight years ago. He was a stock dealer and business man of this city and was very well known among the elder residents of this vicinity. He was 78 years of age. The funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at the Church of Christ at two o'clock with the Rev. T. W. Pinkerton officiating. The burial will be made in Grove cemetery.

(From clipping in possession of Nettie Smiley, Kenton newspaper dated Oct. 2, 1937).

BARTHOLOMEW WILLIAMSON

For he was a good man, and full of the Holy
Ghost and of faith. --Acts 11:24.

He bore a first disciple's honored name
And kept it free from stain and free from blame.

His days were spent in preparation meet
For that one day when life should be complete.

Devoted, soul and spirit, to the Friend
Who best could serve him when his days should end.

He deemed it gracious privilege to live,
And held it equal privilege to give.

His heart leaped forth, his hand was opened wide,
Whenever want implored and suffering cried.

Feeling that thus, with kind intent, to do
Was doing something for the Master, too.

He sought, in all, not to assert, but prove,
His loving loyalty, his loyal love.

His faith was sturdy and his hope was brave,
Reaching to that which lies beyond the grave.

Sudden the summons to the heavenly home--
God knew that he was all prepared to come.

Life was, with him, to follow, serve, adore,
And death to him was Life forevermore!

--By Anson G. Chester.

(From Church Paper, "Upward," Buffalo, N. Y.
Dec. 16, 1910).

This same church paper gave Resolutions on the death of their beloved brother, Bartholomew Williamson, in which the Board of Officers of the Jefferson Street Church of Christ, in a special meeting Dec. 11, 1910, recorded their "sense of personal loss in Mr. Williamson, whose leadership has been a blessing to us as individuals and whose presence in the house of God has been at all times beneficent. As Elder for twenty years we have had the benefit of his devoted life, his liberal heart, and his ripe judgment.... We shall feel his absence particularly at the weekly communion, where for so many years the irresistible influence of his ministrations and his words have been an inspiration to higher thinking and to better living."

He was a tower of strength to the congregation; and was greatly loved by multitudes both in and out of the church. "His face beamed with the luster of his God-given virtues. His tender words fell upon ears like the sweet music of a harp."

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

One of those pleasant incidents that tend so much to make life happy and desirable occurred on Monday, April 12th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Williamson of Pleasant township, this county, on the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, being their silver wedding. Over sixty friends and neighbors from town and country were present to enjoy the festivities, all of whom, throwing aside "dull care" for the time, entered with a zest into the hilarities of the day that was truly refreshing. About 1 o'clock the guests sat down to a most sumptuous repast to which all hands did ample justice. After which the company repaired to the parlor where the ceremonies of the day took place. Chairs were arranged on one side of the room, twelve chairs in all, occupied by the family,-- Mr. and Mrs. Williamson at the head of the column and the ten children in their order. The group was at once dubbed the "Williamson Brigade." Elder Dowling read the marriage certificate and made some excellent and appropriate remarks, followed by Mr. Williamson in a very happy speech. Elder W. H. Morton, of Bellefontaine, closed the ceremonies with a speech suited to the occasion. The afternoon was spent in delightful converse enlivened with music.

Among the many beautiful presents were the following: Silver cake basket, presented by Mrs. John Smith and Mrs. Levi Wagner; silver castor by Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Davis; fruit stand by Misses Ida and Flora Williamson; silver pickle castor and pickle fork by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Price; pickle castor by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Elder; half dozen silver knives by Mr. and Mrs. John Sayler; half dozen silver knives by Mr. and Mrs. G. Merrimah; half dozen silver knives by Mrs. C. M. Davis; silver butter dish by William Dowling and Mrs. Robt. McCurdy; silver goblet by Mrs. Sarah McClurg; half dozen silver teaspoons by Mrs. V. Fehl; two napkin rings by Maggie and Ettie Eehl; silver butter knife by Lillie, Nettie, and Willie Williamson; fine large linen tablecloth by Mrs. J. J. Palmer of Bellefontaine, and silver coin by other friends amounting to \$17. After enjoyment to the full the company broke up, sang that the day was ended and with many a prayer for the health and prosperity and long life of the Williamson family, the guests returned to their homes. Such pleasant gatherings, and kindly greetings, and neighborly meetings make us wish we could live a thousand years to enjoy these happy wedding anniversaries.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

(From a local newspaper, dated 1880)

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MARRIED.

WAGNER--WILLIAMSON. At the residence of the bride's mother, two miles east of the city, on Wednesday evening, Sept. 21st, Mr. D. H. Wagner and Miss Flora Williamson, by Rev. Dowling of the Church of Christ. Relatives and friends to the number of one hundred and sixty or more were invited to witness the happy event. The ceremony took place with couple standing under a horizontal arch of evergreen suspending a beautiful floral horseshoe, a token of good luck. Walter Williamson was groomsman and Miss Pearl Reed was bridesmaid. The bride was dressed in a beautiful shade of brown surah silk, while the groom wore the conventional black. After the ceremony, Rev. Dowling introduced the couple as Mr. and Mrs. Wagner, and the bride received the best wishes and the groom the congratulations of all present. Then followed a most sumptuous repast of delicate viands. The guests remained for some time after supper commingling socially and then took leave with many hearty wishes for the future happiness of the married couple. A few friends remained to see them off on the midnight train for Chicago, whence they returned Tuesday evening. Both parties are very popular and have a large circle of friends. Their wedding was a magnificent and pleasant affair. Among the more remote guests were Mrs. Flora Camp and Misses Ollie Uncapher and Lida Boynton, of Marion; Mr. and Mrs. Crossen, Mrs. Asa Miles, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bowers, Messrs. Finley and Otis Fehl, and Misses Julia Fehl and Nora Davis, of Marseilles; J. M. Hively, of Ada, and Miss E. Pearl Reed, of Macedonia. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful presents. The following is a list:

Decorated dinner set--Father and Mother Wagner, L. Wagner and wife, P.V. Wagner and wife, J. E. Ward and wife, G. R. Wilmoth and wife, J. A. McCormick and wife.

Complete decorated chamber set--Dr. Carter and wife, Henry Price and wife.

Silver cake basket--Otis and Davis families.

Silver pickle castor--Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Russell and Jessie, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Elder, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Strong, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Elder.

Set of silver spoons--Mrs. T. Espy and Miss Mollie Johnson.

Silver mounted jelly dish--Harry and Mattie Wagner and W. J. Armstrong.

1 dozen China fruit plates--Mr. and Mrs. M. Bowers, Julia Fehl, Nettie Smiley, Minnie Davis, Finley Fehl, Otis Fehl.

Silver soup ladle--Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mathews.

Silver butter knife and sugar spoon--W. D. Williamson.

1/2 dozen silver butter plates--Miss Ollie Uncapher.

Colored glass water set--Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bartlett.

Clear glass water set--Mrs. J. Sailor and Alla.

Glass tureen and fruit dish--Mrs. Flora Camp and Alla Dowling.

Glass fruit dish--Mr. and Mrs. Crossen.

1 dozen China butter plates--Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Russell.

Glass pickle dish--G.H. and Elmo McFarland.

Table cloth--Mr. and Mrs. L. Emmons.

Table cloth--Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Scott.

1 dozen napkins--Mr. and Mrs. G. Palmer.

Bed spread--G. H. McFarland and mother.

Pair woolen blankets--Mrs. Thos. Espy.
Linen toilet set--Miss E. Pearl Reed.
Plush album--Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Clarence and Connie
Althaus and Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilmoth.
Copy of Tennyson--Mr. and Mrs. G. Brandon.
Copy of Byron--Mr. and Mrs. Mustaine.
Favorite Poems--Miss Emma Sutter.
4 dozen calling cards, printed--J. F. Miller.
Landscape painting--Mr. and Mrs. George Ramsey, Mr. and
Mrs. P. J. Daniels.
Decorated wall pocket--Mollie Johnson.
Throw--Miss Lida Boynton.
Crocheted throw--Miss Nettie Williamson.
Mounted mirror--C. D. McCoy.
Perfume case--J. M. Hively.
Embroidered handkerchief--Mrs. C. Miles.
Beautiful bouquet--Mrs. Nettie Hicks.
Silver--Miss Dora Davis and Mrs. A. Miles.

(Copied from local newspaper of September 28, 1887).

DANIEL H. WAGNER CLAIMED BY DEATH ON SUNDAY MORNING

Prominent Kenton Man A Civil War Veteran,
Passes Away At Late Home Here.

Daniel H. Wagner, aged 87, died at his home on North Street Sunday morning at four o'clock. Mr. Wagner was born in Pleasant township on May 21, 1941/8th, and had lived in or near Kenton all of his life. He was the son of Samuel Wagner, a pioneer resident of Hardin County.

Mr. Wagner was a progressive farmer and for many years raised Shorthorn cattle. He was a member of the Farm Bureau and had always been interested in every thing that would aid in the advance of agriculture. He was for thirty-seven years a director of the Kenton Savings Bank. Mr. Wagner united with the Church of Christ on April 9, 1871, and had long filled the office of deacon. He was also a member of the G.A.R.

On November 5, 1868, he married Miss Rachel Emmons, who died in 1885. Of this union two sons are left, Carrol H., and W. Dow, of this city. On September 21, 1887, he married Miss Flora Williamson who survives him with three children, John D., on the farm, and Mary and Esther, at home. He leaves also one brother, P. V. Wagner, and two sisters, Mrs. Isadore Bingham, and Mrs. Rachel McCormick, all of Kenton, and eight grand-children and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at the Church of Christ, Tuesday afternoon, at two o'clock, with E. J. Penhorwood, of Lima, in charge. The G.A.R. will have a short service.

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MEMORIAL for FLORA R. WAGNER (nee Williamson)

Another time we are called to surrender one of our most esteemed and highly valued members of the Woman's Missionary Society and when, again, the Roll is called, in response, there can be but silence, treasured thoughts and cherished memories for the life of our beloved member.

Flora W. Wagner was characterized throughout the years by constance, sincerity of purpose, and fruitful service. Her social, religious and family relationships were indicative of high ideals, and the attainment of things worth while. Until failing health caused her withdrawal from all strenuous duties, we find Mrs. Wagner sharing in all community interests, and specifically associated with all phases of church activities. Upon all church services, we remember her as a faithful attendant. In the Sunday School as an efficient teacher. As president and treasurer of the Ladies Aid Society, her influence and leadership were recognized. Also, lending dignity to similar offices of the Woman's Missionary Society, and by reason of a well furnished mind and an accurate knowledge of missions in this society she was considered an authority.

In her social obligations, her church affiliations, and her home interests, we discern the co-operative spirit of a well organized life, the qualities of a sincere, faithful wife and companion, a devoted and sympathetic mother, a loyal efficient home-maker, and the loss of such an inspiring influence brings abiding sorrow, and we shall miss her.

Mrs. C. M. Carr, Mrs. W. E. Myers, Mrs. C. W. Faulkner
Committee.

(Written in November, 1930, after death on Oct. 29, 1930).

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CHARMING COUPLE OBSERVE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Roses, chrysanthemums, marigolds, golden glow, zinnias, gladioluses, calliopsis and shasta daisies in shades of yellow and gold decorated the rooms of the W. J. Mathews home west of the city Sunday when Mr. and Mrs. Mathews received a number of friends and relatives in honor of their Golden Wedding anniversary.

Three receptions were held throughout the day beginning at three o'clock in the afternoon. Approximately one hundred and eighty invited guests called to congratulate the honored couple.

Assisting Mr. and Mrs. Mathews in receiving the guests were: Mrs. Ruah Mathews McNeal, Misses Dorothy and Carolyn Mathews, Mrs. C. C. Runser, Mrs. Frank Runser, Mrs. Margaret Mathews, Mrs. Lillie Rubins; Mrs. Netta Hedrick of Dunkirk, and Mrs. F. H. Steiner, Mrs. Frank Burger, Mrs. C. W. Flenniken of Hamburg, N.Y., Miss Martha Steiner and Mrs. Carl Smith.

Mrs. Rubins, Mrs. Hedrick and Mrs. F. H. Steiner are sisters of Mrs. Mathews.

Among those present were eight you attended the wedding fifty years ago, they are: Miss Alice Ridgeway, Mrs. Minerva Garwood, Mr. J. M. Hively, Amanda J. Mathews, Mrs. Lillie Rubins, Mrs. Netta Hedrick, Mrs. Fred Steiner, and Sherd Williamson, a brother of the bride.

William J. Mathews and Mamie E. Williamson were married on August 27, 1884 at the Williamson home in Pleasant township, near Kenton. Rev. William Dowling who was pastor of the Kenton Church of Christ performed the ceremony.

The Mathews are well and favorably known throughout the community. Both attended Ohio Northern University, Ada, and taught in rural schools in Hardin County. For a few years after their marriage they also taught music, both vocal and instrumental. Mr. Mathews taught his last term of school in the noted Rising Sun School in Marion township.

In 1886 they purchased a farm in Cessna township, and began to improve it. In the fall of that year took up their residence there and have since made it their home. For many years Mr. Mathews specialized in breeding pure blood Rambouillet sheep, shipping into Texas, Arizona, California and Utah. They were also sold to export trade for shipment to South Africa. Mr. Mathews served his township as trustee, census enumerator and for many years was Justice of the Peace. He has been a continuous member of the Pleasant Hill grange for the past fifty-nine years. Mrs. Mathews has been a member of the same grange for forty-five years and her chief hobby is the raising of beautiful flowers, which grow in profusion about their home.

Mr. Mathews was an officer in the State Grange, for four years, and has taken all the degrees of the order. He was a member of the Hardin County Chautauqua Board of Directors during its entire existence, and was secretary of the Hardin County Sunday School association for a number of years.

He was recently "lay delegate" for the second term to the Ohio Conference of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Kenton, of which both he and Mrs. Mathews are members.

Having no children of their own, Mr. and Mrs. Mathews reared their niece, Mrs. Ethel McFarland Flenniken of Hamburg, N. Y., and William Earl Denzer of Cambridge, Ohio. For the past sixteen years they have been spending the winter months in Florida and California.

Among those attending the celebration from a distance were: Mrs. Vesta Spriestersbach and daughter Helen of Lexington, Ohio, Mrs. Audrey Tinkey of Mt. Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Stewart, of

(Mathews cont.) Mansfield; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Miller and Miss Faith Miller of Pandora; Leola Stewart and Mildred Finney also of Mansfield; George W. Moor of Toledo, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wetherill of Oberlin, Miss Corrine Gray of Columbus, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Myles and Rachel Myles of LaRue; Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Topliff of Marion, W. D. Mathews of Mt. Gilead, Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Mathews of Columbus, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Wayne of Akron; Mrs. Haun of Defiance, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cotner of Van Wert, William Earl Denzer of Cambridge.

(From Kenton newspaper, dated Monday Aug. 27, 1934)



When we asked Steward W. J. Mathews of the Ohio State Grange for some data of his life, he replied: "At least two memorable events occurred Nov. 4, 1856; one was the election of James Buchannon as President of the United States, and the other was the birth of myself-- a little late to figure in pioneer matters, sufficiently early to witness the great changes that have taken place in farm management and appliances." However, we must qualify Mr. Mathews' disqualification of himself as a pioneer, for in one sense he certainly has been one, inasmuch as 118 acres of his present farm in Cessna township, 8 miles west of Kenton, when purchased in 1886, were only partly cleared, practically untilled, and without buildings of any sort. By good farming and good business management he has equipped it with modern, convenient and attractive house and barns.

(From The Ohio Farmer)



Mrs. William J. Mathews, 81, died at the McKittrick hospital at 10 a.m. today of complications, following an accident she suffered, when she broke her hip, just 4 weeks ago Thursday. She was formerly Mamie Estelle Williamson, daughter of Nathaniel and Serena (Davis) Williamson, pioneer residents of Pleasant township. She was born March 18, 1861.

She was a faithful member of the Huntersville Methodist church, a member of Pleasant Hill grange; and a member of Fort McArthur Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. Mrs. Mathews will be remembered for her great love of flowers, for every day when the weather permitted she was in her garden. Because of her gentle manner, sweet disposition, and interest in her friends, her loss will be felt in this community.

She is survived by three sisters, Mrs. John E. Rubins, Mrs. F. H. Steiner of this city, and Mrs. J. S. Hedrick of Dunkirk, and one brother, William T. Williamson of Colorado Springs, Colorado, besides many nieces and nephews and William Earl Denzer of Cambridge, whom Mr. and Mrs. Mathews raised.

(From the Kenton Daily Democrat Nov. 21, 1942).

Dr. James S. Hedrick

Dr. James S. Hedrick was one of Hardin county's best known physicians and surgeons. He ranked high among the members of his chosen profession; and enjoyed a lucrative practice in the town of Dunkirk, where he began his practice in 1888. He was pre-eminently a self made man, having risen through native qualities of determination and will power from what he was at one time, a poor unfriended boy, who had been left an orphan at the tender age of only 13 years.

The paternal great-grandfather of the doctor was a native of Germany but his son, John, the next in the line of descent, was born in Pennsylvania. His son Isaac, Dr. Hedrick's father, was born in 1818, in York county, Pa., on a farm, and by occupation was a farmer. He married Sarah Mundis, a native of Pennsylvania, whose father was a Frenchman by birth and came to America on the same ship as did the noted Lafayette during the American Revolutionary war. He also served in that war and faithfully fought for the rights of his adopted country. Of his large family, all save his daughter Sarah died in childhood.

Dr. Hedrick was born in York county, Pa., on Oct. 13, 1858, being the third in a family of four children. John W. was a farmer in Morrow county Ohio for many years; William Henry was a member of the firm of John B. Netcher and Co., of Mansfield, Ohio, proprietors of an extensive bottling works; while Mary, the doctor's only sister was the wife of Albert Straby, also a member of the firm just mentioned. The parents of these died in 1871, leaving their family no means, and thus each was thrown upon his own responsibility. Young Hedrick began working on a farm at \$8 a month, attending the district schools in the winters.

By the spring of 1874 the industrious youth had saved enough money to pay for one month's schooling in the Stewartstown academy. In the following fall he obtained a certificate to teach a country school. For several years he continued to teach, and in the intervals of his work he studied at the Millersville State Normal school. In the spring of 1880 he was chosen the superintendent of the public schools at East Prospect, Pa.

It had always been a cherished plan of the doctor to study medicine and he spent many an hour reading medical books. After taking a course of lectures in the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore, Md., he journeyed to Van Wert, Ohio, where he had as preceptor a relative, Dr. A. N. Krout. In 1881 he entered the Starling Ohio Medical College at Columbus, graduating in the Class of 1882. At once he located at the town of Venedocia, Van Wert county, Ohio, a Welsh settlement. Here he practised two years.

In 1884 Dr. Hedrick opened an office in North Washington, now the town of Dola, where he practiced four years. During this period he also attended the noted Bellevue hospital Medical college in New York, from which institution he was graduated in 1888. The same year he located in Dunkirk, in which place he practiced the remainder of his life.

Dr. Hedrick was always active in the councils of the Republican party. For four years he was a member of the county executive committee, and served as president of the City club. While living in Dola he was a member of the board of education; and for a number of years was the secretary of the Dunkirk board of education. In

1890 he was a candidate for county auditor but was defeated by a small majority.

Dr. Hedrick was a member of the Hardin County Medical society and for a time served as its president. He was also a member of the Northwestern Ohio Medical society, the State Medical society and the American Medical Assn.

Fraternally the doctor was a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Dr. Hedrick's interest in public affairs gained for him a wide acquaintance throughout the county and a host of friends in Dunkirk and surrounding areas.

On Christmas Day in 1883, Dr. Hedrick was married to Catherine Edwards of Pomeroy, Ohio, They had three children, one of whom died at the age of 10 months. Mrs. Hedrick, a noble wife and devoted mother passed away on Jan. 31, 1894, leaving a son, David I. and a daughter Lura May.

His son, David I. was graduated from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis in the Class of 1909, standing at the head of his class as the high honor graduate. He was immediately appointed to a position on board the U.S. Battleship New Hampshire.

Dr. Hedrick married for his second wife in 1899, Netta Williamson, a native of Hardin county and a member of the pioneer Williamson family of Pleasant township. They had one son, John S. Hedrick. The Hedrick home in Dunkirk was on S. Main St., near the high school; and when the writer of this sketch was teaching in the Dunkirk high school in the fall of 1911, he soon found Dr. Hedrick to be one of the towns' foremost citizens.

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BELLE WILLIAMSON went to Virginia to teach music in a school known as Greenwood School. She taught only piano. While teaching, she met Harry Rollins, and later their wedding took place at the Williamson family home in Pleasant township, Hardin county, Ohio, on June 15, 1892. They went to live at Rye Cove, Virginia, where their first child, Hannah, was born. After the birth of the two sons, Hobart, in 1896, and Lloyd, in 1898, their mother did not live long, dying August 24, 1899, in Coeburn, Virginia. Harry Rollins, her husband who was born at Snowflake, Virginia, died June 20, 1900, at Coeburn. Thus the three young children were left without parents.

Hannah was reared by her Aunt Sallie Rollins, who married on her 20th birthday, April 7, 1896, William Henry Reynolds. After twelve years in Virginia the Reynolds moved to Tennessee purchasing the Bright Mill farm on Holston River, and they raised four sons and one daughter, as well as Hannah. Mrs. Sallie Reynolds is still living, having enjoyed her 92d birthday on April 7, 1968. The one daughter, Lola Purkey Frye, is her only survivor, and together they live with a rare devotion.

Hannah's Aunt Harriet Wilhelm lived at the mountain home, where her father grew up, in Snowflake, Va., and died at age 89 in 1963. Now the old home place has been sold--this had been in the Rollins family for 200 years. Hannah's parents are buried there in a family cemetery, and a right of way for the family was reserved. These grave places were viewed by the writer of this history, when she visited Hannah, going over from Washington, D.C. to spend Thanksgiving holidays with her in 1918.

Hobart Rollins was raised by his grandfather, Ransom Rollins, with his wife, Esther.

Lloyd Rollins was raised by his Aunt Mattie Reynolds, his father's sister, who had three sons, one becoming a doctor, another a teacher. Before his retirement, Lloyd worked for Dupont's for some thirty years. While he and his wife live at Nokomis, Florida, going there from South Carolina, they have a summer home in the hills in Hayesville, North Carolina. Hannah moved from Virginia to Detroit, Michigan, and then went with her husband, Albert J. Reah, to Phoenix, Arizona, where she continues to live, and enjoys playing her organ.

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WALTER WILLIAMSON moved to California in 1892, for a short period of time, and then returned to Ohio, where he spent his remaining days. The writer of this genealogy remembers his bringing a tub full of muskmelons and watermelons to a DAVIS* OTIS reunion, held on Route #30, midway between Marion and Kenton, where there was a long lane of trees, with shade. Uncle Walter had raised them. What joy in the eating!

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Coming as a shock to the community today was the death of Fred H. Steiner, 81, prominent farmer and civic worker, who died at 4:30 a.m. at his residence. Mr. Steiner was born in Pleasant township, April 20, 1872, and lived in Hardin county his entire lifetime. He retired from farming some years ago.

Mr. Steiner helped to organize the Farm Bureau in Hardin county and was president of that organization from 1924 to 1935 and was a State Farm Bureau trustee for six years. He was a member of the Masonic lodge, Friendship grange, and president of the County Health Board since 1937.

On March 30, 1898, he married Edna Williamson, who survives with three daughters, Mrs. Karl Arn of Dunkirk, Mrs. D. M. Wagner of Akron, and Mrs. Don Young of Massillon; two sons, Fred W. and Richard, both of Kenton; 11 grandchildren and one great grandchild; three sisters, Mrs. James Dow of Lima, Mrs. W. K. Steiner of Maywood, N. J., and Cleo M. Steiner of Ashtabula; and one brother, Henry P. Steiner of Cincinnati.

(From a Kenton newspaper, dated Saturday, April 25, 1953)

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WILL WILLIAMSON, who continued to live in the old family homestead east of Kenton, Ohio, moved with his family to Colorado Springs, Colorado, some years before his death. The writer of this sketch wrote to him, asking if it would be convenient to stop to see them on one of her train trips to California. She continues to treasure his telegraphed reply, Dec. 2, 1939, "COME ONLY COME OH HOW GLAD WOULD I BE. IF YOU DO I'LL REMAIN EVER YOURS. W. T." A bountiful chicken dinner was served on her arrival with the family all around the ample table. A trip through the surrounding country, and a steak cook-out were also enjoyed.