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Dear Members and Friends:

Two years have passed since I took office as President of this Society. These have been two busy years for the Board of Directors, committees, and volunteers. My very special thanks to all of these people and to their families for their support and contributions to the Society.

The summer months hopefully provide us time for our research. Please be careful as you research among the files and shelves in courthouses and libraries, in family attics and closets, and in cemeteries. Remember to preserve the past and to share your research "finds."

Best wishes to the incoming President, Ralyne E. Westenhofer, and to the incoming Board members. May the Society continue to prosper and be an asset to the Central Florida community.

Tanya C. Miller  
President

## 'GONE TO NEBRASKY'

My husband and I had taken the children on their first trip to see Washington, D.C. His nephew was a student at the seminary in Alexandria and I enlisted his help in locating the old Ball Burying Ground of pre-Revolutionary vintage in Fairfax County. We found it now within the city of Arlington, a sorry mess of brambles, tumbled stones, and broken fence behind a garage. But that is another story.

Nephew Louis asked if I was working on a Ball family genealogy but I told him that it had already been done. "Then why don't you see what you can do with our Todd family?" he said. I replied that I didn't know where to begin. All that I knew was that my husband was born in Omaha, Nebraska, and that his grandfather was an Episcopalian minister -- that the family was related to Mary Todd Lincoln, which I thought was probably a typical genealogical fairy tale, and also to a family named Orchard.

Louis told me that he thought I was wrong on two counts--the grandfather was a Presbyterian minister and they were related somehow to Mary Todd Lincoln.

So I went to work. I found an old 1876 county history for Omaha which included my father-in-law, Charles L. Todd, a grain merchant, born in Omaha, son of Rev. John A. Todd and his wife Harriet Orchard of Des Moines, Iowa. The Orchard name was prominently displayed in Omaha on the main department store, as I knew, so I also looked for that family. Sure enough, there it was. The Orchard family had arrived in the early 1850's from Livonia, Indiana.

It seemed possible that the Todds might also have come from Livonia so I looked it up in the Atlas and found it in Washington County, Indiana. I sent a letter of inquiry to the county court in Salem, the county seat. Soon I had a reply from a lady in Salem telling me that she was a retired clerk in the county building. She sent me a copy of the marriage of John A. Todd and Harriet Orchard in 1856 and the record of the Census of 1850 in Salem for Andrew Todd, physician, born in Kentucky. Included in his household was a John A. Todd, aged 16, born in Indiana.

So far, so good. But research in Kentucky was more complicated for someone living in Illinois. There were any number of Todd families in Kentucky and many men named Andrew Todd. I seemed to be at a dead end for the time being. Some of these people had come from North Carolina, some from Virginia and some from Pennsylvania. I decided to try Virginia and see if I could work from the Mary Todd Lincoln connection. Again there were more Todd families from more counties, all difficult to sort out as their paths crossed on the way west.



At this point it seemed wise to see what a professional might be able to do for me. One eminent authority assured me that he would be glad to undertake my family history for \$500 to start and so much an hour thereafter. That wasn't what I had in mind. I certainly wasn't going to pay someone else to have all the fun. I decided to see what my old friend who had written the Ball genealogy could suggest and here I was really in luck. She put me in touch with one of her fellow genealogist correspondents in Texas, a heraldry expert as it turned out, but more to the point, she was also a Todd descendant of the same lineage. This was certainly a lucky coincidence for me. She gave me the very reference I needed: the Kittochtinny Magazine of 1908, containing a genealogy of the Todd family by Emily Todd Helm, Mary Todd Lincoln's half sister.

There was our Todd family down to Dr. Andrew Todd, born in Kentucky on 26 October 1808, who married Miss Bair of Washington, Indiana, and the further information: 'gone to Nebraska'. I now had the whole line back four more generations to John Todd, born in Scotland in 1660, who died in Drumgare, Derrynoose Parish, Co. Armagh, Ireland, in 1717. We are indeed the same family as that of Mary Todd Lincoln, who also descended from Robert Todd, son of John, and Robert's first wife Ann Smith. My husband and Mary Todd Lincoln were fourth cousins, twice removed, so that fairy tale turned out to be true after all.

And now we have a different myth. The story goes that the first John Todd, born in Scotland in 1660, was really the earl of Dunbar (or was it his son?), who was being shipped out of the country because he had supported the wrong party (i.e., the losing party). He is reported to have drowned in a storm at sea but, as the story goes, he saved himself by swimming to shore in Ireland and concealed himself there, taking the name of Todd (which means 'fox'). According to the genealogist in Texas, this is not a fairy tale; it is a fact, passed on from father to son under a vow of secrecy, and this was told to her by her own father. I asked my husband about this; he said it was all news to him. Anyway, it makes a good story. If it isn't true, it should be.

As a postscript, some years later another descendant sent me the names of four earlier generations, antecedents of John Todd in Scotland, all very prosaically named 'Todd' and not an earl in the bunch. I presume my friend in Texas has passed away by now so I hope she will forgive me for including both versions in my report to you.

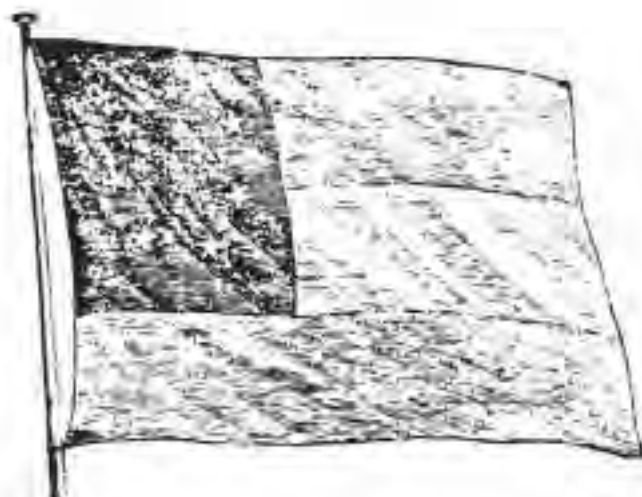
Mary Louise B. Todd

Florida has the second highest number of islands among the states (Alaska has the most). Sources put the number of islands, 10 acres in size or larger, at 4510.

JAMES WITHROW, in 1836 of Warren Co. Tenn where residing for the last 25 years. He was born in Towan Co. N.C. June 10, 1754; from thence going to the South fork of Catawba River in what was afterwards Burke Co; then to Know Co. Tenn, then to Madison Co. Ky, and to Warren Co. Tenn. In 1780 he marched from Burke Co. (under CAPT. JOHN SICKMAN in reg. of COL. CHARLES MCDOWELL to Broad River against FERGUSON but as he did not come to where the reg. was stationed, it was soon ascertained that he was maneuvering to get around. This unexpected movement induced MCDOWELL to retreat to Burke Co. which was continued toward Gilbert Town. The opposing parties met between the latter place of Shandy Lane Creek resulting in the defeat of the Americans, with one man killed, PETER BRANK, CAPT. JOSEPH WHITE wounded. The Americans retreated across the mountains to (Western) waters where they received reinforcements with which they started for the east side of the mountain in company with CO. SHELBY, CAMPBELL & SEVIER in pursuit of FERGUSON. In crossing the mountain WITHROW lost his horse so that he was left behind the other footmen, while his Co. pushed rapidly forward to the attack on King's Mountain - WITHROW and other of the footmen arrived the next day after battle, meeting his Reg. near Broad River with prisoners whom he accompanied to Greensler's in McDowell's Co. on Catawba River, then called Burke Co, where he was discharged. While making his way home, he met a body of Whigs with whom he joined in the pursuit of Tories, collected at ISAAC MARTIN'S in said Co, dispersed them and returned to his home. Although he was not in 1781, no particulars of service or name of office are given. In March he volunteered against the Indians in the Co. of CAPT. DAVID WHITEMARSH in reg. of Co. McDowell which organized in Burke Co, marched west of the mountains scouting the country and dispersing the savages. Out 10 to 15 days.

Transcribed by Ruth Byrne

#### CONFEDERATE FLAG



The original flag of the Confederacy pictured here was designed by a Prussian immigrant, Nicola Marschall. Marschall made his home in Alabama and became the favorite portrait painter of the gentry. In 1861 one of his patrons, Mrs. Napoleon Lockett, described by the painter as a "loyal daughter of the South," approached Marschall with a request that he design the flag for the new nation. She suggested it look something like the U.S. flag, but in battle be obviously different. Unfortunately, Marschall's flag WAS confused with the Union flag, so General Beauregard created the familiar rebel battle flag with its white stars and blue bars crossed on a field of red.

A DISSERTATION ON DEEDS  
by Rhoda Rollin

A deed is an instrument, which written in proper legal form, conveys title to, or an interest in, real estate, from one person to another. Today, a deed of conveyance must be in writing to comply with the statute of frauds.

Historically the deed developed from what was known as "livery of seizen". The buyer and the seller, along with their witnesses, would go to the property to be sold. The seller would scoop up a clod of earth from the ground, or break a branch from a tree and "In the name of seizin of the land" would hand it to the buyer, while making a statement in front of the witnesses that he was selling the land to the buyer. This method of transferring title was not too satisfactory because its proof depended upon the memory of men and the honesty of the parties and their witnesses. If a buyer became incapacitated for a period of time, or was away from his land too long, it was possible for the seller to return, resume possession, and, with the aid of purchased forgetfulness of the witnesses, make it difficult or impossible for the buyer to prove ownership. As a result of these shenanagins, cautious persons began to demand a written receipt signed by the seller and the witnesses. The even more cautious began taking these papers to the courts and demanding that they be recorded. It was these written receipts, signed by the seller and the witnesses, that developed into our present form of deed.

The opening words of a deed, "This Indenture", have no significance now, but survive from ancient times, when documents were written in duplicate on the same sheet (often sheep skin) and then torn apart. Each party kept one piece of skin (indenture) and genuineness was proved by fitting the torn edges together.

There are seven essentials that must appear in a deed to make it valid:

1- NAMES OF THE PARTIES INVOLVED. The grantor is the person who is giving up his interest in the property. The grantee is the person to whom the interest is being given, or who is taking over the property. In an ordinary transaction, the seller is the grantor and the buyer is the grantee. (When a mortgage is being created at the time of a sale, the buyer is the mortgagor or obligor because he is the one who is pledging the land as a promise to pay. The person or institution loaning the money becomes the mortgagee or obligee. If the person selling the land is taking back a mortgage he is the grantor of the deed and the mortgagee on the loan because he is giving the deed (or) and is receiving back the mortgage (ee). The buyer is the grantee on the deed because he is receiving the deed from the seller, and becomes the mortgagor or obligor because he is giving a mortgage back to the seller. Remember...the "or" is giving, and the "ee" is receiving.

2- The CONSIDERATION (that which is given to the seller in return for the deed). There are several classes of consideration: good, valuable, and illegal, and each give different rights to the purchaser. A valuable consideration consists of the giving of money or money's worth by the purchaser; it should be equal, or nearly equal to the value of the property at the time the deed is delivered. A good consideration is one not measurable in terms of money, or money's worth, or one that does not pass at the time of the sale. If a man, by reason of love and affection, gives his farm to his son, the consideration is not measured in terms of money. An illegal consideration, naturally, is anything which the law prohibits. Whenever the parties to a transaction desire secrecy as to the actual consideration involved, the amount stated in the deed need merely be a nominal sum such as "ten dollars" or "one hundred dollars".



3- GRANTING & HABENDUM CLAUSE. The granting clause conveys title or interest in property. The clause: "...do hereby grant and release unto the party of the second part, his heirs or assigns forever" creates an estate in fee simple. A life estate is created by the use of the clause: "to the party of the second part, for and during his lifetime and thereafter reverts to (naming the person who shall then receive it.)"

The habendum clause describes the estate granted to the grantee starting with "to have and to hold..." and repeats the terms set out in the granting clause.

4- DESIGNATION OF QUANTITY OF PRESENT INTEREST TRANSFERRED. A description is given, between the granting and the habendum clause, of the amount of the estate being transferred, along with what appurtenances (things that are attached to the land) and what rights the first party is giving up in the premise.

5- LEGAL DESCRIPTION. Any description that unquestionably identifies the property is sufficient. It is best, however, if the seller uses the description in the deed he received when he was the buyer, as he can only convey what he purchased.

6- PROPER EXECUTION. The deed to be valid must be signed by the party or parties of the first part, who are transferring the land. If he can not write it is customary for someone present to write the grantor's name around the cross, as an identification:

his  
Joe( X )Doe  
mark

A deed may be valid but it can not be recorded at the court house unless the signature has been proven before some public officer, usually a notary public, or attested to by subscribing witnesses.

7- VOLUNTARY DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE. A deed to be valid must be from a party competent to convey to one capable of receiving, and it must be drawn and executed in the proper form and delivered.

If you are still with me you can begin to understand just how much information may be gleaned from a careful reading of a deed.

#### HOW OWNERSHIP PASSES

Another interesting aspect to consider is how ownership is transferred.

- 1- Descent (One who dies leaving no will is said to have died intestate. Such property as he may have owned at his death now passes to his heirs by operation of law. Those to whom the real property passes are called heirs, and those who take the personal property are called next of kin.)
- 2- Will (The owner making the will is known as the testator, and when he is dead he is said to have died testate.)
- 3- Voluntary Alienation (Transfer of the owner's interest and title by the owner to another. It may be a gift, a sale, a lease, a mortgage.)
- 4- Involuntary Alienation (Transfer of title without the owner's volition. Examples are a tax sale; a public sale to enforce liens; the property of an intestate leaving no heirs, which passes to the state by escheat; the loss of land through erosion, or washing away; the increase of land through action of currents; adverse possession.



**HENRY RICE, THE PIONEER GRISTMILLER**  
**Book Review by Mary L. Kupfer Daniels**

This 312-page book will, of course, be of great value to the RICE family and all those associated with that line. There is an index of all full names, all place names, a 71 item bibliography, reproductions of grants, Bible entries and maps. Of the most general interest, however, is the brief description and sketch of the house that James RICE built near his mill, probably about 1798. Originally two cabins, they were joined, not by the usual dog-trot but by additional bedrooms. No interior passage was available, so to go from one side of the house to the other, one had to go outdoors and along a porch, which in East Tennessee weather must have been extremely unpleasant. So would the windowless bedrooms be just as uncomfortable in a Tennessee summer.

The perils of early days are shown by the account of one Thomas RICE who left his wife and twelve children to return to England to claim an inheritance and never returned, presumed assassinated. The family was left destitute.

Sifting through the pages, one interested in the early days of the Watauga settlement and East Tennessee history will find many absorbing details.

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"In the little graveyard attached to the First M. E. Church, at Warrensburg, Warren Co., New York, is a gravestone 'In Memory of JAMES WARREN, who was drowned on the 27th day of April, 1812, in the 44th year of his age.'"

He was one the first settlers of the place, where he kept a store and public house, and the town was named after him. The names of BERRY, BIGGIN, GIBSON, BRANNACK, RICHARDS, ROBERTSON, NICKERSON, McDONALD, WHEELER, AND MAXIM are found in this graveyard, which, though small, is well kept, and has lately been enclosed with a very handsome and substantial stone wall, by the generosity of JOSEPH WOODWARD, ESQ., a native of this town."

From THE NEW YORK GENAEOLOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD, Vol. 1-2, 1870-72, p.15.  
Submitted by A. RUPE.

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The following are quotes from: The Civil War: Strange & Fascinating Facts. by Burke Davis.

"Old Henry Clay's grandsons were soldiers, three for the Union, four for the Confederacy."

"Stonewall Jackson was the symbol of Southern resistance, but his sister Laura, a Union sympathizer, remained unshaken in her devotion to the Old Republic, and was applauded for her stand by Federal soldiers. She sent a message by a Union soldier to the effect that she could 'take care of wounded Federals as fast as brother Thomas could wound them'."

"It was Lincoln's law partner, John Todd Stuart, who landed a West Point berth for a young soldier of promise, George E. Pickett, whose name became so inseparably linked with Gettysburg."

Dear Family,

As the Christmas Holidays draw near, I want to take this opportunity to update you on the trip to Ireland and the progress we are making on the book.

We had a wonderful warm (in more ways than one) visit with Aunt Peg Hulse and Donny and Marilyn this summer. They sure know how to please a transplanted Yankee. They took us thru three states in one day to show us some of New England's glorious coastline! Meeting my first cousin Donny after all these years was a pleasure. When he found out how much I love lighthouses he made a stop at the "Nubble" light in York, ME. What a beautiful one that is.

Now Ireland! How can I begin? If I had to sum it up in three phases I would say, wonderful people, beautiful scenery, and quaint places. From Dublin to Donegal we experienced it all. Of course the highlight of the trip was the time spent in East County Cork. From the time we approached the seacoast town of Youghal, on the main Waterford to Cork Road, I knew I was nearing the place I'd come so far to see. We passed the lighthouse just sitting off the side of the road. Cars were whizzing by, we dodged them as we got out for a better look. I envied the people who lived in the Georgian row houses across the street, their picture windows let them take in this sight every day! The road leaves the coast shortly after the lighthouse and travels inland past farm fields where men and their tractors worked steadily all day bringing in the hay. Huge bales piled up under tin sheds, or sometimes little haystacks with 'hankies' tied across the tops, still sat in the fields where they were gathered. Soon you near the town of Castlemartyr, not more than twenty minutes by car from Youghal. The small stone bridge is the northern most land mark and there the sign posts rise up from the side, one pointing to the East says, Lady'sbridge 1 mi. The one to the West says Mogeely 1 mi. The town consists of one main road wide enough for two cars to pass easily and accommodate street side parking, a rarity in many of Ireland's old towns. At the southern end of town you see the entrance to what was the manor home of the Earl of Shannon, now a Carmelite college. It is a beautiful site on the grounds of a lake. During early times the Earl of Shannon owned all the land around Castlemartyr and our ancestors leased their acreage from him. The road then curves to the right and goes to Cork city with a turn off for the sea villages of Ballycotton and emigrant's port of departure, Cobh.

We enquired in town where we might find the Walsh family. Since there were so many we had to specify, the family that has race horses. The old man's reply was quick and the directions easy (for Ireland). As we wound our way off the side road out of town, past lush green pastures on either side, on a dirt road barely wide enough for our small rental car, we spotted horses and knew we must be getting closer. Suddenly the road stopped and we were making a sharp right turn into the grounds that surrounded the house. There it stood like a grey granite giant encircled by lilliputian-like white stables with red paddock doors. A massive structure two stories high, with walls several feet thick. A large chimney rose from either end of the house and made the front door appear tiny in comparison. A garden greenhouse marked the side entrance. When our car came to a halt the door to the greenhouse opened and a tall, robust man with a huge smile on his face and a very familiar twinkle in his eye, came towards the car. He called to those who followed him, "It's the Coopers from America!" Paddy (Patrick) was quickly followed by his brother Maurice and their sister Catherine, and their dear friends Bada Quirk and Betty O'Keefe. "CEAD MILE FAILTE, cousin (a hundred thousand welcomes) welcome back,

welcome home." Inside we were treated to unparalleled hospitality. Food, drink and lively conversation that brought us even closer than the letters we'd written over the past four years. I passed pictures of momma and daddy and my sister's families all around. Maurice was astonished to see the likeness of daddy when compared to his Irish cousins, "He's the image of 'em he'd exclaim!" I also had a copy of the picture we have of Mary Walsh Ronan with me to show them as well as Nicholas' birth certificate. They were eager to see everything I had brought along as we tried to fill in the gaps between us and our ancestors.

Before evening fell, Catherine took my hand and led me outside. Everyone followed as we made our way down the dirt path. "I've something to show you," she said. We walked past fields on either side, marked by centuries old stone walls four to five feet high. Mares and their colts gave us barely a nod as they continued grazing. The trees formed a canopy overhead, blocking the rain clouds as they gathered. The stone wall on the right was covered in part by thick vegetation, it abruptly stopped to reveal a time worn iron gate. Catherine unlatched it, passed it to me, and as I touched it she smiled. I recognized the stone cottage immediately, from the Irish land and census records I'd researched. "Stone walls, a slate or tin roof, two windows in the front and a door." As we stood there I was transported in time to the Ireland of the 1860's. The strange place names on all the records I'd searched, now were second nature to me. I was in the townland of Carrignashinna (spring in the rock), in the parish of Mogeely, near the town of Castlemartyr in the county of Cork, and I had come home! Catherine didn't have to tell me, the baptismal records I'd received four years ago already had. She said it for the benefit of the small crowd that followed us, "Your grandfather was born in this place. He played in these fields entered thru that gate and walked down these lanes." This was the moment I'd waited for. The nine years of searching, the long hours at the microfilm readers, the endless letters, trying to unravel the mystery of Irish land records, and two years of working day and night was worth it all to be able to come and stand next to this woman whose name I share, whose life I now understood. She was descended from one who stayed, I was descended from one who left. However, for a brief period that cool, damp, July evening, it was as if nothing had changed. For life in the east county Cork countryside, far from the cities to the north and south, still remains pretty much the same. Fittingly enough, Betty O'Keefe, a neighbor and friend, was there too. It was her husband's great-grandmother who delivered the baby that was born there - my grandfather Nicholas. Earlier in the house, she stared with disbelief at the mark (X) made by her ancestor Mary, on Nicholas' birth certificate under 'Nurse-Midwife.'

We returned to the house before night fell and Catherine gave me a guided tour of the four hundred year old home of the Walsh family. Our great grandmother Mary Walsh Ronan, wife of William Ronan, was born in that house. At one time in the 1830's six Walsh men and their families all lived in the house which at that time had three stories. The top floor was removed years later as the family size shrank drastically. These six men, one of which is the ancestor of Maurice, Paddy and Catherine shared some two hundred and forty acres among them. When William married Mary they were allowed to live in the stone cottage and Mary had her six children there. We surmised that William did not own any land, but was allowed to farm the fields on either side of the cottage. William's background, who his father was etc. is still a mystery, as is his final resting place! The story does not end here but I will save that for the book. I've bored you long enough. Suffice to say we have come a long way since I first wrote Catherine Quirk nine years ago and asked if she remembered where in county Cork her mother came from. She gave me some fractured place names



A QUEST OF THE PAST - continued

to go on, but then said, "Look on the map for a place called 'Ladysbridge', my mother said she lived near there, I never forgot the name, it was so pretty." I thank God for your good memory, Catherine!

While in Newburyport, Aunt Peg said Mary Campbell's daughter lived on Quaker Lane in West Hartford. I contacted the Hartford Public Library and they sent me three pages of residents on Quaker Lane from the cross reference street directory! I was praying it would be a small street with ten houses. You know how optimistic I am. At any rate, how to find her daughter or her descendants is the question of the day. I also received the 'Campbell' page from the New Britain city directory and wrote to all twenty Campbell's in the hopes we would hit one jackpot but no luck! I have sent the pages on to Catherine Quirk, hoping for another miracle.

The Murnane's defy locating! I have contemplated a billboard on I-84 in CT that reads . . . "Descendants of Ellen Ronan Murnane . . . phone home!" However I fear the cost would push my otherwise genealogy tolerant husband to draw the line once and for all. Any suggestions out there? I am desperate to include these two sisters' families to complete our Ronan Family history 1820 - present.

Moma and Norma have begun to enter all the data on Norma's computer. That will make the tedious job of charts and descendants lines easier to produce. I have begun to write the narrative story, I hope you like some of the rough draft I have included here. Remember, I'm no Hemingway, just a very curious woman who wants to know more about her ancestors so she can, at times, better understand herself. If you have a personal recollection of your Ronan ancestor you'd like included, please send it on to me. I would love to have a story about each one, remember, I never even met some of your ancestors so I need some memories for our descendants. I have already received family group sheets with all your data from Buzzy, Betty Carmichael, Grace McCabe, all my sisters, Donny and Marilyn. I thank you all.

I have found a source for Maurice's family since I sent you our last newsletter. I wrote to the only Crane in the Hartford telephone book, and received a lovely letter back from Holly Crane the wife of my second cousin, John J. Crane, Jr. John's mother was Mary Ronan - Maurice's daughter. She has promised to help gather all Maurice's descendants papers from Hartford. For all of you descended from Nicholas and Julia Delia Coffey - Have a news item there too. Aunt Peg remembered that Julia's sister, Catherine Elizabeth and her husband Thomas A. Murphy had a granddaughter, the child of son Clifford. Maureen Kristoph in Southington, CT. I wrote to her and asked for her help in completing the Coffey family. No response yet but you know me, persistent and optimistic to the end! We know what happened to Julia of course. We also know other siblings, Thomas, Margaret, and Gertrude had no children. John Joseph died as a toddler, so that leaves two lines to trace - those illusive females! Oldest Mary Agnes who I think married an Elroy Eastman because in Catherine Gannon Coffey's obituary, it mentions a daughter, Mrs. Elroy Eastman. That couldn't be Julia or Catherine who married Thomas Murphy. Therefore we are seeking Murphy or possible Eastman descendants. Could there be so few of us out there left from the Coffey line?? Your compiler could use all the help you can give. I appreciate all the feedback you gave me after the Easter newsletter. It was especially gratifying to hear from my nephew, David, Pat's oldest, who wrote from Guam where he is stationed. He said how much all this meant to him and how he loved reading the stories about his ancestors. All of my father's grandchildren were so very fond of their 'Pop Pop' as they called him, I hope as the years without him go by, this book will serve as a constant reminder of what he stood for and the family he came from.

I wish you all a blessed Christmas season full of hope and joy,  
To my family with love, Kate Ronan Cooper



A RECORD OF THE DESCENDANTS OF ROBERT MCCRACKEN  
and allied families

The oldest record I have of my ancestral line is that my great-great-grandfather was Robert MCCRACKEN, a native of Southern Scotland, where he lived and died. He had two sons and a daughter born in Scotland. Their names were Joseph, John and Elizabeth Anne. These children went from Scotland to Northern Ireland at an early date and remained there for some time. John, my great-grandfather, married a woman named LYTLE. I do not know her given name. They all left Ireland together and emigrated to America some time prior to the Revolutionary War. Joseph settled in New York and John in Maryland. What became of the sister, Elizabeth Anne, is not known to me.

When the Revolutionary War came on, the two brothers joined the Continental Army. Joseph became a Colonel in a New York regiment, and John, a Captain in a Maryland regiment. Evidently they must have been of ability to hold such positions in the service. What became of Joseph's line my uncles had no knowledge.

Tradition had it among my uncles that these were the only children of great-great grandfather Robert MCCRACKEN. That he was wealthy and left a large estate in the government treasury in Scotland. That he, on learning his two sons in America had joined the Continental Army, was very angry and disinherited them.

I'm of the line of John, my great-grandfather, who settled in Maryland. He and his good wife, LYTLE MCCRACKEN, had six children, Five sons, John, Robert, James, Ephraim and Thomas, and one daughter, Sarah. All of whom were born, to the best of my knowledge, in Maryland. They finally moved with all the children to North Carolina and settled in Rowan County. From there the children scattered. Where John, Robert, Ephraim and James went is not known to us. Sarah married a man named WARTHAN and went to Indiana.

THOMAS, my grandfather, was the fifth child and youngest son of John and LYTLE MCCRACKEN. He was born February 26, 1778 and was a young man when he went with his parents to North Carolina. Here he married my grandmother, Elizabeth HOLMES, about 1805. She was born October 22, 1788 and was the daughter of Robert HOLMES, a native of Ireland, who came to America, settled in North Carolina, and served in the Revolutionary War as a Sergeant of Moore's Co., 10th Regiment N.C.. He was captured by the British and placed aboard a man-of-war, but (he) made his escape and succeeded in making his way back to the American Army.

Soon after Thomas and Elizabeth were married they moved to Tennessee and settled in Williamson County where all of their thirteen children were born. My grand-father, Thomas MCCRACKEN, served under General Jackson in the War of 1812. He was a whig in politics and a Presbyterian in religion. He

was a large muscular man six feet two inches tall, had large blue eyes and a pleasant face. He regarded his neighbor as a brother.

During the years 1837 to 1842 various members of the Thomas MCCracken family moved from Tennessee to Missouri. The parents came in 1842 and settled in Polk County where they lived the remainder of their lives. Grandfather Thomas MCCracken died January 26, 1859. at the age of eighty-one years. His wife, Elizabeth HOLMES MCCracken died, at the Old Home Place in Polk County, November 12. 1870, at the age of eighty-two years. Both are buried in the Tillery Cemetery in the south part of Hickory Country, MO..

To Thomas and Elizabeth HOLMES MCCracken were born nine sons in succession, then three daughters, then a son, in the following order: John Lytle, Robert Holmes, Samuel, Nathaniel, James, Milas, D.Thomas, Ephraim, Albert Garner, Margaret Jane, Elizabeth Anne, Nancy Malinda, and Joseph Carroll. All of these children lived to manhood and womanhood. All married and had families except Doctor Thomas and Milas who both died in young manhood. Nancy Malinda married a Baptist minister named SPURGEON, but had no children.

A characteristic of these thirteen children were that they were all blue eyed. The men were large and muscular, most of them being more that six feet tall. A sketch of these children and the names of their children, the latter of which are my cousins and of the fifth generation, follows.

GENEALOGY OF THOMAS AND ELIZABETH HOLMES MCCracken  
and their children.

Name	Birth	Death	Burial Place
Thomas McCracken..	Feb.26,1778	Jan.26,1859	Tillery Cemetery
Elizabeth McCracken..	Oct.22,1788	Nov.12,1870	" "

CHILDREN

John Lytle McCracken	Aug.9,1808	unknown..	Near Springfield,Mo.
Robert Holmes McCracken	Dec.26,1809	unknown.	Tillery Cemetery
Samuel McCracken.....	Mar.30,1811	Oct.31,1855	Tillery Cemetery
Nathaniel McCracken..	Oct.17,1813	Dec.24,1897	McCracken Cem.
James McCracken.....	Sep.28,1815	Feb.4.1852	Bolivar,Mo..
Milas McCracken.....	Sep.11,1817	Mar.181865	Tillery Cem.
Doctor Thomas McCracken	Aug.7,1819	Feb.8,1852	Tillery Cem.
Ephraim McCracken....	May 17,1821	Jul.6.1808	Tillery Cem.
Albert Garner McCracken	Jan.28,1823	?	Near Springfield,Mo.
Margaret Jane McCracken	Mar.26,1824	?	Near Springfield,Mo.
Elizabeth Anne McCracken	Nov.26,1826	Dec.25,1902	Rondo Cem.,Polk Co
Nancy Malinda McCracken	Apr.17,1828	Aug.17,1873	North Missouri
Joseph Carroll McCracken	Aug.15,1830	Sep.29,1913	Rondo Cem.,Polk Co

I, John Lytle, the oldest son Thomas and Elizabeth HOLMES MCCracken. was born in Tennessee and married Elvira MCMINN in Tennessee.

They emigrated to Missouri about 1840 and settled on a farm

three miles northeast of Springfield, Greene Co., Missouri. Uncle John was a successful farmer and owned several slaves. When the southern states seceded from the union in 1861 his sympathy was with the South, but he took no active part in the war. He remained on the farm where he had settled and there died at a ripe old age, respected by every one who knew him. His children, nine in number, were: Calvin, who died at the age of twenty; Matilda, who married a man named TURNER and went to Texas; Emily, who married William RIGGS and lived in Springfield, Missouri; Albert, who married and went to Arkansas; James, who married Sarah JARRETT and moved to Arkansas; John, who married Jennie JARRETT and lived in southwest Missouri; Elvira and Eliza, of whom I have no further information. The name of the ninth child I do not know.

**AUTHOR'S NOTE:**

This is a copy of the written oral history given to me by Robert McCracken, an uncle to me by marriage and a half brother to Paul D. McCracken, my stepfather. Robert told me that an older relative of his gave it to him. Apparently it has been in the family for a quite a long time. The original page that Robert sent me is type set in very small print and was probably copied from either a typed text and reduced or photo copied from an old book. In any case my family is unable to give me a source. I will eventually have to verify the entire document. The interesting thing about it is the good detail of names, places and dates.

My stepfather is Paul D. McCracken. This Family History is his family line and my half brothers line.

*William E. McCallister McCracken*  
William E. McCallister McCracken

The following are quotes from: The Civil War: Strange & Fascinating Facts. by Burke Davis.

"Ben Hardin Helm, killed as a Confederate general at Chickamauga, was married to one of Mary Lincoln's sisters; he had spurned a personal offer of a commission from Lincoln. Mary's other two sisters also married Confederate officers."

"Washington gossip spoke of Mrs. Lincoln as 'two-thirds pro-slavery and the other third Secesh."

"The Lincoln's troubles on this score came to a head when Senate members of the Committee on the Conduct of the War met to consider charges of treason against Mary. Lincoln made a surprise appearance to read a brief statement denying that any member of his family had treated with the enemy."



**"BEFORE AND AFTER THOMAS B. McREYNOLDS"**  
by Dorothea McReynolds Rudd

Dorothea McREYNOLDS RUDD recently published her first genealogical study. Many years ago a gentleman had contacted my father for information concerning his McREYNOLDS roots. He visited my father three times gathering information as her father was the only living male descendant of his line carrying the McREYNOLDS name. Later, this distant relative published a large history on the McREYNOLDS family. We had eagerly awaited the opportunity to read about our family and had requested a copy. The cost was \$35 and to our dismay, when we opened the book, there was not one thing about our line of the family except to mention my great grandfather's birth and marriage. My father was bitterly disappointed. He had been an invalid for seven years, physically, but not mentally. We decided that he'd furnish me with as much information as his mind had stored and I would research the family of that great grandfather, Thomas B. McREYNOLDS. So, this McREYNOLDS history was a product of love for my father and also a product of our stubbornness (a trait to which we both readily admit).

There was much research to be done in spite of my Dad's memory of his cousins for Thomas was the father of thirteen children. Several of that family had scattered all over this country so while his information was helpful, we soon realized that he really only knew the general whereabouts of the descendants of four of the thirteen. All the usual sources involved in genealogy were studied, many many letters written, phone calls made, and after about five years, descendants of all but one of that family were found. Had some very interesting experiences when I finally found a descendant and would call them. In four different instances, they had no idea they even had any relatives from that side of the family. They were excited and it was a great source of satisfaction and joy to me to be able to tell my father that I had finally found another cousin. Unfortunately, he passed away before I could complete the study. However, he was so pleased that it was being accomplished that I feel he knows the book is out and in the hands of family members.

The book published by the other gentleman, took the family back to Ireland and Scotland when John McRANNELLS was born in 1665. He had brought the family forward to when John's wife and children came to the United States in 1737 (John remained in Ireland - for this was his second marriage and his wife was younger and a Quaker) settling in Pennsylvania, later moving to Virginia, next to North Carolina, on to Kentucky and then to Indiana. That was where my research started for that was where Thomas B. McREYNOLDS and his wife Nancy WADE were born and married. They had left Indiana for Illinois and thence to Iowa where they settled and lived until their deaths. Consequently, my research took me into those states for records, wills, land records, and all the usual genealogical sources.



**"BEFORE AND AFTER THOMAS B. McREYNOLDS"**  
by Dorothea McReynolds Rudd

Having decided the format I would use, I wrote about each family individually, quoting my sources. I also wrote for permission to use the other gentleman's study of the early history of the family. His book was copyrighted and permission was granted. Thus, the book covers, through the male line only, the McREYNOLDS family down to the birth of Thomas B. McREYNOLDS in 1834. All research forward from that time was my research and includes practically all of his descendants even down to babies born a few days before the manuscript was sent off to the publishers. Had two grandmothers who wanted their new grandchildren included!!

I chose a loose-leaf format for the book. Feel rather strongly that the future generations should have a method by which they can enter their own statistics and stories which is not possible in bound book form. Also, used color coding for the seven generations following my great grandfather. The book is fully indexed, including both the maiden and married name of the females. History will tell if this format was the proper choice.

While this was not a huge study, it was a very satisfactory one and have established some life-long "family friends" who were just as anxiously awaiting the publishing of this history as my father and I had been about ten years ago.

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The following are quotes from: The Civil War: Strange & Fascinating Facts.  
by Burke Davis.

"America was a house of brothers weirdly divided when catastrophe struck in 1861."

"The White House was the leading example of the schism. Four of Lincoln's brothers-in-law wore Confederate uniforms and one of them, Lieutenant David P. Todd, was charged with brutality to Union prisoners in Richmond."

"Mary Lincoln's brother, Dr. George R. C. Todd, was a volunteer Confederate surgeon, and was quoted as saying that Lincoln was 'one of the greatest scoundrels unhung'."

"For the siege of Vicksburg, Missouri furnished thirty-nine regiments - seventeen Confederate, twenty-two Union."

"The climax of the war for the 7th Tennessee Regiment, Confederate, was the capture of the complete 7th Tennessee USA-warriors, drummers, cooks, and all".

"The troops of these strangely divided armies were taught tactics from the same book, written by a Confederate, General W. J. Hardee."

## HOPTON GENEALOGY

### Extracted from

The History of Somersetshire, by the Rev. John Collinson, F.A.S..A.S.,  
MCCCXCI [1791], Volume II.

#### Ref Page 232:

"WITHAM-FRIARY, or CHARTERHOUSE-WITHAM,"

"Is a village six miles west of Frome, [Somerset], situated in an extensive and rich vale of good land. The parish contains in the whole eighty-eight houses. Thirty-seven of these form the village near the church, nine others are situated at Gear Hill, a mile southward, and six in the hamlet called Charterhouse, near Blaydon on Mendip Hills, at a vast distance from the village. ..."

#### Ref Page 234:

"After the dissolution, the manor of Witham, the scite of the building, with its appurtenances, and a grange and messuage called LaFrarie, as also the rectory of Wickam, and all the tithes of grain and hay, in and arising from Witham, Westborrow, Ballerica, and LaFrarie, were granted by Henry VIII, in the 36th year of his reign, to Robert Hopton, esq. This Robert Hopton was father of Sir Ralph Hopton, knt. who died seized of Witham 15 Dec 14 Eliz. [15 Dec 1573]. From him descended another Sir Ralph Hopton, knt. who for his eminent services to Charles I, during the civil wars, in which he was one of his generals, was by that King created Lord Hopton, of Stratton in the county of Cornwall. His wife was Elizabeth, one of the daughters of Arthur Capel, grandfather of Arthur Lord Capel; but having no issue by her, the estate came into the family Wyndham, by the marriage of Catherine, his eldest sister and coheir, with John Wyndham, esq. ..."

#### From the INDEX to Collinson's: Page 133:

"HOPTON, Robert received from Henry VIII, the manor of Witham the site of the priory, a grange called LaFrarie, and certain tithes ii234 [above]. Sir Ralph, M.P. 1553, i xxxi, owned Witham ii234 [above], and Ditchat, iii472. Arthur, Sheriff, 1583, i xxxvii; Robert, Sheriff, 1619, xxxviii; MP, 1620, xxxii. Sir Ralph, royalist general, created Lord Hopton of Stratton, married Elizabeth Capel, ii234 [above], MP 1639, i xxxii, ii293, erected a mansion in Evercreech park, iii434; his estate confiscated during the commonwealth, 414; arms, 414. Catherine married John Wyndham, ii234, iii490.

#### From Volume III, Page 414:

"EVERCREECH. "The old park of the Bishops called Evercreech-park, is situated at the southwest extremity of the parish [between Shepton-Mallet and Brewton], bordering on the parishes of Ditchat and East Pennard. It was formerly impaled, but is now divided. In the center of the estate, and nearly on the site of an old courthouse erected by Ralph de Salopia, and ruined in the time of Henry VIII, is a large strong mansion, built in 1613, by Sir Ralph Hopton, afterwards created Lord Hopton, baron of Stratton in Cornwall.

The house has undergone little or no alteration, but appears as originally fitted up. There is a large hall divided by a handsome screen, which is ornamented with the device of Hooton, Wyndham, Maltavers, Mompesson, Throzmorton, and other families. The dining room over it is decorated in the same manner. At the top of the house there is a gallery running the whole length of the building, apparently intended for the banqueting room. During the usurpation the entire estate was confiscated for Sir Ralph Hooton's supposed treasons, and was sold in 1653, by the commissioners appointed by parliament to sell forfeited estates, to John Cayll and John Trethery, who sold it four years after to Richard Newman, esq., in whose family it remained till the year 1778, when it was purchased by Thomas Sampson, esq., the present possessor."

From Volume II, Page 472:

"DITCHEAT

"...38 Henry VIII, the manor of Ditchheat and the advowson of the church, parcel of the possessions of the late monastery of Glastonbury, were granted to Sir Ralph Hooton, knt. ..."

The foregoing extracted from the original of Collinson's History of Somersetshire, at the Somerset County Records Office, Taunton, Somerset, England, on October 21, 1987.

Richard A. Connell

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Alabama	AL	India	II	Nova Scotia	NS
Alaska	AK	Indian Territory	IT	Ohio	OH
Alberta	AB	Indiana	IN	Oklahoma	OK
Alsace-Lorraine	AC	Iowa	IA	Ontario	ON
Argentina	AG	Ireland	IR	Oregon	OR
Arizona	AZ	Isle of Jersey	IJ	Pennsylvania	PA
Arkansas	AR	Isle of Mann	IM	Poland	PO
Australia	AA	Italy	IY	Portugal	PL
Austria	AU	Jamaica	JM	Prussia	PU
Azores	AS	Japan	JP	Puerto Rico	PR
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Barbados	BB	Kentucky	KY	Rhode Island	RI
Bavaria	BA	Lebanon	LE	Russia	RA
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Bohemia	BO	Louisiana	LA	Scotland	ST
British Columbia	BC	Luxembourg	LX	Sea (at)	SE
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Hungary	HU	Nicaragua	NI	Wyoming	WY
Iceland	IC	North Carolina	NC	Yugoslavia	YG
Idaho	ID	North Dakota	ND	Yukon	YU

/	= or
/surname/	= name before adoption
2 surnames	= second marriage
-1718	= before 1718
1718+	= after 1718
c1718	= about 1718
1718?	= perhaps 1718
171-	= between 1710 - 1720
17--	= between 1700 - 1800

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## QUERIES

#88-3-18     **TENNISON / TENNYSON / MILLER / MELCHING** - Who were the parents of Eva, Elizabeth (Libby) and William **TENNISON / TENNYSON**? I believe these children were born near Defiance, OH, Sept. 1879, Sept. 1882 and Sept. 1884 respectively. Sent to live with "Uncle Sam and Aunt Kate" c. 1885. Elizabeth and William **TENNISON** appear in the 1900 census, Tocsin, Jefferson Twp., Wells Co., IN with Samuel and Mary C. **MILLER**. Eva **TENNYSON** m. Charles **MELCHING** 25 July 1896 in Tocsin but records appear in Allen Co., IN records.

Reply to:     Patricia **BARNES HOLMES**, 201 S. Lakeshore Drive, Ocoee,  
FL 32761

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#88-3-19     **CAPEN** - Samuel Shaw **CAPEN** moved from Bloomington area to Orlando, FL. Need any info. on S. S. **CAPEN** or my grandfather Samuel Jerome **CAPEN** (1875-1947). Will gladly pay for copies and postage.

Reply to:     Kathy **THOMPSON**, Rt. 1, Box 671, Trenton, SC 29847

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#88-3-20     **CHUMLEY / ECKERT / McHUGO** - Am working on the genealogy of three families . . . **CHUMLEY**, **ECKERT** and **McHUGO**. If anyone is working on these surnames, please contact me in order that we may exchange info. Would certainly appreciate your help.

Reply to:     Shirley **HICKS**, 1125 N. Broadway #G-106, Escondido, CA  
92026

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#88-3-21     **BASS** - Need info. (Marriage Date, Names of Relatives, Death Date and where laid to rest) on my aunt, Cleopatra **BASS**, daughter of T. J. and Julia **KININGHAM**, b. 1884 in TN. Lived in FL since a young bride and was alive in 1926. Possibly died in late 1920's or early 1930's. She had two children; one named Oli **BASS**. Two counties of mention are Franklin and Coffee.

Reply to:     U. Roy **KININGHAM**, 225 Chumalia St., #7, San Leandro,  
CA 94577

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#88-3-22     **BAILEY / BALEY / LEMON** - Seeking additional info. about parents and grandparents of John **LEMON BAILEY** b. 14 Feb 1818, Scott Co., KY. Parents: George **WASHINGTON BAILEY** b. 1793 VA and Sarah **LEMON**, native of PA. John's grandfather (name unknown) came to America in Colonial days and assisted colonists during their struggle for independence. From VA he crossed the mountains with pack animals to KY where he died.

Reply to:     Alma H. **HOLT**, 4330-B Lake Underhill Road, Orlando, FL  
32803

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12 (Mother of No. 6)  
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16 (Mother of No. 8)  
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