



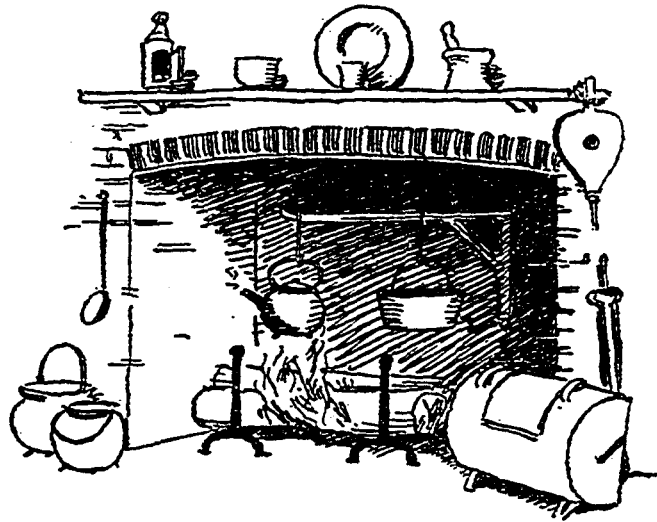
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The Boydstun Family

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A LOVE GIFT

From

*Ida Ann Boydstun Welch
Wife of Edward Samuel Welch,
and her daughter,
Gertrude Welch May,
Wife of Earl Earnest May,*

FOREWORD

This complete collection of family data and history was compiled by Mrs. Clifford Weaver of McKinney, Texas, (Gustine Courson Weaver), who, for many years, has given her time and strength in research work. Only for her could this book have been made possible. She has visited many of the principal genealogical and historical libraries in America, Canada, and Scotland, sparing no strength nor time to bring to us authentic history of our family. Her data includes many photostat copies from old family Bibles now in possession of various members of this family.

Mrs. Weaver is the daughter of John Gustine Courson and Sarah Frances Boydston.

A record may be found in "In The First Families of America" (An Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy) of five of the Boydston descendants. Three are the descendants of Benjamin Boydston and Mary Gardner. They are Mrs. Gustine Courson Weaver, Mrs. Ida Boydston Welch, and Mrs. Olive Courson Lockie.

Mrs. Weaver is the wife of Dr. Clifford S. Weaver. This couple spent many years as missionaries to Japan, Dr. Weaver being a prominent clergyman of the Disciples of Christ Churches of America. He is at present President of the Board of Managers of the United Christian Missionary Society, also affiliated with the Texas State Board of Education. They are in their eighth year with the historic and influential

church at McKinney, Texas, this church being in the eightieth year of its history.

Mrs. Ida Boydstun Welch, is the wife of Edward S. Welch who is president of the Mount Arbor Nurseries affiliated with the May Seed Company. (Wholesale Houses of Shenandoah, Iowa, Radio broadcasting station K. M. A.)

Mrs. Olive Courson Lockie, the wife of Dr. G. David Lockie of Springfield, Ill., physician and surgeon in the Spanish American War and World War. While the other two mentioned in this book are descended from Samuel Boydstun and wife, Sarah Reed, being Mrs. Eva Boydstun Johnston and Mrs. Alexander Cody, both wives of Presbyterian ministers now residing in Florida.

Mrs. Weaver, to whom we lovingly dedicate this volume, is being featured in a Book that is on the press now, known as "Eminent Women of Illinois." She has written many stories for children, having told stories to five hundred little girls at the country home of Helen Gould Sheperd, "Lyndhurst-on-the-Hudson," at one time, and, for two summers, was Supervisor of Children's Entertainment at Battle Creek Sanitarium, Battle Creek, Michigan.

Mrs. Weaver is a member of the Illinois Woman's Press Association. She is the author of several books—among them four volumes being published in 1927. She is a charter member of The Poetry Society of Texas, as well. She also holds membership with the Society of May Flower Descendants, The Huguenot Society of America, and The Daughters of the American Revolution.

She was President of the Council of Ministers'

Wives of the Disciples of Christ (5,000 ministers' wives being affiliated) and Editor of a weekly page for two years for this eminent group of women. Through her father's lineage, she is descended from Peter Courson, the Huguenot, who came to America in 1611, and Augustine Jean and Lieut. Lyonel Gardiner.

The ancestors of Peter Courson, the French Huguenot, who emigrated from France to New Amsterdam in 1611, originated in Bretagne (Brittany), France. They were ancient and influential, and possessors of large landed estates, as the records indicate the Courson Coat of Arms, three owls (facing you) upon a background of gold with the motto, "Tou Jours Droit-Coursen." They may be found in the French volume of Ancient armorial crests (illustrated) and entitled "Armorial General Reitstap I. A. N., Tome." The French Coat of Arms of the Courson branches. This banner was carried in one of the early crusades by a Lord de Curzon.

Her mother's lineage is given in this volume, The Boydstun Family, including the May Flower Pilgrim, Stephen Hopkins, and his ten year old daughter, Constance, who also was a passenger on that historic sailing vessel; the mother of Constance having died some years before 1620.

Dr. Clifford Weaver is a lineal descendant through "The Henry Family of Virginia" (to which Patrick Henry belonged), through Jean Robertson, to the noted minister, John Knox of Scotland and England, back to King James I. This is through his mother's lineage. Through his father, Reverend Thomas F. Weaver, of Houston, Texas, he is a lineal descendant

of the Huguenot Family, Jacques Cossart, who settled in New York City (New Amsterdam) in the early days, and married into the distinguished Weaver family at that place. Dr. Thomas F. Weaver was reading law when this his only son was born. He named him for the noted firm of lawyers of London, "Clifford and Selden."

The "Alma Mater" of Dr. and Mrs. Weaver is one of the oldest colleges among the Disciples of Christ. It has an unbroken history of almost eighty years, and has the unusual distinction of having sent out a missionary for every year of its long history. This is Eureka College in Illinois and the class with which Dr. and Mrs. Weaver both hold diplomas is 1900.

I have gleaned this data from materials found among the historic collection that was filed away, never to have been put into print, by Mrs. Weaver herself. One happy day, I prevailed on her to allow me to have all of her valuable findings put into permanent form; and thus, having her consent, I have endeavored to arrange the data with her assistance in such a manner as I hope may prove acceptable to her and appreciated by all others of the Boydstun Family.

Mrs. Ida Boydstun Welch (Mrs. Edward S. Welch) before referred to, has had the publishing of this book as one of the fondest dreams of her heart, for many years. Thus, together, we are presenting this volume, so lovingly prepared by Mrs. Weaver, to the Boydstun Family—wherever they may reside.

And now—with borrowed words from an old English book—I will sign these loving words of dedication:—

“I have gathered a posie of other men’s flowers
and nothing but the thread that binds them is mine
own.”

LUCILE BOYDSTUN HAEGGSTROM,
(*Mrs. A. Haeggstrom*)

Greenville, Texas.

August 1, 1927

ANCESTRY

Once I saw mountains angry
And ranged in battle-front.
Against them stood a little man;
Aye, he was no bigger than my finger.
I laughed and spoke to one near me,
“Will he prevail?”
“Surely,” replied this other;
“His grandfathers beat them many times.”
Then did I see much virtue in grandfathers.
At least, for this little man
Who stood against the mountains.
Stephen Crane.

A PERSONAL WORD BY THE AUTHOR

I am deeply stirred as I approach the last moment in the completion of *The Boydstun Family History*. This is mid-summer in 1927. I first began to collect this data in autumn 1909—seated as I was in the black walnut “sofa” with my father and mother near me in their comfortable arm chairs—in my place as their daughter in this my parental home.

They scintillated with satisfied glee—what parent is not glad to live at last to behold a grain of gratitude growing in the heart and brain of their child?

I had sailed high seas, and had absented myself from them for long periods of years at a time. Thus had I come to know the true value of my rich inheritance—that of having old-fashioned, true Christian parents who were themselves of long lines of American residence.

My father’s lineage lent itself to solution, readily, since both his mother’s (Gustine) and father (Courson) were of the early New England stock. Upon visiting the genealogical libraries in Chicago—and in New York City—I found printed matter most satisfying indeed that had been compiled some generations before I came to the world, regarding the Gustines from the Isle of Jersey, who came to America in 1675, and Peter Courson who was a French Huguenot settler at New Amsterdam 1611, or nine years before the *May Flower* sailed.

My mother gloried in all these records and read

over and over again, with my father, the excerpts I obtained for them, and the family histories also of these families, already compiled.

It was, however, not so easy a task to gather my mother's lineage. She obtained from every available source known to her every scrap of information possible. We could find nothing that had been put into print.

For years, I wrote letters, paid liberal fees, and made many journeys up the steps of genealogical libraries, to further our quest, because my mother yearned so to have the history of the family compiled.

Generation by generation, thus did we build up in this painstaking way. The family having resided in North Carolina prior to their Kentucky residency made a difficult situation to solve, since they had come from Maryland to North Carolina.

I gathered at this juncture some "Cousins" through my D. A. R. lineage (being a member through my father's lines), so I had access to these valuable D. A. R. archives.

I learned that the family residency of the Boydstuns had indeed been near Fredericksburg, Maryland, up to the time of the opening of the Revolutionary War.

But where, prior to this time?

I shall always feel deeply indebted to those "Cousins"—Mrs. Eva Boydston Johnstone, and her sister, Mrs. Susan Boydston Cody—both wives of Presbyterian ministers, (now of Florida)—for, in their records, I found the clue that was of the greatest assistance of any I had thus far discovered. Their

records stated that the wife of David Boydstone was "Mehala Snow."

The Snow family had been well written up through all of its generations. I recalled this name a few years ago, discovered it was also among my mother's data as a casual bit of recorded data; so I took up this clue, studying the Snow family. And there did lie the records that now I give to each descendant as a sort of Love Gift, for each person descended from Mehitable Snow is entitled to become a member of the Society of May Flower Descendants, as her forebear was one of the passengers on that illustrious ship, Stephen Hopkins. (See lineage as recorded in this book).

In the meantime, my own dear mother died; and her niece (the daughter of her brother, William Samuel Boydstun) came to my rescue, and lovingly offered to assist me to complete the history.

It has taken us two full years—with hundreds of letters to get accurate data as to place and time of birth, death, and marriage, in each event, and the other history herein recorded.

It, no doubt, appears an easy matter to the casual reader; but each step has cost my cousin and me great expense of strength, time, and money.

We felt as if it were a fitting memorial of our hearts' devotion to our two beloved parents; and we so labored to this end—that now has reached its full accomplishment in this volume.

This cousin I refer to is Ida Ann Boydstun Welch, the wife of Mr. Edward S. Welch, who is President of the Mount Arbor Wholesale Nurseries, at Shenandoah, Iowa. These nurseries are affiliated with the

May Seed Company, who operate the Broadcasting Station, K. M. A., at Shenandoah, Iowa. Mr. Earl May has charge of the May Seed Company, his wife being Gertrude Welch, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Welch. The only son of Mr. and Mrs. Welch being Wayne Nye Welch.

My sister, Olive Courson Lockie, and her husband, Dr. G. David Lockie of Springfield, Illinois, have given me much assistance in many ways, also; and I shall ever count the weeks spent with them on my Rosary of Life with great joy. For many years I made annual summer visits to them, where I compiled my Library Notes, seated in the old "walnut rocker" in their Guest Room. During these years, I found much of value in libraries in Toronto, and at another time on a visit to Montreal, Canada, as to our family. Again in London, and I was privileged to see the spires at Paisley, Scotland, also where the original Boyd Clan had their habitation in their very earliest days. From historians in Scotland and Ireland, and England, I searched for accurate early data. One I share with my readers to give them somewhat of the earnestness of my quest and the difficulties I encountered:

Oifig Iris Puibli
(*Public Record Office of Ireland*)
Dublin 31st December, 1925.

MEMORANDUM

To Mrs. Clifford Weaver,
McKinney, Texas, U. S. A.

No records were kept in this country of persons who emigrated to America. Most of the sources of information as to family history—Parish Registers,

Wills, Chancery, and Exchequer Records, Hearth-money, Rolls, etc., which were preserved in this Office, were destroyed in 1922 when the office was burned while in the temporary possession of insurgents. Many of our indexes survive, and, though they do not give detailed information, it is possible that you might find some references in them which would interest you. This office does not undertake a general search of the nature you require, but you may get a friend or agent to call and search here on your behalf. Permission will be given to such to search free of charge. (Your \$10.00 is herewith returned).

(Signed)

Some months ago, I became accustomed to a siren voice, full of love lilt, that came long distance to the Manse across the prairies of Texas. "A New Cousin," I called her to myself. The readers of these entries are indebted to this "New Cousin" also; hence, I am constrained to introduce her at this place. She is the daughter of Benjamin Boydstun.

Lucile Boydstun Haeggstrom, whom I have called my "New Cousin," has been of much assistance to me in my search for family data. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Boydstun.

I quote from our daily paper of recent date:

"Benjamin Boydstun of Greenville has begun a run as conductor on the Katy Texas Special from Denison to Waco, which will necessitate his moving from Greenville to Waco. Mr. Boydstun has had forty-five years of continuous railroad service out of Greenville. For several years he and his gifted wife were residents of McKinney where he was prominent in fraternal circles and where Mrs. Boydstun was a

leader in club and civic activities of the city. They have hosts of friends living in McKinney.

"On July 15, 1880, Mr. Boydstun began his service with the Old East Line Railroad and then on to McKinney. He stayed with the railroad through its change to the Sherman, Shreveport and Southern and then as a branch of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad Company, taking his seniority with the M. K. T. When the Katy sold the Shreveport Division to the Louisiana Railway and Navigation Company, Mr. Boydstun remained with the Katy, taking the run from Greenville to Mineola. Because of the competition from bus lines, the passenger run from Greenville to Mineola was discontinued, thus forcing Mr. Boydstun to leave Greenville to remain with the Katy Railroad. His seniority secured him the position as conductor on the Texas Special which necessitates his moving from Greenville to Waco.

"During these forty-five years, Mr. Boydstun has made an enviable record with the railroad and has won thousands of friends in Greenville and vicinity."

From the Southwestern Chautauqua Bulletin of Las Vegas, N. M., July 4th to August 31, 1927.

"Mrs. Ben Boydstun is a club woman and parliamentarian of large experience. Always interested in club affairs she was first President of the Parent Teachers' Association in Shreveport, Louisiana, Secretary of Girls Training School, and Secretary of the Old People's Home, there, as well as a member of the Hypathia, the oldest literary club in Shreveport. In Greenville, Texas, she was interested as office holder in the Hunt County Historical Association, President of the Standard Club, President third district, Texas

Federation, and is now interested in Forestry legislation. She is also now first Vice-President of City Federation of Clubs and Parliamentarian in the Parent Teachers' Association. Mrs. Boydstun will conduct classes in Parliamentary Law and will devote special attention to the timid woman, developing poise, confidence, and efficiency in this day of organizations."

The father of A. Haeggstrom (Lucile Boydstun Haeggstrom's husband) is a Captain (retired) of the Swedish Army, and A. Haeggstrom himself is an officer of the Reserve Army. Dr. Arvid Haeggstrom (brother of A. Haeggstrom) is one of the best known and most expert ear, nose and throat specialists in Sweden.

A. Haeggstrom came to America August 15th, 1910, coming directly to Greenville, Texas, where he has been in the cotton business for seventeen years.

Civil Engineer, Erick Haeggstrom, Assistant City engineer of Stockholm, Sweden, is his brother.

Mrs. Albert Blumer (Ada Haeggstrom) is his sister, of Aglie, Italy.

Two distant cousins of my mother's, Martha Boydstun Gardenhire (Mrs. A. B. Gardenhire) and Nancy Boydstun Gardenhire (Mrs. A. L. Gardenhire), their husbands being brothers, reside at Rockwall, Texas. Records from their old Family Bible have been most helpful.

Today I have lovingly looked about the hall of our Old Manse where hang, under glass, bits of home-made linens and linsey-woolsey and "home-spun woolens." There are upwards of twenty-five of the latter and some several pieces of matchlessly beauti-

ful linens. I copy for my kinsfolk the lettered description in each of these collections—as I hereby hope some of the descendants may find in old comforters, quilts, or coverlets bits of such priceless fabric as my mother and I have thus preserved for generations yet unborn.

“These pieces of coverlets and home-spun dresses were made in this way:

Benjamin Boydstun, born 1776, and his son James owned forty-eight head of sheep. They sheared these sheep; then Mary Gardiner Boydstun (Benjamin Boydstun’s wife) and her daughters washed the wool in the clear running “branch” at the foot of the hill, whereon their log house had been built.

Next, they dyed this wool whatever colors they wished to use in making it up into dress plaids or for bed blankets, or coverlets. They used walnut bark for brown, wild indigo for blue, madre for red, peach leaves for green, and petals of wild flowers for other tints (such as iris for lavender, etc). This wool was then carded and spun when it was ready for the loom.

Some of the pieces herein were owned by Fanny Hubbard, born 1797, and her daughter, Nancy Roberson, born 1817, (the wife of James Boydstun above mentioned) and her daughter, Sarah Frances Boydstun, born 1843, the latter wore three of these dresses to college.

When Sarah was ten years old, she made a full suit for her younger brother, William Samuel Boydstun, of the blue jean in this collection. This included “a vest,” also. The lad was five years old. It was reported to have been a beautiful creation.

Owned by Gustine Courson Weaver.

“This linen was grown, pulled, ripped, rotted, broken, swingled, couched, hackled, washed, bleached, spun on a distaff, and then woven—all by hand. Then it was bleached again and “bucked” over twenty times in lye from a hopper of wood ashes. It was then belted with a maple belter on a smoothe flat stone.

As all this wringing and washing was done “by hand,” linen-making was indeed a tedious process.

These strong, enduring women *loved* their piles of snow-white linen, only a few pieces of which remain to show us the beauty of their handiwork.

Let us see in the webs of this home-spun linen the greatness and beauty of the lives of these, our forebears.

These linens are a memorial of the indefatigable energy of Margaret La Rue.

1. Sarah Palm Augustine (1780).
2. Hannah Gustine Courson (1806).
3. John Gustine Courson (1841).
4. Owned by Gustine Courson Weaver (1873).”

And now:—

With a heart full of deep gratitude for Mine Inheritance—such a Christian and Honorable Ancestry, as is mine, I sign this message, with the sincere hope that all who find their lineage writ in these pages may rejoice in the priceless gift, which we have given as

Our Love Gift To Them

Signed by me, this 15th day of September, 1897.

GUSTINE COURSON WEAVER.

(Mrs. Clifford Weaver).

*The Manse,
McKinney, Texas.*

HISTORIC SKETCH OF THE FAMILY OF "BOYDSTUN"

Lord Robert Boyd, d. 1470, Scottish statesman was the son of Sir Thomas Boyd, d. 1439 and belonged to an old and distinguished family one member of which, Sir Robert Boyd had fought with Wallace and Robert Bruce. Thomas Boyd who was created a peer about 1454 was one of the regents of Scotland during the minority of King James III, but in 1466 with some associates he secured the person of the young King and was appointed his sole governor. As ruler of Scotland he was instrumental in religious reformations. He arranged the marriage between James III and Margaret, daughter of Christian I of Denmark and Norway and secured the cession of the Orkney Islands by Norway. However, when in 1467 he obtained the offices of Chamberlain, and justiciary for himself and the hand of Mary, sister of King James III, with the title of Earl of Arran for his oldest son Thomas, his enemies soon became too strong for him and he was found guilty of treason and sentenced to death. He escaped to England and the date of his death is unknown. His brother and assistant, Sir Alexander Boyd, was beheaded on 22nd of November, 1469.

Lord Robert Boyd's son Thomas Boyd, Earl of Arran, was in Denmark when his father was overthrown. However, he fulfilled his mission, that of bringing the King's bride, Margaret, to Scotland, and then warned by his wife Mary (the King's sister) he escaped to the continent of Europe. He is mentioned very eulogistically in one of the Paston Letters, but

practically nothing is known of his subsequent history.

A large grant of land was given to his heirs in Ulster, Ireland, where they resided for several generations. Ulster was planted about 1620 by settlers from Scotland by King James VI.

Early in the 17th century the whole of the north of Ireland fell into the hands of the English and its former Roman Catholic occupants were dispossessed of their holdings.

James undertook to repeople the country with Protestant, Scotch and English subjects, Sir William Petty estimated that 100,000 Scotch had homes in the province of Ulster in 1672.

In 1611 a special arrangement by the King and council of England was made that 3000 acres be taken up by five noblemen, 2,000 acres seven lairds, 1,500 acres nine lairds, one of whom was Sir Thomas Boyd.

Under the date of October 30, 1655 is told that in the will of Sir Mathew Boyd (Boynton) of Barmiston Yorkshire (Knight and baronet) bequeathed his adventure in Ireland to his son Benjamin who died under age; the land falling to his brothers Mathew, Cornelius, Charles, John, Marmaduke and Gustavius. This will was proved April 7, 1647.

The family of Boyd belonged to the Royal Stewart and claim their descendants even yet are privileged to wear the tartans worn by the Royal family who to-day sit on the throne of England.

The Stewards or Stewart or Stuart House of Scotland trace its descent from a Breton immigrant—"Alan the Song Flaald" in the 11th century. The progenitor of the Stewarts was a baron named Alan,

who obtained from William the Conqueror, the baron of Osinestry in Shropshire. Alan was the father of three sons, William, Walter and Simon. From Walter, the second son descended the Scottish Royal family of Stewarts, Alan's oldest son William was the progenitor of the Earls of Arundel whose titles and possessions passed through an heiress into the ducal family of Norfolk.

His son Walter died in 1177. He was made Steward of Scotland by King David I and he founded Paisley Abbey in 1163 in the district of Renfrewshire.

This stewardship remained in the family and King Robert II was made King of Scotland being called "Robert the High" and he established the illustrious line of Stuarts in Scotland and England. It was a feudal name, their original name being "Fitz-Allen."

The two younger sons of Alan sought their fortunes in Scotland, Simon the youngest became the progenitor of the Boyds, his son Robert having been designated "Buidhe" from his yellow hair.

The original home of the clan comprised 240 square miles 30 miles long by 14 miles wide the entire district of Renfrewshire. William Wallace was born at Elderslie, near Paisley in this noted district in 1272, while Robert I "The Bruce" was born at Ayr in 1274.

The traditions of the Boydston family are that the three sons of Sir Mathew, Cornelius, Marmaduke and Gustavius came to America in the 17th century, Cornelius being the father or grandfather of Thomas Boyd who married Mahulda Box.

MEMORANDUM

BOYDSTUN: or Boidstone, Boinstone, Boilston: Various collections of Papers relating to Ireland and the "Plantation of Ulster" have been examined, including the Calendar of Patent Rolls, temp. Elizabeth and Charles I, and Calendar of State Papers of Ireland, 1603-1670, in the former of which there is nothing relative to this enquiry, and in the latter only one reference viz. to a place called Boyestoun or Boycetown, in Co. Meath, 677 acres (year 1677).

In the Records of the Scottish Privy Council, 1607-10, there are details of the scheme proposed to Scottish landowners, etc. on 19 March 1609 for taking up 90,000 acres in Ulster, and the first "adventurer" was Robert Hamilton of Stonehouse, followed by James Anderson, portioner of Little Govan. Adventurers for 2,000 acres were required to erect a little castle or peel tower. A list of 77 persons who adventured by September 1609 is given in the introduction of the volume relative to that year. Most of the names are of Scottish lairds, but some are merchants in burghs, etc. There are no nobles. Each undertaker was to plant on his property a certain number of tenants.

This arrangement was, however, all swept away by a new agreement, and in 1611 undertakers were enrolled by the King and Council of England; those taking up 3,000 acres consisting of five noblemen, 2,000 acres seven lairds, 1,500 acres nine lairds (including Sir Thomas Boyd), and 1,000 acres thirty-seven merchants and some lairds.

The Calendar of State Papers for Ireland, relating entirely to "Adventurers" for the period 1642-1659,

gives no mention of the names of Boyd, Boyle, Boilston, Boidston, or Boinstoun, but under date 1655, October 30, narrates a Deposition by Thomas Banckes, gentleman, to the effect that Sir Matthew Boynton, of Barniston, Yorkshire, knight and baronet, deceased, by his last will bequeathed his adventure in Ireland to his son, Benjamin, but if said Benjamin should die before being 21 years old, then to any other son by his lady, whom failing, to his lady during life, with remainder to his brothers Matthew, Cornelius, John, Charles, Marmaduke, and Gustavus. Benjamin Boynton died under age, and Sir Mathew had no other sons by his lady. Three of his brothers, Mathew, Cornelius, and John, are deceased, but deponent has lately heard from Charles, Marmaduke, and Gustavus, and believes them to be still living. Receipts were produced for one thousand pounds paid by Sir Mathew Boynton to the treasurers, under arrangement with the King and Parliament, dated 1642-43; and an extract from the will of Sir Mathew, which was proved 7 April, 1647.

This family is still represented, and an account of it is furnished in Burke's Peerage, but does not agree entirely with what is above noted. The Irish connection seems to have been kept up by female descendants.

In the District of Cumnock, in Ayreshire, Scotland, there was a place called Boilstoun, as the following entry from the Register of Services of Heirs shows:—

1629, October 31, William Campbell of Underwelwode was served heir to Charles Campbell, of Glasnock, his father's brother, in the fourmerk land of Nether Glasnock, and others, and also the halfmerk

land of Boillistoun and Greirstoun in the barony of Cumnock.

Also a place of the same name in the District of Carrick, Ayrshire (near Maybole), as the following entries from the same register show:—

1633, March 5, James Muir served heir to Margaret Stewart, his mother, wife of Quintin Mure in Binberrieryaird, in an annual rent of twenty pounds from the 20/ lands of Bollistoun in Dunduff in Carrick.

1643, May 13, Walter Mure served heir to Margaret Stewart, his mother, widow of Quintin Mure in Bromeberrieyards in the said annual rent out of the lands of Boilstoun in Dunduff in Carrick.

There was also a place called BOYDSTOUN in the parish of Kilbride (West) in Ayrshire, and the following Wills relate to persons of the name of Boyd who lived there, and whose ancestors had been in that place probably for a long time, that being the BOYD country from 1300 onward.

1610, August 17, Testament Testamentar and Inventory of the estate of the deceased Agnes Boyde, spouse to John Boyd in Boydstoun in the parish of Kilbride, who died in March 1609, given up by herself on 12th March. They had a brown horse, a grey naig, an old naig blind of an eye, some other cattle, and eight sheep, the value of which (with household effects and clothing) amounted to 205 pounds, 6.8 Scots money. There was nothing due to them, but they owed 95 lbs. 10/ including 26 lbs. of "maill dewtie of thair mailling in Boydstoun to the Maistres of Boyde thair hussie," and

teind to my lord Boyd. Also 8 lbs. to Bessie Boyd of borrowed money; 13 lbs. 6.8 to Janet Boyd in Largs, and the like sum to Malie Boyde.

She appoints her husband her executor, and he is to possess the estate personal during life, and thereafter she leaves it to his two youngest daughters and they to agree 'weill togidder' during their lifetimes. A witness to the Testament is George Boyde, son of George Boyd in Fairlie.

1615, August 17, Testament dative and estate of John Boyd, younger in Boydstone alias Quhitcraig, in the parish of Kilbryde, who died in February 1615, given up by Janet Craufuird, his widow, in name of Robert and John Boyd their children. He had an old naig, three forrowky, a quoy, two stirks, nine sheep, with corn and household effects, valued in all to 134 lbs. Scots.

He owed rent to Dame Jean Ker, Countess of Crawford, fees to three servants, including Robert Boyd, younger.

1615, August 17, Testament testamentar and estate of John Boydstone in the parish of Kilbryd, who died in January 1615, given up by himself.

He had two white horses, a din meir, a tydie kow, three forrowky, a coddock, nine sheep, some corn and household stuff. The total value is 211 pounds.

There was due to him 113 pounds. 1810, including 9 pounds by Thomas Boyd in Nethermilne for a boll of malt, 4 lb. 6. 8 by Robert Boyd in Nethermilne, 18 lb. 13. 4 by John Boyd in Newtown. He was addebted in 70 pounds, 1. 8.

His will is made at Boydstone on 5 January

1615, in which he appoints Margaret Cuninghame his wife to be his executrix, and leaves to her 80 merks, and the rest of his goods equally between Agnes and Isobel Boyd, his daughters. A witness is John Boyd in Monfoid.

I

***FIRST GENERATION IN AMERICA
THOMAS BOYDSON
AND WIFE
MAHULDA BOX***

I

Sir Ralph Box was knighted Oct. 25, 1689. He had two children Mahulda born 1702 and John who married Lydia Story the daughter of Elisha Story.

Mahulda married Thomas Boyd's son—John Box came from England and settled at Charlestown, Mass., (now Boston) where he married Lydia Story, born March 26, 1718-19—and was a daughter of Elisha Story who lived where Paul Revere's house subsequently was built, near the old South Church of Boston. This family's crest was a dove with a cross in its bill with the words "Sine Netu" (Without Fear).

Thomas Boyd's son began spelling the name Boydson—This descendant was the first of the family who came to America being the son or grandson of Cornelius. The name was hence often spelled Borlstone as well as Boydstone with many variations throughout the different generations.

CHILDREN OF THOMAS BOYDSON AND MAHULDA BOX

David, b. May 2, 1726, d. August 3, 1811, md. Mehitable Snow (b. April 22, 1731, d. Feb. 23, 1811).

George remained in Wayne Co., Penn.

Third son, went to Canada.

Fourth son, went to Canada.

II

SECOND GENERATION
DAVID BOYDSON (BOIDSTONE)
(THE SON OF THOMAS BOYDSON AND MAHULDA BOX)
AND WIFE,
MEHITABLE SNOW

II

David Boydstun was born May 22, 1726 in Boston. His wife was Mehitable Snow born at Harwick, Mass., April 22, 1731. David died August 3, 1811. Mehitable Snow was the daughter of Jabez Snow 1696, who married Elizabeth Paine. His father was Jabez Snow 1670-1750 and Elizabeth Treat whose father was Lieut. Jabez Snow 1643-90 who married Elizabeth Smyth. Nicholas Snow died 1676. He came from England in the "Ann" to Plymouth, Mass., 1623 a founder of Eastman 1645; first town clerk for 17 years and selectman 7 years, dep. Gen. etc. He married Constance Hopkins who was the daughter of Stephen Hopkins 1583-1644. Constance was ten years of age when she came to America with her father on the Mayflower. Stephen Hopkins was the 14th signer of Mayflower compact. In the "First Encounter 1620"; Asst. 1633-36—volunteer in Pequot War 1637.

A son George who settled in Wayne Co., Pennsylvania, and two other sons who went to Canada are also the children of David Boydstun and Mehitable Snow. (Perhaps others also).

According to records received from Mrs. Myrtle Work Richey, a historian, David Boidstone patented 441 acres of land in Washington County, Pennsylvania in 1787 called "Hessey" on August 24, 1793 he sold two tracts of land.

The subsequent records were in Green County. David Boidstone was in the Revolutionary War from West Moreland County Militia in 1773.* All of the

* The author of this book possesses D. A. E. papers of the services of this ancestor.

land west of the mountains was the county of West Moreland. Washington County was organized in 1781.

CHILDREN OF DAVID BOYDSTUN AND
MEHITABLE SNOW

1. James, b. September 23, 1747, d. February 6, 1814, md. Mary Prewett, (b. January 21, 1745, d. May 22, 1809). Daughter of a Revolutionary patriot, also.

(See Next Chapter).

James married Mary Prewett of Maryland. Was granted 200 acres of land in Rutherford Co., N. C., in 1792, also another grant, the Home Land owned in Kentucky in Logan County, by the same James Boydston and his wife, Mary Prewett, 400 acres of land was granted from Secretary of State of Kentucky on both sides of the "Big Whip-Poor-Will Creek" by Governor Scott in the County of Logan, in August, 1803. From Logan County, Abstract Company, Russellville, Kentucky. (See copies of these land grants at end of this chapter).

2. William, b. 1753, went to Hampshire County, Va.

3. Thomas, Augusta County, Va., bought land in 1761.

4. Benjamin, Morgan District, N. C., Rutherford. (He and John Welch were brothers-in-law, having married sisters).

(See Chalkley, M. S. S. on Augusta County, Va).

5. David, lived in Green County, Penn., was married to Esther Ann Burris; was a practicing physician. He died in 1826.

1. Boaz married. Had 14 children, all went West except Eugenius and Thornton.

(Thornton Boydston's family still lives in Penn. Anna Boydston Kikanus lives in Morgantown, West Virginia).

(Some of David Boydston's descendants are located in Ohio, and Chicago, Ill).

(Emma Boydston Evans, whose address is 838 Green St., Waynesburg, Pa., is a grand-daughter of Boaz Boydston. Her father was the youngest of the fourteen children. Another descendant of David Boydston is Mrs. Martha Boydston Brann, Knoxville, Iowa).

Land and other records of the above follow:—

(1) Eugenius married Ruhanna Jackson.

1. Theodore.

2. Walter.

3. Frank—a son Frank at Fairmont, W. Va., a son, W. J. Boydston, D. D. S.

4. Clarinda.

5. Mary.

6. (Name not known).

(2) Nellie married (?) Glass. Went West.

6. George or Presley.

CHILDREN OF BOAZ AND MARY WILEY BOYDSTUN

Eugene

Cyrus

Curtis

George

William

Benjamin

Amelia

Elizabeth

Emily (Not sure of this name)

DATA RECEIVED FROM MRS. MELLE BOYDSTUN
BUTTERFIELD

1614 Main St., KNOXVILLE, IOWA

Cyrus Boydstun born in Mt. Morris, Green County,
Penn., in 1831.

Married Sarah Agnes Wallace in 1856.

Their children were:

(1) Lillian Boydstun, b. 1857.

Married Woodruff, Woodbury Co., Iowa.

(2) Martha and Mary (Melle), twins, b. 1860.

Mary or Melle lives in Knoxville, Iowa, 1614
Main St.

Martha lives in Chicago, 2859 Burling St.

(3) Frank Boydstun, 1862; lives in Hillrose, Cal.

(4) Fred, 1870, Chicago.

(5) Bertha, 1822, Los Angeles, 1522 S. Van Ness
Avenue.

David (bro. of Boaz) b. Mt. Morris, came to Knox-
ville, Iowa in late fifties; md. Rebecca Gerard; sec-
ond wife Martha McMicken of Knoxville, Iowa. One
son—Geo. L. Boydstun, Knoxville, Iowa.

CHILDREN OF LILLIAN AND FORREST W. WOODRUFF

Lyman

E. B.

CHILDREN OF MARTHA AND JOHN V. BRANN

Irmagarde—Jean and Ruth Hunter

D. Boydstun

John V.

Clinton T—Barbara, Vincent.

Forrest.

Frank.

CHILDREN OF MARY MELLE AND L. K. BUTTERFIELD

Louis Boydson

John V.

David Boydston died 1826, lived in Mt. Morris, Penn. He gave the grounds to build the M. E. Church of Mt. Morris. ("My father's brother, David, was born in Mt. Morris and came to Knoxville in the late fifties or early sixties, probably about 1854. He lived there the remainder of his life with the exception of a short residence in Gardengrove, Iowa. He md. Rebecca Gerard; after her death, he md. Martha McMicken of Knoxville. Their children are George L. Boydston and two daughters now living in California.") Mrs. Earnest A. Wells, 1656 West 47th street, Los Angeles, California, is also a descendant. (Note—The author apologizes to any of the descendants of this line for errors. It seemed an impossible task to secure the accurate lineage from any of the descendants through repeated efforts).

GEORGE BOYDSTON To THE HEIRS OF PETER BREAKBEALL	This Indenture made the twenty fourth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety, between George Boilstone and Eunis his wife of Washington County, Green Township and State of Pennsylvania, of the one part and Jacob Breakbill, Elizabeth Breakbill and Mary Breakbill the Heirs of Peter Breakbill, deceased of the county and State aforesaid, of the other part, Witnesseth that the said George Boilstone, and Eunis his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of fifteen pounds lawful
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money, of Pennsylvania, to them the said George Boilstone and Eunice Boilstone hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto the Heirs of Peter Breakbill deceased, and their Heirs and assigns part of a tract of Land Situated, on Dunkard Creek, in Washington County, and Green township, and Called "Taby" patented unto George Boilstone, on the twenty second day of December in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine and of the Commonwealth the fourteenth. Beginning at a Sugar tree on the bank of said creek thence up the same, south eighty four Degrees, West twenty perches to a sugar tree, South sixty four degrees, West ninty four perches, to a Sugar tree, and North sixty four west eighty seven perches to a white oak thence by vacant Land, North thirty six degrees east forty four perches to a hickory and north seventy-five and a half degrees, east one hundred and forty nine perches to a post, thence by the Land of the said George Boilstone, south ten and a half degrees, east sixty nine perches to a place of beginning, containing eighty five Acres strict Measure and shall also all trees, woods, underwoods, titles Commons and common of pasture, ways, water courses, profits, commodities, advantages, hereiditaments and allurtenanaces whatsoever to the said mesuage of eighty five acres of Land, above mentioned belonging, or in anyways appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders, rents, issues, and profits of the said premises, and of every part and parcel thereof, and all the estate right, title, interest claim, and demand whatsoever of them



WILLIAM SAMUEL BOYDSTUN
EOLINE FRANCES HOWARD
The parents of Mrs. Edward S. Welch
(Page 112)

the said George Boilstone and Eunice his wife of, in, and to the said messuage and premises and ways part thereof to have and to hold the said messuage of eighty five acres of Land, and all and singular the premises above mentioned and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances unto the said Jacob, Elizabeth, and Mary Breakbill the heirs of the said Peter Breakbill, deceased, and their heirs, and assigns to the only proper use and behoof of the said Peter Breakbill heirs and assigns, forever and the said George Boilstone, and Eunice his wife, for themselves, and their Heirs the said Messuage of Land and premises, and every part there of against them and their Heirs, and assigns of the said Peter Breakbill shall and will warrant and for ever defend by these presents. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our Hands and affixed our seals the Day and date above written.

GEORGE BOYDSTON (seal)

EUNICE (X) BOYDSTONE (seal)

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of Stephen Gapen, Lec'al Gapen received this day and date above writing of the Heirs of Peter Breakbill the sum of fifteen, pounds in full of the above sum by me.

GEORGE BOYDSTON.

Recorded the 15th day of September A. D. 1794.
DD, BK. 1—K—126.

DAVID BOYDSTON	This Indenture made the twenty
ESTER h. w.	fourth day of August in the year
To	of our Lord one thousand seven
GEORGE LEMLY	hundred and ninety three, be-
	tween David Boilstone and Es-

ther his wife of Washington County, and State of Pennsylvania of the other part, Witnesseth that the said David Boilstone and Esther his wife for and in Consideration of the sum of thirty pounds of lawful money of Pennsylvania to him the said David Boilstone in hand well and truely paid. The receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged they the said David Boilstone and Esther his wife hath granted, bargained and sold unto the said George Lemly, his heirs and assigns part of a tract of land called "Hessey" situated in Green Twp. County and State aforesaid Patented unto the said David Boilstone the twenty fourth day of October one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania beginning at a hickory, thence by land of the said George Lemly south thirty six degrees. West one hundred and forty perches to a locust, thence by land of Paul Halin, North one hundred perches to a white oak by the old hickory thence by the land of Eliah Long, North forty five degrees. West fifty nine perches to the old patent line on the North side of Dunkard Creek thence across, South twenty two degrees West seventeen perches to the place of beginning containing sixty nine acres with the allowance of six per cent for road and also all true woods, ways, water courses, profits, advantages and appurtances what so ever to the said message of land above mentioned belonging or in any wise appurtaing and the revision and revisions, remainder, and remainders, rents, issue and profits of the said premises and of every part and parcel thereof—And all the Estate, right, title, interest, claim and demands whatsoever

of them the said David Boilstone and every part thereof—to have and to hold the said message of sixty nine acres of land and all singular other the premises above mentioned and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances unto the said George Lemly, his heirs and assigns, to the only proper use and behoof of the said George Lemly his heirs and assigns forever, and the said David Boilstone and Esther his wife for themselves and their heirs the said messuage of sixty nine acres of land and premises and every part thereof against them and their heirs and against all and every other person or persons claiming or to claim from by or under them or any of them unto the said George Lemly his heirs and assigns shall and will warrant and forever defend by there presents. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year first written.

DAVID BOYDSTON (seal)

ESTHER (X) BOYDSTON (seal)

Sealed and delivered.

STEPHEN GAPER

GIDEON LONG

ALEXANDER CLEG

I certify that the above is a correct copy of the deed recorded in the Recorder of Deeds Office for Green County, Penn. on Aug. 25th, 1816.

MYRTLE WORK RICHEY,
Genealogical Research
333 Duncan Ave.,
Washington, Penn.

DAVID BOYDSTON Ind. dated May 20, 1815
et ux. Acknow. May 20, 1815
 To Recorded July 26, 1900
 JOHN McLOUD Deed Book 107-161
 Consideration \$100
 Containing 12 acres
 Situated in Whitely Twp.

Being a part of a tract of land called "Hessi" granted to David Boydston October 24, 1788. Situated on Dunkard Creek in Whitely Twp., Green County, Penn. Adjoining Henry Carrothers and David Boydston, John McCloud and Elial Long.

DAVID BOYDSTON
 ESTHER (X) BOYDSTON
 H. M.

I certify that the above is a correct abstract of the deed as recorded in Deed Book 107-161, in the Recorder of Deeds Office for Green County at Waynesburg, Penn.

MYRTLE WORK RICHEY,
 Genealogical Research,
 333 Duncan Ave.,
 Washington, Penn.
 h. m.

EFFECTIVE SUPPLY TAX, COUNTY OF WASHINGTON—1781

Vacant Land

Belliston David	300 acres—val.	\$36
Belliston George	300 acres—val.	\$36
Boilstone David	300 acres—val.	\$36
Boilstone George	300 acres—val.	\$36

The lower is a corrected copy.

DAVID BOILSTONE Ind. dated Aug. 24, 1793
 & ESTHER, *h. w.* Ack. Aug. 24, 1793
 To Recorded May 15, 1797
 AMOS JONES Deed Book
 Consideration 67 lbs.
 Containing 63 acres
 Adjoining—
 Situated in Green Twp., Wash-
 ington Co., Penn. Being a part of a tract of land
 granted to David Boilstone by a patent dated Oct. 24,
 1788 by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (called
 Hessey) located on the waters of Dunkard Cr.
 DAVID BOYDSTONE
 ESTHER ANN BOYDSTON

Survey Book 1-90

Hessey is of a tract of land situated on the waters
 of Dunkard Creek containing 441 acres and allow-
 ance of six per cent, surveyed January the first, 1788
 in pursuance of a warrant granted David Boilston.

I certify that the above is a correct abstract of the
 records found in the Recorder of Deeds Office, for
 Washington County, Penn.

MYRTLE WORK RICHEY,
 Genealogical Research,
 333 Duncan Ave.,
 Washington, Penn.

WILL OF DAVID BOYDSTON, DEC'D

Be it remembered that I, David Boydston, of
 Whitely Township, Greene County, and State of Penn-
 sylvania considering the Uncertainty of this mortal
 life being of sound and perfect mind and memory
 blessed be Almighty God for the same do make and

publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say, first I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Ester Ann Boydston one third of my Real Estate during her natural life and further I give and bequeath unto my son Boaz Boydston two thirds of my Real Estate immediately after my death and the Remaining one third of my real estate I also give and bequeath at the death of my widow Ester Ann Boydston to my son Boaz to hold to him his heirs and assigns forever and I hereby give and bequeath to my Daughter Amelis Glasgo one dollar to be paid unto her the said legatee within six months after my decease out of my personal property and lastly as to all the rest residue and remainder of my personal estate goods and chattles of what kind and nature soever I give and bequeath the same to my *sad* Beloved Wife Ester Ann Boydston to dispose of as she may think proper in the event of her decease. I hereby appoint my wife Ester Ann Boydston and son Boaz Boydston Executors and executrix of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the fourth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five.

DAVID BOYDSTON

Signed sealed published and declared by the above named David Boydston to be his last will and Testament in the presents of us who at his request and in his presents witnessed the same.

ANTHONY CONROD

At the request of the within Testator we have signed

our names as witnesses the day and year within mentioned.

JERIMIAH GLASGO
BALTIS HIGGINS
DAVID LEMLY

Letters of Administration issued March 20, 1826.
Registered March 20, 1826. File 518.

At the request of the Testator we have signed our names as witnesses the day and year within mentioned.

JERIMIAH GLASGO
BALTIS HIGGINS
DAVID LEMLY

Letters of Administration issued March 30, 1826.
File 518.

I certify that the above is a correct copy of the will of David Boydston as recorded in Will Book—A—Register of Wills Office, Green County Court House, Waynesburg, Penn.

MYRTLE WORK RICHEY,
Genealogical Research,
333 Duncan Ave.,
Washington, Penn.

III

THIRD GENERATION

JAMES BOIDSTONE (BOYDSTON, ETC.)

*(Name spelled differently in land and other records
from this time on)*

AND WIFE

MARY PREWETT

III

JAMES BOIDSTONE'S REVOLUTIONARY SERVICES

North Carolina Rev. Army Accts.

Vol. 1, Page 17, folios 2 and 3.

Army Book, Vol. 1, p. 14, folio 2.

Vol. 1, p. 16, folio 2.

Vol. 1, p. 17, folio 2.

CERTIFICATE No. 1861 Voucher dated June 12,
1783.

Allowed 38 pounds and 6 pence.*

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES BOYDSTON AND MARY PREWETT Married 1761

James Boydston, b. Sept. 23, 1747, d. Feb. 6, 1814.

Mary Prewett, b. Jan. 21, 1745, d. May 22, 1809.

Her father Walter Prewett, was a private in Capt.
Lynn's Co., 4th Regt. Maryland. Maryland Archives,
Vol. XVIII, page 404.

1. Samuel, md. Sarah Reed (See entire Chapter
on Samuel).

2. John, md. Nancy Ann Gardner (See entire
Chapter for John).

3. Mehitable Nancy, md. Seth Arnold.

4. Benjamin, md. Mary Gardner (See entire
Chapter for Benjamin).

5. Thomas.

6. Bartlett.

7. Tabiatha, md. Harmon Reed.

8. James.

* The services of this ancestor have been accepted by N. C. D. A. R.

9. William, settled in District of Columbia.

10. Reuben.

11. Jacob.

(NOTES, regarding some of the above children)
(One of these brothers md. a full blooded Indian girl).

Samuel (1st child above) was born in Frederic Co., Maryland, March 15, 1762. He enlisted in the Revolutionary Army from Jones Co., N. C. (now Tenn.) April 1779, at the age of 17 years. His record can be found in the Dept. of Interior. He was md. to Sarah Reed, who was born near Spartanburg, S. C., March 22, 1768, and died Nov. 30, 1850, near Marion, Perry Co., Ala. Samuel died Oct. 2, 1847, at the same place. Rev. services accepted by U. S. D. A. R.

John, (2nd child above), b. 1766, md. Nancy Ann Gardner, daughter of Isaac Gardner (who was Rev. Soldier from N. C.) (See Chapter on this couple). She had a sister Mary b. April 12, 1777, d. Sept. Sept. 1845, who md. Benj. Boydstun, (4th child above), b. Sept. 18, 1776, d. April 1, 1851. A large family was born to them, whose history may be found in a separate Chapter. John and Benjamin both moved to Illinois with their young families.

The place of residence of the family of James Boydstone and Mary Prewett at Fredricksburg and Hagerstown, Md., was on the original Santee and Teepee Indian Trails along the rivers.

FRAGMENTARY RECORDS OF BOYDSTUNS PERHAPS AND THIS FAMILY

In Judge Lyman Chalkley's, Abstracts from the

Records of Old Augusta County, Virginia, a suit "Thomas Boydstone vs. Sheppard" is to be found.

This Thomas Boydstone was stated to be very old, without either wife or children. He evidently lived at Berkeley, up in the mountains, very near the Maryland line, a short distance from Hancock, now in West Virginia.

He had bought land in Augusta County, Va., in 1761, it seems.

William Boidstone of Orange Co., N. C. signed a petition there in 1768.

CHALKLEY MS. ON AUGUSTA CO., VA.

1761—Boydstone. Thomas bought land in Augusta Co., Va.

1762—Thomas was of Berkeley Co.

1797—Thomas *very* old and no children.

Benjamin.

Presley.

These three were brothers, and John Welch was a brother-in-law of Benjamin Boydstone; they md. sisters. There were no families of this name residing in Maryland in 1790.

IN VIRGINIA

George Boydstone with a family of 7 whites in Monongalia Co., in 1782.

IN SOUTH CAROLINA

George Boydstone, 1 male over 16 and 1 female, Camden District.

Wuldrin Boydstone, 1 male over 16 and 1 female and 1 slave, same place.

IN NORTH CAROLINA

James Boydstone, 3 males over 16 and 1 female.

James Boydstone, Jr., 1 male over 16 and 1 female, and 2 males under 16.

Samuel Boydstone, 1 male over 16 and 1 female, and 1 male under 16.

These three were in Morgan District, Rutherford County.

In the "Abstract of N. C. Wills, 1690-1670, page 43, appears the following "Boyintone, Joseph, Chowan Precinct. September 25, 1738. January 1738. Brother and Executor: Benjamin Boyintone of Gloster, New England. Friend: John Richards of Edenton. Witnesses: Abner Blackall, Thomas Mortimore, James Mitchell. Clerk of the Court: James Craven."

In the Morgan District, Rutherford Co., N. C., 14th Company (this probably means district) in the 1790 census of N. C., page 120, there was a James Boidstone, Sr., a James Boidstone, Jr., also a Samuel Boidstone.

COPIED FROM PENSION CLAIMS AS FOLLOWS:

William Boydston whose claim was for military service rendered in N. C. and Va.

He applied for his pension 27, May, 1833 when he was 80 years of age and a resident of Cooke Co., Tenn. He testified that he was born in Frederick Co., Md. 24, March, 1753 according to family records which he now has, that his father moved when he was a small boy to Hampshire Co., Va. and he was raised there; he again moved into Montgomery Co., Va., where he resided until 1776. It was here he first

joined the militia to fight against the Shawnee and Cherokee Indians.

He moved once again in 1780 from Va. to Washington Co., N. C. but he does not mention when he moved to Cooke Co., Tenn.

There is no census for Tenn. nor Ky. for 1790 and no William Boydston in the other States unless the "Wildrum" in Camden Dist., S. C. is meant for him; he had a family of one male over 16 and one female over 16, and one slave.

Another Boydston to receive a pension was Samuel who was the eldest son of our ancestor, James Boydston.

Samuel appears in Perry Co., Ala. on 5 July, 1833, giving his age as 70 years, claiming to have been born in Frederick Co., Md. He isn't as explicit in his peregrinations as William was but says he lived in Jones Co., N. C. at that time, but later it was the eastern part of Tenn., moving from there to Pendleton District, S. C., thence to Perry Co., Ala.

In 1838 he applies to have his pension transferred to him in Miss., as all his children except the youngest are married and away from home, so he is going to Mississippi to live with his youngest son, Jesse.

In 1845 he was living in Jackson Co., Miss.

Land Records of
JAMES BOIDSTONE
AND WIFE
MARY PREWETT
Copy of Entry
James Boyilston
100 Acres

Rutherford Co.
 North Carolina
 W. N. Everett
 Secretary of State
 By A. L. Fleming
 Grant Clerk
 File 0171

File 0171—Rutherford County

No. 714 State of North Carolina David Miller
 Entry Office of Claims for lands in the County of
 Rutherford, to the surveyor of said County Greeting.

You are hereby Required as soon as may be to lay
 of and survey for James Boyilston a tract or parcel of
 land Co. Containing a hundrid acres Lying in the
 County aforesead Lying on Boyilstons Creek on Both
 Sides Joyning his one Land & the Widow Anne
 Milles on the Weast Side of french Broad River for
 Compliment observing the Directions of an act of As-
 sembly in such Case made and provided for runing
 out lands Two just and fair plats of such survey with
 a proper Certificate annexed to Each you are to
 Transmit to the secretary's office without Delay given
 under my hand at office this firty Day Janery ano
 Domina 1790.

DAVID MILLER, *Et.*

COPY OF GRANT
 James Boydston
 100 Acres
 Rutherford Co.
 North Carolina
 W. N. Everett,
 Secretary of State

By A. G. Fleming,
Grant Clerk

From Book 79, Page 428, File 811

Book 79

Page 428

File 811

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

No. 746. Know ye that we have granted unto James Boydston one hundred Acres of Land in our County of Rutherford joining his own and Ann Mills Lines on Boydstons creek. Beginning at a white oak running then West one hundred and twenty seven poles to a black oak on a hill then North one hundred and twenty seven poles to a Stake then East one hundred and twenty seven poles to a Stake then to the Beginning To Hold to the said James Boydston his heirs and assigns forever dated 28th Novr., 1792.

J. GLASGOW, *Secretary.*

ALEX MARTIN.

COPY OF GRANT

To

JAMES BOYDSTUN

200 Acres

Rutherford Co.

North Carolina

W. N. Everett,

Secretary of State

By A. L. Fleming,

Grant Clerk

Book 75, Page 381, File 603

Book 75,

Page 381,

File 603.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

No. 621. Know ye that we have granted unto James Boydston Two Hundred Acres of land in our County of Rutherford on the West side of French Broad River, including the mouth of Deep Creek. Beginning at a black oak Anny MILLS Corner then South twenty seven West up the river two hundred and thirty poles to a stake then North seventy four West one hundred and fifty poles to a stake then as appears by the plan. To hold to the said James Boydston his heirs and assigns forever dated the 4th of January, 1792.

ALEX MARTIN.

J. GLASGOW, *Secretary*.

James Boydston
Grant 400 Acres
Logan County
EXAMINED AND RECORDED
Book 8, Page 98
No. 3978

Fee \$

CHARLES SCOTT, *Esq.*

Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL
COME, GREETING:

KNOW YE, That by virtue and in consideration of a Certificate No. 815 granted by the County of Logan in August 1803, agreeably to an Act of Assembly for settling and improving the vacant lands of this Commonwealth, there is granted by the said Commonwealth unto James Boydston a certain Tract or Parcel of Land containing Four Hundred acres, by survey,

bearing date the 4th day of June and
four lying and being in the county of Logan on
each side of Big Whipperwill and bounded as fol-
loweth-to-wit-beginning at a white oak and large black
standing on the East bank of the Creek running South
32 West 120 poles crossing the Creek to a stake and
two black jack saplings thence South 30 East cross-
ing the Creek at 106 poles in all 115 poles to Bayleys
line thence with his line due East 260 poles to his
corner two black oaks thence due North 175 poles to
a post oak thence North 62 West 220 poles to a black
jack thence South 40 West 100 poles to the Begin-
ning. With its appurtenances: TO HAVE and to
HOLD the said Tract or Parcel of Land with its ap-
purtenances, to the said James Boydston and his heirs
forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Charles Scott,
Esq., Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky,
hath hereunto set his hand, and caused the Seal of
the said Commonwealth to be affixed at Frankfort, on
the 22nd day of March in the year of our Lord
eighteen hundred and ten and of the Commonwealth
the eighteenth.

By the Governor CHARLES SCOTT.

J. BLEDSOE, *Secretary of State*

Copy Attest: W. H. SHANKS, *Auditor*

By A. M. EDWARD, *Assistant Auditor*

IV

FOURTH GENERATION

SAMUEL BOYDSON

(Son of James Boydson and Mary Prewett)

AND WIFE

SARAH REED

IV

Samuel Boydston was born near Fredericksburg, Md., March 15, 1762.

He married Sarah Reed who was born near Spartansburg, S. C., March 22, 1768, and died Nov. 30, 1850, near Marion in Perry County, Ala.

Samuel died Oct. 21, 1847, in Perry County, Ala.

Samuel Boydston enlisted in the Rev. Army from Jones County, N. C., April 1779, at the age of 17. His record can be found in the Department of Interior.

THE CHILDREN OF SAMUEL BOYDSTUN AND SARAH REED

1. Jesse, md. Ursula Miles (see following page).
2. Thomas, under General Florey in S. C. in War of 1812.
3. Levi, a Baptist preacher, md. Nancy Eakin.
4. Nathan, md. Sarah Lloyd.
5. Benjamin, a college graduate, settled in Texas, md. Selina Roberts.
6. Syntha, md. Jonathan Perry.
7. Sabra, md. Jack Harmon.
8. Polly, md. Jack Eakin.

RECORD OF JESSE BOYDSTUN

Jesse Boydston, b. Nov. 20, 1788, d. July 22, 1867, son of Samuel Boydston and wife Sarah Reed, md. March 25, 1824, Ursula Miles.

Jesse was born Nov. 20, 1788 Pendleton, Anderson County, S. C., and died July 22, 1867, near Philadelphia, Neshoba Co., Miss. He was a soldier

in the War of 1812, whose record is to be found in Dept. of Interior, Washington, D. C. He was md. to Ursula Miles, b. Mar. 25, 1824, near Birmingham, Jefferson Co., Ala., and died June 15, 1888, near Philadelphia, Neshoba County, Miss.

CHILDREN OF JESSE BOYDSTUN AND URSULA MILES

1. John Quincy, b. 1825, Jan.
2. Marcissy, b. 1825, Dec. Died in early childhood.
3. Sabra Jane, b. 1827, md. John Dixon.
4. Benjamin Franklin, b. 1828, md. Martha Clarendon Owens. (See attached genealogy).
5. Emily, b. 1829, md. John Morris.
6. James Guthrie, b. 1831, d. 1912, md. 1862, Martha Fincher, d. June, 1881. (See attached genealogy).
7. Samuel Young, b. 1833, killed in Civil War, 1863.
8. Eliza, b. 1835, d. 1883, md. James Crocker, d. 1862, md. 2nd. John Majure.
9. Martha, b. 1837, md. James Calloway.
10. Sarah Licena, b. 1840, md. James Miller.
11. Matthew, H., b. 1845, md. Lizzie Little.

NOTE—Ira Boydstun writes under date of Sept. 21, 1927: My people came from Tennessee to Arkansas, from Arkansas to Texas. I have three great uncles, Horace, David and Boaz Boydstun whom I visited this last summer, living in Arkansas.

My grandfather settled near Fort Worth, Texas about 35 years ago. And my father moved to that city when I was about two years old. We have lived there seventeen years.

I am studying for the ministry at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, now.

NOTE—The author is unable to give his genealogy.

THE CHILDREN OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BOYDSTUN
AND MARTHA CLARENDON OWENS

Benjamin Franklin, b. Sept. 22, 1863, md. Essie McBride (b. Oct. 24, 1869, in Winnsboro, Texas), had one daughter, Lucile, married to Ake Hago Haeggstrom (separate history in author's Foreword).

Bessie, md. Thomas Little, had four children: Willie, Charles, Edith, Benjamin.

James, md. Annie Garret, two children: Bessie, md. Albert Chappel; Bruen.

Samuel, killed by Indians on the line of Nebraska and Dakota. He and his partner, R. E. Fletcher, owned many cattle and both were killed by wild Indians.

William, died in Jefferson, Texas, March 6, 1892, unmarried, b. 1860, Houston.

Justus, b. June 21, 1850, d. March 1883, in Jefferson, Texas, Marion County.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BOYDSTUN

(b. Sept. 22, 1863)

AND WIFE,

ESTHER McBRIDE

(b. Oct. 25, 1869)

Daughter: Lucile, md. Ake Hugo Haeggstrom, 2 children: Ake, Jr., Nov. 18, 1919; Esther, Nov. 2, 1922.

(See Mention in "Word by the Author").

CHILDREN OF BESSIE BOYDSTUN AND THOMAS LITTLE

Willie Little and C. M. Price:

Chas. Merideth, b. Jan. 27, 1916.

Justus Vernon, b. Oct. 13, 1919.

Ouida Belle, b. July 1, 1922.

Willie Maxine, b. June 19, 1924.

Edith Lucile, b. Oct. 6, 1913.

Their present home is at Greenville, Texas, where
C. M. Price is clerk in Tax Collector's Office.

Edith md. Homer Wright. Their children are:

Zelda Mae, b. Feb. 20, 1916.

Homer, b. Sept. 12, 1919.

Samuel, b. October 30, 1921.

Breuster Thomas, b. Dec. 14, 1923.

Charles, Md. (?).

Benjamin, unmarried.

CHILDREN OF REVEREND JAMES GUTHRIE BOYDSTUN

the son of Jesse Boydstun and wife, Ursula Miles

(b. 1831, d. 1912)

AND WIFE, MARTHA FINCHER

(b. 1831, d. 1888)

(md. 1862)

1. James Fincher, b. 1864, md. Lila Moore.

2. Eva, b. Feb. 2, 1865, md. Rev. Robt. Foster
Johnston. D. A. R. Member No. 117616. (See men-
tion in Historic. Sketch.,

Son—Donald. Dau.—Winona, Secy. Rel. Ed.,
1st. Pr. Church, Flint, Michigan.

3. Susan Ursula, b. Dec. 6, 1866, md. Rev. Robt. Alex Cody.

4. Rev. Irving Guthrie, b. 1875, d. 1911, md. Mabel Martin.

Mabel Martin, b. Chattanooga, Tenn., May 10, 1883. Daughter of Rev. Geo. W. Martin of Cumberland, Pres. Ch., later Pres., U. S. A.

Married to Rev. Irving G. Boydstun, June 29, 1905, at Osaka, Japan, in home of Rev. Geo. Van Horn. Ceremony performed by Rev. Wm. F. Hereford and Rev. J. B. Hail of Pres. fame. U. S. Consul Sharp of Kobe, Japan, witness for civil ceremony.

Guthrie Martin Boydstun, b. Changtehfu, Hunan, China, May 8, 1906.

Edith Boydstun, b. Kuling, China, Sept. 6, 1907, d. Shenchowfu, China, Jan. 1, 1908.

Rev. Irving G. Boydstun, d. at Meridian, Miss., January 30, 1909.

NOTE—Rev. Boydstun had brought his wife home after her nervous collapse thinking to bury her, but by his care, prayer, etc., she recovered and he succumbed to complications arising from tropical malaria contracted in China.

Mabel M. Boydstun, md. Aug. 23, 1912, at Savannah, Ga., to Prof. Wm. Luther Newsom.

5. Vernetta, b. 1868, d. 1869.

6. Winona, b. 1871, d. 1901.

7. Marvin, b. 1878, md. Lucy Phipps, b. 1858.

Above records found in Bible of Rev. Francis Marion Fincher (father of Martha Fincher, who was wife of Rev. James Guthrie Boydstun.

EVA BOYDSTUN JOHNSTON.

*State of Florida**County of Pinellas*

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 25th day of January, A. D., 1927.

JOE P. CLARK,

Notary Public in and for Pinellas County, Florida.

Dear Cousin Gustine:

We are glad to be included in this little volume of the Boydstun descendants. Our history begins with Samuel Boydstun who was a soldier in the war of the American Revolution. He was born in Frederick County, Maryland (Near Baltimore). Educated in William and Mary College, and married Sarah Reed. His eldest son, Jesse, was my father's father and was a pioneer school teacher in the states of Alabama and Mississippi. He was a soldier in the war of 1812 and married Ursula Miles, daughter of Jacob Miles of Jefferson County, Alabama.

However, it is of his son, James Guthrie Boydstun and his family that I must speak of most intimately. He, James Guthrie, was born in Neshoba county, (near Philadelphia) Mississippi. He was educated in Cumberland University, Tennessee, both in the literary and the theological departments, and from which he later received the degree of Doctor of Divinity. During the civil war he was a confederate soldier under Robert E. Lee. At the close of the war he was married to Martha Fincher, a daughter of Rev. Francis Fincher. Rev. Dr. Boydstun was a pioneer preacher of the Presbyterian Church of most unusual

force in the state of Mississippi, and, as was much needed in those days, assistant in the schools of the time. This entire state is richer today because of his life and labors, and though almost a century has passed since his birth, there are still many homes in this as well as other states where his name is held in sacred memory.

His eldest son, James Fincher Boydstun, was born August 16, 1863 and educated in Mississippi A. & M. College later received his Master's degree from Columbia University, N. Y., and has been a teacher in the Brooklyn City schools for about 30 years. He is also a writer of some ability—on social and political ideals, his writings being recognized in our different Presbyterian periodicals, and the New York Times, and the Brooklyn Daily Eagle. He married Miss Lila Moore of Long Island, and has one son, John Merwin Boydstun, b. Sept. 20, 1900, who was educated in Brown University, and married on January 26, 1926 Miss Mildred Weeks, of Richmond Hill, New York.

The next a daughter, Eva Boydstun, who is now Mrs. Johnston, was educated in Cooper Institute. Was married to Rev. Robert F. Johnston, who received his Master's degree from Lebanon, Ohio. Together they did a most efficient missionary work under the Board of Missions of the Presbyterian church in Western North Carolina and East Tennessee. Rev. Johnston was pastor of churches in Erwin, Tenn. and Water Valley, Miss. During the last twelve years of his life he was a director of Sabbath schools under the Presbyterian Sabbath School board, in the states of

Mississippi and Florida. Mrs. Eva Boydstun Johnston still resides in Clearwater, Florida where she is a teacher of history in the high school. Their daughter, Winona Wade Johnston graduated from Maryville College, Tennessee, and is now employed as director of religious education in the First Presbyterian church of Flint, Mich. The son, Donald Boydstun Johnston, attended the University of Florida, though still young he is helping to develop aviation—had his training as student aviator by appointment from Washington as cadet. In February this year he had the honor of being the first commuter from Chicago to St. Petersburg, Florida by plane, making the distance in 16 hours entirely alone, and in very adverse weather. He is now beginning the establishing of a plane manufactory, with special features of his own.

Winona Boydstun, third daughter of Dr. Boydstun, was one of the most talented of the family. She died at the early age of 30 years, but was associated in Home Mission Work with her sister and brother-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Johnston. She was an outstanding teacher, and a much loved writer of short stories for the Presbyterian Advance and the Sunday School Times. She was well known all over the church in the South.

The next child, a son, Irving Guthrie Boydstun, took his B. A. and Theological degrees from Cumberland University, Tenn., and after five years of service in China, gave his life in the cause. He was married to Mabel Martin, daughter of Rev. George Martin, D. D. They have one son, Guthrie Martin

Boydstun, now in school in Washington City, where his mother resides.

The youngest child, a son, Marvin V. Boydstun, now living in Asheville, N. C., received his training in the A. & M. College, Miss., and taught with his sisters in the Mission Schools of Western N. C., and later took a Mechanics degree in Detroit, Michigan. He md. Miss Lucy Phipps of N. C. He was a soldier in the Spanish American War. This line of the Boydstun family has furnished men in the direct line and family name in every war in which the nation has engaged.

NOTE—The Johnstons we represent originally spelled the name *stone*, are from N. C., and Va., and represent the same family as Albert Sydney and Joseph E.

1315 19th Ave., Meridian, Miss.

August 18, 1927.

Dear Cousin Gustine:

I received a letter from my sister Mrs. Johnston this morning, asking me to send you a brief sketch of my family for your book. I hope this serves your purpose.

I thank you also for the blank and recommendation for Mayflower Historical Society which Mrs. Johnston sent to me. My husband Dr. Cody had to retire on account of failure of health three years ago. We have three boys who have not yet completed their preparation for life work. Irving Boydstun had planned to become a medical missionary when his father had to retire.

Dr. Cody is now convalescing here where I grew up and where he was pastor for twenty-five years—nearly, from a serious operation. I hope to be able to keep up my D. A. R. membership. My membership is now in Jacksonville, Florida.

After Sept. 1, I will be, or hope to be, at home once more at Penney Farms, Florida, Memorial Community, Box 92.

With all good wishes to you in all your undertakings, I am

Yours truly,

SUSAN BOYDSTUN CODY.

(Wife of Rev. Robert A. Cody).

P. O. Box 92, Memorial Community,
Penny Farms, Florida.

Susan Ursula Boydstun (usually called Sumie), daughter of Rev. James Guthrie Boydstun and Martha V. Fincher Boydstun. Was reared and married and lived most of her life in Meridian, Miss. Wife of pastor twenty-one years. Graduated from Cooper's Institute, Daleville, Miss.; Degree M. A. Md. Robert Alexander Cody; his degrees are M. A., Bethel College, Tenn.; M. A., Cumberland University Seminary (now Lane, Cincinnati, Ohio), Lebanon, Tenn.; D. D., Cumberland University (Presbyterian Minister, U. S. A.)

CHILDREN OF ROBT. A. AND SUSAN BOYDSTUN CODY

1. Edward Franklin, graduate, Lane Seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1927 B. D. Md. Mamie Pleasants, Roxboro, N. C. Ordained and md. while a school-boy. Served first as Private in France, World War; then as Chaplain. First Lieut. in Infantry. Pastor

Linn St. Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati, O. 1923-1927.

2. Robert Alexander, jr.; Maryville and Meridian, High. Also in World War in France. Md. Hazel Bates, East St. Louis, Ill. Was in Radio Service, Balloon Co.

3. Irving Boydstun, graduate Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn. Degree B. S., 1925.

4. James Alden, graduate Cumberland Prep. Student, Florida University. 19 years of age (1927).

5. Joseph Fincher, student Greencove Springs High, 16 years (1927). Present address Penny Farms, Florida.

NOTE BY THE AUTHOR—There was a W. J. Boydstun of Boyd, Texas, who was a descendant of Thomas Jefferson Boydstun, whose three sons were as follows:

1. Thomas Boydstun, b. in Tenn.

2. Jefferson Boydstun, died in Jack County, Texas.

3. David Boydstun, lived and died in Benton Co., Ark. He had six boys and three girls: Eliza, Mary, and another; Thomas, David, Abraham, William, Harry, and John.

FOURTH GENERATION

JOHN BOYDSTUN

(b. 1766)

(The son of James Boydstun and Mary Prewett)

AND WIFE

NANCY ANN GARDNER

The only child of this marriage known to the author is as follows:

Benjamin Franklin Boydstun (son of John Boydstun and Nancy Ann Gardner) b. May 21, 1811, d. Dec. 14, 1882, and Mary Elizabeth Isabelle Crenshaw, b. Jan. 21, 1818, d. July 22, 1892.

Benjamin Franklin Boydstun married Elizabeth Isabelle Crenshaw July 26, 1837, in Henry County, Tenn.; her native state is Virginia, Hanover County. She is a daughter of David Crenshaw, also a granddaughter of David Crenshaw, and great granddaughter of Monroe Crenshaw. Settled at Rockwall, Texas. Benjamin Franklin Boydstun was the first school teacher there and taught there many years. He owned a huge tract of land, 12 miles square. It is now the county of Rockwall, Texas.

(Records copied from the old family Bible of this couple, by the author of this book):

BIRTHS

Sarah Frances, b. in Adams Co., Ill., July 14, 1839, d. Dec. 12, 1871.

Harriet Merinda, b. in Hancock Co., Ill., Jan. 10, 1842, d. Sept. 9, 1919.

John David, b. in Warren Co., Ill., July 17, 1844.

Mary Jane, b. in Abingdon, Warren Co., Ill., Oct. 1, 1846.

Marthy Isabelle, b. in Kaufman Co., Tex., Jan. 5, 1850.

Elizabeth Louisa, b. in Kaufman Co., Texas, Feb. 10, 1851.

Nancy Ellen, b. in Kaufman Co., Texas, Feb. 5, 1854.

Amanda Ann Eliza, b. in Kaufman Co., Texas, May 1, 1857.

Benj. William Thomas, b. in Kaufman Co., Texas, Feb. 24, 1860.

MARRIAGES

Benjamin Franklin Boydstun and Mary Elizabeth Isabelle Crenshaw, July 26, 1857 in Henry Co., Tenn.

Harriet Merinda and Frank Clark, 1864.

Sarah Frances and Presley E. Smith, Jan. 16, 1859.

John David and Lizzie Tucker, Jan. 6, 1869.

Mary Jane and Wm. H. Vaught, Jan. 24, 1869.

Marthy Isabelle and A. B. Gardenhire, Sept. 8, 1869.

Elizabeth Louisa and Presley E. Smith, 1871.

Nannie Ellen and A. L. Gardenhire.

Benjamin William Thomas and Elizabeth Fincher, 1891, 1st wife.

DEATHS

Benj. Franklin Boydstun, Dec. 14, 1882.

Mary Elizabeth Isabelle Boydstun, July 22, 1892.

Descendants live at Rockwall, Texas, and Baird, Texas and Kent, Washington.

NOTE—Mention is made of the ancestors of the above in the following chapter, on Benjamin Boydstun and his wife, Mary Gardner, as the husbands were brothers and the wives sisters.

FAMILY OF JOHN DAVID BOYDSTUN

John David Boydstun, son of Benjamin F. and Mary E. Boydstun, b. July 17, 1846, at Abingdon, Ill.; md. Elizabeth Ann Tucker, Jan. 7, 1869, at Rockwall, Texas. The following children born in Rockwall:

Dora Isabel Boydstun, b. Dec. 6, 1869. Md. J. C. Barringer at Rockwall, Texas, Nov. 12, 1889.

Benjamin Louis Boydstun, b. Feb. 24, 1871; md. Lula Starnes of Scottsboro, Ala., March 2nd., 1892. She died Feb. 1918.

Cora Ann Boydstun, b. April 22nd, 1873; md. William McDonald Henson of Mexia, Texas, May 17th, 1892; now resides in Kansas City, Mo.

William David Boydstun, b. Jan. 16, 1875, md. Dora Maud McGowan of Baird, Texas, June 1st., 1898.

John Eddie Boydstun, b. March 26th, 1879, d. June 6, 1882.

Myrtle E. Boydstun, b. May 8, 1881.

Charles Eldon Boydstun, b. Jan. 18, 1884; md. Patty Dickie of Weatherford, Texas, Jan. 15, 1913; now living at Brawley, Calif.

GRANDCHILDREN OF JOHN DAVID BOYDSTUN

Corine Barringer, md. Everet Driskill; now resides at Baird, Texas.

Coranell Boydstun, md. C. S. Gee of Greenville, Texas. Now resides at Baird, Texas.

Willie Boydstun, md. J. O. Moore; now resides in Kansas City, Mo.

Catherine Boydstun, md. Charles O. Keilty of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Now in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Lula Mae Boydstun, md. Ben L. Russel, Jr., of Baird.

Bula Boydstun, md. John P. Work of Baird, Texas.

Bessie Boydstun, deceased.

Isabel Henson, md. George Masters; resides in Topeka, Kansas.

Martha Henson, md. Phil. A. French, Kansas City, Mo.

FOURTH GENERATION

BENJAMIN BOYDSTUN

*(The youngest son of James Boydstun and
Mary Prewett)*

AND WIFE

MARY GARDNER

THE FAMILY OF BENJAMIN BOYDSTUN AND
MARY GARDINER

Benjamin Boydstun was about twenty-six years old when he and his wife accompanied his father, James Boydstun, and wife, Mary Prewett, from Rutherford County, North Carolina, to Logan County, Kentucky. The farm on which they settled in Kentucky is referred to in the historic sketch of this book. It was granted to James Boydstun by Governor Scott in the year 1804 and comprised 400 acres.

According to a letter received by me, December 14th, 1925, from Logan County, Kentucky Abstract Company, I quote the following description of the location of this farm—today:

“We find of record in the early surveyors book a patent of a tract of land to Mr. James Boydstun, as noted in your letter; we have looked the record of this land down and find that it was located about three to four miles south of the present town (county seat) Russellville, on one or both sides of the Orndorff Mill road, and on the waters of Whipoorwill Creek, a part of this tract seems now to be owned by a man

by the name of J. A. Robertson of this County. There are now no people by the name of Boydstun in this County, either as land owners or as tax-payers."

Descendants of John Boydstun, another son of this James Boydstun (who owned the 400 acres of land in Logan County), have family history, which gives the information that not only Benjamin and wife, Mary Gardiner, but also John (his brother) and wife, Nancy Ann Gardiner (these wives were sisters), resided with their father on portions of this 400 acres tract of land in Kentucky, having all moved together from North Carolina about 1800, or soon after Daniel Boone left North Carolina, for the "New lands" of Kentucky. Up to 1790 what is now known as Kentucky was still a part of Virginia. The trading place for all the settlers at this time, in this part of Kentucky, was Bowling Green in Warren County. To this place they often drove for supplies. Their farm was a day's journey from the regions of Mammoth Cave near Glasgow. They subsequently owned farms in Barren Co., Ky. also.

In 1832, John Boydstun and wife, Nancy Ann Gardner, and Benjamin and wife, Mary Gardner, came to Illinois. There were a large number of children (double cousins) in this migration, belonging to these two families. Benjamin Boydstun took up land of the Government. The location of this 160 acres was in Cedar township, 10 north, 1 east, Knox County, Ill. (See copy of these land deeds at end of this sketch).

They felled the trees here, as had been done by their forbears in Maryland, North Carolina, and in

Kentucky—of the primeval forests—that they might erect log habitations for their families. Then they assisted their neighbors in building a log church and a school house, that they might worship God, and that their children might be educated.

Much has been said of the fortitude and heroism of the Pioneer fathers of these early days. We are indeed glad that their courage and valor has been recorded with emphasis and unflagging zeal. Yet the regret comes to us often that so little has been said of the pioneer women.

“Weaving through all the poor details
And homespun warp of circumstance,
A golden woof-thread of romance” that today is
Heritage!

It was these noble women

“That made the home and kept the hearth fires
burning

They spun and wove and tilled the barren soil,
They met each day’s return with patient trusting,
And murmured not through all the weary toil.”

(Copied from *Pilgrim Mothers*, by Mrs. Noyes).

They were an important part of all the events that went to make up each weary and danger filled day and night. It seems fitting at last to depict some what of the part these sturdy, thrifty, courageous women played as Pioneers.

Recently, a plan was made that a chime of bells should be placed in the tower of the Pilgrim Monument at Provincetown and dedicated to the women of the May Flower by their descendants. More recently



SARAH FRANCES BOYDSTUN

JOHN GUSTINE COURSON

The parents of the author of the book
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still, a statue has been modelled of a Pilgrim woman, for erection at Plymouth in their memory. In the noble monument, erected by the nation to The Pilgrims, a woman is the exalted figure, who holds the book and gazes over the sea. Patriotism, firmness, thrift, decision, resourcefulness, are characteristics of theirs, which are our priceless possession today, and about their noble brows would I place the chaplet of "Rosemary—for Remembrance."

James Boydstun (the son of Benjamin Boydstun and Mary Gardner) married, in Knoxville, Ill., April 22, 1840, by Reverend John Crawford, Nancy Roberson, (who was born in Barren County, but near Bowling Green, which is in Warren County, Kentucky). Their daughter, Sarah, was my mother. In her own handwriting, lying before me on my desk, as I pen this message to my kinsmen—is a description of the toil and homemaking of her early days, as taught her by her frugal and wise mother and grandmother, in the original homestead house of logs, as the son James and his little family resided with Benjamin and Mary Gardner Boydstun.

My mother drew for me into a book in which I asked her to write for my own keeping this story of her girlhood, a pen and ink picture of the log house and the log school house where she early went to school, and a pen and ink picture of her spinning wheel. These I share with the readers of this book.

Sarah Frances Boydstun was born Jan. 2, 1843, married John Gustine Courson, October 9, 1866.

MY MOTHER'S PAGE

(Written for my daughter, Gustine Courson Weaver)

My earliest recollection is visits of the Indians as grandfather's log house was built beside the Iroquois Indian Trail. I learned from father to count in the Indian language as he knew these Indians intimately—having been reared with them running all over the farm and pastures—and also their well beaten trail that intersected the Boydstun homestead.

My father and mother were very strict. We got a good many whippings. Sister Jane and I were the oldest children, she being eighteen months older than I, and mother often told me that what mischief I could not think of Jane thought of. One time we ran away to Uncle James Holland's. They lived about a quarter of a mile south of our place. One of our parents came after us, and whipped us all the way home. I guess that was enough for us, for we never ran away any more.

I started to school when I was four years old. I went with Sister for Company. We had to walk one and three-quarters miles to the little log schoolhouse, built in the edge of the timber. It had a large fire place in the west end which took up about half of the end of the house. The teacher and the large boys would carry in great back-logs, and lay them against the back of the chimney, then make a fire in front of them.

Our seats were rough board benches. Augur holes were sawed through each end, two in each end, then big wooden pegs put into these holes for legs. There we would sit and get up and recite our letters first. After that, when we knew all our letters, the teacher

taught us to spell. When we could spell, then we read all that was in the Elementary Speller, as it had some writing in it. Then, next, we learned the abbreviations. These all had to be memorized. I soon got through the first reader, then the second, then the directors had a new frame school house built within three-quarters of a mile of our house. I was about six years old at this time.

I was born on January 2nd. The following spring in April, when my father and mother went to camp to make sugar from the hard maple trees, they laid me in a sugar trough to sleep, so my first cradle was a sugar trough out in the woods; and my sister, Jane, rocked me while my parents made sugar.

When I was a young girl we had singing classes. Our teacher was "Brother Paine," who lived in Iowa. He belonged to the Christian Church Disciples of Christ. He had several schools in different places. He gave twenty-five lessons or more, according to the number of scholars he had. He got a dollar a scholar. I was one of these scholars. Our first lesson, he put on the blackboard. For about five nights he did this. After that, he gave the lessons from the blackboard until recess, and then after recess, we had singing from the song book. These books cost \$1.25 apiece.

He tried our voices, two of us at a time. The first winter, he put me on the alto side. You see, it scared me when he tried my voice, and I did not reach as high as I could. The next winter, he tried my voice, and put me on the soprano side, and that was where I wanted to be.

He also had a school at Indian Point, and asked us to go there and get the benefit of that school free. My

cousin, Robert Grounds, we called him "Bob," took his sister, Tilda, and me, we went quite often, so that was two lessons a week we got for a dollar. The name of our book was "Sabbath Bell." The last half of the book had church music in it, and we sang that often.

The next singing school we had, Jerome Murphy taught it. He charged one dollar for all the young men, and that paid for the girls. Brother William paid for me and took me. We always had such fine times at singing school.

As to our day schools, we had so many Spelling Bees. As I was considered a good speller, they meant a great deal to me. We use to have these Spelling Schools or Spelling Bees about once a week in the evening. Indian Point School would come to spell our Cross Lane School down. It was hard for them, because we had about six good spellers. In return, part of our school or all of them would go to their place to spell them down. Then, in the summer times of evenings, we had singing parties at our place, and the Callisons, and Grounds', and Byrams', quite often. We would sing till a late hour, and have good order and the best of times.

Mother was not very strong physically, so Sister Jane and I had to do the cooking, washing, and ironing. I made me a calico dress at eleven years of age. I sat by the bed where mother was lying, and she showed me how to put it together. Sister Jane and I began to spin with a large wheel before we could reach up to the spindle to run the thread on, so father fixed a board slanting it for us to walk up to fill the

brooch. When we got that filled, then we would go get the reel and reel it off. The reel "cracked" when we got 144 threads reeled on to it.

By the time I was about sixteen years old, father gave each of us a new spinning wheel. We use to spin in the same room, side by side. We would stand our singing books against the head of the wheel and I sang soprano, while Sister Jane sang alto. We would spin and sing hours at a time. These were the books we used when we attended singing school, called "Sabbath Bell."

"Lucindy" our best girl friend lived a quarter of a mile south of our home. Her father was a Methodist preacher and a farmer also; she had a splendid voice also. Sister Jane and I always opened our windows. We would sing one verse while we were spinning there, Lucindy would sing the next verse, while she was spinning with her window open. Thus back and forth through the morning, Lucindy and Sister Jane and I sang our songs from our books—as they were propped open on our three spinning wheels. Lucindy's voice carried across the meadow land to us as clear as a bell. Other settlers too listened to these songs of ours. Our lives were filled with much joy you see.

We would spin from eighteen to twenty-four cents worth, as it was referred to, a day.

We two girls did the milking in the summers in the morning before we commenced to do our day's work or spinning, and also did the milking in the evening, all of us going to bed about eight o'clock, as we got up about five.

Sister and I always got up after father made the kitchen fire, as we got breakfast after I was fifteen years old.

This piece of my spinning that you see, that I have fastened into this book, was woven when I was about fifteen years old. Sister Jane and I spun the rolls from forty-eight head of sheep. Every summer the wool was sheared from the sheep's backs by father and the boys, and then washed in the spring below the house by the women folk. Then we spread it all over the green grass about the yard of the home to dry in the sunshine. It generally dried in one day, then we would gather it all up and tie it into two blankets; then, the wool picking commenced. Mother helped us as we sat and picked all of this wool to pieces, getting out all the trash. Sometimes, we found a few sheep ticks along with the trash. When we got it all picked, we tied it into two blankets. Father would then take it to a carding machine, and have it carded into rolls for us. These rolls were put in bunches, about two hundred rolls in the bunch. When we got ready to spin, we would take one bunch and throw it across the wheel bench under the head of the wheel. It took us both two weeks to spin all of those rolls. Every fall we spun stocking yarn, then doubled and twisted it. That was always the last of the spinning for the year.

You have heard of the Old Kentucky Jean. This is a piece of father's and my two brothers' coat, vest and pantaloons. Mother always hired father's first cousin, who was a crippled daughter of Bartlett Boydstun and a tailoress by trade, to come to our house,

and make all of the men's suits for them. There are two different kinds that I have put in this book. One was colored with Indigo, and the other was colored with walnut bark peeled from off the walnut trees and put into twenty gallons of water in the outdoor coloring kettle that we had. We would make a fire under this kettle, and boil the skeins of yarn in this liquid, and leave it in there for several days. That made it dark brown. Sometimes we threw in pieces of the hulls of the walnut, as well, that father would get for us.

This piece is fifty-two years old. You see that it is faded somewhat, and you can see that the chain is of cotton. Jeans always had cotton chain, which mother bought and colored, just like she did the yarn; but it was much harder to color than wool thread or yarn. We would make up the jeans and bed blankets, if we used the cotton warp for them, one fall; then the next fall we would make up the linsey-woolsey, or flannel-linsey. Flannel-linsey is wool, both in the chain and filling. The chain has to be twisted as hard again as the filling does. We use to make Indigo blue dye and color the white cotton chain blue. That always made the best trousers and coats. These were made when I was about ten years old, or in 1853. I spun some on all of this cloth.

I do not remember when I began to spin. These two pieces of plaid flannels were made the same fall, between the two pieces of jeans. This wool came off from the same sheep's back.

The thread I tacked my comforters with was blue clouded yarn. I ravelled out old socks and stockings

to tack them with. When tied, the knots would bunch up and look nicer than the new yarn. We usually made petticoat material about one piece forty yards in a piece every two years, when we made our blankets. We had all of the sewing to do with a needle, all of the underclothes of the family being made also of flannel. We would use in our needles some of the chain that came off from the loom. When they took it off, there was about one-half or three-quarters of a yard of the chain that could not be woven. We always used all of that to sew our clothes with. I pieced a comforter with these pieces. Mother colored the blue, "clouding" it. We tied places around the skein with the cotton thread, just as tight as we could, about six or eight inches apart, and threw into the bluing pot. Then, after it was dried, we would cut this cotton thread off, and that would leave the pale blue places, while the rest of the skein was dark blue. We would always make some that way, and some just plain blue. Our stockings for the women and socks for the men all had white tops and white heels and toes. I well remember helping to gather the peach tree leaves to color the green thread in these pieces. I was about ten years old when we spun this blanket. I am sending them for you to see. You do not need to use them in your book unless you wish to.

Talk about women having to work so hard today. Just think how we had to make every thread in all these flannels, and knitting our stockings and mittens. I tell you we did not have many idle moments.

Lovingly, your Mother,

SARAH FRANCES BOYDSTUN COURSON.

It is gratifying to all of the great-grandchildren of Benjamin Boydstun and Mary Gardner that, in each event, splendidly built, well-furnished houses were erected wherein the next generation of children grew to maturity.

When Texas was to be admitted to the Union, several of Benjamin Boydstun's children came to Texas.

1. Malinda and husband, James Holland.

2. Mary (Polly) and husband, Isaac Lowe.

3. Bartlett Boydstun and wife, Isabelle Dawdy.

(Subsequently they returned to Illinois, where they lived the rest of their days).

4. Jacob Gardner Boydstun and wife, Drusilla Ground.

5. William Boydstun and wife, Nancy Dickerson.

Those who remained in Texas (near Midlothian in Ellis County) are buried close together in a picturesque country church yard.

BOYDSTUN RECORDS FROM BARREN COUNTY, KENTUCKY
FURNISHED BY THE COUNTY CLERK AT
GLASGOW, KY., AUGUST 1, 1927

MARRIAGES

Bartlett Boydston to Isabelle Dawdy, 1820.

Malinda Boydstrum, daughter of Benjamin, md.
James Holland, 1826.

John Boydstrum to Betsy Atterberry, 1826.

Mary B. Boydston, daughter of Benjamin, to Isaac
Lowe, 1826.

Sarah B. Boydston to John Dawdy, 1830. Benj.
Boydston security on bond.

Wm. Boydston to Nancy Dickinson, 1832.

DEEDS

Jan. 8, 1925, Deed from Daniel Spurlock to Bartlett Boydston, 50 acres of land in Barren County. Deed Book K. Page 49.

Nancy Boidston deed to Nathaniel Beckham, 49 acres, on Sinking Spring Creek, late of Warren County, now Barren, Nov., 1827. Book L, Page 155.

Bartlett Boydston deed to Jacob Gardner, 50 acres of land, Sept. 1829, Bartlett signs alone. John Boydston witness. Book M, Page 22.

Benj. Boydston and wife Mary, deed to Bob Pickett 110 acres on Sinking Spring Creek. Aug., 1833. Book N, Page 135.

Benjamin Boydston and wife, Mary Gardiner, sold their farm of 110 acres, located on Sinking Spring Creek, in Barren County, Ky., and moved to Illinois.

*ILLINOIS LAND RECORDS
OF
BENJAMIN BOYDSTUN
AND
MARY GARDNER
Certified Copy*

No. 2237.

THIS INDENTURE, made the twenty-third day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Seven, BETWEEN Robert Schuyler, Russel H. Nevins, William Couch, Abijah Fisher, and David Lee of the City of New York of the First Part, And Benjemine Boydston of Knox County and State of Illinois of the second part, WITNESSETH: That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Six hundred and forty

dollars, lawful money of the United States of America to them in hand paid, by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have remised, released, and quitclaimed and by these presents do remise, release and quitclaim unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all that certain piece or parcel of Land, Situate lying and being in the State of Illinois, in the tract appropriated by Acts of Congress for Military Bounties, known and described, as follows viz:

The North East quarter of Section Thirty-One, of Township Ten North, in Range One East, Containing one hundred and sixty acres be the same more or less. Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, and all the Estate, right, title, interest, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, as well in Law as in Equity of the said parties of the first part of in and to the above described premises and Every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances; TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, all and singular the above mentioned and described premises, together with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part and to his heirs and assigns, forever, And the said Robert Schuyler, Russell H. Nevins, William Couch, Abijah Fisher and David Lee, do severally and not jointly covenant, promise and agree to and with the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, Each for himself and his heirs executors and administrators that he hath not made, done, committed, executed or suffered any act or thing whatsoever,

whereby the above mentioned and described premises or any part or parcel thereof, now are or at any time hereafter shall or may be impeached, charged or incumbered, in any manner or way whatever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said parties of the first part, have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Sealed and Delivered in

PRESENCE Of

S. SHAW, JR.

ROBERT SCHULYER	L. S.
RUSSELL H. NEVINS	L. S.
WM. COUCH	L. S.
ABIJAH FISHER	L. S.
DAVID LEE	L. S.

STATE OF NEW YORK, City & County of
New York, ss.

On the third day of October One Thousand Eight hundred and thirty seven personally came before me S. Shaw, Jr., a subscribing witness to the within Indenture, with whom I am personally acquainted, who being by me duly sworn, did repose and say that he resides at the Astor House in the said City, that he knew Robert Schuyler, Russell H. Nevins, William Couch, Abijah Fisher and David Lee, the persons described in, and who executed the within indenture, that they acknowledged that they executed the same, for the uses, perposes and considerations therein mentioned, and that the said S. Shaw, Jr. subscribed his Name as a witness thereto.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name and caused my No-

L. S. tarial Seal of office to be hereunto affixed
the third day of October, in the year of our
Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and
thirty seven.

C. V. S. KANE,
Notary Public.

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
KNOX COUNTY

I, C. H. WESTERBERG, Clerk of the Circuit Court
and ex-officio Recorder in and for said County in the
State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the annexed is
a true and correct copy of the record of a certain Quit
Claim Deed and certificate thereto attached, filed in
my office as Document No. 2237 and recorded in Vol-
ume 4 of Deeds at Page 259.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed my official Seal, at Galesburg,
Illinois, this 27th day of January, A. D. 1927.

C. H. WESTERBERG,
*Clerk of the Circuit Court and ex-officio
Recorder of Knox County, Illinois.*

By K. M. GABRIELSON,
Deputy.

THE CHILDREN OF BENJAMIN BOYDSTUN

(b. Sept. 18, 1776, d. Apr. 1, 1851)

AND MARY GARDNER

(b. August 12, 1777, d. Sept., 1845)

(md. June 5, 1795)

Eleven children follow:

I. Sarah, b. Mar. 3, 1796, md. John Dawdy, buried in Kentucky.

1. Jefferson (settled in Missouri).

2. Jane—md, John Boydstun (double cousin).

Son—Thomas P., md. 1st. Miss Brown.

(1) Pearle.

(2) John.

Md. 2nd. Lou Holland.

Several children.

3. Isabelle—md. Thomas Roberson.

1. Ella—died young.

2. Lida—md. Sam Scott, no children.

3. John—md. Clara Cox, no children.

II. Eliza Ann Boydstun, b. July 3, 1817, md. Henry Ground.

Nine children follow:

1st. Robert Ground, md. Darthula Allen.

1. Emmet—md. Anna Aldrich (no issue).

2. Jennie—md. Elbert Norton (no issue).

2nd. Rhoda Matilda Ground md. Martin W. Allen.

1. Orlie—md. Gertrude Burnough.

(1) Esteleen.

(2) Russell.

(3) Ormond.

Estaleen teaches in Peoria, graduate of Lombard College, Galesburg.

Russell, traveling salesman.

Ormond, student at Perdue University.

2. Ernest Allen md. Linna Dunbar Campbell. Son, Norton in Calif. University. Live at Grossmont, Calif.

3rd. Sarah (died in infancy).

Fourth child of Eliza Anna Boydston and Henry Ground:

4th. Malinda Ann Ground—md. James N. Harshberger, 6 children.

James N. Harshberger, b. June 15, 1848, attended Hedding College, d. Oct. 11, 1910.

Malinda Ann Ground, b. Sept. 3, 1847, attended Abingdon College, d. Feb. 21, 1909. Md. Dec. 25, 1870 at Abingdon Christian Church by Rev. J. W. Butler.

1. Maud M. Harshberger, b. July 15, 1873, md. Geo. Clifton Trovillo, b. June 26, 1874, at Abingdon Christian Church, Sept. 18, 1895.

1. Helen Louise Trovillo, b. Sept. 6, 1896, and Woodman Lee Gibson, b. Feb. 21, 1895, at Lawrence, Kansas, md. at Linger Longer Farm, Nov. 7, 1917.

2. Audrey Maurine Trovillo, b. July 5, 1899 at DeKalb, Ill., md. Dec. 26, 1921. Robert Adrian Pendery, b. Jan. 16, 1898, of Ft. Worth, Texas.

3. Paul Vincent Trovillo, b. July 24, 1907, at Lawrence, Kans.

4. James Alden Trovillo, b. Aug. 16, 1909, at Lawrence, Kans.

5. George Clifton Trovillo, Jr., b. Nov. 6, 1913, at Lawrence, Kans.

W. L. Gibson and Helen L. Trovillo live in New York City, both attended Kansas University. W. L. a Sigma Chi.

1. W. L. Gibson, Jr., b. Feb. 21, 1924, d. Feb. 23, 1924.

2. Barbara Elaine Gibson, b. Aug. 7, 1925.

W. L. employed in National City Bank of New York.
Robt. A. Pendery and Maurine Trovillo, Roselle Park,
New Jersey.

1. Patricia Ann Pendery, b. Jan. 14, 1926.

2. Raymond Alden Pendery, b. July 7, 1927.

Both born in New York City.

Robt. A. Pendery is Cashier at Seth Thomas Clock
Co., New York City.

Maurine attended Hedding College and Knox College
Conservatory of Music.

Paul and Alden students at Knox College.

Geo. Jr., Abingdon High School.

2. Ethyl Harshberger, b. Feb. 28, 1875, md. Charles
H. Roberts, of Winfield, Kans., at Abingdon, Ill.,
June 3, 1896.

1. Russel Roberts, b. March, 1897 (died young).

2. Carol Jim Roberts.

Chas. H. Roberts, Dept. of History, Texas Christian
University, Ft. Worth, Texas.

Carol Jim Roberts graduated at T. C. U. in 1926,
and received Masters degree at Ann Arbor, Mich., in
1927. He is teaching now in Central High of Ft.
Worth, Tex. Alph Phi Sor.

3. Guy Ground Harshberger, b. April 23, 1877, d.
April 24, 1904, md. Maude Gorrill of Lawrence,
Kans., Jan. 15, 1903.

1. Helen Elizabeth Harshberger, b. Dec. 1903, at
Tallula, Ill.

Guy attended K. U. Only lacked three months of
graduating. Quit to accept position of manager of

lumber yard, which position was given up on account of ill health.

Daughter Helen Elizabeth graduated from K. U. Don't know name of Sorority and for three years has taught in Lawrence, Kansas schools.

4. Ava born Aug. 13, 1882, d. —.

5. Lester Harshberger, b. July 30, 1885, d. Nov. —. Bachelor.

6. Audrey Harshberger, b. March 12, 1890, at Abingdon, Ill., md. George Samuel Snoddy of Emporia, Kans., at Lawrence, Kans., Aug. 16, 1916.

1. Martha Louise Snoddy, b. Nov. 30, 1922, at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Audrey Snoddy attended Lawrence, Kansas High School and graduated from Kans. U. Mu Phi (musical sorority). Taught music in College at Tarkarra, Okla and Albion, Idaho.

George Snoddy (Ph. D.) graduate of Kans. U., and Clark U., (Mass). Professor in Utah U. for eight years and now teaching in Indiana U. at Bloomington.

Fifth child of Eliza Anna Boydstun and Henry Ground.

5. William Ground md. Kate Lewis (eleven children).

William Harrison Ground, b. Sept. 11, 1849, and Sarah Catherine Lewis, b. Oct. 9, 1859. Md. Dec. 6, 1876.

1. Minnie Laurilla Ground, b. Aug. 1, 1878, and William Harden Baugh, b. Oct. 23, 1875. Md. Dec. 31, 1896.

1. Elbert Ansel Baugh, b. July 3, 1898, and Lurye

- Denning, b. July 3, 1898. Md. June 24, 1925.
Elbert Richard Baugh, b. July 4, 1927.
2. Harold Arthur Baugh, b. Oct. 12, 1901, and
Danida Van Gilder, b. July 15, 1901. Md.
June 21, 1924.
Harold Robert Baugh, b. July 21, 1926.
3. Floyd William Baugh, b. Oct. 24, 1906.
4. Lawrence Marrion Baugh, b. March 25, 1910.
2. George Arda Ground, b. Mar. 24, 1880, and Maud
Curtis, b. Sept. 3, 1883. Md. June 7, 1906.
1. Eugene Ground, b. April 4, 1907.
2. Archibald Ground, b. Dec. 4, 1909.
3. Mabel Ground, b. Aug. 27, 1884, and Ross Rob-
erts, b. Feb. 27, 1887. Md. Nov. 28, 1906.
1. Audrey Roberts, b. Feb. 25, 1908, and Warren
Powell, b. Jan. 28, 1906. Md. Sept. 29, 1926.
1. Warren Lee Powell, b. May 18, 1927.
2. Maurine Roberts, b. Feb. 17, 1910.
3. Viola Roberts, b. Feb. 15, 1913.
4. William Elmer Ground, b. Feb. 10, 1882, and
Cora Gladis Campbell, b. Jan. 18, 1888. Md. Nov.
21, 1906.
1. Arlo Vivian Ground, b. Mar. 7, 1909.
2. Elmer Leo Ground, b. Nov. 17, 1910, d. Dec.
14, 1910.
3. Orla Lester Ground, b. July 21, 1912.
4. Viva Romaine Ground, b. Jan. 1, 1915.
5. Chester Harold Ground, b. July 17, 1916, d.
Oct. 7, 1919.
6. Helen Gladis Ground, b. Oct. 31, 1918.
5. Henry Lewis Ground, b. Sept. 3, 1886, and Ella
Rose Batty, b. Dec. 28, 1886. Md. June 19, 1912.

1. Sherman Lewis Ground, b. Sept. 13, 1914, d. Sept. 21, 1921.
2. Ralph Henry Ground, b. May 24, 1923.
6. Lawrence Arthur Ground, b. March 30, 1889, and Flossie V. Campbell, b. Oct. 12, 1892. Md. April 3, 1913.
 1. Dorothy Muriel Ground, b. Aug. 31, 1914.
 2. Lawrence Arthur Ground, Jr., b. Jan. 11, 1917.
 3. Robert Neil Ground, b. July 13, 1918.
 4. Marion Ruby Ground, b. April 25, 1920.
 5. Mildred Venice Ground, b. Jan. 25, 1922.
7. Lester Ground, b. Aug. 3, 1891, and Ann Bourg, b. Jan. 29, 1899. Md. Aug. 1, 1913.

Doris Leigh Ground, b. Dec. 18, 1918.

William Lester Ground, b. April 26, 1924.
8. Viola Fay Ground, b. Sept. 8, 1893, and Oscar Harris. Married April 14, 1923; divorced Aug. 22, 1927.
9. John Wesley Ground, b. Sept. 12, 1895, and Charlotte H. Benson, b. Jan. 22, 1899. Md. Jan. 14, 1925.
 1. James Wesley Ground, b. May 19, 1922.
10. Frank Coloney Ground, b. April 3, 1898, and Gladys Williams, b. Oct. 4, 1901. Md. Sept. 17, 1921.
 1. Frank Junior Ground, b. April 3, 1922.
 2. Marne Elvina Ground, b. Aug. 12, 1923.
11. Charles Ralph, b. Jan. 31, 1901, and Ella M. Ronnfeldt, b. July 2, 1900. Md. April 7, 1925.
 1. Loretta Jean Ground, b. March 21, 1927.

William H. Baugh was school teacher, graduated from Law School.

Elbert A. Baugh graduated Hastings High School and Hastings College, had two years at Eng. Carnegie Tech. at Pittsburg, Pa.

Luyre Denning Baugh graduated from Hastings College. Was school teacher.

Harold A. Baugh graduated Hastings High school, three years at Carnegie Tech., Pittsburg, is civil engineer.

Danida Van Gilder Baugh graduated Hastings High, Nebr. University, was school teacher.

Floyd W. Baugh graduated Hastings High school, going to Medical College now.

Lawrence M. Baugh graduated Hastings High school, going to Carnegie Tech., Pittsburgh.

George Arda Ground graduated Juniata High school and Hastings Business College, now carpenter.

Eugene Ground graduated High School.

Archibald Ground graduated High School.

Audrey Roberts graduated Kenisaw High school.

Ella Rose Batty Ground graduated Hastings High school, was teacher.

Viola Fay Ground Harris graduated Hastings Business College, bookkeeper.

Frank C. Ground graduated Hastings High school, carpenter.

Charlie R. Ground graduated Hasting High school, carpenter and auto school.

Ella M. Ronnfeldt was a bookkeeper.

JOHN GROUND FAMILY

Earl H. Ground graduated Juniata High school, runs grain elevator.

Romayne E. Hayes Ground was school teacher.

Carl J. Ground graduated Juniata High school.

Ruth E. Fernow Ground was a school teacher.

Sixth child of Eliza Anna Boydston and Henry Ground:

6. Drusilla Ground md. John Jones.

1. Arda.

Seventh child of Eliza Anna Boydston and Henry Ground:

7. John Henry Ground, b. Aug. 2, 1854, and Hannah Nelson, b. Feb. 9, 1854. Md. July 2, 1883.

1. Earl Henry Ground, b. May 31, 1884, and Ruby McMakin, 1st wife.

Ruby McMakin Ground died 1909.

Romayne E. Hayes, 2nd wife, married to Earl Ground.

Margaret Ann Ground, b. Nov. 17, 1918.

2. Carl James Ground, b. June 3, 1893, and Ruth E. Fernow, b. Feb. 10, 1896. Md. Aug. 11, 1915.

1. Gwen Kathleen Ground, b. June 8, 1916.

2. Carl Junior Ground, b. April 8, 1920.

Ruth Ground died Nov. 9, 1922.

Eighth child of Eliza Ann Boydston and Henry Ground:

8. Martha Ground md. William Allen. (Martha and John Henry given above were twins).

1. Carl md. Verna Davis.

(1) Lois.

(2) Gerald.

2. Merle md. Theodore White.

Ninth child of Eliza Ann Boydston and Henry Ground:

9. James Edward Ground md. Minnie Cowper.

1. Claude Chester md. Edith Dunbar.
 - (1) Robert.
 - (2) Janett.
2. Anna md. 1st. Charles Beins, 2nd Jacob Hoover.
(Several Children).
3. James Forest md. Elva Crow.

III. Bartlett Boydstun, b. July 10, 1797, md. Isabelle Dawdy, moved to Texas in 1848, but returned to Ills. (See record of his lands in Barren County, Ky)

Children:

1. Matilda md. Bryson Edmondson.
 1. John E. md. Isabinda ~~Merrill~~ *Merrill*
 - (1) Clyde md. Florence George.
 1. Mary Louise.
 2. John George.
 - (2) Inez.
 2. Nancy A. md. A. K. Owens (had children).
 3. Isabella md. Bone (had children). *Maud*
 4. Sarah E. died young.
2. Mary (Polly) md. John Killum.
 1. Jane md. Eugene Hardy. (3 sons noted lawyers).
 - (1) Arthur md. Pansy Donley, Galesburg, Illinois.
 - (2) William died.
 - (3) Guy lives in Galesburg, Illinois.
 2. William md. Addie Cashman. (2 children).
3. William md. 1st Elizabeth Clover, 2nd Mattie. (Resided in Galesburg, Ills., had children, Maude, Charlie, and others).
4. Terry.

5. Thomas md. Emily Dawdy (double cousins).
6. Margaret.
7. Jane.
8. Frances.
9. Sarah.

IV. Matilda, b. Oct. 4, 1799, d. in Ky. at 18 years of age.

V. William, b. Oct. 3, 1801, d. May 24, 1882, md. Nancy Dickerson, b. July 15, 1803, d. April 16, 1878.

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| 1. John. | 3. Julia. |
| 2. Ben. | 4. Ann. |

VI. Mary (Polly), b. Oct. 10, 1804, d. Feb. 14, 1885 md. Isaac Lowe, moved to Texas 1848. Buried in Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Midlothian, Texas.

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| 1. William. | 5. Hopson. |
| 2. Andrew. | 6. Nancy. |
| 3. Haden. | 7. America. |
| 4. Walker. | 8. Frances. |

9. Sarah.

VII. Samuel, b. June 11, 1820, d. 1840. Unmarried.

VIII. Jacob Gardner, b. Jan. 24, 1812, d. May 25, 1899, md. Drusilla Ground (1807-1812), moved to Tex., 1848, buried near Midlothian, Texas, Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

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| 1. Margaret. | 6. Sarah. |
| 2. Rhoda. | 7. Martha. |
| 3. Julia. | 8. Henry. |
| 4. Nancy. | 9. Robert. |
| 5. Caroline. | 10. James. |

IX. Tabitha md. John Dawdy (after her sister, Sarah's death), b. July 8, 1809.

1. Marshall md. Dorinda Davidson.
 2. Eliza md. Simeon Tower.
 - (1) Charles.
 - (2) Lizzie.
 - (3) Ida.
 - (4) Mary.
 - (5) John.
 - (6) Belle.
 3. Emily md. Thomas Boydstun (double cousins).
 - (1) John md. Maud Morse.
 - (2) Jay.
 - (3) Polly md. Albert Blivens (several children).
 4. Malinda (drowned).
 5. William md. Amanda Howard.
 - (1) George.
 - (2) Verna md. Charlie Cline, several children.
 - (3) Daisy md. Albert Fielder, several children.
 - (4) Pearle md. Goddard, several children.
 - (5) Maude.
 - (6) Mamie md. Claude Ross, several children.
 - (7) Albert.
 - (8) One child drowned.
 6. Warren md. Anna Brown.
 - (1) Clara md. Jay Robertson, no children.
 - (2) Minnie md. Swisher, several children.
 7. Alexander.
 8. Elizabeth md. John Callison.
 - (1) Josie.
 - (2) Mamie.
 - (3) Eugene.And others.
- X. Malinda md. James Holland. Moved to Texas, 1848. Buried near Midlothian, Texas, Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

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| 1. William. | 5. Elizabeth. |
| 2. Benjamin. | 6. Mordecai. |
| 3. Newton. | 7. Jacob. |
| 4. James. | 8. Thomas. |
| 9. Isaac. | |

XI. James, b. Oct. 17, 1814, d. Sept. 2, 1891, md.
 Nancy Roberson, b. March 12, 1817, d. June 24,
 1878. Buried in Abingdon, Ills.
 (See next chapter).

V

FIFTH GENERATION

JAMES BOYDSTUN

(Son of Benjamin Boydstun and Mary Gardner)

AND WIFE,

NANCY ROBERSON

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THE CHILDREN OF JAMES BOYDSTUN
(b. Oct. 17, 1814, d. Sept. 2, 1891. Md. April
22, 1840)

AND NANCY ROBERSON
(b. March 12, 1817, d. June 24, 1878)

1. Mary Jane md. Nathan Dickerson, b. July 5,
1841.

1. Dena md. Eli Oldfather.

(1) Len Arbry.

(2) Neva.

2. Delfena md. A. J. Reynolds.

2. Sarah Frances, b. Jan. 2, 1843, d. Feb. 21,
1920, md. John Gustine Courson, b. Oct. 12, 1841,
d. Dec. 26, 1922. Md. Oct. 9, 1866.

(See Separate Page).

3. James Terrel md. Martha Carr (daughter of
Robert Carr) b. Jan. 18, 1845.

1. James md. Belle Edwards, no children.

2. Jennie md. John Dickerson, several children.

3. Elta md. Kirk Johnson.

(1) Kenneth.

4. Loy md. Florence, no issue.

5. Etna md. Roy Johnson (no issue).

4. Benjamin Isaac, b. Jan. 18, 1845, d. Jan. 18,
1845 (Twin of James Terrel above).

5. William Samuel, b. Feb. 7, 1847, md. Eloine
Frances Howard.

(See separate page).

6. Eliza Ann (no issue) b. April 21, 1849.

7. Henry Thomas, b. May 10, 1854, d. May 21,
1854, no issue.

SARAH FRANCES BOYDSTUN
(*Second child of James Boydstun and Nancy
Roberson*)

AND
JOHN GUSTINE COURSON

Were college mates, Abingdon College, Abingdon,
Illinois.

1. Olive Anna Courson (Graduate of Knox College, Galesburg, Ills). (Class of 1895).

Born July 11, 1870.

Married Jan. 29, 1900. (Reside 1012 Fayette Ave., Springfield, Ohio.

Dr. G. David Lockie, descended from Rev. Stephen Batchelder, through his mother, Cynthia Batchelder; also, through his mother, from the following Revolutionary ancestors: Batchelder, Dearborn, Moulton, Philbrick, Marston, and Nelson.

Dr. Lockie was a Surgeon in the Spanish American War also World War.

CHILDREN

Ruth Gustine Lockie, b. Nov. 20, 1901, d. March 13, 1919.

John David Lockie, b. Oct. 11, 1904, Student University of Ills. and Eureka College.

T. E. K., Taw Kappa Epsilon, now of Chicago, Ill.

Clifford Courson Lockie, b. June 21, 1911, Springfield, Ill. High School.

2. Gustine Nancy Courson, b. Dec. 15, 1873, md.
Rev. Clifford Selden Weaver, May 22, 1899.

(See Foreword)

Sarah Frances Boydstun and John Gustine Courson are buried in the National Cemetery at Springfield, Ills., not far from the grave of the illustrious Abraham Lincoln.

WILLIAM SAMUEL BOYDSTUN
(Fifth child of James Boydstun and Nancy Roberson)
AND
EOLINE FRANCES HOWARD

William Samuel Boydstun

b. Feb. 7, 1847.

d. Feb. 6, 1913.

md. June 20, 1868.

Lineage of Eoline Frances Howard

b. Aug. 11, 1852.

d. Oct. 11, 1924.

Daughter of George Washington Howard

April 1, 1822.

d. Oct. 3, 1909, md. March 26, 1843.

Mary Ann Whitten, b. Oct. 4, 1824. d. May 3, 1909,
the daughter of Josiah Whitten, of Revolutionary
service, b. March 19, 1769, d. Oct. 25, 1890, and
Sarah Rector, whose father was a Rev. patriot, b.
Jan. 2, 1798, d. April 29, 1880.

Josiah Whitten the son of Elijah Whitten, b. ca 1734,
md. ca 1760.

Charity Duckett, b. ca 1734

(Descended from Richard Duckett, Officer of The
American Revolution of Maryland. "Gentlemen of
the Quorum.")

George Washington Howard, mentioned above, was
the son of John Howard, b. Nov. 23, 1778, d. March
20, 1854, and Ellen Claypoole, b. Aug. 24, 1783, d.
May 20, 1846. Claypoole Family of illustrious fame

whose book of lineage shows their unbroken descent from King Arthur and William the Conqueror. Also the marriage of one of the forebears to Elizabeth the 2nd, daughter of Oliver Cromwell. The original immigrant who came to America was a compatriot of William Penn, holding large lands in Pennsylvania.

Recently a bronze tablet was unveiled in Philadelphia in memory of Lieut. David C. Claypoole—of The American Revolution—who was one of the two printers who first printed The Declaration of Independence, The Constitution of The United States and Washington's Farewell Address. This immediate line settled in Barren Co., Ky. at Claypoole.

Son of Charles Howard, b. ca 1750, who had Rev. services.

And Polly Lewis, whose father was a Rev. patriot, b. ca 1753.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM SAMUEL BOYDSTUN AND
EOLINE FRANCES HOWARD

1. Clarence Edgar, b. May 15, 1869, d. Feb. 17, 1917. Md. March 16, 1902, Louise Whiting, (no children).
md. 2nd., June 1914, Emma Lewis.
(no children).
2. Ida Ann, b. Feb. 14, 1871.
md. Dec. 24, 1891, Edward Samuel Welch.
b. Feb. 8, 1869.
(See attached lineage of Mr. Welch).
 1. Gertrude, b. Sept. 14, 1892, md. June 8, 1916, Earl Ernest May, b. March 21, 1888.
 - (1) Frances Lenore, b. April 28, 1917.
 - (2) Edward Welch, b. July 28, 1919.

2. Wayne Nye Welch, b. Jan. 29, 1906.
Graduate 1924 Culver Military Academy, Culver, Ind. Member Iowa State College, Delta Upsilon Frat.
3. Elbert Hugh, b. Feb. 12, 1876, d. June 8, 1877.
No issue.
4. Charles Terrel, b. July 7, 1879, md. April 27, 1902, Bessie Hayes.
 - (1) Gayle Irene, b. Feb. 19, 1903, d. Dec. 7, 1918.
 - (2) Gerald Hayes, b. Feb. 14, 1908. Student at Ames.
5. Edith Leona, b. Jan. 31, 1883, d. May 28, 1909, md. Herman Downer (no children).
6. Elta Olive, b. Aug. 1, 1887, md. Dec. 24, 1912, Clifford Young.
 1. Kathryn Gertrude, b. Dec. 25, 1915.
 2. William George, b. Jan. 13, 1918.
7. Hazel Howard, b. Feb. 22, 1893, d. August 8, 1893.

EDWARD SAMUEL WELCH

(Descended from Ebenezer Hillis Erskine Welch and Keziah Yowell, see foot-note).

Mr. Welch is well known throughout the U. S. A., among nurserymen. At one time, he was President of the American Association of Nurserymen. His nurseries comprise over one thousand acres in growing plants, known as the "Mount Arbor Wholesale Nursery of Shenandoah, Iowa."

Ida Ann Boydston Welch, or Mrs. Edward Samuel Welch, was President of the Auxiliary of American Association of Nurserymen, when the wives' associa-

tion was organized, being one of the Charter Members.

Their daughter, Gertrude Welch May, a student at University of Nebraska and a graduate of National Park Seminary (Forest Glenn, Md.), Class of 1913. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Her husband, Earl Ernest May, student of Ann Arbor and graduate of University of Nebraska, 1915. Acacia. The official announcer of K. M. A. Broadcasting Station, Shenandoah, Ia. (The Earl May Seed Company), was awarded the Gold Cup 1926 Radio Digest—a choice of voters casting 452,901 ballots. These votes were cast for the most popular radio announcer of the country for the year named. The cup may be seen in Mr. May's broadcasting station.

Parents of Keziah Yowell Welch were James Yowell and Emily Williams. Ancestors of Ebenezer Hillis (Erskine) Welch are:

William Hillis, b. in Ireland, came from Scotland to Virginia thence to Kentucky, md. first Jane Caruthers, born in Virginia.

CHILDREN

John Hillis, md. in Ohio, moved to Ind., d. 1850.

Margaret Hillis, md. 1. D. Scott.

2. Wm. Stinson, Ohio.

William Hillis, md. ———, d. in Kentucky.

Matthew Hillis, md. Rebecca McClanahan.

James Hillis, md. Polly Herod, Jefferson Co., Ind.

Nancy Hillis, md. John McConnel, Kentucky.

Jennie Hillis, md. Samuel Legerwood, Jeffer-
Co., Ind.

David Hillis, Jefferson Co., Ind.

Ebenezer Erskin Hillis, md. Ruth Riker, Jeffer-
son Co., Ind., Ills. and Iowa.

2. Ebenezer Erskin, Ruth Riker.

3. Polly Mary Hillis, Samuel Green Welch in
American Revolution. (See his lineage be-
low).

4. Ebenezer Erskin Welch, Keziah Elizabeth
Yowell.

5. Edward Samuel Welch, Ida Ann Boydston.

Nancy Hillis, md. Bambradge Canady, Ko-
komo, Ind.

William Hillis, md. Martha Canady, Clinton
Co., Ind.

Jane Hillis, md. John Legerwood, Jefferson Co.,
Ind.

Sarah Hillis, md. William Thomson, Harwood
Co., Ind.

Ruth Hillis, md. John Liggett, Davenport, Iowa
Iowa and DesMoines.

John S. Hillis, d. Age 22.

Davis Hillis, md. Lavinia Herod, Des Moines,
Iowa., d. after 1880.

Ebenezer Lile Hillis, by 2nd. wife. St. Louis,
Mo.

Samuel Green Welch, drummer and private in
Revolutionary War.

Samuel Green Welch, b. Nov. 7, 1763, d. Dec.
13, 1842.

Md. Jane Cunningham, August 13, 1797.

CHILDREN

Polly Welch md. Robert Jamison.

Nancy Welch md. Alvin Lindley.

James Welch, d. age 13.

Rebecca Welch md. John Scott.

Samuel Green Welch md. Polly Mary Hillis.

2. Samuel Green Welch, b. March 18, 1807.
Polly Mary Hillis, ca 1807-18, md. March 29, 1827. (See her lineage above).

3. Ebenezer Erskin Welch, b. August 24, 1835,
d. Oct. 20, 1886.
Keziah Elizabeth Yowell, b. Nov. 18, 1835,
living in Jan. 8, 1865.

4. Edward Samuel Welch, b. Feb. 8, 1869, md.
Dec. 24, 1891, Ida Ann Boydstun, b. Feb.
14, 1871.

Jane Welch md. Isaac Bantz.

Elizabeth Welch md. 1st., Mackrell, 2nd., Ham-
ilton, 3rd., West.

Sarah Welch md. Hugh Kirkwood.

Maxie died young.

Louisa Welch md. Miller Robeson.

Maria Margaret Welch md. 1. Adam McCann,
John McMullin.

James Hillis Welch.

SAMUEL WELCH was born in Shippensburg, Cumberland County, Penn., Nov. 7, 1763. Died near Madison, Jefferson County, Ind., Dec. 13, 1842. Place of residence during Revolution was Shippensburg, Penn. He served in capacity of Drummer and Private. In the pension Invalid file No. 26494, it appears that Samuel Welch enlisted in Cumberland County, Penn., in Sept. 1776, and served two months as a Drummer in Capt. John Campbell's Penn. Co.,

one month after he enlisted and served as a Drummer in Capt. Cummin's and Brady's Companies, Penn., Troops. From 1792 until late in 1794, he served as a private. First in Capt. William Falulner's Co., and was transferred to Capt. Uriah Springer's Company of Riflemen, in General Wayne's Legion. He was in the battle of Miami Rapids, Ohio, at Fort Defiance. On Oct. or Nov. 15, 1794, while blowing rocks for use of the garrison, he was severely wounded in the face, head, arms, and legs by an explosion of powder. He was also in the War of 1812, under Capt. Clarke in Col. Richard Johnston's Kentucky regiment. In 1816 he moved from Clark Co., Ky., to Jefferson Co., Ind., where he resided in 1839, which date he stated that he was aged seventy-five years. He was allowed pension from Feb. 27, 1828, on account of the disability resulting from the above mentioned wounds.

(Signed) WASHINGTON GARDNER, *Commissioner*.

(Mr. Edward Samuel Welch is a member of The Sons of the American Revolution through the services of this ancestor).

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