

A BRIEF HISTORY
OF
THE DESCENDANTS
OF
SAMUEL JOHNSON
FOUNDER OF
The Cape-Fear River Johnsons

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“Generation followeth generation but the earth endureth forever.”

The Family Record.

Waking, I dream. Before my vacant eyes
In long procession shadowy forms arise;
For through the vista of the silent years
I see a venturous band; the pioneers,
Who let the sunlight through the forest gloom,
Who bade the harvest wave, the garden bloom.

Hark! loud resounds the bare-armed settler's axe,—
See where the stealthy panther left his tracks!
As fierce, as stealthy creeps the skulking foe
With stone-tipped shaft and sinew-corded bow.

The seasons pass; the roses come and go;
Snows fall and melt; the waters freeze and flow;
The boys are men; the girls grown tall and fair,
Have found their mates; a gravestone here and there
Tells where the fathers lie; * * * * *

But hail to him who journey'd long and far
To find a land illum'd by freedom's star!
His features?—something in his looks I find
That calls the semblance of my race to mind.
Strong, brave, discreet, the father of a line
Whose voiceless lives have found a voice in mine;
Thinned by un-noted currents though they be,
Thanks for the ruddy drops I claim from thee!

And now behold the quiet vale
Rings the dread call that turns the mothers pale:
Full well they know the valorous heat that runs
In every pulse-beat of their loyal sons.
With glittering fire-arms on the village green
In proud array a martial band is seen;
You know what names these well-fill'd rosters hold,
Whose belts were buckled when the drum-beat rolled.

For kindred hearts my verse began,
Not for the curious eye to scan,
Not for many listeners, but the few
Whose fathers trod the paths my fathers knew.

Adapted from Oliver Wendell Holmes

THE CAPE FEAR RIVER JOHNSONS.

First American Ancestor.

Samuel Johnson (1) came across the Atlantic and settled in Bladen county, (See note I, Appendix), North Carolina, about 1750, the precise date not being recorded. Furthermore, no one knows the place and time of his birth, or year of his death. However, it is known that he was a native of one of the British Islands, was of mature years when he left his native shores and was alive at the close of the Revolutionary war in 1783.

He was twice married. The first time to Miss Sallie Bigford, the daughter of a wealthy slave-owner, and who became the mother of four sons and two daughters. His second wife was Mrs. Sykes, a widow.

Second Generation.

Sons and daughters of Samuel Johnson (1) and his first wife, Sallie Bigford.

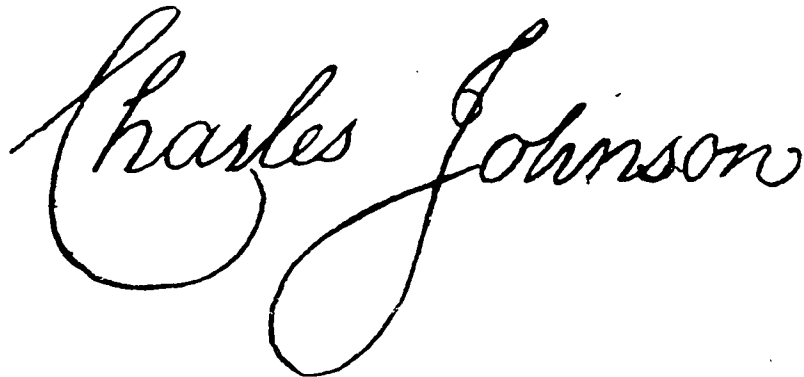
1. James Johnson (2), born about 1753, and upon reaching young manhood became a revolutionary soldier and is said to have attained the rank of Captain, some accounts say Major. After the war he visited England (See Note I, Appendix) on some business of a public character. About the same time he married Mrs. Rachael Plummer McMaster, widow of William McMaster, also a Revolutionary soldier. He became proprietor of a store in Elizabethtown, Bladen county, North Carolina, situated on the Cape Fear River, and having occasion to visit Wilmington, near the coast, for the purpose of purchasing goods, he there contracted yellow fever from which he died.

2. Samuel Johnson (2), born about 1755, and in young manhood enlisted in the Revolutionary army. (See Note XIV, Appendix.) He married Polly Freeman and with his wife and growing family emigrated to Tennessee in 1801, (See Note II, Appendix), where in Humphreys county he bought a large tract of land, but the title of this proving faulty he became dissatisfied and removed to Alabama with most of his family, which meanwhile had become large. What little is known of his descendants will be noted under Third Generation.

3. Charles Johnson (2), born Sept. 2, 1757, and upon reaching man's stature became a soldier in the Revolutionary war. It is said he was in the battle of the Cow-pens and also that of Guilford Court House, and that while under fire had two horses shot under him. In Book A 40, C and D, Revolutionary Accounts, on file in the State Auditor's office, Raleigh, N. C., is Voucher No. 151 in payment of Charles Johnson for active service in the field. Upon application the State Auditor will furnish a certificate of the above, which will enable any descendant of Charles Johnson (2) to become a member of the Sons, or Daughters, of the American Revolution.

July 10, 1794, Charles Johnson married Polly Huston and to them were born twelve children, whose names will be given under Third Generation. In 1801 he joined a party of emigrants (See Note II, Appendix) and with his young wife and two small children, to which a third was added during the journey, crossed the Alleghanies and found a new home far to the west on Duck River, Humphreys county, Tenn. (See Note III, Appendix.) He thus forever bade good bye to the old "North State" (See Note IV, Appendix), and to the ever interesting Valley of the Cape Fear River (See Note V, Appendix). He continued to live in Tennessee till early in the year 1817, when with his family he turned his footsteps north, passed out of the state of his adoption, traversed the breadth of Kentucky, crossed the Ohio river and went as far north in the territory of Illinois as proximity to war-like savages would allow* (*See Note III, Appendix), and found a permanent home in Bond county, a little northeast of the present village of Pocahontas, where he continued to reside till his death, Oct. 21, 1821, from dysentery. His wife survived till August 30, 1840. The records show that July 14, 1817, Charles Johnson entered the northwest quarter of Sec. 3, R. 4, T. 4, containing 145 acres, which tract is the site of the present village of Pocahontas. The records further

show that September 10, 1817, he entered the east half of the northwest quarter of Sec. 3, and the east half of the southwest quarter of Sec. 3, T. 5, R. 4, the whole constituting a tract of land a mile long and a quarter of a mile wide, located a little northeast of the village of Pocahontas. In what is known as the "old grave-yard," not much more than a stone's throw from where they had their pioneer home, Charles Johnson and his wife, Polly, lie buried. Following is his signature.



4. Benjamin Johnson (2) was born about 1759, and while yet a mere boy became a soldier in the Revolutionary war (See Note XIV, Appendix) and after rendering considerable service was taken seriously sick while in the line of duty, and finally died at the age of nineteen years. His body was taken home and buried in Bladen county, N. C.

5. Elizabeth Johnson (2), daughter, no details known.

6. Nancy Johnson (2), daughter, date of birth not known, but upon reaching womanhood she married Hardy Vollentine and in 1801 with her husband and young family, her brothers, Charles and Samuel and their families, emigrated to Tennessee and settled in Humphreys county, where they remained till 1817, when all removed to Illinois Territory and settled in Bond county. (See Note VII, Appendix.)

Descendants of Samuel Johnson (1) and his second wife, Mrs. Sykes (widow.)

1. ——— Johnson (3), no details, save that death occurred in early infancy.

Third Generation, Charles Johnson (2) Line.
Alabama Branch.

Descendants of Samuel Johnson (2) and his wife, Polly Freeman:

1. William Johnson (3), no details.
2. James Johnson (3), no details.
3. Duncan Johnson (3), no details.
4. Benjamin Johnson (3), no details.
5. Betsy Johnson (3), married a Mr. Brown in Tennessee.
6. Sallie Johnson (3), married a Mr. Jenkins in Tennessee.
7. Mary Johnson (3), no details.
8. Sidney Johnson (3), no details.

As elsewhere stated, the majority of the descendants of Samuel Johnson (2) found a home in Alabama early in the nineteenth century, where it is said one of the sons became a member of the State Legislature, but which one is not known.

Third Generation, Samuel Johnson (2) Line.
Illinois Branch.

Descendants of Charles Johnson (2) and his wife, Polly Huston:

1. Benjamin Johnson (3), born in Bladen county, N. C., March 24, 1797, when four years of age removed with his parents to Humphreys county, Tenn., and settled near Duck River. In 1816, when nineteen years of age, accompanied by his brothers, Hugh and Edward, and his cousin, William Volentine, went to Illinois Territory (See Note VIII, Appendix) where during the summer a cabin was erected and some ground cleared in Bond county, near the present village of Pocahontas, and here Charles Johnson (3), the father, removed with the remainder of his family in the spring of 1817. August 14, 1820, Benjamin Johnson (3) married Rebecca Plant and settled permanently at Hickory Grove, later Pocahontas, Bond county. He soon developed great enterprise, strength of character and public

spirit. He was the founder of the village of Pocahontas and contributed much to give the community round about the reputation of being one of the most desirable in all that region. He was twice elected to the Illinois Legislature; once to the Lower House, where he served from 1838 to 1840; and once to the Senate, where he sat from 1842 till 1846. All his life he was earnestly opposed to the spread of slavery and upon the organization of the Republican party in 1856, at once became and ever after remained one of its most zealous supporters. He was a most earnest advocate of temperance, was a life-long member of the M. E. church and his house was ever the welcome home of its itinerant preachers. A progressive farmer and fruit grower, he had large barns and orchards and his place abounded with the latest and best varieties of fruits and grains. His death occurred April 6, 1862.

He was thrice married. The first time to Rebecca Plant as noted above, and who died August 14, 1835. The second time, January 31, 1837, to Lucinda Johnson, widow of his brother Hugh Johnson (3), and who died August 20, 1844. His third wife was Miss Abbie Stone, to whom he was married in 1858, and who survived him many years. No children were the fruits of the last marriage, but the first and second wives were each the mother of six children. (See Fourth Generation.)

2. Hugh Johnson (3) was born in Bladen Co., N. C., March 26, 1799, and while yet a very young child his parents emigrated to Humphreys Co., Tenn., where he remained until 1816, when with his brothers, Benjamin and Edward, and William Volentine, his cousin, as narrated above, went to Illinois Territory and laid the foundation for the future home of his father's family. (See Note VIII, Appendix.) In early manhood he learned the millwright's trade and in this calling became very skillful. Later he turned his attention to the erection of cotton-gins in the Southern States. While engaged in this business at Holly Springs, Miss., he died, the result of a stab with a butcher knife in the hands of an assassin. Death occurred in 1836. July 1, 1830, he married Lucinda Horner, said to have been a very handsome woman and a resident of Clifton, Tenn. The fruits of this marriage will be noted under Fourth Generation.

3. "Ned," or Edward Johnson (3), was born January 2, 1801, during the overland trip his parents made from North Carolina to Humphreys Co., Tenn. September 8, 1821, he died from dysentery. He is said to have been an exceptionally promising young man, and while he went to his grave prematurely, yet it was thus that he came to be one

"Of those, who dying young, inherited
The immortal youthfulness of the early dead."

4. Duncan Johnson (3), born in Humphreys Co., Tenn., January 2, 1803, and in 1817 accompanied his parents in their removal to Illinois Territory, where at their home in Bond Co., he grew to young manhood. During his lifetime he was variously engaged in farming, milling and as hotel keeper. He was a successful business man and accumulated considerable property. Like all his brothers he was a member of the M. E. church and his home was ever open to the circuit rider of this denomination. In politics he was first a Whig and after the organization of the Republican party he became one of its most faithful adherents. Most of his life was spent in Bond Co., Ill., but about 1853 he removed to Vandalia, Ill., where he died, December 15, 1867. He was twice married, the first time to Polly Powers, May 27, 1824, and who became the mother of eight children. (See Fourth Generation.) Polly Powers Johnson died January 22, 1852, and some years later Duncan Johnson married Mrs. Sarah Gill, a widowed lady, who survived him some years.

5. James Johnson (3), was born in Humphreys Co., Tenn., January 29, 1805. In 1817 he accompanied his parents to the Territory of Illinois and remained with them on their farm near the present village of Pocahontas till he reached manhood, when he began farming on his own account. In 1830 he returned to Tennessee for the purpose of marrying Elizabeth Jane Volentine. Immediate-

ly after the wedding, which occurred September 1, 1830, the young people returned on horseback to Illinois, where they began life in a cabin on a newly made farm. Their children will be enumerated under Fourth Generation. James Johnson (3) continued farming till the spring of 1849, when he decided to make the overland trip to California. April 19, 1849, he bade good-by to his family, who meanwhile had moved into the village of Pocahontas, and started on the long journey. At St. Louis, Mo., he embarked for what is today Kansas City, but what was then little more than a steamboat landing. While aboard the boat he was stricken with Asiatic cholera, at that time epidemic, but fortunately made a good recovery and joined his comrades, who meantime had driven the heavy wagon drawn by oxen and well loaded with supplies, across the country to Independence, Mo. The whole of the remaining spring, the summer following and the month of September, were occupied in making the overland trip. But the physical strength of James Johnson (3) was not equal to the demands, and towards the end of the journey he was taken seriously sick and finally died at Sacramento City, October 5, 1849. It was nearly six weeks later before his family, back in Illinois, heard for the first time of their great sorrow. James Johnson (3) was a thoughtful man and for his opportunities much given to study. His school advantages in the pioneer days of Illinois were limited in the extreme, but these he supplemented by the study of grammar, natural philosophy and general literature by his fireside after his day's work was done. His letters written home while he was making the overland journey showed that he possessed not a few of the tastes and accomplishments of a scholar.

6. Samuel Johnson (3), born in Tennessee, June 7, 1807, and died in early infancy.

7. Sidney Johnson (3), born in Tenn., Feb. 14, 1809, died in early infancy..

3. Charles Johnson (3), born June 28, 1811 in Humphreys Co., Tenn., and while yet a small boy removed with his parents to Illinois Territory where he grew to manhood on the home farm north of the present village of Pocahontas. At first he learned the stone-mason's trade, but possessing considerable mechanical skill he later became a mill-wright, in that day a profitable calling, and which he followed successfully for many years. About 1853 he removed to Vandalia, Ill., and entered the milling business in partnership with his brother, Duncan Johnson, and in this he continued till his death, which occurred April 21, 1860, from brain fever. He was a man of good social qualities and always had many steadfast friends. Politically he was a Republican, and during the whole of his life was identified with the M. E. Church. In 1830 he married Mary Burgess, daughter of William Burgess, a pioneer and Indian fighter. (See Note VI Appendix.) Mary Burgess Johnson (3) died March 30, 1846, a few days subsequent to the birth of her seventh child. Early in 1848 Charles Johnson (3) married for his second wife Mrs. Sarah Travis (widow), who died in 1850. June 29, 1851, the surviving husband married Mrs. Sarah Scott Norton (widow), his third wife, who became the mother of four children, and who died December 20, 1878. The children of these marriages will be given under Fourth Generation.

9. Miranda, or Mary Ann, Johnson (3), only daughter, born Dec. 11, 1813; died of dysentery August 29, 1821.

10. Thomas A. Johnson (3), born Jan. 10, 1816; died in infancy.

11. John Powers Johnson (3), born in Bond Co., Ill., December 6, 1817, and grew to manhood on the home farm near Pocahontas. When eighteen years of age he listened to an able address by a Bishop of the Methodist church and this inspired him to make an effort to secure an education. As soon as he could make the needed arrangements he attended Bethel Academy in Bond County, then taught school for a time at Hickory Grove (later Pocahontas), and thus obtained some money with which he was enabled to enter McKendry College at Lebanon, Ill., then a very new institution. He alternated teaching with attendance upon this school till he had completed his Junior year. He then went to

Harvard University, Mass., took the examination, was admitted to the Senior class and graduated in 1846. Some time previous to this he conceived the idea of becoming a physician and in consequence attended one course of lectures at the Ohio Medical College, Cincinnati. Later he changed his mind and dropped medicine. In 1847-8 he taught school in Murphrysboro, Tenn. In 1848 he was chosen Principal of Georgetown Academy, situated at Georgetown, Ill., and here he remained for five years. Meanwhile this Academy grew into one of the best educational Institutions in Eastern Illinois for its period and today not a few elderly people testify to its high standing and the great benefit they derived from it. In the fall of 1853 he accepted an offer of the chair of mathematics in Fayette College, Mo., and here in this new field he had the misfortune early in 1854 to lose his wife by death. Not long after he resigned his professorship and sought and obtained at Washington City the service of making the survey which later established the Territorial lines of Kansas and Nebraska. While engaged in this enterprise he became impressed with the remarkable fertility of certain portions of Kansas and in consequence resolved to make his permanent home in the northeast part of that Territory. Here he met at Iowa Station, Rev. S. M. Irwin and General Bayliss and after due consideration these three laid off and founded the town of Highland, Doniphan Co., Kan. He now turned his attention actively to business and in due time became eminently successful. He opened a bank in Highland in 1857 and continued its head till his death, forty-one years later. Meanwhile he invested extensively in lands and the advance of these augmented his fortune. He was closely identified with Highland University, and for sixteen years was president of its Board of Trustees; was a constant contributor to its financial resources and in 1890 gave \$20,000 towards the endowment of a professorship. In politics he was first a Whig, but upon the organization of the Republican party was one of its adherents. Several times he represented his district in the Kansas State Legislature. He was thrice married, the first time to Miss Sarah A. Norton of London, Ohio, who was well educated and accomplished and ably assisted him as teacher in his several educational ventures. As before noted, she died April 2, 1854. July 14, 1856, he married for his second wife, Miss Sarah Canada of Georgetown, Ill., who died March 12, 1887. July 10, 1888 he married Mrs. Virginia Mason Hutt (widow) of Troy, Mo., who now lives at Clifton, Mo. The children will be noted under Fourth Generation. He died June 1, 1898.

12. Marian Johnson (3), born May 25, 1820; died with dysentery Aug. 29, 1821.

Fourth Generation—Benjamin Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Benjamin Johnson (3) and his first wife, Rebecca Plant.

1. Hester Ann Rogers Johnson (4), born at Hickory Grove (now Pocahontas), Bond Co., Ill., where she grew to womanhood. About 1844 she married Daniel Detrick and removed to Greenville, Bond Co., where her husband engaged in shoemaking for a number of years, but in 1849 he joined the gold-seekers and made the overland trip to California, where he mined with such good luck that two or three years later he returned to Illinois much better in pocket book than when he left. Mr. Detrick at once purchased a farm near Pocahontas and for some years occupied himself in its cultivation. In 1859 he removed to Highland, Kan., and again engaged in farming, and here five years later, namely, March 3, 1863, Mrs. Detrick died while yet in the prime of womanhood. She was the mother of six children, who will be mentioned in detail under Fifth Generation.

2. Christopher Columbus Johnson (4), born at Hickory Grove (now Pocahontas), Ill., April 23, 1824, and soon after attaining manhood in his twenty-third year began attending medical lectures at McDowell's College, St. Louis, Mo. Unfortunately he had never been vaccinated and in consequence was fatally stricken with smallpox, his death occurring January 19, 1849. He is spoken of as a young man of more than ordinary promise.

3. Miranda Johnson (4), born June 8, 1826, and upon reaching young womanhood attended the Monticello Academy for young ladies at Godfrey, Ill. Septem-

ber 17, 1843, she married William Watkins, and died January 2, 1844. She was said to have been an exceptionally amiable and attractive young woman.

4. Jeannette Thompson Johnson (4), born at Hickory Grove (now Pocahontas), July 24, 1828. Attended school in her home village and finally completed her education at Monticello, Ill. August 28, 1851, she married Wilson Leaverton, who had but recently returned from California, where he had accumulated enough money to enable him to purchase a farm so that the young couple had a fair start in life and to this they each year made a substantial addition. In 1872 they moved to Chatham, Sangamon Co., Ill., where they purchased a large farm in a much more fertile region than that from which they had come, and where they continued to live for a period of twenty years, meanwhile engaging in farming and stock-raising with exceptional success. About 1891 Mr. and Mrs. Leaverton retired and moved to Springfield, Ill., where on September 16, 1895, he died and his wife followed him to the grave eight years later, namely, Nov. 24, 1903. Mrs. Leaverton was a woman of fine character and was held in high esteem by all who knew her.

5. Mary Caroline Johnson (4), born at Hickory Grove (now Pocahontas), Ill., June 23, 1830, grew to womanhood in her father's home, attended the village schools and completed her education at Monticello, Ill. August 10, 1854 she married Albert Todd, an able lawyer and prominent citizen of St. Louis, Mo., where he established and maintained an elegant home. Mr. Todd at one time filled a chair in the Legal Department of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., and was once the candidate of his party for congress. He died August 10, 1884. Mrs. Todd has her home at Daytona Beach, Florida. She never was a mother, but has been a real mother to some of her kin.

6. Isabel S. Johnson (4), born at Hickory Grove, Ill., August 7, 1833; died August 10, 1835.

Descendants of Benjamin Johnson (3) and his second wife, Lucinda Horner Johnson.

1. Rebecca Adaline Johnson (4), born at Pocahontas, Ill., December 3, 1837; died Nov. 19, 1847.

2. Benjamin Franklin Johnson (4), born at Pocahontas, Ill., Nov. 29, 1839, grew to manhood in his father's home, worked on the farm; attended the public schools, and August 7, 1862, enlisted in Company F, 130th Illinois Infantry. See Note Appendix). He served till the end of the war and was an excellent soldier, who was never known to shirk any duty assigned him however hard or dangerous it might be. He never married, and his health failing a number of years ago he went to the Soldiers' Home at Lawrence, Kan., where he still is.

3. Harriet Johnson (4), born Dec. 8, 1840 at Pocahontas, where she attended the public schools and later finished her education at Monticello Academy. About 1870 she married S. M. Randolph, a prominent architect. Unfortunately Mrs. Randolph's health became poor and with the hope of benefit she changed climate, but without avail, and died at Santa Barbara, California, in February, 1876. She was mother of a daughter who died in childhood.

4. Melissa Arabella Johnson (4), born at Pocahontas, Ill., Dec. 25, 1841, grew to womanhood and received her education in her native village. Some years ago she was married to Dr. Davis, since deceased. Mrs. Davis now lives at Highland, Kan.

5. George Washington Johnson (4), born at Pocahontas, Ill., Feb. 16, 1843; died, August 7, 1843.

6. Richard Hugh Johnson (4), born at Pocahontas, August 24, 1844; died Oct. 12, 1844.

Fourth Generation—Hugh Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Hugh Johnson (3) and his wife Lucinda Horner.

1. Mary Felicia Ann Johnson (4), born in 1831 and grew to womanhood in Pocahontas, where September 17, 1856, she was married to Samuel Burres Stone of Tennessee, in which state the young couple made their home and reared a large family of which due notice will be taken under Fourth Generation. Mrs. Stone died June 11, 1892

2. Elizabeth Horner Johnson (4), born Nov. 19, 1832; died October 13, 1836.

3. Charles Walker Johnson (4), born September 19, 1834, in Hickman Co., Tenn., and grew to manhood in Pocahontas, Bond Co., Ill., where he attained his preliminary education. He attended the Georgetown Academy under his uncle, John P. Johnson (3), and afterwards McKendry College, Lebanon, Ill. Later he engaged in teaching and meanwhile began reading law. August 7, 1862, he enlisted in Co. E, 130th Ill. Infantry, (See Note X Appendix), and saw much hard service, meanwhile receiving promotion to the rank of First Lieutenant. He was through the ever memorable Vicksburg campaign in 1863 and next year was in the disastrous Red River campaign and during this at the battle of Mansfield, Louisiana, was captured and conveyed to Camp Tyler, Texas, where he was kept in military prison till the end of the war. Immediately after returning home in the summer of 1865 at Springfield, Ill., he entered the law-office of Hon. W. H. Herndon, late a law-partner of Abraham Lincoln, for the purpose of completing his legal studies. This he soon did and in 1867 began the practice of his profession in Springfield, Ill.; meanwhile he and Samuel D. Scholes became law-partners. This arrangement was continued till 1869 when believing there were better opportunities in a new country, he removed to Hiawatha, Kan., and began the practice of law there. Here, save for a brief period in Atchison, Kan., he spent the remainder of his life which finally terminated Nov. 30, 1900. Charles W. Johnson (4) was intellectual in his tastes, was well versed in his profession, was an omnivorous reader and exceptionally well posted on many subjects. March 25, 1868, he married Miss Annie E. Ogden of Oswego, N. Y., who became the mother of five children. See Sixth Generation.

Fourth Generation—Duncan Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Duncan Johnson (3) and of his first wife, Polly Powers.

1. Wesley Thompson Johnson (4), born September 11, 1825, grew to manhood in Bond Co., Ill., but his life was short and death occurred February 5, 1847, leaving a young wife, whose maiden name was Mary Plant.

2. Mary Ann Johnson (4), born August 9, 1827 and grew to womanhood in Pocahontas and about 1848, married Arnold Greenwood. The newly wedded couple located in Pocahontas and after a few years of happy life the young wife was stricken with a fatal disease and died Jan. 25, 1852. She was the mother of an infant boy who will be noted under Fifth Generation.

3. Elizabeth Ellen Johnson (4), born January 9, 1830, grew to young womanhood in Pocahontas and Nov. 29, 1849 was married to John B. White of Greenville, Ill., and who died September 7, 1854. To this couple two children were born, who will be further noticed under Fifth Generation. April 14, 1864, Mrs. White married for her second husband John B. Hunter, a widely known cattle and stock man and large land owner, and familiarly called "Barney" Hunter. For many years Mr. and Mrs. Hunter have had their home at Buffalo, Ill. Three children have been born to them. (See Fifth Generation.)

4. Martha Jane Johnson (4), born May 15, 1832, grew to womanhood in Pocahontas and July 6, 1854, married Dr. Romulus C. Sprague, who for a time practiced his profession in Pocahontas. Later he removed to Greenville, Ill., built up a large practice there and finally removed to Springfield, Mo., where Nov. 9, 1896, he died. Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Sprague has been

making her home with her children and when last heard from her address was 4155 Westminster Place, St. Louis, Mo. She is the mother of seven children. (See Fifth Generation.)

5. John Sherwood Johnson (4), born February 15, 1834; died July 17, 1843.

6. Margaret Lucinda Johnson (4), born April 15, 1836, grew to womanhood in Pocahontas, and meanwhile received her preliminary education in the public schools. Later she graduated from the Female Wesleyan Academy at Jacksonville, Ill., after which she engaged with excellent success in teaching. For a number of years she has been living in retirement and when last heard from her address was 906 Reservoir St., Springfield, Ill.

7. George Washington Johnson (4), born May 7, 1839, and died October 28, 1839.

8. Sarah Miranda Johnson (4), born May 18, 1842 at Pocahontas, Ill., and when about twelve years of age removed with her father's family to Vandalia, Ill., where she spent the remainder of her life. August 29, 1862, she married Beverly W. Henry, an able young lawyer, who has since filled various positions of honor and trust in Fayette County. Mrs. Henry died Feb. 27, 1904, from an attack of pneumonia. She was a most estimable woman and her death was mourned by a large circle of friends. She was the mother of four children. (See Fifth Generation.) Her husband, Judge Henry, survives her and has his home in Vandalia, where he has resided for nearly half a century. (See Note XIV Appendix.)

Fourth Generation, James Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of James Johnson (3) and his wife Elizabeth Jane Volentine.

1. Orrey Ann Johnson (4), born in Bond County, Illinois, Aug. 17, 1833. Received her education in the public schools, supplemented by a term at Georgetown Academy, also one at Wesleyan Female College, Jacksonville. At the age of sixteen years she began teaching school, an occupation which she followed most creditably for about twenty-five years. Her work was done principally in Bond, Greene, Fayette and Clinton Counties, Ill. She is now living in retirement at Holton, Kan.

2. Mary Jane Johnson (4), born February 9, 1836, near Pocahontas, Ill., where she obtained her preliminary education, and which was completed at Almira College, where she graduated in 1864. At the age of fifteen years she began teaching school and continued in active employment for more than thirty years thereafter. She held high rank in her profession, and found employment for the most part in Bond, Fayette, Sangamon and Champaign Counties, Ill. She has now past her allotted three score and ten and is living in retirement at Holton, Kansas.

3. Ezra Sunderland Johnson (4), born Sept. 24, 1838, near Pocahontas, Ill. Before his eleventh birthday his father started on his overland trip to California, leaving the care of the family to his wife and young son. During the winter months he attended school, but the remainder of his time was occupied in helping his mother and working on a farm. He early developed a liking for the farm and stock raising. In 1858 he lived for a time in Doniphan County, Kan., and while there met with an accident which rendered him lame for life. In the fall of 1861 he returned to Bond County, Ill., and engaged in farming till the spring of 1868 when he removed to Fayette County, Ill., and settled on a farm near Vera, where he continued to reside till the spring of 1872, when he went to Doniphan County, Kan., and located on a farm near Highland. Here he remained until 1878 when he removed to Potawatomie Co., Kan., and opened a ranch near the vicinity of Onaga. To the latter village he later removed and improved a beautiful home, where he continued to live until about 1902, when he purchased a residence in Holton, Kan., where he has since made his permanent home. Feb. 20, 1884 he married Elizabeth Francis St. John, who became the mother of one daughter. (See Fifth Generation.)

4. William Henry Johnson (4), born March 18, 1841; died in Sept., 1844.

5. Charles Ben-Eulyn Johnson (4) born Oct. 8, 1843, on a farm near Pocahontas, Bond Co., Ill. When five years old in consequence of his father starting overland to California, the family removed to the village of Pocahontas and here the young boy attended school, and when he was old enough began working on a farm in the summer months. At the age of eighteen years he taught a school in the extreme northwest corner of Bond Co. The next summer he again engaged in farming, but before the crop was fully cultivated he enlisted in Co. F, 130th Ill. Infantry, (See Note X Appendix), which (Co. F) was organized in Greenville, Ill., and in due time went south and served with his organization till the war ended three years later. About half his time he served in the ranks and the remainder was spent in the regimental hospital department, where he began the study of medicine. Returning home he farmed for a time, but finally in the fall of 1866 entered the Medical Department of Michigan University, Ann Arbor, and attended the season's lectures. At the close of the term he came back as far as Chicago and took a summer's course in the Chicago Medical College. The winter of 1867-8 he taught school in Bond Co., meanwhile keeping up his medical studies. In the spring of 1868 he went to St. Louis and took a summer course in the St. Louis Medical College. July 16, 1868 he located at Chatham, Sangamon Co., Ill., and began the practice of medicine and continued here till 1871, when he removed to Champaign Co., Ill., then a very new country, very much of it being raw prairie, improvements few and primitive in character. His first location in Champaign Co. was at a farm house in Crittenden Township, his next was at Tolono, where he settled in 1874 and where he remained until 1879, when he removed to Champaign City, where he has ever since resided. Jan. 1, 1874 he married Miss Maria L. Lewis of Chatham, who is the mother of six children. (See Fifth Generation.) He received his degree at the Ohio Medical College.

6. John Wellington Johnson (4), born Nov. 14, 1845; died Jan., 1848.

7. Emma Caroline Johnson (4), born June 24, 1848, near Pocahontas, Ill., in which village she received most of her preliminary education, and later attended Almira College, Greenville, Ill. In 1872 she removed with her mother's family in Highland, Kan., which has ever since been her home. Feb. 9, 1876, she married Benjamin D. Williams, who for many years engaged in farming and stock-raising, but more recently has added that of grain buyer and stock dealer to his other interests. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have no children, but a number of years ago adopted a little girl, Bessie Stone, who is now a young lady and attending Highland University at her home, Highland, Kan.

Fourth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Charles Johnson (3) and his first wife, Mary Burgess:

1. Elizabeth Delia Johnson (4), born Feb. 29, 1832 in Bond Co. Ill., where she grew to womanhood, meanwhile receiving her education in the public schools. April 23, 1850, she married Dr. Alexander A. Bowman, who had his office in Pocahontas and for a number of years engaged in the practice of his profession there. About 1853 he removed with his family to Carrollton, Green Co., Ill., where he again entered the practice. Later he removed to White Hall, Ill., and there continued to follow his chosen calling till long past his eightieth year and where he is yet living not far from his ninetieth mile-post. So far as is known this is the greatest age reached by any one in any way connected with the Johnson family. Mrs. Bowman died at White Hall, March 3, 1865, sad to say while yet a young woman. She was a bright interesting woman and made many friends, all of whom greatly regretted that she should have come to an early grave. She was the mother of six children. (See Fifth Generation.)

2. John Huston Johnson (4), born Feb. 1, 1834 and grew to manhood in Bond Co. The breaking out of the civil war found him in railway employ learning the art of railroad engineer, and August 15, 1862, he enlisted in Co. I, 89th Ill. Infantry (See Note XI Appendix.) familiarly known as the "Railroad Regi-

ment." This organization at once went to the front where it saw much service and among other terrible battles in which it bore a part was that of Chickamauga, Tenn., where Sept. 19, 1863, John Huston Johnson (3), met his death in consequence of being struck in the left breast by a six-pound cannister shot. So far as known he was the only Johnson named for his grandmother, Folly Huston.

3. Mary M. Johnson (4), born March 3, 1836; died April 24, 1836.

4. Charles Franklin Johnson (4), born Oct. 8, 1837 in Bond Co., Ill., where he grew to young manhood and obtained his education in the public schools. While yet a young man he went to Vandalia, Ill., where he has since resided, a period of half a century. Early in life he learned the miller's trade, followed this for a number of years and then entered the milling business on his own account. He is now living in retirement and occupies his time in looking after his property interests. June 11, 1864 he entered the military service as Second Lieutenant of Co. E, 143rd Illinois Infantry and remained with the organization until its muster-out. (See Note XII Appendix.) September 18, 1859 he married Miss Sarah M. Odell, who was born in Orange Co., N. Y., and died in Vandalia, May 13, 1888. She was a most estimable woman. December 7, 1890 he was married the second time to Mrs. Theresa Summers Ernst (widow), who was born in Wooster, Ohio, Nov. 13, 1852. There are no children.

5. James Henry Johnson (4), born September 30, 1842 in Bond Co., Ill., where he spent his early boyhood. About 1853 he removed with his father's family from Greenville, Ill., to Vandalia, Ill., where he yet lives. Upon the breaking out of the civil war in 1861 he at once enlisted in Co. H, 8th Illinois Infantry, the second Illinois regiment mustered into service to uphold the union cause and of which Richard Oglesby was the first Colonel. (See Note XIII Appendix.) In this regiment he served three years and three months and then enlisted in the famous Hancock's Veteran Corps wherein his time did not expire till March, 1866, making nearly five years of continuous military service. Not long after returning to civil life he became a stationary engineer and continued in that occupation for many years. He is now retired and spending his time in his attractive home in the suburbs of Vandalia, where at his convenience he gardens, raises fruits and cares for his many hives of bees. He has held several offices of trust, as Alderman, City Marshal, City Treasurer, Street Commissioner, etc. October 26, 1868, he married Miss Ann Maria Ross and to them have been born five sons and one daughter, all of whom are grown and doing well, so that of children this couple can say with the Psalmist, "Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them." (See Fifth Generation.)

6. Green D. Johnson (4), born March 30, 1846; died same year.

Descendants of Charles Johnson (3) and his third wife, Sarah Scott Norton

1. Mary Alice Johnson (4), born May 4, 1852; died October 5, 1853.

2. Edward Percival Johnson (4), born April 12, 1854; died September 23, 1855.

3. Frederick D. Johnson (4), born January 27, 1856; died February 11, 1856.

4. Charles Louis Alexander Johnson (4), born in Vandalia, Ill., Dec. 12, 1858, attended the public schools in his native town, where, also he grew to manhood. For a number of years he has been a resident of Jeffersonville, Ind., and at the present time fills an important position in the Kentucky Title Savings Bank, Louisville, Ky. June 2, 1881 he married Miss Emma Brooks Buchanan, and to them have been born three children whose names will be given under Fifth Generation.

Fourth Generation, John Powers Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of John Powers Johnson (3) and his first wife, Sarah Norton.

1. Rollin Johnson (4), born about 1848; died about 1860.
2. Alonzo Johnson (4), born March 15, 1854, and died in infancy.

Descendants of John Powers Johnson (3) and his second wife, Sarah Canada.

1. Annie Johnson(4), born May 27, 1863; died May 25, 1865 of scarlet fever.

Fifth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Hester Ann Rogers Johnson (4) and her husband, Daniel Detrick.

1. Rebecca Adaline Detrick (5), born about 1845 and died about 1852.
2. Daniel Webster Detrick (5), born Nov. 29, 1847, and when he was eleven years of age accompanied his parents to Highland, Kansas, where he grew to manhood on his father's farm and obtained his education in the public schools. He has never married and his address is not known.
3. Benjamin Johnson Detrick (5), born Oct. 10, 1852 at Pocahontas, Ill., and while yet a young boy removed with his father's family to Highland, Kansas, where he grew to manhood and meanwhile received his education in the public schools. For many years he has been a resident of Springfield, Ill., and until recently occupied his time as a traveling salesman, but is now engaged in business in Springfield. May 23, 1878, he married Jessie Florence Wright, who became the mother of one son. See Sixth Generation.
4. Caroline Detrick (5), born at Highland, Kansas, where she grew to womanhood, meanwhile receiving her education in the public schools. May 16, 1877, she married John Missie and to them seven children have been born who will be noted under Sixth Generation. Mr. and Mrs. Missie have always resided in Highland, Kan.
5. John Bayliss Detrick (5), born at Highland, Kan., Oct. 17, 1859, where he grew to manhood and later married. The date of marriage and the name of the bride is not at this time obtainable. One son was born to this couple. Most unfortunately John B. Detrick was frozen to death in January, 1892.
6. Hester Ann Detrick (5), born Feb. 14, 1863, at Highland, Kan., where she grew to young womanhood and in April, 1882, married Z. L. Gilmore. They continue to reside in Highland, and to them four children have been born. (See Sixth Generation.)

Fifth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Jeanette Thompson Johnson (4) and her husband, Wilson Leaverton.

1. Benjamin Johnson Leaverton (5), born near Pocahontas, Ill., July 5, 1852; died Aug. 22, 1853.
2. Sarah Maranda Leaverton (5), born near Pocahontas, Aug. 2, 1854, and in 1872 removed with her parents to Chatham, Ill. She attended the public schools and finished her education at Monticello Seminary. December 23, 1875, she married Robert L. McGuire of Springfield, Ill., a successful lawyer and prosperous business man. To them one child has been born. (See Sixth Generation.)
3. Jeanette Leaverton (5), born near Pocahontas, June 17, 1860; died June 17, 1864.
4. John Wilson Leaverton (5), born near Pocahontas; died at Chatham, October 24, 1864.
5. Mary Caroline Leaverton (5), born near Pocahontas, Sept. 23, 1864, and while yet a little girl removed with her parents to Chatham, Ill., where she

grew to womanhood. Oct. 27, 1888, she married Benjamin Canada Richie of Georgetown, Ill., where they now reside. To this couple four children have been born. (See Sixth Generation.)

6. Richard Lincoln Leaverton (5), born at Pocahontas, Dec. 23, 1868, and when four years of age removed with his father's family to Chatham, Ill., where he grew to manhood and received his education in the public schools. Oct. 19, 1893, he married Rosella Southwick of Loami, Ill., and to them have been born three children. (See Sixth Generation.) Until recently Mr. Leaverton was engaged in farming and stock-raising, but he is now retired and lives at 861 South Grand Avenue, Springfield, Ill.

7. Samuel Johnson Leaverton (5), born near Pocahontas, March 28, 1869, and while yet a small boy removed with his parents to Chatham, Ill., where he has since resided and where March 23, 1892, he married Nannie Ann Henry, who is the mother of five children. (See Sixth Generation.)

Fifth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendant of Harriet E. Johnson (4) and her husband, S. M. Randolph.

1. Daughter — — Randolph (5), born about 1872, and died while in very young girlhood.

Fifth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Mary Felicia Ann Johnson (4) and her husband, Samuel Furrress Stone.

1. Margaret Adaline Stone (5), born August 7, 1857; died September 2, 1857.

2. Charles Robert Stone (5), born May 15, 1859, and is now engaged in business in Cumberland, Tenn. June 27, 1900, he married Emma Grace Osbern, and to this couple four children have been born. (See Sixth Generation.)

3. Anthony VanLur Stone (5), born April 12, 1861, and died Sept. 29, 1896 from hemorrhage of the bowels. January 28, 1883, he married Lula Jane Daniel, who became mother of five children. (See Sixth Generation.)

4. Albert Johnson Stone (5), born April 12, 1863. Sept. 12, 1886, he married Mary A. Ludd, and to them have been born five children. (See Sixth Generation.) P. O. address, Erin Tenn., R. F. D. No. 1.

5. Frank Hardiman Stone (5), born Oct. 11, 1864, and April 6, 1892, married Addie Slayden, who is the mother of eight children. (See Sixth Generation.) P. O. address, Dogwood, Tenn., R. F. D. No. 1.

6. John William Stone (5), born May 19, 1866, and Jan. 21, 1894, married Catherine Sensing, who became the mother of one child. (See Sixth Generation.) John W. Stone was divorced from his first wife and November 22, 1899, married Arra Baldwin, who is the mother of three children. (See Sixth Generation.) P. O. address, Spot, Hickman Co., Tenn.

7. Samuel Wayne Stone (5), born Sept. 30, 1868, and Sept. 18, 1892, married Josephine Adams, who is the mother of four children. (See Sixth Generation.) P. O. address, Edgewood, Tenn.

8. Harriet Arabella Stone (5), born Jan. 21, 1870, and Sept. 14, 1890, married George D. Jones, who is the father of five children. (See Sixth Generation.) P. O. Erin, Tenn., R. F. D. No. 1.

9. Minnie Lee Stone (5), born Aug. 11, 1871; died Nov. 22, 1879.

10. A son, — Stone (5), born and died in the fall of 1872.

11. A son, — Stone (5), born and died in the summer of 1874.

Fifth Generation, Hugh Johnson (4) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Charles Walker Johnson (5) and his wife, Annie E. Ogden.

1. Albert Todd Johnson (5), born at Springfield, Ill., March 25, 1869, and grew to manhood in Hiawatha, Kan., where he received his preliminary education in the public schools. Aug. 16, 1904, he married Miss Jennie Smith. He is a newspaper man and is on the Tacoma (Washington) News.

2. George Locey Johnson (5), born Dec. 9, 1870, at Hiawatha, Kan., where he grew up and received his preliminary education in the public schools. Oct. 8, 1891, he married Miss Leigh Bosley of Louisville, Ky., who is the mother of three children. (See Sixth Generation.) Like his brother Albert, most of his time has been given to newspaper work, but he is now engaged in the advertising business in Cincinnati, Ohio.

3. Edith Johnson (5), born at Hiawatha, Kan., Dec, 1880. Obtained her preliminary education in the public schools and later graduated from Kansas University. She is now a High School Teacher in the Tacoma, Washington, schools.

4. Annie Ogden Johnson (5), born March 7, 1886, at Hiawatha, Kan., where she grew up and received her education. She now lives with her mother in Tacoma, Washington.

5. Jennie Frances Johnson (5), twin sister of Annie and born March 7, 1886, at Hiawatha, Kan., where she grew to womanhood and attended school. Lives with her mother in Tacoma, Washington.

Fifth Generation, Duncan Johnson's (3) Line

Descendants of Mary Ann Johnson (4) and her husband, Arnold Greenwood.

1. John Greenwood (5), born early in 1852, at Pocahontas, and died in infancy.

Fifth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Elizabeth Ellen Johnson (4) and her first husband, John B. White.

1. George M. White (5), born Oct. 22, 1849; spent most of his boyhood in Greenville, Ill., his native town and where he obtained his education. He died Feb. 2, 1897. He was never married.

2. Mary Olive White (5), born Nov. 9, 1851, at Greenville, Ill., where she attended the public schools and grew to young womanhood. Oct. 21, 1875, she married Dr. Frank T. Allen, and to them were born two children. (See Sixth Generation.) P. O. address, Neodesha, Kan.

Descendants of Elizabeth Ellen Johnson (4) and her second husband, John B. Hunter.

1. John B. Hunter Jr. (5), born April 29, 1865 in Bond Co., Illinois, but at an early age removed with his parents to Buffalo, Ill, where he grew up. Married Miss Anna Harper Sept. 28, 1893. To this couple three children have been born. (See Sixth Generation.) P. O. address, Rawlins, Wyoming.

2. Otis B. Hunter (5), born March 28, 1868, in Bond Co., Ill., grew up at Buffalo, Ill., where he yet resides. Married Catherine Harper Feb. 14, 1889, who is the mother of three children. (See Sixth Generation.)

3. Guy L. Hunter (5), born March 26, 1871; grew up at Buffalo, Ill., where he still has his home and is engaged in farming. May 27, 1894, he married Miss Clara C. Robinson and to them have been born four children. (See Sixth Generation.)

Fifth Generation, Duncan Johnson Line—Continued.

Descendants of Martha Jane Johnson (4) and her husband, Romulus C. Sprague.

1. Clara Ellen Sprague (5), born in Greenville, Ill., March 6, 1856, and Dec. 15, 1875, married John F. Dann. To them three children have been born. (See 'Sixth Generation.) Mr. Dann is engaged in the real estate business in St. Louis, Mo., and his residence is at 4155 Westminster Place, that city.

2. Sarah Maud Sprague (5), born Feb. 11, 1859, in Greenville, Ill., where she grew to womanhood and attended the public schools. Oct. 31, 1878, she married William R. McIntyre, and to them were born two children. (See Sixth Generation.) Mrs. McIntyre died March 13, 1889, and her husband, Jan. 10, 1889.

3. Mary Irene Sprague (5), born Jan. 13, 1861; died Oct. 2, 1862.

4. Romulus Duncan Sprague (5), born in Greenville, Ill., Jan. 13, 1863; grew up in his native town and Oct. 13, 1886, married Miss Charlotte Buster. To them have been born five children. (See Sixth Generation.) Mr. Sprague is in the jewelry business at Aurora, Mo.

5. Ruby Belle Sprague (5), born Feb. 17, 1865, at Greenville, Ill., where she grew up and attended the public schools. March 18, 1886, she married Joseph Blosser, and they are the parents of five children. (See Fifth Generation.) Mr. Blosser is a groceryman at Winchester, Oregon.

6. John Beverly Sprague (5), born at Greenville, Ill., June 24, 1867; died Feb. 9, 1869.

7. Hattie Mabel Sprague (5), born at Greenville, Ill., Jan. 28, 1871; died Nov. 26, 1876.

Fifth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3), Line, Continued.

Descendants of Sarah Miranda Johnson (4) and her husband, Beverly W. Henry.

1. Lulu Margaret Henry (5), born June 9, 1863; died Jan. 16, 1867.

2. Mary Alline Henry (5), born Sept. 30, 1865; died June 5, 1867.

3. Carrie Isabelle Henry (5), born May 19, 1868, at Vandalia, where she grew to womanhood and Jan. 2, 1890, married Dr. C. U. Collins, now a leading surgeon of Peoria, Ill., where he resides.

4. Waverly Henry (5), born Jan. 27, 1874; grew up in Vandalia, Ill and Oct. 30, 1895, married George F. Houston, who practices law in Vandalia and nearby has a choice farm upon which he raises fine stock and resides part of the season.

Fifth Generation, James Johnson (3) Line.

Daughter of Ezra Sunderland Johnson (4) and his wife, Elizabeth St. John.

1. Alice Elizabeth Ann Johnson (5), born at Onaga, Kan., Dec. 23, 1890, and when about twelve years of age removed with her parents to Holton, Kan., where she is attending High School.

Fifth Generation, James Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Charles B. Johnson (4) and his wife, Maria Louisa Lewis.

1. Lewis Williams Johnson (5), born at Tolono, Ill., April 15, 1875, and when four years of age, removed with his parents to Champaign, Ill., where he grew up, meanwhile attending the public schools and later the University of Illinois, from which he graduated in 1896. He now occupies his time as a Public Works Contractor and has his office at Danville, Ill.

2. Charles Sunderland Johnson (5), born at Tolono, Ill., May 12, 1877, and while

yet a very small boy removed with his parents to Champaign, Ill., where he obtained his preliminary education in the public schools. Later he entered the University of Ill., and in 1900 graduated as a Mechanical Engineer. He has since followed his profession, that of a construction engineer and has offices at 1325 Marquette Building, Chicago, Ill. June 14, 1906, he married Miss Clarence Mabel Hornbrook of Cambridge, Ohio, and has since resided at LaGrange, Ill.

3. James Edward Johnson (5), born March 10, 1879, at Tolono, and while yet an infant removed with his parents to Champaign, Ill., where he reached the years of manhood, acquired his preliminary education in the public schools and later attended the University of Ill., from which he graduated in 1901. He is now General Superintendent of the McKinley Syndicate Interests at Danville, Ill.

4. Fred Volentine Johnson (5), born Dec. 3, 1880, at Champaign, Ill., where he grew up and received his education in the public schools and the University of Ill., graduating at the latter in 1902, Department of Mechanical Engineering. He is now Chief Engineer of the Teziutlan Copper Works, Teziutlan, Old Mexico.

5. Alice Sarah Johnson (5), born at Champaign, Ill., Feb. 25, 1884. Received her preliminary education in the public schools and next entered the University of Illinois, Department of Library Science and Literature. She expects to complete the course in 1907.

6. George Thompson Johnson (5), born March 6, 1886, at Champaign, Ill., where he spent his boyhood in attendance upon the public schools and later the University of Illinois, from which he graduated in 1906, Department of Natural Sciences. He is now a student of Rush Medical College, Junior year. His address is 393 Ashland Avenue, Chicago.

Fifth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Elizabeth Delia Johnson (4) and her husband, Alexander A. Bowman.

1. Mary Caroline Bowman (5), born at Pocahontas, Ill., April, 19, 1851, and while a small child removed with her parents to Carrollton, Ill., and later to White Hall, Ill. July, 12, 1866, she married Lorenzo A. Wells, who died at Pleasant, Hill, Mo. February 28, 1871, she married for her second husband, Thomas B. Roberts. Their children will be noted under Sixth Generation. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts are residents of Girard, Kan.

2. Sarah Alice Bowman (5), born at Pocahontas, Ill., Sept. 5, 1853, and while very young removed with her parents to Green Co., Ill., where first at Carrollton and later at White Hall she grew to maturity and Sept. 18, 1877, married John C. Dwyer, who died Nov. 3, 1879. March 23, 1884, she married for her second husband, Oliver M. Huntington, who died March 3, 1899, at Rosedale, Kan., where Mrs. Huntington yet resides. For descendants see Sixth Generation.

3. John C. Bowman (5), born May 18, 1856, grew to manhood at White Hall, Ill., and later read law. After completing his studies he began the practice of his profession and attained a degree of proficiency that caused him to be nominated and elected Probate Judge of Green County. May 18, 1885, he married Miss Martha A. Cooper, who became the mother of two sons. (See Sixth Generation.) P. O. address, Carrollton, Ill.

4. George W. Bowman (5), born Dec. 6, 1858, grew to young manhood in White Hall, Ill., became a student in medicine and graduated at the American Medical College, St. Louis, in 1880, and has now been actively engaged in the practice of his profession for more than a quarter of a century. In 1884 he married Miss Minnie L. Stuart, who became the mother of three sons. (See Sixth Generation.) Dr. and Mrs. Bowman live at Alsey, Scott Co., Ill.

5. Hester B. Bowman (5), born July 10, 1861, at White Hall, Ill., where she grew to womanhood and Dec. 24, 1886, married Martin G. Fanning, who became the father of two children. (See Sixth Generation.) Mrs. Fanning was divorced

from her first husband and subsequently married Elijah E. Craine, who died Feb. 28, 1903. Mrs. Craine's address is 501 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

6. Alexander Bowman (5), born about 1863 at White Hall, Ill., where he grew to manhood. He now resides in Parsons, Kansas.

Fifth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of James H. Johnson (4) and his wife, Annie Maria Ross.

1. Carrie May Johnson (5), born Oct. 26, 1870, at Vandalia Ill., where she grew to womanhood and meanwhile obtained her education in the public schools and where she now makes her home with her parents. She is an active worker in the M. E. church, with which she has been identified since childhood. She also holds membership in two or three local woman's clubs.

2. John Hadyn Johnson (5), born June 8, 1873, grew up in Vandalia and received his education in its schools. For years he has followed the barber's trade with good success.

3. Franklin Eugene Johnson (5), born July 22, 1875, and during his boyhood attended the Vandalia public schools. Upon reaching young manhood he became a member of Co. I, 8th Illinois National Guard and upon the breaking out of the Spanish-American war enlisted, as a soldier in that service and went to Havana, Cuba. A year later he was mustered out and upon returning to civil life became a barber. He is now at Harvey, Ill.

4. Edward Lawrence Johnson (5), born Dec. 30, 1877, in Vandalia, Ill., where he grew to young manhood and graduated from the High school in 1899. He followed the occupation of telegraphy with good success for a number of years, but is now engaged in the manufacture of concrete building material at Vandalia with most encouraging prospects.

5. Warren Garfield Johnson (5), born Feb. 11, 1880, attended the Vandalia schools and later learned telegraphy which he has since followed with success. June 14, 1906, he married Miss Lula Huebler of Vandalia, the same date that his cousin, Charles S. Johnson, married Miss Clarence Mabel Hornbrook at Cambridge, Ohio.

6. James Henry Johnson (5), born May 11, 1882, passed his boyhood days in Vandalia, meanwhile got his education in the public schools. Upon reaching young manhood he adopted telegraphy as his calling and at present is manager of the Vandalia office. Sept. 15, 1903, he married Miss Stella Steinhauer, who is the mother of two sons. (See Sixth Generation.)

Fifth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Charles L. A. Johnson (4) and his wife, Emma Brooks Buchanan.

1. Richie Hubert Johnson (5), born Aug. 13, 1883; living at Jeffersonville, Ind.

2. Zellie Maria Johnson (5), born May 7, 1885; living at Jeffersonville, Ind.

3. Murat Louis Johnson (5), born March 27, 1888, and is now attending Swarthmore College, a Technical school at Swarthmore, Pa., and in which he won a scholarship in competitive examination.

Sixth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Benjamin Johnson Detrick (5) and his wife, Jessie Florence Wright.

1. Charles Daniel Detrick (6), born Feb. 27, 1879, in Springfield, Ill., where he grew up and received his preliminary education in the public schools. Later he graduated in Pharmacy and is now a practical pharmacist in St. Louis, Mo.

Sixth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Caroline Detrick (5) and her husband, John Missie.

1. Annie Caroline Missie (6), born Dec. 3, 1877, at Highland, Kan., where she yet lives.
2. Hester Grace Missie (6), born at Highland, Kan., Sept. 3, 1880; died January 24, 1899.
3. Katie Miranda Missie (6), born at Highland, Kan., Nov. 10, 1881.
4. Daniel Wilson Missie (6), born at Highland Kan., Sept. 9, 1883.
5. John Beverly Missie (6), born at Highland, Kan., May 10, 1885.
6. Fred Benjamin Missie (6), born at Highland, Kan., Aug. 18, 1889.
7. Charles Detrick Missie (6), born at Highland, Kan., Oct. 17, 1891.

Sixth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of John Bayliss Detrick (5) and his wife (maiden name not obtainable.)

1. Walter Detrick (6), born about 1887. No further history at hand.

Sixth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Hester Ann Detrick (5) and her husband, Z. L. Gilmore:

1. Albert Modrel Gilmore (6), born at Highland, Kan., Feb. 18, 1884.
2. Warren Gilmore (6), born July 9, 1886, at Highland, Kan.
3. Mary Caroline Gilmore (6), born at Highland, Kan., April 19, 1889.
4. Hester Ann Gilmore (6), born April 15, 1894, at Highland, Kan.

Sixth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Sarah Miranda Leaverton (5) and her husband, Robert Louis McGuire.

1. Susan Jeanette McGuire (6), born in Springfield, Ill., Dec. 9, 1878, received her preliminary education in the public schools and supplemented this by a course at Monticello, Ill., where both her mother and grandmother had preceded her. Oct. 29, 1903, she married John Sidney Burnett and they reside at 1711 Hinman Ave., Evanston, Ill.

Sixth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Mary Caroline Leaverton (5) and her husband, Benjamin Canada Richie.

1. James King Richie (6), born at Georgetown, Ill., Sept. 20 1887, where he received his preliminary education, and is now taking an engineering course in the University of Illinois.
2. Wilson Leaverton Richie (6), born at Springfield, Ill., Jan. 13, 1889.
3. Sadie May Richie (6), born March 28, 1895, at Georgetown, Ill.; died at the same place Nov. 27 1901.
4. Harold Benjamin Richie (6), born at Georgetown, Ill., Dec. 11, 1902.

Sixth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Richard Lincoln Leaverton (5) and his wife, Rosella Southwick.

1. Esther Leaverton (6), born at Chatham, Ill., June 3, 1896; died same day.
2. Howard Richard Leaverton (6), born Aug. 7, 1898, and died March 9, 1900.
3. Hester Rosella Leaverton (6), born at Springfield, Ill., March 24, 1900.

Sixth Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Samuel Johnson Leaverton (5) and his wife, Nannie Ann Henry.

1. Henry Wilson Leaverton (6), born at Chatham, Ill., March 23, 1893.
2. Nettie Brent Leaverton (6), born July 23, 1895, at Chatham.
3. Ida May Leaverton (6), born at Chatham, Jan. 9, 1897.
4. Martha Caroline Leaverton (6), born Aug. 3, 1898.
5. Sadie Lucile Leaverton (6), born at Chatham, Ill., Sept. 16, 1906.

Sixth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Charles Robert Stone (5) and his wife, Emma Grace Osburn.

1. Mary Elizabeth Stone (6), born May 12, 1901.
2. Catherine Lucile Stone (6), born Aug. 7, 1902.
3. Nathaniel William Stone (6), born Jan. 29, 1904; died same date.
4. Bradley Grace Stone (6), born Sept. 14, 1905.

Sixth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Anthony VanLur Stone (5) and his wife, Lulu Jane Daniel:

1. Willie Burress Stone (6), born January 20, 1884.
2. Clarence Lurton Stone (6), born Nov. 27, 1885; died March 4, 1886.
3. Leon Frank Stone (6), born Feb. 18, 1888.
4. Mabel Kate Stone (6), born Sept. 15, 1890.

Sixth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Albert Johnson Stone (5) and his wife, Mary A. Ludd.

1. Azila N. Stone (6), born June 21, 1887; married Charles C. Adams of Ruskin, Tenn., Nov. 19, 1905.
2. Delia May Stone (6), born Aug. 3, 1889, and Dec. 3, 1905, married Mr. Grigsby Trotter.
3. Roy B. Stone (6), born Aug. 12, 1898; died Sept. 25, 1899.

Sixth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Frank Hardiman Stone (5) and his wife, Addie Slayden.

1. Margaret Elazor Stone (6), born Feb. 3, 1893.
2. Kershel VanLur Stone (6), son, born Aug. 16 1894.
3. Emma Culberson Stone (6), born Jan. 30, 1896.
4. Hattie Florence Stone (6), born Sept. 15, 1897.
5. Charles Johnson Stone (6), born Jan. 20, 1900.
6. Robert Franklin Stone (6), born Aug. 2, 1901.

7. Allean May Stone (6), born May 27, 1903.
8. Joseph Slayden Stone (6), born May 27, 1905.

Sixth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of John William Stone (5) and his first wife, Catherine Sensing:

1. Earmy Omega Stone (6), a son, born Nov. 5, 1894.

Descendants of John William Stone (6) and his second wife, Arra Baldwin.

1. Samuel Turner Stone (6), born Oct. 1, 1900.
2. Mattie Francis Stone (6), born July 21, 1902.
3. John William Stone, Jr. (6), born Aug. 28, 1904.

Sixth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Samuel Wayne Stone (5) and his wife, Josephine Adams:

1. Robert Burnard Stone (6), born Sept 14, 1893.
2. Walter Bell Stone (6), born Aug. 14, 1897.
3. Halley May Stone (6), born Jan. 29, 1901.

Sixth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Harriet Arabella Stone (5) and her husband, George W. Jones:

1. Felicia Ann Jones (6), born Sept. 4, 1892.
2. S. Adell Jones (6), born Aug. 9, 1895.
3. Ruby Myrtle Jones (6), born Aug. 3, 1897.
4. Robert Wynn Jones (6), born June 22, 1900.
5. Samuel Paul Jones (6), born Dec. 27, 1901.

Sixth Generation, Hugh Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of George Locey Johnson (5) and his wife Harriet Leigh Bosley.

1. Aibert Ogden Johnson (6), born May 23, 1895.
2. Charles Edwin Johnson (6), born Dec. 16, 1897.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Olive White (5) and her husband, Dr. Frank T. Allen.

1. Georgia Allen (6), born Oct. 11, 1879. Oct. 9, 1901, married Dr. J. L. Morehead, who practices his profession and with his family resides in Neodesha, Kan.
2. Waverly Allen (6), born Oct. 25, 1832; died March 20, 1888.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of John B. Hunter, Jr. (5), and his wife, Anna Harper.

1. Barnett Hunter (6), son born about 1894 and died in early childhood.
3. Frances Hunter (6), daughter, born about 1896.
3. Dorris E. Hunter (6), daughter, born about 1898.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Otis J. Hunter (5) and his wife, Katherine Pope.

1. Frederick Hunter (6), born Jan. 14, 1890.
2. Roy Hunter (6), born July 27, 1892.
3. Korrine Hunter (6), daughter, born about 1900.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Guy L. Hunter (5) and his wife, Clara C. Robinson:

1. Clarence L. Hunter (6), born Feb. 9, 1896.
2. Keith C. Hunter (6), born Dec. 2, 1897.
3. Eugenia E. Hunter (6), born June 6, 1904.
4. Paul F. Hunter (6), born June 29, 1906.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Sarah Maud Sprague (5) and her husband, John F. Dann.

1. John Sprague Dann (6), born July 6, 1877; died Sept. 24, 1877.
2. Mabel Dann (6), born Jan. 19, 1880; died July 2, 1880.
3. Ethal Dann (6), born Aug. 29, 1881.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Sarah Maude Sprague (5) and her husband William B. McIntyre:

1. Leonard Sprague McIntyre (6), born Sept. 30, 1879.
2. Martha Maude McIntyre (6), born Aug. 18, 1882.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Romulus Duncan Sprague (5) and his wife, Charlotte Buster.

1. Wave Lillian Sprague (6), born July 24, 1887.
2. Clarence Sprague (6), born Dec. 1, 1889.
3. Kathleen Sprague (6), born Feb. 23, 1892.
4. Lester Floyd Sprague (6), born Nov. 7, 1894.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Ruby Belle Sprague (5) and her husband, Joe Blosser:

1. Joseph Ward Blosser (6), born Jan. 1, 1887.
2. Rome Henry Blosser (6), born May 3, 1888; died July 7, 1888.
3. Sarah Mamie Blosser (6), born June 1, 1889.
4. Nellie Blosser (6), born Aug. 9, 1890; died Nov. 2, 1890.
5. Hattie Blosser (6), born Dec. 7, 1892.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Carrie Belle Henry (5) and her husband, Dr. Clifford U. Collins.

1. Clifford Collins (6), born Aug. 22, 1901, and died same day.

2. Mary Collins (6), born Oct. 9, 1894; died Jan. 30, 1895.

3. Constance Collins (6), born Nov. 28, 1894, and lives with her parents in Peoria, Ill.

Sixth Generation, Duncan Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Waverly Henry (5) and her husband, George F. Houston.

1. Isabelle Houston (6), born Aug. 30, 1901.

Sixth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Mary Caroline Bowman (5) and her first husband, Lorenzo H. A. Wells.

1. William Lorenzo Wells (6), born at Pleasant Hill, Mo., Aug. 13, 1868.

Descendants of Mary Caroline Bowman (5) and her second husband, Thomas B. Roberts.

1. Ora Lee Roberts (6), born Dec. 21, 1871, and Oct. 23, 1903, married Aaron J. Boothe, who died July 3, 1904.

2. Thomas Roberts (6), born Sept. 9, 1873; died Oct. 18, 1876.

3. Charles Roberts (6), born Dec. 6, 1875.

4. Euna Roberts (6), born Dec. 21, 1877; died Aug. 5, 1880.

5. Eunice Roberts (6), twin sister of Euna and born Dec. 21, 1877; died Aug. 21, 1878.

6. Mary Roberts (6), born June 24, 1880; died Sept. 26, 1882.

Sixth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendant of Sarah Alice Bowman (5) and her first husband, John C. Dwyer.

1. Clarence A. Dwyer (6), born March 12, 1879; died April 20, 1879.

Sixth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendant of John C. Bowman (5) and his wife, Martha A. Cooper.

1. Mark Cooper Bowman (6), born Dec. 3, 1886, and is now attending the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.

2. Edward L. Bowman (6), born at White Hall, Ill., Jan. 7, 1889.

Sixth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Dr. George W. Bowman (5) and his wife, Minnie Stuart.

1. Charles Stuart Bowman (6), born May 10, 1883, and is now a student at Barnes Medical College, St. Louis, Mo.

2. Irl B. Bowman (6), born at Alsey, Scott Co., Ill., Sept. 13, 1890.

3. George B. Bowman (6), born at Alsey, Ill., Jan. 25, 1892.

Sixth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of Hester B. Bowman (6) and her first husband, Martin G. Fanning.

1. Cecil E. Fanning (6), born at Roodhouse, Ill., Oct. 27, 1888.

2. Hazel B. Fanning (6), born July 4, 1893.

Sixth Generation, Charles Johnson (3) Line, Continued.

Descendants of James H. Johnson (5) Jr., and his wife, Stella Steinhauer.

1. Harold Johnson (6), born June 28, 1904.
2. James Leo Johnson (6), born January 6, 1906.

Seventh Generation, Benjamin Johnson (3) Line.

Descendants of Susan Jeanette McGuire (6) and her husband, John Sidney Burnett.

1. Beatrice Burnett (7), born in Evanston, Ill., March 16, 1907.

(The above young lady, the only known representative of the Seventh Generation, looked upon the light of day for the first time while this history of the Johnson family was lying in type awaiting some final corrections.)

Summary.

In this beginning of the One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary Year (March, 1907) of the birth of the founder of the Illinois Branch of the Cape Fear River Johnsons, it appears that he, Charles Johnson (2), was the father of twelve children (Third Generation); the grandfather of 43 (Fourth Generation); the great grandfather of 69 (Fifth Generation); and the great, great grandfather of 105 (Sixth Generation), making a total of 231 descendants.

Of his [Charles Johnson (2)], twelve children, six, all males, raised families, and of these, Benjamin Johnson (2) became the father of 12(4); the grandfather of 14(5); and up to this time is the great grandfather of 26(6), a total of 52 descendants.

Hugh Johnson (3) became the father of 3 children (4); the grandfather of 16(5); and at this date the great grandfather of 34(6), making an aggregate of 53 descendants.

Duncan Johnson was the father of 8 children (4); the grandfather of 17(5); and at this date is the great grandfather of 30(6), making a total of 55 descendants.

James Johnson (3) became the father of 7 children (4); the grandfather of 7(5), an aggregate of 14 and all living save two in the Fourth Generation.

Charles Johnson (3) became the father of 10 children (4); the grandfather of 15(5), and up to date is the great grandfather of 18(6), making a total of 43 descendants.

So far as can be ascertained, Charles Johnson (2), who died Sept. 2, 1821, was the last survivor of the Second Generation; and John Powers Johnson (3), whose death occurred June 1, 1898, was the last survivor by more than thirty years of the Third Generation. He died in his eighty-first year, so far as known, the longest lease of life accorded to any one of the name.

Of the 43 persons composing the Fourth Generation, 14 survive and following are their names in the order of individual seniority: Mrs. Elizabeth E. (Johnson) Hunter, Mrs. Mary Caroline (Johnson Todd), Mrs. Martha J. (Johnson) Sprague, Miss Orrey A. Johnson, Miss Margaret L. Johnson, Miss Mary J. Johnson, C. F. Johnson, E. S. Johnson, Benjamin F. Johnson, Melissa Arabella (Johnson) Davis, James H. Johnson, Charles B. Johnson, Mrs. Emma C. (Johnson) Williams and Charles L. A. Johnson.

Of the 69 persons constituting the Fifth Generation 50 are living and following are their names in the order of family seniority: Daniel W. Detrick, Benjamin J. Detrick, Mrs. Carrie (Detrick) Missie, Mrs. Hester (Detrick) Gilmore, Mrs. Sarah M. (Leaverton) McGuire, Mrs. Mary C. (Leaverton) Richie, Richard L. Leaverton, Samuel Johnson Leaverton, Chas. R. Stone, Albert J. Stone, Frank H.

Stone, John W. Stone, Harriet A. (Stone) Jones, Albert T. Johnson, George L. Johnson, Miss Edith Johnson, Miss Annie O. Johnson, Miss Jennie F. Johnson, Mrs. Mary O. (White) Allen, John B. Hunter, Jr., Otis J. Hunter, Guy L. Hunter, Mrs. Clara E. (Sprague) Dann, Romulus Duncan Sprague, Mrs. Ruby B. (Sprague) Blosser, Mrs. Carrie I. (Henry) Collins, Mrs. Waverly (Henry) Houston, Miss Alice E. Johnson, Lewis W. Johnson, Charles S. Johnson, James E. Johnson, Fred V. Johnson, Miss Alice S. Johnson, George T. Johnson, Mrs. Mary C. (Bowman) Roberts, Mrs. Sarah A. (Bowman) Huntington, John C. Bowman, Dr. George W. Bowman, Mrs. Hester B. (Bowman) Craine, Alexander Bowman, Miss Carrie M. Johnson, John H. Johnson, Franklin E. Johnson, Edward L. Johnson, Warren C. Johnson, James H. Johnson, Jr., Richie H. Johnson, Miss Zellie Maria Johnson, and Murat L. Johnson.

Of the 105 persons making up the Sixth Generation, 86 are living, but to give their names here would consume more space than can be spared.

If no mistakes have been made there are at this time living 150 descendants of Charles Johnson (2), one individual for each year that has run its course since his birth in 1757. One Hundred and Fifty Years Ago!

Of the six brothers in the Third Generation, who raised families, Benjamin Johnson had the largest number of children, twelve in all; Hugh Johnson and John Powers Johnson, had the smallest number, three each; Duncan Johnson has the largest number of descendants, 55; James Johnson has the largest number of survivors in the Fourth Generation, namely, five; Charles Johnson has the largest number of descendants retaining the family name Johnson.

John Powers Johnson reached the greatest age, but has no living descendants.

In the Fourth Generation, Mary Felicia Johnson Stone had the largest number of children, eleven, and the greatest number of descendants. Her brother, Charles W. Johnson raised to maturity the only pair of twins, both daughters. James H. Johnson raised five sons and one daughter as likewise did Charles B. Johnson.

Appendix.

NOTE I. Bladen Co., North Carolina, is situated on either side of the Cape Fear River and about forty or fifty miles from the considerable city of Wilmington. The early history of the Cape Fear River Valley is interesting. It was here that a large body of Highlanders under the leadership of Neil McNeil found a permanent home a little previous to 1750. They were refugees, who a short time before had been active participants in what in English history is known as the rebellion of '45. In 1745 Prince Charles Edward crossed over from France and landed in Scotland, where he raised his standard and proclaimed himself the rightful heir to the British throne. In addition to being a Stuart (a Scottish house) the Prince possessed courage, manliness, a fine personality and many other winning characteristics, and in consequence a great many Scotch flocked to his standard. After meeting various degrees of success his little army was finally overwhelmingly defeated at Culloden, April 16, 1746. The Prince made good his escape, but many of his followers were captured and of these not a few were beheaded, others were shot down like dogs, and yet others were confined in dungeons and in the holds of vessels. Fortunately a goodly number escaped and among these were the Scotch Highlanders who settled on the Cape Fear River about the middle of the Eighteenth Century. It is not known positively that Samuel Johnson (1), who about the same time settled in the Cape Fear River Valley, was a Scotchman, but it is certain that he was a refugee from one of the British Islands, where tradition says his name was Cole, but that in consequence of some political transgression it at once became expedient for him to flee to the wilds of America and take a new name. The name adopted was Johnson, but there is some question as to the correctness of the given name. However, the best evidence available favors the new one noted above, namely, Samuel. Tradition further has it, that just before James Johnson (2) started on his public mission to England at the close of the Revolutionary war his father

Samuel Johnson (1), said to him, "During your travels abroad it is just possible that in Dublin you may meet some of your near kin, the Coles."

NOTE II. In addition to the family of Charles Johnson (2), there were in this party his brother Samuel Johnson (2) and family, his sister Nancy Johnson (2) Volentine and her husband, Hardy Volentine, and their family, and his brother, Benjamin Volentine, then a bachelor, but who later married Mrs. Jane Byrns, a widow, who afterwards became the mother of Elizabeth Jane Volentine, who in 1830 married James Johnson (3) of Bond Co., Ill. Another member of this party was Mrs. Rachael Plummer McMaster Johnson, widow of James Johnson (2) and mother of Mrs. Jane Byrns, also one of the emigrants. While it is not practicable to designate the exact route pursued by this party of emigrants in 1801, yet it is certain that it was a long, toilsome and in more particulars that one a dangerous journey. They doubtless went west and northwest to the head waters of the Yadkin, a river made famous in consequence of the fact that Daniel Boone for a long while resided on its banks in his earlier years. From the Yadkin they probably approached the Alleghany mountains and passed over and through that broken region by following down the general course of the French Broad River. After reaching the limits of Tennessee the party probably followed the "wilderness trail," first opened by Daniel Boone.

"Some to endure and some to quail,
Some to conquer, and some to fail,
Toiling over the Wilderness trail."

Doubtless they passed through the then new town of Nashville, Tenn., and from there over the rough country to Humphreys Co., Tenn., their destination. Certainly a long, laborious undertaking and over a route that led through a heavily timbered and mountainous wilderness, over dangerous torrents and through a region from the mountains of North Carolina to the western limits of Tennessee that but recently had been the scenes of untold numbers of scalplings and massacres of white settlers by Indians.

NOTE III. Sometime before leaving North Carolina it is said Charles Johnson (2) disposed of some negro slaves he owned and soon after formed a resolution of seeking a permanent home in the Northwest Territory, which as far back as 1789 had been dedicated to free labor. This idea was believed to have been uppermost in his mind when he left North Carolina in 1801, but on account of danger from the Indians in all the country north of the Ohio river, it was deemed prudent to find a temporary home in Tennessee. Finally in 1817, when the more serious dangers from Indians in Illinois Territory were past, he and his large family of boys emigrated to that land of permanent freedom and were never more troubled with the immediate influences of African slavery.

NOTE IV. North Carolina enjoys the peculiar distinction of having within its territory on Roanoke Island, the site of the first English settlement made in America (1534); of having the place of birth of the first child born of English parents within the bounds of what later was to constitute the United States; of having spilled on its soil at the battle of Alamance, fought in 1771, the first blood shed in the struggle for Independence; and finally of having adopted at Charlotte, Mecklenberg County, May 20, 1775, a Declaration of Independence, nearly fourteen months before the Philadelphia Declaration.

NOTE V. The battle of Alamance was fought on a tributary constituting the headwaters of the Cape Fear River; at Cross Creek (now Fayetteville) occurred the battle of that name in 1776; and lastly, further down that stream at Elizabethton, was fought the battle of that name near the close of the Revolutionary struggle. Furthermore, at Cross Creek at one time lived the celebrated Flora McDonald, a noble and attractive woman, celebrated in English history as the preserver of the life of Prince Charles Edward after his disastrous defeat in 1746.

NOTE VI. At this period there were practically no white inhabitants north of a line drawn from about where Alton now is to Terre Haute, Ind., and substantially all the country north of this was in the hands of the Idnians, nearly all of whom had been in alliance with England in the war of 1812, but recently ended. Indeed, peace was not formally made with these Indian tribes till the latter half of 1815, a few months before the sons of Charles Johnson (2) first came to Illinois Territory. A while before this a man who had his cabin a little north of where Pocahontas now is, was killed and scalped by a party of savages. A suitable monument erected on Coxe's Branch, named for the victim, marks the site of this tragedy. Some miles below the home of Charles Johnson (2) on Shoal Creek was a block house that bore the name, Fort Hill, and near the close of the war of 1812 this was garrisoned by Lieutenant Journey and eleven men. On the morning of August 21, 1814, some suspicious indications caused the commander to form his men in line and go outside the fort on a reconnoitering expedition. The command had proceeded but a little way when from a clump of bushes it was fired upon and Lieutenant Journey and three of his men fell to the ground. Among the latter was one William Burgess. To his rescue came Tom Higgins, who in an encounter which followed immediately, killed three Indians and wounded a fourth before he and Burgess were saved by a sally from the fort. Higgins was found to have received four bullet wounds and a number of knife-stabs and spear-thrusts; nevertheless, he eventually recovered and lived to a good old age, as likewise did William Burgess, whose life was doubtless saved by his dauntless comrade. Later William Burgess settled near Millersburg, Bond Co., where he reared a family one of whom, Mary Burgess, married Charles Johnson (3) and became the mother of seven children, two of whom, Charles F. Johnson (4) and James H. Johnson (4) are living in Vandalia, Ill.

NOTE VII. One of her sons, William Volentine, fought under Jackson at New Orleans and his account of that battle was especially interesting, as the writer can testify. Early in the Nineteenth Century he settled in the northwest part of Bond Co., Ill., where he became a large land owner and the possessor of much means. He was married three times and became the father of twenty-five children. He was a man of great natural ability and possessed much force and independence of character.

NOTE VIII. In the spring of 1816 the three eldest sons of Charles Johnson (2), namely Benjamin, Hugh and "Ned," aged 19, 17 and 15 respectively, and their cousin William Volentine, came from Tennessee to Illinois Territory, bringing with them about sixty head of cattle which they herded on Round Prairie, immediately north of Shoal Creek in Bond Co. Here near the creek and contiguous to a fine spring they made their camp and when the prairie grass was in the right stage, cut a fine supply of this and stacked it ready to feed the cattle in the coming winter. Unfortunately when the frost had killed every living thing, a prairie fire broke out, burned their hay, their camp and all it contained. Previous to leaving Tennessee their father had told the Johnson boys that they could have the proceeds of what the cattle would sell for, and this they expected to put in land in the new country. They drove their cattle to St. Louis, then a town of two thousand people, sold them and at first thought of entering land near that place which could be had at the government price, namely, \$1.25 per acre. But they finally concluded to locate near what is now Pocahontas. Had they followed their first impulse, it is possible that some of them would have become wealthy, as the land was near what is now the heart of St. Louis, Mo.

NOTE IX.—So far as can be ascertained this is the only tragic death in the history of the family. At the time of his decease Hugh Johnson (3) was in Holly Springs, Miss., working at his trade, and it seems he had a dog which got in the smoke-house of a citizen and took therefrom a piece of smoked-meat. Some words followed and finally the owner of the smoke-house with a butcher

knife stabbed Hugh Johnson (3) twice in the left breast, and the wounded man survived the injury only three days. The shirt he had on at the time of the assault, now more than seventy years ago, is in the possession of Mrs. Hattie Jones (5) of Erin, Tenn.

NOTE X. Early in Aug., 1862, Charles W. Johnson (4), Benjamin F. Johnson (4) and Charles B. Johnson (4) volunteered from Bond Co., the first named in Co. E and the last two in Co. F, 130th Ill. Infantry and in the following three years saw much military service. The One Hundred and Thirtieth Illinois passed through the ever memorable Vicksburg campaign in the spring and summer of 1863; the disastrous Red River campaign in the spring of 1864, and the Mobile campaign in the spring of 1865, besides numerous other engagements and skirmishes. Upon the disbandment of the 130th Ill. Infantry in September, 1865, the three Johnsons above named returned to civil life.

NOTE XI. The 89th Illinois Infantry called the "Railroad Regiment" was mustered in the service in the summer of 1862 and at once went to the front, and Oct. 8, bore an honorable part in the battle of Perryville, Ky. Later it was at Stone River, Mission Ridge, Chickamauga, all the engagements of the Atlanta campaign, Franklin and Nashville, besides numerous battles of less note. In all there were on its rolls no less than 1,408 men and of these the large total of 820 were either killed in battle, suffered from wounds, died of disease, or were discharged on account of disability. As elsewhere noted John Johnson (4) Co. I, 89th Ill., was struck in the left breast and instantly killed by a cannister shot at the battle of Chickamauga, Tenn., Sept. 19, 1863.

NOTE XII. The 143rd Ill. Infantry was mustered in the service at Mattoon, Ill., in 1864, and soon after went to Helena, Ark., where it remained on garrison duty till the expiration of its term of service. This regiment was one of the thirteen organizations which Illinois put in the field in the summer of 1864, for 100 days, mainly for garrison duty, and thus relieved and enabled the veteran troops to take the field. So efficiently did they do their work that President Lincoln in a special order tendered them the thanks of the government.

NOTE XIII. The 8th Ill. Infantry was the second regiment organized to serve at the breaking out of the war of the Rebellion. Richard J. Oglesby was its first colonel and after winning distinction as a soldier he was elected Governor of Illinois in 1864, and later filled a seat in the U. S. Senate and later still was again elected governor. The 8th Ill. saw a great deal of hard service and among other battles in which it bore a heroic part were Donnelson, Shiloh, Siege of Corinth in 1862, battle of Corinth later, Vicksburg campaign, Mobile campaign, besides many minor engagements and skirmishes.

NOTE XIV. All of the male members of the Johnson (4) family who were sound in limb and of proper age were enlisted soldiers in the civil war, and as elsewhere noted the family of Benjamin Johnson (3) was represented by Benjamin F. Johnson (4); that of Hugh Johnson (3) by Charles W. Johnson (4); that of James Johnson (3) by Charles B. Johnson (4), and that of Charles Johnson (3) by John H. Johnson (4), C. F. Johnson (4) and James H. Johnson (4). Indeed, the only family not represented directly or indirectly was that of John P. Johnson (3), whose last son died a short time before the breaking out of the war. Duncan Johnson (3) was not directly represented, his only grown son having died many years before, but his son-in-law, now Judge B. W. Henry of Vandalia, Ill., was an enlisted soldier and for a time served as Captain of Co. I, 35th Ill. Infantry. Wilson Leaverton, son-in-law of Benjamin Johnson (3), was also an enlisted soldier and served as a private in Co. I, 135th Ill. Infantry. Thus the fourth generation of the Johnson family did for the civil war what the second generation did for the revolutionary war, namely, sent every available man. Vouchers 151, 152, and 153, respectively, Book A, 40 C and D, Revolutionary accounts on file in the State Auditor's office, Raleigh, N. C., are evidence of the military service of the brothers, Samuel, Charles and Benjamin Johnson (2)

NOTE XV. When in 1830 James Johnson (3) wedded Elizabeth Jane Volentine, the latter's family for a second time, in the maternal line, intermarried with the Johnsons. The first marriage occurred about fifty years previously when Miss Volentine's grandmother, Mrs. Rachael Plummer McMaster married James Johnson (2) shortly after the close of the Revolutionary war. It is only just to say that to these two marriages we are indebted indirectly, for much of the early history of the Johnson family. Naturally James Johnson (2) oldest son of Samuel Johnson (1), received from his father a great many facts, and these he imparted to his wife, who in turn gave them to her daughter, Mrs. Jane Byrns Volentine, and the latter related them to her daughter, Elizabeth Jane Volentine, who as above noted married James Johnson (3), and finally she told all to her daughters, Miss Orrey A. and Miss Mary J. Johnson of Holton, Kan., and to them, the writer takes occasion to acknowledge his indebtedness for most of the early history of the family that appears in these pages.



