

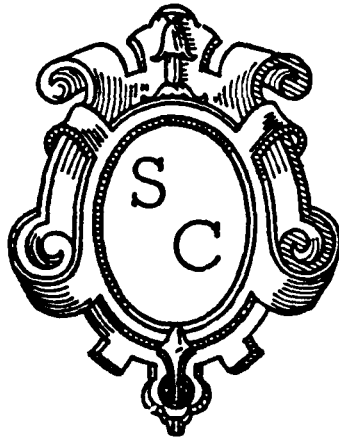


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AND THE
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PROLOGUE

FOLLOWING the Revolution, settlers from the Atlantic seaboard drifted into Illinois, entered in increasing numbers after the War of 1812, and came in hordes when victory in the Blackhawk War of 1831 forced the Indians west of the Mississippi. Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain and his son, Oscar, came with the Congregational Church Colony via Chicago, arriving at Princeton Prairie July 6, 1831, just in time to get into the Blackhawk War.

The newcomers, almost all descendants of the colonists and tracing their ancestry back to England and other European countries, poured into Illinois through two great gateways. Through the portal of Chicago came settlers from New York and New England; those from Pennsylvania and the South preferred the southern gateway via the Cumberland Gap, the Ohio, Wabash, Mississippi and Illinois river valleys.

The outstanding diseases of the time were ophthalmia, pneumonia and malaria. Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, who had trained at Harvard and post-graduated at Berkshire Medical Institute, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, took a great part in the early history of Princeton. He was the doctor of the Hampshire Colony, sold boots and shoes as a side line; was active in the church and helped his son, Oscar, get started on their farm one mile south of Princeton. The rest of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain's family came to Illinois in September, 1832.

Andrew Foster Smith, his mother, Nancy Foster Smith (widow of Elias Smith I) and sisters, Jane, Ruth, Amy and Lydia, came to Princeton in 1835 via the Cumberland Gap, the Ohio and Wabash river valleys.

Andrew Foster Smith married Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain's daughter, Lucy Mary, in 1838, and they form the connecting link between the Chamberlains and the Smiths.

The Wilsons, Walters and Warfields merit special chapters in this book because Stephen Wilson married Amy Smith, John Walter married Eliza Smith, and John Warfield married Lydia Smith.

Black Hawk in June, 1831, attacked several villages near the Illinois-Wisconsin line. After massacring several isolated families, he was driven off by a force of Illinois Militia.

In 1832 after several successful minor engagements Black Hawk was defeated on July 21, by Michigan volunteers under Cols. Henry Dodge and James D. Henry at Wisconsin Heights on the Wisconsin river, opposite Prairie du Sac. He fled westward and on August 1 and 2, 1832, was again decisively defeated on the Mississippi at the mouth of the Bad Axe river by General Henry Atkinson.

At Fort Armstrong, Rock Island, September 21, 1832, a treaty was signed, by which a large tract of the Sauk and Fox territory was ceded to the United States. The United States granted them a reservation of 400 square miles and paid them \$20,000.00 per year for thirty years.

Black Hawk and several warriors were sent to Fortress Monroe, Virginia. Afterward he was taken by the Government through the principal eastern cities and finally, in 1837, he settled on the Sauk and Fox reservation on the Des Moines river in Iowa, where he died on October 3, 1838.

*See Frank E. Stevens, *The Black Hawk War* (Chicago, 1903).

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PART I

THE HAMPSHIRE COLONY

Its Journey to Illinois—Founding of Greenfield (Princeton)

NOTATIONS ON THE CHAMBERLAINS, SMITHS

Early History of Princeton, Illinois

LETTERS OF DR. NATHANIEL GREENE CHAMBERLAIN

THE CHAMBERLAIN GENEALOGY

The English Chamberlains
The American Chamberlains

THE STEVENS FAMILY GENEALOGY

THE FLINT FAMILY GENEALOGY

GENERAL NATHANIEL GREENE

THE LONG LINE OF MEDICAL MEN

Which Followed Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain

A FAMILY OF MEDICAL MEN

CHAPTER I

DR. N. CHAMBERLAIN AND HIS FAMILY

IN THE spring of 1831 a colony was formed at Northampton, Massachusetts, for the purpose of settling in the West. By agreement, the members met at Albany, New York, for embarkation to Buffalo via the Erie canal. In the party were Dr. Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain, Levi Jones, his wife and five children, Mrs. Blodgett and her five children, Eli and Elijah Smith and their wives (newly married couples), and the following single men, Oscar Greene Chamberlain, age 18, son of Dr. N. Chamberlain, John Leonard, John P. Blake, A. C. Washburn, Aaron Gunn, C. J. Cross, Geo. Hinsdale, E. H. Phelps (age 18), Chas. C. Phelps, (age 16), and E. S. Phelps. (See H. C. Bradsby's History of Bureau County, pub. 1885, p. 127). They landed at Buffalo, May 18, 1831. From Buffalo they went to Detroit by steamer and there found that the schooner for Chicago had no room for them. As there would not be another boat for three months, they bought horses and oxen for an overland trip to Chicago.

Before reaching the village of Mottsville, Michigan, some of the horses died; so eight of the young men, (Oscar Chamberlain stayed with father), bought two canoes, lashed them together and floated 65 miles down the St. Joseph river to a point three miles north of South Bend, where they portaged across the swamps to the Kankakee river. They floated down the Kankakee river into the Illinois river and down the latter until they reached the Big Vermillion river opposite LaSalle, Illinois. Here they were informed by their agent, D. B. Jones, who came head in 1830, that Princeton Prairie was to be their future home.

The rest of the party continued by horse and oxen from Mottsville to Chicago, Illinois, where they spent Sunday. At Chicago, Dr. Chamberlain first met Chief Shabbona and they became friends for the rest of their lives. From Chicago, the party again journeyed overland, reaching Bureau river, County of Putnam, State of Illinois, July 6, 1831. They came to the cabin of James Foristall in the following order: Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain with Mrs. Eli Smith on the horse behind him, Elijah Smith and his wife mounted on an ox, Eli Smith

and Oscar Chamberlain on a second ox. (See poem *Spirit of Bureau County*, by Ettie Stephens Prichard, page 2, Sec. XIII *Bureau County Republican* of June 3, 1937).

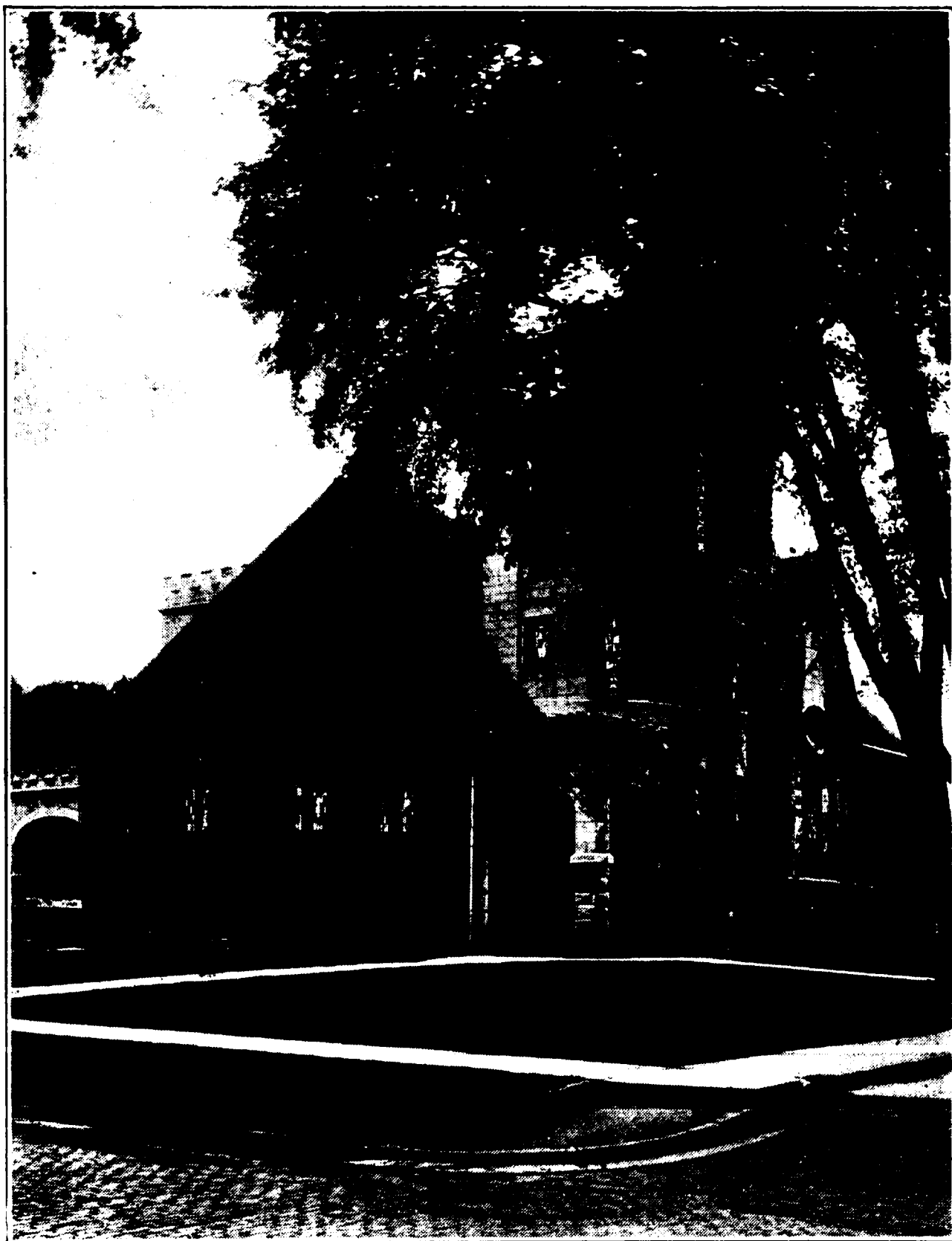
The other members of the party not included in this list had doubtless stopped at the homes of other settlers en route. The young men who had come by river arrived a few days later. Dr. Chamberlain named their town on Princeton Prairie, "*Greenfield*," after Mary Green, which was the maiden name of his wife's mother. However, in 1833 the name was changed to Princeton, Dr. Chamberlain's feelings being soothed at this time by his appointment as postmaster.

Dr. Chamberlain's family came to join him in September, 1832. In this party were his sons, Nathaniel II (later Major Chamberlain), his wife and son, Nathaniel III, Wm. Ober Chamberlain (later Dr. Bill), and Eben; and two daughters, Claramon Flint and her two girls and Lucy Mary, age 13. (See H. C. Bradsby's *History of Bureau County*, page 129).

Oscar Greene Chamberlain, who came to Princeton with his father in 1831 enrolled at Hennepin as a private in Captain Geo. B. Willis' Company of Mounted Volunteers, belonging to the 40th Regiment, 4th Brigade, 1st Division of Illinois Militia, called for service in the Black Hawk war by the Governor and mustered out of service at Hennepin, Putnam County, on June 18, 1832.

In December, 1832, Nathaniel Chamberlain II was commissioned a Major in the 40th Regiment, Illinois State Militia. On May 3, 1833, his commission was signed by John Reynolds, Governor of Illinois, and A. T. Field, Secretary of State. At the same time, his brother, William O. Chamberlain, received his commission as first lieutenant, both having volunteered at the same time.

Dr. Wm. O. Chamberlain, known everywhere as "Dr. Bill," was probably the most famous of Dr. N. Chamberlain's children. Before coming to Illinois, Dr. Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain had his practice at Putney, Vermont. His son, Wm. Ober, was an apprentice in the printing office of *The Hampshire County Gazette* of Hampshire County, Massachusetts, where he served from 1828 to 1831. In the town library he had found a volume of Lewis and Clark's travels. He published occasional extracts from this about the Northwest and these attracted much attention and led to the Hampshire Colony emigration to Illinois. A druggist, Thos. M. Hunt, went ahead as a sort of scout



VIEW OF THE PRESENT HAMPSHIRE COLONY CHURCH, FOUNDED OCTOBER, 1831, AT PRINCETON, ILLINOIS. THE FIRST SUNDAY SCHOOL WAS HELD AT DR. N. CHAMBERLAIN'S CABIN SOUTH OF TOWN. THROUGHOUT THE EARLY HISTORY OF THE CHURCH, THE CHAMBERLAIN FAMILY WAS INTIMATELY CONNECTED WITH IT.

for the party in 1830. (See p. 126, History of Bureau County, Illinois, by H. C. Bradsby).

Dr. Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain was the first permanent physician in Bureau County, being the only physician there from 1831 to 1836. He died March 30, 1849, and is buried in Oakland cemetery.

Wm. Ober Chamberlain studied medicine with his father and was one of the early mail carriers. In 1833 he went back east to complete his medical education, attending Berkshire Medical Institution at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, in 1833 and 1834. In 1835 he entered Vermont Medical College at Woodstock, Vermont, graduating in 1836. He returned to Princeton in the spring of 1836, where he practiced for 34 years, being known everywhere as "Dr. Bill." He was one of the most progressive physicians and surgeons of his time. He took post-graduate work at the New York Eye Infirmary, receiving his certificate December 31, 1847. The records show that he was a member of the Illinois State Medical Society in 1853. In June, 1863, he was the delegate from Princeton, Illinois, to the fourteenth annual meeting of the American Medical Association, held that year in Chicago. He died April 17, 1870, and is buried in Oakland cemetery.

Major Nathaniel Chamberlain and his family moved from Princeton to a farm near Brimfield, Peoria county, Illinois, in 1846. He died there August 25, 1868. His grandson, Wm. M. Chamberlain, still manages the same farm. Many of his descendants live in Peoria.

Mrs. Claramon Chamberlain Flint, with her daughter, Elizabeth (Mrs. James Thomas Stevens), and family, left Princeton in 1867 and settled at Lawrence, Kansas, where many of the descendents still reside. Mrs. Flint died February 16, 1893.

Oscar Greene Chamberlain died at Princeton, January 29, 1841, and is buried in Oakland cemetery.

Lucy Mary Chamberlain married Andrew Foster Smith, February 8, 1838. Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain gave them a farm as a wedding present, the first C., B. & Q. depot at Princeton having been built on the farm in 1854. In 1862 they moved from Princeton to Washington, Iowa, and to Pella, Iowa, in 1865. Andrew Foster Smith died at Pella, Iowa, May 6, 1888, and Lucy Mary Chamberlain Smith died there September 23, 1907.

Eben Chamberlain and his wife moved from Princeton about 1861 or 1862 and settled in Gallatin, Missouri.

CHAPTER II

HAMPSHIRE COLONY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

(Written for the Dedication of the Memorial Park)
(June 23, 1938)

By MISS PAULINE SCHENK

It seems fitting that we as a church should pause for a moment upon this happy occasion, and in retrospect recall the steps on our onward and upward way by which our one hundred seventh milestone has been reached.

The first meeting place of the Hampshire Colony Congregational Church in Illinois was the unfinished log cabin of Elijah Smith, located two or three miles north of Princeton. The first meeting was held in October, 1831. In November of the same year a business meeting was held in the same place. On the first Sabbath in May, 1832, services were held in the cabin of Eli and Elijah Smith. Before time for another meeting the Black Hawk war had begun, and people were obliged to flee to a place of safety.

In the summer of 1833, two Sunday schools were started; one met in *Dr. Chamberlain's cabin, south of town*; the other in John Ament's cabin north of town. Later the two schools united and met in S. Triplet's tavern.

In the spring and fall of 1834, the Rev. Lucian Farnham, a Home Missionary minister, visited the Bureau settlement and found the people very desirous of a minister and a meeting house. The war being over, and the settlement having so greatly increased in numbers that a church seemed possible, work was begun, and a frame structure, the first Congregational house of worship in Illinois, was built in 1835. Rev. Farnham was called to be pastor of the church.

This first church edifice was located on the public square, just south of the west end of the court house, and was built in true New England and Pilgrim style to serve as an academy as well. From Mr. Triplet's tavern the church ascended to its new home in the second



REV. OWEN LOVEJOY HOME, JUST EAST OF PRINCETON, ILLINOIS, CITY LIMITS.

USED AS STATION ON THE "UNDERGROUND RAILWAY" FROM 1840 - 1860.

Rev. Lovejoy, Abolitionist, Minister and Congressman, born January 6, 1811, died March 25, 1864. Buried in Oakland cemetery. He did not live to see the slaves freed.

story, and the school house graduated from the log cabin to the lower story.

This building was a great curiosity to the Indians, who styled it the "big wigwam," and it was equally so to travelers passing through the country, it being the only church on the road between Peoria and Chicago; and with the exception of a small one at Ottawa, it was the only one west of Chicago. This building was used not only for religious meetings and a school, but as a town hall, and a place for holding abolition state conventions as well. Court was also held here until 1845 when a court house was built.

The need of a new and larger church had been growing and in December, 1848, this building was sold at auction for \$200 and was moved from the site south of the court house to the southeast corner of the public square, where it served as a barn until 1921 when it was torn down.

In June, 1847, a committee was appointed to present plans for a new church, and the result was the erection in 1848 of a brick building, 44x65 feet, at an estimated cost of \$4,000. John H. Bryant furnished the brick. The site chosen was that upon which our present church stands. There were three windows on each side, without curtains or blinds. The walls were plastered and undecorated—no carpet on the floor. Two front doors furnished entrance into a vestibule over which was the gallery in which the singers sat. The audience rose during the singing, turning around to face the music. They had no organ and the tuning fork was in regular use.

There were three tiers of pews with a middle and two side aisles. Originally the pews had doors. They were sold and the purchaser given a deed for them. The pulpit was low and unadorned. A wide platform and steps extended across the whole front of the church. Two stoves, one each side of the east end of the house near the doors, furnished heat. The stove pipes ran the whole length of the room, entering chimneys at the west end. Wooden troughs were hung under these pipes to catch the dripping creosote collected from burning wood.

In 1864 the wood stoves were replaced by coal burners, and by the early seventies a furnace had been installed. First services in this church were held March 3, 1849.

A curious unfinished square structure adorned the roof and in 1850 a bell was purchased by the pastor, Rev. Owen Lovejoy. The

belfry was completed after some delay, and January 1, the bell rang for the first time.

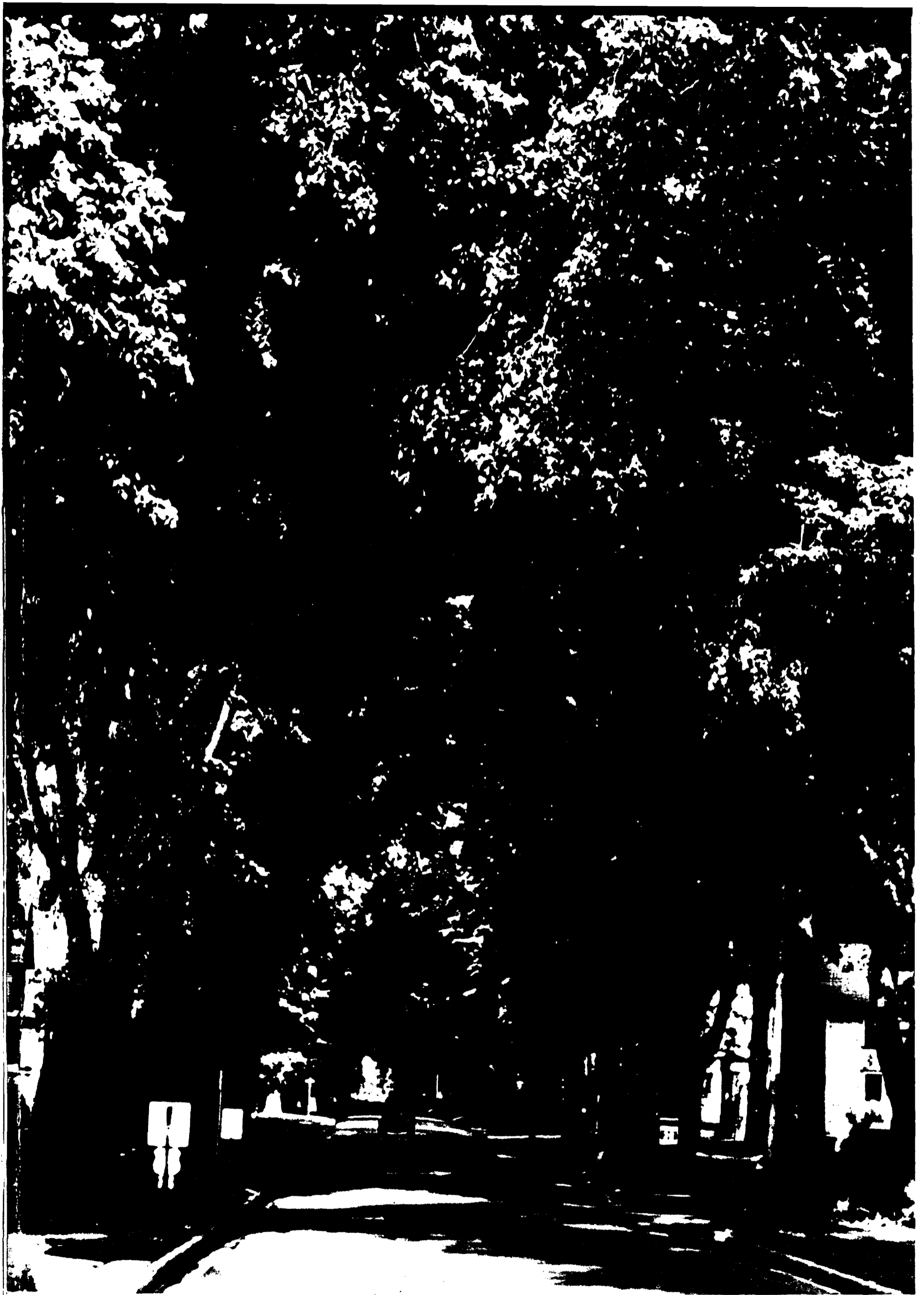
In 1864 a 22x12 foot alcove was added to the west end of the building to accommodate a pipe organ. This alcove had an arched top, a window on each side, and seats for the choir.

In 1868 it was decided to enlarge the church and an addition to the east end was built. This gave one more window on each side, and a central entrance to the vestibule. Stained glass windows were also put in at this time. A steeple provided a place for the bell and added much to the beauty and dignity of the building. The estimated cost of this improvement was \$7,000.

In 1881 the floor of the basement had been lowered and commodious rooms for devotional and social meetings had been finished. The removal of so much earth from the foundation caused the wall to crack and in 1904 the building was pronounced unsafe. In March, 1905, this beautiful old church, dear to the hearts of so many, was demolished, and in October of the same year the corner stone for a new house was laid with fitting ceremony. This house was built of concrete blocks. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 300, with doors opening into a lecture room providing space for 100 more. The estimated cost was \$28,000. The first service was held March 18, 1906, and here we still worship in 1938.

During the century that has gone, little or no attention has been paid to adding beautiful environment to our churches. Lilacs and June roses shed their fragrance around many cabin doors, but simplicity, even bareness, seemed to be the rule for church grounds. However, we live in a changing world, and owing to a trust fund established by S. P. Clark, friend of the churches in Princeton, and to the vision and tasteful guidance of S. S. Evans, the grounds in front of the church have been artistically landscaped, and a lovely park is evolving in the rear. Many others have helped to carry out the plan by providing trees in memory of loved ones who sacrificed much to rear these various houses of worship, and who worshipped within their walls. The gift of an appropriate entrance to the park, and of bird baths have also been gratefully received.

The work is only just begun, and it is hoped that as time goes on, other enjoyable features may be added, and that it will grow into an even greater beauty-spot in the "City of Beautiful Elms," which we call home.



Beautiful Elm Place with its Gothic arch of elm trees the whole length of the street.
Princeton, Illinois

HAMPSHIRE COLONY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

1831

Princeton, Illinois

1931

BRONZE TABLET

IN MEMORY OF THE EIGHTEEN CHARTER MEMBERS OF THE
FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

Organized in Northampton, Mass., March 23rd, 1831

Brown Daniel	Leonard John	Smith Mrs. Eli
Brown Samuel	Lyman Maria	Smith Elijah
Chamberlain Nathan	Morse Amos	Whitmarsh Alva
Childs Sylvia	Morse Mrs. Amos	Whitmarsh Mrs. Alva
Jones Levi	Phelps Dea. Ebenezar	Wood Elisha
Jones Mrs. Levi	Phelps Mrs. Ebenezar	Wood Mrs. Elisha

On east wall of vestibule is photograph of the 1884 choir—
a mixed quartet

Nat Simons Mrs. Anna Chamberlain Everett Mrs. Nat Simons A .C. Best

(Copied October 25, 1936, by Dr. Clifford E. Smith)

On west wall of vestibule

The *first* Hampshire Colony Congregational Church of Princeton, Illinois, was frame, built on wooden blocks in center of public square in 1835. The *second* church was built in 1847 of brick furnished by John H. Bryant and this was demolished in 1905. The *third* or present church was dedicated free of debt October 11, 1908. First services were held in March, 1906. Some time ago the name was changed to First Congregational Church, but more recently name was changed back to Hampshire Colony Congregational Church.

"ARTICLES OF FAITH"

of Hampshire Colony Congregational Church, Princeton, Illinois
probably about 1840

It contains the names of 179 members of the Church and among them are the following:

Elizabeth Jane Walter, married Egbert Curtis; always very active in Congregational church. After she died the Guild was called "The Elizabeth Curtis Guild" (Aid Society).

Claramon C. Flint (daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain).

John Walter, Eliza Walter (Grandfather Smith's sister).

Andrew Foster Smith (grandfather), Lucy Mary Smith (grandmother), married, 1838.

Rebecca Smith.

Eliza Jane Wilson.

Harriett A. Smith (daughter of William Smith, Grandfather's brother).

CHAPTER III

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

and

INTERESTING LETTERS

LETTER FROM DR. CHAMBERLAIN TO HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN

(Printed in the Bureau County Republican, November 25, 1937)

Mr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, Jr., Windham Co., Vermont.

Detroit, May 25, 1831, Saturday.

My Dear Wife and Children:

I wrote to you from Buffalo by Mrs. Pratt, who said she was going to Vermont this week, informing you that we had a prosperous journey thus far and that when I wrote, the steamboat to this place would sail within one-half hour and she did put to sea last Monday at 1 o'clock a. m. with an intention of arriving here within 48 hours. It is a distance of 320 miles. We had a pleasant passage to Cleveland, Ohio, 200 miles, but on account of heavy loading we found ourselves on Wednesday morning at 2 o'clock at Cleveland and, after unloading passengers and baggage that was to be left there, we set sail about daylight for this place. On account of a storm that came on and the violence of the waves, the Captain backed about and returned into the harbor, where we stayed until night when the wind had so abated we put to sea again. The rain continued until we arrived here Thursday at 6 o'clock p. m. We put up at the Woodworth Steamboat Hotel, where we have remained until this time to rest and refresh ourselves and find out the best way from here to Illinois. He boards and lodges us for 50 cents per day and we have every attention to make us comfortable and happy. We have concluded to perform the remainder of the journey by land, which is a distance of about 330 miles, which can be performed sooner than by water on four rivers and we think is less fatiguing as many of us were afflicted with seasickness on the water, especially the last 24 hours. Oscar and some of the others were sick most of the last mentioned time but it has prepared their stomachs to get the worth of what it is costing them here for board and we are all in better health than we were when we started from home, with the exception of Mrs. Jones, who is quite unwell with a cold.

I wrote you in my letter by Mrs. Pratt what it cost us to get to Buffalo. From there here we paid for our passage three dollars per piece and boarded

ourselves. The women took cabin passage and paid eight dollars and were boarded. We paid 50 cents per barrel bulk for our baggage. I had six barrels bulk.* Of course, it cost nine dollars for me and Oscar and perhaps one dollar for board, as we boarded ourselves. We have agreed with a man to carry us the remainder of the way by land for 50 cents per day for each passenger and his trunk and it probably will cost us from six to eight dollars each. Our load comes by water and we pay 75 cents per barrel bulk to be delivered at Chicago, Illinois. Thus, you see, the Lord has led us thus far by the right hand of His righteousness and we have abundant cause of gratitude for his goodness unto us. This place is crowded with strangers that are emigrating to this state. Last week there came in the steamboats from Buffalo upwards of 2,000 persons beside perhaps one-half as many more that came by other conveyances and it is said both numbers have much increased this week. On the steamboat that we came in, it was said there were 500. It was literally crammed full from top to bottom.

I have collected much information from individuals on my passage here, who have been to Illinois and it all goes to confirm the good report I had of the place before I left home and have not, as yet, had one moment of regret that I am embarking on my present undertaking. When I say this, I speak the language of all who are companions with me. We have had trials and some sleepless nights on account of storms but I have not heard one wish expressed other than a wish to go forward. We have a very pleasant family of thirty members; union and harmony prevails among us. We enjoy family worship every morning and evening among ourselves and have much time to read good books for our edification.

When I landed here almost the first person I saw was the kind Mr. Andrews. It rained and we were so engaged in procuring a lodging place for ourselves and storage for our goods that I had but a few moments with him, expecting to see him the next morning, but he left in the morning early and I did not see him again. I learned that he and his brother-in-law had made a purchase about forty miles from here and were going to move there soon. He appeared glad to see me and had many inquiries to make.

Sunday evening, May 26, 1831. We have had the pleasure of attending divine service this day in the sanctuary and have been fed with the pure bread of life. Text was the 93rd Psalm and many good ideas were brought into view to encourage us on in our Christian ways. One was that when the will of a Christian is swallowed up in the Divine will, he is happy, come what will. Adversity and prosperity are alike to him. He had God for his portion and has joy, which the world can neither give nor take away.

I expect to go out from this place tomorrow morning and it is not likely you will hear from me again until I write you from Illinois. It is three weeks tomorrow since I left home. We have traveled 600 miles. Were detained in Albany three days, laid by on the Sabbath, and were delayed one

*These barrels contained boots, shoes, etc., which he sold and traded to the settlers en route and after he reached Illinois.

day at Cleveland and have been delayed here three days, which leaves eleven days to accomplish the journey, but the remainder of the journey will be much slower.

In consequence of being detained at Cleveland, I had the good luck to collect my debt due me from Dave Hudson. His friend there advanced the money and bought the note at a discount of three and a half dollars.

It has, for the most part of the time, been cold and wet for the season through all the way that I have traveled. It has rained here every day since we came. The streets are all mud and mire and the houses are thronged with emigrants. In the house at which we board, I should think there were not less than one hundred persons. Provisions, however, are cheap, but are rising, as I am told, partly on account of the number that emigrate here. Cattle and horses are higher here than in Vermont and will continue so as long as people continue to emigrate here as they have done for months past. I have seen pople here from every state in New England and most of them appear to be the salt of the land.

And now how do you all do? An answer to this question for the present, I must imagine to myself and trust the answer is that you are near the fountain of good by cleaving to the Lord with a full purpose of heart, in the way of obedience, that you wait on Him in secret around the family altar, in His Word, in the sanctuary, in the prayer meeting, in the use of all appointed means of Grace, whereby you do from experience say continually that the Lord is good for He will not withhold any good thing from them that love Him and thus manifest their love to Him. In His hands I left you when I left home and I have continued to renew my request every morning and evening, and if you and I have done this in faith, we have drank in of one thirst and feasted at one fountain although separated, far away from each other.

You may tell Mr. A. Washburn that his son is with us and appears to enjoy himself well. Give my love to Mr. P. Aman and wife and children and tell him thus far I have realized all that I promised myself when I used to tell him we should have a pleasant family and pleasant time in pursuing what appeared to us the will of the Lord in emigrating to Illinois. To other inquiring friends, give my respects.

I have addressed this letter to you, my dear wife and my children with it I send you my love and may the God of Love and Peace delight to dwell with you and bless you.

NATH'L CHAMBERLAIN.

LETTER FROM DR. CHAMBERLAIN, JUNE 12, 1831

(Published in the Bureau County Republican, December 2, 1937)

(Letter addressed to Mr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, Jr., Putney, Widom County, Vermont.)

Sabbath, June 12, 1831.

Vermillion River.

My Dear Wife and Children:

I wrote you from Niles on the River St. Joseph by the hand of Hidder Green, which it is probable will reach you before this, giving you an account of our journey thus far. From that place to this, a distance of 190 miles, we performed in nine days, through an almost new and unsettled country, finding places where the distance from one house to another varied from ten to thirty miles. Yet most of the way was through what is called in this country, oak openings where nature has provided good traveling for wagons without the assistance of art. Yet some of the way, on account of what is called in this country "wet prairies," and on account of many streams which we had to cross where there were no bridges, some of which were so deep that we had to swim our horses across them, rendered our progress slow and at times fatiguing. We have been safely brought on our way by the good hand of our God and are all under comfortable circumstances of health and contentment.

Here we found Mr. Jones, our agent, who had provided for us a comfortable dwelling and provisions for the nurturing of our bodies. The families of Mr. Brown and Mr. Blodgett, who came out here last fall, we left at Chicago.

Our family now consists of eleven male adults, three married women and three children, occupying a log house consisting of two rooms of about 15 feet square with a hallway between them of about nine feet breadth and yet we have plenty of room for ourselves and to receive company. Our goods have not, as yet, arrived on account of the south wind, which has almost constantly been in that direction for three weeks past, which renders the navigation from Detroit to Chicago very difficult. Of course, imagine to yourselves how we manage to keep house, having only two pails, one spider, six knives and forks, no plates, no tea cups or saucers, two pint cups, one quart cup, one bushel measure, four buffalo skins and about twenty trunks containing our necessary clothing, and yet we feel that we have all that is necessary to make our situation pleasant and agreeable. I expect you will be ready to say, how can this be? The truth is we have been learning every time we have been on our journey from our dear homes and friends the importance of being contented with such things as we have and the importance of following this maxim has been thus far verified unto us. God hath not left us nor forsaken us in that we have been kept by night and by day, on the water and in the wilderness and have not been harmed nor hurt.

We arrived here last Wednesday, June 8, 1831. Oscar, myself, and one other young man traveled here on foot from Chicago, a distance of 95 miles,

from Monday at half past three p. m., and arrived here at sunset Wednesday. My health, and I think I can say the same of Oscar, was never better. The women and children, together with our trunks, came in a wagon. I ought to have mentioned before that one of our teams, which we hired at Detroit, failed us at Mottsville on the River St. Joseph, one of the horses dying and another being taken sick. Seven of our young men bought canoes, lashed them together, put themselves and trunks aboard, descended the St. Joseph river until they came opposite the Kankakee river, where they hired their canoes and baggage carried across a portage of about five miles to the Kankakee river, descended this river into the Illinois river and arrived here in safety on Thursday, June 9, 1831, having had an agreeable and cheap passage. The rest of us continued by land to Chicago, where we secured our team of oxen. We had to get to this place as we could, which we performed as above stated.

Since we arrived here, the young men, Oscar among the rest, have planted eight acres of corn on new prairie land that was plowed by the owner and can have what they raise off the land this season for farming the same, which will probably cost them two or three days' work apiece. Mr. Jones also has hired help and planted about as much more. Last evening we had a very pleasant and I trust a profitable prayer meeting in our family and today we have had, for the first time, as the neighbors tell us, a meeting to worship God, according to the means we possess, by reading a sermon in the forenoon and afternoon and in singing and praying and it was to us and apparently to the neighbors a pleasant and profitable meeting.

I have not, as yet, been here long enough to form a correct opinion how I shall like the country and can only say as yet that my expectations are fully realized. We have not, as yet, determined for certainty where we shall make a permanent settlement, this plain being occupied by others so that it is not now calculated to afford room for our colony to settle upon. We are going to look tomorrow and shall make this a place of rendezvous until we can build some log cabins wherever we may locate ourselves. We shall plan for sowing wheat as soon as we determine on the spot. On account of the severity of the winter in this place, many lost their cattle last winter and on account of this and the immense number of people that have immigrated to this state this spring, provisions are very high, wheat at no price, corn a dollar per buhsel, pork \$12 per barrel, potatoes 37 cents and other things in proportion. It has been a very cold backward spring. Those who planted early lost their labor, the corn rotting in the ground, and they are now in the midst of planting the second time, which they say is in season to insure a good crop if the remaining part of the season should prove favorable. Tell Mr. Washburn that his son, Ambrose C. Washburn, is soon to journey 60 miles beyond this place to teach a school, which he was told was in readiness for him.

I have not, as yet, purchased anything, but as soon as an opportunity presents I shall purchase a horse and team. I have not had one wish since I came from home to return and the only wish that I have is in respect to

you and it is that you may be prepared to follow me as soon as is practicable. I wish very much to hear from you and shall expect as soon as you receive this you will write me and give me a particular account of circumstances relative to my family and friends that may have occurred since I left home. Direct your letter to LaSalle County Shipping Post, post office, Illinois. I send this letter by a man that is going to take it through Albany.

Give my love to all inquiring friends, particularly to Mr. P. Aman and family and accept a large share of it for yourselves and Dr. Flint's family, William and the rest. Tell William that his watch and staff have been excellent companions for me in my pilgrimage journey and hope he has not been unmindful of what he received of me as a pledge for them.* I expect Lucy and Ebenezer are good children and attend Sabbath School punctually as well as day school. I have much more to write but must defer until another time for want of room. Pray for us.

NAT'L CHAMBERLAIN.

(Dr. Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain)

LETTER FROM DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN

(Printed in the Bureau County Republican, December 9, 1937)

Postmarked, Bureau Grove, Illinois, November 14, 1831.

Addressed to Mr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, Jr., Putney, Widom County, Vermont.

Greenfield, Illinois, November 13, 1831.

My Dear Wife and Children:

Yours of the 26th of September I have just received. It is truly a heart-felt breath to hear from you. I am pleased to hear that my affairs are so near coming to a close not hurting my creditors, although so much to my disadvantage in not collecting my old doctoring bills. I feel conscious of having done all that I could to satisfy their craving demands when they needed my help and if they have in any instance done me wrong, it lays at their door and not mine and I do not covet the wages of sin. Although it is pleasing to hear from you, it gives me anxiety respecting the health of you, my dear wife. I learned from your letter where you were and of your sickness.* I am glad you were with Dr. Flint, who will do all that medicine can do to relieve you and hope and pray that the means may be blessed for your restoration to health.

I think should your health be so far restored as to enable you to move to this country, you will here enjoy much better health than where you are now. I need not remind you that you are in the hands of Him who knows best what will be for your good and mine, and if we are found in the path of duty, all these things will work together for our mutual good. It would

*This refers to his promise to take his son into his office and help him toward his Medical education.

*Dr. Chamberlain never saw his wife, Claramon Ober Chamberlain, again, as she died December 8, 1831, before the rest of his family followed him to Illinois.

be very pleasing to me to be with you to minister to your wants but I could do you no good without the blessing of God should accompany my efforts to do you good and if I am where He sees fit for me to be employed in His services, He will supply you with all things good in answer to your prayers and mine. In Him let us trust for He is a faithful, covenant keeping God. All that follow on to know Him know this by happy experience. Pray for me.

Respecting what is best for you to bring out with you, I have mentioned in a letter I sent you by Mr. Wills of Greenfield, which you probably have received before this. In that I mentioned generally what was valuable here and what it would cost per cwt. for transportation from Albany here, which was \$2.43 per cwt. I should think you would do well to bring your one-horse wagon. You mentioned how you contracted with Capt. Hutchins for a two-horse wagon, which I should think might do well, but should not think it worthwhile to attempt to bring a body to it and perhaps nothing more than the wheels and the iron work to complete the wagon. All wrought iron work you have or I may have on hand you will do well to bring, and horse chains, all my old ones. Scythe nibs—many you will find about the buildings. Your cradle to cradle grain, both the scythe and woodwork, if you can take it to pieces so as to pack down, cranes and crane eyes and hooks, shovels, spades, hoes, harrow teeth, small and great axes are among the useful things and will pay well to bring here,—indeed all farming tools that you have on hand that are made of iron.

Whatever you have to sell that will not fetch near their worth in money you will, if you can, do well to exchange for coarse woolen or cotton colth, boots and shoes. I have sold a coarse piece of cloth I had of Mason, for which I gave 75 cents per yard, for one dollar and fifty cents, boots I sell at five dollars per pair and shoes two dollars. My supply of boots are mostly sold and half of my shoes. Many of them do not fetch the cash but they provide for me such things as I need, which saves the cash. I should not think it worthwhile to bring much cabinet work although it is high at present here, but no doubt it will soon be cheaper here than with you on account of plenty and the goodness of the timber here to make such work. You mention the purchase you made of a rifle and gun. I think you would do well to sell them if you can realize cash for them or trade them for some of the articles I have mentioned above, as they have plenty here and can be purchased here much cheaper than with you. I have gotten a good shot gun, which I took of a widow woman for a doctoring account. It cost \$8.00. A few pumpkin seeds, 2 quarts of northern corn, 4 pounds of clover seed, half a peck of Herd's grass seed, which I would like to use here, and three or four pounds of candle wicking will be useful.

I have laid claim to 200 acres of prairie land and the same of wood land, one-half for you, and when it comes into the market shall enter as much of it as I can pay for. White oak, red oak, yellow oak, brown walnut, black walnut; elms, white and slippery; ash, black and white; maple, bass-wood, poplar, are the principal timbers of the low bottoms. There is not much wild game in this part of the country, deer, prairie wolf, raccoons, squirrels are at present tolerably plenty. The wild geese, ducks and prairie

hens are very plenty. The streams abound with a great plenty of fish, such as the catfish weighing from 3 to 10 pounds, bass, white and black, weighing from 5 to 15 pounds. Pickerel weighing from 5 to 15 pounds are caught in great plenty but I and Oscar have had our hands so completely tied with work that we have not had any fishing or hunting.

Plums of good quality grow very plentifully here; crab apples, which make a good sauce when properly preserved, are also very plenty. There are not many berries on account of the fires that sweep over the prairies. It is a sight truly grand to see a fire sweeping across the prairie 15 or 20 miles in length and traveling with the rapidity of from 5 to 15 miles an hour, but on the other hand an appalling one on account of the destruction and prevention of growth of timber. Were it not for the fires, I have no doubt but this country, in a few years would be completely covered with forest.

I have seen but few snakes since I have been here, the principal of which are the prairie rattlers and a small slimy snake about two feet in length, the striped snake and the black snake. They create no menace to the inhabitants. Thus, I believe I have answered your inquiries as far as I am able at this time.

This season has been, as those say who have been in the state some time, the coldest that they have witnessed. Much of the corn has been cut off by the early frost, but there has been an abundant crop of wheat. Corn is worth 37 1-2 cents per bushel, wheat 50 cents, potatoes 25 cents, and oats 25 cents.

This part of the state is settling with great rapidity, principally from Ohio and Indiana. I think we were very fortunate in coming out when we did and very fortunate in our selection of a spot to locate upon. I have had no opportunity to explore the country any farther than my business called me but the testimony of those who have seen the state generally say that we could not have bettered ourselves in any place. I am well pleased with it when I look back to Putney. There is nothing that eclipses my enjoyment but you, my dear wife and children. Were you near and as well pleased with my situation as I am, as it is now and the prospect of its improvement in the future, I should have nothing to ask as it respects to things of this life.

I know you will find it different from what you expect. So did I in many respects. I did not foresee the many trials and fatigues that accompany the beginning of a settlement where you have to commence all anew and none around you but are in like situations, but hitherto the Lord hath helped me and blessed be His name, whereby I have been enabled to prepare the way that you might not have to experience the privations, although in comparing what you will find here with what you leave behind, you will find many things that cannot be numbered here. I have a field of wheat of thirteen acres that looks promising. Have laid in provisions for you and have built a double log house, which I shall, if possible, finish this week. Am in the enjoyment of good health and Oscar the same. I should be very glad to return and accompany you out here but it appears almost impossible; my time is so much needed here and by improving it here, I may be doing

much good to benefit you. If the Lord is with you in deed, He will be better to you than father or husband. Trust in Him. Cleave to Him with a full purpose of heart, and He will bear you up under trials and keep you by the way of land and by water, in storm and in calms and land you at last if not here, in that haven of rest where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest. That you may thus do and experience the goodness of the Lord is the prayer of your husband and father who writes

NAT'L CHAMBERLAIN

P. S.: It is my prevailing opinion that the best route for you to take will be the way I came as far as Cleveland in the Ohio, then on the Ohio canal to the Ohio river, down the Ohio river to the Mississippi, up the Mississippi to St. Louis at the mouth of the Illinois, up the Illinois to the mouth of the Bureau, eight miles from this. I believe in my last letter I mentioned this as well as many other things. I shall, however, in a future letter to you be more particular in pointing out the way, with you to write oftener and make such inquiries of me as will aid you in anything. Take good care of your mother. The Lord will reward you. My love to you, my wife, Nathaniel and his wife, Lucy, Eben, William (Dr. Bill), Dr. Flint and Claramon.

LETTER FROM DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN
TO HIS SON-IN-LAW, DR. FLINT

(Published in the Bureau County Republican, March 24, 1938)

Postmarked, Bureau Grove, Illinois, March 27, 1832.

Addressed to, Doct. Horatio N. Flint, Leyden, Franklin County, Massachusetts.

Greenfield, Illinois, March 24, 1832.

(Changed to Princeton in 1833)

Dear Son:

Yours of the 27th of February instant received yesterday along with previous intelligence. Glad to hear again from my dear children, who since the death of my dear wife and your dear mother are ever present in my mind.¹ I wrote you immediately on the receipt of your last letter and have no doubt that you have received it ere this. In that I gave you such general information relative to such things as I thought would be best for you to bring out with you as I then thought best, informing you, I think, what it would cost you per hundred for transportation from where you are to this place. In my former letter I intimated that I thought you would do well to bring your cooking stove with you and so I think now, unless you can sell it to better advantage than I apprehend you can and also bring ten of the

¹Mrs. Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain died December 8, 1831.

other stoves. They will sell well here as we have no bricks as yet to build chimneys and ovens with. I will engage, if you bring them, to make you as good an offer in the sale of them as you would do to sell them where you now are, unless you can sell them to better advantage than I imagine you can. You will do well to exchange any of your property for cloth, either cotton or woolen, thick boots and shoes, but harness work does not meet with a ready sale here, indeed they are not much used. I have sold all my cloth, boots and shoes—boots at 5 per pair and shoes at 2 per pair. I wrote to Nat. a few days ago informing him more particularly as to what things would be best for him to bring with him. I refer you to his letters. Indeed, I have written him two letters that you had not seen when you wrote. In my last to him I informed him that it was then and so it is now, my prevailing opinion that you had better come by the way of Ohio and gave him a particular description of the route. You, however, would come here much quicker and with less expense if you could be assured of a ready passage from Buffalo by the way of the Lakes to Chicago. This is the way we intended to come but could find no passage from the former to the latter place. We ventured, however, to come by the way of Detroit, expecting to find a passage from there to Chicago, but in this were disappointed and were obliged to travel by land from the former to the latter place, 300 miles and a very tedious journey it was. I shall leave it to you to judge for yourselves when you get to Buffalo which route to take. Do not attempt to come by way of Chicago unless you can be made sure that you can get passage from Buffalo to Chicago by water for, unless you do, you may when you get to Detroit, find yourselves situated as we were. But should you conclude to come by the way of Chicago, you will there store your goods, get into comfortable quarters and stay there until some who are the most healthy come on here and we send teams from here for you.

Mr. Brown, whose family came out with us, lives at Chicago in the fort at the landing, with whom you will do well to take up your abode until I can send for you as above. Should you do so, whoever comes here may do well to purchase a horse at Chicago and come on horseback or, if you bring a wagon with you, come on in the wagon. Oscar and I traveled it on foot last year. You will, all the way from Troy, New York, to this place, find those who are at all times ready to advise you and they will advise you to do that which will most benefit the adviser. Look to this lest you should be deceived. It is a long journey and such a one as many undertake for pleasure and such I hope and trust it will be to you both as it respects your health and amusement. Still, it will, I know, be a journey of fatigue and I wish you to take every precaution to avoid fatigue as much as possible. Get completely ready to start some days before your start. Furnish yourselves with a provision chest in which put such things as you will need for your comfort—tea, coffee, sugar, ham, butter, cheese, etc. You will find all these things on your route most of the way, but at other times they will not be found, therefore keep your provision chest well stored. Also have one or two beds where you can get at them handy, for you will no doubt, have before you get here to resort to them for your comfort.

The first place you will stop at will be Troy, if you are fatigued. The next will be at Buffalo and then if you come by the way of Ohio, the next will be Cleveland and if by the lakes, Detroit. Calculate not so much on the quickness and cheapness of the journey as on your health. ²You may make the journey conducive to your health and comfort or otherwise as you may manage. But after all your care and my advice, it will depend on the blessing of the God of Abraham to make your journey prosperous and I hope you feel it and are not preparing to come out here nor will come without asking His blessing daily on your own individual efforts and His wisdom to direct you in all your path of preparation as well as your journeying here. I feel anxious for you and this anxiety has been increased greatly since the death of her, whom you and I loved, my wife and your mother. There is none that I can go to to counsel, guide and direct you but to Him who heareth prayer. May you be guided by His wisdom, guarded by His power, kept by His grace until, if it is His pleasure, we shall meet where Oscar and I now are, thinking of and looking toward that happy moment when we shall meet each other again, compare each other's trials and joys, hopes, and expectations which we have experienced since we separated. Above all may you and we keep in mind that happy meeting that will take place if we are the children of God, when we shall meet her who has gone before us since we last parted, to part no more forever. That God will confer on you and on me this blessing is the prayer of him who writes. My health is good; so is Oscar's. A blessing has attended me in all my walk since I left you. God has taken from me that on which I had rested as the pillar of my earthly enjoyments, but He has done it under so many circumstances of mercy that though it wounds, His grace is sufficient to heal.

This is probably the last letter I shall write you before you start for this place. I wish you or Nathaniel to write me some little time before you start when you will start for this place, also what hundreds of goods you bring with you each, and particularly how your healths are and which way, as far as you can judge, you will probably come and anything else that may be interesting.

I am ever your affectionate father,

NATH. CHAMBERLAIN.

P. S.: I thank little Mary for her industry in preparing to come to Illinois and hope you all will be alike industrious in all those things that it is necessary for you to attend to whereby your journey may be made healthy and prosperous. My love to you all, Clarymon, William, Lucy, Eben, and little Mary.³

Farewell,

N. C.

²Dr. Horatio Nelson Flint, husband of Claramon Chamberlain, had been in poor health for several years. He died at Cleveland, Ohio, July 25, 1832, while on the way to Illinois.

³Little Mary was the daughter of Dr. Horatio and Claramon Flint. The rest are Dr. Chamberlain's children.

LETTER FROM OSCAR GREENE CHAMBERLAIN

(Published in the Bureau County Republican, December 16, 1937)

Written to Mr. Nathaniel Chamberlain Jr., Saxton's River, Widom County, Vermont. The Major and family had gone back East for a visit.

Princeton, December 18, 1836.

Dear Brother:

Received a letter from you last Wednesday. Was glad to hear from you and glad to know that you and your family are well. Since you left, I have been to work as usual. Have got the corn all harvested and have been drawing lumber for the barn. Have got one more load to draw and then I am done. It has been very cold weather here for a week past. The snow is 18 inches deep, more than I have seen at any one time before, since I have been in Illinois. The meeting house is all done except the seats to the upper part.¹ Have a Lyceum started. Dr. Bill has joined it and makes some very good speeches. Eben and Lucy go to the high school in town where they have a male and female teacher. The female teacher is a sister to the man that married Abby White. Sterns Chamberlain has been here. He lives in Sackets Harbour. Charles Chamberlain is a clerk in Sabin's Warehouse in Chicago. Sterns said that he should like to have you return by the way of Sackets Harbour and make him a visit. He has a wife and one child.

We have a new doctor in Princeton. His name is Langworthy. Came from England and brags largely of his physical knowledge. Has advertised himself to be a great man. All I know about him is that he goes hunting frequently and kills some prairie hens.

Chauncey Colton and Emily Smith were published in the meeting house today. Bill Griffin is married to Eliza Triplett and Cage Triplett to Emily Wiswall.³ Bill (Dr. Bill) has given up going to Cincinnati this winter. He declares that he will not write to you nor send a paper because you did not send any to him last winter.

Princeton continues to grow some. There will be several new buildings put up in the spring. Town property is rising. Bill has sold his lot north of mine for \$200.00, not so good as mine. I offered my lot a year ago for \$95.00 and now it is worth \$225.00. ²Bourette is worth \$3.50 in town, wheat \$2.00 a bushel, corn 50 cents, flour from \$12 to \$15 a barrel, pork from \$7 to \$8 a hundred, beef from \$4.50 to \$5. We have plenty of corn and wheat, beef and pork and some to sell. Calculate to save some for you, enough to keep you from starving to death at any rate.

Mr. Lyman Slow starts for the East this week. Will be back in the

¹The Hampshire Colony Congregational Church and Academical school building were started in Princeton, Illinois, in 1835.

²Bourette. A cloth with a heavy rough nap.

³She and Mrs. John H. Bryant were sisters and their sister was Nancy Wiswall who married Lazarus Reeve.

Spring. He has begun to get out timber for the saw mill. Calculates to have it running next Summer. ³Father has been to Vandalia this fall on school business. The day that he started, Mrs. Reeves was taken sick and put to bed. Dr. Langworthy was sent for. He was there two or three days and came to our house after Bill.⁴ Bill would not go. Mr. Reeves came back and sent me to Hennepin for Dr. Smith. He came over and she was delivered that night. Smith and Langworthy said that she could not live and gave her up. Mr. Reeves came after Bill. She has been in his care ever since and is doing well. I have read the papers and thank you for the same and hope you will send more. Have sent one to you and will send more soon.

We are all well and hope you and your family enjoy the same blessing. It is 7 o'clock and I must put this into the post office tonight, therefore, I shall not write any longer. Give my respects to your wife and Mr. Cambridge and family. Write soon.

Your Brother,

OSCAR GREENE CHAMBERLAIN.

Harvey, Iowa, Wednesday, September 20, 1922.

Dear Fannie:

Your letter came yesterday eve. It has been raining for some days so I could not get to the office and I fear it will be too late for me to help you out in your literary work, but I will start right in and tell you any bits of information I may know. If I had more time to look them up, I have a paper that Mary sat by Mother and wrote down from her lips; dates and incidents as to her early life. If I had more time I think I could give you some help that would be worth while.

Grandfather Chamberlain's home was in the town of Putney, Widom County, Vermont. Mother only had one sister, Claramon. She married Dr. Horatio Nelson Flint.

Grandfather thought going to a new country might be a good change for the health of his wife and Dr. Flint. He joined the colony as its physician, organized at Northampton, Massachusetts, March 23, 1831, and he settled in Princeton, July 6, 1831. He took with him his son, Oscar. The family came about a year later, September, 1832. Grandmother had died before they left Vermont. They came by wagon part of the way and part by Erie canal, which was just finished. They were four or five months on the way. Dr. Horatio Nelson Flint died at Cleveland, Ohio, which delayed the journey.

They started on their journey in May, but did not arrive in Princeton until in September, 1832. There was not a frame house in Chicago and they could not get a decent breakfast so they drove out in the country to a

³Dr. N. Chamberlain was school commissioner.

⁴Dr. Bill Chamberlain graduated from Vermont Medical College in June, 1836, and came at once to Princeton.

place where a white man had married an Indian woman. She had to grate the corn to make them some bread.

They heard it reported that Grandfather and Oscar had been murdered by the Indians, but they pressed on and at the end of their journey happily found them very much alive. Grandfather had built a double log cabin. Twice they fled from the Indians to the fort at Hennepin. All one summer they kept boards over the windows. Two families who refused to go over to the fort were murdered.

Mother said as they drove along that the prairie was covered with the most beautiful wild flowers.

*The members of the family who came to join Grandfather were Nathaniel Chamberlain and wife, who were married at Putney, Vermont, October 5, 1829, Mrs. Flint and her two girls, William O. Lucy and Eben.

Mother's brother, Nathaniel, served as a major in the Black Hawk war.

I have a book of sketches of Princeton that gives a little sketch of that war.

(Above unfinished letter written to Fannie Smith Chaffee by her aunt, Ruth Smith Barker, (Mrs. Dr. Wm. H. H. Barker).

*See H. C. Bradsby's History of Bureau County, Pub. 1885, p. 129, "In the fall of 1832 came Nathaniel, Eben, Lucy and W. O. Chamberlain, and their sister, Mrs. Flint, and her family.

CHAPTER IV

THE ENGLISH CHAMBERLAINS

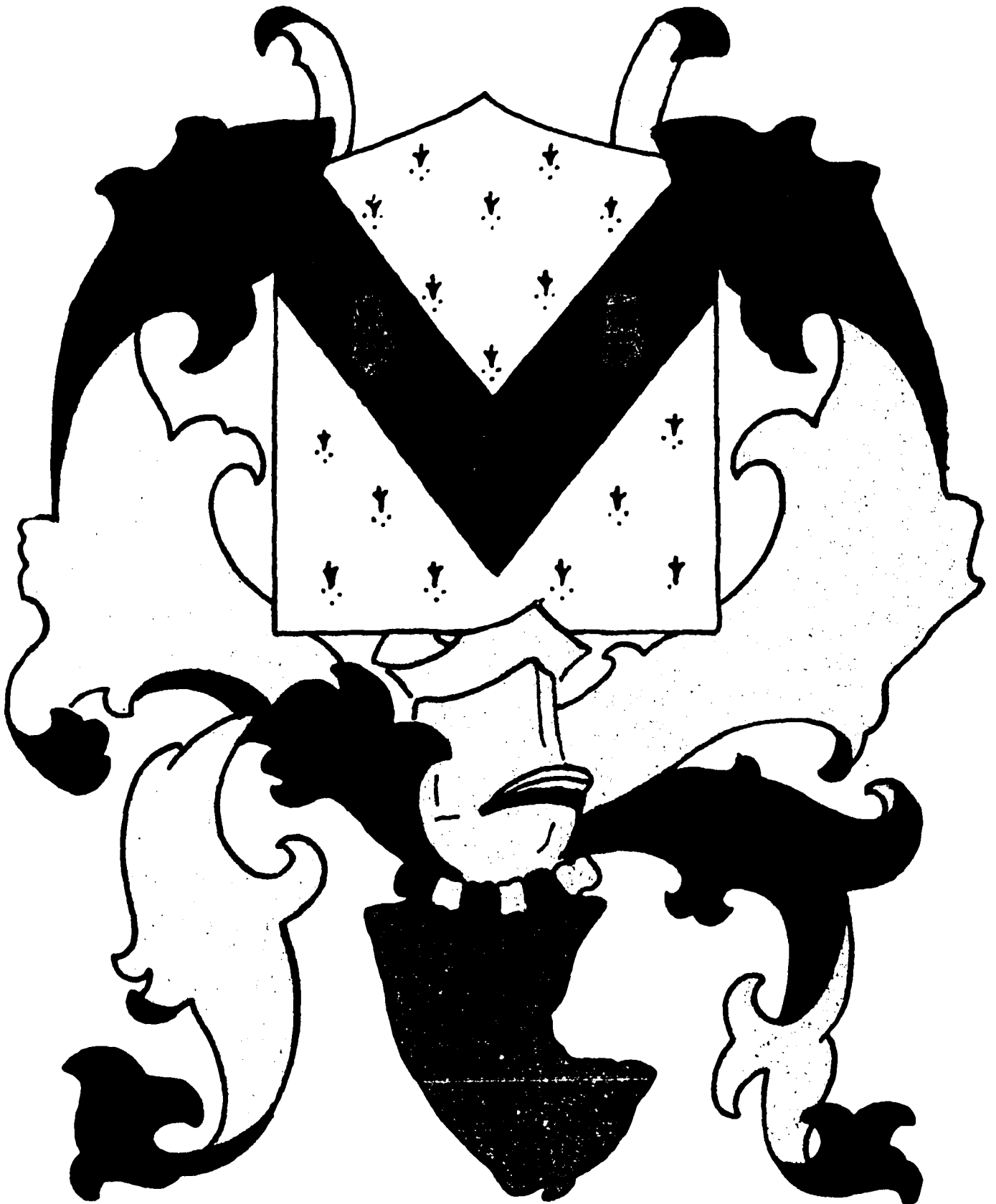
(See Manuscript in Library at Worcester, Massachusetts)

- I. William, Count of Tankerville, Tankerville Castle, Normandy, was the progenitor of the Chamberlain family in England. He came with William the Conqueror in 1066 A. D., but returned to Normandy, his descendents remaining in England on the land granted them.
- II. John De Tankerville, son of William, Count of Tankerville, was Lord *Chamberlain* to King Henry I. Hence the name "Chamberlain" is derived.
- III. Richard, son of John De Tankerville, was Lord Chamberlain to King Steven and the surname "Chamberlain" has since his time been that of the family.
- IV. William Chamberlain was the son of Richard, Lord Chamberlain to King Steven.
- V. Robert Chamberlain was the son of William.
- VI. Sir Richard Chamberlain was the son of Robert.
- VII. Sir Robert Chamberlain was the son of Sir Richard.
- VIII. Sir Richard Chamberlain was the son of Sir Robert.
- IX. John Chamberlain was the son of Sir Richard.
- X. Thomas Chamberlain was the son of John.
- XI. John Chamberlain was the son of Thomas.
- XII. William Chamberlain was the son of John.

William Chamberlain, born in England in 1620, started the American line of Chamberlains by emigrating to America in 1648. He came from the above English family. They have a coat-of-arms Seat Dunstein in Oxfordshire, England. William's brother, Thomas, was one of the original purchasers of the Dudley farm in Billinca, Massachusetts, but settled in Chelmsford, Massachusetts. There was also a brother, Edmund.

William was admitted an inhabitant of Woburn, Massachusetts, January 6, 1648, and permitted to buy land there. Later he moved to Billinca, Massachusetts, in 1654, where he spent the rest of his life. He died May 31, 1706, age 86 years. His wife was Rebecca, who died September 26, 1692, in the prison at Cambridge, Massachusetts, where she was held on a charge of witchcraft. Now follows a list of their children and we will start here.

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CHAPTER V

THE AMERICAN CHAMBERLAINS

I. WILLIAM CHAMBERLAIN, born in 1620 in England; died, May 31, 1706.

REBECCA SHELLY, died August 26, 1692, in prison, Cambridge, Massachusetts, where she was held on a charge of witchcraft.

CHILDREN

1. TIMOTHY, born 1649.
2. ISAAC, born 1650 (born at Concord, Massachusetts).
3. JOHN, born 1652 (born at Concord, Massachusetts).
4. SARAH, born 1655-6 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
5. JACOB I, born 1657-8 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
6. THOMAS, born 1659 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
7. EDMUND, born 1660 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
8. REBECCA, born 1662 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
9. ABRAHAM, born 1664-5 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
10. ANN, born 1665-6 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
11. CLEMENT, born 1669 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
12. DANIEL, born 1671 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).
13. ISAAC, born 1681 (born at Billinca, Massachusetts).

William Chamberlain was a soldier in Sergeant Hill's Garrison House in Billinca, Massachusetts, October 8, 1675. See Record Colonial War Society.

II. JACOB CHAMBERLAIN I., born January 18, 1658; died January 24, 1723.

MARY CHILD, born August 8, 1860, Roxsbury, Massachusetts; died October 31, 1707.

CHILDREN

1. JACOB II., born 1691.
2. JOHN, born 1695, at Charleston.
3. WILLIAM, born 1697, at Cambridge.
4. JASON, born 1701, at Heolliston.
5. EBENEZER, born 1704, at West Borough.

III. JACOB CHAMBERLAIN II., born February 14, 1691, Medford, Massachusetts; died June 28, 1771, Newton, Massachusetts.

SUSANNAH STONE, born at Groton, October 28, 1694; died June 26, 1774, at Newton, Massachusetts; married in 1718.

CHILDREN

(all born at Newton, Massachusetts)

1. JACOB III., born 1719.
2. JOSIAH, born 1721.
3. SUSANNAH, born 1724.
4. ISAAC, born 1728.
5. WILLIA, born 1730.
6. SARAH, born 1736.
7. SIMON, born 1739.

IV. JACOB CHAMBERLAIN III., born Newton, Massachusetts, November 28, 1719; died February 17, 1790, in Worcester, Massachusetts.

LYDIA STONE, first wife, born May 4, 1724; died 1768; married June 7, 1744, at Newton, Massachusetts.

CHILDREN

1. JOHN, born 1745.
2. SARAH, born 1746.
3. THADDEUS, born November 18, 1748.
4. SUSANNAH, born 1751—died young.
5. JACOB, born 1753.
6. LYDIA, born 1755.
7. SUSANNAH, born 1757.
8. ABIGAIL, born 1760.
9. MARY, born 1763.
10. WILLIAM, born 1767.

MRS. ANNA HEYWOOD, second wife, married 1769. She was born in Brookline, Massachusetts.

CHILDREN

1. ANN, born 1770.

Jacob Chamberlain III. moved to Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1742, where he bought land, which was handed down to sons. He was a "Tory protector," and numbered among the "internal enemies." Perhaps this is the reason that his son Thaddeus' name is not found in Revolutionary war records. He was a selectman and deacon in the church at Worcester, Massachusetts, for many years. After his death in 1790 his remains were burned on the Common. A brief life history is recorded on the headstone. Some time after 1790 his headstone, with others, was put under the sod.

THADDEUS CHAMBERLAIN I., born November 18, 1748; died April 22, 1831.

JUDITH BARNARD, born April 22, 1751; died November 13, 1831.

She was one of ten children of Isaac Barnard and Sarah Stearns of Watertown and Worcester, Massachusetts. Married January 27, 1774, at Newfane, Vermont.

(Parents of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain I).

CHILDREN

1. NATHANIEL I., M. D., born November 18, 1774.
2. THADDEUS II., born September 28, 1777.

THADDEUS CHAMBERLAIN, II., born September 28, 1777, married SOPHIA CAMPBELL, daughter of John Campbell, M. D., of Putney, Vermont, he being son of Duncan and Martha Stevens Campbell and grandson of Rev. John Campbell of Oxford.

CHILDREN

1. NATHANIEL.
2. THADDEUS III.

THADDEUS CHAMBERLAIN III., Putney, Vermont; married HARRIET GUTHRIE, daughter of Samuel Guthrie of Sachett's Harbor, New York, who discovered chloroform in 1831.

EBENEZER OBER, Scotch and Welsh; born in Vermont August 20, 1750; died, Newfane, Vermont, after 1790; married

MARY GREEN, born in Vermont June 17, 1753; died June 1, 1820. (Parents of Claramon Ober Chamberlain, wife of Dr. N. Chamberlain. He named their first settlement on Princeton Prairie "Greenfield" after her. Name changed to Princeton in 1833.)

Ebenezer Ober lived 1722-1782 at Upton, Massachusetts, and Townsend, Vermont. He served from Upton in French and Indian wars. See National No. 3885, Colonial War Society, Pub. 1922.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM GREEN OBER, born July 30, 1776.
2. MARY POLLY OBER, born September 8, 1779. Married a Mr. Field and moved to Genessee, New York.
Children—1. Leonard, 2. Eliza, 3. Mary.
3. CLARAMON, born at Newfane, Vermont, April 16, 1782.
4. ANNA OBER, born February 15, 1786.
5. POLLY GREEN OBER, born May 4, 1788.
6. EBENEZER OBER, born September 19, 1790.
7. BETSY OBER, born March 6, 1793.
8. RICHARD OBER, born April 17, 1795.

DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN, born November 18, 1774, Worcester, Massachusetts. Coat of arms, "A Bear on Rampant." First doctor in Bureau county, Illinois. Emigrated from Putney, Vermont, in 1831, same year chloroform was discovered. Died March 30, 1849. Buried in Oakland cemetery, Princeton, Illinois.

CLARAMON OBER, born April 16, 1782, at Newfane, Vermont. Coat of arms, "Birds." Married March, 1798. Died of tuberculosis at Putney, Vermont, December 8, 1831.

CHILDREN

1. CLARAMON, born October 2, 1799. Married Dr. Flint, who died of tuberculosis in 1832.
2. NATHANIEL II, born July 22, 1801.
3. WILLIAM OBER, M. D., born November 7, 1811.
4. OSCAR GREEN, born May 21, 1813.
5. LUCY MARY, born May 6, 1819. Married Andrew Foster Smith, February 8, 1838. They are grandparents of Dr. Clifford E. Smith.
6. EBEN, born November 18, 1821.

Claramon Ober Chamberlain sang in the Congregational church choir at Putney, Vermont. She had a beautiful soprano voice and was a handsome, well-dressed lady.



1940 VIEW OF DR. N. CHAMBERLAIN'S 1831 HOMESITE.



DR. NATHANIEL GREENE
CHAMBERLAIN

Princeton's first physician, 1831-1849.

He was the father of Dr. "Bill" Cham-
berlain.

DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN

Second marriage:

MRS. PLUMA MANIR, Jacksonville, Illinois; married June, 1837.

CHILDREN BY SECOND WIFE

1. ELLEN, born April, 1838; married Mr. A. C. Van Sant. Had children Clarke, Frank, Will and Lizzie. Died at Terre Haute, Indiana, of cancer.
2. OSCAR, born May 1, 1841, about two months after half-brother, Oscar Green Chamberlain, died.

Dr. Chamberlain and his family were intimately associated with the early history of Princeton, Illinois.

Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain came to Princeton Prairie in 1831. He enjoyed an extensive practice in and around Princeton, Illinois. He accumulated much property and when his daughter, Lucy Mary Chamberlain, married Andrew Foster Smith, on February 8, 1838, he gave them a farm and a house in Princeton, as a wedding present. The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy depot was built on the farm in 1854.

Lucy Mary Chamberlain was born May 6, 1819, at Battersburg, near Putney, Vermont. She also lived for a time in Connecticut and came to Princeton, Illinois, in 1832.

Andrew Foster Smith was born February 8, 1808, in New Jersey, and later moved onto a farm near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. In 1820 the family moved to Bridgeport, Belmont county, Ohio, and in 1835 they moved to Princeton, Illinois. In the party going to Princeton in 1835 were Mrs. Elias (Nancy Foster) Smith and the following children: 1, Jane; 2, Ruth; 3, Amy; 4, Andrew Foster; 5, Eliza 1837; and 6, Lydia. See record of Hampshire Colony Congregational Church for November 19, 1837.

Among the party who emigrated to Princeton Prairie in 1831 were Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain and son, Oscar Greene Chamberlain, Roland Moseley, John Musgrove, Joel Doolittle and Widow Electa Smith. (See N. Matson's *Reminiscences of Bureau County*, Pages 118-288.)

In 1831 John M. Gay was appointed county commissioner and Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain school commissioner of Putnam county, which included Chicago, then spoken of as a trading post and containing nothing but a garrison and a few Indian traders.

Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain was appointed postmaster in 1833. His son, Bill Chamberlain, carried the mail. As Dr. Chamberlain lived one mile south of town, the job was given to John M. Gay in 1834, when William O. Chamberlain went back East to finish his medical education. John M. Gay came to Princeton Prairie in 1830.

Dr. Chamberlain died March 30, 1849. In his last sickness he called for the family Bible. He took it and said, "By this charte I came to this country and by this charte I am going home."

In 1832 the principal families in Greenfield (later called Princeton) were the Chamberlains, John and Cyrus Bryants, Mosely and Stevens family.

The Hampshire Colony Congregational church was a frame building erected in the fall of 1835 and located on the public square.

In 1936 Princeton had the following industries: an asparagus canning factory, a small dress factory, a sealing-wax factory, the Frank Grampp & Sons produce company, and the Bryant nursery, consisting of some 400 acres which has been owned and operated by the Bryant family for over 85 years. Princeton has a population of 5,000.

The Bryant Brothers (Cyrus and John) are responsible for the planting of many beautiful trees. Elm Place has a Gothic arch of elm trees the whole length of the street. The town is known for its beautiful trees and its streets lined with giant elms and hard maples.



The home of Miss Grace Bryant, Princeton, Illinois. 1940. Built 1844-1845 by Cyrus Bryant, brother of William Cullen and John H. Bryant.

CHAPTER VI

THE STEVENS FAMILY

Colonel Thomas Stevens of London came originally from Devonshire. He was one of the original members of the company chartered for the settlement of Massachusetts Bay, which in 1628 sent out John Endicott and others to plant the colony at Salem. Colonel Thomas was an armorer and he furnished the colony with a supply of firearms. He did not come himself, but contributed fifty pounds sterling and sent his three sons, including Thomas II, and a daughter, as his contribution to the adventure.

THOMAS STEVENS II., born 1623; died August 19, 1704, Salem, Massachusetts.

MARY GREEN, born November 6, 1634; died January 15, 1721.
Five children, including THOMAS III.

THOMAS STEVENS, III., born April 14, 1665, Sudbury, Massachusetts, died 1744.

RUSH WALL, first wife, born January 12, 1670; died July 6, 1719.

MARY COOK JOHNSON, second wife.

Four children, including JOHN STEVENS.

JOHN STEVENS, born January 8, 1721, Plainfield, Connecticut; died 1795, Plainfield, Connecticut.

EXPERIENCE COIT, born 1722, daughter of Rev. Joseph Coit and Experience Wheeler.

CHILDREN

1. JOHN, born 1744.
2. JOB.

After being a widower for over twenty years, John Stevens married Mrs. Sabra Merrill Young.

Records not clear, but John Stevens was apparently a captain in the Revolutionary war.

JOB STEVENS, born May 28, 1752, Plainfield, Connecticut; died March 31, 1812, Cornish, New Hampshire.

ELIZABETH CHASE, born December 10, 1760, Cornish, New Hampshire; died March 31, 1850. Married August 24, 1780.

Nine children, including **WILLIAM CHASE STEVENS**, who was the father of James Thomas Stevens, who married Elizabeth Augusta Flint.

Job Stevens was a private in the Revolutionary war. Elizabeth Chase descended from Aquila Chase, an English sea captain, who came to America in 1639 and was one of the first grantees and settlers of Hampton (Plymouth), Massachusetts. His daughter, Mary, married a John Stevens, March 9, 1670.

WILLIAM CHASE STEVENS, born May 5, 1797; died February 9, 1887, Chicago, Illinois. Married about 1828 at Richmond, Virginia.

CAROLINE FRANCES BARNETT, first wife, daughter of Thomas Barnett of Danville, Virginia; born about 1799; died 1836 at Kickapoo.

MARIA BUNN, second wife.

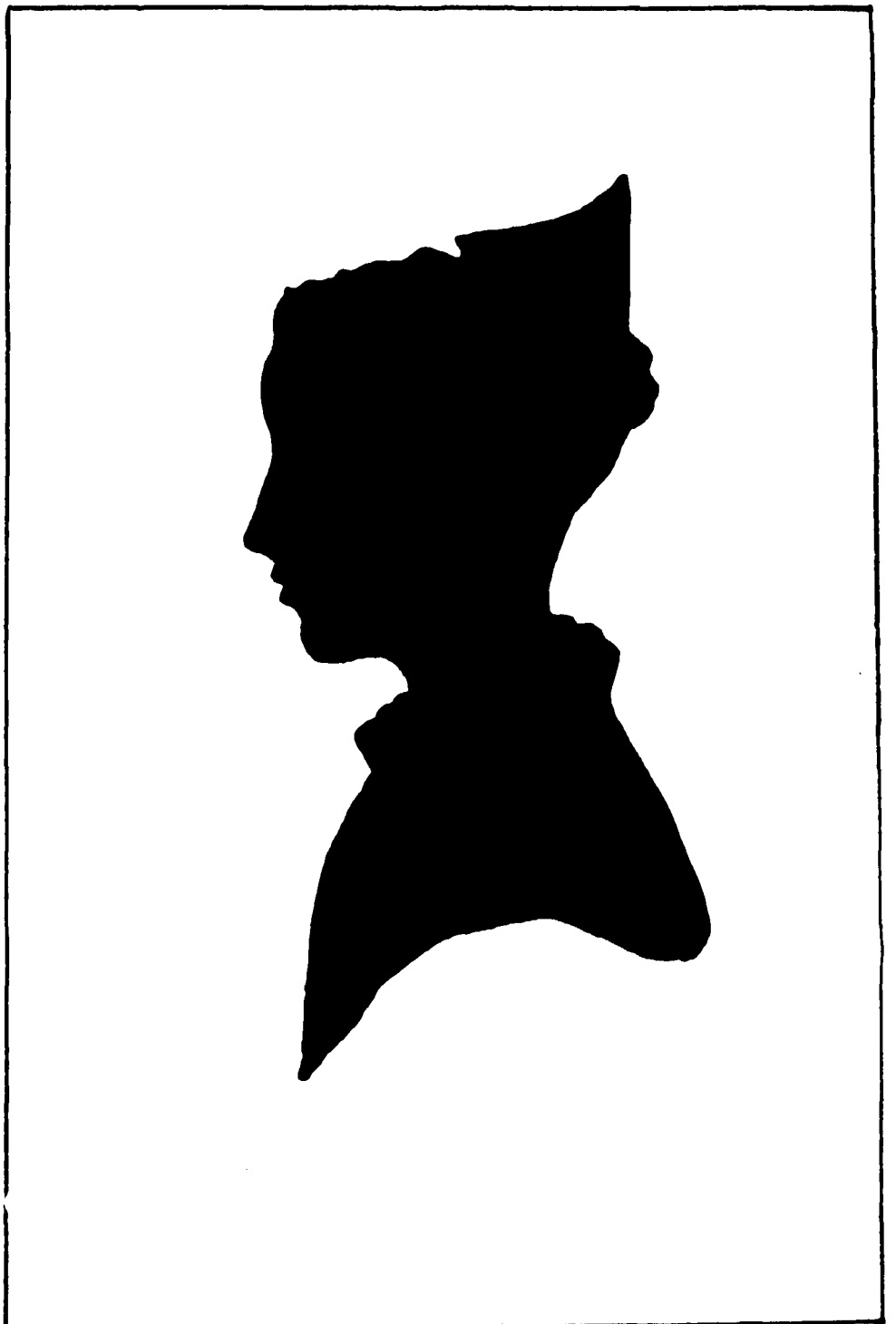
CHILDREN

1. **JAMES THOMAS.**
2. **MARY.**
3. **WILLIAM.**



*Silhouette of
Dr. Horatio Nelson Flint
1799-1832*

M. D. degree from Berkshire Medical Institute, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, 1825. Died at Cleveland, Ohio, July 25, 1832, while on the way to Illinois.



*Silhouette of
Claramon Chamberlain Flint
1799-1893*

Oldest child of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain
Original silhouettes made in 1827.

CHAPTER VII

CHAMBERLAIN-FLINT

DESCENDANTS OF DR. N. CHAMBERLAIN

CLARAMON ROSAMON CHAMBERLAIN, born October 2, 1799, Putney, Vermont; died February 16, 1893, Emporia, Kansas; buried at Lawrence, Kansas.

DR. HORATIO NELSON FLINT, born October 22, 1799, Newfane, Vermont; died July 25, 1832, of tuberculosis; buried in Cleveland, Ohio. M. D. degree Berkshire Medical Institute, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, 1825. Married October 10, 1826, at Newfane, Vermont. Dr. Horatio Nelson Flint was the son of Asa Flint and Lucy Harris Flint of Brookline, Vermont. There were two younger sons, Leon and Maurice. See Flint record.

Claramon Chamberlain Flint, with her two daughters, came to Princeton, Illinois, in September, 1832. She moved to Lawrence, Kansas, in 1867 with her daughter, Elizabeth, and family.

CHILDREN

1. MARY CLARAMON FLINT, born June 9, 1828; died June 26, 1846; wasted away, probably tuberculosis. Buried on same lot in Oakland cemetery as Dr. Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain. A beautiful girl and considered one of the belles of Princeton.
2. ELIZABETH AUGUSTA FLINT, born October 12, 1831, Lyden, Massachusetts; died April 17, 1887, Lawrence, Kansas. •

ELIZABETH AUGUSTA FLINT, born October 12, 1831, Lyden, Massachusetts; died April 17, 1887, Lawrence, Kansas.

JAMES THOMAS STEVENS, born May 10, 1830, Asheville, North Carolina; died April 2, 1887, buried Lawrence, Kansas.

His father, William Chase Stevens, was a teacher. His mother, Caroline Frances Barnett Stevens, an artist. They owned slaves, which they sold before moving to Princeton, Illinois. James Thomas Stevens was a fine singer. *In Princeton he was in the furniture business.

*After the Civil war there was no business and he moved from Princeton, Illinois, to Lawrence, Kansas, where he edited a grange paper called "The Spirit of Kansas." He studied law and passed a good bar examination. At the time of his death he was a justice of the peace.

CHILDREN

1. EVA MARY STEVENS, born May 27, 1852, Princeton, Illinois; died June 25, 1913, Lawrence, Kansas.
2. NELSON OBER STEVENS, born May 11, 1854, Princeton, Illinois; died December, 1906.
3. JAMES BARNETT STEVENS, born December 1, 1856, Princeton, Illinois. Teacher; studio, Farmers Trust Building, Fort Wayne, Indiana.
4. MISS CAROLINE FRANCES STEVENS, born November 10, 1858, Princeton, Illinois; primary teacher. (Named for her grandmother, Caroline Frances Barnett.) Address, 839 Kentucky Street, Lawrence, Kansas. Died January 11, 1941, cremated and ashes spread over mother's grave.
5. WILLIAM CHASE STEVENS, born February 21, 1861, Princeton, Illinois.

EVA MARY STEVENS, born May 27, 1852, Princeton, Illinois; died June 25, 1913, Lawrence, Kansas.

ADOLPH C. GRIESA, born March 2, 1847, in Germany; died July 7, 1909, Battle Creek, Michigan.

Eva was a fine singer.

CHILDREN

1. MABEL GRIESA, born June 23, 1878; married Ernest W. Young.
2. ORA GRIESA, born March 16, 1882; married Victor R. Walling.
3. WILLIAM STEVENS GRIESA, born May 1, 1884; married Esther Evans.
4. EDNA GRIESA, born June 1, 1888; married J. Edward Teeters.

I. MABEL GRIESA, born June 23, 1878.

ERNEST W. YOUNG, born May 20, 1877; married October 22, 1902. Address, 1215 West Fourth Street, Lawrence, Kansas.

CHILDREN

1. EDWIN, born September 24, 1903; attended Staunton Military Academy two years, Baker University two years, Forestry Service in Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks. Now (1937) associated with father in dry cleaning business.
2. ARTHUR, twin of Robert, born July 30, 1907; is at home suffering results of encephalitis lethargica.

3. ROBERT, twin of Arthur, born July 30, 1907; married Rachel Brazzel, a doctor's daughter, May 6, 1936; graduated A. B. degree, Kansas University, 1932 and in June, 1937, from Arkansas School of Medicine at Little Rock, Arkansas; internship 1937-38 at W. J. Bryan Memorial Hospital at Lincoln, Nebraska. Children: 1, Laura Irene, born December 19, 1937; 2, Roberta Ann, born October 5, 1940.

II. ORA GRIESA, born May 13, 1882.

VICTOR R. WALLING, born May 24, 1880; married September 19, 1906. Residence, 7122 Norman Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

Both graduated from Kansas University. Victor is a civil engineer and Superintendent of Maintenance of Way for Chicago & Western Inc. R. R. Office, Dearborn Station, Chicago, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. VICTOR GRIESA WALLING, born July 5, 1907; married Florence Hand, March 29, 1934. He is superintendent of Western Division of Chicago Surface Lines. No children.
2. WILLIAM NORMAN WALLING, born June 7, 1912; married Belle Turner, February, 1934. 1, William Norman Jr., born October 21, 1934.

III. WILLIAM STEVENS GRIESA, born May 1, 1884; Kansas University graduate.

ESTHER EVANS, graduate of Kansas University, a Phi Beta Kappa; married August 4, 1915.

They have one adopted daughter, June Griesa, born June, 1921.

William Stevens Griesa is proprietor of Mount Hope Nurseries, founded in 1869 by his father, Adolph C. Griesa.

They live in Lawrence, Kansas.

IV. EDNA GRIESA, born June 1, 1888.

J. EDWARD TEETERS, married November 13, 1909.

They live in Kansas City, where Mr. Teeters is a bond salesman.

CHILDREN

1. JEAN TEETERS, born February, 1912; married Frank Stanley, who died in 1935.
2. EDWARD A. TEETERS, born June, 1914.
3. JO ANN TEETERS, born June, 1916; now in San Francisco, employed in commercial art shop.

NELSON OBER STEVENS, born May 11, 1854; died December 22, 1906.

LUCETTA DUNCAN, born January 7, 1863; died February 21, 1925. Married 1880.

Nelson Stevens was a fine singer. He was an expert accountant and was also in the real estate business.

CHILDREN

1. LOIS, born April 9, 1889; married Hiram Norris, January 2, 1925; no children. She graduated from Kansas University; also from Peter Bent Brigham Hospital. Did welfare work for several years at Red Bluff, California.
2. MYRA, born April 4, 1893; married September 13, 1935, to Dr. James Blackman, 1418 Washington Heights, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Dr. Blackman born April 6, 1904; graduated from Johns Hopkins 1932.

Myra graduated from Kansas University and Simmons in Domestic Science. Previously married Elvin C. Penny, who died.

Myra Blackman conducts two summer shops in northern Michigan, one being at Northport.

October 25, 1938, Dr. James Blackman, chest surgery and bronchoscopy, 816 Cobb Building, Seattle, Washington.

JAMES BARNETT STEVENS, born December 1, 1856. Teacher; studio, Farmers Trust Building, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

MAY STEVENS TURNER, born November 21, 1855, at Princeton, Illinois; died July 8, 1910, at Lawrence, Kansas. Married October 19, 1882.

James Stevens is a fine singer.

CHILDREN

1. VERA ELIZABETH, born August 6, 1883. A university graduate. Residence, Denver, Colorado. The Carlton Hotel, 509 Fifteenth Street, in care of Ralph M. Duffield Newsstand, 1401 California Street, Denver, Colorado.

MISS CAROLINE FRANCES STEVENS, born November 10, 1858. Residence, 839 Kentucky Street, Lawrence, Kansas.

A successful primary teacher for forty-one years. Retired in 1933 but still tutors children brought to her by parents, one, two and three hours per day. On her retirement in 1933 County Superintendent Lane made the following statement: "I know of no other teacher who accom-

plishes so much with beginners as does Caroline Stevens. She is one of the outstanding primary teachers of the country." Died January 11, 1941.

WILLIAM CHASE STEVENS, born February 21, 1861. Professor of botany at State University at Lawrence, Kansas, for over forty years, 1897-1937. Retired in 1937.

ADA ELIZA PUGH, of Cottonwood Falls, Kansas; married July 11, 1888.

In the April, 1937, issue of the Graduate Magazine of the University of Kansas, is an article entitled "Wild Flowers of Kansas," by Professor Wililam Chase Stevens, '85, g. '92. The article is illustrated by fourteen of his personal photographs of the wild flowers of Kansas.

Residence, 1121 Louisiana Street, Lawrence, Kansas.

CHILDREN

1. FRANCES HERBERT STEVENS, born November 25, 1890. Political and economics writer for Winnipeg Free Press.
2. RALPH PUGH STEVENS, born November 1, 1893. Cellist, Kansas City Philharmonic Orchestra.
3. PHILIP FLINT STEVENS, born January 30, 1896. Graduate School of Fine Arts. Pianist, organist, teacher; 3516 Charlotte Street, Kansas City, Missouri.
4. RICHARD BARNETT STEVENS, born January 7, 1899. Lawyer at Lawrence, Kansas.
5. RACHEL STEVENS, born September 17, 1901. Graduated from School of Fine Arts; married Lester Van Valkenburgh.

FRANCIS HERBERT STEVENS, born November 25, 1890. World war record: United States Naval Hospital Corps; went through war zone many times on the U. S. S. Agemenau (a transport).

RICHARD BARNETT STEVENS, born January 7, 1899. In 1916 was with United States Army on Mexican border. Enlisted in United States Navy April 6, 1917. Served two years off French coast on submarine patrol. For five years was Douglas county attorney.

JANE GRIFFITH, married July 13, 1929.

CHILDREN

1. LUCINDA M. STEVENS, born October 31, 1931.
2. ANN, born March 2, 1933.
3. HELEN JANE, born July 2, 1940.

RACHEL STEVENS, born September 17, 1901.

LESTER VAN VALKENBURGH, born July 28, 1900; a chemist; married May 22, 1926.

CHILDREN

1. JAMES MARTIN VAN VALKENBURGH, born November 24, 1928.
2. ADA JOAN VAN VALKENBURGH, born August 4, 1931.
3. WILLIAM EVERETT VAN VALKENBURGH, born September 21, 1935.

ANCESTRY OF DR. HORATIO NELSON FLINT

THOMAS FLINT; Wales. Salem records 1650; came much earlier. Settled Salem Village, now South Danvers, on Salem and North Reading road, six miles from present court house, near Phelp's mill and brook. Also 50 acres near square in Salem. Six children: Thomas, Elizabeth, George, John, Anna, Joseph.

JOSEPH FLINT. Made freeman 1690. Salem. Died 1710. Estate: 56 acres of land, 168 pounds. Dwelling house old and much out of repair, 25 1. Cattle, etc. 56 1. Eleven children: Joseph, Nathaniel, Jonathan, Anna, Samuel, Lucy, Elizabeth, Sarah, Ruth, Eunice.

NATHANIEL FLINT. 1688-1766. Settled in Windham, Connecticut, 1716. Married three times. Four children: Sarah, Nathaniel, Abigail, Eunice.

NATHANIEL FLINT. 1720-1795. Married twice. Three children by first wife: Benjamin, Sarah, Nathaniel. Ten children by second wife.

BENJAMIN FLINT. Born, Hampton, Connecticut, 1743. In 1795 moved to Putney or Newfane, Vermont. Married in 1770 to Bethiah Cheney. Eleven children: Hannah, Chloe, Charlotte, Sarah, Sarah, Asa, Elisha, Polly, Amelia, Benjamin, Cheney.

(From "Genealogical Record of the Descendants of Thomas Flint of Salem, compiled by John Flint and John H. Stone. Andover. Printed by Warren F. Draper. 1860.)

ASA FLINT married Lucy Harris of Brookline, Vermont, and had three sons, *viz*: Horatio, 1799-1832. (Horatio Nelson Flint, M. D., married Claramon Chamberlain. See their record.) Leon, Maurice.

Copy of Commission for Major Nathaniel Chamberlain Jr., written on leaf of account book that he started to use in Putney, Vermont, in 1827, and used afterwards at Princeton, Illinois, from 1832 to 1845.

JOHN REYNOLDS

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings:

Know ye, That Nathaniel Chamberlain, Jr., having been duly elected to the office of Major, 40th Regiment of Militia of the State of Illinois, I, John Reynolds, Governor of the State, on behalf of the People of said State, do commission him Major in said Regiment to take rank from the 24th day of December, 1832. He is therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duties of said office, by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto belonging; and I do strictly require all officers and soldiers under his command to be obedient to his orders; and he is to obey such orders and directions from time to time, as he shall receive from the Commander-in-Chief of his superior officer. Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the State Seal to be affixed. Done at Vandalia,¹ this third day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three and of the independence of the United States the fifty-seventh.

By the Governor, JOHN REYNOLDS.

A. T. Field, Secretary of State.

Oath taken December 24, 1832, before John Strawn, Colonel in Command.

(COPY)

Original in possession of Dr. Andrew Darling, Crosby, Minnesota.

Brimfield, August 25, 1868.

My Dear Aunt Lucy:

We have lost Uncle Major. He died about half past three. Father¹ and I received a dispatch yesterday morning saying that he was very sick and to come immediately. We did so and found him very sick indeed. I would have telegraphed you but did not know how bad he was till I got there. He suffered terribly. We did everything we could and had other able physicians but it was no use. The "handwriting" was on the "wall" and it could not be denied. He had his senses till within a few minutes of his death. Father told him he was dying, then their parting. I could not witness it. I had to leave the room. After that was over and Father had come out, there being

¹Footnote by Dr. Clifford E. Smith.

May 3, 1833, is same date as shown on the Commission of William O. Chamberlain as First Lieutenant in same regiment.

¹Dr. Wm. O. Chamberlain.

then in the room Aunt Eliza², Nat., Mary and Henry³, (Henry's wife being at her father's), and one or two other friends, one of whom made a prayer. Then they sang a hymn that he requested. Then he told his wishes in regard to his funeral and suffered pain for about an hour. Then he died very easy.

His funeral will be Tuesday or Wednesday. I don't know which and it would be no use to telegraph now.

Father has been sick for some time and I am afraid this trip will make him worse. I hope for the best though. I am real glad he came for I think Uncle was real glad to see him. Some of the family will write you soon and give you more minute particulars.

Your affectionate Nephew,

ELSTON (CHAMBERLAIN)⁴ M. D. Rush, 1863.

P. S.: The funeral will be here at the house on Tuesday at 10 o'clock a. m. They will bury him here (at Brimfield, Illinois).

Comments by Dr. Clifford E. Smith:

²Eliza Chamberlain, the Major's wife.

³Major Nathaniel Chamberlain had two sons, Nathaniel and Henry. Mary is Nathaniel's wife.

⁴Elston Chamberlain was the son of Dr. Wm. O. Chamberlain.

Major Nathaniel Chamberlain died August 25, 1868, at his home in Brimfield, Illinois.

Dr. Elston Chamberlain died at Dallas, Texas, February 22, 1911. He had three sons and one daughter. The oldest son, Mr. Frank Chamberlain, lives at 215 West 98th Street, New York, New York.

²Eben A. Chamberlain lives at 4413 Normandie Street, University Park, Dallas, Texas.

³William Elston lives somewhere in New Jersey.

⁴Margaret Annie Ledford Love.

DESCENDANTS OF DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN

NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN II, born July 22, 1801. Major Chamberlain came from Putney, Vermont, to Princeton, Illinois, in September, 1832, at the close of the Black Hawk war. He moved to Brimfield, Peoria county, Illinois, in 1846, and died there August 25, 1868. He was buried there.

ELIZA A. CAMBRIDGE, born Putney, Vermont, January 11, 1811; died October 4, 1894; married in Putney, Vermont, October 5, 1829.

CHILDREN

1. NATHANIEL III, born April 30, 1832, at Putney, Vermont; died December 19, 1911, at Wichita, Kansas.
2. HENRY, born July 24, 1842, at Princeton, Illinois; died October 20, 1925.

On August 31, 1830, Nathaniel Chamberlain Jr. was appointed quartermaster, with the rank of first lieutenant, 1st Regiment, Second Brigade, 1st Division of Vermont Militia. Commission signed by Samuel C. Crofts, governor of Vermont, and by Geo. B. Shaw, secretary of state. Oath taken before Ethan B. Webb, Colonel in command.

Nathaniel Chamberlain II was elected, December 24, 1832, a major in the 40th Regiment, Illinois State Militia. Commission was signed by John Reynolds, governor of Illinois, and A. T. Field, secretary of state, on May 4, 1833. On October 24, 1837, he was elected clerk of Hampshire Colony Congregational Church at Princeton, Illinois. The records in his splendid handwriting are still preserved by the church and were inspected by Dr. Clifford E. Smith in October, 1936. (See N. Matson's *Reminiscences of Bureau County*, page 176.)

NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN III, son of Major Chamberlain, born April 30, 1832, at Putney, Vermont; died December 19, 1911, at Wichita, Kansas.

MARY E. LINSLEY, died January 15, 1880; married May 29, 1855.

Married second time, Mrs. Laura Pettit in April, 1882. They moved to Wichita, Kansas, in 1888.



HOME OF MAJOR NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN NEAR BRIMFIELD, ILLINOIS.
BUILT IN 1839.

*Three of the
Major's Grandsons*

THADDEUS CHAMBERLAIN

1861-1936

GLEN CHAMBERLAIN

Wichita, Kansas

WILLIAM M. CHAMBERLAIN

Brimfield, Illinois

Thaddeus and Glen are sons of Nathaniel Chamberlain III. William Chamberlain is the son of Henry Chamberlain.



CHILDREN

1. ALICE, born June 6, 1858; died February 3, 1938.
2. THADDEUS, born March 8, 1861; died March 17, 1936, at Peoria, Illinois.
3. CHARLES, born August 12, 1863.
4. NATHANIEL IV, born April 13, 1868; died September 15, 1890, at Ellensburg, Washington.
5. GLEN, born October 25, 1875, Wichita, Kansas.

ALICE CHAMBERLAIN, born June 6, 1858; died February 3, 1938.
 J. CLARK MOSS, died April 13, 1938; married June 13, 1882.

CHILDREN

1. ETHELWYN MOSS, graduated Bradley, 1937; a successful teacher. Residence, 815 Kansas Avenue, Peoria, Illinois. Dr. Clarke Chamberlain says Ethelwyn is tops. She enjoys a diversity of things and always wants to include others in her good times. She was wonderful to her parents up to the time of their deaths.

THADDEUS CHAMBERLAIN, born March 8, 1861, Brimfield, Illinois; died March 17, 1936, at Peoria, Illinois.

CLARA SILLOWAY, married September 30, 1884.

CHILDREN

1. CLARKE, born April 23, 1895.
2. MAURICE, born October 5, 1897.

I. CLARKE CHAMBERLAIN, D. D. S.

MARTHA KASJENS, married September 18, 1919, at Peoria, Illinois.

Dr. Clarke Chamberlain, office, 633 Jefferson Building; residence, 217 North Maplewood Avenue, Peoria, Illinois. Graduate Chicago College of Dental Surgery 1918.

CHILDREN

1. CLARKE WILTON, born July 14, 1920; September, 1938, Clarke started at Bradley Institute, Peoria; Clarke Jr. graduated in June, 1938, from St. Alban's School for Boys, Sycamore, Illinois; school closed permanently after this, so he was in last class to graduate.
2. MARY JEANETTE, born April 15, 1922. A freshman at Bradley. She is a natural musician. i
3. DOROTHY, born July 4, 1926. A freshman in high school; was elected Queen of school band in 1940.

II. MAURICE CHAMBERLAIN.

ROBERTA MILES, married November 24, 1921, at Peoria, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. MILES, born July 26, 1923.
2. BARBARA LOUISE, born March 1, 1926.
3. THAD. ROBERT, born June 27, 1928.
4. MAURICE S. CHAMBERLAIN JR., born July 14, 1938.

They live at 127 North Underhill Street, Peoria, Illinois.

CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN, born August 12, 1863, at Brimfield, Illinois.

JESSIE GOODFELLOW, married March 25, 1896, at Leadville, Colorado. They live at Richmond, California.

CHILDREN

1. ROY CHAMBERLAIN, born September 4, 1897.
Lena Sibback, Montrose, Colorado.
Children—1, Roy; 2, Robert.
2. MURL CHAMBERLAIN, born April 23, 1899.
Della Landry, Silvertown, Colorado. u
Children—1, Mildred; 2, Murl; 3, Constance.
3. CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN, born June 10, 1900.
Ann Peterson, Richmond, California.
No children.

GLEN CHAMBERLAIN, born October 25, 1875, at Brimfield, Illinois.

JEWEL CORN, Wellington, Kansas. Married May 1, 1898. They live in Wichita, Kansas.

CHILDREN

1. MAUD, born January 1, 1900.
Ray Taylor. Married May 21, 1921. They live in Wichita, Kansas. No children.

HENRY CHAMBERLAIN, born July 24, 1842, at Princeton, Illinois, son of Major Chamberlain; died October 20, 1925, at Peoria, Illinois.

LOUISE V. MORRISON, born March 8, 1841, at Albion, Michigan; died February 19, 1920, at Brimfield, Illinois.

Married October 15, 1862, in Albion, Michigan. They lived on a farm at Brimfield, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. RENA E., born August 22, 1863, at Brimfield, Illinois; died October 3, 1909, at Peoria, Illinois.

George Learned. Married October 18, 1893.

1. George Holland Learned, born August 15, 1894, at Brimfield, Illinois.

Anna Lyons. Married March, 1928, at Joliet, Illinois, Anna is a poetess and has written many poems printed in newspapers, one of which published a book of her poems in December, 1940.

Children—1, Bonita Ann, born March 11, 1931; 2, Frank Holland, born January 13, 1938; 3, Gerald Edward, born August 27, 1939.

2. Louise Learned, born October 20, 1900, Brimfield, Illinois; died, influenza-pneumonia, April 30, 1939, at Peoria. Buried Brimfield cemetery on Chamberlain lot.

Fred Beetler. Married June 15, 1921. They live near Yates City, Illinois.

Children—1, Rena Louise, born April 10, 1922; 2, Harold Frederick, born November 30, 1923; 3, Ruth Margaret, born October 17, 1925; 4, Donald Edward, born May 9, 1927; 5, Robert Henry, born August 2, 1929; 6, John Holland, born July 27, 1931; 7, Barbara Ann, born February 15, 1936; 8, Lois Marilyn, born March 6, 1939.

2. WILLIAM M., born March 24, 1867. A bachelor. Runs farm (1937) at Brimfield, Illinois. He works hard on the farm and like Mettie is always doing for others.

3. MARY LOUISE, born August 2, 1872; died May 1, 1877, at Brimfield, Illinois.

4. **METTIE L.**, born September 8, 1877, Brimfield, Illinois.
David Drysdale. Married December 29, 1897, at Brimfield, Illinois. They live in Peoria, Illinois, 815 Kansas Avenue. Phone 21702.
1. Ruth Drysdale, born October 15, 1898, at Brimfield, Illinois; died April 30, 1924.
James L. Brown, Peoria, Ill.; married July 23, 1919.
1, James L. Brown, Jr., born August 9, 1921.
Student at Bradley.
 2. Lynn Drysdale, born September 10, 1904, Peoria, Ill.
Mildred Wiley, Peoria, Ill.; married April 11, 1928.
No children.
5. **HENRY NATHANIEL**, born June 15, 1881; died September 28, 1905, at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Henry and Louise Chamberlain were literary in their tastes, both belonging to a Shakespeare Club and a Chautauqua Circle for many years. Henry was a strong Republican and kept well informed on current events and the news of the day. He was a charter member of the Modern Woodmen and served for many years as Venerable Council.

Mettie Chamberlain Drysdale is the home missionary type, always doing for others. In 1938 Mettie, Will, and Dr. Clarke put on a family get-together at Brimfield for the author and his family.

TO DR. CLIFFORD E. SMITH

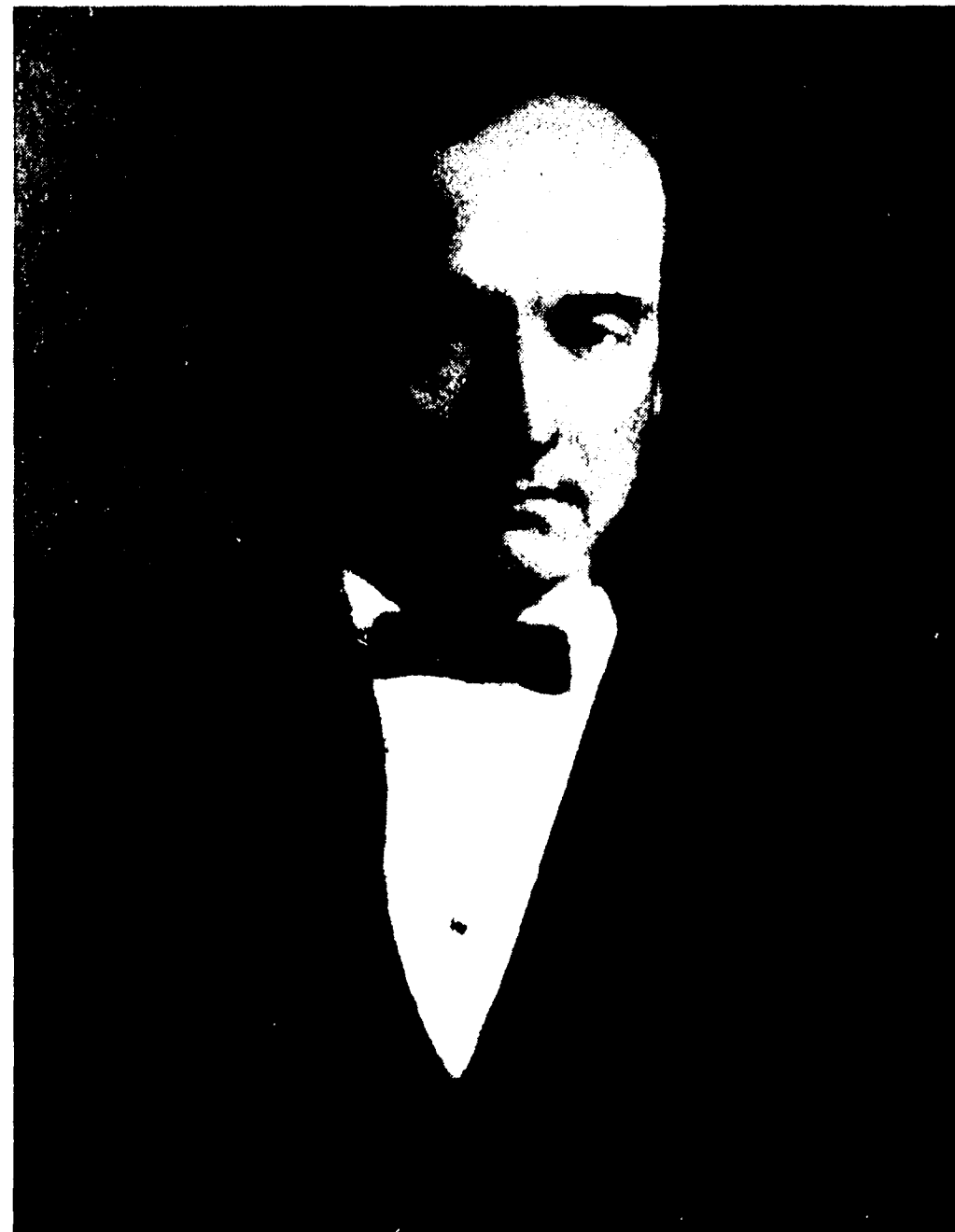
The generations passed with no marked quest
But to live out their span, embroider the hem
With goodness and uphold their honor still.
To leave to those who follow them good will.
But living to the present, all unknown
The days behind them, and posterity a hope.
Until there be one risen with the pride
Of birth and honor to the ages,
To search with diligence the pages
(And archives of a time, when true nobility
Sprang from the wilderness, untamed
Those forebears with the love of home and land
Meeting unchartered hardships to withstand,
The rigors of that day of building).
Wrote them one by one, and loved them
For their frugality, and love of home and birth,
And planted in generations yet unborn
This kindred love of his ancestral morning.

—Anna (Mrs. G. Holland) Learned, Trivoli, Illinois

Written in July, 1940



DR. WM. O. CHAMBERLAIN, age 21.
from oil painting by Henry Kirk Brown, 1832.



DR. WM. O. CHAMBERLAIN,
from daguerreotype taken about 1837.

Dr. "Bill" Chamberlain was Princeton's second physician.

DESCENDANTS OF DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN

DR. WILLIAM OBER CHAMBERLAIN, born November 7, 1811; died April 17, 1870. Studied medicine with father, Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain and took his degree from Vermont Medical College, June 8, 1836. Came to Princeton, Illinois, in 1832. Went back East and studied at Berkshire Medical Institution at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, in 1834, Vermont Medical College at Woodstock, Vermont, in 1835 and 1836, returning to Princeton to practice in 1836. Second doctor in Bureau county. Practiced 34 years. Post-graduate work certificate New York Eye Infirmary December 31, 1847. Records show he belonged to the Illinois State Medical Society in 1853, and was a delegate from Princeton, Illinois, June, 1863, to 14th annual meeting of the American Medical Association, held that year in Chicago. Was a First Lieutenant, 40th Regiment, Illinois State Militia. Commission was signed by John Reynolds, Governor of Illinois, and A. T. Field, Secretary of State, May 3, 1833, and oath taken before Nathaniel Chamberlain, Jr., Major of 40th Regiment. He is buried on Topliff lot, Oakland cemetery, Princeton, Illinois. Married October 31, 1838.

LUCY TOPLIFF, born July 18, 1815, at Dorchester, Massachusetts. Was first cousin of Walter Baker, the chocolate manufacturer of Dorchester, Massachusetts. Died November 26, 1897, at Aberdeen, Washington, and is buried there. Before her marriage Lucy Topliff was a school teacher in Princeton, Illinois.

Her parents were: Samuel Topliff, Esq.; died September 5, 1845, age 75 years, at Detroit, Michigan, on steamer *London*, en route from Buffalo to Chicago. Hannah Holden Topliff, died Princeton, Illinois, September 5, 1863, aged 80 years and 3 months. Harriet Topliff, sister of Lucy, married Rev. Cyrus Watson of Rockford, Illinois, May 28, 1840. Sarah Topliff, born December 8, 1818; died May 10, 1891. Olivia P. Smith, niece of Samuel Topliff, died January 30, 1879, age 90 years 3 months.

CHILDREN

1. **ELSTON, M. D.**, born June 1, 1842, died February 22, 1911. Attended Jubilee College 1855, 1856, and 1857. Ruins of Jubilee College are sixteen miles southwest of Peoria, Illinois.* Graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois, class of 1863, being the 663rd graduate of Rush. His name is in the Rush announcement of 1863-1864.
2. **IDA**, died June 16, 1875, age 26 years.
3. **ANNIE B.**, born December 29, 1850. First husband was Dr. Will L. Everett, Dixon, Illinois, an older brother of Dr. James M. Everett of DeKalb, Illinois. They were married March 31, 1873. Dr. Will L. Everett died at the age of 24 years and 3 months on October 16, 1873, six and a half months after his marriage. He was born July 12, 1849, and graduated from Rush Medical College in February, 1871.

John B. Elston, second husband, married June 1, 1881. He was a retired pharmacist from Aberdeen, Washington. Annie died in San Francisco, California, March 1, 1923, and her remains were cremated in Oakland, California. John B. Elston was born December 29, 1847 (exactly three years before his wife.) He died November 5, 1936, of influenza-pneumonia, his remains were cremated and his ashes placed in the same columbarium with Annie's.

*Jubilee College when last used as a school around 1895 to 1900, was an Indian school. After having been closed as a school for about forty years, the state took it over in 1936 or 1937 and made a state park of the grounds.



HOME OF DR. BILL CHAMBERLAIN, PRINCETON, ILLINOIS.
PICTURE TAKEN BEFORE LAST REMODELING



HOME OF DR. BILL. CHAMBERLAIN AS IT APPEARS TODAY AFTER SECOND REMODELING.

GREAT GRANDFATHER DR. NATHANIEL
GREENE CHAMBERLAIN

Dr. Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain, my great grandfather, came from Putney, Vermont, where grandmother was born, as physician to a colony which migrated to Princeton Prairie, Illinois (Bureau County) in 1831. As they came through Chicago, there was nothing there except a few log houses, not a frame building in the town.

Great grandfather laid off the town of Greenfield, and in 1833 the name was changed to Princeton. There are still standing two immense catalpa trees which he planted at that time.

The following poem was written about Dr. Wm. O. Chamberlain, brother of Grandmother Smith by John H. Bryant, brother of Wm. Cullen Bryant, whose parents were neighbors and friends of Grandmother's folks at Princeton. This is a true instance. An Indian chief, *Maumese*, offered Uncle Wm. Chamberlain a bushel of dollars if he would marry his daughter and Great Uncle William, in sport, went to see her. She was painted and fixed according to Indian fashion of which he did not approve, so she washed off the paint to please him.

The poem was not published until after the death of Uncle William's father, who was a deacon in the church and did not approve of such actions on the part of his son.

Signed, W. C. F. SMITH.

INDIAN COURTSHIP

Where French Grove road winds down the hill,
The hither side of Galer's mill,
In the mild winter of thirty-three,
A lordly oak, whose branches gray
Still hang above the passer's way.
Within that wigwam, snug and warm,
Close sheltered from the wintry storm
Dwelt a proud chieftain of the band
Which erst possessed this lovely land.
Maumese, his name, and by his side
A forest girl, his stay and pride,
Whose form and air betrayed her blood,
A gentle princess of the wood.

There was a deacon's roving son,
 A blooming youth of twenty-one,
 (Since better known as Doctor Bill,
 With sulkey, saddle-bag and pill)
 Went sparking to Maumese's daughter,
 The Deacon thought he "hadn't 'orter",
 But let that pass. The lovers sat
 Within the wigwam on a mat
 And soon found out without much bother
 A way to understand each other;
 For love's soft language in re-hearsal,
 The poets say, is universal.
 Maumese had gone with day's first beam
 To hunt the deer along the stream,
 Nor yet returned, though deep to rest
 The sun was sinking in the west;
 Which left Miss Maumese quite at ease
 To study art her beau to please;
 To win the youthful suitor's grace
 She washed the red paint from her face,
 Plaited with nice assiduous care
 Each flowing tress of jetty hair,
 With riband gay she bound her waist
 To make it more in English taste,
 (For slim waist was then in fashion
 So much so that 'twas quite a passion)
 And o'er her dusky shoulders drew
 Some calico of deepest blue,
 Arranged her beads and silver rings,
 Bracelets and divers trivial things
 Which add new charms to beauties face
 And brighten every female grace.
 And thus in her pride arrayed
 The white man wooed the Indian maid.

* * *

Stately heroine in mien
 A pattern for a forest queen
 Her step was lighter than the faun's
 That bounded o'er the blooming laun;
 Her dark eye shed a pensive ray
 Soft as the violets of May,
 That smile amid the solitudes
 Of those her native plains and woods.
 When the next morning, calm and still,
 Sent its silent rays along the hill
 Maumese returned and moved away,

Ah! who can tell what pangs of grief
 Pierced the young daughter of the chief.
 How streamed with tears those beaming eyes!
 How that dark bosom heaved with sighs!
 When thus with one relentless stroke
 The silver cord of love was broke;
 And our young swain, relief to gain,
 And ease the inward sense of pain
 That plagued him more than gout or phthisic,
 Went east to learn the art of physic,
 And delve within the mine of thought
 Till his keen anguish was forgot.

* * *

What trifles change the course of life
 From scenes of love to toil and strife
 And eke from scenes of toil and pain
 To scenes of love and peace again;
 So the frail leaves by autumn shed
 Upon the streamlets sandy bed
 Resist the struggling currents force.
 Obstruct its way and change its course.
 Had not the fates thus stepped between
 Our hero and his forest queen,
 Until the work of love begun
 Had melted both hearts into one,
 What different course their lives had run.

* * *

Perhaps our hero might have stood
 Among the chieftains of the wood
 And ruled as a superior mind
 Rules in the councils of its kind.
 Or else had led his dusky maid,
 Timid and shrinking and afraid,
 Where fashion's votaries hold sway
 In towns and cities far away;
 Or happy they had built their home
 By some stream where violets bloom
 And reared beside the quiet waters
 A stately group of sons and daughters.

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Sons in whose air and martial mien
 The chieftain grandsire race was seen,
 Some Randolph with eccentric mind,
 Keen, shrewd, sarcastic and refined;
 And buxom girls with flaxen hair
 And cheeks of dusky shadows, where

The Saxon blood came manteling through,
 And eyes of heaven's serenest blue.
 But fancy wearies with the chase
 Of things which might have taken place
 Had not the fates thus snapped the chain
 By Cupid forged to bind the twain.

—Written for the New England festival by John H. Bryant, published December 26, 1849.

DR. ELSTON CHAMBERLAIN, born June 1, 1842, at Princeton, Illinois; died February 22, 1911. Buried Oakland cemetery, Dallas, Texas.

ALMIRA L. APHORPE, first wife, born October 8, 1846, at Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Died October 26, 1934, at Grand Haven, Michigan.

MARGARET McDONALD, Cleveland, Ohio. Second wife of Dr. Elston Chamberlain. Married about 1880. Both her parents were dead at the time of her marriage. She was born at Cleveland, Ohio, May 1, 1861. Died September 5, 1914, at Dallas, Texas. Buried in Oakland cemetery, Dallas, Texas.

Old-time Princetonites say that Dr. Elston Chamberlain, when they knew him in 1855 to 1862, was a handsome, dashing young man. He practiced medicine in Kansas when it was a wild frontier state, being intimately acquainted with General Sherman, Buffalo Bill Cody, Bat Masterson, and others. He always said that the "only good Indian was a dead one." While attending Rush Medical College in Chicago 1860 to 1863, he developed typhoid fever, which caused him to lose his hair.

CHILDREN

1. FRANK, born September 22, 1876 (by first wife). Address, 215 W. 98th St., New York City.
2. WILLIAM ELSTON, born in Dallas, Texas, March 16, 1881. Married in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1906, and they have several children. He now (1937) lives somewhere in New Jersey.
3. EBEN A., born in Dallas, Texas, January 23, 1883. Lives at 3501 Bryn Mawr Drive, Dallas, Texas. Is secretary of the Central Bitulithic Company., builders of Warrenite-Bitulithic good roads and streets. Office and plant at 111 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas, P. O. Box 5343. During the World War he served with Battery A, First



DR. ELSTON CHAMBERLAIN

Graduated from Rush Medical College
1863

Son of Dr. Bill Chamberlain



ANNIE CHAMBERLAIN

Married Dr. Wm. Law Everett March
31, 1873. After his death she married
John B. Elston on June 1, 1881.

Daughter of Dr. Bill Chamberlain

Artillery, spending some time at the Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Illinois. Eben has helped the author materially in correcting and bringing the data on the Chamberlain family up to date. He was twice married.

In his youth Eben was a cowboy, and was in the saddle every day for eight years.

Beatrice Lace, first wife. Married in 1913. Died December 18, 1915. Children—1, Eleanor, born March 6, 1915.

Florence Frey of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, second wife. Married in Pittsburgh, November 18, 1924. Children—1, Nancy Eloise, born in Dallas, Texas, June 5, 1927.

4. MARGARET ANNIE, born December 12, 1884, in Dallas, Texas. She has been married twice, the first husband being a Mr. Ledford, and the second a Mr. Love.

(From the Bureau County Republican)

It is with no ordinary feelings of sorrow that we announce the death of William Ober Chamberlain, M. D., after a long illness at his residence in this city, on the morning of April 17, 1870.

Dr. Chamberlain was born in Putney, Vermont, on November 7, 1811. Studied medicine with his father, the late Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, and took his degree in the University of Vermont. In 1836 he returned to this state and commenced the practice of his profession in Princeton, in which he continued for more than a third of a century to labor uninterruptedly and with success. To very many householders he was the "beloved physician," with a nature in which kindness and generosity were the distinguishing characteristics. His time and professional skill were at the service of everybody while pecuniary recompense was to him a secondary consideration. In the discharge of his professional duties he was governed by a strong sense of obligation to those who had committed their interests to his care. A whole generation are his witnesses.

Possessed of a sound and vigorous intellect, a constant reader and close observer, he was positive in his opinions and of a resolute will and having confidence in himself, he inspired confidence in others. A man of inviolate honor, he was in all things true to his profession and never failed to contribute to what he regarded its best interests. He must have been at some time a laborious and successful student, for to large acquirements in his profession he had added a general

acquaintance with the best English literature, and he could with a singular felicity illustrate a subject by quotations from all sorts of authors and by thoughtful observations of his own. Large hearted and liberal to a fault if such qualities can become a fault, he was one of those men whose rare distinction was to be liked by everyone.

*"He leaves behind him, freed from griefs and years.
Far worthier things than tears.
The love of friends, without a single foe.
Unequaled lot below."*

With attractive qualities of heart he had a genial and unflagging humor, a fine sense of the ludicrous, an overwhelming cheerfulness of temper and unfailing courtesy that drew all men to him as his friends, and disarmed all enmity and coldness. Let the grave cover his infirmities whilst his virtues only we remember.

This brief tribute of regret is from one who knew him well and loved him better than he knew.

"May the earth lay light on his breast."

E. J. W. (ELIZA JANE WARFIELD.)

June 20, 1936

Clifford E. Smith, M. D.
314 Augusta Ave.,
DeKalb, Illinois.

Dear Cousin:

I am very sorry to have kept you waiting so long for an answer to your letters. I have had so much to do lately and never get a minute for my personal matters. However, I will try to give you a part of the information you want and will send more later. I cannot give you everything just now on account of part of my things being in storage.

I have some medical instruments that are evidently very old and out-of-date, but whether they were my grandfather's or father's I do not know.

The following are documents I have in my possession:

A return to the State of Illinois made by Nathaniel Chamberlain, school commissioner and agent for the inhabitants of Putnam county, Illinois, showing conveyance dated May 6, 1833, of lot of land in section 16 to William O. Chamberlain, signed at Vandalia, Illinois, by John Reynolds, Governor, January 2, 1834, (Lot 14, Township 16, J-16-R9).

Also another return same as above except on Lot 7, Township 16, R-9, dated and signed the same.

A certificate (12x16) from the State of Illinois showing that the above returns had been made to the State, signed at Vandalia, Illinois, by John Reynolds, Governor, State Auditor Stapp, and A. P. Field, Secretary of State, has State seal. (Date July 21, 1834.)

A United States patent, certificate No. 1489, showing that Nathaniel Chamberlain of Putnam county, Illinois, had deposited in the General Land office of the United States a certificate of the Register of Land Office at Galena, Illinois, full payment made by Nathaniel Chamberlain for east half of northeast quarter of section 30, in township 16, signed by Martin Van Buren, President of the United States; has United States seal and is recorded in General Land office, Vol. 3, Page 375-E. (Date, August 1, 1838, "Parchment".)

Commission from John Reynolds, Governor of Illinois, appointing William O. Chamberlain, First Lieutenant, 40th Regiment of State Militia, dated May 3, 1833, signed by John Reynolds, Governor. On the back it shows the oath of W. O. Chamberlain taken before Nathaniel Chamberlain, Major of the 40th Regiment. This commission was for service during the Black Hawk Indian war.

I also have a painting of W. O. Chamberlain, my grandfather, in his uniform, painted by Henry Kirk Brown, in 1832. Mr. Brown was a pupil of Chester Harding of Boston.

A land grant on parchment from Edmund Randolph, Governor of Virginia, granting Samuel Hanway and John Downer a tract of land in Monongalia County, Virginia, dated at Richmond, Virginia, September 4, 1788, signed by Edmund Randolph, has State seal.

Land grant on parchment from Beverly Randolph, Lieutenant Governor of Virginia, granting Hugh Marshall a tract of land, 340 acres, in Monongalia County, Virginia, dated at Richmond, Virginia, August 7, 1787, signed by Beverly Randolph, has State seal.

Diploma of W. O. Chamberlain, graduate of Vermont Medical College, June 8, 1836.

Diploma of W. O. Chamberlain from New York Eye Infirmary, dated December 31, 1847.

Passport No. 761 of Samuel Topliff to France, dated 1796, issued and signed by James Monroe, United States Minister to France, wax seal of James Monroe being attached. Monroe later became President. Samuel Topliff was the father of Lucy, wife of William O. Chamberlain. Mrs. Lucy Topliff Chamberlain, wife of W. O. Chamberlain, died November 26, 1897, at the home of her daughter, Annie, Mrs. John B. Elston, in Aberdeen, Washington.

My father, Elston Chamberlain, son of W. O. Chamberlain, was a graduate in medicine and I am almost sure he attended Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois. (Correct, graduated 1863). He told me that his diploma had been stolen. After he left Illinois he went to Kansas and was located in Wichita and Dodge City. He was well acquainted with General

Sherman, William Cody (Buffalo Bill), Bat Masterson, and others out there. He came to Texas and located in Dallas about 1880, making this his home until his death, February 22, 1911.

I have so many heirlooms and records packed away and will have to try to find time to get at them. Am sure that I have lots that would interest you and since you have started all this it might stir my lethargy. I have always wanted to bring the family history up to date so I can pass it on to my daughter, Nancy. On my grandmother's side of the family, meaning the wife of William O. Chamberlain (Lucy Topliff), I have the history from the 15th century up to 1850. Lucy Topliff was born in Connecticut and was a first cousin of Walter Baker, the chocolate manufacturer of Dorchester, Massachusetts.

You have evidently made a pretty thorough search of the family records, and I consider the information you sent me very valuable. The family crest you spoke of is a Bear on rampant, and I think it is from the Barnard family. My father told me that his uncle burned it along with some other things when they moved to Illinois, said he was tired of keeping such junk.

In 1916 I was located at Rock Island and Peoria, Illinois, for six months and at that time I got to see Black Hawk's watch tower overlooking the Rock river, and Campbell's island, in the Mississippi river, where one of the massacres took place. Am sorry I did not make a trip to Princeton at the time. Hope I can some time be near there again and if I am, will surely call on you.

Just as soon as I get more time I will write you again. Until then, I remain

Your very dear cousin,

E. A. CHAMBERLAIN.

P. S.: The next time you are in Chicago you might call Dr. John B. Ellis, St. Luke's Hospital. He and I married cousins.



EBEN A. CHAMBERLAIN,
Dallas, Texas

Eben served with Battery A, First Artillery, during World war. He has furnished much valuable information for this book. His father was Dr. Elston Chamberlain, son of Dr. William O. Chamberlain.

DESCENDANTS OF DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN
EBEN CHAMBERLAIN FAMILY

EBEN CHAMBERLAIN, born November 18, 1821; died February, 1899.

ELIZABETH BOYD, born January 2, 1822; died April 2, 1915.

Married 1849. Moved from Princeton, Illinois, to Gallatin, Missouri, 1861 to 1862.

In December, 1929, Mr. Edwin Chamberlain gave the Hampshire Colony Congregational Church at Princeton, Illinois a fine large Bible, which had belonged to his aunt, Mrs. Rufus Carey. Inscripton December 19, 1919. See book, *Hampshire Colony Congregational Church. It's First 100 Years. 1831-1931.*

Boyd Chamberlain says this was not his Uncle Edward.

Each of the five boys who married raised just one boy to manhood.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM, born April 2, 1850; died January 2, 1925.
Wife's name unknown to author.
 1. Sidney, Kansas City, Missouri.
 2. Virginia, married — Jones, Kansas City, Missouri.
2. OSCAR, born July 13, 1852; died 1902? Sulphur, Oklahoma.
Wife's name unknown to author.
 1. Comma, died about 1930?
 2. Elsie. Married and lives in Oklahoma City.
3. CHARLES S., born May 28, 1855; still living, July, 1937.
Ollie Gosnell, born January 26, 1862. Married April 3, 1879.
Charles S. and wife live at Gallatin, Missouri, (1937).
 1. Allen, born November 20, 1882.
 2. Pearl, born March 21, 1887.
 3. Ruby, born July 26, 1889.
4. JOHN, born September 9, 1857; died November 23, 1929.
Alpha Yates, born October 28, 1866; died July 1, 1936.
 1. Lula, born October 6, 1884; married December 24, 1905, to Al Dunkle, Hamilton, Missouri.
 2. Eva, born May 2, 1887, at Jameson, Kansas; lives in Gallatin, Missouri.

3. Boyd, born September 20, 1892, McMinnville, Oregon. Lives in Gallatin, Missouri, in new home built in 1935. Wife, Fay Yates; married August 17, 1915. Boyd took agricultural course at University of Missouri. Is now in insurance business. Children—1 daughter, Betty Jean; only grandchild in John Chamberlain family; born November 4, 1919; died June 23, 1924. Killed by electric wire falling on her in front yard. She was a bright little girl.
4. Helen, born February 10, 1902, Gallatin, Missouri. Married May 17, 1923, to Charles Harrington; lives in Gallatin, Missouri.
5. JAMES, born December 9, 1862; died April 6, 1932. Mrs. James Chamberlain (1937) Tipton, Missouri.
 1. Robert.
 2. Isle.
 3. Grace.
 4. Lucy.
6. EDWARD, a bachelor, born September 21, 1860; died March 10, 1903.

DESCENDANTS OF DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN

OSCAR GREENE CHAMBERLAIN, born May 2, 1813; died January 29, 1841; buried on Merritt lot, Oakland cemetery, Princeton, Illinois.

ELIZABETH MERRITT, born July 14, 1819; died March 12, 1883. Parents were Elijah and Mariah Merritt.

ELIZABETH MERRITT CHAMBERLAIN, later married Alex Boyd, born July 3, 1817; died July 2, 1902. (This refers to second marriage of Oscar's widow.)

On page 124 of Volume 9 of the Adjutant General's report, we find that an Oscar Greene Chamberlain of Hennepin enrolled on July 31, 1831, as a private in "Captain George B. Willis' Company of Mounted Volunteers belonging to the 40th Regiment, 4th Brigade, First Division of Illinois Militia, commanded by Col. John Strawn, called into the service by the Governor of Illinois and mustered out of the service of the United States at Hennepin, Putnam county, on June 18, 1832."

This confirms Aunt Ruth's record that Oscar came west in 1831 and not Major Chamberlain as given in Hampshire Colony Congregational Church book 1831-1931.

Oscar is mentioned in Ettie Stephens Prichard's poem *Spirit of Bureau County*, where he rode the oxen with Elijah Smith to Forristall's cabin. See Centennial Edition of *Bureau County Republican*, June 3, 1937, page 2 of Section 13.

CHAMBERLAIN - SMITH

LUCY MARY CHAMBERLAIN, Scotch, English and Welsh; born May 6, 1819; died September 23, 1907; second daughter of Dr. N. Chamberlain.

ANDREW FOSTER SMITH, Scotch, Irish, English and Welsh; born Patterson, New Jersey, February 8, 1808; died at Pella, Iowa, May 6, 1888. Married February 8, 1838, by Rev. Lucien Farnham; Rev. Owen Lovejoy did not arrive in Princeton until the fall of 1838.

CHILDREN -

1. ELIAS, born August 10, 1839; married Bertha Van Sittert.
2. CLARAMON OBER, born July 11, 1841; married William Delos Darling.
3. WILLIAM C., born August 15, 1843; married Nettie Hand (niece of James Savery).
4. MARY LYDIA, born November 22, 1844; married John Morgan and Arie Vander Linden.
5. ELIZABETH, born October 16, 1846; married Don A. Peaslee.
6. THADDEUS, born October 26, 1848; died in infancy.
7. RUTH, born September 25, 1850; married Dr. Wm. H. H. Barker.

(See under "The Smiths" for descendents of Andrew Foster Smith and Lucy Mary Chamberlain.)

CHAPTER VIII

There is supposed to be some relationship between Judith Barnard, mother of Dr. Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain, and General Nathaniel Greene, hence the following sketch of his family.

GENERAL NATHANIEL GREENE

GENERAL NATHANIEL GREENE, born August 7, 1742; died June 19, 1786, of sunstroke at Savannah, Georgia.

Married July 20, 1774, to Miss Catherine Littlefield of Block Island.

CHILDREN

1. GEORGE W., born 1775; died 1794, drowned in the Savannah river.
2. MARTHA W., born March, 1777.
3. CORNELIA L., born September 23, 1778.

General Nathaniel Greene was of the fourth generation of the descendents of Dr. John Greene, surgeon, of Salisbury, England, whose ancestors had lived for several generations in Dorsetshire—all were landed gentlemen. Dr. John Greene left England in April, 1635, and arrived in Boston in June, 1635. He helped Roger Williams found the colony of Rhode Island.

General Nathaniel Greene was the fifth of a family of nine children, eight boys and one girl of Rev. Nathaniel Greene. Rev. Greene was a large landed proprietor; and owned a forge, grist mill, saw mill, flour mill and a large merchandise store.

NATHANIEL GREENE—SAVIOR OF THE SOUTH

Nathaniel Greene was born at Potowomut, Rhode Island, on August 7, 1742. During his early boyhood days he lived the quiet life of the Friends, as his father was a prominent Quaker. He was, practically, self-educated.

In 1770 he was elected to the Rhode Island legislature where he

served until 1775. Although a Quaker, he joined the militia in 1774. A slight limp in his walk was first thought to unfit him for hard service, but he rose quickly from the ranks of the "Kentish Guards" and was chosen brigadier-general on June 22, 1775. During this time he had been turning more and more of his attention to colonial defense.

When news of the battle of Bunker Hill reached Rhode Island, his regiment was marched to Boston. When Washington reached Cambridge he was sent to welcome the new commander-in-chief. Washington soon discovered that Greene was a valuable officer and made him a major-general on August 9, 1776.

Greene distinguished himself at the engagements of Trenton and Princeton and the battle of Brandywine. He was then made quartermaster general. He next fought at Monmouth Court House in 1778. In 1780 he foiled Clinton at the Rahway bridges; was president of the board that condemned Andre, and was appointed to Arnold's post at West Point. On October 4, 1780, he was appointed to succeed General Gates in command of the Army of the South. This army had been defeated so often that it was known as "only the shadow of an army," but Greene, with his patience, kindness, energy and judgment, soon placed it in the active field. Daniel Morgan, the sharpshooter, and "Lighthorse Harry" Lee were sent to his aid and at Cowpens they defeated the British general, Tarleton, in January of 1781.

On March 15, 1781, having drawn Cornwallis more than 200 miles from his base, he forced on him a battle at Guilford Court House, North Carolina. The battle resulted in a British victory, but such a costly one that Greene was allowed to pass unmolested into South Carolina.

Greene quickly reconquered Georgia and South Carolina as one after another of the British forts were captured. At the battle of Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781, he practically ended the war in the South with such a great victory for the Americans that Stuart's forces were obliged to stay in Charleston until the end of the war.

Congress presented Greene with a gold medal in honor of this battle, while the Carolinas and Georgia gave him valuable grants of land. After the war he became a planter on the lands granted him

by the people of Georgia, and in 1785 he took over the confiscated land of the loyalist, John Graham, near Savannah, where he died on June 19, 1786.

In 1902 the remains of this great American were removed to the Greene monument in Savannah. This soldier was counted the greatest general of the Revolution next to Washington, and indeed some of the hardships which he and his army endured rival those of Valley Forge!

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THE OLD RED COVERED BRIDGE. NORTHWEST OF PRINCETON, ILLINOIS.
IT IS ONE OF THE FEW COVERED BRIDGES REMAINING IN ILLINOIS.

CHAPTER IX

THE CHAMBERLAIN FAMILY

DR. NATHANIEL *and* DR. BILL

By DR. FREDERICK J. WALTER

THERE has been confusion in the minds of some writers of Bureau county history regarding the early Chamberlains. Some writers have said that Dr. "Bill" Chamberlain was the first permanent physician in Bureau county. This is an error. It was his father, Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, who was the original pioneer. He is buried in Oakland cemetery in Princeton, Illinois, in the northeast corner, with other pioneers. His tombstone tells us that he was born November 18, 1774, and died on March 30, 1849.

Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain came with the Hampshire colony in 1831. He arrived at Bureau river July 6, 1831. From that date to 1836 he was the only permanent physician in what is now Bureau county. He lived on a farm one mile south of town that first belonged to Elijah Dee, south of the Bryant grove. He might be said to be physician for the Hampshire colony of the Congregational church and was a deacon in the church and church clerk from 1831 to 1833. He was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, though when he left New England his home was Putney, Vermont. He was the son of Thaddeus Chamberlain and Judith Barnard Chamberlain.

There is said to be some relationship between Judith Barnard Chamberlain and General Nathaniel Greene of Revolutionary war fame, and this with the fact that he was born right during the war explains the name given him of Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain. When he was 23 he graduated in medicine in 1797 and took post-graduate work at the Berkshire Medical Institute at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, in 1825. In pioneer practice it was necessary to take food in exchange for his services; sometimes it was live stock. He also made his living by selling a stock of boots and shoes he had brought from Vermont. He also farmed and helped his son, Oscar Greene Chamberlain, who came west with him, till the land and often clear the land.

Some of you already know what prompted the Hampshire colony to migrate West and seek their fortunes under circumstances of hard-

ship and adventure. The colonists became interested in the West from reading a series of articles which appeared in the Northampton County *Gazette* from 1828 to 1831, edited by Dr. Nathaniel's son, William O. Chamberlain, who was an apprentice in the printing office of this paper. Dr. "Bill" found a volume of Lewis and Clark's travels in the town library, and became so interested he published extracts about the Northwest and West. These attracted so much attention they finally led to the migration to Illinois. A druggist, Thos. M. Hunt, for half of his expenses, went ahead as sort of a scout for the party in 1830. (See page 126, *History of Bureau County, Illinois*, by H. C. Bradsby.)

During Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain's first year in Illinois, his wife, who had stayed at Putney, Vermont, with the children, died December 8, 1831, so that Dr. Chamberlain never got to see his wife again.

The settlement formed in Illinois by the Hampshire colony was at the time a part of Putnam county. The settlement was called Greenfield, it is said, for two reasons: because of the relationship to General Greene, and because of Dr. Chamberlain's wife, Claramon Ober, was daughter of Ebenezer Ober and Mary Greene, and not from any green fields thereabouts. This name was changed to Princeton, in 1833, to which Dr. Chamberlain objected vigorously, but finally graciously gave in, and the same year he was appointed postmaster. His son, William O. Chamberlain, who was studying medicine in the office with him, carried the mail. In swimming streams he is said to have carried the letters in his hat. William O. Chamberlain, later Dr. "Bill" Chamberlain, went back East to complete his medical education, and John M. Gay, who had a store in Princeton, was appointed postmaster. The Black Hawk war took place during his first year in Princeton, and Oscar G. Chamberlain, listed as coming from Hennepin, enrolled on July 31, 1831, as a private in Captain George B. Willis' Company of Mounted Volunteers belonging to the 40th Regiment, 4th Brigade, First Division of Illinois Militia, commanded by Col. John Strawn, which was called into service to fight Black Hawk and his warriors, by the Governor of Illinois.

In the early fall of 1832, the rest of Dr. Chamberlain's family arrived at his double log cabin farm, one mile south of what was then Greenfield. These included: *first*, Mrs. Claramon

Chamberlain Flint and her two children, Mary and Elizabeth Flint. Mrs. Flint's husband, Dr. Horatio Nelson Flint, had taken ill and died at Cleveland, Ohio, July 25, 1832, while on his way to Illinois; *second*, Nathaniel Chamberlain II, (later known as Major Chamberlain), his wife and son, Nathaniel III; *third*, William O. Chamberlain (later known as "Dr. Bill"); *fourth*, Lucy Mary Chamberlain (married Andrew Foster Smith, February 8, 1838; *fifth*, Eben Chamberlain.

Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain was a great church worker and faithful to the community. In 1831 he was appointed school commissioner of Putnam county (which included Fort Dearborn, at that time a trading post with a garrison and a few Indian traders). Dr. Nathaniel enjoyed an extensive practice in and around Princeton, often taking him to the Rock river district to Dixon's Ferry and he accumulated much property.

When his daughter, Lucy Mary, married Andrew Foster Smith, (son of Elias and Nancy Foster Smith, 1773-1860) on February 8, 1838, he gave them a farm on the north edge of town, also a house in Princeton, as a wedding present. The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy depot was built on a part of this farm in 1854. In his last illness Dr. Chamberlain called for his family Bible. He took it in his hands and said, "By this Charte I came into this country and by this Charte I am going home." He passed away in Princeton March 30, 1849, when the city had reached the growth of about its present size. Those interested can find his stone in Oakland cemetery, Princeton, Illinois.

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Dr. William O. Chamberlain was a colorful man in the early picture of Princeton, Illinois. In 1832, with his other brothers and sisters, he followed his father, Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, and his brother, Oscar, to Greenfield (later Princeton, Illinois). William studied medicine in the office of his father, carried the mail and helped with the farm work. William was elected first lieutenant in the Illinois State Militia, 40th Regiment, his commission being signed May 3, 1833, by Governor John Reynolds and A. T. Field, Secretary of State. The oath was taken before his brother, Nathaniel Chamberlain, Jr., major of the 40th Regiment. In 1833 he went back to complete his medical education, attending Berkshire Medical Institution at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, 1833-1835. In the fall of 1835 he

entered the Vermont Medical College at Woodstock, Vermont, graduating June 8, 1836.

He returned to Princeton, Illinois, immediately and established his office over the store of John M. Gay. He later received patients at his home on South Pleasant Street, the southwest room of the present Russell boys' residence. (Mr. Russell will show you this room as he did for the writer in June, 1940.) The house has since been twice remodeled. His father lived one mile south of town on the farm, and probably to distinguish him from his doctor father, and also because they felt he was a Princeton boy returning home, he became popularly known as "Dr. Bill," rather than Dr. William O. Chamberlain.

A few weeks after "Dr. Bill's" arrival in Princeton, two other doctors arrived, namely, Dr. Swanzy and Dr. Oliver Everett. The latter had just graduated from the Berkshire Medical Institution and also came to Chicago and walked across the prairie to Princeton by the aid of a compass. Some of the instruments of Dr. Swanzy are in the historical museum in the Princeton court house and also some of Dr. Chamberlain's surgical instruments and saddle bags in the hospital at DeKalb, Illinois, under the care of Dr. Clifford Smith, who has given the institution many other interesting exhibits of historical value. In Princeton was Dr. Everett's brother, James Smith Everett (called "Uncle Smith") and his sister, Julia, who married Cyrus Bryant.

Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain suggested to Dr. Everett that there was a good opening for a young doctor at Dixon's Ferry (changed to Dixon, Illinois, January 3, 1842). Thus it came about that Dr. Oliver Everett became the pioneer physician at Dixon, Illinois. (His son, Dr. William Law Everett, on March 31, 1873, married Annie B. Chamberlain, daughter of Dr. William O. Chamberlain). "Dr. Bill" was a thorough student and one of the progressive physicians and surgeons of his time. He was called far and wide in consultation. He took post-graduate work at the New York Eye Infirmary, receiving his certificate December 31, 1847. The records show that he was a member of the Illinois State Medical Society as early as 1853. In June, 1863, he was the delegate from Princeton, Illinois, to the fourteenth annual meeting of the American Medical Association, held in Chicago at that time.

During 1836 one of the early settlers presented Dr. Bill with a human skull, which he had found in the woods, supposing it to have belonged to an Indian. Several years later this was identified by the squaw of the half-breed Indian, "Black Girty," as that of Henry Simmons, who had been murdered by this notorious renegade. (See Matson's *History of Bureau County*.) In Dr. Bill's era medical men had to get their material for dissections at night from some cemetery and the writer has heard of a case where Dr. Bill had to do this very thing.

Dr. Chamberlain being a student, his interest was aroused to debate and he took part in the lyceum debates, which were started in 1836.

John H. Bryant was a great friend of Dr. Bill and wrote quite a poem about him entitled, *Indian Courtship*, which is published in some of the earlier histories. It concerns an Indian princess whom the chief would sell to Dr. Bill for a consideration. To some of you who know the early history of Princeton know that John H. Bryant came from Massachusetts to Jacksonville, Illinois, first and later found Princeton. It was here in Jacksonville that he met Miss Hattie Wiswall, whom he later married in June, 1833. On Mr. Bryant's return to Princeton from his wedding, high waters in the Illinois river delayed them at Hennepin. William O. Chamberlain (before he studied medicine) was there to get the mail and offered them the use of his saddle horse, which they accepted, to cross the river.

Dr. Bill married Lucy Topliff, October 31, 1838, who before her marriage was a Princeton school teacher. To them were born three children: Elston (later Dr. Elston Chamberlain); Ida, known to most early settlers in Princeton; Annie, married Dr. William Law Everett of Dixon. After his death, to John B. Elston, a druggist. Annie sang in the choir of the Congregational church.

Perhaps no neighbor has been mentioned to the writer oftener than "Dr. Bill" Chamberlain, whose home adjoined that of my grandfather, John Walter, on South Pleasant Street, so many years from 1837 on to 1870. He was more than a neighbor. The families lived almost as one. Their problems were mutual, their children played together, and in their illnesses and in coming and going from life Dr. Chamberlain was always present.

His sister, "Aunt Lucy," was alive as late as in the eighties when

she visited Princeton, after living in Iowa many years as the wife of Andrew Smith. Lucy Chamberlain was a woman whose personality one can not forget. Vivacious and entertaining, charming as a woman socially, with a beauty it's hard to forget. She was of a generation meeting privations and problems we know not of today. They met them with courage and solved their problems as a matter of fact.

When Dr. W. O. Chamberlain passed away on April 17, 1870, Princeton had reached a growth of several thousand persons. He had practiced 34 years and was Princeton's second physician. He saw the prairies grow from prairie grass into cultivated farms. Most of Bureau county was made during his lifetime here. In 1831 it was a part of Putnam. He saw it grow into almost its present size. He saw many of the pioneers pass away; he attended most of them.

Yet in his time there were no good roads, but he lived through the Civil war. He doubtless heard Lincoln's address in Bryant's grove and was medical examiner for many recruits of that war of the rebellion. He knew Lovejoy and saw *The Republican* grow from its birth to a great county newspaper. He lived and did his service to mankind as a pioneer and saw America during its rapid development by the railroads of the West. His life extended from that period from President Madison to that of Grant. He saw America grow from a struggling infant to a strong ambitious nation. He lived actively through the Civil war and made a success of his profession.

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Now we come to the last of the trio of Dr. Chamberlains—Dr. Elston Chamberlain. Elston Chamberlain was born in Princeton, Illinois, on June 1, 1842, being the first child of Dr. William O. Chamberlain and Lucy Topliff Chamberlain. After finishing his work in the Princeton schools, he attended Jubilee College, 1855 to 1859. This school was last used as a school for the Indians around 1895 to 1900. After being closed for thirty-five years, the state took it over in 1936 or 1937 and made a state park of the grounds. It is located 16 miles southwest of Peoria. The chapel with a large cemetery back of it still stands. After finishing at Jubilee College, Elston entered Rush Medical College, from which he graduated in 1863, being the 663rd graduate of the college. Old-timers of Princeton say that Elston was a handsome young man. He married Margaret McDonald, of Cleveland, Ohio, and they became the parents of four children, namely, Frank, William Elston, Eben A., and Margaret Annie.

Dr. Elston practiced in Kansas when it was a wild frontier state. He located at the thriving town of Wichita and saw the development of what then was the Southwest. He later moved to Dallas, Texas, where he lived until his death in 1911. He was intimately acquainted with General Sherman, "Buffalo Bill" Cody, Bat Masterson and other men of that time of the West. It is said that "the only good Indian was a dead Indian, Chief Shabbona excepted."

None of the Dr. Elston's boys studied medicine, but the line of medical men is being carried on by the descendants of Claramon Chamberlain Flint and Lucy Chamberlain Smith, of whom Dr. Ralph and Dr. Clifford Smith are outstanding examples. The former lives at Pomona, California, with a son in medicine, and the latter at DeKalb, Illinois, with a son taking pre-medical work at Swarthmore, Pennsylvania College. Dr. Clifford is an outstanding physician in eye, ear, nose and throat work in DeKalb county. There may be something in the blood that makes families follow in the work of their fathers; certainly this seems so in the Chamberlain line for well over a hundred years.

The data for most of this article was collected by Dr. Clifford Smith, of DeKalb. His interest in the family has made it possible to preserve this valuable history. The writer claims no credit for most of the interesting facts and simply sends it because he is a relative and fascinated by the lives of the pioneers of Bureau county.

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CHAPTER X

HISTORY OF MEDICAL PRACTICE IN ILLINOIS

VOL. I

BY LUCIUS H. ZEUCH, M. D.

BUREAU COUNTY, pp. 572-574

The first permanent physician arrived at Princeton Prairie, Bureau County, in 1831. He, Dr. N. Chamberlain, had joined a colony that formed at Northampton, Massachusetts, for emigration to the West.

The members met at Albany, New York, and embarked via Erie canal for Buffalo, New York. They expected to take a Great Lakes steamer for Detroit, but there was no room for them and there would not be another steamer for three months. Therefore, they hired teams and went overland to St. Joseph's river. Their horses died before they reached the village of Mottsville, Michigan, and the rest of the journey was completed on foot.

At the St. Joseph river they bought two canoes, lashed them together and (the young men of the party) floated 65 miles down the river to South Bend, portaged five miles across swamps to the Kankakee river and floated down it until they reached the Big Vermillion river opposite LaSalle, Illinois.

Their agent here informed them that Princeton Prairie was to be their future home. Dr. Chamberlain, his son, Oscar, and older members of the party, having procured a wagon and two yoke of oxen, proceeded to (Chicago and thence to) the fur-trading station at Bureau and thence through the timber to Princeton Prairie. The only horse in the party was ridden by Dr. N. Chamberlain. In crossing a stream, after the wagon had become stuck, Dr. Chamberlain carried the wife of one of the pioneers behind him on the back of the horse.

Dr. N. Chamberlain was, for many years, the only medical adviser in the community. When the Rock river country began to be settled he extended his services to that region as well. When a military organization was established, he was made a Lieutenant in Bureau County. (This was Dr. Bill Chamberlain). In 1833 the name of the village of Greenfield was changed to Princeton.

In 1836 Dr. William O. Chamberlain, a son of Dr. N. Chamberlain arrived in the community and was very successful. He was known everywhere as "Dr. Bill" and practiced for 25 (33 years) years in various parts of the country.

Copied March 28, 1936, by Clifford E. Smith, M. D., great-grandson of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain. Parentheses by Dr. Smith.

ADDITIONAL NOTE

Added by Dr. Clifford E. Smith

Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain's home before coming to Illinois, was in the town of Putney, Widom County, Vermont. Taking his 18-year-old son, Oscar, he joined, as the physician, the colony organized at Northampton, Massachusetts, March 23, 1831, reaching Princeton Prairie, Illinois, July 6, 1831. Oscar enlisted July 21, 1831, as a private in the Black Hawk war.

Dr. N. Chamberlain was both surveyor and a physician and he laid out a town in Princeton Prairie, (later Bureau county) which he named Greenfield, after Mary Green, maiden name of his wife's mother, and his uncle, General Nathaniel Greene. In 1833 the name of Greenfield was changed to Princeton.

The rest of the family, except for Mrs. Chamberlain, who had died in the meantime, followed in 1832. They started in May, but were delayed at Cleveland, Ohio, by the illness and death of Dr. Flint. They went by Great Lakes steamer to Chicago and from there by

teams to Princeton. There was not a frame house in Chicago at the time and for breakfast they went out into the country where an Indian woman ground corn to make them bread.

The members of the family in the party were Nathaniel Chamberlain Jr., his wife and baby, Nathaniel III., Mrs. Flint and her two girls, William O., Lucy and Eben.

The above information from Ruth Smith Barker, wife of Dr. W. H. H. Barker.

Ruth was the youngest daughter of Andrew Foster Smith and Lucy Mary Chamberlain.



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CHAPTER XI

A FAMILY OF MEDICAL MEN

(Published in Bureau County Republican, November 7, 1940)

A long line of medical men followed Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain. We will call him the first generation of the five generations given below.

I. FIRST GENERATION.

DR. NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN.

Born November 18, 1774.

Graduated in Medicine, 1797.

Post-graduate work, Berkshire Medical Institute, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, 1825.

Practiced, Putney, Vermont, 1797-1831.

Practiced, Princeton, Illinois, 1831-1848.

Died March 30, 1849.

He was the first permanent physician in Bureau county, Illinois, coming there July 6, 1831. He, being a surveyor as well as a physician, laid out the town of Greenfield (named after his wife's mother, whose maiden name was Mary Green. His wife was Claramon Ober). In 1833 the name of Greenfield was changed to Princeton.

II. SECOND GENERATION.

1. DR. WILLIAM OBER CHAMBERLAIN.

Born November 7, 1811, son of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain.

Graduated Vermont Medical College, 1836.

Graduated from New York Eye Infirmary, December 31, 1837.

Practiced, Princeton, Illinois, 1836-1870.

Died April 17, 1870.

He was the son of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain and practiced more than thirty-three years in and around Princeton, Illinois; was the second physician there and was known everywhere as "Dr. Bill." About him was written the *Indian Courtship* poem by John H. Bryant, brother of William Cullen Bryant.

2. DR. HORATIO NELSON FLINT.

Born October 22, 1799.

Graduated Berkshire Medical Institute, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, 1825.

Died July 25, 1832, on way to Illinois, at Cleveland, Ohio.

On January 10, 1826, he married Claramon Chamberlain, a daughter of Dr. N. Chamberlain. Dr. Flint died of tuberculosis at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1832, when on the way to Illinois. Berkshire Medical Institute was founded in 1822 and closed in 1870. It graduated in its forty-four years of existence 1,138 doctors of medicine.

III. THIRD GENERATION.

1. DR. ELSTON CHAMBERLAIN.

Born June 1, 1842, Princeton, Illinois.

Graduated Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois, 1863.

Practiced at Wichita and Dodge City, Kansas.

Died February 22, 1911, Dallas, Texas.

He was the son of Dr. Wm. O. Chamberlain and grandson of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain.

2. DR. WILLIAM H. H. BARKER.

Born October 16, 1840, Malta, Morgan county, Ohio.

Received D. D. S. degree, Northwestern Medical College, Chicago, 1868.

Graduated M. D. Harvey Medical College, Chicago, June 15, 1898.

Retired and lives (June, 1940) at Harvey, Iowa.

Enlisted in Civil war, May, 1861, Company K, Third Iowa Cavalry; discharged in May, 1865. Dr. Barker married Ruth Smith, October 31, 1878, youngest daughter of Andrew Foster Smith and Lucy Mary Chamberlain, a younger sister of Dr. William Ober Chamberlain. Dr. Barker died November 9, 1940. Age 100 years 24 days.

3. DR. WILLIAM LAW EVERETT.

Born July 12, 1849, Dixon, Illinois.

Graduated Rush Medical College, February, 1871.

Died October 16, 1873, six and one-half months after his marriage.

DR. WM. H. H. BARKER

1840-1940

M. D. Harvey Medical College, Chicago,
1898; D. D. S. Northwestern, 1899.

Dr. Barker served in the Civil War
1861-1865.

Dr. Barker married Ruth Smith, young-
est daughter of Andrew F. Smith and
Lucy M. Chamberlain.



DR. ANDREW D. DARLING,

Dentist
Crosby, Minnesota

Graduated College of Dentistry,
Northwestern University, 1900.

Andrew is an authority on the Smith and
Chamberlain family history and has many
original documents.

Dr. William Law Everett on March 31, 1873, married Annie B. Chamberlain, daughter of Dr. William O. Chamberlain of Princeton, Illinois. They had no children. Annie was a great singer and for many years sang in the choir at the Hampshire Colony Congregational church at Princeton. In October, 1936, when the writer and his wife visited the church at Princeton, there was a picture on the wall, in the lobby, of the 1884 church quartet, composed of Nat Simons, Mrs. Annie Chamberlain Everett Elston and A. C. Best. Annie married John B. Elston, a druggist, on June 1, 1881. Dr. William Law Everett was a brother of Dr. James Marcus Everett, born April 13, 1853, graduated from Rush Medical College in 1877 and who practiced at DeKalb, Illinois, 1884-1922, and was a great friend of Drs. Ralph and Clifford Smith. The father of Dr. William Law Everett and Dr. James Marcus Everett was Dr. Oliver Everett, sixth son of James Everett (born October 16, 1771). Dr. Oliver Everett was born at Worthington, Massachusetts, September 11, 1811. In June, 1836, he graduated from Berkshire Medical School, connected with Williams College, Massachusetts. After his graduation he came to Chicago and from there walked across the prairie to Princeton, Illinois, where lived his brother, James Smith Everett, (called Uncle Smith) and his sister, Julia Everett, who had married Cyrus Bryant. The brother and sister came to Princeton in 1834.

Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain told Dr. Everett about the opening for a young doctor at Dixon, Illinois, then called Dixon's Ferry, on Rock river. Agee's Ferry was established May 25, 1829, and at this time was recognized as a post office by the United States government, with John M. Gay as postmaster. November 23, 1833, the name Agee's Ferry was changed to Dixon's Ferry, and on January 3, 1842, the name was changed to Dixon, Illinois. Thus it came about that Dr. Oliver Everett started his practice at Dixon. Dr. Oliver Everett died May 1, 1888. Dr. James M. Everett died June 29, 1922.

IV. FOURTH GENERATION.

1. WILLIAM W. CURTIS, D. D. S., Chicago, Illinois.

Died in 1928.

He was the son of Egbert Curtis and Elizabeth Jane Walter. His mother was the daughter of John Walter and Eliza Smith, a sister of Andrew Foster Smith.

2. DR. ANDREW DARLING.

Born September 19, 1862.

Received D. D. S. Degree, Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois, 1900.

Practices at Crosby, Minnesota.

The son of Delos William Darling (captured at battle of Missionary Ridge, Civil war, November 25, 1863, and died of measles and starvation in Confederate prison at Andersonville, Georgia) and Claramon Ober Smith, who was the oldest daughter of Andrew Foster Smith and Lucy Mary Chamberlain.

3. DR. RALPH THADDEUS SMITH.

Born July 21, 1872.

Graduated Rush Medical College, Chicago, 1900.

Studied in Vienna, Austria, 1911-1912.

Practices at Pomona, California.

The oldest son of Bertha Van Sittert and Elias Smith, the latter being the oldest son of Andrew Foster Smith and Lucy Mary Chamberlain. He is an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist. Was Captain, M. O. T. C., Company 50, Fort Riley, Kansas, during the World war, 1918.

4. DR. JOHN HOWARD BRYANT, M. D.

Born May 27, 1876.

M. D. Northwestern University School of Medicine, 1903.

Fellow in American Medical Association.

Specializes in Urology.

Residence, 451 North Cherry Street, Galesburg, Illinois.

Office, 306 East Main Street, Galesburg, Illinois.

Dr. Bryant married Lillian Warfield*, who is a daughter of Jacob Halloway Warfield. Her father was the son of John Warfield and

*Note—Lillian's sister, Lydia, married William C. Bryant, a brother of Dr. John H. Bryant. Both John and William C. are grandsons of John H. Bryant of "Indian Courtship" poem fame.

DR. RALPH T. SMITH

M. D. Rush, 1900.
Vienna, 1910-1911.
Captain in World War.

He specializes in diseases of the eye, ear,
nose and throat, at Pomona, California.



DR. HAROLD D. SMITH

B. S., Pomona College, 1929.
M. D., Harvard, 1933.

Since 1937 he has been associated with
his father, Dr. Ralph Smith, at Pomona,
California.



DR. CLARKE CHAMBERLAIN

Born April 23, 1895.

Graduated Chicago Dental College, 1918

Office, 633 Jefferson Building, Peoria
Illinois. Residence, 217 North Maple
wood Avenue, Peoria, Illinois.



DR. FREDERICK J. WALTER

Graduated 1904, College of Medicine,
University of Illinois.

Studied in Vienna, Austria, 1908.

Office, 1008 Bank of America Building,
San Diego, California. Residence, 3328
Browning Street, San Diego, California.
Dr. Fred is an eye, ear, nose and throat
specialist.

Lydia Smith, a younger sister of Andrew Foster Smith (grandfather of Dr. Clifford E. Smith).

John H. Bryant and Cyrus Bryant, brothers of William Cullen Bryant, who came to Illinois in 1832, were the sons of Dr. Peter and Mrs. Sarah Snell Bryant of Cummington, Massachusetts. Dr. Peter Bryant was the son of Dr. Philip Bryant of Bridgewater, Massachusetts.

5. DR. FREDERICK JEROME WALTER.

Graduated 1904, College of Medicine, University of Illinois.

Studied in Vienna, Austria, 1908.

Practices, San Diego, California.

Residence, 3328 Browning Street, San Diego, California.

Office, 1008 Bank of America Building.

Dr. Walter is an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist. He is the son of Catherine Ophelia Bartley and Allen S. Walter. His father was the son of John Walter and Eliza Smith, a sister of Andrew Foster Smith. He was a volunteer in the World War.

6. JOHN WILLIAM KASBEER, D. D. S.

Born Ohio Illinois, March 28, 1869.

Graduated in Dentistry, Dental Department, University of Michigan in 1893.

Office, 706 Peoples Gas Building, Bloomington, Illinois.

Residence, Normal, Illinois.

Married Harriett Wilson, daughter of Sarah Ann Young and Joseph G. Wilson, the latter being a son of Stephen Wilson and Amy Smith, a sister of Andrew Foster Smith.

7. DR. CLIFFORD EBEN SMITH.

Born May 30, 1884.

Graduated Bellevue College, University of Omaha, 1906.

Graduated Rush Medical College, Chicago, 1910.

Graduated Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary, 1911.

F. A. C. S., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 30, 1925.

Medical examiner eye, ear, nose and throat, DeKalb County Exemption Board during World War.

Eye, ear, nose and throat specialist at DeKalb, Illinois.
Office, 323 East Lincoln Highway.
Residence, 314 Augusta Avenue, DeKalb, Illinois.

Son of Bertha Van Sittert and Elias Smith, eldest son of Andrew Foster Smith and Lucy Mary Chamberlain.

V. FIFTH GENERATION.

1. DR. CLARKE CHAMBERLAIN.

Born April 23, 1895.
Graduated Chicago College of Dental Surgery, 1918.
Office, 633 Jefferson Building, Peoria, Illinois.
Residence, 217 North Maplewood Avenue, Peoria, Illinois.

Son of Thaddeus Chamberlain, who was a grandson of Major Nathaniel Chamberlain.

2. DR. JAMES BLACKMAN.

Born April 6, 1904.
Graduated 1932 from Johns Hopkins Medical College.
Instructor in thoracic surgery, 1936-1938, University Hospital,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.
Now engaged in private practice (1938).
Office, 816 Coble Building, Seattle, Washington.

Dr. Blackman, on September 13, 1935, married Myra Stevens, great-granddaughter of Claramon Chamberlain Flint.

3. DR. HAROLD DIEMER SMITH, B. S., M. D.

Graduated Pomona College, Pomona, California, 1929.
Graduated Harvard Medical College, 1933.
Massachusetts Eye and Ear Hospital, 1934-1937.
Now associated in practice of medicine with his father, Dr.
Ralph Smith, Pomona, California (June, 1937).

Son of Dr. Ralph Thaddeus Smith. Married Sara McCausland, a doctor's daughter, June 16, 1932.

4. DR. ROBERT G. YOUNG.

Born July 30, 1907.
Graduated June, 1937, Arkansas School of Medicine, Little
Rock, Arkansas.
Internship, 1937-1938, W. J. Bryan Memorial Hospital, Lincoln,
Nebraska.



DR. ROBERT G. YOUNG

Born July 30, 1907.

Graduated 1937, Arkansas School of
Medicine, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Internship at W. J. Bryan Memorial
Hospital, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Robert is the son of Ernest and Mabel
Young of Lawrence, Kansas.

He is a great grandson of Claramon
Chamberlain Flint.



ROBB VAN SITTERT SMITH

B. A., 1941, Swarthmore College,
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Clifford
E. Smith, DeKalb, Illinois.

Entered College of Medicine,
Cornell University, September, 1941

Married Rachel Brazzel, a doctor's daughter, May 6, 1936. Robert is the son of Mabel and Ernest W. Young, 1214 West Fourth Street, Lawrence, Kansas, and a great-great-grandson of Claramon Chamberlain Flint, daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain.

5. ROBB V. SMITH.

Graduated from DeKalb Township High School, June, 1936.

Graduated Western Military Academy, Alton, Illinois, 1937.

In September, 1937, he entered Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, taking pre-medical course.

Graduated June 2, 1941, Swarthmore College, and has registered at Cornell Medical College, New York, for fall term 1941.

He is the son of Dr. Clifford Eben Smith.

PART II

THE SMITHS — EARLY ORIGIN

Gilbert K. Chesterton's *Tribute to Smith*
Connection Between Chamberlains and Smiths

SMITH GENEALOGY

Rita Smith's Parentage

THE WILSON FAMILY GENEALOGY

THE WALTER FAMILY GENEALOGY

THE WARFIELD FAMILY GENEALOGY

THE VAN SITTERTS

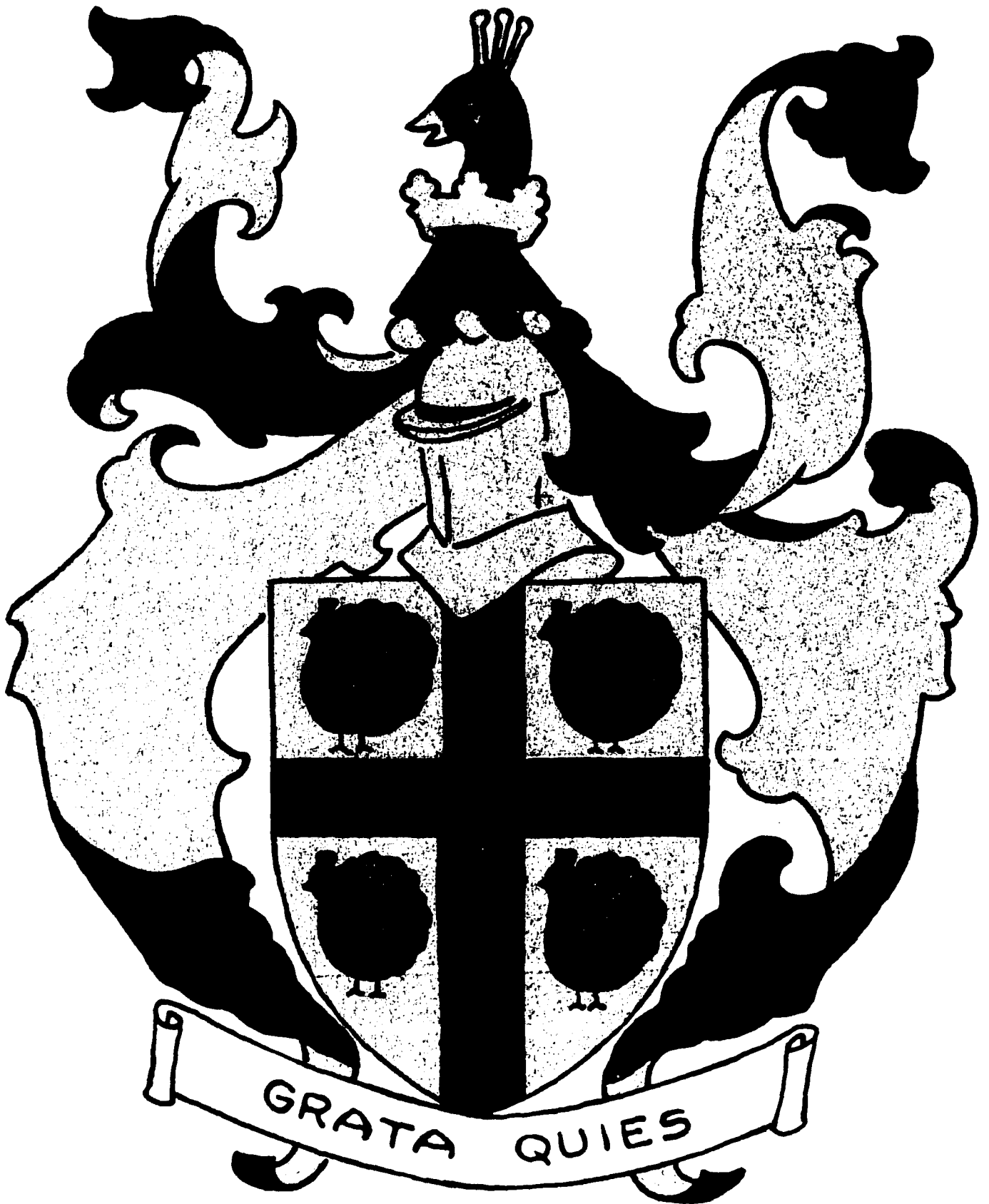
PILGRIMAGE FROM HOLLAND

Founding of Pella, Iowa, (City of Refuge)

THE VAN SITTERT GENEALOGY

The SMITHS—By One of Them

Of all the ancient families that dwell upon the earth,
The most antique, if not unique, is that which gave us birth;
For on Egyptian obelisk and Grecian monolith
You'll find enrolled in letters bold the honored name of Smith.
We're scattered all about the earth, by dozens and by scores;
In every clime since dawn of time have dwelt our ancestors.
From Arctic lands to tropic strands are spread our kin and kith—
No racing sheet is quite complete without the name of Smith.
We take a hand in business, and we study each profession;
In every art we have a part, each trade feels our impression,
And boring in the tree of life and getting out the pith,
No mortal can excel the man who bears the name of Smith!
The Robinsons and John Brown's sons, a goodly showing make,
Our family, as all agree, take the real frosted cake;
But if the fact you doubt, just act! If this appears a myth,
Just prove it. See directory. Look up the name of SMITH!



Smith

CHAPTER XII

THE SMITHS

THE progenitor of our Smith family was Hamo de Carington, who came to England as a companion of William the Conqueror in 1066. He was the "Armor Smith" and made the shields, swords, spear-heads and arrow tips for the army and being of an artistic temperament he put certain designs on the shields to identify them, *e. g.*, for William, Count of Tankerville, who was a grim fighter, he put a fighting bear on his shield; on the scout's shield he put a wolf, because he was a tireless runner—hence his son assumed the name Wolffson, which was later contracted into Wilson. On Waltter's shield he put a lion, because Waltter was a crafty cat-like fighter. The name Waltter later became contracted into Walter. Hamo de Carington was called the Chief Smith. The design on the Chief Smith's shield was a "hammer" because he used that so much in his work. His comrades hammered some gold into this hammer and called it "The Hammer of Thor," because he was able to do such great things with his hammer. The motto was "*Nec Timeo Nec Sperno*" (neither fear nor scorn), which means he was brave, but not high hat. This Armor Smith had sons and some became blacksmiths and armor smiths like the father, and others, inheriting a greater degree of the artistic temperament, became goldsmiths and silversmiths. These goldsmiths and silversmiths thought they should have a different coat-of-arms from the others so adopted the peacock as their emblem and, being less warlike, adopted "*Grata Quies*" (peaceful rest) as their motto. It is apparently from this branch of the family that we are descended because the peacock emblem was on the Andrew Foster Smith coat-of-arms. Captain John Smith of Pocahontas fame, descended from the side who continued having the Hammer of Thor on their crest. As I understand, we can claim either one. In lineal line from Hamo was Sir Mychell, standard-bearer to Richard Coeur-de-Lion in 1191. In the tenth generation from Hamo appears John de Carington, who, in 1404, officially took SMITH as his surname.

The following quotation with "Hammer of Thor—Coat-of-Arms" was received by the author in December, 1938:

"It is not widely known that the famous English author and critic, G. K. Chesterton, once paid the name of SMITH its handsomest tribute. With 300 words of his finest prose he created a memorial to the bearers of this proud name, which will live as long as the family itself. Illustrated by the Connecticut artist, Howard Weld, the print bears at the top the coat of arms of the founder of the family in America, Captain John Smith of Pocahontas fame."

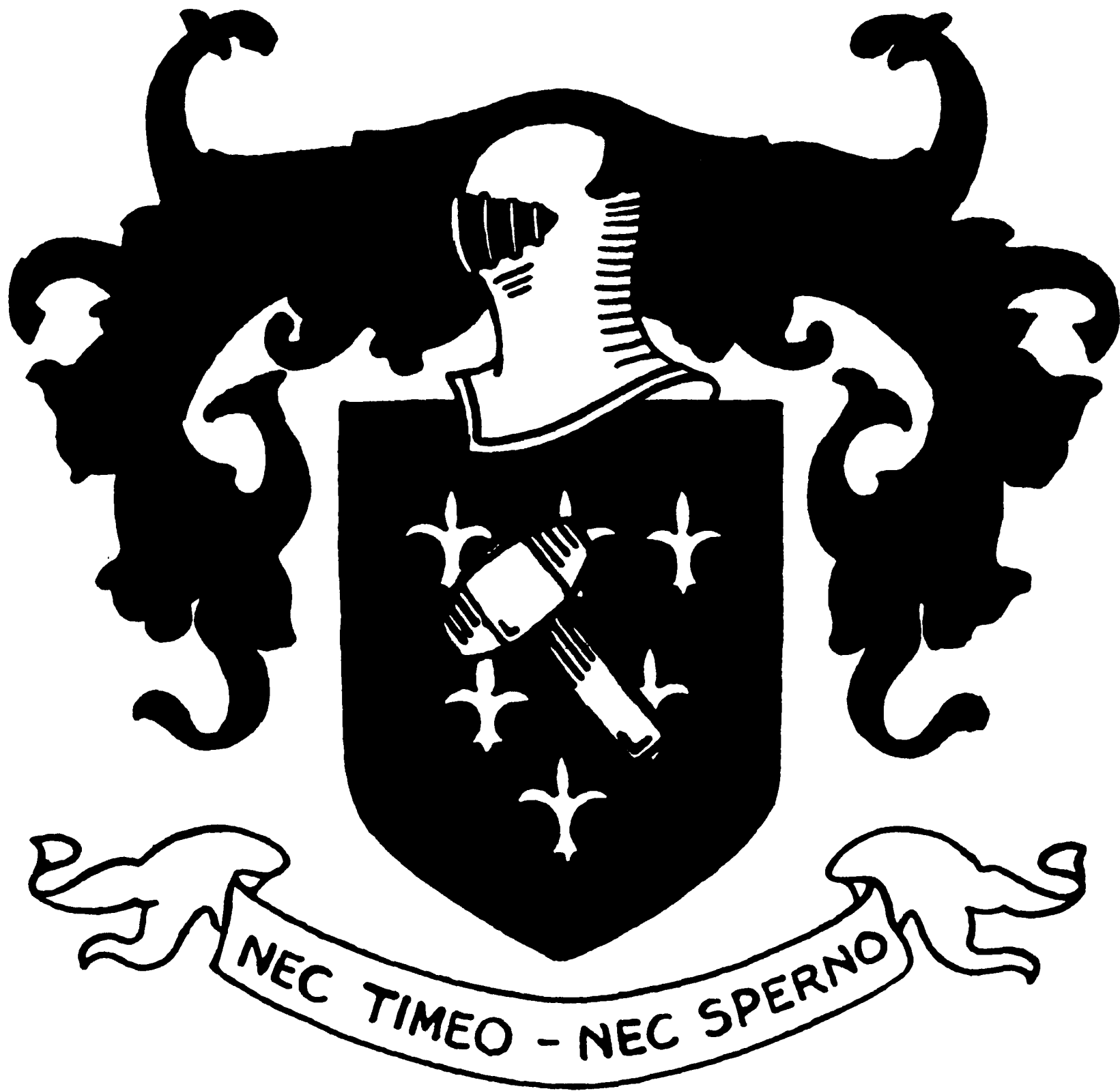
MEDIA RESEARCH BUREAU,
1110 F. Street, Washington, D. C.

Gilbert K. Chesterton's *Tribute to Smith* follows:

In the case of Smith, the name is so poetical that it must be an arduous and heroic matter for the man to live up to it. The name of Smith is the name of the one trade that even kings respected, it could claim half the glory of that *arma virumque* which all epics acclaimed. The spirit of the smithy is so close to the spirit of song that it has mixed in a million poems and every blacksmith is a harmonious blacksmith. Even the village children feel that in some dim way the smith is poetic, as the grocer and the cobbler are not poetic, when they feast on the dancing sparks and deafening blows in the cavern of that creative violence. The brute repose of Nature, the passionate cunning of man, the strongest of earthly metals, the weirdest of earthly elements, the unconquerable iron subdued by its only conqueror, the wheel and the ploughshare, the sword and the steam hammer, the arraying of armies and the whole legend of arms, all these things are written, briefly indeed, but quite legibly, on the visiting card of Mr. Smith. Yet our novelists call their hero "Aylmer Valence" which means nothing, or "Vernon Raymond," which means nothing, when it is in their power to give him this sacred name of Smith—this name made of iron and flame. It would be very natural if a certain hauteur, a certain carriage of the head, a certain curl of the lip distinguished every one whose name is Smith. Perhaps it does; I trust so. Whoever else are parvenus, the Smiths are not parvenus. From the darkest dawn of history this clan has gone forth to battle; its trophies are on every hand; its name is everywhere; it is older than the nations; and its sign is the "Hammer of Thor."

The name Smith is derived from occupation of the original forbears. Even before the Norman conquest of 1066 A. D. the chief smith was an officer of considerable dignity in the courts of Anglo-Saxon and Welsh kings. The position was usually hereditary; so that the name Smith came to be used as a surname.

In the course of its long and honorable history the name of Smith has occurred in many forms. Variants from the common spelling are as fol-



Smith

lows: Smithe, Smyth (common in old records), Smythe, Smijth, Schmidt (German) Smitt (Dutch), Smid (Saxon) and Smeton (Scotch).

By the fourteenth century the Smiths had emerged from the rank of craftsmen of the burgher class to take their place among the gentry. A Le Smyth was a member of parliament as early as 1320. The Elkington Smith branch is mentioned in the report of 1433. Another branch called the Smith-Caringtons trace their descent to Hamo de Carington, who was a companion of William the Conqueror in the latter's entrance into England in 1066, (as already recorded above).

Thomas Smith, M. D., who was living in 1477, was physician to King James III of Scotland.

Probably the first Smith to arrive in America was the famous Captain John Smith (1580-1636), founder of Virginia, who landed in 1607.

In 1628 the Rev. Ralph Smith emigrated to this continent with the colony of the Massachusetts Bay Company, settling later at Manchester, New Hampshire.

Christopher Smith is recorded as a proprietor of Dedham, Massachusetts, as early as 1640. His will mentions three sons, John, Michael and Eleazer. (Eleazer had a son, Eleazer, who went back to England to become the father of our great-grandfather, Elias Smith I.) Outstanding characteristics of the early American Smiths were industriousness, sobriety, frugality and love of liberty.

James Smith (1720-1806) member of the Continental Congress, signed the Declaration of Independence.

Bibliography—Anderson, "Genealogy and Surnames" 1865; Bardsley, "English Surnames," 1875; Encyclopedia Americana, 1932; Finlayson, "Surnames and Sirenames" 1863.

Under the Chamberlains it is recorded that Lucy Mary Chamberlain, daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Greene Chamberlain, first permanent physician in Bureau County, Illinois, married Andrew Foster Smith on February 8, 1838, at Princeton, Illinois. The early and later family records of Andrew Foster Smith follow:

TWENTY-FIRST GENERATION

Following HAMO *de* CARINGTON, the CHIEF SMITH

CHRISTOPHER SMITH, Welsh and English; married in 1670 to MISS BOWLBY, English.

CHILDREN

1. ELEAZER I.

(One Generation Unaccounted for)

(The Twenty-second)

TWENTY-THIRD GENERATION

ELEAZER SMITH II., Welsh and English; married 1740, to RUTH DYER, a Quaker from England. Died in 1820.

CHILDREN

ELIAS SMITH I., and six other children.

PARENTS OF NANCY FOSTER

ANDREW FOSTER, Irish, from Ireland, came to America when 16 years old; died in 1781. Married in 1772 to

MARY LYTLE, Scotch. Her parents, the Roberts, had settled in North Ireland, called Scotch-Irish.

CHILDREN

1. NANCY.
2. ROBERT.

TWENTY-FOURTH GENERATION

ELIAS SMITH I, English and Welsh; born May 23, 1768, in New Jersey; died May 24, 1833, and is buried in Uniontown, Ohio, in Crabapple cemetery.

NANCY FOSTER, Irish and Scotch, born in New Jersey, March 4, 1773; died at Ohio, Illinois, December 4, 1860, at the home of her daughter, Amy Smith Wilson (Mrs. Stephen Wilson); buried on John Walter lot, Oakland cemetery, Princeton, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. MARY.
2. WILLIAM.
3. JANE.
4. RUTH.
5. AMY.
6. ANDREW.
7. ELIZA.
8. LYDIA.

Nancy Foster Smith in her later years was put off a train with others in the state of Ohio on account of a snow blockage. She became snowblind (retinitis) and after her return to Ohio, Illinois, she fell while feeling for the broom at the back door, and broke her hip. Death followed soon after.

The Smith girls were handsome, tall and stately and perfect ladies, according to Amy's granddaughter, Bertha Wilson Stewart.

CHILDREN OF ELIAS SMITH I AND NANCY FOSTER

MARY SMITH, born May 23, 1768; died May 24, 1833.

ALLEN STEWART, married August 11, 1832. No children.

WILLIAM SMITH,* born October 6, 1797, Muncie, Pennsylvania; died February 15, 1875.

MARTHA LARD, married in 1820.

CHILDREN

1. HARRIET.
2. SARAH, married a Mr. Bennett. One son, Arthur Bennett.
3. RUTH (Mrs. John Van Buskirk), had daughter, Ida, who married Harry Walton.

JANE SMITH, born December 28, 1799; died July 24, 1875.

ABRAHAM LASH, lived at Bridgeport, Ohio; married July 3, 1849.

No children, but Mr. Lash had Nancy and Abraham Jr. with other children by first marriage.

Mrs. Throw has some spoons with the name "Lash" on them, given her by Mrs. Ruth Barker, now given to Bird Mauer by Aunt Ruth's request.

RUTH SMITH, born March 9, 1801; died of tuberculosis, June 6, 1829.

JOHN WETZEL, married April, 1824, at St. Clairsville, Ohio, by Rev. Anderson.

CHILDREN

1. MARY REBECCA, married Sam Halloway, a Quaker Oats official. Several children at Wichita, Kansas.
2. JOHN FOSTER, married Mary Bee and they had one daughter, Minnie, born in 1857, who married Braton Chase, a piano manufacturer, at Muskegon, Michigan. (One child Eda, died in infancy.) Later she married H. L. Russell and lived at LaMesa, California (1936). Minnie was a wonderful piano player and singer. She sang with Emma Abbott in an opera company; was the prima donna. She died January 12, 1941.

*William Smith was a judge on New Jersey bench.

AMY SMITH, born December 26, 1805; died July 5, 1890.

STEPHEN WILSON, born in New Jersey, July 20, 1793; died March 30, 1873; first person buried in Union cemetery, Ohio, Illinois. Married at St. Clairsville, Ohio, March 29, 1825, by Rev. Anderson.

CHILDREN

1. REBECCA, born April 26, 1826; second wife of John Warfield.
2. WILLIAM S., born May 15, 1831.
3. JOSEPH G., born August 20, 1833; died May 3, 1884.
4. NANCY ((Mrs. Leander T. Pomeroy) born September, 1835; died January, 1896. Leander Tudor Pomeroy ("Tude") was teacher, Ohio township, 1853.

ANDREW FOSTER SMITH, Scotch, Irish, English and Welsh; born Patterson, New Jersey, February 8, 1808; died at Pella, Iowa, May 6, 1888.

LUCY MARY CHAMBERLAIN, Scotch, English and Welsh; born May 6, 1819; died September 23, 1907. Married February 8, 1838, by Rev Lucien Farnham.

CHILDREN

1. ELIAS II, born August 10, 1839; married Bertha Van Sittert.
2. CLARAMON OBER, born July 11, 1841; married William Delos Darling.
3. WILLIAM C., born August 15, 1843; died, 1919; married Nettie Hand (niece of James Severy).
4. MARY LYDIA, born November 22, 1844; married John Morgan and Arie Vander Linden.
5. ELIZABETH, born October 16, 1846; married Don A. Peaslee.
6. THADDEUS, born October 26, 1848; died in infancy.
7. RUTH, born September 25, 1850; married Dr. Wm. H. H. Barker.

ELIZA SMITH, born May 10, 1810, in Catiswissi county, Pennsylvania; died August 18, 1897.

JOHN WALTER, born July 1, 1812, Carlyle, Pennsylvania; died June 17, 1894, in Princeton, Illinois; buried in Oakland cemetery.

Poll Book of an Election to receive votes for and against the incorporation of the town of Princeton.

<i>Names of Voters</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>
<i>Andrew F. Smith</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Stephen Wilson</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>William de Wille</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Isaac Fryer</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Wm Langworthy</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>John Long</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Robt O. Masters</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Samuel Triplett</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>John Walter</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Butler Durham</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>John Vaughn</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Oliver Boyle</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Wm H. Hieps</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Joseph Houghton</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Joseph Smith</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Robt Stewart</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>John H. Bryant</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Justin H. Clark</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Thos S. Clifton</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>Robt Triplett</i>	<i>/</i>	
<i>20.</i>		

At an Election held agreeable to public notice at the Court House in Princeton Bureau County Illinois on Saturday the 17th day of March A.D. 1838. For the purpose of receiving the votes for and against the incorporation of the town of Princeton, Ill. it was found on counting the votes that there was twenty for, and none against incorporating said town.

Certified to by us
Thos S. Clifton
Robt Triplett

PHOTOGRAPH OF POLL BOOK SHOWING UNANIMOUS VOTE FOR INCORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PRINCETON, ON MARCH 17, 1838. NOTE ANDREW F. SMITH IS NUMBER ONE, STEPHEN WILSON, WHO MARRIED GREAT AUNT AMY SMITH, IS NUMBER TWO, JOHN WALTER, WHO MARRIED GREAT AUNT ELIZA SMITH, IS NUMBER NINE, AND JOHN H. BRYANT IS SEVENTEENTH ON THE LIST OF TWENTY. THIS PHOTOGRAPH APPEARED IN THE CENTENNIAL EDITION OF THE BUREAU COUNTY REPUBLICAN, JUNE 3, 1937.

Married January 6, 1835, at Uniontown, Pennsylvania, by Rev. Coons.

CHILDREN

1. ELIZABETH JANE.
2. ELIAS, born 1837; died in infancy.
3. ALLEN S., born May 18, 1840; died June 22, 1915.
4. NANCY.
5. JOHN FOSTER.
6. LYDIA, died at 3 or 4 years of age of diphtheria.
7. EDWIN, died in infancy.
8. EMMA, died in infancy.

Came to Princeton in 1837. John Walter's father lived in Cumberland Valley, Pennsylvania, (Shippensburg). His father, also John, in War of 1812.

LYDIA SMITH, born April 4, 1813; died May 1, 1851; first wife.

JOHN WARFIELD, born January 26, 1810, in Maryland; died August 26, 1896, at Princeton, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM S.
2. ANDREW.
3. JACOB HALLOWAY.
4. ELIZA JANE.
5. WILSON R.

JOHN WARFIELD,

REBECCA WILSON, second wife, and niece of first wife.

CHILDREN

1. LYDIA EMMA.

John Warfield, married Mrs. Jane Bellangee, November 26, 1889. Third wife.

The Record Continuation of the Smith, Wilson, Walter and Warfield families will now be taken up in that order.

TWENTY-FIFTH GENERATION

ANDREW FOSTER SMITH, Scotch, Irish, English and Welsh; born Patterson, New Jersey, February 8, 1808; died at Pella, Iowa, May 6, 1888.

LUCY MARY CHAMBERLAIN, Scotch, English and Welsh; born May 6, 1819; died September 23, 1907. Married February 8, 1838, by Rev. Lucien Farnham.

Rev. Owen Lovejoy did not arrive in Princeton until the fall of 1838. Owen Lovejoy born January 6, 1811; died March 25, 1864.

CHILDREN

1. ELIAS II.
2. CLARAMON OBER.
3. WILLIAM C.
4. MARY LYDIA.
5. ELIZABETH.
6. THADDEUS.
7. RUTH.

DESCENDANTS OF ANDREW FOSTER SMITH AND LUCY MARY CHAMBERLAIN

CLARAMON OBER SMITH, born July 11, 1841; died March 23, 1875.

DELOS WILLIAM DARLING, enlisted in Civil War August 14, 1862; captured at battle of Missionary Ridge November 25, 1863; died in Andersonville, Georgia, prison.

CHILDREN

1. ALICE, born October 26, 1859.
2. ANDREW DELOS, born September 19, 1862; D. D. S., Northwestern University, 1900; Crosby, Minnesota, present home.

Alice came to live with Mr. and Mrs. Elias Smith II, June 6, 1875, and lived with them at Villisca, Iowa, until November 7, 1878, when she married James S. McCartney.

CLARAMON SMITH DARLING VAN DERLEY.

JOHN VAN DERLEY.

CHILDREN

1. NELLIE, born October 12, 1866.

Mr. Correll.

1. James Correll.
2. Frances, married a Mr. Estes; lives in Denver.

ANDREW FOSTER SMITH
AND
LUCY MARY CHAMBERLAIN

By their marriage February 8, 1838, form
he connecting link between the Cham-
berlains and the Smiths.



The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy depot at Princeton, Illinois, is
built on the farm given to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Foster Smith as a
wedding present by Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, father of the bride.



THE ELIAS SMITH FAMILY IN 1901

Top row: AMY DR. RALPH CLIFFORD CLYDE ERNEST DORA
Bottom Row: HELEN ELIAS SMITH II BERTH C. SMITH FLORENCE

WILLIAM C. SMITH, born August 15, 1843; died March 5, 1919.
Married December 24, 1878.

NETTIE HAND, niece of James Savery, born November 22, 1845;
died February 24, 1888.

CHILDREN

1. FANNIE (by adoption).

Harold P. Chaffee.

1. Lawrence William, born August 12, 1909.

2. Ruth, commercial artist; born February 15, 1914.

MARY LYDIA SMITH, born November 22, 1844.

JOHN S. MORGAN.

CHILDREN

1. MABEL.

Mary Smith Morgan, second marriage, Arie Vander Linden.

ELIZABETH SMITH, born October 16, 1845; died July 6, 1934.

DON A. PEASLEE.

CHILDREN

1. MOY R., 1870.

2. CLARAMON (Bird)

She and Don Peaslee were classmates at Central College, Pella, Iowa.

RUTH SMITH, born September 25, 1850; died October 31, 1935.

DR. W. H. H. BARKER, D. D. S., and M. D., born Malta, Morgan county, Ohio, October 16, 1840. M. D. Harvey Medical College, Chicago, 1898. D. D. S., Northwestern University, Chicago, 1899. Enlisted in Civil War May, 1861, Company K, Third Iowa Cavalry; discharged May, 1865. Studied with Dr. Stevens of Pella, Iowa, and practiced dentistry at Pella, Iowa, 1866-1890. Married October 31, 1878, by Rev. J. W. Robinson, pastor of Methodist Episcopal church. At this time Dr. Barker's brother was the editor of the *Pella Journal*.

*Dr. Barker died at his home in Harvey, Iowa, November 9, 1940; was 100 years old October 16, 1940.

TWENTY-SIXTH GENERATION

ELIAS SMITH, born August 10, 1839; died September 4, 1915; older son of Lucy M. Chamberlain and Andrew Foster Smith. Occupation, lumberman.

BERTHA CHRISTINA VAN SITTERT, born December 5, 1848; died December 9, 1935. Married August 10, 1869.

Bertha Wilson Stewart says the Smiths were elegant, gentle, and unassuming people.

CHILDREN

1. LULA BERTHA, born November 29, 1870; died September 2, 1871.
2. RALPH THADDEUS, born July 21, 1872, M. D. Rush, 1900.
3. DORA BERTHA (Mrs. Theo. Dangerfield), born July 11, 1874; died April 21, 1903.
4. WILLIAM CLYDE, farmer, born July 3, 1876.
5. HORTENSE ELIZA, born July 24, 1878; died August 27, 1879.
6. AMY ETHEL, wife of Rev. F. W. Throw, born July 24, 1881.
7. CLIFFORD EBEN, born May 30, 1884; M. D. Rush, 1910.
8. ERNEST HENRY, civil engineer, born February 23, 1886. Died April 5, 1941.
9. HELEN ELIZABETH, wife of Osto V. Heath, born May 17, 1888.
10. FLORENCE MALLEVILLE, wife of William Aitken, born March 17, 1890.

TWENTY-SEVENTH GENERATION

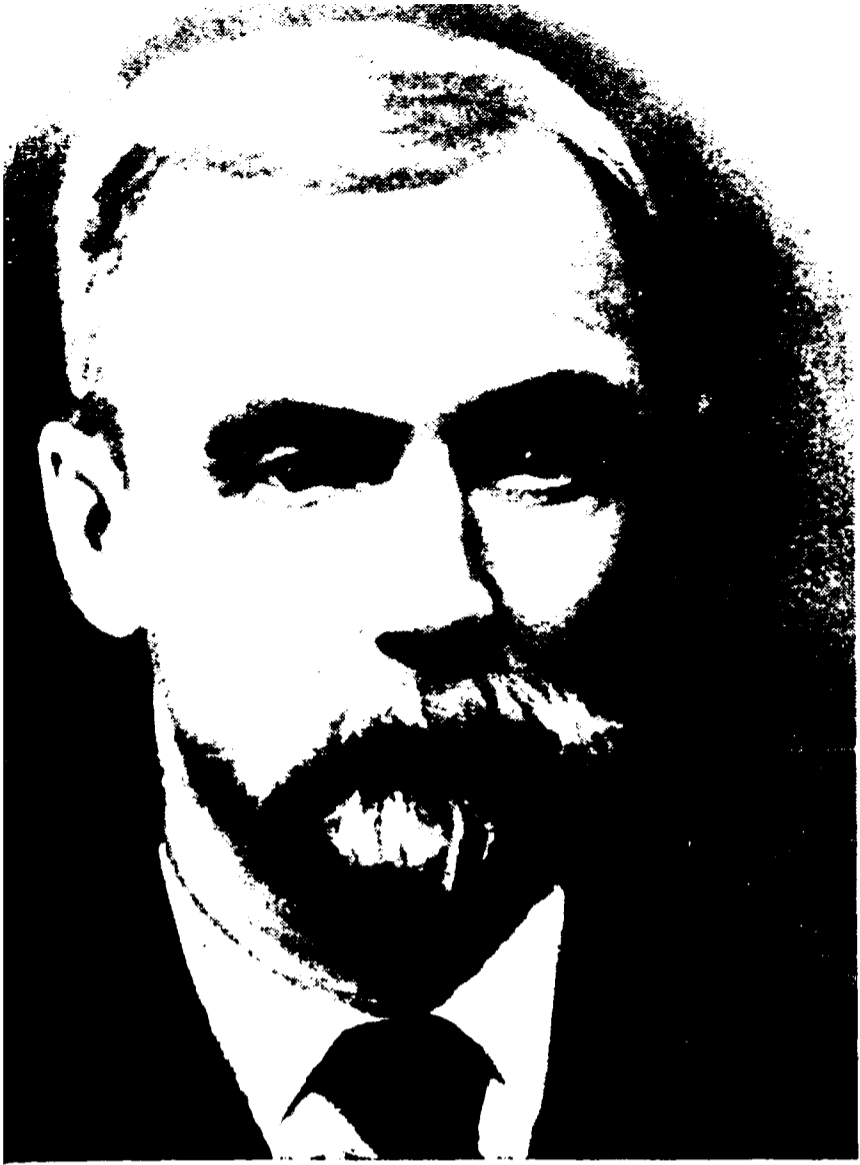
CHILDREN OF ELIAS SMITH AND BERTHA CHRISTINA VAN SITTERT

RALPH T. SMITH, M. D., F. A. C. S., oculist and aurist. Born July 21, 1872. Office 342 Investment Building, Pomona, California. Gates College, Neleigh, Nebraska; Rush, 1900; Vienna, Austria, 1911-1912. Captain M. O. T. C. Co. 50, Fort Riley, Kansas, World War, 1918.

CORA DIEMER, Denmark, Iowa; born May 31, 1885; died June 7, 1932.

CHILDREN

1. HAROLD DIEMER SMITH, M. D. Born January 23, 1908. B. S. Pomona College 1929; M. D., Harvard, 1933. Married Sara McCausland, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Wililam S. McCausland, June 16, 1932; one daughter, Anne, born February 20, 1933. One son "Thad" born 1938? Harold took internship Alameda County Hospital, Oakland, California, 1933-1934. Massachusetts Eye and Ear Hospital, 1934-1937. June 1, 1937, he became associated with his father as eye and ear specialist at Pomona,



ELIAS SMITH
1839-1915



BERTHA VAN SITTERT SMITH
1848-1935
They raised a fine family.



MR. AND MRS. ELIAS SMITH HOME, WEST FOURTH STREET, VILLISCA, IOWA

California. Residence, 354 Columbia Avenue, Pomona, California.

July 12, 1933, Ralph married Mrs. Anne Wetzel King of Ontario, California, (a widow with three children); born June 20, 1889, Chicago, Illinois. Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith live at 530 West Eleventh Street, Claremont, California.

Children of Anne Wetzel King: 1, Marjorie Roberta, born October 7, 1910, now is Mrs. Philip R. Williams; has two sons, Jerry, age 7, in 1936; Richard, age 4, in 1936. 2, Ernest W. King, born November 24, 1912; married Gladys Kreis on November 15, 1934; lives in Fontana, California. 3, Thoress King, born March 21, 1915; B. E. degree University of California at Los Angeles in February, 1937.

DORA BERTHA SMITH, born July 11, 1874; died April 21, 1903, of eclampsia.

THEO. W. DANGERFIELD, a banker; married May 13, 1902; no children.

WILLIAM CLYDE FOSTER SMITH, born July 3, 1876; graduated Villisca, Iowa, High School, in 1898; Central College, Pella, Iowa, in 1899.

EDITH PATRICK, born March 29, 1883, Willvale, Indiana; graduated Valparaiso University, 1904. Married June 30, 1910.

Clyde owns four farms north of Scottsbluff and a business block in Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

CHILDREN

1. SYDNEY, born June 18, 1911.
2. BERTHA, born January 15, 1913.
3. LOUISE, born June 28, 1918.
4. BRUCE, born November 21, 1920.

All died when very young. One adopted boy, Earl, born August 12, 1919; also raising a second boy, Jack, born June 18, 1928. Earl Smith married Doris Stratton, of Scottsbluff, Nebraska; both age 18 at the time; Doris born April 6, 1920; daughter, Sharon Lavonn born July 3, 1941.

AMY ETHEL SMITH, born July 24, 1881.

REV. FRANK W. THROW, Presbyterian minister, 328 South Clinton Street, Albia, Iowa, born August 15, 1878; married June 23, 1908.

Both graduated from Bellevue College, University of Omaha; Amy in 1908, Frank in 1905. Amy graduated Villisca, Iowa, High

School in 1900. Frank graduated Red Oak, Iowa, High School in 1901, Omaha Seminary in 1908. A Spanish-American war veteran.

CHILDREN

1. FRANCIS EDWARD, born Ottumwa, Iowa, October 4, 1912; graduated Manilla High School, 1929; A. B., Park College, Parkville, Missouri, 1933; M. S., University of Michigan, 1936; Ph. D., University of Michigan, 1940. Married, June 24, 1938, Volena Lochner of Battle Creek, Iowa, Route 1, born January 12, 1913, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Lochner. She is one of nine children. In 1940 Francis and Valena live at San German (Herman) Puerto Rico. Francis is an instructor in the Polytechnic Institute.
2. VERNETTA, born Wallowa, Oregon, April 16, 1916; graduated Manilla High School, 1934; Park College at Parkville, Missouri, 1934-1936. Married Harold Munson September 18, 1936. Harold Munson, a farmer, born July 24, 1912. Lives in Rockford, Illinois. Daughter, Mona Nadine, born June 27, 1937; son, Bruce Allen, born August 18, 1939.

CLIFFORD E. SMITH, born May 30, 1884; graduated Villisca, Iowa, High School, 1903; B. S., Bellevue College, University of Omaha, 1906. (Bellevue College, Nebraska, was closed about 1917. In 1937 it was used as a vocational school for young men.) M. D., Rush, 1910; Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary, 1911; F. A. C. S., October 30, 1925, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; DeKalb county exemption board during World war. Office 323 East Lincoln Highway, DeKalb, Illinois.

RITA SABINA PAUL, born July 4, 1884; Iowa City Academy, 1903. Married August 27, 1913.

CHILDREN

1. ROBB VANSITTERT SMITH, born September 15, 1918. Graduated DeKalb Township High School, June, 1936; Graduated Western Military Academy, Alton, Illinois, 1937, Second Lieutenant; in September, 1937, Robb entered Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, taking pre-medic course, graduating June 2, 1941.

Built stucco home, 314 Augusta Avenue, DeKalb, Illinois, in 1913. Modernized home in 1936, brick veneer, insulation, tile roof, Georgian architecture. Clifford was an officer for many years in the DeKalb County Medical Society. In 1918 he gathered photographs

of DeKalb county physicians of the past and present, also old-time utensils and instruments of physicians, arranged these in cases, which he donated and displayed at the State Centennial. These cases are now on display at the Glidden hospital at DeKalb, Illinois.

ERNEST H. SMITH, a bachelor; born February 23, 1886. Graduated from Villisca, Iowa, High School in 1905; engineering course at University of Nebraska, at Lincoln, 1917. Following his graduation as an engineer, Ernest volunteered for service in the Engineer Corps during the World War. He did not get to France, but served in the Reserve Corps with the rank of Second Lieutenant. For several months he surveyed lands, later bought by the United States government, tested for solid substrata for shipyard proving ground, and storehouse grounds. Later he was put in the nitrate division and helped test all sorts of supplies before they were sent to France. When this job was finished in November, 1918, he was placed in the finance division, checking payments made for contracts, etc. Following his discharge he again worked for the United States government in the ship yards at Mare Island. Later he worked several years for Western Electric in Chicago. Residence, 901 West Yellowstone Highway, Casper, Wyoming. Ernest died of influenza-pneumonia, April 5, 1941.

HELEN ELIZABETH SMITH, born May 17, 1888; graduated Villisca, Iowa, High School, 1907; B. A., Bellevue College, 1912; was a successful teacher at the time of her marriage.

OSTO V. HEATH, a traveling salesman; born September 30, 1893, Lexington county, Nebraska, son of William Heath and Mary Holder Heath, English and Irish. Educated at Bellwood, Nebraska, and Fremont College. During the World war he was at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, and in School of Military Aeronautics at Austin, Texas, being ready for pursuit flying when the war ended. Married June 7, 1924. Residence, 901 Yellowstone Highway, Casper, Wyoming.

CHILDREN

1. OSTO V. Jr., born April 10, 1925.

FLORENCE MALLEVILLE, born March 17, 1890. Graduated Villisca, Iowa, High School, 1907; Northern Illinois State Normal School, DeKalb, Illinois, 1909; B. E. degree, Chicago University, 1917. Was a successful teacher at time of marriage.

WILLIAM AITKEN, a Scotchman; builder of modern homes. Married June 14, 1918, at Sherwood, Iowa.

William Aitken was a passenger, returning from Scotland, on the *Athenia*, when it was torpedoed in September, 1939. He was landed at Halifax, Nova Scotia, on September 13, 1939, by the *City of Flint*.

Mr. Aitken has four children by first marriage, John, William, Margaret and Jean.

Residence, Bannockburn, Deerfield, Illinois. Bannockburn is a subdivision, which Mr. Aitken laid out from raw farm land and it became an incorporated village in 1929. William Aitken was born in Banton, Scotland, June 10, 1878, the son of John Aitken and Agnes McPherson Aitken. He came to America in November, 1903. From 1912 to 1929 he built over 300 homes from Evanston to Glencoe.

Jean Aitken married Siebel C. Harris. He was born 1889, and died August 13, 1937, at Highland Park hospital of pulmonary embolism, following an operation for a knee injury. He was the senior partner of the brokerage firm of Harris, Burrows & Hicks. He was also first vice president of the Chicago Board of Trade. They lived at 2404 North Deer Park Drive, Highland Park, Illinois.

Elias Smith and Bertha Van Sittert lived for their children. The father gave each of his four sons gold watches and chains on their 21st birthdays, provided they were abstainers from tobacco and alcoholic liquors. All received their watches. The mother was very desirous that her children receive a good education and it was mainly for this reason that they left the farm where they had lived in Wheeler county, Nebraska, 1882 to 1893, and moved back to Villisca, Iowa. Here Elias Smith again entered the lumber business and continued up to the time of his death on September 4, 1915. All the children went to both high school and college. Amy, Helen and Florence later became successful teachers. Ralph and Clifford became doctors of medicine. Clyde used his ability to work and his education so that he became a very successful farmer and rancher in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Ernest became a civil engineer, and now lives at Caspar, Wyoming. Mr. and Mrs. Elias Smith were great church workers and their kindly Christian spirit has been passed on in a great measure to their seven surviving children.

Elias Smith moved from Princeton, Illinois, to Knoxville, Washington county, Iowa, in 1862, and to Pella, Iowa, in 1865.

Elias Smith II and Hubertha Christina Van Sittert were married August 10, 1869, at Pella, Marion county, Iowa. In 1870 they moved to Villisca, Montgomery county, Iowa. Elias Smith was employed in the Rand Lumber Company, 1870 to 1882. When grandfather, Andrew Foster Smith, moved to Knoxville, Washington county, Iowa, in 1862, he was well to do; lots of stock, land, horses and money. He had one team that could pass anything on the road. They moved to Knoxville, Iowa, in 1862, and to Pella, Iowa, in 1865. He was a farmer, as well as a mason. There he built a brick school and a brick home for himself and family in 1873. Frame addition to the home was built in 1890.

HASTINGS COLLEGE BULLETIN

Hastings, Nebraska

BELLEVUE REUNION

Thirty-seven Bellevue Alumni gathered at the Wellington Inn Tuesday evening, March 5, 1940, in Omaha, for the annual Bellevue reunion. Archie M. Smith, '06, presided as the master of ceremonies. Many interesting reminiscences were told. Mention was made of the distinction that has come to Bellevue students, including Dr. James McD. Patton, '01, and Dr. Clifford E. Smith, '06, as specialists in eye, ear, nose, and throat surgery, to Raymond M. Crossman, '08, as president of Kiwanis International, and to James Cloyd Quigley, '08, as a state chairman, and as a national committeeman of the Democratic party in Nebraska. It was learned that Rev. Mrs. Daisy Dickason Beith had been chosen by 1,400 Presbyterian lady ministers in the United States as the outstanding one among them. Much entertainment was derived from examining bound volumes of the "Purple and Gold" and a four-year scrapbook which had been brought to the reunion for the examination of those present. It was very apparent that all who participated in the reunion were glad they had attended and eager to have the reunion continue annually. The Rev. William J. Shallcross, '00, extended an invitation to meet at his home in Bellevue and suggested September, 1940, as the most appropriate time of the year. Those who were present were:

Mrs. Daisy Beith (Daisy Dickason, '04) 3727 North 44th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mrs. Katherine Fisher (Katherine Clark, '08) 309 Huron Street, Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Jewell, 2524 North 52nd Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Short, 7905 Pacific Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Reynolds (Dorothy Ranson), 3031 California Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Cummings, '15, (Miriam Weinland '16) 2565 Vane Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Peters (Eva Stutzman), 4220 Farnam Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Harvey, '07, Fremont, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Benson (Irene Lichtenwalner, '08) 317 South 52nd Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Dr. and Mrs. G. Randall, 2707 Wirt Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Miss Mary D. Flynt, Bellevue, Nebraska.

Ralph Longsdorf, 2551 Evans Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith (Jeanette Fletcher, '05) 2885 Vane Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mrs. George Sloan (Myrtle Fletcher, '10) Billings, Montana.

Mrs. T. Cooper (Harriet Fletcher, '06) Butte Meadows, Sacramento, California.

Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Shallcross, '06, Bellevue, Nebraska.

Misses Estelle, '05, and Carolyn, '05, Baird, Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

R. M. Crossman, '08, 536 South 52nd Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Smith, '06, Pender, Nebraska.

Miss Mary Ferguson, Bellevue, Nebraska.

Miss Myrtle Cloud, '09, 4682 Pierce Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

S. L. Smith, 5515 Howard Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Betz, Bellevue, Nebraska.



Gassner - Paul

RITA PAUL SMITH'S PARENTAGE

JOHAN DANIEL GASSNER, born April 22, 1823; died June 1, 1907.

MARGUERITA ELIZABETH GASSNER, a cousin of her husband, born September 27, 1827; died April, 1883.

CHILDREN

1. GOTTLIEB.
2. BABETTE, born September 4, 1846; died July 21, 1934.
3. LIZETTE.
4. HANNAH.

Johan Daniel Gassner was burgermeister (mayor) of Wilhermsdorf, near Nuremberg, Bavaria, for twenty years. He was also the proprietor of a tannery.

In Robb Smith's baby book is a picture of the Gassner home in Wilhermsdorf called "Das Ritter Haus" (The Knight's Home), which was built in the sixteenth century. Before and during the Franco-Prussian war there were iron shutters on the windows, which were later removed and placed in the museum at Munich. Marguerita Elizabeth Gassner, Babetta Paul, and Rita Paul Smith were all born in "Das Ritter Haus." Their coat-of-arms, showing a dragon, was on the gate.

JOHN MICHAEL PAUL, born October, 1844; died June 25, 1926.

BABETTE GASSNER, born September 24, 1846; died July 21, 1934. Coat-of-arms, a dragon.

CHILDREN

1. DANIEL J., born July 11, 1868; died August 17, 1922; married Katherine Thiel in 1897.
2. JOHN SEBASTIAN, born August 17, 1869; died December 11, 1930; married Caroline Lumberg in 1889.
3. GEORGE, died in infancy.
4. ANNA B., born September 4, 1876; married Henry C. Dyckman, September 10, 1902.
5. RITA SABINA, born July 4, 1884; married Dr. Clifford E. Smith, August 27, 1913.

John M. Paul was a miller at Coralville, Iowa. The mill power was furnished by a dam in the Iowa river.

DANIEL J. PAUL, born July 11, 1868; died August 17, 1922.

KATHERINE THIEL, born May 6, 1870?.

CHILDREN

1. CLIFFORD D., born August 9, 1900.
2. LORNA B., born September 13, 1904.
3. JOHN H. I., born January 30, 1908.

Lorna B. Paul married John H. Beck and they have one daughter, Patsy-Lou, born in 1928. They live in Everett, Washington.

Daniel J. Paul was an undertaker and furniture merchant at Hampton, Iowa, for many years before his death in 1922.

JOHN SEBASTIAN PAUL, born August 17, 1869; died December 11, 1930.

CAROLINE LUMBERG, born October 16, 1870; died September 19, 1893.

John S. Paul was an artist wood carver of the old school. His sister, Anna Dyckman and his daughter, Jane Paul, each have one of his stands, in which the pedestal is a maiden carved from mahogany.

CHILDREN

1. JANE C., born December 13, 1890.
2. BETTY, died in infancy.

Jane C. Paul has served as private secretary to four successive presidents of the Sullivan Machinery Company.

Jane C. Paul, Woodland Ave., Sullivan Machinery Company, Michigan City, Indiana.

ANNA B. PAUL, born September 4, 1876; married September 10, 1902.

HENRY C. DYCKMAN, born January 30, 1876; died April 4, 1938, of stroke of apoplexy.

CHILDREN

1. LESTER P., born July 19, 1904; married Ethel Hughes, June 16, 1929. Residence, 712 Ravenswood Drive, Evansville, Indiana.

Henry C. Dyckman was for years in the hay and grain business in the Stock Yards district of Chicago. When motorized trucks began to take the place of horse-drawn vehicles he sold out and went into the furniture business. He was a noted Mason, having been Worshipful Master of the John B. Sherman lodge, a 32nd degree Mason of the Oriental Consistory and a member of the Medina Shrine. It was while attending a Shrine meeting on April 1, 1938, that he had a stroke of paralysis. He was a friendly man, having a great capacity for making and keeping friends. Burial in Cedar Park Masonic cemetery, Halsted and 125th Streets, Chicago, Illinois.

Lester P. Dyckman is general manager of the Kresge store at Evansville, Indiana. He graduated from Cornell College at Mount Vernon, Iowa, in 1925.

RITA SABINA PAUL, born July 4, 1884; married August 27, 1913.

CLIFFORD E. SMITH, M. D., born May 30, 1884. Residence, 314 Augusta Avenue, DeKalb, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. ROBB VAN SITTERT, born September 15, 1918.

Robb Smith graduated from the DeKalb, Illinois, Township High School in 1936. By vote of his classmates and the faculty he was elected to the National Honor Society. He took the lead in the class play, "Growing Pains." In the fall of 1936 Robb entered Western Military Academy at Alton, Illinois, where he graduated with the rank of Second Lieutenant in June, 1937. He earned his right to enter Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, in the fall of 1937 by passing the Eastern College entrance examinations.

DESCENDANTS OF CLARAMON OBER SMITH AND
DELOS WILLIAM DARLING

ALICE CLARAMON DARLING, born October 26, 1859.

JAMES S. McCARTNEY, married November 7, 1878.

CHILDREN

1. ALPHA.
2. MARY.
3. ALICE.
4. HARRY, died when small.

ALPHA McCARTNEY.

LAFE (W. L.) SIMMONS.

CHILDREN

1. HARRY.
2. HARRIETT, (twins); Harriett died of cerebro-spinal meningitis when a sophomore in college.
3. FRED.

MARY McCARTNEY.

WM. G. MINSER.

CHILDREN

1. ROMA, married and mother of four children.
2. ELIZABETH.
3. FRANCES.

ALICE McCARTNEY.

JACK MARLEY.

CHILDREN

1. LOUISE, married.
2. ALBERTA.
3. ELIZABETH or "Bettie."
4. JACKIE.

ANDREW DELOS DARLING, D. D. S., Northwestern University, 1900; practices at Crosby, Minnesota.

HATTIE ELIZABETH STURGEON, French-Canadian; married July 12, 1898.

CHILDREN

1. ANDREW DELOS, born August 22, 1899; died in infancy.
2. STEPHEN FOSTER, born May 1, 1901.
3. PAUL EUGENE, born February 13, 1903.
4. ALICE, died at 17 months.
5. WILFRED DELOS, born September 2, 1907.
6. ELIZABETH, born July 2, 1910.

STEPHEN FOSTER DARLING.

DELPHINE DEZIEL.

CHILDREN

1. STEPHEN, born May, 1931.
2. CHARLOTTE, born May, 1934.

Stephen Foster Darling graduated from University of Minnesota in 1922, received Master's degree from Minnesota in 1924, and Ph. D. from Harvard in 1928. He is professor of chemistry at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin.

PAUL EUGENE DARLING, mechanical engineer.

WINNIFRED ELDRID.

CHILDREN

1. PATRICIA ANN.
2. SUSAN.

WILFRED DELOS DARLING, structural and civil engineer.

KATHRYN HEATH; married February 8, 1936.

CHILDREN

HARRIET ELIZABETH, born December 4, 1937.

ELIZABETH DARLING, teacher of physical education.

WILLIAM POWELL COTTRELLE; married May 22, 1936.

COPY

(Original in possession of Dr. Andrew Darling, Crosby, Minnesota)

Bridgeport, Ohio, Home Dec. 28, 1868.

My Dear Brother and Sister:

(Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Foster Smith, Pella, Iowa, Marion County)

As this is my birthday I thought I would write to you. Please accept our pictures in return for yours. We were very much pleased to receive them and we think them splendid. Excuse us for not writing and sending them sooner, as we were not very able to go and have them taken.

We are neither of us very well. My eyesight is very poor and Abram has been quite poorly for some days. How are you all and how did you spend your Christmas? We took dinner at one of our neighbors and had everything splendid. Our children are all well. We think of giving them a New Year's dinner. They come home often to see us. We wish you could be here with us. Nannie (probably Nancy) is boarding in Bridgeport. She comes out quite often. The children are very kind to us; gave us some nice Christmas presents. Dear little Katy spent last week with us. She is a dear child; so much company for her grandpa. You have some dear little pets with you and I do hope you will be rewarded for your kindness. I do hope dear Clara (Claramon, Andrew Darling's mother) is better.

We had a very pleasant time with our children after you left us. I was so thankful you came to see us. If dear sister only could have been with you. Dear brother, if we are never permitted to meet here on earth, I do trust we will be enabled to meet around our Father's throne in the Realms of Everlasting Bliss where we can meet our dear mother and other loved ones that left this world with the name of sweet Jesus on their tongues. We are growing old and feeble though if we live at peace with all men we need not fear to leave this world for this is a world of trouble and affliction. I do hope your dear children will endeavor to comfort you in your declining years. I would love to see them all. Your brother often says how well he would have loved to see your dear family. He thinks sister Lucy is a nice woman. I do wish you would come and see us. Remember us to all your children. Your brother sends much love to you all. Well now, farewell dear ones. With sincere love and may Heaven's choicest blessings rest upon you and yours,

From your Brother and Sister,

ABRAM AND JANE LASH.

P. S.: I forgot to tell you that some person stole all my good clothes after I came home. They were taken out of the wardrobe upstairs in the parlor chamber.

Comment by Dr. Clifford E. Smith: Written to Grandfather and Grandmother Andrew Foster Smith at Pella, Iowa.

1936 COPY

(Original in possession of Dr. Andrew Darling, Crosby, Minnesota)

(Notation by Dr. Clifford E. Smith: To Grandfather Andrew Foster Smith, Pella, Marion County, Iowa.)

Muncy, Pennsylvania, March 1, 1875.

Dear Uncle:

I have delayed writing to you for the reason that I could not trust myself. I sent you a paper. I hope you got it. The paper was sent to me by his pastor. Yes, dear uncle, my darling old father has gone home. I know where to look for him when the time comes, but I believe it will kill me, this separation for a time. The name of father was more to me than to most people. He was my earthly idol, my darling, grand and noble old father. He was the one companion, counselor, father, and friend of his children. I never thought of him as an old man. He was never old to me.

Now I must tell you of his sickness. He was ailing just one year lacking one day, but was never confined to his bed. I was to see him in November. Sister Harriot was in (from your state) and I went up then. He said he thought he would be all right yet if his children would not be so uneasy. He could not bear to see us worry. Then he kept on the same, sometimes better and then not feeling so well again, but he wrote to me a hopeful letter about ten days before he died. He said he was much better than he had expected to be and on Friday before his death he complained of a shortness of breath and could not lie down and on Sunday it was no better; so they sent for the doctor again and the doctor, mother and one of my cousins sat up with him only because it was lonely, as they thought, for him to be alone. He talked to all a great deal and was as cheerful as ever and about four in the morning he told them they must go to bed as he felt so much better. Then the doctor went in an adjoining room and laid down. My cousin went home and mother sat still, telling him it was so near morning that she would not leave him. She said he got up and put wood in the stove and sat down and almost immediately fell off his chair. She, thinking he had missed the chair, ran up to him and spoke to him and took hold of him, but he was gone instantly. It has almost killed poor old mother. She won't be long behind him. There was none of his children with him and I was the only one permitted to follow his remains to their last resting place, as sister Sarah and her husband were both lying sick and sister Harriot had gone home to Cherokee county, Iowa, some six weeks ago. I have lost a friend that can never be replaced. There is a void in my heart that can never be filled. I never went home but he was the first to greet me. I think I can see him now as he stood the last time I saw him looking after me.

He often spoke of you as brother Andy. I think he talked of you every time I saw him for years. I am so glad that his sisters came to see him. I hope we will all meet him in Heaven, for a Christian he truly was.

His pastor asked me how long ago he had joined the church. I did not know, but I told him I had never known him only as a true Christian.

Dear uncle, I heard yesterday of sickness in your family. I do hope you are better and that dear cousin Clara (Claramon, Andrew Darling's mother) may live to soothe your declining years and to be a guide to her dear children. My only daughter is married and boarding with us. I am glad, as I could scarcely spare her entirely. She has been sick a great deal. I would love to see your children and you and dear aunt Lucy. I hope you can come to see us some time. I think mother will come to live with us after a while. She is on the farm yet and I could not get her away, but I got a man that father raised, a son of one of mother's brothers, to move there until she is willing to leave. She is so attached to the old place, I fear it will go hard with her to leave it.

Well, Uncle, we have had a dreadful cold winter and it has been snowing all day until within a few moments, but I do hope the cold weather is almost over now, but we have an awful lot of snow for spring to melt away. But as all things have an end, I suppose the winters will too.

Now, dear uncle, I want you or some of your family to write to me soon, as I shall be so glad to hear from you. Give my love to all and an extra share to my namesake, Ruth. (Aunt Ruth Barker) Tell her the name of Ruth Smith is very familiar to me or used to be.

Now I must say good-bye for the present for I must write to Aunt Jane (Lash) and Aunt Eliza. I had a letter from Aunt Jane today. Ida had written to her when I was gone.

From your loving niece,

RUTH VAN BUSKIRK.

Notation at foot of letter—This letter was written on the death of my father's only brother, William Smith, by his daughter, Ruth Van Buskirk. His wife's name was Martha. They had three children, Sarah, Harriot, and Ruth. They lived on a farm near Muncy, Pennsylvania.—Ruth Smith Barker.

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(Original in possession of Dr. Andrew Darling, Crosby, Minnesota)

To Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Foster Smith, Pella, Marion county, Iowa.

Muncy, Pennsylvania, Feb. 3, 1888.

My Dear Uncle and Aunt:

I have not written to or heard from you in a long time. But I thought that I must do so now and congratulate you and dear aunt on the approaching fiftieth anniversary of your married life. I would love to go and be with you on that day, but you must take the will for the deed with my best wishes for many happy returns of the same. I hope you have good health, as that is a great blessing for young or old. I have had poor health for many months now. I have a complication of lung and heart disease, the same that my dear father (William Smith, brother of Andrew Foster Smith), died with.

Oh, uncle, I would love to see you. I wonder if you are like my father. I think you must be. Father loved to have his friends around him. His was such a sunny disposition. My dear mother followed him one year ago last October. She was 90 years and 2 months old when she died. (Died October, 1886, 90 years 2 months old). She lived with me after she was left alone. She was very smart until about a year before she died. My daughter is going to write to you. She is a widow and lives near us, has no children.

Uncle, there are very few that live together as long as you and Aunt Lucy have as Will Wilson (a banker at Ohio, Illinois, son of Amy Smith and Stephen Wilson) says, when divorces are so easy to get and I am more than happy to add my congratulations. I want you to imagine that I am with you at your festivities, if not in body, I shall be there in mind; so please remember the absent niece. Why can't I go? We could have such a royal time. Now, dear uncle, I want you to write to me and tell me all about the pleasant time you have. I have written to you once or more and to Cousin Mary (Aunt Mary) also, but have received no response. Now please do write, both of you.

Your affectionate niece,

RUTH VAN BUSKIRK.

(Daughter of Grandfather Andrew Foster Smith's older and only brother, William Smith.)

Dr. Andrew Darling of Crosby, Minnesota, has a pamphlet entitled *Articles of Faith* of Hampshire Colony Congregational Church, Princeton, Illinois. It contains the names of 179 members of the church and among them are the following:

Elizabeth Jane Walter

Oldest child of Eliza Smith and John Walter.

Later married Egbert Curtis.

Claramon C. Flint

Daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain.

John Walter

Eliza Walter

Grandfather Smith's sister.

Andrew Foster Smith, grandfather

Lucy M. Smith, grandmother

Rebecca Smith

Eliza Jane Wilson

Harriet A. Smith

Daughter of William Smith, grandfather's brother.

Mrs. Pluma Chamberlain

Second wife of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain. Married June, 1837.

There is no date on the pamphlet but as Andrew Foster Smith moved to Princeton, Illinois, in 1835, and moved from there to Washington, Iowa, in 1862, it was printed between dates of his marriage in 1838 and 1862. Also as no names of their children are mentioned and Elias Smith was born in 1839, my guess would be that it was printed between 1840 and 1850.—*Clifford E. Smith.*

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(Original in possession of Dr. Andrew Darling, Crosby, Minnesota)

Muncy, February 4, 1888.

Dear Aunt and Uncle:¹

If wishes were but horses
 So beggars all might ride,
 I'd wish myself in Iowa
 And sitting side by side
 With all the Smiths and other folks
 Assembled in convention
 But, as they're not, I'll just send this
 To show my good intention.
 Although "by chance" we have not met
 I feel as if I knew you,
 Could walk right in and never need
 An introduction to you.
 I wonder what you all would say
 To find your peaceful camp
 So suddenly invaded by
 A Pennsylvania tramp?
 Alas, except in spirit,
 That tramp at home must stay.
 She cannot help to celebrate
 Your Golden Wedding Day.
 But, she can wish you all things good
 And pray that care and sorrow
 May tell each other every² day
 "We'll go to Smith's tomorrow."
 So, take these lines, they'll fill my place
 Except perhaps at table
 For, though I don't weigh very much
 With knife and fork I'm able.
 And now, Good-night, the lamps are low
 The minutes swiftly glide
 Please, on the eighth³ give one kind thought
 To me—your Grandniece

IDE.

¹Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Foster Smith.

²Evidently means tomorrow will never come.

³February 8, 1888—Golden Wedding Day.

Comment by Dr. Clifford E. Smith: Written by Ida Van Buskirk, daughter of Ruth Van Buskirk, who was the daughter of Grandfather Smith's only brother, William.

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(Original in possession of Dr. Andrew Darling, Crosby, Minnesota)

Williams, July 15, 1890.

Dear Aunt Lucy¹:

Dear Aunt Amy² passed away at 1 o'clock today. She had been unconscious for several hours and her death, was, apparently, easy. For several weeks she has been a great sufferer, has eaten very little, almost nothing. Had a gathering in her head which discharged through the ear. Her mind has been weak for some time. She would be sensible for a little while and then lose herself. We are so thankful that she was easy at the last. How much we all will miss her loving presence.

The funeral will be Monday at 11:30 from the church.

With much love to you and Mary.³

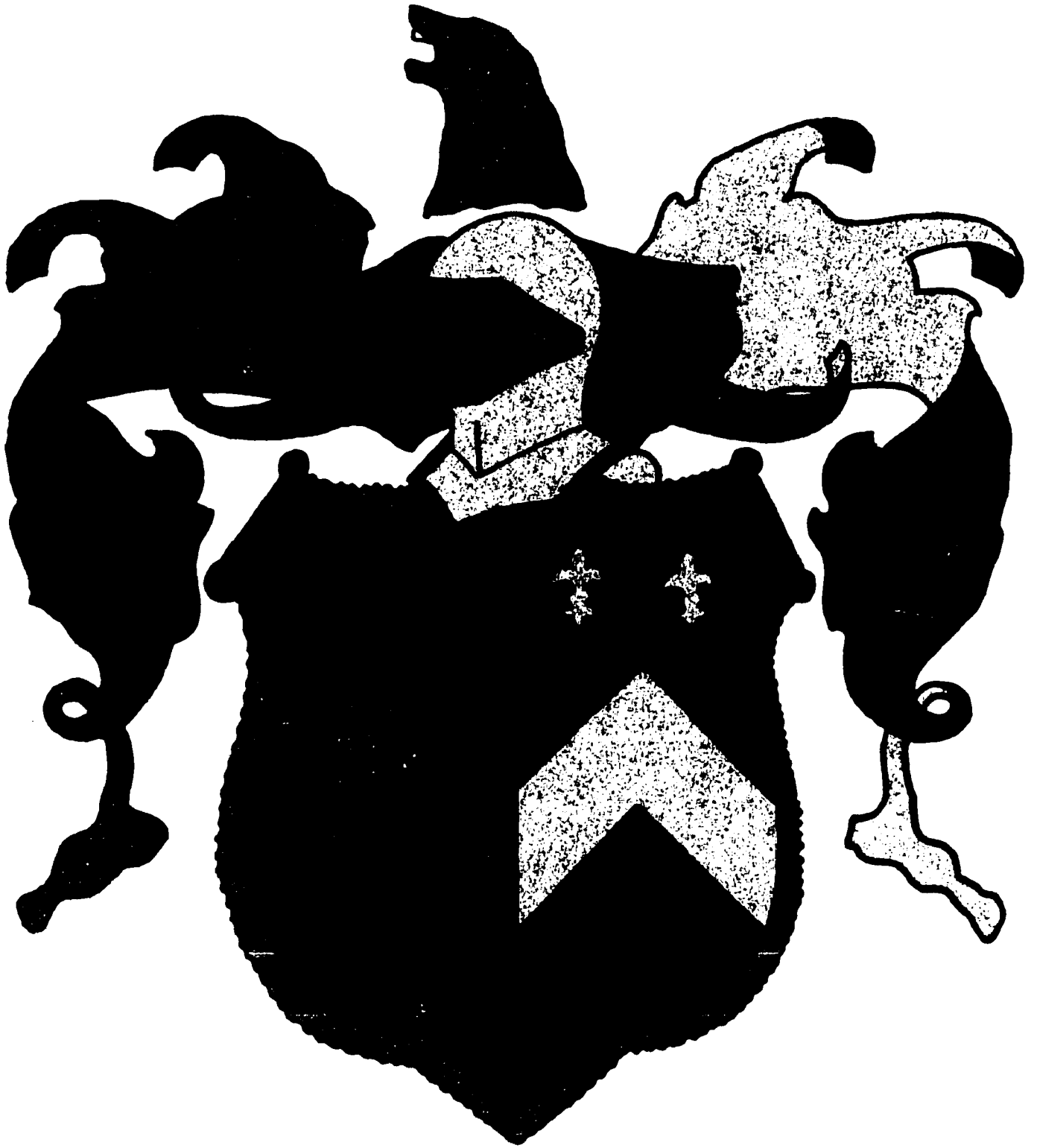
Your niece,

ELIZA J. WARFIELD.

¹Grandmother Smith.

²Grandfather Smith's sister, Amy Wilson.

³Aunt Mary.



Wolffson

CHAPTER XIII

THE WILSONS

AMY SMITH, fifth child of Nancy Foster and Elias Smith I. Born in Pennsylvania December 28, 1805; died July 15, 1890. Sister of my grandfather, Andrew Foster Smith.

STEPHEN WILSON, born in New Jersey, July 20, 1793; died March 30, 1873. Married at St. Clairsville, Ohio, March 29, 1825, by Rev. Anderson; buried at Ohio, Illinois. Came to Princeton, Illinois, April 1, 1837; moved to Ohio, Illinois, in 1851.

Parents of Stephen Wilson: Father, Isaac Wilson Sr., died at age of 70 at Baltimore, Ohio, May 15, 1827; mother, Rebecca, died at age of 59 at St. Clairsville, Ohio, March 28, 1816.

Coat-of-arms, a wolf, name originally Wolffson. Lydia Wilson Corson (Plymouth meeting), a relative of Stephen Wilson, has traced the family back to England. Thomas Canby came to America with William Penn, 1644-1718. Stephen Wilson (father of Stephen Wilson, who married Amy Smith, came to America before them. His daughter (sister of Stephen II) married into the Canby family.

CHILDREN

1. REBECCA, born April 26, 1826; second wife of John Warfield.
2. WILLIAM S., born May 15, 1831.
3. JOSEPH G., born Belmont county, Ohio, August 20, 1833; died May 3, 1884.
4. NANCY (Mrs. Leander T. Pomeroy) born September, 1835; died January, 1896.

REBECCA WILSON, born April 23, 1826; died January 3, 1887.

JOHN WARFIELD, married 1852.

CHILDREN

1. LYDIA EMMA, born June 27, 1853; died August 16, 1934.

WILLIAM S. WILSON, born May 15, 1831, Belmont county, Ohio; married October 7, 1852. A farmer, Methodist and outstanding Democrat. Weighed 215 pounds.

MARIA JONES WILSON, born March 29, 1834, Hennepin, Illinois; daughter of Abram and Mary Jones; died November 25, 1890.

Second wife, Annie R. Ruff.

No children; adopted two girls, Emma Morse Anderson and Addie Doty Ward.

JOSEPH G. WILSON, born Belmont county, Ohio, August 20, 1833; died May 3, 1884.

SARAH ANN YOUNG, born March 19, 1839; died in June, 1901.

Joseph Wilson had a genial, kind nature. He was a farmer near Ohio, Illinois, and the same farm is now being operated by his son, William. Joseph G. Wilson was the father of Congressman William W. Wilson, of Chicago.

CHILDREN

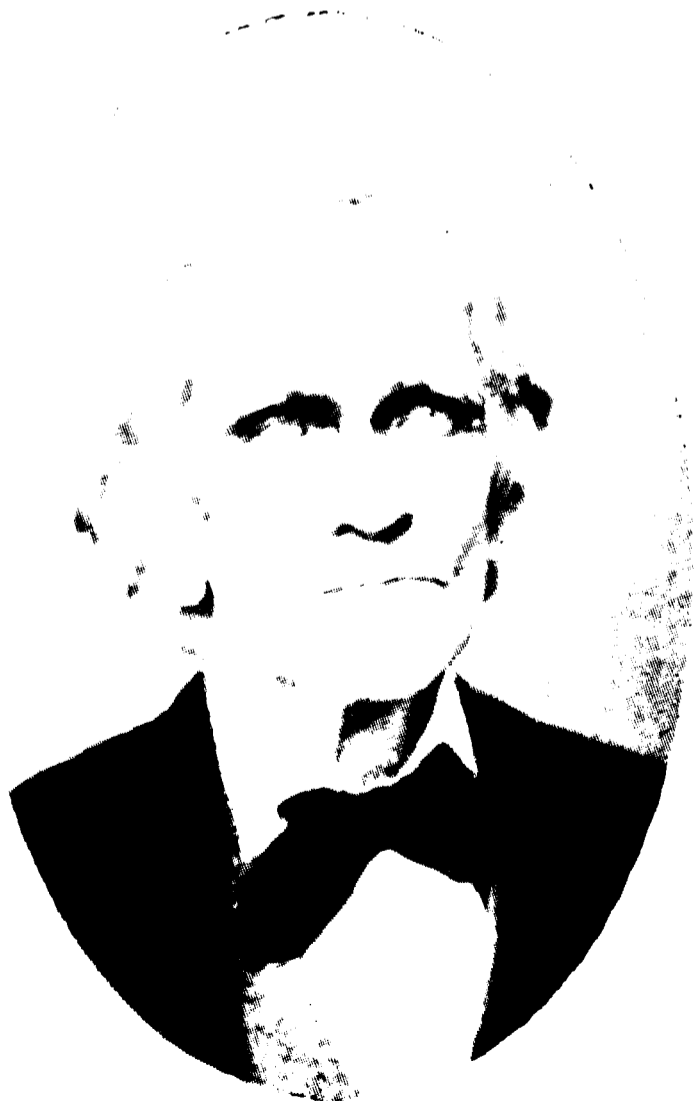
1. ELIZA ("Lide") JANE, born May 26, 1858; died April 11, 1929.

Marion Kiser, married February 6, 1878.

1. Edith, born January 3, 1879; died in Clinton, Iowa, in 1921. Married Cal McCrea. No children.
2. Joseph, born February 3, 1880. Married Florence O'Neal. Real estate. Live 6528 Howard Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Daughter Marjorie. She married Jerome Jerome and lives in Beverly Hills, California.
3. Bert F., born July 19, 1883. Married Miss Vera Whitver of Walnut, Illinois, March 2, 1929; not well, (lungs? at Mayo Bros.) One daughter, Marian, married Robert Ingels, a florist. Residence, Henry, Illinois. They had one son, died, 1939; buried at Ohio, Illinois.
4. Belle, born October 22, 1886; married Oliver Scatterday. Live in Pontiac, Illinois. Children: 1, Richard; 2, John B.
5. Harriet, born December 28, 1892; married Otto G. Beich. He is on Normal School Board. Residence, 1608 East Washington Street, Bloomington, Ill. Children: 1, Paul, born May 17, 1917; senior at Duke University, 1937; 2, Billy.

AMY SMITH WILSON

Sister of Andrew Foster Smith
Picture taken about 1870



MR. STEPHEN WILSON

Founder of the Princeton and Ohio, Ill.
Clan of Wilsons

6. Mabel, born February 6, 1901; married Floyd Dana in 1923. Children: 1, Joan, born December 7, 1924.
2. ELLEN ("Nell") REBECCA, born July 1, 1859; died October, 1927. Married John L. Scott, who died in July, 1939, age 77, at Glendale, California.

CHILDREN

1. Mary Amy ("Dimple"), born July 14, 1886. Married C. Roy Nicholson of Shabbona, Illinois. Now live at Bakersfield, California. Children: 1, Margaret, died about 1935; 2, Nellie, born April 28, 1938; married Ernest Beuchamp, 1733 Buena Vista, Bakersfield, California; son, Ernest Jr., born January 30, 1939; daughter, Sharon, born October 26, 1940.
2. Foster Scott, born November 18, 1889. Married Irene ———. One son, born 1926. Foster is a stock broker. They live in Los Angeles, California.
3. Pauline, born 1891. Single. Lives alone at Glendale, California.
4. William Wilson Scott, born December 27, 1902. Married. Lives in Chicago and is with Federal Electric. Children: 1, Zelle, born June 22, 1927.
3. SARAH AMY, born December 6, 1862; died July 26, 1927. Had tuberculosis of the hip.
4. BERTHA, born April 7, 1866; died November 8, 1938, of cancer of the stomach. Buried at Ohio, Illinois. Married Eugene E. Stewart in 1898. Attorney Stewart's office is at 33 North LaSalle Street, and residence, 354 Normal Parkway, Chicago, Illinois. Eugene Stewart was born October 14, 1869, at Columbus, Georgia; graduate of Johns Hopkins in 1893; Kent College of Law, 1896. Bertha Wilson Stewart, called "Berte" by her intimate friends, was a fine character, with a delightful companionable way about her. She was devoted to her family and relatives.
 1. Eugene W., born May 17, 1899; died July 9, 1940; septicaemia and perirectal abscess. Married Lucille Patterson of Elgin, Illinois, July 8, 1925. Children: 1, Lucille Jean, born 1929.
 - Twins 2. Virginia Rogers, born September 12, 1902; died May 18, 1903.

3. Sarah Young, born September 12, 1902; died May 26, 1903.
4. Bertha Priscilla, born July 19, 1905; married May 19, 1934 to Marvin T. Gibson, who is with Swift's International and they live in Buenos Aires, Argentina, South America. Address, Washington 2019, Belgrano, Buenos Aires, Argentina, South America. Children: 1, Priscilla Ann, born July 15, 1935. 2, Mary Jane, born September 19, 1940.
5. WILLIAM WARFIELD, born March 2, 1868. He is an attorney. Was a United States congressman from Englewood for 16 years, 1903-1921 (was out two years during President Wilson's first term). Married Sarah Moore of Amboy, Illinois. Live at 7140 Yale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Children: 1, Stephen Askew, born October 11, 1895; married Jane Parmenter of Kansas. Children: 1, William, born September 9, 1927; 2, Sarah, born August, 1935. Stephen lives with his father at 7140 Yale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.
6. HARRIET ELIZABETH, born November 11, 1872. On March 10, 1892, she married John William Kasbeer, dentist, of Ohio, Illinois. Now live at Normal, Illinois. Children: 1, John Harold, born November 22, 1894, at Normal, Illinois. Single. He is with Standard Statistics Co., Inc., Chicago, Illinois. 2, Harriet Helen, born August 31, 1898; married Dudley Holmes Meek, December 22, 1923. They live at Riverside, Connecticut. He is with Harcourt, Brace & Company, publishers.

Dr. Kasbeer is badly crippled with arthritis.

7. JOSEPH STEPHEN, born Ohio, Illinois, June 22, 1883. Married Hazel Ford of Chicago, who died September 6, 1928. Children: 1, Jane Ann, graduate of Vassar in 1937, age 21. 1024 Westmoor Road, Winnetka, Illinois.

On June 29, 1931, Joseph married Helen Summers, who was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, December 11, 1898. They live on the Indian Hill Estates at Wilmette, Illinois. He is in the bank and brokerage business. Children: by second marriage, 1, Bruce, born December 10, 1933.



ATTORNEY WILLIAM WARFIELD WILSON

Picture taken in 1910 when again elected Congressman
from the Englewood District of Chicago

NANCY WILSON, born September, 1835; died January, 1896; sister of second wife of John Warfield.

LEANDER POMEROY, born Jefferson county, New York, December 27, 1828; married January 1, 1856.

CHILDREN

1. HATTIE, kicked by horse; died in childhood.
2. STEPHEN W., married Azalia Downing.
 1. Caroline, married Orville Westgore, Dixon, Illinois. Have two children who are musicians, play violin and are teachers.
3. HIRAM STERLING, married girl named Helen. Was judge in Chicago Juvenile Court for years. Died in 1933.
4. CHARLES D., married Minnie Remsbury; died 1930.
5. VESPASIAN. Was a banker at Ohio, Illinois; married Pearl Balcom. Died November 11, 1928.



Walter

CHAPTER XIV

THE WALTERS

ELIZA SMITH, seventh child of Nancy Foster and Elias Smith I. Sister of Andrew Foster Smith, born May 10, 1810, in Catiswissi county, Pennsylvania; died August 18, 1897.

JOHN WALTER, born July 1, 1812, Carlyle, Pennsylvania; died June 17, 1894, Princeton, Illinois. Married January 6, 1835, at Uniontown, Pennsylvania, by Rev. Coons. They moved to Princeton, Illinois, in 1837, two years after Andrew Foster Smith, his mother, Nancy Foster Smith, and sisters, Mary, Ruth, Amy, and Lydia, had arrived in Princeton.

John Walter's father lived in Cumberland Valley, Pennsylvania.

Eliza Smith Walter was kind and hospitable to everyone. All her children, nephews and nieces adored her.

Walter, originally Waltter. Coat-of-arms—A Lion.

CHILDREN

1. ELIZABETH JANE, born November 11, 1835; married Egbert Curtis.
2. ELIAS, born in 1837; died in infancy.
3. ALLEN S., born May 18, 1840; married Catherine Ophelia Bartley.
4. NANCY, born November 25, 1842; first husband, Hart Rawson; second husband, George Bradley.
5. JOHN FOSTER, born November 5, 1849; married Mary Armina Ross.
6. LYDIA, died at 3 or 4 years from diphtheria.
7. EDWIN, died in infancy.
8. EMMA, died in infancy.

ELIZABETH JANE WALTER, born November 11, 1835; died February 2, 1906. Elizabeth Curtis Guild at Princeton, Illinois, named for her for her long and faithful church service.

EGBERT CURTIS. He was a fine man, giving of time and service liberally to the church. He was road commissioner for years and

Princeton was early noted for its fine roads. Married March 19, 1856, by Rev. Owen Lovejoy; died July 2, 1909, age 84.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM WALTER CURTIS, D. D. S. Graduated in dentistry at University of Michigan at Ann Arbor in 1884. He was an immaculate dresser, superb taste in all things. His dental suite was in the Venetian Building, Chicago, for about thirty years and then the Peoples' Gas Building, on Michigan Boulevard, Chicago, for fourteen years. He had a very exclusive, rich practice in Chicago. As a boy he worked in Delano's famous grocery and made good. Died in Chicago in 1928. Married Nannie Rhodes French, Newport, Rhode Island, in 1886. No children.

ALLEN S. WALTER, born May 18, 1840, Princeton, Illinois; died June 22, 1915.

CATHERINE OPHELIA BARTLEY, born November 14, 1844, Fishkill-on-Hudson (now Beacon) New York; died March 27, 1927, at LaMesa, California.

CHILDREN

1. HART EDGAR, born Princeton, Illinois, August 17, 1868; died September, 1915. Married Edith Wylie, died, 1938.

1. Allan, born January 23, 1903; married Miss Walker.
2. Hart, Jr., born February 7, 1909.

Hart Walter Sr. was a fine bass singer and was a choir member for many years in the Hampshire Colony Congregational church at Princeton and the Methodist Protestant church at Ohio, Illinois.

2. FREDERICK JEROME WALTER, M. D., oculist and aurist. Born November 11, 1874, Ohio, Illinois; married Florence Broadbent July 26, 1910.

1. Allan Leander, died at 2 months.
2. Mary Eleanor, born August 25, 1915. Lives at 113 Beech Tree Lane, Wayne, Pennsylvania; secretary in a Quaker school at Nineteenth and Race Streets, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Florence died at Philadelphia in 1931.

Dr. Fred married Vivian Smith of Salt Lake City, Utah, at Yuma, Arizona, February 3, 1934. Residence, 3328 Browning Street, San Diego, California. Office, 1008 Bank of America Building, San Diego, California. He was president of the Florida State Medical Associa-



JOHN WALTER HOMESTEAD, PRINCETON, ILLINOIS.



JOHN WALTER SR.

Born 1812, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Princeton neighbor of Dr. Wm. O. Chamberlain.



ELIZA SMITH

Born 1811, Catiswissi county, Pennsylvania.

Married John Walter Sr., January 6, 1835.

They moved to Princeton in 1837.

tion, 1918-1919, and was for three years president of Volusia County Medical Society, Daytona Beach, Florida. He was also president of the school board and in this capacity introduced at public gatherings many prominent people, including Vice President Marshall, etc. While at Daytona Beach he had John D. Rockefeller, Sr., for a patient, May Mackenzie and family of Montreal, etc. While medical director at Mudlavia, Indiana, he had for patients, John L. Sullivan, Mayor Rose of Milwaukee and Jane Addams. While in San Diego, California, he had for patients Charles Wakefield Cadman, composer, previously Irvin Cobb, Dorothy Dix, Brigadier-General Sawyer, Harding's private physician, Harding's mother-in-law, etc. Dr. Fred Walter was an expert in removing cataracts. He retired from practice on account of a duodenal ulcer in April, 1940. Resumed practice January, 1941.

NANCY WALTER, born November 25, 1842. She died about 1926 at LeMesa, California, and is buried in Greenwood cemetery, San Diego, California.

HART RAWSON.

Nancy's second husband was George Bradley.

No children by either marriage.

She was well acquainted with Dr. William O. Chamberlain and his daughter, Annie.

JOHN FOSTER WALTER, born November 5, 1849, at Princeton, Illinois; died March 8, 1929.

MARY ARMINA ROSS, born December 29, 1852, at Ohio, Illinois; died April 15, 1917, at LaMesa, California. Her father, Andrew Ross, was a pioneer minister and farmer at Ohio, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. HARRY, born September 2, 1875;
2. FOSTER, born January, 1877; both died of diphtheria in 1878.
3. MABEL ELIZA, born 1879 at Ohio, Illinois. Retired school teacher. Present address, 3601 Louisiana Avenue, San Diego, California.
4. ELIZABETH, Mrs. George N. Riblet, born August 19, 1890, at Ohio, Illinois. Address, 4674 Date Avenue, LaMesa, California.



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CHAPTER XV

THE WARFIELD FAMILY

IT was John Warfield who migrated to Illinois from his native land, Maryland, via Ohio, in the 1830's along with his brothers-in-law, Andrew Smith, John Walter and Stephen Wilson. The latter three remained in Princeton while John went to Quincy and engaged in the wholesale grocery business successfully. While Andrew Smith married Lucy Chamberlain, daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Chamberlain, John Walter married Eliza Smith, Stephen Wilson married Amy Smith and John Warfield married Lydia Smith. Some of the family that came from Pennsylvania remained in Bridgeport and St. Clairsville, Ohio, a few years. Andrew Smith (Princeton's first voter) was married in Princeton, the others were married in Ohio before coming to Illinois, or after coming to Princeton. The father of the Smith family was Elias Smith I and he passed away before his family left Ohio, and is buried in "Crabapple" cemetery at Bridgeport, Ohio. The mother of these famous children is buried in Oakland cemetery in Princeton, Illinois, on the John Walter lot (1773-1860). John Warfield was a most industrious man and later moved from Quincy to Princeton, where he spent his entire later life. His marriage to Lydia resulted in a most remarkable family of the following: William, whose life was spent in Quincy, Illinois, (married Melvina Howell, and their children were: John David, Lydia, William, Roy, Susan and Helen), Andrew, who lived in Iowa, either on a farm or at Clinton (had no children by his marriage to Annette Berry), Jacob, who married Mary Clark (the children were: Andrew, George, Charles, Lydia and Lillian, all of whom were brought up in Princeton, Illinois), Eliza Jane, a delightful intellectual woman who remained single, and Wilson, the youngest, who married Miss Ella Lyford (children were: Mabel, Lyford and Bessie, and lived in Des Moines, Iowa, all their lives). John's wife, Lydia, died in 1851, at Princeton, and in a couple of years John married Lydia's niece, Rebecca Wilson (daughter of Stephen W.), a splendid woman of remarkable carriage and judgment. By this marriage they had Emma, who married Volney Cooper in 1877, whose children were: Rebecca and Martha Cooper, who live in Des Moines, Iowa, at the present time.

With this introduction we think that anyone can visualize the home and family life of John Warfield better. As a whole the Warfields were always considered among the leading families of Bureau county and Princeton, in particular. They were taught to respect God and religion and they followed this teaching without an exception. They were successful in nearly every undertaking and in building their homes and furnishing them exhibited remarkably good taste, always refined and never anything approaching the vulgar. Their example in the neighborhood was ideal and their friends were proud to be one of them. John Warfield brought from Maryland certain qualities of character of Quaker stock that gave his family the distinction that Quakers seem to carry with them; dignity and a regard for square dealing. At any rate they retained through the generations those delightful distinctions. His politics were Republican.

The geneology which follows ought to be valuable to the generations which follow and should be cherished by them. The detailed account printed in the *New York Sun* of December 5, 1936, would give enough of the very early history of the family to make them eligible for the highest patriotic society memberships and give them a distinction worthy of any American family.

FRED J. WALTER, M. D.

The following article from the *New York Sun* shows that Wallis Warfield Simpson, who married Edward, Duke of Windsor, the former British King, was of the same Warfield family as John Warfield. Note the reference to Richard Warfield, whose last will and testament is given.

THE WARFIELDS

NEW YORK *Sun*, December 5, 1936

The beginning of the Warfield story is found in the Domesday Book, the survey of the conquered counties of England, which William the Conqueror ordered so that he could establish his fiscal rights. It was started twenty years after the conquest of 1066 and his clerks wrote in the pages the names of the persons who had lands or received them in the great political changes after the conquest.

The name of Warfield is mentioned as follows: Possession Genera Wrfeld pbr, moi pifcar, prab. Comitatus, Stratfordefe, Hundred of Offelau, Possession Noia, Hugo de Montgomeri, 248 b."

This Warfield was Pagan de Warfield. Of him it is written in other records: "The Prior of Merton held Upton in free gilt of the grant of Pagan de Warfield. From the forests of Upton the Prior of Merton furnished timbers for the erection of Eton College."

This land was later designated as Warfield parish. It was only seven miles from Windsor Castle.

Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson's Norman ancestors are again mentioned in "The Annals of Windsor," where it says: "King John returned to Windsor in the spring of 1216. He was at Windsor when he heard that the Barons had procured aid from Philip of France. Afterward all the castles of England surrendered to Louis, son of Philip, except Windsor and Dover. On the 25th of September, 1216, King John sent orders from Scotter, in Lincolnshire to Engelard de Cygney, who was in charge at Windsor, to deliver Hugh de Polstead forthwith, in prison at Windsor, to John de Warfield, brother of Elye de Warfield, unless he should be ransomed in the meantime.

A century and a half later another King Edward was on the throne—Edward III—and his records show that the house of Warfield stood in favor as it seems to stand today. It was in his reign, about 1345, that the Order of the Knights of the Garter was established. Among the items in the expense accounts of the Great Wardrobe is one that mentions a Warfield who came to the ceremony arrayed, according to command, in cloth of white lamb's wool.

The item is: "Rod 'o Warfield et Edmo de Wycombe de Elahm vigilator. His P cot yemof ind fac and furrand de dono Ris." Like most of the entries in the Domesday Book, its meaning is obscure.

The property called Warfield passed into the hands of another Berkshire family early in the eighteenth century. It is one of the seats of Baron Ormathwaite. The name of the family of Warfield does not appear in the names of the baronetage or in the peerage.

It was Richard Warfield, progenitor of the Warfields of Maryland, who came from Berkshire in 1622, accompanied by the Howards and other old Berkshire families and settled together on the banks of the Severn. There is a tradition that this first Warfield, turning his back on England and its king, went first to Boston, arriving there in 1637 and then joined his friends in Maryland years later. The records of the county of Suffolk in Massachusetts refer to a freeman by the name of Warfield, who lived there about that time.

The records of Annapolis tell of his purchase in 1665 of his estate on the Severn. He paid 6,000 pounds of tobacco for its broad acres and in 1674 he secured Warfields Right and then Increase and Addition, all lying on the Severn, where teams of oxen hauled the tobacco to the river docks then and for hundreds of years later.

"I give to my daughter Elinor Warfield," said his will, "one Negro girl named Hannah, one new feather bed and all the furniture belonging to it and one other ordinary bed with the furniture belonging, and four brood sows and four cows and calves, six new Russia leather chairs and six new silver spoons and six new pewter spoons and two pewter cassons."

This first American Warfield had many sons, too, and they founded the large families from which so many people in the United States are descended

today. John, the son of Richard, was the father and grandfather of many successful citizens. A son, Daniel, became a rich miller at Baltimore, and another descendant was appointed postmaster of Baltimore by President Cleveland in 1894.

Henry Warfield traveled to Australia in 1825 and was one of the first Americans to open a business house there. He was active in politics and especially in the reform movement of 1859 which was successful in defeating the Know Nothing party. He was arrested and held in prison for many months during the Civil war when he was suspected of opposing the Union. He was a descendant of Captain Richard Warfield, whose company received General Lafayette in 1825. In that line, too, was an earlier Warfield who led the Baltimore militia to Long Island and stood fast by Washington during the revolutionary campaign.

A book called "The Warfields of Maryland" was published in 1898. It was written by Professor Joshua Dorsey Warfield and was published in Baltimore.

It contains most of the material concerning the history of Mrs. Simpson's family and contains many significant paragraphs on the names used by the family for children and for lands.

Speaking of the records in the Queen Caroline church, in old St. Anne's parish of Maryland, the books say: "This parish extended from the Putuxent to the Pataposco and went as far as Clarksville. It was divided into districts of 'Hundreds' and captains and counters of tobacco planting, the tax upon which supported the church. One of these 'Hundreds' bore the significant name of Upton, a tract near Windsor Castle, granted the church by Pagan de Warfield."

Captain Daniel Dorsey, descendant of a daughter of the first Warfield, removed his family and thirty slaves to New York state, where he bought a thousand acres near a town called Lyons. He ferried them up the Susquehanna river on flat boats and then came overland to his new abode.

This is the line from which Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson's father springs. His name was Teackle Wallis Warfield. One of his brothers was S. Davies Warfield, a railroad official who died in 1927, and another is Henry M. Warfield, prominent in Baltimore.

Mr. Warfield received his first name in honor of Severn Teackle, who fought with the Warfields against the Confederates. Teackle Wallis Warfield married Alice Montague, whose house is also an aristocratic one in England. The Montagues came to Virginia about 1624 and a descendant of the first American Montague distinguished himself in the Revolution. Mrs. Warfield's great-grandfather was the first of the family to move to Baltimore. Her marriage to Mr. Warfield united two houses famous in English and American history and the lines were fused in the birth of their daughter, now Mrs. Simpson, at the summer resort, Bule Ridge Summit, Pennsylvania, where her father, who was in poor health, had joined a fashionable colony for the season of 1896. Later they returned to Baltimore and when the child was four years old the father died.

THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

RICHARD WARFIELD, Deceased, 1703

Furnished by Andrew and Charles Warfield of Bemidji, Minnesota

In the name of God, Amen:

The tenth day of January in the year of our Lord God, 1703, and in the second year of the reign of Queen Ann, I, Richard Warfield of Anna Arundel County, although sick in body, yet in good and perfect memory, praise be to Almighty God therefor, do make this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form as followeth, that is to say: First, I bequeath my soul and spirit into the hands of Almighty God, my Heavenly Father, by whom of His meet and only grace, I trust to be saved and received into Eternal Rest through the death of my Saviour and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, in whose precious blood I set the whole and only hope of my salvation. My wretched body in hope of the joyful resurrection I commit to the earth to be buried with such charges and in such decency as my Executors hereinafter named, shall think fit and needful or convenient and touching my worldly estate which the Lord has been pleased to bestow upon me, I dispose of the same as followeth:

First: I will that all such debts that I justly owe in law or conscience shall be truly contended and paid within some convenient time after my decease. I give and bequeath unto my son, John Warfield, all that plantation and tract of land called "Warfield Plains," to him, his heirs, and assigns, forever. Item: I give and bequeath unto my said son, John Warfield, another parcel of land called "Warfield Forest" containing one hundred eighty-two acres, to him and his heirs and assigns forever. Item: I give and bequeath unto my son, John, one spede mare, which he is now possessed with. Items I give and bequeath unto my son, Richard Warfield, that plantation whereon he now lives and all the land adjoining, according to patent called the "Addition" containing fifty (50) acres to him, his heirs, and assigns forever.

Item: I give to my said son, Richard Warfield, this, my dwelling plantation, with all the land adjoining to it to him, his heirs and assigns, but my will is that he shall not possess it so long as my loving daughter, Elinor Warfield, lives a maid, but that she have and enjoy it

till she marries, but after marriage that then my said son, Richard Warfield, shall have it and enjoy it as above said. Item: I give to my son, Alexander Warfield, all that tract and parcel of land called "Brandy," and the two plantations that are now on it to him, his heirs and assigns forever. Items I give to my son, Benjamin Warfield, two hundred forty acres of land out of the tract and parcel of land lying at Patuxent called "Warfield Range," to him, his heirs and assigns forever. Item: I give my daughter, Rachel Warfield, one hundred forty acres (140) of land out of the aforesaid tract and parcel of land called "Warfield Range," to her during her natural life and unto the lawful heirs to be begotten of her body and for want of such issue to go to my said son, Benjamin, his heirs and assigns, forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my son, Benjamin Warfield, one negro girl named "Jenny," during his natural life and after his death to go to my executors to be kept in their custody while his orphans come to the age of twenty-one years, and then to be delivered to the oldest of them with her increase, but my will is, that the said negro girl be appraised in my estate and my said son to have her at the appraisement. Item: I give to my son, Benjamin Warfield, £10 sterling to be paid by bill of exchange. Item: My will is that my son, John Warfield, shall have my negro, Parklet, according to the appraisement, and my son, Richard Warfield, to have the old negro man named Toby, at the appraisement, and my son, Alexander Warfield, to have my negro boy, Chango, at the appraisement. Item: I give to my daughter, Elinor Warfield, one negro girl named Hannah, one new feather bed, and all the furniture belonging to it, and one other ordinary one, with the furniture thereunto belonging, and four breeding sows, and (4) four cows and calves, and six new Russian leather chairs, and six new silver spoons and six new pewter dishes and two pewter casons. Item: My will is that my said daughter, Elinor, shall have my two white servants, named William and Nicholas, but to take them at the appraisement. Item: I give my daughter, Rachel Yeates, £10 sterling, to be paid her by my executor hereafter named. Item: My will is that £40 of my estate shall be kept in my executors' hands and to be paid to my said daughter, Rachel, as they shall deem her necessities require, and to be paid in such goods as will be most convenient for her, but in case she should not stand in want of it, then my will is, that it be paid to her children when they come to the age of twenty-one, and I give to my said daughter Rachel's girl, named

Elinor, six silver spoons to be kept in my son, John Warfield's hands until she comes of age. And all the residue of my estate my will is, that it shall be equally divided amongst my children hereafter named; viz: John Warfield, Richard Warfield, Alexander Warfield, Benjamin Warfield and my daughter, Elinor Warfield. Item: I make and ordain my loving son, John Warfield, and my loving son, Richard Warfield, my full whole and only executors of this my last Will and Testament, and my two loving sons, Alexander Warfield and Benjamin Warfield, I do make and ordain overseers of this my last Will and Testament, and I give my son, John Warfield, my seal ring, to each of the others one ring apiece, for their pains to be taken for their overseeing thereof, requesting them in the name of God to see this my last Will and Testament performed accordingly and I do utterly revoke all other former Wills and Testaments by me in any wise heretofore made or declared. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

(SEAL)

RICHARD WARFIELD.

Sealed, declared and delivered by the said Richard Warfield in the presence of these witnesses whose names are underneath;

Subscribed: John Howard, Thos. Rowles.

Wm. Maccubbin, Chas. S. Stevens (his mark).

February 11th, 1703.

Then came Wm. Maccubbin, Thos. Rowles and Charles Stevens, three of the witnesses of the will and made oath they saw the above named Richard Warfield, the testator, sign, seal and publish and declare the above written and within to be his last Will and Testament, and at doing thereof he was of sound and perfect mind and memory.

JURAT CORAM

W. Sayland, Reg. & Dept. Com'r. A. A. Co.

State of Maryland, Anne Arundel County, Sct: *I hereby certify that the foregoing Will is a true copy from original now on file and of record in the office of the Register of Wills for Ann Arundel County.*

In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and office the seal of the Orphan's Court for Ann Arundel county, the 24th day of March A. D. 1892.

W. F. PETHERBRIDGE,

Register of Wills, A. A. Co.

Copied from Liber T. B. 11- folio 409 W. F. P.

ORIGIN OF COATS-OF-ARMS TRACED TO CRUSADERS

Coats-of-arms and the art of heraldry came into use during the Crusades, when war was elevated to the dignity of a holy duty and the implements of war gained respect. The contact of many European countries on these expeditions accounts for the similarity of symbols and rules of heraldry.

The use of symbols in the armies increased rapidly early in the thirteenth century when the closed helmet was invented. This hid the face of the knight and made it necessary that he wear some sign so that his attendants and companions—and his foe—could identify him in the press of battle. By the decoration of his shield and the ornaments of his helmet he was known.

These symbols were also put on the surcoat worn over the coat of mail. It became known as the coat-of-arms. This coat was useful to the European knight in the Holy Land because it kept the heat from his heavy armor and prevented rust.

The Warfields, from whom Mrs. Simpson traced her descent, had marked shields, but did not have typical coat-of-arms at the time of the Conquest in 1066. The symbols seen on the Bayeux tapestry, which depicts the battle of Hastings and other events of the Conquest, are not considered to be heraldry. The Warfield arms were created later when the art of heraldry developed. Marked shields grew into family crests.

THE WARFIELDS

Pagan de Warfield came to England with William the Conqueror in 1066 A. D., and it is said that he and his sons enabled him to win the battle of Hastings. Later the de Warfields took the surname Warfield.

One of their descendents, Richard Warfield and his wife, Ellen (or Elinor) left Berkshire, England, in 1656 and landed at Baltimore, Maryland, that same year. Thus began the American Warfields.

Note—by John David Warfield (December 10, 1936)

"Eliza Jane Warfield in about the year 1900 dug up the early history of the Warfields, traced them back to William the Conqueror and started the history of the American Warfields, beginning with Richard of Baltimore, and carrying the history down to 1896. Allowing thirty years to a generation we would have ten American generations. Richard 1656, John 1686, Philip 1716, Philip II 1746, William 1776, John 1806 (born January 26, 1810 in Maryland) (married Lydia Smith), William Smith Warfield 1836 (born Princeton, Illinois, April 24, 1836) John D. 1866 (born April 6, 1861). Children of John D. 1896, and grandchildren 1926. Philip II (1746) and some of his sons helped Washington to win the Revolutionary War." John D. Warfield Sr. (age 77, April 6, 1938) says some of the Warfields were outstanding intellectually—others abnormally.

1656—RICHARD WARFIELD, died 1703, and wife, Ellen or Elinor, landed in Baltimore, Maryland, from Berkshire, England, in 1656.

CHILDREN

1686—

1. JOHN I, married Ruth Gaither.
2. RICHARD II.
3. ELINOR.
4. ALEXANDER.
5. BENJAMIN.
6. RACHEL.

(See copy of Richard Warfield's last Will and Testament)

1686—JOHN WARFIELD I.

RUTH GAITHER.

CHILDREN

1716—

1. RICHARD.
2. JOHN II.

3. BENJAMIN, married Rebecca ———; moved to Kentucky.
 1. Benjamin.
 2. Phileman.
4. ALEXANDER.
5. ELINOR.
6. RUTH.
7. MARY.
8. PHILIP I, married Nancy Purdy.

1716—PHILIP WARFIELD I.

NANCY PURDY.

CHILDREN

1746—

1. EDWARD.
2. PHILIP II, married Susanna Hobbs.
3. JOHN III.
4. EPHRAIM.
5. WILLIAM.
6. RICHARD.
7. RUTH.
8. SARA.
9. LYDIA.
10. NANCY.
11. ELIZABETH.
12. AMELIA.
13. RACHEL.
14. POLLY.

1746—PHILIP WARFIELD II.

SUSANA HOBBS.

CHILDREN

1776—

1. CHARLES.
2. WILLIAM, married Martha Bye.
3. NATHAN.

1776—WILLIAM WARFIELD.

MARTHA BYE.

CHILDREN

1806—

1. MARY, born 1806.
2. MARIA, born 1808.
3. JOHN, born January 26, 1810; married Lydia Smith; second wife, Rebecca Wilson.

WARFIELD—SMITH

ELIAS SMITH I, English and Welsh, born May 23, 1768, in New Jersey. Died in 1833 and is buried at Uniontown, Ohio, in "Crab Apple Cemetery."

NANCY FOSTER, Irish and Scotch, born in New Jersey, March 4, 1773. Died at Ohio, Illinois, December 4, 1860, and is buried on the John Walter lot, Oakland cemetery, Princeton, Illinois. (Parents of Andrew Foster Smith, the grandfather of Dr. Clifford E. Smith).

CHILDREN

1. MARY, born July 28, 1795; married Allen Stewart, August 11, 1832.
2. WILLIAM, born October 16, 1797, at Columbia, Pennsylvania; died February 6, 1875. Married Martha Lard. William was a judge on New Jersey bench.
3. JANE, born December 28, 1799, married Abraham Lash.
4. RUTH, born May 9, 1801, married John Wetzel in April, 1824.
5. AMY, born December 28, 1805, married Stephen Wilson March 29, 1825, at St. Clairsville, Belmont county, Ohio, Rev. Anderson officiating. He was born July 20, 1793, died March 30, 1873, and is buried in Ohio.
 1. Rebecca (second wife of John Warfield), born April 26, 1826, and died January 3, 1887.
 2. William S., born May 15, 1831.
 3. Joseph G., born August 20, 1833; died May 3, 1884.
 4. Nancy, born September, 1835; died January, 1896 (Mrs. Leander Pomeroy).
6. ANDREW FOSTER, born February 8, 1808. Married Lucy Mary Chamberlain February 8, 1838.
7. ELIZA, born May 11, 1810. Married John Walter, January 6, 1835.
8. LYDIA, first wife of John Warfield, born April 4, 1813, in eastern Pennsylvania. Died May 11, 1851.

WARFIELD

JOHN WARFIELD, IV., born January 26, 1810, in Maryland. Died August 26, 1898, in Princeton, Illinois.

LYDIA SMITH, first wife. Eighth child of Nancy Foster and Elias Smith I. Born April 4, 1813, and died May 11, 1851. Married in 1835, in Princeton, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM SMITH, born April 24, 1836; died September 22, 1915.
2. ANDREW, born February 2, 1838; died June 15, 1901.
3. JACOB HALLOWAY, born October 26, 1840; died October 6, 1890.
4. ELIZA JANE, born February 5, 1843; died January 15, 1909. She never married. Was a very lovely girl and had the most beautiful character (per Lillian Warfield Bryant). In 1880 Eliza Jane Warfield founded "The Friends in Council Club," which still meets regularly in 1940.
5. WILSON R., born November 3, 1849; died May 27, 1931.

JOHN WARFIELD, IV.

REBECCA WILSON, second wife. Niece of first wife. Born April 23, 1826; died January 3, 1887. Married in 1852.

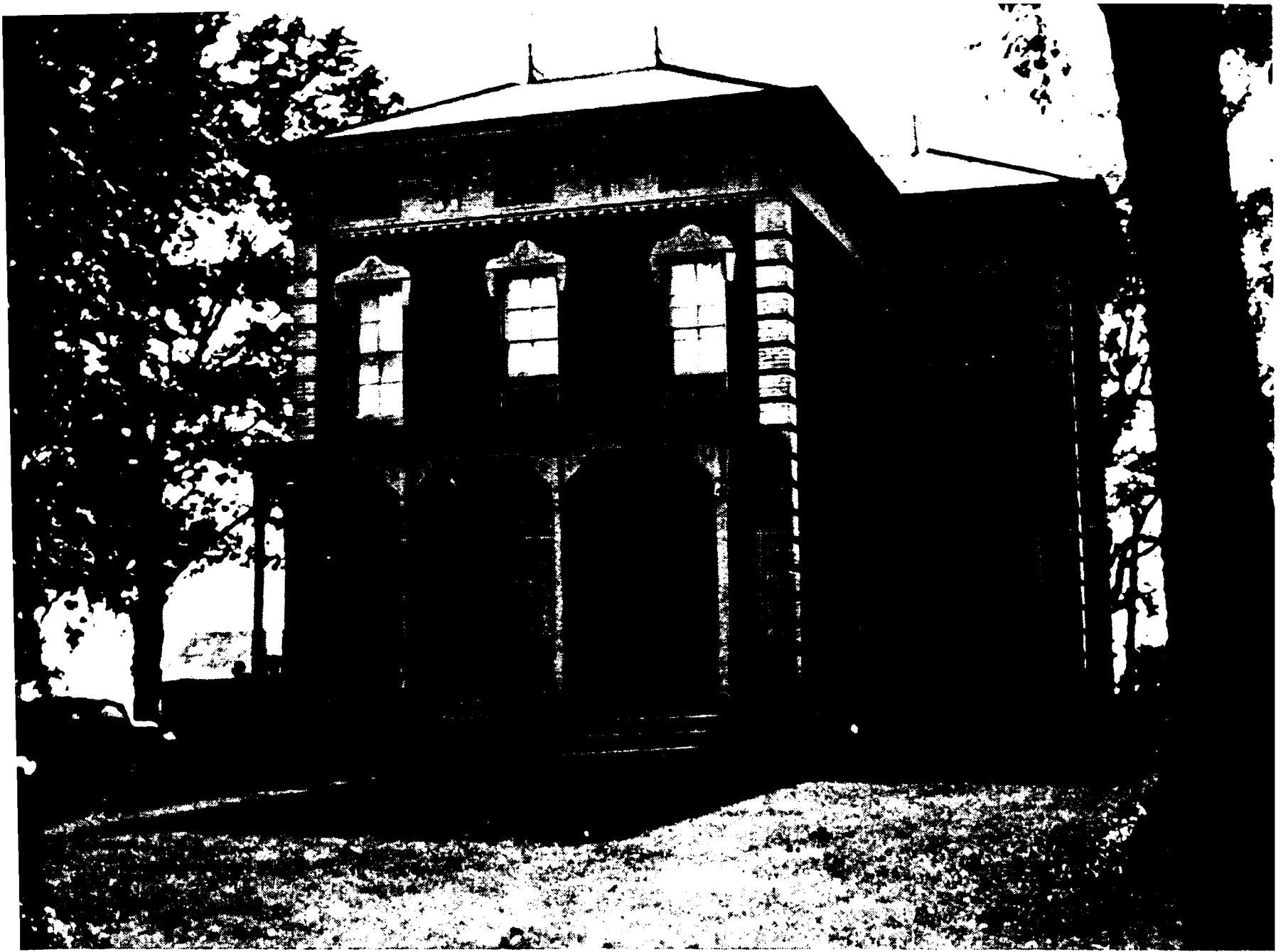
CHILDREN

1. LYDIA EMMA, (christened "Lydia Amy" but always called Emma). Born June 27, 1853, in Kirkwood, Ohio, and died August 16, 1934, in Des Moines, Iowa.

JOHN WARFIELD, IV.

JANE W. BELLANGEE, a widow. Married November 26, 1889; born April 9, 1819, and died September 24, 1891. No children.

Jane W. Bellangee's first husband, a member of the bar, was a well-to-do Philadelphia lawyer and they had a home full of pretty things. After losing her fortune, parents, husband, and two little girls, she sold most of her effects, but saved the hand-carved solid rosewood bedroom set by placing it in storage in Philadelphia. Jane took a position as a matron in a home about 1849 and the bedroom set remained in storage for forty years. She came west and married Mr. Bellangee, of Dover, Illinois. On November 26, 1889, she married John Warfield. Through him the bedroom set was removed from storage. The set is very beautiful and consists of the great bed and springs, wardrobe, dresser, wash stand and water set and one or two



JOHN WARFIELD SR.'S HOME.
BUILT IN THE SEVENTIES NORTH OF PRINCETON.

JOHN WARFIELD SR.
1810-1898

He came West to Illinois in 1835.
Married Lydia Smith and started the
western clan of Warfields.



smaller pieces. "Bexie" Cooper says Aunt Jane was a very sweet woman and they all loved her.

John Warfield was a Quaker, a highly respected and wealthy man. He first lived at New Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he did well as an importer of spices, coffee and tea. (His grandson, John D., age 77 in 1938, is following the same business in Chicago, The Warfield Company, 536-554 West Twenty-second Street, Chicago, Illinois). After leaving New Philadelphia, John Warfield went to Quincy and then to Princeton, Illinois, where he was a bank director and made loans on farms.

The Warfield coat-of-arms is two camels on lateral sides of a shield with a lamb in center above.

WILLIAM SMITH WARFIELD, born April 24, 1836; died September 22, 1915.

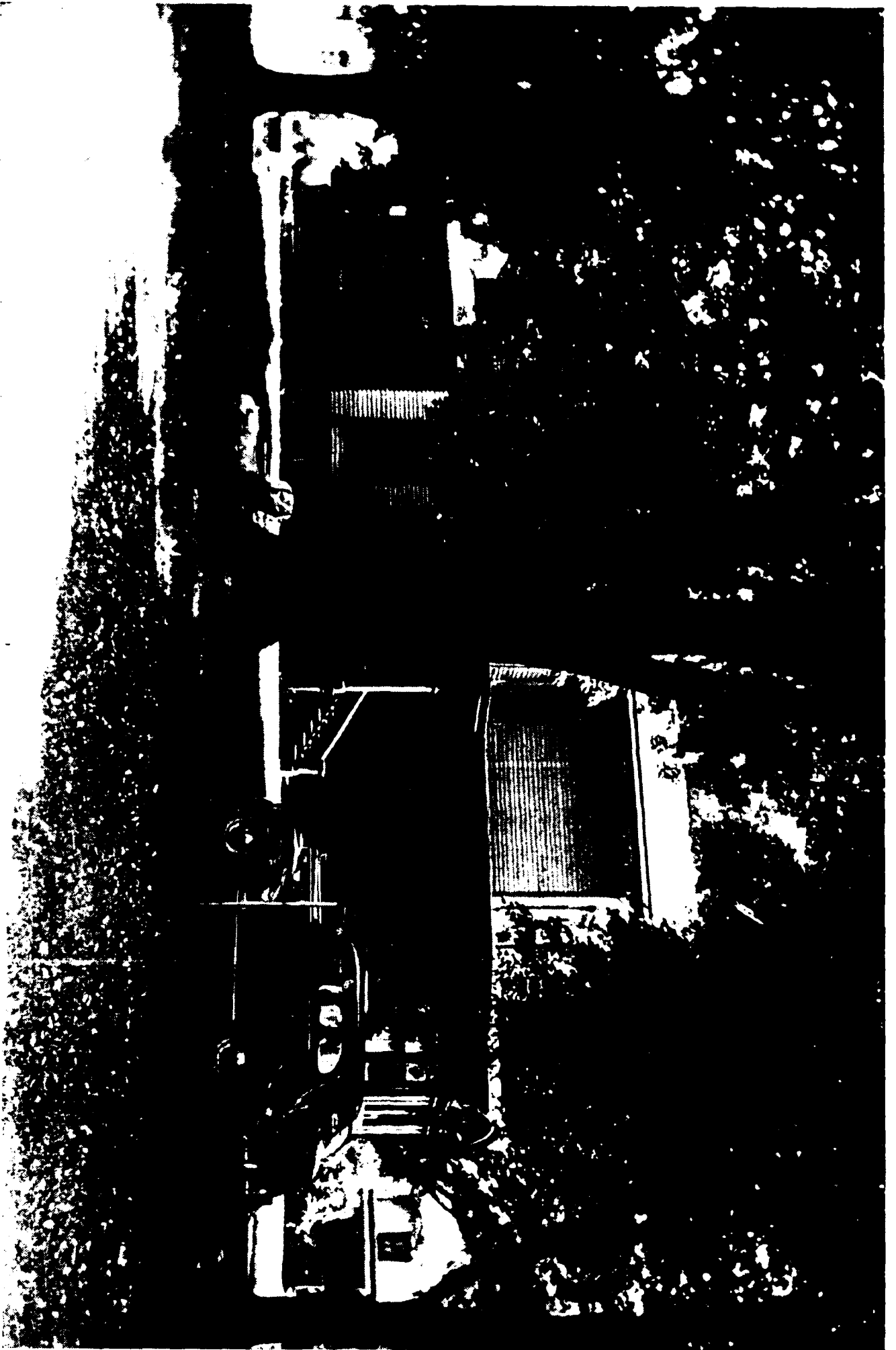
MELVINA A. HOWELL, first wife, born December 8, 1839; died May 30, 1907. Married June 7, 1859.

CHILDREN

1. JOHN DAVID, SR., living at 4831 Kenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Born April 6, 1861. In November, 1887, married Mary Graves, who was born April 8, 1865, and died March 31, 1937.
 1. William Smith, born August 21, 1888; married Hildegard Ware, September 9, 1916. Three out of five children born on Christmas.
 1. William Smith, IV., born December 25, 1919.
 2. Lyman Ware, born September 27, 1921.
 3. James Douglas, born January 8, 1923.
 4. Richard Law, born December 25, 1927;
 5. Hildegard, born December 25, 1927. Richard L., and Hildegard, twins.
 2. Robert, born January 25, 1891; married Margery Teall, November, 1916. Have three children.
 3. John D., Jr., born June 25, 1895. Married Helen Totten. Second wife, Lucille Barber. On April 1, 1938, succeeded his father as president of the Warfield Company. He is president of Warfield Chocolate Company, and vice president of the Thompson-Taylor Company.
 4. Katherine, born April 14, 1901. Married Buel E. Hutchinson and have three children, Mary, Ann and Ned. They own "The Little Outfit" school in the San Rafael Valley, Patagonia, Arizona.

2. LYDIA, born January 23, 1862; died June, 1915. Married William H. McMein.
 1. Melvina, born January 23, 1887; married Joseph Ehart, June 2, 1912.
 1. William, born March 1, 1913.
 2. Robert Joseph, born February 15, 1916.
 2. Warfield McMein, born October, 1890. Married Margaret Stillwell.
 1. Richard Stillwell.
 2. Louisa.
 3. Melvina.
 4. Warfield (a girl).
3. WILLIAM SMITH, JR., born in Quincy, Illinois, in December, 1867, died January 25, 1938, age 70. Married Ella M. Mikesell, daughter of Captain John F. Mikesell. Lived in Sioux City, Iowa. He was president of Tolerton & Warfield, wholesale grocers company. Moved to Sioux City in 1892.
 1. John M.
4. ROY,
Clara, his wife.
 1. Roy Jr.
 2. Helen.
3. John.
5. SUSAN, born December 13, 1865. Married Dr. C. J. Tibbets (deceased) October 12, 1887.
 1. Lois, deceased.
 2. Paul W. Tibbets, married Gay Hazard.
 1. Paul Jr.
 2. Barbara.

Susan Warfield, second husband Arthur Fifer.
No children.
6. HELEN, now living in Denver, Colorado. Married Henry W. Ruffner.
 1. Mary.
 2. Helen, attended National Cathedral School in Washington, D. C. Married and has two or three children. Graduated from St. Mary's, Knoxville, Illinois.



JACOB WARFIELD HOME, PRINCETON, ILLINOIS.
SAME DOG HAS BEEN IN YARD FOR 60 YEARS.



THE FOUR OLDER CHILDREN OF JACOB H. WARFIELD

Andrew Charles Lydia George

WILLIAM S. WARFIELD.

HORTENSE POMEROY, second wife, born August 19, 1859, died March, 1922. Married April 5, 1911. Lived at Quincy, Illinois. No children.

ANDREW WARFIELD, born February 2, 1838; died June 15, 1901.

ANNETTE BERRY, born July 1, 1843; died November 4, 1933. No children.

JACOB HALLOWAY WARFIELD, born October 26, 1840; died November 6, 1890.

MARY A. CLARK, born October 31, 1843, died August 28, 1929. Married January 11, 1866.

CHILDREN

1. GEORGE, born October 10, 1866.

Lilly Knecht.

1. Clark M., born December 17, 1893. Married Clara Hardin.

1. Robert Hardin, born February 27, 1920.

2. Caroline, born February 1, 1930.

2. Paul, born October 2, 1902; married Louise McKee.

1. Mary Francis.

2. David.

3. Mary Ann, born October 6, 1906.

George has a lumber yard at Monmouth, Illinois, and eight or ten more in Illinois and Iowa.

2. ANDREW, born January 13, 1868, in Princeton, Illinois.

Grace Jefferson, born in Duluth, Minnesota, February 19, 1873.

Married February 4, 1894.

1. Herbert Charles, born in Duluth, Minnesota, April 12, 1897. Married Dolly Koors, May 3, 1922.

1. Rosemary, born January 18, 1925.

2. James Wilson, born April 14, 1923.

Andrew is president of the First National Bank, Bemidji, Minnesota.

3. CHARLES, born October 14, 1869.

Blanche Lytle, born July 9, 1878.

1. Kimball, born May 4, 1901; died June 30, 1902.
2. Mary, born January 10, 1904.
3. Helen, born May 25, 1917.
4. Robert, born February 9, 1920.

Charles lives in Los Angeles, California, and spends summers in Bemidji, Minnesota.

4. LYDIA, born July 22, 1872.

William Cullen Bryant, born November 8, 1871. Married October 18, 1893.

1. Janet, born July 21, 1894.
Horace Nuber.

1. Jean, born July 9, 1921.

2. Howard, born April 6, 1896.
Lorena Ware.

1. Henrietta Louise, born August 30, 1922.

Shirley Ann, born March 18, 1930.

3. Sidney, born August 3, 1903.

4. Cullen, born December 12, 1910.

Mrs. William Cullen Bryant lives at Kirkwood, Illinois, eight miles southwest of Monmouth, Illinois.

5. LILLIAN, born April 21, 1880.

Dr. John H. Bryant, born May 27, 1876.

1. Frances, born January 15, 1907. Graduated Wellesley, Massachusetts.

John Boatwright, degree from Northwestern, research economist for Standard Oil Company of Indiana. Lives at 831 Clinton Place, Evanston, Illinois.

1. John Bryant, born September 14, 1934.

6. JOHN, born March 6, 1883. Lives at Princeton, Illinois. He is single. Only Warfield living in Princeton.

William C. and Dr. John H. Bryant are grandsons of John H. Bryant, author of poem "Indian Courtship."

WILSON R. WARFIELD, born November 3, 1849, died March 27, 1931.

ELLA LYFORD, born October 10, 1852, died June 14, 1922. Married December 10, 1873.

CHILDREN

1. MABEL, lives at 718 55th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. Born March 30, 1875.

Joel Tuttle, was in insurance business; born April 12, 1872; died July 30, 1932. Married January 19, 1897.

1. Mary, born January 3, 1898.

Carrol W. Gorman.

1. Patricia ("Patsy").

2. Ruth, born April 12, 1899.

Robert H. Bartley.

1. James Thomas.

2. LYFORD, a bachelor, born November 28, 1878. In insurance business, 718 55th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. Lives with Mabel since death of her husband.

3. BESSIE, born January 8, 1882, died May 23, 1897.

LYDIA EMMA WARFIELD, born Kirkwood, Ohio, June 27, 1853. Died in Des Moines, Iowa, August 16, 1934.

VOLNEY COOPER, born June 1, 1846, died November, 1924, in Los Angeles, California. Married June 6, 1877. Volney Cooper is buried on the John Warfield lot, Oakland cemetery, Princeton, Illinois.

CHILDREN

1. REBECCA ("Bexie"), (christened "Caroline Rebecca" after her two grandmothers); born August 31, 1884.
2. MARTHA WARFIELD, born February 13, 1889. Martha and "Bexie" have the "Mar-Bex Tea Shop," 901 Kraft Building, Des Moines, Iowa. They live at 706 West 27th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. Have solid rosewood bedroom set that belonged to John Warfield and Aunt Jane W. Bellangee Warfield.

CHAPTER XVI

PILGRIMAGE FROM HOLLAND

Dirk William Van Sittert and Huberta Gertruyda Van Niftrick were married February 17, 1847, and with Ernest Hendrick August Scheeper and seven to eight hundred emigrants from Holland, under the leadership of Dominie Henry P. Scholte, left Ulricht, Holland, on April 17, 1847, on the ship *Nagisaka*, commanded by Captain Bunocuryer. They arrived at Baltimore, Maryland, United States of America, June 9, 1847, and from there went by rail and steamer to St. Louis, Missouri. From here, after two scouts had been sent ahead, they went to Lake Prairie, Marion county, Iowa. Early in 1848 they laid out their town in Lake Prairie, which they called Pella ("City of Refuge").

E. H. A. Scheeper and Dirk William Van Sittert were educated gentlemen, writing, reading and speaking fluently English, French, Dutch, and German. At Pella, Iowa, they were business associates, running a hardware store. The best magazines and books of the day came to their home and, in a way, it was one of the literary centers of the quaint little town of Pella. Dirk William Van Sittert frequently ordered books and periodicals, seeds and plants for the better families. E. H. A. Scheeper was a correspondent of the Smithsonian Institution for Pella and was much interested in science. At his death in 1855 E. H. A. Scheeper willed all his property to Dirk William and Huberta Van Sittert. Dirk William was in business in Pella until 1877.

Andrew Foster Smith and his wife, Lucy Mary Chamberlain Smith, with their children moved from Princeton, Illinois, to Washington County, Iowa, in 1862. In 1864 they moved to Knoxville, Iowa, and to Pella, Iowa, in 1865. Thus it came about that Elias Smith, eldest son of Andrew Foster Smith and Lucy Mary Chamberlain, came to the town where lived Bertha Christina Van Sittert, only daughter of Dirk William and Huberta Gertruyda Van Sittert. A marriage had been planned between Bertha Van Sittert and Henry Scholte, son of Dominie Henry P. Scholte. Henry Scholte was much in favor but took things for granted and "Lite" Smith wooed and won Bertha Van Sittert.

CHAPTER XVII

THE VAN SITTERTS

Coat of Arms—An Eagle. Motto: *Fata Viam Invenient* (The Fates Will Find a Way).

In the Van Sittert book published by William Van Sittert (uncle of the writer) of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1909, he takes up all the Van Sitterts found all over the world. He visited both England and Holland in 1909 and spent a lot of time searching old records. On page nine he quotes from page 1752 of Burke's *Genealogical History of the Landed Gentry of Great Britain and Ireland*, published in 1822.

"The Van Sittarts are of German origin, and were, it is stated, long possessed of the township of Sittard, in the Duchy of Juliers and Cleves, whence the name originally Von Sittard, is derived. The first Van Sittert settler in England, Peter Vansittard, an eminent Russian merchant, was the son of William J. Vansittard of Danzic and grandson of J. W. Vansittard of Juliers. He died in 1705 leaving his wife (daughter of Robert Saunderson of London) and several sons, of whom the fifth, Arthur Vansittart, Esq., of Shottesbrook, married in 1723, Martha, the eldest daughter of the Right Hon. Sir Jno. Stonhouse. He died in 1760, leaving three sons, Arthur, Robert and Henry.

Henry Vansittart was born in 1732. He married Amelia, daughter of Nicholas Morse, Esq., Governor of Madras. Early in life he entered the service of the East India Company and attained the rank of Governor of Bengal. He died in 1771 when the frigate *Aurora* sank with all on board in the Mozambique channel."

On page 15, of the Van Sittert book, Uncle Will quotes from *America Heraldica*—Bretano Bros. 1866: "VAN SITTART. This family may be said to belong as well to the English as to the Dutch aristocracy. It is descended from William Van Sittart of Dantzic, whose son Peter Van Sittert, followed the fortunes of the Prince of Orange and settled in England. His descendants are known in England as the Van Sittarts of Shottesbrook, County Berks. We have seen book plate of Nicholas Van Sittert, an American Van Sittert and found it to conform. The Rt. Hon. Nicholas Van Sittert of Shottesbrook was created Lord Bexley in 1822. (Peerage extinct 1851, as he died without issue)."



Van Sittert

Crest: An eagle's head, couped at neck between two spread wings, displayed sable, the latter resting on two crosses.

Motto: *Fata Viam Invenient* (The Fates Will Find a Way).

A second motto is also used, viz: *Grata Quies* (Peaceful Rest), which is the same as used on the Smith peacock coat of arms.

Henry Van Sittart had two sons, Henry and Nicholas. Nicholas was born in 1766, married Catherine Isabella, daughter of William, first Lord Auckland. He died February 8, 1851, without issue. He was a prominent figure in English political life—elected to parliament in 1792, Lord of Treasury of Ireland in 1804, Chancellor of the Exchequer from 1812 to 1823. He had a primitive simplicity of manner which won many friends.

There is a Van Sittert Bay in western Australia, Van Sittert Hills in New South Wales, Van Sittart Island in Arctic America, Mount Van Sittart in British Columbia, and a Sittart or Sittert town in the Netherlands.

THE VAN SITTERTS

The British and Dutch Van Sitterts have similar crests or coat-of-arms, viz: An eagle's head displayed sable between two wings (half eagle) mounted on two crosses. They also have the same motto: *Fata Viam Invenient* (The Fates Will Find a Way). See pages 17 and 18 in Van Sittert book and Fairburn's *Crests of Families of Great Britain and Ireland*. The difference in spelling in the German, English and Holland Van Sitterts is due to translation differences like Von in German, which corresponds to Van in Holland.

Great Grandfather Sander Van Sittert was born in 1786 and was operating a drug store in Monnickendam, Holland, in 1811, when Grandfather Dirk William Van Sittert was born. He was a man of high standing and treated with great respect. His wife was Alida Cramer, born March 23, 1787. To them were born two children, Dirk William Van Sittert, born September 20, 1811, and Johanna, who died November 15, 1842. Who Great Grandfather Sander Van Sittert's parents were and where he came from Uncle Will was unable to determine. In his letter of November 24, 1918, Uncle Will described this as the stone wall, back of which he could not penetrate. However, among the papers of Grandfather Dirk William Van Sittert and in the

possession of my cousin, Eugene Van Sittert, of Pasadena, California, is an old copy of crest or coat-of-arms identical and with the same motto of the English Van Sitterts which was handed down from Sander Van Sittert. On Grandmother Van Sittert's side of the family and on great step-grandfather, Ernest Hendrick August Scheeper's side the Holland records run back one hundred fifty years or more.

Great Step-Grandfather Ernest Hendrick August Scheeper was born in Amsterdam, Holland, July 23, 1792. He died in 1855 in Pella, Iowa. He was naturalized as a citizen of the United States of America in 1850. His pastel portrait done in 1836 is in the home of Dr. Clifford E. Smith, DeKalb, Illinois. He was a bachelor before becoming the second husband of my great-grandmother, Mrs. Gerritt Cornelius Van Niftrick. The youngest child, Huberta Gertruyda Van Niftrick (my Grandmother Van Sittert) was loved and treated as a daughter by him.

THE VAN SITTERT FAMILY

Pella *Journal*, August 12, 1869:

Married in this city on Tuesday evening, August 10, 1869, by Rev. C. B. Clark, Mr. Elias Smith and Miss Bertha C. Van Sittert, all of Pella. We congratulate our young friend (Lite Smith) on securing one of the fairest of the many lovely girls of Pella for a mate to help him guide the matrimonial barque over the sea of life. To them may life be a perpetual honeymoon of pleasure, without the semblance of a ripple to disturb them in their voyage down the stream of time, but may gentle zephyrs, laden with the fragrance of sweet blossoms, wait them along to the end of life's journey.

Mrs. Gerritt Cornelius Van Niftrick, by her second marriage, became Mrs. E. H. A. Scheeper.

Grandmother Van Sittert was a Van Niftrick and not a Scheeper.

SANDER VAN SITTERT, born 1786.

ALIDA CRAMER, born March 23, 1787. Married November 4, 1810. Sander Van Sittert operated a drug store in Monnickendam, Holland.

CHILDREN

1. JOHANNA, died November 15, 1842.
2. DIRK WILLIAM, born September 20, 1811.

DIRK WILLIAM VAN SITTERT, born September 20, 1811, at Monnickendam, Kingdom of Netherlands; died June 8, 1882, in Oskaloosa, Iowa, at home of son, E. H. A. Van Sittert; buried at Pella, Iowa.

HUBERTA GERTRUYDA VAN NIFTRICK. The seventh and youngest child of Mrs. Gerritt Cornelius Van Niftrick. Born at Nymwegen, Kingdom of Netherlands, on March 25, 1821. Married Dirk William Van Sittert February 17, 1847, and started for North America April 17, 1847, on board ship *Nagisaka*, Captain Bunnocuryer. Arrived Baltimore, Maryland, June 9, 1847. She died at Pella, Iowa, February 16, 1864, and is buried there.

CHILDREN

1. ERNEST HENRY AUGUST, born Pella, Iowa, November 11, 1847; died Los Angeles, California, July 25, 1918.
2. HUBERTA CHRISTINA, born Pella, Iowa, December 5, 1848; died Casper, Wyoming, December 9, 1935; buried at Villisca, Iowa, December 12, 1935.
3. WILLIAM DIRK, born Pella, Iowa, October 4, 1850; died July 20, 1851.
4. WILLIAM, born Pella, Iowa, September 8, 1852; died March 25, 1855.
5. ALEXANDER, born October 23, 1854; died August 30, 1855.
6. JOHN, born Pella, Iowa, October 23, 1856; died Long Beach, California, June 2, 1935.
7. WILLIAM, born September 26, 1858; died Cleveland, Shaker Heights, Ohio, September 13, 1930.
8. CHARLES, born Pella, Iowa, October 10, 1860; died August 28, 1861.
9. EMMA, born Pella, Iowa, January 20, 1862; died September 13, 1863.
10. CHARLES, born Pella, Iowa, February 12, 1864; still living (1936) at Long Beach, California.

(N. B.: Three Williams, two Charles).

ANTOINETTE KRAMER, second wife; born at Edam, Kingdom of Netherlands October 25, 1847; died October 27, 1912. They were married November 14, 1867, at Pella, Iowa, by Henry P. Scholte, minister of gospel, in presence of P. Kramer, father of bride, and Henry Van Sittert, son of groom; died in Pella, Iowa.

CHILDREN BY SECOND MARRIAGE

1. PETER, born Pella, Iowa, October 9, 1868; died February 18, 1937. On October 9, 1890 married Ella Pas (deceased).
 1. Will D., born September 29, 1895; married Mary Helen Vander Linden May 9, 1918. Children—
 - 1, Warren Glen, born January 23, 1920; graduate high school 1938; age 18.
 - 2, Barbara Ann, born November 2, 1922.
 - 3, Ella Jane, born September 12, 1929.
 - 4, Logan Earl, born August 16, 1934.
 Will is in dry goods business in Pella, Iowa. He now owns the store where he began as errand boy in grade school.
 2. Margaret Artie, born February 8, 1903.

3. Florence Ethel Van Sittert, born July 28, 1908.

Both single and live on home place, Pella, Iowa.
Florence is a successful teacher in public schools of Pella.

2. EMMA, born Pella, Iowa, January 29, 1871. Still living at 710 Washington Street, Pella, Iowa. (1938)

Adam Peter Van Nimwegen, born May 11, 1861; died May 23, 1917; married December 15, 1892.

1. Wilhelmina Emma, born November 16, 1895; on June 24, 1924 married Rev. Enos Edmund Heeren, born March 29, 1897. He is pastor of Reformed Church, Vriesland, Michigan, (near Holland, Michigan). Both graduated in 1919 from Central College at Pella, Iowa. He later graduated from Western Theological Seminary at Holland, Michigan, in 1924.

3. DAVID, born Pella, Iowa, May 3, 1873; a bachelor; died March 31, 1929, and was buried at Pella, Iowa.

E. H. A. VAN SITTERT, born Pella, Iowa, November 11, 1847; died Eagle Rock, California, November 25, 1918.

MARY ELLEN JAMES, born Peoria, Illinois, June 17, 1848; still living, June, 1940, 24 Oak Knoll Garden, Pasadena, California. Married December 25, 1868, at Oskaloosa, Iowa.

CHILDREN

1. EDWARD HENRY, born Pella, Iowa, November 15, 1871. Living (1936) Pasadena, California. Married Edith Newell and have daughter, Marjorie.
2. BENJAMIN FRANK, born Pella, Iowa, October 16, 1873. Living (1936) Glen Falls, New York. Married Jessie ——. Children are Norman (adopted), and Virginia.
3. HARRY J., born Pella, Iowa, February 14, 1875. Living (1936) Pasadena, California. Married Gertrude ——.
4. WILLIAM D., born Pella, Iowa, October 27, 1877. Living (1936) Pasadena, California. Married Sophie Hanson.
5. BERTHA CLARA, born Oskaloosa, Iowa, November 7, 1878. Died December 19, 1882.
6. RICHARD GENE, born Joliet, Illinois, February 28, 1884. Living (1940) Pasadena, California. Single.

JOHN VAN SITTERT, born Pella, Iowa, September 5, 1856; died Long Beach, California, June 2, 1935.

SENIA LOIDL, born February 14, 1865; died May 1, 1931. Married in Chicago, Illinois, November 7, 1889.

No children.

WILLIAM VAN SITTERT.

BELLE HARDEN, born October 30, 1869; married April 22, 1891. Living (1936) 3070 Becket Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

After a visit to England and Holland in 1909, William Van Sittert wrote the *Van Sittert* book.

CHILDREN

1. AMY WILLIS, born January 27, 1892; died January 30, 1892.
2. PEARL, born December 21, 1893. Married June 2, 1915, to Fred Lubahn, born November 16, 1888, and live at 2972 Somerton Road, Cleveland, Ohio. Fred Lubahn is office manager of the Cleveland Trans-Seas Shipping company.

1. Jack, born May 4, 1917; graduated from Case School of Applied Science in June, 1939; now working for Master's degree.

2. Shirley Belle, born March 28, 1916; graduate of Pratt Institute, June, 1940. Shirley Belle is teaching in college near St. Louis, Missouri. She is a dietician.

Married Robert M. Wolaver of Cleveland, July 12, 1941.

3. FERN, born August 20, 1895; died October 8, 1897, of appendicitis.
4. NEOLA, born February 10, 1898. Works at Trundle Engineering Company, Bulkley Building, 1501 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.
5. PAUL, born September 23, 1902; married Irene Roberta Langford, May 20, 1933; have daughter, Barbara Ann, born February 8, 1934. Irene Langford born May 16, 1908.

Paul Van Sittert is an engineer and tool designer for the Cleveland Pneumatic Tool Company. He received B. A. degree from Western Reserve in 1925. Residence, 3273 Daleford Road, Shaker Heights, Cleveland, Ohio.

CHARLES VAN SITTERT, born Pella, Iowa, February 12, 1864; still living (1940) at 533 East State Street, Long Beach, California.

ANNIE LAUBERSHEIMER, born November 30, 1864; died November 12, 1914. Married at Keokuk, Iowa, June 9, 1887.

CHILDREN

1. VERA, (Mrs. Stanley Hess) born July 15, 1889.
2. RAYMOND EDWARD, born July, 1891; died August, 1891.
3. CARLETON, born June 8, 1893.

Charles Van Sittert and Caroline Margaret Hodge (widow of James Van Allen Hodge) married at Keokuk, Iowa, March 3, 1917.

