

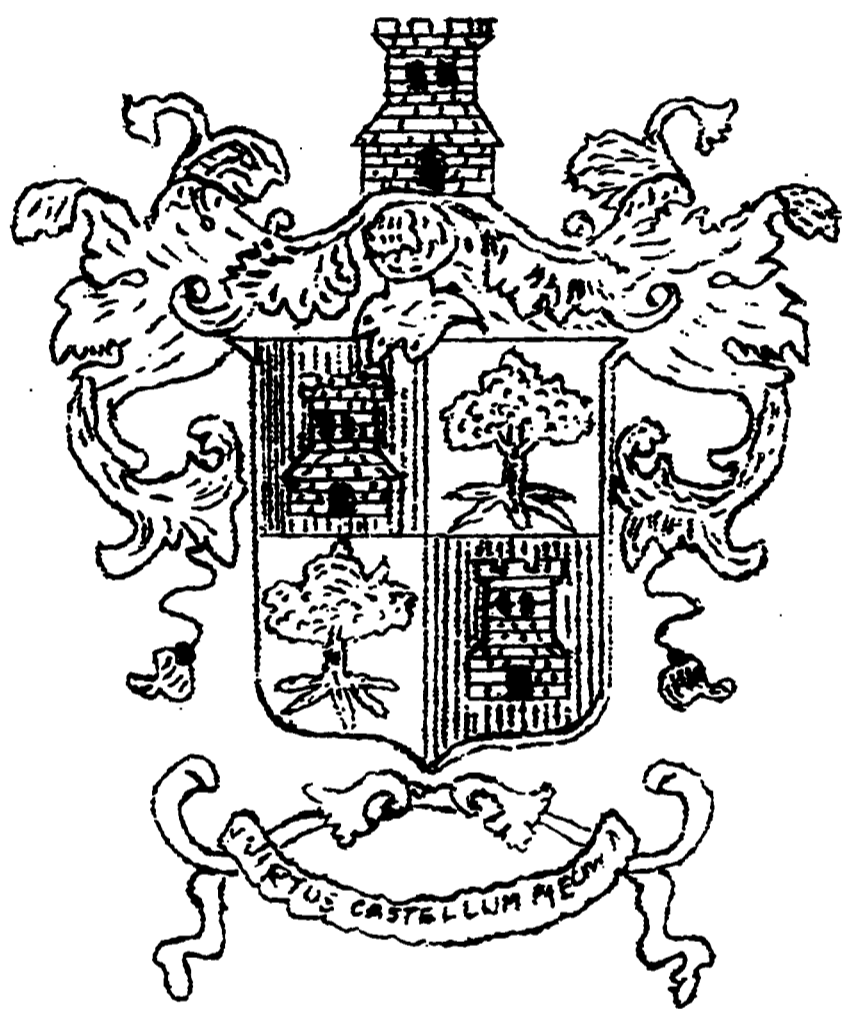
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etc.

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VAN VOORHEES

In preparing these sheets of family history the writer has had in mind not so much the going back to an early day and establishing connections there but rather the getting together under one cover a lot of the known facts relating to the various families and so preserving it to the extent that the younger generations might get a birds eye view of the ancestral line. The writer had especially in mind that these generations of younger people were in most cases far removed geographically from the earlier locations and so would probably never come in contact with such sources of information.

The following have been the chief sources of information:

"The Van Voorhees Family" by E.W. VanVoorhees
1888 Putnam and Sons.

"The Banta Genealogy" By Theodore M. Banta, 1893

"The Van Nuys Genealogy" By Carrie Allen, 1916

"Edgar Culbertson, Catherine Culbertson, and Eleanor Culbertson for the Culbertson and Scott lines.

Grace Fisher, Vinton Iowa, Certain Voris lines.

Mrs. Emma Meyer, Georgetown, Ky., Certain Voris data.

J. H. Voris, Marengo, Ind. Much information concerning later Voris generations.

No claim is made for either the correctness or the completeness of the record. Perhaps these sheets will suggest other connections and lead to a more complete record. The writer would be glad to have further information. These sheets are bound together in such a fashion that it will be found easy to add new sheets where necessary.

Sincerely,

C. R. Voris
Fairbury, Ill.

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VAN VOORHEES, VOORHEES, VORIS, ETC.

"The meaning in English of the Holland Name Van Voorhees is "from before Hees" Van meaning "from" "Voor" meaning "before" or "in front of" and Hees being a small village about a quarter of a mile south of the town of Ruinen, in the Province of Drenthe, Holland, which contained in 1660, nine houses and about fifty inhabitants. Ruinen was a flourishing town in 1660, and contained at that time, with its suburbs, 1976 inhabitants. The original name Van Voorhees has been subjected to many curious changes in this country, the writer having found it written in early times on family and public records, among other ways, as Van Voorheesen, Van Voorheeze, Van Voorhuysen, Van Voorheese, Van Voorhaise, Van Voorhouse, Van Voirhies, either with or without the "Van" and it is at the present day written by different branches of the family in such forms as Voorhis, Voorheis, Voris, Vorus, Voorhees, Voorhies, Vorhes, Vores, either with or without the "Van". The prevailing mode of writing it now, however, is Voorhees without the prefix "Van", such being the spelling used by the branches in most of the counties of New Jersey, except Bergen, where it is almost universally written Voorhis without the "Van".

"Some few branches have retained the "Van", such as the Oyster Bay, L. I., branch, the Dutchess County, N. Y., branch and one of the Bergen Co., N. Y., branches. Many of the Long Island families and some others write the name Voorhies, and this was probably one of the first changes made from the original name Van Voorhees.

"In regard to the arms of the family, published herewith, the writer, E. W. Van Voorhees, while in England in 1872, caused a search to be made by the St. James Heraldry Office, of London, for arms belonging to the Holland family of Van Voorhees, if any, and on the return of the search obtained the accompanying arms, with a certificate under the seal of the office. The certificate states that the armorial bearings assigned to the family from their simplicity indicate considerable antiquity. The description of the arms according to the terms of blazonry on the Continent is as follows:

E^c aux 1. & 4. de gu a'la tour d' or ouv' du champ.
aux 2x&3. d'argent a' l'arbre arr' de sinople.

the heraldic description of which in English would be as follows:

Quarterly, 1st & 4th gules--a tower d'or opened of
the field.

2d 3d argent-- a tree eradicated vert.

Crest--a tower d'or. Motto--Virtus castellum meum.

Of the origin and meaning of these arms nothing is recorded; they may possibly indicate that the first possessor held some castle or fortress in feudal times. The tree is quartered in right of a marriage with the heiress and representative of another family who bore this device.

"The earliest of the family of whom we have any definite information is Coert Alberts of Voohees, the father of the emigrant ancestor, Steven Coerte Van Voorhees, and from the fact of his second name being Albert with the terminal letter "s", meaning "son of", we know that his father's first name must have been Albert."

Albert..... of Voorhees

1. Court Alberts of Voorhees
2. Steven " " "
3. Hendrick" " " 5 children living in 1684
4. Luytgen " of Haecxwolt, living 1684 1 child 1684
5. Jan " of Heffelying, d. prior 1684. Left one Daughter who m. in 1684
6. Hilbert Alberts of Voorhees, d. prior 1684. Left two son and one daughter
7. Wesvel Alberts of Voorhees
8. Gertien Alberts of Oshaer by Veghten, living in 1684 left children
9. Merghin Alberts of Voorhees
m. Jan Mewus of the Hught, who died prior 1684.
In 1684 she resided with her daughter and son-in-law at the Hught.

1. Coert Alberts of Voorhees,

b. Hilbert Coerte of Voorhees, b. 1634.

Had two son and one daughter by first wife,
and five son by second wife.

c. Jan Coerte of Voorhees,

He occupied the homestead of his father in
1684.

d. Albert Coerte of Berhuyn, d. prior to 1699.

m. Aletyn.....

Had twin children, Swanteyn and Elizabeth,
b. 1683.

e. Wesvel, Coerte of Veeninge, d. prior to 1699.

f. A daughter, name unknown.

g. A daughter, name unknown.

4. Steven Coerte Van Voorhees, b. 1600 at Hees, Holland, d. Feb. 16, 1684, at Flatlands, L. I. m. 1st, in Holland, a wife, name unknown, who bore all his children; m. 2nd prior to 1677 on Long Island, Willempie Roelofse Seubering, daughter of Roelof Seubering, b. 1619, d. 1690.

He emigrated from before the village of Hees, in the province of Drenthe, Holland, in April 1660, in the ship "Bontekoe" (Spotted Cow), Captain Pieter Lucassen, with his wife and all his children except his daughters Hendrickjen and Merghin. He purchased Nov. 29, 1660, from Cornelis Dircksen Hoogland, 9 morgens of cornland, 7 morgens of woodland, 10 morgens of plainland, and 5 morgens of salt meadow in Flatlands, L. I., for 3000 guilders, also the house and houseplot lying in the village "Amesfoort en Bergen" (Flatlands), with the brewery and all the brewing apparatus, kettle house and casks, with the appurtenances, as per page 37 of Liber B. of Flatbush Records. He and his wife, Willempie Roelofse Seubering were members of the Dutch Church of Flatlands in 1667. His name appears on the assessment rolls of Flatlands of 1675 and 1683, as a Magistrate in 1664, and on a Patent of 1667. His will is dated Aug. 25, 1677.

- A. Hendrickjen Stevense Van Voorhees of Holland and Flatlands. m. Jan Kiers.

She appears to have come over from Holland some years after her father had settled at Flatlands, L. I. Her name and that of her husband appear on the baptismal record of the Flatbush Dutch church as witnesses at the baptism of Steven, son of her brother Lucas Stevense Van Voorhees and Catherine Hansen Van Noortstrand on Sept. 16, 1677.

No record of any children.

- B. Merghin Stevense Van Voorhees of Holland d. Oct. 28, 1702, m. 1st..... Roelofs m. 2nd Rimmelt Willemse.

She resided in 1684 at Dwingelo, Holland, with her son-in-law Jan Van Echten.

- I. Roelof Roelofs of Ostwick, Holland.
- II. Annachen Roelofs.
- III. Wennechyn Roelofs of Groningen, Holland.
- IV. Aletyn Roelofs of Ruinen, Holland.
- V. Wilhelm Rimmelts of Saxum, Groningen, Holland.
- VI. Hillechen Rimmelts of Groningen, Holland.
- VII. Roelofyn Rimmelts.

C. Court Stevense Van Voor Hess of Flatlands, L. I., b. 1637, d. after 1702; m. prior to 1664, Marretse Van Couwenhoven, dau. of Gerrit Wolfertse Van Couwenhoven and Aeltie Lambertse Cool; bar. Apr. 10, 1644, d. prior to 1709, and after 1702. His name appears on the assessment rolls of Flatlands of 1675 and 1683, a member of the Dutch Church of Flatlands and Deacon in 1677, a Magistrate in 1664 and 1673, and Captain of Militia in 1679. He was with Elbert Elbertse Stoothoff a representative of Flatlands in the General Assembly held at the city hall in New Amsterdam on Apr. 10, 1664, and also a delegate to the convention held Mar. 6, 1674, at New Orange to confer with Gov. Colve. He took the Oath of Allegiance in Flatlands Sept. 1687. On March 8, 1691, he bought of John Tilton all his real Estate in Gravesend, L. I. (Tilton reserving the use thereof for twelve months unless he should sooner remove from the town). Deed recorded in Liber 2, page 28, of Kings Co. Conveyances--consideration 295 pounds. Tilton's property was mainly located on Gravesend Neck, and some of it is still held by the Voorhees family, this purchase being the first of any considerable amount made by the Voorhees family in Gravesend. On June 20, 1699 he conveyed this property for 295 pounds to his son Albert Coerte, as per Gravesend Town records. He also joined in a deed, with his brothers and brothers-in-law, Lucas Stevense, John Stevense, Albert Stevense, John Kierstead, Barrent Jurianz, Alexander Sympson, and Albert Voorhees, to his son Gerrit Coerte, of "all that piece or parcel of land lying in the town of Flatlands in Kings Co., containing by estimation, six-and-seventy acres, bounded, etc. Deed dated May 8, 1694, recorded in Liber 2, page 34, of Kings Co. Conveyances.

- VIII. Steven Coerte, of Gravesend, L. I.
d. Feb. 16, 1723. m. 1st Agatha
Janse.
- IX. Marretje Coerte, m. Dec. 11, 1681
Jacob Remsen.
- X. Albert Coerte, of Gravesend, L. I. m.
1st Sara Willemse Cornell, m. 2nd
May 15, 1743, Willemtje Suydam; m.
3rd, Dec. 1, 1744, Ida Vanderbilt.
- XI. Gerrit Coete, d. circa 1703; m. 1st
Mensie Janse; m. 2nd Apr. 6, 1685
Willemtje Pieters.
- XIII. Neeltje Coerte, b. June 30, 1676; d.
August 4, 1750; M. Garret R. Schenck
of Monmouth Co. N. J.
- XII. Altje Coerte, d. Nov. 12, 1746; m. 1st
Johannes Willemse; m. second, Apr.
16, 1687, Joost Rutgerste Van Brunt.
- XIV. Cornelis Coerte, bap. Jan. 23, 1678
m. Antie Remsen.
- XV. Annatie Coerte, Bap. Dec. 5, 1680;
m. Jan Rapalje, of Brooklyn, L. I.
- XVI. Johannes Coerte, b. Apr. 20, 1683; d.
Oct. 10, 1757; m. 1st, Nov. 19, 1703,
Barbara Van Dyck, dau. of Achaias
Van Dyck and Jannetje Lamberts; m.
2nd May 2, 1744 Sarah Van Vleit.

D. Lucas Stevensse Van Voorhees, of Flatlands,
L. I., and at one time of Hackensack, N. J.,
b. 1650; d. 1713; m. 1st, Catherine Hansen
Van Noortstrand and Jannecken Gerritse
Van Loon; m 2nd, Jan. 26, 1689, Jannetje
Minnes, dau. of Minne Johannis and Rensie
Faddans; m 3rd, in 1703 Catherine Van Dyck.
Was a member of Flatlands Dutch Church
in 1677, and an elder in 1711. On assess-
ment rolls of said town in 1675, and in
1680, a Magistrate. From the baptismal
records of the Dutch Church of Hackensack,
N. J., it appears that he resided in that
place in 1685, but in 1687 he took the oath
of allegiance in Flatlands, L. I.

- XVII. Elbert Lucasse, of Flatlands, Flatbush,
and Jamaica, L. I.; Will proved
Apr. 17, 1722; m. Styntje Hendricks,
dau. of Hendrick Hermanse.
- XVIII. Jan Lucasse, of Flatlands and New
Jersey, bap. Feb. 19, 1675; m. 1st
Oct. 10, 1699, Anna Van Duyckhuysen,
dau. of Jan Teunissen Van Duyckhuysen

and Achia or Agatha Stoothooff;
 m. 2nd Mar. 5, 1704, Mayke R.
 Schenck, dau. of Roelof Martense
 Schenck and Annatie Pieters; m.
 3rd Jan. 25, 1737, Jannetje Remsen,
 dau. of Jacob Remsen and Gertrude
 Vanderbilt.

- XIX. Stephen Lucasse, Bap. Sept. 16, 1777.
 XX. Hans Lucasse, bap. Sept. 7, 1679; m.
 May 17, 1715, Neeltje Nevius, dau.
 Pieter Nevius and Jannetje Roelofse
 Schenck.
 XXI. Jannetje Lucasse, bap. Dec. 25,
 1681; d. Apr. 17, 1758; m. June
 24, 1704, Martin Schenck.
 XXII. Willemetje Lucasse, Bap. Nov. 19,
 1683. d. in infancy.
 XXIII. Anna Lucasse, b. Apr. 25, 1686,
 d. Sept. 30, 1774; m. June 5,
 1709 William Couenhoven of Flat-
 lands, L. I.
 XXIV. Catryntje Lucasse, m. May 3, 1712,
 Roelof Nevius of the Raritan
 River, N. J.
 XXV. Elsje Lucasse.
 XXVI. Reinsche Lucasse, m. May 22, 1715,
 Johannes Nostrand of Flatlands,
 L. I.
 XXVII. Willemetje Lucasse, Bap. Nov. 15,
 1694, m. Aug. 27, 1715, Martin
 Nevius of Flatlands, L. I. and
 1719 of Marlboro, Monmouth Co., N. J.
 XXVIII. Albert Lucasse of Flatlands, L. I.
 and New Brunswick, N. J. b. May
 10, 1698, d. Oct. 28, 1734; m. 1st
 May 10, 1720 Arrejeantje Ditmars,
 dau. of Laurens Ditmars of Flat-
 lands, L. I. and Elizabeth Hegeman;
 2nd. 1722, Catryntje Cornell.
 XXIX. Roelof Lucasse, of Flatlands, L. I.
 and Three Mile Run, N. J. d. 1751;
 m. 1st Apr. 26, 1714 Helena Stoot-
 hoof, dau. of Gerret Elbertse
 Stoothooff and Johanna Nevius; m.
 2nd Margreta Cortelyou.

- XXX. Minne Lucasse of Flatlands, L. I. and New Brunswick, N. J. d. 1733; m. 1st Apr. 25, 1717, Antie Wyckoff, dau. of Gerrit Pieterse Wyckoff and Catherin Nevius; m. 2nd Lammetje Stryker, dau. of Gerrit Janse Stryker and Styntje Gerretse Dorland of Six Mile Run, N. J.
- XXXI. Abraham Lucasse, of Flatlands, L. I. and South Middlebush, N. J. m. Neeltje Cortelyou, dau. of Jacques Cortelyou of New Utrecht, L. I.
- XXXII. Teuntje Lucasse, bap. Jan. 26, 1707 in New York City.

- E. Jan Stevense Van Voorhees of Flatlands, L. I. b. 1652, d. (will proved Nov. 20, 1735) m. 1st March 17, 1678, Cornelia Reiniers Wizzel-penning, dau. Reinier Wizzel-penning and Jannetie Snediker, m. 2nd Oct. 8, 1680, Femmetje Aukes Van Nuys, dau. of Auke Janse Van Nuys and Magdalena Pieterse. Bap. Mar. 12, 1662.

On the assessment rolls of Flatlands of 1675 and 1683 and took the oath of allegiance there in 1687.

On Oct. 7, 1681, he bought of Auke Janse Van Nuys for 300 guilders, the land at "Pardegat", which Auke Janse Van Nuys bought of Bartel Claesen, as per Flatbush Records, Liber A. A. p. 144.

On Nov. 17, 1693, he bought of Roelof Martense Schenck his farm lying in the "Pardegat" in Flatlands.

On May 5, 1714, he bought from his brother Lucas Stevense Van Voorhees, 280 acres of land in Middlesex Co., New Jersey, "beginning 80 chains from the Raritan river by the land of Cornelius Langstreet, running thence S. W. 80 chains, from thence at right angles 35 chains the course being N. 45 degrees W., thence N. E. 80 chains, from thence to the place of beginning."

On July 1, 1714, he bought of Englebert Lott, Pieter Stryker and Daniel Polhemus, 15 morgens of land in the town of Flatbush for the consideration of 70 pounds.

On July 23, 1716, he bought of William Couenhoven 7 acres of land in the town of Flatlands.

On May 9, 1729, he bought of John Waldron two lots of woodland in Flatbush, "lying in the second Keuters division, known as lots Nos. 9 and 10."

His will dated Jan. 3, 1723, Proved Nov. 20, 1735, recorded in the Surrogate's Office, New York City, in Liber 12 p. 356, is as follows:

"In the name of God, Amen. This third day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred twenty three, I, John Stevenson, of Flatlands, in Kings County, on the island of Nassau, Yeoman, being very well and in good health, and of perfect mind and memory-thanks being given unto Almighty God-calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament-that is to say- Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, and for my body I recommend it the earth to be buried in a christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God--and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, devise and dispose of the same in the manner following.

Imprimis, I give and bequeath to Femmetje, my loving wife, all my estate of houses, lands, meadows, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging situate, lying and being in the town of Flatlands, or elsewhere, for and during her natural life. Item, It is further my will that immediately after my loving wife's decease, all my whole estate of houses, lands, meadows, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any ways appertaining, either in the Town of Flatlands or elsewhere, shall be sold to the best advantage, and the moneys that shall arise by the sale of my aforesaid estate shall be equally

divided among my eleven children, by name, Stephen, Auken, Willemetje, John, Roelof, Magdalena, Lucas, Albert, Abraham, Femmetje and Jacobus, unto them and each of them, and every of their heirs and assigns forever. Item, It is further my will that my loving wife Femmetje shall have all my goods and chattels, rights and credits for and during her natural life, and immediately after my loving wife's decease I give all my goods and chattels, rights and credits, to my eleven children above named, unto them and each of their heirs, and in equal proportions, except my oldest son Stephen shall have twenty shillings over and above his equal share with the rest of my above named children, for his birthright. Item, It is also my will that if any of my above named children shall happen to be unmarried at my loving wife's decease, then that are then unmarried shall have so much out of my whole estate as those have had that are married, for their setting out, besides their or any of their equal proportion. Item, It is further my will that if any of my above named children shall happen to die under age and without issue, that then the deceased's portion shall be equally divided among the survivors of my above named children or their heirs. And I do hereby constitute and appoint my loving wife Femmetje to be whole and sole Executrix of this, my last Will and Testament, and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke, and disannul all and every former Testaments, Wills, and Legacies, Bequests, and Executors by me in any way before this time named, willed and bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

John Stevenson (L. S.)

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced, and declared by the said John Stevenson as his last Will and Testament, in the presence of subscribers,

William Couwenhoven, Dirck Amerman,
Gerrit Foy.

William Cosby, Captain General and Governor-in-chief of the provinces of New York and New Jersey, and the Territories thereon depending in America, Vice-Admiral of the same, and Colonel in his Majesty's Army, etc. To all to whom these presents shall come or may concern, Greeting: Know ye, that at Kings Co. the twentieth day of November instant, before Richard Stillwell, Esquire Being thereunto duly authorized and appointed, the last Will and Testament of John Stevenson was proved, and now approved and allowed of by me, having while he lived, and at the time of his death, Goods, Rights and Credit in divers places within this Province, by means whereof the full disposition of all and singular the Goods, Rights and Credits of the said deceased and the granting administration of them, as also the hearing of accounts, calculations or reckoning, and the final discharge and dismissal from the same, unto me solely and not unto any other inferior judge, are manifestly known to belong, and administration of all and singular the Goods, Rights, and Credits of the said deceased, and his last Will and Testament in any manner or way concerning, was granted unto Femmetje Stevenson, the Executrix, in the within Will named, chiefly of well and truly administering the same, and of making a just, and true, and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Rights, and Credits of the deceased, and exhibiting the same into the resitsry of the Prerogative Court in the Secretary's Office for the Province of New York and that on or before the twentieth day of May next ensuing, and of rendering a just and true account Calculating and reckoning when thereunto required. In testimony whereof I have caused the Prerogative Seal of the said Province of New York to be hereunto affixed this twentieth day of November 1735.

XXXIII. Stephen Janse of Flatlands and Jamaica, L. I., bap. Dec. 20, 1679 at Flatlands; (Will proved Sept. 18, 1759); m. 1st Catryna--, m. 2nd, Sarah--.

- XXXIV. Auke Janse of Flatlands, L. I. Bap.
May 21, 1682.
- XXXV. Willemetie Janse, bap. Feb. 24, 1684
at Flatlands.
- XXXVI. Jan Janse of Staten Island, bap.
May 2, 1686 at Brooklyn; m. 1st
Neeltje Nevius, 2nd Marya----.
- XXXVII. Roelof Janse of Flatlands, L. I.,
d. Dec. 1, 1772. m. Antie----
d. Sept. 1757.
- XXXVIII. Magdalena Janse.
- XXXIX. Lucas Janse of Flatlands, L. I.
- XL. Albert Janse of Flatlands and New
Jersey.
- XLI. Abraham Janse of Flatlands, L. I.
and New Jersey. m. Styntje
Vandeveer.
- XLII. Femmetje Janse.
- XLIII. Jacobus Janse of Flatlands, L. I.
and New Jersey; bap. Mar. 24, 1696.
m 1st Maria---- m. 2nd Nelly----.

- F. Albert Stevense Van Voorhees, of Flatlands,
L. I. and afterwards of Hackensack, Bergen
Co., N. J.; m. 1st, Barrentje Willemse;
m. 2nd, Apr. 24, 1681, Tilletje Reiniers
Wizzel-penning, dau. of Reinier Wizzel-
penning and Jannetje Snediker; m. 3rd,
Helena Van der Schure.

On the assessment roll of Flatlands, L.
I., of 1683 and in 1686 he obtained a
patent for a large tract of land on the
western side of the Hackensack River, be-
tween Kinderkamack and Hackensack, to which
place he removed, and in the vicinity of
which place his decendants principally
reside. He was one of the organizers of
the First Dutch Church of Hackensack, of
which he and Hendrick Jorise Brinkerhoff
were the first Elders.

- XLIV. Cornelia Albertse, bap. Oct. 14,
1681, Flatbush, L. I.; m. Apr. 17,
1703, Juriaen Lubbertse Westervelt.
- XLV. Stephen Albertse, bap. Oct. 28, 1683,
at Flatlands, L. I. died in infancy.
- XLVI. Stephen Albertse, bap. Apr. 12,
1685, at New Utrecht, L. I.; m.
Jannetje Aljie (this name was after-
wards frequently written "Alyea").

- XLVII. Jannetje Albertse, m. Oct. 4, 1712,
Garrett Abramse Ackerman, bap.
May 3, 1685.
- XLVIII. William Albertse, b. 1694; d. July
19, 1745. m. 1st, April 19, 1718,
Susanna Laroe, m. 2nd, Jan. 6,
1728 Marie Van Gelden.
- XLIX. Margrietje Albertse, b. 1695; m.
Apr. 1716, Peter Aljieor Alyea.
- L. Lucas Albertse, bap. Feb. 26, 1699
at Hackensack, N. J. ; m. July
30, 1726, Annatie, dau. of
Nicholas Kipand Antie Breyant,
bap. Jan. 3, 1706 at Hackensack,
N. J.
- LI. Jacobus Albertse, b. 1700; m. Aug.
5, 1732, Jannetje Ackerman.
- LII. Rachel Albertse, bap. Oct. 6, 1702;
m. Gellyn or Julian Ackerman.
- LIII. Albert Albertse, bap. July 27,
1704; m. May 24, 1735, Cornelia
Van Giesen.
- LIV. Petrus Albertse, bap. Nov. 3, 1706;
m. May 25, 1734, Geesjean Romeyn.
- LV. Isaac Albertse, bap. Aug. 1, 1708;
m. Oct. 6, 1730, Urseltje Romeyn.
- LVI. Femmetje Albertse, m. Jacob
Vanderbeeck.
- LVII. Willemetje Albertse, m. 1st Cornelis
Bougaert. m. 2nd, Johannes
Slotd.
- LVIII. Jan Albertse, m. Mar. 18, 1721,
Elizabeth Van Orden.
- G. Altje Stevense Van Voorhees, b. 1656; m.
1673, Barrent Jurianz Ryder.
Barrent Jurianz Van Ryden or Ryder, was
the ancestor of the Gravesend, L. I.
family of Ryder. He emigrated to New
Netherlands in 1658; was a Magistrate in
Gravesend, L. I., in 1673 and in 1679;
one of the freeholders of Gravesend in
1680; on the assessment roll of said town
in 1683; took the oath of allegiance there
in 1687; a surveyor in 1689 and in 1707
was called Barrent Ryde.
- LIX. Stephen Barrenste Ryder, b. 1674;
d. Dec. 3, 1753; m. Elizabeth
Bloodgood.
- LX. Jurian Barrenste Ryder, m.
Elizabeth ----.
- LXI. Albert Barrenste Ryder, m.
Margrietie----.

- LXII. Jan Barrenste Ryder, bap. Nov. 14, 1680. Died in infancy.
- LXIII. Cornelis Barrenste Ryder, m. Marytie-----.
- LXIV. Jan Barrenste Ryder, bap. Aug. 16, 1685; m. Altie-----.
- LXV. Barnardue Barrenste Ryder, b. Feb. 29, 1687; m. Arriantie Suydam.
- H. Jannetje Stevensen Van Voorhees, m. 1st, Jan Martense Schenck, d. 1689; m. 2nd, Alexander Sympson.
- LXVI. Jannetje Janse Schenck, b. 1673; m. May 20, 1692 Gerret Janse Dorlant.
- LXVII. Marten Janse Schenck, b. 1675; m. Dec. 2, 1703 Cornelia Van Wessell, widow of Domine Lupardius.
- LXVIII. Willemetje Janse Schenck, b. 1677; m. Pieter Wyckoff of Monmouth Co., N. J.
- LXIX. Stephen Janse Schenck, d. in infancy.
- LXX. Johannes Janse Schenck, bap. Nov. 5, 1682; d. in infancy.
- LXXI. Neeltje Janse Schenck, bap. Nov. 23, 1683; m. Oct. 5, 1712, John Wyckoff of the Raritan, N. J.
- LXXII. Stephen Janse Schenck, b. Jan. 22, 1686; m. Sept. 26, 1713, Antie, dau. of Nicholas Wyckoff.
- LXXIII. Altje Janse Schenck.
- LXXIV. Antie Janse Schenck.
- LXXV. Jannetje Sympson, bap. Jan. 28, 1719 in New York City.
- I. Hendrickje Stevensen Van Voorhees, m. 1st Jan Kierstead; m. 2nd, Albert Albertse Terhune, of Flatlands, L. I., and afterward of Hackensack, N. J. bap. Aug. 13, 1651; (will dated Feb. 3, 1704).
- LXXVI. Willemetje Albertse Terhune, bap. Apr. 7, 1677; d. in infancy.
- LXXVII. Albert Albertse Terhune; m. Marretje de Graves.
- LXXVIII. Jan Albertse Terhune; m. Elizabeth Bertholf.
- LXXIX. Antie Albertse Terhune; m. Jacob Zrabriskie.
- LXXX. Gerrebrecht Albertse Terhune; m. Abram Houseman.

- LXXXI. Willemtje Albertse Terhune; m.
Jacobus Bougaert.
- LXXXII. Stephen Albertse Terhune; m. Lydia
de Maree.
- LXXXIII. Maratie Albertse Terhune, bap. Oct.
11, 1686; m. Hendrick Bertholf.
- LXXXIV. Geertrud Albertse Terhune.
- LXXXV. Rachel Albertse Terhune, bap. Apr.
21, 1690; m. Jan Hendrickse Hoppe
- J. Abraham Stevense Van Voorhees, of Flatlands.
L. I; m. Altje, dau. of Jacobus Gerritsen
Strycker and Ida Huybrechts.
- LXXXVI. John Abramse of Flatbush, L. I. and
afterwards of Princeton, N. J.
m. 1730 Janette Kershow.

The previous Van Voorhees line has been copied verbatim from "The Van Voorhees Family", by E. W. Van Voorhees, published by Putnam and Sons. They have listed eighty six grandchildren of Steven Courte Van Voorhees, the emigrant from Holland. We have been unable to connect any of these branches through to the oldest known ancestor of the writer's family. This ancestor is Albert Voris, born Mar. 25, 1753, who married Anna Banta in 1783 in Kentucky and who later died and was buried at Pleasureville, Ky. The writer has had done quite a bit of research work by a reliable geneologist in the East and has corresponded with several who have worked on the problem but has been unable to definitely connect the line.

In the Banta and Van Nuys parts of this paper it will be seen that about 1765 a group of people migrated to Conewago, York Co., Pennsylvania and there established a church. Many years later a quite complete record, including a baptismal record, was located for this church as published in the Somerset County Historical Quarterly, Vol. 4, page 161. In examining the baptismal records we find six male members of the Voorhees family with their wives and children named.

Peterus Voorhees	&	Sophia de Bogart,
Cornelius "	&	Johanna Langstrate,
Roelof "	&	Elizabeth Neefis,
Abram "	&	Brighee Speeder,
Jacob "	&	Sara Sickles,
Garret "	&	Lena Holenset,

It appears that of these, Roelof & Elizabeth Neefis (Nevius) was son of Garret, son of Roelof Lucasse (XXIX Van Voorhees Book); Abram and Brighee Spader (Bridget Speeder), son of Abram, son of Minne Lucasse (XXX Van Voorhees Book); Jacob & Sara Sickles, son of Albert, son of Albert Lucasse (XXVIII Van Voorhees Book); Peter & Sophia De Bogart, son of Roelof, son of Jan Lucasse (XVIII Van Voorhees Book).

There also appears some six or seven Voorhees women who have married and have presented children for baptism. Of these the writer has identified Catriena Voorhees, who married Jacobus Brinkerhoff. She appears to be a daughter of Lucas Albertse (L Van Voorhees Book).

It appears then that the four male members above converge in Lucas Stevens (D in outline) as great grandfather. Also Catriena Brinkerhoff goes back to Albert Stevens as grandfather (F in outline).

These members of the Van Voorhees family then at Conewago were not closely related, being far removed cousins. The writer's idea for reasoning thus is to show that there appears to be no

reason for looking to the immediate families of those mentioned at Conewago for the ancestor of the Albert in question. As a matter of fact the ancestry of Albert as chosen goes back to Jan Stevense as great grandfather (E in outline), and so Albert stands in same relationship to the four male members mentioned above as would the children of Catriena Brinkerhof.

The writer has searched the Van Voorhees book for all the possible Alberts to select the possibilities to compare with the known facts as given above. Of all the many dozens of individuals bearing this name, there is only one which can possibly be the correct one. He is the son of Cornelius who married Lena _____ and is found on page 554 of the Van Voorhees book, only his name and date of baptism is given as Apr. 8, 1753. This gives an interval of just two weeks between the birth date and baptismal date. This interval in a measure confirms the identity of the two Alberts as being the same.

It was a belief in those times that an unbaptised child was lost and so in cases where the child was not robust and strong the ceremony was attended to promptly. The writer has located one case where the interval was as short as eight days.

M. J. Voris of Franklin, Indiana, writes that there is a tradition in his branch of the family to the effect that Albert's father's name was Cornelius. (He is a great grandson of Albert Voris) Also the writer in looking over correspondence in possession of Mary Hodgson (the owner of Van Voorhees book, borrowed) between her father and E. W. Van Voorhees, author of Van Voorhees book, Mr. E. W. Van Voorhees states that it was a very common custom for a father to name his oldest son after his own father.

There is also a very striking bit of evidence running through the naming of the children of Albert Voris and Anna Banta. This evidence relates not only to the names which were used, but it is strengthened materially by the order in which they were used.

From the Van Voorhees book, pages 553-554 we have Cornelius Voorhees married Lena _____.

1. Catherine.
2. Albert (chosen as the one who married Anna Banta).
3. Marya.
4. Isaac.
5. John.
6. Lucas.
7. Cornelius.
8. Lena (this not given in Van Voorhees book, but located by writer from records at Six Mile Run).

From the Banta book (a Fresian family) page 87-88, Hendrick Banta married Maria Stryker.

1. Hendrick.
2. Peter.
3. Rachel.
4. Abraham.
5. Anna (married Albert Voris).
6. Sarah.
7. John.
8. Lea.
9. Albert.

From Banta book, page 157, we find Albert Voris married Anna Banta and the following children are given:

- a. Cornelius.
- b. Henry.
- c. Magdaline.
- d. Mary.
- e. Catherine.
- f. Rachel.
- g. Anna.
- h. Leah.
- i. Albert.
- j. Frances.
- k. John.
- l. Peter.
- m. Elizabeth.
- n. Joanna.

It will be observed that:

- 1st. a. Named after Albert's father.
- 2nd. b. Named after Anna's father.
- 3rd. c. Named " Albert's mother.
- 4th. d. Named " Anna's mother.
- 5th. e. Named " Albert's oldest sister.
- 6th. f. " " Anna's oldest sister.
- 7th. g. " " Anna.
- 8th. i. " " Albert.
- 9th. l. & k. could be named after brothers of either, and so we may consider one as named after Albert's brother and one after Anna's brother.
- 10th. h. Named after Anna's sister.

The reasons heretofore given are strengthened by the absence of conflicting evidence. It has not been determined whether Albert Voris went from New Jersey to Kentucky via Conewago or whether he went direct. The fact that he was married after he arrived in Kentucky and consequently his children were born later keeps him off the records at Conewago if he were there.

The writer does not claim that he has settled definitely the ancestry of our Albert Voris, but thinks that he has chosen the most plausible one. If there appears later more definite information which conflicts or confirms his assumption he will gladly accept either.

XL. Albert Janse Van Voorhees, child of Jan Stevense Van Voorhees and Femmetje Aukes Van Nuys and grandchild of Steven Coerte Van Voorhees.

He resided at Flatlands, L. I. His name appears on a list of officers and soldiers belonging to the regiment of militia in Kings Co., L. I., 1715 ("Documentary History of New York," Vol. I., p. 115).

Children.

1. Aaron resided in vicinity of Harlingen, Somerset Co., N. J.

- a. Lammetje, bap. July 8, 1753.
- b. John, bap. June 20, 1754.
- c. Auke, bap. Nov. 17, 1755. Rev. soldier. Off. in war Rev., being Ensign in the 2nd regiment of Hunterdon Co. N. J. militia.
- d. Anne, bap. Mar. 21, 1761.
- e. Coert, bap. Aug. 4, 1765.
- f. George, bap. Aug. 9, 1767.
- g. Nelly, bap. Oct. 14, 1770, infancy.
- h. Nelly, bap. Mar. 24, 1771.
- i. Jacob, bap. Mar. 17, 1776.

2. Albert resided first in vicinity of Six Mile Run, Somerset Co., N. J. and afterward near Lamiagton, Somerset Co. N. J.

- a. Albert, b. Dec. 26, 1757; d. Dec. 25, 1834.
m. Margaret Workman, b. Sept. 27, 1768; d. June 20, 1850.
- b. Jermias, bap. Sept. 10, 1758.
- c. John.
- d. Cornelius.
- e. Garrett.
- f. Ellen.
- g. Kate.
- h. Aaron.

3. Cornelius. He resided in Somerset Co., N. J., four of his children being baptised at Six Mile Run, and three at Harlingen. m. Lena_____.

- a. Catherine, bap. Mar. 18, 1752.
- b. See below.
- c. Mary, bap. Mar. 15, 1755.
- d. Isaac, bap. Apr. 8, 1759.
- e. John, bap. Mar. 1, 1761. He left New Jersey and settled in Cayuga Co., N. Y.
- f. Lucas, bap. July 10, 1763. m. Maria Cornell Sept. 14, 1819, who died Oct. 4, 1857. He lived in New Jersey in 1823 and settled in Cayuga Co., N. Y., but returned in 1832 to vicinity of Millstone, N. J.
- g. Cornelius, bap. Apr. 21, 1765, d. circa 1850. m. Mary Gulic. He removed from Somerset Co., N. J. in 1822 to Genessee Co., N. Y., afterward to Seneca Co., N. Y., and finally to the vicinity of Rockford, Ill.

- A. Lucas, bap. Feb. 5, 1797.
- B. Mary, bap. June 22, 1800.
- C. John C. b. May 6, 1804, m. 1825 Jane Huff, Isaac Huff. m. Eliza E. Flagg Oct. 1848.
Samuel Niles
George
John Nelson
Joseph
Mary Jane
Horace H.
- D. Catherine Ann, b. Nov. 5, 1806.
- E. Samuel, bap. Mar. 1, 1812. m. Wagner.
- F. Abram, b. May 7, 1814.
- G. Isaac, m. Covert.

b. Albert Voris, born March 25, 1753. Bap. Apr. 8, 1753. Married Anna Banta, dau. of Henry Banta and Marya Stryker Banta, born July 29, 1767. He was an elder in the church at Pleasureville, Ky. and was burried there. M. J. Voris of Franklin, Ind. writes that he has visited the cemetary at Pleasureville and that a Revolutionary war marker has been erected on his grave, also that he has had the monument cleaned and reset in cement.

Albert Voris was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. A tradition handed down thru the family comes from J. H. Voris to the effect that he barely escaped being captured in the battle of Long Island. Here again, as earlier in this paper, there appears difficulty in determining for certain his Revolutionary war record. It appears reasonably sure though

that he enlisted from Pennsylvania and that probably the following record from the Bureau of Pensions relates to our ancestor:

"In the Rolls as reported in the Pa. Archives, the following records appear:

Vol. 2, series 5, p. 299: Albert Vorris, private, Capt. Richard Brown's Co.

Vol. 2, series 5, p. 301: " " " " " " Brown's Co.

Pay Roll, pay due Sept. 1, 1776, 1st.

Batt. Pa. Regt. of Rifle Men, now commanded by Lt. Col. Brodhead. p. 303, Muster Roll, same company, encamped (record mutilated).

p. 305, Roll certified to by 1st Lt. Fr. Moore, as mustered on the parade in camp near King's bridge, New York.

p. 307, Muster Roll, same company, Oct. 1st, 1776, Lt. James Brodhead on command; Albert Vorris gone to the Hospital, Sept. 29; in camp near Harlem, regt. raised for the defense of Pa., now in the Continental Service.

p. 309, same as above, Albert Vorris, sick and absent; in Camp near Corryells Ferry, dated Oct. 1776.

It is stated in the introduction that this rifle regiment was raised strictly for the defense of the Province of Pa. at the suggestion of the Committee of Safety, by an act of the House of Representatives; that nearly the whole of the Rifle regt. was raised in six weeks and rendezvoused at Marcus Hook; July 2 the Rifle regt. was ordered to Philadelphia; on the 4th the 1st Batt. was placed under Lt. Col. Brodhead and ordered to Bordentown, N. J.; on the 5th the whole regt. marched to Trenton, thence to Amboy under orders to join Gen. Mercer, which was accomplished on the 16th. On the 24th 867 officers and men of the rifle regt. were present; in the action of the 27th of August, 1776, the rifle regiment and musketry battalion were so broken up that Gen. Washington ordered the three battalions to be considered one regt. in command of Lt. Col. Brodhead; on Sept. 19, the three battalions mutinied and appeared on the parade under arms, and later about 200 deserted, only fifty remaining. The complaints which caused the mutiny and desertions were want of pay, want of clothes, want of blankets, not receiving particular species of rations and the loss of their field officers.

By reference to the above records, it will be seen that Albert Vorris is reported to have been sent to the hospital on Sept. 29, and, therefore, was not one of the deserters, and that in October he was still on the roll, sick and absent.

Capt. Brown in whose company he served was appointed to his command on Mar. 19, 1776, was taken prisoner at the battle of Long Island, Aug. 27, 1776. The men of his company are supposed to have been enlisted, mainly, from the region west of the Alleghanies, from that part of Bedford County, which afterward

became Somerset, but it is not known that they all resided in that region, and seems certain that few of the men returned to the county after their term of service. A great many of the company under Capt. Brown were captured with their commanding officer in the Battle of Long Island.

- A. See below, Cornelius A. Voris.
- B. Henry Voris, b. Jan. 4, 1786.
- C. Magdaline Voris, born Nov. 21, 1787.
- D. Mary Voris, born Feb. 1, 1790.
- E. Catherine Voris, born May 18, 1792.
- F. Rachel Voris, born Aug. 24, 1794.
- G. Anna Voris, born Feb. 18, 1797.
- H. Leah Voris, born March 6, 1799, married Henry Van Nuys.
- I. Albert Voris, born July 11, 1801.
- J. Frances Voris, born Nov. 1, 1803.
- K. John Voris, born Jan. 19, 1806.
- L. Peter Voris, born Apr. 20, 1808.
- M. Elizabeth Voris, born June 7, 1810.
- N. Joanna Voris, born Sept. 18, 1812, died 1892, married Peter D. Banta (1810-1844) in 1832.

I. Amanda Banta 1843-1910, married Joseph M. Fisher. Child, Grace Fisher, Vinton Iowa.

A. Catherine Woodfield was born in 1785 and died July 25, 1833. She died during the cholera epidemic of that time. She is buried in the cemetery at Pleasant.

A. Cornelius A. Voris, born March 25, 1784, married _____ Woodfield, who was of English and Welsh descent. She probably came to Ky. from the Carolinas.

Married 2nd, Mary Mitchell Banta (1792-1862), widow of Henry Banta. Henry Banta was born Dec. 3, 1810 and died June 12, 1833. Was known as "Tanner Hank", as he was a tanner, to distinguish from other Henry Bantas. He was born in Henry Co., Ky. and removed to Switzerland Co., Ind. in 1823. He was an elder in the Pleasant Township Presbyterian Church, of which he was a charter member. He was clerk of session for many years.

From the sessional record of the Pleasant church, it appears that a difference of opinion grew up between our ancestor and the balance of the session. It resulted in his withdrawal from the church.

At the time of his death about 1863, he was on a visit at Pleasureville, Ky. and was buried there.

Of the children we are not able to locate a very full record. The youngest, David, was by the second marriage.

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AN ADVENTURE IN GENEALOGY

By Oscar M. Voorhees

The Messenger-Gazette published some months ago a statement respecting the "Condensed Genealogy of the Van Voorhees Family," in the pages of which nearly 500 existing families are shown in generations from the sixth to the 10th from the common ancestor, Steven Coerte Van Voorhees, who came to New Amsterdam in 1660 and settled on Long Island. One son, Albert, with a growing family removed in 1686 to Bergen County near Hackensack, and a dozen or more grandsons removed later to Central New Jersey and made their homes in Middlesex, Somerset and Monmouth counties.

Elias W. Van Voorhis, the genealogist of 50 years ago, failed to trace the lines of some of these families for inclusion in his great work, "The Van Voorhees Family," that was published in 1888. The organization of the Van Voorhees Association has encouraged members of those omitted families to endeavor to discover missing information, and thus link themselves to the common ancestor.

The recent finding of such a link joins a large family in Indiana to a Harlingen family of a century and a half ago, and brings out at the same time a thrilling story of adventure.

The situation was revealed when a M. J. Voris of Franklin, Indiana, wrote that he could trace his ancestry back to Albert Voorhees of Conewago, Pa., who after serving in the Revolutionary War, had married Ann Banta and then removed to Kentucky. This couple did their share in replenishing the earth, for in spite of pioneer conditions and much unpleasantness with the Indians--Ann's father having been tomahawked--they raised a family of 14 children, one of whom, our correspondent's grandfather, Peter Voris, had in 1832 removed to Indiana, near the time Abraham Lincoln's family made a similar move. In the process of removals the name of Albert Voorhees was shortened through Vorhis to Voris, much to the regret of some of the present generation.

The question then raised, "Who was Albert Voorhees?" was answered by Donald Sinclair of Highland Park, who identified him as the oldest son of Cornelius and Lena Voorhees of Harlingen, where he was baptized on April 8, 1753. His grandfather was Albert Jansc, the fifth son of Jan Stevense, who was the fourth son of Steven Coerte Van Voorhees, the immigrant. Albert, therefore, was in the fifth, and his grandson in Indiana, in the seventh generation of the family in America.

The source of this information is the Genealogy of the Banta Family, an important work wherein the descendants of Spke Banta of Bergen County are traced through many generations. A grandson of Epke was Hendrick, who, about 1755, removed from Bergen County to Bedminster Township in Somerset County, where some years later he was an elder in the Dutch Reformed Church of Bedminster then organized by Dominie Hardenberg of the Raritan Church.

Within 10 years Hendrick removed with his growing family--there came to be 21 children in all--to Conewago, Pa., near the present city of Gettysburg, whither a considerable number of Dutch families from Bergen and Somerset counties then migrated.

In about 20 years this colony dispersed, a large part of it going, under the leadership of Hendrick Banta, to near Fort Harrod, later Harrodsburg, in Central Kentucky, in the neighborhood of the White Oak Spring, a mile above Boonsboro, which spring is "twelve feet square at the top and 100 feet deep, boiling up pure, cold and fresh, and flowing off in a large and constant stream."

The trek of that "Dutch Company" of 1784 was over a long and difficult trail, southwestward nearly 600 miles, through the Shenandoah Valley and the Cumberland Gap to Central Kentucky. The men drove their cattle before them while they led pack horses on which women and children rode, amid such belongings as they deemed indispensable.

The Banta contingent was something like that of Jacob in Bible times. Hendrick's oldest son had died leaving nine children, for whom the grandparents assumed responsibility. Of his seventeen living children 12 accompanied him, five under 12 years of age; also 19 grandchildren, almost all of them under 12.

Shortly after their arrival a large group of families joined in the purchase of about 12,000 acres near the present village of Pleasureville in Henry County, about 40 miles east of Louisville, Ky. From this point the company petitioned the Classis of New Brunswick for a minister that a Reformed Church might be organized. Though a minister was sent to visit them, an organization proved impossible of maintenance and shepherding at such a distance, and so most of them became Presbyterians. The petition, dated August 13, 1795, was signed by Hendrick Banta, John Smock, Albert Banta, Samuel Durie, Garret Dorland, Isaac Van Nuys, Cornelius A. Van Arsdalen and Abraham Brewer.

The list of settlers sent with the petition contained many Dutch names familiar to Somerset and Middlesex families of today.

Albert was the second child and oldest son in a family of seven, of Cornelius Voorhees and Lena his wife. Four of these

were baptized at Six-Mile Run (Franklin Park), and three at Harlingen. The sisters were Catherine and Marya, of whom nothing has been discovered. The brothers were Isaac, of whom there seems to be no record; John, who removed to Cayuga County, N. Y.; Lucas, who married Maria Cornell and lived in the vicinity of Millstone, and Cornelius who married Mary Gulic, removed to Seneca County, N. Y., and later to Rockford, Ill., where he died about 1850, aged about 85.

Albert Vorhis was 30 years old when on April 2, 1783, he married Ann Banta, a granddaughter of Hendrick, then a young woman of 16. Their 14 children were born between 1784 and 1812. Our Indiana friends are descendants of Peter, the 12th child, who was born in 1808. Mr. Sinclair, our informant, is a great-great grandson of Mary Voris, the fourth child, who was born February 1, 1790.

It will be interesting to learn the family name of Lena, Albert Voorhees' mother, and also of his grandmother, Maria. Their family connections have not yet been revealed.

The Van Voorhees Association has received a cordial invitation to hold a rally in the Washington Headquarters at Rocky Hill. If this invitation is accepted, May 30, Memorial Day has been suggested, in which case it may be possible to give some account of those members of the family who served in the Revolutionary War. Those who have knowledge of these services are requested to make the facts known.

Copy of Document relative to Cornelius A. Voris

JAMES B. RAY

ACTING GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF INDIANA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTSGREETINGS:

KNOW YE, That from the special trust and confidence reposed in the patriotism, valour, fidelity, and ability of Cornelius A. Voris I do hereby, in the name and by the authority of the state of Indiana, commission him a Major in the fourteenth Regiment of the Militia of said state; to have rank as such, from the date hereof, and during good behavior. He is therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duties of a Major as aforesaid. And I do strictly charge and require all officers and soldiers under his command, to be obedient to his orders as such. And he is to observe and obey the orders and instructions from time to time, as he shall receive from his superior officers, according to the rules and discipline of War.

(seal)

IN TESTIMONY whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and have caused to be affixed the seal of the state of Indiana, at Indianapolis, the 26th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five, the ninth year of the state and of the Independence of the United States, the fortieth ninth.

By the acting governor J. Brown Ray
Wm. W. Wick Secretary

State of Indiana)
Switzerland County)

Know all men by these presents, that I this day administered to Cornelius A. Voris, the several Oaths of Office according to the Constitution and Laws of this State.

Witness my hand and seal at Vevay, this 28th day of May A.D. 1825.

William C. Keen (seal)
Justice of the peace

I do hereby accept of the resignation of Major Cornelius A. Voris for the reasons filed by him on the seventh day October last.

Witness my hand, this 11th day of November A.D. 1828.

William C. Keen
Brigadier General 10th Brigade, Ind.

The original of the above is held by C.R. Voris, Fairbury, Ill. We know that Cornelius A. Voris was known by the name of Major Voris and this doubtless explains that term.

Their children as listed in family bible of Joseph and Mary Voris marked "Taken from the original family record of C. A. Voris".

- I. Albert Voris. born Mar.5, 1805
- II. Gabriel Voris. born Mar. 18, 1807
- III. Henry Voris, born Mar. 12, 1809. He was killed by a falling tree about 1849.
 - 1' Peter
 - a' Katharine married Dora VanOsdol
 - b' Joanna married John Buchanan.
 - 2' Marion
 - a' George
 - A' Eugene
- IV. Infant died Apr. 11, 1811.
- V. Susannah, born May 29, 1812. Married George Hotchkiss.
 - 1' Ann, born May 18, 1833, died June 23, 1906. Married Richard Smith Jan.18, 1860.
 - a' A. Lincoln Smith born Dec. 1860 died Dec 28, 1860.
 - b' Mary Francis Smith, born Jan. 20, 1862, died July 18, 1926. Married Harvey H. Buchanan Jan. 23, 1887.
 - A' Charles H. Buchanan, born Sept. 22 1897. Married Opal Washer Feb. 18, 1928.
 - c' Charles Addison Smith, born Aug. 1, 1863 died Sept. 8, 1865
 - d' Oliver H. Smith, born Jan. 18, 1865 Married Mary Elliott. Live in Arizona
 - A' Eben E. Smith, born July 12, 1891. Married and one child.
 - B' Richard H. Smith, born Jan 15, 1894 Married _____ King. Two children
 - c' Charles Samuel Smith, born _____. Married _____ Kessler. Twin children Myron and Paul Gordon.
 - D' George Smith
 - E' William B. Smith, born Jan 1, 1901
 - F' Paul Smith
 - e' Susan Elizah Smith, born Feb. 25, 1867, died Feb. 17, 1899. Married C. A. Voris Dec. 25, 1895.

f' Annie Vinnie Smith, born May 27, 1871, died May 15, 1898, Married Henry E. Voris, Jan 1, 1892.

A' Arvil Voris, Born Nov. 18, 1893, died Mar. 20, 1910.

B' Amzie Voris, born Nov. 18, 1896. Married Edith W. C. Hirtle 1928. Live at Farmers City, Ill.

I' Eugene Henry Voris born July 27, 1929.

g'' George Addison Smith, born May 3, 1875. Married 1st Rhoda Wycoff Aug. 15, 1897, She died Nov 21, 1918. Married 2nd Amelia Lowatsch Mar. 16, 1921.

A' Lelia Smith born July 5, 1898. Married John Ward Oct. 11, 1919. Live West Cross Plains.

I' Dwight, born Nov. 27, 1922.

II' John Verlin, born Feb. 12, 1924.

B' Lotta Smith born Apr. 9, 1899.

Married H. Stanley Morton

I' Vivian Elmo, born Feb. 23, 1927

C' Grace Smith born Jan. 31, 1901.

Married Julius Schad Sept. 4, 1928.

D' Mable Smith, born April 13, 1905.

Lives in Cincinnati.

E' Inez Smith, born May 5, 1908.

F' Mildred Smith, born Sept. 20, 1910. Married Clifton Robinson Sept. 28, 1926. Live at Noblesville, Ind.

I' Angula, born Jun 3, 1927.

II' Clifton, Born Sept. 6, 1929.

G' Richard Smith, born Aug. 17, 1922.

H' Esther Smith, born Dec 3, 1923.

I' Mary Ann Smith, born June 17, 1927

VI. Anna, born July 9, 1814

VII. Daniel Voris, born Sept. 19, 1816

1' George

2' John.

VIII. John Voris, Born Sept. 10, 1818.

IX. Thomas Voris, born Dec. 10, 1820,
Married Laura Thornton.

- 1' Jane, married Jarvis
- 2' Sarah Married William Jackson
- 3' Emma, born Died June 30, 1915.
Married O. D. Fry, a blacksmith at
Pleasant for many years, then retir-
ing to the farm South of Cross Plains
where he is still living.

a' Gertrude, married James H. Herring
Oct. 11, 1897. Live on farm south
of Cross Plains.

A' Garland B. born Aug 6, 1898,
Married Florida Sayless. Live
in Indianapolis.

I' James F.

II' Robert

B' Howard, born Apr. 21, 1901
Married Eva Brindley. Live at
South Brushy Fork.

I' Betty May.

C' Roscoe, born, Jan 27, 1903.
Married Vivian McGee. Live in
Illinois.

I' Dorothy

II' Evelyn

D' Florene, born Mar. 14, 1905.
Married Ruth Jenkins. Live in
Indianapolis.

I' Donald F.

E' Hattie May, born Feb. 6, 1908
Married Parker Gabler. Live in
Indianapolis.

F' Amy Gertrude, born Nov. 19, 1910.
Died in infancy

G' Ruby Belvadeen, born Nov. 4, 1919.

b' Dale Fry, born
Married 1st June Hokins, 2nd.
Pearl Lingerfelter.

A' Mildred (by first marriage)

4' Eliza, married Calvin Stewart

X. Jane, born Jan. 4, 1823, married Elijah
Poston.

1' William

2' Calvin

3' Ollie, married "Si" Demaree

XI. Joseph, see below

XII. Mary, born Sept. 12, 1927. Married John
LaRue.

1' Oliver

a' Lee, one child

b' Mildred.

- 2' Parthena, Married Wallace Jamison
- 3' Retta
- 4' Emma
- 5' Electa

XIII. David, (by second wife) born Aug. 26, 1835, Married Hannah Carr. Several children.

XI. Joseph Voris, born Jan. 6, 1825, died Dec. 8, 1898. Married Mary Van Nuys Nov. 16, 1848. He was a farmer and spent his entire married life on farm two miles north of Pleasant in Switzerland Co., Ind. with the exception of one year, in 1852-3 which was spent in Madison Co., Ind. on a farm. He was a highly respected man in the community. He was an elder in the Pleasant Township Presbyterian Church for many years. His Mother died in the cholera epidemic of 1833 and his father soon married Mary Mitchell Banta. The new home conditions did not seem to be congenial for the children of the former wife and his early days were spent at least partly away from home. At the time of his marriage he does not seem to have been in very good circumstances and his widow has related how she assisted in making or made him a suit of clothes to be married in.

Joseph and Mary Voris after their marriage settled in a house north east of the site of the old log cabin which has been preserved at least until recent times. Cornelius A. Voris lived on land later owned by Richard Smith in a house located somewhat west and a little north of the location of the present brick house on that farm. He owned that land as well as a large part of the land lying to the north which was later owned by Joseph Voris. In 1852-3 Joseph and Mary Voris went to Madison Co. but after one year returned and set up housekeeping in the log cabin as it was known to the younger generations. The log cabin was located as those familiar will remember at the top of the hill above the spring. The spring was the determining factor in its location.

At that time there was no road going out to the south as there is at the present time. The course used was to go over onto what is now the Smith farm or was a few years ago and then go East until they came to Bear Creek, which they followed coming out at the location of the old "Iron Bridge" Joseph Voris was the main instrument in the opening of the road out to Jay Postoffice.

A windstorm did damage to the old log cabin and the log barn about 1869 or 1870. Some of us have heard Mary Voris's story of that storm and how she barricaded the doors to keep them from blowing in. The new barn was built in 1871 and the new house in 1872. All of the family were born in the log cabin. In earlier days it consisted of two rooms with a board leanto on the east of the two rooms.

Mary Van Nuys was born Feb. 3, 1829 on a farm located three miles south of Pleasant. This farm is located on the road running east from Clapboard Corner. After the death of her husband she continued to live on the farm together with her daughter Rose. After the sale of the farm they made their home with her sons. They lived with Harvey B. Voris at Hanover from 1916 until his death in 1928. Rose died Jan 20, 1922. She then went to make her home with her son Oliver at Richmond, Ind. He died May 4th, 1928 and she continued to live with his family until the time of her death Nov. 11, 1929. At the time of her 99th birthday she had four sons all of whom were looking forward to her 100th birthday and a fitting celebration. Three of these had passed on by July of 1928.

Up until within two weeks of her death she retained her faculties and continued her correspondance. At the election in 1928 she went to the poles and voted and is credited with the casting of a straight G.O. P. ballot and those who knew her had no doubt about it. On Feb. 3, 1929 she celebrated her 100th birthday, with quite a large group of friends and relatives. She was able to and did enjoy the day immensely. She received numerous letters of congratulation, among which was one from President Coolidge and one from the President Elect Hoover.

She was buried in the cemetery at Pleasant where also her parents and grandparents were buried as well as some of her children and grandchildren, making five generations in all.

l' John A. Voris. Born in Switzerland Co., Ind., Nov. 21, 1849, died at Hopewell, Ind., Sept. 30, 1901. Attended Hanover College, taught school over a period of 25 years at Lebanon, Ind., Thorntown, Ind. and in Boone County, Ind. Also a farmer and carpenter.

Married first Lucy Atkinson at Lebanon Ind., Dec. 12, 1874. She was born Feb. 10, 1855. Died June 30, 1885. Married second Margaret Van Nuys, who was born at Hopewell, Nove 30, 1849. She is still living at Hopewell, Ind.

a' Guy Milton Voris, born March 6, 1876, at Lebanon, Ind. Graduated from Lebanon high school and Wabash^{College} in 1900. Engaged in insurance business for a number of years. Was chairman of the Boone County, Ind., conscription board during the war. At present practising law at Labanon, Ind. A man highly respected in his community. Married Leah Margaret Cory April

15, 1902. She was born Oct. 10, 1875, in New Carlisle, Ohio. A graduate of Lebanon high school.

- A' Lide Harriet Voris born Aug. 10, 1903, graduated Lebanon high school and attended Depauw university. Now engaged in railroad work in New York City.
- B' Mary Mildred Voris, born Feb. 6, 1906. Graduated Lebanon high school, attended Butler university. Now a stenographer in Indianapolis.
- C' Fremont Neal Voris, born Sept. 15, 1907. Graduated Lebanon high school. Attended Indiana university. Now a bookkeeper in First National Bank, Lebanon, Ind.
- D' Martha Jane Voris, born Aug. 30, 1911. Student Lebanon high school.
- E' Robert Milton Voris, born June 15, 1915. Student Lebanon high school.
- F' Elizabeth Ann Voris, born Apr. 30, 1918. Student Lebanon schools.
- b' Bruce Harvey Voris, born at Lebanon, Ind., Feb. 4, 1879. Graduated Hopewell high school 1898. Taught school for a number of years. Took telegraphy. Worked for various railroads until 1916, when he accepted position with Interstate Commerce Commission as freight tariff examiner at Washington. His home is a short distance from Washington at Laurel, Md., where he owns a small farm which he manages in addition to his work in the office. Married Maybelle Rea in 1907. She was from Charlotte, N. C.

- A' Lucy, born May 30, 1909. Student at Maryland University.
 - B' John, born Dec. 25, 1910. Student at Maryland University.
 - C' Calvin, born Sept. 16, 1912. In school at Laurel, Md.
 - D' Donald, born Jan. 27, 1915, died May 1920.
 - E' Dorothy, born Jan. 27, 1915. In school at Laurel, Md.
 - F' Anna, born Aug. 5, 1920. In school at Laurel, Md.
- c' Mary Leola Voris, born July 24, 1888 at Hopewell, Ind. Married James W. Eades, of Hopewell, in Sept. 1901. They at present are living on farm at Heyden, Ind., near North Vernon.
- A' James Edwin Eades, born Aug. 18, 1902. Graduated from Miami Univ. 1925. Member Sigma Nu fraternity. Has been working for Proctor & Gamble Soap Co. of Chicago, as special salesman and advertising agent.
 - B' Marion Eades, born Sept. 3, 1903. High school graduate. Taught school. Married Orvan Baily, Feb. 12, 1927. Lives near Plainfield, Ill.
 - C' John Wesley Eades, born May 22, 1905. High school, Navy 1924-1929. Now working for Proctor & Gamble of Chicago.
 - D' Frank Voris Eades, born Dec. 28, 1908. High school. Works on farm near Plainfield, Ill.
 - E' Chester Buren Eades, born Jan. 20, 1911.

F' Florence Margaret Eades, born
Feb. 17, 1912.

G' Carol Milton Eades, born Nov.
23, 1913.

H' Alice Eades, born Feb. 4, 1917

I' Richard Lawrence Eades, born
Feb. 14, 1922, died in infancy

J' Roland Oliver Eades, born Dec.
27, 1923.

d' Florence Rosella Voris, born June
12, 1834. Attended Hopewell high
school. Graduated from St.
Luke's Training School for nurses
about 1910. Has engaged in Wel-
fare work in Chicago, New York,
Spokane, Washington. Enlisted
as nurse in U. S. Army and was in
France for 14 months. She is now
engaged in her profession at Long
Beach, Calif.

2' Rosella E. Voris, born Feb. 14, 1851.
She lived with her mother and father
on farm. Was active in church work.
She died 1922 at Hanover, Indiana.

3' Harvey B. Voris, born Apr. 24, 1852,
died Mar. 18, 1928. Married 1st Mary
L. Wilson, Sept. 7, 1882, died 1883.
Married 2nd, Mary A. Culbertson Sept.
9, 1886, daughter of James & Ann
Scott Culbertson, born Sept. 4, 1858,
died May 27, 1897.

Married 3rd, Josephine Scott in
1898. She died 1913.

He was brought up on farm of his
parents, educated at Indiana State
Normal and Indiana University. Taught
school in various places for many
years. He resided on farm one mile
north of Pleasant from the time of
his second marriage until 1916, when
he removed to Hanover, where he re-
sided until the time of his death.

A man highly respected in the com-
munity. An elder in Pleasant church
from about 1896 until time of his
death. Was buried in Pleasant ceme-
tery.

A rather unique bit of information came to light when the author of this paper was sketching the history of the Pleasant Twp. Presbyterian Church for their centennial. It was that the entire 100 years of church record had been kept by Cornelius A. Voris, Joseph Voris & Harvey B. Voris, with the exception of a few years along prior to civil war.

a' Paul Culbertson Voris. Born Sept 28, 1887 at Pleasant, Switzerland Co., Indiana. Grew up on farm of his father until he entered high school and college at Hanover, Indiana. Played football and basket ball on college team and graduated with A. B. degree in 1911. He went immediately to Princeton Presbyterian Theological Seminary, from which he graduated in 1914. This same year he also received the A. M. degree from Princeton University. Married Letha Grant Carlton of Minnesota, Aug. 28, 1914. She was born July 22, 1887 and was daughter of Edgar Cullen Carlton - Lucy Jane Eliza Laughlan. He held pastorates at Hinckley, Minn. (1914-18), at Two Harbors, Minn. (1918-21). Assistant Supt. National Missions for Minnesota (1921-24), Winnebago, Minn. (1924-).

A' Harvey Carlton Voris, born Feb. 5, 1916.

B' Frances Lucy Voris, born June 20, 1919.

C' Jean Margaret Voris, born Mar. 3, 1922.

D' Dorothy May Voris, born Feb. 3, 1923.

b' Harrison Scott Voris, born Nov. 1, 1888, at Pleasant, Switzerland Co., Indiana. Was educated there and at Hanover College, from which he graduated with

class 1912. He has been a high school teacher at Charles City, Iowa and at present at Sioux City, Iowa, where he is also an elder in the Presbyterian church.

During world war he belonged to Headquarters Co. of 212th Engineers located at Camp Devens, Mass. Married Eula Faye Deputy of near Hanover, Indiana, June 25, 1919, a daughter of Alvah Deputy and Carrie Etta Corrie. She was born Feb. 22, 1893, and graduated from Hanover college in 1914.

A' Clarence Deputy Voris, born May 31, 1920.

c' Clarence R. Voris, born Jan. 11, 1891, at Pleasant, Switzerland Co., Ind. Educated at Hanover College, from which he graduated with A. B. degree in 1914 and from Indiana University with A. M. degree in 1915. Played football and basket ball while in college. A member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Taught high school at Fairbury, Illinois, 1915-1918. Assistant Cashier Fairbury Bank, Fairbury, Illinois, 1918-____. Elder in Presbyterian church at Fairbury. Married Flo Vestile of Canaan, Ind., July 29, 1916. She was born Oct. 23, 1890, and was daughter of David Vestile and Lenna Conner.

A' David Clarence Voris, born Aug. 24, 1923.

d' Anna Voris, born Jan. 25, 1894, at Pleasant, Switzerland Co., Ind. Was educated at Hanover College, from which she graduated in 1918. She went as a high school teacher to Mayfield, Kentucky and there fell a victim to the influenza epidemic of that season and died Oct. 14, 1918. She was buried in the cemetery at Pleasant, Ind.

e' Harvey Hartman Voris, born May 3, 1897, at Pleasant, Switzerland County, Indiana. His mother died within a few weeks and he was cared for by the Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Hartman, the pastor at Pleasant, until he was four or five years old. Educated at Hanover College, from which he graduated in 1920. Member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. Taught in high school at Galesburg, Illinois, and at present holds a similar position at Davenport, Iowa. Married Julia Hensler, Aug. 18, 1921. She was born Jan. 23, 1899, and lived near Hanover. She was daughter of Fred Hensler and Laura Kaag. She graduated from Hanover College 1920.

A' Richard Hensler Voris, born Feb. 27, 1928.

4' Milton T. Voris, born Apr. 15, 1853, died May 22, 1834.

5' Peter Van Nuys Voris, born Feb. 25, 1855. Educated at Indiana State Normal School and at Indiana University. Taught school for many years. Engaged in business in Indianapolis for several years. He died Aug. 1928, as a result of an accident in which he was struck by an automobile while crossing the street near his home in Indianapolis. Married Emma Campbell Aug. 16, 1883.

A' Katherine Voris, born Feb. 28, 1885. Attended Indiana Univ. and Butler University. A teacher in public schools of Indianapolis.

B' Harold Voris, born 1886, died in infancy.

C' Mabel Voris, born Jan. 31, 1889. Attended Butler University. A teacher in public schools of Indianapolis.

6' Cornelius A. Voris, born May 19, 1856. Was a farmer and spent his entire life on old home farm on which he was born. He died Aug. 4, 1906. Married first Susie Smith. Married second Mrs. Mollie Cooper, who died Apr. 22, 1902.

A' Harold Cornelius Voris, born Apr. 18, 1902. His mother died when he was only a few days old and he was raised by his grandmother and aunt. His father died when he was four years of age and Harvey B. Voris was made his legal guardian. Graduated from Hanover College 1923. Member Beta Theta Pi fraternity. Taught school in West Virginia for one year. Entered Rush Medical School 1925, where he is to graduate in 1929.

7' Oliver L. Voris, born May 21, 1859, near Pleasant, Ind. Educated at Indiana State Normal School. His life work was school teaching. At the time of his death 5/4/1928, he had been teaching at Heyden, Ind. Married Carrie Pietsmyer of Chester, Ind. Dec. 29, 1891. His widow and daughter reside at Richmond, Indiana.

A' Mary Edna Voris, born Jan. 18, 1895. High school graduate. Taught school for a few years and is now a bookkeeper and stenographer in Richmond, Ind.

8' Joseph H. Voris, born Nov. 11, 1862 near Pleasant, Ind. Educated at Indiana State Normal School. His life work has been school teaching. He is at present Supt. of schools at Marengo, Ind. Married Margaret Murray of DeWitt, Ill., June 22, 1904.

9' Mary Elizabeth Voris, born May 3, 1865. Died Oct. 6, 1883.

10' Roscoe S. Voris, born Sept. 12, 1868. Died Aug. 11, 1871.

Bennington, Indiana, line Voris Family

XXIX Roelof Lucasse Van Voorhees (page 9)

1. Luke
2. Garret, baptised Apr. 1, 1722, will proved Aug. 22, 1777.
 - a. Roelof, born about 1742. Lived at Harlingen Somerset Co. N.J. where his three oldest children were baptised. Later lived at Conewago, Pa. Married Elizabeth Nevius.
 - A. Styntje
 - B. Peter
 - C. Cornelius, Married Mary Brooner. Left Pennsylvania and settled at Harrodsburg, Ky.
 - I. Cornelius R. born 1797, died Mar. 21, 1882. Left Kentucky and settled at Bennington, Ind. Married Mary Van Nuys in 1821.
 1. Mercy Ann, 1822-1843
 2. Teunis Perry born May 31, 1824. Married 1st Elizabeth Hotchkiss, 2nd Catherine Voris
 - a. George
 - b. Cornelius, born Feb 20, 1851. Unmarried, lives at Bedford, Ind.
 - c. Mary, married Cunningham, in Calif.
 - d. Francis
 - e. Elizabeth, married Lawrence Welsch
 - A. Florence
 - B. Maude M.
 - C. Albert
 - D. Benjamin, 1888 Married Cordelia Reed.
 - I. Mary Louise
 - E. Kathleen, M. Elgin Crandal
 - I. Emmerson
 3. Cornelius P. 1827-1862. Married Nannie Ritchie. Live at Bedford, Ind.
 4. Archibald Cameron, 1829. Married Antoinette Rawlins. Hanover College, Harvard Law School, Attorney at Bedford. Started Bedford Stone Business. Col in Civil War.
 5. John Newton 1831-1865
 6. Samuel Deamree
 7. Joseph B. 1835-1908 Married Jennie Graham
 8. Catherine Elizabeth, 1838. Married Judge Robert N. Lamb.
 9. Mary Susan 1840-1844
 10. ~~Maha~~ 1843-1844
 11. William H. 1846-1901

Line of Daniel W. Voorhees (Senator from Indiana)

XVIII. Jan Lusasse Van Voorhees (page 8)

1. Johannis
2. Lucas
3. Roelof
4. Stephen
5. Antie
6. Petrus, born Jan. 6, 1712
 - a. Marya
 - b. Johannis
 - c. Stephen, born Jan 21, 1739, died June 6, 1815
 - A. Margreta
 - B. Mary
 - C. Peter
 - I. Stephen, born Feb. 22, 1767, died Sept. 5, 1852. Married Lemma Van Arsdale. Settled in 1790 at Harrodsburg, Ky. Went later to Bethany, Ohio.
 - 1'. Julia
 - 2'. Peter
 - 3'. Eliza
 - 4'. Daniel W., born Sept. 26, 1827. Married Anna Hardesty, He was born at Covington, Ind, educated at Ashbury University at Greencastle, Ind. Studied Law at Crawfordsville, Ind. Appointed U.S. Senator in 1878. Elected to same office in 1879 and again in 1885.

Line of John R. Voorhis (Tammany Hall).

LIV. Petrus Albertse Van Voorhees (page 15)

1. Lena
2. Daniel
3. Lena
4. Albert P. 1743
 - a . Mary
 - b. Peter 1773
 - A. Albert
 - B. Jacob
 - C. Sarah
 - D. John
 - E. Richard 1804-1888. Married Maria Van Soun
 - I. John R. (Hon.) July 27, 1829. Member Tammany Hall for many years. Commissioner of Police, Commissioner of Docks. Chairman of Election Board. Was still active in political duties at the time of his 100th birthday.

V A N N U Y S

Aucke Janse Van Nuys was the common ancestor of the Van Nuys family in America.

In 1651 he with his wife, Magdalena Pieterse, and some of his children emigrated from Holland to New Amsterdam (now New York). He was a carpenter and his name appears in numerous early records in New Amsterdam, Brooklyn, and Flatbush, from which records these items were obtained.

On May 6, 1653, he sold his house and lot in New Amsterdam, and in 1653 he was employed as master carpenter in the erection of the first church on Long Island, in Flatbush, near New Amsterdam.

There are records of purchases of several tracts of land in this region. In 1763 he was appointed schepen or magistrate, by Governor Colve, an office similar to that of alderman of the present time, and in 1674 he was one of the representatives to the "Convention of Delegates" called by the governor to meet in New Orange (Albany) after the capture of the Netherlands from the British.

His name is in the list of those who in 1687 took the Oath of Allegiance to Great Britain after New Netherlands had been taken by the British. A fac-simile of his signature is given in Stiles' History of Kings County, New York, so we know that he was not an illiterate man.

He was three times married. His second marriage was to Lysbert Clausen and the third to Gertruyd Jacobse.

Of his nine children five were born in America. The nine, Annetie, Gertruyd, Janneke, Jan, Abagail, Pieter, Jacobus, Femite, and Ida. Very different names these from those borne by the descendants of the present day.

His will was dated May 15, 1694 and probated in 1698.

Children-

A. Annetie, born in Holland; m. 1661, Winant Pieterse Van Eck and second Derick Janse Waertman.

I. Pieter Winantse Van Eck; b. Sept. 9, 1663.

II. Ariaentje Van Eck; m. Turian Vanderberg.

III. Altje Van Eck; married Jan Bennett.

B. Gertruyd married 1666, Franz Joosten.

IV. Magdalen Joosten, born 1679.

C. Janneke Married 1666, Reinier Arendsz.

V. Aucke Arendsz.

- VI. Barbara Arendsz, born 1679.
- VII. Adrientje " " 1682.
- VIII. Gertruyd " " 1684.
- IX. Theunis " " 1696.

D. Jan, born in Holland. He came to America with his father in 1651. He was also a carpenter by trade, but he bought a farm in Flatbush in 1681. He married in 1673, Barbara Provoost; married second in 1680 Eva Jacobse.

X. Aucke Janse.

XI. William, born 1679.

XII. Jan, " 1681.

XIII. Gertje.

XIV. Barbara, born 1685.

XV. Maria, " 1687.

XVI Isaac Janse, born 1695.

XVII. William, " 1699.

XVIII. Abraham, " 1699, twin of William.

E. Abigail, married, Leffert Pieterse, of Flatbush, L.I. She died in 1748 at a great age. She reared a large family of children who took the name of Leffert.

F. Pieter, born 1652. No further trace.

G. Jacobus. He married Apr. 26, 1635, Maria Willemse Cornell of Flatbush, L. I. He died in 1710. Records show that he resided in Flatbush from 1638 to 1696, but he afterwards settled in New Jersey. He did not remain there however as his will was probated in New Utrecht, in 1710.

XIX. William.

XX. Johannes.

XXI. Aucke

XXII. Isaac.

XXIII. Magdalena.

XXIV. Elizabeth

XXV. Margarete

XXVI. Maria.

XXVII. Jacobus.

H. Femite. Baptised March 12, 1662, married Oct. 8, 1680
Jan. Stevense Van Voorhees.

XXVIII. Aucke Janse Voorhees.

XXIX. Willimse Voorhees.

XXX. Jan.

XXXI. Jacobus.

XXXII. Roclof

XXXIII. Albert.

XXXIV. Abraham.

XXXV. Lucas.

I. Ida married Auke Rynierse.

XXXVI. Magdalen

XXXVII. Hendrick.

XXII. Isaac Van Nuys, born Oct. 20, 1695. He settled in Millstone, N. J., about 1727. We do not know the surname of his wife, but know it was Catrina from the baptismal record of their son Cornelius, which reads in the list of baptisms at Millstone:

"July 13, 1735, Cornelius, son of Isak Van Nuys and wife Catrina." It is curious to note that previous to the Revolutionary war these entries were all made in Dutch.

Carpenter in speaking of Derrick Hoagland in "The Hoagland Family," says:-"He bought, about 1721, Lot six of the Hoolingen tract. His land lay to the westward of the Millstone River. Retaining the eastern part of the purchase, he sold 114 a cres of the western part of Isaac VanNuys." Then he goes on to say that this was the father of Isaac whose wife's maiden name was Quick and whose brother married Maria Hoagland. This, together with original records of agreements, and notes, receipts, etc., in possessioff S. N. Van Nuys, descended from his son, Peter, and Charles C. Van Nuys, descended from his Teunis, establish our line of descent from Aucke Janse Van Nuys through Jacobus, Isaac Sr. and Jsaac Jr. children.

1. John, born 1720, in New York, In 1741, married Martha Von Arsdalen. He died 1763, having resided most of his life in Somerset Co. N.J.

2. See below.

3. Jacobus, married Maria Hoagland, who was born in 1729. They were both members of Harlingen church in New Jersey.

4. Cornelius was born July 13, 1735. He went to Kentucky when he was about 60 years of age.
5. Mary Oakly, married Abraham Heyer and lived in New Jersey.
2. Isaac, born March 18, 1739 and died in 1804. He married Vrouchie or Flora Quick, probably a daughter of Teunis Quick, one of the early Dutch settlers on the Raritan. They were members of the Dutch Reformed Church in Millstone, N.J., and of the same church in Kentucky, to which state they emigrated in 1791, as the following letter, of which he was one of the signers, will show:

"As it may be of interest to his many descendants, I give it. They had been in Kentucky only about four years, and were anxious about a church organization.

"They had settled near where Harrodsburg now is, in Mercer County.

"To the Classis of New Brunswick.

"Believers in Lord, Grace, Peace and Mercy.

"Having at this time made a call for a minister of our Low Dutch Reformed Church, by the consent of our Low Dutch Society at Salt River, Mercer Co., in the state of Kentucky, we hope it may have its desired effect. Therefore we do in the name of our Lord desire of you, our Reverend Classis, to aid and assist us with all possible speed.

"It is further the desire, wish, and prayer of us that in our case you could not send us a minister agreeable to our wish--that is one that can preach in both English and Dutch, that we have then a speedy supply, either in the Dutch or the English language, to establish a consistory, to preach, to baptise, etc., as there are at present upwards of forty children to be baptised. And further; as we are likely to be a scattered people, we hope a speedy remedy may take place, as our desires are great, our case is distressing, our church affairs and religion in many respects lamentable.

"Though we have through the blessing of God so far united, and as it is the desire of our society to send us a minister who can preach both languages, we hope we shall be blessed with such a man, and if not to be expected in a short time, then we pray for a supply as above mentioned, and we, the subscribers, shall reward him well for his cost and trouble; once more we crave a speedy remedy, as we have reason to fear that we will soon be scattered--which we hope God will forbid.

"We shall add no more, as we hope that God will grant us his blessing, that our Rev. Classis may aid and assist us as soon as possible, that our society may be established and religion flourish in this and all other places is the sincere wish and prayer of us, the subscribers, chosen as the voice of the people.

"Given from under our hands this 13th of August, in the year of our Lord, 1795.

Hendrick Banta
John Smock
Albert Banta
Samuel Durie

Garret Dorland
Isaac Van Nuys
Cornelius A. Van Arsdalen
Abraham Braquer

"In November another letter was sent to Rev. John Livingston stating their condition more fully, and setting forth that the

members of another denomination had been with more consideration of their needs by their church authorities, and that members of the Dutch Reformed Church, whose numbers were greatly superior, were becoming a reproach on account of their staunch adherence to a church that paid no heed to their importunities for a pastor at "The Head of Salt River, in Mercer County, Kentucky".

"Collins History of Kentucky tells us that the synod of the Dutch Reformed Church in 1796 sent a Missionary, Rev. Peter Labagh, to the Salt River country. He made a trip on horseback from New Jersey to Harrodsburg, about seven hundred miles, and returned in the same way after spending several months in the state of Kentucky. While there he organized the Dutch settlers into a church and in 1800 they were able to build a church, the historic, "Old Mud Meeting House". A copy of the deed to the land on which it was built was read by A. H. Scamp, L. L. D. on the occasion of the celebration of the centennial of its erection.

"This Indenture, was made this 22nd day of December, Anno Domino, one thousand eight hundred, between David Adams and Elizabeth his wife, of the County of Mercer and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, of the one part and John Van Bryck, Isaac Vannice and Peter Canine, agents and overseers, (and their successors) of the Reformed Church on the Dry Fork of Salt River in Mercer County of the other part; Witnesseth, that the said David Adams and Elizabeth, his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of four pounds, ten shillings, Virginia currency, in hand, well and truly paid by the said John Van Bryck, Isaac Vannice, and Peter Canine, the receipt whereof he, the said David Adams doth hereby acknowledge (and also doth hereby acquit, discharge and exonerate the said John Van Bryck, Isaac Vannice and Peter Canine and their successors of the said Reformed church forever) both granted, bargained, sold, aliened, and confirmed, and by these presents doth bargain, sell, alien and confirm to the said John Bryck, Isaac Vannice, and Peter Canine as agents and overseers, and their successors of the said Reformed Church forever all that messuage survey and parcel of land situate, lying and being in the county of Mercer, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and on the Dry Fork of Salt River, beginning at two elms on the brink of the Dry Fork-thence down the same North 29 degrees West Twenty poles to two Water Beeches two Buckeyes and a Hickory on the bank of said Fork, thence South and West Twenty-five poles to a stake between an Ash and Hackberry, thence South and East Twenty poles to another stake between an Elm and Hackberry, thence 11 degrees East Twenty four poles to the beginning. Containing three acres of land together with appurtenances, to have and to hold all and singular the premises etc. etc. etc."

"This was one of the earliest Churches built in Kentucky. It was called the "Mud" house as its walls were of sturdy uprights interlaced with sticks and mortar.-----"

"There is now in the possession of S. N. Vannice at Russel, Iowa one of the subscription papers used in soliciting the where withal with which to launch this church enterprise."

Church Subscription 1800

"We, the subscribed, promise to pay to the managers of the New Dutch meeting house on the Dry Fork of Salt Creek the following sumse in trade viz. such as schall be put opposite our respective na mes, on or before December 31, One Thousand and 8 hundred, the said trade to be delivered at Peter Canines on the Salt River.

Persons' Names:

John Smock, one second rate cow.
Isaac Van Arsdale, one second rate cow.
Bernardus Van Bryck, one second rate cow.
John Conniger, same and one ewe and lamb.
Henry Banta, one 3 year old heifer and 10 bushels of rye.
Peter Canine, 3 pounds sterling in tra de.
Cornelius Van Nuys, 24 pounds in trade.
John DeMotte, 15 pounds in trade.
Henry Vandiveer, one two year old heifer.
Peter DeMotte, a fat steer.
Peter Van Nuys, 1 heifer.
Abra ham Van Arsdale, 20 pounds in trade.
Simon Van Arsdale, 18 pounds in trade.

Isaac Van Nuys of the fourth generation died in Mercer Co., Kentucky in 1804. Several sale notes, yellowed and worn by age but still legible, are held by his decendents, and are of date Oct.4, 1804. The administrators of his estate were Isaac Man Nuys, Peter Van Nuys (sons) and Cornelius Van Arsdale.

Flora Quick Van Nuys survived her husband many years, dying in Mercer County about Apr. 1, 1829, as proved by the following receipt.

"Received of Tuinis Van Nuys eight dollars for making a coffin for Mrs. Van Nuys this 14th day of April 1829, N.G. Fitzgerald.

Children

- a. Catherine born 1761, married Garret Terhune.
- b. Mary, born 1763, married Cornelius Van Nuyce, her cousin.
- c. See below.
- d. Peter Van Nuys, 1766, married Deborah DeMotte.
- e. John Van Nuys, 1772 married Alice Letitia Canine. Moved to Montgomery Co., Indiana from Kentucky in 1833.
- f. Teunis Van Nuys, 1775, married Catherine Demaree. They moved from Kentucky to Johnson Co., Indiana in 1836.
- g. James Van Nuys, 1777-17778 Married Tinie Bice. Lived on farm in Henry Co. Kentucky, near Pleasureville, and some of his family still live at tha t pla ce.
- h. Abraham Van Nuys, born 1880, married Sa rah James. Lived near Danville, Kentucky.
- i. Charity Van Nuys, born 1782, married Richard Canine, Shelby County, Ky.
- c.. Isaac Van Nuys, born May 3, 1765, near Millstone, Somerset Co., N.J. on May 22, 1793, in Mercer Co., Ky.,whither such had gone, he married Leah Banta, born Sept. 12, 1774 in Pennsylvania,

daughter of Henrick and Maria Stryker Banta. They wernt to Switzerland Co., Indiana in 1816, and he died there, Dec. 28, 1845, it is supposed altho his gra ve is in the burying ground of the Old Dutch meeting house in Mercer County, Ky. Leah Banta Van Nuys died June 11, 1857. He was a farmer. They had a remarkable family of 14 children, all of whom grew to maturity, and with one exception, left decendents. Nearly all of this numerous family were of the Presbyterian faith.

Seven of the fourteen removed to Iowa long before the Civil war, Henry locating in Benton County, near Vinton, and the others in DesMoines County, north of Burlington.

The following is taken from "A History of Yellow Springs & Huron Townships in Des Moines County".

"In 1842 and earlier there came five brothers to this region and made their homes here. They were Abra ham, Cornelius, Albert, Thomas, and William Van Nice. They settled close together and near their sister, Mrs. Ma ry Bandy, who had settled there in 1838, but the homes of two, Abraham and Thomas were just over the line in Benton Township. Thomas died soon after he came leaving two sons, Henry and Samuel. Abraham, altho living in Benton Twp., contributed his share to the prosperity of our Townships."

In reading this history we find that the Van Nices and Banys were very prominent among the early settlers of DesMoines County, John and Mrs. Bandy and daughter Rachel, and Cornelius and Susan Dickerson Van Nice were five of the eleven charter members of the New School Presbyterian Church organized at Kossuth, Sept 12, 1840, and all of these six families helped to found the Yellow Springs College, so important an institution in that region before the war.

A. Leah Van Nuys, born in Mercer Co. Ky. Feb. 24, 1794, married Peter Banta, he was born Dec. 28, 1792 and died Oct 6, 1851. She died Mar 1, 1851. They moved to Johnson County, Indiana, in 1828, where they united with the Hopewell Presbyterian Church. He was a farmer. He was a soldier in the Indian wars.

B. Henry Van Nuys was born in Kentucky, June 22, 1795, and on June 22, 1819, he was married to Leah Voris, daughter of Albert Voris & Anna Banta. They went to the Switzerland County, Ind., in 1822 and lived there on a farm until 1836, when they removed to Johnson County, Ind. In 1853 they again turned their faces westward, going to Iowa, where they located in Benton County, near Vinton. Here he died Aug. 10, 1873.

Mrs. Leah Williams Beresford has a record part of which reads, "Albert Voris, father of Leah Van Nice, fought in the Revolution, and Henry Van Nice in the war of 1812.

- C. Isaac Van Nice, born Nov. 2, 1796, in Kentucky married first Agnes Blunk in Switzerland County, Indiana and second June E. Benefiel. Lived in Jefferson Co., Indiana and later in Clinton County, Ind.
- D. See below.
- E. Mary Van Nuys born Nov. 11, 1799, in Kentucky She came with her parents to Switzerland Co., Ind. in 1816 she married first Albert D. Voris near Vevay, Ind. He died in few months and she married John Bandy. They moved in 1838 to Yellow Springs Twp., Des Moines Co. Iowa.
- F. John Van Nuys, born in Ky. Oct. 20, 1801, and went to Switzerland Co. in 1816. He died Dec. 17, 1873. Married Elizabeth Henry.
- G. Abraham Van Nice, born June 2, 1802 in Kentucky, married Elizabeth Demaree in Switzerland Co., Ind. moved to Kossuth Iowa in 1841.
- H. James VanNuys, born in Kentucky Apr. 9, 1805, married first Isabel Allen and second to Elizabeth Van Osdale. He died March 18, 1891 in Switzeraldn Co., Ind. (The first child by second marriage was Susan Van Nuys who married James Paulley).
- I. Ann Van Nuys born Apr. 12, 1807, married Andrew Morton. They lived on farm near Madison, Ind.
- J. Cornelius Van Nice, born in Kentucky July 3, 1809, and went to Switzerland Co., Ind. in 1816. Married Susan Lee Dickerson and in 1838 they moved to Yellow Springs Twp. Des Moines Co., Iowa.
- K. Thomas Van Nice, born Feb. 4, 1811. in Shelby Co., Ind. in 1816, came to Switzgerland, married Martha Banta, moved to Benton Twp. Desmbines Co., Iowa in 1841.
- L. Albert Van Nice born in Ky. Sept. 27, 1812, and came to Indiana 1816, married Indiana Hukill. Went to DesMoines Co., Iowa 1842.
- M. William S. Van Nice, born Oct. 16, 1814 in Ky. married Elizabeth Elston. Moved to Des Moines Co., Iowa, 1842.

N. Catherine Van Nuys, born Oct. 16, 1816 and died, unmarried in 1900. She lived in Lebanon, Ind., loved by a host of relatives, among whom she was familiarly known as "Aunt Kate."

D. Peter Van Nuys born in Shelby Co., Kentucky Feb. 5, 1798, and married June 7, 1831 to Elizabeth Banta of Bourbon Co., Key., she was born Dec. 17, 1798, and a daughter of Henry and Sallie (Shuck) Banta. They moved to Switzerland Co., Ind. probably at the time of his parents in 1816 and he died there in 1867. He was a farmer and an elder in the Presbyterian Church.

I. Sarah Ann Van Nuys, born in Switzerland Co., Ind., July 21, 1822, married to William M. Weaver, Nov 5, 1840. She died at Lebanon, Ind.

- 1' James Henry Weaver, born Sept. 1841 died Feb. 13, 1863, at Murfreesboro, Tenn. in Civil War.
- 2' Mary Elizabeth Weaver, born Nov. 6, 1842 married William H. Richey.
- 3' Leah Ann Weaver, born Jan 1, 1844, married John H. Sexton.
- 4' John Wesley Weaver, born Apr. 29, 1845 married Sarah E. Stephenson.
- 5' Margaret Almira Weaver, born Jan. 5, 1847 married William H. Richey.
- 6' Rachel Ellen Weaver, born Aug. 16, 1849 married William Robert Morrison.
- 7' Wm. Henry Harrison Weaver, born Aug 4, 1851, married Caroline Clark.
- 8' Peter Van Nuys Weaver, born May 23, 1853 married Jane E. Hughes.
- 9' Martha Jane Weaver, born June 14, 1875 married Amox Endaly.
- 10' Thomas Anderson Weaver, born Jan 18, 1861, died 1885.
- 11' Sarah Etta Weaver, born Feb. 9, 1869, married John H. Sexton.

II. Isaac Van Nuys, born Dec. 24, 1823, died Aug. 27, 1825.

III. Leah Van Nuys, born Feb. 11, 1825, died July 18, 1868, married Henry Charlton. They lived at Pleasant Switz. Co., Ind.

- 1' Newton Edwin Charlton, born Nov. 28, 1851. Married Susan McGregor.
- 2' Francis M. Charlton, born Nov. 25, 1852. Married Josie Rushton.
- 3' William S. Charlton, born Apr. 20, 1859. Married Matilda Block.
- 4' Rollin C. Charlton, born Feb. 11, 1861 Married Mattie E. Eaton.

IV. Margaret Van Nuys, born Feb. 18, 1827,
died Sept. 1916. Married John Demaree.

1' Lizzie Banta Demaree, born June 25, 1857
died Mar. 5, 1882.

2' Peter Symmes Demaree, born May 18, 1862
married Sarah Smith.

V. Mary Van Nuys, born Feb. 3, 1829, married
Joseph Voris, Nov 16, 1848.

For children see Voris branch.

VI. Henry Van Nuys, born Nov 9, 1830, married
Catherine Demaree Mar. 11, 1858. She died
May 26, 1865, and he married second to
Jerusha Hammond Nov. 22, 1874, she died
Sept. 27, 1876. He died at Lebanon Ind.
June 26, 1916.

1' Catherine Elizabeth Man Nuys who died
in 1864.

2' Mary Minerva Van Nuys, born----- She is
practising Physician at Lebanon Ind.

3' Clara Van Nuys, born-----She is an
English tea cher in the High School at
Elkhart, Ind. She makes her home at
Lebanon, Ind.
By second wife.

4' Eva Blanche Van Nuys, married Dr. M. B.
Stokes. They live in Houston, Texas.

VII. John C. Van Nuys, born Dec. 11, 1832
married Mary Ellen Carnine, Dec. 25, 1856
He died in 1908. They lived at Thornton,
Ind.

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1' Harvey Edward Van Nuys, born Oct. 30,
1857, married Loulie B. Thompson.

2' Christina Elizabeth Van Nuys, born in
Aug. 12, 1860, married Dec. 31, 1885,
Willard Stephenson of Thorntown, Ind.

3' A son born 1863, died 1864.

4' John Chauncey Van Nuys, born July 5,
1868. Married Carrie Maud Graves,
June 16, 1897. He is a physician at
Lufkin, Texas.

VIII. Thomas Van Nuys, born Mar. 8, 1835, and
died in Civil war, June 5, 1865.

IX. Andrew Banta Van Nuys, born Aug. 4, 1837
died----- married Oct. 5, 1866, Harvena
Frances Mount. a sister of former Gov.
Mount, of Indiana. They lived on farm
near Lebanon, Ind.

1' Etta Iola Van Nuys, born Aug. 25, 1867,
died Nov. 24, 1882.

2' Emma Lucinda Van Nuys, born Aug. 14,
1869, died Apr. 13, 1893.

3' Ashton Mount Van Nuys, born Aug. 7, 1872
died----- Married Dec. 22, 1904,
Josephine S. Jones. He was an attorney
at Muncie.

4' Mabel Estella Van Nuys, born Apr. 15, 1879, married June 22, 1901, Chester Fuller Ronney.

X. Peter Symmes Van Nuys, born Jan. 24, 1840, died Jan. 17, 1880, married Amanda Holby Matthews Apr. 18, 1866. They lived at Thorn-town, Ind.

1' Robert Gazle Van Nuys, born April 28, 1875, married June 26, 1901, Grace G. Maquis. They live at Frankfort, Ind. where he is engaged in insurance business.

2' Mary Matthews Van Nuys, born June 11, 1878, died Dec. 28, 1882..

B A N T A

The progenitor of the Banta family did not have this surname on his arrival in this country. In all the records yet found his name appears as Epke Jacobs, which means simply Epke the son of Jacob. Epke is a Fresian name, nearly corresponding to the English Egbert. The sons of Epke Jacobs appear in the earliest records as Cornelius Epke, Seba Epke, etc. The first appearance of the family surname Banta, so far as known, is in the record of the Dutch Reformed Church of Hackensack, Bergen County, New Jersey, Aug. 22, 1696. The ancestor of the Banta family in America, Epke Jacobs, was a farmer who lived in the vicinity of Harlingen, an important seaport of Freisland, the most northern of the provinces of Holland.

Harlingen is at the entrance of the Zuder Zee, 65 miles north, north-east from Amsterdam. It stands on the site of a former town which was engulfed by the sea in the year 1134. It is protected by a dyke forty feet high, one of the largest in Holland.

In volume 14, page 90 of the Colonial manuscript in the state library, at Albany, there is preserved the first record we have found of the forefathers of the Bantas, being the bill of charges for passage to America. Translated from the Dutch it reads as follows:

"Epke Jacobs, from Harlingen, farmer (bauman) Debet.

For passage and board when he came over in the ship, DeTrouw,	
Jan Jansen Bestevaer, skipper, Feby. 12, 1659-----	FL 36
For his wife & five sons of 3/4, 2, 3, 4 and 6 years-----	108
Cash received from the Lord Directors-----	15
	<u>FL 159."</u>

Upon his arrival in the New World he probably settled at Flushing, Long Island. Later he removed to New Jersey. The name of the wife of Epke Jacobs nowhere appears. Nor do we know the date of birth of any of his sons, as their names are not given in the bill of passage. They are given as follows with their supposed birth date:

1. Cornelus Epke, born 1652.
2. Seba Epke, born 1654.
3. See below.
4. Derrick Epke, born 1657.
5. Weart Epke, born May 1658.
3. Hendrick Epke, born 1655, married at Bergen, N. J.,
Nov. 17, 1678, Maritje Lubbertse Westervelt "in the

presence of the Court." He united with the church at Bergen, March 29, 1680, and at the organization of the church at Hackensack in 1686 he was chosen one of the Deacons, and installed into office July 25, 1686. May, 1705, he was chosen an elder of the church. He married a second time, Argenitie Hendricks. In 1700 he signed a Remonstrance to the King against the Acts of the Proprietors and asking for the appointment of a competent governor. April 13, 1740, the names of Hendrick Epke Banta and wife appear as witnesses at the baptism of a child of Weart Banta. If this is correct he lived to be at least 85 years of age. However, this may mean his son.

A deed dated June 10, 1708, acknowledged July 19, 1717, and recorded in Book A of Deeds, pg. 85, at Hackensack, sets forth that Hendrick Epke Banta, Yeomen of Hackensack, in consideration of provisions in his last will, bearing even date, has sold to his son, Jacob Hendrick, the following pieces of land: First, a lot now in possession of Jacob, bounded, West by Hackensack river, East by the Queen's Road, North by Henry Joris Brinkerhoff and South by John Cornelius Bogert. (Brinkerhoff's land was the tract bought from Epke Jacobs). This deed indicates that Hendrick owned land adjoining on the south that sold by his father to Brinkerhoff in 1685.

By first wife

- a. Jacob, baptised Nov. 26, 1679.
- b. Angenitie, born Apr. 18, 1682.
- c. Roelof, baptised Aug. 25, 1683.
- d. Sitske.

By second wife

- e. See below.
 - f. Margriete, born June 14, 1700.
- e. Hendrick, born Jan. 13, 1696, married Jan. 26, 1717, Gertrug Terhune, daughter of Albert Terhune Jr. She was baptised Nov. 4, 1694. He joined the church at Hackensack, Jan. 12, 1718. He was a blacksmith.
- A. See below.
 - B. Wyntie, baptised Aug. 13, 1721.
 - C. Angenitie, May, 1724.
 - D. Albert, born Aug. 29, 1728.

- A. Hendrick, married at Schroalenburgh, Aug. 12,

1738, Rachel Brower, daughter of Abram Brower & Leah Demarest, who was baptised at Hackensack, Dec. 9, 1716. He was a member of the Church at Hackensack in 1741. His wife died about 1750 and he married again, Antie Demarest, daughter of Samuel David & Lea Demarest, who was baptised Dec. 23, 1733, and who survived him. He removed from Bergen Co. to Somerset Co., N. J., and was an elder of the church at Bedminster, Oct. 25, 1758. The baptismal records of that church have not been preserved, but at least four of his children were born while he was living in that county, whose dates of birth we cannot determine. About ten years later, with a colony from New Jersey he removed to Conewago, York Co., Pa., near the present site of Gettysburg, and was a member of the church there at its formation and probably was an elder. The oldest document on record in York County is a deed given by one Van Arsdale in 1768 for land described therein as adjoining land of Henry Banta, which fixes the date of emigration to Pennsylvania as early as 1768. The only records of the Conewago church that have been preserved are a few scattering items of the Consistory, and the baptismal register which is partially illegible. The latter begins Oct. 23, 1769 and on this date, among others a child of Henry Banta was baptised. About 1780, with a colony from Conewago he migrated to Kentucky, and located at first near Boonsborough on the Kentucky River, to which Captain Daniel Boon had moved with his family four or five years previously and made a settlement.

Collins' history of Kentucky, Page 521 says: 'White Oak Spring, sometimes called Hart's station, one mile above Boonsborough, was settled in 1779 by Capt. Nathaniel Hart and some Dutch families from Pennsylvania.'.....

'Not far is a spring twelve feet square at the top and one hundred feet deep boiling up pure, cold and fresh and flowing off in a large and constant stream.'

Page 529: 'White Oak Station was settled in 1779. The settlers were composed principally of families from Pennsylvania - orderly, respectable people and the men good soldiers. But they were unaccustomed to Indian warfare, and of some ten or twelve men all were killed except two or three.'

Page 523. 'The first Dutch emigration to Kentucky in a company was in 1781, White Oak Spring Station, on Kentucky River, Madison County, one mile above Boonsborough. Among the immigrants were Henry Banta, sr., Henry Banta, Jr., Abraham Banta

and John Banta. A little later the colonists went where Harrodsburg now stands, but in the course of a few years they established themselves permanently about a village now called Pleasureville, then **Six Miles** in Henry County. There some of them purchased twelve thousand acres of land which they called the 'Low Dutch Tract,' and divided it among themselves.'

Those whose attention has not been directed to the subject, can have no adequate idea of the hardships and the perils of this long journey from eastern Pennsylvania to Kentucky. At that period Conewago was almost the western limit of settlement, and between it and Kentucky was an unbroken wilderness of over six hundred miles. The road by which these pioneers traveled was doubtless that known as "The Wilderness Road," which passed thru the valley of Virginia, between the Blue Ridge and the Alleghanies, and across the mountains by Cumberland Gap to Fort Harrod. The road was really only a "trace." No wagon passed over it until at least fifteen years later, and these colonists were compelled to journey on foot and with pack horses. The "pack-saddle" was a forked branch of a tree fastened on the horse, upon which all the household goods and provisions. One of the early accounts of such a journey in 1779, describes the men on foot with their trusty rifles on their shoulders, driving stock and leading pack horses, and the women, some walking with pails on their heads, others riding with children on their laps, and other children swung in baskets on horses, encamping at night, expecting to be massacred by the Indians, subsisting on stinted allowances of stale bread and meat, encountering bears, wolves and wild cats in the narrow bridle path overgrown with brush and underwood.' Another account mentions that a colony, migrating to Kentucky in 1783, had reached within half a dozen miles of the first settlement in the territory, when seven families of the train stopped to encamp for the night, the others passing on. That night the Indians attacked the families who had encamped and all were killed except one man. One of Henry Banta's sons was killed by the Indians in Kentucky.

At the time of removal to Kentucky, Henry Banta was the father of twenty-one children, of whom three had died in infancy, and his oldest son had recently died leaving nine children who were brought up by their grandfather. Five or six of his sons were married, two of whom, Samuel & Peterius, remained for awhile in Pennsylvania, as did his three married daughters. His family, who accompanied him in this toilsome, dangerous journey of several months' duration, consisted of his wife and twelve children, five of whom were under twelve years of age, and nineteen grandchildren, almost all of whom were under twelve years of age.

An account of the settlement of the "Low Dutch Tract" written by Mr. George W. Demaree, was published in the Shelby Courant, Shelbyville, Ky., May 15, 1873, and so much of it as refers to the Banta family is quoted therefrom, to illustrate some of the difficulties these hardy pioneers encountered in

building their new homes on "the dark and bloody ground."

I propose to devote this chapter to the origin of the purchase and final settlement of the Dutch tract, together with incidents connected with the men who figured in this part of our history.

About ten years before the final settlement was effected--i. e., about the year 1785, Capt. Daniel Banta, Cornelius Banta and John Banta Sr., followed the "trace" leading from Harrod's station in Mercer County to Hoagland's station, in what was afterwards Shelby County, till within a few miles of the latter place where they boldly plunged into the wilderness, and built a cabin about two miles northeast of Hoagland's station and what was afterwards known as the old Magruder farm, now the property of Thomas Eaton, esq. This was beyond doubt the first cabin built in the limits of the Dutch tract.

It was constructed of blue ash logs, and was torn down but a few years ago, after having braved the storms for more than eighty winters. The Bantas, while on their hunting expeditions, doubtless saw a considerable part of the tract of land afterward purchased by the Dutch Company---though hardly all of it, as it is no child's play to explore so vast a wilderness. I have no means at hand of knowing the precise number of acres contained in the original survey, but from my knowledge of the boundary thereof I presume it could not be less than fifteen or twenty thousand acres. The Bantas had enjoyed their novel position but a short time when one of those periodical storms of wrath burst in upon the frontier settlements, and they wisely retired to Hoagland's station. This station was poorly manned and provisioned at the time, and was threatened daily with an attack from the redskins. So squally did the times become that the little garrison determined to send to Harrod's station for reinforcements, etc. Jake Banta, an officer of the fort, (brother of the other Bantas), volunteered to perform the dangerous mission. The wilderness being full of prowling savages, he chose the darkness of night to pass through the "narrows" on the waters of Benson Creek, near where Hardinsville now is. But poor Jake never reached Harrod's station. As he crept silently and all alone in the darkness of night through the dreaded "narrows" the redskins pounced upon him from ambush and cleaved his skull with the tomahawk. They left Capt. Banta on the tragic spot with his own tomahawk buried in his skull as a token of their fierce vengeance. The loss of this brave man was deeply felt by the frontier settlement. As soon as the storm had subsided our three heroes, who had taken an active part in the exciting scenes with which they were surrounded, went back to Harrod's station fully satisfied that their attempt to take possession of an isolated wilderness at time was immature.

It can hardly be doubted that their good report of the ex-

cellent quality of these lands, carried back to the Dutch Company of which they constituted a part, led to the purchase and ultimate settlement of the same. The Banta family was both dreaded and hated by the Indians. Being men of wonderful strength and constitution, and brave to a fault, they had taught the savages many lessons in their own mode of warfare. If all their conflicts with the Indians, the heroism of their women, etc., were traced by the pen of an able writer, a book of truly thrilling adventure would be the result. The writer remembers hearing the old folks talk of "Shaker John Banta." This circumstance led him to inquire into the origin of the appellation, and researches have satisfied him that the Shaker society of Kentucky had its origin in the limits of the Dutch Settlement- i. e. in Shelby County, about the year A. D. 1804. The first Shaker meeting held in Kentucky, beyond doubt, was held at the house of John Banta, who was one of the original members of that sect in this State, hence the name Shaker John Banta. Some of the Voorhees and Monforts adopted the Shaker system at that time.

I doubt not that the long custom of the Dutch Company to have certain things in "common," such as tools, farming implements, mills, etc., (the writer has seen the "Dutch Company sledge hammer" many times, and he doubts not that it is now in use in Henry County, where he last saw it) had no little to do in preparing the minds of these good men to receive the friendly, tho absurd, doctrine of Ann Lee. The doctrine of Ann Lee met with poor success, however, with the masses of the company, hence John Banta and his few associates separated from them and returned to Mercer County, and purchased the present site of Pleasant Hill. The result is familiar to everybody.

The following extract from a Kentucky paper on the same subject is also given. Among the purchasers mentioned will be found several of the sons and sons-in-law of Henry Banta.

"An Old Colony who settled near Pleasureville and purchased land from Squire Boone.
(Eminence Constitutionalist)"

"While this section of Kentucky was all forest and inhabited by the Indians, the "Low Dutch Colony," came and located on land now in and around where Pleasureville is now situated. The land was then owned by Squire Boone, brother of Daniel Boone, the famous Pioneer. The colony purchased about 10,000 acres in 1774, and it is as remarkable as true that some descendants of this colony now reside on a portion of the original purchase. The company had a trustee whose duty it was to look after all the estate, as the thirty or more settlers with their families resided in a fort built out of logs and stones. The hostility of the Indians forced the "Low Dutch Colony" to remove to Mercer and Clark Counties in a short while, but they returned in 1786. The Bantas, Bergins and Shucks still own the land of their

ancestors together with many old relics and papers which they value highly."

'Papers show that thirty-four Lots of land were purchased by the company, varying in size from two hundred acres and upward, which were paid for in pounds, shilling & pence. The following is the number of each lot, purchaser and price paid.'

No.		L.S.D.	No	L. S. D.
1.	John Commonadore transferred to James Morton	24 11 1	17.	Samuel Banta 43 19 11
2.	Daniel Vorees	52 17 11	18.	Frances Casart 43 19 11
3.	Andrew Shock	43 19 11	20	Aaron & Jno. Munfort 52 17 11
	Daniel Vorees	70 11 11	23	Blu John Voras 21 16 7
4.	Albert Banta	39 10 3	24	Lucas Vanosdal & Jacob Smock 21 16 7
5.	Albert Voras	26 8 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	26	Peter Banta 12 19 4
6.	John Banta	62 17 3	27	Jacob Banta 32 18 3
7.	Abraham Banta	52 17 3	28	Illegible
8.	Simon Vanarsdal	24 11 8	29	Wm Shock & Big John Vores 52 17 3
9.	Henry Banta	66 3 3	30	Uncle Peter Banta 59 19 3
10.	Samuel Demaree	52 17 3	31	Abraham Brewer 17 4 11
	" "	43 10 11	32	Cornelius Bogard and Uncle Peter Banta 62 16 9
11	Daniel W. Banta	49 3 3	33	Peterius Banta 56 3 9
12	Remus Manfort, transferred to Louis Maston	52 17 3	34	Sophia Voras 29 11 9
13	Benj Spader	12 169		
14	Daniel Banta	52 17 3		
16	Heirs of Cornelius Cozine	49 19 11		

Mr. Richard Shuck showed us a deed for a section of this land which was signed by Jas L. Whittaker, Shelby County Clerk, on July 22, 1833, which was a conveyance to George Bergin and Tunice Vannyse as Trustees. The Land being originally settled by Abram Banta. The Old spring of water which used to supply the colony with water is still in use.

The following communication, published by Rev. Dr. David D. Demarest, of New Brunswick N.J., in the Christian Intelligencer of New York, March 26, 1890, will also be of Interest:

The Memorial of the Kentucky Settlers.

Mr. Editor: Many of the readers of the Intelligencer have expressed great interest in the accounts you have been pleased to publish of the Dutch emigration to Kentucky in the last century. I know that the publication of the following memorial addressed to congress, and of the letter of introduction by Dom. J. M. Van Harlingen, will be a great gratification to them. Copies of the original were obtained by me through the kindly aid of Prof. Scott, of Rutgers College, from the State Dept. of Washington.

Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, in his fascinating work, "The Winning of the West," says that 140 heads of families of Low Dutch people came in a body to Kentucky in 1780, and he refers to this memorial as authority. But he made a mistake by failing to notice that only one third of the 150 names attached to the memorial were names of actual residents at the time; the other two thirds were names of their friends who intended to come and settle with them on the land that should be acquired, but who were at the time in their homes at Conewago, Pa., as the baptismal records of that church show, and perhaps some were still in New Jersey.

The emigration to Kentucky was by detachments. A few families went as early as 1771. We have no reason to think that church was organized until the arrival among them of the Rev. Peter Labagh in 1796. But they had a meeting-house long before that time, located where is now the village of Pleasureville, and they doubtless held regular services under the direction of the Voorleser and of Henrick Banta, the Exhorter.

The reader will notice that in some instances a name is spelled in various ways. I have in several cases presumed to try to aid those who are not skilled in interpreting signatures of that period by inserting modern forms in brackets.

I also call attention to the fact that no date is attached to these documents. The copyist, in an accompanying note, assigns them to 1783. He must have had some authority for saying so, and we feel sure of his correctness when we call to mind that we learn from other sources that a grant of land of 12,000 acres was obtained which was divided among the settlers in 1784.

New Brunswick, Feb. 17th, 1890 D. D. Damerest.
To the Honorable President and Delegates of the Free United States of America in Congress Assembled.

Gentlemen: A memorial and petition of a number of Inhabitants of Kentucky settlement of the Low Dutch reformed Church Persuasion in behalf of themselves and other intended settlers was brought to me by one of these petitioners desiring me in the name of the rest to give a testimonial of their character to the Honorable Congress, because I was Personally acquainted with them. Some have lived amongst us and belonged to my Congregation. They were a plain, honest, peaceable, sober, and industrious people, remarkable for agriculture, and by current reports we have of them they are all hearty friends of our glorious Revolution and the Honorable Congress.

Gentlemen, I remain with due Respect, Your Most Humble Serv't.
J. M. VanHarlingen,
Minister of the Gospel at Sourland and
New Shennick.

To the Honorable President and Delegates of the Free United States of America in Congress Assembled:-

The memorial and Petition of a number of Inhabitants of Kentucky Settlement of the Low Dutch reformed Church persuasion in behalf of themselves and intended settlers,
Humbly Sheweth,

That in the spring of the year 1780, they moved to Kentucky with their families and effects with a view and expectation to procure a tract of land to enable them to settle together in a body for the convenience of civil society and propogating the gospel in their known (own?) Language; when they arrived there, to their sorrow and disappointment they were, thro' the dangerousness of the times by a oruel savage enemy, obliged to settle in Stations or Forts in such places where there was the most appearance of safety; notwithstanding all their precautions numbers of them suffered greatly in their property, several killed and others captivated by the enemy, living in such distressed confined way, always in danger, frequently on military duty, it wa s impossible for them to do more than barely support their families with the necessaries of life, by which means they are much reduced; and what adds more to their disappointment and affliction is that, contrary to their expectations, before their arrival and since, the most or all the Tillable Land has been located and monopolized by persons that had the advantage of your memorialists, by being acquainted with the country, and your Memorialists, being strangers and confined as aforesaid, and being so reduced, are rendered unable to purchase land at the advanced price, and especially in a body conveniently together agreeable to their wishes. Whereas, Providence has been pleased to prosper and support the virtuous resistance of the United States in the glorious Cause of Liberty, which has enabled them to obtain an Honorable Peace whereby they have obtained a large extent of unappropriated Territory. And whereas it is currently and repeatedly reported amongst us that Congress has broke or made void Virginia's right or claim to land in Kentucky settlement.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray (in behalf of themselves and other intended of that persuasion) the Honorable Congress would indulge them with a grant of a tract or Territory of Land in Kentucky settlement, if the Virginia claim thereto should be made void, or otherwise in the late ceded on the Northwest side of the Ohio river, whereto there is not any prior legal claim, to enable them to settle in a body together, on such reasonable terms as Congress in their wisdom and prudence shall see just and reasonable they complying with and performing all reasonable conditions required, to enable them to put their intended pain and purpose in execution, they having principally in view the Glory of God, the promotion of Civil & religious society educating and instructing their rasing generation in the principals of religion and morality.

Hoping the Honorable Congress will give all due encouragement to suck a laudable undertaking; The Premisses duly considered, Your Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray, etc.

Hendrick Banta
 Peter Demaree
 Cornelius Bogart
 John Demaree
 Cornelius Banta
 Samuel duree
 Albert durie
 Marga Cozart, widow
 Antje durie, widow
 Daniel banta

Albert Vorhis
 John Vorhis, Junr.
 Luke Vorhis
 Samuel Demaree
 Peter Demaree, Junr.
 Henry Shiveley
 Samuel Demaree, Jr.
 Benedict Yury
 Henery Jury
 Mary Westerfield, widdo

Samuel lock
David Allen
Abraham Banta
John Voreis
Simon Venosdal
Sophia Voreis, widow
Francis Vorees
Aaron Van Hoor
John Ryker
Cornelius Voreis
Henry Banta, Jr.
Abraham Banta Jr.
Peter Banta, Jr.

John Banta
William Vancleave
Catharine Darling, widow
Lambert Darling
John Darling
James Vories
John Vancleave
John Harris
Peter Banta
Samuel Westervelt
Johanna Seburn, widow
Albert Banta
Jacob Banta

flowing this there is 105 names of "intend frinds," or those who expected to come to Kentucky. The names of Banta and Voris appearing are

Samuel Banta
Peter Banta
Rulef Vorhis
Cornelius Vorhis

Henry Banta died in 1805, aged 87 years, and was buried on George Bergen's farm in Shelby Co., being the first burial in that graveyard. His will recorded in Shelby Co., devises his property to his widow, Ann. It is as follows:-

In the name of God, Amen, thirteenth of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred ninty four, I, Henry Banta, of the County of Henry and State of Kentucky, being weak of body, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be to God, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. That is to say: I recommend my soul in to the hands of God that gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors, and as touch- ing such worly estate whareas it hath pleased God to bless; bless me in this life, I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form-----
Imprimis: It is my Will, and I do order that in the first place all my debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied.

Item: I give and bequeath unto Anna, my beloved wife all and singular my lands, as also all my personal estate of every sort and kinde I die so possessed of, to have the same to her, her heirs and assigns forever

Item: I do hereby constitute, make and ordain Albert Voris, and Cornelius Banta, and John Voris, my only and sole executors of this, my last Will and Testament. And I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other former Testament Wills, Legacies, and Executors by me in any ways before this time named, willed and bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
and seal, the day and year first above written.
Hendrick Banta (L.S.)

Signed, sealed and
delivered by the said
Henry Banta as his last
Will and Testament in
the presence of us, the subscribers,
Christopher Bergen
Simon Vanosdal
Rachael Vanosdal

Shelby Court Set

At a court held for Shelby County, the 14th
day of October, 1805, this last Will and Testa-
ment of Henry Banta, deceased, was produced in
Court and proved by the oaths of Christopher
Bergen and Simon Vanarsdale, two of the sub-
scribing Witnesses thereto, and ordered to be
recorded.

Teste. James Craig, Ck.

Copy Attest
A. J. Stephens, Clerk,
Shelby County Clerk

Henry Banta was the father of twenty one children
and is said to have left a larger number of de-
scendants than any other man in Kentucky. We
have been able to ascertain the names of nine-
teen children only. It is probable that two
others were born while he was living in Somerset
County and a member of the Church at Bedminster,
the record of which Church was lost.

Children by first wife, Rachel Brower, Baptised
at Hackensack.

I. see below

II. Abraham, Apr 18, 1742, died in infancy

III. Leah, Jan 15, 1744, married Jacobus
Monfort.

IV. Abraham, July 7, 1745, married Margrielo
Monfort.

V. Albert, Apr. 20, 1747, married Styntie
Monfort.

VI. Gurtruid, Dec. 3, 1749, married Franz
Monfort.

Children by second wife, Antie Demarest

VII. Rachel born Dec. 19, 1751 married
:1 Theadore Williamson
:2 Simon Van Arsdale

Baptised in Somerset Co. N.J.

VIII. Samuel June 13, 1753 married Dyna Dorland

IX. Pieter Feb. 9, 1753 married Elizabeth Casijn.

X. John Sept. 1756 married Polly Riker

XI. Cornelius married :1 Mary Shuck Durie
:2 Agnes Shuck
:3 Nancy Van Nise

XII. Daniel 1765 married Anna Shuck Durie.

XIII. Jacob, married Catherine Voorhees.
Killed by Indians.

XIV. Mary, married Henry Shively.
Baptised at Conewago. 1783

XV. Antie baptised Oct. 23, 1769. Married
Barnett Rynierson.

XVI. David baptised May 31, 1771, married
Mary DeMott.

XVII Isaac, baptised Aug. 24, 1773.

XVIII. Argenitie July 23, 1775 married William
Gordon.

XVIII. Hendrick born Mar. 14 1778, married Molly
Van Arsdall. Seemed to be an ardent
member of Shaker society.

(You will note here the custom of naming
a child after an older brother or sister
who has died. Hendrick the oldest son
died in 1777.)

I. Hendrick, baptised July 27, 1740. Married
Apr. 27, 1761, Maria Stryker, who was born
June 11, 1738. He died in 1777, just before
the birth of his youngest son. When the babe
was about six months old, the wadov was
killed by the falling of a tree. The child-
ren were cared for by their grandfather who
took them to Kentucky.

1' Hendrick, born Jan. 23, 1762, married
Sally Shuck.

2' Peter, born June 10, 1763, married Rachel
Banta.

3' Rachel, born Sept. 21, 1764, married
Hull.

4' Abraham.

- 5' Anna, born July 29, 1767, married Albert Voris. (See Voris line)
- 6' Sarah, born March 10, 1769.
- 7' John born March 9, 1771, died in infancy.
- 8' Maria, born Feb 6, 1772. Married William Shuck.
- 9' Lea, born Sept. 12, 1774, married Isaac Van Nuys. (See Van Nuys line)
- 10' Albert, born Sept. 3, 1777. Married Ruth Alexandria.

C U L B E R T S O N

The oldest record we have of any of the ancestors of the Culbertson family is in Scotland about 1620. The ancestor was the Duke of Argyle, sometimes called Lord London of Scotland. His family name was Campbell. There is no record of who his wife was. The family came to Scotland from central England and was of Saxon origin.

His youngest son was James Campbell and of him we have no other record.

His daughter Jean Campbell married James Culbertson.

Their son, Robert Culbertson, married Janet (Nannie) Harvey.

Their son, James Culbertson, was born at Argyle, Scotland. He married Janet White at Argyle in 1788. They came to America in 1820. He died in 1821 and she in 1835. They were living at the time with their son Samuel, and were buried on his farm which is located just south of Caledonia Church. A few years ago their bodies were removed to the Caledonia cemetery.

Their children.

1. Robert, died in young manhood.

2. William.

a. William, Captain, married Jane Scott.

A. Jennie, married Van Pelt.

B. Della.

C. Carrie.

b. James.

c. David.

d. Peter.

e. Mrs. Stone.

f. Mary, married William Scott, was mother of Josie Scott. (See Scott)

g. Mrs. Morton

h. John.

3. John, This family with the exception of Janette removed to Wisconsin and settled near Appleton.

a. Matthew.

A. Henry, who is state Senator and master of the State Grange of Wisconsin.

b. James.

c. John.

d. Alexander

e. Janette, married first David Scott.
" second _____ Ryan.

By 1st marriage.

A. Rose, married Moody Dodd.

I. Clarence.

II. Jennie.

III. Carroll.

B. Walter never Married.

C. John C. Married Fannie Norcott.

I. Janette.

II. Cully.

D. Elmer died in boyhood.

f. Mrs. Barclay.

g. Nancy.

4. See below.

5. Samuel. This family lived south east of Caledonia.

a. David.

b. Robert.

c. James.

d. Samuel

e. Jane.

f. Agness.

6 David, died in youngmanhood.

7 Mrs. Turnes.

8 Mrs. Smith.

These two daughters did not come to America at the time of their parents did, but came later with their husbands. They each settled in neighborhood of Rockford, Ill.

4. James, born near Cambleton, Scotland in 1797. He married Jean Harvey at Cambleton. They came to America in 1819. They landed at Philadelphia and came to Pittsburgh in wagons and from there down the Ohio in a large skiff. She died at Vevay, Ind., in 1875 and he in 1880. They were buried at Caledonia.

a. See below.

b.

b. Robert, was the inventor of the knotter used on all grain binders.

A. Francis married Robert Taylor.

I. James F.

II. Pearl M. married Harry Kern.

B. Jane married James D. Glenn.

I. Rolland H.

Hanover graduate. Supt. schools Rush Co.

II. O. E.

Professor of mathematics, Pennsylvania State Union. One of the brightest mathematicians in U. S. Graduate of Indiana University.

III. Earl, graduate of Indiana Union. Professor of physics in Columbia University. Author of several text books and lectures on inventions.

C. Mary, married Robert Danner.

D. Emma, married Isaac J. Hart.

I. Robert

II. George.

III. Carrol.

IV. Maude

V. Mamie.

c. David Culbertson married Ann (Ralston) Jamison.

A. Belle, married Samuel Rutherford of Evansville, Ind.

I. Edna.

B. Alice, nurse, Los Angeles, Calif.

C. Harry, married Ida Smith

I. Norma

II. Marguerite, a teacher.

III. Wilhema, a teacher

IV. Eloise.

D. Nancy, married John Harvey, Marion, Ind.

I. Harry.

II. Nelda.

E. Lide, married Harry Lewiston, a flour broker in Boston.

F. Madge, married Joe Hartman.

d. John, died unmarried.

e. Catherine, married Alex Edgar.
Their only child, a son, died quite young.

f. Janette, married John Jamison.
Their family lived near Neenah, Wis.

A. Robert, married Nettie Gould, Five children.

B. Jane.

C. James.

a. James Culbertson, born Sept. 21, 1821, died May 14, 1907. Married Ann Scott, Feb. 20, 1850. She was born Apr. 19, 1830, and died Dec. 18, 1870. He was born one half mile south of Calødonia. In 1842 he went to Vevay, Indiana to learn cabinet making. For several years he built both flour mills and woolen mills. He built the old Pleasant church. in 1850 he Built the first steam saw mill which was a success in Plea sant Twp. on what was afterward his farm. In 1870-72 he made trip to Kansas and Nebraska and bought about 2500 acres of government land. Spent one winter in California. He was with his wife at Chattanooga, Tenn. when she died, where they were spending the winter for her health. Janes Culbertson married second Harriet Niles, March 14, 1872. Ann Scott was born one mile south of Moorefield, Ind. She was married in a silk dress, spun and woven from cocoons produced on their own farm.

A. Harvey, born Dec. 24, 1850, died Oct. 5, 1926. Married Ruth L. Hawley, Dec. 25, 1877. He was a graduate of Hanover College with the class of 1873 and later from the Nebraska University Agricultural College. Was professor of Agriculture and later professor of Horticulture in same school. He moved to San Diego, Calif. in 1886 and was employed by the government to teach settlers how to irrigate their land. Worked quite extensively as a surveyor. An elder in Presbyterian Church at El Cajou, Calif.

I. Allen, carpenter & machinist, not married.

II. James, has large family.

III. Mary, married Dr. Plant. No children.
He died and she is teaching in Los Angeles.

IV. Anna Teacher in Oakland, Calif.

V. Harvey. Graduate of Berkeley, Calif. married
Culbertson. Farmer. Have three
children.

- B. Scott, born Sept. 14, 1852, died Feb. 13, 1913. Married India Shaddy Sept. 30, 1879. Graduated from Louisville Medical College and of Bellview Medical College, N.Y. Made a special study of eye and ear. Practised his profession at Brock Nebraska two years, at Moorefield and at Vevay. His widow lives at Vevay.
- I. Carl, born Apr. 8, 1881, married Mary Gray, Sept. 20, 1904. She lived at Moorefield and was a school teacher. They live at Vevay, Ind. and have wide business interests. He is associated with his brother Clyde in hardware business, flour mill, etc. He has had many contracts for road building in Indiana & Kentucky.
- 1' Clyde, born July 27, 1905. He is a senior in Indiana University medical school
- 2' Grace, born Dec. 8, 1906. She is a nurse in Christ's Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 3' Mary Eloise, born Dec. 28, 1909.
- 4' Carl Scott, born Jan. 14, 1913.
- II. Clyde, born June 15, 1883, married Esther Evans, March 10, 1927. They live at Vevay where he is associated with his brother Carl in business.
- III. Elma, born Dec. 13, 1884, married Roy Johnson July 3, 1912. They live in Vevay, Ind., where they own and manage a dry goods store.
- IV. Fannie, born Nov. 16, 1888. Graduate of Hanover College, class 1910. High school teacher since leaving college. Taught a number of years at Washington, Indiana. and is at present teaching at Vevay.
- C. Annabel, born Dec. 28, 1854, died June 23, 1857.
- D. Mary A., born Sept. 4, 1858, died May 27, 1897, Married Harvey B. Voris (for children see Voris line).
- E. ^dEgar, born Feb. 2, 1860, married Estella E. Van Buren, Jan 31, 1888. He was born on the old farm in Switzerland Co., near Caledonia. He was educated at Nebraska University where his brother Harvey was teaching at the time. He lived for many years on a farm two miles south of Caledonia and is living at present in Vevay. During his entire life he has been an active member of the Caledonia church and was particularly in the building of the new church. He was for many years Township Trustee and has on many occasions been active in public life.

I. Ruth, born Jan. 8, 1889, married Howard Jamieson July 22, 1915. She was a graduate of Hanover College, class of 1910. Taught in high schools. Howard Jamieson is a United Presbyterian minister and has five or six brothers who are also ministers in that church. They are at present located at Everett, Washington.

1' Howard M., born Dec. 11, 1916.

2' Janette E., born Aug. 15, 1918.

3' Mildred F., born Jan. 18, 1922.

II. Jeanette, born May 31, 1894, graduated from Hanover college, class 1916. Taught in High school. Married George Edward Trotter of Coal City, Ill., Sept. 4, 1919, son of John Trotter, who was aman of large business and farming and a member of Ill. State House of Representatives. George E. Trotter graduated from Hanover College in Same class, was a football and basket ball man. Palyed on football team and acquired a state wide reputation for his place kicking. Member Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He belonged to sanitary division of U. S. army and saw service in France during the world war. They live on farm near Coal City, Illinois.

1' Ruth Eleanor, born July 15, 1920.

2' George Edward, born May 4, 1922.

III. Julian, born Oct. 9, 1895. Graduate of Hanover College, class 1917; graduate student University of Chicago. Professor of Chemistry Washington State University at Pullman Washington. Member Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Married Lucia Cruft August 25, 1920.

1' Dorris Jean, born Dec. 12, 1921.

2' Phillip Edgar, born Aug. 1925.

F. Glenn, born Feb. 3, 1863, died Apr. 23, 1927. Was born on farm near Caledonia. Graduated Hanover College, class of 1888.

Was an athlete while in college, played football and baseball. He taught in Presbyterian school at Salida, Col. for two years. Taught in Government school at Bangkok, Siam for three years. Was professor of geology at Hanover College from 1893 until the time of his death. He was a leader among the college people and highly respected among the scientific men of the state. Was a member of Indiana state

legislature for one term. Chairman of County Sunday School association for years. An elder in the Presbyterian church at Hanover. President of Hanover State Bank for several years. He was widely recognized as a man of sterling qualities and unusual ability. Was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Married Janie Archer July 31, 1890. She is at present living at Hanover.

I. Myron, born Dec. 5, 1891, at Bangkok, Siam.

II. Helen Culbertson, born Nov. 21, 1894. Graduated Hanover college, class 1916. Taught in high schools at Eldorado, Ill. for two years and is now teaching science in high school at Youngstown, Ohio.

III. Archer, born Aug. 29, 1900. Graduated Hanover college class 1922. Graduate student university of Chicago. Prominent athlete while in college. Member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Taught science at Homer, Ill. and is now teaching in Shortridge high school at Indianapolis, Indiana. Married Dorothy May Roloff of Homer, Ill, Aug. 27, 1925.

IV. Jean, born Dec. 7, 1904. Graduated Hanover College class 1925. Taught in high school in Kansas and at Ashland, Ill. At present living with her mother at Hanover, Ind.

G. Clarence, born Apr. 26, 1866, died May 19, 1903. Attended Hanover college in class 1890. Was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Lived in Salida, Cal. and on a ranch at Lakeside, California. Was an elder in Presbyterian church at El Cajou, Calif. Married Anna Archer (sister of Janie & Tunis Archer) Dec. 1, 1892.

I. Edna, married _____ Manwarring. They live in San Diego, Calif. They have two children.

II. Glen.

H. Nettie, born July 24, 1870, died June 5, 1906. Married Tunis Archer Sept. 2, 1896. They both taught in the state institution for the deaf and dumb at Indianapolis. He was for a time connected with a similar institution at Jacksonville, Ill. He is at present engaged as a bond salesman.

I. Catherine born Apr. 28, 1873.

J. James, born Sept. 2, 1875, died.

K. Eleanor, born Nov. 27, 1877.

Both Catherine and Eleanor live in the old home at Moorefield. They have always been active in the church at Caledonia. Both are well known and among other things have charge of a circulating library.

S C O T T

The earliest record which we have of the Scott family who were the ancestors of Ann Scott, who married James Culbertson, whose children are taken up under the Culbertson line, pertains to Wm. Scott, who with Christiana Stonehouse, who later became his wife, were born at Jedburgh, Scotland. She was born in 1750 and he in 1757. She died June 20, 1842 and he June 31, 1856, at the ages of 92 & 99 respectively. They came to America and settled in the neighborhood of Caledonia. They were both buried at Caledonia.

1. Walter, born Aug. 5, 1789, died Dec. 7, 1879. He with his brother John came to America as single men. The first work they were connected with in this country was with the building of a section of the National Highway over the Allegheny Mts. He married Janet Glen Scott about 1824. She was born Jan. 3, 1797 and died March 6, 1864. They lived in the Caledonia neighborhood.

a. William, married Margaret Storie.

A. Walter, never married.
B. Robert, married Hanna Crandal.

I. Paul
II. Earl.
III. Margery.
IV. Corine.

C. Arthur, died in boyhood.

D. Bruce, married Jennie Tevis.

I. Earnest.
II. Leslie.

E. Irvin, married Estella McCulloch.

I. Clyde.
II. Roy.
III. William.
IV. Edith
V. Lela.

b. David, married Janet Culbertson, who later married a Ryan. (For children see Culbertson line).

c. Robert, married Margaret Ralston. Had one son who died in infancy. After the death of his first wife he married _____. They lived at Moorefield.

d. John, married Mary Harper.

A. Edward N.

B. Frank. Lives in Kansas.

C. Annabel, married Dr. Edmonson. Live in Los Angeles.

e. James M. married Susan Wiseman.

A. Ethol, married Flora Keisel.
live at Vevay, Ind.

I. James Chester.

B. Twin boys who died in infancy.

f. Ann, married James Culbertson. (See Culbertson line)

2. John.

aa. William, married Mary Culbertson.

A. Dr. John C. Scott.

B. Mary, married _____ Malcomb.

C. Rebecca, Married _____ Ashby.

D. Josie, married Harvey B. Voris. (See Voris)

E. James Lives at Moorefield.

F. Wilson, married Mary Keal. Lives at Richmond.

b. John.

Elmer, of Madison, Ind.

c. Samuel.

A. Charles.

B. Marion.

C. Martha.

d. David.

A. Bert

e. James

f. Marv, married John Crawford

A. James

B. Ada, married Mat Ralston

C. Scott, married Lizzie Morton

D. Harry.

E. Agnes, married _____ Aslop.

g. Jane, married Wm. Culbertson. (See Culbertson line)

3. Nancy, married _____ Dow.

4. Margaret, married McKenzie.

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