

OUR CLANTON CLAN

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A family tree is something that everybody has, and more and more of us these days are becoming amateur genealogists as we try to uncover our roots. It is much like playing detective. We start with a few clues and start digging.

Sometimes we run into puzzles. Census records were not always accurate. Names were often misspelled. Counting was sometimes haphazard. Some residents may have been omitted and some counted twice. Some young men were afraid to give their name for the census for fear they would be used as draftees in the military. Some records were lost and others destroyed by fire.

In compiling this story I have made no attempt to prove dates and facts. I was mainly concerned with what kind of people the Clanton's were, their daily habits, customs, religion, politics, etc. Learning about the lives of our ancestors can truly bless our lives. By knowing a little more about those who came before we can more easily understand ourselves and our offspring.

Maybe my emphasis is on positive achievements and ideals. However, believability and perhaps some comic relief is provided by family tales of pioneer adventures. And then, of course, there were those high-spirited grandmas. Lorana and Rachel Clanton, who fought for their rights long before ERA and Women's Lib.

As Clanton descendants read about the lives and struggles of their ancestors they will certainly develop a sense of family pride.

Hopefully, each new Clanton Kid will build up his confidence to the point where he takes a fond View of his own distinguishing characteristics - his uniqueness, his looks, his interests, his talents.

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Research to date leads us to believe that our Clanton ancestors migrated from England, possibly the London area. The LDS Library has records on microfilm of a Francis and Elizabeth Clanton who had children born in Suffolk Co. England in 1596 and 1599. They could have been the parents of the Jo Clanton recorded in Hotten's "Lists of Immigrants to America, 1600-1700". On Oct. 24, 1635 he was a passenger aboard the Abraham of London, bound for Virginia. His age at that time was given as 26, which would indicate he was born about 1609.

Edward and Sarah Clanton were the earliest proven ancestors of our branch of the Clanton's. Edward's father may have been Edward of Charles City, Virginia. Edward and Sarah Clanton of Surrey Co. Va. bought land in Brunswick Co. Va. in 1737. Edward died there in 1741. His inventory of May 15, 1741 was witnessed by Henry Ledbetter and Nathan Harris with Sarah Clanton Administratrix.

Sarah Clanton died in 1748, leaving a will dated July 28, 1748, which names their children. The will was presented in court at Brunswick, Va. on Oct. 6, 1748. It reads as follows: "I, Sarah Clanton, being sick and weak of body but of sound and perfect sense and memory do make this my Last Will and Testament. That is to say first and foremost I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it to me, hoping through His mercy to obtain pardon of all my sins and everlasting life in the world to come, and as for what worldly goods it hath pleased Almighty

God to bestow on me, I give and bequeath as follows my will and desires that all my debts and funeral expenses be first paid and discharged.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter, Sarah Lashley, one pewter dish.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my well-beloved Thomas Clanton one pewter dish.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my well-beloved son, Charles Clanton, one pewter dish.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my well—beloved son. Benjamin Clanton, one pewter dish.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my beloved son, Wm. Clanton, one pewter dish.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter, Mary Clanton, one feather bed and the furniture belonging to it. I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter. Ann Clanton, one feather bed and furniture.


ITEM: I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Edward Clanton. One negro man slave known by the name of Jack, and the feather bed whereon I now lie and the furniture belonging to it and the rest and residue of my personal estate to be equally divided amongst my children heretofore mentioned and I do constitute and appoint my well—beloved son. Thomas Clanton, sole executor of this my last will and testament, revoking all former wills by me made or spoken.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 28th day of July 1748.

Hotten's List of Immigrants

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LICENSES TO GO BEYOND THE SEAS.

 BOARD the *Abraham*, of London, JOHN BARKER, M^r. bound for Virginia.

	Years.		Years.
TOBIAS SYLBIE	20	GEORGE BREWETT	18
ROBERT HARRISON	32	FRANCIS STANLEY	23
WILLIAM LAWRENCE.....	22	WILLIAM FREEMAN	46
JOHN JOHNSON	35	EDWARD GRIFFITH	33
WM. FISHER.....	25	WILLIAM MANTON	30
STEEVEN TAYLER	17	OWEN WILLIAMS	40
THO. PENFORD	30	THO. FLOWER	32
WM. SMITH	25	JO. BULLAR	32
THO. ARCHDIN	18	JO. CLANTON	26 *
RICHARD MORRICE.....	17	ALEXANDER SYMES	19
WALTER PIGGOTT	19	ANTO. PARKHURST.....	42
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JO. BRAUNCH	13	ALEXANDER GREGORIE.....	24
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DAVIE JONES	21	THO. KEDBY	25
ALEXANDER MADDox	22	ROGER GREENE	24
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EMANUEL DAVIES	19	JO. BURNETT	24
WM. WILLIAMS	25	THO. ALLIN.....	31
ROGER MATHews	28	SIMON FARRELL	19
JO. MASTERS	23	THO. CLEMENTS	30
WILLIAM MATHews	18	WM. HUNT	20
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Hotten's list of Immigrants - 24 Oct. 1635

GENERATION I IN AMERICA

*EDWARD AND SARAH CLANTON (See Family Group Sheet)

Sarah's will of 1748 names eight children, presumably as was the custom, with the oldest named first.

I-1. Sarah, the first child, married William Lashley on July 2, 1748.

I-2. *Thomas was second born and first son. He received land grants in 1741 and 1755 in Brunswick Co. Va. He was also listed as an heir of his brother, Edward Jr's will.

I-3. Charles also received land grants in 1741 and 1755 in Brunswick Co. Va. He was listed as an heir in his brother Edward Jr's will of 1763. He sold land in 1758 to his brother, Thomas.

I-4. Benjamin Clanton sold land in 1758 to his brother, Thomas.

I-5. One of William's descendants, Anna Blanche Clanton, married a Will J. Boone. Pat Boone, the singer of our day, claims to be a descendant of Daniel Boone. He also claims our Anna as his grandmother. We do know the Boones and Clantons were neighbors.

I-6. Mary received a feather bed and bedroom furniture from her mother. She may have married in 1780.

I-7. Ann evidently had at least two children. Sarah and David since they were named in their Uncle Edward Clanton's 1763 will.

I-8. Edward Jr. was evidently unmarried. In his will he gave a negro named Jack to his brother, Thomas, and his plantation to a son of Thomas (Edward). He also gave a negro woman, Sissy, a negro girl, Dinah, a negro boy, Simon, and a black horse named Kenny to other named heirs.

GENERATION II

*THOMAS CLANTON & WIFE (NAME UNKNOWN)

Thomas, oldest son of Edward and Sarah, was the sole executor of his mother's estate. We believe he was born in Va. He later moved to and died in Surrey Co. N.C. about 1794. Some research indicates he may have married twice, once to Lucy and once to Elizabeth. We know he had at least four children, two boys and two girls.

II-1. Edward was mentioned in his Uncle Edward's will and was the ancestor of the Clantons in Iredell Counties in North Carolina.

I-2. *Benjamin, the second son died in Surrey Co. N.C. about 1810

* Indicates our ancestor.

II-3. Mary was married in Surrey Co. Jan. 7, 1780 to Thomas Wright.

II-4. Frances was born in Surrey Co. Jan. 5, 1765 and married Luke Wiles. They moved to Indiana about 1827.

GENERATION III

*BENJAMIN & WIFE (ELIZABETH _?)

Benjamin bought land in Surrey Co. N.C. in 1784 and he died there about 1810. He had at least four children.

III-1. Thomas Clanton was married in March 21, 1793 in Surrey Co. N.C. to Sarah Moore. His brother Edward M. was bondsman.

III-2 *Edward M. born in Surrey Co. N.C. was married to Tachel Moore 15 November, 1797. He was dead by 1838.

III-3. Mary married Moses Sprinkel December 19, 1798 in Surrey Co. N.C.

III-4. Charles married Mary Wiles January 26, 1801, also in Surrey Co. N.C.

GENERATION IV

*EDWARD M. & RACHEL MOORE CLANTON

Edward, son of Benjamin, was born in Surrey Co. N.C. Thomas Clanton, Edward's brother, served as bondsman for Edward and Rachel at their wedding November, 15, 1798.

Although lacking definite proof we think Rachel Moore was the daughter of John and Nancy Roberts Moore who presumably came from Wales. (Nancy Clanton Farson of Idaho had told her daughters that her heritage was English, Welsh, Scotch, Irish, French and German). Rachel was great grandmother to Nancy. This gives us a clue to the Welsh ancestry. Because of this possible connection we have added a section on the Moore family.

Rachel Moore was probably a sister of Sarah Moore who married Thomas Clanton in 1783. Iowa history books give us much information about four of Edward and Rachel's children who were early pioneers in Iowa.

In the 1820 census four sons and 3 daughters were listed. In 1830 two sons and 3 daughters were still listed as living at home. A James Clanton was enumerated in the Ill. State census in Morgan Co. A Chapman Clanton served in the Black Hawk War. A Nancy Clanton married John Deck in 1819 in Madison Co. Ill. A Betsy Clanton married John Baker in 1830 in Morgan Co. Ill. These may have been their children or at least nieces and nephews.

Our Clantons became a part of the great migration which occurred after the war of 1812. Edward and Rachel can be followed from census records, tax and land records and the places of birth of their children.

In 1820 our family was in Madison Co., Ill. By 1830 they were in Morgan Co., Ill. Edward was dead by 1838. About this time Rachel moved to Scott Co., Ind. and then on to Buchanan Co., Mo. Rachel came from an adventuresome pioneer family and continued in their tradition. She was in her sixties when she went with four of her children to become pioneers in Madison Co., Ia. In 1856 the census shows her to be 75 and living as a widow with her son, Joel. Although her husband preceded her in death by some twenty years we found no record of her remarriage.

IV-1. Charles William married three times. He and Catherine Taylor had six children. His second marriage to Phoebe Jane produced three sons, two of whom were born in Oregon. Charles was born in N.C. and pioneered in Iowa with his mother, brothers and sister. He later sold his land in Iowa and moved to Oregon where he died sometime after 1880.

IV-2. *Isaac Clanton (Complete story of this ancestor will be found in Generation V).

IV-3. Joel M. Clanton married Sarah Hudson who died Oct. 17, 1900 and was buried in Norwalk, Ca. One of Joel's sons, William Washington Clanton married Sarah Black who died in 1876. He remarried Eunice Carpenter Apr. 11, 1878. She was a step- daughter of our Lorana Smith Clanton. (See Gen. V)

Joel was the third son of Edward M. and Rachel. In 1879 he was still living on the same farm that he had staked out for himself the first day he came to Iowa. It was just outside St. Charles. He was highly respected in the community and very successful in the business of stock buying. By 1879 he owned 600 acres of land. He contributed much of the history of the county sagely remarking: "Well, well, about the time a man gets ready to live it is time for him to die. That is if he has to begin the world as poor as I was." One of Joel's sons, Isaac Monroe, was a farmer, butcher, auctioneer, lawyer and also mayor of St. Charles, Iowa.

COPY OF OBITUARY FOR JOEL

Joel M. Clanton (1892)

From an original obituary in the Winterset Reporter of January 1892.

Joel M. Clanton - Last Monday at 2 o'clock p.m., Uncle Joel M. Clanton bade earth adieu. For three or four months past he had suffered with Bright's disease, and his life was by times despaired of, but he recovered sufficiently to be out some among his friends. Ten days ago, however, the grippe seized him, and he gradually grew worse until the end. He was conscious up to the last moment of life, knew and called his friends by name as they approached his bedside. Quite a number of relatives from a distance, who had been notified of his dangerous illness, were present during his last hours.

The funeral was held at the M. E. church at 1 o'clock Tuesday, conducted by Rev. Meseltine.

The congregation was large, and deep emotion was manifested by all at the departure of this the oldest pioneer and a widely respected citizen.

To attempt a complete biography of Uncle Joel Clanton in these columns would be useless. It would fill all the columns of a much larger paper than the Reporter. His life and character are much better known by all our people than we can tell. He has always been a conscientious, straightforward, honest, reputable man - his life has been an open book.

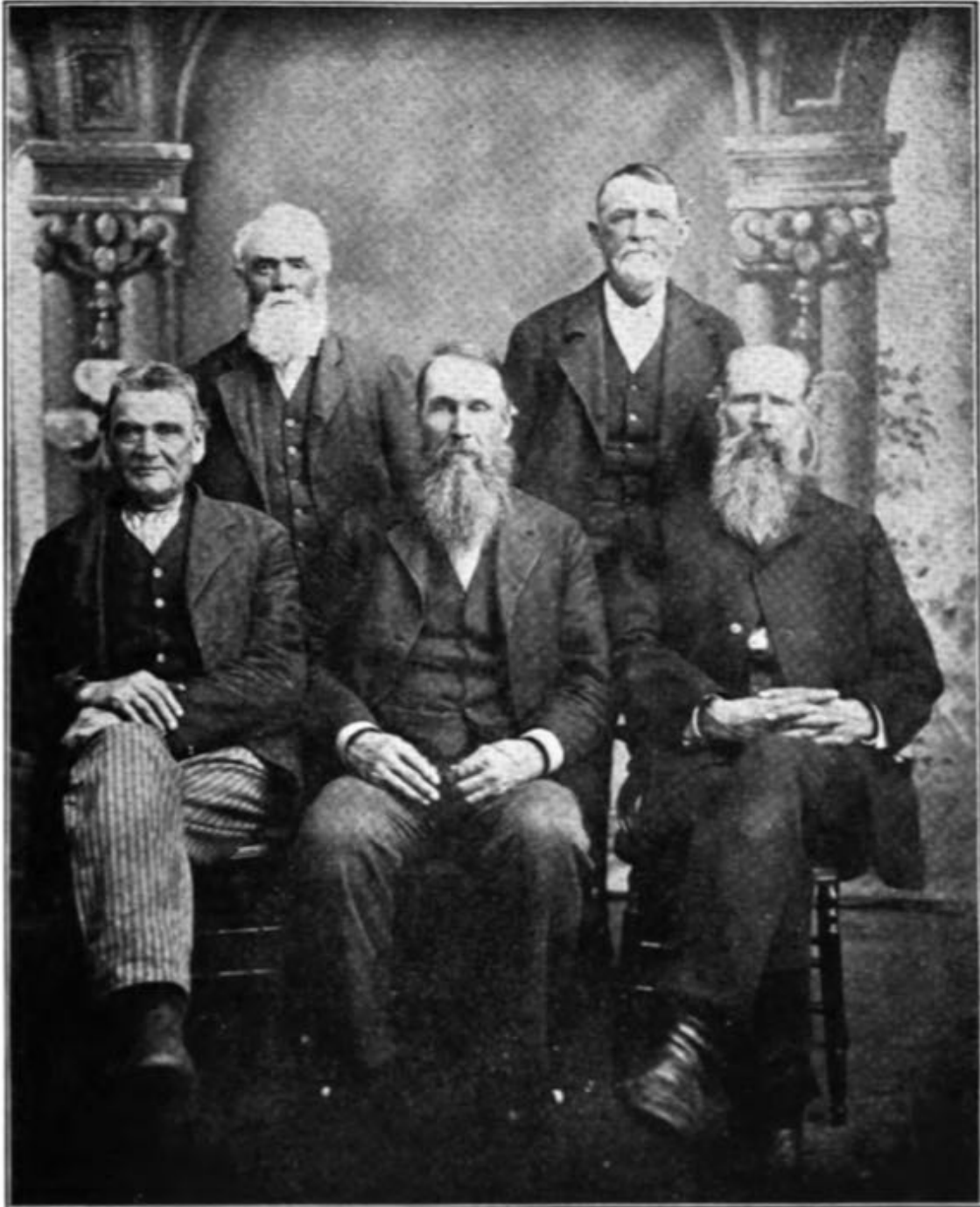
He was born in Wayne county, Indiana, Jan. 22, 1815, just 77 years and 3 days preceding his death. When quite young he moved with his parents to Scott county, Ill., at which place he lived until 16 years of age. From there he went with his parents to Adams county, Ill., where, in 1836 he was married to Sarah Hudson. On last Friday on his death bed, he talked of being 77 years old and on Saturday mentioned the fact that he had been married 56 years. With his wife he moved to Buchanan county, Mo., in 1838 where he lived 8 years. March 1, 1846 he left Missouri with others for Iowa, and after much reconnoitering and hardships in traveling over a wild and comparatively unexplored country, on the morning of May 3, 1846, he located his future home, set up his tent and staked out the claim upon which he lived and died. The party who came with him was composed of Isaac Clanton, Chas. Clanton and Caleb Clark, with their wives and families. This was a wild country then, and the nearest market place was Keokuk, to which point they had to go by ox team for all their provisions.. Soon after their location a discussion arose as to the advisability of moving again, most all the party being in favor of going. But Mrs. Rachel Clanton was bound to stay and her judgment prevailed. The incidents of those days, the hardships and privations, the cabins they lived in and the coarse living they endured, were matters of much interest to Uncle Joel in later days, and it was always interesting to hear him relate those experiences. The Clanton party were the very first settlers of Madison county with the possible exception of Hiram Hurst, who it is claimed by some, came here one month previous to them. In the party, according to the history of the county, there were 18 children under the age of 12. The youngest child was Polly Clanton, now wife of Alfred Souders, then two and one-half months old. They had two double teams of horses and three of oxen, and there was not \$500 in the entire party. The stream now known as "Clanton Creek" was so named in honor of these settlers.

And so we might go on and prolong the history of this party of first settlers, but we will desist.

Uncle Joel, with his patient wife, has lived on the claim he staked off in that early time and seen this country grow and prosper and progress up to the present day. They have seen a wilderness converted into a populous, prosperous country, dotted with cities and towns, checkered with railroads. Poor but lion hearted, they struggled with the poverty and privation of a wild, uninhabited country, moving on in the line of progress as a higher civilization and more modern development overtook them. Their labors were crowned with success, until at one time Uncle Joel was well to-do and had plenty. But financial misfortune seemed to overtake him in his old age and as a result he leaves comparatively little of this world's goods behind him, although plenty to support his companion. He was the father of 15 children, five of whom are still living. His faithful wife also survives him, age 75. He has gone the way of all earthly to investigate the realities of the great unknown, leaving a life well rounded up with good deeds, and a Christian record of 34 years during which time he belonged to the Christian church. His remains sleep beside those of his

brother, Isaac, in the cemetery west of this place which is located upon the ground Isaac staked out as his claim. "Peace to his ashes."

(Transcriber's note: Burial was made in the St. Charles cemetery)



FIRST FIVE VOTERS IN MADISON COUNTY

Voted at the election held August, 1847, in "Black Oak Grove precinct." Back row: Philip M. Boyles; Joel M. Clanton. Front row: John R. Beedle; James Guye; George W. Guye

IV—4. Ruth Clanton was the fourth child of Edward M. and Rachel. She married a twin from New York State. They led an exciting life. They first homesteaded for a few years North of St. Charles, later moving to Winterset. Ruth was born in Wayne Co., Ind. and married in Quincy, Ill. She was the mother of thirteen children. Her grandchildren remembered the home of Ruth and Caleb as having beautiful large trees, a large berry patch, a wild plum thicket and sweet apple trees. She was noted for her delicious salt-rising bread. She died at the age of 82 in Madison Co., Iowa.

Obituary of Ruth Ann (Clanton) Clark

Died - Mrs. Ruth Clark, wife of Caleb Clark, deceased, died at her home in this city, Thursday Jan 10, 1901 at the age of 82 years, five months and 12 days. She was born in Wayne County, Indiana on July 28, 1818 and came to Iowa in 1846. She was one of the pioneers of Madison County. Her daughter, Mrs. Andy (*Andrew*) Tusha, (*Mary Adeline Clark*) was the first white woman born in Madison Co. The funeral services were held at the church of Christ Friday at 2 p.m. The funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. S.J. Callison.

-Orig. obituary of Ruth Ann Clanton Clark, the sister of Joel, Isaac and Charles Clanton.

Also, from the Winterset News dtd. January 11, 1901

Death of Ruth Clark

Ruth Clark, wife of Caleb Clark, the pioneer settler of Madison county, died at the home of her son, Frank Clark, Thursday morning at half past nine o'clock. Mrs. Clark was nearly eighty-three years old, and had lived continuously in the house in which she died since the early settlement of the county. She and her husband were the first settlers in Madison county, coming from Missouri. Her husband died about seven years ago. The funeral will occur at the Church of Christ this afternoon.

From the Winterset Madisonian dtd. January 10, 1901 (Pg 1)

Death of Grandma Clark

Grandma Clark, widow of Caleb Clark died at her home in the southwest part of town at 9 a.m. today. Mrs. Clark was one of the pioneer settlers of Madison County having resided here since the spring of 1846.

From the Winterset Reporter dtd January 10, 1901 (Pg 3)

Grandma Clark, Dead

After an illness of about two weeks Mrs. Ruth Clark died at the home of her son Frank Clark, in the southwest part of town this Thursday morning at 8 o'clock.

The deceased is 82 years of age and came to this county from Missouri in 1846, being one of the oldest residents of the county. She is the mother of fourteen children, those surviving her being Rufus, Joshua, Denny, Joel and Frank Clark and Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Tushua, besides numerous grand children. Her husband died six years ago.

Note: Burial in the Winterset Cemetery

A tribute paid to Ruth Clanton's family as related by a grandchild - "I was in the office of the Madisonian one day when J. Steele remarked that he had known the family for many years and had never known one of them to break an obligation, or be dishonest, and if there were more people like them this would be a different world".

More about Ruth and her brothers appears in the section "The Clantons in Iowa". The inhabitants of the pioneer cabins were completely snow-bound all winter, never venturing out only in cases of absolute necessity, and then it was at the peril of their lives, or at least of frosted ears and toes especially if they had any great distance to go.

Stories of Caleb Clark

The solitude became sometimes oppressive and any sign of human life was hailed with joy. People were apt to get very lonesome on the prairies in those days. Ruth and her husband, Caleb, survived the winter of 1848-49 that was long after known as the "cold winter".

From the History of Madison Co. by Mueller Vol. I, 1915 we found the following: "Caleb often illustrated how cold and snowy that winter was by relating the following story, which he appeared to believe really occurred. He had a small bunch of hogs. He also had a few acres of corn not yet gathered when the early and deep snow fell. When the storm ceased he could not find a trace of his hogs. More snow fell and the corn, deeply buried under it, remained ungathered. One day toward spring as the snow began melting he started out across the field on some errand. Suddenly he found himself in snow over his head among a bunch of pigs. At once they disappeared from sight. Floundering around a while in the snow trying to get out, he discovered the snow was tunneled along the ground in every direction. Finally, getting out, he watched and waited until some days later he discovered his hogs were in the field all alive and fattened for market. They had somehow gotten into the corn during the first snow storm and were entirely buried. Like moles they had made their way through the snow along the surface of the ground for corn, and had runways all over the field. They ate snow for drink, and of course, they were deeply buried under the snow. They remained warm all winter and became fat.

One sow had a litter of pigs born under the snow and they were blind. Caleb guessed the reason and pried their eyelids apart putting blinders over their eyes so the light at first would not ruin their sight."

Another story he used to relate so often that he came to believe it himself was concerning the browsing of cattle and horses in early days. when hay was scarce in wintertime and early spring, the owner of the stock would cut down certain trees so the stock might eat the buds and small twigs from the limbs. Sometimes the stock became fond of this food.

At the time of this next story Caleb was living on a claim he had taken near the Clantons on Clanton Creek. He had missed a cow and could not find it anywhere. After several days of searching, he went down to the creek thinking to follow the channel on the ice, because it made easier walking than through the deep snow, and hoping that somewhere down toward Middle River he might find some trace of his missing cow. After going a long distance he heard the lowing of a cow. Surprised and unable to see the animal, he listened and then walked on. Soon again he heard the sound and closer, but yet could see nothing nor tell from what direction came the sound. Finally, after walking around and watching closely and occasionally hearing the lowing as from a cow he became greatly mystified, for surely by the sound it must be close. He could plainly see along the ground through the timber a much greater distance than the sound seemed away. Every time he started to walk away the sound came again with increasing tones of distress.

He began to doubt his senses and grew alarmed at his loneliness in the otherwise silence of the woods, miles from any human habitation (as he would tell the story) wondering if it might be a waylaying catamount or Indian seeking to lure him on to his own destruction, or, indeed, if he had not suddenly gone crazy on the subject of his lost cow. Distractedly gazing about, he happened to glance upward along the tall trees and, at that moment, there came another distressful low. He thought he saw a cow's head way up in the tree. Going closer, there came another low. It surely was a cow's head and horns and voice.

He went up close to the tree and investigated, the cow's face looking pitifully down upon him all the while. He found the cow's head sticking out through a knot hole of a hollow tree at a high distance from the ground.

The cow had wandered through the timber, seeking to browse upon some tree, but unable to find one low enough to reach the limbs, had found a big hollow slippery elm tree, and climbing up inside of it, she came to a knot hole among the branches. Getting her head out to browse on the limbs, and feeding all she wanted she was unable to draw her head back because of her horns. There, away up in the tree, she had remained all those days, living on the buds and tender limbs of the abundant branches of the tree, but unable to get down and go home overnight. She had well nigh eaten off all the twigs and bark on the big tree.

Going back, Clark, as related by him, climbed the outside of the tree and cut away the knot hole until the cow could pull her head back. Then she climbed down the tree and gladly went home with her master. Ever after Clark closely guarded his cows during the winter and early springtime. (Please note - the stories above are printed in Iowa history books)

A tribute to Caleb Clark as remembered by a descendant - "With a sigh for the unknown land fevering his brain, with a pulse as strong as the engine-beat on the rail; with muscle like blue steel hewn for a ship on the main, He crossed the Divide, he mastered the wild trail."



Clark Tower, Winterset, Iowa

Caleb Clark was a stonemason. The Clark Tower in City Park, Winterset, Madison Co.ounty Iowa is a memorial to Caleb and Ruth, one of the first pioneer families to settle there in 1846.

The Tower was erected by the Clark grandchildren and built from limestone quarried within 200 feet of the tower site.



GENERATION V

*ISAAC AND LORANA SMITH CLANTON

Isaac, second son of Edward M. and Rachel Moore Clanton, was born in Indiana in 1811. He married Lorana Snith in 1834. We are uncertain of her parentage. According to a will of 1859 probated in 1863 in Madison Co., she had a brother George who was born in 1807-08. Another brother, Hardin Smith was buried in Scott Co., Illinois in Manchester Cemetery in 1883. He signed for Lorana's marriage license. This might indicate that her father was dead at this time. In 1860 Hardin was listed as being in the home of Martha and John Gross. He was not married in Morgan Co. and no death certificate was found there either.

Isaac had been successful as a farmer and stock buyer and had considerable land and personal property at the time of his death. He also had loaned money to relatives and friends. Several pages of accounts due were listed with loans from \$2. to \$100. each.

In the first tax assessment in the county on July 2, 1850. Lease was the-eighth highest tax payer out of 225 farmers.

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THE BLACK HAWK WAR

1831-1832

Volume I

Illinois Volunteers

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was signed by "Saml T. Mathews" and notarized by "[J. T.] Bradley Not. Pub C C [Clinton County 1] Ill."

III also has a photoist from DNA of the muster-in roll of the company, made out and signed by Butler at Fort Winthour on June 20. The roll has the usual certificate

of inspection signed "E. C. Berry, Adj. & Insp Genl." The place of enrollment is given as Franklin, Morgan County. Names with spelling variations are those of Nos. 6, David Heart; 8, Nathan Heart; 21, Anderson Heart; 23, Archibald Wragg; and 44, Charles Heart.

COMPANY OF CAPTAIN WILLIAM GILLHAM

Muster roll of Capt Wm Gillham's Co. of Mounted Volunteers called and mustered into service of the United States By order of the Commander in Chief of the Militia of the State of Ills, attached to the first Regt. of the third Brgd under the Command of Brigadier General James D Henry from the thirtieth day of April 1832.

Names	Rank	[Enrollment]		Remarks
		[Date of]	[Where]	
		April	Morgan	
		the 30th.	Cty	
William Gillham	Capt.	"	"	
Robert H McDow	1 Lieut	"	"	on furlough
James Ethel	2nd.	"	"	
Daniel Clotfelter	1st. serg	"	"	
William Leib	2nd.	"	"	
John Sargent	3rd.	"	"	on furlough
Aquila Clarkson	4th.	"	"	on furlough
Zadoc Riggs	1st. Corp	"	"	
Samuel Vanslyke	2nd.	"	"	
James Morris	3rd.	"	"	
Isaac Grison	4th.	"	"	on furlough
Alexander Whitley	[Private]	"	"	
Kinza Clarkson		"	"	
George Garmon		"	"	
Henry S Riggs		"	"	
Sebert C Schelton		"	"	
Seth C Murphy		"	"	
John Arnett		"	"	
Alexander Wilkison		"	"	
Levi Scott		"	"	
Nicholass DuVall		"	"	
William Mathers		"	"	
William B Smith		"	"	
John Baker		"	"	
John Apple		"	"	
Robert McCulloch		"	"	
Isaac Clanton		"	"	
Clark Nichols		"	"	
H W House		"	"	on furlough
Joel Avery		"	"	
George Smith		"	"	
John McConnel		"	"	
Masten E Simmons		"	"	

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

VITAL RECORDS SECTION

STATE OF IOWA

CERTIFICATION OF DEATH

Name Lorana Carpenter Certif. No. 61-80-173
 Date of Death July 6, 1880 19 Place of Death Jackson Twp., Madison County
 Date of Birth or Age 67yrs-4mths-8days Sex Female Date Filed August 12, 1880
 Cause of Death Dropsy in Chest. Additional Information: Birthplace Kentucky,
Housewife, Married, Buried at St. Charles, Iowa on July 7, 1880.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above information was taken from the Record of Death on file in this office in accordance with the law of Iowa requiring filing of vital records.

Date September 11, 19 80

Norman J. Paulowski
STATE REGISTRAR

Don R. Conyers
DIRECTOR

WARNING: This certificate is not valid if it has been altered in any way whatsoever or if it does not bear the raised seal of the Department of Health.

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SHD-018-3/79

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LORANA (CLANTON) CARPENTER DEATH CERTIF.

Tax assessment for So. Township 7/2/1850 — Comparison of the Clanton brothers:

Charles Clanton	\$2.61
Isaac Clanton	\$6.39
Joel Clanton	\$3.71

As we study the lives of these Clanton families we can see them as they were; hard-working, fun-loving people who also thrived on adventure.

Three of Isaac and Lorana's children were born in Ill., four in MO. and two in Madison Co., Ia. Isaac served as mayor of St. Charles in 1881 and he was a charter member of the Church of Christ. Isaac and Lorana were married for twenty-four years and had nine children. Isaac died at age 47 and left Lorana with the children whose ages ranged from two to twenty-four years.

Joel Clanton was made administrator of Isaac's estate in October 1858. According to state law Lorana was given one-third of the estate. The value of the 80 acres she received was \$1400. Two minor heirs inherited \$622.20 each. The appraisers fees were \$2.

Lorana was very unhappy with the apportionment made to her and felt it did not amount to 1/3 the value of the estate. This plucky grandma took it to court to fight for her rights. She petitioned the court to let her choose her own commissioners to appraise the land and also she wanted to be permitted to select her dower in order to get a more just and equitable division of the property. I chuckled as I read about this lady's fighting spirit. Women had so few "rights" in those days but Lorana was spunky enough to fight for hers.

After Isaac's death adventure called to Lorana again. She went with her sons to Big Bug Creek (now Spring Valley) in Yavapai, Ariz. after 1877. Traveling to a new land meant taking a lot of necessities. In order to have some of the comforts of home when they arrived at their destination, they also took some geese and some sheep. Then they could be assured of woolen clothing and the prized feather-beds.

These pioneer women were daring and courageous. One time in Arizona when the Clanton women were home alone they spotted some Apaches who were casing the homestead from the nearby hills. To make the Indians think there was plenty of male protection around, these women donned some of their husband's clothes. walked around in the yard a bit and returned to the house to change into their husband's Sunday best clothes, and walked around the yard again. This ruse must have worked, as the Indians didn't come to the house.

Inventory of Personal Estate of *Isaac Clanton

No.	Description	Value
1	One stallion	150.00
2	One work horse	85.00
3	One work horse	65.00
4	One Indian pony	35.00
5	One two-year old colt	40.00
6	Last spring colt	15.00
1	One-yoke work cattle	60.00
2	One-yoke work cattle	50.00
3	One-yoke work cattle	40.00
4	One-yoke work cattle	30.00
5	One-yoke work cattle	24.00
6	One-yoke work cattle	30.00
7	One-yoke work cattle	22.00
8	One steer	20.00
9	One dry cow	12.00
10	One cow and calf	12.00
11	One cow and calf	12.00
12	One cow and calf	12.00
13	One cow and calf	12.00
14	One two-year heifer	12.00
15	Two lots of four hogs	6.00
16	One wagon	80.00
17	One lot log chains	3.50
18	One-half prairie plow	4.00
19	One-half wheat fan	6.00
20	One-half crosscut saw	3.00
21	A two-horse plow	6.00
	Subtotal	846.50
22	One lot plow harness	2.00
23	One saddle	4.00
24	One lot dry walnut lumber	25.00
25	One lot fencing lumber	31.00
26	One lot timothy hay 6 stacks	36.00
27	One lot hay	2.50
28	One lot thresh oats	16.00
29	(not clear) item	6.00
	Subtotal	122.50
	Total	969.00

Lorana, his widow, was given the following chattel goods:

Two horses and proper harness, one two-horse wagon. one cow and calf, ten head of sheep, five hogs and thirty pigs, hay and grain for stock, farming tools proper for farming, household and kitchen furniture, beds and bedding for family, provisions for the family for six months and also the house and one-third of the land.

The 1860 census showed Lorana living on the family farm with six of the nine children. The value of her real-estate at that time was \$3200. with personal property worth \$600. Isaac had died young in 1858. In February of 1867 she experienced another traumatic loss. Her daughter, Rachel, died at the age of 17.

In the fall of 1867 Lorana remarried a man by the name of Solomon Carpenter. Not much is known about this man or this marriage. The wedding took place in her home and we assume this is where they lived. We do know that Lorana spent some time in Arizona with her sons, later returning to Iowa where she died in 1880.

GENERATION V (CONT'D)

V-1. Joel E. Clanton was the first child of Isaac and Lorana Smith Clanton. In Herman Mueller's 1915 History of Madison Co., Ia. he was listed as one of the school-age children of Dist. 3 when the first school districts were created in 1849.

On the same day that Joel Married Angeline Shutt a Newland Smith married Elizabeth Shutt. and in the 1860 Madison Co. census Joel and Angeline were enumerated between the households of Newland and Elizabeth Smith and Lorana Clanton and her younger children.

By 1900 Joel and Angeline were living in Downey Township. Los Angeles. Ca. They were both buried at the Little Lake Cemetery in Norwalk, Ca.

V-2. Nancy C. Clanton, second child of Isaac and Lorana, was born Oct. 11, 1835 in Ill. She was married in Madison Co., Ia. to John M. McGinnis and had at least four children. She died Nov. 22, 1897 and was buried in Little Lake Cemetery in Norwalk, Ca.

V-3. *William M. Clanton (See Gen. VI - also Clantons in Iowa.)

V-4. Isaac Wesley Clanton was born Mar. 2, 1837 in MO. (Family bible indicated Dec. 5, 1839.) He married Hulda Mertis and they had three children. He died at the age of 46 and Hulda married Malcolm Matheson and in 1900 was living in LA.

V-5. Moses Edward, fifth child of Isaac and Lorana, was born in MO. He married Louisa N. Viney in Iowa and they had six children. Moses Edward ran a hotel in Madison Co., Ia. before moving to Arizona in 1877 with his brother. Thomas Newton. He had an ostrich farm in Phoenix at one time besides raising stock.

He was also in the business of breaking wild horses to sell to Phoenix farmers before moving to Norwalk. Ca.

V-6. George Clanton was born in Mo. He married Mary Jane Steele and they had four sons. He enlisted at St. Chas., Ia. Aug. 17, 1862 as a Private in Co. F. 39th Regiment. Iowa volunteers and was mustered out June 5. 1865 in Washington. D.C. His physical description at enlistment: Height 5 ft. 9-3/4 In. fair complexion, blue eyes, light hair. He and his wife moved to Erath Co., Tex. where she died on Aug. 15, 1881.

He married a second time to Fannie/Clara F. Mooney on July 16, 1882 in Bosque Co., Tex. George died in May of 1920. His wife received a widow's pension after his death. She died in Texas in 1923. One of the grandsons. J.F. Clanton was a Private in World War 1.

V-7. Thomas Newton was born in Mo. and married in Madison Co., Ia. to Sarah E. Keeler. (More about this family under Clantons in Iowa.)

V-8. Rachel Lorana was born in Ia., died at the age of 17 and was buried in St. Chas. Cemetery in Ia.

V-9. Charles H. Clanton was born in Iowa and married to Amanda J. Dillman. She died in childbirth at the age of

21. The baby also died. Charles then married a school teacher, Mary Victoria Wheeler and they had six children. one of whom died young. After Mary died he remained a widower until his children were all grown. His third wife was Elizabeth Jane Miller who died in 1939. After spending some time with his brothers in Arizona. Charles returned to Ia. where he died at the age of 90.

THE CLANTONS IN IOWA

To the emigrants, heading for new homes in the west. Their canvas-canopied prairie schooner was sometimes their homes for months. They carried the settlers most treasured possessions. They took tools with which to build their homes, books from which to teach their children, family heirlooms, furniture, silver, china and a few of the niceties to smooth the rough edges of frontier life.

These canvas wagons played a major part in determining the course of American history by carrying thousands of emigrants to the new lands in the west. The story of the westward push of America, the conquest of a continent, is written in the wheel-tracks of prairie schooners.

In the early days in Iowa our Clantons took no care to preserve history - they were too busily engaged in making it. However, much was learned about them from the history of Iowa, from legal records and family tradition.

On April 24, 1846, after many weeks of tiresome travel, weary and worn, breaking trail as they came. two colonies of pioneers from Buchanan Co., Mo. arrived in Madison Co., Ia. seeking a new home. The name Iowa signified "The Beautiful Land."

This lonely wagon train wended its way along the lovely hills and dales until they arrived on the banks of a pebbly stream in the southeast part of Madison County, not far from the present town site of St. Chas. By common consent the Creek they settled upon has taken the name of Clanton, and will perpetuate their names more permanently than can be done by the pen of history. This creek is 3 miles southwest of Peru in Walnut Township. There is also a regional park in Winterset, Ia, (Clanton Park)

The Clanton party consisted of Rachel Moore Clanton, widow of our *Edward M. Clanton (Some histories list him as "Charles" but family insist he was Edward M.) her three sons.

Charles, Isaac, Joel, their wives and children and her daughter, Ruth and her husband and children. Rachel at 62 was the oldest member and Polly at 2% months the youngest. Two single, unrelated men were in the group but quickly became discouraged, sold their claim and left. Before our colony landed in Iowa there had been one lone solitary man who stayed through the summer and then left.

Like all pioneer settlers the Clantons were poor. It was said that the entire group could not have raised 500. between them. Some of the settlers became dispirited and felt it would be utterly impossible to make a home in this unlikely country.

Friction arose between the two factions - one group wanted to remain in Iowa and one group wanted to abandon the idea in disgust and go back home. One of the pluckier members. Extremely outspoken, and slightly profane made the uncomplimentary remark that since he had once come to h--l he was going to stay there.

The strongest voice decidedly in favor of staying and fighting it out was that of Grandma Clanton. Her influence carried the day against those of little faith. Iowa history tells us that she was one of the bravest of the early settlers and the last to become discouraged. In the county history much credit was given to its women from the very earliest settlers. "The winds and the wolves might howl without the lonely cabin, but within there burned the pure bright flame of a woman's love." (From History of Iowa)

For several years the Clantons did live under circumstances of great deprivation and discouragement. They all agreed that their early experience in Iowa was far from rose-colored. Yet they were undismayed and determined to make a home in the wet raw region where they had pitched their tents.

The first cabins they built were extremely favorable to ventilation and it was said that some families had to take refuge under their beds when the rains came down and the snow blew in. Snakes also inhabited some of the cabins that had a sod floor and some of the girls sent to the spring for water were chased by a panther.

A Utah history book has pictures of Joel M. and Sarah Clanton and of Caleb and Ruth Clanton Clark, as well as a picture of the double log house of Isaac Clanton. The caption reads: "Built in 1853 on Section 23 South Township near St. Charles. This was a palace in its day and was used as a residence until the 1890's when it was converted into a barn and so used until about 1912 when it was torn down by James Fulton."

The Fox, Sac and Winnebago Indians were in possession of the area which became Madison Co. until 1845. At that time they moved on to Kansas due to a treaty with the Government. When the land was put on the market it attracted thousands of per sons from Mo., Ind., and Ohio, mainly those who were willing to endure the hardships of pioneer life in order to gain a future home for themselves and their descendants.

In the year of 1846 the pioneers planted some 61 acres of corn that averaged about 40 bushels. They also raised 200 bushels of potatoes.

The Clanton men varied in physical size. Our William, son of Isaac, was evidently of short stature. However, some of his brothers were six-footers. Nancy, daughter of William, was

barely five foot tall and her sons probably averaged less than five-nine. The Clanton men usually had dark hair and very seldom became bald. A few redheads have shown up in the descendants. The Clantons were a very independent kind of people. They liked to be their own boss. If working for someone else they usually chose a profession that let them work on their own. They were a friendly, honest out-going group of people. They were "eye to eye" kind of men. Their word was law.

Our Iowa Clantons had many tributes paid to them. They were never known to break an obligation, or to be dishonest. They record, what a heritage to measure up to!

A common interest and a common sympathy bound the early pioneers together with strong ties. They were a little world to themselves. Newcomers were made welcome and ready hands assisted them in building their homes. Neighbors did not wait for an invitation or request to help one another. If a settler came to plant such crops as he was able to prepare the ground for. Only then would come the building of a log house. Meanwhile, the family would "camp out" in the wagon or in a tent for all were prepared for outdoor living. If he arrived at other than planting time, building a cabin would be first in order of importance. when the settler had time and help sufficient, he hewed the logs in the timber, where the trees were felled and hauled or dragged them to the site of the house. Enough men were then notified that on a certain day he would have a "house raising".

It was considered that twenty men were necessary to quickly and safely "raise" a house. It was universally the rule that a notification of a "raising" was a "draft" on the services of the man notified for that whole day. He was not invited, requested, or even asked to attend; he was simply notified. This was a duty each settler owed the newcomer in return for like service rendered him when he came to the county. Log houses cost little except in labor and often were completed without the expenditures of a cent. Nothing was bought. Not even a nail, a window glass or a door hinge. The roof was of clapboards, weighted down by large poles; the windows were of light colored paper, well oiled or greased, the doors were "batten" ones fastened together by wooden pins and hung by wooden hinges. The fastening was a wooden latch.

True to the southern type these settlers were frugal, industrious, loyal and very hospitable. They were very honest, always close in a trade. If they owed you a penny they would pay it but if you owed them a penny they wanted it. However, pioneer life had its compensations. From the testimony of some of the old settlers we learned that it was the most independent and happy period of their lives.

The secret of their happiness, doubtless, was that they lived within their means, however limited, not coveting more of luxury and comfort than their income would afford. and the natural result was prosperity and contentment. There was always room for one more stranger at the fireside, and a cordial welcome to a place at their table for even the most hungry guest.

The town of Winterset was laid out July 18, 1849 on 179 acres of land with a public square in the center. The lots were 132x60. Joel Clanton bought one of these lots for \$11.50.

Some consideration had been given to making the town of Winterset take the name of "Independence". It was actually a town founded on a pun. After some discussion someone mentioned the name "Summerset". A man who was dozing on a bench, slightly mellowed by

the article known as "sod corn" glanced out the window at the wind and snow and blundered out: "I think we had a derved sight better call her "Winterset".

Hatred of slavery was one of the chief reasons for early settlers migrating from Mo. the "slave state". In the beginning these settlers were solidly and strongly democrats. A researcher in Salt Lake who studied the migration of the Clantons from the East Coast noted that the Clantons usually stayed south of the Mason Dixon line. Since tobacco was raised in the south they also tried raising it in Iowa. One would find a small patch at each home to be harvested for their own use. The settlers brought many manners and customs of the south. Many of their implements were of wood and constructed by the men.

The Clanton family meals often consisted of cornbread, buttermilk and fat pork with an occasional coffee to take away the morning chill. Wild game peer, turkeys and fish was plentiful. Wild fruits and berries grew in some areas and were dried for winter food. Corn, the staple article among the pioneers as food for both man and beast. Was a scarce, high-priced article in the new country. Especially where the first crop had not yet been grown.

Flour was unknown at first and the meal that was available was manufactured at home by pounding boiled corn in a sort of mortar made in the top of an old stump. Buckwheat was ground in coffee mills.

When the first marriage in the county was about to take place the bride's father spent a week riding about Madison and Warren Counties, visiting every family, in order to obtain enough flour to make the wedding cake. He was not successful and returned very disappointed. The bride and her brother, however, were equal to the emergency. They pounded some corn and took the finest of the powder for the wedding cake. When properly baked the cake was highly relished by the guests.

In the spring of the year the sugar maple trees were tapped and the sap collected to be used for either syrup or sugar. In late summer the settlers would strip, top and cut the sugar cane they had planted and make sorghum molasses. Although there was some honey and maple syrup the most common sweetener was this sorghum molasses.

In those primitive days nearly every family kept a flock of geese. These furnished feathers for beds and the woman who could boast of the largest number of featherbeds stood supreme among the women of the neighborhood. One day in 1859 two women were overheard talking about another woman on a neighboring ranch who had SIXTEEN feather beds. Each of the women, characteristically, excused her lack by saying, "Well, Mrs. Brown had every chance, since she lived on the banks of North River, where it was no trouble to raise geese." To say of a family "Why they haven't a feather bed in the house!" was to express the direst poverty of their condition. Every family who could afford them slept between two feather beds. Until comparatively late years if the parents failed to give a newly married daughter a good feather bed this became the talk of the neighborhood.

During the first fifteen years they spent in Iowa the settlers kept some sheep. From these they made woolen bed clothes. The women spent most of their spare time (which was very little) in weaving and knitting. They wove cloth for most of their clothing. Carpets were made from rags which had been sewed in strips. (My mother made rugs this way in southern Indiana as late as 1900-1925). Dyes were made from logwood and the outer hulls covering black

walnuts and butternuts. They knitted hundreds of real wool socks and mittens. What the family did not use was then taken to Ft. Des Moines and sold or traded for items that the family needed.

Boots worn by these early settlers were coarsely made. Women and girls often wore men's boots. They also went barefoot from early Spring until late fall. Going barefoot was necessary if not popular.

There were no cooking or heating stoves in Madison County until 1850. In their isolation, pioneer life here was one of stern realities and serious trials. Very often after getting to the trading point the settler would find things higher in price than he had expected or that he had not money enough to buy what he wanted. A sample instance will illustrate this: A group of men went a distance of 50 miles to Des Moines to secure breaking plows and some provisions. On arriving it was found that in order to get them it was necessary for two of the party to remain and dig coal for a week for the plow-maker in order to make up what they lacked in money. This was done, two remaining and one returning with the bacon and corn meal for the families.

The settlers lived in Madison County for quite a time before there was a single officer of the law in the county. Each man's protection was in the good will and friendship of those about him. The thing any man might well dread was the ill-will of the community. It was no uncommon thing in the early times for hardened men, who had no fear of jails or penitentiaries to stand in great fear of the indignation of a pioneer community. Churches came to the land before jails but by 1851 there was enough petty thievery about to make a jail desirable.

As word got around and reports went back home about the nice rolling prairies, plenty of good timber, good running springs, etc. more settlers arrived in Iowa.

There was, of course, no public highway in that period of time and no railroad. The settlers lived far apart and trading points were at a great distance. Going from place to place by river or wagon trains of teams was very tedious and sometimes full of great danger.

MORE ABOUT THOMAS NEWTON (NEWT) CLANTON AND HIS BROTHERS IN ARIZONA

Newt, young brother of our William, was only fourteen when his father died. Much of the care of the farm and his mother fell on his young shoulders. Through exposure during the cold winters in Iowa he became threatened with tuberculosis. His doctor told him if he cared to live, he would have to go to a warmer climate.

Newt's brother, Wesley, owned a ranch at Big Bug Creek about 35 miles southeast of Prescott. This is about eight miles south of the present town of Mayer. Newt along with his brother Mose and their families headed for Arizona. He made the long hard trip to Phoenix every three months to the doctor to have his lungs examined. He and his brothers worked at breaking wild horses and also had a meat shop.

In 1889 Newt moved his family to the Buckeye District. As the little settlement there began to show signs of growth. Newt subdivided the Clanton homestead plot and formed the new town of Sidney.

Under U.S. law at that time, it was necessary for someone to carry the mail free for the period of one year before the post-office could receive an appropriation from the postal department. So Newt had his daughter, Cora, appointed mistress and he had the mail carried out from Phoenix for the required time, twice each week. Drawers and pigeon-holes were built in a cupboard in the living room of their home and it was here the first post-office was set up and established in 1888.

He helped organize and build the first school and he and his daughter, Cora, were on the first board of trustees. He helped to organize the Phoenix and Buckeye Christian Churches. He also served two terms as Co. Supervisor.

Newt was instrumental in planning and building an irrigation project creating the "Buckeye Canal". In 1907 his wife died and he led a widower's life the next 19 years until he died in 1926. He raised a family of four boys and five girls.

COMPARISON CLANTON BROTHERS PROPERTY

1850 MADISON CO., IOWA - TAPE 1,021,288

Name	Acres of improved land	Acres of unimproved land	Cash Value of Farm	Value of Machinery	Number of Horses	Number of Milk Cows	Number of working oxen	Number of Other cattle	Number of Sheep	Number of Swine	Bushels of Oats	Bushels of Wheat	Indian corn	Value of Livestock
Joel	50	290	700	200	21	4	-	7	16	30	50	25	300	320
*Isaac	75	245	200	200	3	4	10	3	20	40	100	25	-	350
Charles	20	299	250	75	2	5	-	3	22	30	-	-	300	220

	Lbs. wool	Lbs. butter	Lbs. Cheese	Beeswax & honey	Value homemade manufacture
Joel	35	200	2	120	25
*Isaac	40	200	-	145	50
Charles	26	250	3	-	20

State of Illinois Document

State of Illinois
Morgan County To any authorized Minister of the Gospel
Justice of the Supreme Judge of any Inferior Court
or Justice of the Peace and for said County This is to authorize
you or any of you to join in the Holy State of Matrimony Mar-
 Isaac Clinton and Miss Lavana Smith both persons of
lawful age and for this doing this shall be your justification

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand as Clerk of the County
Commons Court at Jacksonvillle
this 27th day of March A.D. 1834

Dennis Rockwell
Clerk

State of Illinois
Morgan County The undersigned Hardin Smith this
day before me made oath that his sister
Lavana Smith is over the age of Eighteen Years
Given & Subscribed before me
this 27th day of March 1834

Dennis Rockwell
Clerk }
Hardin Smith
Mack }
Jest J. Hunt

Marriage License for Solomon Carpenter and Lorana Clanton

RETURN OF LICENSE.



State of Iowa, Madison County, ss

I Heredby Certify, that on the 7th day of October
A. D. 1867. I did solemnize the Marriage of Mr Solomon
Carpenter and Mrs Lorana Clanton
at the house of said Lorana Clanton in said County.

Given under my hand this 5th day of October 1867

(Signed) J. P. Roach
Minist

LEISE & GRIGGS, Printers, Des Moines, Iowa.

CLERK'S MARRIAGE RECORD for SOLOMON CARPENTER AND LARANA CLANTON

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STATE OF IOWA, MADISON County, ss.

I, Margaret Wheeler

Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Madison County,

do hereby certify that the marriage records of the said Madison County,

of which I am custodian, show that Lorana Clanton

Age Last Birthday ----- and Solomon Carpenter

Age Last Birthday ----- were married by James P. Roach, Minister of the Gospel

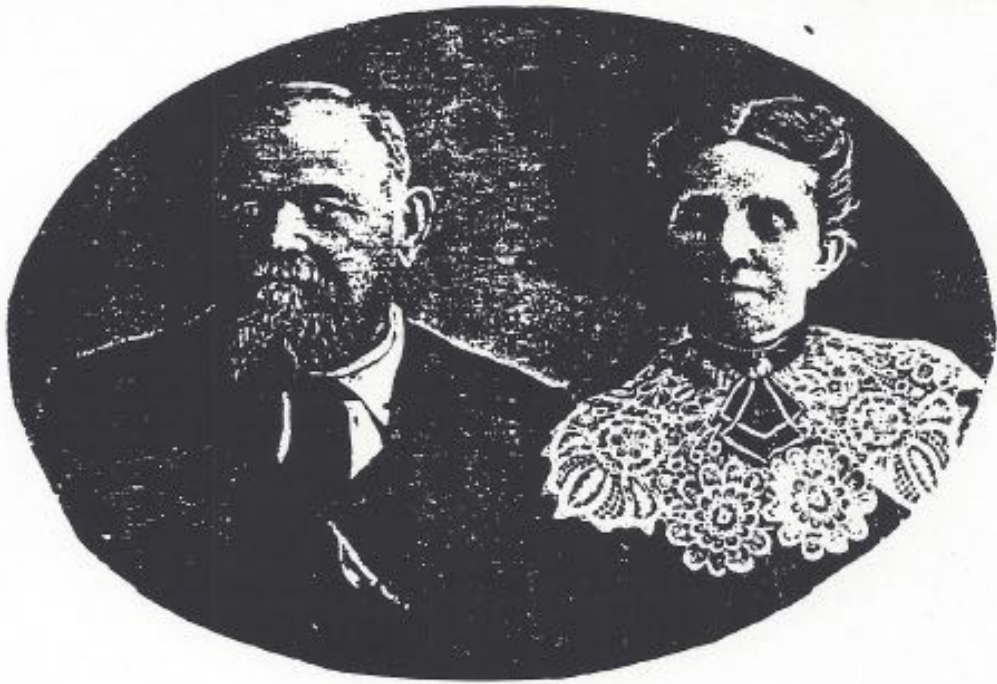
on Oct. 7th, 1867

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my hand and the seal of said Court, at Winterset Iowa, this 30th day of October, 19 78

Margaret Wheeler
Clerk of the District Court.

By _____ Deputy.

MOSES & LOUISA CLANTON



Moses Edward Clanton

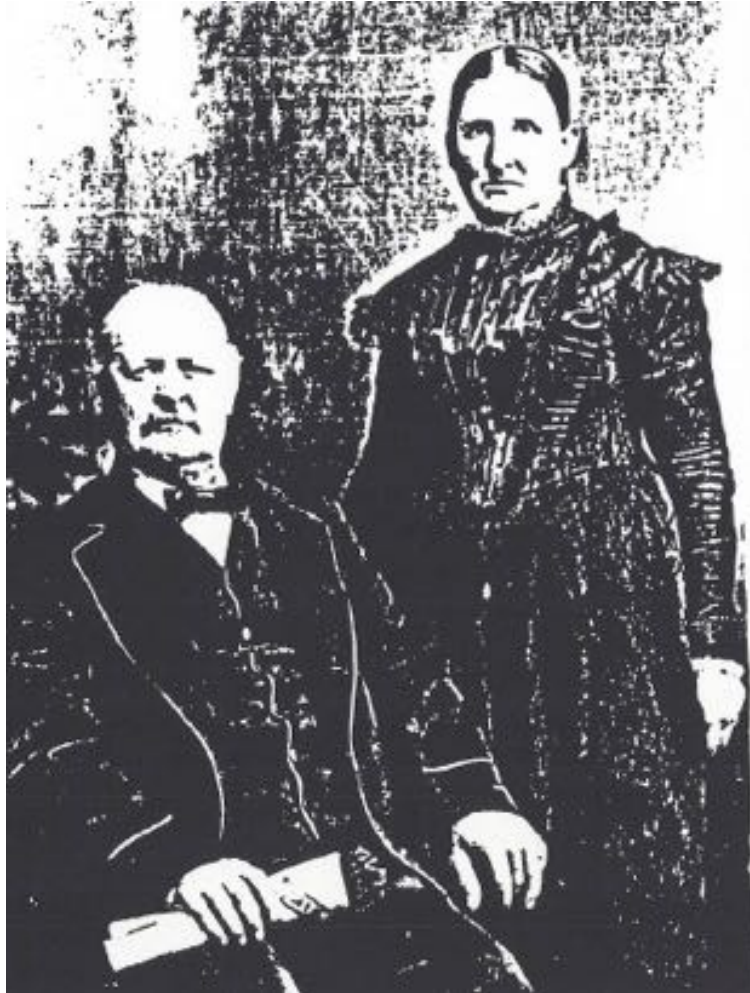


Louisa Margaret Viney Clanton

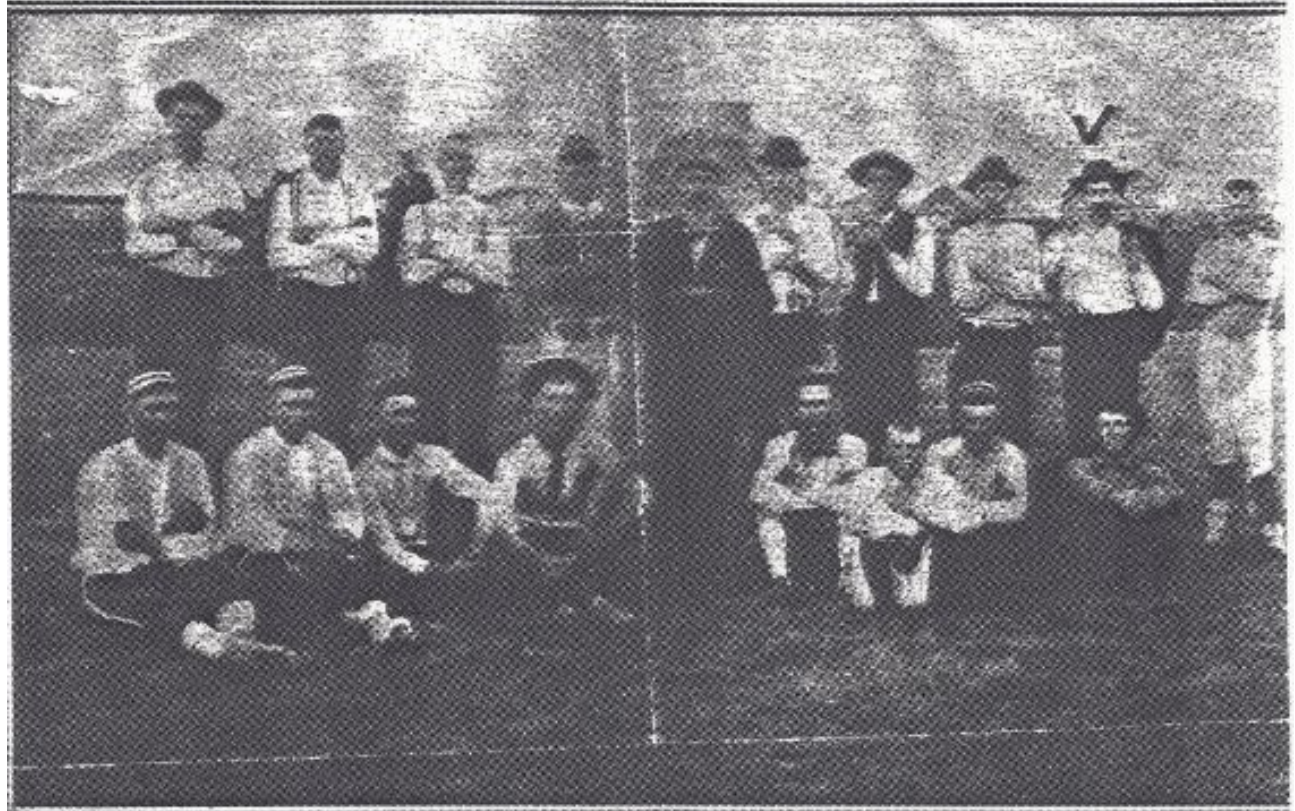
Isaac Wesley & Huldah (Mertis) Clanton Photos



Joel M & Angeline (Shutt) Clanton



REMEMBER 'WAY BACK WHEN -?



PLAYED BALL IN MARATHON

Pictured here are the baseball teams of Laurens and Marathon, Ia., before the game they played July 4, 1930. Laurens won. Standing, left to right are: John Parks, John Henderson, Jim Dempsey, Ans Parker, Umpire Parks, Frank Leach, Charles Weaver, Dick Elder, Wes Farson and Irv Park. Seated, left to right: Mr. Watterman, Bert Cook, John Warwick, Hank Warwick, John Burnip. The others are unidentified.

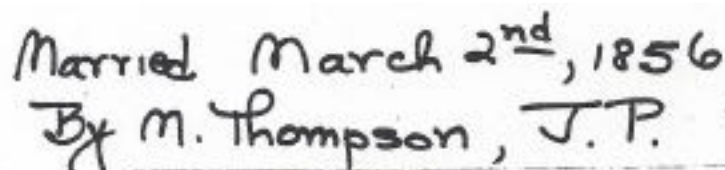
(Photo submitted by John Parks, Spencer, Ia.)



GOTCH TRAINS AT HUMBOLET, IA.

This photo was taken about twenty-five years ago as Frank Gotch, once world's champion wrestler, trained for a coming bout. He was born at Humboldt, Ia. Gotch, pictured at right, is seen working out with Yankee Rogers. At extreme right is his manager, Emil Klank.





Married March 2nd, 1856
By M. Thompson, J.P.

GENERATION VI

* WILLIAM M. & HANNAH STEELE CLANTON

William. born in Ill. moved with his family to Iowa as a boy of nine. He married Hannah Steele at the age of 19 and they lived with his parents for a time. The 1856 and 1860 census listed Hannah as born in Mich. The 1900 census indicated that she was born in Ia.

There is some question and conflicting dates on the children in this family and their ages. The first child listed in the census of 1860 was Isaac. age two. However, according to the family bible and cemetery records of Stephen W. (*Isaac Stephen*), he was first born 1856 (*probably 1857*) with Elizabeth next and John M. third in line. Perhaps future genealogists will unravel this puzzle. They claimed only seven children with six living and one dead in the 1900 census. Family heritage tells us a Joe and a Joel lived with this family for several years. Joel was listed with the family in 1885 but not claimed as a son. Perhaps they were nephews or at least relatives of the family (*we now believe they are the same person*).

The first son of William and Hannah was born in Iowa. Sometime between 1860 and 1864 they moved to St. Louis, Mo. Where George K. was born. They were back in Laurens by 1867 because daughter, Nancy Olive, was born there. Although we know he worked for a time in the Black Hills they kept a home in Laurens. We have found no proof yet of military service. Family descendants claim he served under General Grant.

In Iowa the Steele family lived next door to the Clantons. They were friends and neighbors and the Steele family included several children named Leveridge.

VI—1. Stephen William (*most likely Isaac Stephen*), born in 1856, married Elizabeth Ann Farson and they had six children. Elizabeth died in 1916 and he remarried another Elizabeth (*Elizabeth C. Moore*) in 1919. In 1900 he owned a farm in Palo Alto Co., Ia. He later moved to Payette, Idaho where his sister Nancy Olive lived. He died and was buried there in 1934.

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VI-3. John M. was born Jan. 25, 1859 and died Sept. 3, 1859 at age 8 mo. 9 da.

VI-4. Isaac S. born in 1858 or 59 was listed as two years old in the 1860 census. We wonder if he and Stephen Wm. could have been the same boy with name change somewhere down the years. *(yes, as mentioned above, we now believe they are the same person)*

VI-5. Wesley born in 1862 married Mabel and had at least four children — two boys and two girls.

VI-6. *Nancy Olive was born in 1867. She married John Wesley a Farson and brother of Stephen William's first wife. When she was almost seventeen years old. This made children of Stephen and Nancy double cousins. Nancy had seven children, five boys and two girls. At age three she suffered from scarlet fever and it left her hard of hearing. When the teacher slapped her on the side of her head because she could not hear her mother took her out of school forever.

Her early life was spent in Iowa. Her children were all born there and delivered by their grandfather, Dr. John Farson, all except the youngest, Goldie. When they arrived in Payette, Idaho they lived in the home built by Wes until their death. Nancy died at age 76 and Wes died a few months later. More about this family and their lives will be found in "The Farsons in Idaho".

VI-7. "Uncle Kin" (George K. married Gertrude Joenks) according to Florence Clanton of Wisconsin. Kin was born during the Civil War in 1864 at St. Louis, Mo. Sometime later this family moved to Laurens, Ia. In 1903 Kin's family moved to Frederick, S. Dakota, where he farmed for 5 years. Later he moved to Lancaster, Wisconsin. In 1918 he moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where he was in the real estate business. In 1920 he moved to Shell Lake, Wisconsin where he bought and sold cattle and owned a grain mill. One of his sons, Frederick Walter, owned a bakery in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin and was also mayor four times. They had at least 8 children with two sets of twins. First born twins were a boy, George V. and a sister who died at birth. Second set were boys Pearl and Earl.

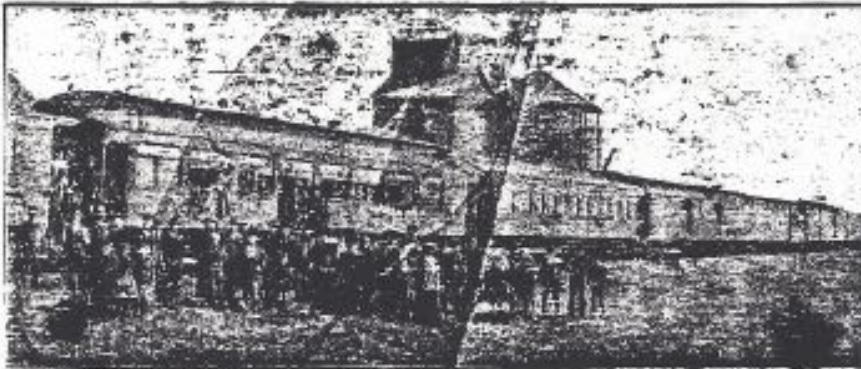
Dotha Lynd remembers Kin having a daughter who lived in Minneapolis. She went there to see her one time during the first inauguration of Franklin Roosevelt.

In addition to the family above we find a Joe and a Joel who are somehow related. Joel E. was born in 1870 and married Clara M. according to the 1900 census he was living in Pocahontas, Co. and had been married for one year.

Joe married May, a pianist at the church attended by the Clantons and Farsons in Laurens. Myles Farson remembered an "Uncle Joe" living in the Clanton home when he was just a boy. His Uncle Joe used to give him pennies for Sunday school. Dotha and Goldie remembered Joe and Kin as being Nancy's brothers. Joe was probably the youngest. Joe's wife, May, had a sister and Joe died before his wife. They had no children. *(note: the Joel and Joe are now believed to be the same person. Joel's wife, Clara M. – middle initial M for May)*

LAURENS LOANED A WHOLE
TRAINLOAD TO DEVELOP IDAHO

1905 ~~1906~~



Form U.S.D.-528

PLACE OF DEATH

IOWA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 76 00138

Decorah

Decorah Lake

Registered No. _____

City or Town *Decorah*

St. ; _____ Ward)

(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.)

(If death occurred in a home, give the name of the "next of kin.")

FULL NAME

Wm. Clanton

FEDERAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX *Male* COLOR *White*

DATE OF BIRTH *March 2 1838*

AGE *63* Sex *M* Mar. *3* *Widowed*

EDUCATION *Widowed*

PLACE OF BIRTH *Iowa*

PLACE OF DEATH *Iowa*

PLACE OF USUAL RESIDENCE *Iowa*

INDUSTRY *Real Estate*

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH *June 6 1906*

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from *May 14 1906* until *June 6 1906*

and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at *11*

THE CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
Senile Debility

Physician *P. G. Kelley*

6-7-1906

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON TO WHOM THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED

J. C. Clanton

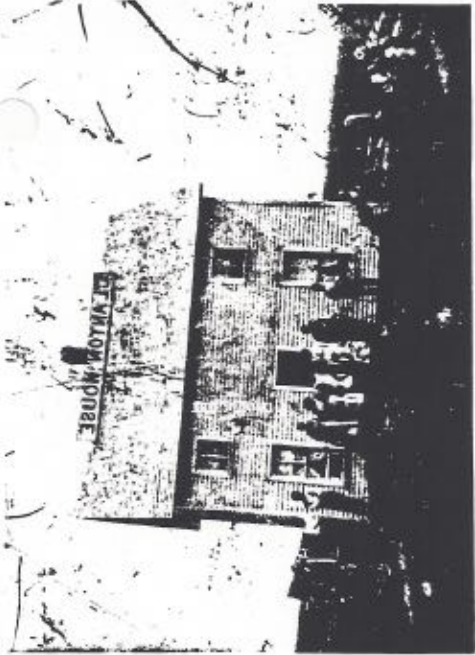
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PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL *Decorah*

DATE OF BURIAL *6-7 1906*

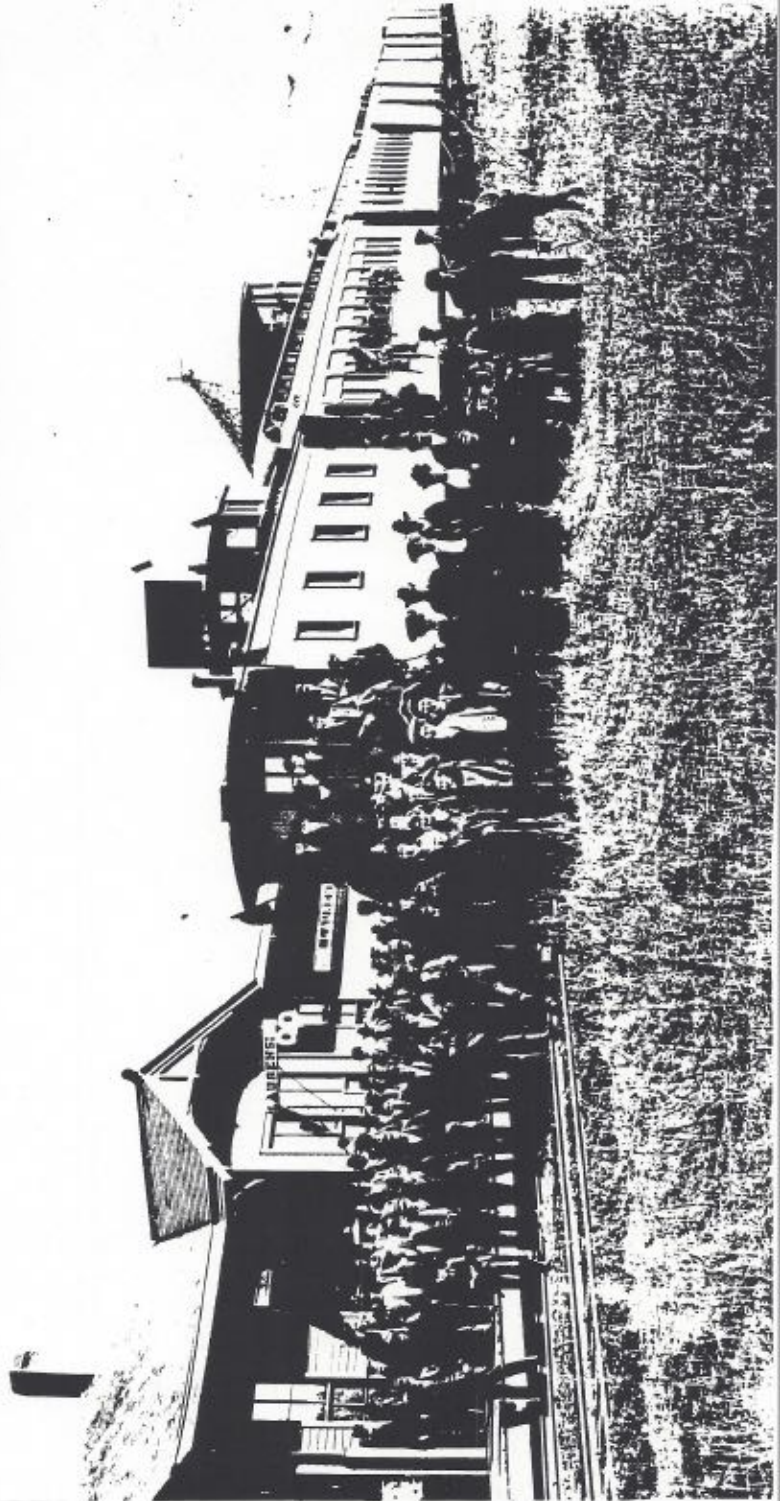
VERIFIER *J. C. Clanton*

ADDRESS *Decorah*



Picture at right - The Clanton House
Hotel in Iowa.

Below - Families and friends in
front of the Laurens, Ia. depot prior
to embarking on the immigrant train.
1905



GENERATION VII

* NANCY OLIVE CLANTON & JOHN WESLEY FARSON IN IDAHO

Details of the train trip from Laurens to Payette have come down from the memory of Dotha and Goldie Farson and from old newspaper clippings. The sisters, seven and nine years of age at that time, were the youngest members of the group.

Most of the group spent months of planning for the train trip. Two men had gone on ahead to check out the work and living conditions in Idaho and they went back to Laurens with some glowing tales. John Wesley (Wes) made a sudden impulsive decision to go along and went down and mortgaged his home so his family could go too.

Seven families (40 persons) loaded their belongings in the boxcars. Two cars were reserved for livestock. The Farson family was complete even to their dog, Bounce, who had to ride with the livestock. The kids visited him every day and sometimes sneaked him into the family car.

Departure day was in March 1905. It was a sad but exciting time for the town of Laurens. The store keepers closed their shops and the whole town turned out to see the group off. The headline for the local paper that day reported Laurens Loaned a Whole Trainload to Develop Idaho". Grandpa Clanton, widowed and ailing, was very unhappy to see his daughter, Nancy, take her family so far away to the wild west. He stood on the platform and cried and waved until the train was out of sight.

In the picture taken in front of the depot the Farson family can be seen on the far right. William Clanton is the stocky man and the young boy beside him was probably Myles Farson.

Each railroad car had a pot-bellied stove in the corner to cook on, to make coffee and heat food and water. There were eight members of the Farson group plus three young men, friends of the Farson brothers. It kept Nancy busy feeding all of them. Grandpa Clanton had been afraid they would run out of food so he had gone to the store and bought a big box (Goldie remembered it as a 50-lb. size of crackers). Some folks laughed but the trip took longer than expected (seven days) and they did indeed run out of food. Those who had laughed were glad to share the crackers.

Dotha remembered her brothers amusing themselves by shooting through the windows of the train at (but missing) prairie rabbits along the way. The one clean box car was used for fun. Dotha and Goldie entertained the group by singing for them. Two fiddles and several mouth harps provided music for square dancing. When the train got to Pikes Peak the engineer stopped the train and ordered every one out to climb the mountain for exercise. When they were all far up on the mountain he let out a blast on his whistle and they all scampered down in a hurry for fear they might get left behind.

Arriving in Payette, Wes was lucky to find a house to rent and since they had plenty of blankets, the family moved right in and slept on the floor. The Idaho schools considered themselves way ahead of Iowa so they automatically put each student one or two grades back - all except Dotha, who was an exceptionally good reader. This happened to be their only

method of testing. Most of the boys got discouraged at this point and dropped out of school. The two girls joined the Baptist Church in Payette and attended there for several years.

Goldie said she did not remember the early days in Payette as being "The Good Old Days" but did not recall ever really being hungry. The children had little memory of Christmas trees or presents. One year they did have a sagebrush tree decorated with cranberries and popcorn.

Grandpa Clanton died soon after his daughter left Laurens. She had to borrow money to go back to his funeral. She somehow got on the wrong train somewhere along the way and did not arrive in Laurens in time for her dad's funeral.

Wes and Nancy got along well. There was a bit of good-natured teasing on both sides. Wes liked to tease her by calling her "My little sunflower". Then she giggled and answered: "That's the ugliest flower that grows."

Each year she had a garden complete with strawberries. At the start of every season she sent him out to weed it. He did not relish the job and deliberately hoed the plants along with the weeds. Then when she caught him at this she ordered him to get out of the garden. He complained that he could not see well enough to tell the weeds from the plants and yet, somehow he never seemed to have a vision problem when it was card playing time.

To compensate for her hearing loss Nancy's eyes were always darting around the room trying to keep abreast of everything going on around her. When we were visiting there in the summer of 1933 Vern liked to play cards with his Grandpa. She kept her eyes glued on Wes and if she saw a stack of chips in front of him she would ask if he was cheating. Then Vern could get her all riled up by saying: "Grandma, he's telling me all about the time when he was in the war". Then she would really get spunky and say: "Wes, you old fool - you know you were never in the war!" But it was all done in a spirit of fun.

Wes liked to kiss all the pretty girls that came to the house. He had a prickly mustache and we all tried to avoid his kisses.

I first met Grandma Farson when I went to Idaho in 1933 to marry her grandson, Vern. She was a tiny little lady not more than five feet tall, a little on the plump side. She had wispy brown hair tinged with gray. She had twinkly kind of bluish-gray eyes and the cutest, tiniest little nose! Years later I would see that same cute nose on one of our great-grandchildren.

Grandma Farson was a good cook and loved to do it. Bertha Farson said she loved being there with her. Grandma would take a ten minute nap and then jump up and say "Let's go make some cookies or candy!"

She kept melons on the porch under the daybed. Almost always there was a cake on the cupboard and good smells coming from the kitchen range. Everyone, friend, family or hobo who came to her door was seated at the big round kitchen table and fed the same good food. She loved having company especially if they brought a few gossipy tidbits. She had a big heart. When one member of her family gave her a gift she would often look around and find someone else she thought needed it more than she.

If you never had the good fortune to taste Grandma Farson's strawberry shortcake then you've never really tasted strawberry shortcake! In the summer of 1933 I lived with the will Farson family in Payette just down the road from Grandma. It was no secret that Nancy liked to please her children. She made those delicious shortcakes and often sent one home with us because she thought her son, Will, liked them so much. We would all go back and tell her how much he did indeed like it. Then she would make us another one. The cake was made with a rich biscuit-type dough. The sweetened, mashed berries were put between and poured over the layers. They were so good they did not even need cream.

In the early days it was the custom in the south to feed all of the grownups first and then the children. Grandma Farson had been raised this way and continued the custom. Sometimes the children would be standing around the table watching and waiting impatiently for their turn. When we revisited there in 1940 with out four little ones she was going to seat me at the table and I told her I would wait and feed my children first. She thought it all over and changed this practice of having the kids wait for their turn. I heard later that other grandchildren appreciated her change of heart.

From Dotha's memories (with her permission)

I remember mother telling about her fear of Indians when she was a child back in Iowa. One time some Indians came to the house when the men were all gone. Her mother had been churning butter. She hurriedly put the churn through a trap-door in the floor, put a rug over it and a rocking chair on top of that. They felt they had to keep their food hidden from the Indians. Mother remembered one Indian taking her on his lap and trying to talk to her.

Mother was always cooking. She was never upset whenever any of us brought someone in unexpectedly for a meal and we did a lot of that. I never remember seeing her mad or angry at or with anyone. Father also liked company. In later years I remember him sitting in his easy chair by the radio by the back door, not talking much and gradually getting older and weaker. I remember him always there to take care of any of us when we were ill. He was better than any nurse. My mother and father I loved dearly and hold them in great reverence in my memory.

Dotha continued with her memory of emergency appendectomy surgery.

Yes, I, Dotha had an appendectomy on the kitchen table at our home in Payette. I had been packed in ice for two weeks before the surgery because my mother was deathly afraid of the knife and wanted me to avoid it. A doctor down from Canada did the surgery and a Payette doctor gave me some anesthesia. Mother and Goldie sat out back by the barn and cried during the entire operation. They took out a piece of the appendix and a stone. Because I had the whooping cough they could not sew me up. For days a person sat on each side of my bed to grab and hold me when I "whooped". Oh, how it hurt!

It took a long time for my incision to heal. I was not expected to live through the summer. I can remember every time the doctor had to twist the gauze or whatever they put in the wound to keep it from healing on the outside. My yells would have awakened the dead. I can still hear myself screaming.

We had no hospital in Payette at that time. The nearest one was in Ontario, Oregon. To get there necessitated driving down a rocky bank to the ferry to cross the river into Ontario and the doctors didn't think I could make it over that rough road.

Finally the doctors used some sort of surgical bandage to wrap me tightly to relieve some of the pain when I coughed. The surgery was in May and on the fourth of July that year. John Short quieted the kids for blocks around with the news that I wasn't expected to last through the day so the kids (and there were plenty of them) did not shoot off firecrackers or yell or anything. My father and his sister. Aunt Lizzie, nursed me through that long, long summer.

Goldie remembered one exciting event in her early years.

She was visiting neighbors with her family one day. A spunky little girl, she got mad about something and hid under the neighbor's new house. Everyone was looking for her and calling her name but she did not budge. A big snake crawled right by her and she was so terrified she remained motionless. There was an open well in the yard and it was feared she might have fallen in and drowned. There used to be a saying that if one shot down in the well the body would rise to the top. Some hours later when they had given up all hope of finding her alive her dad entered the house to get his gun. Right at that moment a neighbor spotted her still hiding, still motionless and frightened under the house.

Memories of Doris Farson Raburn

Grandpa Farson told us about the stranger that rode into their place one night and wanted to spend the night. Grandpa said he slept with the stranger, sharing a bed. He claimed next morning when the stranger left he said, "You can tell your grandchildren that you slept with Jesse James's brother. I am Frank James".

Grandpa Farson pulled one of my baby teeth in front on the lower jaw. Don't know if he got the wrong tooth or injured the tooth that should have come in, but I am minus a tooth. I only have three where there should have been four. I do remember that it hurt like fury and I was always careful from then on not to mention to anyone about having a loose tooth. I think Grandpa enjoyed pulling teeth.

Nancy Clanton Farson died of a hemorrhage in 1944 with complications from arteriosclerosis, asthma and influenza. Wes died six months later. His death certificate stated cause of death as "senility". However, the doctor on duty said he had the heart of a young man and actually died because he had lost the will to live without his beloved Nancy.

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WEDDING MATRIMONY

WAS CELEBRATED BETWEEN

William Myles Farson of Laurens Iowa
and Nancy Olive Clanton of Laurens Iowa
on Sept. 21st 1884 at Wm Clanton
by Ward Hughes Justice of the Peace

Stephen Clanton

Witness:

Wm Clanton

FARSONS ENJOY FAMILY REUNION

CAME TO PAYETTE 30 YEARS AGO TODAY

Thirty years have marked a lot of changes, as seen by the remaining few of the forty people who arrived in Payette from Laurens, Iowa, at that time.

On March 2, 1905, a group of 40 people chartered a train at Laurens, Iowa, and started west with Payette as their destination. They arrived in Payette on March 7, just 30 years ago today.

Among this group were J. W. Farson and family, and John Cartwright and family. Their train consisted of four freight cars, one baggage car, one chair car and one sleeper. They were privileged to stop their train at any station enroute, that they might visit places of interest. It is needless to say that the trip was an enjoyable one. Musicians were among them and they enjoyed dancing in the baggage car. Mr. Farson states that he occupied his time shooting prairie dogs with a rifle from the steps of the cars.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Farson and three of their sons, Miles, W. H. and Clarence; John Cartwright and two daughters, Mrs. Jess Wells and Mrs. George Wright, are the only ones now in Payette of the original 40 that came. Part of the group returned to Iowa, others now live in various places, while still others have passed on.

Payette Briefs

Payette, Oct. 4. (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Farson celebrated their fifty-first wedding anniversary Sunday at the family home. All of their children were home with them for the occasion, for the first time since coming to Idaho 30 years ago.

A buffet lunch was served to 24 children and grandchildren. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Farson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Myles Farson and family and C. R. Farson, all of Payette, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Farson and daughter of Grandview, Idaho, Major and Mrs. William E. Lynd and sons of Washington, D. C. and Mr. and Mrs. Oril Shattuck and sons of Burns, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Farson were the honored guests on their 51st wedding anniversary Sunday when all of their sons and daughters gathered for a reunion. This was the first time in 30 years that the entire family have been together.

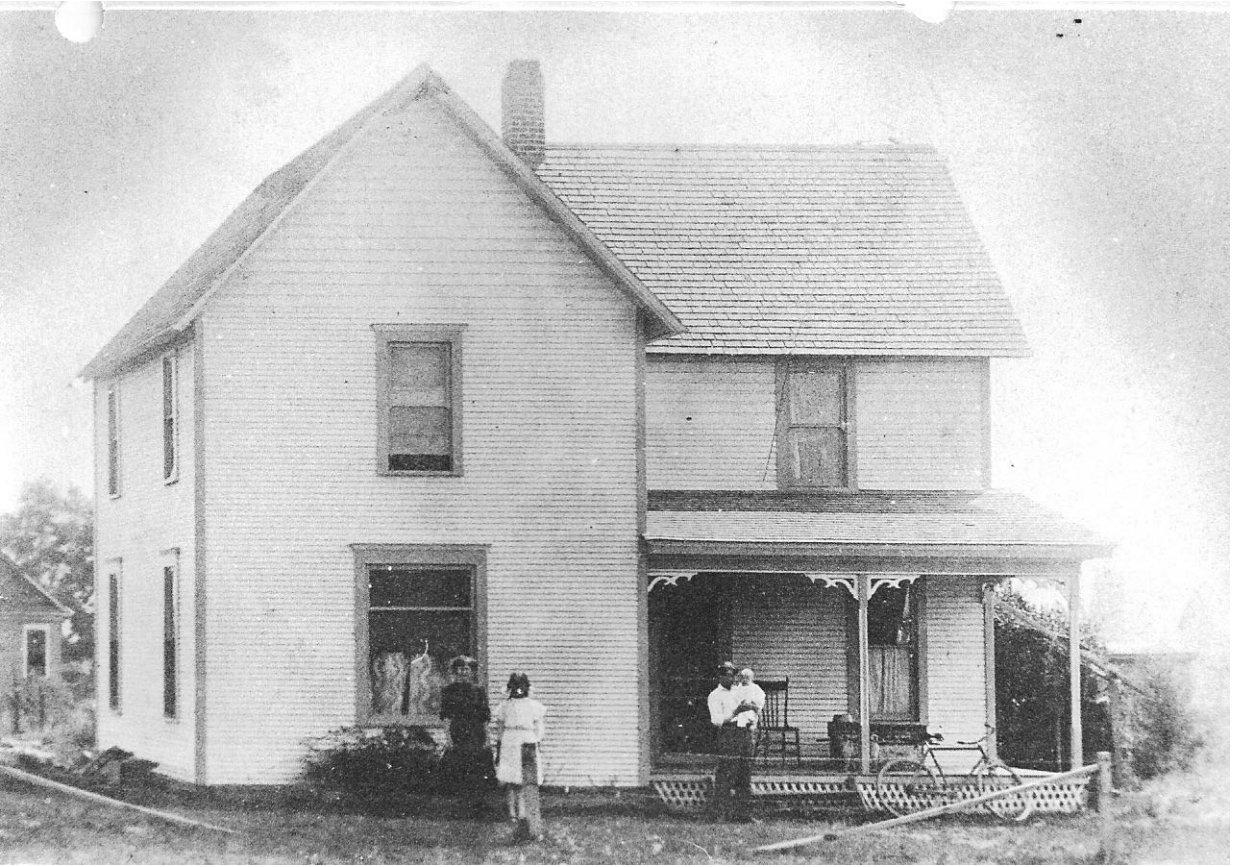
Mr. and Mrs. Farson came to Payette 30 years ago from Laurens, Iowa, with a group of 40 persons who chartered a train for the journey. Of the 40 pioneers to make the Payette valley their home, only Mr. and Mrs. Farson remain.

A buffet lunch was served to Twenty-four children and grandchildren participating in the great event. Those present beside Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Farson were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Farson and son W. H. and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dorathy, Mr. and Mrs. Myles Farson Doris, Myles, Jr., and Dotha Jean and Mr. C. T. Farson, all of Payette. Mr. and Mrs. Lou Farson and daughter, Betty Ruth of Grandview, Idaho, Major and Mrs. M. E. Lynd and sons Bill and Jack of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Oril Shattuck and sons, Larry and Darrell of Burns, Ore.



John Wesley
and
Nancy Olive
Clanton





First home built in Payette by Wes Farson on or about 1905 in 1095 the house is still being used.



Back L2R Goldie Opal, William Henry, Miles Franklin Wesley, Clarence Ray, Lawrence Leslie, Dotha Ida Bell. Farson
Front L2R John Wesley Farson. Nancy Olive Clanton Farson

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United States
Department of Commerce
Bureau of the Census
FEB 2 1944

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
STATE OF IDAHO

State File No. _____
Local Reg. No. 3
Reg. Dist. No. 3-330

1. PLACE OF DEATH:
(a) County Payette
(b) City or town Payette
(c) Street Address or R. F. D. No. 1536 2nd Ave So
(d) Death Occurred Inside? # Outside? _____ city or town
(e) Died in a Home? # Hospital? _____ Institution? _____ Other place? _____
(f) Name Hosp. or Inst. _____ Stayed _____ days
(g) Lived in this country 38 years 10 months 13 days

2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED: (Always fill in these)
(a) State Idaho (b) County Payette
(c) City or town Payette
(d) Street Address or R. F. D. No. 1536 2nd Ave So
(e) Deceased lived Inside? # Outside? _____ city or town
(f) Citizen of what country? U.S.A
(g) How long had deceased lived in Idaho? 38 years
(h) Former residence (city, state) Laurens, Iowa

Note. For a person residing in THIS county LESS than 1 year, give FORMER residence under item 2.

3. (a) FULL NAME Mrs. Nancy Olive Farson.
(b) If veteran, name war _____ (c) Social Security No. _____
5. Color or race white (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced married
(b) Name of husband or J. W. Farson (c) Age of husband or wife if alive 83 years
7. Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year) August 29 1867

8. AGE	Years			If less than 1 day	
	Years	Months	Days	hrs	min.
	<u>76</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>21</u>		

9. Exact Occupation at home Did this work for 59 yrs.
10. Industry or Business Home Date last worked 1-12-44

11. Birthplace Poke City Iowa
(City or town) (State or foreign country)

12. Name William Clanton
(City or town) (State or foreign country)

13. Birthplace Missouri
(City or town) (State or foreign country)

14. Maiden name Hannah Leveridge

15. Birthplace _____
(City or town) (State or foreign country)

16. Informant's OWN Signature Dotha F. Lynd
and Address 341 - I.T. Riverside 7 S.F. Cal

17. (a) burial (b) Date thereof 1-23-1944
(Burial, cremation, or removal) (Month) (Day) (Year)

(c) Place: Payette, Idaho

18. Funeral Director's OWN Signature Edith Jordan
and Address Payette, Idaho

19. (a) 1-25-1944 (b) J.C. Woodward
(Date received and filed) (Registrar's signature)

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

20. DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year) January 20 1944
at 8:30 o'clock A.M.

21. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Jan 19 1944 to Jan 20 1944
I last saw her alive on Jan 19 1944; death is said to have occurred on the date and hour stated above.

Immediate Cause of Death: Myocardial failure Duration _____
Due to chronic myocarditis _____
Due to arteriosclerosis, stenosis _____
Other conditions 11.2 (Include pregnancy within 3 months of death)

Where was disease contracted? _____ PHYSICIAN _____
Name of operation _____ Date _____
Major finding _____
Finding of autopsy _____

22. If death was due to EXTERNAL CAUSES, also fill in the following: Accident? _____ Suicide? _____ Homicide? _____

Occurred _____ 19 _____ City, county, state where violence occurred _____

Place of Violence: Home _____ Farm _____ Industry _____
Public Place _____ While at work? _____
Means of injury _____

23. Attendant's OWN Signature Richard M.D.
(M.D. or other)

Idaho Obituaries Mrs. Farson Buried Sunday

MRS. J. W. FARSON
(The Statesman Payette Bureau)
PAYETTE—Services for Mrs. Nancy Clanton Farson, wife of J. W. Farson, old time carpenter of Payette, will be conducted today at 2:30 p.m. at Landon's by the Rev. Paul Felthouse. Interment will be at Riverside.
Mrs. Farson, who died Thursday, was a long time resident of Payette, and had been active in church and community affairs.
She was born Aug. 29, 1867, at Poke City, Iowa, the daughter of William and Hannah Clanton. She moved with her parents to Laurens, Iowa, when a young girl and in 1884 was married to Farson, making her home in Laurens until 1905, when the family moved to Payette.
She leaves her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Dotha F. Lynd of San Francisco and Mrs. Goldie Shattuck of Richland, Wash.; four sons, Laurence L. of Nampa and Miles F., William H. and Clarence R., all of Payette; a brother, J. E. Clanton of Laurens, Iowa, 10 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.
Mrs. Nancy Clanton Farson, wife of J. W. Farson, passed away at her home in Payette, Thursday morning, January 20th. Funeral services were conducted at Landon's funeral home on Sunday, January 23rd, with Rev. Paul Felthouse officiating. Interment was at Riverside. Mrs. Farson was born August 29, 1867 at Poke City, Iowa, the daughter of William and Hannah Farson. She moved to Laurens, Iowa, when a young girl and in 1884 was married to Mr. Farson. They made their home in Laurens until 1905 when they moved to Payette. She was active in church and community affairs in this city. Deceased leaves her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Dotha F. Lynd of San Francisco and Mrs. Goldie Shattuck of Richland, Wash., four sons, Laurence L. of Nampa, Miles F., William H., and Clarence R., all of Payette; a brother, J. E. Clanton of Laurens, Iowa, ten grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

State of Idaho.....)
County of Ada.....)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY That this is a certificate with the State Department of Health and

AUG 15 1968
Date Issued

Certificate Of Death

1. PLACE OF DEATH:

(a) County Payette
(b) City or town Payette
(c) Street Address Box No. 1536 2nd Ave. So.
(d) Death Occurred Inside? # Outside? city or town
(e) Died in a Home? Hospital Institution Other place
(f) Name Hosp. or Inst. Stayed days
(g) Lived in this county 39 years 2 months 1 days

2. Usual Residence of Deceased: (Always fill in these)

(a) State Idaho (b) County Payette
(c) City or town Payette
(d) Street Address Box No. 1536 2nd Ave. So.
(e) Deceased lived Inside? # Outside? city or town
(f) Citizen of what country? USA
(g) How long had deceased lived in Idaho? 39 years
(h) Former residence (city, state) Laurens, Iowa.

Note: For a person residing in THIS county LESS than 1 year, give FORMER residence under item 2.

3. (a) FULL NAME John Wesley Farson.

3. (b) If veteran, name war --- No. ---
(c) Social Security No. ---

4. Sex male race White
5. Color or --- (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced Widower

6. (b) Name of husband or Nancy wife Farson. (c) Age of husband or wife if deceased years

7. Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year) February 22 1860.

8. AGE

Years	Months	Days	If less than 1 day
<u>84</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>15</u>	hrs min.

9. Exact Occupation Carpenter Did this work for 46 yrs.

10. Industry or Business Building Date last worked 1934

11. Birthplace Ferry Grove, Iowa. (City or town) (State or foreign country)

12. Name Dr. John H. Farson.

13. Birthplace Ferry Grove, Iowa. (City or town) (State or foreign country)

14. Maiden name Susan Kesler, Penn.

15. Birthplace --- (City or town) (State or foreign country)

16. Informant's OWN Signature M. W. Farson and Address Payette, Idaho.

17. (a) burial (b) Date thereof 5/10/1944 (Month) (Day) (Year)
(c) Place: Payette, Idaho.

18. Funeral Director's OWN Signature Edith Anderson and Address Payette, Idaho.

19. (a) May 9 1944 (b) J. Woodward (Date received and filed) (Registrar's signature)

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

20. DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year) May 8 1944 19 ---
at 4:20 o'clock P. M.

21. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from 1910 19 --- to 3/8/44 19 ---
I last saw him alive on 5/6/44 19 ---; death is said to have occurred on the date and hour stated above.

Immediate Cause of Death: Senility Duration ---

Due to ---

Due to ---

Other conditions (include pregnancy within 3 months of death) ---

Where was disease contracted? ---

Name of operation --- Date ---

Major finding ---

Finding of autopsy ---

22. If death was due to EXTERNAL CAUSES, also fill in the following: Accident? --- Suicide? --- Homicide? ---

Occurred --- 19 --- City, county, state where violence occurred

Place of Violence: Home --- Farm --- Industry ---

Public Place --- While at work? ---

Means of injury ---

23. Attendant's OWN Signature Dr. J. Woodward, Sr. (M. D. or other) and Address Payette, Idaho. Date 5/9 19 44

J. W. Farson Dies Monday

Services for J. W. Farson were held at Landons Funeral Home this Thursday afternoon at 2:00 p. m. with Rev. Paul Felthouse of the Baptist church officiating. Burial was at Riverside.

John Wesley Farson, son of Dr. J. H. and Mrs. Hannah Farson, was born February 22, 1860, at Perry Grove, Iowa. When a young man he went to Laurens, Iowa, where he met and married Miss Nancy Clanton on September 21, 1884. They moved from Laurens to Payette in 1905 where he lived until his death on May 8, 1944.

He was preceded in death by his wife on January 20, 1944. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Dotha F. Lynd of San Francisco, California, and Mrs. Goldie Shattuck of Richland, Washington, and four sons, Laurence L. of Nampa, William H., Miles F. and Clarence R. of Payette.

State of Idaho.....)
County of Ada

THIS IS TO CERTIFY That this is a certified copy of a certificate with the State Department of Health under Title 39, Idaho Code

AUG 15 1968

Date Issued

W. W. Benson
State Registrar of Vital S

GENERATION VII CONT'D

VII—1. William Henry, first born son, married Bertha Scharfhausen in 1908. They had five children, three boys and two girls. The children were Glen William, Vern Henry, Bertha Mary Olive, Barbara Sunday and W.H. Farson. During the big blizzard of 1917 during the winter in Spencer, Idaho three new babies died and were buried in that small community. One of those babies was little Barbara Sunday Farson., fourth child of Will and Bertha. The Farsons were married for 62 years at the time of Will's death in 1970 at age 85. In the fall of 1985 Bertha is still living at the age of 94. *(she died April 1986)* More about this family will appear in the "Farson History".

VII-2. Myles Franklyn Wesley (as it appears in his mother's bible) married Naomi Yount and they lived most of their married life in Payette except for three years when they lived and worked on the Oregon State Experimental Station at Burns, Oregon. They had three children, Myles, Doris and Dotha Jean. Dotha died just before her tenth birthday from a combination of pneumonia and scarlet fever. At that time the doctor knew of no one ever surviving from that particular problem. The other children were quarantined but Doris also came down with it. She survived but many other children in the area died of scarlet fever that year.

Quote from daughter Doris:

My dad was a very kind and understanding person. He never had what you would call a good job but he always managed to keep food on the table for three kids, a wife and a mother-in-law (Grandma Yount) who lived with us for several years.

Our family could not and did not afford luxuries but we had much love and understanding. In the early days dad had an old truck which he used to haul coal, move people, haul freight, etc. Some summers in Payette he drove the sprinkler truck and in the winters worked for a packing company. Then he obtained a job working for the city of Payette.

As a young boy Myles had rheumatic fever which left him with an enlarged heart and a leakage problem, which was never corrected.

He enjoyed celebrations, crowds and you might say he liked to be where the action was. He took in all the home team baseball games whenever Payette had a team. My dad had lots of patience with all the neighborhood kids. In the summertime they would all congregate on our lawn and in the winter we played games in the dining room. He never had a cross word for any of them.

My mother always said: "All the Farson men are good to their wives, young and old alike! I agree. My cousins are all kind as were my uncles. My parents were both really neat".

VII-3. Clarence Ray was born in May 1889. He lived most of his life in Payette. He was married once and had a stepson who later died in a drowning accident.

As a baby he incurred a bad burn. An older brother playing with him and amusing him by lighting matches accidently set his crib on fire. When Nancy came running in to him his chest and hand was badly burned. He lost the ends of his fingers on one hand and carried his mother's handprint on his chest where she picked him up. He handled his nickname "Stub"

very well and his crippled hand never kept him from doing what he wanted to do. He was an outdoor man loved hunting and fishing.

VII-4. Lawrence Lesley was the 4th son. He worked as a farmer and shepherd for most of his life. He also was an outdoor kind of man. He was friendly, likeable, happy and outgoing.

VII-5. Albert Lee, born in 1893 lived only 10 days.

VII-6. Dotha Ida Belle met and married the handsome Elmer Lynd. He had an exciting, distinguished career in the Air Force. After being stationed in many different areas they chose California for their retirement years. They enjoyed several years together in Chino before his death in 1968. They raised two sons, William Farson and John Smart Lynd. William died as a young man of 31. In the fall of 1985 Dotha is living in Mountain View, Ca. More about Dotha appears in "The Farsons in Idaho".

VII-7. Goldie Opal, baby of the family, married Obil Shattuck. They both attended Oregon St. College. She was the only girl in the band and was a saxophone soloist. They lived and worked on the Oregon State Experimental Farm at Burns, Oregon for 25 years. They raised two sons, Larry Obil and Darrell Leroy.

Goldie was very active in church and civic work both in Oregon and later in Washington. There were some who thought Goldie was a nickname because of her many good deeds. She remained very active in church and civic work until her death in December 1984.

Dotha and Goldie although very different were both beautiful, caring women. In this family of children we see many of the characteristics of the earlier Clantons of Iowa. I feel privileged to have known them.

Know Your Neighbor

A series of articles to acquaint people of the community with the backgrounds of various prominent men in the county.

There is one familiar figure at the city hall that we all ought to know. You'll see him around the city hall and court house almost any time of day. At night busy himself cleaning up the fire engine, or sitting out in front of the fire department keeping constant vigil, or one might say keeping an ear open for the wailing of the fire alarm.

Clarence Ray Farson, known to all, adults and children alike as just plain "Stub".

He was born at Laurens, Iowa, May 19, 1889. He lived in that area until he was 16, or until 1906 when he came to Payette by immigrant train.

"Stub" attended school at Laurens, and had passed thru the seventh grade before the family moved West. After arriving here he went to work; there was no more schooling, and has been on his own ever since.

His first job was in the grain fields nearby, and later he worked on the section of the old "Punkin Vine" and the Short Line. He then went to work at Banks Livery stable, and remained there for five years. For his faithful service on that job, he was given the present of a watch which he still carries.

He first started with the city as a volunteer fireman, and then in 1926 he took the job as night fireman, staying at the station nights only to answer calls.

Then in 1931, when the city purchased a big new fire truck he was put on the job on a 24 hour basis and continued that service until just a month or so ago, when a second fireman was employed to take the

day shift.

Stub still continues on nights sleeping with one ear open so to speak, continually listening for the clang of the telephone which signals a fire in or outside the city.

Under a state law Stub is eligible for retirement, but he is hoping to remain on the job another six months or so. When that time comes, he is hoping with the help of an older brother to build a cabin on a mountain stream somewhere near Payette and spend his time just fishing.

He has thoroughly enjoyed his career as a fireman, he reports. Fires too have had a most important bearing on his whole life. When he was an infant of only seven months he had all the fingers of his left hand burned off, and that's what prompted the nick name "Stub". The injury however nearly handicapped him so far as work goes. He learned to use the crippled hand to do all manner of things including driving spirited horses when he was at the livery stable, and handling the steering wheel of a big truck later, when he became the fire truck driver.

"Stub" recalls to, that there was a big fire which destroyed a home, the first night he spent in Payette on Mar. 7, 1905.

His hobby is fishing, he says, but he also enjoys keeping track of some of the happenings of the early days of Payette. He can tell you where many of the old buildings stood, which have since been destroyed by fire and to be replaced by new structures.

He also has known practically all

of the prominent men and women who have lived in the city during the past 45 years.

Probably the outstanding thing in his life has been his long continuous and dependable service. He is now the oldest continuous city employee.

In personality he is the jovial type. He likes to joke with people, and usually when he is with friends, he is the victim of the raillery. Everybody it seems likes to "kid" with "Stub".

If his plans work out, he probably won't be on the job too much longer. But no matter what comes "Stub" will be a booster for Payette and will always enjoy his old Payette friends coming to see him to talk over old times.

Goldie (Farson) Shattuck

(Keith & Keith Funeral Home)

Goldie (Farson) Shattuck, 88, of Yakima, died Wednesday in Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital.

She was born Aug. 23, 1896, in Laurens, Iowa, to Nancy and John Wesley Farson.

They moved to Payette, Idaho, when she was seven where she received her early education.

They moved to Burns, Ore. in 1914 where she met and married Obil Shattuck in June of 1915.

She attended Oregon State College in Corvallis.

Mrs. Shattuck took Home Economics and majored in Music. She was a saxophone soloist and the only girl in the college band for three years.

After graduating they moved to Burns, Ore., where they lived for 25 years.

During World War II, Mrs. Shattuck was active in civic work donating many hours to Red Cross, T.B. Seal Sales, chairman of Mobile X-Ray Unit and was nominated "Women of the Year."

She moved to Yakima in 1950 and was a member of the First Baptist Church. She served eight years as a Deaconess.

Mrs. Shattuck was a 50-year member of both the Order of Eastern Star and Rebekah Lodges. She was a member of the Messiah White Shrine of Jerusalem, a member of the Past Noble Grands Club and an active member of local, county and state Women's Christian Temperance Union.

She worked for the Bon Marche' for 15 years.

Survivors include two sons, Larry Shattuck of Toholah, Wash., Darrell Shattuck of Kent; a sister, Mrs. Dortha Lynd of Menlo Park, Calif.; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two nieces and five nephews.

Her husband, Obil Shattuck, died in 1968.



MRS. SHATTUCK

IN MEMORY OF
William Henry Farson

DATE OF BIRTH
 November 6, 1885

DATE OF DEATH
 March 8, 1970

PLACE OF SERVICE
 Griffith Chapel
 Wednesday, March 11, 10 A.M.

CLERGYMAN
 Rev. Carl Schmitt

PLACE OF INTERMENT
 Pomona Cemetery
 Pomona, California

FUNERAL
 Arranged and Conducted By
GRIFFITH MORTUARY
 13002 Central Ave., Chino, Calif.

The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want.
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures. He leadeth me beside the still waters.
 He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me. thy rod and thy staff they comfort me
 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies thou anointest my head with oil: my cup runneth over.
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

In Memory of
MYLES WESLEY FARSON

Born
 Laurens, Iowa July 21, 1887

Passed Away
 Ontario, Oregon August 25, 1951

Services at
 Shaffer Memory Chapel - Payette, Idaho
 2:00 P. M. Tuesday August 28, 1951

Officiating - Rev. Stanley Andrews
 Organist, Mrs. Marguerite Fitch

BEARERS

Hal Lightfoot	Allen Stagall
Claude Cartwright	Ray Cessingham
Glenn Levers	Garland Walters

Concluding Services
 Riverside Cemetery - Payette, Idaho

There is a researcher in Salt Lake who is compiling a list of all the known Clantons in the United States but it is a long, tedious study. I hope she will be able to complete it.

This completes what I know about our line of Clantons from England to Payette, Idaho.

Four of Nancy Olive Clanton Farson's children lived to have children and grandchildren. Each generation of her descendants can fill out family history sheets and bring their own particular line up to date. I am enclosing one blank history of family sheet that can be copied and filled out for each family.

I will be writing more about the William Henry Parson family in the future.

FAMILY GROUP No. **I** Husband's Full Name **CLANTON, EDWARD**

This Information Obtained From: _____

Birth							
Chr'nd							
Mar.							
Death	May 1741		Brunswick Co., Va.				
Burial							
Various sources	Places of Residence		Va.		Occupation		Church Affiliation
						Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father		Prob. Edward of		Mother's Maiden Name			
		Charles City, Va.					
		Wife's Full Maiden Name		SARAH Evans			
Wife's Data		Dep.	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Death		Oct. 6 1748			died 28 Jul 1748	Brunswick Co. Va.	
Burial					will proved		
Compiler							
Address		Places of Residence		Church Affiliation			
City, State		Occupation if other than Housewife					
Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date		Her Father		Mother's Maiden Name			

1750-1900-1950-1960-1970-1980-1990-2000-2010-2020-2030-2040-2050-2060-2070-2080-2090-2100-2110-2120-2130-2140-2150-2160-2170-2180-2190-2200-2210-2220-2230-2240-2250-2260-2270-2280-2290-2300-2310-2320-2330-2340-2350-2360-2370-2380-2390-2400-2410-2420-2430-2440-2450-2460-2470-2480-2490-2500-2510-2520-2530-2540-2550-2560-2570-2580-2590-2600-2610-2620-2630-2640-2650-2660-2670-2680-2690-2700-2710-2720-2730-2740-2750-2760-2770-2780-2790-2800-2810-2820-2830-2840-2850-2860-2870-2880-2890-2900-2910-2920-2930-2940-2950-2960-2970-2980-2990-3000-3010-3020-3030-3040-3050-3060-3070-3080-3090-3100-3110-3120-3130-3140-3150-3160-3170-3180-3190-3200-3210-3220-3230-3240-3250-3260-3270-3280-3290-3300-3310-3320-3330-3340-3350-3360-3370-3380-3390-3400-3410-3420-3430-3440-3450-3460-3470-3480-3490-3500-3510-3520-3530-3540-3550-3560-3570-3580-3590-3600-3610-3620-3630-3640-3650-3660-3670-3680-3690-3700-3710-3720-3730-3740-3750-3760-3770-3780-3790-3800-3810-3820-3830-3840-3850-3860-3870-3880-3890-3900-3910-3920-3930-3940-3950-3960-3970-3980-3990-4000-4010-4020-4030-4040-4050-4060-4070-4080-4090-4100-4110-4120-4130-4140-4150-4160-4170-4180-4190-4200-4210-4220-4230-4240-4250-4260-4270-4280-4290-4300-4310-4320-4330-4340-4350-4360-4370-4380-4390-4400-4410-4420-4430-4440-4450-4460-4470-4480-4490-4500-4510-4520-4530-4540-4550-4560-4570-4580-4590-4600-4610-4620-4630-4640-4650-4660-4670-4680-4690-4700-4710-4720-4730-4740-4750-4760-4770-4780-4790-4800-4810-4820-4830-4840-4850-4860-4870-4880-4890-4900-4910-4920-4930-4940-4950-4960-4970-4980-4990-5000-5010-5020-5030-5040-5050-5060-5070-5080-5090-5100-5110-5120-5130-5140-5150-5160-5170-5180-5190-5200-5210-5220-5230-5240-5250-5260-5270-5280-5290-5300-5310-5320-5330-5340-5350-5360-5370-5380-5390-5400-5410-5420-5430-5440-5450-5460-5470-5480-5490-5500-5510-5520-5530-5540-5550-5560-5570-5580-5590-5600-5610-5620-5630-5640-5650-5660-5670-5680-5690-5700-5710-5720-5730-5740-5750-5760-5770-5780-5790-5800-5810-5820-5830-5840-5850-5860-5870-5880-5890-5900-5910-5920-5930-5940-5950-5960-5970-5980-5990-6000-6010-6020-6030-6040-6050-6060-6070-6080-6090-6100-6110-6120-6130-6140-6150-6160-6170-6180-6190-6200-6210-6220-6230-6240-6250-6260-6270-6280-6290-6300-6310-6320-6330-6340-6350-6360-6370-6380-6390-6400-6410-6420-6430-6440-6450-6460-6470-6480-6490-6500-6510-6520-6530-6540-6550-6560-6570-6580-6590-6600-6610-6620-6630-6640-6650-6660-6670-6680-6690-6700-6710-6720-6730-6740-6750-6760-6770-6780-6790-6800-6810-6820-6830-6840-6850-6860-6870-6880-6890-6900-6910-6920-6930-6940-6950-6960-6970-6980-6990-7000-7010-7020-7030-7040-7050-7060-7070-7080-7090-7100-7110-7120-7130-7140-7150-7160-7170-7180-7190-7200-7210-7220-7230-7240-7250-7260-7270-7280-7290-7300-7310-7320-7330-7340-7350-7360-7370-7380-7390-7400-7410-7420-7430-7440-7450-7460-7470-7480-7490-7500-7510-7520-7530-7540-7550-7560-7570-7580-7590-7600-7610-7620-7630-7640-7650-7660-7670-7680-7690-7700-7710-7720-7730-7740-7750-7760-7770-7780-7790-7800-7810-7820-7830-7840-7850-7860-7870-7880-7890-7900-7910-7920-7930-7940-7950-7960-7970-7980-7990-8000-8010-8020-8030-8040-8050-8060-8070-8080-8090-8100-8110-8120-8130-8140-8150-8160-8170-8180-8190-8200-8210-8220-8230-8240-8250-8260-8270-8280-8290-8300-8310-8320-8330-8340-8350-8360-8370-8380-8390-8400-8410-8420-8430-8440-8450-8460-8470-8480-8490-8500-8510-8520-8530-8540-8550-8560-8570-8580-8590-8600-8610-8620-8630-8640-8650-8660-8670-8680-8690-8700-8710-8720-8730-8740-8750-8760-8770-8780-8790-8800-8810-8820-8830-8840-8850-8860-8870-8880-8890-8900-8910-8920-8930-8940-8950-8960-8970-8980-8990-9000-9010-9020-9030-9040-9050-9060-9070-9080-9090-9100-9110-9120-9130-9140-9150-9160-9170-9180-9190-9200-9210-9220-9230-9240-9250-9260-9270-9280-9290-9300-9310-9320-9330-9340-9350-9360-9370-9380-9390-9400-9410-9420-9430-9440-9450-9460-9470-9480-9490-9500-9510-9520-9530-9540-9550-9560-9570-9580-9590-9600-9610-9620-9630-9640-9650-9660-9670-9680-9690-9700-9710-9720-9730-9740-9750-9760-9770-9780-9790-9800-9810-9820-9830-9840-9850-9860-9870-9880-9890-9900-9910-9920-9930-9940-9950-9960-9970-9980-9990-10000-10010-10020-10030-10040-10050-10060-10070-10080-10090-10100-10110-10120-10130-10140-10150-10160-10170-10180-10190-10200-10210-10220-10230-10240-10250-10260-10270-10280-10290-10300-10310-10320-10330-10340-10350-10360-10370-10380-10390-10400-10410-10420-10430-10440-10450-10460-10470-10480-10490-10500-10510-10520-10530-10540-10550-10560-10570-10580-10590-10600-10610-10620-10630-10640-10650-10660-10670-10680-10690-10700-10710-10720-10730-10740-10750-10760-10770-10780-10790-10800-10810-10820-10830-10840-10850-10860-10870-10880-10890-10900-10910-10920-10930-10940-10950-10960-10970-10980-10990-11000-11010-11020-11030-11040-11050-11060-11070-11080-11090-11100-11110-11120-11130-11140-11150-11160-11170-11180-11190-11200-11210-11220-11230-11240-11250-11260-11270-11280-11290-11300-11310-11320-11330-11340-11350-11360-11370-11380-11390-11400-11410-11420-11430-11440-11450-11460-11470-11480-11490-11500-11510-11520-11530-11540-11550-11560-11570-11580-11590-11600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FAMILY GROUP No. **II** Husband's Full Name **CLANTON, THOMAS**

This Information Obtained From: **Helen Hill**

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth				ca. Va.			
Chr'nd							
Mar.				Thomas was sole executor of his mother's estate. N.C.			
Death	ca.	1794					
Burial							
Places of Residence	Va. N.C. Ind.						
Occupation	Church Affiliation		Military Rec.				
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father	Edward Clanton			Mother's Maiden Name		Sarah	

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Wife's Full Maiden Name Unknown <i>S</i>							
Birth	Thomas may have married twice -						
Chr'nd	to Eliz. and to Lucy.						
Death							
Burial							
Places of Residence	N.C. Ind.						
Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation						
Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Her Father				Mother's Maiden Name			

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
		Birth							
	Edward	Mar.							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Death	before 1751			the uncle + Aunt Mary's will			
	<i>Nancy?</i>	Burial							
	2 Benjamin *	Birth	abt 1750						
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Elizabeth-(?)	Death	ca 1810			Surrey Co. N.C.			
		Burial							
	3 Frances	Birth	1-5-1765			Lived in Surrey Co. N.C. until			
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.	<i>Rowan</i>			about 1827 when family moved to Ind.			
	Luke Wiles	Death	<i>N.C.</i>						
		Burial							
	4 Mary	Birth	1759			N.C.			
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.	1-7-1780			Surrey Co., N.C.			
	Thomas Wright	Death	1844			N.C.			
		Burial							
	5	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	6	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	7	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	8	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	9	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	10	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							

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FAMILY GROUP No. III Husband's Full Name CLANTON, BENJAMIN

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	abt. 1750		Brunswick Co. VA.			
	Chr'd						
	Mar.	abt 1770					
	Death	ca. 1810		Surrey Co. N.C.	(Bought land there		
	Burial	abt		in 1784.)			
	Places of Residence			Va N.C.			⊕ both
	Occupation			Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	bonds
	Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			md. Sassannah Allgood		21 Jan 1822 S.	
	His Father	Thomas Clanton		Mother's Maiden Name	Sarah?		
	Wife's Full Maiden Name	Elizabeth - (?)					
Wife's Date		Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
	Birth						
	Chr'd						
	Death						
	Burial						
Compiler	Places of Residence		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation		
Address	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.						
City, State	Her Father		Mother's Maiden Name				
Date		Children's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Thomas Full Name of Spouse* Sarah Moore	Birth	abt 1773				
		Mar.	3-21-1793	Surrey Co N.C.	Edward Clanton	bandsman	
		Death	bet 1830				
		Burial					
2	Edward M. * Full Name of Spouse* Rachel Moore	Birth	abt 1774	Surrey Co N.C.			
		Mar.	11-15-1797	Thomas Clanton	bandsman		
		Death	By 1838				
		Burial					
3	Mary Full Name of Spouse* James Sprinkel Samuel	Birth	abt 1778				
		Mar.	12-19-1798	Surrey Co N.C.	James McCallum	bandsman	
		Death					
		Burial					
4	Charles Full Name of Spouse* Mary Wiles	Birth	abt. 1780				
		Mar.	1-26-1801	Surrey Co N.C.	Luke Wiles	bandsman	
		Death					
		Burial					
5	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
6	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
							marriage bonds date ⊕
7	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
							975.665V255
8	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
9	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
10	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					

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FAMILY GROUP No. IV Husband's Full Name CLANTON, EDWARD M.
 This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	abt.		1794		Surry Co.	N.C.	
Chr'nd							
Mar.	11-15-1797			Surry Co. N.C.			baseman
Death	By	1838		Adams Co., Ill.			Thomas Clanton
Burial							
Places of Residence	N.C. Ind. Ill. Mo. Ia. Ky.						
Occupation	Farmer Church Affiliation Baptist Military Rec.						
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father	Benjamin Clanton			Mother's Maiden Name Elizabeth (?)			

Helen Hill

Wife's Full Maiden Name Rachel Moore

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	09		1781				
Chr'nd							
Death							no Madison Co History
Burial	9-4-1859						as records St. Chas. Cem. Madison Co. Ia.
Places of Residence	N.C. Ind. Ill. Mo. Ia. Ky.						
Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation Baptist						
Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Her Father	John Moore			Mother's Maiden Name Nancy Roberts (?)			

buried below

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)

Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Charles Wm. Full Name of Spouse* Catherine Taylor	ca		1809	N.C. 28 Jul	1809	Surry Co. N.C.	
	Mar.	12-13-1829		Morgan Co		Ill.	
	Death	after 1880		Umatilla Co		Ore.	12
	Burial						
2 Isaac Full Name of Spouse* Lorana Smith	Birth	12-20-1811					Ky or Ind census disagrees
	Mar.	3-27-1834		Morgan Co		Ill.	
	Death	9-22-1858		Madison Co		Ia	47 yrs 9 mo
	Burial						St. Chas Cemetery, Ia.
3 Joel M. Full Name of Spouse* Sarah Hudson	Birth	1-22-1816		Wayne Co		Ind.	
	Mar.	1836 - 1837		Adams Co		Ill.	
	Death	1-25-1892		Madison Co.		Ia.	under 5 alone ac. ob.
	Burial						
4 Ruth Full Name of Spouse* Caleb Clark	Birth	7-28-1818		Wayne Co		Ind	
	Mar.	1834		Quincy, Ill.			Adams Co.
	Death	10-1-1901		Madison Co			age 82
	Burial						
5	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
9	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
10	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

Sarah died buried 7 Oct 1900 Norwalk, Ia.

* Book 975.665 v 255 Surry Co. marriage bonds

Charles Wm. md. #2 Phebe Jane Hurst bet. 1860 (3 sons)

md #3 1849 Mary Allcock (3 more)

burial of Joel M Rachel + Isaac at Charles

FAMILY GROUP No. V Husband's Full Name CLANTON, ISAAC

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day-Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	12-20-1811	Ky or ac.	bible Ind.		
	Chr'nd					
	Mar.	3-27-1834	Morgan Co Ill	(Book A)		
	Death	9-22-1858	So. Madison, Ia	47 yrs 9 da		
	Burial		St. Chas. Cem. Ia			
	Places of Residence		Ky Ind Ill Mo			
	Occupation		Church Affiliation	Christ	Military Rec.	
	Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
	His Father	Edward Clanton	Mother's Maiden Name	Rachel Moore		

Wife's Full Maiden Name Lorana Smith

Wife's Data	Day-Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	2-28-1813	Ky			
Chr'nd					
Death	7-6-1880	Madison Co Ia	age 67		
Burial		St. Chas. Cem. Ia			
Places of Residence		Ky Ill Mo Ariz			
Compiler		Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation	Prot.	
Address		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
City, State		Solomon Carpenter	10-7-1867		
Date		Her Father	Smith	Mother's Maiden Name	

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Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day-Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Joel E. Full Name of Spouse* Angeline Shutt	Birth	7-5-1834	Ill prob Morgan Co			5
		Mar.	11-19-1853	Warren Co Ia			
		Death	3-15-1913	Norwalk, LA			
		Burial		Little Lake Cem			
2	William M. * Full Name of Spouse* Hannah Steel	Birth	3-2-1837	Ill prob Adams Co			7
		Mar.	2-26-1856	Madison Co Ia			
		Death	6-6-1905	Laurens, Ia			
		Burial	6-7-1905	" "			
3	Nancy C. Clanton Full Name of Spouse* J.M. McGinnis	Birth	10-11-1835	Ill			4
		Mar.	6-10-1855	Madison Co Ia			
		Death	11-10-1897	Norwalk, Ca.			At least
		Burial		Little Lake Cem.			
4	Isaac Wesley Full Name of Spouse* Hulda Mertis	Birth	12-5-1839	Mo			3
		Mar.					
		Death	2-11-1895	LA 46 yrs 9 mo			
		Burial		Rosedale, LA			
5	Moses Edward C. Full Name of Spouse* Louisa M. Viney	Birth	9-20-1840	Mo			6
		Mar.	9-2-1860	Madison Co Ia			
		Death	9-19-1910	Norwalk, LA			
		Burial		Little Lake Cem.			
6	George Full Name of Spouse* Mary Jane Steel (or Martha?)	Birth	4-20-1842	Buchanan Co Mo			4 sons
		Mar.	10-22-1865	Madison Co Ia			
		Death	5-23-1920	Santo Palo, Pinto Co. Tex.			
		Burial					
7	Thos. Newton Full Name of Spouse* Sarah E. Keeler	Birth	10-5-1843	Mo.			9
		Mar.	5-7-1865	Madison Co Ia			
		Death	8-3-1926	Buckeye, Maricopa, Ariz.			
		Burial		Liberty Cem.			
8	Rachel Lorana Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	7-19-1849	South, Madison, Ia.			-
		Mar.					
		Death	2-13-1867	Age 17			
		Burial		St. Chas. Cem.			
9	Charles Harding Full Name of Spouse* Mary Victoria Wheeler	Birth	5-29-1856	South, Madison, Iowa			6
		Mar.	4-4-1882	Winterset, Ia			
		Death	1-25-1947	Indianola, Warren, Ia. 91 yrs			
		Burial					
10		Birth		Charles, Hulda and George had			
		Mar.		2nd marriages.			
		Death					

FAMILY GROUP No. VI Husband's Full Name CLANTON, WILLIAM M.

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	3-2-1837				Adams Co Ill			
Chr'd								
Mar.	2-26-1856				Madison Co Ia			
Death	6-6-1905				Laurens, Ia			
Burial	6-7-1905				" "			
Places of Residence	Ill Ia Mo							
Occupation	real estate							
Church Affiliation	christian							
Military Rec.	?							
<small>Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.</small>								
His Father	Isaac Clanton				Mother's Maiden Name Lorana Smith			

Wife's Full Maiden Name HANNAH STEELE

Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	1838			Mich or Ia				
Chr'd								
Death								
Burial	ab. 1900							
Places of Residence	Mich Ill Ia Mo							
Occupation if other than Housewife								
Church Affiliation	Christian							
<small>Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.</small>								
Her Father	Born Ia				Mother's Maiden Name Born Ia			

Compiler Address City, State Date

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Date								

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Stephen William <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small> Elizabeth Ann Fars	Birth	9-21-1856			Madison Co Ia			6
	Mar.	2-9-1876						
	Death	10-8-1934			Payette, Idaho			
	Burial							
2 Mary Elizabeth M. <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small> Pete Nelson	Birth	(?)	1857					3
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Isaac S. <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small>	Birth	12-5-1858						
	Mar.							
	Death	2-11-1897			LA			
	Burial				Rosedale Cem.			
4 John M. <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small>	Birth	1-25-1859						
	Mar.							
	Death	9-3-1859			8 mo. 9 da.			
	Burial				St. Chas. Cem. Ia			
5 Wesley <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small>	Birth		1862					4
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 George K. <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small> Gertrude Joenks	Birth		1864		St Louis Mo			At least
	Mar.				Laurens Ia			8
	Death	4-22-1937			Prairie du Chien, Wisc			
	Burial							
7 Nancy Olive * <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small> John Wesley Farson	Birth	8-29-1867			Polk City Ia			
	Mar.	9-21-1884			Laurens Ia			
	Death	1-20-1944			Payette Idaho age 76			7
	Burial	1-23-1944			" "			
8 <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small>	Birth	Two following boys evidently related and lived in the Clanton home for some time -however						
	Mar.							
	Death	not listed as sons -						
	Burial							
9 Joel <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small> Clara M.	Birth		1870					?
	Mar.		1899					
	Death							
	Burial							
10 Joe <small>Full Name of Spouse*</small> May	Birth							None
	Mar.							
	Death							

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THE CLANTONS OF TOMBSTONE

What is the truth about the Clantons of Tombstone? Was the battle at the Okay Corral a gunfight or was it murder? Billy's original headstone read "Sacred to the Memory of William Clanton who was murdered Oct. 26, 1881. Age 19 years".

We have studied the background of Billy's family and their relationship to our branch of the Clantons. Edward Clanton of our Generation I died in 1741. He had at least one brother, William, who married Mary Holt. His will was recorded in 1726 and hers in 1751, both in Surry Co., Va. In this way, it was possible to trace their line to Henry Clanton, who married a Polly B. Hailey in Davidson Co., Tenn. Their son, Newman Haynes (later known as "Old Man Clanton") married Mariah Kelso in 1840 at Callaway Co., Mo. If our calculations are correct, then Newman Haynes was a fourth cousin of our own Isaac Clanton of Iowa (See Gen. V.)

Mariah was sixteen when she married Newman and they had a family of seven or eight children. The Arizona Historical Society lists eight children for them but other researchers question the relationship of Peter, the seventh child. There is a possibility also that Peter and Alonzo may have been one and the same. At any rate, Billy was the youngest child. One source reported that Mariah died in 1866 enroute to California leaving Newman with seven children from 25-year-old John Wesley to four-year old Billy.

In 1873, Newman, by then a widower, settled on the Gila Vallay with his children. Land there was abundant at government prices. He had one body of very rich land of 25,000 acres. He cultivated 100 acres the first year and prepared to sow and plant at least 600 the following year.

According to a Tucson newspaper, the Clanton brothers were all fine physical specimens of the frontier cattle man. Billy, at seventeen, was over six feet in height and built in proportion, while Isaac and Phineas were wiry, determined-looking men, without a pound of surplus flesh. The brothers lived on horseback and led a life of hardship. They worked hard and starting with nothing of consequence, they transformed the ranch into a fine farm.

Newman encouraged and helped other families to settle at Clantonville so a school could be formed. The Clantons also ran the Clanton Hotel at Fort Thomas. Later, Newman moved to a ranch on the San Pedro River where the family prospered.

In August of 1881 Newman was ambushed and killed in Guadalupe Canyon, New Mexico, along with four others. After his death the boys fell heir to all of their dad's cattle and were pretty well fixed.

On Sept. 3, 1865 Newman and Phin (now 19 or 20) were found on a list of persons at Ft. Bowie Arizona Territory enroute to Cal. These persons formerly belonged to the Confederate States Army. Their descriptions appeared on this list - Newman was 6 ft. 1, fair complexion, light hair and blue eyes, John Wesley, 5 ft. 11, fair complexion, light hair and brown eyes, and Phin described as 5 ft. 8, fair complexion, brown hair and blue eyes.

Just what started the feud between the Clantons and the Earps is anybody's guess but the story most often told is that it started from the Benson stage robbery of Mar. 15, 1881 when

Billy Clanton supposedly witnessed the killing of driver Budd Philpot by Doc Holliday.

After the battle at the Okay Corral warrants were sworn out for the arrest of the Earps and Doc Holliday on a murder charge and a hearing was held before Justice of the Peace, Wells Spicer. This hearing lasted thirty days and though several witnesses testified that Ike Clanton and Tom McLaury were unarmed and that Billy Clanton and Frank McLaury were mortally wounded before they drew their pistols Justice Spicer's opinion was that the Earps acted in self-defense though he did say that he felt Virgil committed an injudicious and censurable act in calling upon Wyatt Earp and J.H. Holliday to assist him in arresting and disarming the Clantons and McLaurys.

An inquest was held after the murder but the jury's verdict that the three cowboys came to their deaths by gunshot wounds satisfied no one. The Nugget made a sarcastic comment in an article headed "Glad to Know" - "The people of the community are deeply indebted to the twelve intelligent men who composed the coroners jury for the valuable information that the three persons who were killed last Wednesday were shot. Some thirty or forty shots were fired and the whole affair was witnessed by perhaps a dozen people. and we have a faint recollection of hearing someone say the dead men were shot. but people are liable to be mistaken and the verdict reassures us. We might have thought they had been struck by lightning or stung to death by hornets and we never could have told whether they were in the way of lightning or the lightning was in their way."

Source of the above information came from "The Truth about the Clantons of Tombstone" by Sue C. Van Slyke printed in the Quarterly of the Nat'l Assoc. and Center for Outlaw and Lawman History.

History books disagree on stories of this battle but it seems that the Clanton brothers were in town that day on legitimate business and were, in fact, getting ready to leave town at the time they were accosted by their killers.

We know that one of Newman's brothers was a Methodist Minister. He also named his first son, John Wesley, which was traditionally a Methodist name. He settled on a farm and encouraged other settlers and helped establish schools. The military records of this family are jumbled and confusing. However, the fact remains that he did some service in the Civil War.

In 1861 at the beginning of the Civil War a company of home guards was organized in Hamilton Co., Texas, with Newman, a private, and John Wesley at 19, a corporal. With the facts we have uncovered about "Old Man Clanton" and his sons - could they possibly have been the scoundrels some history books would have us believe?

From The Gunfighters by Lea F. McCarty:

Old Man Clanton became so popular stringing into town, with his four sons and others who buzzed around him, that the newspaper, The Tombstone Nugget, referred to them as "the cowboy party" of Republicans. Old Man Clanton was said to be able to out-Apache the Apaches. He became quite a political power in the area.

Newman, himself, was one of six children. From "The Pioneer Families of Missouri" we found the following:

Drury and Henry Clanton, of Tennessee, settled on a branch called 'Pinch' about five miles south of Danville, in 1818. Drury was a Methodist preacher, and it was at his house that the first Methodist church in Montgomery county was organized, by Rev. Robert Baker and himself, about the year 1819. A Sunday school was also organized at the same time and place and the first camp meeting in Montgomery county was held there, on what was called the Loutre campground.

Captain John Baker gave the name to this branch, because the people who lived upon it were always "in a pinch" for something to live on.

Epitaph.

*From The Town
Too Tough
To Die*

TOMBSTONE, ARIZONA

Dec. 8, 1978

O.K. SHOOTOUT

In the Republic's Nov. 10 article, Chafin said the gunfight at the O.K. Corral did not take place at the corral and that Doc Holliday started the fight, not the Clantons, McLowerys and Billy Claiborne.

The O.K. Corral was really the first disco for gay cowboys. Let's see you beat that.

*No tombstone is complete without its epitaph.
- John P. Clum, May 1, 1880.*

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Earp brothers and Doc Holliday approached. Virgil said, "Throw up your hands!" and someone, probably Wyatt, said, "You sons of bitches have been looking for a fight and now you can have one!" Billy Clanton put his hands in the air and cried out, "Don't shoot me! I don't want to fight!" Even as he said this, he was shot by Morgan Earp and fell against the house behind him. Before he could draw his pistol he was shot through the right wrist. Ike, seeing Wyatt's pistol pointed at him, grabbed Wyatt's arm and held it a few seconds. While he was doing this, Wyatt fired and Ike released his arm and ran for the cover of Fly's gallery. Several shots were fired after him.¹⁴

Meanwhile, Billy managed to draw his pistol with his left hand and fought back, wounding Virgil and Morgan Earp. He was still trying to cock his pistol for another shot, but lacked the strength to do it, when Camillus Fly came out of his house with a rifle in his hand and said, "Somebody take that pistol away from that man or I will kill him!" He was told to take it himself if he wanted it. As Fly wrenched the pistol from Billy's weakened grasp, Billy said to him, "Give me some more cartridges."¹⁵

Wesley Fuller had seen the Earps and Holliday going down Fremont Street and had tried to reach Billy Clanton to warn him of impending trouble, but arrived too late and witnessed the fight from an alley. Now, seeing Billy "rolling on the ground in agony," he picked him up and carried him into a small house on the corner of Fremont and Third street. Billy said to him, "Look and see where I am shot." Fuller found one wound in the left breast from which the lung was oozing and one in the right side of the belly beneath the twelfth rib, and told Billy he could not live. Billy requested, "Get a doctor and give me something to put me to sleep."¹⁶ Dr. Giberson, among the crowd gathering in the house, said it was no use to give him anything.¹⁷ Thomas Keefe, a carpenter who helped carry the dying Tom McLaury into the same house, heard Billy screaming in pain and sent a man for a doctor, telling him to get the first one he could find. Billy said, "They have murdered me!" and as curious onlookers crowded into the little house, he pleaded, "Drive the crowd away from the door and give me air." And again, "I've been murdered." According to Keefe he was "turning and kicking and twisting in every manner with pain." Doctor Millar arrived and, with Keefe holding Billy on his back, injected two syringes of morphine near his stomach wound. Billy died about fifteen minutes later.¹⁸

The Tombstone Nugget described the incident in this way:

"The firing altogether didn't occupy more than 25 seconds, during which time fully 30 shots were fired. After the fight was over, Billy Clanton, who, with wonderful vitality, survived his wounds for fully an hour, was



Billy Clanton is standing behind boy in striped shirt.

carried into a house near where he lay, and everything possible done to make his last moments easy. He was game to the last, never uttering a word of complaint, and just before breathing his last he said, 'Good-bye boys; go away and let me die.' . . .

That evening Finn Clanton, brother of Billy and Ike, came to town, and placing himself under the guard of the Sheriff, visited the morgue to see the remains of his brother, and then passed the night in jail in company with the other brother. . .

"At the morgue the bodies of the three slain cowboys lay side by side, covered with a sheet. Very little blood appeared on their clothing, and only on the face of young Billy Clanton was there any distortion of the features or evidence of pain in dying. The features of the two McLowry [sic] boys looked as calm and placid in death as if they had died peaceably. No unkind remarks were made by anyone, but a feeling of unusual sorrow seemed to prevail. . ."¹⁹

The next day the funeral of Billy Clanton and the two McLaury brothers was held. The Nugget had this account of it under the heading:

An Imposing Funeral

The Burial of the Dead Cowboys — An Immense Procession, Etc.

"While it was not entirely expected, the funeral of Billy Clanton and Thomas and Frank McLowry, yesterday, was the largest ever witnessed in Tombstone. It was advertised to take place at 3 o'clock, but it was about 4 o'clock before the cortege moved, yet a large number had gathered at the undertaker's long before the first time mentioned. The bodies of the three men,

neatly and tastefully dressed, were placed in handsome caskets with heavy silver trimmings. Upon each was a silver plate bearing the name, age, birthplace and date of the death of each. A short time before the funeral, photographs were taken of the dead. The procession was headed by the Tombstone brass band playing the solemn and touching march of the dead. The first wagon contained the body of Billy Clanton, followed by those of the the McLowry boys. A few carriages came next in which were near friends and relatives of the deceased, among whom were Ike and Finn Clanton. After these were about three hundred people on foot, twenty-two carriages and buggies and one four-horse stage, and the horsemen, making a line of nearly two blocks in length. The two brothers were buried in one grave, and young Clanton close by those who were his friends in life and companions in death. The inscription upon the plates of the caskets stated that Thomas McLowry was 25 years of age, Frank McLowry 29 years of age, both natives of Mississippi, and that William H. Clanton was 19 years of age and a native of Texas. 'Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep.'²⁰

Billy's Grave Declines

Originally Billy's grave was surrounded by a neat wooden fence of rustic design and his headstone read, "Sacred to the Memory of William Clanton Who Was Murdered October 26, 1881. Age 19 Years."²¹ The grave appears very different today. The fence and headstone are gone and a small marker reads simply "Billy Clanton killed Oct. 26, 1881."²²



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 Alan Thurber
 Republic Columnist

Earps and Clantons getting along A-O.K.

When the smoke cleared that afternoon in Tombstone, Billy Clanton and the McLaury brothers were dead. Virgil and Morgan Earp and their friend Doc Holliday were wounded.

Wyatt Earp emerged unscathed. He would live on as a true hero of the Old West and a number of Old Westerns. Ike Clanton ran away.

The Gunfight at the O.K. Corral is still not forgotten.

"Billy was only 17; he was just a baby!" said Jan Clanton-Phillips, accusingly.

Ike and Billy were her fourth cousins.

Earp gave an "I didn't do it" sort of which is legitimate, of course, because on Oct. 26, 1881, he was still several generations short of being born.

Wyatt, Virgil and Morgan were his fifth cousins.

Arizona's modern members of the Earp and Clanton gangs discovered recently that they both work for Maricopa County, but no further violence is anticipated.

Just to make sure, Lt. Don Phillips, Jan's husband, keeps a close eye on Earp, a



Charles Krejci/Rep.

Bill Earp and Jan Clanton-Phillips eye each other over a shotgun in a county office.

dispatcher, at Rabies-Animal Control. Clanton-Phillips works in the county attorney's office.

"I don't bear him any animosity," Clanton-Phillips said. "He can't be responsible for his ancestors."

Her ancestors, she maintains, weren't as bad as they were painted.

"My father told me all about them," she

Earp works for rabies-animal control and Clanton-Phillips for the county attorney.

said. "They weren't bad guys; they just borrowed a couple of cattle."

Bill Earp, who hails from Kansas, where Wyatt was sheriff of Dodge City before he went to Tombstone, said he was called "Wyatt" throughout his 26-year career in the Air Force.

"I used to watch the TV show," he said. "I saw about all of them."

— Thurber B.

Rabies-Animal Control
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Thurber

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Which is a lot of episodes, because *The Life and Legend of Wyatt Earp*, starring Hugh O'Brien, ran from 1955 to 1961.

"We should have equal time," said Clanton-Phillips. "(Wyatt) Earp was no good guy. He only came out here because he was fixin' to get hung back home. From what I've read, the Earps were in the same category as the Clantons, only they wore the badges."

"Don't forget the white hats," said Bill Earp, who happened to be wearing a white hat.

Most modern historians seem to agree that the Brothers Earp were unlikely candidates for sainthood and that the Clantons were at least

as bad. But the Earps did represent the law, such as it was a century ago in Tombstone.

The Gunfight at the O.K. Corral has been embellished a bit by Hollywood historians. For one thing, according to researchers, it really took place 70 feet away in the alley next to Fly's Lodging House.

But somehow *The Gunfight at the Alley Next to Fly's Lodging House* doesn't make it.

Bill Earp and Jan Clanton-Phillips agree that it's interesting to have colorful ancestors.

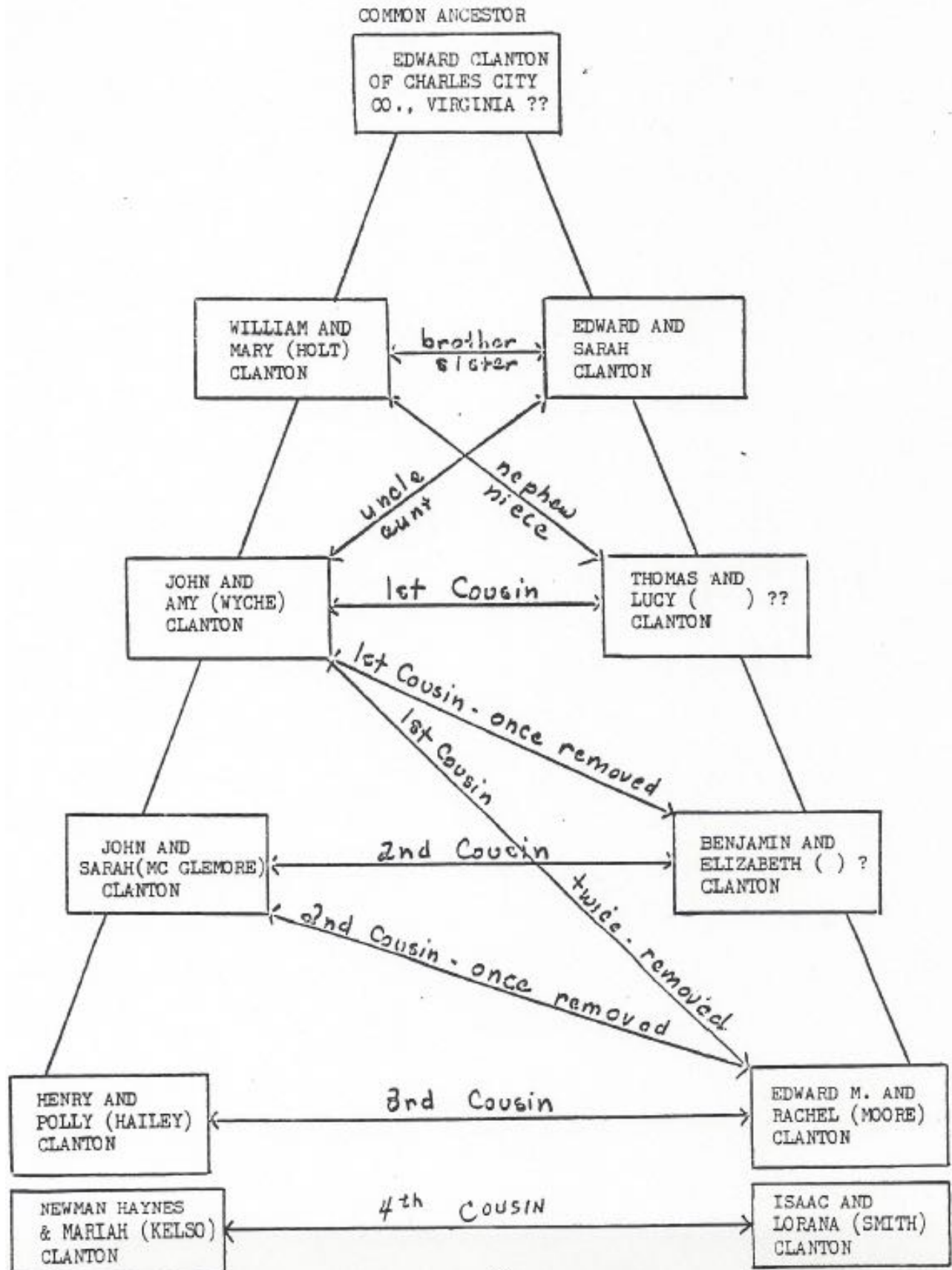
"It's fun," Earp said.

"That easy for you to say," Clanton-Phillips said. "You've got the white hat. But it is nice to know you were part of history in some way."

"Even as a rustler?"

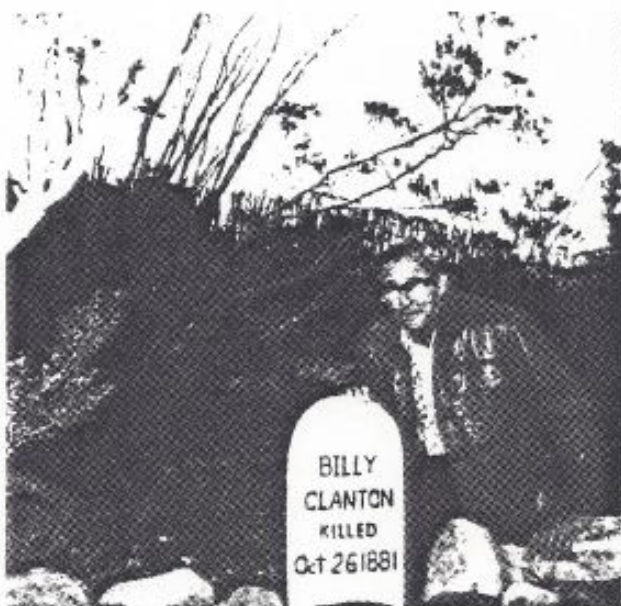
"Borrower!" she said.

Relationship Chart

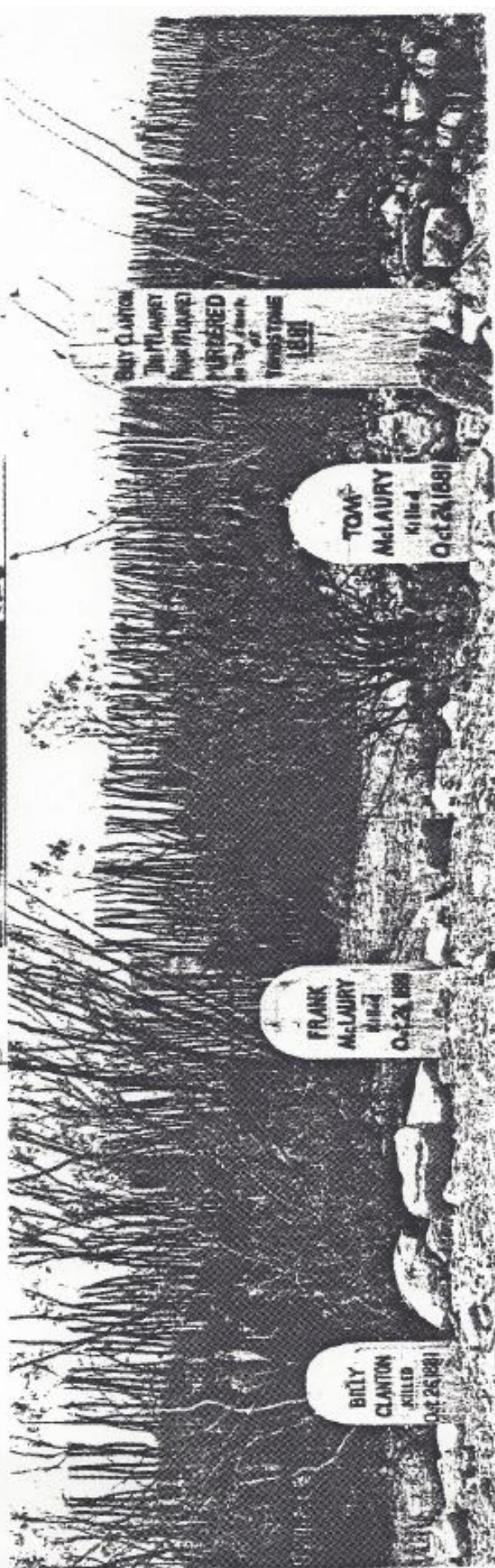


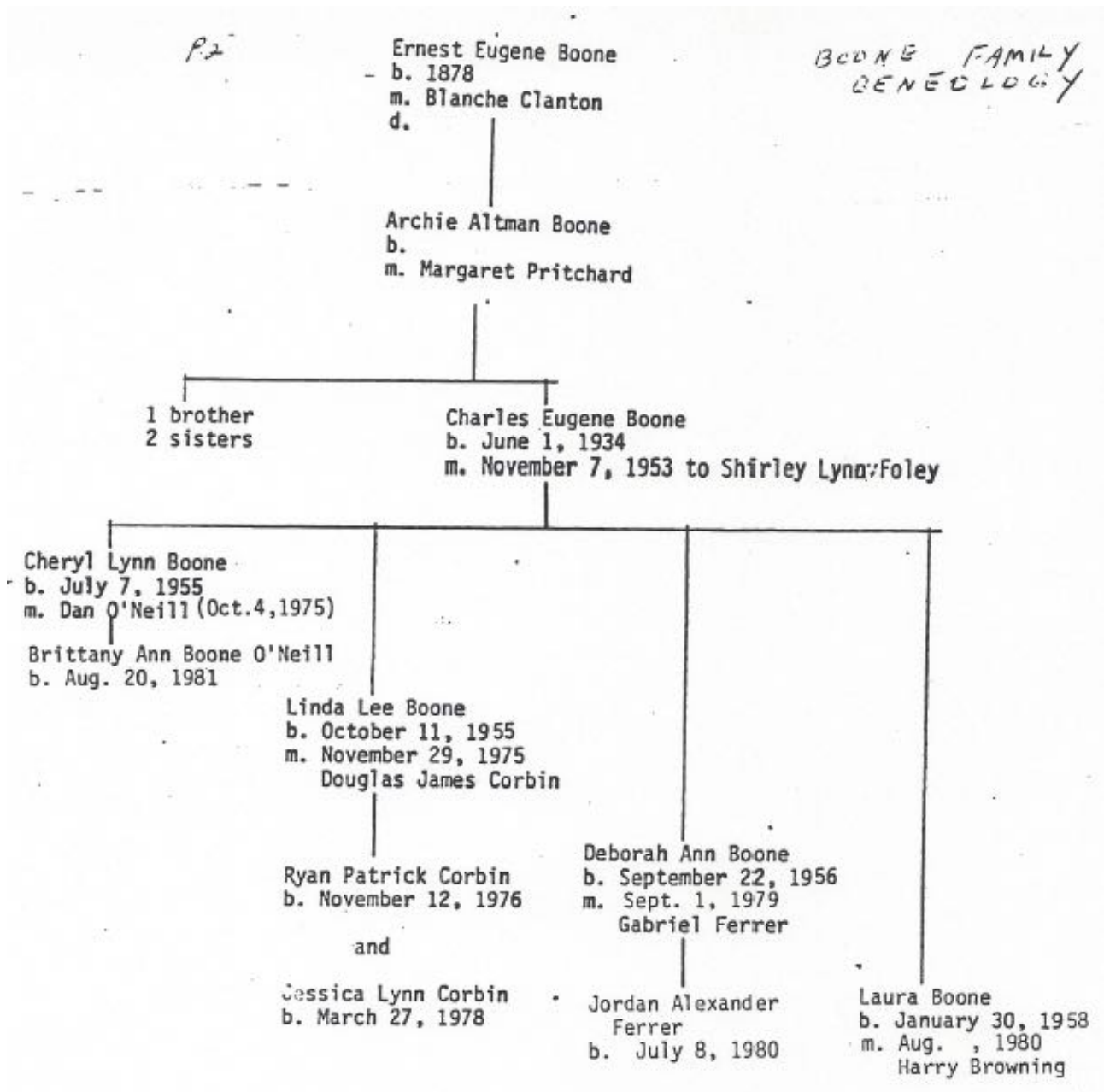
Boothill Graveyard
Tombstone, Ariz.

Victims of one of the west's
most spectacular gun fights in a
battle at the O.K. Corral, the cli-
max of a smoldering feud.



Above - Vern Farson visited
Billy's grave in 1975. Vern,
also a Clanton descendant, felt a
certain kinship for the young Bill
who died so tragically.





The information above was furnished by Pat Boone, the singer, who claims to be a descendant of Daniel Boone. He claims his grandfather, Ernest Eugene Boone, married Blanche Clanton.

Our research shows that a Will J. Boone 5-22-1851 - 5-2-1904 m. Anna Blanch Clanton on 2-17-1875. She was born on 8-18-1855. Further research may fill in the questions but he does seem to be a Clanton descendant.

THE JOHN MOORE FAMILY
OF MADISON CO. ILL FORMERLY OF N.C.

The adventures of this family would make a good novel. However, that is not my reason for including a study of this family along with that of our Clantons. Many clues lead researchers of the Moore and Clanton lines to believe that our Rachel and John Moore's Rachel were one and the same. This would also explain our Welsh descent as mentioned by our Grandma Nancy Farson to her children. If Rachel Clanton was, indeed, daughter of John Moore then the Moore family would have been Nancy's great-grandparents.

We think Rachel married at about age 16. We learned much more about her as she made the westward trek with her children from Ill. to Ia. Her courageous, adventurous spirit also seems to tie her to this Moore family.

Family descendants believe John was born in Pennsylvania. Had a brother named Andrew and was of Welsh descent. They also think he may have married more than once. One of whom was a Nancy Roberts. We do know that he had at least nine children.

The Moores were Baptists. John and son, George (evidently the oldest child) were listed as members in good standing 11-11-1789 at the Flat Rock Baptist Church of Hamptonville, N.C. then known as Petty's Meeting House and Hunting Creek Church. When they moved they were granted leave of dismissal in good fellowship to join another congregation. They must have been very strict up-standing Christians because members could often be excluded for very trivial, minor offenses such as missing meetings, fighting among members or dancing.

The first census of 1790 lists 50 John Moores in North Carolina. However, only one was listed in Surrey County so this one must be our John. The Moores were friends and neighbors of our Clanton ancestors. Two Clanton brothers married two of the Moore sisters. Incidentally, Daniel Boone was also a neighbor having migrated from Pa. about the same time as the Moores.

A number of land transfers were recorded for John around the Dutchman's Creek and Surrey Creek area. On August 14, 1783 he sold 300 acres on Dutchman's Creek for \$300.

The Moore coat-of-arms motto was: "The Brave may Fall but Cannot Yield".

Moore descendants insist that John Moore served his country all during the war. Although no official record has been found, he may have been in the state militia or "mopping up" crew. He was a cripple - one source indicated he had been shot in the hip in the battle of Ft. Pitt (?). We do know that he rendered some service to his country by selling produce to the military. Vouchers were made out to him in lieu of a depreciating currency. The value of these paper promises to pay became known as "shin plasters". We know from his signatures that he was illiterate but believe his sons may have had some schooling. Not much has been found about the early years of his five or six daughters, one of whom became mother of the Clanton brothers who first settled Madison County, Ia.

Rachel's brother, Abel and his wife, Mary, went to eastern Kentucky about 1804 and both worked for one man for four years. By great economy they saved enough to buy two horses. At this time the John Moore and William Bates families made their way to where Abel and Mary were. Joined also by William and George Moore and their families they all left Kentucky on their way to Boonslick (now Bonneville) to seek a new home. They started out about 1808 and floated by boat down the Cumberland River as far as its mouth and there they separated.

Abel and his group ascended the Mississippi to Madison County, Illinois, while the remainder ascended the Missouri to Boonslick. Since Boonslick was far into Indian territory and untenable, William and George, the John Boones and William Bates families were probably among those settlers ordered to move eastward.

One group traveled by horse with their children behind them. They swam the Ohio River on horseback to the Illinois side opposite Smithland. There they awaited the rest of their family who had traveled by perogees (canoes made by digging out logs with axe and adz) to the mouth of the Cumberland River.

They built boats there and were to float down the Ohio to its mouth, then to cordelle the boats up the Mississippi. A boat was cordelled by several men on shore pulling the boat with a long rope while one or two men on the boat with long poles kept the boat away from the shore. Remember that these early settlers had to first build their boat before going anywhere.

Abel and his group arrived at their destination first. They were told to keep a fire going day and night in order that the river party could see the place at night if they happened to arrive during the night. Abel built this fire every night for two long, lonely years until the group arrived. Then his brothers George and William, arrived with the sad news. Somewhere along the way, their parents, the John Moores, and several others in their party had taken sick and died enroute. Their deaths would have been in the period 1808-1810. Their gravesites have never been found.

The Indians were very hostile in this territory where the Moore brothers settled. They were mad at the settlers for killing off the game. The government offered no protection so the settlers were pretty much on their own. There was no money and no ammunition to buy if they had the money. Abel 18 reported to have had 50 cents in his pocket when he arrived at his new home site. He carried it for four years because there was nothing to buy and nothing to sell. These early settlers built a stockade for protection. In troublesome times, which were often, everyone in the neighborhood would leave his home and go to the stockade every night for protection. Abel's wife was said to have sat on top of their house with a rifle in her lap on the lookout for Indians while the men folks worked in the fields. She was said to be as good a shot as any man and just as brave. It was not unusual to carry a gun to church or when out on a stroll.

John and George, sons of William Moore, and William and Joel, sons of Abel, grandsons of our William Moore, were massacred July 10, 1814, along with their two cousins, Elizabeth and Timothy Reagan and their mother (sister of Abel's wife) almost within sight of Abel's farm home.

After the Wood River Massacre and the treaty with the Indians at Galen, Illinois, the Moores, their friends and neighbors had only one way to make any money. They constructed flat boats, loading them with produce such as potatoes, corn, chickens, hides, etc. and floated them down the river to New Orleans. There they would sell cargo and even their boats which necessitated walking back home. (Can you believe these ancestors? We sometimes think we have it hard.)

According to their obituary, Abel died at age 83, had been a Christian for 38 years and married more than 40 years. His wife Mary preceded him in death by one day.

Abel and Mary both died of "milk sick" caused by the toxic poisons in the white snakeroot weed which the cattle ate and passed on to the consumer in milk and meat. Abraham Lincoln's mother is also said to have died from this disease. After an old Indian medicine woman told Dr. Anna Bixby of Hardin, Ky. about the real culprit, progress was made toward a cure for this dread disease.

Abel and Mary both had a presentiment of their approaching death, and both resigned this world with that perfect composure and full assurance of future bliss, which religion alone can inspire, and have left behind them a numerous family of children and their descendants, to imitate their virtues and to deplore their loss. - *Alton Telegraph and Democratic Review for 2-14-1846.*

This couple who once had worked four long years to save enough money to buy two horses and later carried fifty cents around for four years persevered, suffered incredible trials, difficulties and privations to become wealthy - giving land to each of their children. ' _ _

Some delightful anecdotes from families of that day:

One family had a railroad running through their farm in Madison County in which there was an ascent to gain the top of a hill. One of their old cows wandered on the tracks and was killed. The value of the cow at that time was about \$20. but they asked \$50. in damages. The railroad refused to pay. To get revenge they greased the tracks on the ascent so the locomotives could not make the grade. The railroad paid up.

Rumor about one of the pioneers from a traditional source:

The husband became irate over the poor treatment given his dying wife and so fired the nurse who cared for her. Later he repented of his actions, proposed marriage to her and was accepted on condition that he carry her over the threshold.

Abel Moore, brother of Rachel had ten children. Two sons were massacred by the Indians. He raised 8 of the 10 children but 4 of them died before the age of 40. Only 4 lived to be 50 or more.

