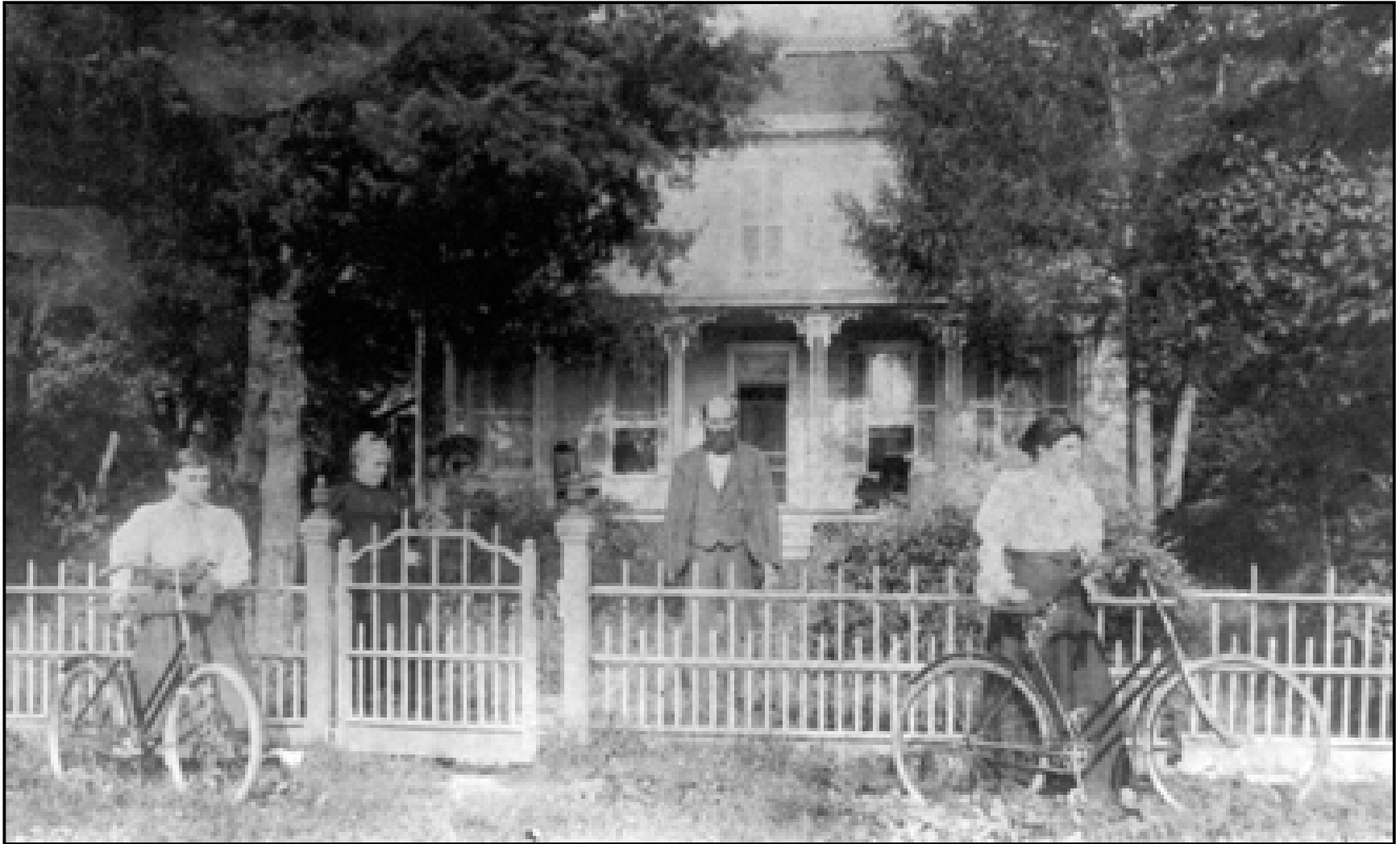


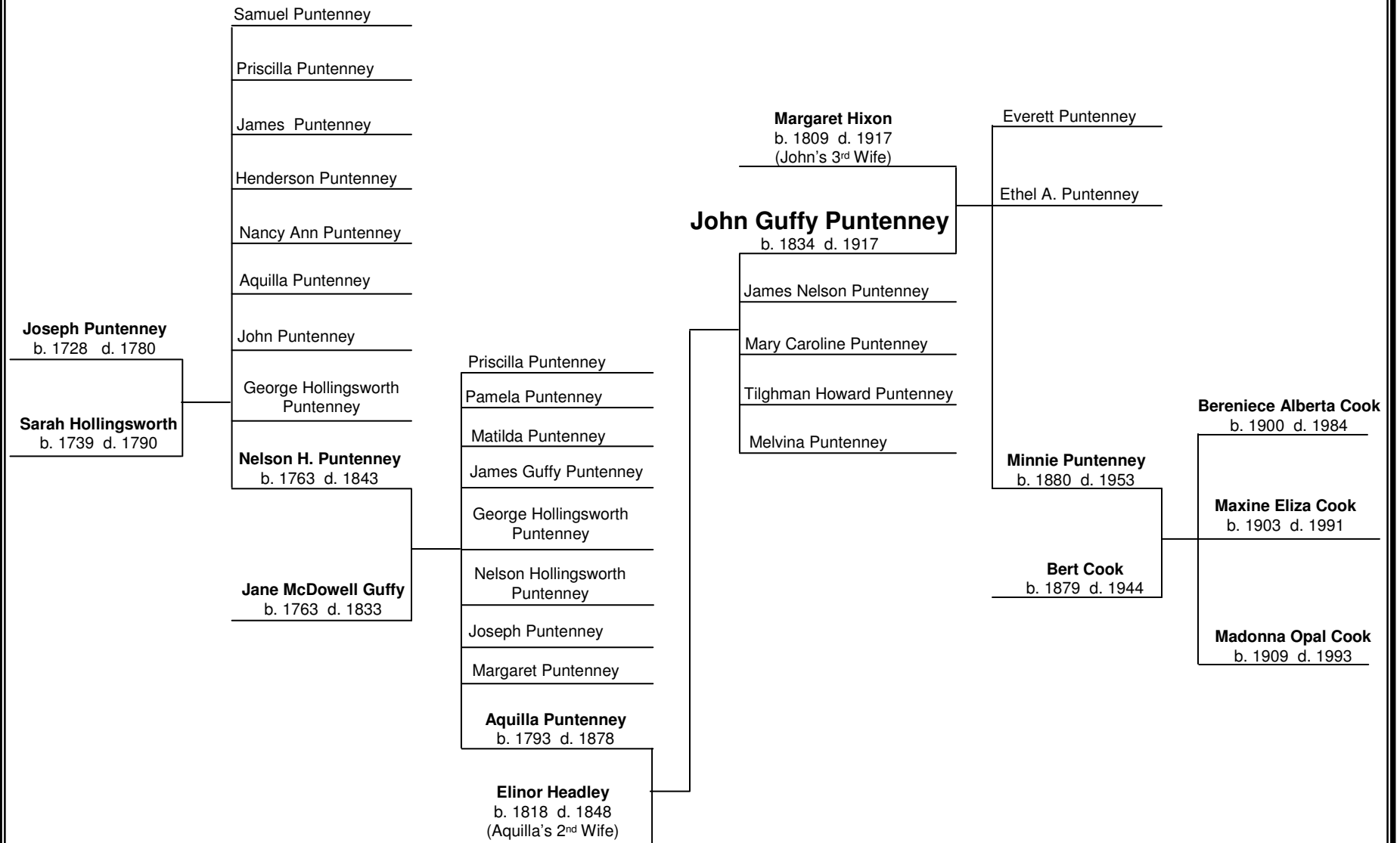
The Family of John Guffy and Margaret (Hixon) Puntteney

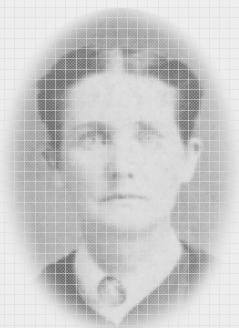


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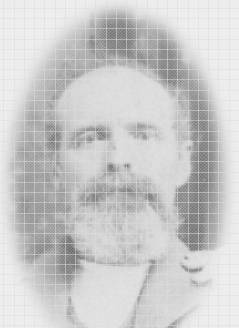
Descendants of Joseph Punttenney

(Joseph Punttenney was John G. Punttenney's Great, Great Grandfather.)

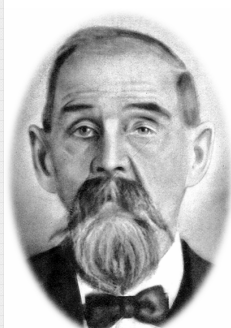




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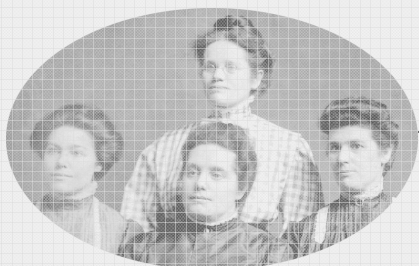
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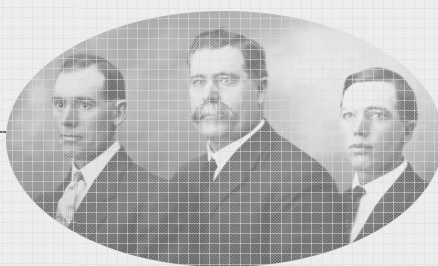
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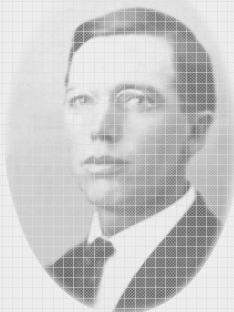
Jennie, Rose, Florence & Eva (standing)



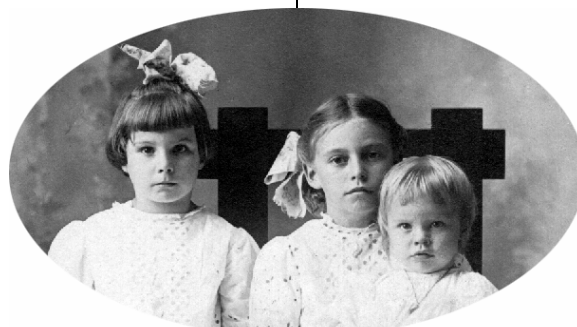
Clarence, Charles & Bert



Minnie & Ethel



Bert Cook



Maxine, Bereniece & Madonna Cook



Minnie Puntenney



John Guffy Puntenny was the son of Aquilla and Elinor (Headley) Puntenny. Aquilla and Elinor settled in Wabash Township, Parke County, Indiana in 1818. Below is a certified copy of one of three Land Grants Aquilla Puntenny obtained in 1835 during the Andrew Jackson administration for his service in the war of 1812.

Certificate.
No. 2444

The United States of America.

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, Aquilla Puntenny of Parke County Indiana has deposited in the General Land Office of the United States, a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Vincennes whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Aquilla Puntenny according to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the North East quarter of the North East quarter of section Twenty, four, in Township Fifteen North, of Range Nine West, in the District of Lands subject to sale at Vincennes Indiana containing Forty acres according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said Aquilla Puntenny.

NOW KNOW YE, That the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,** in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, have given and granted, and, by these presents, do give and grant, unto the said Aquilla Puntenny and to his heirs, the said tract above described: To Have and to Hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging, unto the said Aquilla Puntenny and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, Andrew Jackson PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

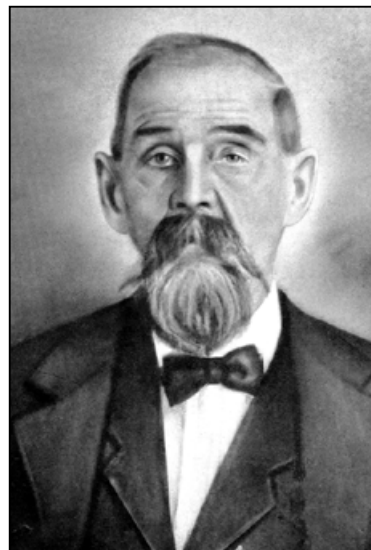


Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty five and of the Independence of the United States the fifty eighth Sixtieth
By the President:
Ethan A Brown
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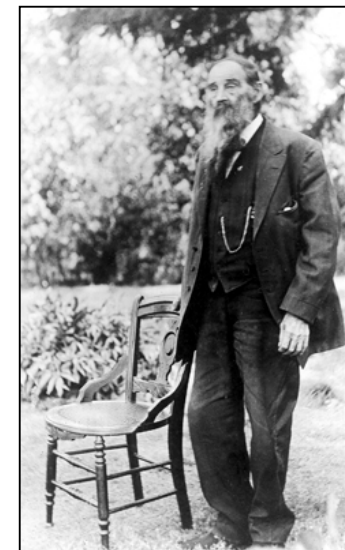
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Commissioner of the General Land Office.



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John G. Punttenney. Portrait from Masonic Lodge book. c. 1890 (#71)



John G. Punttenney. c. 1915 (#70)



John G. Punttenney with one of his trusty steeds. c. 1895 (#9a)



John G. Punttenney and friends in front of the candy-striped, red and white bank-barn. Picture probably taken same day as #9 above. Note John in similar clothes. c. 1895. (#10)



The Punttenney family farm. c. 1894. (#12)



John and Margaret Punttenney. Two young boys are Margaret's sons from a previous marriage. Margaret is holding her and John's first daughter, Ethel. c. 1889. (#14)



Grandma Margaret(Hixon) Punttenney and grandchildren. Seated L. to R. Marie Marshall, Vivian Marshall, Maxine Cook, Alberta Marshall, Bereniece Cook. On the porch L. to R. Mildred Marshall, Grandma Punttenney, Madonna Cook. c. 1912. (#66)

Obituary

JOHN PUNTENNEY

Pioneer Settler of Wabash Township Passes Away At Ripe Old Age

Born and Raised Within Two Hundred Yards of Where He Passed Away

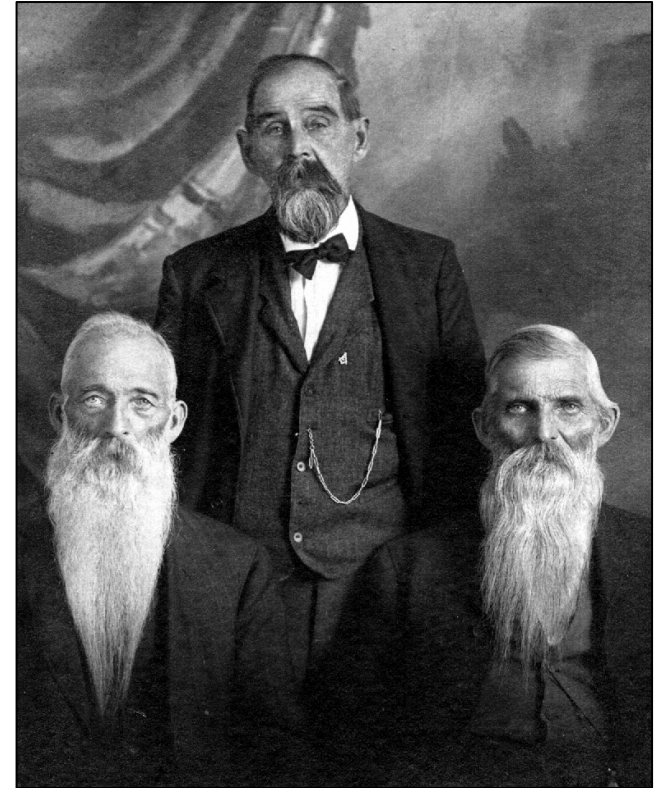
John Puntenney died Friday evening at the age of eighty-two years and one month, after a long and useful career. His parents settled the land, or a portion of it in 1818, and it had been in the family ever since. Thirty years ago Mr Puntenney erected the house where he passed away and had resided there continuously. He leaves to mourn his loss, a widow and two daughters, Mrs. Virgil Marshall and Mrs. B. O. Cook. Four years ago he divided up his land 350 acres giving it to his daughters retaining the homestead and a small portion for his own use. He was a man well liked by his neighbors and was always ready to help those in distress. The community loses a staunch friend and adviser.

At an early age he joined the Montezuma Lodge 89 F. & A. M. and up to a few years ago was one of their most active members. At the time of his death he was the oldest living member of this lodge. At his request, the lodge performed the last sad rites at the grave, paying him that tribute of respect given to all members. There were about thirty of his brother masons at the funeral, services were held from the family residence Sunday afternoon at two o'clock after which the Hixon cemetery and gently laid to rest.

Much could be said of his life as one of the pioneers of Wabash township, which he had seen advance, step by step, to its present efficiency. He was a firm advocate of good roads and was always willing to do all in his power for any public improve-



John Guffy Puntenney
1834 - 1917 c. 1900 (#247)



John G. Puntenney (center) and his brother Tilgman Howard (left) and James Nelson. Picture probably taken in Phoenix, Arizona. c. 1900 (#128)

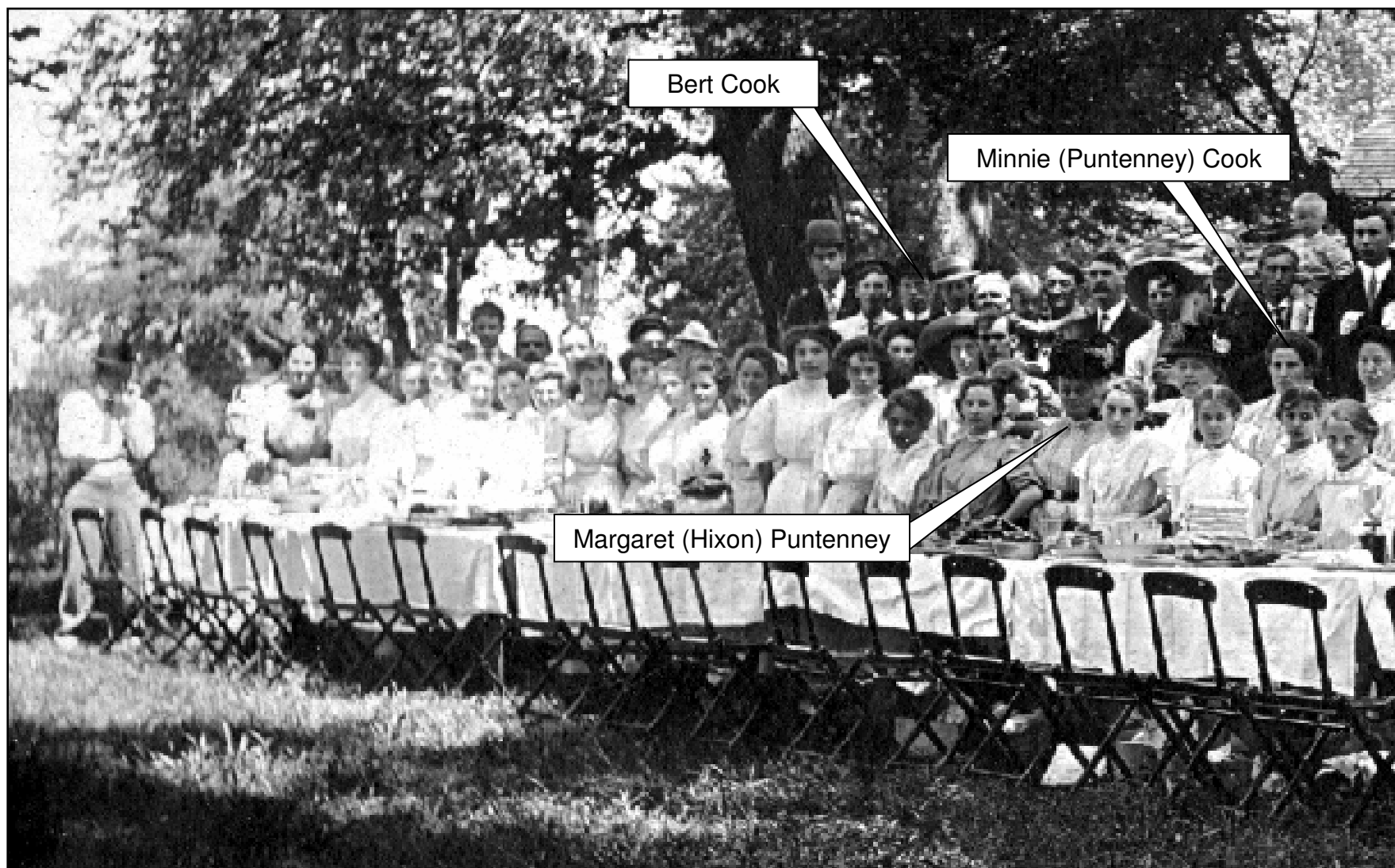
Brockway Cabin.



The Brockway Cabin was located in Wabash Township in Parke County Indiana just south of the confluence of Racoon Creek and the Wabash River. In the early 1900's the cabin was the site of community gatherings such as the one shown here.

The cabin was built by a local resident named Brockway with the help of Anton Hulman from Terre Haute, Indiana. Mr. Brockway lived in the community full-time while Mr. Hulman had a summer home not far from this site.

Enlargements of the left and right half of this photograph are included here as well.



Brockway Cabin. (Left half enlargement).

Bert Cook was a farmer; Buggy Shop Operator in Montezuma, Indiana; and Grain Elevator Owner/Operator in Mecca, Indiana. Minnie (Puntteney) Cook was Bert's wife and a daughter of John G. and Margaret (Hixon) Punttenney.



John G. Puntenney

Brockway Cabin. (Right Half).

John G. Puntenney, husband of Margaret (Hixon) Puntenney, and father of Minnie (Puntenney) Cook.