

# Richard Clarke

of Virginia

1732-1811

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With a brief history of some 750 of his descendants,  
and their westward migration through Montgomery  
County, Kentucky; Putnam and Montgomery Counties,  
Indiana; Dallas County, Iowa; and Jewell County, Kansas.

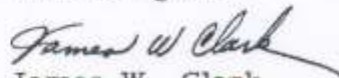
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".....they that search for faults may find them  
plenty, and they that will mend them for me shall  
always have my acknowledgment for the kindness".

- Daniel Defoe -

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I sought my future and my past,  
In a quiet country graveyard.  
The past I found, the future spoke  
To me, briefly,  
With great clarity.  
In one bright flash  
I knew the answer  
To all the mysteries.  
But then, the words blurred  
And the revelation  
Began to fade.  
No time to write  
Or tell another,  
The secrets I had learned,  
And I became  
Once again,  
That which I had been.  
The spell may fade, but  
The memory of the knowledge  
Lingers, taunts.  
I was immortal, perhaps  
Will be again.



James W. Clark  
1761 Delwood, Abilene, Texas  
10 December 1971

The research leading to this compilation has been under way for nearly six years. The desire to commence the work had lain dormant for a long time, but once under way, it became an important part of my life. One thing led to another; in rapid succession the quest jumped from Adel, Iowa, to Ladoga, Indiana; from Ladoga to Mt. Sterling, Kentucky - then on to Fairfax and Gloucester Counties, Virginia - - the Civil War, the War of 1812 and the War of the American Revolution, the U. S. National Archives, libraries, personal interviews, Federal Censuses, state and county tax lists, deeds, wills, court suits, land grants, pension and marriage records - - nearly two thousand letters, thousands of miles, torn clothing fighting through thorn thickets to reach forgotten burial grounds.....

It is not easy to say what constitutes the greatest fascination of an attempt to glimpse the past. It is partly curiosity and family pride, but that is not the entire answer. While there is a tremendous challenge in the search itself, above all it must be the discovery of a tiny opening of the door to a world which is known deep in the subconscious, but becomes apparent only in brief intuitive flashes. Perhaps we all need more moments of deep philosophical insight. If the study of the lives of our ancestors and the environments in which they lived provides some of these moments, it becomes worthwhile for that reason alone. When this is combined with a partial satisfaction of man's insatiable desire to know where he has been and where he is going, such research returns a many-faceted reward.

Space does not allow me to name the hundred or more people who have cooperated in the gathering of these data. I must pay special tribute to three professional genealogists, without whose help the search would have died aborning: Mrs. Miriam Stockwell of Alexandria, Virginia, and Mr. Charles H. Hamlin of Richmond, Virginia, for their research in the records of Fairfax and Gloucester Counties of that state. Mrs. Hazel M. Boyd, of Mt. Sterling, Kentucky, did incomparable work in solving the most frustrating problem of all - the positive link between Willis and William Clark; I cannot praise her enough.

The few early records extant for Gloucester County, Virginia, have yet to furnish evidence to establish the parentage of Richard Clarke. This may be the end of the trail. It seems probable that our Clark forebears came to this country from England in the middle to late 1600's, but this is only speculation. I continue to search (futilely, it seems), but perhaps the riddle may yet be solved. I invite correspondence from interested parties, and will welcome corrections for the inevitable errors which occur in such a record as this. I trust these errors are minor - I am positive that the major relationships outlined herein are correct.

There is no evidence that any in our Clark line have been nationally famous people - ship-builders, traders, civilian soldiers, mostly tillers of the soil - I salute them, and to them I dedicate this brief work and my continuing quest for knowledge of their lives. With new data and fresh energy, perhaps someday I can present a truly professional record. This is not such a work, but I make no further apologies - I feel pride in it, and I am glad that I have done it; it has enriched my life more than I can tell - - - - - JWC

## Richard Clarke

**R**ichard Clarke was probably born in Gloucester County, Virginia, although definite proof is lacking. He may be placed in that area as early as 1755, as his marriage to Elizabeth Bohannon is recorded in the Kingston Parish register on the 17th of February of that year. His date of birth is not known, but is estimated to have been circa 1732. He probably died in February or March of 1811, as his will was probated 18 March 1811, in Fairfax County, Virginia. Several years of study of various Clark records from Fairfax County, and the fragmentary records extant for Gloucester County, suggest that the father of Richard Clarke could have been a John Clarke, and that Richard may also have had a brother named John. This is only a hint, with not one shred of proof.

The same Kingston Parish register also records the dates of birth and baptism of his two eldest sons, Thomas and Joseph. Inasmuch as these birth dates check with the dates given in the applications for pension for Revolutionary service by these sons, the connection is certain.

Thomas, Joseph, and a third son, William, all moved to the present areas of Fayette and Montgomery Counties, Kentucky, in the approximate interval between 1785 and 1795. Various Kentucky documents positively relate them to one another.

Richard Clarke appears to have been a ship owner, and probably a ship builder. The pension application of his son, Thomas, states that he was an apprentice ship's carpenter in Gloucester County in 1775. Indentures dated 15 Nov 1785 between Richard Clarke, "water man", and Michael Thorn, cover the sale to Thorn of a sloop, the Industry, and a schooner, the William, and various items of furniture. Further, a newspaper item of 1784 refers to an Auditor's certificate "...in the name of Richard Clark, for fifty-seven pounds, some shillings, due him for his services in moving public tobacco in time of war..." Other Public Service claims are found in his name which establish him as a proven patriot by reason of supplies furnished to the Continental Army.

The early study of Richard Clarke, based on the first few records found, suggested that he had moved from Gloucester to Fairfax County in the year 1777. This was based on a statement found in the pension application of his son Joseph, in which Joseph states that after his first period of service, he "...returned home to Fairfax County in the fall of 1777, his parents having moved to that county..." Records found subsequently indicate that this statement of Joseph had been misinterpreted, and that Richard had possibly moved to Fairfax County at least as early as 1769, for in that year we find that he was the defendant in a trespass case filed in Fairfax County on the 20th of November. If Richard had not officially moved to Fairfax County by 1769, he at least had extensive business in the area from that year on.

Apparently Richard's first wife, Elizabeth, died prior to 1783, for in that year his wife is named as Sarah in a deed in which he conveyed town lots in Alexandria. It seems likely that Sarah also died, in about 1785, and her death may have influenced Richard's presumed abandonment of the shipping business and his move to the then remote southwestern part of Fairfax County near Wolf Run. This is inferred from the indenture of 1785 (referred to above), in which, in addition to the two ships, he conveys title to three featherbeds, and a number of tables and chairs and other furnishings. Such a sale would seem compatible with the actions of a man who was a widower at the time. Also, when he sold other lands in Alexandria in 1785, the deed did not mention a wife.

Richard married a third time, Jane \_\_\_\_\_, who is named in his will. While proof is lacking, she was possibly Jane Ford, the widow of Thomas Ford, who died in 1776, and who had owned land adjoining Richard's Wolf Run property. Thomas Clarke, son of Richard, also married a Jane Ford, who may have been a daughter of this family, although she is not named in Thomas Ford's will, which was written in 1774. Edward Ford, a son of Thomas and Jane Ford, was a witness to the will of Richard Clarke.

Part of his Wolf Run property holdings was purchased in July of 1785, and may have been occupied by Richard by December of that year, for in the 15 Dec 1785 issue of the Virginia Journal and Alexandria Advertiser, his name appears in a list of persons who had letters to be picked up at the Post Office. The list was repeated in the issues of 23 March, 30 March, and 6 April 1786, with Richard Clarke's name appearing in all of them. The twenty-five miles from Wolf Run to Alexandria was a significant distance to travel in the eighteenth century.

It has been inferred from his sale of household goods in Alexandria in 1785, that Richard had maintained his residence in that city until that year. He had, however, owned land in the Wolf Run - Bull Run area as early as 1779, and possibly quite some time before, for we find that on 11 September 1779 "...the office of Thomas, Lord Fairfax, grants to Richard Clark, of Fairfax County, a tract of land near Bull Run, a branch of Occoquan, in the said County of Fairfax, adjoining his own (Clark's) land.....containing 94 acres..." (Northern Neck Grant Book I, p. 366).

Thus it is evident that Richard had acquired land in this area on at least three separate occasions. Nevertheless, he continued to deal in property in Alexandria as late as 1801. The individual records may seem rather dull, but when studied as a whole, they reveal much of the man. It is certain that Richard Clarke was an extremely competitive businessman, a very aggressive person, and possibly, at times, a belligerent and combative man. He was involved in many suits for trespass, and on one occasion was the plaintiff in an assault and battery case.

In 1792, he is involved in a suit styled "Richard Clarke, Plaintiff vs. Marmaduke Beckwith, Defendant--In trespass pending in the County Court of Fairfax". The Wolf Run property is the land in question, and several pages of surveyor's notes are found, which precisely identify the land. Various references are made to the adjoining boundary of Captain John Waugh, and to a much earlier survey of this line made in September of 1710. No record of settlement is found, but plaintiff states satisfaction with the survey.

The Wolf Run acquisition of 1785 originally consisted of 142 acres, and was purchased from William Cocke for 65 pounds, and "other considerations". It is located in the southwestern part of the county against Occoquan Creek, and within a prominent southerly meander of that stream. The east line coincided with Wolf Run, down to its confluence with the Occoquan, and the Bull Run confluence is a short distance west of the west line. (The famous Civil War battles of First and Second Bull Run took place about eight miles northwest of here). Part of this land is now owned by the Alexandria Water Company, and was the subject of a detailed ground survey in July of 1957. A copy of this survey was obtained, and it was noted that five old burial grounds are located on or near the Clarke property.

A careful ground search, conducted in 1968, located a lonely burial ground which has long been known as the Clarke cemetery (according to Mrs. Davis, who has lived nearby for 60 years). Additional searching located eight grave stones, all of native limestone. They were covered with moss, and all were partially buried, with no visible inscriptions, save one lone date "April 2d 1865", which probably marks the last usage of this graveyard. One and one half centuries of

Virginia sun and wind and rain and frost have forever erased the record of the precise location of Richard Clarke's grave. It is reasonably certain, however, that this is the ground in which he rests.

This burial ground is about a quarter of a mile from what has been referred to as the "old Clarke cellar" by three different elderly individuals who live in the vicinity. These people had not only heard of the "old Clarke place", but one mentioned the "old Calvert place" (George Calvert was one of the witnesses to Richard Clarke's will). Whether these references apply to the original Clarke and Calvert is uncertain, but it is most interesting that the terms have survived to this day.

The spelling of the surname, Clark versus Clarke, was an arbitrary matter. Most of the documents pertaining to Richard do bear the final "e", but some do not. Since he apparently could not write (he signed his will by mark), the spelling of his name was at the mercy of the recorder. The signatures of two of his sons, Thomas and Joseph, are extant in pension applications. Joseph spelled his name Clark, and Thomas spelled it Clark. To this day, the descendants of Thomas use the "e", while the descendants of Joseph and William do not. In compiling this history I have used the form Richard Clarke, William Clark(e), Willis Clark, etc. This too, is somewhat arbitrary, but reflects my best opinion as to the evolution of the present day spelling.

When Richard Clarke wrote his will in March of 1809, he named ten living children. It is probable that most of these were by his first wife, Elizabeth. Sally Clarke, being the only unmarried daughter at the time the will was written, was possibly his youngest child, and could have been the daughter of his second wife Sarah, and named for her. These children, probably not all in order, were:

- (1) Thomas Clarke b 28 Aug 1755 Va d 7 Feb 1842 Fayette Co Ky (see later).
- (2) Joseph Clark b 15 Dec 1757 Va d Feb 1835 Montgomery Co Ky (see later).
- (3) William Clark(e) b ca 1759 Va d Dec 1820 Montgomery Co Ky (see later).
- (4) Mary Clarke m Joseph Powell.
- (5) Anne Clarke m Richard Gill, had ch:
  - i. Charles R. Gill
  - ii. Samuel A. Gill
  - iii. Beverley T. Gill
- (6) Elizabeth Clarke m William Suttle.
- (7) James Clarke.
- (8) Martha ("Patsy" ?) Clarke m William H. Leach.
- (9) John B. Clarke.
- (10) Sarah ("Sally") Clarke m Alfred P. S. Windsor.

KINGSTON PARISH REGISTER GLOUCESTER AND MATHEWS COUNTIES 1749-1827

(Matheny, Emma R., & Yates, Helen K.)

p. 5: Marriage of Richard Clark and Elizabeth Bohannon, 17 February 1755.

p. 38: Clerk, Thomas, son of Richard and Elizabeth, born 28 August and baptised 5 October 1755.

Clark, Joseph, son of Richard and Elizabeth, born 10 December 1757 and baptised 5 February 1758. (Joseph's pension application gives his date of birth as 15 December 1757).

Clark, Thomas, son of William and Elizabeth, born 1 October and baptised 15 November 1777. (Connection, if any, is unknown).

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA Will Book J-1, pp. 346-347: Last will and testament of Richard Clarke, dated 9 March 1809, probated 18 Mar 1811. (See reproduction of original).

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA ORDER BOOK (1768-1770) p. 252: 20 Nov 1769: James Burtell, Plaintiff vs. Richard Clark, Defendant - "Trespass on the case" - Verdict, Suit Dismissed.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA ORDER BOOK (1772-1774) p. 5: Richard Clark, Plaintiff versus Charles Tyler, Defendant - "On a Petition" - Verdict - "It is considered that the plaintiff recover against the defendant 3 pounds with costs." (17 Mar 1772)

Ibid. p. 92: 18 August 1772 - Richard Clark, Plaintiff versus William Davis, Defendant - "Trespass, Assault and Battery" - Verdict - "The suit is agreed and ordered that Defendant pay half the plaintiff's costs."

Ibid. p. 171: February 16, 1773 - Gilbert Simpson, Plaintiff versus Richard Clark, Defendant - "Trespass on the case" - "Came the parties by their attorneys" etc - Verdict - Defendant found justly indebted to plaintiff in the amount of 6 pounds 1 shilling 10 pence which is awarded the plaintiff with his costs in this behalf expended.

Ibid. p. 180: 17 March 1773 - Lewis Weston, Plaintiff versus Richard Clark, Defendant, "On a Petition" - Verdict - Plaintiff to recover against the defendant 3 pounds 3 shillings with costs."

Ibid. p. 269: October 18, 1773 - Richard Clark is appointed surveyor of the road from Thomas Sangster to Occoquan in the room of Thomas Lucas.

NORTHERN NECK GRANT BOOK I, PAGE 366: 11 September 1779 - The office of Thomas, Lord Fairfax, grants to Richard Clark, of Fairfax County, a tract of land near Bull Run, a branch of Occoquan, in the said County of Fairfax, adjoining his own land and the lands of John Hough - Beckwith - Peter Smith, Hector Ross, etc., containing 94 acres, etc.

FAIRFAX COUNTY VIRGINIA ORDER BOOK (1783-1788) p. 5: 17 June 1783 - Daniel Karr, Plaintiff versus Richard Clark, defendant "On a Petition" - "The suit is agreed".

Ibid. p. 55: 16 December 1783 - William Hunter, Plaintiff versus Richard Clark, Defendant - "Trespass on the Case" - "The suit is discontinued".

THE VIRGINIA JOURNAL AND ALEXANDRIA ADVERTISER - 23 December 1784 -

An advertisement dated 22 December 1784, placed in the newspaper by George Summers: "Lost, out of the Subscriber's Pocket, on Sunday the 19th Instant, between Stafford Courthouse and Colchester, a black leather Pocket-Book, containing sundry papers of consequence to me, among which....an Auditor's certificate, in the name of Richard Clark, for fifty-seven pounds, some shillings, due him for his services in moving public tobacco in the time of war.."

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - Public Service Claims - 1782

February Court 1783 - The Court allows Richard Clark 57 pounds, 10 shillings. #123 - I hereby certify I have received for public use from Richard Clark, of Fairfax County, one beef (grass fed) judged to weigh 225 pounds - (Dated 30 Oct 1781) signed by James Lawrason, Com.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA Court Booklet, page 20 - To Richard Clark for 225 pounds of beef 3 pounds 15 shillings.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - Deed Book O-1, page 42 - David Arell of the Town of Alexandria, County of Fairfax, rents, leases, etc., to Richard Clarke, of the same place, lot #72 in said town, Water Street, for 50 silver Spanish milled dollars per annum, etc. Recorded 20 Oct 1783.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - Deed Book O-1, page 135 - Richard Clarke, and Sarah, his wife, of the Town of Alexandria, County of Fairfax, sells to William Hunter and Samuel Arell, of the same place, for 150 pounds, Lot #45 in said Town, on Royal Street, etc. Recorded 18 November 1783.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - Will Book, Liber C-1 - Will of Thomas Ford, executed 29 Aug 1774, probated 16 Dec 1776. Names wife, Jane Ford and children, Elizabeth, widow of William King; Ann Ford, wife of John Posey; Caty Ford, wife of John Simpson; Pricilla Ford, wife of Josiah Ferguson; and Sarah Ford, wife of Thomas Jacobs. Sons: John and Edward Ford.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - Index to Deeds 1797-1827 - This Index contains the following entry: Jane Clarke from Edward Ford, filed Deed Book, Liber HH, covering period 1806-1807. Liber HH was destroyed during the Civil War.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - Deed Book, Liber Q-1 - (Of this record page 2 and pages 5 and 6 are missing; the following is abstracted from pages 3 and 4). William Cocke sells to Richard Clarke 142 acres of land in the County of Fairfax on the west side of Wolf Run, adjoining lands of Captain John Waugh, for the sum of 65 pounds and the further consideration of the assignment of a deed of trust from the children of Elizabeth. (The missing pages complicate the interpretation of this deed of trust - There is nothing to refute the belief, expressed elsewhere, that Elizabeth is now deceased - It is probable that this trust was established for the children at the time of her death, but this is most unclear). The next deed after this one is recorded 18 Jul 1785.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - RECORD OF SURVEY FOR RICHARD CLARK, PLAINTIFF, & MARMADUKE BECKWITH, DEFENDANT - 1792 - - (Previously summarized).

FIRST CENSUS OF THE U.S. 1790 RECORDS OF THE STATE ENUMERATIONS: 1782-85 VA.

p. 85: Richard Clark, head of a family consisting of 11 white souls, 2 dwellings, 3 other buildings.  
John Clark, head of a family consisting of 6 white souls, 1 dwelling, 9 other buildings.

1800 U. S. Census for Fairfax County, Virginia is not extant.  
 1810 U. S. Census for Fairfax County, p. 349: Richard Clarke, head of a family consisting of 1 male under 10 years, 1 male 16-26, 1 male 45 years and upwards, 1 female 26-45, 1 female 45 years and upwards, 5 slaves.

In 1782, personal property and land tax records indicate that Richard Clarke owned 152 acres plus one lot, and had five slaves. He lists himself and one other white male tithe from the year 1785 through 1795. In 1790 he acquires an additional 90 acres, and generally reports from 2 to 7 slaves as taxable in those years. In the year 1800 his personal property return is still approximately the same, and he is taxed on 242 acres of land. In the year 1785 a Michael Clark joins the list for the first time, and in the year 1788 we find the addition of Thomas Clark. The estate of John Clark is reported from the year 1787 as John Clark, Heirs of, and continues thus through the year 1800. In none of these years does the name of Joseph or William Clark ever appear, and it is presumed that they were living with and working for their father or someone else who included them in their list of white tithables by number and not by name. Neither of them ever had taxable land in their own name in Fairfax County.

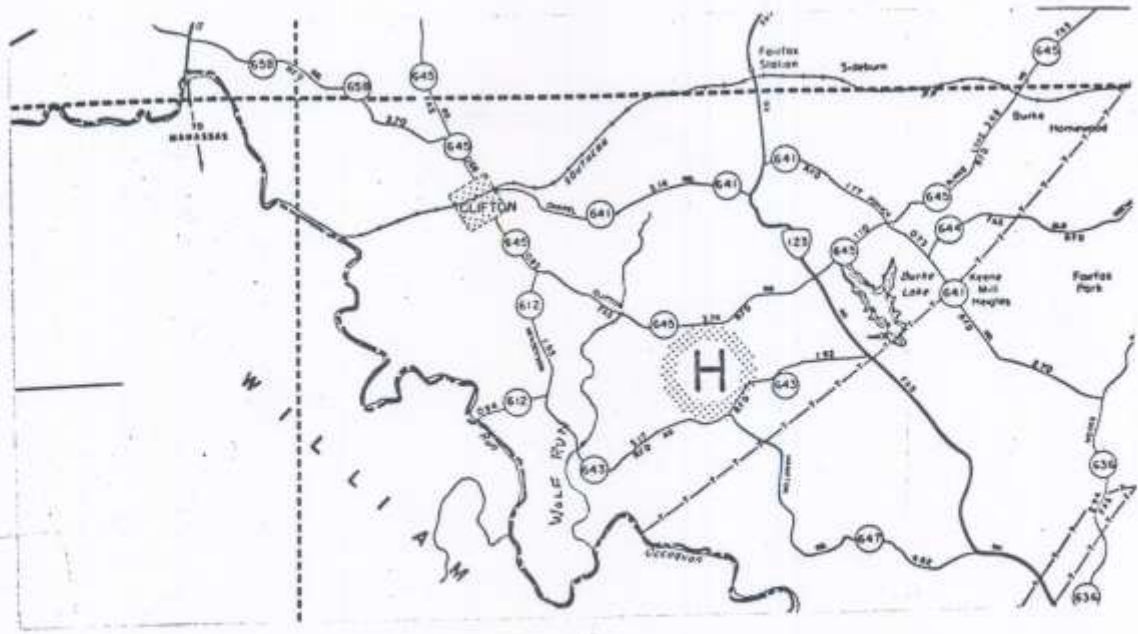
FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - Deed Book, Liber A-3: pp. 80-81 - 7 Sep 1831 -  
 Indenture recorded between William H. Leach and Patsy his wife and Alfred P. S. Windsor and Sarah his wife, all of Campbell County, Va., and James Davis of Fairfax County, Va. For \$300 James Davis bought from the aforementioned "...all our right, title and interest in and to the Lands willed and bequeathed to the said Patsy and Sarah, late Patsy and Sarah Clark, daughters of Richard Clark deceased, as will more fully and at large appear by the last Will and Testament of the said decedent..."

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA - Deed Book, Liber A-3: pp. 344-345 - 10 Mar 1833 -  
 Indenture between James Davis and his wife Mary and Edward Ford. James Davis and wife sold 4 acres of the land bought from Richard Clarke's heirs in 1831. (Note previously that a Davis family is presently living on a part of the original Richard Clarke property).

HUSTINGS COURT, Alexandria City Hall, Court Clerk's Office - Deed Book B -  
 pp. 172-175, Indentures dated 15 November 1785, between Richard Clarke, "Water man", and Michael Thorn, "Merchant". Both indentures concern sales made to Thorn by Clarke. The first pertains to the sale of a lot in the town of Alexandria - "...a certain piece parcel or Dividend of a Lott situate (sic) in the town of Alexandria, .....contains thirty feet on the West side of Water Street, bounded on the south by Lewis Weston on the north by Christian Skinner and runs back the depth of the said Lott numbered (not given)...." A further consideration in this transfer is noted: "...that the said Richard Clark do well and Truly indemnify and save harmless the said Michael Thorn - Against a Bond which he as Security to the said Richard Clark entered into Jointly with him to William Hunter Senior - for the sum of nine Thousand pounds of Crop Tobacco or thereabouts..." - - - The second sale to Thorn, for two hundred pounds, current money, "...a Sloop now in the Harbour of Alexandria called the Industry, Together with the rigging tackle and apperal (sic) of the said Sloop, also a Schooner in the said Harbour of Alexandria called the William, Together with the rigging.....also three Featherbeds and furniture now in the House of the said Richard Clarke Two black Walnutt Tables and eight Windsor Chairs.."

ALEXANDRIA WATER COMPANY, SURVEY DATED JULY 25, 1957, PARCEL F-G  
 (Previously discussed).





A portion of southwestern Fairfax County, Virginia, showing the location of Richard Clarke's Wolf Run property. One inch = two miles.

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 FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA Will Book J-1, pp. 346-347: Last will and testament of Richard Clarke, dated 9 March 1809, probated 18 March 1811.

*In the name of God Amen. that I Richard Clarke of Fairfax County & State of Virginia being in health of body & of perfect mind & memory for which I thank God. and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life & desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with. I give & bequeath the same in manner following that is to say. I give & bequeath unto my loving wife Jane Clarke all my Estate which I have now in my possession during her Natural life. and after her death to be divided in manner following Excepting my Household Furniture all my Stock of every kind and plantation Men. to be at her disposal at her death. Item I give & bequeath unto my Sons Thomas Clarke, Joseph Clarke, William Clarke and James Clarke four Negroes, Abigail a Negro Woman, Daniel a negro Man, Alice a Negro Girl and Maria a negro Man, to be equally divided amongst them my four sons. Item I give & bequeath*

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Unto my Daughter Mary Powell one negro Woman called Dinah & her  
four children, Demimah, Dennis, John and Winnifod and all their future  
increase to dispose of them and their increase as she shall think proper.  
Item, I give and bequeath unto Richard Gill who intermarried my Dau-  
ghter Anne one Negro Woman called Margaret and her two children  
and all their future increase until my three Grand children, Charles  
& R. Gill, Samuel A. Gill and Beverly F. Gill shall arrive to the age  
of barely One Year, then the said Negro Margaret and her two chil-  
dren with all their increase to be equally divided amongst these three  
Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Suttle one Negro  
Woman called Mary and her two children Saphney & Benjamin &  
all their future increase to dispose of them as she shall think proper.  
Item, I give and bequeath unto my son John B. Clarke one negro man  
called John to dispose of said Negro as he shall think proper.  
Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sally Clarke one Negro  
Girl called Betty and all her future increase to dispose of said Negro  
as she shall think proper. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter  
Martha Seach one Negro Girl called Priscilla and all her future  
increase to dispose of her as she shall think proper. Also, I give and bequeath  
unto my two Daughters Sally Clarke and Martha Seach all my lands lying  
and being in the County of Fairfax to be equally divided between them  
to be possessed by them forever. And lastly I do hereby constitute and ap-  
point my wife Jane Clarke and my sons in law William Suttle and  
Joseph Powell Executors of this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking all  
other or former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this ninth day of March  
in the Year of our Lord eighteen Hundred & Six.

Signed sealed published & declared this to be my  
last Will & Testament in presence of  
Coloured Jords George Calvert  
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Richard x Clarke

# Thomas Clarke

**T**HOMAS<sup>2</sup> CLARKE (Richard<sup>1</sup>) was born 28 August 1755 in Gloucester County, Virginia, and died 7 February 1842 in Fayette County, Kentucky. He was an apprentice ship's carpenter in Gloucester County in 1775 when he volunteered as a soldier in the American Revolution. He received a crippling wound in his left arm at the Battle of Brandywine, while serving with the 10th Regiment of the Virginia Line. Convalescent until his discharge in June of 1778, he then joined his father in Fairfax County, Virginia, where he apparently engaged in farming, although he possibly spent additional time in the shipping business in Alexandria.

On 28 January 1788 he married Jane Ford of Fairfax County, who was born 9 July 1767. She may have been a daughter of Thomas Ford, who lived adjacent to Richard Clarke in southwestern Fairfax County. She may also have been a daughter of Richard Clarke's third wife. This is presumption only, but she was unquestionably related to this family. She was said to have been "descended from the Keith family of Scotland" (Paxton's Diary - Platte County, Missouri - 1883). Jane Clarke was still living in Fayette County, Kentucky in October of 1848, at which time she made application for a widow's pension.

In 1792 Thomas and Jane Clarke moved to Fayette County, Kentucky, with Thomas' two brothers, Joseph and William. Joseph was already married at this time, but William was to marry later in Bourbon County. - - Thomas was an extensive slave-holder, and probably a farmer, but available records do not make this clear.

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THOMAS CLARKE, APPLICATION FOR PENSION FOR REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE (#31675)

STATE OF KENTUCKY  
FAYETTE COUNTY

On this 26th day of August 1840, personally appeared Thomas Clarke a resident of the county and state aforesaid, aged Eighty five years, (on the 28th inst.) who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following amended declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed June 7th, 1832.

That in the year 1775 he was residing in the County of Gloucester County in the state of Virginia, and was an apprentice to the Ship Carpenter's trade, being then about Twenty years old, that during the summer or fall of said year (1775) upon a rumor or an apprehension, that Lord Dunmore intended to return to Williamsburg and burn the City, he volunteered under Col. Buckner and marched to Williamsburg; after their arrival they continued there until relieved by Col. Jefferson, with, as was said five hundred men, how long this affiant was in service at this time he cannot state, but thinks probably two months - After the return of applicant from Williamsburg, he returned to his fathers residence in Fairfax County Va. and during the spring or summer of 1776, on the ascent of the British Fleet up the Potomac he again volunteered under Capt. Doncal (?), and marched to Mt. Vernon, to protect the property of Genl. Washington, the length of service at this time he cannot distinctly state, but thinks it did not exceed one month. That in the latter part of the fall of the same year (1776), the month not recollected, he enlisted in the army of the U. States for three years, or during the war, and served in the 10th Regiment of the Virginia Line, under the following named officers, viz: Col. Edwd Stephens, Maj. George Nicholas, Capt. Thos. West, Lieutenants John Cofer and Charles S. Broadwater, and Ensign Thomas Pierson - said enlistment took place in the

County of Fairfax County State of Virginia. He marched from thence to Baltimore, from thence to Philadelphia, and from thence to New Jersey, where in the spring of 1777 he joined the main army under the command of Genl. Geo. Washington, and there remained under the same officers until he was wounded at the Battle of Brandywine, previous to which time he was marched through various parts of New Jersey, to Trenton, Princeton, Morristown, and at one time the army made a move to the north, perhaps to Boston, but upon the arrival of the army in or near the state of New York, information was received that the British were approaching the Chesapeake, which changed the movement, and the army returned, and afterwards was fought the Battle of Brandywine, where this applicant was wounded as aforesaid. He was placed in the Hospital at Bethlehem in the State Pennsylvania, where he remained until discharged sometime in the Month of June 1778. Applicant was under a belief that his discharge was recorded in the Clerk's Office of Fairfax County Va. and got his son to write for it, which was not obtained - but in lieu of it, he received from a friend the affidavit of one of his Lieutenants, Charles S. Broadwater (now on file at the Pension Office in Washington City) - he knows of no other surviving witness by whom he can prove his services (and did not know of Lieut. Broadwater at the time he made his original declaration, to which this is an amendment).

Applicant further states, by reason of the lapse of time, old age, and the consequent laps (sic) of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, or the facts above set forth, but to the best of his recollection, he served as stated above, and thinks he was in service (including his service as a volunteer, and the time he was in the hospital) at least twenty one months, and for which service he claims a Pension. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present; and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Rolls of any agency of any State, except on that of the State of Kentucky as an Invalid.

Sworn and Subscribed Aug 26, 1840.

/s/ Thomas Clarke

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA Deed Book R-1, p. 88 - 17 Mar 1787 - - Certification by Governor Edmund Randolph of Virginia that Thomas Clarke, aged about 26 years, late a Sergeant in the 10th Virginia Regiment and whose pay was at the rate of 36 pounds per annum was disabled in the services of the United States by a wound in his left arm, which occasioned the loss of the use of it and that he is allowed the sum of 18 pounds yearly to commence from 1st January 1786. Recorded 19 May 1788. (Despite the discrepancy in age, this is unquestionably the same Thomas Clarke).

FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY - Survey Book B: p. 333 - 12 Mar 1785 - Survey for Thomas Clark, assignee, 1000 A. by virtue of entry made 13 May 1780 on a Treasury Warrant #74~~5~~ (sic, "5" marked through), "situated and being on Rose Run, a branch of Slate Creek, that empties into Slate Creek on E. Side and heads in the mountains". Ralph Morgan D.S. (Deputy Surveyor), Thos. Swearingen, Marker, Thos. Marshall, S.F.C. - /s/ John McIntire, Thos. Patterson.

FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY - Will Book P: p. 182 - Will of Thomas Clarke: 8 Jul 1829 - Proved Apr 1842 - Sons: Charles, Edward, Richard, Jefferson, James - (2 negroes each) - Wife Jane (6 negroes) - - Ex. Charles Clarke.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, REGISTRAR'S OFFICE:

Application for membership by Mrs. Lydia Clarke Todhunter Knight in 1908. Mrs. Knight applied for membership by right of lineal descent from Thomas Clarke. She states that Thomas Clarke was born 28 Aug 1755 in Fairfax County, Virginia, and that he died in Fayette County, Kentucky 7 Feb 1842. Mrs. Knight was the granddaughter of Lydia Clarke who was the daughter of James Clarke, son of Thomas.

Thomas and Jane Clarke are known to have had five sons, all of whom are listed in the torn pages of the family Bible, which is filed in the National Archives as a part of Thomas' application for pension. These pages also list some of Edward's children, but the remaining data on Edward's descendants are taken from Paxton's Diary (Platte County, Missouri - 1883). These children were:

- I. CHARLES<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Thomas<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) b 30 Jan 1789 Fairfax Co Va m 1 May 1822 Jane \_\_\_\_, said to have lived in Boyle Co Ky.  
 (1) Susan A Clarke b 27 May 1834 m her first cousin David (son of Edward) (see below).
- II. EDWARD F<sup>3</sup> CLARKE (Thomas<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) b 2 May 1791 Fairfax Co Va d 24 Sep 1883 near Hampton in Platte Co. Mo. He m 27 Sep 1814 Hannah<sup>2</sup> McIlvaine (Archibald<sup>1</sup>) b 1791 Maryland. They moved to Clay Co Mo in 1826 and to Platte Co Mo in 1837. They were the parents of nine children:  
 (1) Thomas R Clarke b 30 Jun 1815 d Aug 1849 Platte City Mo where he was a storekeeper for a time. Believed to have been unmarried.  
 (2) Nancy Clarke b 14 Apr 1817 d before Dec 1857 m 15 Nov 1842 D. S. Slaughter b 30 Apr 1820 Mercer Co Ky. He was a farmer in Platte.  
   i. Thomas J Slaughter b 20 Oct 1850 m 7 Oct 1879 Belle Vallandingham. Had ch:  
     (a) Matthew S Slaughter b 13 Aug 1880.  
     (b) Clarke Slaughter b 29 Jul 1882.  
     (c) Grace Slaughter b 7 Dec 1884.  
   ii. Jesse Slaughter m 10 Dec 1891 Kate Burkhead.  
   iii. Edward C Slaughter m Belle<sup>2</sup> Allison (Milton<sup>1</sup>) had ch:  
     (a) Fannie Slaughter m 12 Dec 1894 Wm. R Hardesty.  
     (b) Jessie Slaughter.  
   iv. Hope Slaughter m Rev. J. J. Felts.  
 (3) William Clarke b 31 Jul 1818 m Jorinda Young - went to Calif.  
 (4) Charles Clarke b 20 Apr 1820 lvd five miles southeast of Platte City m 17 Jan 1878 Nannie<sup>2</sup> Hoy (Samuel<sup>1</sup>) - no children.  
 (5) David M Clarke b 8 Mar 1822 Richmond Ky m 11 Mar 1854 Susan A Clarke (his first cousin, see above) b 27 May 1834 d Mar 1863. David m/2 9 Jul 1865 Elizabeth J<sup>2</sup> Crain b 21 Jan 1847 (John S<sup>1</sup>). He lived six miles southeast of Platte City - ch by first wife:  
   i. Mildred (Mary) E Clarke b 30 Jun 1855 m 11 Feb 1888 Rev. Harry Foster.  
     (a) Harry C Foster b 13 Apr 1891.  
   ii. Jennie C Clarke b 1 Feb 1857 m 2 Feb 1881 Louis Dedman:  
     (a) Robert C Dedman b 30 Sep 1882.  
   iii. Joseph W Clarke b 16 Dec 1859 m 20 Oct 1886 Maggie<sup>2</sup> Redman (Dr. E. C.<sup>1</sup>) lived three miles north Platte City:  
     (a) James R. Clarke b 20 Jun 1889.  
     (b) Joe Clarke b Feb 1894.  
   iv. James T Clarke b 2 Apr 1861.  
   v. Sue Clarke b 21 Mar 1863 m 5 Oct 1887 Eli B Black b 9 Aug 1862:  
     (a) Edgar C Black b 16 Mar 1892.  
   vi. Edward Clarke (by m/2).  
   vii. Hannah Clarke m 5 Mar 1896 W. T. Hope.  
   viii. Albert Clarke.  
   ix. Flora Clarke.  
   x. Eugene R Clarke.  
 (6) Archibald Clarke m 15 Mar 1853 Lydia T Parker, lvd Kansas City.  
 (7) Jane T Clarke m 17 Nov 1848 Joseph Clarke of Kentucky.  
 (8) John Thomas Clarke b 12 Apr 1830 poss d young.  
 (9) James William Clarke poss d young.

III. RICHARD<sup>3</sup> CLARKE (Thomas<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) b 14 Jul 1793.

IV. JEFFERSON<sup>3</sup> CLARKE (Thomas<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) b 9 Jun 1797.

V. JAMES<sup>2</sup> CLARKE (Thomas<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) b 12 Dec 1803 m 24 Jan 1828 Lyshann \_\_\_;  
(1) Lydia Clarke.



BIRTHS

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Thomas Clarke son of Edw & Hannah Clarke June 30 <sup>th</sup> 1815	Thomas Clarke Aug 28 <sup>th</sup> 1755
Marcy Clarke April 18 <sup>th</sup> 1817	Jane Clark July 9 <sup>th</sup> 1767
William Clarke July 31 <sup>st</sup> 1818	Charles Clarke Jan 30 <sup>th</sup> 1789
Charles Clarke April 20 1820	Edw. Clarke May 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1791
David Clarke March 8 <sup>th</sup> 1822	Nick Clarke July 14 <sup>th</sup> 1793
John Thomas Clarke April 12 <sup>th</sup> 1830	Jefferson Clarke June 9 <sup>th</sup> 1799
James William Clarke	James Clarke Dec 12 <sup>th</sup> 1803

Portion of the Thomas Clarke Bible Record filed with Pension Application - Handwriting has been reinforced to permit reproduction - National Archives, Washington, D. C.

## Joseph Clark

**J**OSEPH<sup>2</sup> CLARK (Richard<sup>1</sup>) was born 15 December 1757 in Gloucester County, Virginia, and died in February of 1835 in Montgomery County, Kentucky. He was a private in the Virginia Militia during the American Revolution, and a pensioner under the act of 7 June 1832. The name of his wife has never been determined, but he married in Virginia prior to his move to Kentucky in 1792. Joseph was a farmer, and an extensive slave-holder, as were his brothers Thomas and William.

Another researcher (Worth M. Buis, Indianapolis - 1963) has compiled much erroneous data on the descendants of Joseph Clark. He lists Willis Clark as one of the sons of Joseph, when Willis was in fact the son of William, brother of Joseph (see later). Buis also states, without a shred of documentation, that a William Clark born in 1791, and who is buried next to Willis Clark in the old Clark Cemetery near Ladoga, Indiana was another son of Joseph. This is also false, and this William has been found to be the son of a Godfrey Clark of Madison County, Kentucky, with no relationship established.

Joseph Clark died intestate, and there are many deeds and notes in the record books concerning the disposal of his estate:

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Bk 17/189 13 Oct 1835 - Thomas Clark, John Clark, James Clark, George Allen (wife Polly), Willis Hampton (wife Winnaford H.), William Hall (wife Jane), sell to Samuel Chism land on Summersett (sic) Creek (a branch of Hinkston) descended to them from their ancestor Joseph Clark. Signed by the above, and also Joshua Yeates, John Sewell, John McKee, Willis Boggs, Nancy Yeates. P. 190 13 Oct 1835 - Deed from heirs of Joseph Clark, lists above, and also James Hampton (who married Sidney J Clark, daughter of Joseph), and Sally Chism (wife of Samuel). P. 209 13 Oct 1835 - Heirs of Joseph Clark sell to Thomas Clark, lists same heirs, and adds " of Montgomery, Shelby, and Henry Counties, Kentucky", however all certified in Montgomery Co.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Circuit Court Suit 57/286 (1854-1864) - James Hampton et al vs. Stephen B. Smalley et al: Stephen B. Smalley, wife America Jane; Joshua Smalley, wife Armilda; Solomon Siddons, wife Mary Frances; Joseph Hampton and John Hampton vs. William Derickson, James Johnson, David Bruton, and William A. Lane. Plaintiffs say that female plaintiffs and Joseph and John Hampton are children of Mrs. Sidney Hampton who was a daughter and heir of Joseph Clark, deceased, who at his death owned about 72 acres of land on Somerset which was conveyed in his lifetime to George Allen. When their grandfather, Joseph Clark died, Sidney was married to James Hampton. She died without receiving any land. Said Joseph Clark died intestate, and left ten children, all of whom except Sidney Hampton sold their interest in the 72 acres and James Johnson now owns 9/10. The others have occupied their inheritance since the death of Joseph Clark. Others who have occupied this land are D. Bruton, W. Lane, J. Johnson, and W. Derickson (defendants).

Deposition of James Hampton - 15 Nov 1856 - Joseph Clark died about February 1835, and left Thomas Clark, James Clark, John Clark, Nancy Yeates (husband Joshua), Jane Hall (husband William), Polly Allen (husband George), Sally Chism (husband Samuel), and Winnie Hampton (husband Willis); his children. Before his death, his daughter, Elizabeth McKee died and left Polly Servell (husband John), Sally Boggs (husband Willis), John McKee and Joseph McKee. James Hampton married Sidney Clark, daughter of Joseph. She died 1833, leaving America Jane (Stephen B. Smalley), Armilda (Joshua Smalley), Mary Frances (Solomon Siddons), Joseph Hampton and John Hampton, all of whom were under 21 years of age in 1835. Mary Frances, the youngest, was born Sept 1832.

All of Hampton's daughters married before they were 21 years old. Nancy Yeates is now dead and left Patsy Darnall, Nancy Yeates, Jr., Joshua Yeates, Lucy Yeates, and Sally Yeates. - Joseph Clark lived on a strip of land next to Jake Johnson and adjoining land he bought of George Allen. He cultivated the land but Allen continued to live on it. (He was Clark's son-in-law). After Clark's death, the heirs, believing he had received back his advance, deeded the land back to Allen. (Hampton heirs claimed they didn't enter into the deed and still had claim to it).  
Deposition of John Clark - 5 June 1855 - Am 63 years of age. Was administrator of my father, Joseph Clark's estate. I have lived in that neighborhood since I was 18 years old and have known the land since 1810. George Allen (who married John's sister) had financial difficulties and Joseph Clark bought the land to help him out.

Deposition Thompson Clark - 5 June 1855 - I am a nephew of Joseph Clark, deceased. I think George Allen moved to the land about 1827 or 1828.

Deposition James Hampton - 11 Aug 1855 - In Brooksville, Bracken County, Kentucky - I knew Joseph Clark before I married his daughter. He lived in Montgomery County on (sic) Joshua Yeates on Grassy Lick Creek. His heirs are Elizabeth Clark McKee, Thomas Clark, Nancy Clark Yeates, James Clark, Jane Clark Scoby, Polly Clark Allen, Sally Clark Chism, Sidney Clark Hampton, Winney Clark Hampton, and John Clark. He next renames the Hampton children and says, "All of the above children are by my first wife, a daughter of Joseph Clark, deceased."

Montgomery County Kentucky tax lists for 1810 include: Joseph Clark Sec. #97 - 1 male over 45; 1 male 16-26; 2 males 10-16; 1 female over 45; 1 female 26-45; 2 females 16-26; 3 females 10-16; 6 slaves. Thomas Clark Sec. #97 - 1 male 16-26; 2 males under 10; 1 female 16-26.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Will Book G/221 - Will of John Clark (son of Joseph) - Written 12 May 1851 - Proved April 1870 - He evidently had no children; lists wife Asenath, and children he raised, Frances Lane and Joseph Johnson. The child Frances has now married John Clark, son of his brother James Clark, and has two daughters Mary A. and Sarah D. He mentions children of my several brothers and sisters and names James Clark, Sarah Chism, and Winney Hampton. (I believe that the full name of Frances Lane may have been Amanda Frances Lane, as the wife of John Clark is shown to be Amanda F. in the 1850 census - JWC)

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 25/173 - 15 Nov 1854 - Solomon Sydens and wife Mary F. of Putnam County, Indiana sell 1/5 of undivided tract formerly owned by Joseph Clark, deceased - being same Mary F. inherited from her mother Sidney Hampton, heir of Joseph Clark. (Identifies 5 of the children of Sidney J. Clark Hampton, see later).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 14/350 - 12 Aug 1829 - From Joseph Clark to David Badger, J. Masterson, James Allen, Trustees of Baptist Church - land on Somerset Creek, containing 2 acres (bound by Joseph Clark's NW corner).....

HISTORY OF SOMERSET CHRISTIAN CHURCH, by J. T. Highland - (Unpublished paper found in an old scrap book - probably written early 1900's) (This was first a Baptist Church, then changed to Christian under the teachings of John Smith, ca 1830)...  
 ..."In the year 1828 (sic), Preacher John Smith (better known as 'Raccoon' Smith) conducted a protracted meeting in the woods five miles north of Mt. Sterling on the waters of Somerset Creek. The settlement of farmers out there was known as Johnsons, Hathaways, Allens, Williams, Clarks. The meeting was a success; thirty or forty additions, who then resolved to build a church house. Mr. Clark gave two acres of land, that was one mile west of the new Somerset Church (as it now stands), work was commenced, the members dug a well 33 feet deep and today the passerby can quench his thirst from its cool water, many thousand bricks were made, four walls 80 by 50 feet erected and covered with shingles made from trees that stood on the two acres.....had four doors, four six foot wood fireplaces, two 3 foot stoves,



it had a row of columns for support, it had no floor for three years, the seats were split with huge pegs 20 inches long to hold them up and they had no backs". ....(Goes on to tell of influence of Civil War - in fall of 1874, the old building burned, with a new one erected on the Maysville Pike, about 1 mile east. The new church is at head of a lane which leads to cemetery of Lucy Jones, William Hammonds, et al. I visited the rebuilt church in July of 1967, and inspected all of the old records - JWC).

JOSEPH CLARK, APPLICATION FOR PENSION FOR REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE - National Archives, Washington D. C. - - (#25353) (Abstract - spelling and punctuation from the original copy)

State of Kentucky - Montgomery County - On the 6th day of May 1833 personally appeared ... , Joseph Clarke a resident of said county and state aged 75 years in December last who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832: That he entered the services of the U. S. under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He states that he was born in Gloucester County Virginia Dec 15th 1757. At \_\_\_ age he states he moved from said county to the County of Fairfax. He states however before he left Gloucester he entered the services of the U. S. in the month of March in the year 1776 under Capt. John Hubbard and Col. Payton as a volunteer for 18 months. In this year he states Dunmore lay at Gwynn's Island in Armisted Bay with his \_\_\_ and was encamped on the Margin of the Bay. We continued here for some considerable time and fortified and as were near enough to cannonade we fought the British from the forts and after a considerable conflict we succeeded in driving away the British fleet. And from the time we reached the island above named we ranged through the country guarding the rivers. In the fall we marched to Little York and here we continued until the ("spring" crossed out) all of 1777 having endured active service as a private for 18 months from the time he first entered the services and received a discharge for that time from Lewis Booker who he thinks was a Lieutenant. He states that he returned home to the County of Fairfax, his parents having moved to that county, and immediately after his return home which was in the fall of 1777 as above stated He states he was drafted as a militiaman for three months under some Capt. rendezvoused at Alexandria and commenced our march immediately and so continued till we passed the Susquehannah. In the Environs of this place we remained for some time and owing to the British having taken winter quarters at Philadelphia and Washington at Valley Forge For this tour of three months he also recd. a discharge but by whom he has forgotten having lost it.....He states that after having performed all the services above named he had then to hire a substitute during the war which he did at considerable expence. He states that he has no record of his age but recollects it well ever since he was a schoolboy. He has stated where he was living when called into service. He says he moved to Kentucky in the year 1792 to the County of Fayette and from thence to Montgomery County and has resided ever since..... ....He hereby relinquishes all and every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Test. M. Harrison C'k M.C.C.

/s/ Joseph Clark

(SEAL)

(Other papers indicate he was allowed a pension of \$23.33 per annum - 28 Dec 1833)

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 With one exception, the records on the children of Joseph Clark are scanty. The exception is the family of James Clark, third son of Joseph, who married Susannah Jones. The records for this family have been meticulously preserved in the Jones Bible Record. Other data have been reconstructed from census records, cemetery inscriptions, and numerous legal records, many of which have been cited previously. These ten children, probably not in exact order, are as follow:

- I. THOMAS<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born ca 1786 m ca 1807.
- II. JOHN<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born ca 1792 d ca 1870 Montgomery Co Ky m Asenith (various spellings) \_\_\_\_\_. Had no children, but raised Joseph Johnson and (Amanda)(?) Frances Lane.
- III. JAMES<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born ca 1794 m 18 Dec 1817 in Montgomery Co Ky Susannah Jones born 29 Jun 1797 (she a sister of Hannah Jones, who married Willis Clark, who was a first cousin of her husband James). With their three sons, they moved to Russell Twp Putnam County Indiana ca 1849, to Clark Twp Montgomery County Indiana by 1860, and to Dallas County Iowa between 1861-64. Susannah apparently died between 1850 and 1860. Their three sons:
- (1) Jesse J. Clark born 30 Jan 1820 m/1 Mary \_\_\_\_\_, (who died 1848-50?) m/2 Martha \_\_\_\_\_ b ca 1841 Ind. Jesse Clark was living in Sec. 27, Adel Twp Dallas Co Ia in 1879. Their children:
    - i. James R. Clark b ca 1840 Ky.
    - ii. Miranda Clark b ca 1842 Ky.
    - iii. Benjamin F. Clark b ca 1844 Ky.
    - iv. John W. Clark b ca 1846 Ky.
    - v. Susan R. Clark b ca 1848 Ky.
    - vi. Joseph G. Clark b Apr 1850 Ind.
    - vii. Mary J. Clark b ca 1853 Ind (by m/2 ?).
    - viii. George W. Clark b ca 1858 Ind.
    - ix. Charles J. Clark b ca 1861 Ind.
    - x. Malissa Clark b ca 1864 Iowa.
  - (2) John J. Clark born 20 Feb 1822 Montgomery Co Ky m (Amanda) Frances Lane (adopted daughter of his father's brother John Clark) who was born ca 1826/27 Ky (census). (Marker in Adel, Iowa city cemetery: Amanda F. Clark, wife of J. J. Clark, born 8 May 1827 d 3 Feb 1894. Feel certain this is wife of John J. Clark, but cannot prove-JWC). ("Elder" John Clark of Adel, Iowa... "...a cousin to the Clarks by reason of his mother being a Jones..." - - Ladoqa (Indiana) Leader, July 1894). Their children:
    - i. Mary A. Clark b ca 1849 (poss died young?).
    - ii. Sarah D. Clark b ca 1851 (poss died young?).
    - iii. William H. Clark b ca 1853 Ind.
    - iv. Elizabeth Clark b ca 1858 Ind.
    - v. Ada W. Clark b ca 1865 Iowa.
  - (3) William T. Clark b 25 Mar 1824 Montgomery Co Ky. He may not have accompanied his brothers to Iowa, as there is no record beyond Putnam County, Indiana, in 1850.
- IV. MARY<sup>3</sup> (POLLY) CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) m ca 1816 in Montgomery Co Ky George<sup>2</sup> Allen (Joseph<sup>1</sup>) who was b ca 1795 in Ky and d Oct 1863 in Putnam Co Indiana. They settled in Monroe Twp in Putnam Co in 1843/44.
- (1) Armilda Allen b ca 1817 Montg Co Ky m ca 1833 Ken Augustus Taylor b ca 1813 Ky to Putnam Co Ind ca 1846:
    - i. Mary A. Taylor b ca 1837 m 1855 John Smalley Putnam Co.
    - ii. Elizabeth Taylor b ca 1838 m 1854 Wm. E. Dawson Putnam Co.
    - iii. David Taylor b ca 1842.
    - iv. James Taylor b ca 1844.
    - v. George Taylor b ca 1848.
    - vi. William Taylor b ca 1849.
    - vii. Sarah Taylor b ca 1853.
    - viii. Joseph Taylor b ca 1855.
    - ix. John Taylor b ca 1858.
    - x. Martha Taylor b ca 1860.

- (2) Marilda Ann Allen born 25 Apr 1823 Montgomery Co Ky d 26 Feb 1894 m 24 Nov 1844 Milton<sup>4</sup> Clark (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>), her second cousin. For a complete history of this family, see later under Willis Clark.
- (3) Selenda Allen b ca 1824 Montg Co Ky m 1840 James Reed to Putnam County, Indiana ca 1846. Their children:
- i. George Reed b ca 1841 m 1864 Mary M. V. Miller Putnam Co.
  - ii. John C. Reed b ca 1842 m 1868 Elizabeth Tennant Putnam Co.
  - iii. Armina Reed b ca 1847.
  - iv. Mary L. Reed b ca 1849 m 1865 Andrew Call Putnam Co.
  - v. Matilda Reed b ca 1851.
  - vi. Martha Reed b ca 1858.
  - vii. James A. Reed b ca 1860.
- V. ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) died before 1835 m \_\_\_ McKee:
- (1) Polly McKee m John Servell.
  - (2) Sally McKee m Willis Boggs.
  - (3) John McKee.
  - (4) Joseph McKee.
- VI. SARAH<sup>3</sup> (SALLY) CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) m 13 May 1824 Samuel Chism.
- VII. SIDNEY J<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) m 21 Jan 1824 James Hampton:
- (1) America Jane Hampton m Stephen Smalley, to Pendleton Co Ky.
  - (2) Armilda Hampton m Joshua Smalley, to Pendleton Co Ky.
  - (3) Joseph Hampton m Sophrona \_\_\_, to Pendleton Co Ky.
  - (4) John Hampton m Mary \_\_\_, to Pendleton Co Ky.
  - (5) Mary Frances Hampton b Sep 1832 m Solomon Sydens, to Putnam Co Ind.
- VIII. WINNAFORD<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) m 30 May 1828 Willis Hampton to Montgomery County, Indiana by 1853.
- IX. JANE<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) m William Hall and had son by 1831.
- X. NANCY<sup>3</sup> CLARK (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) m by 1835 Joshua Yeates. She d before 1855:
- (1) Patsy Yeates m \_\_\_ Darnall.
  - (2) Nancy Yeates, Jr.
  - (3) Joshua Yeates.
  - (4) Lucy Yeates.
  - (5) Sally Yeates.

## William Clark

**W**ILLIAM<sup>2</sup> CLARK (Richard<sup>1</sup>) was born ca 1759 in Gloucester County, Virginia, and died in December of 1820 in Montgomery County, Kentucky. He accompanied his brothers Thomas and Joseph on their long trek from Fairfax County, Virginia to what was then Fayette (now Bourbon) County, Kentucky, early in the year of 1792. It was there, probably very soon after his arrival in Kentucky, that he married Winifred<sup>2</sup> Nichols (John<sup>1</sup>). By 1804, William and Winifred are known to have been in Montgomery County, but this does not necessarily mean that they moved after their marriage, because of the formation of new counties from older counties. The north half of Montgomery County (in which they lived) was formed from part of Bourbon County, which had previously been formed from a part of Fayette County. There probably was some move involved however, since the biographical sketch of Thompson Clark and his descendants (see later) refers to their marriage as having occurred in "now Bourbon" County, which is quoted above.

Winifred (Nichols) Clark was probably born ca 1775. After the 1820 census and William's death in December of that year, all trace of her is lost.

FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY Will Book B/267 - Will of John Nichols written 4 Dec 1807, probated October 1811 - names wife Rebecca, sons Amos, James, and John Fields Nichols; daughter Winifred Clark. Ex: James Nichols (son).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 3/73 - Elijah Crews, Montg Co to William Clark of Montg Co, for 100 pounds current money, 50 acres on Grassy Lick Creek. Part of Thornton Farrow's Pre-emption (Bd by William Nelson, John Tatman).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 7/194 - 3 Dec 1814 - From Green Clay, Madison County, to Joseph Jones and William Clark, Montgomery County, for \$1, part of a claim patented to Turpin and Crump of 12,000 acres (Bd by W B Sears, J Moore's survey, Robert Sanders survey, Thomas Jamerson's survey). (Noting price, apparently a quit claim deed).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 7/116 - 27 Feb 1815 - William Clark of Montgomery County to John Tatman, for \$500, 50 acres on Grassy Lick, bound by Tatman (20 poles claimed by Temple Smith).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 7/135 - 1 Mar 1815 - Asa K Lewis, Clark County, Kentucky, to William Clark of Montgomery Co for \$405, in cash, land on Hinkston Creek, Montgomery Co (being part of Jeremiah Moore's 2000 acre Survey), containing an estimated 81 acres. (Bd by John Robinson, Sanders, Jeremiah Moore, Wm B Sears). Wit: John Tatman, Thompson Clark.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 9/308 - 7 Feb 1820 - Thomas Triplett, Bath County, to Thompson Clark and William Clark of Montgomery Co for \$240, Twenty acres on Hinkston Creek. (Bd by dividing line between Clark and Jones, Moore, Hammons). Wit: Isaac S Cash, Alexander Kelly.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Will Book B/369 - 15 Jan 1821 - By order of court issued 1 Jan 1821 - To appoint appraisers for estate of William Clark, dec'd. Apptd David Badger, John Tatman, Francis Roberts. Estate included (partial listing) knives, forks, tomahawk, 3 bedsteads and 1 trundle bed (indicating a small family), many quilts, coverlids, sheets, blankets, 1 crack wheel, 4 spinning wheels, live stock, farm produce, farm and household equipment - five negroes: Charles, Ned, Juda, Mariah, Harriett. Note on Murdoc Garrett, due 25 Dec 1819, another note on Garrett due 1 Apr 1820 (appraisers state that these notes are "very doubtful"). Total of estate approximately (sic) \$2,756.28 3/4.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY CENSUS 1810 - William Clark - 1 male 10-16, 1 male over 45, 1 female 10-16, 1 female 26-45.

1820 - William Clark - 1 male 19-25, 1 male over 45, 1 female 10-15, 1 female over 45.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 9/308 - 7 Feb 1820 - Thomas Triplett to Thompson and William Clark 20 acres on Hinkston Creek, Montgomery County.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 13/377 - 27 Oct 1827 - Aquilla Young, wife Elizabeth, to Thompson Clark 126 acres (Bound by Isaac Davis, Ellis).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 13/379 - 27 Oct 1827 - Thompson Clark, wife Deborah, to Aquilla Young for \$577.87 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 46 acres in Montgomery County (bound by Enoch Smith's Settlement, Isaac Davis, 'dower line').

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 14/318 - 23 Feb 1829 - Deborah Clark relinquishes dower rights in deed of Book 13/379 (1827).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 14/177 - 23 Feb 1829 - Thompson Clark, wife Deborah, Montgomery County, to John Clark for \$1260, 126 acres in Montg Co (Bd. by Isaac Davis, Ellis, Mason, William B. Sears).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 14/317 - 5 May 1829 - Thompson Clark and John Clark, guardians for heirs of James Foster, deceased. Bond for security given by Benjamin Jones and Jesse Jones. Gives as security 126 acres in Montgomery County where John Clark lives.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 16/10 - 2 Apr 1832 - Benjamin Jones and Jesse Jones to John Clark and Thompson Clark (for mortgage of 1829) Tract on Somerset. Mortgage paid, a release.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 16/136 - 2 Apr 1832 - John Clark, wife Asenith, and Thompson Clark, wife Deborah, sell to William Williams for \$1000, 126 acres on Somerset Creek (Bd. by Davis, Somers, Mason, and Capt. Jamerson).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Will Book D/414 - 1 Apr 1822 - Sale of John Tatman, deceased. Willis Clark purchased 1 bull, 1 brown filly, axe, 1 sorrel mare, 1 looking glass, 1 law book. Thompson Clark bought the large Bible.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Will Book C/181 - 3 Apr 1826 - Sale of Lane Smith, deceased. Willis Clark bought 10 hogs, 1 bull, 5 green-edged plates, 1 Britannia Tea Pot, 1 bed and furniture, 1 ox ring and staple, 1 barrel, and 1 negro boy named Lewis. Thompson Clark bought 2 table linens, 3 towels, cabbage, potatoes, and 1 heifer.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KENTUCKY Deed Book 16/563 - 7 Oct 1834 - Willis Clark and wife Hannah Clark of Montgomery County sell to Thomas Foster for \$18 per acre, land in Montgomery County on Hinkston Creek, containing 100 acres, 1 rood, 26 poles (Bd. by Wm. Chiles, Jones, James Clark, Hinkston Creek). (Disposal of their land just before moving to Putnam County, Indiana).

Montgomery County, Kentucky tax lists were studied for the years 1807-1837, at the State Historical Society in Frankfort. Clark entries copied had land in the Grassy Lick, Hinkston, or Somerset areas, or were linked with the William Clark or Joseph Clark families. Pertinent years are abstracted:

YEAR	NAME	ACRES	LOCATION	ENT. IN NAME OF	MALES OV/21	SLAVES
1807	William Clark	50	Grassy Lick	T. Farrow	1	-
	James Clark	70	Flat Creek	J. Clark	1	-
	John Clark	--	-	-	1	-
1810	Thomas Clark	--	-	-	1	-
	Joseph Clark	146	Somerset	J. Payne	1	-
1814	Joseph Clark	146	Grassy Lick(sic)	Payne	2	-
	*Thomas Clark	--	-	-	1	-
	*William Clark	50	Grassy Lick	Farrow	1	3
	*Thompson Clark	--	-	-	1	-
(*Names adjacent on list, Joseph to Thomas, William to Thompson)						
1819	William Clark	101	Hinkston	J. Moore	1	6
	*Willis Clark	--	-	-	1	1
	*Thompson Clark	--	-	-	1	-
(William Clark moved from Grassy Lick to Hinkston in 1815)						
1820	William Clark	81	Hinkston	Moore	1	6
	*Thompson Clark	10	"	M. B. Sears	1	-
	*Willis Clark	10	"	M. B. Sears	1	1
(Note that William's holding is decreased by 20 acres, while Willis and Thompson each acquire 10 acres)						
1821	*Thompson Clark	81	Hinkston	Moore	1	6
	*Willis Clark	20	"	M. B. Sears	1	1
(William is dead, and Thompson has taken over his 81 acres and his slaves, while Willis now has Thompson's other 10 acre tract)						
1822	*Thompson Clark	40	Hinkston	Moore	1	2
	*Willis Clark	40	"	"	1	2

-- There is now an equal division of land and slaves. In 1824 Thompson and Willis divide another 20 acre tract between them, this also on Hinkston, and probably representing the 20 or 21 acre tract which is unaccounted for in the list of 1822. By 1827 Willis has 93 acres on Hinkston. By 1834 Thompson is no longer listed, and by 1835 Willis' name drops from the list, he having moved to Putnam County, Indiana in 1834.

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Before the discovery of the tax lists abstracted above, there remained a feeling of incompleteness in establishing the case that Willis Clark was the son of William Clark. The previous observations were sound, but circumstantial: In the 1810 Census records, William Clark was the only man with the proper surname, and with a male child in the proper age group to include Willis. This excepts the family of Joseph Clark, all of whose children are named in the Court Suit of 1856, and with Willis not included. -- A second point, highly suggestive, and almost but not quite proof is this: Willis Clark married Hannah Jones. The given names of her parents were Joseph and Lucy (Lucinda). The given names of Willis' parents were William and Winifred. Willis and Hannah named their first son Joseph J ('J' for Jones (?)), their second son was named William, their first daughter was named Winifred, and their second daughter was named Lucinda. -- While there would have been little doubt about the relationship at this point, the tax lists above provided the clincher. -- The close association of Willis and Thompson (documented son of William); the adjacent land ownership and tax listings of Willis, Thompson, and William, and finally, the even division of William's land and slaves between Thompson and Willis following William's death.

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Biographical sketch taken from The History of Bourbon, Harrison, Scott, and Nicholas Counties, Kentucky, (1882) by William Henry Perrin, p. 527:

William Clark, farmer: P. O. Plum Lick (now Flat Rock, Bourbon Co Ky), was born March 3, 1821; his father was Thompson Clark, born Dec 2, 1792, in Montgomery Co Ky; he of William Clark, who was a native of Fairfax<sup>1</sup> Co Virginia, but came to the State of Kentucky when a young man and married in what is now Bourbon Co, then Fayette, to a Miss Winifred Nichols. William Clark was accompanied to this state by a brother Joseph, who died in Montgomery Co, and Thomas<sup>2</sup> Clark, who settled in Fayette Co, where he lived and died, having served in the Revolutionary War. Thompson Clark was a soldier in the war of 1812, holding the position of orderly sergeant under Captain Crawford; regimental commander Colonel Samuel Williams. William Clark's mother was Deborah Wilson, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Jack's) Wilson, who were natives of Kentucky, the early Wilsons coming from New Jersey. Thompson Clark had two sons, William, and John eleven years younger, who resides in Montgomery Co Ky. William Clark received his early education in a log school house under the instruction of a Mr. Samuel Nicholson, a Pennsylvanian. Among his school mates were Colonel Thomas Johnson and Colonel John S. Williams, now United States Senator. He afterwards received instructions from various sources until about eighteen years of age. He subsequently engaged in teaching and farm work until his marriage, which occurred Nov 22, 1849, to Miss Eliza Ann Bradley of Montgomery Co, she a daughter of William and Susan (Mark) Bradley, who were natives of Montgomery Co and among the early and prominent families of this County. John Bradley was the father of William Bradley, and Susan Mark was a daughter of Robert Mark, a prominent character of Montgomery Co. The result of the marriage of William Clark were children as follows: Susan Alice, now Mrs. Calvin Gillispie, Jr., Annie B., Mollie B., now Mrs. David T. Wilson, James B., Emma, now Mrs. James Gillispie, of Nicholas County, Willa, Frankie, Ida D., Maggie L., Eliza E., and Mattie Clyde. He is of a conservative character, paying but little attention to affairs not pertaining to his business, but living a life of devotion to his family and business. He and his family are members of the Christian Church at Flat Rock, and living lives of devotion to their Christian faith.

<sup>1</sup> Original gives "Halifax" County, an obvious phonetic error.

<sup>2</sup> Original names "Thompson", but should be "Thomas", as above.

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The children of William and Winifred (Nichols) Clark:

I. THOMPSON<sup>3</sup> CLARK (William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) was born 2 Dec 1792 Montgomery County, Kentucky. He married Deborah<sup>2</sup> Wilson (Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), and was living in Bath County, Kentucky in 1855. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and enlisted in the 2d Regiment of Kentucky Mounted Volunteers on 21 Aug 1813 at Mt. Sterling, Ky. He was a participant in the Battle of the Thames, and was discharged at Detroit, Michigan 12 Oct 1813. Two sons:

(1) William Clark b 3 Mar 1821 m 22 Nov 1849 Eliza Ann<sup>3</sup> Bradley (William<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>). Their children:

- i. Susan Alice Clark m Calvin Gillispie, Jr.
- ii. Annie B. Clark.
- iii. Mollie B. Clark m David T. Wilson.
- iv. James B. Clark born 7 Oct 1857.
- v. Emma Clark m James Gillispie.
- vi. Willa Clark.
- vii. Frankie Clark.
- viii. Ida D. Clark.
- ix. Maggie L. Clark.
- x. Eliza E. Clark.
- xi. Mattie Clyde Clark.

(2) John Clark b ca 1832, lived in Montgomery County.

II. WILLIS<sup>3</sup> CLARK (William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 26 Sep 1796 Montgomery County, Ky., married 13 Nov 1817 Hannah Jones. (See section following).

III. A DAUGHTER (?) name unknown, possibly born 1794-1800 (census record), may have died or moved away by 1820. It is possible that William and Winifred may have had a second daughter, born around 1810 (as indicated by 1820 census), but this seems unlikely, and there is probably some other explanation for the presence of this female in their household in 1820.

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State of Kentucky, }  
County of Montgomery } ss.

On this second day of April A. D., one thousand eight hundred and eighty five personally appeared before me, James Deane of the County Court Justice of the ~~County~~, duly authorized to administer oaths within and for the

County and State aforesaid, Thompson Clark aged sixty two years a resident of Bath County in the State of Kentucky who being duly sworn according to law, declares, that he is the identical Thompson Clark who

was a Corporal in the company commanded by Captain John A Crawford in the Regiment of Kentucky Volunteers commanded

by Col. Donalson in the war with Great Britain declared by the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June A. D. 1812 on or about

the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August A. D. 1813 for the term of seventy five days and was honorably discharged at or about the first of October on the 10<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1813

on account of having accomplished the object of the Campaign as will appear by the muster rolls of said Company.

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which he may be entitled under the "act granting additional bounty land to certain officers and soldiers who have been engaged in the military service of the United States," approved March 3, 1855. And refers to his former declaration made under act of 28<sup>th</sup> of September 1850 upon which he obtained a Land Warrant No. for forty acres, which he having legally transferred and disposed of, is not within his power now to return.

He further declares that he has not received a warrant for bounty land under any other act of Congress, nor made any application therefor, than the one above referred to, under act of September 28<sup>th</sup> 1850 upon which he obtained the said Land Warrant No. for forty acres, and the one now presented.

Thompson Clark

Thompson Clark - Bounty Land Application  
for service in the War of 1812 - National  
Archives - Washington, D. C.



## Willis Clark

**W**ILLIS<sup>3</sup> CLARK (William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) was born in Montgomery County, Kentucky, in a cabin about four miles north of the settlement at Mt. Sterling, on the 26th of September, 1796. On the 13th of November, 1817, he married HANNAH<sup>3</sup> JONES (Joseph<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), with the ceremony performed by the Reverend John Smith, a famous frontier preacher. Hannah was born 13 July 1800, also in Montgomery County, Kentucky, and died 3 July 1895 in Montgomery County, Indiana. Willis died 7 August 1870 in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, after having been adjudged insane in the spring of that year. Both are buried in an abandoned graveyard 2½ miles south and 2½ miles east of Ladoga on the old Willis Clark land, owned by Harvey Long in 1967.

In 1834, Willis and Hannah, with their twelve children, and possibly some other Clarks, migrated from Montgomery County, Kentucky to a farm near the village of Brick Chapel in Monroe Township, Putnam County, Indiana. On 4 Apr 1838 Willis purchased 120 acres of land from Samuel Woodruff, the tracts consisting of the W/2 of the NW/4 and the NE/4 of the NW/4 of Sec 35 - T15N - R4W, for which he paid \$500. On 16 Nov 1852 he sold 100 acres of this land to Nancy and David Priest for \$1600. Prior to this sale, in 1851, Willis and Hannah had moved again to a farm on Upper Haw Creek, just southeast of Ladoga, Clark Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, where they had purchased 147 acres in Sec 27. This was Willis' final move.

Willis died intestate. In September of 1870, Hannah signed ("her mark") a document relinquishing her right of administration and requesting the appointment of David D. Nicholson as administrator. John Clark signed surety bond. Court proceedings are found in Order Book 6, pp. 409-414, Montgomery County, Indiana. The estate was disposed of in 1874, File Box #70. Hannah inherited one third of the land, or about 49 acres. On 5 October 1875, she deeded 10 acres to the youngest child, Fanny McNorton, who was then a widow. The remainder of her land she sold 1 March 1881 to James C. Standiford for \$1500 (Dd Bk #48, p. 247). After the death of Willis, Hannah lived among her children for 25 years. Mrs. Hattie Neff, of Park Forest Illinois, remembers Hannah Clark as "...a small woman, wore a black lace cap, walked with a cane, and smoked a clay pipe..". A celebration was held in honor of Hannah's 94th birthday, and this event was the subject of a newspaper story (see reproduction of clipping on a later page). (In early 1967, I had located a woman who had been present at this celebration, a Mrs. Bertha Payne of Fillmore, Indiana, who was a step-daughter of the W. B. Gill mentioned in the article. I had looked forward to interviewing her, but she died in April 1967, three months before I first visited the area).

From Bowen's History of Montgomery County, Indiana (1913) Vol II, p. 1101:  
 "...Willis and Hannah (Jones) Clark came to Putnam County, Indiana when daughter Lucinda was 6 months old, then on to Montgomery County, Clark Township, where Willis spent rest of his life. Hard working, honest, respected man. Democrat and Christian Church. Children were...(names 16, but does not mention daughter who died in infancy)...."

Newspaper item from The Ladoga Leader, 22 Sep 1899 - - Probate Cause No. 2763, Montgomery Co Ind: Alexander Scott, administrator of Benjamin F. Clark estate, deceased, vs. Nathan Clark et al - - Heirs at Law: Nathan Clark, Alexander C. Clark, Wm. Clark, Oliver Clark, Joseph Clark, Joseph Clark (name repeated), unknown heirs at law of Joseph Clark, deceased \* \* \* Sarah Warford, Hiram P. Clark, Benjamin F. Clark, Nathan Clark, unknown heirs at law of Wm. T. Clark, deceased \* \* \* Mary J. Mills, Millie Roush, Emily Payne, Charles M. Clark, unknown heirs at law of Milton Clark, deceased \* \* \* Charlie Clark, Ellie

Osborn, Oscar Clark, Alvie Clark, Wm Clark, Bertie Clark, unknown heirs at law of Oliver Clark, Deceased \* \* \* James Morris, unknown heirs at law of Winnie Morris, deceased \* \* \* Unknown heirs at law of Susan Marshbarger, deceased \* \* \* Unknown heirs at law of John Clark, deceased \* \* \* Cora Flitcraft, Eva Eukenberry, Thomas Clark, Leon Alphanso Clark, Leslie Clark (heirs of James W. Clark, son of Milton) \* \* \* Unknown heirs at law of Benjamin F. Clark, deceased, Elonzo Clark \*

The Ladoqa Leader, 29 Sep 1899 - - File Claim: Walter J. Clark and wife file suit for \$6,000 to estate of Benj. F. Clark, was adopted age 3, was to be only heir.

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I. JOSEPH J<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) was born 30 Dec 1818 in Montgomery County, Kentucky. His date of death has not yet been determined, but he apparently died in Putnam County, Indiana, between the years of 1850 and 1860. On 1 Jan 1843 he married Mary G<sup>2</sup> Siddons (Joseph<sup>1</sup>), she born 1824 in Tennessee. - - Joseph's middle name is presumed to have been Jones, and he was almost certainly named for his maternal grandfather, Joseph Jones. As has been noted previously, in the account of William Clark of Kentucky, the first born son of Willis and Hannah Clark was named for Hannah's father; the second son was named William, for Willis' father; the first born daughter was named Winifred for Willis' mother (Winifred Nichols Clark); and the second daughter was named Lucinda for Hannah's mother. This observation was a small link in the mass of circumstantial evidence which identified William and Winifred Clark as the parents of Willis.

Little is known of the children of Joseph and Mary Clark. The following list may be incomplete:

- (1) William Clark b ca 1844, in 1860 living with his grandfather Joseph Siddons, in 1870 said to have been living in Pottawatomie County, Kansas, unmarried.
- (2) Sidney Clark b ca 1846 m 23 Oct 1864 James A. McDaniel in Montgomery Co.
- (3) Oliver Clark b 1850 living in Kansas in 1871, unmarried.
- (4) Joseph Clark b ca 1852.

II. WILLIAM T.<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 1 Jan 1820 in Montgomery County, Kentucky, died 7 May 1862 at Benton Barracks, Missouri. He is buried at St. Louis, Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery Grave 710, Section 50. He married 26 Apr 1840 Mary Ann Allen, who was born 20 Jan 1823 at Greencastle, Indiana (the place of their marriage). She m/2 20 Aug 1867 Jess S. Dicks b 1802. She m/3 Miles H. Mattox b 1815 d 1 May 1893. Despite the fact that her last marriage was to Mattox (and this is the name on her marker), she was always called "Grandma Dicks" by her family. She died 7 Apr 1905 at Randall, Kansas, and is buried in the Pleasant View Cemetery between Montrose and Formoso, Kansas.

William T. Clark was enrolled in the 4th Iowa Inf Volunteers on 26 Mar 1862 at Adel, Iowa, and mustered into service as a Private on 30 Apr 1862 at Davenport, Iowa. According to official Army records, he died 7 May 1862 of "congestive chills". In an affidavit signed by Jesse S. Dicks on 7 Jan 1868 is the statement: "...William T. Clark died at hospital in St. Louis, Missouri, on or about the 11 of May 1862 of poison by eating a pie bought of the rebels, or of congestive chills, contracted in said service and in the line of his duty...". Whether his death was brought about by a poisoned pie or not, this story is traditional in many branches of the family, and such events are documented as having occurred during this period. (New York World 12 Sep 1861: St. Louis - Mrs. Willow and a free colored woman named Hannah Courtena, were arrested yesterday for selling poisoned pies to the soldiers at Camp Benton...)

According to Army records, William T. Clark was 6' 1" tall, blue eyes, sandy hair, and a dark complexion. On three separate enlistment papers written and signed by him, he states his age to be 35 years. This was false. It is probable that the Army was not accepting men of his age at this particular time, and that he lied in order to join - and paid with his life a short time later - surely as much a hero as if he had died on the battlefield.

Some time during 1848, William and Mary Clark and their three eldest children moved to Washington Township, Dallas County, Iowa. Here they continued to farm a few miles north of the town of Adel, until William's ill-fated enlistment:

- (1) Sarah E. Clark b 21 Feb 1842 Putnam County Ind d 23 Feb 1931 m 23 Sep 1860 Lemuel<sup>2</sup> Warford (Isaac<sup>1</sup>) b 24 Dec 1833 Guilford Co North Carolina d 4 Jan 1911. Lemuel enrolled in Co C 39th Iowa Volunteers on 11 Aug 1862 (two days after his brother-in-law, Hiram P. Clark had enlisted) as a Corporal. Appointed Sergeant on 5 Nov 1863, he was wounded by a rifle ball in the face at the battle of Allatoona, Georgia on 5 Oct 1864, and was convalescent for many months until his discharge 25 Jun 1865. (From Past & Present of Dallas Co Ia, Wood 1907: Lem Warford: "...the shot passing through his face and tearing out the roof of his mouth. This necessitated his transfer to the hospital at Chattanooga... .. He was with John Brown through Kansas in 1859 and there engaged in a battle with the border ruffians of Missouri and captured 5 prisoners, disarmed them of their guns and horses, and then turned them loose...") After Lemuel's death, and prior to 22 Aug 1912 (at which time she was dropped from the Civil War widow's pension roll), Sarah m/2 George Shirley, but she and Lemuel are buried together in the Minburn, Iowa Cemetery. Their children:
  - i. Elmer E. Warford b 2 Oct 1861.
  - ii. William A. Warford b 29 Mar 1866.
  - iii. Flora M. Warford b 10 Feb 1868 d 3 Aug 1870 bur Garoutte Cem.
  - iv. Etta Bell Warford b 13 Jul 1871.
  - v. Hattie Bird Warford b 3 Jan 1875.
  - vi. David M. Warford b 16 Feb 1877.
  - vii. Nellie Maud Warford b 8 Jul 1882.
  - viii. John C. Warford b 11 May 1885.

- (2) Hiram Preston Clark b 1 May 1844 Greencastle Putnam Co Indiana d 16 Dec 1926 married 28 Oct 1865 Matilda Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Slaughter (Joseph<sup>5</sup> Ada<sup>4</sup> Moses<sup>3</sup> John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>) who was b 23 Nov 1845 Wayne Co Indiana d 3 Sep 1922, both buried Pleasant View Cemetery between Montrose and Formoso, Kansas. Hiram m/2 11 Feb 1925 Mrs. Belle Attwater in Formoso, Kansas.

An energetic and restless man, Hiram Clark was a farmer, "horse-trader", and lay preacher in the First Christian Church. He lived in many different places in the midwest; in addition to his birthplace in Indiana, he lived in Adel, Iowa; Jewell County, Kansas; Oberlin, Logan, and Formoso, Kansas. - - As a lad of 18, he enrolled in Co C, 39th Iowa Infantry Volunteers on 9 Aug 1862, three months after his father's death. Records show him to have been convalescent at Corinth, Mississippi on 30 Apr 1863, and he was a participant in the Vicksburg campaign with General Sherman's XVth Corps. He was mustered out of service in Washington, D. C. on 5 Jun 1865, having been on the "march to the sea". He returned to Adel, Iowa, and married Matilda Elizabeth Slaughter some four months later. He and Matilda moved to Jewell County, Kansas in late 1871 or early 1872. In the Atlas of Jewell County, Kansas (Gillen and Davy 1884), we find: H. P. Clark: E 3/4 of N/2 Sec 35-T3S-R7W (Washington Twp). This land is located 2 1/2 mi S and 1/2 mi E of what later became the townsite of Montrose. The children of Hiram and Matilda, eight in all, were as follow:

- i. Lorena Dell Clark b 1 Jul 1866 d 29 Jan 1953 m 27 Feb 1883 John A Libhart b 22 Jun 1861 d 19 Oct 1942, both buried Pleasant View Cemetery. Their children:
  - (a) Clarence Emery Libhart b 2 Jul 1884 d 31 Oct 1955 m 13 Oct 1909 Sophronia Clubb b 6 Jun 1881 d 24 Feb 1953 both buried at Hill City, Kansas.
  - (b) Oscar Harold Libhart b 29 Nov 1887 d 11 Mar 1960 m 14 Oct 1914 Ruth Blackburn b 17 Apr 1893 d 23 May 1946, both bur at Courtland, Kansas, had adopted dau Lois.
  - (c) Ray Clark Libhart b 30 May 1891 d 11 Jan 1965 m 15 Aug 1913 Nina McMullen b 20 Feb 1892, had one dau Leora, who married Floyd Muck.
  - (d) Hazel Anna Libhart b 22 Nov 1896 m 10 Apr 1920 Floyd Ross b 21 Jul 1896 lvg Formoso Kans 1970, had: Herbert F b 14 Feb 1922, Howard Arthur b 25 Sep 1923, Ray Dale b 8 Feb 1927, and Norma Elaine b 14 Jan 1935.
- ii. Walter Guy Clark b 26 Jul 1867 d 5 Nov 1932 bur Logan, Kansas m/l 13 Apr 1887 Elizabeth Miller, m/2 Rhoda Twibell. Ch by m/l:
  - (a) Leon E Clark b 12 Aug 1888 d 8 Jan 1948 m 5 Oct 1911 Esther Hanchett b 8 Nov 1892 lvg Phillipsburg Kans 1970. Had one son Kenneth L Clark b 21 Jan 1912.
  - (b) Harry Paw Clark b 2 Dec 1889 d 24 Mar 1962 at Empire Calif m 4 Oct 1915 Susie Siegrist b 4 Oct 1896, had one son Robert Harry Clark b 13 Mar 1922.
  - (c) Arthur Clark b 18 Mar 1894 d 31 Mar 1968 m Nina Kemp b 15 Nov 1893 d 15 Sep 1967. Had three ch: Geraldine Clark b 24 Nov 1917, Max Clark b 1 Oct 1919, and Maurice Clark (twin) b 1 Oct 1919.
- iii. Taylor Wayne Clark b 30 Nov 1869 d 22 Apr 1942 m 13 Sep 1891 Clara Elizabeth Reynolds b 24 Aug 1870 d 16 Jun 1968 both bur Pleasant View Cemetery. Had three daughters:
  - (a) Amy Blanche Clark b 22 Feb 1893, lvg Indianapolis 1971.
  - (b) Ethel Clara Clark b 9 Nov 1897 m 9 Dec 1967 Ellis Starrett.
  - (c) Mildred Clark b 28 Dec 1899 m 8 Jun 1921 Ivan V Snyder b 5 May 1897, had two daus: Elizabeth (Betty Lee) Snyder b 15 Sep 1923, Marilyn Snyder b 19 Oct 1928.

- iv. Alpheus A. Clark b 10 Dec 1874 d 21 Dec 1874 bur Plst View Cem.
- v. William Joseph Clark b 9 Nov 1876 d ca 1926 Seattle Wash m/1  
 Luella Stewart, who d Sep 1921, m/2 \_\_, m/3 Nellie \_\_.
- (a) Otis Glenn Clark b \_\_ d 27 Apr 1966 m 19 Aug 1917  
 Hazel Mills, had ch: Ronald Mills Clark b 29 Aug 1918  
 m 3 Jul 1939 Opal Hunter; Elsie Mae Clark b 11 May 1920  
 m 22 Nov 1941 Edwin Wright; Martha Faye Clark b 26 Nov  
 1921 m 3 Jul 1945 Roy Pierce; Robert Glenn Clark b 26  
 Feb 1926 m 26 Feb 1944 Ulva Duff.
- (b) Ronald Gordon Clark b 2 Nov 1899 d 9 Mar 1964 m Hilda \_\_.
- (c) Goldie Fay Clark b 17 Dec 1902 d 13 Sep 1963 m Jacob Wolfe.
- (d) Carroll Clemment Clark b 17 Dec 1907 m Fae Lorene Platter  
 b 24 Jan 1915, had ch: Jacqueline Joy Clark b 16 Aug  
 1932 m William Myles Deets b 7 May 1932; Joan Gay Clark  
 b 10 Feb 1934 m Vernon Harry La Fee b 10 May 1930; Craig  
 Carroll Clark b 18 Mar 1946 m Karen Brewer b 25 Jun 1946.
- vi. Wesley Franklin Clark b 13 Mar 1879 Jewell Co Kans d 25 Sep 1950  
 bur Logan Kans. M/1 11 Oct 1905 Emma Myrtle (Myrick) Wagoner  
 who d 10 Jul 1920 auto accident. M/2 5 May 1924 Edna Lucile<sup>5</sup>  
 Atkinson (Elijah Bailey<sup>4</sup> Thomas Jefferson<sup>3</sup> Elijah Bailey<sup>2</sup> Joel<sup>1</sup>)  
 b 6 Jan 1898 lvg 1971 in Enid Okla. One dau by m/1, four sons m/2:
- (a) Wilma Frances Clark b 17 Jul 1906 m 31 Dec 1925 Thomas  
 Lloyd Reese b 9 Sep 1904 d 21 Aug 1969, had ch: Ruth  
 Ann Reese b 9 Oct 1927 m 14 Jun 1948 Donald Hickok b  
 21 Jul 1925; Norma Mae Reese b 1 Aug 1930 m 14 Jun 1948  
 Clyde Atkinson b 8 May 1928.
- (b) James Warren Clark b 28 Jul 1925 Phillips Co Kans m/1  
 26 Mar 1949 Loyce Elaine White, m/2 21 Mar 1957 Jo Anne  
 (Nott) Edmonds. Ch by m/1: Karen Elaine Clark b 13 May  
 1950 Great Bend Kans m 27 Dec 1970 Ronald Eugene Allen  
 b 18 Apr 1950; Kelle Dianne Clark b 16 Mar 1955 Abilene Tx.
- (c) Richard Bailey Clark b 11 Oct 1932 d 11 Oct 1932.
- (d) Walter Ivan Clark b 29 Aug 1933 lvg Eskridge Kans 1971.
- (e) Charles Douglas Clark b 28 Dec 1937 lvg Atwater Ohio 1971,  
 m/1 15 Jun 1960 Judy Ann Davis, had Wendy Sue Clark b 22  
 Mar 1961; m/2 28 Aug 1965 Ellen Lou (Borton) Beckett b 18  
 May 1937 adoptd 1968 Melinda Mary Ann (Beckett) Clark b  
 Aug 1957.
- vii. Warren T. Clark b 22 Dec 1883 d 4 Oct 1889 bur Pleasant View Cem.
- viii. Otis Ward Clark b 28 Nov 1888 d 5 Apr 1952 bur Colo Springs Colo  
 m Jul 1912 Bertha Hageman b 29 Jul 1890 d 2 Sep 1964, had ch:
- (a) Charles Hageman Clark b 24 Oct 1914 d 26 Apr 1933.
- (b) Reges Katharine Matilda Clark b 5 Aug 1918 m/1 Richard  
 Armstrong b 15 Jan 1913; m/2 25 Nov 1965 Irwin Hart b  
 9 Sep 1918. Ch by m/1: Sharon Kay Armstrong b 8 Jan  
 1943 m 13 Jun 1963 Frederick W Brockman b 3 Jul 1941;  
 Charles Ward Armstrong b 21 Oct 1944.
- (3) Benjamin Franklin Clark b 10 May 1846 near Greencastle Putnam Co Ind d  
 7 Jun 1922 m 13 Mar 1868 at Adel Ia Nancy Jane Rhinehart b 16 Apr 1851  
 near Rockville Park Co Ind d 17 Jul 1936, both bur Pleasant View Cem.  
 Benjamin enlisted in Co C, 46th Iowa Inf Volunteers on 22 May 1864, and  
 was mustered out with his company on 23 Sep 1864 at Davenport Ia. In  
 Sep 1871, he and Nancy with their son Melvin moved to Jewell Co Kans,  
 settling on the SE 150 ac of Sec 24, Washington Twp (T3S R7W). Ch:
- i. Stella Clark b 28 Nov 1868, died in infancy.
- ii. Melvin Herbert Clark b 28 Aug 1870 (date of 1871 on grave  
 marker is in error) d 1941 m Fannie Myrtle \_\_ b 1868 d 1924

- both bur Densmore Kans. M/2 Julia \_\_\_\_\_. Ch by M/1:
- (a) Edna Clark b ca 1893 m Sam Baugess lvg Kiowa Colo 1964.
  - (b) Lewis Clark b ca 1895 m Anna Hunter, lvg Monte Vista Colo.
- iii. Rosalie Clark b 9 Jul 1873 d Jan 1962 Logan Kans m Charles Elliott b Apr 1872 d 17 May 1925. Had children:
- (a) Leo Elliott b 20 Nov 1895 m 16 Aug 1922 Eva Virginia Atkinson b 4 Oct 1899 lvg Phillipsburg Kans 1971; had two daus: Elda Ruth Elliott b 17 May 1923 m Marion Hamit; Edna Maxine Elliott b 13 Jun 1925 m Frank Cook.
  - (b) Ralph Elliott b 6 Oct 1897 lvg Stockton Kans 1970, had one son: Wayne Elliott.
  - (c) Aileen Elliott b 7 Nov 1911 m Hal Hill.
- iv. Arthur Ernest Clark b 28 Jul 1879 lvd Weber Kans d 1967 Superior Neb m Eva Ramsey, had children:
- (a) Bernice Clark.
  - (b) Virgil Clark, USDA veterinarian at Ames Iowa.
  - (c) Vivian Clark m John Montgomery lvg Superior Neb 1968.
  - (d) Lyle Clark, with telephone company in Lincoln Neb.
- v. Leta Grace Clark b 2 May 1881 d 1959 m Lewis A Rightmeier b 1876 d 1960 both bur Pleasant View Cem Montrose Kans. Had ch:
- (a) Leonard Rightmeier.
  - (b) Lester Rightmeier.
  - (c) Loren Rightmeier.
  - (d) Lyman Rightmeier.
  - (e) Leona Rightmeier.
  - (f) Leon Rightmeier.
  - (g) Lyle Rightmeier.
- vi. Unnamed infant b 28 Apr 1883 d 28 Apr 1883.
- (4) Nathan W Clark b 4 Jun 1851 Dallas Co Ia d 1 Oct 1925 Monte Vista Colo m 26 May 1878 Elizabeth A Brant b 29 Apr 1860 d 11 Jul 1925.
- i. Eugene B Clark b 6 Nov 1879 d 1967 Jewell Co Kans m Minnie \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (a) Elmer Clark.
    - (b) Otis Clark.
    - (c) Forrest Clark.
  - ii. Jessie M Clark b 18 Apr 1882 d 2 Dec 1918 Monte Vista Colo m Mervin Meta, no issue.
  - iii. Henry Loyd Clark b 23 Oct 1883 d 10 Jul 1957 bur Monte Vista Colo m 8 Mar 1905 Florence Marble b 26 Jun 1886 d 9 Apr 1969.
    - (a) Glen F Clark b 11 Dec 1906 m 26 Jun 1927 Marie Moritz b 18 Jun 1909, had son: Sidney Clark b 4 Feb 1940 m 27 Oct 1962 Carol Ann Wilson b 4 Dec 1942.
    - (b) Vernon L Clark b 17 Nov 1908 m/1 23 Oct 1927 Margaret L Scott d 13 Sep 1951; m/2 31 Oct 1959 Sue \_\_\_\_; had son John Loyd Clark b 12 Jun 1928 m 2 Jun 1946 Betty June Hudson b 2 Jul 1928.
- (5) John G Clark b 2 Mar 1858 d 26 Nov 1874 of typhoid fever. He is buried in the Garoutte Cemetery north of Adel, Iowa.

III. MILTON<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) b 29 Aug 1821 Montgomery Co Ky d 13 Dec 1874 Dallas Co Iowa m 24 Nov 1844 Marilda Ann Allen b 1822 Ky, she a daughter of George and Polly Clark Allen. (Polly Clark was a daughter of Joseph Clark, and first cousin of Willis Clark). Milton and Marilda are buried in the Kimery Cemetery, two miles south of Minburn, Iowa. - - On 27 Feb 1852 Milton purchased lots #1, 2, 3, and 4 in the town of Eberly, Putnam Co Indiana. This town consisted of 20 lots in the E/2 of the NW/4 Sec 33-15-3W, and was laid out 8 Jul 1845. On 28 Feb 1854 Milton sold this property and shortly thereafter he and his bachelor brother Nathan moved to Dallas County, Iowa, where they joined their brother William who had moved there in 1848.

- (1) James W. Clark b 25 Oct 1846 Putnam Co Ind d 25 Jan 1877 near Minburn m 12 Dec 1867 Emily Jane Brenton b 26 Mar 1851 d 23 Feb 1915 Minburn, she a daughter of Thomas H and Mary Ann (Clark) Brenton. James W. Clark is buried in the Garoutte Cemetery north of Adel. - - He had been away on a trip to buy or sell cattle, and when dusk fell and he had not returned, his wife became worried and sent some men to look for him, as they had heard horses pawing on a nearby bridge. The men found the team on the bridge, and his body on the ice below - he died the next day. It was said that he had been held up by the Jesse James gang. The children of James and Emily Clark:
- i. Cora Ann Clark b 12 Aug 1869 d 17 Apr 1943 m 22 Oct 1890 Edward Isaac Flitcraft both buried at McCook, Nebraska. They had three daughters:
    - (a) Fern Flitcraft b 1 Mar 1894 m 6 Jun 1917 Henry J Hoffman in McCook Neb, had dau Lois Idell Hoffman who m Glen Huet and had two sons, Ronald Huet b 1942 and Earl A Huet b 1951.
    - (b) Leta Flitcraft b 20 Sep 1900 m 31 Jan 1920 Ora D Chilton, had one dau Arylene Frances Chilton b 1921 m 1942 Jack Marsh, had Phillip Marsh b 1943, John Marsh b 1946, and Margaret Marsh b 1949.
    - (c) Irma Flitcraft b 21 Feb 1904 m 8 Mar 1924 Orville Brown, had one son Roger Brown b 1925.
  - ii. Eva Lovilla Clark b 20 Dec 1870 d 1942 Denver Colo m Daniel E. Eikenberry b 1863 d 1949, had two children:
    - (a) Faye Alta Eikenberry b 7 Dec 1891 m 1912 Ralph Wayt had one dau Eva Lucille Wayt.
    - (b) Clyde W. Eikenberry b 14 Apr 1900 d Apr 1912 McCook.
  - iii. Thomas Milton Clark b 9 Mar 1872 d 20 May 1920 Phoenix Ariz m Mae \_\_\_\_, no issue.
  - iv. Leon A. Clark b 9 May 1875 d Jun 1952 McCook Nebr m 1899 Mabel Percy b 24 Nov 1879 d 5 Oct 1959, had two children:
    - (a) Lucille Clark b 27 Jun 1900 m/1 \_\_\_\_, m/2 Charles Hammond, had two sons Val Hammond b 1931 and Skip Hammond b 1933.
    - (b) Lovell "Whity" Clark b 27 Feb 1902 McCook m \_\_\_\_, no issue.
  - v. James Leslie Clark b 29 Mar 1877 d 25 Aug 1952 Pittsburgh m 30 May 1899 Elesta Mae Joy b 16 Mar 1881 d 2 Mar 1948:
    - (a) Errol Milton Clark b 29 Jun 1900 McCook m 30 Mar 1921 Gladys Leona Rose b 6 Sep 1903 lvg 1969 Galesburg Illinois, have 8 children: Virginia Rose Clark b 1922 m Lyle Dean Johnson have four ch; Thelma Eleanor Clark b 1924 m Richard E Powell have two ch; Margaret June Clark b 1925 m Herbert V Amick have two ch; Errolene Ruth Clark b 1927 m Verne Leafgreen have four ch; Norma Jean Clark b 1930 m Wm Crain have five ch; Errol Eugene Clark b 1932

m June Hunter had Janet Lee Clark b 1955 and James Leslie Clark b 1958; Ona Lee Clark b 1934 m Michael Coffey have four ch; Patricia Ann Clark b 1936 m Roger Johnson have three children.

- (2) Mary Jane Clark b 12 May 1848 in Putnam Co Ind m 22 Dec 1864 Isaac J Mills b 2 Dec 1842 in Madison Co Ind, had seven children:
- i. Willard E. Mills
  - ii. James N. Mills
  - iii. Ellen B. Mills
  - iv. Baxter Mills
  - v. Rosa L. Mills
  - vi. Minnie M. Mills
  - vii. Jennie C. Mills
- (3) Winifred Clark b 1849 d "in the autumn of 1861, aged 12 years"  
(Inscription from tombstone in Kimery Cemetery south of Minburn).
- (4) Hannah A. Clark b Aug 1853 d Oct 1854 bur Kimery Cemetery.
- (5) Aramilda A. Clark b 6 Jul 1856 d 8 Apr 1948 Pasadena Calif m 30 Oct 1877 Franklin Pierce Roush d 1928, had six children:
- i. B. F. Roush of Carrington, North Dakota.
  - ii. G. W. Roush of New Rockford, North Dakota.
  - iii. Mrs. J. J. Wibber of Glendale, California.
  - iv. Mrs. E. T. Johnson of Pasadena, California.
  - v. Forest Merrel Roush b 15 Dec 1887 d 29 Jan 1888, bur Kimery.
  - vi. Hazel M. Roush of Pasadena, California.
- (6) Emma Clark b ca 1858 m \_\_\_\_ Payne.
- (7) Charles Clark b Apr 1860.
- (8) Nathan O. Clark b Aug 1863 d Aug 1867, buried Kimery Cemetery.
- (9) Clarence Alonzo ("Lon") Clark b 1866 d 1948 m Clara Shimmell b 20 Oct 1869 d 27 Dec 1941, both buried in the Minburn Iowa Cemetery.
- i. Cleon (?) (Clea on tombstone) Clark b 1887 d 1946 m Esther M \_\_\_\_ b 1887 d 1952 both buried Minburn Ia Cemetery.
    - (a) Ruth Clark.
  - ii. Arylene Clark d 27 Dec 1941, buried beside her mother, with whom she was killed in an auto accident, m Lyle Nourse:
    - (a) Marjory Nourse m Robert Cave lvg 1970 Boulder Colo, had twins Bobbie and Robbie (boy & girl).
    - (b) Frances Nourse m/1 \_\_\_\_ Patty, m/2 \_\_\_\_ Purvis, lvg 1970 Golden Colo; her f Lyle Nourse lvg with them.

IV. NATHAN<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) was born in Montgomery County, Kentucky 17 Mar 1823 and died in Dallas County, Iowa 28 Sep 1907. He is buried in the Garoutte Cemetery northwest of Adel. A life-long bachelor, he made his home with his brother Milton, until after Milton's death in 1874. He continued to farm in the area, holding various township offices, and is still remembered by elder people in central Dallas County as a highly respected citizen. He was said to have been a fine violin player, as were several of his brothers.



V. JAMES M.<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 21 Dec 1824 Montgomery Co Kentucky died 7 May 1901 married 5 Nov 1846 Polly Ann Starks born 18 Apr 1826 died 14 May 1907, both buried in the old Weley Chapel Cemetery three miles southeast of Ladoga, Indiana. Their children:

- (1) Willis Clark b Nov 1847 d 1848.
- (2) William T. Clark b Nov 1849 m 25 Jan 1872 Cornelia Kirk, had one son:
  - i. Charles D. Clark, lived at Lebanon, Ind.
- (3) Lucinda Clark b 22 Mar 1851 d 8 Nov 1929 m Judson Hovermale born 6 Jul 1851 d 4 Mar 1906. Three grandsons of this couple are living in Jamestown, Indiana in 1969. Their children were:
  - i. William Hovermale.
  - ii. Ora Hovermale.
  - iii. Bertha Hovermale.
- (4) Sarah Ellen Clark b Jan 1855 d 1859.
- (5) Susan Winifred Clark b 1857 d 1913 m Samuel Davidson b 1856 d 1937. They lived and are buried at Jamestown, Indiana. Their children:
  - i. Bert Davidson b 11 Jan 1881 d 21 Jun 1951 m 1901 Bertha Brooks:
    - (a) Fred B Davidson b 1903 d 1904.
    - (b) Bernice Davidson b 1904 m 1920 Amos Ronk lvg Jamestown, Indiana in 1969.
    - (c) Warner Davidson b 1905 d 1963 m Lucille Morrison.
    - (d) Everett Davidson b 1914 d 1966.
  - ii. A son, died in infancy.
  - iii. Hattie Davidson b 7 Jun 1890 m 1906 Clarence Neff, had:
    - (a) Edith Neff b 1909 m 1930 Lowell Williams, they have one dau Betty Jo Williams b 1932 m 1953 Gerald Ray Abitz. (In 1969, Hattie Neff living with her dau Edith in Park Forest, Ill.)
- (6) Benjamin F. Clark b ca 1860 d 1947 m Mary Jane Pennington b 1858 d 1943 both buried at Ladoga, Indian, had children:
  - i. Claude Clark b 1880 d ca 1966 m Grace Shaver.
  - ii. Fred Clark b 1882 d 1956 m Ina L. Miller b 1888 d 1964. They had no children; both are buried at Ladoga.
  - iii. Clarence Clark b 1884 m Effie Morgan, had:
    - (a) Maxine Clark.
  - iv. William Clark b ca 1886.
  - v. Charles Clark b 1890 m Nora Conner, had:
    - (a) Russell Clark.

(In 1969, at least two of the five sons of Benjamin Clark are still living, with one said to be in Crawfordsville, and one in Greencastle)
- (7) Mary Clark b ca 1864 married James Hardesty:
  - i. Ollie (Oliver?) Hardesty.
  - ii. Vesta Hardesty.
- (8) George Arthur Clark b ca 1866 married Amanda Hester:
  - i. Maud Clark married Henry Barr, lvg Louisiana.
  - ii. Sallie Clark married Glen Scott.

VI. BENJAMIN F<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 10 Sep 1826 d 8 Jun 1899 m 8 Aug 1849 Susan M Starks (sister of Polly, who married Benjamin's brother, James M Clark) b 13 Apr 1829 d 11 Dec 1896 both buried in the Wesley Chapel Cemetery southeast of Ladoga. They had no issue, but adopted and raised 15 children, two of whom were living with them in 1894. (Earl Dean, who was living southeast of Ladoga and one mile from the old Willis Clark farm in 1967, recalls Ben Clark well. He especially remembers the sale held after Ben's death. Although he was only a boy at the time, it was impressed on his memory by an event which could have had a tragic outcome. It seems that Ben had owned a very valuable gold watch, and one of the adopted children (said to have been a "black sheep" son) felt that he should have it. When it came time for the watch to be sold, this son demanded it of the auctioneer. The latter refused, and started the bidding, whereupon the son pulled a gun and placed it against the auctioneer's chest. The auctioneer was apparently made of stern stuff; although warned that he would be killed if he sold the watch, he proceeded to do so with no change in manner. The disgruntled son finally lowered his gun and walked away.)

VII. WINIFRED<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 25 Dec 1827 (from Jones Bible record) (Winnaford on grave marker b 7 Dec 1827) d 19 Nov 1870 buried in old Clark cemetery near Willis, m/1 13 Nov 1845 Gilson Hulet(t) b 6 Jan 1819 d 13 Aug 1851. Winnaford m/2 13 Sep 1854 George A Morris b ca 1828 Ohio.

- (1) Nathan Hulett b ca 1846 m Mary Grantham, had daughters:
  - i. Eva Hulett m John Dean.
    - (a) Earl Dean (see above) lvg Ladoga Ind 1967.
  - ii. Ella Hulett m Robert Hicks.
  - iii. Mary Hulett.
- (2) John W Hulett b ca 1848.
- (3) Walter Hulett.
- (4) Henry Hulett.
- (5) James E Morris b ca 1856 (by marriage/2).
- (6) Isaac B Morris b 30 Sep 1858 d 6 Dec 1860, bur in old Clark cemetery.
- (7) Hal B Morris b ca 1859.
- (8) Henry F Morris b 25 Apr 1864 d 19 Sep 1869 bur in old Clark cemetery.

VIII. OLIVER<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 3 Jul 1829 d 22 Sep 1894 m 16 Dec 1858 Anna Frankebarger b 2 Jan 1831 d 24 Jul 1917 both buried in Church of Brethren Cemetery seven miles west of Dallas Center Iowa. Oliver and Anna lived on the Frankebarger homestead southeast of Ladoga until 1873, in which year they moved to Dallas County, Iowa. Their nine children:

- (1) Henry Clark b 1859 m 1884 \_\_\_\_\_. He is said to have been a railroad man, and to have died in a railroad accident. Believed to have had several children, but only one son has been identified:
  - i. Earl Clark of Castle Rock, Washington.
- (2) Amanda ("Ella") Clark b 1860 d 1924 m 1886 H. J. Osborn of Dallas Center.
- (3) Charles V. Clark b 26 Mar 1863 d 17 Dec 1903, bur beside his parents.
- (4) Francis ("Frank") Clark b 1865 d 11 Jul 1953 m Arminda Morrison. They are bur in the New Ross, Indiana cemetery, Frank being the only one of the children to return to the Indiana area. Their ch:
  - i. Marlin Clark b 23 Mar 1893, had one son:
    - (a) Wayne Clark, has two sons, Larry and William Clark.
  - ii. Vaughn Clark b Sep 1898, had one daughter:
    - (a) Pearl Clark.
  - iii. Routh Clark b 27 Jun 1901 m Harry Zimmerman who d Jan 1970. No children - she living R #1, Jamestown, Indiana in 1970.
  - iv. Russell Clark b 15 May 1907 d 1959, had two children:
    - (a) Barbara Sue Clark
    - (b) David Clark
- (5) John ("Oscar") Clark b 1867 m Lois Dickey, lived near Dallas Center Iowa, where both are said to be buried in the Masonic Cemetery. Had several children, of whom only the name of one dau is known:
  - i. Evelyn Clark m \_\_\_\_ Williamson, living in 1970 at 2528 E. Walnut, Des Moines, Iowa.
- (6) William Clark b 3 Dec 1869 d 7 Feb 1949 m Ella Smith b 7 Nov 1872 Mo d 6 Apr 1957 both buried at Yuma Colo. They moved from Smith Co Kans to Colorado in 1908, where they homesteaded near the town of Haxtun, and later moved to Yuma. They had two daughters:
  - i. Edith Clark b 29 Jul 1893 Dallas Co Ia d 12 Jun 1962 m 26 Jan 1910 Chester Bates who d 28 Jul 1960. They had 3 ch:
    - (a) Milo Bates b 1914 lvg Haxtun Colo 1970.
    - (b) Gerald Bates b 1916 lvg Haxtun Colo 1970.
    - (c) Wilma Bates b 1919 m \_\_\_\_ Sawyer, lvg 1970 Route 2, Box 231, Delta, Colorado.
  - ii. Velma Clark b 19 Nov 1899 Kensington Smith Co Kans m 17 May 1922 Harry Nielsen who d 7 Jul 1966. She lvg 1970 Route 1, Haxtun, Colorado. They had one daughter:
    - (a) Evelyn Nielsen m \_\_\_\_ Coatney, lvg 1970 Star Route, Box 36, Julesburg, Colorado.
- (7) James Clark b 25 Apr 1871 d 30 Jun 1872 bur Clark Cem Ladoga, Ind.
- (8) Alva H. Clark b 1873 d 7 Feb 1920 Perry Iowa m 1899 Ida Belle Smith:
  - i. Wanda Clark b Jul 1904 m Ralph D Judd, lived in Perry until 1967, lvg 1970 5279 Rogers Avenue, Port Orange, Florida.
- (9) Joel Clark b 1877 Dallas Co Iowa (all of the other children born in Montg Co Indiana) d in Santa Rosa Calif m Louise Chance of Dallas Center:
  - i. Wanda Clark
  - ii. Irene Clark
  - iii. Hazel Clark m F B Anderson. lvg 1970 2786 South Dutton Santa Rosa.

IX. JOHN<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 28 Jan 1831 died 20 Mar 1899 buried in Wesley Chapel Cemetery Ladoga Ind m/1 1 Feb 1854 Nancy Kyle b 9 Feb 1836 d 21 Dec 1861, she buried in the Harrison Cemetery. John m/2 ca 1867 Lucinda White Hubbard, a widow with one child, she born 16 Aug 1839. Children:

- (1) Sarah F Clark b ca 1856 m D F Fritts of Judson Ind.
- (2) Mary Jane Clark b ca 1858.
- (3) James S Clark b ca 1861.
- (4) Hanna A Clark b ca 1869 (by marriage/2).

X. FRANCIS<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 27 Sep 1832, died unmarried 1851 in Putnam County Indiana. This is the "Frank" referred to in the newspaper clipping.

XI. LUCINDA<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 15 Mar 1834 d 1923 buried in the New Ross Ind Cemetery. She married 12 Jun 1851 John S Baker b ca 1828 and who died 12 Jun 1897. An 1884 newspaper account states that Lucinda held a surprise party for her mother Hannah, who was living with them at that time, and who continued to live with them until her death in 1895. Their children:

- (1) Winifred Baker born ca 1854.
- (2) Harriet E ("Hat") Baker born 1857 d 1927 m \_\_\_\_ Davis.
- (3) Emma Baker born ca 1862.
- (4) George Baker born ca 1867.
- (5) Martha H Baker born ca 1869.
- (6) Mary A ("Ath") Baker b 1872 d 1939 m/1 Samuel Peffley m/2 Walter Canine b 1864 d 1941. Two ch by m/1 and one dau by m/2:
  - i. Raymond Peffley.
  - ii. Merle Peffley.
  - iii. Wanetta Canine m 1938 Lawrence Swaim lvg 1971 at 550 South 4th St., Frankfort Indiana, has three sons:
    - (a) Rex Swaim.
    - (b) Elmer Swaim.
    - (c) Rick Swaim.
- (7) William Baker.
- (8) Unnamed infant (?).

XII. SIDNA J<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 26 Sep 1835 died 14 Apr 1907 m 31 Jan 1854 David Bymaster b ca 1829 Ohio d 4 Aug 1904. Their children:

- (1) Sarah E Bymaster born ca 1855.
- (2) Benjamin Bymaster born ca 1858.
- (3) Emily Bymaster born ca 1861.

- (4) Jefferson Bymaster born ca 1862.
- (5) Marinda Bymaster born ca 1864.
- (6) Daniel Bymaster born ca 1866.
- (7) Willis Bymaster born ca 1869.

XIII. SUSAN CATHARINE<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 30 Mar 1837 d 26 Mar 1895 m 3 Jan 1854 John H Harshbarger b 5 Jan 1832 Va d 5 Mar 1905. Their ch:

- (1) Robert W. Harshbarger b 8 Nov 1854 d 12 Jan 1855 bur Clark Cemetery.
- (2) Oliver Willard Harshbarger b ca 1856 m/1:1877 Elizabeth Morgan, m/2 Jane Morgan (sister of Elizabeth, after latter's death). Ch by m/1:
  - i. Grace Pearl Harshbarger b 1878 m 27 Feb 1904 Calvin Heiny, lived in Grand Junction Colo, had ch:
    - (a) Lloyd Heiny.
    - (b) Lowell Heiny.
    - (c) Lorene Heiny.
  - ii. Claude Harshbarger b 1880, lvg 1969 in Ladoga Ind, m/1 Clara Frame, m/2 Ruth Conner, librarian in Ladoga in 1969.
  - iii. John Harshbarger, a barber.
  - iv. Owen Harshbarger b 1884.
  - v. Bertha Harshbarger.
  - vi. Earl Harshbarger (by marriage/2).
  - vii. May Harshbarger.
  - viii. Vorie B. (Germany) Harshbarger b 1893 d 8 May 1969 Westfield Ind.
  - ix. Effie Harshbarger.
  - x. Ruth Harshbarger.
- (3) Samuel Milton Harshbarger b Dec 1859 m 1887 Blanche Collins, had ch:
  - i. Monte Harshbarger b 1891 d 23 Jun 1935 m Love Rader, had ch:
    - (a) Venetta Mary Harshbarger b 1914 lvg Ladoga in 1967.
    - (b) Clara Belle Harshbarger b 1916 m \_\_\_ Vice, lvg New Ross.
    - (c) Lillian May Harshbarger b 1918 m \_\_\_ Long, lvg Ladoga.
    - (d) Robert Mont Harshbarger b 1925.
    - (e) James Dale Harshbarger b 1929 lvg Ladoga.
    - (f) Thomas Allen Harshbarger b 1933.
  - ii. Nona Harshbarger m Charles F. Kapler.
- (4) William Franklin Harshbarger b ca 1860 m/1 Nealia Robbins, m/2 Jennie Dooley:
  - i. Beatrice Harshbarger (by m/1).
  - ii. Warren Harshbarger.
  - iii. Harold Harshbarger b ca 1909 (by m/2).
- (5) David O. Harshbarger b 14 Aug 1870 d 16 Feb 1871 bur Clark Cemetery.
- (6) Nannie Alice Harshbarger b 24 Apr 1873 d 21 Aug 1945 m \_\_\_ Jeffries:
  - i. Buell O. Jeffries b 14 Dec 1893 m 18 Aug 1918 Irma Long who d 1969.
  - ii. Basil H. Jeffries b 5 May 1896 d 23 Jan 1940 m 1 Apr 1920 Alleyene Radford who d Dec 1951. Had children:
    - (a) Jean L. Jeffries b 14 Oct 1920 m Martha Jackson, 3 ch.
    - (b) Basil H. Jeffries, Jr. b 18 Aug 1922 m Phyllis McKinney.
    - (c) Ruth Jeffries b 29 Apr 1925 m Max Spears, have 2 ch.
    - (d) Esther Jeffries b 27 Aug 1927 m Calvin Fisher, 4 ch.
    - (e) Joanna Jeffries m Esker App have 7 children.
    - (f) Nancy Jeffries m John App have 4 children.
  - iii. Loyce Jeffries m Feb 1923 Harry Akers who died May 1966.
    - (a) Margaret Akers m Leland Smith, have 3 children.
    - (b) Annabelle Akers m Gilbert Harris, have 2 children.
    - (c) James Akers m Evelyn Hunt, have 3 children.

- iv. Catherine Jeffries m Dec 1925 Harry DeVol who died 15 Apr 1956;
  - (a) Alice DeVol married Jack Creasy, have two sons.
  - (b) Billy DeVol married Shirley Rose.
  - (c) Corabelle DeVol married Ben Bailey, have four ch.
  - (d) Harry Ronald DeVol married Maxine Shanklin, two ch.
  - (e) Donald DeVol married Minnie Breedlove, have three ch.
- v. Inez Jeffries m 1940 Dr. David Sluss.
- vi. Beryl Jeffries m Nov 1926 Warren Peters.
  - (a) Gary Peters b 21 Sep 1936.
- vii. Juanita J. Jeffries b 21 Aug 1911 m 17 Oct 1931 Ralph Wills, who died Sep 1962; lvg 1970 Thorntown Indiana.

XIV. ALEXANDER CAMPBELL<sup>4</sup> ("CAM") CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) was born 16 Oct 1838 in Putnam County, Indiana, and died 6 Aug 1920 Minburn, Iowa. He married 11 Dec 1859 Nancy Bly born 3 Aug 1841 Indiana died 14 Feb 1932, both buried at Minburn.

"Cam" and Nancy moved from Indiana to Washington Township, Dallas County, Iowa, in 1864, after the birth of their first two children. About 1902 they moved again, settling on a farm three miles north and one mile east of Brewster, Kansas. Later they purchased land just west of Brewster. One of their grand-daughters recalls that they were visited on several occasions here by "Hi" (Hiram Preston) Clark, and "Aunt Fannie" McNorton (Fannie Clark, youngest child of Willis and Hannah Clark, and widow of Andrew J. McNorton).

About 1915 or 1916 "Cam" and Nancy returned to Minburn, Iowa, where they remained until their deaths. A life-long farmer, "Cam" was known as a fine violinist, and his son Harvey and his grandson Earl also played that instrument. His original violin is now in the possession of his grand-daughter, Mrs. Virgil Thomas, of Englewood, Colorado. A daughter of Mrs. Thomas has the Alexander Clark family Bible, from which many of the missing birthdates of the children of Willis and Hannah Clark were obtained.

During the last ten years of his life, "Cam" was plagued with failing eyesight, and during the last two or three years, he became totally blind.

This pioneer pair had fourteen children, nine of whom survived to raise families of their own.

The five children who did not survive are all buried in the Garoutte Cemetery, located four miles north and one mile west of the town of Adel. This is a very lovely and secluded burial ground, which I first visited in the summer of 1967. There is much Clark history here; in addition to the five children of Alexander and Nancy Clark, the graves of James W. Clark (son of Milton), Nathan Clark (bachelor brother of Alexander), and John G. Clark (youngest son of William T.) are to be found. A marker at the entrance of the cemetery is inscribed "Jennie, wife of G. M. Clark, died July 1, 1880, Ae 19y-4m-8d". She is believed to be the first wife of George M. Clark, an early-day attorney in Adel, and no known relation, but all the other Clarks here are descendants of Willis and Hannah Clark. - - The markers for the five children, with the inscriptions badly faded and soon to be illegible, stand as a mute testimonial to the toll taken by disease during this period. The oldest, Rosa L., died at the age of three years, and the others - Otha Floyd, Maud, and the twins Lolabelle and Lulabelle lived for only a few months.

- (1) William H Clark b 10 Oct 1860 d 1 Nov 1924 bur in Minburn Ia Cem m Jennie Cruikshank b 17 May 1862 d Sep 1954 bur Forest Lawn Glendale Cal.
- i. Ethel Clark b 12 Apr 1883 d 31 Mar 1962 m 1 Jan 1903 William Smock.
    - (a) Jack Smock b 19 Nov 1909 m 24 Jul 1934 in Des Moines Ia Margaret McKay. They have three ch: Sandy b 1937, Juli b 1939, Peter b 1948.
    - (b) William Smock Jr b 14 Jan 1915 m Wanda Shaenburg in Des Moines Ia, they have three children.
  - ii. Edith Clark b 20 Dec 1884 m 15 Sep 1909 Lee S Sinclair b 17 Sep 1886 d 21 Aug 1962 bur Forest Lawn Glendale Cal. They have 3 ch:
    - (a) Lee S Sinclair Jr b 16 Feb 1912 m 15 Jul 1936 Mildred Halsey in Des Moines who was b 16 Jul 1911 d 13 Jun 1961 bur Sacramento Cal. They had one son, James L Sinclair b 1942. Lee S Sinclair Jr m/2 22 Jul 1961 Kay Brown.
    - (b) Jane Sinclair b 15 Feb 1916 Des Moines m 17 Jul 1938 Lester D Povall b 1 Oct 1915 had two ch: Sandra K b 1939, Lynn.
    - (c) Elizabeth (Bette) Sinclair b 11 Jul 1917 m 2 Apr 1948 Frank a McCann Jr b 17 Oct 1915 had two ch: Elizabeth Lee b 1949, and Lucy Carrine b 25 Oct 1951
  - iii. Walter H Clark b 31 Jul 1886 Arcadia Nebr m 31 Dec 1919 Margaret Messenger in Des Moines who d 20 Oct 1966, had one dau:
    - (a) Virginia Ann Clark b 19 Sep 1924 m 28 Jan 1949 Robin H Reese, had two ch: Gregory b 1953, and Robin b 1955.
  - iv. Lela Clark (twin) b 17 Oct 1888 d bef 1916 m Frank Smock b 1880.
  - v. Lula Berniece Clark (twin) b 17 Oct 1888 Ord Nebr m 15 Jan 1906 Horace H Reynolds Jr had two ch:
    - (a) Helen Reynolds b 6 Mar 1907 Des Moines m 15 Apr 1926 Frank P Allen had three ch: Susan Lee b 1929, Frank Patterson b 1931, and Sarah Jane b 1937.
    - (b) Howard C Reynolds b 9 Feb 1909 Des Moines m 5 Feb 1937 in Honolulu Lucile Ackerman had four ch: Michael b 1938 d 1943, Linda b 1940, Robin b 1944, and Melissa b 1948.
  - vi. Verva Edna Clark b 5 Dec 1891 m 15 Jun 1915 in Des Moines David W Witter born 12 Mar 1892, had one son:
    - (a) Ward Wayne Witter b 16 Mar 1917 m 9 Nov 1940 Phyllis-Strunk b 5 Apr 1918, had two ch: Kimmerly b 1943, and David Ward b 1950.
- (2) Harvey Elmer Clark b 6 May 1862 d Sep 1942 m 3 Jul 1887 Clara Mills b 2 Jan 1867 d 1950 both bur Minburn Ia. They farmed near Dallas Center until 1910, then mvd to Estherville Ia. Their children:
- i. Bertha Clark b 1888 d 1888.
  - ii. Earl Clifford Clark b 22 Jul 1889 m 24 Dec 1909 Elma Faye McLaughlin. Mvd from Estherville to farm near Ottawa Ka in 1917, later returned to Estherville. Their children:
    - (a) Darlene Hazelle Clark b 10 Jul 1911 m 5 Sep 1938 Everett Graves lvg 1968 Clear Lake Ia, had two ch: Nancy Juanita b 1940, and Patricia Ann b 1944.
    - (b) Lola Fernne Clark b 21 Dec 1912 m 22 Dec 1936 Eddie Fields who d Feb 1961. They had four ch: Edwin Earl b 1939, Iona Mae b 1942, Juanita Faye b 1943, Donald Lee b 1948.
    - (c) Helen Marie Clark b 16 Jan 1915 m 7 Apr 1933 Roy E Burns in Ottawa Kans mvd to Iowa 1934 had ch: Delores Irene b 1937, Robert Marlin b 1940, David Earl b 1950, Donna Jane (twin) b 1950, William Joseph b 1955.
    - (d) Claretta Clark b 12 May 1921 m 13 Oct 1941 Arthur J Hovel. Had ch: Michael Dee b 1944, and Marjorie Ann b 1946.
    - (e) Esther Mae Clark b 29 Jul 1924 m 2 Jun 1945 Geo H Coffin lvg 1968 Westside Ia, had ch: Ronald James b 1947, Richard

- Craig b 1951, Rebecca Sue b 1957.
- (f) Iona Dee Clark b 17 Jul 1928 m 15 Jun 1947 Arthur Reynolds, lvg 1968 Mason City Ia, had: Jodee Lee b 1951.
- iii. Ivol Willis Clark b 13 May 1891 m Edna Maloney.  
(a) Merlyn Clark; has four children.
- iv. Esther Pearl Clark b 30 Aug 1892 m/1 Tom Marriott, had four sons, m/2 John Campbell lvg 1968 Estherville Iowa.
- v. Everett Allison Clark b 15 Jan 1895 lvg in Fla 1968.  
(a) Dean Clark lvg 1968 Estherville Iowa.
- vi. Dean Albert Clark b 7 Oct 1897 d 10 Nov 1917 bur Minburn Cem.
- (3) Carrie A. Clark b 24 Oct 1862 d 19 Jun 1929 m 24 Oct 1880 J Franklin Mills b 26 Feb 1858 d 29 Aug 1943 both buried Pomona Cemetery, Pomona, Cal.
- i. Crillabelle Mills b 8 Mar 1882 d infancy Dallas Co Ia.
- ii. F Clive Mills b 16 May 1883 d auto accident 23 Dec 1932 bur Pomona Cal m 14 Sep 1904 Annie Mae Bever b 31 Jul 1886 lvg 1968 Pomona Cal. They had three ch:
- (a) Cecil Floyd Mills b 5 Jun 1906 m 19 Oct 1933 Marie Peterson had four ch: Clyde Robert b 17 Aug 1934 d 1937, Evonge Mae b 1936, Beverly Jean b 1937, Marvin Cecil b 1945.
- (b) Gerald Dee Mills b 11 Jul 1908 m Pauline Klapwyk 18 Apr 1929 had two ch: Geraldine Mae b 1929, John Lee b 1930.
- (c) Irene Bernice Mills b 26 Sep 1912 m 25 May 1935 Ernest F Riggle, had two ch: Alan Clive b 1938, Mary Ellen b 1942.
- iii. Cecil Quinton Mills b 13 Jun 1885 d 1 Aug 1888.
- iv. Forrest V Mills b 13 Feb 1887 d 27 Jun 1960 bur Lawrence Kans m/1 6 May 1920 Lea Bradley who d 1942, m/2 27 Mar 1948 Ruth \_\_\_\_.
- v. Geneva Evora Mills b 26 Jun 1889 d 24 Jul 1968 m 26 Mar 1905 Charles H Harrison b 31 Oct 1884 d 17 Mar 1951 lvd Dallas Co Ta.
- (a) Earl L Harrison b 5 May 1908 d 21 Jan 1966 m 9 Oct 1929 Mary Kersey in Adel Ia had one son: Jack E b 1932.
- (b) A Faye Harrison b 23 Apr 1910 m 20 Sep 1937 Mary Clarke lvg 1968 Albuquerque NM, had two ch: Ronald b 1938, Allan Faye b 1940.
- (c) Melbourne Harrison b 10 Dec 1912 m Jul 1931 Betty Macatie had one ch: Beverly Joe b 1934. - - Melbourne Harrison m/2 Ardith Kirkwood b 11 May 1910 d Jan 1968 had two ch: Melba Kay b 1940, Danny Jay b 1948. Melbourne m/3 Gladys \_\_\_\_ lvg 1968 Mesa Arizona.
- (d) Evora Harrison b 23 Oct 1918 m 24 Oct 1936 Floyd Bauer b b 10 Jan 1915, have three ch: Larry Lee b 1938, Leland Dean b 1945, Lowell Dale b 1947.
- (e) John Franklin Harrison b 26 Mar 1926 m 26 Aug 1944 Betty Atherton have three ch: Susan Kay b 1949, Steven John b 1952, Scott b \_\_\_\_.
- vi. Nancy Lillian Mills b 4 Dec 1894 m 11 Aug 1924 Carl L Sandquist no ch. Lvg 1968 at 10230 Kauffman Ave Southgate California.
- (4) Rosa L Clark b 14 Mar 1867 d 11 Oct 1870 bur Garoutte Cem Adel Iowa.
- (5) Ida Clark b 8 Sep 1870 m 21 Sep 1890 Willis Lacefield. Lvd on farm near Adel Ia until 1901, then mvd to Brewster Kans. Ida d 22 Feb 1911 at Seibert Colo bur at Adel Ia. Had three children:
- i. Beatrice Lacefield b 9 Sep 1893 m 29 May 1913 Frank Bean who d Jan 1953, had four children:
- (a) Roland L Bean b 26 Feb 1914 d 1 Aug 1967 m \_\_\_\_, had one ch: Gladys b 1936.
- (b) Patricia Bean b 17 Mar 1916 m 7 Sep 1940 Leonard Paxson had two ch: Leona d infancy, Joann b 1945.



- (c) Betty Bean b 2 Dec 1917 m 5 Jun 1936 Clair Summers had one child: Billie b 1938.
- (d) Eugenie Bean b 1 May 1922 m 7 Sep 1942 Melvin Pierce no ch lvg 1968 San Pedro California.
- ii. Harold Lacefield b 3 Nov 1894 d 2 Nov 1963 m 6 Aug 1916 Alpha Murray who was killed in auto accident 1929. Harold m/2 Nellie \_\_\_ in Bisbee Ariz. By his first wife had three ch:  
 (a) Virginia Lacefield b 1916 d auto accident 1929  
 (b) Murray Lacefield b 1919 d auto accident 1930  
 (c) John Lacefield b 1929 d auto accident 1929 at age 4 months.  
 By his second wife, had one child:  
 (a) Beatrice Marie Lacefield b \_\_\_ m Jun 1965 Paul L Dunnagan have one ch: Paul L Jr b 1967.
- iii. Motie Marie Lacefield b 15 Jun 1897 m 28 Oct 1916 Thomas A Griffiee who d 1968 in Colorado Springs, had two ch:  
 (a) Carol Ardith Griffiee b 14 Feb 1918 m 22 Aug 1936 Glen A Messerli had two ch: Lee Douglas b 1937, Claudia Belle b 1941.  
 (b) Willis James Griffiee b 23 Apr 1926 m 20 Jun 1948 LaDonna May Borg had two ch: Roberta Kay b 1956, Karen Marie b 1957.
- (6) Hattie Salome ("Loma") Clark b 24 Jan 1872 d 10 Aug 1936 m 23 Feb 1890 John Oliver Kinney who d 19 Dec 1956. They had four children:  
 i. Laura May Kinney b 24 Nov 1890 m 13 May 1912 Otis Clarence Veazie.  
 (a) Clark Warren Veazie b 8 Feb 1914 m Feb 1945 Barbara Robinson had one ch: Tanya b 1948.  
 By her second husband, Frank B Phillips who d 3 Nov 1935, had 2 ch:  
 (a) Betty Sue Phillips b 14 May 1921 m 26 Dec 1942 John W Biermann had two ch: Lisa Diane b 1952, Tina Lynn b 1954.  
 (b) Nancy Ann Phillips b 24 Aug 1923 m/1 1942 Robert Smith m/2 1954 Selden White.
- ii. Ina Lee Kinney b 24 May 1893 m 21 Oct 1924 Oliver C Blaney who d 30 Dec 1953.
- iii. Kenneth Ralph Kinney b 4 Nov 1895 d 4 May 1963 m 4 May 1920 Cecil Ruth Crozier.
- iv. Clifford Gerald Kinney b 28 Oct 1897 d 29 Dec 1918.
- (7) Lula Belle Clark b 4 Mar 1874 d 14 Aug 1874 bur Garoutte Cem Adel Ia.
- (8) Lola Belle Clark b 4 Mar 1874 d 22 Aug 1874 bur Garoutte Cem Adel Ia.
- (9) Clarence H Clark b 6 Nov 1875 Iowa d 11 Jul 1939 Cope Colo. M Lily Matthews, was street car conductor in Des Moines for a number of years, then divorced, and he and his son went to Colorado. Had two children:  
 i. Madeline Clark m \_\_\_\_.  
 ii. Lloyd Clark, never married, d 1964-65 Cope Colorado.
- (10) Maude Clark b 2 Sep 1877 d 16 Oct 1877 bur Garoutte Cem Adel Ia.
- (11) Claude Clark b 2 Sep 1877 d 11 Mar 1920 bur Brewster Kans m/1 Mary Wilson, had two sons, divorced:  
 i. Gaylord Clark lvg 1968 in Colorado.  
 ii. Roy Clark b 3 Apr 1905 lvg 1968 Akron Colorado.  
 Claude m/2 Daisy Mae Chambers b 1 May 1883 d 6 Nov 1926 bur Brewster:  
 i. Claude Leon Clark b 6 Jan 1918 d 1 May 1963 m 1 Sep 1950 Jeannette Kahn, had one son:  
 (a) Theodore David Clark b 6 Mar 1952, lvg 1968 San Antonio Tx.
- (12) Addie Pearl Clark b 17 Jan 1880 d 2 Jul 1955 m John G Guise b 1879 d 1962 both bur at Brewster Kans. Had two children:

1. Leola Mildred Guise b 4 Mar 1905 m 22 Dec 1927 Wayne Molesworth. Leola lvg 1968 in Brewster, Kans, had sons:
  - (a) John Raymond Molesworth b 1 Dec 1936 m Barbara \_\_\_\_, has sons: Wayne Lee, Mark.
11. Wilma Louise Guise b 20 Nov 1909 m 14 Jun 1931 Virgil T Thomas lvg 1968 at 550 F Hamden, Denver Colo, has two ch:
  - (a) Virgene Carolyn Thomas b 1 Sep 1934 m 5 Oct 1952 Leo G Goetsch, lvg 1968 Portland Ore, have three ch: Chris G b 1953, Brad T b 1955, Tracy Jean b 1957.
  - (b) Garth Guise Thomas b 9 Mar 1938 m 9 Jun 1961 Darla Bremer, lvg Denver 1968, three ch: Kevin Garth b 1961 Karen Jean b 1963, Kimberly Anne b 1964.

(13) Otha Floyd Clark b 4 Jul 1882 d 8 Sep 1882 bur Garoutte Cem Adel Ia.

- (14) ~~Delia Esther Clark b 4 Jul 1908 d 20 Feb 1921 bur Elmwood Cem Mindurn Ia~~  
 m Arthur Schlaegel who d about 1966 or 1967, had two ch:
1. Ruth Schlaegel b 1910-11.
  11. Gene A. Schlaegel b ca 1912-13, attorney and realtor, lvg 1960 Iowa City Ia.

XV. MARY<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Willis<sup>1</sup>) born 6 Mar 1840 died 12 Aug 1893. Last of the children to marry, she married 10 Sep 1871 George Morris, who had previously been married to her sister Winnaford. They had no issue.

XVI. INFANT<sup>4</sup> DAUGHTER (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) name unknown, or possibly never named, probably born ca 1842. This birth is not recorded in the Alexander Clark family Bible, and the only evidence for this child is provided in a clipping from an 1894 issue of the Ladoga Leader, which pertains to the 94th birthday celebration for Hannan Clark, and contains considerable genealogical data. The grave of this daughter, and that of Francis M. Clark, has not been located. It is said that there was a small burial ground on the farm Willis first owned near Brick Chapel in Putnam County, and that several years ago the present owner placed the markers in an old well and corn is now growing over the grave sites.

XVII. FANNY<sup>4</sup> CLARK (Willis<sup>3</sup> William<sup>2</sup> Richard<sup>1</sup>) born 24 Feb 1844 and died at Jamestown, Indiana, and believed to be buried in the IOOF cemetery there. Fanny m/1 30 Aug 1861 Andrew J. McNorton who was born 30 Aug 1839 and died 29 Jul 1872. After his death, Fanny m/2 \_\_ Kelly. (Fanny is remembered as "tall and slender" by her great-niece, Mrs. Hattie Neff). Her children:

- (1) JOSIE McNORTON m \_\_ Mitchell, lived in Lebanon, Indiana, had a dau.
- (2) Robert McNorton.
- (3) Charles McNorton.
- (4) Stella Kelly (marriage/2).
- (5) Bertha Kelly.
- (6) Ollie Kelly.

### HANNAH CLARK.

#### BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

On July 13, 1800, in Montgomery Co., Ky., Hannah Jones was born. She had six sisters and three brothers, making a family of ten. In 1817 she was married to Willis Clark. In 1831 they moved to Indiana and settled on a farm near Brick Chapel, in Putnam county. In 1851 they moved again to a farm on Upper Haw Creek where they remained until the death of the husband, August, 1870. Since that time the widow has, most of the time lived around with her children, but calling her home with her daughter Lucinda Baker, near New Ross, Ind.

Friday, July 13, 1894 being her ninety-fourth birthday, her children arranged to celebrate her anniversary at the Haw Creek Church. A large concourse of the kindred and friends assembled at 10 o'clock a. m. and the forenoon was spent in a visiting way. There were many happy meetings and tears of joy flowed freely. At noon a beautiful feast was spread, the like of which was never equalled before in this country. Tubs, baskets, boxes and pans were emptied out on the long table prepared for the occasion and the hall could not find room, so spreads were made all around the house in the shade of the locus trees. After the feast, basket full after basket full was gathered up.

At one o'clock the multitude assembled in the church-house and engaged in an appropriate song service, conducted by W. B. Gill. A pathetic and earnest prayer was offered by E. L. John Clark, of Adel, Iowa. Frank Gill, statistician of the occasion, then gave an account of the genealogy of Hannah Jones Clark. To her were born 17 children - ten sons and seven daughters, and there being no twins. Ten are still living, 6 boys and 4 girls, all of whom were present at the reunion except James, of Jamestown, Ind., and Oliver of Dallas Co., Iowa. Fourteen of the children lived to be grown and married. One died an infant, and Frank died at the age of 19 years, in Putnam Co. Nathan, of Iowa, never married, choosing rather the bliss of a bachelor's life. Mary, 2d wife of Gen. Morris, died Aug. 18, 1893, without descendants. B. F. Clark, south of Ladoqa, has no offspring, yet he has been more philanthropic than them all. He and his good wife have adopted and raised

fifteen poor children, two of whom

are with them now.

The 31st chapter of Proverbs was then read and commented upon by Mr. Gill as an appropriate celebration service in which it states: "Her children arise up and call her blessed. Many daughters have done virtuously but thou excellest them all." The audience then repaired to the front yard, and an artist obtained for the occasion took the negatives for three groups of pictures. First the mother and children, sons-in-law, and daughters-in-law of those present; second, the grand children, the great grand-children, and the great-great-grand children; third, a general view of all present, and the house and surrounding. The assembly then began quietly to return home. The occasion was one greatly enjoyed and long to be remembered. Those who failed to attend missed one of the happy events of life.

#### Notes.

Some of the other persons present were Leah Rice, of east of Rockdale, 88 years old; Myra Baldwin, 85 years old, and Sytha Gill, 78 years old, both of Ladoqa.

Shelton, Archibie and James Allen, of Balafridge, whose mother was a Jones, a sister to Hannah Clark, were present.

John Clark, of Adel, Iowa, is a cousin to the Clarks by reason of his mother being a Jones.

J. W. Bly, of Adel, Iowa, ex-county sheriff, came in with the Iowa delegation and was present.

Chas. Frakes, west of Balafridge, whose wife was a second cousin of the Clarks, was present.

David Priest, of near Summerset, Putnam county, who bought of Willis Clark the Brick Chapel farm, was on hand as an old friend and neighbor.

Samuel Herabberger and wife, of Racoon, were pleasing guests of the meeting.

The beautiful locus grove around the church-house was planted and started many years ago by the hands of Sytha Gill.

It is said that the pictures are splendid.



HANNAH JONES CLARK

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Only one principal reference is given for each person. Different individuals with the same name are each given a separate reference, thus the entry for CLARK, Mary 3, 16, 16, 31, 39, 40, refers to six different women with that name.

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