PREFACE (to first edition)

This book is one result of an interest in family history which began while I was in grade school. The text is divided into two major sections. The first section deals with William Henry Ridgely and his ancestry. The second section contains information on his descendants.

Section I begins with William Henry Ridgely who was the first in his line to come to Illinois (about 1817). Almost nothing remains in our family records or traditions about the family prior to this time. The successful identification of his parents and grandparents is the key to this section and this new proof is the most genealogically significant part of this book. After these two generations are identified, further material is available in published form. The pedigree chart presents the results in condensed form. Other information collected on his ancestors is arranged alphabetically by surname subdivisions. This part of Section I is based largely on records at the Hall of Records, Annapolis, Maryland and on books by J. D Warfield, H. G. Stevenson, and H. W. Newman.

Section II is an extension of the early interest in ancestry. It is an attempt to include all descendants of William Henry Ridgely. It includes material collected by Homer Ridgely whose notes I used during my initial work. Dow A. Ridgely has helped greatly with this project, giving moral and financial support as well as gathering much of the data. Credit is also due to the many other correspondents who generously gathered and contributed family data. References in this section are public records, family records, correspondence, and family traditions. I have attempted to use the best references available, but statements made on the basis of family tradition must be considered just that--I have discovered no record evidence of such statements (These remarks apply also to the material on the immediate family of William Henry Ridgely.) The completeness and accuracy of Section II depend upon my ability to contact knowledgeable members of the family.

In any large family, many individuals are given the same name or similar names. For identification purposes, I have assigned unique code numbers to the individuals whose descendants are to be listed. For the ancestral chart of William Henry Ridgely in Section I, these code numbers consist of two parts. The first part indicates the generation and the second numbers the individual ancestor in that generation, starting from the top of the chart (see O. F. Stetson, The Art of Ancestor Hunting (1956)). In Section II, a code number again consists of two parts--a prefix letter indicates which child of William Henry Ridgely is the ancestor of the person identified and a numerical suffix is assigned sequentially as needed to identify each new descendant. These code numbers determine the order of further paragraphs on those individuals for whom more information is available. This numbering system represents a compromise between simplicity and desirable features of arrangement. This method allows the partial separation of the descendants into family groups, facilitating revision and also the selected distribution of appropriate pages. The reader may ignore any apparent complexity and use these code numbers merely as identifiers for the individuals concerned.

Neither section of this book can ever be complete. Many records remain to be searched and many family members have not been located. The difficulty of obtaining accurate information from a multitude of remote sources makes errors probable. Nevertheless, this record is published.
now so that what has been gathered will not be lost but provide a base for additional work by interested family members. It is my hope that each one who reads this material will send me any corrections or additions he may be able to make. Each descendant may increase the future value of this work by adding to it additional family information and including such related items as photographs and newspaper clippings.

I would like to thank the many correspondents who have helped build this record. I also want to express special thanks and appreciation to my parents, Robert and Doris (Ridgely) Olds, who have helped me in all my work and have financed this publication.

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Preface to the Electronic Edition

About thirty-five years passed between the preparation of the printed version and the electronic version of the material. During that time the technology of preparation changed much more than my knowledge of the material.

In 1969, I slowly typed each page of material onto paper multilith masters using an IBM Selectric typewriter with a carbon ribbon. Although typographical errors could be corrected, the process was slow and the results were often not satisfactory. When all the master pages were prepared, the set was taken to a local print shop for reproduction. After the printing was completed, the boxes were taken to Wofford College and the pages were stacked around many of the lab tables in the physics department and the collation process involved the seemingly endless process of walking by the tables and stacking the pages in the proper order in individual books. Binding was a manual process of punching small sets of pages on special equipment I had helped obtain for the college library and then placing them onto coil binders held open on another machine. Only then could orders be taken and books mailed, usually one at a time, by U. S. Post Office.

At that time, data was collected by traveling to libraries, courthouses, archives and cemeteries or by letters in the U. S. Mail. I had the advantage of corresponding with many people who are no longer living.

Genealogical methods and sources also have changed significantly in this thirty-five years. Internet resources have made some things much easier. One thing that has not changed, however, is that I will still need to rely on helpful family members to locate and supply much of the information I would like to use. I need to establish or re-establish contact with many members of the various branches of the family who are willing to help fill in the gaps or to put me in touch with other interested people.

I find that family memories, copies of newspaper clippings such as wedding reports or obituaries, copies of funeral cards and graduation announcements, family letters and many other such things are very useful in documenting what I am writing. In addition to all the dates and places for birth, marriage(s), death and burial I hope to get some biographical data such as education, job or career information, service, interests, etc.

I do not plan to actually print a book this time. Instead, using an option which removes most information on living people, I plan to post a report on my website. This has become a very convenient way to share genealogy. However, if you have an interest in this information, I would be glad to print a segment and send it to you. No doubt this would be a good way for you to see how you could help me further.

The format of this version has been determined by the use of The Master Genealogist to produce journal reports for my word processor. Section I contains material on the ancestors of William Henry Ridgely, arranged by Ahnentafel number as they would be numbered on a pedigree chart rather than grouped by family surname. Section II is a computer generated and numbered descendants report.
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Generation One

1. **William Henry**¹ Ridgely (**Henry**, #2) was born on 25 Jul 1786 in Anne Arundel County, MD. He died on 26 Nov 1859 in Wabash County, IL, at age 73.

   For details on him, his wife, and their descendants, see Section II of this document.

Generation Two

2. **Henry**² Ridgely (**William**, #4) was born in Anne Arundel County, MD. He married Rachel Griffith (see #3), daughter of Charles Griffith and Anne Davidge, before 1778. He died in 1799 in Anne Arundel County, MD.

There are two Henry Ridgelys in the 1790 census of Anne Arundel County, Md.

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The latter is probably the record of the Henry who died in 1799 and it indicates 3 males over 16, 2 males under 16, 6 females, 3 slaves. This is not in complete agreement with the known facts about the family. Three of the four youngest children were yet unborn but there are two extra males over age 16 who may have other relatives or employees living with the family. Charles and William would have been the males under 16. The six women would have been Rachel (wife), Achsah, Anne, Eleanor, Henrietta and Rachel (daughters).

The will of another Henry Ridgely was probated in 1791. His executor was his son Henry. His estate included 19 slaves and he is probably the other Henry Ridgely in the 1790 census. His estate settlement continued after 1800 and these records must be separated from those of Henry Ridgely whose administratrix was his widow, Rachel Ridgely.

In a deed made 22 Sept 1795, Henry Ridgely, a blacksmith, purchased part of a tract of land called Jacob's Discovery from Dorsey Jacob for sixty-seven pounds.

"... Jacob's Discovery, beginning for the same at an old bounded chestnut stump partly burnt down standing on the south west side of a branch and at the distance of about five perches there from and running south eighty eight degrees and forty five minutes, west ninety three perches, then south forty five degrees, west twenty one perches and a half, then East by South eighty one perches and a half, then South forty six degrees, East one hundred perches then North eighty eight degrees and fifteen minutes, East thirteen perches, then North sixteen degrees and fifteen minutes, west one hundred and twelve perches then with a line drawn west to the beginning containing thirty three and one half acres of Land ..."

"Jacob's Discovery had been patented to Dorsey Jacob in 1795.

On 16 Feb 1797, a Henry Ridgely advertised his plantation in the Maryland Gazette (Annapolis) as follows:

"I offer for sale my PLANTATION near this city, it contains two hundred and thirty-seven acres, about one half thereof in wood, it borders on the Severn River, and is situate between two and three miles from this city. There are several very beautiful situations and prospects, commanding a view of the river and bay. The improvements are, an overseer's house, a kitchen, and a new framed barn. It has also several springs of excellent water. Possession may be had immediately."

Henry Ridgely"

This ad was repeated as late as August of that year. This may not have been the Henry Ridgely who died in 1799, but compare the above description with that in his estate filed in 1800.

The bond for the administration of the estate of Henry Ridgely is dated 14 Nov. 1799 and filed in Liber J. G. No. 3, folio 242 at the Hall of Records in Annapolis, Md. The administratrix was Rachel Ridgely, who gave John Ridgely and Charles Griffith as sureties.

"Maryland Court. Know all men by these presents that we Rachel Ridgely, John Ridgely, and Charles Griffith all of Anne Arundel County are held and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland in the full and just sum of one thousand pounds

1Anne Arundel Admin. Bonds, 1796-1804, Book NH#8, p. 29 (Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md.).
2In 2005, found there on film WK 202-203, item 3.
current money, to which payment well and truly to be made and done We bind ourselves, our and every of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators in the whole and for the whole jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our Seals and dated this fourteenth Day of November in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and ninety-nine -- the Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bounden Rachel Ridgely shall well and truly perform the office of administratrix of Henry Ridgely late of Anne Arundel County deceased, according to the Law, and shall in all respects discharge the duties of her required by Law, as administratrix aforesaid, without any injury or damage to any person interested in the faithful performance of the said Office, then the above Obligation shall be void, it is otherwise to be in full force and virtue in Law.

Rachel Ridgely (seal)
John Ridgely (seal)
Charles Griffith (seal)

Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of Jno Gassaway.

Mrs. Bernice Bushfield of Toronto, Ohio, has shown a considerable degree of interrelationship among the people mentioned in Henry Ridgely's estate and that many relatives on both the Ridgely and Griffith sides of the family were early settlers in what is not Ohio county, West Virginia. Beal Pumphrey was a son of Sophia (Ridgely) Pumphrey and a nephew of Henry Ridgely. Richard Boone married Cordelia, daughter of Mary (Ridgely) Pumphrey. Cordelia was a niece of Henry Ridgely. Charles Waters was a brother-in-law of Richard Boone. Mrs. Bushfield also located two further records of this Henry Ridgely family in what is now West Virginia, formerly Virginia. In Deed Book 2, p. 51, (Brooke County, W. Va.) is an indenture dated 28 Dec. 1799: "Beal Pumphrey and Elizabeth, his wife, county of Brooke of one part and heirs of Henry Ridgely deceased, of Anurandel County, State of Maryland ... in consideration of $2,496 to them paid by the said heirs of Henry Ridgely ... a certain tract of land situate in Brooke Co. ... Bounded by Joseph Hedges, William Boners, John Dual [sic] and Wm. Dunlap contains 206 acres by deed 208 acres by accurate survey for which their is a title obtained from the Commissioners for adjusting the claims to unpatented lands in the county of Monongalia, Yohogania and Ohio, in the names of Jemimia White, now Ogle & Elizabeth Meeks, now Pumphrey whose title is forever quitclaimed to the said Jemima Ogle, Joseph Ogle, attorney for Joseph and Jane Ogle". The tract was back of Beech Bottom on the ridge running to West Liberty. In Feb. 1815, William and Hannah Ridgely sold all their undivided tenth part interest in this land.3

Henry Ridgely's grave has not been found. He lived "on the Head of Magothy river". The following note may apply to this man: "On December 18, 1794, Francis Cromwell sold to Nathan Williams, Henry Ridgely, John Cromwell, William Maccubbin, Zachariah Ashby, Richard Boone, and Charles Waters one acre of land at the head of Rock Creek for the purpose of erecting a Methodist Meeting House. This was the beginning of the Magothy Meeting House or the Magothy Methodist church as it is called today." Many of these people are mentioned in the records with Henry Ridgely. The Magothy M. E. Church and graveyard and also the Temperance Hall can be found in an 1878 Atlas.5 The only opportunity I have had to search this graveyard came during a cold January, 1958, downpour. I got quite wet and cold, but my search was not satisfactorily thorough.

The historical marker placed at this church in 1977 reads: "Magothy Methodist Church, One of the first Methodist Societies in Anne Arundel County. Log church originally erected on tract acquired in 1764, now the cemetery. Bishop Francis Asbury preached here August 27, 1777. Church built on present site in 1859 was destroyed by fire in 1886. Rebuilt as it now stands, 1887."

The family appears in the 1800 census, after the death of Henry.

Rachel Ridgely
2 males under 10    2 females under 10
1 male 10 to 16     2 females 10 to 16
1 male 16 to 26     2 females 16 to 26
1 female over 45

3Letter from Bernice Bushfield (Toronto, Ohio) to Dan W. Olds, 15 March 1962; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, SC).
6Magothy Methodist Church & Cemetery, online freepages.genealogy.com/~chesapeake/churches/anne_arundel/magothy_methodist_church_cemetery.html. Hereinafter cited as Magothy Methodist Church & Cemetery.
The male ten to sixteen years of age would be William Henry Ridgely.

The following is from the Proceedings of the Court, 1797 - 1805:
"At a meeting of the Orphans Court for Anne Arundel County on the Second Tuesday of April 1800 being the 8th day of same month were present
The Worshipful James Mackubin
Jonathan Pinkney Esquire

Rachel Ridgely comes into court and prays to be appointed guardian to Anne, Eleanor, Henrietta, William, Rachel, Sarah, Nicholas and Davidge Ridgely, and the said Rachel Ridgely offers John Ridgely and Charles Griffith as sureties, which sureties the court approves of and orders that bond be taken in the sum of £500. "

The guardian bonds were filed the same day, 8 April 1800, in the following form: (recorded in Liber J. G. 3, folios 258 - 263 and filed in Box 47, folder 37, Hall of Records, Annapolis, Maryland):
"Maryland ___ Ct .  Know all men by these presents that we Rachel Ridgely, John Ridgely and Charles Griffith -- all of Anne Arundel County are held and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland in the full and just sum of Five hundred Pounds current money, to which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves and every of us, our and every of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, in the whole and for the whole, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our Seals and dated this eighth Day of April in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred.

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Rachel Ridgely as Guardian to William Ridgely of Anne Arundel County shall faithfully account with the Orphans Court of Anne Arundel County as directed by Law for the management of the Property and Estate of the Orphan under her care, and shall also deliver up the said property agreeable to the order of the said Court or the direction of Law, and shall in all respects perform the Duty of Guardian to the said William Ridgely according to law. Then the above obligation shall cease it shall otherwise remain in full force and virtue in Law

Signed and sealed in the presence of Jno. Gassaway
(Sign) Rachel + Ridgely (seal)
mark
John Ridgely (seal)
Charles Griffith (seal)"

Bonds were file for (1) Davidge Griffith Ridgely, (2) Rachel Ridgely, (3) Nicholas Ridgely, (4) Henrietta Ridgely, (5) William, (6) Eleanor, (7) Anne and (8) Sarah. William's bond was recorded on folio 261.

Box 47, folder 43 (Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md.) contains the return of the evaluation of the property belonging to the orphans of Henry Ridgely. It was filed 12 June 1800.

"Whereas we the Subscribers whose Names are hereunto subscribed being appointed by the orphan's court of Anne Arundel County, being first duly qualified on the 26 day of May, after Examining the premises of Henry Ridgely late of Anne Arundel deceased do make the Following Return of the estate of Ann, Eleanor, Henrietta, William, Rachel, Sarah, Nicholas and Davidge Griffith Ridgely orphans of the aforesaid Henry Ridgely 221 acres of land, 85 acres land under fencing in tolerable Repair and in cultivation 31 acres cut down 115 in woods. The Principle dwelling house 16 feet wide by 36 feet long part frame and part logs out of repair, one frame barn 16 by 20 out of Repair one corn house 12 by fifteen in tolerable repair, one Meet house 8 by 10 new one Smith's shop 16 by 18 out one log kitchen 12 by 16 much out of Repair one log dwelling house 16 by 20 in tolerable repair one garden enclosed with common pailing 100 feet Squear a young baring Apple Orchard consisting of 120 trees 4 small work horses and one three year old colf 6 grown horned cattle, and six yearlings, 2 sows and fifteen shotes, 5 sheep and good cart, 2 old plows gears etc

Value annually exclusive of the assessment widows thirds and the Heirs parts that is of age considered, we assert it to be fifty two Dollars and fifty one cents.
The words exclusive of first inserted

Francis Cromwell
Chas. Waters"

The attached appointment to make this evaluation was given by Jno. Gassaway, Register of Wills, Anne Arundel County. On the back of the above return was the following incorrect arithmetic which helps in the interpretation of the document.

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7In 2005, found on film WK 202-203, item 3.
8In 2005, I asked Robert Barnes at the Maryland Archives for the meaning or interpretation of the symbol frequently used in Maryland Court documents which I have recorded merely as Ct. He said it represents a part of the full formulaic name of the court, but did not know the text for which it stands.
If this was paid to Boone, it is not the same note that Charles Waters later held. It is no coincidence that this amount, £234 which is also $624, was exactly one-fourth of the amount the Henry Ridgely paid to purchase the land in Brooke County, Virginia.

Quoting again from the Proceedings of the Court, 1797 - 1805 (18 July 1800)

"The Court direct agreeably to the Petition of Rachel Ridgely, administratrix of Henry Ridgely late of Anne Arundel County deceased that the said Rachel Ridgely make Sale of the personal property of the deceased for the payment of his Debts and that she return the sale thereof to this court for ratification."

In preparation for the sale, the following notice appeared in the Maryland Gazette (Annapolis) on 24 July, 31 July and 7 Aug. 1800"

"Pursuant to an order of the orphans court of Ann Arundel County, will be SOLD for ready money, at PUBLIC SALE, on Thursday the 14th day of August next, if fair, if not, the first fair day, at the place formerly belonging to HENRY RIDGELY deceased, consisting of stock of all kinds, household furniture, etc. The sale to commence at 10 o'clock in the morning.

July 22, 1800  Rachel Ridgely, Administratrix."

Additional sales were held. In the Maryland Gazette for 12 Feb. 1801 the following notice appeared:

"Will be SOLD at PUBLIC SALE, on Wednesday the 25th day of March next, if fair, if not the first fair day, at the late dwelling house of HENRY RIDGELY, deceased, on the head of Magothy river, All the PERSONAL PROPERTY of the deceased, consisting of some valuable stock of all kinds, household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils and two sets of blacksmiths tools. The above property will be sold for cash only, the sale to begin at 9 o'clock. Rachel Ridgely, Executrix""

This note was dated 5 Feb. 1801 and appeared again in the issues of 19 Feb., 26 Feb., and 5 March.

Sales were reported to the court on 1 Aug. 1801 (recorded in JG 3, p. 488ff and filed in Box 53, folder 24, Hall of Records, Annapolis). Sales held on 2 Oct. 1800 and 5 May 1801 are also mentioned. One item that sold was four lots of old iron. The listing required several pages. Some of the names in the report are: Walter Pumphrey, John Boone, Rachel Ridgely, John Ridgely, Robert Griffith, Aeshah Ridgely, Charles Ridgely, Charles Waters, Amasa Linthicum, Mary P. Ridgely, and James Maccubbin. Mention is also made of 234 pounds due Beal Pumphrey and paid to Richard Boone for him. Money was also due to Peregrine Ridgely.

A note to Beal Pumphrey was the cause of further revealing records:

"This my note shall oblige me my heirs Executors administrators and assigns to pay or cause to be paid unto Beal Pumphrey his heirs or assigns the just and full sum of six hundred and twenty four dollars on or before the first day of November 1800 it being for value received with legal interest from the 1 day of November 1799 as witness my hand and seal this thirteenth day of October 1798

Henry Ridgely (SEAL)"

If this was paid to Boone, it is not the same note that Charles Waters later held. It is no coincidence that this amount, £234 which is also $624, was exactly one-fourth of the amount the Henry Ridgely paid to purchase the land in Brooke County, Virginia.
Although I thought November would fit with other records, December is clearly what Beal Pumphrey wrote. This is the same date as the deed in Brooke County, Virginia.

Charles Waters v. estate of Henry Ridgely, Chancery Papers, #5541: see film SR5154, Liber 56, folio 14ff (1803), Archivist, Hall of Records, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD.

On 19 May 1803, Alexander Contee Hanson, Chancellor, issued a decree that the land be sold, appointing Francis Cromwell of Ann Arundel County as trustee for making the sale and laying out the conditions for posting bond, making the sale, and reporting back to the court.

An answer is included in which the children and son-in-law admit to the facts as stated. This suit is also recorded in Liber 56, folio 14: Waters, Charles vs. Britanham Clarage and Ashsah uxr, Charles, Ann, Eleanor, Henrietta, William, Sarah, Rachel, Nicholas, David [sic] G. Ridgely. There is a Bill, Answer, Trustees Report, and Auditors Report. Jacobs Discovery and Piney Grove are mentioned. Francis Cromwell was one of the Trustees.

In Chancery, February term, 1803, Francis Cromwell, as trustee, was required to insert a sale notice in the Maryland Gazette. On 23 Nov. 1803, the trustees, including Cromwell, filed a report that "Jacob's Discovery supposed to contain 40 1/2 acres at and for the price of $11.06 per acre and Piney Grove supposed to contain 222.75 acres and thirteen perches at and for the price of six dollars and ninety six cents per acre had been sold to Charles Waters of Anne Arundel Co." The sale had been made on the eighth day of the previous August.

On 14 Nov. 1804, Robt. Denney, Auditor of the Court of Chancery, reported the account between the estate of Henry Ridgely, deceased, and the Trustee as having a value of $1954.26 from the sale of the two parcels of land mentioned above with a balance of 390.9.18, after the Court costs, Auditor's fee, and the claimants claim had been paid. Monetary amounts in this account are variously stated in lbs. Tobacco, dollars, or pounds, shillings, and pence. As an example, the Attorney fee was 600 lbs Tobacco or £3 15s and "seals and taxes" were 300 lbs Tobacco or £1.17.6. Thus there were 12 pence to the shilling, 20 shillings to the pound and the price of tobacco was 12 shillings 6 pence per hundred weight. The dollar was apparently worth 7s 6p.

The account was dated the day of the sale, 8 Aug. 1803, and Charles Waters, the assignee of Beale Pumphrey, was given £234.0.0 with interest "from November 1, 1799 to this day, 3 years 9 mo. 7 days" (or £52.18.4). The interest may have been calculated as 6 percent simple interest.

Each of the ten children, by name, received a tenth part of the balance or £39.0.11 6/10. None of the land proceeds went to the widow.

The final account of this estate is in Box 41, folder 70, and The Balance and Distribution (see below) is in Box 72, folder 1 (Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md.). Both records were made in 1805.

"Henry Ridgely his distribution 14th Feby. 1805
Anne Arundel Ct. the
14 day of February 1805
to the balance of your final account passed this day amounting to £ 162-2-7
John Ridgely and Charles Griffith Sureties on the Admr.

Memmd. Their is a List of debts returned as desperate that when collected will be accounted for amounting to £ 31-13-77 13

Mrs. Rachel Ridgely administratrix of Henry Ridgely late of Anne Arundel County Deceased

D. Cr. by distribution is as follows Vitz. to Rachel Ridgely, the widow of the deceased one third of the balance £ 54--0--10 1/4

To Acshah Claridge one tenth part of the balance after the widows thirds being deducted therefrom is 10-16-2

to Charles Ridgely, Anne Maccubin, Eleanor Maccubbin, Henrietta Ridgely, Rachel Ridgely, Sarah Ridgely, William Ridgely, Nicholas Ridgely, Davidge G. Ridgely ditto

to fractional parts remaining to be accounted for 3/4

Balance of estate accounted for £ 162-2-7

Jno Gassaway Reg. Wills Anne Arundel County.

The conclusion that the Henry Ridgely, son of William Ridgely III, was the same as the Henry Ridgely who died intestate in 1799 is based on the following points:

1. The names Greenberry Ridgely and John Ridgely appear as kindred on the estate inventory of Henry Ridgely who died in 1799. These are the names of three of the sons of William Ridgely III.

2. The use of the name William and especially the unusual name Orrick among the descendants of Henry Ridgely, d. 1799, argues strongly for a connection with William Ridgely III whose wife was Mary Orrick.

3. William Ridgely III left part of Piney Grove to his sons John, Henry, and Greenberry jointly. A tract of land of this name was in the estate of the Henry Ridgely, d. 1799. (However, Piney Grove must have originally been a large tract and by this time belonged, in part, to several people. It was a tract of 530 acres when patented to Phillip Hammond in 1730.)

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1377 pence makes no sense; perhaps the number is 11. Furthermore, the sum is valid without this figure since 162.2.7 = 54.0.10.1/4 + 0.0.0.3/4 + 10 x (10.16.2).

14Henry Ridgely, Appraisal and Inventory Box 49, Folder 4 (AA County Testamentary Papers), Archivist, Hall of Records, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD. Hereinafter cited as Appraisal and Inventory for Henry Ridgely.

15 Apparently Lloyd Ridgely thought his grandfather's name was William. Perhaps this was confusion with his great-grandfather.
4. The chronology is feasible, but requires further support. The second known child of the Henry Ridgely who died in 1799 was born in 1779, implying that Henry was born by about 1756. The 1800 census indicates that Rachel was born by about 1755 and Henry was likely to have been somewhat older.

William Ridgely III married in 1726 and had ten children before writing his will in 1768, at which time at least the five daughters were married. His son, Henry Ridgely, was surely twenty-one or over when he came to probate the estate in 1778. He appears to have been a younger son, but older than Greenberry, born in 1754. This is in good agreement with the estimated birth date for the Henry Ridgely who died in 1799. (Note that it is also possible to insert a generation here, making the Henry Ridgely, d. 1799, a grandson of William III. No supporting evidence is known, however.)

5. Other names appearing in the estate papers of Henry Ridgely, d. 1799, can be shown to be closely related to Henry, son of William III. For example: Mary P. Ridgely, sister-in-law; Beal Pumphrey, nephew; Richard Boone, nephew-in-law; Peregrine Ridgely, probably nephew; Charles Waters, married a half-sister of Richard Boone.

6. No other identification of Henry Ridgely, son of William, or of Henry, d. 1799, is known to have been made nor has any conflicting evidence been found.

The foregoing records constitute conclusive proof that William Henry Ridgely of Wabash County, Illinois, was the son of Henry Ridgely who died in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, in 1799, and his wife Rachel Griffith.

Children of Henry² Ridgely and Rachel Griffith (see #3) were as follows:

i. Acshah¹ was born circa 1778. She married Brittanham Claridge on 21 Dec 1801 in Anne Arundel County, MD.¹⁷

She appears to have been the oldest child and the first to be married. She was first named in the estate papers of her father as Acshah Ridgely then as Acshah Clarage or Claridge, wife of Brittanham Claridge.

ii. Charles H. was born on 16 Feb 1779.¹⁸ He died circa 1854 in Muskingum County, OH.

His will, dated 10 Dec. 1853 and probated in Muskingum County, Ohio, names his wife Anne and his brothers William H. of Illinois and Nicholas of Baltimore. No children are mentioned. He was living in Ohio by 1840. According to the 1850 census of Newton twp., District #13, Muskingum County, Ohio, Charles H. Ridgely was age 71, born in Maryland. Anna Ridgely, age 78, was also born in Maryland. No one else was in the household.

iii. Anne was born circa 1781. She married Lloyd Maccubbin.¹⁹ She died before 1840.

They apparently had no surviving children.

iv. Eleanor was born circa 1783. She married John Maccubbin.²⁰

v. Henrietta was born circa 1785. She married Isaac Ludley.²¹
1. vi. **WILLIAM HENRY.**

vii. **RACHEL**\(^{22}\) was born circa 1788.\(^{23}\)

viii. **SARAH** was born circa 1790. She married Allen White. 
   She was living in Baltimore, Maryland in 1840.

ix. **NICHOLAS**\(^{24}\) was born circa 1792.
   Possibly this is the Nicholas Ridgely, chair maker, age 55, listed with his wife 
   Ann, age 44, in the 18th Ward of Baltimore City in the 1850 federal census.

x. **DAVID GEFFRINT** was born on 17 Feb 1794.\(^{25}\)
   He was living out of the state of Maryland in 1840. There is, however, a David 
   Ridgely, age 40-50, listed in the 1840 census of Anne Arundel County, Maryland. 
   In the 1850 census, a David Ridgely, age 57, with Ann, age 54, and several 
   children are listed in Washington, DC. I do not have enough information to 
   connect them, however.

3. **RACHEL**\(^{2}\) **GRIFFITH** (**Charles**, #6) was born before 1755 in Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^{26}\) She married 
   Henry Ridgely (see #2), son of William Ridgely III and Mary Orrick, before 1778. She died before 1 Oct 1840 in 
   Anne Arundel County, MD.

   Newman's list\(^{27}\) shows her as having married "C. Ridgely". When I inquired of him about this, he wrote 
   "I am like the politician -- do not quote me what I said yesterday, but what I say today. 
   "I quite agree with you that Rachel Griffith did not marry "G" Ridgely, but "H" Ridgely. Since 1933 I have 
   done a great deal of research on that branch of the Ridgely family, as it is the only branch of Ridgely which I get. 
   In fact, I have conducted extensive research on three branches of the Ridgely families with the hopes of including 
   them in my proposed third volume of Gentry."\(^{28}\)

   Although he chose to omit his Griffith material from the newer, three volume, edition of "Anne Arundel 
   Gentry", Newman did publish his Ridgely work, including material I sent him on William Henry Ridgely.\(^{29}\)

   Rachel's identification is clear from a petition first filed 1 Oct 1840 in Baltimore Co., Md., by the heirs of John 
   Griffith. This petition was transferred to Anne Arundel County in May 1841 and recorded in Liber 157, folio 
   326-327 of Chancery records (Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md.). It is quoted here for the considerable family 
   information it contains.

   "To the Honorable The Judges of Baltimore County Court sitting in Equity 
   "Your Orators Eleanor Warfield, Acshah Claridge, and Brittingham her husband, Amie Free and Moses Hicks 
   & Ann his wife of the City of Baltimore and Basil Griffith of Montgomery County in this State respectfully set 
   forth that a certain John Griffith late of Anne Arundel County departed this life in the current year intestate and 
   without children seized and possessed at the time of his death in fee of a farm or part of a tract of land lying on 
   the South side of the Severn Run in Anne Arundel County and containing two hundred and fifty acres more or 
   less which has been devised to him by his father Charles Griffith in his last will and testament dated on the 23d 
   day of August in the year 1803 & recorded in the office of the Register of Wills of Anne Arundel County -- At 
   the death of the death [sic] of said Intestate the following named persons were his heirs at Law and entitled in 
   coparcenary to said Farm, to wit. Your Oratrix Eleanor Warfield a sister to said John[,] Basil Griffith a brother & 
   one of your Orators and Robert Griffith a brother, of Anne Arundel County and the Children of Rachel Ridgely a

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\(^{22}\)She apparently had no surviving children in 1840.

\(^{23}\)She apparently had no surviving children by 1840.

\(^{24}\)He was living out of the state of Maryland in 1840 and in Baltimore in 1853 when he was named in the will of 
   his brother, Charles.

\(^{25}\)Lloyd Ridgely, transcript of list of Ridgely family names and dates. This record, preserved by several members 
   of the family, is traceable, at least in part, to Lloyd Ridgely.

\(^{26}\)Rachel Ridgely, 1800 microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com, shown as over 
   age 45.

\(^{27}\)Newman, *Anne Arundel Gentry*, 1933.

\(^{28}\)Letter from Harry Wright Newman (Maryland) to Dan W. Olds, 13 July 1971; personal files (Dan W. Olds, 
   Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, SC).


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deceased Sister -- to wit your Oratrix _____ Clarage, Charles Ridgely, of the State of Ohio, William Ridgely of Illinois, Henrietta Ludley wife of _____ Ludley of Harford County David Ridgely and Nicholas Ridgely residing out of this State and Sarah White wife of Allen White of Baltimore -- also the children of Margaret Holland a deceased Sister to wit John Holland and Jesse Holland residing beyond the State of Maryland, Amie Free and Ann Hicks two of your Orators --As also the child of Henrietta Gohegan a deceased Sister to wit Catharine Barrow of Baltimore -- also the children of Ann Ridgely a deceased Sister to wit Bazil Ridgely of Ohio, Charles Ridgely of Prince Georges County, Ann Marriott wife of Thomas Marriott of Virginia William Ridgely of Ohio -- Lloyd Ridgely of Washington in the District of Columbia and Caroline Todd wife of William Todd of Ohio -- also the children of a deceased Sister Mary Linthicum to wit -- Lott Linthicum, Hezekiah Linthicum [here the clerk omitted at least the word Elizabeth] McNee, wife of Benjamin McNee of Anne Arundel County and Matilda Wright wife of _____ Wright of Kentucky -- also the child of a deceased sister Achsah Boone to wit Charles Boone of Anne Arundel County -- also the children of Sarah Boone a deceased Sister to wit: Burley G. Boone, John H. D. Boone & Sarah Wheeler wife of Barrick Wheeler all of Baltimore, Ann Welch wife of John M. Welsh of the same place and Margaret Swansteed wife of Samuel Swansteed of Carroll County also the children of Charles Griffith a deceased brother to wit: Charles Griffith of Baltimore and Richard Griffith of Anne Arundel County.

"Your Orators further represent that said farm is now lying neglected and that it will not admit of a division among the many heirs herein before named, many of whom are nonresidents of this State, that the buildings fences and other improvements thereon will be falling into decay greatly to the injury of the value of said farm, and of the interest of your Orators and all others therein interested, and that it would be more advantageous to have the same sold & the proceeds of sale divided among the many heirs. -- That a sale thereof cannot be effected through the common law process & the relief sought can only be administered by a Court of Equity -- To this end therefore we pray that all the persons & parties claiming as heirs of the said John Griffith deceased, other than your Orators, and who are more particularly hereinafter named and cited to appear in this Court may come in and answer this Bill of Complaint -- as fully as if thereunto specially interrogated and may particularly state whether it will be for the interest & advantage of all the persons interested that the same be sold by a Trustee as hereinafter prayed and also whether said farm will admit will admit [sic] of partition among said heirs -- Your Orators pray this Honorable Court to pass a Decree ordering said farm to be sold & that the proceeds of said sale when made be distributed among the heirs of the said John Griffith agreeable to their respective interests therein & that a suitable person be appointed trustee to make said sale & effectuate the orders of the Court in the premises.

"Your Orators pray that process of Subpoena be directed to the following named residents of this State, to wit, Henrietta Ludley & _____ Ludley her husband in Harford County -- Allen White and Sarah his wife, Burley G. Boone, John H. Boone, Charles Griffith, Barrick Wheeler and Sarah his wife, John M. Welsh and Ann his wife all of Baltimore -- Robert Griffith, Richard Griffith, Lott Linthicum, Wesley Linthicum, Hezekiah Linthicum, Elizabeth McNee and Jeremiah McNee her husband and Charles Boone all of Anne Arundel County, Charles Ridgely of Prince Georges County, Samuel L. Swampsted and Margaret his wife of Carroll County and that an order of publication be passed to the following named nonresidents of this State to wit Charles Ridgely, William Ridgely, David Ridgely, Nicholas Ridgely, John Holland, Jesse Holland Bazil Ridgely Thomas Marriott and Ann his wife, William Ridgely Lloyd Ridgely, Caroline Todd wife of William Todd and Matilda Wright wife of ____ Wright -- directing them the aforesaid resident and nonresident parties to appear before your honors on a day in said respective process to be named and answer this Bill of Complaint and to stand to and abide by such order & Decree in the premises as my seem to your Honors agreeable to equity and good conscience."

**Generation Three**

4. **William**<sup>3</sup> **Ridgely III** (*William*, #8) was born in Anne Arundel County, MD. He married Mary Orrick (see #5), daughter of James Orrick and Priscilla Ruley, on 14 Apr 1726 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel

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<sup>3</sup>Griffith -- John, Equity Court petition, 1 Oct 1840, Maryland Hall of Records, Chancery, Liber 157, folio 326-327, copy in my files, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, SC.
County, MD. He died before 15 Oct 1777 in Anne Arundel County, MD. His estate was probated on 15 Oct 1777.

"Ann Arundel County Sct. the 15 day of October Anno Domini 1777 -- Sir. You are hereby required to Administer the Oaths to John Gray and William Gambril --- well and truly to appraise the Goods and Chattles of William Ridgely -- late of Ann Arundel County deceased in Current money of Maryland as far as the same shall come to their hands possessions or knowleg and to Certify your compliance herewith at the foot of this Warrant. Given at the City of Annapolis the day & year as above"

"To any one of the Justices Elie Vallete Reg. of Wills for AA Cty.
of Ann Arundel County"

Both men qualified almost immediately.

"An inventory of the goods and Chattles of William Ridgely Ju:r Des:d appras:d in Current Money of Maryland By us the Subscribers being Duley Quallified for that Purpose
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Negro Hagar 40 0
Negro Sampson 70 0
Negro Isaac 70 0
Negro Vallentine 60 0
Negro Pashence 30 0
To 2 Mares 24 0
To 1 Horse Colt 8 0
To 8 Hogg 8 0
To 6 Hogg 4 10
To 3 Cows with Calfs 12 0
To 1 Cow 1 Heifer 1 Stear 12 0
To 4 Yearlings 6 0
To 13 Sheep 13 0
To 1 Bed & furniture 6 0
To 1 Ditto with Ditto 5 0
To Saddle & Bridle 2 0
To 1 Table 40/ ... 2 Ditto 11/ 2 11
To Box Iron with Heaters [?] 0 8
To 1 Lining wheel 0 12
To 1 wooling wheel 0 8
To 1 Looking glass 0 12
To 1 Chist 10/ 1 Par stillards 12/6 1 2
To 1 Par Hand Irons 0 12
To 1 Old Gun 10/- & old Chears.. 12/ 1 2
To 1 Chist 0 7
To 1 Pott 30/- 1 Ditto 12/6 2 2
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To 1 frying pann[?] 2/6 Bake Iron 1/6 0 4
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In witness whereof we have heare unto Set our Hands
John Gray
W Gambrill
Mary Ridgley
his
Joseph IP Pumphrey
mark
Reason Pumfry

Ann Arundel Cty. Came Henry Ridgely one of the admsrs of Wm. Ridgely Junr
the 9 Sept. 1778 late of AA Cty deceased and made Oath that this is
a true and perfect Invr. of the Goods and Chattels of the deceased that came to his hands or possession at the
time of making thereof and that what hath Since or shall thereafter come to his hands he will return in an
additional Inventory and that If he Should discover any concealment he will acquaint the Register with it that it
may enquired into

Sworn before me Elie Vallette Reg.32

"IN THE NAME OF OF GOD AMEN The Tuenth Day of March Anno Domini, One Thousand Seven
Hundred Sixty Eight, I William Ridgely Son of William of Ann Arundel County in the Province of Maryland
Being in good health and of a perfect Disposing mind and Memory thanks be to an Almighty God and Calling to
Remembrance the uncertain Estate of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield unto Death when it shall
please God to Call, Do make Constitute Ordain and Declare this to be my last Will and Testament in Manner and

32William Ridgely, Appraisal and Inventory Box 1, Folder 40 (AA County Testamentary Papers), Archivist, Hall of
Records, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD. Hereinafter cited as Appraisal and Inventory for William
Ridgely.
form following First I bequeath my Soul to Almighty God that gave it me and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in Decent Manner as it shall please my Executrix hereafter named to think fit and appoint, And now for the settling my Temporal Estate and all such Goods as it hath pleased God to bestow on me. I do order Give and Dispose of the same in manner and form following. First I will that all those Debts that I justly owe in right or Conscience to any manner of person or Persons whatsoever shall be well and truly contented and paid within Convenient time after my Decease by my Executrix hereafter named. --

Imprimis I Constitute Ordain and appoint my well beloved Wife Mary Ridgely to be my whole and sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament.

Item-- I Give and bequeath unto my Beloved Sons John Ridgely, Henry Ridgely and Greenbury Ridgely and their Heirs forever, the following Tracts of Land Vizt. one Tract of Land called and known by the name of Ridgely's Chance whereon I now do dwell Containing three hundred and five Acres of Land more or less, Also a Tract of Land called and known by the Name of Spanish Oak Grove, Containing fifty Acres of Land more or less, Als a Tract of Land Called and known by the name of Good Luck containing fifty Acres of Land more or less being part of a Tract of Land Called and known by the name of Piney Grove All Lying and being in Ann Arundel County to be Equally Divided amongst them But if Either of my above named Sons should die without Lawful Issue of his body begotten then the part or parts of land to whom it did belong to be the right, Estate, and Lawfull Inheritance of the Surviving Brother or Brothers and their Heirs for Ever. --

Item I Give and bequeath to my son William Ridgely Ten Shillings Current Money which is in full of his part of my Estate, so that after my Decase he shall have no Claim to any part of parcel thereof

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Son Nicholas Ridgely Ten Shillings Current Money which is in full of his part of my Estate so that after my Decease he Shall have no Claim to any part or parcel thereof.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Daughter Priscilla Griffith thirty Shillings Current Money which is in full of her part of my Estate So that after my Decease she Shall have no Claim to any part or parcel thereof

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Daughter Jane Hands thirty Shillings Current Money which is in full her part of my Estate So that after my Decase she Shall have no Claim to any part or parcel thereof.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Daughter Mary Pumphrey thirty Shillings Current Money which is in full her part of my Estate So that after my Decase she shall have no Claim to any part or parcel thereof.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my beloved Grand Daughter Anne Griffith Ten Pounds Current Money to be paid to her by my Executrix above Named.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Mary Ridgely one Negroa Woman named Rachel and one Negro Boy named George Over and Above the third part of my Estate, But if my now said Wife should Intermarry after my Decase then the above said Negroes shall be appraised and what Ever they are appraised at in Current Money shall be Equally divided amongst all my Children, My Will is farther that my Son Greenberry Ridgely shall live with his Mother in my Dwelling House, and the Land in Equality thereunto adjoining According to the above Division to be his Lawful Right of Inheritance, To him and his Heirs for Ever, And in Case of his Death without Lawfull Heirs of his body begotten, to become the Lawful right of his Brother or Brothers above mentioned --

Signed, Sealed, published, pronounced and Declared by the Testator in presence of William W Ridgely

William Haslup
Thomas Iiams
John Haslup
Jacob Ryan

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

Anne Arundel County to wit Octr. 27th 1780 Then came Thomas Iiams & John Haslup two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of William Ridgely late of the said County deceased and severally made Oath that they did see the Testator sign and Seal this will & that they heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding & that they together with
William Haslup & Jacob Ryan Signed their Names as Witnesses to this will in the presence and at the request of
the Testator & in the presence of each other.

Sworn before me Thos. Gassaway Regr. Wills. --.33

This may be the William Ridgely who appears in the Journal of Francis Asbury, the much-travelled Methodist
Minister.

June 17, 1776 Rode to William Ridgely's
Oct 7, 1776 very solemn watchnight at William Ridgely's
Sep 11 1777 Preached funeral service at burial of William Ridgely. This was near the Magothy River.
The funeral may have been for William Ridgely III. However, William Ridgely IV died about this same time as
his estate inventory was filed 9 April 1778.34

Children of William III Ridgely and Mary Orrick (see #5) were as follows:

1. SOPHIA35 married Rezin Pumphrey.36

2. WILLIAM35 married Mary Ann Pumphrey.38 He died before 9 Apr 1778.39

The 1790 census of Maryland lists William Ridgely, William Ridgely, Jr., and
William Ridgely of Wm. This suggests caution in the identification of any William
Ridgely even earlier than that. It would be interesting to know whether William
Ridgely IV was the Lieut. Wm. Ridgely who was taken prisoner at Long Island in
1776.40 Although William died intestate, his estate distribution in 1785, as quoted
by Newman, gives a list of his children.41 Although Newman reports that the final
account of William Ridgely's estate was filed by Henry and Nicholas Ridgely on 19
Feb 1785, he does not report that this account shows that the estate had "paid
Westall Ridgely for the deceaseds 1/5 part of the principal and interest due for a
tract of land purchased of the said Westal Ridgley as p. written agreement
appears."

Both the original Westall Ridgely and his son Westall Ridgely died before
William Ridgely IV. Perhaps Westall Ridgely III, b. 1767, was involved, although
rather young. Further details on this transaction might be of interest.42

3. PRISCILLA45 married William Griffith, son of Charles Griffith and Mary Wolden.44

4. JANE45 married (---?--) Hand.36

5. MARY47 married Greenbury Pumphrey.48

6. ANNE49 married (---?--) Rigby.50

2. vii. HENRY.
viii. **JOHN**\(^51\) was born circa 1740.\(^52\) He married Anne Griffith, daughter of Charles Griffith and Anne Davidge.\(^53\) He died circa 1818.\(^54\)

ix. **NICHOLAS**\(^55\) was born circa 1743.\(^56\) He died in 1830.\(^57\)

x. **GREENBURY**\(^58\) was born in 1755.\(^59\) He married Rachel Ryan.\(^60\) He died in 1843.\(^61\)

The name Greenberry Ridgely appears in two distinct family lines and its origin in this one appears not to be in descent from the Greenberry family. This Greenberry Ridgely was born 4 July 1754 and married Rachel Ryan on 1 May 1774. She died in 1818 and he married again. He died 17 March 1843 and his obituary appears in the Baltimore American of 22 March 1843. He was one of the first trustees and first minister of one of the first Methodist Churches in America (in Anne Arundel County, near Big Patuxent River).\(^62\)

5. **MARY**\(^5\) ORRICK (*James*, #10) was born circa 1709 in Anne Arundel County, MD. She married William Ridgely III (see #4), son of William Ridgely II and Jane Westall, on 14 Apr 1726 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^53\) She died in Anne Arundel County, MD.

6. **CHARLES**\(^3\) GRIFFITH (*Charles*, #12) was born on 5 Mar 1719/20 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^64\) He married Anne Davidge (see #7), daughter of Robert Davidge and Rachel Warfield. He died circa 1803 in Anne Arundel County, MD.

He left a will as follows:

In the name of God Amen I Charles Griffith of Ann Arundell County being weak of Body but of Sound Disposing mind and memory praises be to Almighty God for the Same do therefore hereby make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following I give my soul in hopes to receive pardon for my sins through the merits of my Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ and my Body I Commit to the Earth to by Burryed by the derection of my Executors hereafter Named.

Item I Give and bequeath to my son Charles Griffith and to his heirs forever all my land lying on the North Side of Severn run where his Building stands.

Item my will is that my land on the South side of the run be Equally divided between my three younger Sons Robert Griffith John Griffith and Basil Griffith to they and and [sic] their heirs forever my will is that my Sons run out the land and marke where it Crosses the Brance and run from one Crosing place to the other and Dvid from from [sic] the Branch throug the land to the Outermost lines Each one haweing his part Convenient to his Building my will is that my son Bassil have my Mansion house with his part Convenient thereto

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Charles Griffith one Negroa Man name Sampson and one name Harry and my Prayr Book which is so mutch over and above his part of my Estate

Item I give to my son Robert Griffith one Negroa man name Dick and one name Joshua which is so much Over and above his part of my Esetae [?] 

Item I Give and bequeath to my son John Griffith one Negroa man name Allick and one Woman name Bess

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\(^{51}\)Ibid.
\(^{52}\)Ibid., p. 159.
\(^{53}\)Ibid.
\(^{54}\)Ibid.
\(^{55}\)Ibid., p. 158-0.
\(^{56}\)Ibid.
\(^{57}\)Ibid.
\(^{58}\)Ibid., p. 162-63.
\(^{59}\)Ibid.
\(^{60}\)Ibid.
\(^{61}\)Ibid.
\(^{62}\)Ibid.
\(^{63}\)Ida Morrison (Murphy) Shirk, *Descendants of Richard and Elizabeth (Ewen) Talbot of Poplar Knowle, West River, Anne Arundel County, Maryland* (Baltimore, MD: [Day Publishing Company], 1927), p. 106, note. Hereinafter cited as *Desc. of Richard and Elizabeth Talbot*.
\(^{64}\)F. Edward Wright, *AA Co. Church Records*, p. 40.
Which is so much over and above his part of my Estate

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Bassil Griffith one Negra man name Sam and one Woman name Cate and her youngest Child my Bead and Furniture and my lefthanded Gun and two Cows and Calves and one sow and Calves and one sow and Six pigs Which is so much over and above his part of my Estate

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Rachil Ridgley One Negroa Woman name Abigail and all her increase and one man name James Which is so much over and above her part of my Estate [?] item I give and Bequeath to my daughter Anne Ridgely One Negroa Sid and all her Increase which is so much over and above her part of my estate

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Henerator [?] Geogehegan One Negroa woman name Minte and all her Increase which is so much over and above her part of my Estate

Item I give and bequeath to my Daugther Elenor Warfield one Negra man name Nathan and Cates daughter Hannah which is so much over and above her part of my Estate

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daugther Margaret Holland one Negroa woman name Mol and all her Increase which is so much over and above her part of my Estate

item I give and bequeath to my Grandson Charles Boon one Negroa man name Moses if he lives to age of twenty one years or has lawfull Issue if not he goes to my Daughter Sarah Boon and her heirs Which is his part in full of my Estate

I Give and Bequath all my Resedue of my Personal Esstate after my Just debts and Fneral Charges paid to be Equally Divided Between my Eleven Children shear and share alike part and part alike that each of them have their proportionable [?] part According to Apraisement I do Hereby Appoint -- Constitue and Ordain my loveing Sons Charles Griffith Robert Griffith and son in law Vachil Warfield full and Soul Executors of this my last will and Testament herby Revokeing all former Wills by me made and this only to taken for my last will and Testament Which I hope my Executors will Carefully and Punctuly Observe and Execute without any Commission for their Trouble. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Affixed my Seal this 23 day of August 1803

all Interlineations being made previous to the Signing and Delivery of these Presents Charles Griffith (SEAL)

Tested by
Richd Marriott
Greenbery Pumphrey
Greenberry Ridgely

END of WILL

On 24 Sept 1803, the three executors and the last two witnesses appeared in Anne Arundel County Court for the probate of the will.

Most of the information in the list of children is taken from Newman, although he does say Rachel married C. Ridgely (rather than Henry) and he omits Achsah Boone who was apparently deceased by 1803. The list of names is supported by the Equity document quoted under Rachel Griffith Ridgely and those indicated as deceased by 1840 have been noted from there.

Children of Charles^ Griffith and Anne Davidge (see #7) were as follows:

i. HENRIETTA^ married Robert Geoghegan on 13 Sep 1782. She died before 1 Oct 1840.

ii. JOHN died before 1 Oct 1840.

He was perhaps never married and had no surviving children but his estate settlement provides a good list of his heirs.

\(^{65}\)Newman, *Anne Arundel Gentry, 1933.*

\(^{66}\)Powell, *Anne Arundel County Marriage Records,* p. 44, probably a license date.

\(^{67}\)Griffith -- John, Equity Court petition, 1 Oct 1840 copy in my files.
iii. ROBERT married Elizabeth Boone on 5 Apr 1787.68 He died in 1842; "The will of Robert Griffith was dated February 18, 1842, and proved in Anne Arundel County on May 10, 1842."69

iv. SARAH married John Boone.70

v. ACHSAYA married (---?--) Boone. She died before 1803.

vi. ANNE married John Ridgely, son of William Ridgely III and Mary Orrick.71 She died before 1 Oct 1840.

vii. MARY married Slingsby Linthicum.72 She died before 1 Oct 1840.

viii. ELEANOR married Vachel Warfield.73,74

ix. MARGARET married John Holland on 13 Apr 1789.75 She died before 1 Oct 1840.

3. RACHEL.

xi. CHARLES was born in 1758. He married Elizabeth Greene in Montgomery County, MD.76 He died on 3 Nov 1824.77

d. BASIL was born on 6 Jun 1759.78 He married Ruth Gartrell in Montgomery County, MD.79 He died in May 1841 in Fairview, Montgomery County, MD, at age 81.80

7. ANNE3 DAVIDGE (Robert, #14) was born in Anne Arundel County, MD. She married Charles Griffith (see #6), son of Charles Griffith and Mary Wolden.

She, as Anne Griffith, was named in the will of her father, Robert Davidge on 3 Jun 1769 in Anne Arundel County, Maryland.81

Generation Four

8. WILLIAM4 RIDGELY II (William, #16) was born in Anne Arundel County, MD. He married Jane Westall (see #9), daughter of George Westall and Sarah Wade, on 4 Mar 1702 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.82 He died before 10 Jun 1719 in Anne Arundel County, MD. "He lived only three years after his father, dying intestate in 1719. Letters of administration were granted to his widow on June 10, 1719, with Thomas Reynolds and Joseph Burton as her bondsmen. The inventory of the personal estate was filed at court on August 19, 1719, showing an appraisement of £139/4/9."[Inventories, Liber 2, folio 80].83

He is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIth Century. According to the listing, William Ridgely II migrated to MD. William Ridgely II married Jane Westfall [sic] and was a Historic Founder of Maryland. He died in 1719.84

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As recorded by Phi. Hammond on 8 Sept 1719, this inventory was made 29 Aug 1719 (I have not checked the original). Alexr Warfield and Jno Gaither, as creditors, approved of the inventory. Many of the items were described as being old. Several items refer to leather, shoes or items for making shoes. The most valuable signel item was a negro woman named Moll, valued at 30 pounds.  

"On June 16, 1720, Charles Carroll, Esq., released William Ridgely from a mortgage which his father, William, had placed on an unnamed tract of land, inasmuch as "William Ridgely in his life time paid one moyety of this mortgage and his wife since his death paid the other moyety with interest amounting to £27/4/7."[A. A. Co. Deeds, Liber CW no. 1, folio 211].

Children of William IV Ridgely II and Jane Westall (see #9) were as follows:

1. WESTALL married Sarah Isaac; "Westall married Sarah, born 1714, the second daughter of Richard and Sarah (Potenger) Isaac, of Prince George's County."
2. SARAH married Benjamin Yieldhall.
3. MARTHA married John Maccubbin.
4. ALICE married Samuel Meek. She married William Woodward.
5. WILLIAM.
6. JOHN was baptized on 20 Apr 1711 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD. He married Elizabeth Mayo on 1 Nov 1736.

Jane Westall (George, #18) was born on 8 Sep 1682 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD. She married William Ridgely II (see #8), son of William Ridgely I, on 4 Mar 1702 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD. She died in 1748 in Anne Arundel County, MD.

"Her undated will was admitted for probation in Anne Arundel County on March 11, 1748/9". The bequests included

"To son William Ridgely 40 shillings
"To son Westall Ridgely £5
"To daughter Sarah Ridgely negro and other personality
"To son John Ridgely "Abington whereon I dwell" and negroes.
"To daughter Martha Maccubin £10
"To daughter Alice Woodward personality
"To son John and daughters Sarah, Martha and Alice, the residuary estate
"Son John Ridgely to be executor"

[Wills, Liber 28, folio 132]

The account filed by John Ridgely, son and executor, on March 2, 1749/50 proves the marriages of the three daughters:

"£105/29 the value of the negroes and personality paid to Sarah Ridgely who had intermarried with Benjamin Yealdhall
"£30/15/3 the value of the personality paid to daugher Martha Maccubin and paid to John Maccubin son of

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85 William Ridgely, Inventory Maryland State Archives, film SR4328, item 2 (Maryland Prerogative Court, inventories), Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD, folio 180-183. Hereinafter cited as Inventory.
87 Ibid., p. 153.
88 Ibid., p. 156.
89 Ibid., p. 153.
90 Ibid.
91 Ibid.
92 Ibid.
93 Ibid.
94 Ibid.
95 Ibid.
99 Ibid., p. 17.
William husband of Martha
"£25/18/2 the value of personality for Alice Woodward paid to William Woodward her husband."
[Adm. Accounts, Liber 27, folio 287].

After obtaining a photocopy of this will, I found that it is dated and have made my own transcription.

"Know ye that I Jane Ridgley of Annarundel County in the Province of Maryland being of Perfect Mind and Sound Memory do this twentieth Day of December Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and forty Six make and Ordain this and no other to be my Last Will and Testaemnt in the following manner and form

"Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Son William Ridgley the sum of Forty Shillings current money Item I give and Bequeath to my son Westal Ridgley the Sum of five pounds Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Ridgley none Negro Woman Named Beck and her Daughter Phebe Likewise the choice of one Feather Bed and Furniture thereto Two Pewter Dishes one gallon Pewter Bason four Pewter Plates one ... mortar and Pestle one Bell motley Skillet one Iron Spit one Large Iron ... Covering and her Choice of Two Cows and Calves.

"Item I give and Bequeath to my Son John Ridgley one Negro man Named Jack provided that he Pay to my Daughter Martha Maccubbin Ten Pounds current money and the Sum of Ten Pounds to my daughter Alice Woodward also I give and Bequeath to my Son John Ridgely and his Heirs forever all my Right Title Interest and Estate Whatever which I now have or may hereafter have to that Part of a Tract of Land Called Abbington whereon I now Dwell

"Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Martha Maccubbin one Feather Bed and furniture.
"Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Alice Woodward one Feather Bed and furniture
"Item I Will and Bequeath all my other Remaining Part of my Personal Estate of What Nature and Kind soever to be equally divided between my Daughter Sarah my Son John my Daughter Martha and my Daughter Alice

"Lastly I constitute and appoint my Son John Ridgley whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament

Jane Ridgley (her mark)

Signed Sealed Published declared and Pronounced by the said Jane Ridgley to to [sic] be her last Will and Testament the above Day and Year in the Presence of us
James Cadle
John Wilmouth
John Wilmouth Jr

"On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written ...
"On the 11th day of March 1748 James Cadle John Wilmooth and John Wilmouth Junior the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Severally Deposed and Said that they saw the Testator Jane Ridgley sign and Seal the said Will and heard her Publish and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament that at the Time of her so doing she was as to the Best of their Judgment and apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they the said James Cadle, John Wilmouth and John Wilmouth Junior Subscribed their respective names as witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request. Sworn to me Wm. Rogers D Commy of Annl County.

10. James Orrick (James, #20) was born circa 1687 in Anne Arundel County, MD. He married Priscilla Ruley (see #11), daughter of Anthony Ruley, on 23 Mar 1709 in Anne Arundel County, MD. He died on 1 Apr 1715 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.

"James Orrick Jr. b. 1687 m. before 1710 Priscilla, dau. of Anthony Ruley of South River. Anthony Ruley conveyed to his da. Priscilla on Mar. 13, 1711 the tract of "Beetensons Adventure" and named her therein as

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102James Ridgely will (20 Dec 1746), Will of Jane Ridgely Film SR4420, Book 26, folio 132f, Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD. Hereinafter cited as Will of Jane Ridgely.
103He was said to be age 3 in his father's will of 1790.
the wife of Jas. Orrick. (AA Co. deeds Lib P K Fol. 359). "

James Orrick left a will.

"In the Name of God Amen I James Orrick of this Province & County being Sick and weak but in [?]fect sence & memory doe make this my last will & Testament. in manner & forme following (vizt)

I commit my Soul to God who gave it hoping thru[?] the merits of my blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain remission of all my Sins & a happy Resurrection to Life Everlasting & my Body I comitt to the Dust from whence it was taken to be decently buried at the discretion of my Exex: hereafter mentioned, and as to what it has pleased God to bestow upon me of worldly Estate (after all my just debts are pay'd) my will & desire is that it be equally divided between my Dear and Loving wife Priscilla Orrick & my two children viz my Daughter Mary Orrick & my son Ezekiel Orrick & that my Loving wife Priscilla have the use & occupation of my Childrens parts of my Estate towards the help of bringing them up that is my Daughter Marys part untill my sd. Daughter arrive at the age of sixteen years & then my wife to deliver my sd. Daughter Mary one third part of soe much as my Estate amounts to at my Decease and also my will is that my wife have the use & occupation of my Son Ezekiel Orricks part of my Estate untill my sd. son arrive at the age of eighteen years & then my wife to deliver unto my sd. Son Ezekiel one third part of soe much as my Estate amounts to at my decease

my will is that my aforementioned Daughter & Son be at their own Liberty at the ages aforesd. when they are to receive there parts of my Estate as aforesd. I make my Dear & Loving wife Priscilla Orrick my whole & sole Exex. of this my last will and Testamt: revoking all others as witness my hand & Seale this 25th day of March Anno 1715

James Orrick [SEAL]

Signed, Sealed & delivered
in the p.[?]sense of
Signum
Rebecka RR Ruley
Sarah SS Stevens
Henry Hill

Annap: 2d May 1715

Then came Rebecka Ruley one of the Subscribing Evidences to the above Instrumt: of writing & made oath upon the holy Evangelists of Allmighty God that she saw & heard the above Testatr: James Orrick Seal and deliver the above Instrumt: of writing as his last will & Testamt: & at the time of his so doing to the best of her apprehention he was of a p.fect sence and memory and at the same time came Henry Hill one of other Subscribing Evidence & being one of the People called Quakers Solemnly attested in the Presence of allmighty God that he saw & heard the above Testatr: Signe and deliver the w:thin Instrumt: of writing as his last will and Testamt:

Sworne before me Benja: Tasker Depty: Comr. 

Children of James’ Orrick and Priscilla Ruley (see #11) were as follows:

5. i. MARY
   ii. EZEKIEL was born on 21 Feb 1714. Ezekial Orrick, son of James and Priscilla Orrick, was baptized 31 March 1714.

11. PRISCILLA Ruley (Anthony, #22) was born circa 1690 in MD. She married James Orrick (see #10), son of James Orrick and Mary Slade, on 23 Mar 1709 in Anne Arundel County, MD. Abraham Woodward m.
Priscilla Orr [sic], 25 (?) 1715, so the month is unknown. Her first husband had died 1 April 1715.\footnote{111}

12. Charles\textsuperscript{4} Griffith (William, #24) was born on 20 Jan 1693 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\footnote{112} He married Mary Wolden (see #13) on 29 Aug 1717 in Anne Arundel County, MD.\footnote{113} He married Catherine Baldwin before 1728. He died on 6 Oct 1771 in Anne Arundel County, MD, at age 78.

His first wife was Mary (Wolden) Mercer, widow of Jacob Mercer whom she had married on 17 June 1713.\footnote{114} Capt. Charles married (2nd), in 1727, Catherine Baldwin who was born in 1705 and was a granddaughter of John Baldwin.

Newman quotes from Capt. Charles Griffith's "remarkable 'pocket book' which fortunately has been handed down to the present generation:

"Charles Griffith was married to Mary Mercer, the widow of Jacob, In the year of our Lord on August the 29th 1717.

My son, William Griffith, was born of Mary his mother the fifteenth day [Newman omits the month, but Stevenson says Aug.] 1718, On a Saturday at 4 a Clock in the Morning.

My son, Charles Griffith, was born of Mary his mother the fifth day of March 1719/20. On a Saturday at 6 a Clock at night.

My dafter, Mary Griffith, was born of Mary her mother ye sixteenth day of Janeuary 1721. On a Tuesday about 3 a Clock in the afternoon.

Memorandum. That my wife Mary Griffith Departed this life on the 18 of February 1721. And I give my dafter Mary to my brothear Orlando wife Catherine to nurse, who was about a month and 2 days old, and I give her nine pounds a year per agreement for 2 years which I pade and my brother told me, If I would lett her continer longer I should pay no more, only find her clothes which I agreed to, and so she continued.

Charles Griffith

John Griffith son to Charles and Catherine his Wife was borne on a Monday night about 9 a clock. In Ye year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eight 1728.

Sarah Griffith dafter to Ditos was borne Ye Thirty-first day of May on a Wednesday at 4 a clock on ye afternoon, in ye Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty-two.

My dear Wife Catherine Griffith, Departed this life on Whitsunday at night about Tenn a clock being the 13 day of May in the Year of our Lord one thousand and thirty three, in the twenty-eight year of her age. The Lord of heaven Receive her Soule.

Captain Charles Griffith departed this life on Sunday the 6 day of October 1771 about three quarters of an hour after five o clock in the Afternoon, 38 years 4 months, and 24 days, after the death of his last wife, in the 78 year of his age.

March ye 23 1777, Mr. Benjamin Williams departed this life and on the 25 of Aprill 1772, John Griffith married the Widow of the said Benjamin, May ye 24 on Tuesday 1774, Mr. John Griffith departed this life aged 45 years 5 months 8 days (by a fall from his horse) and on the 10 September 1774, Thomas Rutland married the widow of the said John."\footnote{115}

Capt. Charles Griffith lived in Middle Neck Hundred, on the north side of South River, about 6 miles from Annapolis. He was a vestryman of St. Ann's Parish in 1737, 1738, 1739, 1744, 1745, 1746, 1750, 1758, 1759, and 1760.\footnote{116} He left a will on 10 Apr 1767. It was proved in Anne Arundel County 17 Oct. 1771. Among the bequests were: five shillings to son William; Richardson's Joy, of 50 acres, James Inheritance, of 50 acres, Narrow Creek, of 41 acres, the island on the Severn, and all lands at the head of the Severn called Narrow Neck and negroes went to son Charles; daughter Mary White received personality; son John was bequeathed the dwelling and plantation called Griffith's Lot. This was to go to the children of Nicholas Worthington if John left

\footnote{111}{F. Edward Wright, AA Co. Church Records, pp. 71, 75.}
\footnote{112}{Ibid., p. 65 -- lists 4 children of William and Sarah Griffith.}
\footnote{113}{Newman, Anne Arundel Gentry, 1933.}
\footnote{114}{Ibid., p. 179f. No further reference is known to me.}
\footnote{115}{Ibid., p. 180.}
\footnote{116}{Ibid., p. 179.
no issue.  

Children of Charles^d Griffith and Mary Wolden (see #13) were as follows:

i. **William**\(^{117}\) was born on 15 Aug 1718 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^{119}\) He married Priscilla Ridgely, daughter of William Ridgely III and Mary Orrick.\(^{120}\) He died in Sep 1793 at age 75.\(^{121}\)

6. ii. **Charles**.

iii. **Mary**\(^{122}\) was born on 16 Jan 1721.\(^{123}\) She married Joseph White on 4 Mar 1738.\(^{124}\) She died in Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^{125}\)

13. **Mary**\(^4\) Wolden married Jacob Mercer on 17 Jun 1713.\(^{126}\) She married Charles Griffith (see #12), son of William Griffith and Sarah MacCubbin, on 29 Aug 1717 in Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^{127}\) She died on 18 Feb 1721 in Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^{128}\)

14. **Robert**\(^d\) Davidge (John, #28) was born say 1705 in Anne Arundel County, MD. This is an estimated date since his birth is not recorded in the St. Anne's Parish records, although those of siblings are. He married Rachel Warfield (see #15), daughter of Richard Warfield and Ruth Cruchley, on 12 May 1726 in St. Anne's Church, Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^{129}\) He died in Jun 1769 in Anne Arundel County, MD.\(^{130}\) He left a will on 3 Jun 1769 in Anne Arundel County, MD. "In the Name of God Amen I Robert Davidge of Ann Arundel County being weak of Body but of a sound Disposing mind and Memory do make and Ordain this my last Will & Testament."

"Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son John Davidge during his Natural Life my Dwelling Plantation with all my Lands Joining and his Heirs forever in fee Simple after the Death of my Son John Davidge all that tract or Parcel of Land being part of three Tracts called Smith's Rest, Ruly's Search, and Edward's Neck Beginning at a marked post standing near the Side of a Creek called poets Creek & running across my Land to another Marked post standing near the Road that leads to the lower end of the Neck and from thence to the head of Fishing Creek and from thence with the sd Creek & south River to the beginning Post, also all that other Tract or parcel of Land called Davidges Purches, Beginning at a place called Thomas's Point and Runing up the Bay Side to fishing Creek thence with the said Creek and South River to the Beginning. Item I give and bequeath unto my grandson Robert Davidge and his heirs forever in fee Simple after the Death of my Said Son John Davidge all the remaining part of my Lands contiguous to my Dwelling Plantation. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Griffith one Negro Woman named little Phillis and her two Sons one named Harry and the other named Paul. Also I give unto my sd. Daughter one feather Bed and furniture belonging thereto. Item I give and bequeath unto Joshua Yates the son of Elenor Yates during his Natural Live one Negro Woman named Moll and her Daughter named Fanny but in case the said Joshua Yates should die without Lawful issue, my Will is that the said two Negroes with all their issue shall be the property of my Son John Davidge and his heirs."

"Lastly I constitute and appoint my Son John Davidge my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament revoking all Wills made by me before the Date hereof I give and bequeath unto my said Son John Davidge all the Residue of my Estate both real and personal In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this third day of June in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Nine."

\(^{118}\)F. Edward Wright, *AA Co. Church Records*, p. 83.
\(^{119}\)Ibid.
\(^{120}\)Ibid., p. 83.
\(^{121}\)Ibid., p. 119.
\(^{122}\)Letter, Bernice Bushfield to Olds, 15 March 1962, Priscilla was a daughter of William Ridgely III.
\(^{125}\)Ibid.
\(^{126}\)Ibid., p. 179.
\(^{128}\)Ibid., pp. 179f.
\(^{130}\)Ibid.
\(^{131}\)F. Edward Wright, *AA Co. Church Records*, p. 93.
\(^{132}\)Letter from Sara Ellen Stubbs (5618 Teakwood, Galveston, TX) to Dan W. Olds, 15 July 1979; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, SC), His will was dated and probated in June 1769.
William Davidge (Seal)
Signed Sealed published pronounced & Declared by the said Robert Davidge as his last Will and Testament in presence of us the Subscribers
Will Thomas
Rob Johnson
William Lovell
"At the foot of the aforesaid will was thus written Vizt
"Anne Arundel County ??? June the 28th 1769 Came William Thomas & being one of the People called Quakers on his solemn affirmation declared & Robert Johnson & William Lovell the 3 subscribing Evidences to the within Will made Oath that they saw Robert Davidge the Testator herein named Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of so doing he was to the best of their Several Apprehensions of a Sound mind Memory and Understanding and that they Severally Signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.
Sworn before Elie Vallette D Commy AA Cty. #131
Children of Robert Davidge and Rachel Warfield (see #15) were as follows:
7. i. ANNE#3
   ii. JOHN#132 was born on 31 Oct 1727 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD. #133

15. RACHEL#4 WARFIELD (Richard, #30) was born in Anne Arundel County, MD. She married Robert Davidge (see #14), son of John Davidge and Elizabeth Hudson, on 12 May 1726 in St. Anne's Church, Anne Arundel County, MD. #134
Although a Rachel Warfield and a Lydia Warfield were baptized together on 26 Feb. 1713 in St. Anne's Parish, their parents are not identified and Newman does not claim this date for the children of Richard. Neither he nor Hurley provided any identity for this Rachel and Lydia. #135

Generation Five

16. WILLIAM#5 RIDGELY I (??, #32) was born in England. He married Elizabeth (??). He died in 1716 in Anne Arundel County, MD.
   "William Ridgely emigrated to the Province of Maryland, that is, he financed his own passage, and therefore was entitled to 50 acres of land as the following will prove:
   27 June 1672 Came William Ridgely of Anne Arundel County and proved his Right to 50 acres of land for Transporting himself into the Province to Inhabit [Patents, Liber 16, folio 553]
   "He was a brother to Colonel Henry Ridgely, but unlike his brother he lived a quiet life and acquired no great wealth. He was literate, however, and in his inventory were several books. He outlived his brother who bequeathed him his wearing apparel. His only known activity in the service of the Lord Proprietary was in 1678 when he received 240 lbs. tob. for participating in the Nanticoke Indian War." [Archives of Md., vol. 7, p. 96]
   "In 1679 he with twelve other gentlemen met at the home of Richard Rawlings and testified that John Vennall died seized of 50 acres of land then possessed lawfully by Richard Rawlings."
   "His early dwelling was at 'Ridgely's Beginning', but in 1700 he purchased a portion of "Abingdon" from James Finley where he later established his seat." #136 137

#131Will of Robert Davidge (1769) Md. Prerogative Court, Wills, Book 37 folio 209ff: from a photo copy obtained at the Maryland State Archives, April 2005.
#132F. Edward Wright, AA Co. Church Records, p. 94.
#133Ibid.
#134Ibid., p. 93.
#135Ibid., p. 74.
#136The deed was dated 12 Nov 1700 and was for 200 acres. See Dodd and Bausell, Vol, II, p. 19.
#137On 14 June 1705, at the request of James Finley, William Ridgely testified that he had, in 1702 and 1703 paid some of the debts of Gabriel Parrott.
"On August 8, 1710, William Ridgely with his wife, Elizabeth, joining him as grantor conveyed to Amos Garrett, Merchant, a portion of "Vennell's Inheritance, of 50 acres, which had been granted to John Vennell, late of Anne Arundel County, deceased. At the same time he deeded to Amos Garrett "Ridgely's Beginning" of 40 acres which had been granted by His Lordship. William Ridgely signed the conveyance. [Anne Arundel Deeds, Liber PE, filio 231] [The 40 acres called Ridgely's had been patented to William Ridgely on 18 May 1679 and was on the north side of the South River in a neck called Hogg Neck.\(^{138}\)]

"On October 3, 1712, William Ridgely Sr. and Elizabeth his wife and William Ridgely, Jr., 'son of ye said William Ridgely' and Jane is [sic] wife deeded to Mary Ridgely, Widow, of Prince George's County, 200 acres of 'Abingdon' for a consideration of £200. The grantee was the widow of Colonel Henry Ridgely who died in 1710. William Ridgely and his son signed the deed, while their respective wives made their marks." [Anne Arundel County Deeds, Liber IB No. 2, folio 10] [If the grantees paid 100 pounds to Mary Ridgely within five years, the deed would be void.\(^{139}\) (Thus, a mortgage.)]

"He died intestate. On November 16, 1716, letters of administration were granted to his widow, with bond placed at £60. Thomas Reynolds and John Rawlings were her sureties. William Ridgely and Jehosaphat Ridgely approved as next of kin, while Benjamin Warfield and John Gaither approved as the greatest creditors."[Inventories and Accounts, Liber 38a, folio 61].\(^{140}\)

William Ridgely I is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIth Century. According to the listing, William Ridgely I migrated to MD. William Ridgely I was born in 1645 and died in 1716. He married Elizabeth and was a landowner in Maryland in 1676. He is incorrectly listed as William Ridgely, Jr.\(^{141}\) "Elizabeth Ridgely adm--- of the Goods and Chattles of William Ridgely late of Ann Arundel County Deceased" filed one account of her expenses on 30 June 1718, including funeral charges, some payments for serving citations and for "passing" the report.\(^{142}\)

Children of William Ridgely I include:

8. i. WILLIAM.\(^{143}\)

18. GEORGE \(^5\) WESTALL (George, #36) married Sarah Wade (see #19), daughter of Robert Wade, circa 1678.\(^{144}\) He was buried on 17 Mar 1701 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD. He was Housekeeper of the parish.\(^{144}\)

He left a will on 1 Apr 1701 in Anne Arundel County, MD.

"In the name of God Amen The first day of April in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and one I George Westal of the County of Annarundall In the Province of Maryland Planter being Sick and weak in body but of Sound and perfect memory thanks be to almighty God for the same and calling to mind the uncertain Estate of this humane life and that all men must yield unto death when it shall please God to call do make constitute, and ordain appoint and declare this to be my last will and testament, Revoaking annulling and making void by these presents all other and former will and wills Testament and Testaments by me here to fore made and done either by word or writing and this only to be taken for my last will and testament and none other and first being humbly Penitent for my sins past and hoping to obtain forgiveness for the same and through the Merrits of my blessed Savior to be eternally Saved in hopes of which I Comitt my Soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it and my body I comitt to the Earth to be decently Intered by Executrix hereafter named and as for that Temporall Estate wherewith it hath pleased God far above my deserts to bestow upon me I give and bequeath the same to be disposed of in manner and form following, that first I will request that those debts and dues within right and conscience I owe to any person or persons and discharged in sume (?) Convenient time..."


\(^{139}\)Ibid., p. 68.


\(^{141}\)National Society, *Ancestor Roster, CDXVIIth Cent.*.

\(^{142}\)William I Ridgely, Account of Elizabeth, adm. of William Ridgely Film titled "Roll 45" (Maryland Prerogative Court, Accounts), Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD, folio 237-238. Hereinafter cited as Ridgely, William, account.

\(^{143}\)Letter, Julian H. Jacob to Olds, 20 June 1963.

after my decease by my Executrix hereafter named

Item: I give and bequeath unto my deare and Loving wife Sarah Westall all that plantation whereon I now dwell Situation Lying and being in Annardall County Aforesaid together with the land belonging to it during the term of her natural life and after her decease I give and bequeath the same unto my youngest Son John Westall to him and to his heirs forever but in default of Lawfully begotten then I give and bequeath the same to Equally divided between my daughters Alice Westall and Rachell Westall and to my son John Westall I leave my negro Child

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Sons Richard Westall and George Westall all that Parcel or Tract of Land called Jackons (?) Venture" Lying in Baltimore County on a Creek called Cuppotts Creek containing three hundred and fifty acres of Land more or less to be Equally divided between them Share and Share alike to Enjoy the same for them and their heirs forever but in Default of Heirs of their bodys Lawfully Begotten I will that the part and Share shall fall to the survivor of them and their heirs Lawfully Begotten but if both of my said sons Richard Westall and George Westall shall happen to die without Issue as aforesaid then I give and bequeath the Same to my Said Son John Westall and his heirs forever

Item: I give and bequeath unto the two children of Thomas Cheoney begotten of my daughter Sarah Cheoney called Elizabeth Cheony and Thomas Cheoney (both of them and heirs?)

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Cheoney the [wife of Thomas Cheoney the sum of five pounds --- money money to be paid immediately after my decease by my Executrix hereafter] named and to my afore named Sons Richard and George Westall each of them a Gun to be delivered as aforesaid

Item: Lastly I give and bequeath after my debts Legacies? and funeral charges shall be paid all the remainder of my Estate either of cattle hoggs sheep horses mares or other of my personall estate to be Equally divided my said wife and my said children Jane Westall Richard Westall George Westall Alice Westall Rachell Westall and John Westall Share and Share alike to be equally divided between them and of this my last will and testament contained in one sheet of paper I leave my said wife my whole Sole and full Executrix and in Case of her mortality I desire my two friends Mr. Leonard Wayman and my Son in Law Thomas Cheoney to be Trustees of my last will.

In Witnes whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and attached my Seal the day and year above written GEO: WESTALL (Seal)

Signed, Sealed, published, & declared in the presence to be the last will and testament of the above named George Westall in the presence of us
Richard Duckett
Christopher (his mark) Waters
Walter Phelps Jun.

On the back side of the foregoing will was Endorsed vizt: May ye 14th 1702 then came Richard Duckett and Walter Philips two of the witnesses and make Oath that they saw George Westall the within Testament Sign Seal publish and Declare the within to be his Last will and Testament and that at the doing thereof he was of Sound perfect mind and Memory.

Children of George Westall and Sarah Wade (see #19) were as follows:
   i.  Sarah was born on 31 Aug 1680 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County,
She married Thomas Cheney on 19 Aug 1697 in All Hallows Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{148}

\begin{itemize}
  \item \textit{JANE}.
  \item \textit{RICHARD}\textsuperscript{150} was born on 24 Apr 1689 in All Hallows Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{151} He was buried on 15 Jan 1710 in All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{152}
  \item \textit{GEORGE}\textsuperscript{153} was born on 1 Mar 1690.\textsuperscript{154} He married Anne Jacob on 23 Oct 1711 in All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{155} He died in 1718. His will was written 23 June 1718 and probated 6 Oct 1718.\textsuperscript{156}
  \item \textit{ALICE}\textsuperscript{157} was born on 21 Sep 1693 in All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{158} She married Benjamin Jacob on 1 May 1711 in All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{159}
  \item \textit{RACHEL} was born on 20 Jan 1695 in All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{160}
  \item \textit{JOHN}\textsuperscript{161} was born on 14 Jun 1699 in All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{162}
  \item \textit{JOSHUA}\textsuperscript{163} was born on 7 Nov 1701 in All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{164} He died on 4 Nov 1702.\textsuperscript{165}
\end{itemize}

19. \textbf{SARAH}\textsuperscript{5} \textit{Wade} (\textit{Robert}, #38) married George Westall (see #18), son of George Westall, circa 1678.\textsuperscript{166}

20. \textbf{JAMES}\textsuperscript{5} \textit{Orrick} (\textit{James}, #40) was born say 1655. He married Mary Slade (see #21), daughter of William Slade. He died between 9 Apr 1690 and 11 Nov 1690, which are the date of his will and the date of his probate.

He is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIth Century. According to his listing, James Orrick migrated to MD. James Orrick He married Mary Slade, was an original land patentee in 1683, and died in 1690.\textsuperscript{167} On 12 June 1677, James Orrick bought 100 acres of land called Flushing from Paul Dorrell. This land was between the Ann Arundel and "Maggaty" rivers. James and Mary Orrick (by their marks) sold this 100 acres on the north side of the Severn River to John Hammond on 22 Jan. 1689.\textsuperscript{168}

"The origin of this Md. family has been ascribed (but unproved) to the ancient Scottish family of Orrock in MD.\textsuperscript{148} She married Thomas Cheney on 19 Aug 1697 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{149}"

\textsuperscript{148}F. Edward Wright, \textit{AA Co. Church Records}, p. 2. For each recorded child, both parents are named.
\textsuperscript{149}\textsuperscript{Ibid.}, p. 7.
\textsuperscript{150}\textsuperscript{Ibid.}, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{151}\textsuperscript{Ibid.}
\textsuperscript{152}\textsuperscript{Ibid.}, p. 28.
\textsuperscript{153}\textsuperscript{Letter, Julian H. Jacob to Olds, 20 June 1963.}
\textsuperscript{154}\textsuperscript{F. Edward Wright, \textit{AA Co. Church Records}, p. 2.}
\textsuperscript{155}\textsuperscript{Ibid.}
\textsuperscript{156}\textsuperscript{Jane Baldwin, \textit{The Maryland Calendar of Wills} (Baltimore, Maryland: Kohn and Pollock, 1904 --), Vol. IV, p. 185. Hereinafter cited as \textit{The Maryland Calendar of Wills}.}
\textsuperscript{157}\textsuperscript{F. Edward Wright, \textit{AA Co. Church Records}, p. 2.}
\textsuperscript{158}\textsuperscript{Ibid.}
\textsuperscript{159}\textsuperscript{Ibid., p. 25.}
\textsuperscript{160}\textsuperscript{Ibid., p. 2. The first five children are recorded together, perhaps when Alice was born as she was the first child born after the parish was established in 1692. Rachel and Joshua are recorded separately.}
\textsuperscript{161}\textsuperscript{Ibid., p. 5. John was baptized 20 July 1699.}
\textsuperscript{162}\textsuperscript{Ibid.}
\textsuperscript{163}\textsuperscript{Ibid., p. 12. Joshua was baptized 7 December.}
\textsuperscript{164}\textsuperscript{Ibid.}
\textsuperscript{165}\textsuperscript{Ibid., p. 14.}
\textsuperscript{166}\textsuperscript{Letter, Julian H. Jacob to Olds, 20 June 1963.}
\textsuperscript{167}\textsuperscript{National Society, \textit{Ancestor Roster, CDXVIIth Cent.}.}
county Fife, on the east coast of Scotland, records of some of the name exist as early as the 13th century. The name is unusual and the source limited. Burke's Gen'l Armory contains only two or three entries under "Orrock", one listed as of Scotland but all bearing the same arms. The comparative infrequency of the name renders it logical to believe that ones bearing such a surname in the 17th century were probably of some branch of this Scottish family.

"Patents were issued to Jas. "Ourrouck" or "Orrick" on Nov. 30. 1665 for 190 acres on the "Bayside", A. A. Co. called "Orrwick" or "Orroick" and on May 1, 1688 for 150 acres on the north side of the Severn A. A. Co. called "Orricks Fancy". He m. (according to one source) Mary Slade with issue of the following named in his will.169 He left a will; as James Orouck, he wrote the will on 9 Apr 1690 and it was probated 11 Nov. 1690. His wife, Mary, was named executrix and was given 1/3 of the estate, both real and personal. To his three sons, William, age 10, John, age 5, and James, age 3, he gave the residue of the estate including 270 acres which came by heirs of Wm. Slade and 249 acres of "Orrocks Fancy" on the north side of Severn River. His overseers were Capt. Humphrey Boone and Wm. Slade.

Puzzlingly, the Maryland Calendar of Wills has an entry for "James Ohrouch" of Anne Arundel County for a will made 23rd Apr 1693 (no probate date) which left unnamed land to his wife Mary, the executrix, who was supposed to dispose of the land to the child (unnamed). Also unnamed land on the Eastern Shore was given to son William.170,171

Children of James5 Orrick and Mary Slade (see #21) were as follows:

i. WiliAM172 was born circa 1680.173 He married Catherine Duvall on 22 Oct 1700 in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.174

"William Orrick, b. 1680 m. Oct 22, 1700 Catherine Duvall, da. of Mareen Duvall the Immigrant and sister of Mareen Duvall the Younger who m. Eliz. Jacob dau. of John & Anne (Cheney) Jacob. This Wm. Orrick had issue of one son Chas. b. 1703 d. 1708. After death of 1st w. he m. Hannah (Greeniffe?) with issue of 3 sons. (no data on these.)."175

ii. JOHn176 was born in 1685.177 He married Susannah Hammond on 15 Dec 1719 in St. Margaret's, Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.178


10. iii. JAMES.

21. MARY5 SLADE (William, #42)180 married James Orrick (see #20), son of James Orrick and Elizabeth (--?--).

The will of William Slade, written in 1675 and probated in 1676, left his daughter Mary "my plantation whereon I live and to her heires forever". He also gave her 100 acres called Wolfe Neck. It is the record of the land that ties together the Mary Slade, daughter of William Slade, and Mary, wife of James Orrick and others.181
"Mary (Slade) Riggs Daughter of William Slade married 1st a Riggs. Then in 1677 she married James Orrick and after the death of James she married Richard Moses. Mary Slade (Riggs, Orrick, Moses) did not remain a widow nor did she remain inactive in matters of land as her name appears in many land sales and wills. In 1707 Mary Eagle was in possession of 100 a. called Wolfe Neck on northside of Severn River and 50 a. called Slade Additions in A.A. Co. Md. She was also in possession of 75 a. called Broad Neck and Orrick Fancy 150 a. which was surveyed in 1683 for James Orrick whose sons William and James are party to the 1735 sale. Mary Slade (Riggs, Orrick, Moses, Preed, Eagle) was 75 years old in 1735. She inherited land from her father William Slade's Estate."182

"Mary, married (1) James Orrick[q.v.], and (2) Robert Eagle who held the land in 1707. On 2 June 1701 Robert Eagle bound himself to William Orrick of Prince George's Co., the condition being that Robert Eagle and his now wife Mary consent and agree that each may manage their own affairs without any molestation of the other, if Robert Eagle shall quit all right in the estate of James Orrick and Jacob [Pred?] deceased, and to any part of these estates that may belong to Mary either by right of dower or bequeathed by the will of her deceased husband. Witnessed by John Athy, Jonathan Neall, Ralph Moss. [AALR, CW1:470-71]."183

22. ANTHONY5 RULEY died in South River, Anne Arundel County, MD.

Anthony Ruley of South River conveyed to his daughter Priscilla on 13 March 1710/11 the tract of "Beetensons Adventure" and named her as the wife of James Orrick.[Anne Arundel County, Maryland, deeds, Lib. P. K., Fol. 357].184

Children of Anthony5 Ruley include:
   i. FRANCES married Jehoshaphat Ridgely, son of William Ridgely I and Elizabeth (--?--), on 16 Nov 1721 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.185
   11. ii. PRISCILLA.

24. WILLIAM5 GRIFFITH married Sarah MacCubbin (see #25), daughter of John MacCubbin and Elinor (--?--), circa 1687. He died circa Oct 1699 in Anne Arundel County, MD. His will was written on 31 Aug. 1699 and probated 23 Oct. 1699.186

Writers on the Griffith family of Anne Arundel County, Maryland have claimed the family descends from Llewelyn ap Griffith (killed 1282), last native prince of Wales. The surname certainly must be of Welsh origin, but the connection has not been made. Stevenson188 says "The Coat of Arms borne by William Griffith and his descendants in Maryland is that of Sir Henry Griffith, of Burton-Agnes, York County, England, whose daughter and eventual heiress was Frances, wife of Sir Matthew Boynton of Boynton and Barnston. The same arms are also borne by the Somersetshire Griffiths, viz.:

Arms: Gules on fesse dancette argent between six lions rampant or, three marlets sa. Crest: A lion rampant, ore Motto: Gryf-f-fydd (Great Faith)"

William Griffith came from London, England, in June 1675 in a vessel owned by Michael Stuppel and Stephen Bernard, mariners, who on 18 June applied for a grant of 1,750 acres of land for transporting thirty five people, including William Griffith, to the Province of Maryland to inhabit. Newman189 suggests that William Griffith must have been a minor since he did not marry until about 1687 and obtained his first grant of land in 1694. This grant, 4 Nov 1694, was for "Griffith's Lot", 197 acres between the South and Severn Rivers. He also bought "Clark's

186Ibid.
"William Griffith came to Maryland in 1675. [Here Warfield has a paragraph alluding to Griffith, prince of Wales] "William Griffith took for his wife a daughter of another distinguished house in Scotland. She was Sarah Mackubin, daughter of John Mackubin, who came from the Lowlands, and claimed descent from the MacAlpines, of the Highlands, who go back to Kenneth II., the first king of Scotland. The issue of that marriage were Orlando, Captain Charles, William and Sophia -- Benjamin Duvall, youngest son of Mareen, the Huguenot." On 30 Jan. 1687, William Griffith, planter of Anne Arundel County, bought 60 acres on the north side of South River called Clark's Luck from Neale Clarke. Later, Thomas Reynolds, in right of his wife, relict and legatee of William Griffith, late of Anne Arundel County, had this deed re-registered.

Stevenson quotes the following will:

"In the name of God, Amen. The last will and testament of William Griffith of the County of Anne Arundel in the Province of Maryland, Planter, made the 31st day of August in the year of our Lord God 1699, in manner and form following, being weak of body but of perfect memory First, I bequeath my soul to God, that gives it to me, in hopes of a joyful resurrection, in and through the merits of my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, in Whom I trust to have remission of all my sins, and as for my body, I commit it to the ground to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, and as for my worldly goods, I dispose of them in manner and form following: I give and bequeath to my wife, Sarah Griffith, my home plantation and personal estate to her and her disposal. I give and bequeath to my son Charles and Sofiey, my daughter, the land lying at ____ called "Griffith's Lot" to be equally divided between them. I give to my son Orlando, one horse.

"William Maccubbin, William Ridgley, Jr. and Thomas Macaley were witnesses to the will, which was proved at Annapolis, Maryland, October 23rd, 1699, and recorded in Book H, folio 302."

After William's death, his widow married Thomas Reynolds, High Sheriff of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, and died 22 April 1716, having had issue. I have compared Stevenson's transcript with a photocopy obtained from the Maryland State Archives. I believe the missing place name is "Huntonton". Of Orlando Griffith, Stevenson says "His homestead at Huntingtown, bordering on Snowden's 'Summer Hill,' and surrounded by the homes of his friends, Colonel Ridgely, Nicholas Dorsey and John Worthington, was a Griffith home of historic importance. It is now known as the 'White Place' situated just north of the present Annapolis Junction on the west of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad."

Children of William Griffith and Sarah MacCubbin (see #25) all born in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD, were as follows:

i. **Orlando** was born on 17 Oct 1688. He died on 17 Mar 1757 at age 68. He left a will quoted by Stevenson.

Orlando Griffith married, at thirty, Katharine, only daughter of Capt. John

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194Stevenson, *Griffith Family.*
195Ibid., p. 35f.
197Ibid.
198Stevenson, *Griffith Family,* p. 35.
Howard by Katherine, widow of Henry Ridgely, and daughter of Colonel Nicholas Greenberry.  

ii. SOPHIA was born on 27 Apr 1691. She married Benjamin Duvall in 1713.  

iii. CHARLES,  

iv. WILLIAM was born on 15 Apr 1697. 

William Griffith, youngest son of William and Sarah Mackubin, removed to the Catoctin Mountains and became Commissioner and Justice of Frederick County. He married Comfort Duvall, daughter of Captain John and Elizabeth (Jones) Duvall, of Anne Arundel, and granddaughter of Mareen Duvall. 

25. SARAH MacCUBBIN (John, #50) was born say 1668. She married William Griffith (see #24) circa 1687. She married Thomas Reynolds on 30 Nov 1699 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD. She died on 22 Apr 1716 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD. She is not named in her father's will but is named, as Sarah Reynolds, in her mother's will and was made executrix. 

28. JOHN DAVIDGE (Robert, #56) was born say 1680. According to his father's will, he was under age 20 in 1681. He married Elizabeth Hudson (see #29), daughter of John Hudson, in 1704 in St. Anne's Church, Anne Arundel County, MD. He married Mary Docwray on 7 Nov 1723 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD. He died on 5 May 1764 in Anne Arundel County, MD. 

"According to St. Anne's Parish Records he married Elizabeth Hudson in 1704. She died 1721 A. A. Co. Md. She was the mother of his eight children according to the autobiography of Summerfield Baldwin in the Linage[sic] Books of the National Society of the American Colonists page 69. He died intestate. His second wife was Mary Docwra m. 7 Nov. 1723 at St. Anne's." 

I have not yet included, in the list of John's children, the Dinah Davidge who married Alexander Warfield on 3 Dec. 1723. She would make the 8th child, but her birth, as well as Robert's, is not recorded in St. Anne's Parish records with the other children. "On December 6, 1743, Samuel Howard was deeded a portion of 'Lancaster Plains' by 'Robert Davidge of Anne Arundel County Planter, son and heir of Elizabeth Davidge, the late wife of...

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199 Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos., p. 348.  
201 Ibid.  
202 Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos., p. 105. "Benjamin Duvall, of the Hugenot, married Sophia Griffith, in 1713, daughter of William and Sarah (Macubbin) Griffith".  
204 Ibid.  
205 Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos., p. 348.  
206 Rudolph Loeser, "John Maccubbin of Anne Arundel County," Maryland Genealogical Society Bulletin Volume 40 No. 2 (Spring 1999): This is Loeser's estimate of the date. Hereinafter cited as "John Maccubbin of Anne Arundel County".  
207 F. Edward Wright, AA Co. Church Records, p. 65.  
208 Ibid., p. 72 -- Sarah Reynolds, wife of Thomas.  
209 The Maryland Calendar of Wills (web version), online www.usgennet.org/usa/md/state/wills/01/096.html. Hereinafter cited as The Maryland Calendar of Wills (web version).  
211 F. Edward Wright, AA Co. Church Records, which does not include this marriage of John Davidge and I have no adequate reference for the date of marriage. The recording of their children begins with Hudson Davidg, born in 1707. The births of Bettie, Sarah and Azel are also included in this entry.  
214 F. Edward Wright, AA Co. Church Records, Wright does not include this marriage.  
215 F. Edward Wright, AA Co. Church Records.
John Davidge, who was heir to John Hudson, deceased."

Children of John Davidge and Elizabeth Hudson (see #29) were as follows:

14. i. ROBERT IV.
   ii. HUDSON was born in 1707 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.
   iii. BETTIE was born on 3 Feb 1709 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.
   iv. SARAH was born on 1 Jul 1710 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.
   v. AZEL was born on 31 Oct 1712 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.
   vi. JOHN was born say 1714 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.
   vii. DELILLAH was born on 20 Mar 1719 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.

29. ELIZABETH III HUDSON (John, #58) married John Davidge (see #28), son of Robert Davidge and Providence (--?--), in 1704 in St. Anne's Church, Anne Arundel County, MD. She died in 1721 in Anne Arundel County, MD.

"On December 6, 1743, Samuel Howard bought of Robert Davidge, of Anne Arundel, the son and heir of Elizabeth, the late wife of John Davidge, who was heir to John Hudson, deceased, the plantation "Lancaster's Plain". On July 7, 1744, he conveyed the plantation to Richard Warfield, Jr. for £70. Patience Howard, wife, waived her dower rights."

30. RICHARD IV WARFIELD (Richard, #60) was born circa 1676. He married Ruth Cruchley (see #31), daughter of Thomas Cruchley and Margaret Baldwin, circa 1698. He died on 23 Feb 1755 in Anne Arundel County, MD;

Newman (perhaps following J. D. Warfield) quotes an issue of the Maryland Gazette from 1755, without giving the exact date:

"Sunday last, died of Pleursey, at his plantation about nine miles from town on the Patapsco Road, Mr. Richard Warfield in the 79th year of his age who formally [sic] was one of the Representatives in many Assemblies of the County, and for many years one of our Magistrates. A gentleman of an upright and unblemished character."

Barnes states that the issue was dated 27 Feb. 1755 which makes the date of death 23 Feb. 1755.

In 1729 he gave a deposition regarding the history of 150 acres called "Crouchfield" which had been surveyed...
for William Crouch. Warfield gave his age as 53.235

"Richard Warfield entered the Lower House of the Legislature as a delegate from Anne Arundel County and served continuously until 1739. [Archives of Maryland, vols. 30, 34, 37, 39] He was on a commission to organize the public school system in Anne Arundel and for a number of years served on the vestry of St. Anne's Parish."236

Newman gives an abstract of Richard Warfield's will as follows:

"His last will and testament in which he was styled 'Gent.' was dated October 28, 1753, and probated in Anne Arundel County on March 12, 1755, with William Woodward, John Warfield, Jr. and Edward Baldwin as the witnesses. [Wills, Liber 29, folio 332].

To daughter Ruth Hall, wife of Joseph, 200 acres of 'Warfield's Contrivance' where Joseph Hall was then living.

To his niece, Elizabeth, the daughter of his brother Benjamin, then the widow of Henry Ridgely, he devised his share of 'Wincopin Neck' which he and his deceased brother patented.

To grandchildren John Davidge, Ann Griffith, Basil Warfield personality.

To children of his daughter, Lydia Ridgely, that is Lucy Ridgely, Samuel Stringer, Anne Coale and Richard Stringer personality.

To his cousin Richard Yate of Joshua personality.

Residue to son Alexander, daughters Ruth Hall and Lydia Ridgely.

Executor -- son Alexander Warfield.237

Children of Richard2 Warfield and Ruth Cruchley (see #31) were as follows:

i. LYDIA238 married Samuel Stringer.239 She married Charles Ridgely.240

ii. RUTH241 married Joseph Hall.242

iii. ALEXANDER243 married Dinah Davidge on 3 Dec 1723 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD.244 He died in 1773 in Anne Arundel County, MD.245

15. iv. RACHEL.

31. RUTH5 CRUCHLEY (Thomas, #62) was born in Anne Arundel County, MD. She married Richard Warfield (see #30), son of Richard Warfield and Elinor Browne, circa 1698.246 She died circa 1713 in St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, MD; Newman says that the death of the wife of Richard Warfield was recorded in the register of St. Anne's parish in 1713. Wright lists "wife of Richard Warfill d. (?) 1713" so the record gives neither her name nor the full date. Both Rachel Warfield and Lydia Warfield are listed as having been baptised there on 26 Feb 1713.247,248

Generation Six

32. (--??)--6 RIDGELEY. "The Ridgeley or Ridgely family in Maryland is composed of three branches -- Robert, Henry and William. The latter two are definitely proved as brothers, but no relationship either near or remote has been established with Robert Ridgeley's branch which first settled at St. Inigoes, St. Mary's county. Robert Ridgeley became one of the leading early attorneys-at-law in the Province and was the progenitor of the branch

236Ibid.
237Ibid., p. 416.
238Ibid., p. 415.
239Ibid.
240Ibid.
241Ibid.
242Ibid.
243Ibid., p. 415-416. Joseph Hall is named in his father-in-law's will.
244Ibid., p. 415, 417.
245Ibid., p. 417.
246Ibid., p. 415, 417.
249F. Edward Wright, AA Co. Church Records, pp. 68, 74.
which built Hampton House. This branch was conscious of its rights to display the parental coat-of-arms as is now evidence at Hampton House and also confirmed by the Maryland State Legislature after the Revolution." ... "As to the English background, although the writer is of Ridgely descent, he has been unsuccessful in his English research in proving the parents of the Maryland settlers. The ancient orthography was Rudgeley, a family seated early in Warwickshire, with a cadet branch in Staffordshire about the temp of Henry VII (1485-1509). The arms used by the Rudgeley of Warwickshire and the Ridgeley had similar heraldic charges. The arms used by the Hampton branch were: "Argent, on a chevron sable three mullets pierced, of the first". Crest: A buck's head erased or."\(^{249}\)

Children of (--) Ridgely include:

i. HENRY. "Henry Ridgely emigrated to Maryland in June 1659. He had spent certainly a brief period in Virginia, where he courted Elizabeth Howard, usually stated to be a daughter of Matthew Howard, Sr., who was in Lower Norfolk County before coming up to the Severn with the non-Conformists around 1649. ... Henry Ridgely was of sufficient affluence to finance his passage and at the same time to cover the costs for four servants as well as his betrothed. In 1660 he received 5 lbs tob. by vote of the Assembly for some undisclosed public service. It was not until September 19, 1664, that he demanded land for his transportation into the Province and the transporting of his wife, Elizabeth Howard." "Henry Ridley [sic] Demands Land for Transporting himself which is entered in Burle's book and Elizabeth Howard now his wife, John Hull, Steven Gill, Richard Ravens and Jane his servants transported June 1659."\(^{250}\) He left a will on 30 Apr 1705; it was not probated until 13 July 1710 in Prince George's county. One bequest was to his brother, William Ridgeley, of wearing apparell.\(^{251}\)

16. ii. WILLIAM.

36. GEORGE\(^6\) WESTALL.

"A grant of 800 acres was issued to George Westill (Westall) under date of May 2, 1659 for the transportation of 'himself and George his son and six persons more" into the Province of Maryland. The tract was on the south side of the South River and was called 'Scorton'. The proprieter of "Scorton" apparently died intestate and nothing further is known concerning him.\(^{252}\)

The name a colonial settler gives his property sometimes provides a clue to his previous place of origin. The place name "Scorton" appears in Lancashire and the North Riding of Yorkshire, England.

Colonel William Burgess who lived near South River in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, died 24 Jan. 1686. He devised many tracts of land to his children including "I give to my sonne William my message land where I now dwell, near South River, together with eighteen hundred acres adjoining, which I purchased of George Westall, and one part of is a Town appointed called London, provided my wife Ursula, shall live there until my son is of age."\(^{253}\)

Children of George\(^6\) Westall include:

18. i. GEORGE\(^5\).

38. ROBERT\(^6\) WADE died in 1694 in Anne Arundel County, MD.

Robert Wade was a planter of South River, Anne Arundel Co., MD, who died in 1694. He named his "son" George Westall and granddaughter Jane Westall in his will.\(^{254}\) He left a will on 28 Sep 1694 in Anne Arundel County, MD; it was probated 13 Nov 1694 and gave 100 acres to son Robert and (failing issue) to grandson Robert Bayly and heirs. He gave a plantation to daughter Jane and heirs. This plantation was to go to daughter Temperance if Jane died without issue. He gave personality to Thomas Bayly and daughter Perserverance Bayly and to grandchild Jane Westall. His son Robert and daughter Jane were the executors, with son George Westall

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\(^{250}\)Ibid., p. 122.

\(^{251}\)Ibid., p. 124.

\(^{252}\)Letter, Julian H. Jacob to Olds, 20 June 1963, Mr. Jacob was a descendant of the Westall family and other early Maryland families.

\(^{253}\)Warfield, *Founders of AA & Howard Cos.*, p. 52.

and William Bateman as overseers. The witnesses were Robert Hopper, George Westall, Sarah Westall, and William Bateman.255

Children of Robert6 Wade include:

19. i. SARAH5.
   ii. ROBERT.
   iii. JANE.
   iv. TEMPERANCE.
   v. PERSEVERANCE.

40. JAMES6 ORRICK256 married Elizabeth (--?--) (see #41).

"Birth: [say 1620]. Death. by 1659. Marriages: Elizabeth who m. (2) Richard Moss [q.v.] Arrival: Immigrated 1650 with Mathew Clark, Richard Wood and Henry [-?-]; record says he d. 1659 leaving orphan James,[Patents, 4:69. A James Oroke was at Lancaster, Va. by 1652. Nugent, 276.].257 Skordas may be referring to the same record when he says: Oroneck, James, Immigrated 1650, died prior to 1659, leaving an orphan. (Liber 4, folio 69).258

James Orrick is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIIth Century. According to the listing, James Orrick migrated to MD before 1659. James Orrick married Elizabeth _____ and was a landowner in Anne Arundel County, Maryland in 1650.259

In three generations of James Orricks, the three wives have been given nine husbands. In the first generation, the husbands of Elizabeth were James Orrick and Richard Moss.

In the second generation, the husbands of Mary Slade are given as John Riggs, James Orrick, Richard Moses, Jacob Preed, and Robert Eagle. I'm still seeking evidence for John Riggs and it seems probable that Richard Moses is a confusion with Richard Moss or Moose of the previous generation. Also, I have nothing on Jacob Preed. Barnes, of Mrs. Mary Orrick, widow of John Riggs, even cautions "poss. heir of Wm. Slade" (emphasis added).260

In the third generation, the husbands of Priscilla Ruley are given as James Orrick and Anthony Woodward and this is well supported.

Children of James6 Orrick and Elizabeth (--?--) (see #41) were:

20. i. JAMES5.

41. ELIZABETH6 (--?--)261 married James Orrick (see #40). She married Richard Moss.262

Richard Moss, with wife Elizabeth, appears in the re-recorded land records of Anne Arundel County. They appear together in 1664 and 1668 and he sold land as late as 1669.263 Under Richard Moss, Russell says that Moss arrived in 1649 and "In 1661 he demanded land on behalf of the orphans of James Orrick for transporting himself into the province in 1650.[Patents, 6:105, 108; 4:69].264

Richard Moss of An Arundel County, Maryland, made his will 1 May 1675, with an addition written 7 Nov 1675 and it was probated 5 July 1676. He made his wife Elizabeth the full and sole Executor. One provision was: "Item I give & bequeath unto James Orrurke my wives son all my wearing clothes" and he also made "the said James Orrurke my loving cosen Ralph Hawkins & my loving ffriend William Hawkins Overseers of this my last will after my wife's decease or widowhood". This indicates that James was "of age" at the time. The children of Richard and Elizabeth (named as Richard, Ralph, Elizabeth, Alice and Ellen) were minors. Moss

255Baldwin, The Maryland Calendar of Wills, Volume II, p. 78.
257Ibid.
258Skordas, Early Settlers of Maryland, p. 343.
259National Society, Ancestor Roster, CDXVIIth Cent.
262Russell, First Families of Anne Arundel County, Vol. 2.
263Dodd and Bausell, Abstracts of Land Records, AA Co. MD.
specified "And further my will is that my wife or James Orrurke or whosoever else shall have the Possession of my son Ralph his Estate shall keep the housing in good repair the orchard well ---ed and replenish it with trees as any that shall -- add to the Number every year four bearing trees until my said sonne Ralph shall come to the age of eightenee". The phrase from the codicil, "And further my will is that my Land at the mountains in Clarkmore be sold towards the Payment of James Orrucke's Portion & the remainder to be paid out of the rest of my estate" indicates that James was to get some amount of cash not explained here.  

42. **WILLIAM SLADE** died circa 1676.  
Gerd Blotenburg says the wife of William Slade was Elizabeth Barker and that she died in 1709 in Baltimore County, Maryland. Barnes, however, gives no wife for William Slade.  
"Arrival: Transported 1649, service 1663.  
"Land: Surveyed 50 acre *Slayd's Hope* on north side of Severn River on 20 Feb. 1662; on 2 June 1662 100 acre *Wolf's Neck* in same area; and 50 acre *Slade's Addition* at head of Slade's Branch on 3 July 1671. On 15 May 1674 he bought from Quentin Parker for 25,000 lbs. tobacco a patent granted to Parker on 20 Feb. 1673, which Daniel Stansbury rerecorded. [AALR, IT5:134].  
268 He is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIth Century. According to the listing, William Slade lived in Maryland and died in 1675.  

Will of William Slade of Anne Arundel Co. dtd. 10 June 1676  
Prerogative Court (Wills) 5, pp 45-48 William SLADE 10 June 1676  

The last will and testament of William Slade of Anarundell River being in perfect health of body and of sound memory, Praised be to the Allmighty, but knowing of our sudden departure out of this Clay, have thought good to make this my last will and testament in manner and form following.  

Imprimis:  

I Bequeath to my sonne William SLADE, two hundred acres of land lying on the South side of petapscoe, formerly bought of Quinton Parker, deceased, and the cattle that may be called myn there, the land and cattle and their increase, to be his and his heires forever, and what else is there of myn, upon the said plantation, and a great gunne muskett, fore [meaning?? -- DWO] which is lent to Rowland [Vance? Nance?] and Robertt [Grime?]. I bequeath to him two gunns more, a Basturd muskett, and a gunne for squerrills, and a small brass pestill. Also I give him the feather bed I use to lye upon with the furniture belonging and a new suite damix curtains and a vallance never yett used, my Blackman and a gelding which goes by the name of nanies foale, and all my hoggs, excepting one barrow about three or four years old, which said barrow I give to Doctor Henry Lewis. I give unto my said sonne William my best saddle, with a snaffle and new curb bitt, and my small writing trunk, and a chest standing in the outward Roome, and a trunk standing in the inward Roome, a case of tooth pickers, and what money may be found of myne, and one pair of slate buttons for breeches, likewise all my wearing cloths, both linnen and wollen, a iron pott new, and a brasse kettle:  

Secondly I bequeath to my daughter Mary my plantation whereon I live and to her heires forever, only excepted my sonne to live upon it for the term of five years, without any lott [meaning?? -- DWO] or molestation, but to have the full power of it for the terms above said. I give likewise my daughter Mary one hundred [acres -- DWO] of land, more Called Wolfe Neck. I give her likewise my gray mare, to her heires forever, with her increase, a chest that stands in the milk house, a small trunk being marked I.K., also I give her my spice box, I give her one  

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264Barnes, Baltimore County Families, 1659 - 1759.  
266National Society, Ancestor Roster, CDXVIIth Cent..  
267This is the date of probate.
silver bodkin with the marke M.S. one silver tooth picker which was formerly her mothers, and a gold ring. I give her all my wives wearing cloths, both linnen and wollen.

Thirdly I bequeath to Doctor Lewis one mare foale, about two years old, and to his sonne Henry and her increase forever, the young mare, being the foale of the gray mare.

Fourthly I bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth a parcell of land lyeing between Richard [Mossa?] and Thomas [Turners?], called the Square, I give her my sorrell mare named nany, a feather bed that lyeth, under my lodging bed -- and what is thereunto belonging one chest which I use to carry in my boat and one silver bodkin marked M.S.

Fifthly I bequeath to my daughter anne, one feather bed which lies in the trundle bedstead and what belongeth to it, with a pare of sheets, and a chest, which stands in the inward Roome and a small white Box which stands in the inward Roome.

Sixthly I do desire that all my cattle, that I have at Severn, may [be -- DWO] Equally divided between my Sonne William and my daughter Elizabeth, and anne, and my Sonne to enjoy them at my decease.

Seventhly I do dispose of my daughter Elizabeth to be brought up with Mr John homewood untill she be sixteen years of age, and to be ffree at that age.

8thly my daughter Anne I do dispose to my daughter Mary, untill she shall come to be sixteen years, and then to be ffree.

Ninethly the Rest of my estate, after my debts is paid to be Equally divided between my Sonne William, Elizabeth, and anne my daughters, and if my sonne William Should decease without issue then what is his my desire is shall fall to my daughter anne, and if my daughter Mary should decease without issue, then hers to fall to my daughter Elizabeth.

Tenthly I do leave my trusty and loving friends Doctor Henry Lewis and John [Rix? Price?] to be my adm. over this my will and testament. Lord have mercy on my soule. In wittness to this my last will and testament I doe interchangeably sett my hand and seale this 15 day of May 1675. William Slade

Signed Sealed in presence of Henry Lewis Mary Lewis

I leave my Sonne William to be at the tuition of John [Rix? Price?] untill he comes to the age of Seventeen years to be instructed in learning as wittness my hand this 5th of June 1675.

William Slade

Testis

Hen: Lewis

William Sutton

Contributed by Wally Garchow

The abstract supplied by Russell differs somewhat from this version. She says the small trunk given to Mary was marked "Margaret" as was the silver bodkin given to Margaret. These mentions cause Russell to suggest that the

271Will of Wm. Slade, 1676, online www.rootsweb.com/~mdbaltim/wills/will004.htm.
name of William Slade's wife may have been Margaret.272 I have a photocopy of this will, made from the microfilm of the clerk's copy. I can not read it as well as the abstract provided by Wally Garchow, but where Russell has seen items marked "Margaret", I see items "marked as per margent" and the clerk has placed the initials I. K. and M. S. in the margin of his entry book. Thus, I see no evidence for the given name of Mrs. William Slade.

On 19 May 1676, this will was ordered for probate and on 10 June 1676, Dr. Henry Lewis and William Sutton appeared before the court do do so.273 "The inventory of his estate was valued at 38,994 lbs. tobacco by Robert Davidge and Ralph Hawkins on 25 June 1675 and mentioned Slade's Addition, Slade's Hope, Wolfs Neck bought of Quentin Parker, and servants Christopher Cox, Edward Ridling, Sarah Humphreys.[I&A: 2:271. 4:358].274

Children of William Slade include:

21.   i. MARY5.

ii. WILLIAM.275 William was not yet seventeen when his father wrote the codicil to his will in 1675.

iii. ELIZABETH.276 Elizabeth was not yet 16 when her father wrote his will in 1675.

Although there is some doubt about the connection of Mary, daughter of William Slade, to Richard Moss, the following shows a Moss connection for his daughter Elizabeth.

Slade's Hope, 50 acres on the north side of the Severn River, was patented to William Slade on 3 Aug 1664. He willed it to his daughter Elizabeth who became the wife of Richard Moss. Richard and Elizabeth Moss sold the tract to Richard Bayley on 7 Feb. 1681/2. Bayley then sold to Richard Bennison on 12 Aug 1684. Bennison bequeathed the tract to Mary Ball, his wife's daughter by a former husband. Mary Ball married Edward Peake and bequeathed the land to him. On 12 March 1705/6, Edward Peake and Katherine his wife sold this land to Amos Garrett.277

Note that this Elizabeth was wife of a Richard Moss living in 1681 which identifies her as the wife of Richard Moss, Jr., who is given the maiden name of Hammond by both Newman278 and Russell279. That now appears to be incorrect.

iv. ANNE.280 Anne was not yet 16 when her father wrote his will in 1675.

50. JOHN MacCUBBIN was born say 1630. Loeser finds nothing to prove the connection of this John Maccubbin to a John Maccubbin of Knockdolian, Scotland, as has often been suggested.281 He married Elinor (--?--) (see #51). The claim that John Maccubbin married Susan, daughter of Samuel Howard, as made by Warfield282, cannot be supported. In fact, there is no evidence that he married any Howard woman or, in fact, had a wife other than Eleanor. The will of Samuel Howard, made 28 Feb. 1702/3 and probated 9 Nov. 1703, does mention grandchildren John, Samuel and Elizabeth Maccubbins but Elizabeth was still single and John and

273William Slade will (15 May 1675), Will of William Slade Maryland Prerogative Court, Willis, Book 5, Liver A, f. 45ff (on film SR 4401), Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD. Hereinafter cited as Will of William Slade.
276Ibid.
281Loeser, "John Maccubbin of Anne Arundel County", which is a careful study of John Maccubbin and his family, with more than 300 footnotes, and quotes many of the relevant documents.
282Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos., p. 177.
Samuel were not yet 18, much younger that the like-named sons of John Maccubbin, Sr. They were, in fact, sons of John Maccubbin, Jr. Confusion may also have resulted from the fact that Eleanor, widow of John Maccubbin, married John Howard, Sr., a brother of this Samuel Howard.

Ellis Browne claimed three hundred acres of land for transporting himself, Edward Stone and John Maccubbin to Maryland in 1649. [Patents 5:462-3].

"Genealogy of the Welsh and Hyatt Families
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JOHN MACCUBBIN, IMMIGRANT.
Maccubbin--Howard--(Elinor--).
I. Jn. Maccubbin, the writer's Scotch ancestor, prob. came to Md. in 1659 (or 1659-60), the yr. in wh. he took up "Timber Rock" in A. A. Co. His marriage, not until 6 yrs later (1665), indicates that he was then a young man, b. prob. c1640.

His will, dated 9.21.1685, proved 7.31.1686 (doubtless the year he died), names his wf. Ellenor, exec.; four sons (Sam, Wm., Zachariah and Moses, who were under 18 yrs. of age, that is, b. after July 1667), to each of whom he left 50a. of "Wordrape" on the north side of South R.; and his son John (clearly his eldest son, b. before July, 1667), to whom he bequeathed, without age restriction, 140 acres, "Brampton," on the n. side of South R. (Annap. 4.207, as given in Md. Cal., v. 2). No das. are given in the will, although he had at least 2 das. then living, viz., Eliz. (See Sec. 1, Sam Howard's will, 1702-1703), and Sarah (Sec. 1, will of Jn. Hwd., Sr., 1695-96, and will of Elinor Hwd., 1705-11, below).

"Old Kent," 50 yrs. ago, wrote (p. 150) of Nicholas Maccubbin (gd. son of Jn.1) that he was "a Scotchman (called Maccubbin in the Lowlands, but whose name in his native Highlands was MacAlpine), who claimed descent from Kenneth II, surnamed MacAlpine, who died in 858, and who, having united the Scots and Picts under one sceptre, was the first King of all Scotland." This claim of descent from the royal line of Scotland's Kings, who reigned for 25 generations, seems to have been accepted as authentic by Md. genealogists (See "Founders," 177; Miss Lantz, B. Sun, 6.10.1906; "Marylanders of Royal Blood," B. Sun, 9.23.1906; Col. Fams. IV, Maccubbin). Mr. R. R. Griffith, whose genealogy is composed entirely of descs. of Jn. Maccubbin1 through his da. Sarah, contented himself with saying that his Maccubbin forbear was "a scion of an ancient Scottish family."

It is rather strange that the published "genealogies" are exceptionally erroneous concerning Jn. Maccubbin's marriage and children. Thus, "Founder's," p. 177: "Jn. Mcclbn. m.1 Susan Howard of Sam, and m. Elinor, who was, as I believe, of the fam. of Dr. Chs. Carroll and Jas. Clt. of A. H. Par., both of whom were wss. to her will in 1711" (1705). Miss Lantz, B. Sun, 6.10.1906: "Jn. Mccbn., Colonist, m.1 Sarah Hwd. of Sam and had Jn., Zach., Wm., Sam and Moses; m.2 Eleanor, believed to be Carroll. and had Sarah., thought by descs. of Jn. to have been the only child by his 2d wife, as the other chn. are named in the will of their gd. fa. Saml. Howard" (only 3 Macubbin chn. are named in this will). Comes now Col. Fams. IV with the same or similar errors: "Jn. Mccbn. m.?? Susan Hwd., da. of Saml. Hwd. and Cath. Warner, and had Jn., Sam., Wm., Zach., Moses and Eliz.; m.2 Elinor Carroll (conjecture now given as fact), and had Sarah, only child by 2d wf." "Abridged compend of American Genealogy" [published 1925] has the faults of the above, or worse (See pp. 50, 192, 381). The facts, with proofs, are as follows:

(1st). Jn. Maccubbin m.1 a da. of Saml. Hwd., by whom he had 3 chn. only, Jn., Saml., and Eliz. (will of Saml. Hwd. Sec. 1). (2d). The above sons, Jn. Jr. and Saml., are named in their father's will above: Jn. as the chief beneficiary, over 18 when the will was made, 9.21.1685; and Saml., as under 18. This proves that Jn. was b. prior to Sep. 21, 1667 (c1666), that Saml., the 2d son, was b. after Sep. 21, 1667 (c1668), and that Eliz., as the 3d and last child by 1st wf., was b. about 1669 or 1670 (confirmed by date of birth of Sarah, the next child, below). (3d). These facts established, others follow, viz.: That Jn. McC. m. his 1st wife in 1665 (possibly earlier, but not later); That she, if not over 15 or 16 at marriage, was b. not later than 1650 (c1649), and that her mother

284 Loeser, "John Maccubbin of Anne Arundel County".
John MacCubbin m.2 Elinor(???), who survived him and m., as her 2d husband, Jn. Howard, Sr. (See wills of her husbands). Sarah Mcbn. was the da. of Jn. and Elinor, and m.1 Wm. Griffith, immigrant, and m.2 Th. Reynolds (See will of Jn. Hwd., Sr., 1695, in Sec. 1; will of Wm. Gth., 1699, Annap., Book H. fol. 302; will of Elinor Hwd., 1705, below). Sarah's 2d m.--to Th. Reynolds--occurred 11.30.1699 (St. Anne .372). Her 1st m.--to Wm. Gth.--was in 1687, not later than Jan. 1687-8, as her eldest child, Orlando Gth., was b. 10.21.1688 (See Gth. Gen., p. 2). Thus, only 17 yrs. intervened between the birth of Eliz. (c1670), Jn. Mcbn.'s da. by his 1st wf., and the marriage of Sarah (1687), his da. by his 2d wf. This means that Jn. Mcbn.'s Howard wife d. c1670 (the year her last ch. was born), that he m. his 2d wf. Elinor c1670-71 (prob. 1671), and had Sarah, b. 1671 or 1672, and only 15 or 16 yrs. old when she m. Wm. Griffith in 1687. Sarah was thus, unmistakably, the eldest ch. of Jn. Mcbu. and his 2d wf. Elinor, and his other chn., Wm., Zach. and Moses were b. after Sarah, chn. of Elinor, not of the Howard wife.

John MacCubbin is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIth Century. According to the listing, John MacCubbin migrated to America in 1659. John MacCubbin was born ca. 1630 and married Elinor who was deceased by 1685. He was a landowner in Maryland about 1660.

John MacCubbin appears to have already held some land when he obtained his oldest known land patent, in 1665, for Timber Neck. In 1665, he patented 40 acres called Timber Neck. On 13 Nov. 1666, he bought Brampton, 100 acres, from Richard and Rachel Beard. On 14 March 1675 he bought Wardrope, 200 acres, from Mary Gardner. He left a will on 21 Sep 1685 in Anne Arundel County, MD. It was probated on July 31, 1686. His widow, Eleanor, was named the executrix and willed her dower rights. His sons Samuel, William, Zacharias and Moses got the 200 acres of Wordrape on the north side of the South River, equally. These sons were not yet 18. Son John got the 140 acres of Bramton, also on the north side of the South River.

Children of John MacCubbin and Elinor (--?--) (see #51) were as follows:

i. JOHN291 was born in 1663/64. He died on 2 May 1752 in Anne Arundel County, MD; John Mackubbin "was buried here last Saturday, age 88. He was born in this county and died of old age. (issue of May 7, 1752). The prior Saturday was 2 May 1752. I place this notice here because the calculated birth year matches the estimated one for John, son of John."
John Maccubin requested the re-recording of a deed from Richard Beard to John Maccubbin dated 3 Nov. 1666 and originally recorded on 13 Nov. 1666. This was 100 acres on the north side of South River and east of Broad Creek and was called "Brampton". Such re-recordings were made sometime after the State House fire of 18 Oct. 1704.294

25. ii. SARAH.
iii. SAMUEL was born in 1673.296
iv. WILLIAM was born say 1675.298
v. ELEANOR was born in 1677?299
vi. ZACHARIAH300 was born circa 1679.301,302

Zach Macubins was age about 41 years when he made a deposition in connection with the re-recording of Anne Arundel County deeds after the statehouse fire in 1704. The date of this deposition is not given. The re-recording process continued from 1705-1754. The record is in Land Records Book IT, p. 29.303

vii. MOSES304 was born say 1683/84.305 He died in Apr 1733; His will was written 17 April 1733 and probated 243 April 1733.306

Moses Maccubin requested the recording of a patent granted on 26 June 1663 to James Wardner for 200 acres called "Wardropp" which James Warner had then assigned to Patrick Duncan on 19 Aug 1663. He had assigned it to Mary Gibbs, who as the widow of Alexander Garder had deeded it to John Mccubbin, father of the Moses now claiming the land.307

51. ELINOR (--?--) married John MacCubbin (see #50). The claim that John MacCubbin married Susan, daughter of Samuel Howard, as made by Warfield308, cannot be supported. In fact, there is no evidence that he married any Howard woman or, in fact, had a wife other than Eleanor. The will of Samuel Howard, made 28 Feb. 1702/3 and probated 9 Nov. 1703, does mention grandchildren John, Samuel and Elizabeth Macubins but Elizabeth was still single and John and Samuel were not yet 18, much younger than the like-named sons of John Maccubbin, Sr. They were, in fact, sons of John MacCubbin, Jr.309 Confusion may also have resulted from the fact that Eleanor, widow of John Maccubbin, married John Howard, Sr., a brother of this Samuel Howard. She married John Howard after 1685.310 She died in Jul 1711 in Anne Arundel County, MD. She was buried on 11 Jul 1711.311

She is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIth Century. According to the listing, Elinor was born before 1649 and died 1771 [sic]. She is listed as Elinor Carroll Howard who married John MacCubbin and was a landowner.312
"Mrs. Elinor Maccubin, widow of John, was, as I believe, of the family of Dr. Charles, and James Carroll, of "All Hallows" Parish; both of whom were witnesses to her will, in 1711. Her daughter, Sarah Maccubin, became the wife of William Griffith, and the mother of Orlando and Captain Charles Griffith, of Anne Arundel. This, of course, does not prove the connection to the Carroll family. The suggestion, published in 1905, appears not to have gained documented support. The following analysis, posted by "Erin" on genforum, presents the warning against accepting the weakly supported suggestion that Elinor was a Carroll.

"The will of Elinor Howard (11.10.1705-8.4.1711, Annap. 13.205, Md. Cal. 3) leaves to her gd. chn., Orlando, Sophia, Chs. and Wm. Griffith all her prs. est.; and to Wm. Maccubin, "Howard's Thicket," where he lives--he to release to his other bro. certain land devised him by his father. The will appoints Elinor's "da., Sarah Reynolds," executrix, and is witnessed by Mary Carroll, Jas. Carroll, Chs. Carroll, Jr., and Chs. Carroll. Following is from the Rent Roll of A. A. Co., p. 67: "Good Mother's Endeavor, 285 acres, surveyed 4.23.1698, for Elinor Hwd.--50 acres part thereof being Howard's Thicket entered, and 50 acres more entered by the name of The Woodyard--the remainder is surplus. Poss., Wm. Maccubin in right of Elinor Howard"--his mother.

"Note.--The above witnesses to Elinor Howard's will of 1705 were beyond doubt: Mary Carroll (d. 1742), wf. of Atty. Gen. Charles Carroll; Jas. Carroll (d. 1729) and his bro. Chs. Clf. (will 1724), nephews of the Atty. Gen. (Chs. evidently signing his name "Junior" to distinguish himself from his uncle); and lastly Chs. Carroll, the Atty. Gen. himself, Agt. and Receiver Gen. of Chs., Lord Baltimore. Chs. Carroll, Atty. Gen. b. 1660, d. 1720; was admitted to the Inner Temple, London, in 1685; arrived in Md. 10.1.1688 and m. (w.2) Mary Darnall, da. of Col. Hy. Darnall (Secretary and kinsman of Lord Baltimore) and his wf. Eleanor (Hatton) Brooke. They had 10 chn., 4 of whom survived the Atty. Gen., viz., Chs. (1702-1782, father of Chs. Carroll of Carrollton), Daniel, Mary and Eleanor. His will, dated 12.1.1718, proved 7.28.1720 (Annap. 16.176), names, with other "Kinsmen," Jas. and Chs. Carroll, who were sons of his bro. Anthony (Col. Fams. II, Carroll). Dr. Chs. Carroll of Annapolis--of another branch of the illustrious Carroll family--was not a witness of Elinor Howard's will of 1705. He was then only 14 yrs. old (b. 1691, d. 9.19.1755), had his medical education to secure, and did not come to Md. until "about 1715" (Scharf's Hist., v. 2, p. 215). Thus when Elinor Howard made her will (1705), the only known Chs. Carrolls in this country were the Atty. Gen., his 3-yr.-old son Chs., and his nephew Chs. (d. 1724), bro. of Jas. When Jas. Carroll made his will (2.12. 1728-9, Annap. 19.791) his uncle Chs. and his bro. Chs. were dead; his "cousin Chs." (son of the Atty. Gen.) and his "cousin Dr. Chs. Carroll" were appointed his executors. The codicil of his will was witnessed by Jn. Welsh (2d), father of Henry O'Neale Welsh, who later m. Mary Higgins, niece of Jas. Carroll and named in his will (See Part I, Sec. 4).

"Much as the writer would be pleased to enroll in the list of his ancestors a member of the "Great House of Ely O'Carroll," the proof is not forthcoming that Elinor Maccubin-Howard was Elinor Carroll of that family. She was in Md. 18 yrs. or more before Atty. Gen. Carroll came, or any others of that fam. (so far as records disclose). That the 4 Carrolls signed her will as witnesses is not proof of relationship: 4 Warfields witnessed the will of Maj. Chs. Hammond (1713), who was in no way related to them or their wives. Nor is the fact that Atty. Gen. Chs. named his da. Elinor, any evidence of relationship to Elinor Mcbn. Howard--the da. was evidently named for her gd. mo. Elinor Darnall. The future may prove that Elinor Howard was a Carroll, but it is not genealogy to state as an actual fact what is now merely a surmise. That most trustworthy genealogist, Mr. R. R. Griffith, says in the Introduction of his genealogy: 'A long and patient search of the Colonial Records has failed to reveal to us the maiden name of and parentage of Elinor.' She d. 7.10.1711."

"[John Howard's] second wife was Eleanor, the widow of John Maccubin, of South River, the progenitor of that Scottish family in the Province. Howard's will, written on 30 Dec. 1695 and probated in Anne Arundel County on 13 May 1696, gave "To grandson [step-grandson] Orlando Griffith residue of the tract on Little Falls, in event of his death to pass to his mother, Sarah Griffith."

"[John Howard's] widow, Eleanor Howard, wrote her will on November 10, 1705, but it was not probated in
Anne Arundel County until August 4, 1711. She appointed her daughter, Sarah Reynolds, the executrix and bequeathed personally to her grandchildren -- Orlando, Sophia, Charles and William Griffith. She further more devised William Maccubin "Howard's Thicket" where he was seated in consideration that he release to his brother his interest in certain lands devised him by his father.[Wills, Liber 13, folio 235].

Elinor (--?--) left a will on 10 Nov 1705 in Anne Arundel County, MD. It was not probated until 1711. She made her daughter, Sarah Reynolds, her executrix, provided for the payment of any debts, pointed out that she had already tried to provide for her children and then said "and considering the Low destitute condition my four Grandchildren Orlando, Sophia, Charles and William Griffith are left in by their father doe hereby give and bequeath unto them equally to be divided all the residue of such personall Estate as I shall dye possessed of, or have a right to possess, and if any of them should dye before they are of age to dispose of their Share, the same to goe among the Surviver." She and John Howard had no children.

56. ROBERT Davidge married Providence (--?--) (see #57). He died in 1681/82.

Skordas lists a Robert Davidge who immigrated in 1670 and had married Sarah Tanney before 1669. His references are Liber 12, folio 471 and Liber 16, folio 73. The Robert Davidge referred to by Skordas may be a different man. Under Thomas Tenny, Russell says "immigrated 1649 with wife Mary and daughter Sarah who married Robert Davidge of Anne Arundel County. She says Sarah married Robert Davidge by 1669. "A carpenter, he demanded the 300 acres due him by marriage to [sole heir] Sarah, for her father's rights. [Archives, 10:138] But based on the wording of his will, she was not the mother of his only son, so she must have died ca. 1670 or a little later and he m. (2) Providence. Certainly a different wife is named and that raises the question of whether Providence was the mother of John Davidge in the next generation. He left a will on 28 Sep 1681 in Anne Arundel County, MD.

Davidge, Robert, Anne Arundel Co., 28th Sept., 1681; 24th Apr., 1681. To wife Providence, execx., 1/3 of plantation and 200 A. on n. side Patapsco R. To son John, residue of plantation at 20 yrs. of age, and to inherit entire plantation at death of mother. Test: Arthur Hide, Chas. Crow, Jas. Offord. 2. 194.

Note the illogical date sequence with the will written after the probate. Because of this I obtained a photocopy and have attempted my own transcription.

"28th Day of ye 7th br Called September in ye year 1681 I Robt Davidge of Ann Arundl County in ye Province of Maryland Carpenter finding my self not well in ... but of pirfect Sense & Memory do from my own freedom make ... to be my Last will & Testament in Manner & form following

"[Firstly?] my will is that my just debts of wever [sic] kind soevr be paid by my Excex hrafter named 
"2dly I giv & bequ... unto my wife Providence Davidge one third part of my Plantason I now Liv on & one third part of ye housing during her naturall Life
"3rdly I Giv & bequath unto my Sonn Jno Davidge my [whole?] plantason I now Live On two thirds parts to be [...] att 25 yeares old the other part at the decease of his mother ... Land I giv unto my Sonn Jno Davidge to have & hold for Ever
"4thly as for my ... my will & order .. after my Debts ar paid .... att ... my as Equall as they can .. my wife Providence Davidge have her first choice & my Sonn Jno Davidge the other half
"5thly my will & order ... chattels & hoggs falls to my part on ye plantason of Wm Davis Decd be sold & ... to ye payment of my debts
"6thly my will & order is .. debts shall be found due from ye Estate of ye deceased Wm Davis my Excex hrafter

316Ibid., p. 251.
319Maryland Indexes, Marriage References by Robert Barnes, online www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/stagser/s1500/s1527/html/ssi1527r.html. Hereinafter cited as Maryland Indexes, Marriage References, online.
320Skordas, *Early Settlers of Maryland.*
322The Maryland Calendar of Wills (web version), online www.usgennet.org/usa/md/state/wills/01/096.html.
named shall pay the one half of them

"7thly as for my part of ye Plantasion wereon ye deceased Wm. Davis Lived I have alienated all my ... rom me
and my ... to Jno H... of Ann Arundll County to have & hold to him and his heirsfor Ever for a Vallu already recd
which value is his part of two hundred acres of Land lying on ye north side of patapsco River it being formerly ye
aforsed decd Wm. Davis all which parcell of Land & the appurtenances I give unto my wife Providence Davidge
to have & to hold for Ever & do make order & appoint my Loving wife Providence Davidge to be my & ye Sol
Exec of this my Last will & Testament In witness wereof I have hereunto Sett my hand & Seal ye day & year
first above written 1681.

Robt Davidge (Seal)
Signed Sealed & delivered to .. my Last will & Testament in ye presence of
Arthur Hid
Charles Crowe (his mark)
James offord (his mark)

And on ye back sid. was ... written By virtue of a ... from ye Hon .. Philip Calvin Esqr. Chief Judge or ... for
probate ... dated ye 24th day of april anno 1682." 323

Children of Robert Davidge and Providence (--?--) (see #57) were:

28.  i.  JOHN 5.

57. PROVIDENCE 6 (--?--) married Robert Davidge (see #56). 324

Providence is named as wife in the 1681 will of Robert Davidge. This will clearly implies that she was the
mother of their son John Davidge. As his widow, she married John Reynolds of Anne Arundel County as shown
by the following two entries

RENNAL(L)S
(N), m. by 20 April 1683, Providence, extx. of Robert Davidge of AA Co. (INAC 8:45).

REYNOLDS
John, of AA Co., m. by 11 March 1684/5 Providence, widow of Robert Davidge (BALR RM#HS:127, 470).

INAC refers to Inventories and Accounts
BALR refers to Baltimore Land Records
The Maryland State Archives holds these records. 325

58. JOHN 6 HUDDON. 326
Children of John Hudson include:

29.  i.  ELIZABETH 5.

60. RICHARD 6 WARFIELD (John, #120) was christened on 27 Aug 1646 in St. Dunstan's West, Fleet Street,
London, England. 327 He married Elinor Browne (see #61), daughter of John Browne. He died in 1704 in Anne
Arundel County, MD. 328
He is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIth Century. According to the listing, Richard

323Robert Davidge will (28 Sept 1680), Md. Prerogative Court, Wills, Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Anne
Arundel County, MD. Hereinafter cited as Will of Robert Davidge (1680).
324Maryland Indexes, Marriage References, online, online
www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/stagser/s1500/s1527/html/ssi1527r.html.
325Ibid.
326Newman, Anne Arundel Gentry, Vol. 2, p. 239. Newman only says that Elizabeth was the heir of John Hudson.
327Richard T. Foose, "The English Ancestry of the Warfields of Maryland," Maryland Genealogical Society
Warfields of Maryland".
Warfield married Elinor Browne, was a landowner in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, in 1669 and served in the military. He died in 1703.\(^{329}\)

J. D. Warfield mentions a "Warfield record" that Richard Warfield settled near Annapolis in 1639, but discounts this as being before the existence of such a settlement.\(^{330}\)

He was transported to Maryland about 1659 by John Sisson according to the land office record quoted by Newman; "11 November 1662. Came John Sisson and demands Land of the Lord prpty for transporting unto this province himself and Wife fnames Sisson, Nathaniel Brown in the year 1659 ... Richard Warfield ... Anno 1662 in all six hundred acres." [Liber 5, folio 484, Land Office, Maryland Hall of Records, Annapolis].

He came to Maryland as a "redemptioner", meaning he was to pay for his passage by a period of service after arrival. Newman quotes Sisson's will which shows the status of Richard Warfield: "Although John Sisson at the time of application for land-rights did not state that Richard Warfield was transported as a redemptioner, later conditions prove he actually came into the Province in that capacity. John Sisson, his benefactor, died shortly thereafter. His undated will was probated on March 16, 1663/4, by which he bequeathed his servant-boy, Richard Warfield, to Cornelius Howard." [Wills, Liber 1, folio 197]

"He had completed his service by 1669, when he and Edward Gardner were granted jointly a tract of land which they called "Gardner's Warfield". It was not until 1674/5 that he applied for land-rights."

"February 13, 1674/5. Came Richard Warfield of Ann Arundel County and proved his Right to fifty acres of land for Serving his time to Cornelius Howard 1660" "Warrant then Granted to the said Warfield for fifty acres of Land it being due to him for his time of service performed as aforesaid". [Liber 18, folio 165, Land Office].\(^{331}\)

In 1675, Richard and Elinor Warfield were summoned as witnesses in the Chancery contest over the will of Nicholas Wyatt, an immediate neighbor. In 1689, Richard Warfield signed, as a military officer, the address to King William. He was known as Capt. Richard Warfield and his descendants are eligible for membership in the Society of Colonial Wars.

In 1696 Richard Warfield's name was returned as one of the vestrymen of St. Ann's Church, before the first building was completed. In his old age, he began the first westward movement of the early settlements to the unexplored frontier of Howard County.

Richard Warfield's will was probated\(^{332}\) on 11 Feb. 1703/4 and Newman gives the following abstract.

To son John "Warfield's Plains" and "Warfield's Forest"

To son Richard the plantation on which he was then living and 59 acres of "The Addition"; also the parental dwelling-plantation at the marriage or death of daughter Elinor.

To son Alexander "Brandy"

To son Benjamin 240 acres of "Warfield's Range" at the Patuxent

To daughter Rachel Yate 150 acres of "Warfield's Range", in event of her death without issue then to son Richard\(^{333}\); personalty to her and her children at 21 years; to Rachel's daughter Elinor silver spoons.

To daughter Elinor use of dwelling-plantation while she remained unmarried, and part of "Warfield's Range", in case of her death without issue then to son Benjamin.

To sons John Warfield, Richard Warfield, Alexander Warfield and Benjamin Warfield and daughter Elinor Warfield residue of estate.

Executors -- sons John and Richard

Overseers -- sons Alexander and Benjamin.

In listing the children, I have followed Newman's ordering who uses the order in the will. He adds Mary who predeceased her father and is not named in the will (Vol. II, pp. 251-252).\(^{334}\)

Children of Richard\(^{6}\) Warfield and Elinor Browne (see #61) were as follows:

\(^{329}\)National Society, Ancestor Roster, CDXVIIth Cent..

\(^{330}\)Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos..


\(^{332}\)Richard Warfield will (10 Jan 1703/4), Maryland State Archives, Prerogative Court (wills), Liber 11, folio 409ff and film SR 4405: which includes the will date, 10 Jan 1703/4, omitted by Newman, Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD. Hereinafter cited as Will of Richard Warfield.

\(^{333}\)Ibid., gives this as "and for want of such issue to go to my said son Benju."

30. i. JOHN married Ruth Gaither on 16 Feb 1696/97. He died in 1718.
   ii. RICHARD.
   iii. ALEXANDER was born circa 1677. He married Sarah Pierpont. He died before 11 Jun 1740.
   iv. BENJAMIN married Elizabeth Duvall. He died in 1718.
   v. RACHEL married George Yate.
   vi. ELINOR married Caleb Dorsey.
   vii. MARY married John Howard.

61. ELINOR BROWNE (John, #122) married Richard Warfield (see #60), son of John Warfield and Rachell Clarke.

In 1670, Richard Warfield married Elinor, apparently an heiress and possibly a daughter of Capt. John Browne. She inherited the adjoining tracts Hope and Increase and J. D. Warfield gives the following: "They were taken up by Henry Sewall; transferred by him to John Minter; willed by him to his daughter, Elizabeth, wife of Henry Winchester. These two joined in deeds them, in 1673, to Capt. John Browne, mariner, of London. No further transactions are to be found, but in 1705, Richard Warfield appeared before the commission to restore the burnt record of 1704 and requested a record of the above history."

62. THOMAS CRUCHLEY married Margaret Baldwin (see #63), daughter of John Baldwin. He died circa 1710.

He left a will on 22 Nov 1709 in Anne Arundel County, MD. It was probated on 8 Apr 1710. His daughters Lydia Metcalf and Ruth Warfield jointly received 116 acres of "Theodora's Chance" and 75 acres of "Baldwin's Addition". Ruth also received personalty at Richard Warfield's. Daughters Beteros (also given as Betros and Beteros) and Elizabeth, apparently unmarried, received personalty. Son Thomas was given the rest of the personal property and 200 acres of "Crutchley's Choice". If Thomas died without issue, the lands were to pass to Beteros and Elizabeth.

Children of Thomas Cruchley and Margaret Baldwin (see #63) were as follows:
31. i. RUTH.
   ii. LYDIA was born before 1684.
   iii. BETEROS was born before 1709. Named in her father's 1709 will, she was apparently still single.
   iv. ELIZABETH was born before 1709. Named last in her father's 1709 will, she was apparently still single.

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335Ibid., p. 349.
336Ibid.
337Ibid.
338Ibid.
339Ibid.
340Ibid.
341Ibid.
342Ibid., p. 445.
343Ibid., p. 349.
344Ibid., p. 347.
345Ibid., p. 460.
346Ibid., p. 349.
347Ibid., p. 347.
348Ibid., p. 349.
349Ibid., p. 347.
350Ibid.
351Ibid.
352Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos., p. 83.
353Newman, Anne Arundel Gentry, Vol. 1, p. 415. Crutchley's will was probated in Anne Arundel County, 8 April 1710.
355The Maryland Calendar of Wills (ancestry.com version), online search.ancestry.com, mentioned in the will of her grandfather, John Baldwin. Hereinafter cited as The Maryland Calendar of Wills (ancestry.com version).
63. Margaret\(^4\) Baldwin (John, \#126) married Thomas Cruchley (see \#62).
"He [Richard Warfield] married, about 1700, Ruth, daughter of Thomas Cruchley, an attorney of Annapolis. Her mother was Margaret Baldwin, daughter of John and Elizabeth Baldwin."\(^{355}\)

Generation Seven

120. John\(^7\) Warfield (Richard, \#240) was christened on 28 Nov 1613 in Dry Drayton, Cambridge, England.\(^{356}\) He married Abigail Normington, daughter of Alexander Normington, circa 1639. "John Warfield, a young Watchmaker in Fleet Street, was married first to Abigail, a daughter of Alexander Normington, a 'Cutler,' and his wife, Elizabeth, who lived in the same street. No Marriage Allegation was made before the Bishop, the Vicar or the Faculties; they must have been married 'by banns.' The 1640 allegation at his second marriage gives his age as 'about 26' (he was in fact eight months past his twenty-sixth birthday), so when he married Abigail he would have been about 25. She was baptized at St. Dunstan's in the West on November 12, 1620. Her name was not 'Abigail' though that spelling was also used at the time."\(^{357}\) He married Rachell Clarke (see \#121), daughter of Robert Clarke and Rachell (\(~?~\)), on 2 Jul 1640 in St. Dunstan's West, Fleet Street, London, England. "Widowed only a few months, and left with an infant son, John Warfield took a second wife (and began what would become the Maryland line) when, on July 2, 1640, he and Rachel Clarke were married at St. Dunstan's 'by license from Mr. Hunts Register.' She was the second identified daughter of Robert Clarke and his wife, Rachell, who may have been the daughter of that name of Richard Wotton (or Wooton), a 'Scrivener' of Fleet Street (his house valued at 30 lbs.), and his wife Elizabeth Comins (\(~?~\)Cummings). If so, she became a mother at the age of sixteen."\(^{358}\) He was buried on 16 Nov 1665 in St. Dunstan's West, Fleet Street, London, England.\(^{359}\)

Children of John\(^7\) Warfield and Rachell Clarke (see \#121) were as follows:

i. John\(^8\).  
ii. Elizabeth\(^{360}\) was baptized on 9 Jun 1642 in St. Dunstan's in the West, London, England.\(^{361}\) She was buried on 10 Apr 1643 in St. Dunstan's in the West, London, England.\(^{362}\) 

60. iii. Richard. 
iv. Elizabeth\(^{364}\) was baptized on 30 May 1648 in St. Dunstan's in the West, London, England.\(^{365}\) She was buried on 20 May 1655 in St. Dunstan's in the West, London, England.\(^{366}\) 
v. John\(^67\) was baptized on 20 Apr 1651 in St. Dunstan's in the West, London, England.\(^{368}\) He was buried on 11 Aug 1652 in St. Dunstan's in the West, London, England.\(^{369}\) 
vi. Mary\(^{370}\) was baptized on 28 Mar 1654 in St. Dunstan's in the West, London, England.\(^{371}\) She was buried on 3 Jan 1657 in St. Dunstan's in the West, London,

\(^{355}\)Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos., p. 85.  
\(^{356}\)Foose, "The English Ancestry of the Warfields of Maryland".  
\(^{357}\)Ibid., p. 403-4.  
\(^{358}\)Ibid., pp. 410-411.  
\(^{359}\)Ibid., p. 415.  
\(^{360}\)Ibid.  
\(^{361}\)Ibid.  
\(^{362}\)Ibid.  
\(^{363}\)Ibid.  
\(^{364}\)Ibid.  
\(^{365}\)Ibid.  
\(^{366}\)Ibid.  
\(^{367}\)Ibid.  
\(^{368}\)Ibid.  
\(^{369}\)Ibid.  
\(^{370}\)Ibid.  
\(^{371}\)Ibid.
England.\textsuperscript{372}

121. Rachelle\textsuperscript{7} Clarke (Robert, \#242) was christened on 17 Jul 1619 in St. Dunstan's West, Fleet Street, London, England.\textsuperscript{373} She married John Warfield (see \#120), son of Richard Warfield and Elizabeth Carter, on 2 Jul 1640 in St. Dunstan's West, Fleet Street, London, England. "Widowed only a few months, and left with an infant son, John Warfield took a second wife (and began what would become the Maryland line) when, on July 2, 1640, he and Rachel Clarke were married at St. Dunstan's by license from Mr. Hunts Register." She was the second identified daughter of Robert Clarke and his wife, Rachell, who may have been the daughter of that name of Richard Wotton (or Wooton), a 'Scrivener' of Fleet Street (his house valued at 30 lbs.), and his wife Elizabeth Comins (?Cummings). If so, she became a mother at the age of sixteen.\textsuperscript{374} She died in 1665.\textsuperscript{375}

122. John\textsuperscript{7} Browne. "In 1673, 'John Browne, mariner, of London,' bought two tracts "Hope" and "Increase" near Round Bay. These tracts, showing the history of their purchase are to be seen in our Record Office, in the name of Richard Warfield and at his request, were so recorded among the restored records after the burning of the State House. As no transfers attended the record, the inference is clear they came into Warfield's possession through his wife, Elinor Browne, the heiress of Captain John Browne, of London.\textsuperscript{376}

Children of John\textsuperscript{7} Browne include:

61. i. Elinor\textsuperscript{6}.

126. John\textsuperscript{7} Baldwin\textsuperscript{377} married Elizabeth (\textemdash\textemdash) before 1653,\textsuperscript{378,379}

He is on the ancestor roster for the Colonial Dames XVIIth Century. According to the listing, John Baldwin was born in 1622 and died 1682-84, having settled in Maryland. He married (1) Mary Wilkins and (2) Elizabeth Lusby. He owned "Baldwin's Neck" and "Baldwin's Addition" in Ann Arundel Co., MD.\textsuperscript{380} In 1650 John Baldwin lived in or at the head of the South River, on the north side, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{381} He had a patent for land in 1660 in South River, Anne Arundel County, MD.\textsuperscript{382}

"This Virginia descendant of John Baldwyn, the hero of 1622, became a Quaker convert of the South River settlement. His will of 1684, named his wife, Elizabeth; daughter, Margaret, wife of Thomas Cruchley, the Annapolis attorney; his daughter Lydia, widow of Thomas Watkins and mother of Thomas Watkins, Jr.; his daughter, Ruth, wife of Captain Philip Howard; his son, John heir and executor. The testator also names his grandchildren, viz: Hannah Howard, Lydia Cruchley (sister of Ruth Warfield), and Thomas Watkins, Jr."\textsuperscript{383} Stevenson uses almost the same wording but neither author explains the "hero of 1622" nor traces the Baldwin family earlier than this John.\textsuperscript{384}


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\textsuperscript{372}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{373}Foose, "The English Ancestry of the Warfields of Maryland".
\textsuperscript{374}Ibid., pp. 410-411.
\textsuperscript{375}Foose, "The English Ancestry of the Warfields of Maryland".
\textsuperscript{376}Warfield, \textit{Founders of AA & Howard Cos.}, p. 164.
\textsuperscript{377}Ibid., p. 158.
\textsuperscript{378}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{379}Russell, \textit{First Families of Anne Arundel County, Vol. 2}, p. 4, where she gives the date as "by 1663". According to her listing of the Baldwin children (with no James), John was the last b. 1655. The death of Elizabeth's first husband, George Dorrell, is given as "by June 1659" (p. 38) and he was certainly alive in 1653 when he and Elizabeth were transported by Thomas Turner (p. 150).
\textsuperscript{380}National Society, \textit{Ancestor Roster, CDXVIIth Cent.}, I have seen no documentation for the marriage to Elizabeth Lusby who is sometimes given as a daughter of Robert and Dorothy Lusby.
\textsuperscript{381}Warfield, \textit{Founders of AA & Howard Cos.}, p. 12.
\textsuperscript{382}Ibid., p. 30.
\textsuperscript{383}Ibid., p. 158.
\textsuperscript{384}Stevenson, \textit{Griffith Family}, p. 252.
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to Nathaniel Stinchcomb at age, and for the use of the Quaker ministry, personality. Son John and hrs. exs. and residuary legatees of estate, real and personal. Overseers: Richd. Hill, Henry Ridgely. Test: Richd. Hill, Edward Burgess, Andrew Whiteroff, Robt. Rigsbee. 4. 43. To this abstract I would add a few notes. The bequest to wife Elizabeth was during her widowhood. The surname of his daughter was spelled Crouchley and her 70 acre bequest was to go "to my son John Baldwin" if she had no heirs of her body lawfully begotten, and if he had no such heirs then "to my daughters Lydia Bittison and Ruth Howard". Item I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Margarett Crouchley one cow called Cherry the said cow being already in her husband Crouchley's possession. Item I give unto my grandchild Lydia Crouchley one cow calf together with her increase to be delivered to her at age or the day of marriage the said cow calf being already in the possession of her father Thomas Crouchley. ... Item I give unto my grandchild Thomas Watkins one cow calf to be delivered to his use immediately after my decease.... Item I give to my grandchild Hannah Howard daughter of Philip and Ruth Howard ... Item I give my grandchild Thomas Watkins all that parcel of Land called Lydia's Rest according to the patent of conformacon to me granted by certificate of survey two hundred and two acres more or less together with all profits to him and his heirs forever but if the said Thomas Watkins should die without heirs of his body lawfully begotten then the said pa... of land to descend and come to the next heyre lawfully begotten of the body of my daughter Lydia Bittison mother of my said grandchild and to their heyres for ever." The personal estate remaining after settling debts, funeral expenses and not other wise "by me given or disposed be equally divided between my son John Baldwin and my daughter Lydia Bitterson and my daughter Ruth Howard they to have equall shares thereof." ... "my loving son John Baldwin my sole executor... my loving friends Richard Hill and Henry Ridgely both of the County of Ann Arundell aforesaid to be supervisors of this my last Will and Testament requiring their friends advice and assistance to my said Executor for the better executing and fulling this my law Will and Testament ... " The will is signed by mark, IB, and the clerk has written the name as John Balding. 386

"There is a will at Annapolis, which shows that John Baldwin, the Quaker, must have had another son not named in his will, viz: James Baldwin, the testator of 1727. He names his sons John, James, Thomas, Tyler; and daughters Susanna and Mary Baldwin. "To son James, the homestead of my father, John Baldwin, by his last will and testament." 387

Boddie, under BALDWIN of ISLE of WIGHT, gives what seems to be a description of a possible "hero of 1622". He tells of a William Baldwin living in Isle of Wight County, Virginia at the time "of the massacre of 1622". Indians attacked the house of George Harrison, half a mile from Baldwin's. Twenty-three members of the Harrison household were forced to flee to Baldwin's which was successfully defended. Further details of this William Baldwin are given, but Boddie mentions only his son William and his only son William. 388,389

The ancestry of John Baldwin much be considered unproven, although some people have identified this John Baldwin with a John Baldwin of the Eastern Shore in Virginia who does have at least some connection with the 1622 massacre. 390

An extensive study of the records of John Wilkins, (b. ca. 1592 - 1596), who was falsely reported killed in the 1622 massacre shows that his daughter Mary had married a John Baldwin by 1649. By the chronology given, this Mary would have been a daughter of the first Mrs. Wilkins, a Mary Craft. John Baldwin is mentioned until 1660 and his children are mentioned (not named) until 1671. There were no Baldwins mentioned in the 1687 will of Ann Voss (who had been the second Mrs. John Wilkins). 391

To make the connection to the Maryland John Baldwin, it must be presumed that John of Virginia lost his first

385The Maryland Calendar of Wills (ancestry.com version), online search.ancestry.com.
386John Baldwin will (12 June 1682), Maryland Prerogative Court, Book 4 Liber G, f. 43f (also film SR 4400), Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, MD. Hereinafter cited as Will of John Baldwin.
387Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos., p. 159.
389Ibid.
390Wilkins Family (John Wilkins & Bridget Craft to Mary Wilkins Baldwin), online homepages.rootsweb.com/~marshall/esmd314.htm. Hereinafter cited as Wilkins Family (John and Bridget).
391Wilkins -- Records (Deeds 'n' Stuff), online www.esva.net/ghotes/wilkins/records.htm. Hereinafter cited as Wilkins -- Records (Deeds 'n' Stuff).
wife, Mary Wilkins Baldwin, and became John of Maryland who married the widow Mrs. Elizabeth Dorrell. Russell concludes that all of John Baldwin's children must have been by his unknown first wife, pointing out that the only Baldwin child mentioned in Elizabeth's will is Ruth who is not called a daughter in that will.  

Children of John Baldwin include:

63. i. MARGARET.
ii. LYDIA married Thomas Watkins.
iii. RUTH married Capt. Philip Howard.

He [Philip Howard] married Ruth Baldwin, daughter of John Baldwin and Elizabeth, his wife. She was a sister of John Baldwin, who married Hester (Larkin) Nicholson, and also a sister of Mrs. Thomas Cruchley, of Annapolis.

iv. JOHN.
v. JAMES.

Generation Eight

240. RICHARD Warfield (Roger, #480) was christened on 1 Dec 1558 in St. Stephen's, Walbrook, London, England. He married Elizabeth Carter (see #241), daughter of William Carter and Mary Anscell. He was buried on 28 Mar 1620 in Dry Drayton, Cambridge, England.

This Richard Warfield was the rector of the church at Dry Drayton, Cambridge, England. He left a will on 1 Jun 1619 in Dry Drayton, Cambridge, England. This will, probated 20 May 1620 in the Prerogative Court in Canterbury [P.C.C. 45 Soame, 1620] is quoted in full by Foose.

Children of Richard Warfield and Elizabeth Carter (see #241) were:

120. i. JOHN.

241. ELIZABETH Carter (William, #482) was christened on 14 May 1573 in Great Barford, Bedfordshire, England. She married Richard Warfield (see #240), son of Roger Warfield and Elizabeth Pinson. She was buried on 27 May 1619 in Dry Drayton, Cambridge, England.

242. ROBERT Clarke married Rachell (--?--) (see #243). He was buried in 1653 in St. Dunstan's West, Fleet Street, London, England.

Children of Robert Clarke and Rachell (--?--) (see #243) were:

121. i. RACHELL.

243. RACHELL (--?--) married Robert Clarke (see #242). She died in 1652.

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393Warfield, Founders of AA & Howard Cos., p. 158.
394Ibid.
395Ibid.
396Ibid.
397Ibid., p. 74.
398Ibid., p. 158.
399Ibid., p. 159.
400Foose, "The English Ancestry of the Warfields of Maryland".
401Ibid.
402Ibid., p. 432.
403Ibid., p. 432-435.
404Foose, "The English Ancestry of the Warfields of Maryland".
405Ibid., p. 435.
406Foose, "The English Ancestry of the Warfields of Maryland".
407Ibid.
408Ibid.
409Ibid.
Generation Nine

480. **Roger 8 Warfield** 410 married Elizabeth Pinson (see #481). He died in 1591.
Children of Roger 8 Warfield and Elizabeth Pinson (see #481) were:
   240. i. **Richard 9.**

481. **Elizabeth 9 Pinson** 411 married Roger Warfield (see #480). She died in 1602.

482. **William 9 Carter** ([William, #964] 412 married Mary Anscell (see #483), daughter of Thomas Anscell and
   Elizabeth Wheatley, circa 1571. 412 He died on 1 Sep 1605 in Kempston, Bedfordshire, England. 413
   He left a will on 24 Jan 1603 in Kempston, Bedford, England. This will is quoted in full by Foose. It
   mentions "my loving son in law Mr. Richard Warfyld, in whom I have and do repose especial trust". One of the
   witnesses was Richard Warfilde. 414
   Children of William 9 Carter and Mary Anscell (see #483) were:
   241. i. **Elizabeth 9.**

483. **Mary 9 Anscell** ([Thomas, #966] 415 married William Carter (see #482), son of William Carter and
   Elizabeth Cranfield, circa 1571. 416 She was buried on 4 Mar 1620 in Kempston, Bedfordshire, England. 417

Generation Ten

964. **William 10 Carter** 418 married Elizabeth Cranfield (see #965), daughter of William Cranfield and
   Katherine (--?--). 419 He died in 1561.
   Children of William 10 Carter and Elizabeth Cranfield (see #965) were:
   482. i. **William 11.**

965. **Elizabeth 10 Cranfield** ([William, #1930] 420 married William Carter (see #964).

966. **Thomas 10 Anscell** ([Edward, #1932] 421 was born in 1520. He married Elizabeth Wheatley (see #967),
   daughter of Robert Wheatley and Katherine Fisher. He was buried on 29 Apr 1591 in Great Barford,
   Bedfordshire, England.
   He left a will on 27 Apr 1591 in Barford, Bedford, England. This will and a codicil are quoted in full by
   Foose. 422 The monument to Thomas and Elizabeth Anscell, at the church of Great Barford, Bedfordshire, is
   described as: "The Great Barford memorial has kneeling figures of Thomas Anscell and his wife, Elizabeth
   (Wheatley) face to face, under a cornice carreid by Corinthian columns, behind him the kneeling figures of four
   sons and behind her those of seven daughters. Above, the Arms: Bules, a saltire or between four bezants, for
   Anscell, and by the head of Thomas is Anscell impaling, sable, two hands joined, supporting a heart, for

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410Ibid.
411Ibid.
412Ibid.
413Ibid.
415Foose, "The English Ancestry of the Warfields of Maryland".
416Ibid.
417Ibid.
418Ibid.
419Ibid.
420Ibid.
421Ibid.
422Ibid., p. p. 50-53.
Wheatley, and by the head of Elizabeth, the hands and heart of Wheatly, alone."

The inscription reads: "Here lyeth the body of Thomas Anscell son and heir to Edward Anscell of West Mounton in the County of Somerset, Gent., who had to wife Elizabeth Whetley, daughter and coheir of Robert Whetley of Joneby in the County of Cumberland, Gent. by whom he had issue sons Whetley, Oliver, THomas and Nicholas and left Thomas living, and daughters Agnes, Rose, Mary, Temperance, Elizabeth, Elizabeth and Anne, whereof he bestowed six in marriage and left five of them living, and being of the age of 71 years deceased in the Fayth of Christ the 29th day of April Anno Dni 1591."  

Children of Thomas Anscell and Elizabeth Wheatley (see #967) were:

   483. i. MARY.

967. ELIZABETH WHEATLEY (Robert, #1934) married Thomas Anscell (see #966), son of Edward Anscell. She was buried on 7 Nov 1597 in Great Barford, Bedfordshire, England.

Generation Eleven

1930. WILLIAM CRANFIELD married Katherine (--?--) (see #1931). He died circa 1536 in Barford, Bedfordshire, England.

   Children of William Cranfield and Katherine (--?--) (see #1931) were:

      965. i. ELIZABETH.

1931. KATHERINE (--?--) married William Cranfield (see #1930).

1932. EDWARD ANSCELL. Children of Edward Anscell include:

      966. i. THOMAS.

1934. ROBERT WHEATLEY married Katherine Fisher (see #1935), daughter of Richard Fisher. He was also known as Quitlaw and Quitele, variations which differ more in spelling than in the pronunciation they represent. He was described as "of Joneby in the County of Cumberland" on his daughter's memorial.

   Children of Robert Wheatley and Katherine Fisher (see #1935) were:

      967. i. ELIZABETH.

1935. KATHERINE Fisher (Richard, #3870) married Robert Wheatley (see #1934).

Generation Twelve

3870. RICHARD Fisher died before 1532.

   Children of Richard Fisher include:

      1935. i. KATHERINE.

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Section II: Descendants of William Henry Ridgely

Generation One

1. **William Henry Ridgely** was born on 25 Jul 1786 in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. He married Hannah Reed Simmons, daughter of Stephen Simmons and Mabel Hunt, on 20 Nov 1810 in Scioto County, Ohio. He died on 26 Nov 1859 in Wabash County, Illinois, at age 73. He (as Wm. H. Ridgley) is listed in the 1860 mortality schedule of Wabash County, Illinois, as a married male who had died in Nov. at age 73. He was born in Illinois [sic], died of Rheumatism which he had had for 2 years. Interestingly, his occupation was listed as ship carpenter. He was buried in Ridgely Family Cemetery, Wabash County, Illinois.

   William Henry Ridgely was presumably one of the young males enumerated with his father's family in the 1790 census of Anne Arundel County, MD, and in the family of his widowed mother, Rachel, in 1800. He is not named in these records, of course. His name (first?) appears in existing records on 8 April 1800 when his mother applied to be guardian for eight of her young children. He was one of ten surviving children, of whom the youngest eight were legally orphaned by the death of their father and placed under the guardianship of their mother.

On 28 Dec. 1799, the "heirs of Henry Ridgely deceased of Anurandel County, State of Maryland" purchased land from Beal and Elizabeth Pumphrey in what is now Brooke County, W. Va. (then Virginia). On 27 Feb. 1815, William Ridgley and Hannah his wife of Brooke County in the state of Virginia sold their undivided tenth part of this 206 acres to Elizah Williams of Ann Arundel County, MD. The deed also says "and whereas the said Henry Ridgley Deed did at the time of his death leave the following children to wit Achsah Ridgley, Charles Ridgley, Ann Ridgley, Eleanor Ridgley, Henrietta Ridgley, Rachel Ridgley, Sally Ridgley, Nicholas Ridgley, William Ridgley and David Ridgley his heirs at law, now this Indenture witnesseth that the aforesaid William Ridgley, and Hannah his wife, (and which said William is one of the heirs of the aforesaid Henry Ridgley Decd) for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars current money of the United States to them in hand paid by the before mentioned Elizah Williams ...". The record does not indicate that either William or Hannah signed by mark. This shows that our ancestors lived in Virginia for a time after their 1810 marriage in Scioto County, OH, and supports the census reports that some of their children were born in Virginia.

On 20 May 1802, when Charles Waters filed a complaint against the estate of Henry Ridgely, who had died...
intestate about 1799, William Ridgely was one of the minor children of Henry Ridgely who were living in Anne Arundel County.442

On 1803, as a partial distribution of their father's estate, each of the ten children, including William, received 39 pounds, 11-6/10 pence.443 On 4 Feb. 1805 each of the ten children received 10 pounds, 16 shilling, 8 pence in the final distribution of the estate.444 445

According to a biography of Abel Ridgely446, William Henry Ridgely became a ship carpenter at Baltimore. He did have relatives in Baltimore, at least in 1840, as shown by a petition filed there by heirs of his uncle, John Griffith447. In this petition, William Ridgely of Illinois is named as one of the children of Rachel Ridgley, sister of the deceased John Griffith. Perhaps he did work in Baltimore for a time, but, if so, this must have been before his marriage, since his first three children were born (1811 - 1816) in Virginia, now West Virginia. It should be noted that census records are not completely consistent. According to the 1860 and 1870 censuses of Wabash County, Ill., the oldest son was born in Ohio. William Henry Ridgely did have relatives in Ohio and may have lived there for a time.

He assisted Stephen Simmons in building "the first vessel ever constructed in Portsmouth, Ohio". The family came to Illinois in March, 1817 on a keel-boat, landing at old Palmyra.448 This was where Crawfish Creek put into the Wabash River.449

The 1818 state census of Edwards County is no longer extant, but a William Ridgley is listed in the 1820 federal census of that county. The listing (incorrectly) shows that William and Hannah were both over age 45 and (correctly) that there were five boys under ten (who would have been William Simmons, Henry Davidge, Lloyd Griffith, Orrick and Abel). In 1827, Wabash County was formed from Edwards County. The 1830 census of Wabash County, Ill., lists the following:450

William H. Ridgely:
2 males under 5  (Charles and Nicholas)
1 male 5-10      (Absalom)
3 males 10-15    (Lloyd, Orrick, Abel)
2 males 15-20    (Wm. S. and Henry D.)
1 male 40-50     (William Henry)
1 female 5-10    (Eliza Lodema)
1 female 30-40   (Hannah Reed Ridgely)

The 1840 census of Wabash County, Illinois, shows the family as follows:
William Henry Ridgely:
2 males under 5 [Medad and Samuel]
2 males 10-15   [Charles and Nicholas]
1 male 15-20    [Absalom]
2 males 20-30   [any two of -- Lloyd, Orrick (already married but not located elsewhere) and Abel]
1 male 50-60 [William H.]
2 females 5-10 [Emily and Henrietta]
1 female 15-20 [Eliza Lodema]
1 female 40-50 [Hannah Reed]

The names in parentheses are not in the census record, of course, but have been added from data that will be presented later. By 1840, sons William S. and Henry D. Ridgely had started their own families and are recorded in Wabash County.

The 1850 census of Wabash County lists the family as follows:

William H. Ridgely, 64 farmer b. Md.
Hannah, 55 b. N. Y.
Abel, 30 b. Ill.
Absalom, 28 b. Ill.
Eliza, 26 b. Ill.
Charles, 24 b. Ill.
Nicholas, 24 b. Ill.
Emily, 19 b. Ill.
Henrietta, 17 b. Ill.
Medad, 13 b. Ill.
Samuel, 10 b. Ill.

The Ridgelys lived in section 1, town 1N, range 13W. A William Ridgely first appears in the remaining land records of Wabash County on 5 Sept. 1839 when he purchased 40 acres in this section. On 31 Oct. 1849, Wm. H. Ridgely purchased the S1/2 W1/2 W1/4 of section 35, T2N, R13W from James McMillen and wife. In 1851, Wm. Ridgely made two additional purchases (76 acres) in section 1, TIN, R13W. I have not made a complete search of the deeds. Except for the 1849 record, these purchases may have been made by William S. Ridgely.

William Henry Ridgely's will, dated 24 May 1858, shows careful consideration of his children's welfare. Three of his children were unable to live independently and he provided for them. The following records are among the materials at the Wabash County Court House, Mt. Carmel, Illinois which relate to his estate.

"I, William H. Ridgely of the county of Wabash, in the State of Illinois, do make and publish this my last will and Testament in the manner and form following that is to-say:

FIRST--it is my Will that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be fully paid.

SECOND--I give and bequeath to my sons William S., Henry D., Orrick and Abel Ridgely and my daughter Orenda E. Harrison all the proceeds arising from the sale of all my property in the state of Ohio, Muskingum County, willed to me by my brother Charles Ridgely also the proceeds arising from the sale of one half of that tract of land bought of George Moore to be equally divided among them.

THIRD--I give and bequeath to my son Medad R. Ridgely the other half of the said Moore tract of land. I want my Executor to choose three disinterested men to divide said land to the best advantage for all parties and for my son Medad to have his choice.

FOURTH--I give and bequeath one acre of land for a buring ground whare the old buring yard is now; also the privilege of getting to it from the laid out road, the above buring ground is for the use of all my posterity.

FIFTH--I give, devise and bequeath to my son Loyd G. Ridgely the farm I now live on including the timber lot bought of James McMillen in all about or near two hundred acres; also all of my stock of every kind and

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452Homer E. Ridgely's papers, collected about 1932, copy in my files, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina, He had a typed copy of these estate documents made for Ulla Ridgely Schreck when she visited Wabash County in the summer of 1930.
description and all my farming utensils also all moneys, notes due, and all demands, in fact all I possess not above disposed of by this will now this last I give, devise and bequeath to Loyd G. Ridgely is on the following conditions. The conditions are these he shall let my two daughters Lodema E. and Henrietta Ridgely each have their bed and bedding and each one have their cow I have already given them and when they leave or get married he shall pay them two hundred and fifty dollars a piece the above money shall be paid within one year from the time it is called for; also all my debts and expenses; also conditioned that the said Loyd G. Ridgely take care of and support my sons Nicholas, Charles and Samuel G. Ridgely then and in that case I want a sufficient portion of my estate to go for their support and my son Orrick Ridgely to take care and charge of and manage it for their support as long as they live. Conditioned further that my two daughters may live on the place as long as they please and live single and shall have their support, but they must help support the family the above named legacies are to go to Loyd G. Ridgely his heirs and assigns forever after complying with the above named conditions; also Medad R. Ridgely above mentioned legacy is to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

And lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my two sons William S. and Loyd G. Ridgely to be the executors for this my last Will and Testament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me made and ratifying and conforming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

My executors are to sell my property in Ohio and also the part of the Moore tract that is to be sold and after taking out the expenses pay it over according to my will.

In testamony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty-fourth day of May in the year of one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight.

William H. Ridgely [SEAL]
Signed, published and declared by the above named William H. Ridgely as and for his last Will and Testament in presence of us who at his request have signed as witnesses to the same.
Hiram Cusick,
William Hazelton,
Adam Harness

State of Illinois
Wabash County, SS

On this day comes William S. Ridgely and Loyd G. Ridgely of said County and produced to the court here for probate, the will of William H. Ridgely, late of the said county, deceased, purporting to be attested by Hiram Cusick, William Hazelton, and Adam Harness being first duly sworn, say respectively that they were well acquainted with William H. Ridgely of Wabash County, in the State of Illinois, in his lifetime, that he resided in said County at the time of his death, that he died on the 26th day of November A. D. 1859. The instrument in writing so produced by said William S. Ridgely and Loyd G. Ridgely, purporting to the the Will of William H.Ridgely being here shown them, they further respectively say that there were each present when the same was executed by William H. Ridgely, and saw him sign it on the day of the date thereof, and they acknowledged the same then and there to be his act and deed that each of them believes that the said William H. Ridgely was at that time of sound mind and memory, that each of them signed the same as attesting witnesses at the request of said Wm. H. Ridgely, in his presences and in the presence of each other.

Hiram Cusick
Adam Harness

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of December, A. D. 1859.
James S. Johnston, Clerk.

AFFADAVIT OF DECEASE AND NAMES OF HEIRS
State of Illinois
SS
County of Wabash

William S. Ridgely, being duly sworn deposes and says that William H. Ridgely late of the County of Wabash, and State of Illinois is dead, and that he died on or about the 26th day of November A. D. 1859 after having duly made and published his Last Will and Testament and his real and personal Estate will probably amount to $4,000.00 that said William H. Ridgely left at the time of his decease no widow, and William S. Ridgely, Henry D. Ridgely, Loyd G. Ridgely, Orrick Ridgely, Abel Ridgely, Medad R. Ridgely, Charles Ridgely, Nicholas Ridgely, Samuel Ridgely, Eliza Lodema Ridgely, Emily Orenda Ridgely, Henrietta Ridgely, Samuel under 21 years.

William S. Ridgely

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 22nd day of December A. D. 1859
James S. Johnston, Clerk

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A careful inventory of his estate, which follows, gives an indication of the style of life of our rural ancestors one hundred and fifty years ago.

The inventory of the Estate of Wm. H. Ridgely, deceased, this February 21st, A. D. 1860.

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1 mule five years old        2 salt barrels
1 old horse                  1 skillet and lid
3 cows                      2 jars
2 three old steers           1, 2 gal jug
4 steers 2 year old          2, 1 gal jugs
3 steers 1 year old          1 1/4 gal jug
1 calf                       4, 1 gal jug
17 head of hogs              4, 1 gal crocks
6 pigs                      2 tin pans
21 sheep                    5 old buckets
1 old waggon                 1 old wash tub and board
1 old buggy and harness     2 candle sticks and lamps
1 hay rake                  3 flat irons
2 set of harrow teeth       2 pr. hand irons
1 colter plow               68 bu. wheat
1-2 horse plow              20 cents money
3 old plows                 5 tons fine hay
3 hoes                      250 bu. corn
5 old axes                  1 claw hammer
1 old Adds                  1 old pair gears
5 old augers                1 tar bucket
4 old chisels               1 grappling iron
1 old hand saw              1 old loom and reel
1 old hatchet               1 little wheel
2 iron wedges                      1 large wheel
1 maul rings                       1 safe
2 pitchforks                       1 fall leaf table
2 manure forks                     1 square table
1 shovel                           1 stand
1 scoop shovel                     2 old chests
1 old mathook                      1 trunk
2 old gimlets                      2 homade bed stids
2 log chairs                       14 old chairs
2 old Bells and clappers           3 beds and bedding
2 old belts and collar straps      1 tea pot
3 hand rakes                       1 sugar bowl
1 old set of waggon gears          16 plates
2 collars                          18 tea cups and saucers
1 pair trace chains                5 bowls
2 old saddles                      2 sets knife and forks
3 old meat tules                   2 carving knives
1 old barrel                       4 glass tumblers
5 old keggs                        1, 2 quart measure
8 old boxes                        7 tin cups
1 old cutting box                  1 tin straner
1 old cradle scythe                1 dipper
1 old bush sythe                   1 old sive
1 stretcher                        lot of old medacin bottles and viols
1 double tree and 3 single trees   3 tea and table spoons
1 stove and cooking utensils       1 tin tea canister
1 old iron kettle                  1 tin molasses
1 oven and lid                     1 looking glass
2 old brass kettles                1 old pr. sheep shears
1 tea kettle                       4 baskets
1 pot and lid                      18 old barrels
1 old half bu.                     1 picher
1 pr. stilliards                   8 lbs nails
$5.00 worth of leather             21 old sacks
yarn for 20 yards jeans            yarn for 20 yard of lincy
1 ox yoke and steeple              5 7/12 dozen chickens
1 old gun and shoutpouch and horn  15 lbs. tallow
2 razors and one strap             1 strap and brush and 1 shaven cup
a bible                            1 hym book
1 geography and atlas              1 farm book
70 ft. old lumber                  400 ft. cullings wether boarding
1 ground auger                     1 numbrella
Cr. by Crossen's Estate $18.00 cash
1 biography of the Revolutionary Soldiers
1 shovel                           1 pr. tounges
The east half of the W half Section 1, Town number 1 North Range 14 West
71 60/100 acres
N half of the S. W. half [of what?] 71 60/100 acres

S. W. S. W. section 35, town 2 North Range 12 West
40 acres
N half End W of the Boundry line  Section 1 Town 1 Range 14 W.
1.46 50/100 acres.
[These land records require re-examination in the original]
W. S. Ridgely

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Lloyd G. Ridgely

Executors

Filed May 19th, A. D. 1862, Recorded in Record A of Inventory and Appraisment Book, pages 619 and 620.

J. S. Johnston, Clerk

"$8.00 received of Wm. S. Ridgely, eight dollars in full for one coffin executor of the estate of Wm. H. Ridgely, deceased, this the 15th day of January 1861

Joel Berringer"

Claim of Isaac Hershey

1858 to Wh. H. Ridgely Dr. Cr.
July 9 1 lb tea by Wm. Jr. 85
" " 3 " coffee 50
Oct. 11 1/4 pound tea 25
Nov. 18 3 pound tea 60
1859 coffee 50
March 14 tea 30
June 15 3 can soda and matches 30
Oct. 15 3 barlow knives by Lloyd 30
Oct. 19 1 nails 49
Oct. 22 1 " 7
Oct. 26 3 coffee and nails 57
Oct. 29 1 cap 1.87 1/2
Nov. 26 6 3/4 yards shrouding 2.70
Nov. 28 by 1 yard shrouding returned .40

$10.80

Henry Herscheay

per I. Berninger

Wm. Ridgely to H. Cusick

1858 to making 3 pairs of shoes 1.80
" " mending shoes .30
1859 to mending shoes .25
June 8th to half soling shoes .25
July 25 to making shoes .67 1/2
Aug. 28 to mending shoes (Greenhood) .20
Sept. 3rd to making shoes (for Greenhood) .62 1/2
Sept. 21 to making shoes for Lodema .62 1/2
Oct. 14 to making shoes for Sam .62 1/2
Dec. to making shoes for Charles .62 1/2
" to attendance at Mt. Carmel .62 1/2 5.92 1/2
to prove will, claiment asks .50

6.42 1/2

Proven by oath of open court before me this 20th day of March A. D. 1860

William R. Wilkinson C. J.

Ordered that this claim be allowed on 4th class of claims

Filed March 20th A. D. 1860 J. S. Johnston, Clerk

"March 6, 1873 Received of W. S. and Loyd G. Ridgely executors of W. H. Ridgely, the sum of $165.60 in full of the money coming to me from the P. Moore tract of land in accordance with father's will. Abel Ridgely"

Other receipts were signed by H. D. Ridgely, Emily O. Harrison, and Orrick Ridgely.
William Henry Ridgely is buried with his wife and other members of the family in the family plot mentioned in his will. This is on the farm where Mrs. Charles Abel, formerly Ethel Ridgely, a great-granddaughter, was living in 1932 and later. Jean Cullen wrote me (in 1997) that the farm had passed down to Ethel's children and "is being worked" by her son, Leo Carey. The inscription on the tombstone, which was erected in 1929, is as follows:

Wm H
RIDGETLY
July 25, 1786
Nov 26, 1859

HANNAH
REED
his wife
Jan. 20, 1793
June 13, 1853

Blessed are the dead
Which die in the Lord

RIDGETLY

"The cemetery at the old farm was in fairly good condition. It had three markers on the east half (low, with no dates) Orrick, infant son, Medad and Charles.

"On the west half, Loyd, Samuel and the large monument for Wm. H. and Hannah Reed. It was about 4 or 5 feet high and had only been erected the year before (1929) so of course was a modern gray marble. The plot was enclosed by woven wire and had room for many more graves, but I could find no other markers."

Some of the traditions which have been discovered in earlier family materials are:

"Mrs. [Minnie Harrison] Reid remembers the family and neighbors talking of how hard it must have been for her grandmother who was 'raised a lady, and had slaves to do the work, to work so hard when they came west.' Also that her father (Col. Simmons?) did not think it right to keep them and freed his before the general emancipation." Note that Hannah's parents, Stephen and Hannah (Reed) Simmons, both died well before the general emancipation. I have found no records of slaves in their families, but certainly William Henry Ridgely's Maryland ancestors held slaves. Bernice Bushfield, studying Upper Ohio Valley Regional History, including families of the West Virginia Panhandle, wrote: "A good many of the Marylanders of course being planters in Maryland brought slaves with them expecting to set up the same economical system they had had in Maryland but it didn't work since in order for it to be feasible you had to plant large acreage of some crop such as cotton or tobacco. After the woods were cleared it was corn and wheat which didn't need large labor forces to plant and harvest so most of them manumitted slaves long before 1850 except for house workers. Our winters were too cold to keep slaves well and comfortable in cabins. The planter thus had to turn to either trade or business so we

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454 Letter from Jean Cullen (Portage, Indiana) to Dan W. Olds, 27 Sep 1997; copy in my files (Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
455 Letter from Ulla (Ridgely) Schreck (DeKalb, Illinois) to Homer E. Ridgely, 2 Feb. 1932; copy in my files (Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
456 Mrs. Schreck's drawing says 1776 and she comments that her notes also say 1776 but that she believes that her notes are wrong and the date is 1786 as she has it from other sources.
457 This Orrick was a son of Henry D. Ridgely. Medad and Charles were sons of William Henry Ridgely.
458 Letter, Ulla (Ridgely) Schreck to Ridgely, 2 Feb. 1932, with which she also enclosed her drawing of the large tombstone.
find the younger generations the organizers of our industries such as tanning, mills, etc. All a matter of climate plus economics.”

"Mrs. Reid recalls hearing her Aunt Etta Parker (that would be Henrietta) saying her ancestors gave the ground for the first cemetery in New York City." This tradition has been taken as applying to the Ridgely family, although it almost certainly does not. In 1932, when contacted for Homer E. Ridgely, the New York Historical Society was unable to find any support for the statement.

"I think I wrote you last winter that Uncle Lloyd had told me that one of his uncles was a sailor and sailed around the world (I don't know how big the world was).”

"Mrs. Reid talked to Uncle Loyd and he thought no Ridgelys fought in the Revolution.”

Charles, Nicholas and Samuel Ridgely were mentally retarded, although I do not know how severely. Samuel is remembered as having the mind of a child. This was the reason that their father's will required Loyd to take care of them. Dow Ridgely has preserved for us the traditional explanation of their condition. The story is that when their mother was pregnant with one of them (that would have to have been both Charles and Nicholas), she was badly frightened by a bull and this caused the deficiency. She was so worried about a repeat performance during the next pregnancy that the child was also retarded (Note, however, that Samuel was not the next pregnancy.)

It has somehow become a part of family tradition that William Henry Ridgely was born in Boston, Mass., but according to the 1850 census of Wabash County, Ill., he was born in Maryland. (However, in the 1880 census, Lloyd listed himself and both his parents as born in New York!) William's will mentioned a deceased brother, Charles of Ohio. The will of Charles H. Ridgely of Muskingum County, Ohio, (made 10 Dec. 1853) names his wife Anne and two brothers, William Ridgely of Illinois and Nicholas Ridgely of Baltimore, Maryland, as his sole heirs after his decease. The list Lloyd Ridgely sent his sister, Emily Harrison, included Charles H. Ridgely, b. 16 Feb. 1779, and another brother, Davidge G. Ridgely, b. 14 Feb. 1794. These records and the given names in the family were the major clues on which to begin a search for the ancestry of William Henry Ridgely.

It is well known that the Ridgely family was numerous in Maryland, so the search was continued there. (Several published records included the family of a William Ridgely and wife Mary ORRICK, of Anne Arundel County, Md.) The Hall of Records at Annapolis is a fine place for genealogical research on local families and the notes in this book outline only a fraction of the papers there which pertain to our ancestors. One of the first records located there was the guardian bond for Davidge Griffith Ridgely, dated 8 April 1800. When bonds were located for his brothers William and Nicholas and an older brother Charles was found, the genealogical search had a firm starting point. This eventually led to the ancestry known today.

In addition to the census records and estate records which name the children in this family, three other references have been useful in constructing a complete listing with full names and dates. These are:

Ref. 1. A list of names and dates sent to Emily O. Harrison by her brother, Loyd Ridgely about 1855. "When my oldest brother was a baby of perhaps 1 or 2 yrs old my father had a sick attack and the Doctor told him the only thing for him to do was to travel in a wagon so they went to Wisconsin in a covered wagon, and while there, Uncle Lloyd sent this in a letter to my mother, part of it was cut off before I got it, and in looking at it yesterday I see that there must be a record of two of Grandfathers brothers so I will send it to you to see, I would like it returned some time. I do not have a photocopy of this record but Homer Ridgely and Ulla Ridgely Schreck transcribed this list into their records. It was later the property of Lorena and Emily Reid who

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459 Letter from Bernice Bushfield (Toronto, Ohio) to Dan W. Olds, 15 March 1962; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
460 Letter, Ulla (Ridgely) Schreck to Ridgely, 2 Feb. 1932.
461 Letter from Minnie (Harrison) Reid (Albion, Illinois) to Homer E. Ridgely, 8 Sept. 1932; copy in my files (Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
463 Ibid.
Emily Reid also sent me a transcript of another list she had, in her mother's handwriting. This one differs slightly: it includes William H. Ridgely, July 25, 1786; it has Davidge G. b. Feb. 11; it has Henry Davidge, May 8; it has Orrick, Sept. 13; it has Emily O., Apr. 12, 1831; and it has Medad, Dec. 5. Also, added at the side in Minnie Reid's handwriting were the names Charles, Nicholas, Absalom, Hannah and Eliza Lodema with no dates. Mrs. Shreck's list ("I got from Mrs. Reid (mostly)") does include Wm. H, shows 1813 for Henry D., Sept. 13 for Orrick, has Orenda Emily born Apr. 12, 1831, shows Lodema E. next with no date, Dec. 25 for Medad Reed, March 3 for Samuel Gunn and ends with Nicholas and Charles with no dates.

Ref. 2. A biography of Abel Ridgely names the Ridgely family as William H., Henry D., Lloyd G., Orrick, Abel, Absalom, Mrs. Eliza L. Greenhood, Mrs. Orenda Harrison, Mrs. Henrietta Parker, Charles and Nicholas (twins), Medad, Samuel, Maria and one who died at birth.

Ref. 3. I have notes made by Dow A. Ridgely which say:
"The following information was given to me by Lloyd Ridgely a few days before his death. William Ridgely Sr. born in Scotland? Blacksmith, minister, and soldier
William Ridgely Jr. born in Scotland or America July 25 1786
married Hannah Simmons who was born in 1794 and died June 13, 1853
William Jr. was a soldier in the war of 1812-1814 Died Nov. 16, 1859

Their children
William born July 7 1811?
Henry D. born May 8 1813
Lloyd " Aug 5, 1816
Orrick " Sep 1817
Abel " 1820
Absalom " 1822 [marked out] died 1855
Little girl 1828 died at 5 years
Eliza ----- 
LaDema --- [The names Eliza and LaDema are bracketed and marked with a ?]
Orenda ------- 1831
Henrietta ----- 1833
Medad ----- 1835
Samuel ----- 1840
Charles and Nicholas 1826 - twins"

Only a small portion of the notes from Lloyd Ridgely has been verified. The National Archives, Washington, D. C., could provide no evidence of the service in the war of 1812. This paper was sent to me by Stephanie
Hannah Reed Simmons was born on 20 Jan 1793 in New York.\(^{467}\) She died on 13 Jun 1853 in Wabash County, Illinois, at age 60.\(^{468,469}\) She was buried in the family cemetery, Wabash County, Illinois.\(^{470}\) She was the "daughter of Stephen Simmons, who when a small boy emigrated from his native England to America. At the age of fifteen, he entered the Colonial Army and for meritorious conduct in the struggle for independence was promoted to the rank ofColonel." Stephen Simmons laid out the town of Mt. Pleasant, Ill., about 1820. He had a horse mill of some importance there. The place was later known as Clark's Corners. Col. Simmons with a family of four children, Stephen, Medad and two daughters, settled on the west half of the northwest quarter of section 1 [town IN, range 13W].\(^{471}\) Mrs. Minnie (Harrison) Reid, who collected several items on our family history, left a note naming Mable Hunt as the wife of Col. Stephen Simmons. This has now been supported by the information located in the Simmons Bible. Stephen Simmons and his wife, both age 60-70, are listed in the 1830 census of Wabash County. His son Medad was born about 1796 in Virginia and Stephen [Jr.] was born about 1797 in Ohio. Hannah Ridgely was accepted into membership by the Wabash Presbyterian Church at Orio "about 2 Sept. 1837". This same transcription shows her death as 13 June 1855.\(^{472}\)

Children of William Henry Ridgely and Hannah Reed Simmons were as follows:

1. William Simmons Ridgely was born on 7 Jul 1811 in Muskingum County, Ohio. He married Ann Eliza Crowell.

2. Henry Davidge Ridgely was born on 8 May 1813 in Virginia. He married Irena Harrison, daughter of John Harrison and Nancy Higgins, on 16 Aug 1839.

3. Lloyd Griffith Ridgely was born on 5 Aug 1816. He was buried in Ridgely Family Cemetery, Wabash County, Illinois. Lloyd is mentioned in all three reference lists described under William Henry Ridgely. His full name and birth date are given in Ref. 1. In the 1860 census of Wabash County, Ill., he is listed as age 46, b. Ohio, head of the family including Eliza, Charles, Nicholas, and Samuel, of whom the last three are "Idiotic".\(^{473}\) He was born in Virginia, Ohio or New York according to the 1860, 1870 or 1880 census, respectively. His obituary gives his birth place as Lawrence County, Ill. He never married and his old age was spent with his nephew, George William Ridgely, Medad's son. At the time of his death, he was visiting his nephew, William Harrison, near West Salem, Ill. He had just visited Dow A. Ridgely who then took the notes mentioned in Ref. 3. The petition for the probate of his will was filed in Wabash County on 3 July 1912. He is buried in his father's cemetery. There are no dates on his marker.

   The 1870 census shows:\(^{476}\)
   Ridgely, Loyd, 53    b. VA
   , Hennietta, 35    b. Ill.
   , Charles, 43    b. Ill. Idiotic

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\(^{467}\) Letter from Emily Reid (Albion, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, Nov. 1966; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).

\(^{468}\) Tombstone, William H. Ridgely Cemetery. Her tombstone there was erected in 1929 and has full date for birth and death.

\(^{469}\) Lloyd Ridgely, transcript of list of Ridgely family names and dates.

\(^{470}\) Tombstone, William H. Ridgely Cemetery.


\(^{472}\) Ridgely names, Wabash Presbyterian Church records as noted by Helen Reed, copy in my files, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina. Hereinafter cited as Wabash Presbyterian Church records.

\(^{473}\) Lloyd Ridgely, transcript of list of Ridgely family names and dates. Note that his birthdate is given as 30 Aug. in his obituary.

\(^{474}\) "Mr. Lloyd Ridgely, aged 95, Mt. Carmel Morning Register, Mt. Carmel, Illinois, 24 Oct 1911. Hereinafter cited as Mt. Carmel Morning Register.

\(^{475}\) 1860 federal census of Wabash County, Illinois. Microfilm image. Used at National Archives.

\(^{476}\) 1870 federal census of Wabash County, Ill. Microfilm image. Used at National Archives.
The 1880 census listing of Wabash County shows:

Ridgley, Loid, 68    b. NY   parents b. NY
Samuel, 40[?] brother   b. Ill   parents b. NY
George W., 20 nephew   b. Ill.   parents b. Ill.

In 1900, Loyd Ridgely, b. 1816 in Virginia, and Samuel Ridgely, b. 1840 in Illinois, were living in the family of John and Henrietta Parker in Lukin Township, Lawrence County, Illinois. In 1910, Loyd G. Ridgely, b. in Virginia, and Samuel Ridgely, b. in Illinois, were uncles living in the family of George W. Ridgely in Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois.

"Your letter of Oct. 24 just rec'd today (via Girard) announcing the death of our dear old Uncle Lloyd Ridgely that morning at your Bro. Willies, West Salem. I thank you for the kind thoughtful letter ... I have thought of Uncle Lloyd scores of times the last year promising myself to go to visit him ere long. Yes, I always loved and revered him. He was always kind and sympathetic, so seldom complained of anything or anybody, tho suffering very poor health for so many years, his living to almost his 96th year is indeed surprising and proves that careful dieting and habits will ensure the long life for even frail constitutions. Lloyd Ridgely is the source of much on the information on the William Henry Ridgely family. This is true even in death, since his estate records include a list of heirs which names many of the children and grandchildren of his brothers and sisters. The petition for the probate of his estate gives his death date as April, 1912, but this is clearly incorrect. His obituary gives his birthdate as 30 August and may be correct.

Lloyd is frequently spelled Loyd in our family records.

Obituary of Lloyd Ridgely, Mount Carmel Morning Register, Mount Carmel, Ill.
Tuesday, 24 Oct. 1911.

COUNTY'S OLDEST RESIDENT DIES
Mr. Lloyd Ridgley[sic], aged 95,
passed away at home of relatives
IN WEST SALEM THIS MORNING

Had lived a bachelor all his life
and was one of the old pioneers.

"Mr. Lloyd Ridgley, who was claimed to be the oldest resident of the county at the time of his death, and one of the most prominent and well known pioneers of this section of the State, died at the home of a relative in West Salem this morning at 3:45, after a few days illness, of bronchial pneumonia.
"Mr. Ridgley was 95 years old on the 30th of last August. He was born in Lawrence county, but for the greater portion of his life lived on a farm between Lancaster and Orio. He was never married, and for the greater portion of his life lived alone on his farm, until a few years ago, when he became unable to care for the duties of his home, at which time he went to live with a nephew.

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477 1880 federal census of Wabash County, Ill. Microfilm image. Used at National Archives.
478 Letter from Edwin Reed Ridgely (Girard, Kansas) to Minnie Harrison Reid, 8 Nov. 1911; a partial transcript, personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina). This letter belonged to Emily and Lorena Reid who sent a transcript of this portion.
"He made frequent trips here and there among his relatives on visits and it was on one of these visits that death overtook him. He had gone to Parkersburg and other points to the west and returned as far as West Salem, where he was visiting with a nephew, when he was taken ill for the last time.

"He was well known throughout the county and particularly so in the north and northwest part, where he lived. He was respected and known as one of the best men in the county.

"Of this immediate family there remains surviving him only one brother, Samuel.

"The funeral will be held in the Christian church at West Salem, Wednesday afternoon, and burial will be made in the old family graveyard on the farm."479 On 3 July 1912, in Wabash County, Illinois, George Couch filed a petition for the probate of the will of Lloyd Ridgely, stating that Lloyd Ridgely had died at William Harrison's in Edwards County in April 1912 [sic]. Although Lloyd's will had appointed George Couch as executor, he now "resigns said trust in favor of George W. Ridgely, a nephew at whose place in Wabash County, Illinois, Lloyd Ridgely aforesaid, lived, unmarried and with no descendants. Lloyd left real property evaluated at about $10,000 and personal property evaluated at about $600 and "said deceased left surviving him no widow or children, and the following named persons as his only heirs at law and legatees; and their respective places of residence as far as known are as follows:

[Lloyd's brother]
Samuel Ridgely, Lancaster Illinois
[children of Lloyd's deceased brother, Medad Ridgely]
Charles Ridgely, Mound Valley, Kansas
George W. Ridgely, Lancaster, Illinois
[children of Lloyd's deceased sister, Emily Harrison]
Henry Harrison, Lancaster, Illinois
Dow Harrison, West Salem, Illinois
William Harrison, West Salem, Illinois
Geor. Harrison, West Salem, Illinois
Minnie Reed, Albion, Illinois
[grandchildren of Lloyd's sister, Emily through her deceased dau., Angeline Harrison Brines]
Fred Brines, Belmont, Illinois
Orman Brines, Belmont, Illinois
Cora Brines, Belmont, Illinois
Ola Brines, Belmont, Illinois
Myrtle Brines, Belmont, Illinois
Glydes [sic] Brines, Belmont, Illinois
[children of Lloyd's deceased brother, Henry D. Ridgely]
Sarah Finley, Parkersburgh, Illinois
Mary Parker, Parkersburgh, Illinois
Ellen Talley, Parkersburgh, Illinois
Hannah Michaels, Parkersburgh, Illinois
Nancy A. Smith, Parkersburgh, Illinois
Jno. H. Ridgely, Parkersburgh, Illinois
[grandchildren of Henry D. thru his deceased son, Robert Ridgely]
Orman Ridgely, Eureka, Illinois
Ollie Ridgely, Eureka, Illinois
Irene Sealock, Petersburgh, Illinois
[grandchildren of Henry D. thru his deceased dau., Elsie Jane Ridgely Stanninger]
Ralph Stanager, West Salem, Illinois
Rolla Stanager, West Salem, Illinois
Robert Stanager, West Salem, Illinois

479Mt. Carmel Morning Register, 24 Oct 1911.
Bessie S. Gentz, West Salem, Illinois
Mary S. Goodson, Atwood, Illinois
Bertha S. Doty, Delphi, Indiana
  [children of Lloyd's deceased brother, Orrick Ridgely]
James S. Ridgely, Calhoun, Illinois
Russel Ridgely, Parkersburgh, Illinois
  [grandchildren of Orrick thru his deceased son, George W. Ridgely]
Oscar Ridgely, Parkersburgh, Illinois
Sarah Higgins, Sumner, Illinois
Zella Moore, Bridgeport, Illinois  [Lora Traylor was not named]
  [grandchildren of Orrick thru his deceased son, Ira Ridgely]
Dow Ridgely, Parkersburgh, Illinois
Willie (possibly Willis) Ridgely, Parkersburg, Illinois
  [grandchildren of Lloyd's deceased brother, Abel Ridgely, thru his deceased son,
  Edwin Ridgely]
Joy Ridgely, Olney, Illinois
Dale Ridgely, Olney, Illinois
  [grandchildren of Lloyd's deceased brother, Orrick, thru his deceased dau., Lucinda
Ridgely Hedrick]
Arthur Hedrick, 1018 E. Leonard St., St. Louis, Mo.
Ira Hedrick, Walhalla, Illinois
Bertha Hedrick, Seattle, Washington
Jersey Cunningham, Heyworth, Illinois
  [children of Lloyd's deceased brother, Abel Ridgely]
Wm. S. Ridgely, Olney, Illinois
George A. Ridgely, Olney, Illinois
Alice Martin, Olney, Illinois
Elizabeth Vandeveer, West Salem, Illinois
  [children of Lloyd's deceased brother, William S. Ridgely]
Stephen Ridgely, 1331 Jersey Ave., Kansas City, Kans.
Edwin Ridgely, Girard, Kan.
Lizzie R. Root, Girard, Kans.
Etta R. Green, 822 Santa Fe St. Alva, Okla.
  [grandchild of William S. Ridgely, thru his deceased son, William H. Ridgely]
Edna Ward, Pittsburg, Kans."

This record was sent to me in Sept. 1966 by Dow A. Ridgely. He told me that he
thought he got about $2 from the estate. This record does not indicate the relationships
to the testator. Fortunately, the order is a partial guide to these relationships and I have,
after much study, added bracketed information as a key to the family groups. 480

+ 5.  iv.  ORRICK RIDGELY was born on 13 Sep 1817 in Wabash County, Illinois. He married
Nancy Harrison, daughter of John Harrison and Nancy Higgins, on 2 Jan 1840 in
Richland County, Illinois.

+ 6.  v.  ABEL RIDGELY was born on 16 Feb 1820. He married Elizabeth L. Clodfelter on 20
Jan 1852 in Edwards County, Illinois. He married Phoebe A. Ades on 28 Aug 1862 in
Wabash County, Illinois. He married Mary C. Reynolds on 29 Oct 1882 in Richland
County, Illinois.

7.  vi.  ABSALOM RIDGELY was born circa 1822. He died circa 1855.
Absalom is mentioned in Ref. 2 and Ref. 3 and in the 1850 census of Wabash County.
His birthdate is estimated from the census record and his death date is in Ref. 3. No
tombstone is known. He is thought to have died unmarried.

8.  vii.  ELIZA LODEMA RIDGELY was born in 1825. She married Charles Greenhood on 26 Sep

480 Lloyd Ridgely, Probate record, unknown file number, copy in my files, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South
Carolina. Hereinafter cited as Probate record.
1860 in Wabash County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{481} She died on 7 Mar 1902.\textsuperscript{482} She was buried in Wabash Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Orio, Wabash County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{483}

Eliza Lodema is named in the 1850 and 1860 census records of Wabash County, in her father’s will (as Lodema E.) and the list of heirs, in Ref. 2 (as Mrs. Eliza L. Greenhood), and in Ref. 3. In the 1850 census, at the age of 26, she is listed as having attended school within the year. Family members recall that she married twice, Mr. Andrews and Mr. Greenhood. Something of her life may be surmised from the following tombstone inscriptions which may be seen in the cemetery of the Wabash Presbyterian Church, Orio, Wabash County, Ill.

Eliza L., wife of Edward Andrews, formerly wife of Charles Greenhood, died March 7, 1902, aged 76 years, 10 m's, 22 d's.

Charles Greenhood, died Aug. 18, 1899, aged 71 years.

(Sarah A., wife of Charles Greenhood, died Aug. 1859, aged 22 years)

Millard, son of Charles Greenhood, Dec. 6, 1872, aged 13 yrs 8 ms 10d's

The following three are on the same single stone:

Edward Andrews, died 7 May 1908, aged 73 years, 11 m's 21 d's
Sarah, wife of Edward Andrews, died March 19, 1900, aged 63 y's 1 m 17 d
Job, son of E. & S. Andrews, d. Oct [?] 1868, aged 2 y's 11 m 9d's

Eliza Lodema Ridgely had no children. None of the references give her exact birth date, although it may be estimated from her tombstone.

According to the 1880 census of Lukin Twp., Lawrence County, Ill., page 129, Charles Greenhood was age 53 and was born in England. Eliza L. Greenhood was age 55, born in Illinois, father born in Maryland, mother born in NY. They had an adopted daughter, Clara, age 8. Eliza’s sister, Henrietta Parker was living in the next house listed. Eliza Lodema Ridgely was accepted by exam into the membership of the Wabash Presbyterian Church at Orio on 15 Oct. 1843.\textsuperscript{484}

9. viii. CHARLES RIDGELY was born circa 1826.

He and Nicholas Ridgely were twins. Charles and Nicholas are listed in the 1860 census but have not been found in 1870.

10. ix. NICHOLAS RIDGELY was born circa 1826.

Charles and Nicholas were twins. He and Charles Ridgely were twins. Charles and Nicholas are listed in the 1860 census but have not been found in 1870.

11. x. (---?) RIDGELY was born circa 1828. She died circa 1833.

This child is recorded in Ref. 3, but note that she does not appear in the 1830 census although said to have died at age 5. Ref. 2 mentions a child named Maria, with no dates, which might be this one.

+ 12. xi. EMILY ORENDRA RIDGELY was born on 12 Apr 1831. She married George Nelson Harrison, son of John Harrison and Nancy Higgins, on 4 Nov 1852.

13. xii. HENRIETTA RIDGELY was born on 2 Mar 1833.\textsuperscript{485} She married Charles A. Duncan on 29 Mar 1860 in Wabash County, Illinois. Helen Reed\textsuperscript{486} reports that the Orio church records list the marriage of Henrietta Ridgely to a Duncan without first name or date. The memory of this Duncan appears to have been lost in our family and Henrietta again used the name Ridgely when she re-married.\textsuperscript{487} She married John B. Parker on 9 Feb

\textsuperscript{481} Illinois Statewide Marriage Index, Illinois Marriages online, Secretary of State, State Marriage Index, online

\textsuperscript{482} Statewide data bases, Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Hereinafter cited as Illinois Marriage Index online.


\textsuperscript{484} Ibid., Eliza L. Greenhood, wife of Edward.

\textsuperscript{485} Ridgely names, Wabash Presbyterian Church records.

\textsuperscript{486} Lloyd Ridgely, transcript of list of Ridgely family names and dates.

\textsuperscript{487} Ridgely names, Wabash Presbyterian Church records.

\textsuperscript{487} Illinois Marriage Index online.
1870 in Wabash County, Illinois. She died on 16 Sep 1910 at age 77. She was buried in Wabash Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Orio, Wabash County, Illinois.

Henrietta Ridgely is named in her father's will and list of heirs, in the 1850 census record of Wabash County, in Ref. 1 (b. 2 March 1833), in Ref. 2 as Mrs. Henrietta Parker, and in Ref. 3 (b. 1833).

Henrietta Ridgely and Charles A. Duncan appeared on the census of 1860 in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois, in which the record shows that they had been married within the year. He was age 29 and she was 27. He is probably the Charles Duncan, age 19, b. OH, listed in the family of Alexander Duncan, age 60, b. PA, and Catherine Duncan, age 46, b. Ireland (1850 census, Richland County, Illinois).

Henrietta Ridgely appeared on the census of 1870 in Wabash County, Illinois. Henrietta Ridgely and John B. Parker appeared on the census of 1880 in the John B. Parker household, Lukin Township, Lawrence County, Illinois. John B. Parker, age 31, was born in England, and his wife Henrietta, age 47, was born in Illinois, her father in Maryland and her mother in NY. Her sister Eliza L. Greenhood lived in the household listed just before this couple.

Henrietta Ridgely and John B. Parker appeared on the census of 1900 in the John Parker household, Lukin Township, Lawrence County, Illinois. He was age 53, b. Sep 1856, and she, his wife, was age 67, b. Mar 1837. They had been married thirty years. Loyd Ridgely, age 85, b. Aug. 1816 and Samuel Ridgely, b. Nov 1840, age 60, were both single and boarders in the family.

Henrietta Ridgely appeared on the census of 1910 in the Levan Fornoff household, Lukin Township, Lawrence County, Illinois. at age 77, Henrietta Parker was a boader in the home of Levan Fornoff and wife Della.

Charles A. Duncan. One Charles A. Duncan served in Company A of the 123rd Illinois infantry during the Civil War. His residence was Charleston, Coles County, Illinois. He is not on the Illinois Civil War Pension list. He held the rank of 1st Sgt. (http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/regiments.htm).

John B. Parker was born on 24 Sep 1845. He died on 25 Mar 1909 at age 63. He was buried in Wabash Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Orio, Wabash County, Illinois. John Parker was an employee of the Southern Illinois Railroad. He owned a gold "hunting case" watch manufactured by the Illinois Watch Company. [A hunting case watch is one with a metal cover which closes to protect the glass face.] This watch was apparently produced shortly after the Civil War since it contains works designed for key winding operation. These works had been made before the War and after the War were put into cases as stemwinders. The watch is also of a size discontinued about this time.

Not long before Mr. Parker's death, he was visited by his nephew George W. Ridgely and Parker gave the watch to him. (The Parkers had no children.) Shortly thereafter, George W. Ridgely also died and the watch passed to his son, Oscar Ridgely. Later, when Oscar's son, Homer Ridgely, began teaching school, he used this watch and it was

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488 Ibid.
490 Ibid., Henrietta, his [John B. Parker's] wife.
491 Letter from Carie Richardson (Mt. Carmel, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 19 Dec. 2005; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), including a photograph of their tombstone.
494 Ibid.
495 Ibid.
497 Letter, Carie Richardson to Olds, 19 Dec. 2005, including a photograph of their tombstone.
eventually transferred to his keeping.

In the summer of 1970, Homer Ridgely passed this family heirloom and this story to his nephew, Dan W. Olds. The watch had just been cleaned and adjusted and still kept good time.  


15. xiv. Samuel Gunn Ridgely was born on 9 Mar 1840. He died on 21 Jul 1915 at age 75. He was buried in Ridgely Family Cemetery, Wabash County, Illinois. 

Samuel is named in his father's will and list of heirs, in Ref. 1 (from which the full name and date of birth are taken), Ref. 2 and Ref. 3, in the 1850-1880 census records of Wabash County, and in the estate records of Lloyd Ridgely. He is listed as "idiotic" in the 1860-1880 census reports and lived with Lloyd Ridgely. "Samuel was extremely deficient mentally. When Uncle Lloyd visited us, he brought Samuel along and looked after him like a child. Mother used to say that Grandma (Emily Orenda) used to say that her father mistreated her mother and that there were several children who did not live. Samuel was the only member of his generation mentioned in Lloyd's estate and was the last surviving member of this family. Samuel Gunn Ridgely appeared on the census of 1900 in the John Parker household, Lukin Township, Lawrence County, Illinois. Loyd, b. Aug 1816, age 85, and Samuel, b. (month not legible) 1840, age 60, were boarders with their sister, Henrietta Ridgely Parker. 

16. xv. Maria Ridgely. Maria Ridgely is mentioned only in Ref. 2. Perhaps she is the same as the unnamed girl who died young mentioned in Ref. 3. 

17. xvi. Hannah Ridgely. Hannah Ridgely is named in some of Homer E. Ridgely's notes, with no dates. 

18. xvii. (--?--) Ridgely. "one who died at birth" is mentioned in Ref. 2. These last three and the unnamed child who was born about 1828 may represent no more that the two mentioned in Ref. 2 or perhaps never existed. None appear in estate or census records, but see the notes under their brother, Samuel Ridgely, which indicate that there were several children who did not live. 

**Generation Two**

2. William Simmons Ridgely (*William Henry*) was born on 7 Jul 1811 in Muskingum County, Ohio. He married Ann Eliza Crowell.

He was born before his parents came to Illinois, either in Virginia (per 1850 census of Wabash County, IL) or Ohio (per 1860 and 1870 census of Wabash County, IL). He served in the Black Hawk War, enlisting from Wabash County on 19 June 1832 and serving in the Company of Capt. John Arnold, 2nd regiment, Illinois Volunteers. It is family tradition that "on his way home from the war, riding horseback, he was offered a large tract of land where Chicago now stands in exchange for his horse. He wouldn't consider possessing such swampland."
Ann Eliza was born about 1821 in Indiana. (census, Wabash Co., Ill., 1850-1870). The family is listed in the 1840 census of Wabash County, Illinois. William S. was age 20-30, his wife was age 15-20 and the one son was under five years old.\textsuperscript{508} William S. and Anne Ridgely were listed among the charter members of the Church of Christ at Lancaster, Ill. which was formed in Oct. 1842.\textsuperscript{509} The family is listed in the census records for Wabash County, Ill. for 1850, 1860, and 1870. Death dates and tombstones have not been located for them and it is possible that they moved further west. The record in the 1860 census is as follows:\textsuperscript{510}

William S. Ridgely, 49 m. b. Ohio
Anna, 39 f. b. Ind.
Stephen, 20 m. b. Wabash
Anna E., 18 f. b. Wabash
Edwin, 15 m. b. Wabash
Henrietta, 7 f. b. Wabash
William H., 4 m. b. Wabash

The 1870 census of Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Ill. (p. 440) shows:\textsuperscript{511}

Ridgely, William, 59 b. Ohio
Anne E., 50 b. Ind
Henrietta, 18 b. Ill.
William H., 15 b. Ill.

Neither William nor Anne appear in the nationwide index to the 1880 census.

Further information on this family is contained in two letters from Edwin Reed Ridgely. The first is to Mrs. Minnie H. Reid and dated Nov. 8, 9 p. m. 1911. It came from Mulberry, Kansas on stationery with the printed heading "Ozark Divide Thoroughbred Stock Dairy Farm, E. Ridgely, Owner and Manager, Crawford County. The following is a quotation from this letter, taken from a copy supplied by Emily and Lorena Reid of Albion, Ill.

"Dear Cousin -- Your letter of Oct. 24 just rec'd today (via Girard) announcing the death of our dear old Uncle Lloyd Ridgely that morning at your Bro. Willie's, West Salem. I thank you for the kind thoughtful letter and have already written Bro. Stephen, 1231 Jersey Ave., Kansas City, Kan., and sister Etta R. Green, S-22 Santa Fe St., Alva, Okla. asking her to send your letter on to Sister Lizzies 3600 Gladstone Blvd., Kansas City, Mo. That is her daughter Alice Bullock's address. I think Sister Lizzie is there at present tho her and Mr. Root have their home in Girard. ..."

The other letter was written to C. V. Ridgely, Gary, Indiana and I have a copy from Mrs. Margaret (Ridgely) Dalby. It is on printed stationary of Farmers Alliance Insurance Company and identifies E. R. Ridgely, R. F. D. 1, Mulberry, Kansas as Member of the Board of Directors, Farmers Alliance Insurance Co., and also mentions Ozark Thoroughbred Stock Farm, Registered Cattle.

"Dear Cousin -- The enclosed type[d] letter was hastily dictated at Girard. On getting home I find it only partly answers your enquiry of Oct. 22, 19--.

"My Grandmother Ridgely's maiden name was Simmons. My fathers name Wm. Simmons Ridgely. He often stated that his father moved from Baltimore, Md. to Muskingum County, Ohio, where my father was born. From there the family moved to Wabash County, Ill. when my father was six years old. I remember my father made some two or three trips to Baltimore on Estate business when I was quite small. ... There were six children of my fathers family 4 boys and two girls -- the 2nd youngest boy Henry died at 4 years old. The youngest, William H., died some 15 years ago, leaving a wife and two children. My oldest brother Stephen Simmons Ridgely died 4 years ago leaving a wife and one son the latter is serving in the General Offices of the CB&O RR Co in Chicago and lives in LaGrange, Ill."

Surely the typed letter mentioned here would be of great interest to the family if it could be located.

The list of heirs of Lloyd Ridgely, Wabash County, 1912, includes Stephen Ridgely, 1231 Jersey Avenue, Kansas City; Edwin Ridgely, Girard, Kansas; Lizzie R. Root, Girard, Kansas; and Etta R. Green, 822 Santa Fe St., Alva, Okla.\textsuperscript{512}
William Simmons **Ridgely** appeared on the census of 1850 in Wabash County, Illinois.

"William S. Ridgely, 34
Ann E., 38
Stephen S., 11
Ann E., 8
Edwin R., 6
Jacobs Geisler, 19."

William Simmons **Ridgely** and Ann Eliza (--?--) appeared on the census of 7 Jul 1870 in Friendsville, Wabash County, Illinois. The listing shows:

- **Ridgely, William**, age 59, b. Ohio
- **Anna E.**, age 50, b. Ind
- **Henrietta**, age 18, b. Iliis.
- **William H.**, age 15, b. Iliis.

**Ann Eliza Crowell** was born circa 1820 in Indiana.

Children of William Simmons **Ridgely** and Ann Eliza **Crowell** were as follows:

1. **Stephen Simmons** **Ridgely** was born in Mar 1839 in Wabash County, Illinois. He married Louella (--?--) circa 1870. She is shown in the 1880 census as age 31. He married Mary T(?)(--?--) circa 1890.

2. **Ann Elizabeth Ridgely** was born circa 1841 in Wabash County, Illinois. She married Tenny Root.

3. **Edwin Reed Ridgely** was born on 9 May 1844 in Wabash County, Illinois. He married Elizabeth Frazer circa 1894. He died on 23 Apr 1927 at age 82. He was buried in Girard Cemetery, Girard, Crawford County, Kansas.

The 1870 census of Girard, Crawford Twp., Crawford County, Kansas, shows:

- **Ridgely, Edwin R., 24** Grocer
- **Stephen S., 28**
- **Lizzie, 26**

"a Representative from Kansas; born near Lancaster, Wabash County, Ill., May 9, 1844; attended district school in the winter months; during the Civil War enlisted as a private in Company C, One Hundred and Fifteenth Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry, in 1862; promoted to sergeant and served until the end of the war; moved to Girard, Kansas in 1869 and engaged in general merchandising and in agricultural and in agricultural pursuits; left the Republican Party in 1876 because of its financial policy; lived in Odgen, Utah from 1889 to 1893 and then returned to Kansas; elected by the People's and Democratic Parties to the Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth Congresses, (March 4, 1897 - March 3, 1901); was not a candidate for renomination in 1900; resumed agricultural pursuits in Mulberry, Crawford Co., Kansas; died in Girard, Kansas, April 23, 1927; interment in Girard Cemetery."

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**HON. EDWIN REED RIDGELY**, son of William S. Ridgely and Ann Eliza Crowell Ridgely, was born May 9, 1844, near Lancaster, Wabash County, ILL. His parents were farmers, and he shared the lot of a pioneer farmer's son; helping to clear away the timber, enlarging the farm, replacing the log cabin in which he was born with a brick dwelling,
and constructing barns. His education was acquired during the few weeks of winter weather at the district school in the village of Lancaster. At the age of eighteen, August 12, 1862, he enlisted in Company C as a private, immediately going with his company into active service, sharing its fate and that of the regiment without asking or receiving furlough or leave of absence to the end of the war; in the meantime he was promoted to sergeant. During the entire three years his company was never under the enemy's fire without his presence, rifle in hand, doing his share of the fighting. Sergeant Ridgely had a thrilling experience at the battle of Nashville. While the Union lines were charging the enemy's works and a Confederate battery immediately in front of the 115th was pouring shot and shell into its ranks, a shell struck in front of his position, throwing much earth against him, knocking him down and leaving him for a time unconscious. After some minutes he proceeded to rejoin his regiment, which had continued the charge, and was then halted about 400 feet in advance. As he crawled forward to his company his comrades expressed astonishment, as they supposed the shell had cut his body in two. After leaving the army he spent a short time with his parents, then participated with others in a contract to build a large school house at Olney, learning the brick mason's trade while thus engaged. Later he attended school at Batavia, Ill., but his health failing, he removed to Girard, Kan., and with his brother Stephen R. Ridgley, engaged in general mercantile business, which they have pursued almost to the present time. In the meantime he carried on the cattle business, making several trips over the trail to and from Texas, California, Oregon and Washington. In 1896 he was unanimously nominated by the People's party as its candidate for Congress for the 3d Kansas District, and was also nominated by the Democratic party, and after a heated campaign, elected by 4,500 majority. He was nominated and re-elected in 1898, and is now, in 1900, serving in the 56th Congress. At the time of the Civil War he was an abolition Republican, but joined the Greenback party in 1876, because of the financial question, and has continued with its successor, the People's party, and steadily grown more and more positive and favorable to its policy. His present residence is at Pittsburg, Kan.

He was discharged from service 11 June 1865 (enlisted 8 Aug. 1862) at Nashville, Tenn.

Relatives in Illinois recall that he made at least one trip from Kansas to visit them. [Miss Arna Michael recalled one such visit.] He married but had no children.

"I have some additional information on Edwin R. Ridgely. During his term in the 55th Congress, my grandmother Alice Root served as his secretary. She insists that Edwin did not run for reelection in 1898. After his term, Edwin became involved in various financial speculations, and eventually lost a great deal of money. He visited the Panama Canal shortly after it was filled with water. (I have seen a letter Edwin wrote which was published in an Erie, Kansas, newspaper, but I have been unable to locate this letter recently.) My grandmother remembers very little about Edwin's wife, except that her maiden name was Frazer, and she had been a journalist."
years. Edwin Reed Ridgely and Elizabeth Frazer appeared on the census of 1910 in Crawford County, Kansas.

"Ridgely, Edwin R., age 66, married once, for 6 years, b. Illinois, father b. Ohio, m. b. New York

Elizabeth F., 42, married once for 6 years, b. Penn."

Elizabeth Frazer was born circa 1868. She appeared on the census of 1930 in Crawford County, Kansas. She was a 62 year old widow who had been married 35 years, was born in PA, her father in VA and mother in OH. She had a niece, Margaret Beadnell, age 45 and single.

22. iv. Henrietta Ridgely was born in Sep 1853 in Wabash County, Illinois. She married Marcellus V. Parish on 20 Aug 1874 in Crawford County, Kansas. She married David C. Green on 9 Jun 1887.

23. v. Henry Ridgely was born circa 1851. My presumption is that he was born and died between census years and before his brother William Henry was born. He died circa 1856.

24. vi. William Henry Ridgely was born circa 1856 in Wabash County, Illinois. The date is estimated from the 1850 census. He married Irene E. Chittenden on 28 Oct 1875.

3. Henry David Ridgely was born on 8 May 1813 in Virginia. He married Irena Harrison, daughter of John Harrison and Nancy Higgins, on 16 Aug 1839. He died on 21 Feb 1885 in Richland County, Illinois, at age 71. He was buried on 23 Feb 1885 in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.

A biographical sketch of Henry D. Ridgely says:

"HENRY D. RIDGELY was born May 8, 1813, in Virginia. When a child he came to Wabash County, Ill., with his parents, and was raised there on a farm, assisting his father until the age of twenty-one. He then took up the cooper's trade, which he followed for several years, after which he purchased 240 acres of land, selling it afterwards, and in 1838 coming to this section. On his arrival here he bought 160 acres of land, and during the war he owned over 1600 acres. He has probably handled more land than any other man in the county. In 1839, he was married to Irena Harrison, who was born in Wabash County, in 1822. Ten children, eight of whom are living, have been born to them -- two sons and six daughters -- as follows, to wit: Robert (now a merchant at Parkersburg, this county); John (an assistant on the farm); Sarah E., Mary (now Mrs. James Parker); Ellen (now Mrs. Talley); Hannah (now Mrs. Michaels); Nancy Ann (now Mrs. Smith); Elsie J. (now Mrs. Staninger). He and Mrs. Ridgely are members of the Christian Church."

52microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
52Ibid.
53Letter, Arthur M. Bullock to Olds, 16 July 1970. " My grandmother remembers very little about Edwin's wife, except that her maiden name was Frazer, and she had been a journalist".
54Her first name is from the 1900 census, where she is listed as Elizabeth F. Ridgely.
55estimated from the 1910 census.
57Letter, Edwin Reed Ridgely to Ridgely, "the 2nd youngest boy died at 4 years old".
58Lloyd Ridgely, transcript of list of Ridgely family names and dates.
59The census records agree in listing his birthplace as Virginia. His death record says he was born in Wheeling, W. VA. This was part of Virginia until 1863.
60Homer E. Ridgely's papers, collected about 1932 copy in my files.
61Henry D. Ridgely entry, Death Record, Richland County, Ill., Book 1, p. 73, Book 1, p. 73. This record gives his birthplace as Wheeling, W. Va., and states that he died Feb. 21, 1885, age 71 years, 9 months, 13 days, an Ill. resident for 69 years, and was buried 23 Feb. 1885 in a private graveyard on his brother's farm, Richland County Records, Richland County Clerk, 103 West Main, Olney, Richland County, Illinois. Hereinafter cited as Death record.
62Tombstone, Ridgely Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois. Inscription: Henry D., Husband of Irene Ridgely, died Feb. 21, 1885, aged 71 yrs. 9 Ms. & 13 Da.  RIGDELY.
The young family is listed in the 1840 census of Wabash County, Ill. He was age 20-30, she was 15-20.540

This family appears in the 1850 census of Richland County as follows:

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<td>Irena</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>f. b. Illis.</td>
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<td>William</td>
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<td>Russel Harrison</td>
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<td>m.</td>
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<td>George N. Harrison</td>
<td>24</td>
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The two Harrisons were brothers of Irena. Their father was dead.

Henry D. Ridgely had several land grants in Richland County. Among there were the SW1/4SE1/4 Section 30 Town 2 North Range 12 West (16 Sept. 1853), SW1/4Sw1/4 (23 Aug. 1853) and NW1/4SW1/4 (3 Dec. 1881) of Section 30 T2N R14W.541

The wills of Henry D. and Irene Ridgely are recorded in Will Book B, Richland County, Ill.

Henry and Irena Ridgely appeared on the census of 1880 in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Ridgely, Henry D. 67, paralysis, b. Ill., f. b. Md., mother b. NY
Irena 58, wife, b. Ill, parents b. NY
Sarah 36, dau., b. Ill, parents b. Ill.
Mary 40, dau., b. Ill, parents b. Ill.
John H. 20, son, b. Ill, parents b. Ill.

IRENA HARRISON was born on 11 Mar 1822 in Illinois. She died on 15 Apr 1896 at age 74. She was buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.543

Children of Henry Davidge Ridgely and Irena Harrison were as follows:

25. i. WILLIAM4 RIDGELY544 was born on 8 Jul 1841.545 He died on 13 Jan 1861 at age 19.546 He was buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.547
26. ii. ORRIK N. RIDGELY was born on 17 Jun 1843.548 He died on 8 Feb 1846 at age 2.549 He was buried in Ridgely Family Cemetery, Wabash County, Illinois.550
27. iii. SARAH ELIZABETH RIDGELY was born on 12 Nov 1845.551 She married James M. Findley, son of Hugh Findley and Phebe Dunn, on 6 Nov 1900 in Richland County, Illinois.552,553 She died in Apr 1925 at age 79.554 She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery,
were Henry Ridgley and ____ Harrison. Hereinafter cited as Richland County Marriages.

JAMES M. FINDLEY was born on 17 Oct 1846. He died on 7 Feb 1914 at age 67. He was buried in Decker Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois. He was called "Uncle Mike."

+ 28. iv. ROBERT RIDGELY was born on 7 Nov 1847. He married Mary M. Talley on 5 Oct 1871.

29. v. MARY RIDGELY was born on 14 Dec 1849. She married James H. Parker on 13 Dec 1882 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 4 Apr 1924 at age 74. She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois. They had no children.

JAMES H. PARKER was born in 1844. He died in 1927. He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois. She was his third wife. They had no children.

+ 30. vi. ELIZA ELLEN RIDGELY was born on 20 Nov 1851. She married Gideon A. Talley on 22 Feb 1872 in Richland County, Illinois.

+ 31. vii. HANNAH REED RIDGELY was born on 8 Jan 1854. She married Albert Michael on 30 Oct 1878 in Richland County, Illinois.

+ 32. viii. NANCY ANN RIDGELY was born on 18 Apr 1856. She married William Albert Smith on 24 Aug 1876 in Richland County, Illinois.

+ 33. ix. ELSIE JANE RIDGELY was born on 23 Jun 1858. She married Stephen Miles Staninger on 3 Aug 1876 in Richland County, Illinois.

34. x. JOHN HENRY RIDGELY was born on 2 Aug 1860. He died on 11 Jan 1924 at age 63. He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

In the biography of his father, it is stated that he was then an assistant on the farm.

5. ORRICK² RIDGELY (William Henry') was born on 13 Sep 1817 in Wabash County, Illinois. He married Nancy Harrison, daughter of John Harrison and Nancy Higgins, on 2 Jan 1840 in Richland County, Illinois. He died on 8 Mar 1884 in Richland County, Illinois, at age 66. He was buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery,
Richland County, Illinois.\footnote{Tombstone, Ridgely Cemetery.}

Orrick Ridgley was accepted into the membership of the Wabash Presbyterian Church at Orio by exam on 26 April 1849. Mrs. Orrick Ridgley was baptized into this church on the same date.\footnote{Ridgely names, Wabash Presbyterian Church records.}

Orrick Ridgely was a farmer. The few notes I have from the Richland County land records show that he obtained the NW1/4 SW1/4 Section 29, T2N, R14W (40 acres) on 19 Sept. 1848 and the E1/2 SE 1/4 Section 30, T2N R14W (80 acres) on 25 Aug. 1853. He had other land as well. His homestead was in Bonpas Township near the Ridgely Family Cemetery in which he is buried. (Section 29 T2N Range 14W).

The family is listed in the 1850 census of Richland County as follows:

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<td>Illis.</td>
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<td>26</td>
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<td>George W. H.</td>
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In the 1880 census of Bonpas Township the listing is:

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<td>69</td>
<td>b. Ill. father b. Md. mother b. N. Y.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nancy Ridgely</td>
<td>56</td>
<td>wife</td>
<td>b. Ill. father b. N. Y. mother b. N. Y.</td>
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Orrick Ridgely and Nancy (\textemdash) appeared on the census of 1880.

\footnote{1880 census microfilm, Springfield, Illinois.}

"The last will and testament of Orrick Ridgely of the Township of Bonpas in the county of Richland and the State of Illinois made and published the Twenty second day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty Three IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN. I, Orrick Ridgely of the Township of Bonpas in the County of Richland and State of Illinois of the age of sixty six years, and being of sound mind and memory, do hereby make, publish and declare this my LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT in the manner following, that is to say:

FIRST -- It is my will that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be fully paid.

SECOND -- I give and bequeath to my son Ira Ridgely at my demise, the west half of the south west quarter and north half of the south east quarter and north east fourth of the north west quarter of section Twenty nine (29) Township Two (2) North Range fourteen west (14).

THIRD -- I give and bequeath to beloved wife Nancy Ridgely all the personal estate owned at my demise, notes, moneys and chattel property belonging to me at my death to have and to hold the same unto her and her heirs as her own individual property to will and dispose of at her pleasure.

I also give and bequeath to my said wife Nancy Ridgely for and during her natural life the north east fourth of south west quarter of section Twenty nine (29) Township Two (2) north Range fourteen (14) west and at her demise I give the title in fee simple to my son Ira Ridgely to said land last described. To have & to hold the same unto him and his heirs forever. In explanation of the foregoing written bequests, it is proper to say that I have before this period of time made advancements to my other children. Viz. George W. Ridgely, James Ridgely, Russel Ridgely and Lucinda Ridgely now Lucinda Hedrick wife of A. L. Hedrick in both personal and real property.

LASTLY -- I hereby nominate and appoint George W. Ridgely my son (without bond as such Executor) to be the Executor of my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made. IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal, the 22nd day of October in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty three.\footnote{He left a will on 22 Oct 1883 in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.}

(\textSigned) Orrick Ridgely
The above Instrument, consisting of one whole sheets, was now here subscribed by Orrick Ridgely the Testator in the presence of each of us; and was at the same time declared by him to be his Last Will and Testament, and we, at his request, sign our names hereto in our presence as attesting witnesses.

Thos. Tippet of the City of Olney
John Kuster of the City of Olney"

Estate of Orrick Ridgely, deceased. Letters Testamentary.

State of Illinois
Richland County
In County Court, March Term, 1884
The People of the State of Illinois, to all to whom these presents shall come --- GREETING:

KNOW YE that Whereas Orrick Ridgely late of the County of Richland and State of Illinois, died, on or about the 8th day of March A. D. 1884, as it is said, after having duly made and published his last Will and Testament, a copy whereof is hereunto annexed, leaving, at the time of his death, property in this State, which may be lost, destroyed or diminished in value, if speedy care be not taken of the same; and inasmuch as it appears that George W. Ridgely has been appointed executor in and by the last Will and Testament, to execute the same.

Now, to the end that the said property may be preserved for those who shall appear to have a legal right or interest therein; and that the said Will may be executed according to the request of the said testator we do hereby authorize the said George W. Ridgely as such executor, to collect and secure all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, which were of the said Orrick Ridgely at the time of his decease, in whosoever hands or possession the same may be found in this State; and well and truly to perform and fulfill all such duties as may be enjoined upon him by the said Will, so fare as there shall be property, and the law charge him; and in general to do and perform all other acts which now are or hereafter may be required of him by law.

Witness: John van Gunten Jr. Clerk of the said County of Richland and the seal of said Court, this 18th day of March 1884.

John van Gunten Jr.
Clerk of County Court

Seal of the County Clerk of
Richland County, Ill.

NANCY HARRISON was born on 17 Jan 1824 in Wabash County, Illinois. She died on 24 Feb 1900 in Richland County, Illinois, at age 76. She was buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois. Nancy Ridgely joined the Wabash Presbyterian Church at Orio, Wabash County, Illinois, by examination, on 25 Sept. 1842. She left a will on 7 Jul 1894 in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Her will and codicil thereto follow:

Nancy Ridgely, deceased
County Court of May 8, 1900

I Nancy Ridgley of the town of Bonpas in the County of Richland and State of Illinois of the age of Seventy years and being of sound mind and memory, do make, publish and declare this my last will and Testament in the manner following that is to say.

First: -- I desire that all my just debts be paid.
Second: -- I give and devise unto my beloved sons George W., James, Russel and the heirs of Ira (Deceased) the several amounts they have already received.
Third: -- I give and devise the notes of A. L. Hedrick to the heirs of my beloved daughter Lucinda (Deceased) Arthur, Jersey, Ira, and Bertha Hedrick.
Fourth: -- I give and devise unto my grandsons, sons of Ira, Ten dollars each.
Fifth: -- I give and devise all the rest residue and remainder of my effects, both real and personal of every name whatsoever unto my sons George W. James and Russell and the heirs of my daughter Lucinda (Deceased) to be divided into 4 equal parts.

I hereby appoint Robert Ridgely the sole executor of my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventh day of July in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-four.

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575Homer E. Ridgely's papers, collected about 1932 copy in my files, See also Richland County, Ill. Will Book B.
576Ridgely names, Wabash Presbyterian Church records.
The above instrument consisting of one sheet was at the date thereof signed sealed and published and declared
by the said Nancy Ridgely [sic] as and for her last will and Testament in the presence of us who at her request
and in her presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereof consisting
of one sheet

Sarah E. Ridgely    Residence at Parkersburg
H. Mullins         Residence at Parkersburg

I Nancy Ridgely [sic] being of sound mind and memory do declare this to be a codicil to my last will and
testament to which same is attached.

First: -- After my death I wish all my just debts paid as stated in said Will.
Second, after the payment of all my just debts I will and bequeath to George W. Ridgley, Russel Ridgley and
James Ridgley each Three Hundred and fifty ($350.00) dollars in money the same to be paid out of my estate
after said debts are all paid.  This bequest is made for the care and attention and expense furnished me by said
Legatees.  dated this 27th day of March A. D. 1896

Nancy Ridgely (seal)

State of Illinois
Richland County  S. S.

We the undersigned witnesses to the above codicile hereby certify that we witnessed the signing of the same
by Nancy Ridgely who was of sound mind and memory at the time she signed it and we further certify that we
signed it as witnesses at her request and in her presence & in the presence of each other.  Witness our hands and
seals this 27th day of March A. D. 1896.

Lewis E. Ruby (seal)
Hugh M. Findley (seal).

Children of Orrick Ridgely and Nancy Harrison were as follows:
35. i. WILLIAM H. RIDGELY was born on 30 Sep 1840. He died on 27 Nov 1840. He was
    buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.
36. ii. GEORGE WILLIS RIDGELY was born on 29 Mar 1844 in Richland County, Illinois. He
    married Susan Woods, daughter of George W. Woods and Rebecca Gray, on 20 Dec
    1865 in Richland County, Illinois.
37. iii. HANNAH RIDGELY was born on 30 May 1848. She died on 20 Mar 1849. She is listed
    in the 1850 mortality census of Richland County as having died in March at the age of
    10M of Scarlet Fever. She was buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland
    County, Illinois.
38. iv. JAMES RIDGELY was born on 21 Jan 1850. He married Emma Hedrick on 23 Dec
    1868. They were married by the pastor of the German Moravian Church of West Salem.
39. v. LUCINDA RIDGELY was born on 19 Jan 1851. She married Andrew Lafayette Hedrick
    on 13 Apr 1870 in Richland County, Illinois.
40. vi. RUSSEL R. RIDGELY was born on 26 Mar 1854. He married Margaret J. Keen on 7
    May 1876.
41. vii. IRA RIDGELY was born on 28 Jun 1859. He married Nancy Ellen Jones on 12 Feb 1879
    in Richland County, Illinois.

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577 Homer E. Ridgely's papers, collected about 1932 copy in my files, See also Richland County, Ill. Will Book C, p. 40.
578 Hedrick Family, Hedrick, Lucinda -- family Bible record (transcript), transcript sent by Lucinda Carl, 1967
(n.p.: n.pub., n.d.); unknown present owner, unknown location. Hereinafter cited as Lucinda Hedrick family Bible.
579 Tombstone, Ridgely Cemetery. His tombstone has the inscription "William H. son of O. and N. Ridgely" with these dates.
580 Lucinda Hedrick family Bible.
581 Helen Reed, 1850 mortality schedule index, 1988, Library and papers of Doris R. Olds, Spartanburg,
Spartanburg County, South Carolina.
582 Lucinda Hedrick family Bible.
583 Tombstone, Ridgely Cemetery. Inscription: "Hannah, dau. of O. and N. Ridgely" with these dates.
6. ABEL RIDGELY (William Henry) was born on 16 Feb 1820. He married Elizabeth L. Clodfelter on 20 Jan 1852 in Edwards County, Illinois. He married Phoebe A. Ades on 28 Aug 1862 in Wabash County, Illinois. He married Mary C. Reynolds on 29 Oct 1882 in Richland County, Illinois. He died on 18 Mar 1896 at age 76. He was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.

A published biographical sketch of Abel Ridgely says, in part:

"Abel Ridgely, a well-known farmer and stock-raiser ... was born in Wabash County and is the eldest [sic] of fifteen children whose parents were William H. and Hannah (Simmons) Ridgely. ... At the age of twenty-six [Abel] left home [however, the 1850 census of Wabash County, Ill., lists him with his father's family at the age of 30] and began working at the carpenter's trade. In January, 1852 he married Lizzie L. Clodfelter, of Edwards Co., Ill., and they became the parents of four children, namely: George A., William S., Alice L. (wife of William Martin) and Edwin A. The mother of this family died about 1862, and later Mr. Ridgely wedded Phoebe Ades, by whom he had a daughter, Lizzie L. The second wife died in 1873. On the 18th of October, 1882, he married Mrs. Mary C. Bland, of Edwards Co. By her first husband, L. H. Bland, she had five children: Mrs. Eva Wyatt, Lloyd, Bessie, Wade and Mary.

"In 1864 Mr. Ridgely arrived in this county [Richland]. Locating in Olney, he built a hardware store. ... About 1865 he bought his present farm, and it has been his home ever since ..."

According to an autobiographical sketch by Claude Vernon Ridgely, "... my grandmother was Elizabeth Clodfelter (German) who was born on June 1, 1834 and died on Feb. 5, 1862. She was buried in the cemetery at West Salem, Illinois and the dates are taken from her tombstone. ... I was 14 years of age when my grandfather, Abel Ridgely, died. I remember him quite distinctly. He lived in the age when men wore full beards and he was no exception." He mentions owning a tintype of Abel Ridgely and a letter written by him. "At a later time my grandfather entered into a partnership with one Gunn for the purpose of manufacturing one of these [fanning] mills, which they did for several years. I remember my father had one of them, and I was much impressed by the painting of the name 'Gunn and Ridgely' on the same. The business was carried on at Olney, Illinois where the family then lived.

"In the 1850's he gave up this business and moved to the south end of Richland County, acquiring a farm on which he lived until he died. He was of the determined, dominant type. He wanted his family to follow his footsteps, and wanted them around him. To effect that purpose he insisted that the boys be farmers and that his girls marry farmers and settle near him. To that end he gave each of them (5) 100 acres of land and set them up in business ... His first wife, my great grandmother [sic], Elizabeth Clodfelter, died following the birth of the fourth child [Edwin Ridgely] by reason of an attack of measles, resulting in fever, the resultant complications resulting in death. My father seldom spoke of her and I have not been able to find a picture of her."

Abel and Phoebe A. Ridgely appeared on the census of 1880 in Madison Township, Richland County, Illinois. Ridgley, Able, 60, b. Ill., father b. MD, mother b. NY

Phebe A., 41, wife, b. Ohio, p. b. Ohio

Alice L., 23, dau., b. Ill, f. b. Ill, m. b. NC

Edwin A., 18, son. b. Ill., f. b. Ill, m. b. NC

Elisabeth L., 16, dau., b. Ill., f. b. Ill., m. b. Ohio

---?---, Henry, 26, b. Ill. 592

584 Lloyd Ridgely, transcript of list of Ridgely family names and dates.
585 Edwards County, Ill., Marriage Records n.pub., Edwards County Records.
587 Claude Vernon Ridgely, manuscript autobiography, undated. personal files, Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina. Copy from Mrs. Margaret (Ridgely) Dalby.
588 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Abel Ridgely and Mrs. Mary E. Bland, 10/29/82, license 137, Book 2. His parents were William H. Ridgely and Hannah R. Reed. Hers were William Reynolds and Mary Harris.
589 Tombstone, Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois. His tombstone in the Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois, has the inscription "Abel Ridgely, born 16 Feb. 1820, died March 18, 1896, aged 76 y. 1 m. 2 d."
590 Lake Publishing Company, Effingham, Jasper, Richland Counties; Abel Ridgely, pp. 314-316.
591 Claude Vernon Ridgely, manuscript autobiography.
592 1880 census microfilm, Springfield, Illinois.
A marriage record for Abel Ridgely and Sophronia Sutterfield is listed in Edwards County for May 1882.\footnote{Illinois Marriage Index online.} Elizabeth L. Clodfelter was born on 1 Jun 1834.\footnote{Claude Vernon Ridgely, manuscript autobiography. "My grandmother was Elizabeth Clodfelter (German) who was born on June 1, 1834 and died on Feb. 5, 1862. She was buried in the cemetery at West Salem, Illinois and the above dates are taken from her tombstone."} She died on 5 Feb 1862 at age 27. She was buried in West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. The will of Kelen Clodfelter of Richland County, Illinois, made 10 Jan 1874, mentions his grandchildren Albert Ridgley, William Ridgley, Edward Ridgley, and Alice Ridgley, children of my deceased daughter Elizabeth Ridgley and left them one dollar each.

Children of Abel\footnote{Letter from Wallace Hanson (Rt. 1, Olney, Ill.) to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), He has the birth year as 1866 and death date as 25 March 1949.} Ridgely and Elizabeth L. Clodfelter were as follows:

42. i. GEORGE ALBERT\footnote{Illinois Death Records online, Secretary of State, State Death Index, online Statewide data bases, Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, which refers to certificate no. 0010122 in Edwards County. Hereinafter cited as Illinois Death Records.} RIDGELY was born on 16 Oct 1852. He married Martha Ann Madding on 18 Apr 1878 in Edwards County, Illinois.

43. ii. WILLIAM S. RIDGELY was born on 1 Mar 1854. He married Cora Mary Blood on 27 Dec 1877.

44. iii. ALICE L. RIDGELY was born on 8 Jan 1857. She married William W. Martin on 4 Apr 1884.

45. iv. EDWIN A. RIDGELY was born on 24 Jul 1861. He married Mattie Bowlby.

Children of Abel\footnote{Evident from microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.} Ridgely and Phoebe A. Ades were:

46. i. ELIZABETH L.\footnote{Ibid.} RIDGELY was born in 1863. She married James M. Fryatt on 27 Jun 1898 in Edwards County, Illinois. She married Henry Vandever. She died on 25 Mar 1949 in Edwards County, Illinois. She was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.\footnote{Tombstone, Marion Church Cemetery. Marion Church Cemetery. The dates on the stone are 1863 - 1949.}

She had no children.

Elizabeth L. Ridgely and James M. Fryatt appeared on the census of Jun 1900 in Shelby Precinct, Edwards County, Illinois. The record lists:

James ___ Fryatt, b. Sept. 1848, age 51, married twice?, b. WVa, parents b. WVa
Elizabeth Fryatt, wife, b. July 1862, age 37, married twice, 1 child, 1 living, b. Ill, father b. Ill, mother b. Ill
Flora Fryatt, dau., b. Dec 1883, age 16, b. Ill, father b. WVa, mother b. Ill.

It is unclear whether the "married twice" label really applies because it is also shown for the single daughter. Nevertheless, it appears to show that Elizabeth was the mother of a living child, in contrast to the 1910 record.\footnote{microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.}

Elizabeth L. Ridgely and Henry Vandever appeared on the census of 1910 in Salem Precinct, Edwards County, Illinois. The record shows:

Henry Vandever, age 49, married twice
Lizzie L., wife, 45, married twice, she had no children, was born in Ill., father b. Ill., mother b. Ohio
Frank A. son, age 19, b. in Ill., parents b. in Ill.
Joe B., son, age 17, b. in Ill., parents b. in Ill.\footnote{Ibid.}

Elizabeth L. Ridgely and Henry Vandever appeared on the census of 27 Feb 1920 in West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. The record shows:

Vandever, Henry, 50, b. Ill, f. b. KY m. b. KY
Elizabeth, wife, 50, b. Ill., f. b. Ill, m. b. Ohio
Frank, son, 29, b. Ill, parents b. Ill.\textsuperscript{602}

Elizabeth L. \textbf{Ridgely} and Henry \textbf{Vandever} appeared on the census of 5 Apr 1930 in West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. The record shows:

Vandever, Henry, 69, b. Ill., first married at age 26, parents b. Ky
Elizbeth, wife, 66, b. Ill, first married age 30, b. Ill, parents b. Ill.
Sallie, sister, 56, b. Ill., parents b. KY.\textsuperscript{603}

\textbf{James M. Fryatt}\textsuperscript{604} was born in 1848.\textsuperscript{605} He died in 1908.\textsuperscript{606}

\textbf{Henry Vandever}\textsuperscript{607} died on 31 Mar 1935.\textsuperscript{608, 609, 610}

\textbf{Mary C. Reynolds}.\textsuperscript{611}

Mary C. \textbf{Reynolds} appeared on the census of 1880 in Shelby Precinct, Edwards County, Illinois. This record shows:

- Mary Bland, age 36
- Lloyd W., age 14
- Blessie, age 12
- Wade, age 8
- Louella, age 3

The parents of these children and the children themselves were born in Indiana.\textsuperscript{612} She is listed as Mrs. Mary E. Bland in the online Illinois Marriage index.\textsuperscript{613, 614}

There were no children of Abel\textsuperscript{2} \textbf{Ridgely} and Mary C. \textbf{Reynolds}.

12. \textbf{Emily Orenda\textsuperscript{2} Ridgely} (William Henry\textsuperscript{4}) was born on 12 Apr 1831.\textsuperscript{615, 616} She married George Nelson \textbf{Harrison,} son of John \textbf{Harrison} and Nancy \textbf{Higgins,} on 4 Nov 1852.\textsuperscript{617} She died on 13 Jan 1908 in Wabash County, Illinois, at age 76.\textsuperscript{618, 619, 620, 621} She was buried in Christian Church Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{622}

Her name may have been Emily Orenda or Orenda Emily and appears in the records both ways. The usage adopted here appears in her signature, in her family Bible, on her tombstone and in the records of her daughter, Minnie (Harrison) Reid, and thus must be what she preferred as an adult. She is named in her father's will as "my daughter Orenda E. Harrison" but signed an 1873 receipt as Emily O. Harrison. The name Orenda is from the Iroquois Indian and means magic power.\textsuperscript{623}

\textsuperscript{602}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{603}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{604}Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967.
\textsuperscript{605}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{606}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{607}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{608}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{609}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{610}Ibid.

\textsuperscript{611}He is said to be buried at Ebenezer Church east of Samsville, Illinois, but I did not find his stone. An earlier Henry Vandever is buried there.

\textsuperscript{612}Illinois Death Records, which refers to certificate no. 0011213 in Edwards County. He was 75 years old.

\textsuperscript{613}Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, \textit{Richland County Marriages}.

\textsuperscript{614}Microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.

\textsuperscript{615}Illinois Marriage Index online.

\textsuperscript{616}Microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.

\textsuperscript{617}Lloyd Ridgely, transcript of list of Ridgely family names and dates.

\textsuperscript{618}This date is in many family records including the George Nelson Harrison Bible (copied by Mrs. Gladys Sutton), the Minnie H. Reid Bible (copied by Miss Emily Reid) and the tombstone.

\textsuperscript{619}Date is from the Harrison Bible and the Reid Bible. Mrs. Henrietta Carey listed the date as 4 May.

\textsuperscript{620}Wabash County, Illinois, Death Records, died 13 Jan. 1908 about 9 p.m. of pneumonia, age 76 y, 9 m. 1 d, Wabash County Records, Wabash County Clerk, Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois.

\textsuperscript{621}Harrison family, \textit{George N. Harrison Bible} (n.p.: n.pub., n.d.); unknown present owner, transcript sent by Gladys Sutton, gives the death as 12 Jan 1908. Hereinafter cited as Family Bible of George N. Harrison.

\textsuperscript{622}Reid family data, \textit{Minnie H. Reid Bible}, transcript sent by Emily Reid (n.p.: n.pub.; n.d.); unknown present owner, copy in my files. Hereinafter cited as Family Bible of Minnie H. Reid.

\textsuperscript{623}Tombstone, Harrison (or new Lancaster) Cemetery,north Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois.

\textsuperscript{624}Ibid., Inscription: "Emily O. Harrison, his [George Nelson Harrison's] wife, born Apr. 12, 1831, died Jan. 13, 1908."

George Nelson Harrison was born on 28 Jun 1826. He died on 7 Apr 1903 at age 76. He was buried in Christian Church Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois. Their cemetery is just north of Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois. In the interest of preserving graves already there, he donated this land to the Christian Church as a cemetery. The cemetery is known as the Harrison Cemetery or the Christian Church Cemetery.

The names and dates for their children are given by both Miss Emily Reid (from her mother's Bible) and Mrs. Gladys Sutton (from George N. Harrison's Bible). The two middle names are from Mrs. Sutton's list, given only as initials in Miss Reid's list.

Children of Emily Orenda Ridgely and George Nelson Harrison were as follows:

+ 47. i. Henry Monroe Harrison was born on 1 Dec 1853. He married Henrietta Louise Dorney.

+ 48. ii. Angelina Harrison was born on 4 Dec 1856. She married George Washington Brines on 3 Apr 1879.

+ 49. iii. John William Harrison was born on 10 Jul 1859. He married Sarah Dulcena Hill on 31 Mar 1889.

50. iv. Dow Harrison was born on 18 Jan 1862. He married Mary Ellen (--) circa 1905. He died on 24 May 1930 at age 68. He was buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois.

He and Mary Ellen (--) appeared on the census of 1910 in Salem Precinct, Edwards County, Illinois. He had no children.

51. v. Mary Harrison was born on 7 Oct 1864. She died on 19 Oct 1865 at age 1. She was buried in Harrison Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois.

52. vi. Minnie Harrison was born on 14 Jan 1869. She married George William Reid on 1 Jul 1888.

53. vii. George Harrison was born on 16 Aug 1871. He married Della Walters on 31 Aug 1910. She was Mrs. Della (Walters) George at the time of her marriage to George Harrison. He died on 9 Apr 1949 at age 77.

George Harrison and Della Walters appeared on the census of 1920 in Wabash County, Illinois. She is listed as age 36, thus born about 1884. There is a step-son, Verne R. Walter, in the family, age 16. This implies that Della had a son before her marriage to George Harrison. He and Della Walters had no children.

Della Walters appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Aug 1973 with the last place of residence listed as Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois. Della's SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given as 31 Dec 1883.

Medad is listed with his parents in the 1850 census of Wabash County, Ill., and was named in his father's will. He was a lifetime resident of Illinois and lived in Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County. He was buried in the family cemetery mentioned in his father's will, which was by this time known as Lloyd Ridgely's family cemetery.

The family is listed in the 1860 census of Wabash County as follows:

Medad Ridgley 24 b. Wabash  
Louisa 19 b. Ill.  
George W. 6/12 b. Wabash

The 1870 listing from Girard, Crawford Twp., Crawford County, Kansas is:

Ridgely, Medad 34 farmer  
Louise 29  
George 10  
Clara 7  
Charles 2

The family is listed in the 1880 census of Montana Township, Labette Co., Kansas as follows:

Medad R. Ridgely 40 Huckster b. Ill, parents b. in England  
Louisa 39  
Clara E. 17 dau  
Charley H. 12 son  
Henry Hinderliter 47 boarder

Dow Ridgely had a letter stating that Medad Ridgely was reported to have served in the Civil War, but that no record of service had been established.

Louisa Collins was born circa 1840. She is named in the will of her father, William Collins of Lawrence Co., Ill., made 31 Dec. 1870.

Children of Medad Reed² Ridgely and Louisa Collins were as follows:

   54. i. ELIZABETH⁶ RIDGELY died young.  
      + 55. ii. GEORGE WILLIAM RIDGELY was born on 28 Nov 1859 in Lawrence County, Illinois. Although the death record gives 28 Nov 1860, the 1860 census shows that he was age 6 months in June of that year and the 1900 census show his birth date as Nov. 1859. He married Ellen (---?) on 21 Jun. He married Susan Emma Cotton, daughter of Peter Cotton and Dorcas Riggs, on 4 Apr 1901. According to Lawrence County, Illinois, marriage records, George Wm. Ridgely married Mrs. Emma Stone, daughter of Peter Cotton, on 4 April 1901.

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639Lloyd Ridgely, transcript of list of Ridgely family names and dates.  
640Wabash County Marriages: Book A, p. 88.  
641Ibid., Book 1, p. 210, Medad R. Ridgely, age 61, son of Wm. H. Ridgely and Hannah Simmons, was married, for his second time, to Mary E. Knowles, age 27, her first marriage, on 17 Dec. 1896.  
642Wabash County, Illinois, Death, Book 1, p. 135, There is no year given on his death record which says he died after four days of pneumonia on 2 Nov. at the age of 52 years, 10 mos., 7 days. His death was reported 14 June 1899.  
643Tombstone, William H. Ridgely Cemetery. There are no dates on the tombstone of "Meadad Ridgely".  
6441860 federal census of Wabash County, Illinois. Microfilm image.  
646Letter from B. J., Walter (Dept. of Military Records, Graves Registration, American Legion, Wabash Post No. 423, Mt. Carmel, Illinois) to Dow A. Ridgely, 10 Aug. 1934; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).  
647census microfilm, estimated from the 1850 census.  
648Letter from Henrietta Carey (Mt. Carmel, Ill.) to Dan W. Olds, 22 Sep 1966; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
56. iii. Clara E. Ridgely was born circa 1863. She died after 1880.

Besides being listed in her father's family in the 1880 census, she may also have been the Clara Ridgely, age 17, listed as servant in the house of Joe Updegraff, Fairview Twp., Labette Co., Kansas. This record shows she was born in Ill. but the birthplaces of both her parents are "unknown."

+ 57. iv. Charley Henry Ridgely was born on 3 Feb 1868. He married Matilda Edson on 17 Oct 1906.

Mary E. Knowles was born circa 1869.

Children of Medad Reed Ridgely and Mary E. Knowles were:

+ 58. i. Olive L. J. Ridgely was born circa 1896. She married Thomas Benton Walling on 30 Jul 1913 in Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois.

Generation Three

19. Stephen Simmons Ridgely (William Simmons, William Henry) was born in Mar 1839 in Wabash County, Illinois. He married Louella (--?--) circa 1870. She is shown in the 1880 census as age 31. He married Mary T(?)(--?--) circa 1890. He died circa 1915.

Stephen Simmons Ridgely appeared on the census of 1870 in Crawford County, Kansas. He is listed as living with his brother, Edwin, at age 28 and married although no wife is shown.

Stephen Simmons Ridgely appeared on the census of 1880 in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. This record lists:

- Elmo 9 son b. Ind. father b. Ill. mother b. Ill.

Stephen Simmons Ridgely and Mary T(?)(--?--) appeared on the census of 1900 in Pittsburg, Crawford County, Kansas. In one 1900 listing, the family of Steven Ridgely is listed as:

Steven Ridgely b. Mar 1839, age 61, married for 31 years, Landlord, b. Ill. parents b. in NY
Mary T., wife, b. Nov. 1852, age 47, marr. for 30 yrs., mother of one child, not living, b. in Penn., parents b. in Penn.

In a second 1900 listing, Stephen Simmons Ridgely appeared on the census of 19 Jun 1900 in the David Green household, Washington Township, Crawford County, Kansas. He is listed as a brother-in-law (David's wife Henrietta was a sister of Stephen), b. March 1839, age 61. Although he is listed as having been married ten years, his wife is not shown.

Stephen Simmons Ridgely appeared on the census of 20 Apr 1910 in the Stephen S. Ridgely household, Kansas City, Wyandote County, Kansas. He is shown as age 71, b. in Illinois, father b. in Md., mother b. in NY. They had been married 20 years, his second marriage and her first. Mary T(?), his wife, is shown as age 51, b. in PA, and had had no children.

"An old issue of the Mt. Carmel [Ill.] paper" lists Stephen S. Ridgely as having served in the Civil War. In 1911, his address was 1231 Jersey Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas. according to the list of heirs of Lloyd

Her middle initial is from the 1880 census listing of her father's family.


Letter, Henrietta Carey to Olds, 22 Sep 1966, saying she died young.

Letter, Edwin Reed Ridgely to Ridgely, This letter gives the full name.

census microfilm, birthdate estimated from the 1850-1860 census records.

microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com, The month is listed in the 1900 census.

Taken from the 1910 census listing.

Letter, Edwin Reed Ridgely to Ridgely, "died 4 years ago".

microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.

Ibid.

Ibid.

Ibid.

Ibid.

Letter, B. J. Walter to Ridgely, 10 Aug. 1934.
Ridgely. 663

I have not constructed a record of his marriages that is fully consistent with all the data gathered. Presumably Louella and Mary are different people because of the difference in their census ages and reported birthplaces for them and their parents. If Louella was his first wife, they must have been married about 1870. In 1900 he is reported as having been married both ten and thirty years. Perhaps he married Mary T. as early as 1870 (30 years earlier) or as late as 1890 (ten years earlier) or perhaps one refers to his first marriage and one refers to his second marriage. In 1910, Mary T. is reported as age 51 and having been married once, 20 years earlier (ca. 1890). There is also a conflicting report on the number of children for Mary T. She, rather than Louella, may have been the mother of Alta.

LOUELLA (--?--)664 was born circa 1849. 665

Children of Stephen Simmons4 Ridgely and Louella (--?--) were as follows:

59. i. ELMO E.4 RIDGELY. "Elmo E. Ridgely, the son of Stephen S. Ridgely was an executive with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. All we know of his mother is her first name, Mary, and the fact that she lived in Kansas City, Kansas. When Elmo retired from the railroad, he moved to Denver, Colorado (having lived in Chicago and elsewhere), where he owned a local trucking company. We have no reliable information about him after this. He may have had a family, and we believe he died in the 1940's." 666

60. ii. ALTA RIDGELY died young.

"Stephen Ridgely had one other child, a daughter named Alta Ridgely who died at an early age." 667

There is an obituary for an Alta Ridgely in the Pittsburg, Kansas, newspaper. 668

MARY T(?)(--?--)669 was born in Nov 1852 in Pennsylvania. 670

There were no children of Stephen Simmons3 Ridgely and Mary T(?)(--?--). 671

20. ANN ELIZABETH3 RIDGELY (William Simmons2, William Henry3) was born circa 1841 in Wabash County, Illinois. 671 She married Tenny Root. She was buried in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. 672

In 1911 she was living in Girard, Kansas. 673

"The husband of Ann Elizabeth Ridgely was Tenny Root. He was born in Canada of French-speaking parents. When he came to this county (living first in Illinois, moving to Girard, Kansas in the early 1870's) he translated his surname from the French Racine to its equivalent in English. His move to this country was motivated primarily by his dislike for Catholicism, which was the dominant religion in his French-Canadian community. Tenny Root died around 1917/18 in Girard, and his wife Ann Ridgely died in Kansas City, Mo., around 1920. Both are buried in Girard. 674

TENNY ROOT was born in Canada. He died between 1917 and 1918 in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. He was buried in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. 675

Tenny Root appeared on the census of 1 Jun 1880 in Crawford Township, Crawford County, Kansas. The family is listed as:

Tenny Root, 38, farmer, b. Canada E., father b. France, m. b. Canada
Lizzie, wife, 36, housekeeper, b. Ill., father b. Ohio, mother b. Indiana
Alice H., dau., 4
M. M. E., dau., 2. 675

663Homer E. Ridgely's papers, collected about 1932 copy in my files.
664She is shown in the 1880 census record at age 31.
665Estimated from the 1880 census.
667Ibid.
668Ella Buzzard, "Ridgely Research in Crawford County, Kansas," e-mail message from (e-mail address withheld) (Crawford, Kansas) to Dan W. Olds, 18 Oct 2005. Hereinafter cited as "Ridgely Research in Crawford County, Kansas".
669Taken from the 1910 census listing.
670Taken from the 1900 census listing.
671census microfilm , where she is mentioned in 1850 and 1860 census of Wabash County, Ill.
673Letter, Edwin Reed Ridgely to Reid, 8 Nov. 1911.
675microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
Tenny Root appeared on the census of Jun 1900 in Crawford Township, Crawford County, Kansas. Tenny Root is listed twice in the 1900 census. He is listed as household 140 by census taker Albert Cuthbertson on 16 June 1900 at the bottom of sheet 7B, Supervisors District 3, Enumeration District 86 as:

Root, Tenny, age 49, m. 25 yr, farmer, b. Vermont, father b. France, mother b. Canada E.

He is also listed as household 152 (changed to 154) by census taker Lewis Stock on 16 June on the bottom two lines of Sheet 8A, SD 3, ED 75 and the top two lines of Sheet 8B on 18 June as:

Root, T., b. 1850, age 50, m 26 yrs, b. Vermont, father b. France, mother b. Massachusetts

Root, Elizabeth, wife, b. May 1852[?], age 50 b. Ill., 3 children, 3 living

Root, Martha, dau., b. March 1880, age 20, single, school teacher, b. Kansas

Root, Edwin, son, b. Oct. 1882, age 17, single, b. Kansas.676

Tenny Root appeared on the census of 1910 in Crawford Township, Crawford County, Kansas. He is listed alone, age ??, having been married once for 30 years, b. VT, father b. France, mother b. Canada ??677

Children of Ann Elizabeth Ridgely and Tenny Root were as follows:

61. i. Alice Root was born on 22 Sep 1875 in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. She married William Philip Bullock in 1900.

William Philip Bullock679 was born on 9 Apr 1871 in Bullock, North Carolina. He died on 23 Apr 1955 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California, at age 84. "W. P. Bullock was a civil engineer, who spent most of his life in Kansas City, Mo. Their children were Arthur M. Bullock, Sr., and Gerald Bullock. W. P. Bullock died in Los Angeles in 1955.680

The online California Death Record Index shows:681

William Philip Bullock, b. April 9, 1871, died April 23, 1955 in Los Angeles, California, at age 84.

62. ii. Martha Root was born on 3 Mar 1878 in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. She married P. W. Geer. She died circa 1952.

"Martha Root was born March 3, 1878, in Girard. She married P. W. Geer. They had one son, Ridgely Geer, born some time around 1910. As a young man, Ridgely Geer, who had quarreled with his parents, left home. His parents made a considerable effort to find him, but they never had any success, and nothing is known about him after his disappearance. Martha Root Geer died around 1952, in Boston. Her husband had died some time previously."682

Martha Root appeared on the census of 1930 in Englishtown, Monmouth County, New Jersey. The listing shows:

Philip Geer, head, age 56, married at age 36, b. Oregon, father b. OH, mother b. NY
Martha, wife, age 46, married at age 26, b. KS, father b. ____, mother b. Ill.
Edwin, son, age 16, b. NY, f. b. Oregon, m. b. Kansas

If this is the correct family it suggests that the son might have been named after Edwin Ridgely. I have not found another census record of them.683

63. iii. Joseph Edwin Root was born on 24 Oct 1881. His death certificate gives his father's name as unknown and his mother as Ann Elizabeth Ridgely.684 He married Addie (--??--). He died on 19 Sep 1967 in Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, Highlands, Macon County,

676Ibid.
678"Letter, Arthur M. Bullock to Olds, 16 July 1970, " Alice Root was born Sept. 22, 1875, in Girard".
679Middle name added from the death record.
681California Death Record Index, online, online http://vitals.rootsweb.com/ca/death. Hereinafter cited as California Death Record Index.
6831930 federal census of Monmouth County, NJ. Microfilm image online. Used at www.ancestry.com.
684Joseph Edwin Root entry, Macon County, NC, Death Records, Book 40, p. 49, Macon County Records, Macon County Court House, Franklin, Macon County, North Carolina. Hereinafter cited as Macon County Death Record.
North Carolina, at age 85. He was buried on 22 Sep 1967 in Sharon Memorial Park, Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 13 Sep 1918 in Girard, Kansas. He described himself as living on R4, Girard, Crawford County, Kansas, age 37, born 24 Oct 1881, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with blue eyes and had black hair. His closest relative was Mrs. Addie Root also of Route 4, Girard.

Joseph Edwin Root and Addie (--) appeared on the census of 1920 in Crawford, Crawford County, Kansas. The listing shows:

Joseph E. Root, age 38, b. KS, father b. NH, mother b. Ill.
Addie, age 36, b. SC, father b. SC, mother b. NC
Roy, son, age 16, b. SC, father b. KS, mother b. SC.

Joseph Edwin Root and Addie (--) appeared on the census of 1930 in Highlands, Macon County, North Carolina. The listing shows:

Joseph Root, Civil Engineer, age 48, 1st marr. at age 33, b. Kansas, father b. VT, mother b. Ill.
Addie Root, age 48, 1st marr. at age 20, b. SC, father b. SC, mother b. SC

The implication of these records is that Joseph Root was not the father of Roy and that Addie had been married previously. J. E. Root was born in 1881 in Girard. He spent most of his life in Highlands, North Carolina, where he was the engineer for the Highlands Golf Course. He married a widow, Addie McEachern. They had no children. Joseph Edwin Root died in the summer of 1967, several years after the death of his wife.

22. Henrietta Ridgely (William Simmons, William Henry) was born in Sep 1853 in Wabash County, Illinois. She married Marcellus V. Parish on 20 Aug 1874 in Crawford County, Kansas. She married David C. Green on 9 Jun 1887.

In 1911 she was living in Alva, Oklahoma. She is on Lloyd Ridgely's list of heirs as Etta R. Green. Henrietta Ridgely appeared on the census of 19 Jun 1900 in the David Green household, Washington Township, Crawford County, Kansas. David Green was born in Nov. 1847, in Ohio, age 43, and married for 13 years. Henrietta, his wife, was born Sept. 1853, in Illinois, age 47 and also married for 13 years. Her father was born in Ohio and her mother in Indiana. She was the mother of one living child who was not listed in the household. Stephen S. Ridgely, brother-in-law, b. Mar. 1839, age 61, married ten years, was also listed in this family.

Henrietta Ridgely appeared on the census of 1910 in Alva, Woods County, Oklahoma. The listing shows:

David C. Green, age 63, married twice, this time for 22 years
Henretta R. Green, wife, age 56, married twice, this time for 22 years.

Henrietta Ridgely appeared on the census of 1920 in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. The listing shows:

685Ibid., Book 40, p. 49 "b. 24 Oct. 1881, d. 19 Sept. 1967." He was born 24 Oct. 1881, in Kansas, married Addie M., was a civil engineer, died 19 Sept. 1967 at Highlands, N. C., and was buried in Sharon Memorial Park, Charlotte, N. C. He died of arteriosclerotic cardio vascular disease.
686Macon County Death Record, Book 40, p. 49.
691See the 1850 listing of her father's family. The month of birth is from the 1900 census listing.
692Buzzard, "Ridgely Research in Crawford County, Kansas," e-mail to Dan W. Olds, 18 Oct 2005, "Etta Ridgely and Marcellus V. Parish, 20 Aug. 1874, Marriage Book A, page 207". This fits with my previous speculation about her first marriage.
693Letter, Edwin Reed Ridgely to Reid, 8 Nov. 1911.
695Letter, Edwin Reed Ridgely to Reid, 8 Nov. 1911.
David C. Green, age 73, b. Ohio, parents b. Ohio
Henrietta, age 66, b. Illinois, father b. Ohio, mother b. Ind.  

Although the biographical listing quoted for David C. Green states that he married Miss Henrietta Ridgely, the 1910 census says that had been married twice and the 1900 census shows that she had one child who was still living. Henrietta has not been located in the 1880 census unless she is the 26 year old widow, Henrietta Parrish, born in Illinois, father born in Ohio and mother born in Indiana that is listed in the 1890 census of Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. She was living with her widowed mother, "E. R.[ possibly E. A.] Ridgely", age 59, b. in Indiana, father b. in NY, mother b. in Massachusetts. I have not yet identified these two in another record unless they are "our" Henrietta Ridgely and her mother.

Children of Henrietta  Ridgely and Marcellus V. Parish were:
64. i. (--) 2 PARISH.  

DAVID C. GREEN was born on 19 Nov 1846 in a log cabin, on a farm, Clinton County, Ohio. He was the son of John and Rhoda (Carrey) Green. When the Civil War began, he enlisted in Company F, Eighty-eighth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry on 5 April 1864. He was mustered out on 3 July 1865. From 1868 to 1879, he lived in Hamilton County, Indiana, then moved back to his father's homestead in Clinton county, Ohio. He moved to Kansas City, Missouri in 1879 and worked as a locomotive fireman and then an engineer. In 1902 he began farming on a tract of government land in Woods County ten miles from Alva. In 1909, he retired and moved to the county seat. "On January 30, 1868, Mr. Green was married to Miss Laura B. Hildebrandt, who died in 1879, leaving one child: Ambia Marie, born December 9, 1868, who died in 1884. Mr. Green was again married, June 9, 1887, to Miss Henrietta Ridgely, who was born September 12, 1855 [sic], in Wabash County, Illinois. They have had no children."

There were no children of Henrietta  Ridgely and David C. Green.

24. WILLIAM HENRY  Ridgely (William Simmons, William Henry) was born circa 1856 in Wabash County, Illinois, The date is estimated from the 1850 census. He married Irene E. Chittenden on 28 Oct 1875. He died on 7 Jun 1895. He died circa 1904.

William Henry Ridgely and Irene E. Chittenden appeared on the census of 1880 in Crawford County, Kansas. The family is listed as:
Ridgley, Wm. 24 clerk in store b. Ill. father b. __ mother b. N. Y.
Irene E. 23 wife b. Ill. father b. OH mother b. Ind.

IRENE E. CHITTENDEN was born in Dec 1857.

Irene E. Chittenden appeared on the census of 1900 in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. She was born in Dec. 1857, age 42, a widow, the mother of two children, both living. She was a dressmaker, b. in Ill., father b. in Ky, mother b. in Ind.

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6981920 federal census of Crawford County, Kansas. Microfilm image online.
699The 1900 census listing for the David Green family shows that Henrietta had had one child and it was still living.
700Letter, Edwin Reed Ridgely to Reid, 8 Nov. 1911.
701His name is from the 1900 census listing.
703Ibid.
704census microfilm.
705The 1875 part can be estimated from the 1930 census.
706Buzzard, "Ridgely Research in Crawford County, Kansas," e-mail to Dan W. Olds, 18 Oct 2005, "William H. Ridgely and E. J. Chittendon, 28 Oct 1875, Marriage Book A, page 252." I cannot explain the initials given for her other than to say they may have been E. I. in the original and it would not be so unusual for an Irene E. to have also been recorded as E. I.
707Death Notices of Fraternal Orders, online www.kshs.org/genealogists/individuals/fraternalnecrologiesresults.php, in which he must be the William H. Ridgely, d. 7 June 1895, a member of AOUW Lodge No. 10 (Girard, Crawford County). Hereinafter cited as Death Notice of Wm. H. Ridgely.
708Letter, Edwin Reed Ridgely to Ridgely, "The youngest Wm. H., died some 15 years ago".
709microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
710From the 1900 census listing.
711microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
Irene E. **Chittenden** appeared on the census of 1910 in Pittsburg, Crawford County, Kansas. She living on N. Broadway living with many other people but listed as the head (and only member) of her own family. She was age 40 and widowed and had two children, one of whom was living. She was born in Illinois, her father was born in Kentucky and her mother in Indiana.

Irene E. **Chittenden** appeared on the census of 1930 in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas. She was age 70, a widow first married at age 18. b. KY, father b. Ky., mother b. Ind., and had been a nurse in a private family.

Children of William Henry 3 Ridgely and Irene E. **Chittenden** were as follows:

65. i. EDNA G. 4 RIDGELY 713,714 was born circa 1877. 715 She married James L. Ward on 23 Apr 1896 in Crawford County, Kansas. 716

Edna G. Ridgely and James L. Ward appeared on the census of 1900 in household of Dennis J. Stower, Pittsburg, Crawford County, Kansas. James L. Ward was a step-son, b. Ark. in Feb. 1874, age 26 and married for four years. He was a R. R. watchman. Edna Ward is listed as a boarder, age 22, b. Sept. 1877, married for four years and as the mother of one child. Although the child was still living, it was not with the family and I have not located him in 1900. 717

Edna G. Ridgely and James L. Ward appeared on the census of 1910 in Pittsburg, Crawford County, Kansas. James L. Ward, age 34, was a machinist for the K. C. Southern. He and Edna had each been married one time, for 14 years. She was age 32, had one child that one was still living. She was born in Kansas. Their son Lewis J. was age 13, b. in Kansas. 718 Edna Ward, Pittsburg, Kansas, is listed as one of the heirs of Lloyd Ridgely. 719

Edna G. Ridgely and James L. Ward appeared on the census of 1920 in Pittsburg, Crawford County, Kansas. She was age 42, b. in Kansas, and he was age 45, b. Arkansas. Their son Lewis was age 22, b. in Kansas. 720

66. ii. GUY 6 RIDGELY 724 died between 1900 and 1910. 725

Guy Ridgely appeared on the census of 1900 in Kansas City, Jackson County, Kansas.

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712 1930 federal census of Crawford County, Kansas. Microfilm image online.
713 Letter from J. E. Root (Highlands, North Carolina) to Dan W. Olds, Apr. 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), containing a reply to my question about the identity of Edna Ward in which he stated "She was a daughter of William H. Ridgely, had no children".
714 The middle initial is added from the 1930 census record.
715 Estimated from the 1880 census listing.
716 Buzzard, "Ridgely Research in Crawford County, Kansas," e-mail to Dan W. Olds, 18 Oct 2005, "Edna G. Ridgely and James L. Ward, 23 Apr 1896, Marriage Book K, page 300".
718 Ibid.
719 Homer E. Ridgely's papers, collected about 1932 copy in my files.
721 Ibid.
722 From the 1900 census listing.
723 Added from the 1900 census listing.
724 Letter, J. E. Root to Dan W. Olds, Apr. 1967, "Guy Ridgely was a cousin[,] a son of William H. Ridgely."
725 According to the 1900 and 1910 census listings, Irene had a child die between these dates but Guy has not been found.
He may be mentioned twice in this census, in fact. There are two listings for a Guy Ridgely in Kansas City. According to one listing, he was a Lodger, born June 1878, age 21, single, born in Kansas and employed as a Hotel Keeper. His father's birth place is not given but his mother was born in Illinois. In the other listing, a Guy Ridgely was age 16, born April 1884, a Bell Boy, living with the Hotel Proprietor and was born in Missouri as were his parents. I have no subsequent listing for Guy Ridgely.726

28. Robert3 Ridgely (Henry Davidge, William Henry) was born on 7 Nov 1847. He married Mary M. Talley on 5 Oct 1871. He died on 26 Feb 1906 at age 58. He was buried in Eureka, Woodford County, Illinois.728

The 1880 census of Richland Co., Ill., lists the family as:731

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Robert Ridgely and Mary M. Talley appeared on the census of 1880 in Madison Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Ridgley, Robert, 32, Dry goods store, b. Ill, father b. Va., m. b. Ill.

Mary M., 29, b. Ill., parents b. Tenn.

Orman, 6, b. Ill., parents b. Ill

Olie, 5, b. Ill., parents b. Ill.

Irene, 1, b. Ill., parents b. Ill.732

"Members of the Parkersburg Christian Church will be celebrating the 100th year anniversary of their church Sunday, August 15 beginning with their regular service at 9:30 a.m. The all white church building is the original structure built there in 1883. The building was constructed one year after its official founding in August 1882. The church was started by Robert Ridgely, Harvey Mulllins, and David Yeager who were among the 51 charter members of the church. During the first anniversary celebration held there in 1883, nearly 2000 people attended the dedication service."733

"ROB. RIDGLEY IS DEAD. Former Parkersburg Citizen Dies at Home in Eureka.

"Robert Ridgley [sic], a former well-known citizen of Parkersburg, died at his home in Eureka Monday as the result of a severe attack of typhoid fever.

"The funeral was held at the home Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. H. Rose, of Mt. Vernon, who was an old friend.

BORN IN COUNTY

"Mr. Ridgley was born on a farm near Parkersburg Nov. 7, 1842[. He lived there until he was 17 years of age and then began to learn the blacksmith trade at Parkersburg.

"In 1868 he went to Lancaster to look after his father's interest in the store of Couch and Ridgley, but they moved the entire stock to Parkersburg a few years later.

"In 1872 he and his brother-in-law C. A. Talley, bought out this store and later Mr. Talley retired leaving Mr. Ridgley the sole proprietor. This business engaged him until 1892 when he moved to Eureka.

"He was married in 1871 to Mary M. Talley, who survives him. Three children survive. They are Mrs. B. H. Sealock, of Polo; Ola Ridgley and Orman Ridgely, an attorney, both of Eureka.

Mr. Ridgley was one of the organizers of the Christian church at Parkersburg in 1882."734

728Ibid.
729Ibid.
730Tombstone, Eureka Cemetery, Main Street, Eureka, Illinois. The full dates are on his tombstone.
7311880 census microfilm, Springfield, Illinois.
732Ibid.
733100th anniversary celebration at Parkersburg church, unknown newspaper title, unknown location.
734An unidentified newspaper clipping in my collection, perhaps from the Olney Daily Mail.
MARY M. TALLEY was born on 22 Apr 1851. She died on 2 May 1922 at age 71. She was buried in Eureka, Woodford County, Illinois.

Children of Robert R. Ridgely and Mary M. Talley were as follows:

67. i. ORMAN R. RIDGELY was born on 24 Oct 1873. He married Bertha Rutilia Hoyt on 5 Nov 1902 in Eureka, Woodford County, Illinois. He died on 21 Jan 1939 at age 65. He was buried in Eureka, Woodford County, Illinois.

"Orman Ridgely attended Eureka College in Eureka, Illinois. While there, he met Bertha Rutilia Hoyt, whom he later married. Bertha, or "Bird", was the daughter of Francis Marion Hoyt (a Civil War veteran from New York) and Emily Josephine (Hale) Hoyt. "For a short time after their marriage, Orman and Bird resided in Marshall County, Illinois. However, they soon moved back to Eureka. ...

"Still an active lawyer at age 65, Orman Ridgely died in 1939 of a heart attack while attending the memorial service for a judge in Pontiac. Bertha Rutilia (Hoyt) Ridgely had a stroke and died while on a train bound for Kansas City, Missouri, where she was going to visit some relatives. This was in 1940."

Orman Ridgely appeared on the census of 1930.

Ridgely, Orman Head 54 1st marr. at 25 b. Ill p. b. Ill Lawyer
, Bertha Wife-H 53 1st marr. at 24 f. b. NY m. b. Wisc.
, Francis dau. 26 single
, Rutilia dau. 24 single Lawyer
, Robert son 22 single Travelling Salesman, Multigraph Co.
, Mary E. dau. 21 single.

"The following history is copied from the record of the memorial service for Orman Ridgely which was held in the Circuit Court of Woodford County on February 25, 1939. Orman Ridgely had been the president of the Woodford County Bar Association.

"LIFE's Record closed for Orman Ridgely on Saturday, Jan. 21, 1939"

"He was born in Wabash County, Illinois, on October 24, 1873. When but a young man his parents established their home in Eureka and here he spent the rest of his life. He attended the grade and high school at Eureka and graduated from Eureka College in 1895. When but a boy, living at Olney, Illinois, he had determined that he would be a lawyer and that ambition followed him all through his school years. He was admitted to the Bar of this State in 1900 and at once opened an office in Eureka which he maintained until the day of his death.

"He entered into the practice of law with limited finances and his success in his profession was the result of his own efforts. The true success and measure of a man's powers is his ability to stand alone and build his own career. This, Mr. Ridgely, did without aid or favor from others.

735 Tombstone, Eureka Cemetery.
736 Ibid.
737 Ibid., The full dates are on her tombstone. Viewed 6 June 1968.
738 This month and year are in the 1900 census.
739 Letter from Carrie Klaus (Greencastle, Indiana) to Dan W. Olds, Aug 1969; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
740 Ibid.
741 Tombstone, Eureka Cemetery. which shows only the year.
742 Letter, Carrie Klaus to Dan W. Olds, Aug 1969.
743 Tombstone, Eureka Cemetery. The marker, which is in the Hoyt-Linsner plot, has the birth year and death year.
744 Letter, Carrie Klaus to Dan W. Olds, Aug 1969.
"It was not long before he rose to the top in his profession and for many years prior to his death he ranked as one of the leading lawyers in Central Illinois. He had a very wide practice that gave him valuable training and experience in nearly every field of law. He had a quick, alert mind and was able to diagnose the weakness in the case of his adversary with speed and clarity. He was at his best in trial work and contested matters. He fought for his clients with such zeal and energy that he established a reputation second to none for his loyalty and devotion for the cause he represented. In the office, as well as in the Court room, he was studious and painstaking in his work in behalf of his clients. He loved his work and spent many hours in his library searching for authorities to support his cases. He had marked ability in being able to analyze and distinguish the decisions of Courts on close questions of law."

"Too much cannot be said of his unselfish devotion to his friends and clients. He was always more concerned about giving counsel and aid and help to those who entrusted him with their welfare than to any monetary gain he might receive. No lawyer worked harder for the interests of his clients than Orman Ridgely, and this was true, irrespective of whether he ever expected to receive compensation for his services or not. He merited and earned the respect and confidence of his clients and was especially held in high esteem by the Court and his fellow attorneys. For a number of years he was President of the Woodford County Bar Association and carried with honor the duties of the position. His desire and effort to maintain a high and honest respect for the law and the courts was one of his constant endeavors. It was one of his main every day objectives to develop and keep the legal profession on a superior plane so that the layman regarded the profession with respect and honor. He personally believed in keeping the ethics of the profession on a high and exalted basis. Despite his faithful and burning desire to serve his clients with all the zeal and ability at his command, he was always able to take an adverse decision from the Court with gentlemanly grace and without anger or disrespect."

"Orman Ridgely was not only in the front rank of his profession but he was a public spirited citizen, being ever ready to aid in all enterprises which bid fair to benefit the community. He was a leader outside as well as within his profession and his advice was often sought, as a layman, on various progressive measures, and such aid he gave freely both to friend and foe."

"He had a strong and persuasive personality that made him a leader of men in and out of the courtroom. He was admired by his fellow lawyers, his friends, clients, and neighbors. As a friend and neighbor there was none truer or more faithful or loyal. In his home he was always kind, considerate, and indulgent."

"In his death, this community has lost an able and outstanding lawyer, the county and State a citizen of unsullied character, and the home and ideal husband and father." An unidentified newspaper clipping (property of Emily and Lorena Reid) says:

"Bloomington, Ill. Jan. 22 (Special) Funeral services for Orman Ridgely, 65 years old, president of the Woodford County Bar Association will be held tomorrow in Eureka. Mr. Ridgely died yesterday in Pontiac, where he had gone to attend a memorial service for the late Circuit Judge Clyde H. Thompson of Livingston County. He was born in Lancaster, Illinois and went to Eureka in 1891. He was graduated from Eureka College in 1895 and was admitted to the bar in 1898. He was a Republican leader in the county for many years."

BERTHA RUTILIA HOYT was born in 1874. She was born on 13 Mar 1875. She died on 11 Jul 1940 at age 65. She
was buried in Eureka, Woodford County, Illinois.²⁵³

69. iii. **IRENE RIDGELEY** was born on 7 May 1879 in Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.²⁵⁴,²⁵⁵,²⁵⁶ She married Burl Hamilton **SEALOCK** on 22 Aug 1905 in Eureka, Woodford County, Illinois.²⁵⁷,²⁵⁸ She died on 26 Jun 1953 at age 74.²⁵⁹,²⁶⁰ She was buried in Eureka, Woodford County, Illinois.²⁶¹

Irene **Ridgely** and Burl Hamilton **Sealock** appeared on the census of 1910 in Menard County, Illinois. The 1910 census shows that Irene had had four children with three of them still living. Burl was a minister in the Christian Church.²⁶²
Irene **Ridgely** and Burl Hamilton **Sealock** appeared on the census of 14 Jan 1920 in the household of Burl H. Sealock, South Second Street, Vandalia, Audrain County, Missouri.

Sealock, Burl H.  48 Head
, Irene  40  wife
, Robert R.  12  son
, Burl, Jr.  12  son
, John Howard  10  son.²⁶³

Irene **Ridgely** and Burl Hamilton **Sealock** appeared on the census of 10 Apr 1930 in Normal, McLean County, Illinois.

Sealock, B. H.  Head  58 b. Ind.  Salesman for Insurance Company
, Irene  wife-H  50 b. Ill  p. b. Ill
, Robert R.  ab son  22 b. Ill
, Richard B.  ab son  22 b. Ind
, John H.  son  20 b. Ind.
, W. Paul  son  10 b. Missouri

The "H" marks Irene as the homemaker and the "ab" on the two oldest sons probably means they were absent from home.²⁶⁴

**BURL HAMILTON SEALOCK**²⁶⁵,²⁶⁶ was born on 20 Feb 1871 in Starke County, Indiana.²⁶⁷ He died on 19 May 1959 in Talullah, Illinois, at age 88.²⁶⁸

30. **ELIZA ELLEN**³ RIDGELEY (Henry Davidge², William Henry¹) was born on 20 Nov 1851.²⁶⁹ She married
Gideon A. Talley on 22 Feb 1872 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 5 Feb 1937 at age 85. She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

Eliza Ellen (---?) and Gideon A. Talley appeared on the census of 1880 in Madison Township, Richland County, Illinois. This family is listed next to that of Robert Ridgely.

Talley, Gideon 31 dry goods merchant b. Tenn. parent bp. not listed
, Ellen 28 wife b. Ill. father b. Ill. mother b. Ill.
, Bertie 7 son b. Ill. father b. Tenn. mother b. Ill.
, Henry 4 son b. Ill. father b. Tenn. mother b. Ill.

"Mrs. Ellen Talley passed away at her home Wednesday night at the age of 84 years. Her husband, Gideon Talley died six years ago. Funeral services were held with Rev. E. L. Robinson in charge. Interment in Oak Hill Cemetery."  

GIDEON A. TALLEY was born on 8 May 1849. He died in 1930. His will, made 29 Sept. 1924, was probated in Richland County on 10 March 1930.

Children of Eliza Ellen Ridgely and Gideon A. Talley were as follows:

70. i. BERT R. TALLEY was born on 24 Jan 1873. He married Minnie C. Parker on 5 Sep 1894 in Richland County, Illinois. He died on 9 Dec 1952 at age 79. He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living at Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, age 45, born 24 Jan 1873, and his occupation was in Real Estate, self employed. He was medium in height, medium in build, with blue eyes and had light brown (slightly bald) hair. His closest relative was Mrs. Minnie Talley, also of Parkersburg.

Bert R. Talley appeared on the census of 1920 in Madison Township, Richland County, Illinois.

The listing shows:
Talley, Bert R. age 46
Minnie age 44
Howard age 16, son
Robert age 12, son.

Bert R. Talley and Minnie C. Parker appeared on the census of 1930. The listing shows:
Talley, Bert R. age 57, married at 21
Minnie C. age 54, married at 18.
MINNIE C. PARKER died on 27 Sep 1959. She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

71. ii. HENRY D. TALLEY was born on 2 Jan 1876. He married May YAGER on 18 Mar 1899 in Richland County, Illinois. He died in 1951. He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living at Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, age 42, born 2 Jan 1876, and his occupation was Post Master at Parkersburg, for the U. S. Government. He was medium in height, medium in build, with grey eyes and had light brown (partly bald) hair. His closest relative was May Talley, also of Parkersburg.

Henry D. Talley appeared on the census of 1920. Talley, Henry Head 42 b. Ill f. b. TN m. b. Ill Postmaster

, Mae wife 38 b. Ill f. b. Mo m. b. Ill.
, Irene dau. 15
, Verdien dau 4 9/12. Talley, Henry Head 42 b. Ill f. b. TN m. b. Ill Postmaster

, Mae wife 38 b. Ill f. b. Mo m. b. Ill.
, Irene dau. 15
, Verdien dau 4 9/12. He, as President of the School Board, presented the diploma to Daniel John Ridgely on 26 May 1943 in Parkersburg High School, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

MAY YAGER died on 19 Mar 1967 in Stevens Point, Wisconsin. She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

"May Talley, 86 dies on Sunday. Mrs. May Talley, 86, formerly of Parkersburg, died Sunday at Stevens Point, Wisc.

"Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Lerdine [sic] Moldenhauser of Stevens Point, Wisc., and Mrs. Irene Hornbeck of Phoenix, Ariz.; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

"Also surviving is a sister, Mrs. Edna Williams of Leavenworth, Kansas.

"Services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the King & Ingram Funeral Home in West Salem, with Bro. Richard Mason officiating. Interment will be in the Parkersburg Cemetery.

"Friends may call after 6 p. m. today."

72. iii. "OUR BABE, A GIRL" TALLEY was born on 3 Jan 1888. She died in 1888. She was

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785 Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967.
786 Ibid., in which he supplied the death date.
787 Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. The years of birth and death are on the stone.
788 Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 28 June 1967, which gives the name and birthdate. Mrs. Marshall has the Gideon Talley Bible.
789 Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967.
790 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Henry D. Talley and May Yager, 03/18/99, license 43, Book 3, p. 68. His parents were G. A. Talley and Ellen Ridgely. Hers were John Yager and Mary Fritchley.
791 Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967.
792 Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. The marker at Oak Hill Cemetery has "1876 - 1951".
794 Daniel Ridgely, Graduation Program, 26 May 1943. personal files, Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina.
795 Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967.
797 Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery.
799 Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 28 June 1967, Name and birth date from Mrs. Marshall who has the Gideon Talley Bible.
buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.

73.  iv. **BLANCHE BEATRICE TALLEY** was born on 9 Jun 1891. She married Collin French **BAILEY**, son of C. C. **BAILEY**, on 27 Jan 1910. She died in 1961. She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

**COLLIN FRENCH BAILEY** was born on 13 Feb 1886. He died on 10 Oct 1937 at age 51. He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.


31. **HANNAH REED** RIDGELY (Henry Davidge, William Henry) was born on 8 Jan 1854. She married Albert **MICHAEL** on 30 Oct 1878 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 11 Mar 1931 at age 77. She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.


Children of Hannah Reed **Ridgely** and Albert **Michael** were as follows:

74.  i. **EDGAR LEE MICHAEL** was born on 26 Oct 1879. He married Ethel **KLINKER** on 17 Mar 1919. He died on 10 Dec 1938 at age 59.
Edgar Lee Michael appeared on the census of 1910 in Ridgway, Ouray County, Colorado.

Edgar L. Michael, age 30, is listed as a single male, a boarder. He was born in Ill., his father was born in Penn. and his mother was born in Ill. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918. He described himself as living in Edgewater, Jefferson County, Colorado, age 38, born 26 Oct 1879, and his occupation was in the Rail Road Mail Service for the U. S. Government. He was short in height, slender in build, with brown eyes and had light brown hair. His closest relative was Ethel K. Michael, also of Edgewater. He noted that after 1 Oct his address would be Arvada, Colorado.

Edgar Lee Michael and Ethel Klinker appeared on the census of 1920 in Jefferson County, Colorado.

Michael, Edgar L       Head       40  b. Ill f. b. PA  m. b. Ill, mail clerk on RR
          , Ethel K.   wife       27, b. Iowa, p. b. Ohio
          , Margaret I. dau.       1 11/12, b. CO.

Edgar Lee Michael appeared on the census of 1930.

Michael, Edgar L.        50 first married at age 37
          , Ethel K.           48 wife, first married at age 35
          , Margaret I.        12, b. Col.
          , Barbara K.         9, b. Col.

Ethel Klinker was born on 2 Apr 1882. She died on 6 Mar 1963 at age 80.

75. ii. Olin Robert Michael was born on 3 May 1881 in Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois. He married Ruby M. Richards, daughter of Jim Jasper Richards and Charlotte Delilah Bunting, on 7 Aug 1907 in the bride’s home, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois. He died on 17 Mar 1923 in his home, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, at age 41. He was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living on RR 1, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, age 37, born 2 May 1881, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with grey eyes and had black hair. His closest relative was Ruby M. Michael, also of RR 1, Parkersburg.

Ruby M. Richards was born on 13 Aug 1884 in the Parkersburg area,

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826 microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
830 Letter from Mary E. Marshall (West Salem, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 30 Dec 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
831 Ibid.
832 Ibid.
833 Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 12 Apr 1967.
834 Ibid.
835 Letter from Margaret Ann Weesner (Pasadena, Texas) to Dan W. Olds, 21 Nov 2005; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), which added the place.
837 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Olin Robert Michael and Ruby Richards, 08/07/07, license 101, Book 3, p. 109. His parents were Albert Michael and Hanna Ridgely. Hers were James Richards and Deliah Bunting.
838 Letter, Margaret Ann Weesner to Olds, 21 Nov 2005, which added the specific location.
839 Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 12 Apr 1967.
840 Ibid.
841 Tombstone, Walnut Grove Cemetery. The full dates are on the stone.
843 Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 30 Dec 1967.
Richland County, Illinois. She died on 13 May 1977 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois, at age 92. She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

76. iii. HARRY MICHAEL was born on 9 Feb 1883. He died on 19 Jul 1883.

77. iv. MADGE MICHAEL was born on 9 Feb 1883. She died on 19 Jul 1883.

78. v. ELISIE IRENE MICHAEL was born on 22 Feb 1884. She died on 30 Mar 1944 at age 60.

She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

She never married.

79. vi. ARNA IONA MICHAEL was born on 3 Mar 1886. She died on 29 Jan 1973 at age 86.

I visited her to discuss family history in June, 1967, when she was living at Golden Acres (retirement home) in West Salem, Ill. "Miss Arna Michael was born in Richland County, on a farm 2 1/2 miles south-east of Parkersburg, on March 3, 1886.

"When she was a young girl her parents moved to Parkersburg where her father operated a general store together with Albert Smith, his brother-in-law until the year 1907 when they moved back to the farm.

"She attended Normal school at (Bloomington marked out) Normal, Illinois to prepare herself for the teaching profession. She taught in the rural schools of Richland and Edwards County from 1907 to spring of 1918.

"Soon after she went to _____ Tenn to study and train for photography work. She pursued this occupation, retouching of negatives, in studios at St. Louis, Mo., Evansville, Ind., Indianapolis, Ind., and at Champaign-Urbana, Ill.

"She for several years from 1919 until [page break here -- page missing?] from the middle of September until the next May or June, then help to with the summer work of gardening, canning, housecleaning, etc.

"In 1941 they (sold marked out), she and Elsie, left the farm soon after Henry's marriage, after having a public sale.

"After Elsie's death in 1944 Arna lived mostly in Olney, Ill. She rented room or apartment from Lucy Filde, Mrs. Woods, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Ella Findley on North Fair. She lived at Mrs.Woods twice, also lived at Mrs. Carrolls.

"She left Olney to live with her sister, Mary Marshall on farm south of Parkersburg and

846 Letter, Margaret Ann Weesner to Olds, 21 Nov 2005, which added "Parkersburg area".
847 Death report, Social Security Death Index, internet file (n.p.: ssdi.rootsweb.com), Ruby Michael, b. 13 Aug. 1884, d. May 1977, last place of residence was Olney, Richland Co., IL. Hereinafter cited as SSDI.
848 William Henry Ridgely book additions, annotations by Doris R. Olds, various dates Library and papers of Doris R. Olds, in which she notes "d. 13 May 1977, age 92, Olney Daily Mail - 13 May 1977".
850 Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 12 Apr 1967, saying Harry and Madge were twins and Mrs. Marshall's chart lists one birth date and one death date for both.
852 Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 12 Apr 1967, saying Harry and Madge were twins and Mrs. Marshall's chart lists one birth date for both.
853 Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 12 Apr 1967.
854 Ibid.
855 Ibid.
856 Ibid.
857 Ibid.
858 Ibid.
859 Ibid.
860 Ibid.
from there went to the Golden Acres Care Home of West Salem, where she passed away."

[Margaret Ann King King found these pages, in the handwriting of Venus Weesner, in the memory book from the funeral of Arna Michael. It may have been intended as an obituary. The last paragraph is in a different hand.]

"Miss Arna Ione Michael, age 86, a former resident of 311 N. Fair Street passed away last evening at Golden Acres Sheltered Care Home in West Salem.

"Miss Michael was born near Parkersburg the daughter of Albert Michael and Hannah Ridgely Michael. She had worked as a photographer for many years and was considered highly proficient in her work. She was a member of the Elm Street Christian Church in Olney.

"She leaves the following nieces and nephews: Mrs. Venus Weesner, Miss Leah Michael and Harold Robert Michael, all of Olney, Robert Marshall of West Salem, Mrs. Verlyn Higgins of Clinton, Mrs. Gwen Kraushaar of Kansas City, Kansas, Mrs. Margaret Knight of Boulder, Colo., and Mrs Barbara McEwen of Grand Junction, Colo. Seven brothers and sisters have preceded her in death.

"Funeral services will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in the Memorial Chapel of the Summers-Marshall Funeral Home with Rev. R. E. Dowden officiating. Interment will be in the Walnut Grove Cemetery East of Parkersburg.

"Friends may call at the funeral home from 6:00 to 9:00 today."

80. vii. Mary Ellen Michael was born on 31 Jan 1888. She married Chester Coulton Marshall on 4 Jun 1920. She died circa 1969. I had a letter from her, 7 Oct. 1968 and in June 1969 I received word of her death.

Chester Coulton Marshall was born on 15 Sep 1883. He died on 20 Jul 1964 at age 80. He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois. The years of birth and death are on his tombstone. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918. He described himself as living on Route 3, West Salem, Illinois, age 34, born 15 Sep 1883, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had brown hair. His closest relative was Venus Ruth Marshall, also of Route 3, West Salem.

"Chester Marshall, 80, of West Salem passed away Monday evening at the Richland Memorial Hospital.

"He is survived by his wife Mary, one son Robert of West Salem and one daughter Mrs. Zenia Hoskinson of Cincinnati, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers.

"Funeral services will be held at the Parkersburg Christian Church at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Brother Esco Robinson officiating. Interment will be in the Parkersburg Cemetery.

"Friends may call at the King Funeral Home in West Salem after 6 p.m. today."

81. viii. Albert Henry Michael was born on 9 Jan 1890. He married Lorraine E.
Shannon in Nov 1941. He died on 1 May 1954 at age 64. He and Lorraine E. Shannon had no children. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917. He described himself as living on a R. R., Parkersburg, Illinois, age 27, born 9 Jan 1890 in Bonpas, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, slender in build, with gray eyes and had dark hair.

"Albert Henry Michael, 64, a long-time resident of Madison township, passed away at 6:30 this morning at the Richland Memorial Hospital following a short illness. He is survived by his wife, Lorraine, two sisters, Arna of Olney and Mrs. Chet C. Marshall of West Salem and several nieces and nephews. "The body was removed to the King Funeral Home in West Salem. Funeral arrangements are incomplete."

LORRAINE E. SHANNON living/possibly living; details suppressed.

32. NANCY ANN RIDGELEY (Henry Davidge, William Henry) was born on 18 Apr 1856. She married William Albert Smith on 24 Aug 1876 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 7 Apr 1925 at age 68. She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

Nancy Ann Ridgely appeared on the census of 1880 in Richland County, Illinois. This family listed as:

Nancy 24 b. Ill., parents b. Ill.
Maud 1 b. Ill., parents b. Ill.

WILLIAM ALBERT SMITH was born on 27 Aug 1854. He died on 31 Oct 1919 at age 65.

Children of Nancy Ann Ridgely and William Albert Smith were as follows:

82. i. MAUDE SMITH was born circa 1879. She married Charles Arch Mason on 12 Sep 1900 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 3 Nov 1956. She was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, southwest of Parkersburg, Illinois.

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876Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 30 Dec 1967. She remarried to a Kinkade and was still living at Christmas time, 2003.
877Letter from Maranda (Bowers) Ridgely (Parkersburg, Illinois) to Bertha (Ridgely) Swank, 23 Nov. 1941; Library and papers of Doris R. Olds (Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), "Henry Michael and Lorraine Shannon were married last week. She is teaching No. 5 school".
878Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 12 Apr 1967.
879Ibid.
882Her initial was added from Albert Henry Michael's tombstone.
883Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 12 Apr 1967.
884Ibid.
887Her initial was added from Albert Henry Michael's tombstone.
888Letter, Mary E. Marshall to Dan W. Olds, 12 Apr 1967.
889Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. The full dates are on the stone.
892Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. The full dates are on the stone.
893Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, William A. Smith and Nancy A. Ridgeley, 08/24/76, license 74, Book 2. Parents not shown.
895Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery.
897Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery.
898Ibid., The full dates are on the stone.
899Ibid.
900Dates supplied by Kell Hanson who gave her age at death as 77.
901Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967, in which he gave the name as Arch Mason and no date.
902Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Charles A. Mason and Maude Smith, 09/12/00, license 125, Book 3, p. 91. His parents were Jacob Mason and _____ Smith. Her parents were Albert Smith and _____ Ridgley.
903Dates supplied by Kell Hanson who gave her age at death as 77.
904Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967, n. v.
Charles Arch Mason\textsuperscript{899,900} was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, southwest of Parkersburg, Illinois. n.v.\textsuperscript{901}

83. ii. Mira Smith was born in 1881.\textsuperscript{902} She married Everett W. Rose on 8 Apr 1903 in Richland County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{903,904} She died in 1958.\textsuperscript{905}

She was survived by her husband and 3 sons and a daughter: Walton of Atlanta, Ga., Gilbert of Wilson, NC, Wendell of Parkersburg, and Mrs. Marjory Sanson of Frankfort, Ill.\textsuperscript{906}

Everett W. Rose\textsuperscript{907} was born on 7 Nov 1881.\textsuperscript{908,909} He appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Jun 1976 with the last place of residence listed as Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois. Everett W.'s SSN was issued in Illinois and his birth date is given as 7 Nov 1881.\textsuperscript{910}

The ages of the children can be estimated from this 1930 census listing.

Rose, Everett W. age 48, first married at age 22, b. Illinois, a farmer

, Myra, wife, age 49, first married at age 23, b. Illinois

, Walton, son, age 24, b. Illinois

, Gilbert, son, age 18, b. Illinois

, Wendell, son, age 13, b. Illinois

, Marjory, dau., age 10, b. Illinois.\textsuperscript{911}

Everett Rose, 94, died 13 June, survived by daughter Marjorie Swinson, 2 sons Wendell and Walton, 15 grandchildren and 32 great grandchildren.\textsuperscript{912}

84. iii. Lucille Smith\textsuperscript{913} was born on 16 Aug 1882.\textsuperscript{914} She married Vernon S. Fildes circa 1907.\textsuperscript{915} She died on 15 Aug 1967 at age 84.\textsuperscript{916}

She was born 16 Aug. 1882, had one son Vernon S. "Doc" Fildes, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles (Catherine) Fee and Mrs. A. A. (Bessie) Englart. She also had 8 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.\textsuperscript{917} She is called Lucy in family correspondence. Vernon S. Fildes.

This family is listed in the 1930 census, living on Elliott Street in Olney, Illinois. They were:

Fildes, Vernon S., age 49, first married at age 26, born in Ill., a Physician, General Practitioner

, Lucy, wife, age 47, first married at age 24, born in Ill.

, Vernon S., Jr., son, age 21, first married at age 19, b. in Ill.

, Alberta, Daughter-in-law, age 20, first married at age 18, b. in Ill.

\textsuperscript{899}Ibid., in which he gave the name as Arch Mason.
\textsuperscript{900}Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, \textit{Richland County Marriages}, Charles A. Mason and Maude Smith, 09/12/00, license 125, Book 3, p. 91. His parents were Jacob Mason and _____ Smith. Her parents were Albert Smith and _____ Ridgley.
\textsuperscript{901}Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. The years (only) are on the tombstone.
\textsuperscript{902}Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967, n. v.
\textsuperscript{903}Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. The years (only) are on the tombstone.
\textsuperscript{904}Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967, without the date.
\textsuperscript{905}Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, \textit{Richland County Marriages}, Everett Rose and Mira Smith, 04/08/03, License 54, Book 3, p. 120. His parents were Peter Rose and Emma Wood. Hers were William A. Smith and Nancy Ridgely.
\textsuperscript{906}Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. The years (only) are on the tombstone.
\textsuperscript{907}Moore (Clara Belle) -- family records, clippings family clippings, obituary of Mira Rose.
\textsuperscript{908}Interview, Kell Hanson, June 1967.
\textsuperscript{909}Ibid., Gave the year of birth.
\textsuperscript{910}Death report, SSDI, internet file, which gives the full date of birth.
\textsuperscript{911}Death report, SSDI, internet file.
\textsuperscript{913}Moore (Clara Belle) -- family records, clippings family clippings, which included the obituary of Everett Rose.
\textsuperscript{914}Ibid., The name Lucille is taken from the obituary of Vernon S. Fildes.
\textsuperscript{915}Ibid., Obituary of Lucille Smith Fildes.
\textsuperscript{916}1930 federal census of Richland Co., Illinois. Microfilm image online.
\textsuperscript{917}Letter from Dow A. Ridgely (Parkersburg, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 22 Sept. 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
\textsuperscript{918}Moore (Clara Belle) -- family records, clippings family clippings, obituary of Lucille Fildes.
85. iv. ROSS CLEVELAND SMITH was born on 5 Oct 1884. He married METTA MILDRED Ensor, daughter of George Ensor and Susan Ellingsworth, on 10 Jun 1908 in Richland County, Illinois. He died on 6 Mar 1943 at age 58. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living in Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, age 33, born 5 Oct 1884, and his occupation was General Merchandiser, self-employed. He was medium in height, stout in build, with blue eyes and had brown hair. His closest relative was NMETTIE MILDRED Smith, also of Parkersburg. He signed ROSS Cleveland Smith.

METTA MILDRED Ensor was born on 14 Jul 1889. She died on 9 May 1986 in Clay City, Clay County, Illinois, at age 96. She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

86. v. FLORENCE SMITH was born on 18 Dec 1886. She died on 7 Feb 1896 at age 9. She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.

87. vi. NANNIE SMITH was born on 25 Nov 1893. She died on 6 Oct 1894.

33. ELSIE JANE RIDGELY (Henry Davidge, William Henry) was born on 23 Jun 1858. She married STEPHEN MILES Staninger on 3 Aug 1876 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 18 Oct 1891 at age 33. She was buried in United Brethren Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. The full dates are on her stone.
Elsie Jane Staninger and Stephen Miles Staninger appeared on the census of 1880 in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Stephen Staninger 24 b. Ill. father b. Va. mother b. Ill
Elcie 21 wife b. Ill. father b. Va., mother b. Ill
Robert 2 son b. Ill. parents b.III
Bessie 1 dau. b. Ill. parents b. Ill.944

STANINGER945 was born on 22 Oct 1855.946 He married Ida (—?)— circa 1893.947 He died in Illinois.948

Stephen Miles Staninger appeared on the census of 1900 in Garrett Township, Douglas County, Illinois.

"Staninger, Stephen, b. Oct. 1855, age 44, m. 7 years, Hotel Keeper
 , Ida, wife, b. Feb. 1865, age 35, m. 7 years, a child, none living
 , Robert, son, b. Aug. 1877, age 22, Grocery
 , Bertha, dau., b. Feb.1882, age 18, servant
 , Rolla, son, b. Feb. 1884, age 16, At school
Jones, Grant, boarder, b. Aug 1867, age 32, jeweler?"949

Children of Elsie Jane Ridgely and Stephen Miles Staninger were as follows:

88. i. ROBERT M. STANINGER950 was born on 5 Aug 1877.951 He married an unknown person . Robert was married but his wife died early and they had no children.952 He died in 1934 in Decatur, Illinois.953

A legal notice appearing in the Decatur Weekly News for 21 April 1938, contains a legal notice from the Millikin Trust Company, trustee of the Last Will of Robert M. Staninger, deceased, to the defendants in the case of a "Bill to Construe Will No. 37152". The named defendants were Mark Staninger, Marie D. Weaver, Betty Lee Weaver, Nettie May Staninger, Mary I. Goodson, Vera Goodson Taecker, William Staninger, Ralph Staninger, Maxine Staninger Lepore, Virginia Staninger, Verneta Gentz and Cloyd Gentz. They were notified to appear in court on 16 May 1938.

Since Robert died without children, his heirs were his living brothers and sisters and their heirs. I have not identified Mark Staninger, Marie D. Weaver and Betty Lee Weaver. Mary I. Goodson was the only surviving sister and Vera was her daughter but it is not clear why both are named. William, Ralph and Virginia Staninger were children of a deceased brother, Ralph D. Staninger, suggesting that Maxine Staninger Lepore might be the child called "Weda" in Ralph's obituary. Verneta Gentz was a daughter of the deceased sister, Bessie Ann, and perhaps Cloyd is the child elsewhere called Clarence.954

89. ii. BESSIE ANN STANINGER was born on 7 Feb 1879.955 She married Arthur R. Gentz on 4 Jul 1898 in White County, Illinois. Her name is given as Bessie "Saninger" in the Illinois

Gentz, Arthur R., age 35, first marriage, 12 years ago
  Bessie A., age 31, first marriage, 12 years ago, had two children, both living
    Vernita, age 11
    Cloyd, age 9.

Bessie Gentz, age 40, a divorced woman, was living in the family of Timothy C. Weber (no relation) in West Salem.

Arthur R. Gentz

Arthur R. Gentz appeared on the census of 3 Jan 1920 in Holbrook, Navajo County, Arizona. Arthur Gentz, age 41, divorced, b. Ill., was living in a hotel in Holbrook, Navajo County, AZ. He is the only Arthur Gentz born in Ill. that I could find in the ancestry.com 1920 census index.

90. iii. Ralph D. Staninger was born on 29 Sep 1880. He married Nettie Van (--?--). He died on 2 Feb 1929 at age 48.

They had four children, two girls and two boys. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Decatur, Macon County, Illinois. He described himself as living at Maroa, Macon County, Illinois, age 37, born 24 Sep 1880, and his occupation was a self-employed grocer merchant. He was medium in height, slender in build, with blue eyes and had brown hair. His closest relative was Netti May Staninger, also of Maroa.

Ralph D. Staninger appeared on the census of 1920 in Maroa, Macon County, Illinois.

Staninger, Ralph D.  Head  39  b. Ill.
  Nettie  wife  35
  William  son  11
  Ralph  son  9
  Weto  dau  8 10/12 [??].

His obituary states:
"R. D. Staninger for years in the grocery business in Maroa, died in San Diego, Cal., Feb. 2, according to word received here. His death was caused by neuralgia of the heart brought on by an attack of influenza several months ago.
"Ralph D. Staninger was born in Southern Illinois in 1881. He went to Atwood in 1899, living there until he move to Maroa in 1916. He owned and conducted a grocery store in Maroa for several years, leaving there in 1925 for California, where he made his home until his death.
"He is survived by his wife and four children, Ralph, William, Weda and Virginia, all at home, and one brother, R. M. Staninger, of Decatur.

956 Ibid.
957 Illinois Marriage Index online.
958 Letter, Vera (Goodson) Taecker to Olds, 18 Oct. 1967, saying "If I remember correctly she died in West Salem Ill. when I was 8 years old). However, according to my notes, there is a tombstone in the Moravian Cemetery at West Salem, Illinois, for Bessie A. Gentz, 1879 - 1932.
961 Letter, Vera (Goodson) Taecker to Olds, 18 Oct. 1967, but I have added his middle initial from the 1910 census.
962 microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
964 Ibid., saying "Ralph Staninger died when I was about 16 years old. He is buried in the Greenwood Cemetery, San Diego, California.
968 microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
"Funeral services were conducted Tuesday in San Diego."  

91. iv. **BERTHA STANINGER**\(^{970}\) was born on 20 Feb 1882.\(^ {971}\) She married Walter **Doty**.\(^ {972, 973}\) She died before 1913.\(^ {974}\)  

92. v. **RALEIGH STANINGER**\(^ {975}\) was born on 25 Feb 1884.\(^ {976}\) He died on 5 May 1919 in Atwood, Piatt County, Illinois, at age 35.\(^ {977, 978}\) He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918. He described himself as living in Atwood, Douglas County, Illinois, age 34, born 25 Feb 1884,. He was medium in height, slender build in build, with brown eyes and had dark brown hair. His closest relative was Robert Staninger of 722 Wait Building, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois. He was physically unable to work and claimed exemption from the draft because of creeping paralysis.\(^ {979}\)  

93. vi. **MARY IRENE STANINGER** was born on 4 Nov 1887.\(^ {980, 981}\) She married Walter William **Goodson**.\(^ {982}\) She died on 30 Jun 1959 in San Diego, California, at age 71.\(^ {983}\) She was buried in El Centro Cemetery, California.\(^ {984}\)  

Mary Irene Staninger and Walter William Goodson appeared on the census of 2 Jan 1920 in Imperial County, California.  

Goodson, William W. head 34 b. Ill  

, Mary I. wife 32 b. Ill  

, Vera dau. 6 b. Ill.\(^ {985}\)  

**WALTER WILLIAM GOODSON**\(^ {986}\) died in 1940.\(^ {987}\) He was buried in El Centro Cemetery, California.\(^ {988}\)  

36. **GEORGE WILLIS\(^ 2\)** RIDELEY (Orrick\(^ 2\), William Henry\(^ 3\))\(^ {989}\) was born on 29 Mar 1844 in Richland County, Illinois.\(^ {990}\) He married Susan **Woods**, daughter of George W. **Woods** and Rebecca **Gray**, on 20 Dec 1865 in Richland County, Illinois.\(^ {991}\) He died on 26 May 1909 in Richland County, Illinois, at age 65.\(^ {992}\) He was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.\(^ {993}\)
Most records do not show the middle name for George Willis Ridgely and because the 1850 census shows
him as George W. H. Ridgely, I wondered if he might not be George William Henry Ridgely, named after his
grandfather. When I asked Dow Ridgely about it, he replied "Your great grandfather's name was George Willis
(No "H") One of my brothers was named for him and received a dress pattern from him. In those days little
boys wore dresses quite awhile. There is a history connected with the dress. Willis kept it until near the end of
his life and then gave it to Jennie Slunaker to take care of. I do not know what she did with it."\n
From the Bible of George W. Ridgely:
A present to George W. Ridgely By his Father Orrick Ridgely.

MARRIAGES

George W. Ridgely and Susan Woods Was Married December the 20th 1865 by Samuel Forney

Oscar Ridgely and Randa Bowers were married the 19th day of September 1889 by

BIRTHS

George W. Ridgely Born March 29th 1844
Susan Ridgely Born February 22th 1846
Oscar I. Ridgely Born December 13th 1866
Arthur O. Ridgely Born April 5th 1868
Lora May Ridgely Born December 28th 1873
Sarah Nancy Ridgely Born October 25th 1877
Zella G. Ridgely Born June 17th 1884

DEATHS

Arthur O. Ridgely died October 25th 1874.\n
George Willis Ridgely and Susan (--) appeared on the census of 1880 in Bonpas Township, Richland County,
Illinois.

George W. Ridgely, age 36, b. Ill., parents b. Ill.
Susan , age 34, wife, b. Ill., f. b. Ind., m. b. KY
Oscar , age 13, son, b. Ill
Lora , age 6, dau., b. Ill
Sarah , age 3, dau.,  b. Ill

George Willis Ridgely and Susan (--) appeared on the census of 26 Jun 1900 in Lukin Township, Lawrence
County, Illinois. The listing shows that he was age 56, born in March 1844, and had been married for 35 years.
Susan was age 54, born in Feb. 1846, had had 5 children of whom 4 were living. Zella C (?), a daughter, age 17,
and born in June 1883 (!) was the only one still living at home.

George Willis Ridgely left a will on 14 Jan 1909 in Lukin Township, Lawrence County, Illinois.

" I George W. Ridgley of the Township of Lukin in the County of Lawrence and State of Illinois being of
sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefor make, ordain
Publish and declare this to be my last will and testament.

"First: I order and direct that my executrix hereafter named pay all my just debts and funeral expenses, as soon
after my decease as conveniently may be.

"Second: After the payment of such funeral expenses and debts, I give, devise and bequeath Susan Ridgley, my
wife, all my real estate and all of my personal property of every name and character.

"Lastly: I nominate and appoint Susan Ridgley my wife without bond to be executrix of this my last Will and
Testament.

"I hereby revoke all former wills and codicils by me made.

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994 Letter from Dow A. Ridgely (Parkersburg, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 23 Dec. 1966; personal files (Dan W. Olds,
Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
995 Ridgely (George Willis), Ridgely, George W. -- family Bible record, photocopy made 1967 (n.p.: n.pub., n.d.);
unknown present owner, copy in my files. Hereinafter cited as George W. Ridgely family Bible.
996 1880 census microfilm, Springfield, Illinois.
"In Witness Whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this Fourteenth day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine Hundred and Nine (A. D. 1909)

George W. Ridgley (Seal)

"This instrument was on the day of the date thereof signed, published and declared by the said testator Geo. W. Ridgley to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other here subscribe our names hereto as witnesses.

O. E. [Signature]

J. A. Barekman"

This will was probated in Lawrence County, Illinois, on 5 July 1909. This is the from the recorded copy, not the original, and may not reflect the name spelling used by George W. Ridgely.

"George W. Ridgely was born March 29, 1844, near Parkersburg, Ill., and died at his home six miles south east of Sumner, May 26, 1909, after a short illness, aged sixty-five years, one month and twenty-seven days. He was married to Susan Woods, Dec. 20 1865. To this union were born five children, one of whom died in infancy.

"He departed this life leaving a wife, one son, Oscar, of Parkersburg, three daughters, Mrs. Lora Traylor, of Claremont, Mrs. Sarah Higgins of Parkersburg, and Mrs. Zella Moore, of Bridgeport, two brothers, Russell, of Parkersburg and James, of Calhoun, besides a host of other relatives and friends.

"He united with the M. E. church in early manhood, of which he was a member for four years. After moving to Parkersburg he united with the U. B. church of which he was a member until death.

"He was a man who always put his [sic] church and his God before everything else.

"He was a splendid christian man, a good father and a good husband. He was highly respected in his community, being a man of careful and serious reflection, refined and unobtrusive in his conduct and possessed of great moral excellence.

"The funeral services were held Friday morning, May 28, three miles east of Parkersburg by Rev. I. S. McIver, pastor of the U. B. Church.

Susan Woods was born on 22 Feb 1846 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 1 Feb 1924 in Richland County, Illinois, at age 77. She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois. On 8 July 1909, Susan Ridgely, a widow, executed a quit-clam deed to Oscar Ridgely for 40 acres in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois described as the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 S 22 T 2 N R 14 W of the second principal meridian. Her obituary follows:

"Susan Ridgely, daughter of George and Rebecca Woods, was born in Richland county, Illinois, February 22, 1846, and departed this life February 1, 1924, aged 77 years, 11 months and 9 days.

"She was married to George W. Ridgely December 20, 1865. To this union were born five children, one of whom died in infancy. Her husband died May 26, 1909.

"She leaves to mourn their loss one son, Oscar Ridgely, of Parkersburg, three daughters, Mrs. Lora Traylor, of Casper, Wyo.; Mrs. Asa Higgins, of Parkersburg; and Mrs. Zella Moore of Kansas; one sister, Mrs. Alice Dillon, of Greenup, two brothers, George of La Verne, Calif., and John of Prosser, Wash.; sixteen grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and a large circle of other relatives and friends.

"At the age of 14 she united with the United Brethren church of Parkersburg and she has always lived a Christian life. She loved to worship and serve her Master.

"Sister Ridgely was a devoted wife, a loving mother, a good neighbor and friend. No sacrifice was too great for her to make for her family and she was always ready to help anyone in need of her services.

"During the past few years she lived alone in Berryville, with the exception of one winter spent in the west visiting her daughters and other relatives. Her health has been failing for about one year.

"Four months ago a physical examination revealed the fact that she was a victim of cancer of the stomach. She was removed to the home of her son where the death angel found her.

"She bore her suffering with extraordinary fortitude, patiently and anxiously looking forward to the end.

"Funeral services were held Monday morning at 10:30, conducted by Rev. Stine, pastor of the U. B. church, services being held at the Church of the Brethren, burial in the adjoining cemetery by the side of her husband.

"But the sun is sloping westward, Troubles come and cares increase,
Looking backward on happy childhood
Sighing for its hours of peace.
"Now the sun is sinking, sinking -- Gone.
Its tints fade in the west,
And old age lays down its burdens,
Dust to dust, at peace, at rest."

CARD OF THANKS.
We desire to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and help during the sickness and death of our dear mother; also for the beautiful flowers given.

Oscar Ridgely
Lora Traylor
Mrs. Asa Higgins
Mrs. Zella Moore.  

Children of George Willis Ridgely and Susan Woods were as follows:

94. i. IRA OSCAR* RIDGELY 1001 was born on 13 Dec 1866 in the family home, near Calhoun, Richland County, Illinois. He married Maranda Bowers, daughter of Peter Bowers and Mary Brown, on 19 Sep 1888 in Richland County, Illinois. 1002,1003,1004 He died on 2 Jan 1941 in Inglewood Farm, Richland County, Illinois, at age 74; about 12:15 a.m. 1005 He was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, near Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois. 1006

He used the name OSCAR. He was born on his father's farm northwest of Calhoun, Ill. [Mrs. Doris R. Olds, Dec. 1960] and attended Bird School. One of his school mates there was Howard Nicholas who recalls a boyhood scrap between them at school time during which one of them had his ear cut by a piece of cornbread that was thrown. [Howard Nicholas told the story to Doris Olds not long before Dec. 1960.] Oscar attended country schools in Richland and Edwards Counties. [from a biographical form by Maranda Ridgely (for a Brethren history)].

Doris Ridgely Olds has a pair of vases that Oscar bought for Maranda before they were married. He showed them to his grandmother Ridgely before he gave them to his girl friend.

Oscar and Maranda established their home on what became "Inglewood Farm" in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois, on March 4, 1889 and lived there the remainder of their lives. He joined the Church of the Brethren after their marriage. In their later years, a small house was built for them in the same yard as their former home which they sold to their oldest son.

Ira Oscar Ridgely and Maranda Ridgely appeared on the census of 18 Jun 1900 in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois. The listing shows:

Ridgley, Oscar Head, b. Dec 1866, age 33, married 11 years, farmer, he and his parents b. in Illinois

, Maranda, wife, b. Oct. 1869, married 11 years, had three children, all living, b. in Indiana, parents b. in Illinois

, Bertha, daughter, b. Jan. 1890, age 10

, Howard, son, b. Aug 1893, age 6

, Homer, son, b. Sep 1897, age 2. 1007

Oscar registered the name "Inglewood Farm" on 12 Sept. 1925. The name applied to

1000Obituary, Susan Ridgely, unknown newspaper title, unknown location, 1924.
1001Although his name is given as Oscar I. Ridgely in his father's Bible, it is Ira Oscar in his own Bible and marriage record. He was known as Oscar. This may have been used to avoid confusion with his uncle Ira Ridgely.
1002Richland County Marriage records Richland County Records.
1003The marriage was performed at the brides' parents home by B. R. Gerhart, M. G. and the witness were B. R. Gerhart, Geo. W. Ridgely, S. P. Bowers, and H. M. Findley. [Bible of Oscar and Maranda Ridgely].
1004George W. Ridgely family Bible, the date given here is 19 Sept 1889.
1005Oscar Ridgely Bible record, recorded by Maranda.
1006Tombstone, Walnut Grove Cemetery.
the farm where he lived, the S 1/2 of NE 1/4 of Section 21, Town 2 North, Range 14 West and the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 22, Town 2 North, Range 14 West, at total of 120 acres. Medad H. Simmons (a cousin of Orrick Ridgely) had purchased the SE 1/4 and the SW 1/4 of Section 21 in 1853. After several intervening transactions, George W. Ridgely obtained this 80 acres, with a mortgage held by George N. Harrison. In 1894, George W. and Susan Ridgely sold this land to their son Ira Oscar Ridgely although the mortgage was not released until 1902. The other 40 acres does not appear in the public land sales. The following is from a newspaper clipping with the hand-written date “Nov. 1937”.

"Thanksgiving Dinner.

"A very enjoyable Thanksgiving day was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ridgely.

"Thirty-one of the relatives ate dinner together. Tables were arranged so all could be seated at one time. The dinner was somewhat like our foreparents ate. Anyway, it consisted of turkey (not wild though), and venison, with other things to round out the menu. The venison was furnished by Ray Traylor, from Wyoming.

"The day was spent visiting, feasting and hunting. But we found time to thank the Great Provider and Preserver for His goodness to us all.

"The three sisters and one brother had not all been together for almost fourteen years.

"Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Milo Traylor, of Casper, Wyo.; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moore, of Newellton, La.; Mrs. Asa Higgins, Miss Edith Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Traylor, of Casper, Wyoming; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Higgins and family, Ira Higgins, of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ridgely, Helen and Esther, of Olney; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Ridgely and Mrs. R. B. Murphy, of Chicago; Miss Leah Ridgely, of Forrest, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ridgely.” In 1938, they celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary and the event was announced in the newspaper as follows (including a picture of the couple):

"CELEBRATE:

"Parkersburg, Ill. Sept 17. -- (Special) --

Mrs. and Mrs. Oscar Ridgely, of this city, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary tomorrow at their home with a basket dinner and open house.

They were married Sept. 18, 1888, at the home of Mrs. Ridgely, formerly Miss Randa Bowers. Mr. and Mrs. Ridgely have lived their entire married life in Parkersburg.

Their six children are Mrs. Glenn Swank, Ill.; George Ridgely and Mrs. Ray Murphy, Chicago. Homer Ridgely, Olney, Ill.; Miss Leah Ridgely, Forest, Ill., and Mrs. Robert Olds, Arizona."

"Funeral Services were held Saturday for Oscar Ridgely, who died at his home near Parkersburg Jan. 2, 1941, at the age of 74 years and 20 days. The services were held at the Bonpas township Walnut Grove church with Rev. Dearing in charge and interment was made in the nearby cemetery. Pall bearers were Clifton Clodfelter, William Hill, Charles Matthes, Charles Rothrock, Frank Rothrock and Raul Dunaway.

"Mr. Ridgely was born near Olney Dec. 13, 1866, the son of George Willis and Susan Woods Ridgely. On Sept. 19, 1888, he was married to Maranda Bowers, also of Richland county. On March 4, 1889 they established a home on the farm where they had lived ever since. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary there in 1938.

"He became a member of the Walnut Grove church of the Brethren about 45 years ago and was a regular and faithful attendant at the church services.

"For about a year he had been afflicted with a heart ailment. Complications caused him
much distress during the last week, but a sudden heart attack brought an end to his suffering.

"He is survived by his wife, six children, Bertha Swank, of Montana, Howard, of Parkersburg, Homer, of Olney, Lois Murphy, of Olney, Leah Ridgely, of Alton, Doris Olds of Arizona; eight grandchildren, and three sisters, Lora Traylor, of Casper, Wyo., Sarah Higgins of Parkersburg, and Zella Moore, of Newellton, La."  

MARANDA BOWERS was born on 3 Oct 1867 in Sulphur Springs, Henry County, Indiana. She died on 23 Jun 1960 in Inglewood Farm, Richland County, Illinois, at age 92. She died at home about 5:20 a.m. Thursday morning. She was buried on 25 Jun 1960 in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois. In Oct. 1869, her family had moved to near Noble, Illinois and then to Bonpas township, Richland County, Illinois, in Oct. 1885. She attended school in Sedalia, MO. where her sister Julia Hardin lived. She taught school in Richland County from 1885 to 1889. One of her schools was "No. 5 School". She was baptized into the Church of the Brethren in Jan. 1891 by David Troxel.[from a brief manuscript autobiography by Maranda Ridgely (for a Brethren history?)] In 1955, she wrote that she was "still a school teacher at 88" because she was teaching a Sunday School class at Walnut Grove Church of the Brethren. She left a will on 7 May 1947 in Richland County, Illinois.

"I, Maranda Ridgely, in the County of Richland and State of Illinois being of sound mind and memory, do therefore, make, ordain and publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament

"FIRST: I order and direct that my Executor herinafter named, pay all my just debts and funeral expenses as soon after my decease as conviently may be.

"SECOND: After payment of such funeral expenses and debts, I give, devise and bequeath unto my son, George Howard Ridgely, the cottage in which I now reside to be his absolute estate forever.

"THIRD: I give and bequeath unto my son, George Howard Ridgely, all personal property in the cottage where I now reside, consisting of furniture, dishes, bedding, etc, except that each of my said children shall have the right and privilege of taking all articles which they have given to me, and each child shall have the privilege of taking some article of mine which is not attached to the cottage as a keepsake. All articles desired by the children to be removed at their earliest convenience, unless my son, George Howard Ridgely, shall authorize the children to leave such articles of personal property in the cottage.

"FOURTH: I give and devise onto my son, George Howard Ridgely, the following describe real estate, to wit:

The North Half of the North West Quarter of the South West Quarter of Section Three (3) Town Two (2) North, Range Thirteen (13) West of the second principal meridian, situate in the County of Lawrence and State of Illinois, to be his absolute estate forever in fee simple, in part payment for his many kindnesses to me.

"FIFTH: I give and bequeath all personal property of which I may die seized not herebefore bequeathed unto my children - BERTHA E. RIDGELY SWANK, GEORGE HOWARD RIDGELY, HOMER EDWIN RIDGELY, LOIS IRENE RIDGELY MURPHY, LEAH MARGARET RIDGELY McNAMARA and DORIS

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1011Oscar Ridgely, Bonpas Farmer, Dies January 2, West Salem Advocate, West Salem, Illinois, 9 Jan 1941, page 1, The quoted version is from the West Salem Advocate, Thursday, January 9, 1941. Another version, possibly from the Olney Daily Mail says he “passed away shortly after midnight this morning at his home in Bonpas township following a long illness.” It also says “Mr. Ridgely, altho holding no public offices, had been one of the most active citizens of the community, and was respected by all who knew him”. This version calls Lora Traylor "Mrs. M. L. Traylor". Hereinafter cited as West Salem Advocate.

1012Letter from Maranda Ridgely (Parkersburg, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 16 March 1953; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).

1013Letter from Doris (Ridgely) Olds (Calhoun, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 29 June 1960; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).

1014Ibid.
RIDGELY OLDS, share and share alike to be their absolute estate forever.

"SIXTH: I give, devise and bequeath all the rest, residue and remainder of my property of which I may die seized, both real, personal and mixed, of every kind and character unto my children, - BERTHA E. RIDGELY SWANK, GEORGE HOWARD RIDGELY, HOMER EDWIN RIDGELY, LOIS IRENE RIDGELY MURPHY, LEAH MARGARET RIDGELY McNAMARA, AND DORIS NAOMI RIDGELY OLDS, share and share alike to be their absolute estate forever.

"LASTLY: I make, constitute and appoint George Howard Ridgely to be the Executor of this, my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by made.

"IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed my seal, the 7th day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and forty seven.

"Maranda Ridgely (SEAL)

"This instrument was on the day of the date hereof signed, published and declared by the said Testator, Maranda Ridgely, to be her last Will and Testament in presence of us and at h... request we have subscribed our names thereto at withess, in her presence, and in the presence of each other.

Ella H. Bunn
Betty Worrell
Carrie L. Winter"

The report of final settlement, March 12, 1962, showed a value of $985.20 in cash, checking and savings accounts. After funeral expenses, court costs and attorney's fees of $777.35, the balance of $207.85 was distributed. Each of the living five children received $34.64 and three grandchildren Eunice Swank, Eugene R. Swank and Evelyn Swank Johnson, received $11.55.1015

"Mrs. Maranda Bowers Ridgely, 92, passed away at her home near Parkersburg Thursday.

"She is survived by five children, George H. Ridgely of Parkersburg, Homer Ridgely of Olney, Mrs. Lois Murphy of Robinson, Mrs. Leah McNamara of Villa Park and Mrs. Doris Olds of Olney. Also surviving are one sister, Mrs. Fannie Bunn and fifteen grandchildren.

"She was preceded in death by her husband, and one daughter Bertha Swank.

"Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Walnut Grove Church. Friends may call at the King Funeral Home in West Salem."1016

"Ridgely, Maranda Bowers, was born Oct. 3, 1867 and died June 23, 1960. On Sept. 19, 1888, she was married to Oscar Ridgely, who preceded her in death. She was a member of the Walnut Grove church, Ill. She is survived by five children, fifteen grandchildren, and one sister. The funeral service was conducted by Bro. W. T. Hackman [Heckman]. Interment was in the church cemetery. -- Mrs. D. A. Ridgely, Parkersurg, Ill. n1017

95. ii. ARTHUR O. RIDGELY was born on 5 Apr 1868 in Richland County, Illinois. He died on 25 Oct 1874 at age 6. He was buried in Richland Cemetery, Calhoun, Richland County, Illinois.1018

His name, birthdate and deathdate are listed in the family Bible.1019

96. iii. LORA MAY RIDGELY was born on 28 Dec 1873.1020 She married Milo M. Traylor on

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1015 This copy is in the papers of Doris Olds, sent by Carrie L. Winter, attorney at law, Olney, Illinois, on 16 March 1962, along with a check for $34.64 in payment of her portion.
1018 Tombstone, Ridgely Cemetery. This cemetery is about 1 mile west of Calhoun, Illinois, not far from where the family lived at the time. The stone has the inscription "Arthur O., son of G. W. and S. Ridgely" with these dates.
1019 George W. Ridgely family Bible.
1020 Ibid., The birth date is from her father's Bible and Homer Ridgely's notes although her tombstone says 1874 - 1959.
10 Aug 1892.  

She died on 21 Apr 1959 in Long Beach, California, at age 85.  
She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.  

She spent her last years in Long Beach, California.  

Milo M. Traylor was born on 12 Jan 1871.  
He died on 18 May 1941 in Caspar, Wyoming, at age 70.  
He was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.  
Milo was born near Washington, Indiana, the son of Jacob A. and Sarah Traylor and was a long time resident of Bonpas township, Richland County, Ill. and Lukin township, Lawrence County, Ill.  
He had lived in Wyoming since 1922.  
Milo M. Traylor 

Tombstone, Walnut Grove Cemetery.  

Sarah Nancy Ridgeley was born on 25 Oct 1877 in near Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.  
She married Asa Higgins Jr. on 22 Oct 1896 in Richland County, Illinois.  
He was 21, she was 19.  
She died on 29 Nov 1957 at age 80.  
She was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois.  

"Mrs. Sarah Higgins Rites Held Sunday.  Funeral services for Mrs. Sarah N. Higgins, wife of Asa Higgins, were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at the King Funeral Home here with Rev. K. V. Hanley and Bro. John Walser officiating.  
Burial was in the Moravian cemetery.  
"Mrs. Higgins, who was aged 80 years, 1 month and 4 days, died Nov. 29.  Early in life she joined the Oak Grove E. U. B. church.  
"Sarah Nancy, daughter of George W. and Susan (Woods) Ridgeley, was born in their home near Parkersburg, Oct. 25, 1877.  She was married to Asa Higgins, Jr., Oct. 22, 1896, and their 60th wedding anniversary [was celebrated?] Oct. 22, 1956.  
"She leaves her husband, five sons, Ellis of Stickney, So. Dak.; Willie of Calhoun, Ill.; Ira of Chicago; Dow of Dayton, Ohio; and Glenn of West Salem; two daughters, Mrs. Jennie Slunaker, of Parkersburg; and Mrs. Edith Fiscus of Sumner.  One son, Earl, preceded her in his early years.  

Asa Higgins Jr. was born on 11 Oct 1875.  
He died on 1 Mar 1964 at age 88;  
"In loving memory of our Dad, Asa Higgins, who passed away three years ago March 1, 1964.  ... Sadly missed and often remembered by his children and families,
grandchildren and families. He was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918. He described himself as living at Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, age 42, born 11 Oct 1875, and his occupation was farming. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had brown hair. His closest relative was Sarah Higgins, also of Parkersburg.

98. V. ZELLA GRACE RIDGELEY was born on 17 Jun 1884. She married Arthur J. Moore on 15 May 1905. She died on 19 Mar 1963 at age 78. She was buried in Legion Cemetery, Tensas Parish, Louisiana. Her name and birth date are in her father's Bible. Her obituary appears in the Tensas [St. Joseph, Louisiana] Gazette, 5 April 1963, p. 1. "Funeral services for Mrs. Zella Moore, who passed away at the St. Charles Legion Memorial Hospital Tuesday, March 19, were held on Thursday March 21, at the Newellton Methodist Church. "Rites were conducted by the Rev. Paul Snellgrove, assisted by the Rev. A. D. Foster. Interment followed in the Legion Memorial Cemetery at Newellton. "Mrs. Moore was 78 years of age. A native of Bridgeport, Illinois, she had resided in Tensas Parish for 47 years. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church. "She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Genelle McDonald and Mrs. D. H. Netterville, Sr., both of Newellton, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren. "Serving as pallbearers were Ed Grace, Ed McDonald, Jr., James Doyle, Ed Hawkins, Odell Kifer and Frank Burnside."

She and her husband Arthur J. Moore, are buried in the Legion Cemetery, Tensas Parish, LA
Her tombstone reads: Zella Ridgley [sic] Moore 1884 - 1963
ARTHUR J. MOORE was born on 9 Apr 1882. He died on 11 Dec 1956 at age 74. He was buried in Legion Memorial Cemetery, Newellton, Tensas Parish, Louisiana. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in St. Joseph, Parish of Tensas, Louisiana. He described himself as age 36, born 9 April 1881, and his occupation was farming. He was medium in height, stout in build, with blue eyes and had brown hair. His closest relative was Mrs. Arthur J. Moore, wife, of Newellton, Tensas Parish. His obituary appeared in the Tensas Gazette for Fri., Dec. 21, 1956
"Mr. ARTHUR J. MOORE. In the passing of Mr. Moore, aged seventy-four, on Tuesday, December 11, the people of Newellton and Tensas Parish lost a kind friend and highly respected associate.
"Mr. Moore, originally from Sumner, Illinois where he was born, had been a resident of Newellton since 1916 and since that time has been engaged in farming. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, a member of the Masonic Order and at the time of his sudden death, he was serving as a member of the Tensas Police Jury from Ward 2.
"Funeral services conducted by Reverend C. E. Pickens assisted by Reverend J. F. McGraw were held in Newellton Union Church at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday. Interment followed in the Legion Memorial Cemetery."

"The deep and sincere sympathy of the many friends of long-standing go to the devoted wife of more than fifty years; two daughters, Pauline, Mrs. D. H. Netterville, Genelle, Mrs. McDonald; four grandchildren, Mrs. John Ensminger, Fort Deming, Georgia; Douglas, Jr., Wade Netterville, and John Arthur McDonald, Newellton; one grandson, John Ensminger, Jr., Fort Deming, Georgia; two brothers, Mr. Alva Moore, Newellton, and Mr. L. E. Moore, Monahans, Texas and one sister, Mrs. E. S. Jones, Marshall, Oklahoma."

38. **James** 3 **Ridgely** (*Orrick*, William Henry4) was born on 21 Jan 1850. He married **Emma Hedrick** on 23 Dec 1868. They were married by the pastor of the German Moravian Church of West Salem. He died on 12 Jul 1928 at age 78. He was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.

He is named in the wills of both his parents.

James **Ridgely** appeared on the census of 21 Jun 1880 in District 168, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Ridgely, James 30 b. Ill. parents b. Ill.
, Emma 28 b. Ill. parents b. NC
, Gideon 9 b. Ill.
, Stella 7 b. Ill.
, Minnie 11/12 b. July b. Ill.

Emma **Hedrick** was born on 4 Aug 1851. She died on 28 May 1948 at age 96. She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Children of James** 3 **Ridgely** and Emma **Hedrick** were as follows:

99. i. **Gideon Willis** 4 **Ridgely** was born on 7 Jan 1871. He married Luella May **Shirley** on 26 Dec 1906 in Norcatur, Kansas. He married Nancy Catherine **Clodfelter** after 1930. He married an unknown person in O'Fallon, Illinois. He died on 16 Nov 1961 at age 90. He appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Dec 1975 with the last place of residence listed as Waukesha, Waukesha County, Wisconsin. Gideon Willis' SSN was issued in Wisconsin.

Gideon Willis **Ridgely** appeared on the census of 1930 in District 401, West Allis, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

Ridgley, Gideon Head 59 m. at age 35
, Louella wife 47 m. at age 23
, Ethel Mildred dau. 20 b. Iowa

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1050 Lucinda Hedrick family Bible.  
1051 Data collected by Dow A. Ridgely.  
1052 Marriage record Edwards County Records, Book C, p. 484.  
1053 Tombstone, Walnut Grove Cemetery. The dates are on his stone.  
1054 1880 census microfilm, Springfield, Illinois.  
1055 Data collected by Dow A. Ridgely.  
1056 Data collected by Dow A. Ridgely.  
1057 Data collected by Dow A. Ridgely.  
1058 Tombstone, Walnut Grove Cemetery.  
1059 Middle name added by Mrs. Mildred E. Willey.  
1060 Mrs. Florence Hervey corrected the birth date (from 17 Jan.).  
1061 Letter from Mildred E. Willey to Dan W. Olds; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).  
1062 Ibid., She was Mrs. Nancy James at the time of this marriage.  
1063 1930 federal census of Milwaukee County, Wisconsin. Microfilm image online. Used at www.ancestry.com on In 1930, his wife was still Luella.  
1064 Letter, Mildred E. Willey to Olds, Name not given.  
1065 Death date added by Mrs. Mildred E. Willey.  
1066 Death report, SSDI, internet file.
1930 federal census of Milwaukee County, Wisconsin. Microfilm image online.

Letter, Mildred E. Willey to Olds.

Letter from Florence Hervey to Dan W. Olds, July 1967, July 1969; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), Full name added by Mrs. Hervey.

Letter, Mildred E. Willey to Olds.

Ibid.

Ibid., giving the name as Mrs. Nancy James at the time of this marriage.

Illinois Death Records, adding the middle name.

Illinois Death Records.

Illinois Death Records.

Illinois Death Records.

Letter from Ana Marbry (Robinson, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 2 Feb. 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), She supplied the full names and dates for the parents and birth dates for the children.

Full name and dates from Mrs. Ana Mabry.

Richland County Marriage records Richland County Records, He was 34, she was 26.

Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Grant Bogard and Stella Mae Ridgley, 02/18/00, license 23, Book 3, p. 83. His parents were Alfred Bogard and Mary Clark. Hers were James Ridgely and Emma Hedrick.

Letter, Ana Marbry to Olds, 2 Feb. 1967, She supplied the full names and dates for the parents and birth dates for the children.

Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery. The tombstone gives the years of birth and death.

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unknown short newspaper title.
101. iii. **George Orrick Ridgely** was born on 24 Sep 1875. He died on 12 Jan 1876. He was buried in Ridgely Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois. These dates are from his tombstone which also bears the inscription "George O., son of J. and E. L. Ridgely."  

102. iv. **Minnie Ridgely** was born on 19 Jul 1879. She married John Henry Weesner on 22 Mar 1899; She was 19, he was 28. She died on 2 Jun 1970 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois, at age 90. She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois. The marker gives the year of birth and death.  

"Mrs. Minnie Weesner, 90, of 413 E. North Avenue, passed away early this morning at the Burgin Nursing Home where she had been a patient for the past 3 months.  
"A native of Edwards County, Mrs. Weesner was born the daughter of James and Emma Hedrick Ridgely. She was married to John H. Weesner and he passed away on September 10, 1949. She and her husband operated a farm in the Walnut Grove community for many years. She was a member of the Olney Church of Christ.  
"She leaves a sister-in-law, Mrs. Chloe Weesner of Olney, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and infant son, one sister and three brothers: Mrs. Stella Bogard, Gid Ridgley, Lee Ridgley and Orlie Ridgley.  
"Funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock in the Walnut Grove Church with Bro. William Read officiating. Interment will be in the Church cemetery.  
"Friends may call at the Summers-Rainey Funeral Home after 3 p.m. Wednesday.

103. v. **Lee D. Ridgely** was born on 7 Sep 1887. He died on 26 Dec 1895 at age 8.  

39. **Lucinda** (Orrick, William Henry) was born on 19 Jan 1851. She married Andrew Lafayette Hedrick on 13 Apr 1870 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 5 Jan 1890 at age 38. She was buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.
On 27 Sept 1957, Lucinda Carl of Colorado Springs, Colorado, sent me the following transcript from the family Bible of her grandmother, Lucinda Ridgely Hedrick.

MARRIAGES
January 1st, 1872
New Year Present to Lucinda Hedrick From my Father Orrick Ridgely. Retail Price $7.50

Orrick Ridgely and Nancy Harrison married Jan 2nd 1840
Andrew L. Hedrick married Lucinda Ridgely April 13, 1870

BIRTHS
My Father Orrick Ridgely was Borned Sept 13th 1817
Mother Nancy Ridgely was Born Jan 17th 1822
William H. Ridgely was Born Sept. 30 1840
George W. Ridgely was Born Mar 29th 1844
Hannah Ridgely was Born May 30th 1848
James Ridgely was Born Jan 21st 1850
Lucinda Ridgely was Born Dec 19th 1851
Russil Ridgely was Born June 28th 1859
The above is a Record of my Fathers Family

DEATHS
William H. Ridgley Departed this life Nov 27th 1840
Hannah Ridgley Departed this life March 20th 1849
Orick Ridgley Departed this life Mar. 8th 1884

MEMORANDA
Andrew L. Hedrick was born Oct. 14th 1846
Lucinda Hedrick was born Dec 19th 1851
Arthur W. Hedrick was born January 28th 1871
Jersey Bell Hedrick was born February 28th 1873
Ira Orick Hedrick was born August 28 1875
Bertha Albertine Hedrick was born Sept 29th 1883

The above are the things that my grandmother Lucinda Ridgley Hedrick wrote in the Bible I have. She also has a record of A. L. Hedrick's family. Notice she spelt Russil which I feel should be Russell. She is named as the wife of A. L. Hedrick in her father's will and as a deceased daughter in her mother's will. She is buried in the Ridgely Cemetery in Richland County and the dates of birth and death are on her tombstone.

Andrew Lafayette Hedrick was born on 14 Oct 1846. He married Fannie (--?--). He died on 24 Nov 1944 at age 98. He was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. The inscription is "A. Lafe Hedrick, 1846 - 1944, Co. F, 152 Reg. Ill."

Children of Lucinda’s Ridgely and Andrew Lafayette Hedrick were as follows:
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i.  **Arthur W. Hedrick** was born on 28 Jan 1871. He married Ophelia Rash on 6 Nov 1895 in Richland County, Illinois. He died on 19 May 1965 in Galesburg, Illinois, at age 94. He was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois.

He and Ophelia Rash appeared on the census of 1930 in Salem Precinct, Edwards County, Illinois. He was age 59, first married at age 24, born in Illinois of parents born in Illinois. She was age 57, first married at age 23, born in Illinois of parents born in Kentucky. Their son, Troy C., at age 19 is listed but marked (ab)[absent].

"Arthur W. Hedrick 94, formerly of West Salem, passed away Wednesday afternoon at the Illinois Research Hospital in Galesburg. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Harold Modrow of Galesburg; two sons, Lee of Henderson, Ky., and Troy of Springfield; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren."

"Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the King-Ingram Funeral Home in West Salem, with Rev. Allen Lenius officiating. Burial will be in the Moravian Cemetery."

"Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Friday."

Ophelia Rash was born on 10 Jul 1872. She died on 5 May 1957 at age 84.

105.  

ii.  **Jersey Bell Hedrick** was born on 28 Feb 1873. She married George W. Cunningham on 24 Dec 1899. She died on 16 Jan 1938 at age 64.

Aunt Jessie got an early start making her own way in life after her mother died in 1890.

George W. Cunningham was born on 30 Jul 1869. He died on 30 Nov 1947 at age 78.

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iii.  **Ira Orrick Hedrick** was born on 28 Aug 1875. He married Sarah Ellen

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1111 Lucinda Hedrick family Bible.
1112 Letter from Lucinda Carl (Colorado Springs, Colorado) to Dow A. Ridgely, Sept. 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina). She copied the names and birth dates of the children of A. L. and Lucinda Hedrick from Lucinda Hedrick’s Bible. Recorded in his mother’s Bible.
1114 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Arthur W. Hedrick and Ophelia Rash, 11/06/95, license 147, Book 3, p. 26. His parents were A. L. Hedrick and Lucinda Ridgely. Hers were F. M. Rash and M. F. Devoid.
1115 His death date is on a chart sent to Dow A. Ridgely by Arthur Lee Hedrick.
1117 Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery. The years of birth and death are on the tombstone.
1121 Ibid.
1122 Letter from Anita (Hedrick) Mouser to Dow A. Ridgely, Dec. 1966; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina). She copied the names and birth dates of the children of A. L. and Lucinda Hedrick from Lucinda Hedrick’s Bible. Recorded in his mother’s Bible.
1123 Illinois Marriage Index online: George W. Cunningham and Jessie Bell Hedrick, 12/24/1899, DeWitt County, Book D, p. 285.
1124 Letter from Evalyn Cunningham and Warren Cunningham (Waterloo, Iowa) to Dan W. Olds, July 1967; copy in my files (Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina). They added the marriage date as 25 Dec. 1899.
1126 Letter, Lucinda Carl to Ridgely, Sept. 1967, "on Sunday at 5:45 a. m. in Wise".
1128 Ibid.
1129 Illinois Marriage Index online: His middle initial is from the marriage index.
1134 Ibid.
Hubbell on 7 Oct 1901 in Dewitt County, Illinois. He died on 28 Oct 1954 at age 79.

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Clinton, Illinois. He described himself as living on RFD 2, Wapella, Dewitt County, Illinois, age 43, born 28 Aug 1875, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with light blue eyes and had light brown hair. His closest relative was Sarah Ellen Hedrick, also of Wapella.

Sarah Ellen Hubbell was born on 17 Jun 1874. She died on 14 Jun 1965.

107. iv. Bertha Albertine Hedrick was born on 29 Sep 1884. She married John Tracy on 17 Jan 1905 in Seattle, King County, Washington. She died on 28 Oct 1954 at age 70. John Tracy was born on 21 Feb 1882 in Crystal Springs, Missouri.

40. Russel R.² Ridgely (Orrick, William Henry) was born on 26 Mar 1854. He married Margaret J. Keen on 7 May 1876. He died on 15 Feb 1928 at age 73. He was born at the family homestead, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Koertge, having lived entire life in Richland County, Ill. He was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois.

Russel R. Ridgely appeared on the census of 1880.

Ridgely, Russel 25 b. Ill parents b. Ill

Margaret J. Keen was born on 10 Oct 1857. The birth is given as 1856 in the 1900 census. She died on 3 Jan 1923 at age 65. She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Children of Russel R.³ Ridgely and Margaret J. Keen were as follows:

108. i. Nancy J. Ridgely was born on 18 Nov 1878. She died on 23 May 1880 in

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1135.Ibid.
1136.Illinois Marriage Index online: Ira Orrick Hedrick and Sarah Ellen Hubbell, 10/07/1901, Dewitt County, Book D, p. 312. This is the source of the marriage place.
1140.Ibid.
1141.Ibid.
1142.Ibid.
1143.Ibid.
1144.Letter from Pearl (Tracy) Marshall (Honolulu, Hawaii) to Dan W. Olds, Jan. 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
1145.Letter, Lucinda Carl to Ridgely, Sept. 1967, She gave the birth date as 29 Sep. 1883, using Lucinda (Ridgely) Hedrick's Bible.
1146.Ibid.
1147.Ibid.
1148.Ibid.
1149.Ibid.
1150.He is mentioned in the wills of both of his parents. I added the middle initial from the WWI draft registration of his son, Ralph.
1151.Lucinda Hedrick family Bible.
1152.Russel Ridgely's papers, collected about 1932 copy in my files.
1153.Russel Ridgely, obituary. Library and papers of Doris R. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina.
1154.Tombstone, Walnut Grove Cemetery. These dates are on his stone.
1155.880 census microfilm, Springfield, Illinois.
1156.Letter from Dow A. Ridgely and Flo Ridgely (Parkersburg, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, Dec. 1966; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
1157.Ibid.
1158.Ibid.
Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois, at age 1. She is listed in the 1880 mortality census of Richland County, Illinois, as a female, age 1, b. Illinois, died in May of malarial fever which she had had for a month.  

ii. **HATTIE BELL RIDGELEY** was born on 23 Feb 1881 in Illinois. Her birth place is from the 1930 census. She married Edward M. Rabe on 1 Sep 1903 in Richland County, Illinois.

Hattie Belle Ridgeley and Edward M. Rabe appeared on the census of 1930 in S. Main Street, Lamar, Prowers County, Colorado. Edward M. Rabe, age 54, and wife Hattie B., age 49. He was first married at age 27 and she was 22. He was born in Illinois, his father in Germany and his mother in Illinois. She and her parents were born in Illinois. As of 1966, Hattie Belle Ridgeley and Edward M. Rabe lived at Lamar, Prowers County, Colorado.

**EDWARD M. RABE** was born circa 1876.

109. **iii. ARTHUR EDWARD RIDGELEY** was born on 26 Sep 1883. He married Lenora Gaddey before 1909. He married Fern Ward on 5 Sep 1923. He and Lenora Gaddey were divorced before 1924. He died on 8 May 1948 at age 64. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918. He described himself as living at Lamar, Prowers County, Colorado, age 34, born 26 Sept 1883, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with blue eyes and had dark hair. His closest relative was Margaret Ridgley of Parkersburg, Illinois. He signed as Arthur Edward Ridgley.

**LENORA GADDEY** was born on 4 Jul 1886.
**FERN WARD**\textsuperscript{1182} was born on 27 Jul 1891.\textsuperscript{1183}

111. iv. **DELLA ANN RIDGELY**\textsuperscript{1184} was born on 25 Feb 1888.\textsuperscript{1185} She married George Paul Koertge, son of Peter Christian August Koertge and Sarah Koehler, on 23 Oct 1907 in Richland County, Illinois; He was 24, she was 20.\textsuperscript{1186,1187,1188} She died on 6 Jan 1947 at age 58.\textsuperscript{1189} She was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1190}

**GEORGE PAUL KOERTGE**\textsuperscript{1191} was born on 2 Jul 1883.\textsuperscript{1192} He married Mary Blanche Schmidt, daughter of Henry Schmidt and Olga Overfield, in 1950.\textsuperscript{1193} He married Ruth M. Lynch, daughter of Charles Lynch and Mary E. Paulins, on 24 Dec 1961.\textsuperscript{1194} He died on 28 Feb 1963 at age 79.\textsuperscript{1195} He was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1196} He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living on RR 1, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, age 35, born 2 July 1883, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with gray eyes and had dark hair. His closest relative was Della Koertge, also of RR1, Parkersburg.\textsuperscript{1197}

"George P. Koertge was born July 2, 1883 and departed this life Feb. 28, 1963, 7:30 at his home, 220 N. Lincoln, Olney, Illinois at the age of 79 years, 7 months and 26 days. He was the son of August Koertge and Sarah Koehle Koertge.

"On Oct. 23, 1907, he was united in marriage to Della Ridgley. To this union 8 children were born: 3 sons, Russell August, West Salem, Ill., Robert Allen, Bone Gap, Ill. and George Paul, Jr., Parkersburg, Ill.; 5 daughters; Katherine (Mrs. Gordon B. White) Normal, Ill., Geneva (Mrs. Fred R. Mewes) Bone Gap, Ill., Neomi (Mrs. Walter Fishel) West Salem, Ill., Irene (Mrs. Ernie Kollach), Albion, Ill., Winnie (Mrs. Wayne Dorney), Sumner, Ill. Three sisters survive, Mrs. Ola Rothrock, West Salem, Ill., Mrs. Ella Finley and Dora Koertge, both of Olney, Ill. Also 24 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

"After the death of his first wife Jan. 6, 1947, George married Blanche Ridgley, in 1950. Their union continued to Feb. 7, 1961, when Blanche passed away. After this George was married to Ruth Walden who survives him.

"George was preceded in death by a sister, Mrs. Alma Welford, Dec. 27, 1962. Also 2 grandchildren, Jack and Patricia Koertge.

"At an early age George confessed Christ as his Saviour at Oak Grove Church, near Parkersburg, Ill. This church continued to be the family's place of worship and Christian service while the children were being raised and continued to be for George until his passing. George was a devoted worker in the church and will be greatly missed by his friends as well as his children, wife and relatives.

"He was devoted to his family first for their spiritual welfare and also for their temporal

\textsuperscript{1182}Letter, Mrs. Raymond Clodfelter to Olds, 7 May 1967.
\textsuperscript{1183}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1184}Letter, Dow and Flo Ridgely to Olds, Dec. 1966.
\textsuperscript{1185}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1186}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1187}Richland County Marriage records Richland County Records.
\textsuperscript{1188}Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, *Richland County Marriages*, George Koertge and Della Ridgley, 10/23/07, license 144, Book 3, p. 193. His parents were August Koertge and Sarah Kohler. Heres were R. R. Ridgley and Margaret Keen.
\textsuperscript{1189}Letter, Geneva Mewes to Olds, Aug. 1967, who corrected the death date from 5 Jan.
\textsuperscript{1190}Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery. The full dates are on the tombstone.
\textsuperscript{1191}Letter, Dow and Flo Ridgely to Olds, Dec. 1966.
\textsuperscript{1192}Tombstone, Olney Daily Mail, Olney, Illinois, March 1963. Hereinafter cited as Olney Daily Mail?
\textsuperscript{1194}Letter, Dow and Flo Ridgely to Olds, Dec. 1966.
\textsuperscript{1195}Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery. The full dates are on the tombstone.
\textsuperscript{1196}Ancestry.com, registration card images, used in Nov. 2005.
well-being. He was generous in giving, but very conscientious not willing for anything to be wasted. He was kind and generous to his pastor and we are blessed in our hearts and life by having come to know George and his family whom we shall always remember with tenderness and Christian love.

"Funeral services were held at the Oak Grove EUB church Saturday at 1:30. Rev. Buford Helm officiating. Burial was in the Moravian cemetery, West Salem, Ill.

"Pall bearers were Kenneth Mewes, Ivan Case, James White, L. D. Rothrock, Frank Rothrock, and Joe Rothrock. Grandchildren assisted with the flowers.

"CARD OF THANKS.

"We want to express our thanks and appreciation for the kindness and many expressions of sympathy extended in the loss of our husband and father, George P. Koertge. May God bless you for your thoughtfulness.

The Family."\[1198

112. v. DORA MAY RIDGELEY,\[1199 was born on 25 Jun 1890 in Richland County, Illinois.\[1200,1201

She married Clark Osman Clodfelter, son of Edwin Clodfelter and Mary Yonaka, on 28 Jan 1914 in Richland County, Illinois.\[1202,1203 She died on 28 Dec 1948 in Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, at age 58.\[1204,1205 She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.\[1206

CLARK OSMAN CLODFELTER was born on 20 Feb 1891.\[1207 He died on 20 Oct 1953 in Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois, at age 62.\[1208,1210 He was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.\[1211 He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917 in Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living at Parkersburg, Illinois, age 26, born 20 Feb 1891 at Parkersburg, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, slender in build, with gray eyes and had dark hair.\[1212

113. vi. IRA DENNIS RIDGELEY was born on 24 Feb 1894.\[1213,1214 He married Mary Blanche Schmidt, daughter of Henry Schmidt and Olga Overfield, on 29 Feb 1916.\[1215 He died on 6 Jan 1935 at age 40.\[1216,1217,1218 He was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois.\[1219

\[1200 Ibid., although the 1900 census shows her birth year as 1891.
\[1201 Descendants of Dora May Ridgely comp. by Donald Stevens, computer printout, 10 Aug 2005, personal files, Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina, which adds the place of birth.
\[1202 Letter from Dow A. Ridgely (Parkersburg, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, Sept. 1966; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
\[1203 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Clark O. Clodfelter and Dora Ridgley, 01/28/14, license 10, Book 4, p. 205. His parents were Edwin Clodfelter and Lucy Yonake. Hers were Russell Ridgley and M. Kemp? [sic].
\[1205 Descendants of Dora May Ridgely comp. by Donald Stevens, computer printout, 10 Aug 2005 personal files, which adds the place of death.
\[1206 The full dates are on the tombstone.
\[1208 Ibid.
\[1209 Ibid.
\[1210 Descendants of Dora May Ridgely comp. by Donald Stevens, computer printout, 10 Aug 2005 personal files, which adds the place of death.
\[1211 Tombstone, Walnut Grove Cemetery. The full dates are on the tombstone.
\[1214 His middle name was added by Mrs. Verity Clodfelter, May 1967.
\[1215 Letter, Dow and Flo Ridgely to Olds, Dec. 1966, although his draft registration card gives 24 Jan 1894.
\[1216 Letter, Mrs. Raymond Clodfelter to Olds, 7 May 1967.
\[1218 Maranda (Bowers) Ridgely, family clippings and notes, Library and papers of Doris R. Olds, in which an obituary says he died of acute diabetes at the Olney sanitarium.
\[1219 Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery.
He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917 in Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living on RR#1, Parkersburg, Illinois, age 23, born 24 Jan 1894 at Parkersburg, and his occupation was farming for himself in Bonpas [township]. He was short in height, medium in build, with gray eyes and had brown hair. He had a wife and baby on the basis of which he claimed exemption from the draft.\footnote{Ancestry.com, registration card images, used in Nov. 2005.}

\textbf{MARY BLANCHE SCHMIDT} \footnote{Letter, Dow A. Ridgely to Olds, Sept. 1966.} was born on 30 Dec 1896.\footnote{Schmidt family, Computer printout labelled "SCHMIDT from N. Lynn brought by Carol Rose", 28 Aug 1985, Library and papers of Doris R. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina, from which I added her first name, Mary.} She married George Paul Koertge, son of Peter Christian August Koertge and Sarah Kochler, in 1950.\footnote{Ibid.} She died on 7 Feb 1961.\footnote{Letter, Mrs. Raymond Clodfelter to Olds, 7 May 1967.} She was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois.\footnote{Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery.}

"BLANCH KOERTGE, OAK GROVE, DIES"

"Mrs. Blanch Ridgley Koertge, 64, of the Oak Grove community, passed away last night at Richland Memorial Hospital.

"Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday in the Oak Grove EUB Church, with burial in the Moravian Cemetery of West Salem.

"Friends may call after Thursday noon at the King Funeral Home in West Salem"

"She is survived by her husband, George; a daughter, Mrs. Imogene Fishel of West Salem; eight stepchildren, Mrs. Katherine White of Champaign, Mrs. Geneva Mewes, Mrs. Irene Kollak and Robert Koertge, all of Bone Gap, Mrs. Naomi Fishel and Russell Koertge, both of West Salem, Mrs. Minnie Dorney of Sumner and George Koertge, Jr., of Parkersburg; and several grandchildren.

"Also her mother, Mrs. Olga Schmidt of West Salem; and two sisters Mrs. Florence Berlin of Sumner rural route, and Mrs. Dora Markman of West Salem."\footnote{Olney Daily Mail?, Olney, Illinois, Feb. 1961. Hereinafter cited as Olney Daily Mail?}

114. vii. \textbf{RALPH WALLACE RIDGELY} \footnote{Letter, Dow A. Ridgely to Olds, Sept. 1966.} was born on 24 Dec 1898.\footnote{Faculty member.} He married Addie Koertge on 1 Mar 1919.\footnote{Letter, Mrs. Raymond Clodfelter to Olds, 7 May 1967.} He and Addie Koertge were divorced in 1931.\footnote{Letter, Mrs. Raymond Clodfelter to Olds, 7 May 1967.} He married Flo Amanda Reckling, daughter of Ezra Reckling and Elizabeth Boewe, on 25 May 1931.\footnote{Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery.} He died on 8 Jul 1950 at age 51.\footnote{Blanch Koertge, Oak Grove, Dies, Olney Daily Mail?, Olney, Illinois, Feb. 1961. Hereinafter cited as Olney Daily Mail?.} He was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois.\footnote{Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery.}

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living on RR#1, Parkersburg, Illinois, age 19, born 24 Dec 1898, and his occupation was farming for himself and Russell R. Ridgely. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had black hair. His closest relative was Russell R. Ridgely, also of RR#1, Parkersburg. He signed as Ralph W. Ridgely.\footnote{Tombstone, Moravian Cemetery.}

By 1930, this family appears to have broken up. Addie K. Ridgley, age 32, first married at age 21, b. Illinois, was listed as a servant in the household of Max R. Hill in Vincennes, Knox County, IN. Ralph Ridgley, age 30, b. Ill, first married at age 20, was
listed as a servant in the household of Leslie Calhoun in McLean County, Ill. M. Josephine Ridgely, age 9, was listed in the household of Harmon C. and M. Josephine Koertge of Bonpas Township, Richland Co., Ill. as a granddaughter. Lee M. Ridgley, age 8, was listed as a nephew in the family of Ira D. and Blanch M. Ridgely, also in Bonpas Township. Doris Olds, among her notes, has one that says Ralph was divorced in 1931.

Flo Amanda Reckling was born on 16 Mar 1901. She died on 7 Mar 1995 at age 93.

"Services for Flo Ridgely, 93, of Parkersburg, were held at 2 p.m., Friday, at Zion United Methodist Church in West Salem.

"Mrs. Ridgely died at 6:10 a.m., Tuesday, March 7, 1995 at Burgin Manor in Olney. "Surviving are 3 daughters, Marie McDowell of Calhoun, Mrs. Don (Mildred) Sams of Fremont, Calif. and Mrs. Robert (Juanita) Judge of Sycamore, Ill.; one son Lee Ridgely of Jasonville, Ind., 11 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

"Mrs. Ridgely was a retired school teacher and a member of the Zion United Methodist Church of West Salem.

"Born March 16, 1901 in Richland County, her parents were Ezra and Elizabeth Boewe Reckling. She was married May 25, 1931 to Ralph W. Ridgely, who died July 8, 1950.

"She was also preceded by her parents, four brothers, Stuart, Conrad, Herbert and Havilla Reckling; three sisters, Lucy Baker, Bernice Reckling, Tressie Clodfelter, one grand daughter and one son-in-law.

"Rev. Loretta Cummins and Rev. Leroy Allison officiated with burial in Moravian Cemetery at West Salem. Ingram Funeral Home of West Salem was in charge of the arrangements."

41. Ira Ridgely (Orrick, William Henry) was born on 28 Jun 1859. He married Nancy Ellen Jones on 12 Feb 1879 in Richland County, Illinois. He died on 15 Dec 1893 at age 34. He was buried in the Ridgely Family Cemetery, Richland County, Illinois. Ira Ridgely was a kind, generous man and good to his family. He had a tinner make an ice cream freezer and some Sunday afternoons made ice cream for his family. This was a very special treat, because ice cream was not yet a common food. On the Saturday preceding his death (a cold winter day) he had a heavy chest cold and should have remained in the house. Instead, he hitched the team to the open express wagon and took his two sons to West Salem to buy them more winter clothing. He contracted fatal pneumonia. He had never been a very strong man and tired easily.

He kept good horses (a pure Clydesdale team, for example) and good farm machinery. Novelty appealed to him. Once he had two matched teams of oxen -- a red pair (Tom and Jerry) and a roan pair (Buck and Bessy). They were used for farm labor, of course.

At one time, he formed a live stock shipping company together with A. L. Hedrick and _____, but his financial ventures were not successful. Although he did not aspire to public office, he was both a district school board

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1238 Ibid.
1239 Unknown short newspaper title, from a copy sent by Marie Patterson, 6 June 2005.
1240 Ibid., from a copy sent by Marie Patterson, 6 June 2005. We are not sure how the count of 22 great-grandchildren is achieved. In a letter of 12 July 2005, Marie said: "On Mother's great grandchildren I can only come up with 21 at the time of her death. That is counting Wallace's step children and a son, Val Joe that Joe Smith had before he and Doris were married. I am thinking that one of Wallace's step children was married and had a baby. Maybe that is the way we got 22 great grandchildren. When Daddy and Addie were divorced Daddy took Lee and she took Margaret Josephine. Margaret Josephine and Lee [saw] very little of each other after that."
1241 Data supplied by Dow A. Ridgely.
1242 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Ira Ridgely and Nancy E. Jones, 02/12/79, license 21, Book 2 p. 168. His parents were "Orich" Ridgely and Nancy Harrison. Hers were Henry D. Jones and Nancy Anderson.
1243 Data supplied by Dow A. Ridgely.
1244 Tombstone, Ridgely Cemetery. These dates are from Dow Ridgely. His former stone in the Ridgely cemetery was inscribed "Ira Ridgely, d. Dec. 15, 1893, aged 34 yr. 5 m. 17 d.". The current stone gives the dates as 1859 - 1893.
member and district road overseer when he died. He did not use liquor or tobacco in any form. [Biographical paragraphs written for me by Dow A. Ridgely].

Ira Ridgely appeared on the census of 1880.

Ridgely, Ira 20 b. Ill, parents b. NY[?]

, Ellen 17 wife b. Ill, parents b. KY

, Dow 6/12 son b. Ill, parents b. Ill. 1245

Nancy Ellen Jones1246 was born on 14 Jun 1862. She died on 28 Jun 1932 at age 70.1247 She was buried in Ridgely Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois. 1248

Children of Ira1249 Ridgely and Nancy Ellen Jones were as follows:

115. i. Dow A.4 Ridgely1249 was born on 30 Nov 1879.1250 He married Pearl C. Forney, daughter of John M. Forney and Delila (--?--), on 6 Nov 1907 in Richland County, Illinois.1251,1252 He died on 31 Dec 1975 at age 96.1253 He was buried on 2 Jan 1976 in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.1254,1255

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living on RR1, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, age 38, born 30 Nov 1879, and his occupation was minister and farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with blue eyes and had dark hair. His closest relative was Pearl C. Ridgely also of RR 1, Pakersburg. 1256

Dow was a school teacher and an active leader in the Church of the Brethren. He was my school teacher for a year at Kimmel School. His beard, black Brethren dress and strong moral code created a lasting memory. He was a very conscientious man who paid careful attention to detail and spent his life in unassuming service to the community.

In Sept. 1966 as I began collecting material on all descendants of William Henry Ridgely, I found that he had already prepared material on most of the descendants of Orrick Ridgely. This material and his continuing interest, encouragement and aid kept the project alive. As a family patriarch by this time, he was able to locate and make contact with representatives in the various branches of the family who were willing to help by providing further data.

"Dow A. Ridgely, 96, of Parkersburg, passed away Wednesday at his home.

Surviving are two daughter [sic], Ilene Ridgely of Parkersburg and Mrs. Russell Polzin of Saginaw, Mich.; three sons, Claybourne Ridgely of Schererville, Ind.[,] Kenneth Ridgely and Daniel Ridgely, both of Parkersburg; 13 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 1:30 this afternoon at the Walnut Grove Church of the Brethren, with burial in the church cemetery.

The Ingram Funeral Home, West Salem, was in charge.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Pearl Forney Ridgely, in 1966, and two daughters Carroll[sic] and Irene.

Mr. Ridgely was an elder and minister of the Walnut Grove Church of the Brethren,

1245 1880 census microfilm, Springfield, Illinois.

1246 Richland County Marriage records Richland County Records, Book 2, p. 168: Ira Ridgely and Nancy E. Jones.

1247 Illinois Death Records, where the date is given as 25 June 1932. However, I have a correction from Dow

1248 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Dow A. Ridgley and Pearl

1249 C. Forney, 6 Nov 1907, license 155, Book 3, p. 193. His parents were Ira Ridgley and Nancy E. Jones. Hers were

1250 John M. Forney and Delilah F. Berg.


1252 Tombstone, Ridgely Cemetery.

1253 Data supplied by Dow A. Ridgely. He wrote that he had no middle name, only the initial.

1254 Tombstone, Walnut Grove Cemetery.

1255 Dow A. Ridgely, funeral card, 2 Jan 1976. copy in my files, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina.

Martin Creek, and LaMotte Prairie churches.

He was Secretary of the Church of the Brethren in Southern Illinois, and a member of the Historical Committee for seven years.

He was a farmer and taught school in rural schools for 27 years.

Mr. Ridgely was born in Bonpas Township Nov. 30, 1879.

The greater part of his life was spent in Richland County.

Those wishing to make contributions in his memory are asked to do so in the form of donations to CROP.  

1257PEARL C. FORNEY was born on 5 Jan 1886. She died on 13 Mar 1966. She was buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

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116. ii. WILLIS E. (NMN) RIDGELY was born on 26 Jul 1882. He married Effie S. Hill. He died on 6 May 1958 at age 75. He was buried in Ridgely Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918. He described himself as living on RR1, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois, age 36, born 26 July 1882, and his occupation was raising cattle and hogs and farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with blue eyes and had dark hair. His closest relative was Mrs. Nancy Ellen Ridgely, also of RR1, Parkersburg. They had no children.

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1268 Effie S. Hill was born on 27 Sep 1899. She died on 30 Mar 1947 at age 47. She was buried in Chapel Cemetery, Lawrence County, Illinois.

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117. iii. ORRICK NELSON RIDGELY was born on 17 Aug 1886. He died on 30 Sep 1890 at age 4. He was buried in Ridgely Cemetery, Bonpas Township, Richland County, Illinois.

42. GEORGE ALBERT1 RIDGELY (Abel2, William Henry3) was born on 16 Oct 1852. He married Martha Ann Madding on 18 Apr 1878 in Edwards County, Illinois. He died on 12 Apr 1927 at age 74.
He was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.1281

He completed 8th grade in a country school and was a tireless reader. He raised his family near Center School, Madison Township, Richland County, Illinois, where he lived until his death.1282

George Albert Ridgely and Martha Ann (—?—) appeared on the census of 1880 in Madison Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Ridgely, George 27 b. in Illinois, father b. in Ill., mother b. in N. C.
, Edgar 10/12 b. July.1283

Martha Ann Madding was born on 3 Jun 1856.1284 She died on 3 Jun 1932 at age 76.1285,1286 She was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.1287

Children of George Albert2 Ridgely and Martha Ann Madding were as follows:

118. i. Edgar Alva4 Ridgely1288 was born in Jul 1879.1289 He married Iva Blanche Huddleston.1290 He died circa 1935.1291

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 10 Sep 1918 in Gary, Lake County, Indiana. He described himself as living at 428? Van Buren, Gary, Indiana, age 39, born 19 July 1879, and his occupation was as a self employed druggist in Gary. He was tall in height, slender in build, with blue eyes and had light brown hair. His closest relative was his wife Iva Blanche.1292

119. ii. Claude Vernon Ridgely1293 was born on 29 Jan 1881.1294 He married Bessie Maguire.1295 He died on 11 Sep 1963 at age 82.1296

Claude Vernon Ridgely lived in Gary, Lake County, Indiana.1297 He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 7 Sep 1918 in Gary, Lake County, Indiana. He described himself as living at 560 ___ Street, Gary, Indiana, age 37, born 29 Jan 1881, and his occupation was attorney at 609 Broadway in Gary. He was medium in height, slender in build, with blue eyes and had black hair. His closest relative was Bessie M. Ridgely also of 560 ___ Street.1298

Bessie Maguire1299 was born on 7 Feb 1887.1300 She died on 9 Mar 1964 at age 77.1301

120. iii. Ulla Mae Ridgely1302 was born in Jan 1883.1303 She married H. Clay Schreck on 23
Apr 1913 in Lake County, Indiana. She died on 3 Jan 1957.

Ulla Mae Ridgely and H. Clay Schreck appeared on the census of 1930 in Dekalb, Dekalb County, Illinois.

The listing shows:
- Schreck, Clay, age 42, b. Ohio, first m. at 25, osteopathic physician
- Ulla, wife, age 47, b. Ill., first married at 30

H. Clay Schreck died on 29 Nov 1966.

121. iv. Lulu Ridgely was born on 29 Nov 1884. She married Wylie L. Kell on 8 Oct 1908. She died on 26 Nov 1911 at age 26. She was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.

She and Wylie L. Kell had no children.

"Mrs. Lulu Ridgley Kell was born near Parkersburg, Illinois, November 29th, 1884 died at St. Johns hospital, St. Louis, Mo. Wednesday 26th, 1911, and was buried November 29th at Marion church, in Edwards county, Illinois, the day she would have been 27 years old. At the age of nine and one-half years she confessed her faith in Christ and united with the Christian church at Parkersburg. On October 8th, 1908, she was united in the holy bonds of wedlock with Dr. Wylie L. Kell, who in the deepest sorrow mourns her departure, and waits lovingly for the reunion in the life beyond. Deceased leaves also, under the dark cloud of a hopeful sorrow, father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ridgley, of Parkersburg; two brothers, Edgar and Claud, of Gary, Indiana; one sister, Miss Ulla, of De Kalb, Illinois.

"She was a devoted and affectionate wife, a loving and dutiful daughter and sister and a most sincere and faithful christian."

"She was taken ill at her home in Bridgeport November 15th, and after undergoing a severe operation in St. Louis on November 20th, she fell asleep in Jesus Sunday night at 10:30 o'clock, November 26th.

Her immediate relatives, including her husband, are devoted believers in Jesus, and under the great burden of their irreparable loss, are bearing their great grief with a fortitude worthy of their profession. May the author of hope sustain them.

Rev. J. S. Rose"

[I have filled in a few places, in brackets, where my copy is not legible.]

43. William S. Ridgely (Abel, William Henry) was born on 1 Mar 1854. He married Cora Mary Blood

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1304 Letter from Kell Hanson (Olney, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, Nov. 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
1306 Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967.
1307 microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
1308 Letter, Kell Hanson to Dan W. Olds, Nov. 1967.
1309 ibid.
1310 Letter, Margaret Dalby to Olds, 8 Jan 1967.
1311 Tombstone, Marion Church Cemetery. The dates are on the tombstone.
1312 Letter, Margaret Dalby to Olds, 8 Jan 1967.
1313 Obituaries, unknown newspaper title, unknown location, adds the date of marriage.
1314 Tombstone, Marion Church Cemetery. The dates are on the tombstone.
1315 Letter, Margaret Dalby to Olds, 8 Jan 1967.
1316 unknown short newspaper title.
1317 William S. Ridgely entry, Death Record, Richland County, Ill., Richland County Records, Richland County Clerk, 103 West Main, Olney, Richland County, Illinois. Hereinafter cited as Death record.

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on 27 Dec 1877. He died on 5 Jul 1926 at age 72. He was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.

William S. Ridgely and Cora Mary Blood appeared on the census of 1880 in Madison Township, Richland County, Illinois.

William Ridgely, 26 b. Ill, father b. Ill, mother b. N. C.
Cora, 22 b. Ill, father b. Vermont, mother b. England
Effie, 2 b. Ill, father b. Ill, mother b. Ill.

William S. Ridgely and Cora Mary Ridgely appeared on the census of 1880 in Madison Township, Richland County, Illinois.

Ridgley, William, 26, b. Ill, f. b. Ill, mother b. NC
, Cora, 22, b.III, f. b. VT, mother b. England
, Effie, 2, b. Ill., parents b. Ill. He left a will in 1926 in Richland County, Illinois.

CORA MARY BLOOD. The biographical sketch of John M. Blood (deceased), names his daughter as Mary C. Ridgeley who married W. S. Ridgeley on 27 Dec 1877.

Children of William S. Ridgely and Cora Mary Blood were as follows:

122. i. Effie Ridgely was born on 6 Dec 1878. She married W. Howard Hanson on 16 Mar 1897 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 17 Jun 1969 in Richland Memorial Hospital, Olney, Richland County, Illinois, at age 90. She was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.

"Mrs. Effie Hanson, 90, life-long resident of the Seminary neighborhood, died early this morning in the Richland Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Hanson was born on December 6, 1878, just across the county line in Edwards county, daughter of the late William and Cora Blood Ridgely. Her husband, Howard preceded her in death in 1911. She was associated with the Marion Christian church.

"Mrs. Hanson is survived by two sons, Kell Hanson and Wallace Hanson, both of Rural Route 1, Olney, and a foster-brother, Arch Ridgely, also of Route 1, Olney. There are also three grandchildren and eight great grandchildren surviving.

"She was preceded in death by one son, Ellis.

"Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the Chapel of the Schaub Funeral Home. Interment will be in the Marion Church Cemetery.

"Friends may call at the funeral home after 2:00 p.m. Wednesday."

1319 Will Book, Richland County, Ill.: probated in 1926, recorded in Book E, Richland County Records, Richland County Clerk, 103 West Main, Olney, Richland County, Illinois. Hereinafter cited as Richland County Wills.
1321 Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967, See also the obituary in the Olney Daily Mail.
1322 Ibid.
1323 Ibid.
1324 Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967.
1325 Richland County Marriage records Richland County Records, Howard Hanson, age 23, married Miss Effie Ridgely, age 18, 16 March 1897.
1326 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Howard Hanson and Effie Ridgely, 03/15/97, license 39, Book 4, p. 43. His parents were Hamilton Hanson and _____ Garrett. Her parents were William Ridgely and _____ Blood.
1327 Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967.
1329 Tombstone, Marion Church Cemetery.
W. Howard Hanson\textsuperscript{1334} was born on 3 Apr 1874.\textsuperscript{1335} He died on 17 Nov 1911 at age 37.\textsuperscript{1336} He was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1337}

123. ii. Archie Ridgely\textsuperscript{1338} was born on 27 Jan 1893.\textsuperscript{1339} He appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Jun 1969 with the last place of residence listed as Olney, Richland County, Illinois. Archie's SSN was issued in Illinois and his birth date is given as 2 Mar 1893. He died on 27 Jun 1969 at age 76. He never married.\textsuperscript{1340}

W. S. Ridgely petitioned to be guardian of Archie Ridgely, a foundling with no father, supposed to be age 2 on 15 Feb. 1895. "No one claims the child left at the residence of Abel Ridgely and nothing was found to indicate to whom it belonged. The petitioner has had care and custody since April 1893."\textsuperscript{1341} He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917. He described himself as living on R. D. #1, Olney, Illinois, age 24, born 27 Jan 1893 at R. 1, Olney, and his occupation was farming for W. S. Ridgely. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had dark hair.\textsuperscript{1342}

"Arch Ridgely, 76, lifelong resident of the Seminary neighorhood, died Friday noon at the Burgin Nursing Home."

"Mr. Ridgely was born January 27, 1893, in St. Louis, son of the late William S. and Cora Blood Ridgely. He was a member of the Marion Christian Church. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Mrs. Effie Hanson who died this past June 17th."

"His only survivors include two nephews, Kell and Wallace Hanson, both of Rt.1, Olney."

"Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Chapel of the Schaub Funeral Home with the Rev. Glen Leathers officiating. Interment will be in the Marion cemetery."

"Friends may call at the funeral home after 6 p.m. today."\textsuperscript{1343}

44. Alice L.\textsuperscript{3} Ridgely (Abel\textsuperscript{2}, William Henry\textsuperscript{3}) was born on 8 Jan 1857.\textsuperscript{1344,1345} She married William W. Martin on 4 Apr 1884.\textsuperscript{1346} She died on 4 Apr 1931 at age 74.\textsuperscript{1347} She was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1348}

William W. Martin\textsuperscript{1349} was born on 15 Jun 1846.\textsuperscript{1350} He died on 26 Jun 1928 at age 82.\textsuperscript{1351,1352} He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Richland County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1353}

Children of Alice L.\textsuperscript{3} Ridgely and William W. Martin were as follows:

\textsuperscript{1334} Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967.
\textsuperscript{1335} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1336} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1337} Tombstone, Marion Church Cemetery.
\textsuperscript{1338} Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967. See also the obituary in the Olney Daily Mail.
\textsuperscript{1339} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1340} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1341} File box 70, probate records, Richland County, Ill.
\textsuperscript{1342} Ancestry.com, registration card images, used in Nov. 2005.
\textsuperscript{1343} Funeral Services Set for Arch Ridgely of Seminary, Olney Daily Mail, Olney, Illinois, March 1967. Hereinafter cited as Olney Daily Mail.
\textsuperscript{1344} Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967, Has full dates of birth and death.
\textsuperscript{1345} Martin family, Alice Martin's Bible (n.p.: n.pub., n.d.); Mrs. Martin Ritter, unknown location, The names and birthdates of herself, husband and three children are from this record as well as the death dates up to and including her own. Hereinafter cited as Alice Martin's Bible.
\textsuperscript{1346} Alice Martin's Bible.
\textsuperscript{1347} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1348} Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. "1858 - 1931".
\textsuperscript{1349} Alice Martin's Bible.
\textsuperscript{1350} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1351} Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1352} My notes from the Martin Bible show this date as 6 June 1928.
\textsuperscript{1353} Tombstone, Oakhill Cemetery. The dates on the stone are 1846 - 1928.
124. i. ZUA\textsuperscript{4} MARTIN\textsuperscript{1354} was born on 14 Feb 1885.\textsuperscript{1355} She married James D. Ritter on 8 Feb 1908 in Richland County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1356,1357} She died on 3 Mar 1958 at age 73.\textsuperscript{1358}

JAMES D. RITTER\textsuperscript{1359,1360} was born on 3 Jan 1884.\textsuperscript{1361} He died on 29 Feb 1956 at age 72.\textsuperscript{1362} He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living on Route 1, Olney, Richland County, Illinois, age 34, born 3 June 1884, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, stout in build, with blue eyes and had dark brown hair. His closest relative was Zua Martin Ritter, also of Route 1, Olney. He signed the form James Dugan Ritter.\textsuperscript{1363}

"James D. Ritter, 71, a well known resident and famer of Madison township, passed away at noon today at the Richland Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for approximately a week.

"He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Ritter.

"Mr. Ritter is survived by his wife, Zua, and a son Martin Ritter of Olney Route 1, three sisters, Miss Mary Ritter of New Jersey, Miss Louise Ritter of Union County, Ill., and Mrs. Jane Kurtz of Olney. Also surviving are three grandchildren.

"Funeral arrangements for Mr. Ritter are incomplete at this time and will be announced later. The body is at the Schaub Funeral Home."\textsuperscript{1364}

125. ii. MINNIE MAE MARTIN\textsuperscript{1365} was born on 27 May 1887.\textsuperscript{1366} She married Clarence Everett Barter in May 1917 in Haiku, Maui, Territory of Hawaii.\textsuperscript{1367} She died on 5 Nov 1967 at age 80.\textsuperscript{1368,1369}

She had been educated in Richland County, Illinois and Eastern Illinois University and then moved to Richland County, Montana where she homesteaded and taught school. Having the urge to travel, she stayed on her tract of land for the required length of time and then headed west, finally landing in Hawaii. She first met her future husband when he rescued her from the ocean surf after she fell from a horse.\textsuperscript{1370}

Minnie Mae Martin and Clarence Everett Barter appeared on the census in Honolulu, Hawaii. The listing shows

Barter, Clarence E., 45, b. NY, father b. Eng., m. born Ireland
May M., wife, 43
Elaine A., dau. 11, b. Hawaii
Clarence E., Jr., son 3 9/12, b. Hawaii
Otaguro, Kinne, servant, 22, b. Hawaii, parents b. Japan.\textsuperscript{1371}

"Mrs. Minnie Mae Martin Barter, of Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, passed away last week at her home in Honolulu, according to word received by her nephew, Martin Ritter

\textsuperscript{1354}Alice Martin's Bible.
\textsuperscript{1355}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1356}Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967.
\textsuperscript{1357}Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, \textit{Richland County Marriages}, James Ritter and Zua Martin, 02/08/08, license 18, Book 3. His parents were Aaron Ritter and Isabel Dugan. Hers were William Martin and Alice Ridgley.
\textsuperscript{1358}Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967.
\textsuperscript{1359}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1360}Ancestry.com, registration card images, used in Nov. 2005, which adds the middle name.
\textsuperscript{1361}Letter, Wallace Hanson to Dan W. Olds, 1 Feb. 1967.
\textsuperscript{1362}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1363}Ancestry.com, registration card images, used in Nov. 2005.
\textsuperscript{1364}"unknown short newspaper title."
\textsuperscript{1365}Alice Martin's Bible, with her middle name added from her obituary.
\textsuperscript{1366}Alice Martin's Bible.
\textsuperscript{1367}Letter from Clarence E. Barter (Lawrenceville, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, Dec. 1968; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
\textsuperscript{1368}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1370}Letter, Clarence L. Barter to Olds, Dec. 1968.
\textsuperscript{1371}microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
of Olney rt.1.
"She was the daughter of the late William and Alice Ridgely Martin, and was born and reared a half mile north of Seminary in Madison Township.
"After teaching in the rural schools of the county, she moved to Montana with the late Eva Flock, where they homesteaded a claim and she taught school.
"Later she went to the Hawaiian Islands and was later married to Clarence E. Barter of New York City. They continued to live in Hawaii after his retirement as president of the Del Monte Pineapple Co. operations.
"She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Elaine Stevenson, Hawaii, and a son, Clarence of Lawrenceville. She is also survived by five grandchildren and a cousin, Mrs. Cordelia Hull of Olney.

CLARENCE EVERETT BARTER was born on 5 May 1882 in Hermon, New York. He died on 21 Jun 1939 in Honolulu, Hawaii, at age 57. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 26 Oct 1918 in Hawaii. He described himself as living in Haiku, Maui, Hawaii, age 36, born 5 May 1882, and his occupation was canning superintendent for Haiku Fruit and Packing Company. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had brown hair. His closest relative was Mae M. Barter, also of Haiku.

126. iii. UNA MARTIN was born on 20 Nov 1889. She died on 2 Oct 1890.

45. EDWIN A. RIDGELY (Abel2, William Henry1) was born on 24 Jul 1861. He married Mattie Bowlby. He died on 30 Oct 1900 at age 39. He was buried in Marion Church Cemetery, Edwards County, Illinois.

MATTIE BOWLBY was born on 4 Mar 1874. She married Addison B. Pennycuff on 9 Dec 1914 in Richland County, Illinois. She died on 23 Jan 1957 at age 82.

Children of Edwin A.3 RIDGELY and Mattie BOWLBY were as follows:

127. i. JOY4 RIDGELY was born on 29 Sep 1896. She married William F. Campbell on 16 Aug 1917. She died in 1948.

WILLIAM F. CAMPBELL died in 1964. He was a Brigadier General in the U. S. Army.

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1373 Letter, Clarence L. Barter to Olds, Dec. 1968, with his middle name added from his WWI registration.
1375 Ibid.
1377 Alice Martin's Bible.
1378 Ibid.
1379 Ibid.
1380 Letter from Dale B. Ridgely (San Antonio, Texas) to Dan W. Olds, 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), from a chart giving the names and dates for Edwin, his wife and children, sent by Gen. Dale B. Ridgely, 1967.
1381 Richland County Marriage records Richland County Records, Both were age 40.
1382 Richland County Genealogical and Historical Society, Richland County Marriages, Mattie Ridgely and Addison B. Pennycuff, 12/09/14, license 165, Book 5, p. 2. His parents were Joel Pennycuff and Nancy Ragan. Hers were Samuel Bowlby and Elizabeth Suitz.
1383 Moore (Clara Belle) -- family records, clippings family clippings, Mrs. Mattie Pennycuff, widow of A. B. Pennycuff, died at the home of her son, Gen. Dale B. Ridgely, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Buried at the Sunset Memorial Cemetery in San Antonio, Texas.
1385 Letter from Dale B. Ridgely (San Antonio, Texas) to Dan W. Olds, Oct. 1970; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
1387 Richland County Marriage records Richland County Records, He was 25, she was 21.
1389 Ibid.
1390 Ibid.
1391 Ibid.
1392 Ibid.

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128.  ii.  **DALE BOWLBY RIDGELY**\(^{1393}\) was born on 8 Mar 1900.\(^{1394}\) He married Lily Anne Wallace.\(^{1395}\) He appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died 17 Jun 1992 with the last place of residence listed as San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas. Dale Bowlby's SSN was issued in Illinois and his birth date is given as 8 March 1900.\(^{1396}\) He was buried in Plot: A-C, 630, Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas.\(^{1397}\)

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living on R. 1, Olney, Illinois, age 18, born 8 Mar 1900, and his occupation was farming for Addison B. Pennycuff of Route 1, Olney. He was medium in height, medium in build, with gray eyes and had black hair. His closest relative was Martha Pennycuff of R1, Olney.\(^{1398}\) He was a Brigadier General (Retired) in the U. S. Army.\(^{1399}\) As of 1967, Dale Bowlby Ridgely lived at 442 E. Hathaway Drive, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas.\(^{1400}\) As of Oct 1970, Dale Bowlby Ridgely lived at 5033 N. New Braunfels, Apt. 300D, San Antonio, Texas.\(^{1401}\)

**LILY ANNE WALLACE**\(^{1402}\) was born on 16 Apr 1906.\(^{1403}\)

47.  **HENRY MONROE HARRISON** (Emily Orenda\(^{2}\) Ridgely, William Henry\(^{3}\))\(^{1404}\) was born on 1 Dec 1853.\(^{1405}\) He married Henrietta Louise Dorney.\(^{1406}\)

**HENRIETTA LOUISE DORNEY**\(^{1407}\) was born on 6 Jul 1855.\(^{1408}\) She died on 8 Oct 1921 at age 66.\(^{1409}\) She was buried in Lancaster Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois.\(^{1410}\)

Children of Henry Monroe\(^{3}\) Harrison and Henrietta Louise Dorney were as follows:

129.  i.  **LENA BELLE HARRISON**\(^{1412}\) was born on 3 Apr 1880.\(^{1413}\) She died on 29 Aug 1924 at age 44.\(^{1414}\) She was buried in Lancaster Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois.\(^{1415}\)

She never married.\(^{1416}\)

130.  ii.  **ELMER IVAN HARRISON**\(^{1417}\) was born on 27 Aug 1881.\(^{1418}\) He married Kathryn Lucetta

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\(^{1393}\)Ibid.
\(^{1394}\)Ibid.
\(^{1395}\)Ibid.
\(^{1396}\)Death report, SSDI, internet file.
\(^{1398}\)Ancestry.com, registration card images, used in Nov. 2005.
\(^{1399}\)Letter, Dale B. Ridgely to Dan W. Olds, 1967.
\(^{1400}\)Ibid.
\(^{1402}\)Letter, Dale B. Ridgely to Dan W. Olds, 1967.
\(^{1403}\)Ibid.
\(^{1404}\)Letter from Emily Reid (Albion, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, Sept. 1966; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
\(^{1405}\)Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967, including a typed sheet which gives the year as 1852 but Emily's letter of Dec. 1966 shows 1853 as does the tombstone.
\(^{1406}\)Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967.
\(^{1407}\)Ibid.
\(^{1408}\)Ibid.
\(^{1409}\)Ibid.
\(^{1410}\)Ibid.
\(^{1411}\)Tombstone, Lancaster Cemetery, west of Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois. The full dates are on the stone.
\(^{1412}\)Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967.
\(^{1413}\)Ibid.
\(^{1414}\)Ibid.
\(^{1415}\)Tombstone, Lancaster Cemetery. She is buried near her parents. The tombstone inscription is "Lena B., dau. of H. M. and H. L. Harrison, 1880 - 1924".
\(^{1416}\)Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967.
\(^{1417}\)Ibid.
\(^{1418}\)Ibid.
Provines in Richland County, Illinois. He died on 24 May 1955 at age 73. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in Olney, Richland County, Illinois. He described himself as living on RR1, Calhoun, Richland County, Illinois, age 37, born 27 Aug 1881, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had light hair. His closest relative was Kate L. Harrison, also of Calhoun.

KATHRYN LUCETTA PROVINES was born on 1 Mar 1889. She died on 18 Oct 1961 at age 72.

131. iii. Ora Mable Harrison was born on 8 Jul 1884. She married Noble John Hershey on 28 Jul 1903. She appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died 15 May 1974 with the last place of residence listed as Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois. Ora Mable's SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given as 8 July 1884.

Noble John Hershey was born on 9 Nov 1882. He died on 12 Feb 1944 at age 61. He was an employee of the U. S. Postal Service in Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 10 Sep 1918 in Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois. He described himself as living at 1230 Main, Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois, age 36, born 9 Nov 1881, and his occupation was U. S. P. O. Clerk. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had brown hair. His closest relative was Ora Mable Hershey, also of 1230 Main.

132. iv. Clara Ellen Harrison was born on 20 Jan 1888. She married Eugene Paul Miller. She appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died 15 Aug 1969 with the last place of residence listed as Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois. Clara Ellen's SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given as 20 Jan 1888. She and Eugene Paul Miller had no children.

Eugene Paul Miller was born on 13 May 1876. A computer printout listing the family of Johann Peter Mueller (Miller) and Amelia Emily Lydia Kurtze (Kurtz), possibly obtained in Salt Lake City and apparently from material prepared for "Palatines in America", shows this Eugene Paul Miller as a son.
According to this document, he was born 12 May 1865 at West Salem, IL, and died there 23 Jan 1946. He married (1) on 20 Nov 1890, Rosa Charlotte Feldman (1869 - 1922) and (2) Clara Ellen Harrison on 8 July 1924 at Vincennes, IN.

This birth date shown is significantly different from what I otherwise had.\textsuperscript{1443}

133. v. NORA HARRISON\textsuperscript{1444} was born on 8 Jan 1892.\textsuperscript{1445} She died on 8 Apr 1892.\textsuperscript{1446} She was buried in Lancaster Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1447}

48. ANGELINE\textsuperscript{5} HARRISON (Emily Orenda\textsuperscript{2} Ridgely, William Henry\textsuperscript{5}) was born on 4 Dec 1856.\textsuperscript{1448} She married George Washington Brines on 3 Apr 1879.\textsuperscript{1449} She died on 11 Aug 1903 at age 46.\textsuperscript{1450}

Children of Angeline\textsuperscript{5} Harrison and George Washington Brines were as follows:

134. i. FRED HARRISON\textsuperscript{1451} BRINES\textsuperscript{1452} was born on 14 Aug 1880.\textsuperscript{1452} He married Cora Thompson in Nov 1910. He died on 9 Dec 1931 at age 51.\textsuperscript{1453}

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 12 Sep 1918 in McLeansboro, Hamilton County, Illinois. He described himself as living at Belle Prairie, Hamilton County, Illinois, age 38, born 14 Aug 1880, and his occupation was a physician and surgeon, self employed. He was medium in height, slender in build, with blue eyes and had brown hair. His closest relative was Cora E. Brines, also of Bell Prairie.\textsuperscript{1454}

Fred Harrison Brines and Cora Thompson appeared on the census of 2 Jan 1920. The listing is:

Brines, Fred H. , head, 39
Cora E., wife, 33
Evelyn G., dau. 8
Stanley G., son, 6
Imogene S., dau., 3
Olin, son, 3/12
Kelley, Ethel j., servant, 18.\textsuperscript{1455}

CORA THOMPSON died on 30 Jun 1969.\textsuperscript{1456}

135. ii. CORA BELLE BRINES\textsuperscript{1457} was born on 30 Oct 1882.\textsuperscript{1458} She died on 24 Mar 1972 at age 89.\textsuperscript{1459}

As of 1960, Cora Belle Brines lived at Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida.\textsuperscript{1460}

136. iii. OLA ANGELINE BRINES\textsuperscript{1461} was born on 18 Feb 1888.\textsuperscript{1462} She married John Slater in

\textsuperscript{143}Mueller/Miller family, computer printout, 2 Sept 1991, Library and papers of Doris R. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina.
\textsuperscript{144}Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967.
\textsuperscript{145}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{146}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{147}Tombstone, Lancaster Cemetery. She is buried near her parents. "Nora C., dau. of H. M. and H. L. Harrison".
\textsuperscript{148}Letter, Gladys Sutton to Dan W. Olds, 9 Sept 1966.
\textsuperscript{149}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{150}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{151}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{152}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{153}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{154}Ancestry.com, registration card images, used in Nov. 2005.
\textsuperscript{155}Microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.
\textsuperscript{156}Letter from Emily Reid (Albion, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, Oct 1969; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
\textsuperscript{157}Letter, Gladys Sutton to Dan W. Olds, 9 Sept 1966.
\textsuperscript{158}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{159}Letter from Gladys Sutton (Avon Park, FL) to Dan W. Olds, Dec. 1972; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), saying, "Did you know my sister Cora passed away March 24? She was 89 years old. She fell and broke her hip in Aug. 1971 and she never fully recovered".
\textsuperscript{160}Letter from Gladys Sutton (Avon Park, FL) to Dan W. Olds, 1 Dec 1960; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), Cora never married.
\textsuperscript{161}Letter, Gladys Sutton to Dan W. Olds, 9 Sept 1966.
Mar 1918. She died on 10 Nov 1969 at age 81.

She and John Slater had no children.

John Slater died on 2 Nov 1966.

137. iv. Orman Nelson Brines was born on 18 Feb 1888. He married Fern Higgins in Oct 1917. He and Fern Higgins were divorced. He died on 29 Jan 1952 at age 63.

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917 in Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois. He described himself as living at Lancaster, Illinois, age 29, born 18 Feb 1888 at Lancaster, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was short in height, slender in build, with blue eyes and had light hair.

Orman Nelson Brines and Fern Higgins appeared on the census of 1920 in Kedzie Avenue, Chicago, Cook County, Illinois.

Orman Nelson Brines and Fern Higgins appeared on the census of 1930 in Morton Street, Morton, Tazewell County, Illinois. "Orman and Fern are divorced and since Orman is gone we don't know much about his family but if it is important to you we will try to get them. They live in Chula Vista California. Cora and I expect to be in Los Angeles the week of Sept. 20."

Fern Higgins was born on 16 Feb 1895. She died on 29 Dec 1978 at age 83. She was buried in Allendale Cemetery, Allendale, Wabash County, Illinois.

Clara Fern Higgins was a daughter of Ransom Higgins and granddaughter of William Higgins, Jr., great-great-great of George Higgins and Patience Mapes.

138. v. Myrtle Orenda Brines was born on 17 Jan 1890. She married Melvin Smith in Dec 1911. She died on 2 Feb 1968 at age 78.

139. vi. Alta Brines was born on 7 May 1897. She died on 18 Dec 1897. She was

1463 Ibid.
1464 Letter from Gladys Sutton (Avon Park, FL) to Dan W. Olds, 27 Apr 1970; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina), saying "We lost our sister Ola Slater Nov 10 - 1969, leaving just the two of us".
1466 Letter from Gladys Sutton (Avon Park, FL) to Dan W. Olds, 17 Apr 1971; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).
1467 Letter, Gladys Sutton to Dan W. Olds, 9 Sept 1966.
1468 Ibid.
1469 Ibid.
1470 Ibid.
1471 Ibid.
1472 Unknown household, 1920 census film, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com, Orman, age 32, was a medical student. Fern, his wife, was age 24 and son George was age 1-1/12.
1473 1930 federal census of Tazewell County, Illinois. Microfilm image online. Used at www.ancestry.com on Orman N. Brines was age 42 and a physician. His wife, who is listed as Clara F., was age 35. They had been married about 13 years and their son George R. was listed as age 11.
1474 Letter, Gladys Sutton to Dan W. Olds, 9 Sept 1966.
1475 Ibid.
1477 Ibid.
1478 Ibid. The name is the same and the dates are reasonable. This appears to be the right person.
1480 Letter, Gladys Sutton to Dan W. Olds, 9 Sept 1966.
1481 Ibid.
1482 Ibid.
1483 Letter, Gladys Sutton to Dan W. Olds, 17 Apr 1971.
1484 Letter, Gladys Sutton to Dan W. Olds, 9 Sept 1966.
1485 Ibid.
1486 Ibid.
buried in Lancaster Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois. 1487

140. vii. **Gladys Opal Brines** was born on 1 Mar 1900. 1488 She married Noble Sutton in Nov 1945. 1490 She married (--?--) Pummill before 1988. 1491 She appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Apr 1992 with the last place of residence listed as Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida. Gladys Opal's SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given as 1 March 1900. 1492

She was an early and very helpful correspondent in the process of collecting data for my Ridgety book of 1970. She remembered going each year to a Simmons-Ridgety reunion and had an old picture taken on such occasion. She and Noble Sutton had no children. 1493 Gladys Opal Brines lived at Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan, Illinois. In 1988 and 1989, she wrote to my mother from Illinois.

**Noble Sutton** died on 11 Dec 1965. "Shortly after I received your letter in 1960 Noble found out to our grief he had cataracts in both eyes after taking treatments they steadily became worse he had an operation on both eyes We found he had hardening of the arteries of the brain so while he saw to get around he never fully recovered and he passed away Dec 11 - 1965. We took him back to Mt. Carmel Illinois for burial." 1494

49. **John William Harrison** (Emily Orenda Ridgely, William Henry) was born on 10 Jul 1859. 1496 He married Sarah Dulcena Hill on 31 Mar 1889. 1497, 1498 He died on 26 Mar 1942 at age 82. 1499 He was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. 1500

He attended elementary school at Lancaster, Ill. and college at Friendsville, Illinois. He was a school teacher, live stock dealer, farmer and banker. She attended school in Lawrence County, Ill. and was also a school teacher. They were Methodists. They are buried in the Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Ill. 1501

**Sarah Dulcena Hill** was born on 14 Aug 1866. 1502 She died on 6 Nov 1947 at age 81. 1503 She was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. 1504

Children of John William Harrison and Sarah Dulcena Hill were as follows:

141. i. **Inez Lucille Harrison** was born on 4 Nov 1890. 1506 She died on 30 Jun 1967 at age 76. 1507 She was buried in Moravian Cemetery, West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. The tombstone inscription is: "Inez L. Harrison, 1890 - 1967."

She attended West Salem High School, McKendree College, and Eastern Illinois State Teacher's College at Charleston, Ill., and was a school teacher. She did not
marry. "Inez Harrison, age 76, of West Salem, passed away Sunday at the Richland Memori-AL Hospital in Olney.

"She is survived by two sisters, Lois Harrison and Edith Busefink of West Salem, and
one brother, Kendall of Indianapolis.

"Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the King and Ingram Funeral Home in
West Salem. Rev. Fred Schwarzlose will be officiating. Interment will be in the
Moravian Cemetery.

"Friends may call after 6:30 p.m. today." 1511

142. ii. Harvey Raymond Harrison 1512 was born on 25 Apr 1893. 1513 He married Ila Butler
on 1 Mar 1927. 1514 He died on 24 Apr 1952 at age 58. 1515

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917 in
Edward County, Illinois. He described himself as living at West Salem, Illinois, age 24,
born 25 April 1893 at West Salem, and his occupation was as a Proprietor of a Garage,
self employed. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had
dark brown hair. 1516 He attended West Salem (Ill.) High School and Eastern Illinois
State Teacher's College. He served in World War I. Later he owned and operated
Harrison Motor Car Company, selling cars and auto accessories. 1517 He and Ila Butler
had no children. 1518

Ila Butler 1519 may be the Ila M. Harrison (one of 13 Ila Harrisons, but the only one
of Illinois) who appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died on 21 May
1997 with the last place of residence listed as West Salem, Edward County, Illinois. Ila's
SSN was issued in Illinois, and her birthdate is given as 13 Dec. 1901. 1520

143. iii. Edythe Angeline Harrison 1521 was born on 25 May 1899. 1522 She married Henry
John Busefink on 16 Dec 1919. 1523 She appears in the Social Security Death Index as
having died Oct 1984 with the last place of residence listed as West Salem, Edward
County, Illinois. Edythe Angeline's SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given
as 25 May 1899. 1524

"Edythe Busefink, 85, of West Salem, died Tuesday, October 30, at the Olney Care
Center in Olney. Funeral services were held Thursday, November 1, at the Ingram
Funeral Home in West Salem with the Rev. Chris Tate presiding. Burial was in the
Moravian Cemetery.

"She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Toole of Evansville; one sister, Mrs.
Lois Harrison of West Salem; two grandsons, John and Robert Toole of Evansville and
one granddaughter, Georgeanne Toole, also of Evansville.

"She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, Inez Harrison and her brothers,
Harvey and Kendall.

"She was born on May 25, 1899, in West Salem to John William and Sarah Della (Hill)
Harrison. She married Henry John Busefink in December of 1919, and he died in May of
1944.

1510Ibid.
1511Moore (Clara Belle) -- family records, clippings family clippings, The unidentified clipping is now in my files.
1512Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966.
1513Ibid.
1514Ibid.
1515Ibid.
1517Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966.
1518Ibid.
1519Ibid.
1520Death report, SSDI, internet file.
1521Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966, but I have changed the spelling from Edith to Edythe as used in the
SSDI and elsewhere.
1522Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966.
1523Ibid.
"She was a member of the Zion United Methodist Church."  

**Henry John Busefink**

was born on 12 Sep 1895 in West Salem, Edwards County, Illinois. He died on 28 May 1944 in near New Harmony, Indiana, at age 48.

"Henry J. Busefink, former West Salem business man, postmaster and at the time of his death employed as a state auditor for the territory, died suddenly Sunday morning near New Harmony, Ind., while enroute to his home here from Evansville.

"Henry J. Busefink was born in West Salem, Sept. 12, 1895, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Busefink. He grew to manhood here, where he assisted his father in the furniture and undertaking business. He graduated from the local High School in the class of 1911 and graduated from Worsham School of Embalming in Chicago in 1917, receiving his license and continuing to renew it each year.

"At the outbreak of World War I he went to Washington D. C. to enlist in the Purple Cross but this was not then ready for volunteers so he entered Ambulance Co. No. 29, Fifth Division and was sent overseas, where he served for almost two years. Having had active duty in the thick of the fight, with those horrible experiences so fresh in his mind, he could not see fit to continue as funeral director.

"After disposing of the furniture and undertaking business, he traveled for Klamer Furniture Co. of Evansville, then accepted a position on the Service Recognition Board at Springfield. He resigned this position in the fall of 1923. Having passed the Civil Service exam, he was appointed postmaster of this place and served the community in that capacity in a more than satisfactory manner for 13 years and three months.

"He was in business in Albion and West Salem again for a short time before setting up the Old Age assistance system in Edwards County. In July 1941, he went to New York City, were he was employed as accountant for Sperry Gyroscope Co. until his resignation last fall, when he returned to Illinois and the community he loved to serve as State Auditor in this territory.

"He was a member of the American Legion, Past Commander of McCormack Post, a member of the local A. F. & M. lodge and was active in politics.

"Enroute home from a weekend visit with his daughter, Mrs. Margaret Toole and sister, Mrs. Erma Campbell in Evansville, he suffered a heart attack on the bus near New Harmony, was removed and medical aid summoned but passed away about 8 o'clock, May 28, at the age of 48 years and 8 months.

"The body was cared for at the Perry Shoultz Funeral Home in New Harmony, life long friends of the family, and later brought to the King Funeral Home here. The funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at the Emmett Kaericher residence on North Main, Mrs. Kaericher being his sister whose home he had been sharing. Services were in charge of McDormack Post, assisted by members from Albion and Mt. Carmel Posts, and Rev. Ira B. Wilson, pastor of the Evangelical church, and burial was made in the family lot in the Moravian cemetery."

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144. iv. **Kendall Allen Harrison** was born on 19 Oct 1906. He married Helen Copeland on 1 Jan 1938. He appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Feb 1978 with the last place of residence listed as Indianapolis, Marion Count, Indiana. Kendall Allen's SSN was issued in Indiana and his birth date is given as 19 Oct 1906.

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1526 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966.
1527 *Independent Times*, 7 Nov 1984, page 2, from which his middle name is added.
1529 Ibid., the year of death is surmised from birthdate and age.
1530 *unknown short newspaper title*.
1531 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966.
1532 Ibid.
1533 Ibid.
1980. 1534

He attended High School in West Salem, Illinois, obtained his bachelor's degree at the
University of Illinois, and (in 1966) was a car salesman and State Insurance Adjustor. 1535

Kendall Harrison, 73

"Word was received in West Salem by relatives and friends of the death of Kendall
Harrison, 73, of Indianapolis, Indiana.

"Services for Mr. Harrison were held at the United Methodist Church in Indianapolis,
yesterday afternoon, Tuesday, February 26.

"He is survived by his wife, Helen; two daughters, Jane Cuneo of Gaithersburg,
Maryland, and Nancy Long of Hilton Island, South Carolina; six grandchildren; two
sisters, Edythe Busefink, Lois Harrison and sister-in-law Ila Harrison, all of West Salem,
also a niece Margaret Toole of Evansville.

"Kendall, a retired insurance adjuster and Indianapolis businessman, will be
remembered by area residents as the son of the late William and Della Harrison. He was
an alumni [sic] of West Salem High School and the University of Illinois at
Champaign. 1536

HELEN COPELAND 1537 living/possibly living: details suppressed.

145. v. LOIS MAURINE HARRISON 1538 was born on 17 Sep 1909. 1539 She appears in the Social
Security Death Index as having died 28 Oct 1990. Lois Maurine's SSN was issued in
Illinois and her birth date is given as 17 Sep 1909. 1540

She attended High School in West Salem, Illinois, and obtained her bachelor's degree
at Eastern Illinois State Teacher's College. In 1966 she was single and teaching
school. 1541

52. MINNIE 3 HARRISON (Emily Orenda 2 Ridgely, William Henry 4) was born on 14 Jan 1869. She married
George William Reid on 1 Jul 1888. 1542,1543 She died on 26 Nov 1954 at age 85. She was buried in Lancaster
Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois.

GEORGE WILLIAM REID 1544 was born on 4 Aug 1860. 1545 He died on 9 Sep 1925 at age 65. 1546 He was buried
in Lancaster Cemetery, Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois. 1547 He was a physician and surgeon. 1548

Children of Minnie 3 Harrison and George William Reid were as follows:

146. i. HERSCHEL HARRISON 4 REID 1550 was born on 1 Nov 1890. 1551,1552 He died on 26 Jan
1891.

1535 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966.
1536 Moore (Clara Belle) -- family records, clippings family clippings, an undated newspaper clipping, obituary of
Kendall Harrison.
1537 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966.
1538 Ibid.
1539 Ibid.
1540 Death report, SSDI, internet file.
1541 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Dec. 1966.
1542 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept. 1966.
1543 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967, saying het were married at the bride's parents' home by Rev. William N.
Johnson.
1544 Tombstone, Lancaster Cemetery. The dates are on the stone.
1545 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept. 1966.
1546 Ibid.
1547 Ibid.
1548 Tombstone, Lancaster Cemetery. The dates are on the stone.
1549 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967.
1550 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967.
1551 Tombstone, Lancaster Cemetery. He is buried near his parents. The dates are on the stone.
1552 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept. 1966.
1553 Tombstone, Lancaster Cemetery. He is buried near his parents. The dates are on the stone.
1554 Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept. 1966.
ii. Emily Cleda Reid was born on 25 Jan 1892. She appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Sep 1977 with the last place of residence listed as Albion, Edwards County, Illinois. Emily Cleda's SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given as 25 Jan 1892. She died on 27 Sep 1977 in Meadowood Nursing Home, Albion, Edwards County, Illinois, at age 85.

She received her A. B. at the University of Michigan in 1930-'31. By 1967 she had retired from a 43 year teaching career, including 27 years at Proviso Township High School, Maywood, Ill. and 11 years at Johnston City, Ill. She and her sister lived in Albion, Illinois, and were among the most helpful of my correspondents while I was preparing my Ridgely book published in 1970.

"Miss Emily Cleda Reid died Tuesday evening at Meadowwood Nursing Home in Grayville, where she had been a resident since returning from Richland Memorial Hospital July 22.

"Final rites for Miss Reid will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Ingram Funeral Home. Friends may call after 5 p.m. Thursday.

"A retired English and Dramatics teacher, Miss Reid had taught in Mt. Carmel, Albion, Bone Gap, Bellmont, Johnston City and at Proviso Township High School in Maywood.

"Her teaching career covered a period of 42 years, the last 27 years at Proviso.

"Surviving are a sister, Miss Lorena G. Reid of Albion; three nephews, Donald E. Reid of Indianapolis, Ind.; William N. of Valparaiso, Ind. and George N. of Oblong; 2 great nephews, 3 great great nephews and one great great niece.

"She was a member of the First Christian Church of Albion, White Shrine, National Retired Teachers Assn., American Legion Auxillary, Homemakers Extension and a 50 year member of the Eastern Star.

"Born Jan. 25, 1892 at Lancaster, her parents were Dr. George W. and Minnie Harrison Reid.

"She was educated in the Lancaster Public School, attended Southern Collegiate Institute in Albion and graduated from Eastern Illinois University of Charleston in 1913.

"She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Illinois in 1924 and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Michigan in 1933.

"While attending Eastern Illinois University and the University of Michigan she performed in many of the dramatic productions.

"Rev. John Ray will officiate at the services with burial at Lancaster Cemetery."

iii. William Nelson Reid was born on 30 Jun 1894. He married Ina Smith. He died on 20 Nov 1952 at age 58.

He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917 in Albion, Edwards County, Illinois. He described himself as living at Albion, Illinois, age 22, born 30 June 1894 in Lancaster, Illinois, and his occupation was a self-employed chauffeur. He was medium in height, medium in build, with ___'? black eyes and had light ____'? hair. He signed as Nelson Reid. He served in a chemical warfare unit in World War I.
Ina Smith\textsuperscript{1567} was born on 11 Aug 1895.\textsuperscript{1568} She died in 1970?\textsuperscript{1569} She was buried.\textsuperscript{1573}

149. iv. (---?--) Reid\textsuperscript{1570} was born on 3 Feb 1899.\textsuperscript{1571} She died on 7 Feb 1899.\textsuperscript{1572} She was buried.\textsuperscript{1573}

150. v. Lorena Grace Reid\textsuperscript{1574} was born on 14 Jun 1900.\textsuperscript{1575} She appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Apr 1987 with the last place of residence listed as Oblong, Crawford County, Illinois. Lorena Grace's SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given as 14 June 1900.\textsuperscript{1576} She earned a B. S. degree from the University of Ill. in 1924 and an M. A. degree from Columbia University in 1940. She retired from a career of Home Economics teaching, including 7 years at Johnston City (Ill.) Township High School and Junior College at LaGrange, Ill. In 1967 she was living in Albion, Ill. with her sister Emily.\textsuperscript{1577}

55. George William\textsuperscript{2} Ridgely (Medad Reed\textsuperscript{2}, William Henry\textsuperscript{4}) was born on 28 Nov 1859 in Lawrence County, Illinois. Although the death record gives 28 Nov 1860, the 1860 census shows that he was age 6 months in June of that year and the 1900 census show his birth date as Nov. 1859.\textsuperscript{1578} He married Ellen (---?--) on 21 Jun.\textsuperscript{1579,1580} He married Susan Emma Cotton, daughter of Peter Cotton and Dorcas Riggs, on 4 Apr 1901. According to Lawrence County, Illinois, marriage records, George Wm. Ridgely married Mrs. Emma Stone, daughter of Peter Cotton, on 4 April 1901.\textsuperscript{1581} He died on 21 Jun 1928 at age 68.\textsuperscript{1582} He was buried in Lancaster, Wabash County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1583} He and Ellen (---?--) had no children.

George William Ridgely appeared on the census of 1880 in Wabash County, Illinois. He is listed at age 20, living with Lloyd Ridgely.\textsuperscript{1584}

George William Ridgely appeared on the census of 11 Jun 1900 in Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois. This record shows he was age 40, born in Nov. 1859. He was widowed. James E. Swift, a cousin, b. Sept. 1881, was living with him.\textsuperscript{1585}

George William Ridgely appeared on the census of 27 Apr 1910 in Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois. The listing shows:

Ridgley, George W., head, 50, married twice, this time for 9 yrs, b. Ill., parents b. Ill , Emma S., wife, 40, married twice, this time for 9 years, 5 children, 5 living

\begin{footnotes}
\footnotetext[1567]{Ibid.}
\footnotetext[1568]{Ibid.}
\footnotetext[1569]{William Henry Ridgely book additions, annotations by Doris R. Olds, various dates Library and papers of Doris R. Olds.}
\footnotetext[1570]{Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept. 1966.}
\footnotetext[1571]{Ibid.}
\footnotetext[1572]{Ibid.}
\footnotetext[1573]{Tombstone, Harrison (or new Lancaster) Cemetery. an infant daughter, buried near her parents. The dates are on the stone.}
\footnotetext[1574]{Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept. 1966.}
\footnotetext[1575]{Ibid.}
\footnotetext[1576]{Death report, SSDI, internet file.}
\footnotetext[1577]{Letter, Emily Reid to Olds, Sept 1967.}
\footnotetext[1578]{George William Ridgely, Death record 28581 (1928), copy in my files, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina. Hereinafter cited as George William Ridgely, death record.}
\footnotetext[1579]{Carie Richardson, "answers to family questions," e-mail message from (e-mail address withheld) (Mt. Carmel, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 6 June 2005, who got the name and date from an old family Bible, but with no year or last name. Hereinafter cited as "answers to family questions".}
\footnotetext[1580]{A George William Ridgely and Ella Bowman were married in Lawrence County, Illinois on 6 Oct 1881 according to the Illinois on-line marriage index at http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/GenealogyMWeb/MarriageSearchServlet. Although not in exact agreement with the Bible record, this may be the relevant marriage especially since the Bible record is strangely incomplete.}
\footnotetext[1581]{Letter from Mary Blakeman (344 N. Fairway Ave., Decatur, Ill.) to Dan W. Olds, 26 Feb. 1971; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina).}
\footnotetext[1582]{Ridgely, George William Ridgely, death record, He died of heart failure.}
\footnotetext[1583]{Tombstone, Harrison (or new Lancaster) Cemetery. The years (only) are on his tombstone. Mrs. Henrietta Carey sent the middle name and full birth date.}
\footnotetext[1584]{Microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com.}
\footnotetext[1585]{1900 federal census of Wabash County, Illinois. Microfilm image online. Used at www.ancestry.com.}
\end{footnotes}
George William Ridgely appeared on the census of 1920 in Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois. George was age 60, wife Emma was age 49, and their daughters Henrietta, age 16, and Ethel M., age 15, were also listed.\textsuperscript{1587}

\textbf{Ellen} (---?---) was born circa 1853.\textsuperscript{1588} She died on 31 Oct 1899.\textsuperscript{1589}

There were no children of George William\textsuperscript{1589} Ridgely and Ellen (---?---).

\textbf{Susan Emma Cotton} was born on 23 Apr 1872.\textsuperscript{1590,1591} She died on 3 Apr 1930 in Wabash County, Illinois, at age 57.\textsuperscript{1592,1593} She was buried in Orio Cemetery, Wabash County, Illinois.\textsuperscript{1594}

Susan appeared on the census of 1 Apr 1930 in Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois. She was recorded as living on Oreo and Lancaster Road and the family is listed as:

- **Ridgely, Emma** 59 widow, born Missouri, father b. Illinois, mother b. Illinois
- **Hussey, Ozro** 29 son-in-law, married at 29, b. Ind, parents b. Ind.
- **Ethel** 25 dau. married at age 17, born Ill., father b. Ill, mother b. Missouri
- **Randar** 6 son, b. Ill., f. b. Ind., m. b. Ill.
- **Mary** 3 dau, b. Ill., f. b. Ind, m. b. Ill.
- **Donald** 1 son, b. Ill., f. b. Ind., m. b. Ill.

The Hussey family has a bracket drawn around it in the record and this may be intended to draw attention to the fact that the relationships for the Hussey children are given to their parents, rather than the head of household. Emma Ridgely was dead by the time the census was recorded, 16-17 April 1930, but was properly recorded as living as of the official census date, 1 April 1930.\textsuperscript{1595}

Children of George William\textsuperscript{1596} Ridgely and Susan Emma Cotton were as follows:

151. i. **Henrietta\textsuperscript{1596} Ridgely** was born on 23 Apr 1903.\textsuperscript{1597,1598} She married Albert William Carey on 26 Oct 1925.\textsuperscript{1599} She died on 28 Sep 1991 at age 88. An SSDI entry also shows these birth and death dates.\textsuperscript{1600} She was buried in Orio Cemetery, Friendsville.
Albert William Carey was born on 21 Dec 1892. He died on 21 May 1958 at age 65. He was buried in Orio Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois. He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917 in Wabash Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois. He described himself as living Allendale, Illinois, age 23, born 22 Dec 1894 in Princeton, Indiana, and his occupation was "tent dresser" in Bridgeport, Illinois. He was medium in height, medium in build, with dark brown eyes and had dark hair.

Ethel May Ridgely was born on 10 Jan 1905 in Wabash County, Illinois. She married Ozro Joseph Hussey, son of Edward Hussey and Mary Rusheville, on 19 Jan 1921. She married Charles Franklin Abell on 15 Aug 1936. She died on 12 Aug 1988 at age 83. She appears in the Social Security Death Index with the last place of residence listed as Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois. Ethel May's SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given as 10 Jan 1905. She was buried in Orio Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois.

Ozro Joseph Hussey was born on 18 Sep 1902. He died on 19 Feb 1936 at age 33. He was buried in Orio Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Friendsville Precinct, Wabash County, Illinois.

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1601 Letter, Carie Richardson to Olds, 19 Dec. 2005, including a photograph of their tombstone.
1603 Letter, Henrietta Carey to Olds, Jan 1967.
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1607 Letter, Henrietta Carey to Olds, Jan 1967.
1609 Letter, Carie Richardson to Olds, 19 Dec. 2005, including a photograph of their tombstone.
1611 Letter, Henrietta Carey to Olds, Jan 1967.
1612 Ibid.
1613 Birth Record Wabash County Clerk, Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois, Ethel May Ridgely, b. 10 Jan. 1905. parents: George W. Ridgely and Susan Emma Cotton.
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1615 Ibid., who listed the date as 15 Aug 1936 in two different letters.
1616 Carie Richardson, "From the beginning," e-mail message from (e-mail address withheld) (Mt. Carmel, Illinois) to Dan W. Olds, 27 Jun 2005, "After Ozro died, Ethel Mae married Charles Franklin Abell on 15 Aug 1936. He was born February 28, 1903. He died on Feb. 13, 1983. He is buried in the Harrison Cemetery in Lancaster, Wabash Co., IL". Hereinafter cited as "From the beginning".
1617 Death report, SSDI, internet file.
1618 Ibid.
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CHARLES FRANKLIN ABELL\textsuperscript{1626,1627} was born on 27 Feb 1896.\textsuperscript{1628,1629} He died on 13 Feb 1983 at age 86.\textsuperscript{1630,1631} He registered with the World War I Selective Service System on 5 Jun 1917 in Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois. He described himself as living in Mt. Carmel, age 21, born 28 Feb 1896 in Dubois County, Indiana, and his occupation was farming for himself. He was medium in height, medium in build, with brown eyes and had dark brown hair.\textsuperscript{1632}

57. CHARLEY HENRY\textsuperscript{3} RIDGELY (Medad Reed\textsuperscript{2}, William Henry\textsuperscript{3}) was born on 3 Feb 1868.\textsuperscript{1633,1634} He married Matilda Edson on 17 Oct 1906.\textsuperscript{1635} He died on 7 Nov 1939 in Mound Valley, Kansas, at age 71.\textsuperscript{1636} He was buried in Mound Valley Cemetery, Labette County, Kansas. Charley H. Ridgely, 1868 - 1949 (note the discrepancy).\textsuperscript{1637}

MATILDA EDSON\textsuperscript{1638} was born on 11 Apr 1880.\textsuperscript{1639} She died on 25 Mar 1963 in Parsons, Labette County, Kansas, at age 82.\textsuperscript{1640} She was buried in Mound Valley Cemetery, Mound Valley, Kansas.\textsuperscript{1641}

Children of Charley Henry\textsuperscript{3} Ridgely and Matilda Edson were as follows:

153. i. RAY ARNAL\textsuperscript{4} RIDGELY\textsuperscript{1642} was born on 18 Mar 1908 in Mound Valley, Kansas.\textsuperscript{1643,1644} He married Edna May Gwartney on 20 Apr 1943 in Reno, Nevada.\textsuperscript{1645,1646} He appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died 22 Nov 1988 with the last place of residence listed as Parsons, Labette County, Kansas. Ray Arnal's SSN was issued in Kansas and his birth date is given as 18 Mar 1908.\textsuperscript{1647}

He and Edna May Gwartney had no children.\textsuperscript{1648} As of 1966, Ray Arnal Ridgely lived at 1429 Main Street, Parsons, Kansas.\textsuperscript{1649}

EDNA MAY GWARTNEY\textsuperscript{1650,1651} was born on 25 May 1915.\textsuperscript{1652} She appears in the

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\textsuperscript{1627}Richardson, "From the beginning," e-mail to Olds, 27 Jun 2005, in which she added the middle name.
\textsuperscript{1628}Death report, SSDI, internet file.
\textsuperscript{1629}Richardson, "Desc. of George W. Ridgely," e-mail to Olds, 27 June 2005.
\textsuperscript{1630}Death report, SSDI, internet file, in which his death date is given only as Feb. 1983, although the full birth date is given and his last place of residence was Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois.
\textsuperscript{1631}Richardson, "From the beginning," e-mail to Olds, 27 Jun 2005, from which I have added the day of death.
\textsuperscript{1632}"After Ozro died, Ethel Mae married Charles Franklin Abell on 15 Aug 1936. He was born February 28, 1903. He died on Feb. 13, 1983. He is buried in the Harrison Cemetery in Lancaster, Wabash Co., IL".
\textsuperscript{1633}Ancestry.com, registration card images, used in Nov. 2005.
\textsuperscript{1634}Letter from Henrietta Carey (Mt. Carmel, Ill.) to Dan W. Olds, n. d.; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina) , relaying information from Arnal Ridgely.
\textsuperscript{1635}Letter from Leon V. Hopper (Trinidad, W. I.) to Dan W. Olds, 5 Oct 1967; personal files (Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina) , in which she gives the birth date as 13 Feb 1868.
\textsuperscript{1636}Letter, Henrietta Carey to Olds, n. d., relaying information from Arnal Ridgely.
\textsuperscript{1637}Letter, Charley Henry Ridgely to Olds, 5 Oct 1967.
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\textsuperscript{1639}Letter, Henrietta Carey to Olds, n. d., relaying information from Arnal Ridgely.
\textsuperscript{1640}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1641}Letter, Charley Henry Ridgely to Olds, 5 Oct 1967.
\textsuperscript{1643}Letter, Henrietta Carey to Olds, n. d., relaying information from Arnal Ridgely.
\textsuperscript{1644}Ibid.
\textsuperscript{1645}Letter, Charley Henry Ridgely to Olds, 5 Oct 1967, adds the birth place.
\textsuperscript{1646}Letter, Charley Henry Ridgely to Olds, 5 Oct 1967.
\textsuperscript{1647}Carroll Andrew (ed.) Edson, Edson Family History and Genealogy (Ann Arbor, Michigan: Edwards Brothers, Inc., n. d.), which had her middle name and the date and place of marriage. Hereinafter cited as Edson Family History and Genealogy.
\textsuperscript{1648}Death report, SSDI, internet file.
\textsuperscript{1649}Letter, Charley Henry Ridgely to Olds, 5 Oct 1967.
\textsuperscript{1650}Letter, Henrietta Carey to Olds, 22 Sep 1966.
\textsuperscript{1651}Letter, Charley Henry Ridgely to Olds, 5 Oct 1967.
\textsuperscript{1652}Edson, Edson Family History and Genealogy, which had her middle name and the date and place of marriage.
Social Security Death Index as having died Apr 1986 with the last place of residence listed as Parsons, Labette County, Kansas. Edna May's SSN was issued in Kansas and her birth date is given as 25 May 1915.1653

154. ii. LEONE VALNETTE RIDGELY1654 was born on 18 Oct 1910 in Mound Valley, Kansas.1655,1656 She married Charles Orrin Hopper on 27 Apr 1952 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.1657 She appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died 30 Nov 2002 with the last place of residence listed as Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas. Leone Valnette's SSN was issued in Kansas and her birth date is given as 18 Oct 1910.1658 She had no children.1659

CHARLES ORRIN HOPPER1660 was born on 2 Aug 1914.1661 He appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Jun 1970. Charles Orrin's SSN was issued in Oklahoma and his birth date is given as 2 Aug 1914.1662

155. iii. DOROTHY EILENE RIDGELY1663 was born on 22 May 1918.1664 She died on 3 Jul 1919 at age 1.1665 She was buried in Mound Valley Cemetery, Mound Valley, Kansas.1666

58. OLIVE L.3 RIDGELY (Medad Reed2, William Henry1)1667 was born circa 1896. She married Thomas Benton Walling on 30 Jul 1913 in Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Illinois.1668 She appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died Sep 1983 with the last place of residence listed as Joliet, Will County, Illinois. Olive L.'s SSN was issued in Illinois and her birth date is given as 3 Nov 1895.1669


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The Social Security Death Index shows an Olive Walling, b. 3 Nov. 1895, d. Sept. 1983, whose last residence was in Joliet, Will Co., Ill. Perhaps the most likely Thomas Walling from this index was the one born 30 July 1889, d. Aug. 1962, last residence in Illinois.1670

Olive L. (---?--) and Thomas Benton Walling appeared on the census of 1930 in Wheatland Township, Will County, Illinois. The listing shows:
Walling, Thomas, age 39, m. at age 24
  , Olive, 34, wife, m. at age 18
  , Eugene W., age 15, son
  , Harold K., age 11, son

1655. Ibid.
1660. Ibid.
1661. Edson, Edson Family History and Genealogy.
1664. Ibid.
1665. Ibid.
1666. Mound Valley Cemetery, online
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1667. Her middle initial is from the 1920 census listing.
1668. Wabash County Marriages: Book 2, p. 129 " On 30 July 1913, Olive Ridgely, age 19, of Gibson Co., Ind., dau. of Manuel [sic] Ridgley and Mary Knowles, m. Thomas Benton Walling at Mt. Carmel".
1670. microfilm image online, unknown repository address, www.ancestry.com, SD 3, ED 190, Sh8, Line 71.
Children of Olive L. Ridgely and Thomas Benton Walling were as follows:

156. i. William E. Walling was born circa 1915. He appears in the Social Security Death Index as having died on 24 Jun 1992 with the last place of residence listed as Joliet, Will County, Illinois. William E.'s SSN was issued in Illinois and his birthdate is given as 10 May 1914.


157. ii. Harold K. Walling living/possibly living; details suppressed.

158. iii. Robert W. Walling living/possibly living; details suppressed.
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Carey, Henrietta, letter. Jan 1967, from Mt. Carmel, Ill., to Olds, Dan W.. personal files; Dan W. Olds, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, South Carolina.

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