

THE AMOS FAMILY
ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS OF
PERRY AMOS (1857 – 1933)
AND
MOLLIE LEOTA DICKERSON AMOS (1862 – 1947)
OF SHELBY COUNTY, INDIANA

COMPILED
BY
MAURINE COLLINS SCHMITZ
AND
GLENDOLA AMOS PECK

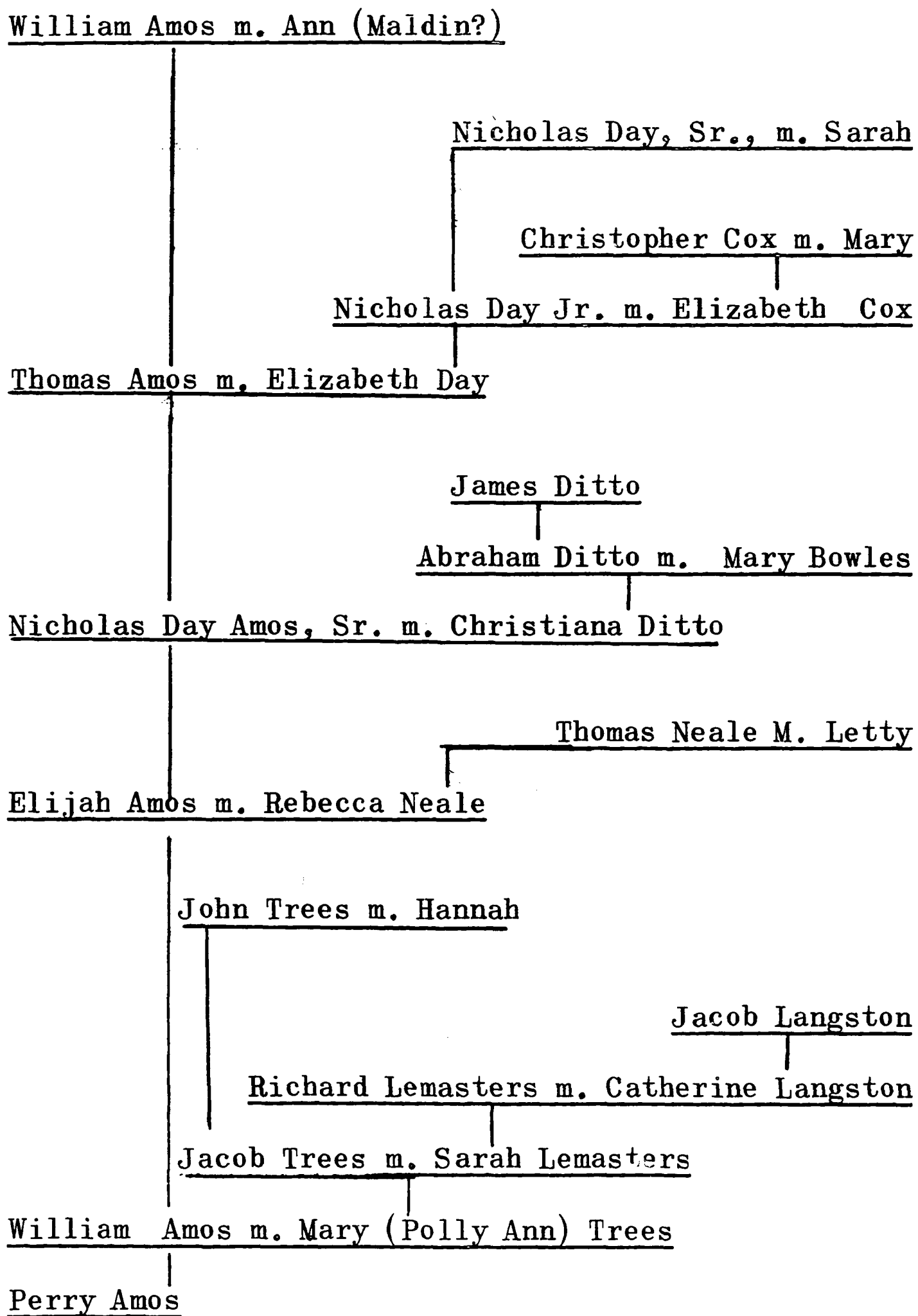
DUBUQUE, IOWA

1964

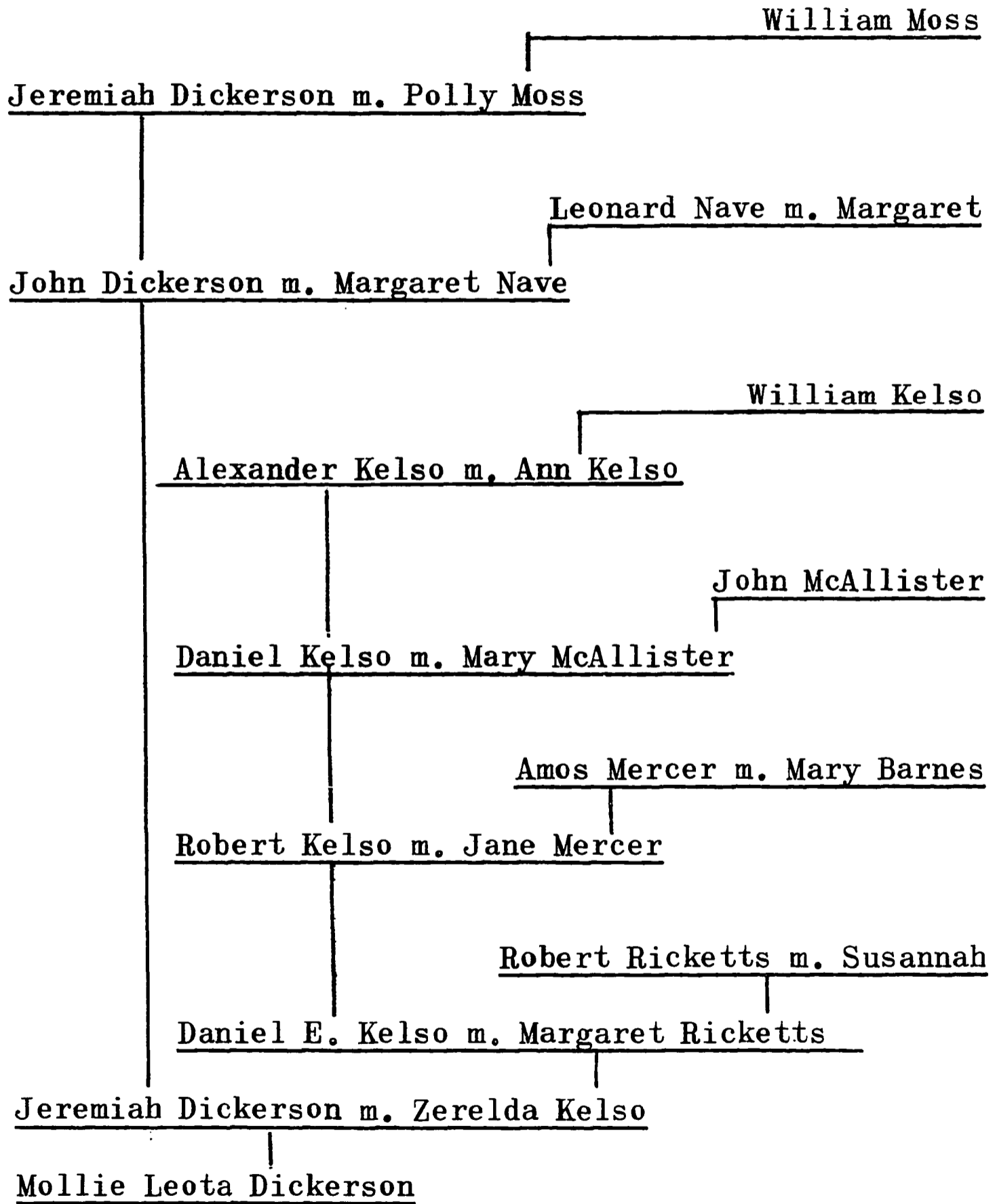
CONTENTS

AMOS FAMILY (Chart)	
DICKERSON FAMILY (Chart)	
Foreword	
AMOS (Maryland, Kentucky, Indiana)	1
DAY (Maryland)	20
COX (Maryland)	21
NEALE (Kentucky)	21
TREES (Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana)	22
LEMASTERS (Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana)	28
LANGSTON (Virginia, Kentucky)	30
DICKERSON (Kentucky, Indiana)	32
MOSS (Virginia, Kentucky)	34
NAVE, NAEFF (Pennsylvania, Kentucky)	36
KELSO (New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Indiana)	39
McALLISTER (Massachusetts, New Hampshire)	42
MERCER (Pennsylvania)	45
RICKETTS (Maryland, Pennsylvania, Indiana)	47

AMOS FAMILY



DICKERSON FAMILY



FOREWORD

The material presented in this book is only a small part of the information on the various family lines which was gathered over a period of twenty years. Since it is compiled primarily for my cousins in the family of Perry Amos, the names of direct ancestors are brought out in the text by the use of capitalization.

Should the bulk of the family history, containing many connecting lines, never be published, it is my intention to place the manuscript in the Indiana State Library where it will be available to future generations. Meanwhile inquiries and corrections are welcome.

Mrs. Frank A. Schmitz
2770 Cascade Drive
Dubuque, Iowa

March 7, 1963

AMOS FAMILY

The first of our Amos family of whom we have any authentic information is that of William Amos and his wife, Ann. William was born about 1690, place unknown. He lived in that portion of Maryland which later was taken from Baltimore County and was incorporated into Harford County in 1773. He was a member of the Church of England and our earliest records of the family are those found in the parish church records of that neighborhood about 1735. All records of court were destroyed by fire during the British invasion.

There were other Amos families in Connecticut, Delaware, and Virginia during this period but no connection with our Maryland family has been proved. The supposition is that William was born in England but just when he came to America is not known, nor is it known if his children were in part or all born in England.

The will of William Amos, written in September 1757, and probated in March 1759, shows that his family consisted of wife Ann and six sons: Thomas (our ancestor), William, James, Benjamin, Joshua, and Mordecai. William, in this will, assigned his plantations, adding up to about 1300 acres, to his wife and these six named sons. No mention is made of any daughters or other heirs. It is noted that he also willed to each son a slave. It would seem that William either came to this country bringing some wealth or he was very thrifty to rear a family of six children and accumulate plantations of some more than 1300 acres and slaves. Of the four witnesses of William's will, two of them were "people called Quakers and did make their solemn affirmation."

Of all the six sons, William II was probably the most widely known as he lived to 97 years of age and his 16 children were yet living in 1806 when a meeting was called to honor him at the Friends Meeting House in Baltimore, Maryland. So far as is known, he was the only one of the six sons who embraced the Quaker faith. It is said he refused to take up arms against his fellowman, freed his slaves, and was a founder of the Fallston Friends Meeting.

Some other family histories claim that the wife of

William Amos I was Ann McComas and that William Amos II married first a Maldin and second, Hannah McComas. However, our own research and deductions are that the Maldin could not have been wife of William Amos II. It is more likely that the wife of William Amos I was Ann Maldin, though no documentary proof has yet been found.

WILLIAM AMOS was born about 1690 and his will was probated March 10, 1759 in Baltimore County (now Harford County) Maryland. He married ANN (MALDIN?) about 1713. They were buried on the homestead at Fallston, Maryland.

Children of WILLIAM AMOS and ANN (MALDIN?) AMOS:

THOMAS AMOS, born November 23, 1713 (of him later)

Elizabeth, born October 18, 1715.

William II, born March 1, 1717, died February 26, 1814;

married (1) Hannah McComas, born April 6, 1723;

married (2) Martha Bull, daughter of Luke Wiley, on July 4, 1765.

James, born February 18, 1721, died April 1, 1797;

married January 29, 1739 Hannah Clarke, born June 8, 1721.

Benjamin, born February 2, 1724, will proved May 29, 1775; married Sarah

Joshua, born October 25, 1725, died 1780; married Catherine Hanway.

Mordecai, born February 7, 1727.

THOMAS AMOS, eldest son of William and Ann Amos, was born November 23, 1713. He inherited from his father's estate 160 acres of Branter's Ridge plantation, plus his share of his mother's estate and, as far as is known, remained in Harford County, Maryland, until his death. He married on December 25, 1735, ELIZABETH DAY, daughter of NICHOLAS DAY, JR. and ELIZABETH (COX) DAY. She was born March 17, 1719 and inherited much from both parents.

Children of THOMAS AMOS and ELIZABETH (DAY) AMOS:

NICHOLAS DAY AMOS, born September 19, 1742 (of him later)

Elizabeth, born November 14, 1745; married March 6, 1764 Charles Baker.

NICHOLAS DAY AMOS, the only son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Day) Amos, was born in Baltimore County, Maryland, September 19, 1742. He, with sixteen others of the Amoses in that county, took the oath of allegiance to the American colonies in March, 1778. He was appointed ensign in the Militia by the House of Delegates on April 9, 1778, and served in the Jarrettsburg Company, much of the duties of the Militia being to guard the shore line of Chesapeake Bay. He was married in Baltimore County, October 28, 1761 to CHRISTIANA DITTO, daughter of ABRAHAM DITTO (1718-1794) and his wife, NANCY (BOWLES) DITTO. Abraham Ditto was the son of JAMES DITTO.

The Ditto name, being what it is, causes much confusion in publishing old original records and, for that reason, we have little on the family except that they were in Maryland quite early and members of the family served during the Revolution. Some of the Ditto family came to Kentucky about the same time as the Amos family and were presumably brothers of Christiana. Their descendants of the name are yet living there.

Some time prior to 1790, Nicholas Day Amos, with his family, moved to Washington County, Maryland, where the census of that year gives his family as numbering twelve and with two slaves. The marriage dates of Nicholas' children are not all available but some of his older children were married by 1790 and therefore not accounted for under his name in the census. One of the older sons, Mordécai, was listed with one child in that county. It is believed that all the children of Nicholas moved to Kentucky. Thomas Amos, thought to be the oldest son, had preceded the family to Kentucky. He lived in what was then Jefferson County and married there in 1788 Catherine Devore. But when his father came to Kentucky, Thomas also removed to Bourbon County, near Paris, Kentucky, and northeast of Lexington. He had served in the military service under General George Rogers Clark and Colonel Benjamin Logan, and a certificate for the same was issued him by the first Governor of Kentucky, Isaac Shelley.

When Nicholas Day Amos came with his family to Kentucky, he purchased on January 20, 1794, one hundred acres of land, costing 139 pounds, 15 shillings. This land was on Hinkston Creek between the early pioneer village of

Ruddle's Mills and Millersburg, Kentucky. His children all later settled in and around Ruddle's Mills, a very important location in that day. The tax list of 1796 shows that Nicholas owned 100 acres of first-rate land, two slaves and twelve horses. He was about 53 years when he settled in Bourbon County, Kentucky. He had reared a large family and lived only four or five years after reaching Kentucky. His death occurred February 19, 1799 at the age of 56, leaving the widow, Christiana, and thirteen children and many descendents. The sale of his personal property took place September 15, 1815 and final settlement of his estate was made May 18, 1818, to twelve children. As far as is known, these were all of the children excepting the son, Mordécai, who had been living in Jessamine and Barren Counties.

Where Nicholas and Christiana Amos were buried is not known but a visit to the Ruddle's Mills Pioneer Cemetery gives a clue. On the Nicholas Amos, Jr. lot are two apparently very old grave stones. They are exactly alike, larger and shaped differently than any others on the lot, and with foot stones similarly shaped. But not one word, letter, or figure can be deciphered. It is most likely that these two graves are those of Nicholas Day Amos, the Revolutionary Soldier, and his wife, Christiana. She probably died about 1818, that being the year his estate was settled.

Children of NICHOLAS DAY AMOS and CHRISTIANA (DITTO) AMOS:

Elizabeth, born 1762, died 1812 in Bourbon Co.; married in Maryland, Aquilla Parker (1755-1834)

Mary, married in Maryland April 18, 1783 Joshua Barton.

Mordécai

Thomas, died September 1830 in Bourbon Co; married August 30, 1788 in Jefferson Co., Ky. to Catharine Devore. She was born 1763 in Virginia, died September 8, 1853 in Howard Co., Ind.

Nancy, married John Conway.

Nicholas, Jr., born August 15, 1771, died September 20, 1847 in Bourbon Co., married Ann Jones (June 28, 1779 - September 12, 1843) daughter of Joseph and Ann Jones.

Christiana, died prior to 1819; married M. Mallott.

Benjamin, married Elizabeth Griffin August 21, 1797

in Bourbon Co. (First Amos marriage recorded in the county.)

Abraham, probably left Bourbon Co. early and was a preacher in Clermont Co., Ohio in 1804

ELIJAH, born 1782 (of him later)

Sarah, born 1776, died 1844 in Rush Co., Ind.; married April 3, 1801 Daniel Thomas in Bourbon Co.

Ditto, married Martha (Patsy) Neale, daughter of Thomas and Letty Neale. Moved to Rush Co., Ind., then to Shelby Co., and died in Clinton Co., Ind.

William, married Margaret Barnett April 22, 1802 in Bourbon Co., with consent of Moses and Catharine Barnett. William probably died before 1810.

Of these children only three -- Elijah, Sarah and Ditto -- moved to Indiana. But some children and grandchildren of the others came.

ELIJAH AMOS, son of Nicholas Day Amos and Christiana (Ditto) Amos, was born 1782 in Harford Co., Maryland. He moved with the family to Washington County, Maryland sometime prior to 1790 and about 1795 the Amos family moved to Kentucky and settled in Bourbon County on the Hinkston Creek near Ruddle's Mills. Here on September 18, 1800, he was married to REBECCA NEALE by Martin Hitt. She was the daughter of THOMAS and LETTY NEALE. Elijah and Rebecca remained in Bourbon County until 1827 when they, with their children, moved to Rush County, Indiana. Some of these children were already married, but all came with the possible exception of Thomas and Susannah Amos, who had land in their name in Rush County May 28, 1830 to October 25, 1833. It is not known if they actually lived in Rush County.

When Elijah Amos came to Indiana he brought also their faithful negro servant, who had been nurse to the Amos children when they were young. She was by then quite old and at her death was buried on the family farm in Rush County.

Elijah purchased first 60 acres from John Pugh on May 23, 1835 and sold about one year later. This land was $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east and 1 mile south of the village of Richland. He then purchased, on April 18, 1836, 80 acres east of Richland on the north side of the road and opposite the cemetery on the south side. Here Elijah and Rebecca

lived until her death which occurred prior to June 23, 1840, on which date Elijah was married to Cassander Cul-lison, who was born in 1793. On February 28, 1842 Eli-jah sold the last acquired 80 acres of land and though they were then living in Fayette County, there is no indication that they ever owned property in that county. By 1847 he purchased $97\frac{1}{2}$ acres northeast of the village of Middletown, which was sold in 1852, and then bought 29 acres $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south of Prescott. He then secured lots in Middletown and presumably that is where Elijah was living until he died sometime after November 1856. On May 28, 1863 the widow, Cassander Amos, was married to Samuel Searight, who was born in Ireland in 1800. They continued to live in Middletown until her death.

Children of ELIJAH AMOS and REBECCA (NEALE) AMOS:

Thomas, born about 1801 and died 1886 in Bourbon Co. Ky.; married Susannah Crump, December 27, 1821. No issue.

Ditto, born August 14, 1803, died in February 1879 at Laurel, Indiana; married Rebecca Crump, November 17, 1824 in Bourbon Co. She was born Aug. 31, 1807. They moved to Rush Co., Ind. about 1827. Moved to Laurel. They had 14 children, some dying in infancy.

Martha (Patsy), born December 7, 1805; married in Rush County November 5, 1827 (license) to the Rev. Thomas Jones (1806-December 23, 1868), son of John and Mary (Trees) Jones, natives of Pennsylvania and later of Clermont Co., Ohio. Martha died June 26, 1894. They are buried at Blue Ridge, Shelby Co., Ind.

Cassana, born September 15, 1808, died Nov. 28, 1889; married December 16, 1830 in Rush Co., to Charles Thompson (1810-1892). They lie in Winchester Church Cemetery.

Harrison, born January 9, 1813, died at Fountaintown, Indiana, April 27, 1893; married (1) Hannah Jones, daughter of John and Mary (Trees) Jones, December 10, 1837 in Rush Co.; married (2) Elizabeth Jane Seely (January 11, 1826-June 25, 1884) in Hancock Co.

WILLIAM, born June 30, 1816, died July 7, 1893 (of him later)

Elizabeth, born about October 1, 1817, died June 17,

1887; married February 21, 1839 Elijah Boling (1815- November 13, 1867) in Rush Co. Family buried in Hopewell Cemetery, southeast of Richland.

Children of ELIJAH AMOS and Cassander (Cullison) Amos:

Caroline A., born 1842, married Rice W. Robertson in Shelby Co., July 28, 1861.

Hester J., born 1845?, died January 10, 1877; married Alfred M. Poundstone in Shelby Co., September 1, 1867.

Mary A., born 1849; married William D. Robertson in Shelby Co., October 3, 1867. He was born in 1842, son of Joseph A. and Mary Robertson, and a cousin to Rice.

WILLIAM AMOS, son of Elijah and Rebecca (Neale) Amos, was born in Bourbon Co, Kentucky, June 30, 1816 and, as a young lad, came with his father and family to Rush Co., Indiana about 1827. Shortly before his marriage on February 7, 1836, he moved to Shelby County where he married MARY (POLLY ANN) TREES, daughter of JACOB and SARAH (LEMASTERS) TREES. She was born in Clermont County, Ohio, September 20, 1816 and died January 31, 1869 (according to the tombstone). William then on February 17, 1870 married Mary (Cherry) Woods, daughter of William and Cynthia (Jackson) Cherry. She was born in Ohio September 30, 1835 and died in Shelby County March 25, 1920. William died July 7, 1893. With members of his family he is buried at Winchester M.E. Church, six miles south of Shelbyville. He built the Amos Pike southeast of the city.

Children of WILLIAM AMOS and MARY (TREES) AMOS:

Rebecca Jane, 1837-1907; married (1) John Eason, December 12, 1872; married (2) James Young (1830-1901). No issue.

Mahala, 1838-1905; married September 20, 1860 Alexander Lennox (1837-1916)

Sarah, June 23, 1840-January 4, 1910; married June 19, 1862 William Lee (December 5, 1832-January 24, 1898)

Elizabeth, born November 9, 1842; married October 24, 1861 Willis Jackson. They lived in Casey and Marshall, Illinois.

Thomas, November 10, 1844-May 1922; married March 10, 1867 Elvira E. Barnes (August 17, 1847-May 13, 1913)

John, December 1846-September 1, 1862; never married.

William, July 20, 1851-February 18, 1878; married November 2, 1871 Almira Springer.

Cassander (Kate), November 18, 1853-September 15, 1878; married September 24, 1874 Andrew Bowlby.

Milton, February 4, 1856-January 7, 1872; never married.

PERRY, November 3, 1857-June 18, 1933; married MOLLIE LEOTA DICKERSON April 9, 1882 (of them later) Martha, died in infancy.

Children of WILLIAM AMOS and Mary (Cherry Woods) Amos:

Anna M., born December 7, 1870; married September 23, 1888 (1) William N. Main (d. August 26, 1933); married (2) Ed Thurston.

Elisha, born November 16, 1872; married November 23, 1898 Rosa Hirschauer (b. January 17, 1876)

PERRY AMOS, son of William and Mary (Trees) Amos, was born November 3, 1857 in Shelby County. On April 9, 1882 he was married to MOLLIE LEOTA DICKERSON in the Lewis Creek Baptist Church by the Rev. John Reece in the presence of Stephan D. Barnes and Maggie Foster. Mollie was born December 19, 1862 in Ripley County, Indiana, the daughter of JEREMIAH and ZERELDA (KELSO) DICKERSON. Four children were born to Perry and Mollie on the farm three miles southeast of Shelbyville on the Amos Pike. In 1918 they moved to 267 W. Broadway, Shelbyville. He died there June 18, 1933 ten days after a heart attack. She died in a nursing home at 41 South Ritter, Indianapolis, January 15, 1947 following several months of ill health. They are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Shelbyville.

Children of PERRY AMOS and MOLLIE (DICKERSON) AMOS:

Claude LeeRoy
Elmer Kelso
Glendola
Vallie Lorene

CLAUDE LEEROY AMOS, SR., son of Perry and Mollie (Dicker-

son) Amos, was born January 11, 1883. After four years service in the U.S. Navy, he married LULU TENNANT McCABE February 19, 1908. She was the daughter of William and Lydia Gobel (Tennant) McCabe. Claude and Lulu lived on the McCabe farm two miles east of Shelbyville on the present U.S. highway 421, where their four children were born. She died in Shelbyville January 28, 1940. Claude married, secondly, GRACE FLORANCE RICHEY of Shelbyville March 26, 1927 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. She was born October 18, 1898 in Shelby County, daughter of Samuel Walter and Liza Ellen (Rogers) Richey. Claude and Grace lived in Huntington and Fort Wayne, and about 1947 moved to a farm in Shelby County between Waldron and Middletown. He died November 6, 1959 in Robert Long Hospital, Indianapolis after a heart attack. She died September 9, 1963 in a nursing home in Franklin, Indiana. They are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Shelbyville.

Children of CLAUDE AMOS and LULU (McCABE) AMOS:

Whilden Pierre	Kervan Richard
Lavilla Marjorie	Berneda Leota

Children of CLAUDE AMOS and GRACE (RICHEY) AMOS:

Claude Leeroy, Jr.	James Richey
Samuel Perry	Molliellen

WHILDEN PIERRE AMOS, son of Claude and Lulu (McCabe) Amos, was born March 23, 1909. He graduated from Indiana Central College in 1930 and taught music in the schools of Rising Sun, Indiana, Oakland, Illinois, and in Shelby County, Indiana. He married ELIZABETH ANN (Betty) WATT in Indianapolis, December 25, 1934. They live in a new home on the old McCabe farm, across the road from his sister, Lavilla Stiles, on U.S. highway 421.

Children of WHILDEN AMOS and BETTY(WATT) AMOS:

William Joseph
Robert Perry

WILLIAM JOSEPH AMOS, son of Whilden and Betty (Watt) Amos, was born January 16, 1936 in Shelbyville. He married JANICE VAUGHT March 8, 1958 in North Vernon, Indiana. They live in a new home near that of his father

on U.S. 421.

Children of WILLIAM AMOS and JANICE (VAUGHT) AMOS:

Rebecca ann, born March 25, 1960 in Indianapolis
Deborah Lee, born February 27, 1962 in Shelbyville.

ROBERT PERRY AMOS, son of Whilden and Betty (Watt) Amos, was born July 17, 1939 in Oakland, Illinois. He graduated from Rose Polytechnical Institute, Terre Haute, in 1961. While stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, Lt. Amos married ELLEN ELIZABETH WILSON June 15, 1963. They live in Alexandria, Virginia.

LAVILLA MARJORIE AMOS, daughter of Claude and Lulu (McCabe) Amos, was born March 20, 1910 and married RAYMOND C. STILES September 5, 1931 in Shelbyville. They live on the former McCabe farm, just east of city limits on U.S. 421.

Children of RAYMOND STILES and LAVILLA (AMOS) STILES:

Jon Edward Stiles
Janet Sue Stiles

JON EDWARD STILES, son of Raymond and Lavilla (Amos) Stiles, was born May 13, 1939 in Shelbyville. He graduated from Rose Polytechnical Institute, Terre Haute, in 1961 and took a position at the Bell Laboratories in New Jersey.

JANET SUE STILES, daughter of Raymond and Lavilla (Amos) Stiles, was born August 31, 1943 in Shelbyville and is attending Indiana Central College.

KERVAN RICHARD AMOS, son of Claude and Lulu (McCabe) Amos, was born July 9, 1912. On May 20, 1934 he married Opal Kuntz. They had no children. While in military service, he married IMODENE LAY in Monticello, Arkansas on June 24, 1944. After the war they moved to 116 West Michigan, Greenfield, Indiana. He owns a children's and ladies' apparel shop.

Children of KERVAN AMOS and IMODENE (LAY) AMOS:

Sharon Sue, born April 23, 1945 in Monticello, Ark.
Thomas Stephan, born January 29, 1947 in Shelbyville,
Indiana.
Susan Annette, born August 26, 1948 in Shelbyville.

BERNEDA LEOTA AMOS, daughter of Claude and Lulu (McCabe) Amos, was born March 14, 1919. An Army nurse, she married Lt. WILLIAM LAWRENCE DWYER in Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 4, 1943. After the war they went to Albuquerque, N.M. where he graduated from the University of New Mexico. After being a school teacher and principal at Fence Lake, N.M. and Cuba, N.M. he returned to the university to take his master's degree in 1963, while Berneda continued her nursing profession. The family is now (1964) in Jemez Springs, N.M. where he is school principal.

Children of WILLIAM DWYER and BERNEDA (AMOS) DWYER:

Michael Allen Dwyer

Patrick McCabe Dwyer, born Jan. 13, 1947 in Shelbyville

Timothy Tennant Dwyer, born Oct. 31, 1953 in
Albuquerque.

William Lawrence (Larry) Dwyer, Jr. born February 27,
1956 in Albuquerque.

Shawn Amos Dwyer, born November 26, 1957 in Albuquerque.

MICHAEL ALLEN DWYER, son of William and Berneda (Amos) Dwyer, was born June 20, 1944 in Shelbyville, Indiana. He was married in Florida, October 15, 1963 to Mrs. Glendall Thomas Hess, daughter of Glen Gerald Thomas (deceased) and Truedell Thomas Feaster. Glendall had a daughter by her first marriage named Glenda Lynn.

CLAUDE LEEROY AMOS, JR., son of Claude and Grace (Richey) Amos, was born March 8, 1928 in Fort Wayne, Indiana. After serving his military service in the navy, he graduated from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio in 1955. He had married CAROL JEAN THURWACHTER in Waukesha, Wisconsin August 22, 1953. She was born January 18, 1931 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, daughter of Raleigh Holmes and Carolyn Ninette (Taylor) Thurwachter. She was a graduate of Western College in 1952 and taught school. They moved to Overland Park, Kansas.

Children of CLAUDE AMOS and JEAN (THURWACHTER) AMOS:

(Claude) Raleigh, born October 19, 1954 in Hamilton, Ohio.

James Richey, born January 5, 1956 in Kansas City, Mo.

Julia Jean, born November 11, 1959 in Kansas City, Mo.

SAMUEL PERRY AMOS, son of Claude and Grace (Richey) Amos, was born April 14, 1929 in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He married BONNIE JOYCE HEDRICK in Carrollton, Kentucky December 27, 1949. She was born December 30, 1929, in Banquo, Indiana, daughter of (Charles) Alvan and Pauline Florence (Stephens) Hedrick. Samuel and Bonnie live at 419 Wellington Road, Shelbyville, Indiana.

Children of SAMUEL AMOS and BONNIE (HEDRICK) AMOS:

Vicki Jo, born December 28, 1951 in Shelbyville.
Donald Duane, born December 18, 1952 in Shelbyville.
Anthony Dale, born April 8, 1954 in Shelbyville.

JAMES RICHEY AMOS, son of Claude and Grace (Richey) Amos, was born September 28, 1930 in Fort Wayne and died there June 16, 1933. He is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Shelbyville.

MOLLIELLEN AMOS, daughter of Claude and Grace (Richey) Amos, was born August 2, 1940 in Huntington, Indiana.

ELMER KELSO AMOS, son of Perry and Mollie Amos, was born February 3, 1885. He married BERTHA AGNES MITCHELL of Waldron, at Indianapolis January 4, 1908. She was born May 20, 1885 in Shelby County, daughter of William and Margaret (Allen) Mitchell. Elmer and Bertha lived in a house on his father's farm where their two children were born. The family moved to Macon, Mississippi in 1913 but returned to the farm in 1917 when his parents moved into Shelbyville.

Children of ELMER KELSO AMOS and BERTHA (MITCHELL) AMOS:

Kenneth Mitchell
Dorothy Louise

KENNETH MITCHELL AMOS, son of Elmer and Bertha (Mitchell) Amos, was born August 14, 1909 in Shelby County. He attended Purdue University 1927-1929 and graduated from General Motors Institute of Technology in 1931. He married Fern Midkiff of Waldron December 25, 1932. They had no children. He married, secondly, ELIZABETH GATHMAN, daughter of Monte Gathman, May 12, 1941. He is employed as an engineer at General Motors Corporation in Detroit.

Children of KENNETH AMOS and BETTY (GATHMAN) AMOS:

Robert Kenneth, born May 14, 1942 in Detroit.
Mary Alice
William Elmer, born March 24, 1946 in Detroit.
John Monte, born December 18, 1948 in Detroit.

MARY ALICE AMOS, daughter of Kenneth and Betty (Gathman) Amos, was born December 17, 1943 in Detroit. She married EARL POOLE in Detroit in 1962.

Children of EARL and MARY ALICE (AMOS) POOLE:

Eugene Kenneth Poole, born March 21, 1963

DOROTHY LOUISE AMOS, daughter of Elmer and Bertha (Mitchell) Amos, was born February 26, 1911 in Shelby County. She attended Indiana University and graduated from Indiana Central Business College in Indianapolis. She went to Hollywood, Florida and worked at the Hollywood Beach Hotel. On April 4, 1943 she was married to Chief Pharmist's Mate ARTHUR J. JENKINS. She returned to her parent's home in Shelby County, Indiana, and her son was born while his father was on sea duty. With her son, she returned to Hollywood where she works in the City Hall. She resides at 3042 Arthur.

Only child of ARTHUR JENKINS and DOROTHY (AMOS) JENKINS:

Philip Amos Jenkins, born August 12, 1944 in Indianapolis.

GLENDOLA AMOS, daughter of Perry and Mollie (Dickerson) Amos, was born October 28, 1890. She married WARREN FRANCIS COLLINS of near Gwynneville, July 23, 1911 in Shelbyville. They lived in Lizton, Indiana until 1915. He graduated from Indiana University in Bloomington in 1916 and they went to Hagerstown, Indiana where he was the public school principal until 1920. In 1920, she and her daughter returned to Shelbyville to live with her parents at 267 W. Broadway. She married, secondly, Alfred Dewey Peck of Shelbyville, October 9, 1933 in Richmond, Indiana. They lived in Indianapolis, where he was an employee of the International Harvester Company. She died at Community Hospital, Indianapolis, March 7, 1957 four months after a heart attack and is buried in Forest Hill cemetery, Shelbyville, on the Perry Amos lot. Glen Peck was long and actively engaged in genealogical research, and this history is mainly due to her years of research.

Only child of W. F. COLLINS and GLENDOLA (AMOS) COLLINS:

Glendola Maurine Collins

(GLENDOLA) MAURINE COLLINS, daughter of Warren Francis and Glendola (Amos) Collins, was born April 16, 1912 in Lizton, Indiana. She lived in the home of her grandfather, Perry Amos, in Shelbyville from 1920 until 1929. She graduated from Butler in 1934; took a B.S. and A.M. degree in library science at the University of Illinois in 1935 and 1939 and stayed on the University Library staff until 1958. She moved to Dubuque, Iowa, to marry FRANK AUGUST SCHMITZ of Ossian, Iowa on September 12, 1958. He is a linotypist with the Telegraph-Herald and they live at 2770 Cascade Drive, Dubuque. They had no children.

VALLIE LORENE AMOS, daughter of Perry and Mollie (Dickerson) Amos, was born June 8, 1897. She attended Bradley Tech, Peoria, Illinois, for one year. While working in Indianapolis, she died of influenza and pneumonia in Robert Long Hospital February 9, 1923. She was unmarried and is buried with her parents in Forest Hill cemetery, Shelbyville.

DAY FAMILY

The Day family was one of the oldest and most highly respected families of Maryland. They are of English origin and came to America in 1654.

NICHOLAS DAY, SR. came from Anne Arundel County, Maryland to Baltimore County about 1693. He bought 440 acres on Bush River and in 1696 bought 150 acres in the fork of Gunpowder River. His will dated 1704/05 names his wife, SARAH (who later died in 1737) and their children:

Elizabeth

NICHOLAS DAY, JR., born about 1688 (of him later)
Sarah, married Obediah Picchet.

Edward, married May 22, 1722 Avarilla Taylor, daughter
of John, son of Arthur Taylor. She married (2)
Patrick Lynch, April 20, 1747.

Dianna, married Joshua Merrikan.

NICHOLAS DAY, JR. was born about 1688. He lived in Joppa on the plantation "William, the Conqueror" on the Gunpowder River. The history of Harford County says "One of the first to settle (or take up lots) in Joppa, new county seat of Baltimore County was Nicholas Day, Jr. The town was laid out April 20, 1725." His will was written March 31, 1738 and proved May 25, 1739. He was married to ELIZABETH COX July 14, 1709 in Baltimore County. Listed in his will, and their births registered at St. John and St. James parishes are their children:

Nicholas, born February 25, 1710, died June 18, 1733.

Mary, born October 23, 1713.

John, born September 6, 1716.

ELIZABETH, born March 17, 1719, married THOMAS AMOS.

Sarah, born January 29, 1720, married (1) Vincent

Dorsey October 26, 1742; married (2) Jacob Waters.

Thomas, born July 5, 1723.

Laban, born April 2, 1726.

Hannah, born December 19, 1728, married John Dorsey
in April 30, 1750.

Samuel, born March 11, 1730.

Nicholas, born April 23, 1734, died August 1735.

Betteyer, born November 21, 1736.(Not in the will)

COX FAMILY

The Cox family was a prominent early colonial one.

CHRISTOPHER COX died November 15, 1713. His will probated in Baltimore County, Maryland, was written November 10, 1710 and proved March 3, 1714. It named his wife and children.

Children of CHRISTOPHER and MARY COX:

Joseph, died November 20, 1713, without issue.
ELIZABETH, married NICHOLAS DAY, JR.

NEALE FAMILY

When THOMAS and LETTY NEALE settled in Bourbon County, Kentucky, about 1787, Thomas purchased 1000 acres of land. His will was written February 2, 1820 and was probated at the March term of court 1823.

Children:

Anna, married Edward Orton, who died in Hopkins Co., Kentucky in 1817.

REBECCA, married September 18, 1800 ELIJAH AMOS
Martha (Patsy), married Ditto Amos December 30, 1829
Fanny, married August 20, 1812 Thomas Ellis.

Joseph

James, married July 10, 1817 Elizabeth Hornback.

Sally, married December 14, 1819 Henry Ashcraft.

Thomas, Jr., married May 15, 1823 Juliann Bevans.

Lettie, married December 29, 1818 James Ellis.

Rosemary, married September 2, 1830 James Barnett.

Nancy, married June 29, 1824 William Ellis.

TREES FAMILY

Probably the first of our Trees family to come to America were those listed in Strassburger's Pennsylvania German Pioneers and also in the Minutes of the Provincial Council printed in the Colonial Records, volume III: List of men (over 14 years) passengers imported in the ship "Pink Mary" from Rotterdam, last from Plymouth (Eng.) with James Benn, Captain on Sept. 29, 1733 arrived in Philadelphia.

Andreas Dries (X)

Cornelius Dries (X)

Peter Dries (X)

Johan Adam Dries (X)

Among the women listed is

Anna Maria Dries

and with the children are

Maria Barbara Dries 13

Barbara Elizabeth Dries 24

Anna Maria Dries 11

At the courthouse in Philadelphia on the same day, September 29, 1733, thirty-four Palatines, who, with their families, making in all one hundred and seventy persons, who were imported on the "Pink Mary", qualified and took oath to the Provincial Government. Among them were these afore mentioned Dries men signing with their (X).

In considering the spelling of the name it must be remembered that their name was written as it sounded when spoken by a German, the first letter indiscernible between a D and a T. From that time until the present, some branches of the family use varied spellings--Dries, Dreese, Drease, Tries, Treace, Treece, Treese, Trees, etc. The various spellings are found on tax lists, census returns, land warrants, surveys, muster rolls, deeds and wills.

The only other early records found of arrivals in America of this name are those of Jacob Triess, immigrant on the "Glasgow", Walter Sterling, master, from Rotterdam arriving in Philadelphia September 9, 1738, and Johan Jacob Tries who came on the ship "Neptune," with Capt. John Mason in command, from Rotterdam and last from Coews (Eng.) to Philadelphia on October 4, 1752.

Now we do not claim descent definitely from these men, but it is quite probable, as we find the Peter Dries who immigrated on the Pink Mary, settling in Philadelphia County where on March 29, 1738 a land warrant was issued and survey was made for 200 acres. He established himself as a dealer in pelts, skins, hides and furs and probably included a tannery, accumulating quite a sizable estate. His death occurred between 1774 and 1780, when this estate and business was continued by Peter and Daniel Dreis--presumably his sons.

Cornelius Dries (or "Treese" as he is recorded later) the same year as his arrival, 1733, also was issued a land warrant for 450 acres in Philadelphia County.

There is an Andrew Trees on the tax list of Letterkenny township, Cumberland County in 1779. This being 46 years after the first Andrew arrived in this country, and the first record of any Andrew, it is doubtful though possible for him to be the immigrant.

The name of John Trees is next found in Berks County where one John Trees enlisted in the services of his country in 1776; and another John Trees who served in the Cumberland County militia from 1778 until the end of the Revolution and appears on the tax lists of Letterkenny township, Cumberland County until about the year 1784 or 1785.

By the end of the Revolution there were Trees descendents serving from York, Northampton, Berks, Philadelphia, Lancaster and Cumberland counties.

We are concerned in the record of JOHN TREES of Cumberland County. In the many years past there has been confusion in attaching the service and pension records of the John Trees of Berks County to our ancestor, the John Trees of Cumberland County.

John Trees of Berks County enlisted in Kutztown, April 15, 1776 and served until January 15, 1778 under Captain Henry Slade and Colonel Samuel Miles. Then living in Huntington County, Pennsylvania, he was pensioned December 24, 1818; at that time stating that "he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support."

On August 16, 1820 he appeared before the Court and swore that "since making my original declaration, I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with an intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself with the provision of the Pension Act and I have not now nor have had any property or securities, contracts or debts due me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule annexed:

One cow	8.00
One crippled horse	10.00
Two old pots (iron)	.50
$\frac{1}{2}$ dozen cups & saucers	.25
1 small pig	.75
	<u> </u>
	\$ 19.50

He further states that he "is a laborer by profession, that his family consists of himself and his wife Barbara, age 63, and entirely blind in both eyes", and that "he has the 'Swaney' in his right arm by reason of which he is unable to do but very little toward support of himself and wife". On the same date one Robert Duncan swore that "being well acquainted with John Trees deposes that it is his opinion that his estimate of his property to be worth \$19.50". The listed debts of the Pensioner:

Dr. Jacob Hoffman	10.00
Dr. James Coffey	5.00
to Samuel Steel	6.00

Signed John Trees

Then on August 9, 1826 one Mary Sweyers made affidavit that she was well acquainted with the late John Trees and Barbara Trees, his widow and that "the said Barbara has now become almost blind and has been so for nearly eight years" and that "she is very poor and helpless."

On March 8, 1827 in Barbara's petition to the General Assembly of Pennsylvania for pension she says that "since his death and the consequent stoppage of his pension, your petitioner is reduced to utter indigence" and that "in addition to the ills of age, debility and poverty she is afflicted with blindness."

Barbara was yet living May 29, 1839, when she made affidavit that "there is no person now living that deponent

knows of who can prove the time of marriage;" that "owing to old age and consequent loss of memory she cannot give more accurate account of her age", etc. She was not able to attend the court.

Now, to disclaim this record as belonging to the John Trees, our ancestor, let us notice the dates. In 1818 when John Trees applied for pension, our ancestor John Trees was living in Clermont County, Ohio, and had resided there for some 17 years. He was a prosperous farmer with a family of ten children. A few years previous, in 1815, a deed in Clermont County shows that JOHN TREES and his wife, HANNAH, deeded a small tract of land to be used for school purposes.

In 1826, after the death of John of Huntington County, and up until 1839, when Barbara was blind and so desperately poor and making no mention of ever having children, the ten children of our John Trees were all married, prospering and living in Ohio and Indiana. Certainly, they never left their mother alone in such circumstances all those years back in Pennsylvania.

Thus, it will be noted that descendents of John Trees and his wife, Hannah, in making application for D.A.R. membership, have erred in claiming John and Barbara as their ancestors. This is a frequently made mistake where there are two or more persons of the same name in service. Records in Washington, D.C. are, for the most part, of pension claims only. When information on the service of John Trees who served in Pennsylvania was asked for, they sent the only record on which pension had been applied for. Our ancestor, John, had never applied for pension so, therefore, had no record in Washington.

The Pennsylvania census of 1790 lists the family of JOHN TREES as living in South Huntington township, Westmoreland County and consisting of 1 male over 16, 2 males under 16, and 5 females.

The History of Clermont County, Ohio gives the following: JOHN TREES, a native of Westmoreland Co., Pennsylvania, in 1801 came to Miller's Station but in a few years purchased a tract of land west of Point Isabel, on which he settled and where he died--about 80 years of age.

He was a Revolutionary War Soldier and his eldest son, John, served in the war of 1812. He (John, Jr.) lived on an adjoining farm and died in 1866, aged 82 years. He had a family of 12 children, 9 of whom yet live in this county. Adam, the second son of John Trees, Sr., and his brothers, JACOB and Peter, removed at an early day to Indiana. The daughters married John Jones and Jacob Rader of Indiana; John Hodges and Abner Huntington of Monroe (twp.); and John Davis and Michael Purkiser of Washington (twp.) The Purkiser family settled in this part of the township about the same time and descendants yet live in the southern part of the county. Several Purkiser sons are ministers.

Children of JOHN and HANNAH TREES:

- John, born March 18, 1785, died October 23, 1866;
married August 5, 1806 Nancy Ann Hodges of N.C.
(August 12, 1789-February 2, 1866)
- Adam, born February 3, 1788, died December 4, 1862;
married October 5, 1811 Mary Ann Hill (1790-
July 1865)
- JACOB, born April 1791 (of him later)
- Peter, born May 1794, died November 17, 1830; mar-
ried Elizabeth Hill (b. August 9, 1814)
- Mary, died February 4, 1858; married John Jones.
- Elizabeth, married James Hodges.
- Rebecca, married Abner Huntington, April 22, 1822
- Sarah, married John Davis December 18, 1817.
- Hannah, married Michael Purkiser
- Eve, married Jacob Rader, moved to Rush County, Ind.
and later to Effingham, Illinois.

JACOB TREES, third son of John and Hannah Trees, was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania April, 1791. He came with his parents and family to Clermont County, Ohio in 1801. There he grew up on the farm of his father. On July 13, 1811 he married SARAH LEMASTERS, daughter of RICHARD and CATHERINE (LANGSTON) LEMASTERS. About 1823 Jacob and Sarah moved to Rush County, Indiana. This was about the time that his brothers, Adam and Peter, and sisters, Mary Jones and Eve Rader, also came to Ind. After living in Rush County until 1834 Jacob purchased land in Noble township, Shelby County, where he remained until his death. A part of his original farm is yet owned by his descendants. Jacob and Sarah with many of

their children are buried in Lewis Creek Baptist cemetery, five miles south of Shelbyville, Indiana. Jacob died December 28, 1870. Sarah was born February 13, 1794 in Kentucky and died December 28, 1870. Their deaths of pneumonia were less than two hours apart.

Children of JACOB TREES and SARAH (LEMASTERS) TREES:

John, born July 24, 1812, died May 5, 1874; married April 11, 1833 Rhoda Simmons.

Phoebe, born June 16, 1814, died October 26, 1869; married February 25, 1836 George Fisher (Feb. 5, 1813-Jan. 11, 1875).

MARY ANN (POLLY), born September 20, 1816, died Jan. 31, 1869; married February 7, 1836 WILLIAM AMOS (June 30, 1816-July 7, 1893.)

Isaac, born December 9, 1818, died March 27, 1894; married July 6, 1842 Julia Ann Hill (Sept. 21, 1819-Feb 7, 1908)

Abraham, born October 22, 1822, died February 22, 1876; married March 14, 1844 Anna Maple; married (2) Martha Anderson.

Jacob, born 1828, married October 20, 1850 Polly Ann Peek.

Davis, born February 14, 1832, died March 12, 1901; married May 25, 1853 Sarah Ann Stafford (May 26, 1838-Nov. 18, 1934).

Benjamin, born September 19, 1838, died November 2, 1915; married (1) October 23, 1858 Marinda Stafford (1844-October 28, 1900) daughter of William and Elizabeth (Miller) Stafford; married (2) December 19, 1901 Sarah Stafford, widow of Shelby Stafford; married (3) Nancy Robinson, widow.

Sarah, married August 25, 1844 William T. Gore.

LEMASTERS FAMILY

The earliest of the Lemasters family who could possibly have been our immigrant ancestor was Abraham Le Maistre, a Huguenot who was born about 1637. He came to Maryland in 1668, possibly by way of Barbados, and settled in Charles County, Maryland. In 1700 he held patents on various tracts of land. Lands were granted to Richard LeMaistre in 1720 and 1724 in Charles County and St. Mary's County, Maryland.

An Abraham De LeMaistre will in Charles County dated 1772 names a wife and sons Richard, John, and Isaac.

In the 1790 census there were Lemasters in South Carolina, but none in North Carolina. There were some in Maryland, These appear under various spellings of the name.

In early tax lists of Virginia are found the names of Isaac Lamaster and Joseph Lamaster in Hampshire County in 1782. Isaac had five in his family and Joseph four. Hampshire county later became part of West Virginia. A Benjamin Lemasters was born and died (1756-1837) in Nicholas County, Virginia, later West Virginia.

On the 1783 tax list of Amherst County were Ralph Lamaster with a family of thirteen and Abraham Lamaster with three. In 1785 Ralph had fourteen and Abraham six. Richard Lemaster was with the Botetourt troops in 1774. His will written in 1774 in Amherst County, Virginia was presented for probate by Abraham Lamaster June 3, 1776 and names mother Ann, and brothers Abraham and Ralph. So this Richard apparently died without issue.

One Abraham Lamaster was married in Albemarle County, Virginia (next county north of Amherst county) September 26, 1781 to Sarah Wood, daughter of John Wood.

Evidently, each generation of Lemasters early in Maryland and in Amherst County, Virginia produced several Abrahams, Richards, and Isaacs. The names are found in abundance as the Lemasters moved into Bourbon County and Jefferson County, Kentucky.

Early in Jefferson County were Eleazer LeMaster, who married Jemima Floyd, daughter of William Preston Floyd of

Amherst and Botetourt counties, Virginia. They came in 1779. In 1784 James LeMaster received 100 acres for Virginia military service. John LeMaster, born 1749 in Amherst County, was killed at a fort near Louisville. He had married another Jemima Floyd in 1768. In 1784 she received a land grant of 400 acres and on May 25, 1784 married James Sturgis, Jr.

The first Lemasters whom we know to be a direct ancestor was RICHARD LEMASTERS whose name appears as a signer on petitions in Bourbon County, Kentucky in 1788-1790. His name appears on Bourbon tax lists 1790-1791 and Montgomery County tax list in 1797. (Montgomery was taken from Clark in 1798, and Clark, previously, from Bourbon in 1792) Also on these Bourbon lists are the names of Isaac, Conrad, and Benjamin Lemasters--probably close relatives. In 1799 the names of Isaac and Conrad appear in Hamilton County, Ohio.

Benjamin Lemasters married Polly Langston September 21, 1797 in Clark County, Kentucky.

RICHARD LEMASTERS was married May 11, 1793 in Bourbon County by Augustine Eastin to CATHERINE LANGSTON, daughter of JACOB LANGSTON, and sister of Polly. Sometime after 1797 they moved to Clermont County, Ohio. On March 31, 1807 he bought 100 acres and he appears on the 1810 tax list. On October 19, 1811 the 100 acres in Washington township was sold for \$450, the deed being signed by the marks (X) of Richard and Cate Lemasters. Next is found a record of purchase of 106 acres on waters of Shalers Branch of the East Fork of Miami River by Richard Lemasters, Sr. This 106 acres was sold August 15, 1829 for \$1000, the deed signed by the mark of Richard Lemasters and Katherine Lemasters.

The family moved to Rush County, Indiana. In the 1830 census Catherine is listed as head of the family, so Richard had died since August 1829, probably in Clermont County. With her is listed one male between 15 and 20 (probably Richard, Jr.) and one male between 5 and 10. The latter was Henry Langston, born June 21, 1821, son of her daughter, Polly. He was reared by his grandparents and took the name of Lemasters. Also in the 1830 census of Rush County is her son, John and family.

On October 9, 1835 Catherine sold 80 acres for \$640. This was in the southeast corner of Rush County, one mile north of the Decatur line and two miles west of the Franklin line. The deed was signed by Catherine, John and his wife, Isabell. Catherine died about 1839, probably in Shelby County.

Children of RICHARD and CATHERINE (LANGSTON) LEMASTERS:

SARAH, born February 13, 1794 in Kentucky, died Dec. 28, 1870 Shelby County, Ind.; married July 13, 1811 in Clermont County, Ohio to JACOB TREES (1791-1870), son of JOHN and HANNAH TREES.

John, born 1800/10; married Isabells McEffee in Clermont Co., Ohio, August 21, 1828.

Abraham, married March 16, 1823 in Clermont Co., to Elizabeth Rounds, daughter of Lemuel Rounds, Rev. soldier.

Polly (Mary) married April 8, 1821 William Langston in Clermont Co., Ohio.

Richard, born 1810/15 in Clermont Co., Ohio.

LANGSTON FAMILY

There were many Langstons in Virginia, North and South Carolina. The first Langston whom we know to be a direct ancestor was JACOB LANGSTON who came to Kentucky before 1790 from Virginia and settled on the Robert Clarke farm (Clark's Station) in Paris district, Bourbon County. Jacob Langston is listed in the 1782 tax list of Monongalia County, Virginia (later West Virginia) with a household of six whites. As he is the only Jacob listed in the first census, it is probable that he is ours.

Jacob Langston, Sr., Jacob, Jr., and Isaac appear on the 1797 tax list in Montgomery County (part of Bourbon Co. until 1796), Kentucky.

Children of JACOB LANGSTON, SR.

Isaac, settled in Georgia

Jacob, Jr., settled in Georgia

Obadiah, settled in Georgia

CATHERINE, born 1760/70, died about 1839, probably in

Shelby County, Ind., married by Augustine Eastin,
May 11, 1793 in Bourbon County to RICHARD LE-
MASTERS.

Mary (Polly), married September 21, 1797 in Clark
County, Kentucky to Benjamin Lemasters.

Abraham, born 1779, died 1865; married by Augustine
Eastin April 18, 1799 in Bourbon County to Isa-
bella Clark (d. 1836), daughter of Robert and
Agnes Clark.

DICKERSON FAMILY

Probably the first immigrant of this family was Jeremiah Dickinson, age 28, who came on the "Margett and John" in 1620. Elizabeth Dickinson, age 38, came on the "Margett and John" in 1623. They were living in Elizabeth City, Virginia in 1624. He was issued a land patent by the regal government June 14, 1636 for 200 acres and also for a 300 acres in James City County. This 300 acres was due him for having transported six other persons here from England. May 6, 1638 he was granted 500 acres more. Each person who paid his own or another person's transportation charges from England to Virginia was given 50 acres of land gratis. This was called his "headright". The Dickersons (with various spellings) spread out through Virginia and some were early settlers of Granville County, North Carolina.

Early Kentucky entries and deeds in 1780 list John, Robert, and Martin Dickerson, and in 1782 William and Valentine Dickerson.

The earliest of our line that we are sure of is JEREMIAH DICKERSON of Jessamine County, Kentucky. He was born between 1770-75 and married POLLY MOSS, daughter of WILLIAM MOSS. In his will written July 28, 1858 (final settlement December 20, 1868) he does not mention all of his children but only those to whom he made special bequests. Several of them had married and moved to Ripley County, Indiana. He died in 1858, the sale of his property being early in January 1859.

Children of JEREMIAH DICKERSON and POLLY(MOSS) DICKERSON:

Cynthia Ann, born 1794/97, died prior to 1858; married October 6, 1815 in Jessamine Co. William Skeene (1796-April 28, 1836) They lived in Versailles, Ind.

Rebecca, born April 14, 1798, died May 17, 1878 in Ripley Co., Ind; married in Kentucky, John Folsom (1796-1841)

James, born 1800/03, married Lucy Brown and remained in Kentucky.

Elizabeth, born August 1, 1804, died December 13, 1879; married Benjamin M. Pulliam (1816-1881) in Ripley Co., Ind. July 28, 1837.

William, born 1805/6, died prior to 1868.

JOHN M., born January 10, 1807 (of him later)

Tilford, born February 21, 1810, died April 1, 1852
in Ripley Co., Ind., married in Ripley February
25, 1837 Mary Jane Shook.

Newton, born 1811, died 1887; married in Jessamine
Co., Kentucky in 1836 Elizabeth A. Dickerson (1815-
1894), daughter of Fountain Dickerson, and lived
in Kentucky.

Caroline, married in Jessamine Co. to Green B. Bruner
and lived in Kentucky. No children.

JOHN M. DICKERSON, son of Jeremiah and Polly (Moss) Dick-
erson, was born January 10, 1807 in Jessamine County,
Kentucky. He was married there in 1828 to MARGARET MAY
NAVE, daughter of LEONARD and MARGARET NAVE. She was
born February 15, 1810 in Jessamine County. In 1839
they moved to Versailles, Ripley County, Indiana. He
died September 6, 1864 and she died January 12, 1900.
They had five children born in Kentucky and six in
Indiana. The father and three sons Thomas, John and
James were volunteers in 1861.

Children of JOHN M. and MARGARET (NAVE) DICKERSON:

Tilford ("Buck"), born 1829, married in Ripley Co.
June 15, 1854 Mary Jane Shook. Moved to Greens-
burg, Indiana in 1873.

JEREMIAH, born 1831 (of him later)

Sarah Lewis, born July 23, 1833, died December 15,
1894; married August 25, 1852 David T. Hunter
(April 4, 1829- September 30, 1879)

Eliza Jane, born September 9, 1835, died February
13, 1909; married December 31, 1859 George F.
Shook (October 21, 1829-April 18, 1915.)

(William) Thomas, born February 23, 1837, died Aug.
23, 1910. Unmarried. Civil War veteran.

Mary (Elizabeth), born 1840, married December 31,
1863 Allen Potts.

John M. ("Pat"), born 1842; married February 12,
1868 Frances Hunter. No children. Civil War
veteran.

James W., born March 16, 1845, died September 29,
1906; married Samantha Henderson (August 28,
1850-January 5, 1917). Civil War veteran.

Charles Newton ("Gov"), born 1847; married Fannie

Durbin.

Margaret, born 1850, was unmarried.

Scott, born October 12, 1852, died September 10, 1898; married Nell Risk. No children.

JEREMIAH DICKERSON, son of John M. and Margaret (Nave) Dickerson, was born in 1831 in Jessamine County, Kentucky and died in Ripley County, Indiana. He was married in ~~Jefferson~~ Ripley County, Indiana June 22, 1854 to ZERELDA KELS0, daughter of DANIEL and MARGARET (RICKETTS) KELS0. She was born March 16, 1837 in Switzerland County, Indiana and died of lung fever February 1, 1876 in Osgood, Ripley County.

Children of JEREMIAH and ZERELDA (KELS0) DICKERSON:

John Daniel (Dan), born July 14, 1858 at Versailles; a railroadman, killed at Tipton, Indiana in 1900 Buried near home of his wife, Elizabeth, at La Hogue, near Gilman, Illinois.

William Harrison, born July 25, 1860, died July 27, 1861.

MOLLIE LEOTA, born December 19, 1862 in Ripley Co. died January 15, 1947 in Indianapolis; married PERRY AMOS April 9, 1882 in Shelby County.

Edmund Squibb, born October 2, 1864, died near North Vernon, Indiana, December 26, 1938. Buried on Eddie Lympus lot in Forest Hill cemetery, Shelbyville. Unmarried.

Margaret May ("Bird"), born January 16, 1871, died 1948 in Indianapolis, married Eddie C. Lympus September 23, 1888 in Shelby County. He was a son of Cameron and Phoebe (Mahaffey) Lympus. A Shelbyville school teacher, he died April 26, 1930. They had no children.

MOSS FAMILY

The early Mosses of Jessamine, Mercer, and Woodford Counties in Kentucky came in the 1780's from central Virginia, probably Powhattan, Cumberland or Goochland counties. The earliest Moss records in Virginia run back to a baptism of "Will, son of Thomas Moss, bapt. ye 17 of Feb. 1688/9" in New Kent County.

In old Kentucky entries and deeds we find in 1780 that Frederick Moss had 400 acres on Holder Creek and in 1785 he had 1500 acres on the Kentucky River. He apparently died about 1795, as we find an act December 22, 1795 to sell the land of Frederick Moss, deceased. From 1799-1805 William Moss of Jessamine County was taxed for 400 acres of first rate land in Bourbon Co. which was purchased from the Frederick Moss heirs. Frederick's widow, Sarah, appears on the Jessamine tax lists from 1799-1808 for 80 acres on the Lower Hichman. Also, in the early entries is John Moss with 7,000-10,000 acres in 1783 in Jessamine.

In 1788 John and William Moss were signers on the same petition in Jessamine. Both were taxed on land in Mercer County in 1795. They were administrators of the estate of David Moss in January 1797 in Mercer, his widow being Catherine. Studying the tax lists in Jessamine for 1799-1813 we find the names of Sarah, a widow, William, Sr., William, Jr., another William, Ray, John, Hezekiah, Pleasant, and James.

William, John and Frederick Moss were probably brothers who came in the mid-seventeen-eighties to Kentucky, acquiring lands in Mercer, Bourbon, Jessamine, and Woodford counties.

Published D.A.R. lineages and Van Meter's account of the Moss family list the wife of William Moss being Louise LeCompte, and he being the son of the Revolutionary Major Hugh Moss of New Kent County, Virginia who married Jane Ford in Goochland County. But there are several errors in this history. It is doubtful that William, father of Polly Moss who married Jeremiah Dickerson, was a son of Hugh. None of William's children or grandchildren were given the name of Hugh or Louise Nor are these names found elsewhere in Jessamine Moss families. As fond as the Mosses were of using the old names over and over, this is noteworthy. Hugh's will did not mention a son, William.

Children of WILLIAM MOSS, SR. of Jessamine County, Ky.

Ray, born October 1776 in Rowhatten County, Va.,
died January 25, 1863 in Jessamine Co., Ky;

married November 21, 1803 in Jessamine to Jane
 McKinney (b. Sept. 11, 1778 in Chester Co., S.C.
 and d. March 24, 1856, Jessamine.)
 Elizabeth, 1782-1867, married June 28, 1800 in Jess-
 amine to William Phillips (b. Aug. 18, 1775 in
 Md., d. Feb. 11, 1815 in Kentucky)
 POLLY, married JEREMIAH DICKERSON
 Judith, married May 13, 1804 John Taylor
 Patsy, married Charles McCabe
 Jennie, married in 1806, John Garner
 Tabitha, married July 9, 1814 David Kersey
 Nancy, married December 1, 1806, in Jessamine,
 Charles Myers.
 James, married June 29, 1810 in Jessamine, Sarah
 Talbott, daughter of George Talbott. James
 was killed at the battle of River Raisin.
 William, married December 9, 1811 in Jessamine
 to Maria Kersey, daughter of Claborne Kersey.
 Peyton, married June 10, 1824 to Nancy Edwards.

NAVE (NAEFF) FAMILY

The Naves were Hollanders who came to Pennsylvania
 beginning in 1728. There were many immigrants through
 the next forty years bearing the name Naf, Neff, Naeff,
 Naffe, and later becoming Nave. Some of them moved in-
 to Virginia. The earliest of our line to our knowledge
 were LEONARD NAEFF and his brother, Peter, who lived in
 Jessamine County, Kentucky. In Leonard's Dutch prayer
 book the names of his family are spelled Naeff. A
 descendent said that Leonard never changed his spell-
 ing though all the rest of the family did, to Nave.

Leonard Nave was born May 22, 1763 in Virginia or Pen-
 nsylvania and died October 1844 in Jessamine County.
 His wife was said to be Margaret (possibly Woodson).
 A descendent of Peter's says that along about 1785-90
 Peter and Leonard came with their families and kinsmen
 Tottens and Johnsons from Culpepper County, Virginia,
 via the Cumberland Gap and Wilderness Road to Danville.
 There the Naves separated from the Totten and Johnson
 families and went to Jessamine and Garrard Counties.
 They came by oxcart, horseback, and driving their stock.
 Mary, wife of Peter, was a large woman and rode all the
 way on a young stallion, a baby in her lap and a little

negro behind her. Peter had been to Kentucky before and had staked off his claim of 1600 acres and built a cabin. He cut a tree, hewed a canoe, paddled down the Kentucky River to the Ohio, stopped by Fort Washington, now the site of Cincinnati, and filed his land grant, as was the custom before Kentucky became a state.

Leonard Nave was on the tax list of Madison County, Kentucky for 12 acres, in 1792. He was in Jessamine County for the 1810 census. He lived near Boonsboro and Nicholasville. He was in the War of 1812.

Children of LEONARD and MARGARET NAVE:

John L., probably unmarried as his will in 1841 mentions only father, nephew, and brothers and sisters.

Jonathan, married (1) Delila Bruner and (2) Miranda Springer, both in Jessamine County.

Catherine, married Samuel Hastand in Jessamine Co. John L. in his will spells her son's name as Heaston.

Dr. Peter, married December 21, 1813 Elizabeth Hoover in Jessamine Co. A physician, he lived to be about 75.

Eve, married Peter Hoover

Michael, born about 1794, died July 1851 at Charleston, West Virginia on his way to White Sulphur Springs, Virginia. He moved to Montgomery Co, Ohio about 1815 and married, probably there, Hester Weaver (d. 1825), daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Heist) Weaver.

Elizabeth Woodson, born about 1800; married James Woodward (b. about 1800) in Jessamine Co. About 1827 they moved their family to Shelby Co., Ind.; in 1852 to Wisconsin.

Susanna, married December 12, 1822 John Cornman in Fayette County, Kentucky.

MARGARET MAY, born February 15, 1810, died January 12, 1900 in Versailles, Ind.; married in Jessamine Co, Kentucky, 1828 to JOHN DICKERSON (1807-1864). They moved to Versailles in 1839.

According to Margaret Nave Dickerson, there were eleven children in Leonard's family. Names given in his Dutch prayer book, with no relationship mentioned are Lucy

(ahead of his own name), Joseph and Mary. Could Lucy have been his wife's name? and Joseph and Mary the other two children? The will of John L. Nave names all the above listed except Catherine. It does not name a Lucy, Joseph, or Mary. Perhaps they had died before 1841.

KELSO FAMILY

Among the earliest bits of information of the Kelso (Kelsey, Kellse, Kelsa, Kelsow) family we find that a William Kelsey of Cambridge, Massachusetts was admitted as a free man in 1635. In the "Original Distribution of the Town of Hartford among settlers 1639" is found the item: "Daniel Kelsa, sunn of William Kellsa was born the _____ one thousand six hundreth and fifty".

In New Hampshire the name first appears September 9, 1727 when ALEXANDER KELSEY and William Kellso, brothers, took the oath of allegiance to King George II at Londonderry. Tradition is to the effect that three brothers came together from North Ireland prior to 1720. Another brother was probably John. William's wife was Elizabeth. Alexander's was ANN, daughter of another WILLIAM KELSO. A sister, Agness, married Robert Gilchrist, and later, a Mr. Greer.

Alexander Kelso was born about 1703 and died September 15, 1755, aged 52. Ann was born about 1709 and died September 4, 1754, aged 45. They were buried in the old burying ground at Londonderry along with their son, John, and daughter, Ann. Probably this John is the same child mentioned in birth records as Jonathan, twin brother of William.

Children of ALEXANDER and ANN KELSO:

Margaret, born January 17, 1738, died March 13, 1799
married Capt. George Christy.

William, born January 30, 1739, died January 19, 1823;
married Agnes Kelso.

Jonathan or John, born January 30, 1739, died September 29, 1755, age 16.

DANIEL (of him later)

Ann, born about 1749, died October 6, 1763, age 14.

Alexander, born before 1753; married Nancy Guinness.

Elizabeth, born before 1753.

DANIEL KELSO was born in Londonderry, N.H. about 1743. He was only a lad when his parents died. As a young man, he followed his sister, Margaret Christy, and brother, William, to New Boston, New Hampshire. He bought William's farm and about 1769 married MARY McALLISTER, daughter of

JOHN McALLISTER. Mary was born at sea in 1744 and died February 6, 1816. Daniel died December 24, 1816. They are buried at New Boston.

Children of DANIEL and MARY (McALLISTER) KELSO:

Alexander, a physician, was killed by a falling tree.
John, born July 14, 1771, died October 18, 1822;

married Dorcas Cleaves.

Ann married Thomas White.

William lived and died in New York.

Daniel lived and died in Pennsylvania.

ROBERT (of him later)

Ananias, born about 1779, died in 1872 at Antrim.

Elizabeth, born about 1781, died March 4, 1837;

married Robert Perkinson.

Thomas died of spotted fever in Canterbury on his way to Columbia.

Mary married Asa Dustin and lived in Columbia.

David, born about 1785, died August 5, 1840; married

(1) Mary Campbell, and (2) Mrs. Andrews, daughter of Joseph Cochran.

Jonathan Gove, born about 1790, died July 22, 1830;

married Letitia Cochran.

ROBERT KELSO was born December 26, 1778 in New Boston. He went to Pennsylvania and on April 6, 1802 married JANE MERCER of Mifflin County. She was born January 14, 1783, the daughter of AMOS and MARY (BARNES) MERCER. They lived briefly in New York and in Venango County, Pennsylvania, and then moved to Rising Sun, Switzerland County, Indiana before 1820. He died there October 23, 1832. Jane moved to Washington, Illinois where she died July 5, 1865.

Children of ROBERT and JANE (MERCER) KELSO:

DANIEL (of him later)

Joseph, born July 27, 1805, died October 27/28, 1884 in Washington, Illinois; married Sarah Nelson.

John, born 1804/10, died in 1832; married Lucinda McCorkle.

David, born 1800/10, died in March 1854 in Washington, Illinois; married Mrs. Nancy Cox.

Robert, born 1810/15, died November 14, 1878 in Washington, Illinois; married Rebecca McCorkle.

William, born 1810/15, died January 20, 1876 in Wayne Co., Iowa, married Matilda Nelson.
Mary, born 1814; married John White, and lived in Tipton Co., Ind.
Garrett, born 1818; married Ann Robinson, and lived in Florence, Ind.
Elizabeth, born 1821; married Samuel White, and lived near Florence, Ind.
Ann, born 1820/25; married Edward Krutz and died young,
Aaron, born 1820/25; married Mary Rayls, and lived in Washington, Illinois.

DANIEL KELSO was born on a farm in Venango County, Pennsylvania, December 18, 1803. As a young man in Dearborn County, Indiana, he worked on a farm during the summer, doing surveying when called upon to do so, and taught the neighborhood school during the winter. He, himself, had only ten and a half months of schooling, but would read by the firelight long after the family had retired and would walk miles to borrow a book. He studied law. After his marriage May 3, 1825 to MARGARET RICKETTS, daughter of Robert and Susannah Ricketts, he began earnestly to prepare himself for the law profession. Books were scarce. Since he lived midway between Lawrenceburg and Vevay, he would, when possible, attend sessions of the courts at both places to study the proceedings. He became a well known lawyer and judge, over the river in Kentucky as well as in his Indiana circuit. Although Col. Kelso always participated largely in politics, he was not as good a politician as he was a lawyer. He chafed under the restraints of party discipline and a desire to act independently sometimes took him outside of the Whig organization with which he was supposed to be in sympathy. He served several terms in the State Senate, being elected in 1834, 1842, and 1848. In 1850 he was the representative delegate from Switzerland and Ohio Counties to the Indiana Constitutional Convention.

He was at one time prominently connected with the Freemasons, serving in the Lodge of the state as Deputy Grand Master, Grand Master and Grand Secretary. He also was prominent in the Odd Fellows.

Margaret Ricketts was born in Dearborn County, April 24,

1806 and died in Versailles, March 3, 1854. She and Daniel had ten children. After her death, Anna Lawless was Daniel's housekeeper and on May 13, 1855 she gave birth to a daughter, Mary Mollie Kelso, at Dillsboro. This child was adopted into the home of Zerelda Kelso Dickerson, October 5, 1856. Daniel married, secondly, Isabella Kinnear in Jefferson County, November 1, 1855. They had no children. Toward the end of his life, Daniel was for some time an invalid. He died at Versailles, in Ripley County, November 25, 1857 and is buried there.

Children of DANIEL and MARGARET (RICKETTS) KELSO:

Robert, born January 25, died September 3, 1826.
Emily, born December 10, 1827, died August 26, 1828.
John, October 24, 1829, died June 11, 1836.
William Harrison (Hack), born August 9, 1831, died July 27, 1891; married (1) Phebe McGlaughlin, March 15, 1849; (2) Emeline E. (Lina) French.
Jane, born December 13, 1833, died August 17, 1881; married Lewis P. Noble.
ZERELDA, born March 16, 1837, died February 1, 1876; married JEREMIAH DICKERSON (see Dickerson Family)
Edmund Squibb, born February 10, 1839, died June 13, 1864, a prisoner of the Confederates in Andersonville, Georgia. Unmarried.
Melissa Ann, born March 1, 1841; married William Bennett in 1861.
Cinderella, born June 28, died November 20, 1843.
James Polk, born June 13, 1845, died January 9, 1892; married Mayme Baird.

Of Daniel Kelso and Anna Lawless:

(Mary) Mollie, born May 13, 1855, died 1943; married Samuel F. Elder.

McALLISTER FAMILY

The McAllister's came from Argyleshire, Scotland to North Ireland. In 1718 Angus McAllister and his wife, Margaret Boyle, brought their family of eight children to Lancaster, Massachusetts. They moved to Londonderry, N.H. in 1731. Angus had been a soldier in the Wars of

Ireland and had an ear shot off in an engagement at Pennyburn Mill, and was exempted from taxes on account of his military service. At his death, his body was carried six miles to the cemetery at East Derry on a bier supported on the shoulders of four men. Thomas Wilson, an old companion in arms, met the procession took off his hat and shouted "Auld Ireland forever! Weel, Angus, they're na taking the lug (ear) off your head at Pennyburn Mill this day, mon".

Children of ANGUS and MARGARET (BOYLE) McALLISTER:

William, born about 1700, died 1755; married Jan-
nette Cameron.

David, born about 1704, died 1750; married Elinor
Wilson

JOHN (of him later)

Mary, married Hugh Taggert June 17, 1728 in London-
derry.

daughter, married John Taggert, lived Colerain, Mass.

daughter, married Thomas Knox of Pembroke, N.H.

daughter, married James White of Pembroke, N.H.

daughter, married John White of Pembroke, N.H.

JOHN McALLISTER, son of Angus and Margaret, came to the Massachusetts colony when young but he returned to North Ireland and married there. He and his wife made the crossing back to the colonies leaving four-year-old Archibald temporarily in Ireland. Their daughter, Mary, was born at sea in 1744. John brought his family directly to New Hampshire and settled not far from Londonderry in the vicinity of Litchfield by 1746. His brother, David, wrote his will in 1750 and John was a witness to it. He was a founder of the village of New Boston and his name was on its charter in 1751. He owned a large, fine tract of land near Joe English hill; was an energetic, lively man, strongly religious. He took a great interest in the settlement of the area and the permanent establishment of a church there. In the French and Indian War he served in Capt. Alexander Todd's company of Col. John Hart's regiment in the Crown Point Expedition of 1758. With his son, Archibald, he served in Capt. Todd's Co. under Col. John Goff on the Expedition to Canada in 1760. The tract of New Boston, about six miles square, was formally granted by the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay to a party of

soldiers belonging to the Canadian Expedition as a reward, in part, for their good service. John McAllister was on the first Board of Selectmen. When an old man, John removed to Francistown with his son, Archibald. There he died in a good old age (sometime after 1778 and before 1790.)

Children of JOHN McALLISTER, of New Boston, N.H.:

Archibald, born about 1740 in North Ireland, died at Antrim, N.H.; married Maria McKeen.

MARY (of her later)

Angus, died in Pequawkett (Fryeburg, Me.)

Daniel, died in New Brunswick

John, Jr.

Ananias

Joseph?

Although later histories of New Boston and Antrim mention only Archibald, Mary, Angus, and Daniel, the names of John, Jr., Ananias and Joseph appear with John's in town affairs through the years. Joseph might possibly be a grandson, rather than son. Also the histories mention the name of Angus, but this appears at no time in the town papers of New Boston, while that of Ananias does. Either Angus left town at an early age, or the name should be Ananias.

MARY McALLISTER, daughter of John, was born at sea about 1744 during the passage of her parents from North Ireland to the American colonies. She was an excellent woman, witty, and a great help to those who early settled in the neighborhood of Joe English hill. About 1769 she married DANIEL KELS0 and they had nine sons and three daughters. He was born about 1743 and died Dec. 24, 1816, aged 73. She died February 6, 1816, aged 72.

MERCER FAMILY

According to a D.A.R. lineage, JANE MERCER who married ROBERT KELSO, was a daughter of AMOS MERCER and MARY BARNES. Amos was the son of JOSEPH MERCER, born in 1731, married February 2, 1754, died in 1760. Amos being born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, we find information on the family in the History of Chester Co.

THOMAS MERCER from "Ayno-on-the-Hill" in the county of Northampton, with Mary, his wife, were settlers in Westtown, where he died about 1716 and she died in 1723. In the Chester County wills is that of Thomas Mercer of Thornbury township, yeoman. It was executed May 17, 1715 and probated September 13, 1716. In it he named his wife, Mary Messar (sic), eldest son, Thomas, grandson Daniel, son of Thomas, son JOSEPH, daughters Margaret, Elizabeth and Ann, and sons-in-law. Thomas and Mary were Quakers, members at the Concord Monthly Meeting.

Children of THOMAS and MARY MERCER:

Thomas, born 1694, married Hannah Taylor, March 26, 1711.

Mary (Margaret) married William Pennell, August 26, 1710.

Elizabeth married Joseph Woodward in 1712.

Ann, married Joshua Pierce, August 28, 1713.

JOSEPH, married ANN WICKERSHAM in 1719.

Thomas and Hannah(Taylor) Mercer had no son or grandson named Joseph. Joseph and Ann settled in East Marlborough township of Chester County.

Children of JOSEPH and ANN (WICKERSHAM) MERCER:

Mary

Ann

Richard

Hannah

Rachel

JOSEPH

Probably the last named Joseph Mercer was the Joseph, born in 1731, who was the father of Amos Mercer.

AMOS MERCER was born March 8, 1755 near Kennett Square in East Marlborough township, Chester County, Pennsylvania. He was reared as a Quaker but was expelled from the sect for taking part in the Revolution and for marrying one not a member.

He served in the Cumberland County Militia as a private in Lt. Graham's company of the 4th Battalion under Col. James Wilson.

He was taxed in Cumberland County in 1779 and 1780. In the 1790 census they were in Mifflin County, north of the Juniata River with three sons and two daughters. Cumberland was formed in 1750 from a part of Chester, and Mifflin was formed in 1789 from a part of Cumberland.

Amos died September 15, 1802. Mary was born November 3, 1756 and died May 28, 1797.

Children of AMOS and MARY (BARNES) MERCER:

Amos, Jr., born January 9, 1776.

A son, in the 1790 census.

John, born June 3, 1778, died in the War of 1812

Mary Ann

JANE, born January 14, 1783, died July 5, 1865 in Washington, Illinois; married April 6, 1802

ROBERT KELSO.

RICKETTS FAMILY

John Ricketts lived in Cecil County, Maryland. His will was written in June 1698 and was proved October 4, 1698. It names wife, Penelope and children Jeremiah, Nathaniel, Phillip, John, and Hester.

William Ricketts, an Englishman who came from Jamaica, had land in Maryland in 1655. He married Mary Walton of New York City. Family burial was in New York City.

Thomas Ricketts transported himself to America and is on the rent roll in Maryland in 1667.

Much material has been found on the Ricketts families in Maryland--mostly in Kent and Cecil Counties. The missing links of our line have not been found.

The Ricketts of Dearborn County, Indiana were born in Frederick County, Maryland in the 1760's, but were in Bedford County, Pennsylvania by the time of the Revolution. At that time Bedford County included what became Huntingdon County in 1787. It is in this area that the Ricketts lived during and after the Revolution.

The first tax list showing the name was in Cumberland County, Dublin township, where in 1769 Zachariah Ricketts had 100 acres called "Little Hell." In 1771 Edward Ricketts had 300 acres, 10 acres cleared, here. He lived at one time on Standing Stone Creek. Hezekiah Ricketts was one of the pioneers of Hill Valley. Shirley township.

Edward and Thomas Ricketts were Captains in 1779 in the fighting at Frankstown and the lead mines. Robert and Zachariah Ricketts were Cumberland County Rangers. Zachariah, a private with the Cumberland County Militia, made a tour of duty in Kishocoquillas Valley in 1782. Robert, who came to Indiana, was living in that Valley in 1782, according to his pension record. Hezekiah, Nathan, Edward, Thomas and Robert Ricketts were rangers on the frontier with the Bedford County Militia 1778-1783.

Edward Ricketts owned a tract of land in Franklin township, at the conjunction of Warrior's Mark Run and Spruce

Creek (Coleraine Forge) which had been improved in 1781. First tax was on 400 acres here for Edward and on 80 acres for Richard Ricketts. In the Barree and Miller township lists of 1788 are the names of Chainey, Edward, Jeremiah, John Reason. Also, in 1788, Nathan was taxed in Huntington County, Huntington Township, and Robert and Edward were taxed in Frankstown township, Edward being non-resident at that time. Edward Ricketts had 100 acres in West township in 1798.

In Jones' History of Juniata Valley is found "The first white settlers in Warrior's Mark were the Ricketts family. They were all wild, roving fellows, who loved the woods better than civilization; and their whole occupation over and above tilling a very small patch of land, appeared to be hunting for wild game. When the Indian troubles commenced, the house of Ricketts was converted into a fortress and the men turned their attention to the protecting of the frontier. One of them--Capt. Elijah Ricketts--became quite an active and prominent man. Capt. Logan, an Indian Chief (Mingo) lived here during the Revolution not altogether inactive, for his sympathies were on the side of liberty. He formed a strong attachment to Capt. Ricketts of Warrior's Mark and they became fast friends. It was to Ricketts that Capt. Logan disclosed the plot of the Tories under John Weston."

On the Huntingdon County 1790 census are listed Nathan, Hezekiah, Reason, two Edwards, Chainey, and Richard. Robert had left by then to go to Kentucky.

Earliest Ricketts men found in Dearborn County, Indiana are Nathan, Robert, and William. There was another William early in Switzerland County. With each generation supplying more of each name, it is difficult to identify each, but dates of birth in the 1820 and 1830 Indiana censuses and names given in the 1850 census, along with birthplaces, help.

Nathan, born 1760, and Robert, born 1765, both in Maryland, certainly were brothers and came from Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania to Kentucky and then to Randolph township, Dearborn County, Indiana. They were Revolutionary soldiers. Also, William, born 1766, married in Mason County, Kentucky in 1797 Lucinda Nash, and came to

the same Randolph township. He was a private in the Virginia Militia; was in the Indian wars of 1791 and was severely injured in fighting at Mingo Bottom,

Ohio County was formed from Dearborn County in 1844. When the final county line was established between Ohio and Switzerland counties, it passed through the Ricketts land, so the families were nearer Rising Sun, Ohio County than Vevay, Switzerland County. Nathan and Robert are buried at Mt. Carmel cemetery on Highway 56. The county line passes through the cemetery lot where they are buried, leaving Nathan in Switzerland County and Robert in Ohio County.

ROBERT RICKETTS was born January 15, 1765 near Hagerstown, Frederick County, Maryland. According to his pension claim (S17047) he served for six months and seven days in 1780 in a company of Pennsylvania Militia commanded by Capt. James Johnson under Col. Piper. Again in 1782 he was in the company of Capt. Robert Samuels of the Cumberland County Militia, serving three months and seven days. He was in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania when he entered service. In 1782 his home was in Kishocoquillas Valley, Pennsylvania. He lived in Pennsylvania for about ten years after the Revolution and then went to Kentucky, where his name appears on the tax list in 1790 of Mason County, which at that time included much of the eastern end of the state.

He had 158 acres surveyed in Dearborn County, Indiana, November 28, 1804. The same area (at 160 acres) was surveyed for him November 22, 1813. His brother, Nathan came about the same time and testified on his pension application that he had known Robert since birth. Robert was inscribed on the Indiana rolls for \$20.77 per annum; certificate issued August 28, 1833. In the history of Randolph township it is noted that Robert had a cabin on section 16 and was one of the mounted rangers. His pension record states that he died February 14, 1853 and his widow on February 20 of the same year. There were eleven living children at that time.

According to deeds his wife was SUSANAH and the 1850 census informs us that Susan was born 1767 in Maryland.

Names of children are not given. History mentions Phoebe and deeds of 1819 and 1822 in Dearborn County names his sons Robert and John and their wives. Margaret Ricketts Kelso was a daughter of Robert according to her granddaughter, Mollie Dickerson Amos. In 1850 Elenor Conover, 13, was living with Robert and Susanah. She might have been a grandchild.

Children of ROBERT and SUSANAH RICKETTS:

John, born 1790/94, married Mary
Robert, Jr., born 1796 in Kentucky, married Ann
LaRue, born 1795 in Pennsylvania.
Phoebe, married James Shadday
MARGARET, born April 24, 1806 in Dearborn County,
Indiana, died March 3, 1854 in Versailles,
Ripley Co., Ind.; married DANIEL E. KELSO,
May 3, 1825 in Dearborn Co. They lived in
Switzerland County where he was a prominent
lawyer.