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Photo from Richard Eastridge.

James Noah Moses Laswell Family about 1886. Front Row, Left to Right: Sarah Ann Hammond Laswell, wife of James Noah, age about 42; Mary E. “Polly” Crews Laswell King, mother of James Noah, age about 89; Andrew Amos, son of James Noah, age about 17; Margaret, daughter, age about 7. Back Row, Left to Right: Insley “Emily”, age about 12; Phoebe, daughter, age about 19; Jack Hammond, brother to Sarah Ann, age about 24; William, son, age about 15. James Noah Moses Laswell died August 16, 1886.

His family:

James Noah Moses LASWELL (Andrew Smith LASWELL, John LASWELL, Moses LASWELL, Jacob LASWELL, William LASWELL, Robert LASWELL).

Robert LASWELL was born 18 OCT 1842 in Marrowbone Creek, Kentucky, and died 6 AUG 1886 in Crawford County, Indiana.. He was buried in Pleasant “Tick” Ridge Cemetery,

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Communication

Richard Eastridge Offers Corrections and Comments

Larry,

I enjoy reading your paper and also learning more about Crawford County history. I have to take issue with some of the newspaper articles that are fed to you. For example, Thomas Williams was whipped by the White Caps in 1888 and was supposed to have identified Thomas Courtney Jr. as one of the gang. The story goes ahead to say Thomas had moved to Kansas where his father was and he was arrested and brought back to Crawford County. Thomas Courtney Jr.'s father was James Courtney and James was killed in the Civil War.

First - Marengo is a long way from Riceville and why he was at that location, and how did Thomas Williams know Thomas Jr. Second - Thomas Courtney Jr. and others were indicted and arrested for the whipping of George Seals at Riceville in late 1886 and the trial extended into 1888. Thomas Courtney Sr. and Thomas Courtney Jr. were in Crawford during this time except for their trip to Missouri to see John Courtney. George Seals and Richard Bell were supposed to have identified Thomas Courtney Jr. during George Seals' ordeal. Thomas Courtney cursed Jesse Montgomery for helping to track the horse and Thomas said "that you are one of the d--men that help track the horses — you, I saw you." The case was finally resolved in 1888 because of the failure of Mary Seals to testify.

The Hines raid story is so far off track with numerous mistakes that I am going to leave it alone for now.

Whenever people see something in print they incorrectly assume it is the true story. The *Indianapolis Sentinel* was good at "Yellow Journalism" and the New York papers would run the articles for the same reasons. As a history buff, I know you are looking for the truth. Keep up the good work in seeking the truth

Richard Eastridge

George Washington Seaton

born 9 May 1831 in Crawford Co, IN

Friday, May 22, 2009 3:10 PM

From: "Ron Yates" <ron@yatesville.net>

This bio was passed on to me recently by Danni Monn Hopkins and I am sharing it with the list. I do not have any further information or details.

Thanks, Ron Yates

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Communication

Friday, May 22, 2009 5:19 PM

From: "Hugh or Evelyn Jackson"

To: "Larry Burmeister"

The last of your newsletter contains info on Archibald Neal...this is my ancestor and I have used him for membership in the DAR. I have his record of entering the US as a weaver from Scotland, the passage on the ship and his last name was McNeal on those records. I also have his marriage record from Shelby Co., KY when he married Margaret Magner.

Evelyn Jackson

Friday, May 22, 2009 11:59 AM

From: "McGoogan" <tobytinaroo@sptc.net>

To: "Larry Burmeister"

Thanks for the great information. I love reading the newsletter every month. I was fascinated by the accounts of the White Caps. I never knew there was so much excitement in S. Indiana.

Tina

Tuesday, May 19, 2009 4:18 PM

From: "MistRaven@aol.com" MistRaven@aol.com>

To: burmeisterlarry@yahoo.com

I have only recently discovered the Crawford County Newsletter - what a treasure trove! I would love to be placed on your mailing list as I am researching Stroud's and Rawlings' in Crawford county. Thank you so much for this wonderful newsletter!

Thursday, February 26, 2009 7:06 PM

From: "Audrey" <anstehr37@comcast.net>

To: burmeisterlarry@yahoo.comLarry,

I recently came across and printed out some issues of your Newsletter and Genealogy, and would like to subscribe to them. They look very interesting.

My father Dewey Noblitt was born (August 1898) and grew up in Crawford county, and I'm attempting to gather information on the Noblitt families in the area. My dad's father was Columbus Noblitt, a school teacher in the area who taught in both Orange county and Crawford county, Indiana. As an adult my dad went west to Oregon and then to Washington state where he taught high school math for

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Family of Noah Laswell: Cont.

Eckerty, Crawford County, Indiana. He married Sarah A. (Sally) HAMMOND 13 SEP 1865, daughter of Amos J. HAMMOND and Phebe ASH. She was born 1844. She was buried in Pleasant "Tick" Ridge Cemetery, Eckerty, Crawford County, Indiana.

Children of James Noah Moses LASWELL and Sarah A. (Sally) HAMMOND are: Pheba LASWELL was born 1867. She married James M. BROWN; William LASWELL was born 1871; Insly "Emily" LASWELL was born 1874; Andrew Amos LASWELL was born 27 AUG 1868 in Mifflin, Crawford County, Indiana, and died 15 OCT 1949 in Crawford Co., Indiana; Margaret LASWELL was born 1879.

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some 30 years. I now live in Washington state so am quite a distance from Indiana. So your publications about Crawford county would be very interesting to me.

Thank you in advance for putting me on your mailing list.

Audrey Noblitt Stehr anstehr37@comcast.net

From: Hugh or Evelyn Jackson
To: "Larry Burmeister" <burmeisterlarry@yahoo.com>
Wednesday, April 29, 2009, 11:31 PM

Larry;

I just printed off your genealogy newsletter. It ended with the court case concerning George Wyman's estate. George Wyman served in the War of 1812 and is buried in Gott's Cemetery. I have been intending to stop in there to just see what his stone does look like and perhaps order a new one for him. The cemetery is usually in not very good shape. George served as Sgt. under Captain Zahariah Lindley's Company in the regiment of the Indiana Infantry Militia. There is no birth date on his stone but I have researched that he was probably born in 1772 and he died 28 FEB 1823 according to his reading on the stone. He was married to Lucinda Slack who remarried 14 JAN 1824 to John Barnett after George's death. I have not found any names of children. Just thought you might be interested in this update...

Evelyn Jackson
IN State Chairman
Grave Location Project
Daughters of 1812.

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Seaton, Geo. Washington: Cont.

George Washington1 Seaton, born 9 May 1831 in Crawford Co, IN; died 21 Feb 1904 in Fulton Co., IL, son of 2. James Seaton and 3. Winfred Roberts. He married (1) on 20 Sep 1858 in Fulton Co., IL Louisa Culton, born abt 1835; died 1879 in Fulton Co., IL; (2) on 6 Sep 1890 in Fulton Co., IL M.V. Downing, born abt 1831 in Canton, IL.

Notes for George Washington Seaton, From 1908 History of Fulton County Illinois Page 1094.

SEATON, George Washington.-Among other claims to consideration, George Washington Seaton is known to Cantonians as the first cigar inspector of the town. He came to Fulton County as a young lad from Crawford County, Ind., where he was born May 9, 1883, and ever since has made Fulton County his home. Mr. Seaton is of German ancestry, his paternal grandfather, John Seaton, having come from Germany to America about the middle of the last century, settling presumably in the State of Tennessee, where James Seaton, the father of George Washington, was born and where he married Winifred Roberts, a native of Kentucky.

Educated in the public schools of Fulton County, G. W. Seaton at first engaged in farming with his father, but eventually drifted into business in Canton, as before stated, serving as the city's first cigar inspector. He is a natural politician, a staunch Republican and has served five terms as Alderman of the First Ward. His first wife dying in 1879, Mr. Seaton married, September 6, 1890, V. Downing. Mr. Seaton's first wife, Louise (Culton) Seaton, was a native of Fulton County, and became the mother of six children: William P., Anna, Charles A., Kate, Frederick and George W. Fraternally Mr. Seaton is identified with the Morning Star Lodge, No. 734, A. F. & A. M. He is one of the community's most honored and useful citizens.

Children of George Washington Seaton and Louisa Culton were as follows:

- i William P. Seaton, born abt 1859 in Fulton Co., IL.
- ii Anna Seaton, born abt 1860 in Fulton Co., IL.
- iii Charles A. Seaton, born abt 1861 in Fulton Co., IL.
- iv Kate Seaton, born abt 1862 in Fulton Co., IL.
- v Frederick Seaton, born abt 1863 in Fulton Co., IL.
- vi George W. Seaton, born abt 1864 in Fulton Co., IL.

Generation 2

2. James2 Seaton, born 1809 in TN; died 6 May 1882 in Crawford Co, IN; buried in Seaton Hill Cem, Crawford Co., son of John Seaton and Sarah Bird. He married on 15 Aug 1827 3. Winfred Roberts, born 8 Apr 1806 in KY; died 29 Sep 1877 in Crawford Co, IN; buried in Seaton Hill Cem, Crawford Co., daughter of Thomas Francis Roberts and Elizabeth Gilliland.

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Mansfield Family Through Crawford Co. to Oregon Territory

**JAMES MANSFIELD and ELIZABETH
CHAMPION MANSFIELD.**

[Contributed by Carol Heller.]

James Mansfield was born in 1796 in Lincoln County, Kentucky. He married Elizabeth Champion, daughter of John Champion and Mary Cannon Champion, on July 1, 1819 in Washington County, Kentucky. Elizabeth Champion was born November 17, 1796 in Kentucky. **James and Elizabeth moved from Kentucky to Crawford County, Indiana, where they resided until 1833** at which time they moved to Knox County, Illinois. They were numbered among the early residents of Knox County, Illinois. They remained in Knox County until the spring of 1853 at which time they journeyed to Oregon by covered wagon. Seven sons and one daughter and various neighbors and relatives from Knox County journeyed with them to Oregon. (One son, Thomas J. Mansfield, remained in Knox County, Illinois.) James and Elizabeth Mansfield arrived in the Willamette Valley of Oregon in September of 1853. They took out Oregon Donation Land Claim # 1160 and made their home in Lane County, Oregon, on the Willamette River. James died there on November 26, 1862 and is buried in Harrisburg, Oregon in the Mansfield, Muddy Creek Cemetery. (Sons William and John also died in the Harrisburg region of Oregon). In the years 1874 and 1875, Elizabeth Mansfield and her surviving children with their families moved to Umatilla County, Oregon. Elizabeth died in Athena (Centerville), Oregon May 24, 1884, and is buried at Kees Cemetery in Weston, Oregon.

To James and Elizabeth Mansfield were born 10 children, one of which died in infancy, leaving 9 children to survive.

Born in Crawford County, Indiana, were:

John C.

Born March 28, 1820

Died December 31, 1874 (Harrisburg, Oregon)

Isaac S.

Born Feb. 13, 1822

Died July 11, 1901

Amanda (Ely)

Born May 11, 1824

Died January 27, 1905 (Seattle, WA; buried Weston, Oregon)

Emaline

Born Aug. 19, 1826

Died November 21, 1826

Thomas James

Born March 26, 1828

Died June 4, 1909 (Rio, Illinois)

Samuel

Born Dec 4, 1830

Died August 27, 1896

Born in Knox County, Illinois, were:

Francis Marion

Born March 13, 1835

Died April 01, 1911 (Athena, Oregon)

Benjamin F.

Born March 13, 1835

Died December 24, 1908 (Athena, Ore.)



F. M. Mansfield

George W.

Born May 15, 1837

Died April 11, 1890 (buried Weston, Oregon)

William M.

Born Sept. 11, 1840

Died June 18, 1873 (Oregon)

MARRIAGES:

John C. Mansfield married Sarah Frakes, daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth (Daugherty) Frakes May 03, 1840, Knox Co, Illinois. Illinois Statewide Marriage Index.

Isaac S. Mansfield married Leah Keys, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Fountain) Keys, February 12, 1846, Knox Co., Illinois. Illinois Statewide Marriage Index.

Amanda Mansfield married Philologus Ely, son of Solomon and Rachel (Turner) Ely, January 23, 1851, Knox Co., Illinois. Illinois Statewide Marriage Index, name misspelled as Manfields, Amanda.

Thomas J. Mansfield married Sarah A. Wilmot, daughter of Amos and Betsey (Crawford) Wilmot, February 17, 1853, Knox Co., Illinois. Illinois Statewide Marriage Index.

Samuel Mansfield (marriage not listed at this time)

Francis Mansfield married first Nancy Purdy December 25, 1866, Oregon (died 1886), married 2nd Lizzie Fountain White, daughter of Matthew and Sarah (Hicks) Fountain.

Benjamin F. Mansfield married Emily Mosier April 28, 1878, Umatilla Co, OR. Umatilla Co Marriage Book C, 265.

George W. Mansfield married Alice Canady at the

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home of John Canady on March 10, 1866, Lane Co, OR. Lane County (Oregon) Marriages, Vol 1 1852-1869, book 2. Record location: State of Oregon Archives, Salem, OR.

William Mansfield married Julia A. Holt November 24, 1867, Lane Co, OR. Lane County (Oregon) Marriages, Vol 1 1852-1869, book 3. Record location: State of Oregon Archives, Salem, OR.

Birth and marriage information for James Mansfield & Elizabeth Champion Mansfield from Oregon Donation Land Claim # 1160, record located at State of Oregon Archives, Salem, OR.

(Elizabeth Champion Mansfield is sister of Ruth Champion who was married to William McMurtry).

From the 1878 History of Knox County, Illinois published by Charles C. Chapman.

[Contributed by Pat Thomas.]

Thomas J. Mansfield, son of Jos. and Elizabeth (Champion) Mansfield, natives of Kentucky. He was **born in Crawford co., Ind., March 16, 1828**; came to Henderson township, Knox co., in 1833, where he was educated; was Supervisor for that township in 1860, and has been Road Commissioner and School Director in Ontario township, where he now lives on a large farm; married Sarah A. Wilmot Feb. 17, 1853; they have 3 boys; joined the Christian Church in 1850; baptized by Elder Jno. E. Martin; Deacon for several years. Republican. P.O., Woodhull, Ill.

From the 1893

An Illustrated History of the State of Oregon

by Rev. H. K. Hinds, D. D.,

The Lewis Publishing Co., Chicago. Pages 540, 541.

[Contributed by Carol Heller.]

Francis M. Mansfield, a pioneer of Oregon and a most respected citizen of Umatilla county, was born in Knox county, Illinois, March 13, 1835. He was the sixth child in a family of nine children born to James and Elizabeth (Champion) Mansfield, both of Kentucky, who were married in that State, removed to Indiana, and in 1833 to Illinois. Our subject grew up as a farmer boy, and when his father decided to go to Oregon he was eager to accompany him. For twenty years Mr. Mansfield, Sr., has been one of the leading men in Knox county, where he had been one of its early settlers, but in 1853 he decided to cross the plains and again try pioneer life in a new country, therefore, supplying themselves with plenty

of horses and oxen, they started out and in the fall of 1853 reached the Willamette valley in Oregon. They were six months on the road, but had no trouble with Indians and encountered those hardships which were the natural result of a journey of that length through the wilderness. Mr. (James) Mansfield took up 320 acres of land in Lane county, which he improved and made into a comfortable home, but his death occurred November 26, 1862, when he was sixty-five years of age. His wife (Elizabeth Champion Mansfield) survived him until May 20, 1884, when she passed away at the good old age of eighty eight.

Our subject (Francis Marion Mansfield) attended the district schools of Illinois before he started for the West, at which time he was eighteen years old. After reaching his new home he entered the mines and worked in Idaho and Oregon, and was very successful in his endeavors. After some time he quit mining and entered into the sawmill business, and continued that for five years in the Willamette valley and sold it to buy a ferry boat, which he conducted at the crossing of the Willamette river at Harrisburg, and had a line of drays to connect with it and run into the town. This employment he continued until 1873, when he moved to Umatilla county and located on 160 acres of fine land three miles east of Athena. This place he has improved, and now has one of the most desirable homes in the county. He was always industrious, and being a man of intelligence has known how to profitably improve his place and now can well be proud of the result. When he built his fine residence he thought of the future and set out rows of trees, so that the three acres which he devoted to his home place should be beautiful, and now his grove is a thing of beauty, some of the trees measuring two feet in diameter. He has added to his original purchase and now has 320 acres of land under cultivation, and he and his only son manage it all.

Our subject was married December 25, 1866, to Miss Nanny E. Purdy, a native of Illinois, who came to Oregon in 1865, and they spent many years of happiness together, but January 29, 1886, she was called away from life, leaving desolate her husband and one child. The latter, David H., is living now with a family of his own near his father. Our subject was married a second time September 25, 1887, to Mrs. Lizzie White, born in Boone county, Missouri, June 30, 1846, a daughter of Mathew and Sarah (Hicks) Fountain, the former a native of Kentucky and the latter of Missouri. Mrs. Mansfield was married to her first husband, Mr. Peregrine White, in 1862. He was a native of Massachusetts and died in 1882 at the age of forty-nine years, the only child of the marriage dying in infancy. Mrs. Mansfield is a lady of many accomplishments and of great refinement and manages her home with taste and ease.

The following is an excerpt from obituary of Francis Marion Mansfield from Athena Press, Athena, Oregon, Friday, April 7, 1911: A Pioneer is Gone. Uncle Frank Mansfield,

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one of the best known pioneers in the Northwest, died at his home a few minutes after midnight Saturday morning, as the result of a sudden attack of heart failure....Francis Marion Mansfield was born at Galesburg, Illinois, March 13, 1835 and died Athena, Oregon, April 1, 1911, aged 76 years and 19 days....He was the last of a family of 9 children, 8 brothers and 1 sister. The last to precede him to the grave was B.F. Mansfield, a twin brother, who in his declining years found a welcome home with his brother Frank. The deceased was a devout Christian gentleman, being a member of the Christian Church....He lived well within the limits prescribed for honorable men, and the community is better for his having lived with us.

(Frank Mansfield is buried at Weston Cemetery, Weston, Oregon, where rests the remains of his 1st wife, Nancy Purdy; at the time of his death, Mr. Mansfield was survived by his 2nd wife, Lizzie Fountain White Mansfield and his son, D.



AMANDA MANSFIELD

[Contributed by Carol Heller.]

Amanda Mansfield was born May 11, 1824, in **Crawford County, Indiana**. Amanda is the daughter of James Mansfield (born 1796 in Lincoln County, Kentucky, died November 26, 1862, Lane County, Oregon) & Elizabeth Champion Mansfield (born November 17, 1796, died May 20, 1884, Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon). She is the granddaughter of John Champion and Mary Cannon who were married in Lincoln County, Kentucky, November 8, 1794.

Amanda removed from Crawford County, Indiana to Knox County, Illinois, with her family in 1833. She was instructed in the district schools of Illinois. Her father, James Mansfield was one of the leading citizens of Knox county for 20 years (1833 to 1853). Amanda had eight brothers: John C., born in Crawford County Indiana, 1820; Isaac, born 1822, Indiana; Thomas J., born March 16, 1828, Indiana; Samuel, born 1830, Indiana; Francis M., born March 13, 1835, Knox County, Illinois; Benjamin F., born March 13, 1835, Knox County, Illinois; George W., born May 21, 1837, Knox County, Illinois; and William, born September 11, 1840, Knox County, Illinois.

Amanda Mansfield united in marriage with Philologus Ely, January 23, 1851, in Knox County, Illinois. In March of 1853, Philologus and Amanda Ely removed from Knox County, Illinois to the Willamette Valley of Oregon. They traveled with various neighbors and relatives from Knox County, Illinois. Included in this group were Amanda's parents James & Elizabeth Mansfield. Amanda and Philologus had six children, the 1st, Charles, born in Knox County, Illinois, 1852; the other 5 born in Lane/Linn County, Oregon:

George W. born January, 1856; Mary Alice, born January, 1856; Susanna Elizabeth (Lizzie), born 1860; James F., born December 1, 1863; and Rosella Lavina, born about 1867.

Amanda and Philologus resided in Lane County, Oregon until 1874, when they removed to Weston, Umatilla County, Oregon. Amanda was preceded in death by her beloved spouse, Philologus, January 6, 1893. She remained in Umatilla County, Oregon, living with her children until 1903, she then removed to Seattle, Washington, to live with her son, George W. Ely. She departed this life in Seattle, January 27, 1905. Her children transported her body to be buried in Kees Cemetery, Weston, Oregon, in the family plot with her beloved spouse, Philologus Ely, 1826-1893; daughter, Suzanne Elizabeth Ely, 1860-1881; her mother, Elizabeth Champion Mansfield, 1796-1884; and her brother, George W. Mansfield, 1837-1890.

Obituary of Amanda Mansfield Ely, from Athena Press, Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon, 3 February 1905

MOTHER IN HEAVEN. BY HER CHILDREN.

Our dear mother, Mrs. Amanda Ely, departed from us in Seattle, Wash., January 27, 1905, at the age of 80 years, eight months and 16 days.

She was a devoted mother-our best earthly friend-and a faithful Christian; a member of the Christian church at Athena, Oregon, her home for many years, and where we have buried her body by the side of the graves of our dear father, P. Ely, and our sweet spirited sister, Lizzie Ely. The grave of our dear brother, J. F. Ely, is at San Bernardino, California.

The loving and faithful soul, or spirit, our real mother, has gone into the great beyond where all are going, and from whence none has ever returned. She has left four children and three brothers. Two sons, C. M. and G. W. Ely, and one daughter, M. A. Bamford, are residents of Seattle, Wash., and

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DECLARATION OF ARCHIBALD HEIL

Revolutionary War Veteran

ON THIS DAY Archibald Heil filed in open Court the following Declaration, to-wit:

State of Indiana; County of Crawford—SS:

On this tenth day of March 1827 personally appeared before me Constant Williams, one of the Associate Judges of the Circuit Court for Crawford County in the State of Indiana, being a Court of Record, Archibald Heil, resident in said county, aged 73 years old, who being first duly sworn according to law does on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the promises of Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820. That he, the said Archibald Heil, enlisted for the term of one year some time in the Spring of the year 1776 in the State of Pennsylvania, York County, in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Church in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Anthony Wayne in the line of the State of Pennsylvania on the Pennsylvania Continental establishment; That he continued to serve in said corps until some time in the Spring of the year 1777, when he was discharged from the service in the Town of Chester in the County of ———, in the State of Pennsylvania; That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present; That his name is not on the roll of any State except the State of Pennsylvania; And that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension, viz.: That he was under the impression that it was necessary to prove his service by some uninterested witness, and there being no person in this state that he could prove said service by within his knowledge; And that the applicant's claim would rest upon the testimony of his service that he might be able to adduce; And in pursuance of the Act of the first of May 1820, I do swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with the intent thereby to diminish it to bring myself within the provisions of the Act of Congress entitled, "An Act to Provide for Certain Persons Engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War," passed on the 18th of March 1818; And that I have nor nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed by me subscribed, viz.: one old mare and one colt; 8 or 9 months old; 2 cows and 2 calves; 1 yearling calf; 1 sow and 9 young pigs; 5 small shoats; 4 head of sheep; 3 chairs; 1 broken kettle; 1 oven; 1 skillet; 1 small pot; 1 water bucket and small pail; 9 Queensware plates; 3 tea cups and 3 saucers; 1 small looking glass; 3 knives and 3 forks; 7 small bowls; by occupation I am a weaver, but not

able to persue said occupation for the space of 20 years owing to a pain in his side and breast followed by the spitting of blood. I have a wife, Margaret, aged 50, not able to support herself by reason of the rumatism, one son, Jonathan Heil, aged 17, is able to support himself, but not the family; That since the 18th of March 1818 there has been no material change in the value of my property; That I am not able to attend personally in Court by reasons of bodily inability, Constant Williams, one of the Associate Judges of the Circuit Court for Crawford County in the State of Indiana, in the same county and state where the above Claimant resides Do hereby certify that the above named Archibald Heil suffers from a case called hemopthisis which I am creditably informed and believe he has been affected for the space of years unable to attend Court of which I am a judge and I do not think from present appearances that he will be able to attend the Court above named at its next session. I have therefore in persuance of the Act of 1st of March 1823 attended at his place of abode and administered to him the foregoing oath. Given under my hand and seal this 10th Day of March 1827.

/ s /

Constant Williams, Assoc. Judge

James B. Ray, Governor vs. John Vanmetre — On Scine Farias.

Cause continued to next term.

DECLARATION OF JOHN B. HART

JOHN B. HART, age 47, born in the Kingdom of Great Britian in the County of Gloster, that the applicant sailed from the Port of London on the 18th day of June 1821 in the ship Dorothy, commanded by Captain Pearson, landed in the Town of Loureton in the State of New York on the ——— day of March 1822. This day in Court renounced all allegiance to any foreign king, potentate or power whatever and more particularly to George the Fourth, King of Great Britian of whom he is now a subject; That he resides in Crawford County, Indiana; is a laborer by profession and intends to become a citizen of the United States.

/s/ John B. Hart

DECLARATION OF JOHN LEGGETT

State of Indiana; Crawford County: SS.

John Leggett, aged 42, born in England in the

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<http://www.yatesville.net/histctr/58.html>
 Mr. Ron Yates has placed all my newsletters
 on his excellent website. Check it Out!**

Hines' Raid

From Wikipedia

The Hines' Raid was a Confederate exploratory mission led by Thomas Hines, on orders from John Hunt Morgan, into the state of Indiana in June 1863 during the American Civil War. Hines' mission was to prepare the groundwork of Morgan's Raid across the Ohio River into Indiana and Ohio by seeing what support the local Knights of the Golden Circle and Copperheads would provide for the main operation.

The mission began in Woodbury, Tennessee, on June 10, 1863, where Morgan had a picket camp. At the start of the mission, Hines only told his men that their mission would be "long and dangerous" and allowed any man who did not wish to go to step out; none did. From there, they traveled through Brownsville, Kentucky, and Elizabethtown, Kentucky. At Brownsville, they stole clothing from a Union sutler, consisting of shirts, trousers, and boots of Union uniforms. At Elizabethtown, the group robbed a train, providing Hines' force with Union currency. When they reached the Ohio River, Hines' then informed his men that they would pose as Union troops under General Jeremiah T. Boyle with orders to pursue deserters, called the Indiana Grays. The crossing occurred between Alton, Indiana, and Tobinsport, Indiana, on June 18, 1863, presumably near Derby, Indiana.

Once he crossed the Ohio River, Hines' men rode straight to Paoli, Indiana, successfully posing as Union soldiers. While being served dinner in Paoli, actual Indiana Home Guards entered the town, and informed the mayor of the deception. The Confederates escaped by convincing a separate band of Home Guards that they were surrounded, taking the best horses the actual Union troops had, and saying the captured Union band was paroled. They then went to French Lick, Indiana, where Hines met the local Copperhead leader Doctor William A. Bowles, whose home was a gathering place for the Democratic Party. Bowles told Hines he could raise a force of 10,000, but before the deal was finalized, Hines was told a Union force was approaching, causing him to flee. As a result, there would be no support for Morgan's Raid by them.

From French Lick, Hines' men traveled to Valeene, Indiana. At Valeene, while still posing as Union troops, they set a house on fire whose occupants refused to give them dinner. This exposed that Hines' men were actually Confederates to the local populace. A resistance was quickly formed at Paoli. Hines had hired a local man, Bryant Breeden, to guide them to safety, but Breeden was strongly pro-Union, and instead guided the Confederates onto a small island in the middle of the Little Blue Island, near Leavenworth, Indiana, in the middle of the Ohio River. On this island, a skirmish began, killing three Confederate soldiers. Hines escaped across the Ohio River with a few of his men, and the rest of the Confederate force surrendered, having successfully covered Hines' es-

cape. The Corydon Weekly Democrat said of the Home Guards "Our citizens, though unused to actual war, showed the nerve of soldiers".

Thomas Hines traveled throughout Kentucky by railroad until it was time to rejoin Morgan, which he did at Brandenburg, Kentucky, being put immediately in command of Morgan's artillery. Hines had to inform Morgan that they would receive no help from Hoosier Confederate sympathizers, which many believe made Morgan decided to deal more harshly with any Hoosier citizen who would later claim to be sympathetic to the Confederate cause. Lew Wallace would say that it was his actions that discouraged any Hoosiers from helping Hines and Morgan.

Hines' immediate superior and Morgan's second in command, Basil W. Duke, had not been informed of Hines' mission previously. When Hines finally saw what he saw as his prodigal son, Duke remarked how Hines was resting next to a wharfboat "apparently the most listless inoffensive youth that was ever imposed upon"

Most of the area Thomas Hines traveled in this raid is within present-day Hoosier National Forest.

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The article printed in last month's edition was so "bad" I thought it best to print another from a more "reliable" source. You can read this on-line at Wikipedia and also see a map.

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County of Hampshire, has a wife by the name of Hanah (formerly Hanah Jones), age 37, they have no children; That said applicant sailed from the Port of Portsmouth in the month of May 28, 1820 in the American merchant ship Henry Clay commanded by Captain James Biddle, and landed in New Castle in the State of Delaware in September 1820. This day in open Court renounced all allegiance to any foreign king, potentate or power whatever and more particularly to George the Fourth, King of Great Britian of whom he is now a subject; he resides in the Town of Fredonia, Crawford County, Indiana; He is a merchant by occupation and intends becoming a citizen of the United States; And thereupon came the said John Leggett into open Court in his proper person and took all the necessary oaths as required by the laws of the United States of America in such cases made and provided.

THE GRAND JURY returned into Court an indictment signed by the foreman as a True Bill against Isaac Stine for Larceny.

THIS DAY appeared in open Court James Gowen Senior in his proper person who having filed his Declaration in open Court at the September Term of this Court in the year 1824 and on the second day of said term declaring his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States of America and took all the necessary oaths as required by the laws of the United States of America in such cases made and provided.

State of Indiana vs. Billings Starkweather — Recognition to Keep the Peace.

Comes said Defendant in his proper person and the Court being sufficiently advised of and concerning the premises and nothing being objected against the said Defendant; It is therefore considered by the Court that the said Defendant be discharged.

ORDERED THAT Court be adjourned until tomorrow 8 o'clock.

Cornelius Newkirk, Constant Williams.

March Term 1827 — 3rd Day

Saturday morning 8 o'clock, March 24, 1827. Court met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Constant Williams and Cornelius Newkirk, Associate Judges.

ON MOTION of Jonathan Rice, administrator of the estate of John Kincaid, deceased; It is Ordered by the Court that the heirs of said John Kincaid, deceased, be summoned to be and appear before the Honorable Judges

of our Crawford Circuit Court at our Court house in Fredonia on the first day of our next September Term to shew cause why distribution of said estate among the legatees shall not be made; And it appearing to the Court that William Kincaid, John Kincaid, William Carson & Jane Carson, his wife; ——— Standiford & Eleanor Standiford, his wife; John Lapoly & Elizabeth, his wife; Robert Kincaid & Mary, his wife; who are heirs and are non-residents of the State of Indiana; — Therefore it is ordered by the Court that notice of this application be given for four weeks successively in the Indiana Recorder & Public Advertiser, a newspaper published at New Albany.

State of Indiana vs. Isaac Stines — Motion to Arrest Judgement.

Comes Charles T. Battell, Prosecutor, and the Defendant and motion to arrest judgement being overruled by the Court and the Defendant being brought before the Court and the said Defendant being asked by the Court if he had anything further to say as to why the sentence should not be passed upon him returned for answer he has nothing further to say; It is therefore ordered he make his fine to the State of Indiana for the use of the seminary for Crawford County in the sum of \$100 and that he be imprisoned at hard labor in the state prison at or near Jeffersonville for the term of one year and that he pay the costs of this prosecution. And it is further ordered that the Sheriff remand said Isaac Stines to the jail of this county until some convenient time to be hence by the Sheriff taken to state prison.

IT IS ORDERED to be certified to the Board of Justice that the grand jury at this term served each three days and that William Rumels as bailiff to the grand jury be allowed three days at seventy-five cents per day.

ORDERED THAT William Brown Matthews be allowed for two days service as bailiff to the grand jury at the March Term 1825 at seventy-five cents per day.

THE GRAND JURY returned into Court the following Indictments and one Presentment against the jail.

State of Indiana vs. John G. Davis — Indictment for Perjury.

State of Indiana vs. Jesse Denbo — Indictment for Adultry.

State of Indiana vs. Jeremiah Sturgeon — Indictment for Adultry.

State of Indiana vs. Abigail Peyton — Indictment for Adultry.

And having no further business the grand jury was discharged.

State of Indiana vs. John G. Davis — Perjury.

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Now at this time came Charles T. Battell, State Prosecutor, and the Defendant who for plea says he is not guilty as charged and for his trial puts himself upon the county and the Prosecutor doth the like — And thereupon came the said John G. Davis in open Court and acknowledged himself to owe and stand indebted to the State of Indiana in the sum of \$100 and at the same time came William May and Timothy Bennett who jointly and severally acknowledged themselves to owe and stand indebted to the State of Indiana to the use of the seminary of Crawford County to be rendered in the sum of \$50 to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements if default be made in this condition which is that if said John Davis appear before the Court on the first day of our next September Term and answer to an indictment for perjury preferred against him and not depart without leave then this obligation to be void, else to remain in full effect and virtue in law.

ORDERED BY the Court that capias issue on all indictments found at this term not disposed of and that the Sheriff upon serving the same take security in the principal sum of \$100 and also good security in the sum of \$50.

State of Indiana vs. Peter McMikle & F. F. Tucker — Recognizance.

Comes the Prosecutor and the said McMikle though three times called did not appear and the said Fountain F. Tucker being three times called and required to surrender the body of said Peter McMikle and save his recognizance, not appearing — Therefore it is ordered that the Plaintiff recover of the Defendants the sum of \$50 each with costs hereof and it is further ordered that a *scine farias* issue against said Defendants for them to shew cause why execution shall not issue against them and continued to next term.

ORDERED THAT all causes not disposed of at this term be continued until next term.

ORDERED THAT Alphens Franklin be allowed seventy-five cents for one day service as bailiff to Petit jury at this term and that same be certified.

IT IS ORDERED to be certified that the Petit Jury served as follows, to-wit:

Thomas Bland — 3 Days
James McCullum — 3 Days
Benjamin Stewart — 3 Days
Thomas Roberts — 3 Days
Enos Campbell — 3 Days
Timothy Bennett — 3 Days
Levi Beals — 3 Days

John Freed — 3 Days
Thomas Stroud — 3 Days
Elijah Harbaugh — 1 Day
David Hawkins — 3 Days
James R. Spencer — 3 Days
Josiah Coleman — 3 Days
Rufus Ammon — 3 Days
George Goodson — 2 Days
Alphens Branham — 2 Days

ORDERED THAT Court adjourn until Court-in-Course.

Cornelius Newkirk
Constant Williams

March 24, 1827.

September Term 1827 — 1st Day

At a Circuit Court held for the County of Crawford in the State of Indiana at the Court house in the Town of Fredonia on Thursday the 20th day of September 1827. Present: The Honorable James R. E. Goodlett, President Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit of the State of Indiana and Constant Williams and Cornelius Newkirk Esqs., his Associate Judges of the Crawford Circuit Court.

State of Indiana vs. Daniel Davidson — Indictment for Perjury.

Comes the Prosecuting Attorney and says he will no longer prosecute this cause. Therefore the Defendant is discharged.

State of Indiana vs. Jesse Denbo — Indictment for Adultry.

Comes as well Charles J. Battell, State Prosecutor, and the Defendant who for plea says he is not guilty as charged and for his trial puts himself upon the county and the Prosecutor doth the like. — And thereupon came the said Defendant and acknowledged himself to owe and stand indebted to the State of Indiana in the sum of \$100 and at the same time came John Crawford and James Dooley who jointly and severally acknowledged themselves to owe and stand indebted to the State of Indiana to the use of the seminary of Crawford County to be rendered in the sum of \$50 to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements if default be made in this condition which is that if said Jesse Denbo appear before the Court on the first day of our next March Term and answer to an indictment for adultery preferred against him and not depart without leave then this obligation to be void, else to remain in full effect and virtue in law.

State of Indiana vs. Jeremiah Sturgeon — Indictment

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George Wyman's tombstone at the Gott-Spencer Cemetery, taken by me on May 22, 2009.

George Wyman's widow Provided by Evelyn Jackson

Slack

ID: I2246 Name: Lucinda SLACK Given Name: Lucinda
Surname: Slack Sex: F Birth: 20 OCT 1798 in Washington
Co,Ky Death: 2 SEP 1872 in Greenville,Lloyd,Indiana
Change Date: 19 MAR 1998 at 13:57:58

Father: John SLACK b: 1755 in Cumberland Co,PA
Mother: Mary Elizabeth CASHWILDER (CADWILDER) b:
ABT 1760 in PA
Marriage 1 George WYMAN b: 1783
Married: 22 MAR 1817 in Bullitt Co,Ky
Children: Permelia Ann WYMAN b: 28 DEC 1818 in
Jefferson Co., Ky and Mary Ellen WYMAN b: 1 JAN 1820
in Jefferson Co., IN

Marriage 2 John BARRETT b: 24 JAN 1805 in Kentucky
Married: 14 JAN 1824 in Crawford Co.,In

Children

Alexander BARNETT b: 2 FEB 1825 in Crawford Co.,In
David S. BARNETT b: 29 OCT 1827 in Crawford Co.,In
Elizabeth BARNETT b: 3 DEC 1828 in Crawford Co.,In
John S. BARNETT b: 19 MAR 1830 in Crawford Co.,In
Jane BARNETT b: 26 MAR 1832 in Crawford Co.,In
Andrew N. BARNETT b: 11 FEB 1834 in Crawford Co.,In
Martha F. BARNETT b: 6 JAN 1836 in Crawford Co.,In
Mary BARNETT b: 6 DEC 1837 in Crawford Co.,In
Lucinda BARNETT b: 24 JUN 1840 in Crawford Co.,In
Samuel Houston BARNETT b: 25 JUL 1842 in Crawford
Co.,In

Seaton, Geo. Washington: Cont.

Children of James Seaton and Winfred Roberts were as follows:

- i William I Seaton, born 1828. He married in 1855 Martha Wright, born 1838 in Crawford Co, IN; died 28 Nov 1919, daughter of John Wright and Mary Ray.
- ii George Washington I Seaton, born 9 May 1831 in Crawford Co, IN; died 21 Feb 1904 in Fulton Co., IL. He married (1) on 20 Sep 1858 in Fulton Co., IL Louisa Culton, born abt 1835; died 1879 in Fulton Co., IL; (2) on 6 Sep 1890 in Fulton Co., IL M.V. Downing, born abt 1831 in Canton, IL.
- iii John Albert I Seaton, born 18 Apr 1838; died 1852.
- iv James H. I Seaton, born 29 Nov 1836. He married on 9 Jan 1870 Mary Ann Jones, daughter of Wm. Henry & Sarah Wilson.
- v Mary Elizabeth I Seaton, born 29 May 1839 in Crawford Co, IN; died 15 Sep 1889 in Crawford Co, IN; buried in Grantsburg Cemetery, Crawford Co. IN. She married in 1855 in Crawford Co, IN Hamilton Martin, born 23 May 1834 in Riddle, Crawford County, Indiana; died 15 Oct 1914 in Crawford Co, IN; buried in Grantsburg Cemetery, Crawford Co. IN, son of John Martin and Nancy McRae.
- vi Manerva Catherine I Seaton, born 1844; died 27 Jun 1898. She married on 11 Jun 1857 John Miller Benham, born abt 1844.
- vii Theodore I Seaton, born 1847.

**Thanks To All Who Take The Time
To Contribute Their Genealogies
and Photos To This Newsletter!!!**

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for Adultry.

Comes the Prosecuting Attorney and the Court being satisfied that the Defendant has deceased — Therefore this suit abates.

State of Indiana vs. Peter McMikle & Fountain F. Tucker — Recognizance.

Ordered to be dismissed.

State of Indiana vs. Peter McMikle — Assault & Battery on James Brown.

Comes the Prosecuting Attorney who says he will no longer prosecute in this behalf. It is ordered that the Defendant be discharged.

Martin Scott vs. Asa Lyon, Etal. — Appeal.

Ordered to be continued and a summons to issue to Robert Sands and James R. Spencer.

James Brown vs. Asa Lyon, Etal. — Appeal.

Ordered to be continued and a summons to issue to Robert Sands and James R. Spencer.

Armstrong Brandon & Co. vs. Tucker's Administrators

In this cause she being satisfied that the Plaintiff is deceased, This cause abates.

Joseph Merril vs. Lyman Beeman — On Appeal.

Comes the parties by their attorneys and on affidavit filed this cause is continued until next term and leave is granted the Defendant to take depositions generally.

Joseph Tibbs Jr. vs. William B. Moore & Thomas Sturgeon — In Case.

Cause dismissed at Plaintiff cost. — Defendant recover their costs.

JEREMIAH ROWLAND Esq. is admitted as an attorney and Counsellor in this Court.

JOHN H. McMikel is fined fifty cents for Contempt of Court.

James Brown vs. Peter McMikel & John Ruth Jr. — Trespass, Assault & Battery.

On the Petition of the Plaintiff the venue in this cause is changed to the County of Gibson in the Fourth Judicial Circuit of the State of Indiana, and the Clerk is to forward the papers to the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for said county on the application of either party and the payment of the expenses of the transfer.

To Be Continued —

Mansfield Family: Cont.

one daughter, Mrs. R. L. Price, resides near Farmington, Wash. Two brothers, F. M. and B. F. Mansfield, reside at Athena, Ore., and one brother, T. J. Mansfield, resides in Illinois.

Mother has been an invalid for over ten years. A very patient sufferer; never known once to complain or find fault.

“And God shall wipe away all tears from their (her) eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying; neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things have passed away.” (Rev. 21:4.) “Rejoice evermore.” (1st Thess. 5:16.)

No word that we can say or write, or even our thoughts, can express the full meaning of the word mother. Therefore we will only add what our dear sister said of “Heaven;” and let us all think of “Mother in Heaven!”

Resources for information supplied by Carol Heller: US Census information: 1850, Knox County, Illinois; 1860 and 1870, Lane County, Oregon; 1880 and 1900, Umatilla County, Oregon; Uvilla Register, 1853, published in Immigration Rosters of the Elliott Cut-Off: 1853-1854 and Immigration Registration at Umatilla Agency, 1853, compiled by Leah Collins Menaffee, 1984; Oregon Donation Land Claim Records; Biography of Philologus Ely, History of Pacific Northwest - Oregon & Washington, published 1889, Portland, OR, p 318. Biography of Frank M. Mansfield, Illustrated History of Oregon, Rev. H.K. Hines, Lewis Publishing Co., 1893; Kees Cemetery Records, Weston, Oregon; Athena Press, February 3, 1905. Photo of Amanda Mansfield Ely, taken 1888, Pendleton, Oregon, in possession of Carol Heller.

(Article submitted by Roberta Toby)

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