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HENRY H. SELSER, M.D.,

was born in Meade county, Ky., December 7, 1851, and is a son of Harvey G. and Mary (Popham) Selser, natives of Kentucky. Henry H. the subject of this sketch was reared on his father's farm and received an academical education. He read medicine with Dr. Clarence J. Prentice, a son of the renowned George D. Prentice, formerly of the old *Louisville Journal*, now a part of the *Courier-Journal*. He graduated from the University of Louisville in March 1875. In 1877, he began practice at Leavenworth, where he has since remained, doing the largest practice of any physician of the place. From April 1877, to December 1880, he was a partner of Dr. Harris. He was married June 4, 1888, to Amelia Benz, a daughter of ex-Senator Benz, of Leavenworth. Dr. Selser is secretary of the County Board of Health, which position he has held since 1881, except the years 1883-84. He is a member of the K. of H. and Deputy Grand Dictator of the Leavenworth Lodge. He is a member of the County Medical Society, and the year (1877) it was organized he was chosen its first president.

Communications

Descendants of Andrew Mason

From: Bettye Kemple <bak49@verizon.net>

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This is my father's family. Hopefully someone can add to it or correct any discrepancies. thanks

Submitter: Bettye Kemple

Generation No. 1

1. ANDREW1 MASON was born in VIRGINIA. He married (1) CLARA CASEY March 12, 1816 in ORANGE COUNTY, IN. He married (2) SUSANNAH LORENA LASWELL April 18, 1820 in GARRARD CO., KY.

Notes: Andrew Mason was listed among the first residents in Orange County in 1816. He was the first court case in the newly formed court in Orange County being brought up on charges of assault and battery against one Bailey Hobson. After a court trial he was thereby acquitted. See Orange County History, page 446.

He married Clara Casey on March 2, 1816 and was the first divorce case in Crawford County in February of 1819. See History of Crawford County p 84. He later married Lorena Laswell. Their marriage record appears in the Marriage Records of Kentucky.

Andrew Mason married Susannah Lorena Laswell in Garrard County, Kentucky on April 18, 1820. According to the census of 1830, and 1840, several children are born to

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COMMUNICATIONS

Rev. Simon & Charity Walls Golden Wedding Anniversary.



from Bettye Kemple.

Front row left to right: - Elisha & Elijah Mason, Edd Bush, Ward Walls, Glenn Walls, Guy Walls, unknown, Lillian (Walls) Leahy, unknown, Chloe (Walls) Agan, Sylvia Walls, Hannah (Bush) Johnson, Jazel (Walls) Bearse, Loma (Walls) Andrew.

Middle row: - Unknown, Pearl (Mason) Denton, Emma Walls, Ella (Bush) Goodridge, Melissa Walls, Dicie Bush, Mrs (Charity Hannah Land) Simon Walls, Rev. Simon Walls, Unknown, Blanche (Walls) White.

Back Row: - Sarah Vance, Daisy (Walls) Traylor, Zoe (Walls) Tolliver, Mrs. Martin, Unknown, Ella Walls, Mary Walls, Porter Walls, Hence Walls, Jeffie Walls, Minnie Walls, Unknown, Edd Walls, Rev. J.H. Walls, Wm. Walls, Unknown, Theodore Mason, Susan (Underhill) Mason, Eva (King) Eckerty and baby.

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DR. GEO. W. BAYLOR

was born in Crawford County March 27, 1849, and is a son of Andrew and Eliza (Hammond) Baylor, the former a native of Augusta county, Va., and the latter of Indi-

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Communications

History of the bench and bar of Oregon

By Montagu Colmer, Charles Erskine Scott Wood

JESSE N. JOHNSTON.

Residence and office, Grants Pass, Oregon. Born at Crawford County, Indiana, August 18, 1881. Son of Isaac and Lavise (Peckenpaugh) Johnston. Attended the rural schools of Crawford County, Indiana. Later attended Central Normal College at Danville, Indiana, receiving degree B. S.; law school of the same institution, receiving degree LL. B. Admitted to the bar of Indiana at Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1904. In 1905 moved to the State of Oregon. Being admitted to the bar of Oregon in 1905, he opened an office in partnership with H. B. Hendricks, of Grants Pass, which continued until January, 1907, when the partnership was dissolved, when he practiced by himself, which continues to date. Appointed Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for Josephine County in 1909, which position he now holds. Member A. F. & A. M. Republican.

(submitted by Roberta Toby.)

Smelser Family Connections

Mon, October 12, 2009 7:58:25 AM

From: John Smeltzer <johnsmeltzer@comcast.net>

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The general Smelser family connections we are working at the moment all tie back to the Petition for the State of Franklin, the effort to create the 14th state, in what is today east Tennessee. Our Jacob Smelser, we believe the one found in 1830 Crawford County, was a signator to that State of Franklin Petition. He was also involved someway ... probably as a teamster hauling men and supplies at the Batte of Kings Mountain at the North Carolina/South Carolina border in the Southern Campaign of the Rev. War. We don't see any evidence that he was a combatant ... but this Smelser line is associated with John Sevier, first governor of Tennessee and probably fought with Jackson in the War of 1812. A likely brother, David Smelser, is named in one of the land transactions of John Sevier in

East Tennessee where he apparently must have "made improvements" ... we suspect as a squatter ... on a John Sevier land grant. We see others from that King's Mountain campaign ... notably the Goade family and quite likely the Sturgeon family .. also in Crawford County IN at the same time as our Smelser line. So, our working theory is that a group of those already associated families hung together for some decades ... moving as a group and trusting one another based on their common wilderness experiences that dated back decades. Living next to one of Jacob Smelser's in that same Crawford County census is Abner Hoggatt the Hoggett / Hockett / Hoggatt family have deep Quaker roots in American history and our Smelser line seems to be at Cane Creek MM and associated with other Quaker lines over time. So, they kept to themselves ... not in the records much. And, if not Quaker they were either associated with the Mennonites or the Dunkers in several places.

And then there is just one of those lingering family tales ... all families seem to have them of connections to the family of Daniel Boone. We do have one Smelser family marriage to Mary "Polly" Boone and the documented purchase of land from Daniel Boone and Rebecca Bryan Boone in family files. So, we know our connection is real at some level. And, we have Smelser's near Squire Boone in both South Carolina records (1790 census) and later in the St. Charles MO (early 1800's) are near the location of Nathan Boones home and not far from where Daniel Boone dies running Smelser's Ferry across the Mississippi at St. Charles MO/North Alton, IL. Plus, we find evidence of Squire Boone being associated with Crawford County ... maybe even being buried there in one of the many caves. It does seem like our Smelser line keeps coming up associated with folks like Boone, Skaggs, Owens, Bryan, Neely, Hite, Crockett being in / on New River, the Nolichucky, the Holston, Yadkin Valley so the pursuit continues. We will never know the complete story but we are starting to see themes that have been helping us make at least a modicum of headway.

From the sounds of things the Crawford County area in the early 1800's was one of "THE" places in Indiana to hunt so, that makes sense from all of these associations. Also, we see our family involved in both mining operations (the origins of the surname - Schmelzer) and particularly involved in lead mining and black pow-

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Descendants of Andrew Mason: Cont.

this couple:

Honary Mason born in 1823

Sarah Ann Mason 1825

Elizabeth Mason 1829

America Jane Mason 1832

Andrew Jackson2 Mason 1834, Crawford County, IN; d. 1908

Lydia Ann Mason 1835

Nancy Ann Mason 1837

Elisha B Mason 1839

Bluford Mason 1843.

Generation No. 2

2. ANDREW JACKSON2 MASON (ANDREW1) was born 1834 in CRAWFORD COUNTY, IN, and died 1908 in MTLERBANK CEMETERY. He married CHARITY HANNAH LAND in Crawford County, IN, daughter of James Land and Dicie White.

Child of ANDREW MASON and CHARITY LAND is:

3. i. JAMES THEODORE3 MASON, b. May 07, 1858, CRAWFORD COUNTY, IN; d. October 02, 1943, ORANGE COUNTY, IN.

Notes: Andrew Jackson Mason and Charity Hannah Land (b. 1836) had a child born out of wedlock. One James Theodore Mason. Charity Hannah Land later married Rev. Simon Walls (1860) who raised James Theodore as his own son.

Generation No. 3

3. JAMES THEODORE3 MASON (ANDREW JACKSON2, ANDREW1) was born May 07, 1858 in CRAWFORD COUNTY, IN, and died October 02, 1943 in ORANGE COUNTY, IN. He married SUSANNE UNDERHILL, daughter of JOHN UNDERHILL and SARAH Sigler.

Children of JAMES MASON and SUSANNE UNDERHILL are:

4. i. ELIJAH BARNETT4 MASON, b. March 20, 1897, CRAWFORD COUNTY, IN; d. August 06, 1986, ORANGE COUNTY HOSPITAL.

5. ii. ELISHA MARTIN MASON, b. March 20, 1897; d. April 06, 1970, Muncie, IN.

—iii. JOEL MASON.

6. iv. WILLIAM E MASON, b. December 10, 1878; d. January 01, 1953.

7. v. SIMON A MASON, b. January 21, 1886; d. August 07, 1930.

8. vi. PEARL MASON.

9. vii. CHARLES MASON.

—viii. JOHN LEWIS MASON, b. 1877; d. 1880.

Generation No. 4

4. ELIJAH BARNETT4 MASON (JAMES THEODORE3, ANDREW JACKSON2, ANDREW1) was born March 20, 1897 in CRAWFORD COUNTY, IN, and died August 06, 1986 in ORANGE COUNTY HOSPITAL. He married FERN MALINDA COLE November 15, 1915 in Crawford COUNTY, IN, daughter of WILLIAM COLE and MARY CONDRA.

Children of ELIJAH MASON and FERN COLE are:

10. i. ELIZABETH ANN5 MASON, b. June 07, 1931, ORANGE COUNTY, IN.

11. ii. WALTER ELIJAH MASON, b. September 16, 1916, Orange COUNTY, IN; d. November 20, 1987, PAOLI, IN.

5. ELISHA MARTIN4 MASON (JAMES THEODORE3, ANDREW JACKSON2, ANDREW1) was born March 20, 1897, and died April 06, 1970 in Muncie, IN. He married MAYMIE LEOLASTACKHOUSE.

Children of ELISHA MASON and Maymie Stackhouse are:

12. i. HERSCHEL GLEN5 MASON, b. September 23, 1922, French LICK, INDIANA; d. May 08, 1987, Muncie, Indiana.

13. ii. CLIFFORD LEE MASON, b. April 10, 1926, French Lick, INDIANA.

6. WILLIAM E4 MASON (JAMES THEODORE3, ANDREW JACKSON2, ANDREW1) was born December 10, 1878, and died January 01, 1953. He married MARY E WRIGHT.

Children of William Mason and Mary Wright are:

i. CHARLIE H5 MASON, b. October 04, 1899; d. March 21, 1973; m. ETHELA. BRADLEY.

ii. GRACE E MASON, b. November 10, 1901; d. June 28, 1982.

iii. SARAH MASON.

7. SIMON A4 MASON (JAMES THEODORE3, ANDREW JACKSON2, ANDREW1) was born January 21, 1886, and died August 07, 1930. He married ETTA L.

Children of Simon Mason and Etta L are:

i. ELVIE5 MASON.

ii. LOMA MASON.

iii. HAZEL MASON.

8. PEARL4 MASON (JAMES THEODORE3, ANDREW JACKSON2, ANDREW1). She married FLOYD DENTON.

Children of PEARL MASON and Floyd Denton are:

i. NOVA5 DENTON.

ii. BEATRICE DENTON.

iii. KNOFEL DENTON.

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Descendants of Andrew Mason: Cont.

9. CHARLES⁴ MASON (JAMES THEODORE³, ANDREW JACKSON², ANDREW¹). He married DELILAH CHRISTINA ALMA VITONA MOORE UNDERHILL.

Child of CHARLES MASON and DELILAH UNDERHILL is:
14. i. HARRY⁵ MASON , SR, b. 1904.

Generation No. 5

10. ELIZABETH ANN⁵ MASON (ELIJAH BARNETT⁴, JAMES THEODORE³, ANDREW JACKSON², ANDREW¹) was born June 07, 1931 in ORANGE COUNTY, IN. She married (1) EDDIE L ELLIOTT. She married (2) PAUL KEMPLE 1954 in CLARKSVILLE, IN, son of JOSEPH KEMPLE and NELLIE MATTOX.

Children of ELIZABETH MASON and EDDIE ELLIOTT are:
i. TERRILL LEE⁶ ELLIOTT
ii. JERRY WILLIAM ELLIOTT

Children of ELIZABETH MASON and PAUL KEMPLE are:
15. iii. TERRILL LEE⁶ KEMPLE
16. iv. JERRY WILLIAM KEMPLE
17. v. DANNY JOE KEMPLE
18. vi. PAULA ANN KEMPLE
19. vii. JOHN MASON KEMPLE

11. WALTER ELIJAH⁵ MASON (ELIJAH BARNETT⁴, JAMES THEODORE³, ANDREW JACKSON², ANDREW¹) was born September 16, 1916 in Orange COUNTY, IN, and died November 20, 1987 in PAOLI, IN. He married JANELLE MARTIN April 26, 1941 in ORANGE COUNTY , IN. See obituary for Walter Mason.

Children of WALTER MASON and JANELLE MARTIN are:
20. i. WALTER WAYNE⁶ MASON
21. ii. JANICE CAROLYN MASON

12. HERSCHEL GLEN⁵ MASON (ELISHA MARTIN⁴, JAMES THEODORE³, ANDREW JACKSON², ANDREW¹) was born September 23, 1922 in French LICK, INDIANA, and died May 08, 1987 in Muncie, Indiana. He married (1) DOROTHY A COLLINS. He married (2) JEWEL D STEPHENS. He married (3) DOROTHY ADELINE HOLBEIN June 25, 1942.

Child of Herschel Mason and Dorothy Collins is:
i. SHEARL GENE⁶ MASON

Children of Herschel Mason and Dorothy Holbein are:
22. ii. HERSCHEL STEVEN⁶ MASON
23. iii. DIANNE LYNN MASON

13. CLIFFORD LEE⁵ MASON (ELISHA MARTIN⁴, JAMES

THEODORE³, ANDREW JACKSON², ANDREW¹) was born April 10, 1926 in French Lick, INDIANA. He married MARY HELEN ROYER February 10, 1946.

Child of Clifford Mason and Mary Royer is:
i. MARLENE KAY⁶ MASON

14. HARRY⁵ MASON , SR (CHARLES⁴, JAMES THEODORE³, ANDREW JACKSON², ANDREW¹) was born 1904.

Child of HARRY MASON is:
i. HARRY⁶ MASON, JR.

Smelser Family Cont:

der (through associations with the Prigmore family who were makers of black powder in some quantity). Add us into the mix as being blacksmiths and wheelwrights and teamsters and merchants and we have a system to produce, market and distribute black powder and lead ammo to markets. In Hart County, near Horse Caves/ Munfordville we were involved in the mining of potassium nitrate (made from bat guano) and we are often seen working at the various "furnaces" in the timbering business and running of lumber operations. Then when the easy trees were taken and there was a profit to be made from selling the now cleared land for farming purposes ... we sold and moved to another heavily treed area. About every decade or so it appears.

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Continued From Page 2:**DR. GEO. W. BAYLOR**

ana. The elder Baylor, Andrew J., was a son of George Baylor, of German descent; he came to Indiana in an early day and settled near Georgetown. George W., the subject of this sketch, was raised on the farm and educated in the public schools and at Salem Academy. He began reading medicine in 1869, with Dr. Saunders, of Milltown. He graduated at the Louisville Medical College in 1876, and in 1882 graduated from the Kentucky School of Medicine, at Louisville, Ky. He has practiced at Milltown since his graduation. He was

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married September 4, 1870, to Miss Sallie J. Vance. She died November 4, 1872, leaving one child, Cora I. He married a second time, October 20, 1874, Alice A. Rhodes, a daughter of Rev. Jacob B. Rhodes. She has one child, Nellie E. Dr. Baylor has been one of the surgeons of the Air Line Railroad since its completion, and was health officer of the county one year. He is a prominent member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows' orders. Is a member of and one of the trustees of the M.E. church.

Samuel Brooks, Crawford Civil War Vet

An illustrated history of Nobles County, Minnesota

By Arthur P. Rose.

ALBERT BROOKS, who with his brother, Lyman, farms 240 acres on section 8, Westside township, is a native of that township, having been born July 19, 1880. He is the son of the late Samuel Brooks and Susan E. (Turner) Brooks, early day settlers of the county.

Samuel Brooks was born in Crawford county, Pa., August 30, 1840. Thirteen years later he moved to Crawford county, Indiana, where he resided until 1872. During nearly all of this time he was engaged in the milling business. In November, 1801, he enlisted in company H of the 49th Indiana infantry, and served a little over three years. He was in the Vicksburg campaign with Grant and was present when the city surrendered. He took part in the battle of Cumberland Gap and saw considerable fighting in Texas. After his discharge from the army he returned to Crawford County, Indiana. He came to Nobles County in 1872 and located in Westside township, filing on the southwest quarter of section 20 as a homestead and the northwest quarter of the same section as a tree claim. He lived on the homestead until he secured title and then sold it. Thereafter he lived on the tree claim. During the early days Mr. Brooks did not reside continuously in the county. He occasionally made trips back to his old home, where he would live from a few months to a year at a time. Selling his farm in 1890, he returned to Indiana, but came back again in the spring of 1891, and resided on the farm until his death, which occurred April 27, 1904. Mr. Brooks served as supervisor of Westside for several years. Our

subject's mother was born in Crawford County, Indiana, was married to Mr. Brooks in Fillmore County, Minn., June 14, 1877, and now resides with her son.

(Submitted by Roberta Toby)

Indpls. Attorney Grandson of Prof. J. M. Johnson

Lloyd D. Claycombe is one of the younger lawyers of the Indianapolis bar and has enjoyed a successful practice there for the past four years. He represents an old and honored family of Crawford County, and was born at Marengo in that county February 7, 1889. His maternal grandfather, John M. Johnson, was one of the early settlers of Crawford County, and was widely and favorably known all over that section of the state. He was an educator, minister and farmer, and was a visible example to an entire community for good works and good influence. He was a man of education, having attended the State University of Indiana when its building equipment was merely one frame building.

Lloyd D. Claycombe is the only son and child of Victor E. and Roma A. (Johnson) Claycombe, and a grandson of Samuel A. Claycombe, who was a soldier in the Union Army. He enlisted in an Indiana regiment, was wounded and captured, and died in Andersonville Prison. Victor Claycombe was born at Alton, Indiana, and is now fifty-seven years of age. For thirtyfive years or more he has been a station agent with the Southern Indiana Railroad Company.

Lloyd D. Claycombe received his early education in the public schools of Jasper, Indiana. He took his law course in the Indiana State University. On July 1, 1914, he began the practice of law at Indianapolis, and has made rapid progress in achieving a substantial reputation in that field. He served as deputy prosecuting attorney of Marion County in 1917-18. In 1915 he was appointed receiver in trustee in bankruptcy for the Winona Assembly at Winona Lake, Indiana. He successfully reorganized this institution, with William J. Byan president of the new corporation and Mr. Claycombe as member of the board of directors and an officer.

Mr. Claycombe is a republican, a member of the Methodist Church, is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, and is affiliated with the Lambda Chi Alpha and Gamma Eta Gamma college fraternities, September 14, 1918, he married Miss Jenetta Wuille, daughter of Louis Wuille, of Hamilton, Ohio.

(Submitted by Roberta Toby)

Order Book A — Continued

Albert Frick — Larceny.

James McCullum — Assault & Battery and

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signed by the foreman as True Bills.

ORDERED THAT Court adjourn until tomorrow morning 8 o'clock.

J. R. E. Goodlett.

October Term 1831 — 2nd Day

Tuesday morning, October 4, 1831. Court met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Present: the honorable James R. E. Goodlett, President and Cornelius Newkirk and Constant Williams, his associates.

John Toney vs. Moses Lichener — On Appeal.

Now came the parties by their attorneys and this cause being submitted to the Court and after hearing the testimony and argument of counsel and after deliberation; It is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff take nothing for his false clamour and that the Defendant go hence and recover against the Plaintiff one dollar with his costs and charges about his defense.

State vs. Hiram Bogart — Indictment for Larceny.

Comes Charles J. Battell Esq., State Prosecutor, and Hiram Bogart in his proper person 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 a jury, to-wit:

Absalom Wood	Michael Real
Samuel Kemp	Thomas Sellers
Stephen Hitchcock	James G. Sloan
Joseph Vanwinkle	John Lyntch
Peter Miller	Henry L. Rodes
John Hammond	William Anderson

... "We of the jury find the Defendant not guilty." Michael Real, foreman.

ORDERED THAT Court adjourn until tomorrow 8 o'clock.

J. R. E. Goodlett.

October Term 1831 — 3rd Day

Wednesday, October 5, 1831. Court met pursuant to adjournment. Present as yesterday.

Moses Lewis vs. Josiah Atwood & John Trimble

By agreement of the parties this cause is ordered to be continued till next term and leave is given Plaintiff to amend his Declaration; Also to both parties to take depositions generally.

State of Indiana vs. John Frick — Indictment for Larceny.

Comes C. J. Battell Esq., State Prosecutor, who says he will no longer prosecute in this behalf.

Thomas Sturgeon vs. John Martin — On Appeal.

... It is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the Defendant the sum of \$50 together with the costs of this suit.

State of Indiana vs. Jefferson West — Indictment for Larceny.

Comes C. J. Battell, State Prosecutor, and the Defendant in his proper person who for plea says he is not guilty and for trial puts himself upon the county and the Prosecutor doth the like; Thereupon came a jury, to-wit:

Gustavus Chapin	Stephen Hitchcock
Henry L. Rodes	Peter Miller
Absalom Wood	Joseph Vanwinkle
John Lyntch	James G. Sloan
Thomas Sellers	Samuel Kemp
John McNatten	Abraham B. Tower

... "We of the jury find the Defendant guilty as charged and that he make his fine to the State of Indiana in the sum of one cent for the use of a seminary of learning of the County of Crawford and that he be imprisoned at hard labor in the state prison for the term of two years and that he be disfranchised and rendered incapable of holding any office of trust or profit for his natural like." Absalom Wood, foreman.

THE GRAND JURY returned into Court indictments against:

State of Indiana vs. John Frick — Larceny.

State of Indiana vs. Benjamin Stewart — Assault & Battery.

State of Indiana vs. Alpheus Branham — Assault & Battery.

All signed by the foreman as True Bills; and having no further business before them they are discharged.

IT IS ORDERED that the grand jury be allowed for three days service each at the present term and Wm. R. Reynolds be allowed seventy-five cents per day for three days service as bailiff to the grand jury at the present term.

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 Mr. Ron Yates has placed all my newsletters
 on his excellent website. Check it Out!**

Order Book A — Continued

ORDERED THAT Court adjourn until tomorrow morning 8 o'clock. J. R. E. Goodlett.

October Term 1831 — 4th Day

Thursday, October 6, 1831. Court met pursuant to adjournment. Present as yesterday.

JAMES KELLEMS & William Samuels came personally into open Court and acknowledged themselves to owe and be indebted to the State of Indiana in the sum of \$100 jointly and severally to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements if default be made in the condition following to-wit: That the said James Kellems personally appear before the judges of the Crawford Circuit Court at the court house in Fredonia on the first day of our next April Term and then and there answer to an indictment preferred against him for Adultry and not depart without leave of the Court then this recognizance to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue in law.

State of Indiana vs. Samuel Cox McManning — Indictment for Larceny.

Comes Chas. J. Battell, Esq., State Prosecutor, as the Defendant in his proper person 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; Thereupon came a jury, to-wit:

John Wyman	John Seaton
William Wyman	Thomas Sellers
Alexander Carnes	Robert Levi
Peter Miller	Stephen Hitchcock
John McNatten	Cornelius Ridge
Gustavus W. Chapin	Joseph Davis

... "We of the jury find the Defendant guilty as charged and that he be imprisoned at hard labor at the state prison for the term of two years and that he make his fine to the State of Indiana for the use of a seminary of Crawford County in the sum of one cent and that he be disfranchised and rendered incapable of holding any office of trust or profit in said state for the term of two years." Stephen Hitchcock, foreman. Thereupon the counsel for the Defendant moved the Court for a rule against the Prosecutor to shew why a new trial should not be granted which rule is granted; Whereupon the Defendant moved the Court for a new trial because the verdict is contrary to evidence and the observance of material witnesses which motion after argument is overruled and a new trial is refused; Therefore it is considered by the Court that the Defendant Samuel Cox McManning be remanded to jail and that the Sheriff as soon as convenient convey him to the state prison at Jeffersonville there to be confined at hard labor for the term of two years; That he make his fine to the State of

Indiana in the sum of one cent; That he be disfranchised and rendered incapable of holding any office of trust or profit in said state for two years; And that he pay the costs of this prosecution.

State of Indiana vs. John Frick — Indictment for Larceny.

Comes Charles J. Battell, Esq., State Prosecutor, and the said John Freck in his proper person 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; Thereupon came a jury, to-wit:

Absalom Wood	John Lyntch
Jeremiah Lyntch	Elias O'Bannon
Abraham B. Tower	Henry L. Rodes
Nathaniel Hollcroft	George Storm
Jesse M. Shaw	James Mulkey
John Cryder	James G. Sloan

... after some time returned into Court and not being able to agree are discharged.

ORDERED THAT Court adjourn until 8 o'clock.

October Term 1831 — 5th Day

Friday, October 7, 1831. Court met pursuant to adjournment. Present as yesterday.

State of Indiana vs. Jefferson West — Indictment for Larceny.

Came the Defendant being led to the bar in custody of the Sheriff and it being demanded of him what further he had to say on why the judgement of the Court should not be pronounced against him according to the finding of the jury and he not having anything to say to the contrary — It is considered by the Court that the Defendant be remanded to jail from whence he came; and that the Sheriff as soon as convenient convey him to the state prison at Jeffersonville there to be confined to hard labor for the space of two years and that he make his fine to the State of Indiana for the use of Crawford County to be rendered in the sum of one cent; That he be disfranchised and that he pay the costs of this prosecution.

William P. Thomasson vs. Gary Norris & Others, Heirs of John Sturgeon, deceased — Complaint.

Comes the Complainant and filed his Bill and at the same time came Thomas Sturgeon, one of the Defendants, and files his answer to said Bill and propounds certain interrogations to his confederates; And it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court from affidavit filed that the Defendant, Gary Norris and Jincy Norris, his wife, and John Sturgeon & Others, infant heirs, children of Robert Sturgeon, deceased, whose names are unknown are not

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residents of the State of Indiana; It is therefore ordered that unless the said Defendants personally appear before the Crawford Circuit Court at the court house in Fredonia on the first day of our next April Term and answer the Complainant's Bill and the interrogations in Defendant Thomas Sturgeon's answer the same will be taken for confessed and decreed accordingly; And it is further ordered that notice of the pendency of this suit be given in some public newspaper of general circulation for three weeks successively until when this cause is continued.

William P. Thomasson vs. John Sturgeon Heirs — In Chancery.

On motion of Complainant it is ordered that Martin Scott be and is hereby appointed guardian ad litem for Sarah Sturgeon, John Sturgeon, David Sturgeon, James Sturgeon, Thomas Sturgeon, Nancy Sturgeon and the other unknown heirs of Robert Sturgeon, deceased, and that he answer the Complainant's Bill and interrogation as set forth in the answer of Thomas Sturgeon of the Defendants.

John Landiss vs. John Cider — Trespass.

Cause is ordered to be discontinued at Plaintiff's cost; Therefore Defendant to recover his costs from the Plaintiff.

Thomas Roberts vs. William Spencer — On Appeal.

Ordered to be continued.

Abraham B. Tower vs. John Lyntch — Covenant.

Continued to next term, parties to take depositions generally.

Cornelius Ridge vs. George Storm — On Appeal.

Comes the parties by their attorneys and on motion this cause is ordered to be continued until next term and leave is given for the accounts as relates to the partner-

ship concern between the parties be withdrawn.

James Rogers vs. Squire Vanhoozer — On Appeal.

Cause is dismissed at Plaintiff cost and the Defendant may recover his costs from the Plaintiff.

James Mulkey vs. Alexander Flynn — On Appeal.

Cause ordered to be continued until next term. IT IS ORDERED that the bailiff of the Petit jury who served on the case of the State vs. Freck be allowed for one days service.

JOHN FRICK and William P. Thomasson came personally into open Court and acknowledged themselves to owe and be indebted to the State of Indiana in the sum of \$100 each to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements if default be made in the condition following which is That the said John Frick appear before the Crawford Circuit Court at the court house in Fredonia on the first day of our next April Term of said Court and then and there to answer to an indictment for Larceny and not depart the Court without leave then this recognizance to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Rosana Bullington vs. Benjamin Bullington — Divorce.

Case dismissed; Defendant to recover charges from Plaintiff or Complainant.

IT IS ORDERED that Wm. R. Reynolds be allowed the sum of seventy-five cents for five days service as bailiff to the grand jury at the present term.

ORDERED THAT Court adjourn until Court-in-Course. J. R. E. Goodlett.

THE SEMINARY AGENT for the County of Crawford in the State of Indiana:

The Seminary Agent of Crawford County begs leave to make the following:

Cash on hand	\$ 29.67
Brookville Bank Note	20.00
One Note in hands of JP	<u>14.08</u>
Total Funds	\$282.77
/s/ N. M. Andrews, Sem. agent	
/s/ Constant Williams, Assoc. Judge	
/s/ Cornelius Newkirk, Assoc. Judge	

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At a Circuit Court held for the County of Crawford

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in the State of Indiana at the Courthouse in Fredonia on Monday the second day of April A.D. 1832, being the day appointed by law for holding Court for said county. Samuel Hall, Esquire, produced a commission from his Excellency, the Governor of the State of Indiana in the words and figures following, to-wit:

 Noah Noble Governor of the State of Indiana:

To All who shall see these presents:

WHERE AS it is certified to me by the proper authority that Samuel Hall, Esquire, was on the 21st instant duly elected President Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit of the State aforesaid.

THEREFORE be it known that I do in the name and by authority of said State of Indiana hereby commission him the said Samuel Hall to be President Judge of the said Circuit for the term of seven years from and after the 21st day of January next.

IN TESTIMONY Whereof, I have hereunto placed my signature and caused the State Seal to be affixed at Indianapolis on the 12th day of December A. D. 1831 and the 16th Year of the State.

By the Governor — N. Noble
 James Morrison, Secy. of State

 Therefore Present: The Honorable Samuel Hall,
 President Judge.

HENRY GREEN Esq., produced a commission from His Excellency N. Noble, Governor of the State of Indiana in the words and figures following, to-wit:

 Noah Noble Governor of the State of Indiana:

To All who shall see these presents:

WHERE AS it is certified to me by the proper authority that Henry Green, Esquire, is elected to the office of Associate Judge for the County of Crawford.

THEREFORE know ye that in the name and by the authority of the said State I do hereby Commission the said Henry Green Associate Judge for the said County of Crawford for the term of seven years from the 2nd day of March A.D. 1832.

IN TESTIMONY Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the State Seal at Indianapolis on the 2nd day of January in the year of our Lord 1832, the 16th year of the state.

By the Governor — N. Noble
 James Morrison, Secy. of State

 Therefore present: The Honorable Henry Green,
 Associate Judge.

THE SHERIFF returned into Court a panel of grand jurors to serve for the present term the following of whom were sworn, to-wit:

Allan D. Thom, foreman	James Glenn
William B. Johnson	Archibald Sloan
James Gibbs	John Wright
Nathaniel Straughan	Abner Hoggat
Cornelius Hall	Ellam Willey
Jacob Rice	David Griggs
Absalom Wood	

who after receiving their charge from the Court retired from the bar to consult of presentments and indictments.

State of Indiana vs. Joseph Tibbs Jr. — Indictment for Larceny.

Orderd continued to next term.

Moses Lewis vs. John Trimble & Josiah Atwood —

Comes the Defendant Atwood and filed his affidavit herein; It is ordered that a rule be entered against the Plaintiff to operate on the calling of this cause at the next term of this Court for him to shew cause why he should not give additional security for costs till then this cause stands continued.

State of Indiana vs. Stephen Allan Bryant — Indictment for Larceny.

This cause is ordered continued until next term.

State of Indiana vs. Alpheus Branham — Indictment for Assault & Battery.

Comes C. J. Battell, Esq., State Prosecutor, and the Defendant in his proper person 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.

ORDERED THAT Court adjourn till 1 o'clock P.M. Court resumed pursuant to adj.

State of Indiana vs. James Kellems — Indictment for Adultry.

By consent this cause is ordered continued to next term.

James Kellems came personally into open Court

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and acknowledged himself to owe and be indebted in the sum of \$100 and William Samuels acknowledged himself to be indebted as aforesaid in the sum of \$50 to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements if default be made in the following condition which is that the said James Kellems appear before the Crawford Circuit Court on the first day of our next October Term and answer to an Indictment for Adultery and not depart the Court without leave then this recognizance to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue in law.

IT IS ORDERED by the Court that William P. Thomasson and Eben D. Edson be appointed counsel for John Feck who stands indicted in this Court for larceny.

JOHN CRAWFORD who is one of the securities for Roden Bunch who stands indicted in this Court for larceny came personally into open Court and surrendered the said Roden Bunch into Court. Therefore the said Crawford is discharged from his recognizance and the Defendant Bunch is ordered in custody of the Sheriff.

State of Indiana vs. Roden Bunch — Indictment for Larceny.

Comes the parties and Thereupon came a jury, to-wit:

Robert Levi	James B. Land
William Mitchel	Andrew Beers
David G. Cline	William A. Land
James Gibbs	John Barnett
Samuel Scott	William Kemp
James Rogers	John McCrany

... after some time the jury returned into Court not having agreed on their verdict and by consent of the parties they are discharged.

Samuel Conner vs. William Samuels — Transcript.

Comes the parties by their attorneys and by agreement of the parties this cause is ordered dismissed at Defendant cost; Therefore the Plaintiff to recover his costs.

Thomas Roberts vs. William Spencer — On Appeal.

By agreement of the parties this cause is ordered to be dismissed at the Plaintiff cost; Therefore the Defendant to recover his costs from the Plaintiff.

Ordered dismissed; Defendant to recover his costs against the Plaintiff.

John Toney vs. William Samuels — On Appeal.

... Ordered the Plaintiff recover against the Defendant the sum of \$28 with interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from this date until paid, together with his

costs about this suit.

C. J. Suttiff vs. James Riddle — On Appeal.

... Ordered that a *mandammun* issue to the Justice from whence this appeal was taken returnable instantly to send up a complete transcript in this case.

George W. Ward by his next friend vs. John L. Lyntch — Trespass, Assault & Battery.

Comes the Defendant and filed his plea of not guilty and on motion the special plea is withdrawn and leave given Defendant to give on evidence any matter that might be plead in this case.

William P. Thomasson vs. John Sturgeon Sr. Heirs — In Chancery.

This cause ordered to continue to next term.

Ezekiel L. Wright vs. John Maylin, Etal. — In Chancery.

Continued by operation of law.

William P. Thomasson vs. John Sturgeon's Heirs — In Chancery.

On motion of Complainant Thomasson, leave is given him to strike out the name of Joseph Hawking, one of the Defendants to his said Bill, and insert in lieu thereof David Hawkins.

ORDERED THAT Court adjourn until tomorrow morning 9 o'clock.

Samuel Hall.

April Term 1832 — 2nd Day

Tuesday, April 3, 1832. Court met pursuant to adjournment. Present as yesterday.

State of Indiana vs. Benjamin Stewart

Comes the Prosecutor and on his motion it is ordered that attachment issue against Charles Daugherty, a witness on behalf of the prosecution, returnable tomorrow morning, that the Sheriff take bail of said Daugherty in the sum of \$50 with security in the sum of \$25.

State of Indiana vs. Alpheus Branham — Indictment for Assault & Battery.

Comes the Prosecutor and on his motion this cause is ordered to be continued until next term and that attachment issue against James Totten and John Wyman, witnesses on behalf of the State, returnable to the next term and that the Sheriff take bail in the sum of \$50 and security in the sum of \$25.

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ALPHEUS Branham came personally into open Court and acknowledged himself to owe and be indebted in the sum of \$100 and Levi Springer acknowledged himself to be indebted as aforesaid in the sum of \$50 to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements if default be made in the following condition which is that the said Alpheus Branham appear before the Crawford Circuit Court on the first day of our next October Term and answer to an Indictment for Assault & Battery and not depart the Court without leave then this recognizance to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue in law.

State of Indiana vs. James McCullum — Indictment for Assault & Battery & Mayhem.

Comes the Defendant by his counsel and on his motion it is ordered that attachment issue against Josiah Atwood a witness for said Defendant returnable to next term and that the Sheriff take bail on Atwood in the sum of \$50 and security in the sum of \$25. Comes the Prosecutor and on his motion it is ordered that attachment issue against William Blackwell, a witness on the part of the prosecution returnable to the next term and that the Sheriff on the service take bail in the sum of \$50 and security in the sum of \$25.

Cornelius Ridge vs. George Storm — On Appeal.

Comes the parties by their attorneys and Thereupon came a jury, to-wit:

Andrew Beers	John Barnett
James Mulkey	William Goad
William Kemp	William A. Land
David G. Cline	James B. Land
William Mitchel	Jesse Riddle
William M. Taylor	Samuel Scott

... "We of the jury find for the Plaintiff, C. Ridge, \$10.50." — It is therefore considered by the Court that said Plaintiff recover against the Defendant said sum of \$10.50 together with his costs of this suit.

Elizabeth Dyer vs. Jordan Dyer — Libel for Divorce.

Comes the Libelant by her attorney, Lyman Leslie Esquire, and filed her Bill herein and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court from affidavit filed that the Defendant is not a resident of this state; It is therefore ordered by the Court that unless the Defendant appear on or before the first day of the next term of this Court and answer the said Bill the matters and things therein contained will be heard in his absence and it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published four weeks successively in the New Albany Gazette, a newspaper printed at New Albany, Indiana and this cause stands continued until next term.

Historical Society Sets Dec. 11th Date for Christmas Party

Friday, December 11th at 6:30 P.M. at the Senior Citizens Building in English is the time and place for the Annual Christmas Dinner for the Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society.

All members and friends of the society are invited to bring a covered dish and a "gag" gift and join in the celebration. Meat for the dinner will be provided by the society. A collection will be taken to cover the costs of the building.

A short business meeting will be held during the evening.

George W. Ward vs. Gustaves Chapin —

Leave is given Plaintiff to amend his Declaration.

State of Indiana vs. James McCullum — Indictment for Assault & Battery & Mayhem.

Comes C. J. Battell, Esq., State Prosecutor, and the Defendant in his proper person 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 a jury, to-wit:

John Hammond	Thomas Cummings
Jesse Riddle	David G. Cline
Andrew Beers	William Kemp
John Wood	John Crawford
William A. Land	William Mitchel
James B. Land	Samuel Scott

... "We of the jury find the Defendant not guilty."; Whereupon the Defendant is released.

Moses Lewis vs. John Trimble & Josiah Atwood —

On motion of Defendant's counsel it is ordered that a rule be entered to operate against the Plaintiff at the calling of this cause at the next term of this Court for him to

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