

Our Pennington Family

GENERATION 1

→ 1. **ABEL PENNINGTON, SR.**-- His exact birth date and birthplace is not known to us at this time. However, the date is approximated to be about 1742 and prior to 1755; he died in Tuscaloosa Co., Alabama on 19 February, 1819. His will is dated 26 December, 1818, and is recorded in the Tuscaloosa Co., Alabama Will Book I (1818-1823), page 18. His wife is not named, so it is assumed she had already expired. From the will the following children are listed as heirs:

2. Nancy Pennington
3. *Abel Pennington*
4. Samuel Pennington born ca 1776, found in the 1830 census of Morgan Co., Georgia; unmarried; no further record.
5. Isaac Pennington born ca 1788; no further record.
6. Sarah (Sally) Pennington
7. John L. Pennington
8. Mary (Polly) Pennington
9. Elizabeth (Betsy) Pennington
10. Rebekah Pennington

Abel Sr. is known to have lived in North and South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama. Proof of this is found in various land records, a few of which are:

From Early Records of Georgia (Wilkes Co.), Vol. 1, page 271: Mary Eades to *Abel Pennington* - 250 acres on Cedar Creek, original grant 1785 to said Mary. January 24, 1788. John Crosby, James Crow, Peter Oliver, teste.

ibid, Vol. 2, page 118: *Abel Pennington* and wife *Sarah* to Jacob Burton - 240 acres on both sides of Cedar Creek whereon said Pennington now lives, adj. Jones Borach, Peter Oliver, and Benj Hamrick, May 20, 1789. Ben Baker and Jesse White, teste.

GENERATION 2

Children of Abel Pennington, Sr.

2. **NANCY PENNINGTON** (1) was married 12 May, 1794 in Oglethorpe Co., Georgia to *Henry Johnson*. One known child.

11. Thomas Johnson born ca 1820 in Putnam Co., Georgia. (n.f.r.)

→3. **ABEL PENNINGTON, JR.** (1) born 10 March, 1768 in North Carolina; died 13 March, 1847 in Clinton Co., Indiana, buried Manson Cemetery in Perry Township, Clinton Co., Indiana. His second wife's name was **Sally** (probably **Sarah**) **Sanders**, and they were married 28 October, 1829 in Hendricks Co., Indiana. At this time, the name of his first wife and assumed mother of his children has not been documented.¹ From the reference noted in the footnote below, his wife died between 6 September, 1827 and his second marriage to Sarah (Sally) Sanders in Hendricks Co., Indiana. His children:

12. Minatree Pennington (n.f.r.)
13. John Pennington (n.f.r.)
14. Levi Pennington (n.f.r.)
15. Preston Pennington
16. **James Pennington**
17. Abel Pennington
18. Hampton Pennington
19. Mary (Polly) Pennington
20. Matilda Pennington

In *Portraits and Biographical Record of Boone, Clinton and Hendricks Counties, Indiana* (1895), page 967: "**Abel Pennington** was born in North Carolina, of English descent, and was a farmer in his native state, but later moved to Kentucky where he became a breeder of horses. In his old age he came to Indiana and located in Hendricks Co., but died in Clinton Co."

The late Mrs. Fredora Lay, of London, Kentucky, a proven descendant of Abel Pennington, sent us the following information: "*The **Abel Pennington** who died in Clinton County, while he was in Kentucky would buy herds of horses, and I suppose mules and drive them to Alabama. My father told me this, that while he was a lad he heard 'the old folks' talking about Grand-daddy **Abel** driving herds to Alabama. At that time, he thought they were talking about this **Abel's** father, who also was an **Abel** and went to Indiana. And, of course, it didn't make sense why he would drive these herds to Alabama, but then if he were a son of the Tuscaloosa **Abel** (1), then it was natural that he would do so. It is in the Eel River Township (Hendricks Co., Indiana) that this **Abel** (#3) built a Baptist Church and was the first minister, and was succeeded by his son **Hampton**, who also was listed as a preacher. He had co-founded two Baptist churches in Perry County, Kentucky, 'Grapevine' and 'Old Campbell Bend' churches.*"

In 1978 when I visited Clinton County, Indiana and located the grave of **Abel, Jr.**, there were two plastic floral arrangements adorning the grave. They had evidently not

¹A manuscript by Scott F. Hosier of Indianapolis, IN (book found in Patrick Henry Sullivan Foundation in Zionsville, IN) says her name was **Christianah Roark**, probably the widow of Barnaby Roark. No documentation was offered so I have not assumed this to be correct, only possible.

been in the sun very long, for they were not faded. Because of this, I know there are more descendants in Indiana than we have been able to contact.

6. *SARAH (SALLY) PENNINGTON* (1) married 4 July, 1798 to *Joseph Wilson (Willson)* in Oglethorpe Co., Georgia. He died 10 September, 1822. Data on the Wilson family taken from the Wilson family Bible as recorded in Pennington Pedigrees and from various census records, which will be identified as they appear:

21. Michel Wilson
22. Mary Grant Wilson
23. Temperance Wilson (n.f.r.)
24. Abel Pennington Wilson
25. Elsey Armstrong Wilson (n.f.r.)
26. Lucy Wilson
27. Joseph Armstrong Wilson
28. Sally Leanin Wilson
29. Jainey Bird (Bund) Wilson (n.f.r.)
30. Benjamin Jackson Wilson
31. Elesebeth Horton Wilson
32. Rebecca Smith Wilson (n.f.r.)

7. *JOHN L. PENNINGTON* (1) found in the 1830 Montgomery Co., Alabama census, age 40-50. His will is dated 17 December, 1833 in Montgomery Co.. Heirs included his wife, *Frances (Fanny)*. The will was probated on 20 January, 1834. Their children were:

33. Franklin Pennington (n.f.r.)
34. Seaborn Pennington (n.f.r.)
35. Sidney Pennington married 10 October, 1844 in Montgomery Co., Alabama to *Eliza L. Scoggin*. (n.f.r.)
36. Bennet Pennington
37. Moraning Pennington .
38. Polly Pennington
39. Caroline Pennington
40. Emily Pennington

8. *MARY (POLLY) PENNINGTON* (1) born 1788 in North Carolina; married about 1800 to *Eleazer Lovejoy*, born 16 March, 1781 in Fairfield Co., South Carolina, son of *Edward* and *Jemima (Morey) Lovejoy*; died 26 October, 1842 in Jasper Co., Georgia, buried in the John D. Lovejoy Cemetery, same county. Mary died about 1859. Their children were:

41. Sarah Lovejoy
42. William Harrison Lovejoy
43. Melissa Lovejoy

- 44. Rebecca Lovejoy
- 45. Prudence Lovejoy
- 46. Susan Lovejoy
- 47. Nancy Lovejoy (n.f.r.)
- 48. Matilda Lovejoy
- 49. Eliza Lovejoy
- 50. Annie Lovejoy
- 51. Lucinda Lovejoy (n.f.r.)
- 52. Welcome Collingsworth Lovejoy
- 53. John D. Lovejoy

9. **ELIZABETH (BETSY) PENNINGTON** (1) married Adam Pool(e). She died after 25 March, 1817 and before 26 December, 1818. Their children were:

- 54. Adam W. Pool (n.f.r.)
- 55. John H. Pool (n.f.r.)
- 56. Fielden P. Pool (n.f.r.)
- 57. Abel P. Pool (n.f.r.)
- 58. Sally Ann Pool (n.f.r.)
- 59. Rebecca Lane Pool (n.f.r.)

10. **REBEKAH PENNINGTON** (1) was married in Jasper Co., Georgia on 22 September, 1812 to *John Smith*. He was a Sheriff in Tuscaloosa Co., Alabama. In the 1840 census of Tuscaloosa Co., Alabama, her age is given as 40-50; in the 1850 census of the same county and state, her age is given as 58, born in Georgia. Approximate year of birth would be 1792. She died 25 January, 1874 in Northport, Alabama, age 86. No further records.

GENERATION 3

Grandchildren of Abel Pennington, Sr.

15. **PRESTON PENNINGTON** (3,1) was born about 1790; married to *Susanna Stewart*, daughter of *John and Mary Elizabeth (Bagley) Stewart*, born 1813 in Kentucky, probably Jackson Co. They were married in Hendricks Co., Indiana on 4 May, 1829. Preston had left Kentucky in 1828. He died in Montgomery Co., Indiana on 23 April, 1872, age 82. His widow, *Susannah*, died 8 September, 1875, age 66. We have taken this information on *Preston* and *Susannah* from the History of Montgomery Co., Indiana history book. We have this story from the bulletin of the Historical Society of Hendricks Co., Indiana.

"If an old barn in Eel River Township could talk, that talk would be about when war clouds developed into the War Between the States. The barn, now owned by Victor Carpenter, is on the Pres Pennington farm. This was called the "Mule Barn" because Pennington was in the market for mules, badly needed, both in the North and South.

Pres Pennington knew a good thing when he saw it. So he built the largest barn in the county in which to hold the mules, which were delivered by man power. A drove was taken to the Ohio River for the government. Then disaster struck, for when they reached their destination there stood Confederate General John Morgan, who forthwith confiscated the entire remuda."

The children of *Preston* and *Susanna* were;

60. Minatree Pennington
61. John Pennington (n.f.r.)
62. Christiana Pennington (n.f.r.)
63. Virginia Pennington (n.f.r.)
64. Elizabeth Pennington
65. William Pennington (n.f.r.)

The 1860 census of Eel River Township, Hendricks Co., Indiana lists Preston and Susanna as follows, which gives additional names of children:

66. I. Worth Pennington, age 10 (n.f.r.)
67. Franklin Pennington, age 8 (n.f.r.)
68. Nancy L. Pennington, age 4 (n.f.r.)
69. Rebeca Pennington, (n.f.r.)

16. *JAMES PENNINGTON* (3,1) was born 8 June, 1791 in South Carolina. He was married 9 January, 1810 to *SUSANNAH SMITH*, born 29 March, 1789 in Kentucky, daughter of Johnathan Smith. It is believed she was born in Harlan Co. There may be a family relationship between *Susanna* and the *John Smith* who married *Rebekah Pennington* (#10).

On 29 August, 1812 in Knox Co., Kentucky *James* enlisted in Captain Daniel Garrard's Company, 2nd Regiment of Kentucky Volunteers as a private to fight in the War of 1812. He was discharged 10 March, 1813 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The children of *James* and *Susannah (Smith) Pennington* were:

70. Elizabeth Pennington (n.f.r.)
71. James S. Pennington
72. *Isaac Pennington*
73. Mary (Polly) Pennington
74. Johnathan Pennington (n.f.r.)
75. Melinda Pennington (n.f.r.)
76. Abel Pennington
77. William Pennington (n.f.r.)

The family left Kentucky and moved to Hendricks Co., Indiana (Eel River Township) about 1824/25. The next record of them is found when *Susannah* died there on 6 April, 1828. There is a cemetery in Eel River Township township named the *Pennington Cemetery*, so I am assuming she is buried there, although no headstone has been found. I have made several attempts to locate her grave in other cemeteries where family members are buried and have been unsuccessful. I have been told there are no headstones in the Pennington Cemetery for anyone, the graves are only marked by native stone.

James returned to Kentucky shortly after the death of *Susannah*. The next record of him is found in the marriage records of Perry Co., Kentucky where on 12 November, 1828 he was married to *Elizabeth Joseph* in the Grapevine Settlement of Perry Co. *Elizabeth* was born 20 December, 1812. This young lady took on a tremendous job when she married *James*. As his oldest child was born in 1810, Elizabeth not only took over the household of a large family, but they were her age or older! There were nine children born to *James* and *Elizabeth*, including:

78. Joseph Pennington
79. Joshua Pennington
80. Virinda Pennington
81. Margarette Jane Pennington
82. Sarah Pennington
83. Cathrine J. Pennington (n.f.r.)

The family returned to Hendricks Co., Indiana within a very short time. We have yet to learn the date they left Indiana, but from later records we know they lived for a time in Illinois (no county known at this time) and the next official record of James and his family is found as follows:

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON<SS

On the eleventh day of November, A.D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty, personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the District Court of said County and State, James Pennington, aged 60 years, a resident of Henry County and in the State of Iowa, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical James Pennington who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Daniel Garrard in the 2nd Regiment of Kentucky Volunteers commanded by Lt. Col. W. Jennings in the War with Great Britain declared by the United States on the 18th day of June A.D., 1812, that he volunteered in the County of Knox for the term of six months and continued in actual service in said war for the term of seven months and one day and was honorably discharged at Cincinnati on the 10th day of March A.D., 1813 as will appear by his original certificate of discharge herewith presented, or by the muster rolls of said company.

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining bounty land to which he may be entitled under the 'act granting bounty land to certain officers and others who have been engaged in the military service of the United States' - passed September 28, 1850.

/s/ James Pennington

Sworn to and subscribed before the day and year above written and I hereby certify that I believe the said James Pennington to be the identical man who served aforesaid and that he is of the age stated above.

*Given under my hand and seal of Office
the 11th day of November A.D., 1850*

*Joseph P. Grantham, Clerk District Court
Henry County, Iowa*

The next and last record of *James* is his death which occurred 10 July, 1853 in Dutch Creek Township, Washington County, Iowa. We have not found his burial site. The following record was found concerning his estate:

"Know all men by these present, that we Elizabeth Pennington and Joseph Pennington are held and firmly bound unto the County of Washington in the state of Iowa in the principal sum of five hundred dollars for the payment of which sum we do hereby bind ourselves jointly and ---subject to however the following conditions to wit that whereas the said Elizabeth Pennington has been appointed executor of the estate of James Pennington, dec., Now if the said Elizabeth Pennington shall faithfully discharge all the duties of said Executor according to the best of her ability, and shall render and account of her executorship from time to time as required by law and shall faithfully pay over all monies that shall come into her hands as such executor to the persons entitled to receive the same or as the county court may direct then these present shall be named.

*This hand is hereby approved
by me this 22 July 1853*

*/s/ Elizabeth (her mark) Pennington
/s/ Joseph P. Pennington*

Appraiser's Report of the Estate of James Pennington

We, the undersigned appraisers did accord to order on the 30th day of July, 1853, at the house of James Pennington, dec., and after being duly sworn proceeded to appraise and set off to the widow hir (sic) part of the following property of James Pennington.

The widow's dower of:

*two horsebeast
one pair of harness valued at ten dollars each
one harness \$5.00*

two bed and bedding (sic) and other household and kitchen (sic) furniture
exceeding thirty dollars
nine sheep
ploes (plows) not exceeding four dollars
mechanics tooles (sic) not exceeding ten dollars
three hogs, six hogs, not exceeding seventeen dollars
library not exceeding three dollars

We consider the half of the crop which is the widows part is not enough to keep the family and stock six months, providing it does well.

This is the true inventory (sic) of all the personal property found on the premises of **James Pennington**.

Appraisors, *Wm. Todd, Abel Todd, and Sylvester Farley*

The next official record of *Elizabeth*, widow of **James Pennington** is found when she made application for bounty land in Cass Co., Missouri:

"STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF CASS: On the tenth day of June A.D., one thousand eight hundred and eighty four personally appeared before me, Clerk of County Court, a Court of Record within and for the county and state aforesaid **Elizabeth Pennington**, age 71 years, a resident of East Lynne in the County of Cass, in the state of Missouri, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares she is the widow of **James Pennington**, deceased, who was the identical James Pennington, who served under the name of **James Pennington** as a Private in the company commanded by Captain Garrard, in the second regiment of Kentucky Volunteers, commanded by unknown in the War of 1812; that her said husband volunteered at (see evidence in application for former land warrant) and whose services terminated by reason of honorable discharge on the -- day of ----- A.D. She further states that the following is a full description of said husband at the time of his enlistment, viz: age 21 years (born June 8, 1791), height: about 5 feet ten inches, black hair, black eyes, fair complexion; she further states that she was married to the said **James Pennington** at the city of Grapevine Settlement in the County of Perry, and in the State of Kentucky on the 12th day of November, A.D., 1828 by one **Jesse Boling** who was a minister of the Gospel and that her name before her said marriage was **Elizabeth Joseph** and she further states that her husband had a former wife named **Susannah Smith**, who died in Hendricks County, Indiana, April 6, 1828, claimant was unmarried before Nov. 12, 1828 and that her said husband **James Pennington**, died at Washington County, in the State of Iowa on the 10th day of July A.D., 1853, and she further declares that the following have been the places of residence of herself and her husband since the date of his discharge from the Army, viz: husband lived in Kentucky and Indiana before marriage with claimant and after that in Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and Iowa, after husband's death claimant moved from Iowa to Missouri. She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land (or the additional bounty land) to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3, 1855 and hereby appoints with full power of substitution and revocation **Edward J. Underwood** of Washington, D.C., her lawful attorney, to prosecute her claim. She also

declares that she has heretofore made no application for pension or bounty land. Husband applied for bounty land under Act of 1850, and rec'd Warrant No. 5251 for 80 acres March 10, 1852 and that her residence is the village of East Lynne, city of -----, County of Cass, and State of Missouri and that her post office address is East Lynne, Cass Co., Missouri.

/s/ Elizabeth (her mark) Pennington

Joseph P. Pennington

Sarah Harding

(two attesting witnesses who can write their names)

Also personally appeared **Joseph P. Pennington**, aged 55 years residing at No. ----- in Loane Jack and **Sarah Hardin** (sic), age 50, residing in East Lynne persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit and who being by me duly sworn, say they have known the said **Elizabeth Pennington** for 50 years and that they were present and saw her sign her name or make her mark to the foregoing statement and they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and they further say that they are now able to identify her as the person who was the widow of the identical **James Pennington** who rendered services alleged in the above application in the Company of Captain Garrard in the regiment of 2nd Kentucky in the War of 1812 by the following named facts and circumstances; from the fact that they knew the said **James Pennington** and also from the fact of his receiving a land warrant.

/s/ Joseph Pennington

/s/ Sarah Harding

Subscribed and sworn before this 10 day of June A.D., 1884 and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc. were fully known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

/s/ J. W. Duckworth

County Clerk

This was taken from official records on file in the National Archives in Washington, D.C.

An early application for bounty land was apparently made when **Elizabeth** lived with a daughter in Putnam Co., Missouri:

"Elizabeth Pennington, age 46, files for bounty land Feb. 17, 1858 of Putnam County, Missouri. Her husband applied for bounty land under the 1850 act, but that land is now disposed of.

Witness: **Milford Harmon** (his x)
Marey Harmon (her x) both of Putnam County, Missouri

Elizabeth Pennington, filed June 5, 1884 saying she was married Nov. 12, 1828 by **Jesse Boling, M.G.**, at Grapevine Settlement, Perry Co., Kentucky. The following named persons were present and witnessed our marriage. The clergyman who married us was my maternal grandfather. He and his wife, **Daniel Duff** and his wife, **Abel Pennington** (brother of husband) and his wife **Elizabeth** (who was my aunt) (mother's sister) (after whom I was named) and my sister **Polly Joseph** were all present. And I think no one else. To the best of my knowledge neither of these parties are now living. License for marriage was procured at Hazardsville, county seat of Perry County, Kentucky.

Witness: **Phares Ward**
William H. Mitchell

Mrs. Sarah Harding, age 50 of East Lynne, Cass County, Missouri and **Virinda Ward**, age 36, of same, say July 15, 1884 they are the daughters of **Elizabeth Pennington**. There were nine children born to **James** and **Elizabeth**. The oldest is **Joseph P. Pennington**, who is now in his 55th year. Father died July 10, 1853. Sworn before D. M. Beers, N.P.

Elizabeth Pennington, age 71, of East Lynne, Cass County, Missouri files July 15, 1884, that she lived in Washington County, Iowa, Post Office Valley, mostly from January 1, 1861 to May 9, 1865, but for a few months lived in Keokuk County, Iowa, Post Office Ioka. She moved from Keokuk County back to Washington County in November 1865.

Witness: **D. M. Beers**
Phares Ward

Sworn before D. M. Beers, N.P.

Harvey Diggs, age 40, files July 15, 1884, Cass County, Missouri. He resides in East Lynne, Cass County, Missouri. From January 1, 1861 to May 1865 he was a resident of Washington County, Iowa. Says Elizabeth Pennington was loyal during that time; she was a resident of Washington County, Iowa 1861-6 except for a few months when she lived near Ioka, Keokuk County, Iowa.

Witness: **Dick Wooldridge**
Phares Ward

Elizabeth Pennington, age 72, filed August 11, 1884 of Cass County, Missouri says **James Pennington** died July 10, 1853 at Dutch Creek, Washington County, Iowa. They were married November 12, 1828 at Grapevine Settlement, Perry County, Kentucky. She gave Bible records for births of **James Pennington** and **Susannah Smith**. **Susannah Pennington** (nee **Smith**) died at Eel River Township, Hendricks County, Indiana.

John Innes and **John A. Luthley**, both of Washington County, Iowa swear October 27, 1884 to Elizabeth's loyalty. **Godfrey Augustine** of Dublin, Washington County, Iowa says October 20, 1884 he remembers **James Pennington**. A **Diggs** married one of the

daughters of the widow and has relatives here and I inquired to the whereabouts of them. I think the old lady and several of the children live yet." George A. Newbury and G. H. Getz, both of East Lynne, Cass County, Missouri say November 20, 1884, they have seen the family Bible, which appears to be about 100 years old or older. In it appears:

JAMES PENNINGTON born June 8, 1791

SUSANNA SMYTH born March 29, 1789

JAMES and *SUSANNA* married January 9, 1810

SUSANNAH PENNINGTON died April 6, 1828

ELIZABETH JOSEPH born December 29, 1812

JAMES and *ELIZABETH* married November 12 or 19, 1828

JAMES PENNINGTON died July 10, 1853, age 62 years, 1 month, 2 days

Sworn before D. M. Beers, N.P.

Elizabeth Pennington died February, 1886 in Cass County, Missouri. I have not located her grave site as yet.

17. *ABEL PENNINGTON* (3,1) was born 8 July, 1797 in South Carolina. His age is given as 53 in the 1850 Owsley Co., Kentucky census. He married *Elizabeth Bowling* (*Bolling, Boling*) on 15 March, 1815 in Clay Co., Kentucky. She was a daughter of *Rev. Jesse Boling* and *MARY PENNINGTON*, a daughter of *MICAJAH PENNINGTON*, born in April 1794. *Abel Pennington* died in Kentucky 16 January, 1881. *Elizabeth* died in February 1866. Both are buried in Jackson Co., Kentucky. The children of *Abel* and *Elizabeth* were:

84. Rachel Pennington born 25 December, 1817, died 1884; married 23 January, 1832 to Dr. Samuel Johnston (son of Samuel and Sarah Pennington Johnston), born 25 October, 1898; died 20 August 1902 in Jackson Co., Kentucky.
85. Levi Pennington
86. John Pennington
87. Mary Jane Pennington
88. Nancy Pennington born 22 December, 1829; married 1st to George McGee; (2) Emanuel Arnold. She had issue by 1st marriage.

Abel Pennington was a lawyer by profession and was one of the founding fathers, along with his father-in-law, *Jesse Bowling*, of Perry Co., Kentucky, and was one of the first and possibly the first county judge of Owsley Co., Kentucky in 1853.

According to the late *George Cook* who was reared in Jackson Co., Kentucky, *Elizabeth Bowling Pennington* directed that a carpenter's square be placed on her tombstone with the inscription, "She lived on the square" but upon examining her stone as presently stands in beautiful Green Hill Cemetery near Annville, Jackson Co., Kentucky, one finds:

ELIZABETH
WIFE OF ABEL PENNINGTON
BORN APRIL 1794
DIED FEBRUARY 1866

Abel Pennington was a person, according to all the best authority, who was highly respected by all with whom he came in contact, pictures and tintypes owned by some of his descendants show him dressed in silk or beaver hat and all pictures show him with a cane, which according to tradition had a gold head. Following the Civil War, the GAR post located at Annville, Kentucky was called the "A Pennington Post" which is fitting and proper since both of his sons were in service on the Union side. His son Levi, Captain of Co. "C" 7th Kentucky Infantry, "The Fighting 7th" lost his life at Vicksburg and his other son, John was Captain of Company "A", 47th Kentucky Infantry. The material on the Abel and Elizabeth (Bowling) Pennington was contributed by Mrs. Fredora Lay, London, Kentucky.

18. **HAMPTON PENNINGTON** (3,1) was born 5 June, 1803 in North Carolina; married 1 August, 1821 in Kentucky to *Nancy Winet Dent*, born 16 May, 1801 in Virginia (daughter of *Walter* and *Naney [Prater] Dent*). They went to Indiana in 1824 the year Hendricks Co. was organized and settled when there were but 6 families in the entire neighborhood, with no roads or improvements of any kind, but plenty of wild animals and Indians. He was a licensed Baptist preacher and he and his wife were charter members of the Union Church. He died 8 June, 1841 in North Salem, Indiana and was followed to the grave by his widow on 26 July, 1878. They were of sterling character and were noted for their numerous acts of benevolence. They are buried on the family farm (now the Simons' farm). They were the parents of 10 children including:

89. Susan Pennington
90. *Levi Pennington*
91. Saulsbury Pennington
92. David Pennington
93. Minatree Pennington
94. Nancy W. Pennington (n.f.r.)
95. Drusilla W. Pennington
96. Preston Pennington
97. Mary A. Pennington died 12 December, 1869. (n.f.r.)
98. Sarah H. Pennington (n.f.r.)

→ 19. **MARY (POLLY) PENNINGTON** (3,1) married *William West* born in North Carolina. They were among the early settlers of Clay Co., Kentucky. Lived later in Clinton Co., Indiana. There is much discrepancy among the information on the couple both in vital records and family traditions. We will give all versions. In the Manson Cemetery, Clinton Co., Indiana, which I visited in September 1978, the following data was taken from their tombstones:

Mary, wife of *William West*, died March 1884
William West died March 6, 1871, age 90 years, 11 months

Douglas Co., Missouri History by Selleck says that *Mary Pennington*, wife of *William West* was born in 1770 in Virginia. If the tombstone date of her death is correct, and I assume it to be, this would make *Mary* 114 years old at the time of her death. So, I personally am discarding the data from Douglas Co., Missouri as incorrect. The 1880 census of Clinton Co., Indiana, Jackson Township has the following information:

117/117 *Wm. West*, age 59, farmer, born South Carolina
 wife *Mary West*, age 59, born South Carolina

This information makes *Mary* the right age and having the right birthplace as all our other Pennington information. As a rule, the information contained in the Federal Census records are given by the person themselves and is considered *primary evidence*. I am convinced the Douglas Co., Missouri history is incorrect, as that information would have come from later family descendants which would have to be classified as *secondary evidence*.

From the census and cemetery records, the following children of *Mary* and *William West* are known to be. There may have been other children:

99. *Hannah West*
100. *Hampton West* (n.f.r.)
101. *Nancy West* (n.f.r.)
102. *Sarah West* (n.f.r.)
103. *John West* (n.f.r.)
104. *Mary West* (n.f.r.)

20. *MATILDA PENNINGTON* (3,1) marriage records of Clay Co., Kentucky shows a marriage for *Matilda Roark* to *William Turner* on 19 February, 1817 with *Abel Pennington* giving consent for said marriage. For years I had been unable to obtain any information on *Matilda*, daughter of *Abel*. Apparently, *Matilda* had been previously married to a *Roark*. Mrs. *Fredora Lay* had records which show *William Turner's* name was *Marshak*. When this information was found, we searched the 1850 census for Clay Co., Kentucky and found nothing. Then while searching the 1850 Boone Co., Indiana census for other members of the family, the following was found:

- 1074/1088 District #7 6 September 1850
 William Turner, age 57, farmer, real estate value \$1600, born North Carolina
 wife, *Matilda Turner*, age 52, born South Carolina
105. *D. Franklin Ray* (or *O. Franklin Roy*), age 16, born Indiana
 106. *John W. Turner*, age 14, born Indiana

Then while searching the various cemeteries in the area around Boone, Clinton, and Hendricks Counties, Indiana, I found the following: Dickerson Cemetery, 1/2 mile south of Fayette, Boone Co., Indiana;

William Turner, died 12/9/1859, age 66 years, 1 month, 26 days

Matilda, wife of *William Turner*, died 3/15/1874, age 77 years, 2 months, 9 days

John Turner died 2/16/1842, age 23 years, 2 months, 9 days

I am sure the records of Clay Co., Kentucky marriages, the 1850 census of Boone Co. Indiana have given us the little bit of history that we have on *Matilda*, daughter of *Abe Jr.*

21. *MICHEL WILSON* (6,1) born 3 May, 1799; died 1863; married *William J. Flemister* on 9 January, 1825. The 1850 Jasper Co., Georgia census says *William* is age 52, born Georgia; wife '*Micha*' is age 49, born Georgia. Their children as taken from the census were:

107. *William Wilson* born ca 1829 GA (n.f.r.)
108. *Mathew Wilson* born ca 1831 GA (n.f.r.)
109. *Emiliza Wilson* born ca 1832 GA (n.f.r.)
110. *Abel Wilson* born ca 1833 GA (n.f.r.)
111. *Sophiah Wilson* born ca 1834 GA (n.f.r.)
112. *Mary Wilson* born ca 1837 GA (n.f.r.)
113. *Mathew Wilson* born about 1841 GA (n.f.r.)

22. *MARY GRANT WILSON* (6,1) born 5 October, 1800; married 12 December, 1817 to *John Finney Dismukes*. 1850 Jasper Co., Georgia census says John, age 54, born Georgia, Mary, age 50, born Georgia. Children taken from the same census:

114. *Elizabeth Dismukes* born ca 1829 GA (n.f.r.)
115. *Jane Dismukes* born ca 1831 GA (n.f.r.)
116. *Jackson Dismukes* born ca 1833 GA (n.f.r.)
117. *William Dismukes* born ca 1837 GA (n.f.r.)
118. *John Dismukes* born ca 1838 GA (n.f.r.)
119. *Mary Dismukes* born ca 1840 GA (n.f.r.)

24. *ABEL PENNINGTON WILSON* (6,1) born 27 November, 1803 in Georgia; married 2 January, 1845 to *Elizabeth Jane Morgan*; died Monticello, Drew Co., Arkansas; was a Colonel in the Mexican War. Children as listed in the 1860 Drew Co., Arkansas census:

120. *Mary Wilson* born ca 1847 Georgia (n.f.r.)
121. *William Wilson* born ca 1849 Georgia (n.f.r.)
122. *Sarah Wilson* born ca 1851 Mississippi (n.f.r.)

- 296. Dora Belle Davenport (n.f.r.)
- 297. David S. Davenport (n.f.r.)
- 298. Laura DeMontral Davenport (n.f.r.)
- 299. Orlando Benson Davenport (n.f.r.)
- 300. George Edward Davenport (n.f.r.)

96. **PRESTON PENNINGTON** (18,3,1) was born in Hendricks Co., Indiana (Eel River) on 10 November, 1837. He was married to Miss **Martha J. Otterman**, born 4 September, 1837; daughter of Henry and Albina (Utterback) Otterman on 13 January, 1878 in Hendricks Co., Indiana. She died 10 December, 1893. Mrs. Pennington was a devout member of the Christian Church and an ornament to society. Mr. Pennington owned 162 acres of fertile and well improved land, all of which he secured by his own labor and economy since 1878. For 18 years he was successfully engaged in the manufacture of tile and considered to be one of the most useful and progressive citizens of Eel River Township. Preston died 13 January, 1911. He, his wife and children are buried on the old Pennington farm near Old Salem Baptist Church near Danville, (Hendricks Co.), Indiana. Their children were:

- 301. Albina Blanche Pennington born 20 November, 1878 (n.f.r.)
- 302. Henry R. Pennington born 13 December, 1881; died 21 August, 1882 (n.f.r.)
- 303. Otha M. Pennington born 8 December, 1882 (n.f.r.)

Birth and death dates for Preston were given to me by Frances Pennington, all other data from History of Hendricks Co., Indiana.

→ 99. **HANNAH WEST** (19,3,1) born 18 January, 1818 in Kentucky; died 20 February, 1885 Linn Co., Missouri; married 28 June, 1835 in Clinton Co., Indiana (Marriage Book 1) to **William Turner** born 8 January, 1814 in Perry Co., Kentucky; died in Linn Co., Missouri in 1886. He was a farmer and the son of **James Turner** and **Mary Baker**, daughter of **Robert Baker**, born in North Carolina 1794; died Douglas Co., Missouri in 1882. **Robert Baker** was married to **Lydia Hammond**. **William** was the grandson of **John Turner** born about 1768 in North Carolina, died 1840 Ozark Co., Missouri, one of nine brothers who served in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. The children of Hannah West and William Turner were:

- 304. Samuel Turner
- 305. Elizabeth Turner
- 306. Lee C. Turner
- 307. Mary Turner born 6 January, 1843; died 18 February, 1857 (n.f.r.)
- 308. Susan Jane Turner born 10 April, 1845; died 10 March, 1857 (n.f.r.)
- 309. Louisa Turner
- 310. James M. Turner
- 311. Jesse Turner
- 312. Nancy Turner

- 313. Sarah Ann Turner born 3 May, 1856 (n.f.r.)
- 314. Malinda Turner born 19 October, 1858

Data taken from Reminiscent History of the Ozarks and the Turner family by James M. Turner (#310 above).

The William Turner family went from Indiana to Douglas Co., Missouri in 1844 and settled 5 miles south of Ava on Spring Creek. Located in Linn Co., Missouri after the Civil War.

144. **ALMEDIA ELIZABETH WILSON** (30,6,1) born 1 April, 1845; married **William H. McKiever** on 16 May, 1867; died 4 June 1882 after the birth of their youngest child. Their children were:

- 315. Georgia Rosalene McKiever (n.f.r.)
- 316. Sarah Belle McKiever (n.f.r.)
- 317. Etta Cornelia McKiever (n.f.r.)
- 318. Lexie Elizabeth McKiever born 28 February, 1874; married Reid Golding (n.f.r.)
- 319. William James McKiever born 20 March, 1877; died 26 May, 1931 (n.f.r.)
- 320. Maryanna McKiever born October 1879; married John Wigley (n.f.r.)
- 321. Arianna McKiever born October 1879 (twin to Maryanna above); died unmarried at the age of 24. (n.f.r.)
- 322. Arch Lumpkin McKiever died as an infant on 28 September, 1882. (n.f.r.)

155. **JACKSON CLARKE LOVEJOY** (42,8,1) born Georgia 1826; died Calhoun Co., Mississippi in 1875; married **Mary Page**; was a farmer and Confederate soldier. Children:

- 323. Andrew Josephus Lovejoy (n.f.r.)
- 324. Henry Lovejoy (n.f.r.)
- 325. Corilla Lovejoy born 1858; living in 1929 in Pittsboro, Mississippi; married J. A. Shannon and had eight or more children. (n.f.r.)

156. **MARY ANTOINETTE LOVEJOY** (42,8,1) born 1826 (twin to #155 above); died in 1874 in Water Valley, Mississippi; married **Dr. W. H. Burford**, first mayor of Water Valley; had two children, both of whom died young.

158. **CROSBY DAWSON LOVEJOY** (42,8,1) born 1828/32; died Dalton, Georgia during the Civil War following a snowball battle between Tennessee and Georgia troops during which he contracted pneumonia. He was a law student and a Confederate soldier.

159. **FLAVIUS JOSEPHUS LOVEJOY** (42,8,1) born 1830; died Oxford, Mississippi in 1862; married but wife's name unknown. He was a Colonel in the Confederate Army. He graduated from the first law class of the University of Mississippi in 1856, becoming a law partner of E. C. Walthall, who was later a Confederate General and U.S. senator.