

# Among Cousins The Bland Family Newsletter



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Dear Cousins,

Welcome to the concluding number of the eleventh issue of **Among Cousins: The Bland Family Newsletter**. I think this is a particularly interesting issue, that includes some striking new information about the descendants of Robert and Ann Bland of Edgefield County South Carolina and John Bland and Margaret Osborne of Nelson County Kentucky, as well as the conclusion of the inquiry opened in Volume 11-1, about the descendants of James Bland of Duplin and Chatham Counties North Carolina.

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### 1993 NATIONAL BLAND REUNION

The Ninth National Bland family reunion will be held at Deland Florida, August 13-15. The Reunion is being sponsored by Robert and Ethel Bland of Deland and is dedicated the James River Blands, the branch of the Bland family to whom Bob and Ethel belong. Having said that, I must note that present reservations indicate only a very few of the James River Family will be in attendance. I hope to see more of you there as well as other cousins. Bugaboos we have encountered in the past continue to plague Reunion planning.

First, if I say a particular reunion is dedicated to a particular branch of the family, that does not mean others are not welcome. Each year I pay a special genealogical tribute to that branch of the Bland family from which the sponsor descends.

Second, even though reunion sponsors attempt to get your reservations in by dates that will enable them to do an orderly business with service providers who need to have attendance estimates, those who have raised procrastination to a high art form, may still attend. Simply mail in your reservation to Robert O. Bland, 2528 Park Lake Drive, Deland Florida, 32724, or call Bob and Ethel at 1-904-734-5197 or call me at 1-716-832-5263.

The reunion site is the First Christian Church of Deland. Reunion headquarters will be the Holiday Inn of Deland, which has offered rates of \$46. plus 10% tax per night for a double room. The Holiday Inn Number is 1-800-826-3233 or 1-904-734-7552. Bob recommends that if you plan to fly, schedule your flight to terminate at the Daytona Florida Airport.

**Bob and Ethel Bland, and the other faithful hope to see you in Deland Florida.**

### PROGRESS ON THE NEW BOOK

I would like to begin with special thanks to Francis H. Bland, Paragould Arkansas, for his pledge which includes a library placement of the completed work.

The book is approximately where it should be at this time. The appropriate sections of the past eleven volumes of **Among Cousins** have been integrated into the appropriate chapters of **A Vision of Unity**. The next year will be devoted to "smoothing the chapters out" so to speak, and integrating information from correspondence and documents systematically into the narrative of the volumes as well as integrating new information..

I plan to spend the month of September sorting out the documents to be used and learning to use Word Perfect more efficiently for things like end-noting and indexing. I will also be purchasing an additional file cabinet into which the reams of material I already have can be stored and perhaps restored to some sense of order.

I have provided John W. Bland of Elizabethtown Kentucky with a complete set of all theses reintegrated chapters and shall attempt to keep him updated at regular intervals. John has agreed to take responsibility to carry through the project if something happens to me. I don't mean to sound morbid, just mortal. I look forward to seeing the finished project.

#### CALL FOR IDEAS AND INFORMATION

I confess that after looking at it for awhile, the title Like the Fingers of the Hand hasn't won my eternal admiration. I would be glad to hear from any of you who have ideas what the title of the new work should be.

Also, this is my call to each of you to check Volume 9-1, pp. 7-13, and check out the sections of the book and newsletter that pertains to your particular family group. If you have done further research that refines or updates what has been written, please forward it to me. I note as an example, that except for one major update of the James River Family (AC 5-1, pp. 8-25), and some more historical than genealogical research that I did on Giles Bland (AC 8-2, pp. 5-40), not much that is new has been done on that branch. This is only one example. There are undoubtedly others.

#### Library Donations

This is a sad story of a placement that didn't work out, and perhaps there is someone there who can help. After, I think, two or three years in a bureaucratic wilderness, I received a letter on May 12, 1993, from the State of Alabama Department of Archives and History, declining a donated copy of A Vision of Unity because "it does not fit within our collecting guidelines." This is the second instance of an Alabama agency returning a donation, which leads me to believe that perhaps Alabama is not a very friendly place to deposit a donation. This particular donation was from an anonymous source who wanted his donation placed somewhere in Alabama. Does anyone have a suggestion.

#### Roll Over Beatrice

This Spring, I received from two cousins, copies of a letter distributed from Nance Granter, Phoenix Arizona, announcing his forthcoming publication, Who's Who of the Blands in America. On page two of his letter, Granter assures the recipient that "we're not one of those companies that publish books which have nothing but a lot of 'filler' and then, a simple listing of people with a common name." What they ask for is a kind of mini-history about you, "our book will contain thousands of facts about people named Bland." Granter recurs to his frustration with finding so few Blands in the telephone book, thus betraying the fact that his is a name gathering enterprize which will have little genealogical use. If you are looking for genealogy, caveat emptor.

Beware of the Buffalo Sharks

Not a professional football team, alas. Simply because I know there are many elderly persons who subscribe to **Among Cousins** I want to inform you that Buffalo New York has within the last year become a haven for telemarketing sharks, who pinpoint and prey on the elderly across the country. They not only call but persist and even threaten those who refuse to do business with them.

A word of advice: If someone calls you and tells you might have already won a big prize, but insists that to qualify, you must lay out large sums of money to buy items you could get much more inexpensively elsewhere, hang-up. If they persist call the phone company for advice, and consider a change to an unlisted number. The Buffalo News ran a week long series on "Telemarketing Sharks" that documented how many elderly across the country had lost their life savings to these telemarketers.

**BUYER BEWARE!**

**TRANSITIONS** I was very sorry to hear from Evelyn Porter, Redding California, that her brother Gwynn Bland passed away on May 29, 1993, at age 80. Gwynn descended from the family of Joseph Bland and Susan Bailey (AC 9-2, pp. 6-28). He was born January 22, 1913 in Norton Kansas and moved to Shasta County California in 1953. Gwynn was an instructor and administrator at Shasta College in Redding.

I received no other notices of transition during this period.

**DESCENDANTS OF JAMES BLAND OF DUPLIN AND CHATHAM COUNTIES  
NORTH CAROLINA (CONTINUED)**

In the last issue, (AC 11-1, pp. 10-32) I featured the descendants of James Bland (C1749-1799) of Duplin and Chatham County North Carolina. James was the son of William Bland (C1726-1775), grandson of James Bland (1704/7-1767/1774); great grandson of William Bland (C1686-1744) and great, great grandson of the immigrant James Bland (1661-1709).

In the last issue, I carried these lines through four generations, beginning with James. In this issue, I would like to use the available evidence to carry the various branches of this family across the 19th/20th Century boundary, something that is not possible for all families or has already been done. In the pages that follow I will concentrate the descendants William Bland (C1787-1860) one of the sons of James Bland (C1749-1799).

William Bland <sup>1</sup> married Elizabeth McBain and had by her five sons, including:

1. Joseph Bland (1818/1819 - July 14, 1863). <sup>2</sup> Joseph married Sarah Ann Milam (February 25, 1823 - January 8, 1899). They had seven children including particularly:

B. William T. Bland (1847-1924). William married Amelia A. Killion (C1854 - ) a marriage that eventually ended in divorce. Their children were:

(1) Otto C. Bland (January 28, 1875 - January 3, 1904). Otto died falling from a telephone pole. He married Minnie \_\_\_\_\_ on December 25, 1900.

(2) Orin Pearl Bland (May 20, 1878 - September 14, 1920). Orin served in the Spanish American War as a corporal in Company D, 44th Infantry. He committed suicide in Seattle Washington. Orin Married Nettie Trumbull, November 16, 1904. Their children were previously enumerated. <sup>3</sup>

(3) Ida Bland (March 1880 - after 1924) Ida married Clyde Novis. They had three children. <sup>4</sup>

(4) C.J. Bland (C1883 - ).

(5) Frank R. Bland, (May 30, 1887 - October 29, 1923). T.C. Hulsey says that Frank R. Bland "got around a lot" and was married, but no one knows to whom. <sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> AC 11-1, pp. 16-29.

<sup>2</sup> AC 11-1, pp. 18-19.

<sup>3</sup> AC 7-2, p. 18-19.

<sup>4</sup> Letter, T.C. Hulsey to Charles Bland, January 8, 1993.

<sup>5</sup> Ibid.

2. William Bland (C1821-1895).<sup>6</sup> William married first, Jane Buckner and second, Catherine Brock (C1828 - ). Their children were:

A. Henry Berlin Bland (August 8, 1848 - February 8, 1910) who married Mary E. \_\_\_\_\_ (C1851 - ) about 1874.

B. Martha Elizabeth Bland (March 8, 1851 - ), who married David Rolf on December 14, 1865.

C. James L. Bland (C1854-1893), James married Marian R. \_\_\_\_\_. James and Marian had two children, Louise and Charles.

D. Noah Alexander Bland (October 9, 1856 - January 30, 1927) who married Carrie Bailey (1860-1940). Noah and Carrie had a family of four children including:

(1) Abner Edgar Bland (December 5, 1879 - March 28, 1948). Abner was born in Beloit Kansas and died at Santiago California. He married Mary White (1851 - ).

(2) Laura Bland , dates uncertain, died at age 2.

(3) Lillie Myrtle Bland ( September 20, 1884 - April 26, 1939). Lillie was born in Lecompton, Douglas County Kansas and died at Jackson County Kansas. Lillie married Alfred Ray Keller (1884-1944) on March 30, 1909. Lillie and Alfred are the grandparents of my correspondent Bertha Jean Kovar Dunn.

(4) Arthur B. Bland (December 19, 1885 - February 3, 1951). Arthur was born in Kansas and died at Oklahoma City Oklahoma. He married Louise Ennis (1884-1951) on March 28, 1905 at Oklahoma City.

(5) Harry William Bland (January 22, 1894 - March 21, 1957), was born in Lawrence Kansas and died in Beaumont California.

E. John R. Bland (C1858 - ). John married Carrie Mauldin, (C1861 - ) On October 20, 1879. They had a daughter Minnie (C1883- ).

F. Eve Ellen Bland (May 12, 1860 - May 21, 1929). Eve married Harvey Cooley (1855-1933) on November 3, 1875.

G. Sarah E. Bland (C1863 - C1880)

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<sup>6</sup> AC 11-1, pp. 19-22.

H. Francis Marion Bland (November 5, 1865 - January 2, 1948). Francis was born in Iowa married Mary Knight (1871-1950) on June 8, 1889. Their children were:

(1) Rea O. Bland, (March 1890 - ) Rea married Lewis A. Hicks June 12, 1907.

(2) Fern Bland (1895-1896).

(3) Burlin/Berlin Burton or Bruin Bland (C1908 - March 13, 1942).

I. William G. Bland (C1867 - 1893) married Minnie R. Birdsel or Birdsall (C1861 - ). William and Minnie had a son named Jed Bland.

3. Enoch Bland (November 9, 1833 - September 19, 1920). <sup>7</sup> Enoch married first, Catherine Gaines Gentry (C1839 - July 5, 1879) on July 28, 1855. Secondly, Enoch married Mary E. Cooper (April 15, 1851 - ) on April 1, 1880. Enoch's children, all by Catherine gentry, were:

(A) Henry Bland (May 18, 1856 - December 10, 1935). Henry married Emma Isabelle Owen (October 6, 1860 - November 11, 1924) on May 30, 1878 in Mitchell County Kansas. Henry and Emma had twelve children:

( 1) Roy O. Bland (March, 1879-1936) was born in Kansas and is buried at the Old Town Cemetery in Pattonsburg Missouri.

( 2) Frank Bland (1880 - ).

( 3) Ray Arthur Bland (June 1, 1883 - ).

( 4) Bertha May Bland (April 29, 1886 - February 23, 1945), a twin of Bert, (3 below) was born in Norton County Kansas and died in St. Josephs Missouri. Bertha married twice to \_\_\_\_\_ Hecter and \_\_\_\_\_ Maxfield.

( 5) Bert B. Bland (April 29, 1886 - 1927) died at Pattonsburg Missouri. Bert married Effie E. Cain (1885-1964).

The above children were born in Mitchell County Kansas.

( 6) Lura Ethel Bland (August 29, 1889 - September 8, 1962) was born at Dennison, Crawford County Iowa and died at Pattonsburg. She married Raliegth L. Chadwick, (C1887-1914).

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<sup>7</sup> AC 11-1, PP. 25-29.

The remaining children were born at Pattonsburg Missouri.

( 7) Benjamin O. Bland (1892 - 1930) buried at Pattonsburg Missouri.

( 8 and 9) Earl Bland and Pearl Bland (January 10, 1895 - ) Pearl died one month after her birth.

(10) Richard Bland (date unknown)

(11 and 12) R. L. C. Bland and P. B. Bland (twins)

I am pleased to display photos of six of the sons of Henry Bland and Emma Isabelle Owen on page 34.

(B) William Edward Bland (October 29, 1857 - November 8, 1884), married but nothing more is known of his family.

(C) James Shelton Bland (August 19, 1859 - ) married Ida E. Owens (C1864 - ) on February 5, 1884.

(D) Joseph Winfield Bland (February 23, 1861 - ) who married Maggie Owens, October 22, 1884.

(E) Celia Bland (November 10, 1862 - ), probably died as a child.

(F) John Stephen Bland (May 17, 1867 - ). John married Lillie M. \_\_\_\_\_ and they had two children:

**DESCENDANTS OF ROBERT AND ANN BLAND  
OF EDGEFIELD COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA**

**Presley Bland (1768-1839)**

Presley Bland (1768-1839),<sup>8</sup> a member of the Edgefield County South Carolina Family, colorful in his ways and well off in his time, was the fifth child of Robert Bland (C1732-1787) and his wife Ann, (C1740-after 1808). Presley married to two women and genealogical controversy has always seemed to turn on the question of how to assign the nine known children whom Presley Bland fathered.

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<sup>8</sup> This material is derived from a review of VU, pp. 501-508, AC 6-1, pp. 13-18 and AC 10-2, pp. 26-29 as well as information supplied by John Bland Mobley, Columbia South Carolina and Bland Goodwin, Augusta Georgia. Bland Goodwin supplied a copy of a deed of 500 acres to Presley Bland that I recorded in an inventory of Land Transactions in Edgefield County up to 1830, but failed to note at AC 6-1, p. 13, while summarizing Presley's wealth. The deed is recorded April 1, 1796 and refers to 500 acres near the Edgefield County Courthouse granted to Presley on March 19, 1796.



John Bland Mobley asserts, based on family records in his possession, that Presley, through his common law relationship with Dicey Gunnells<sup>9</sup> (1773-1856) had eight children. These included:

1. Avory Gunnels Bland (1792-1857). Avory styled himself Avory Gunnells until 1820, by which time a man named Hatcher acknowledged payment from Avory Gunnells, "commonly known as Avory Bland."<sup>10</sup>
2. Randall Bland (1804-1829). When he died in 1829, Randall, in his will, left his entire estate to "my brother" Avory Bland.<sup>11</sup>

Presley Bland and Dicey Gunnells also were, according to John Bland Mobley, parents of six other children who died of tuberculosis as infants and are unnamed.

What happened between Presley Bland and Dicey Gunnells is unknown. Dicey Gunnells lived on to 1856. Presley married, probably in 1804 or 1805, a woman named Martha Barrenton.<sup>12</sup> Thus another woman appeared on the scene when Avory was about twelve. The evidence suggests this might have led to Avory's alienation from his father, and that they were not reconciled until about 1820, the time of Avory's marriage to Mary Johnson and the time he took the name Bland.<sup>13</sup>

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<sup>9</sup> AC 6-1, pp. 13-15

<sup>10</sup> Avory Bland's son George, (VU. p. 517, AC 6-1, p. 17, who was found living in the residence of James Rushton in the 1850 Census for Edgefield County, may have been discovered by Bland Goodwin's tombstone information from the Magnolia Cemetery, Augusta Georgia, which shows a George W. Bland (C1831- December 1, 1864) who died of pneumonia. He was buried near the family of Sampson Bland.

<sup>11</sup> In a previous number, through an unfortunate typographical error, I stated "Mr. Mobley omits Randall Bland from the list of Presley Bland's children." I apologize to Mr. Mobley for this obvious error.

<sup>12</sup> For spelling of this name, see AC 6-1, p. 14. Alternative spellings seem to be Barrentine or Barrington.

<sup>13</sup> AC 6-1, p. 15.

It would appear that Presley Bland had seven children by Martha Barrenton,<sup>14</sup> including:

1. Sampson Bland (C/18041805 - April 11, 1864). Sampson had lived in Augusta nine years before he died.<sup>15</sup> Thanks to a neat bit of research by Bland Goodwin of Augusta Georgia, it has been discovered that Sampson Bland lived, died and was buried at Augusta Georgia and many of his family are buried near him<sup>16</sup>. Sampson was a teamster, and was reputed to be a pauper when he died. Sampson married Adaline \_\_\_\_\_ (C1814- June 9, 1879) probably about 1834. Sampson and Adaline had the following children:

A. Martha P. Bland, (C1835 - January 31, 1856). Martha died in Augusta Georgia after living there only two weeks. She died of consumption.

B. Francis P. Bland (C1837- ).

C. Mary Bland (C1840- ).

D. Eliza Bland (C1841 - September 3, 1925). Eliza died of paralysis in Augusta Georgia.

E. James C. Bland (C1844 - July 15, 1896). At the time of his death in Augusta Georgia, James was listed as a railroad agent, who had lived in Augusta for 44 years. James died of pneumonia and remittent fever. James married Sorphonia Watson (C1858 - May 18, 1893).

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<sup>14</sup> AC 6-1, pp. 17-18, Randall Bland, previously assigned to Martha Barrenton, was, I am convinced, a child of Dicey Gunnells and Presley Bland.

<sup>15</sup> The tombstone marker recorded his age at death as 60. This would literally mean that Sampson was born about 1803/1804. The 1850 census showed he was born in 1805. This would raise a potential problem about who Sampson's mother was, since Randall Bland, who was assuredly a son of Dicey Gunnells, died in 1829 and his tombstone read "departed this life May 9, 1829, aged 25 years," i.e., he was born in 1804. My inclination is to accept the 1850 census as the correct date, since the evidence seems very strong that Dicey Gunnells was the mother of Avory and Randall Bland only, among the sons of Presley Bland that we know of.

<sup>16</sup> VU p. 511, Information provided by Bland Goodwin included an obituary of Mrs. Minnie Lee Bland Adams, daughter of James C. Bland, son of Sampson Bland, and James' wife Sorphonia Watson, and numerous tombstone inscriptions from the Magnolia Cemetery in Augusta Georgia.

- F. Emily Bland (C1847- ).<sup>17</sup>  
G. Luke Bland (C1850 - August 30, 1857). Luke died of typhoid fever.
2. Luke Bland, (C1806-1851).
  3. Emily Bland(C1808 - ). Emily married Simeon Christie.
  4. Mary Bland (C1809- ). Mary married R.D. Bryan.
  5. John Presley or Prestley Bland (1815-1889). One of the problems heretofore has been in delineating this man's dates in order to make better sense of where he fits among Presley's children. Bland Goodwin indicates he was born July 31, 1815 and died in 1889.<sup>18</sup> A Major difficulty has been removed by documentation showing that a transaction in 1823 previously thought to have involved a John P. Bland, actually involved John P. Bond.<sup>19</sup> John Prestley Bland married Martha Adaway Cogburn (1814-1868). Among their children, Lawrence Nathan Bland (1845-1902)<sup>20</sup> was buried at Magnolia Cemetery in Augusta Georgia, along with his wife, Frances Ann McDaniel (C1846 - August 14, 1937).
  6. Martha Bland (1819-1896) married Aaron C. Dean.
  7. Caroline Bland, (C1822- ) married William C. Prather or Prator.

The following Blands whom I cannot place in a family group were buried at Magnolia Cemetery Help would be appreciated in placing them:

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<sup>17</sup> One cannot help but wonder whether this Emily is the woman buried in the Magnolia Cemetery with dates of (1834-1872), noted below, although the miss in age would be a whopper, even for a seasoned census taker who had refined error into a fine art.

<sup>18</sup> VU, p. 510 and AC 6-1, p. 17. A response by Bland Goodwin's aunt W.B. Bland to his query indicates the date of birth of John P. Bland and that he died in 1889 "I think."

<sup>19</sup> Edgefield County S.C. Deed, September 30, 1820. The 1860 Census for Edgefield County also shows John Bland, aged 45.

<sup>20</sup> VU, p. 510.

Anna Bland (C June 1863 - November 28, 1865).

Archibald L. C. Bland (October 1893 - September 3, 1895). <sup>21</sup>

Charlie Bland (December 1871 - July 18, 1873).

Eliza Bland (C1858 - October 20, 1893) who died single and was a resident of Augusta Georgia.

Emma Bland (C1834 - January 5, 1872). Emma was a native of Georgia.

Frances W. Bland (C1859 - March 27, 1928), "buried by Elliott".

John S. Bland (C1871 - February 2, 1908) lived previously at Washington D.C.

Julia Bland (C1836 - May 7, 1908), a widow.

William Bland, died at 7 months, July 23, 1859.

The 1850 Census for Edgefield County South Carolina shows an Elizabeth Bland (C1811 - August 22, 1869) <sup>22</sup> as a head of household, living in dwelling 907 with the following children:

A. Jack Bland (C1832 - ), a farmer in 1850.

B. Shelvey/Shelly Bland, (C1836 - November 17, 1854) who moved to Augusta Georgia and died of Typhoid fever.

C. Margaret Bland (C1839 - ).

D. Adeline Bland (C1841 - ).

E. Benjamin Bland (C1843 - ).

F. Martha Bland (C1844 - November 14, 1866), died of dropsy and is buried at the Magnolia Cemetery in Augusta Georgia.

G. Edmon Bland (C1846 - ) <sup>23</sup>

A second Elizabeth Bland (C1802 - ) is found living alone in dwelling 1368 in the 1850 Census.

If anyone could shed light on who these women are, I would be grateful.

Bland Goodwin's Magnolia Cemetery records also shed light on the family that was separate from the Edgefield family, headed by Richard Percival Bland (C1700-1737) and Elizabeth Bland of London. Richard and Elizabeth had a son Richard, who married Elizabeth Fendin about 1770 and had a child Richard (1771- March 11, 1836),

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<sup>21</sup> Archibald and another "infant boy" are both sons of Charles Armstrong Bland (1866-1959) and Elizabeth O'Connell (C1871-1952), AC 3-1, pp. 37-38.

<sup>22</sup> Dates are from the 1850 Census and Goodwin, Magnolia Cemetery information

<sup>23</sup> He may be the N.L. Bland who died June 30, 1902 at age 56 and is buried at the Magnolia Cemetery in Augusta Georgia.

who married Susan Cook (C1782 - October 14, 1830), both of whom are buried at Magnolia Cemetery. One of their children, Mortimer B. Bland, (December 1816 - March 20, 1838) also is buried there.<sup>24</sup>

#### Elisha Bland (1775-C1837)

Previously, using information provided by Nora Elder of Tampa Florida and Mildred Snyder of Southport Florida, as well as documents which reached me indirectly from the late Elizabeth Pritchard Newsom of Sandersonville Georgia.<sup>25</sup> I was able to provide much more information about the ultimate fate of Elisha Bland (April 9, 1775 - C1837)<sup>26</sup>, the seventh child of Robert Bland (C1732-1787) and his wife Anne, (C1740-1808). Now, owing to much more information from Jennie Wood Zuccarini of Savannah Georgia, it is possible to thicken Elisha's family structure even more.

Elisha was born in Virginia, lived in Edgefield County South Carolina and made out his will in Washington County Georgia August 1, 1836, according to an affidavit by John Bland, who stated that Elisha died in 1837. One of Elisha's descendants called him "a respectable citizen and prosperous farmer." Elisha "came to Georgia by 1794," evidenced by his appearance on the Muster Roll of the Washington County Georgia Dragoons between November 1 and December 31, 1794. This is reinforced by a deed in Edgefield County, South Carolina in 1798 in which Anna Bland sells 100 acres to Elisha Bland "of the State of Georgia". By 1801, Elisha had sold

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<sup>24</sup> VU, p. 494, N 2.

<sup>25</sup> The document is headed by the following: "**FRIENDSHIP CHURCH CEMETERY (BAPTIST)** (Transcribed by E.P. and J.S.N. July 23, 1961)"

<sup>26</sup> For the source of Elisha's birth date, see VU. p. 496, 499. Readers are referred to a previous discussions about the family of Elisha Bland and his wife Agnes, (AC 1-2, pp. 20-21, AC 6-1, pp. 22-24 and AC 8-1, pp. 31-32). This information is updated from family group sheets provided by Jennie Zuccarini. Also note letter from Nora Elder to Charles Bland, April 3, 1983 and letters to Daniel E. Bland from William H. Bland, Statesboro Georgia, March 27, 1952; to Daniel E. Bland from Thelma Bland Underwood, Deveroux, Georgia August 12, 1953; Reubin H. Bland to Simeon Bland, May 19, 1863 (copy); To Charles Bland from Mildred Mason Snyder, Panama City Florida, February 25, 1986; and Mary-Helen Sears Foxx, Compiler, The Washington County Georgia Researcher, (1982), pp. 58,75,92, 95 and 98.

these 100 acres, and he did not subsequently appear in the Edgefield records.<sup>27</sup> In 1806, Elisha received a land grant of 600 acres in Washington County, Georgia.

About 1796, Elisha married Agnes \_\_\_\_\_<sup>28</sup> (C1768/1770-June 16, 1862)<sup>29</sup> about 1796 in Georgia. Agnes was born in North Carolina. Elisha and Agnes had the following children, all born in Washington County Georgia:

1. Simeon or Semion or Simion Bland (C1797-1798 - May 1, 1864).<sup>30</sup> Simeon was an identical twin of his brother Micajah. His will was made May 20, 1862. He died in Washington County Georgia. He married Elizabeth Hodges (C1798 - April 19, 1853) about 1820. Elizabeth was born in North Carolina and Nora Elder believes was the daughter of Henry Hodges of Beaufort County N.C. Simeon Bland and Elizabeth Hodges had the following children:

A. Henry Bland, (C1822 -March 12, 1869). Henry was the only son of Semion Bland who did not perish in the Civil War. When the war was over, Henry was addicted to a drug called Landrium. Some say he died of an overdose, others that he committed suicide. He married first on December 11, 1845, Elizabeth Ann Adams, who died probably in child birth in 1846. Henry and Elizabeth had one child:

(1) Simeon Micajah Bland (October 1, 1846 - June 1931). A newspaper notice indicates that Simeon Micajah enlisted in Company D, 68th Georgia Regiment in September 1863. He was captured in December 1864 and imprisoned for six months at Camp Douglas Illinois. He had lived in Wheeler County, Georgia since 1896, when he died. On January 10, 1886, Simeon Micajah Bland married Mattie Carrie McMillan (January 5, 1866 - 1930) They had a family of eleven children including: (a) Leon Micajah Bland (C1886 - ); (b) Clara Monita Bland (November 19, 1887 - September 24, 1945). Clara married Warren Clifton Smith (1880-1951) on July 26, 1904. They were the grandparents of Mildred Snyder, my correspondent; (c) Emil Strathmore Bland (C1889 - ); (d) Lester Alvin Bland (C1891 - ); (e) Ennis Alton Bland, (C1893- ); (f-g) Verlon and Vergalina Bland, twins (C1895 - ); (h) Thomas Albert Bland (C1897 - ); (i) Carrie Lizzie Bland (C1902 - ); (j) Dana Otto Bland (C1903 - ); and (k) Oscar Lee Bland (C1907 - ).

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<sup>27</sup> Edgefield County Deed Book 15, January 15, 1798, pp. 370-372. Deed Book 22, December 30, 1801, pp. 138-139.

<sup>28</sup> Agnes may have been the daughter of William Freeman, Zuccarini family group sheets, p. 1.

<sup>29</sup> The Washington County Georgia Census of 1850 records Agnes as aged 82. Agnes' obituary in 1862 said she was 92.

<sup>30</sup> This revises previous information that Simeon died October 15, 1864. Zuccarini Group Sheets, p. 2

Second, Henry Bland married Martha A. Lawrence (C1827-1867) on September 1848. Their children were:

- (1) Harriet (C1852-ante1890), who married Fabrian Watkins December 7, 1869 in Washington County.
- (2) Jasper (C1856- ) who married Mary Tanner October 8, 1877) in Washington County.
- (3) Marietta Bland (C1858- ), who married Miles Tanner, December 12, 1876 in Washington County.

Third, Henry Bland married Lavenia Lawrence Prosser on November 8, 1868. Jennie Zuccarini believes Henry and Lavenia had a son, James Henry Jordan Bland, born c July 1869. James may have married Carrie Watkins.

B. Mary H. Bland (C1824 - ante1862) Mary died in Washington County. She married Robert T. Sheppard on December 2, 1847. <sup>31</sup>

C. Micajah H. Bland (November 28, 1826 - June 21, 1862). Micajah was killed in the Civil War in Richmond Virginia, where he is buried. He married on December 23, 1852, Sarah D. Louise Prosser (May 7, 1837 - October 19, 1900) in Toombs County Georgia. She is buried in the McCorkle Cemetery. Micajah Bland and Sarah Louise Prosser had a family of five children, including:

- (1) Augustus Prosser Bland (December 3, 1853 - March 4, 1930). Augustus was buried at the Friendship Baptist Church in Washington County Georgia. He married Docia Underwood (July 11, 1868 - September 25, 1950) and had three children including, (a) one unknown child; (b) Thomas P. Bland (August 4, 1889 - March 29, 1920) and (c) Horace A. Bland (1900-1912).
- (2) John Otis Bland (1855-1867) died of Typhoid dysentery;
- (3) Samuel Johnson Bland (February 27, 1858 - January 20, 1930), also is buried at the McCorkle Cemetery, Toombs County. <sup>32</sup> He married first Martha J. McSwain (August 31, 1858 - October 14, 1902), by whom he had (a) Louise Lester Bland (August 27, 1886 - March 29, 1920); (b) Max Weaver Bland (C1889 - ); (c) Augustus Prosser Bland (February 7, 1894 - November 23, 1958). Augustus is buried at the Friendship Baptist Church; (d) Thelma Bland (C1896- ), who married an Underwood; and (e) Semion/Simeon "Sims" Bland (1901-1939). Sims is buried at the McCorkle Cemetery.

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<sup>31</sup> Washington County Georgia Marriage Book A, p. 233. This revises by several years information in AC 6-1, pp. 22, which states Mary was married December 2, 1851.

<sup>32</sup> This revises prior information that Samuel is buried at the Friendship Baptist Church in Washington County.

Secondly, Samuel Johnson Bland married Isadora Esther Burke, (February 7, 1878 - December 30, 1948) and had by her: (a) Samuel Johnson Bland Jr. (June 23, 1904 - October 20, 1975), father of Nora Elder; (b) Nora Lou Bland (C1906 - ) and (c) Jessie Elizabeth Bland (C1920 - ).

(4) Henry Micajah Bland (January 15, 1860 - March 10, 1928). Henry is buried at the McCorkle Cemetery in Toombs County Georgia. He married Julia Fields, December 6, 1885. They may have had a son named Edward.<sup>33</sup>

(5) Margaret E. "Maggie Bland" (March 7, 1861 - November 20, 1940).

D. William Freeman Bland (C1830 - May 12, 1865) William died shortly after the Civil War. He married Mary Elizabeth Williams (December 13, 1835 - February 5, 1914) about 1855. Mary was buried in the Bland Family Cemetery about twelve miles from Sandersonville Georgia. William and Mary Elizabeth had the following children:

(1) William Rubin Bland (September 13, 1856 - December 3, 1908). William Rubin Bland married Susie Winifred Garlan (September 10, 1867 - December 31, 1945). Both are buried at the Bland Cemetery. They had one known child, William Henry Bland, (C1896-living in 1952);

(2) Nannie Bland, (C1859-after 1914) who married James Brown about 1883. Nannie and James are buried at the Bland family Cemetery. Two of their children, both of whom died in infancy, are also buried there.

(3) Mary Ann Bland, (C1862 - ). Mary Ann is buried at the Bland Family Cemetery.  
(1862-1882)

E. Jane Almira or Elmira Bland, (C1832 - 1867)<sup>34</sup> who married Young A. Cox, (C1820 - 1890/1900) on September 16, 1847. Jane and Young Cox had a family of eleven children between 1848-1867 (no twins).

F. Rubin H. Bland (C1834 - June 14, 1863) Rubin was killed near Jackson Mississippi during the Civil War), He never married.

G. Elizabeth Bland, (C1835 -After1880). Elizabeth married Robert F. Wood on January 7, 1858 in Washington County. They had a family of three children.

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<sup>33</sup> Thelma Bland Underwood, above, claimed that her father Samuel Johnson Bland, had a brother Henry who had a son named Edward.

<sup>34</sup> Jane's last child was born in 1867 and she didn't appear in the 1870 Census. By then Young Cox had remarried to Lucinda Taylor. It is possible that Jane died in childbirth.



H. William Frederick Semion/Simeon Bland, (C1838 - May 14, 1863, near Jackson Mississippi in the Civil War), married Virginia C. Hall (December 29, 1836 - February 2, 1923) about 1860 in Washington County. <sup>35</sup> On May 19, 1863, just after William Frederick Simeon Bland was killed, his brother Reuben H. Bland wrote to his father to tell him of Frederick's death. The two brothers had been fighting against the yankees at Jackson, Mississippi May 13-14, 1863. On the second day, while hauling ammunition to a gun, Frederick Simeon was struck by a six pound shell that went clear through his shoulder. He fell wounded and died soon after. Reuben grieved: "What hurt me to the very heart - we had to leave him on the field, where he fell into the hands of the enemy. Oh! If I could have got him away and buried him I would have been much better satisfied, but we had no time to take care of him as the yankees were so close on us."

I. Sarah Ann Elizabeth Bland, (May, 1842 - February 27, 1928). Sarah died in Toombs County Georgia and is buried in the McCorkle Cemetery. Sarah was blind for some years before her death. Sarah married first, William R. Hodges sometime between 1879-1885 and later a Smith. Sarah evidently died with a great deal of family information, including the Family Bible buried with her. Her nephew Edward did not have the wit to copy or save any of these gems, except the letter referred to above from Reuben to Simeon Bland.

2. Micajah Bland (1797-1798 - July 7, 1866). Micajah was the second son of Elisha Bland and his wife Agnes. Micajah's will was made June 8, 1866. He died in Washington County Georgia. Micajah married Elizabeth "Betsy" Marshell or Marshall (C1806 - ), after 1820. Their children were:

A. Nancy G.Bland, who married Griffin Raines, February 4, 1844.

B. Elizabeth Jane Bland, who married J.F. Kennedy.

C. Almira Bland, (C1824- ) who married John R. Hodges before 1850.

D. Marshell Henry Bland, (c1831 - February 6, 1863). Marshell was a store keeper but when the war came, he joined the Confederate Army. He was a Lieutenant in Company C, 49th Regiment of Georgia Volunteers. He saw action with the 49th from Seven Pines to Fredericksburg. Marshell died at Richmond Virginia. He married Sarah Jordan, who is buried at the Jordan Cemetery, some seventeen

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<sup>35</sup> Virginia Hall Bland married James F. Brooks on August 6, 1865.

miles from Sandersonville Georgia. Marshall was buried at Poplar Springs Church. Their son Marshall H.W. Bland was noted in his grandfather Micajah's will of 1866.<sup>36</sup>

E. William F. Bland, (C1837 - August 29, 1862) died in the Civil War. William was a member of the 28th Georgia Regiment, and participated in the long march from Yorktown to Richmond, which decimated his strength so badly that he never recovered. After the Battle of Southern Pines he was transferred to the 49th Georgia Volunteers where he was sent to a hospital to die.

3. Rachel Bland (C1803 - 1888). Rachel died in Baldwin County Georgia. married Thomas Prosser (C1792 - ) between 1820-1824 and had a family of nine children. One of these, Martha F. Prosser, (July 3, 1830 - June 7, 1899) was the great, great grandmother of Mildred Snyder of Panama City, Florida.

4. John Bland (C1805 - December 24, 1885) John died in Telfair County Georgia. On March 31, 1830, John married Emiline Daniels, (1815 - living December 24, 1885).<sup>37</sup> Their children were:

A. Simeon Daniel Bland (1832 - after 1886), who married Tabitha J. Wood (May 23, 1831 - June 11, 1873) on November 13, 1854. Tabitha is buried at the Henry Wood Cemetery near Oconee Georgia.<sup>38</sup> There was one known child of this marriage, Sarah Ann Bland, (1855-1856) who is also buried at the Henry Wood Cemetery.

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<sup>36</sup> Washington County Georgia Will Book B, June 8, 1866. pp. 230-231.

<sup>37</sup> Washington County Georgia Marriage Book A. Page 21.

<sup>38</sup> Tabitha's father Henry Wood (1797-1873) and mother Frances Kinman (1803-1888), as well as an infant daughter of Simeon and Tabitha Bland were buried in the same cemetery. In Washington County Will Book B, January 9, 1873, pp. 230-231, note that Henry Wood identified his daughter Tabitha as the wife of Simeon D. Bland. Elizabeth Bland, daughter of Simeon Bland, married Robert F. Wood. Also note the Bland-Wood connection in AC 5-1, pp. 42-49.

B. Susan A. O. Bland (C1837 - after 1885) <sup>39</sup> married to a Meaghen ( - December 11, 1859) about 1856/1857 <sup>40</sup> and Robert T. Sheppard.

C. Elisha Bland, (1839 - C1862) Elisha died from injuries received at the second battle of Manassas, August 1862.

D. Martha L. Bland (1842 - after 1885) married a Dykes.

5. Jane D. Bland (C1812 - May 13, 1897) Jane died in Washington County Georgia. She married John Hodges of North Carolina, on January 7, 1830. Nora Elder believes he was the brother of Elizabeth Hodges, (1800-1853), who married Simeon Bland. Jane D. Bland and John Hodges had a family of six children.

#### THE BLANDS OF HARDIN AND NELSON COUNTIES, KENTUCKY

Thanks to new research contributions by David Bland of Independence Missouri, Gregory Allen Bland of Carlsbad New Mexico and Deanna Shouse of El Dorado Springs Missouri, it is possible to further develop the lines of three sons of Daniel Bland (C1764-1838) and Elizabeth Hughes and William Bland (1765-1850) and his wife Sarah Peake. Both Daniel and William were sons of John Bland and Margaret Osborne of Virginia and Nelson County Kentucky. Daniel and William lived the early part of their lives in Nelson County and later moved to Hardin County, where they both died. <sup>41</sup>

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<sup>39</sup> Many of John's daughters are known through a trust for his heirs, which named Susan A. Sheppard and Martha L. Dykes: Washington County Georgia Deed Book H, P. 403.

<sup>40</sup> The marriage to Meaghen is listed in Washington County Marriage Book B without a date. Susan is identified as Susan A. Brown, suggesting her marriage to Meaghen might have been her second.

<sup>41</sup> David and Deanna shared family group sheets with me, while Gregory Bland has made his research into a bound volume Bland: Tracing of the Common Thread, a Family History (nd but C1988), referred to below as Tracing. I received a letter from Edmund Contreras, stating that he descends from Elliott Bland. Evidently, he is counted among the descendants of these lines running from Daniel and William Bland. In fact, Elliott is part of the King and King County Virginia family, which thus far has displayed no relationship to the Northern Virginia Blands: AC 6-2, pp. 3-5 and 9-1, pp. 23-24.

1. Daniel Bland (C1764-C1838) Daniel Bland married Elizabeth Hughes in Washington County Kentucky January 14, 1796.

Many years ago, <sup>42</sup> I had a communication from Mrs. Ronald Hudson of Sheridan Wyoming searching seeking further information about Samuel Bland or Blann, (C1806-1864), who as an adult migrated to Macon and Putnam Counties, Missouri. David Bland, Greg Bland and Deanna Shouse have provided information that provides a basis that their ancestor Samuel was the son of Daniel Bland and Elizabeth Hughes. Because several questions are unanswered, I regard this as an evolving idea that has a great deal of validity. <sup>43</sup> This would leave the family of Daniel and Elizabeth as follows:

A. John H. Bland (December 23, 1800 - October 23, 1870) who married Mary Ann Creager (C1799- October 17, 1870). <sup>44</sup>

B. Daniel Bland (C1802 - ) who married Nancy Bland, daughter of Daniel's uncle Samuel (C1753-1835), September 24, 1823.

C. Jessie Henry Bland (October 7, 1805 - August 21, 1862) who married Elizabeth Spurrier (July 26, 1805 - August 30, 1884). <sup>45</sup>

D. Samuel Bland (C1806-July 27, 1864). Samuel was a physically formidable, he was said to be a "double breasted" (perhaps barrel chested) man, who is brought to life by this account provided by Don Hudson whose grandmother Mary Frances Bland Husdon heard from her grandmother about Samuel's life:

Yes, Samuel Bland was a powerful man, so grandmother said. She told me about an experience he once had while on his way to the mill, probably Petty's Mill, near Omaha), with several sacks of grain and his wagon and team. When he reached a creek he had to cross, he found the creek bank full of swift water. He didn't return home. He unhitched and swam the horses to the other side.

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<sup>42</sup> AC 3-2, pp. 53-54.

<sup>43</sup> The family of Daniel and Elizabeth previously was discussed in AC 2-2, pp. 31-32; 3-1, pp. 28-30; 4-1, pp. 11-13 and 4-2, p. 30. That Daniel had a son Samuel is noted in AC 3-1, pp. 28-30. This information is based on research done by John W. Bland, Elizabethtown Kentucky, which has been found reliable.

<sup>44</sup> John's complete family line is discussed in AC 10-1, pp. 45-46.

<sup>45</sup> Information about this line was provided by John W. Bland, Elizabeth Town Kentucky, and appears in AC 2-2, p. 31; AC 3-1, pp. 28-30; AC 4-1, pp. 11-13 and AC 4-2, p. 30. A photo of Eliza Spurrier appears in AC 4-1, p. 11.

Then he carried the grain across, then the wagon box and lastly the running gears. He reassembled the entire wagon on the other side of the creek and went on his way. Such was the assuredness of Samuel.<sup>46</sup>

Several issues arise about Samuel. First, is he the son of Daniel Bland and Elizabeth Hughes or William Bland and Sarah Peake? Second, is this Samuel Bland of Hardin County Kentucky the same man who migrated to Montgomery/Warren and Macon Counties Missouri?<sup>47</sup>

Samuel was in Warren County (or its antecedent Montgomery County) Missouri at the time of the 1830 Census. He later moved to Macon County, and after 1850 to Putnam county, where he died. Samuel was a southern sympathizer, who was killed by the Yankees. According to Don Hudson, toward the end of his life, Samuel, fearing the "Baldknobbers", guerilla like terrorists that were all over Missouri during the Civil War,<sup>48</sup> had taken to sleeping in the woods. Samuel returned to his barn the day before he died, to walk his horses while they thrashed some wheat. Mary Frances Bland and her brother Jimmy had just arrived to watch the thrashing when a man with a large red mustache appeared and began shooting at Samuel. Samuel hurled his pitchfork at the man but missed and the man put three balls in his chest before downing him with a "gutshot". The latter wound was fatal, although Samuel tarried until just before sunrise the next morning.<sup>49</sup>

Samuel married three women and fathered sixteen children between them:<sup>50</sup>

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<sup>46</sup> Quoted in Greg Bland, Tracing. The pages of Greg's book are not numbered.

<sup>47</sup> John W. Bland, Elizabethtown Kentucky, originally placed Samuel in the family of Daniel Bland and Elizabeth Hughes. As this went to press, John was searching for his rationale to do so.

<sup>48</sup> Gregory Bland lists the James and Younger brothers, Quantrill and Wild Bill Anderson. and labels them less as political insurgents than criminal opportunists.

<sup>49</sup> Tracing

<sup>50</sup> David Bland to Charles L. Bland, October 6 and November 21, 1992. David notes there was a Samuel Bland in the Warren (Montgomery) County Missouri Census in 1830, with a wife of the same age range, 30-40, but no other white household members. there was a male slave under ten years old and another aged 10-24. If this couple is Samuel Bland and Frances Haskett, there is an age discrepancy, since, according to the later 1850 Census, which records Samuel's age as 45, he would have been 24 or 25 in 1830. The notation about the slaves lends credence to the possibility that Samuel of Hardin County moved to Missouri for there is a

Samuel married his first wife, Mary Frances Haskett ( -C1840) in Hardin County Kentucky, March 19, 1830. The circumstances suggest that Samuel and Frances left Kentucky shortly after their wedding and travelled to Warren County Missouri.<sup>51</sup> By Frances, Samuel had:

(1) William Bland (C1830 - ). William was born after October 31, 1830 in White township, Macon County Missouri<sup>52</sup>. The 1850 Census for Macon County Missouri shows him aged 20, born in Missouri. He married Adaline Cummings on September 7, 1856.

(2) Eliza Susan Bland (C1832 - ). Susan was born in White township. She married Irwin I. Kirby on August 20, 1854.

(3) Kitty Ann Bland (C1834 - ). Kitty was born in White Township. She married William Howard February 24, 1856.

(4) John Bland (C1836 - ). John was born in White Township, and married Mary Ann Irwin.<sup>53</sup> John and Mary Ann had five children: (a) Samuel J. Bland (C1855- ). Samuel married Mary E. Bland (C1860- ). Their children were: (a1) C.W. Bland (C1877- ); (a2) F.F. Bland (C1880 - ); (a3) Lillie M. Bland (C1888- ); (a4) Howard J. Bland (C1893- ); (a5) Nellie E. Bland (C1895- ).

(b) James Lafayette Bland (1858-1936) who married first Minnie A. Bland (C1867- ), by whom he had (b1) Harvey L. Bland (C1886 - ). Harvey married Aurora Alma Silvers (1874-1962); (b2) Erwin Stanley Bland (1907-1980), who married Bertha Ester Graham;

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January 1, 1834 transaction in Hardin County, wherein Samuel Bland mortgaged to John H. Bland his slave Dinah, about 25, and two children Emeline, about 4 and Mitelia, about 2. There is a nice correspondence here between the 1830 census and this transaction.

<sup>51</sup> This construction seems problematic because on December 30, 1834, "Samuel Bland and Frances, his wife, of the county of Hardin and State of Kentucky," sold 109 acres of land on Rudes Creek to one Henry L. Heyser. This would raise the possibility that this Samuel, son of Daniel Bland was still living in Hardin County Kentucky, while another Samuel Bland was living in Missouri. Greg Bland explains it this way: "I believe Samuel held property in Kentucky, married his first wife Mary Frances, prior to his move to Macon County Missouri. Because of the birth of William in Missouri in 1830, and the sale of property in Kentucky, with Samuel's older brother holding lien on the property in Kentucky, I believe Samuel made a return trip to Kentucky before returning to his young family in Missouri. . . ." Quoted from Tracing.

<sup>52</sup> Though Greg Bland notes that these early children were born in Macon County, it should be noted that David Bland at least feels William Bland was born in Montgomery/Warren County. Also, Macon County was formed in 1837 from Randolph County.

<sup>53</sup> David Bland names her as Evans.

(b3) Lloyd Lester Bland (1910- ) who married Dorothy Helen Carmichael, (1914-1985). Lloyd and Dorothy are parents of my correspondent David C. Bland of Independence Missouri. Following Dorothy's death, Lloyd married Julia Botts; (b4) Goldie May Bland (1914- ) who married Arthur Edwin Rose; (b5) Hugh Farris Bland (1917-1981) who married Berneice McLain, Maxine Fryer and Mary Schowengerdt. (c) Luther Bland (C1859 - ). (d) Annie Bell Bland (1860-1942) Annie married Joseph Earnest Jarman (1859- ). (e) Sarah F. Bland, (C1863 - ) who married \_\_\_\_\_ Osborn. Osborn may have been a mining engineer who took Sarah to Pueblo Colorado after they married.

(5) Nancy Bland (C1838 - ) Nancy was born in White township, and married Saloman Kerby on October 28, 1855.

(6) Daniel Bland (C1840 - ). Daniel was born in White Township. He married Matilda E. Kirkpatrick on October 7, 1866. <sup>54</sup>

Following the death of Mary Frances Haskett, who died about 1840, Samuel married Polly Huckaby (C1810 - C1860-1861) on April 21, 1842 in Macon County Missouri. I am pleased to display a photo of Samuel Bland and Polly Huckaby on page 35. Their children were:

(7) Rebecca Bland (C1842 - January 18, 1940). Known as "Aunt Becky", she was born in White Township. Rebecca married William Lawson on February 13, 1864. She later remarried but names of her spouses are not available.

(8) Jane Bland (C1844 - ) was born in White Township. Jane married John Gates on October 14, 1863.

(9) Olive/Olivia Frances Bland also known as Mary Frances Bland (January 11, 1846 - April 27, 1915) who married Eli Hudson on December 6, 1867. <sup>55</sup> Mary Frances was the conduit through which later generations came to know some details of the life and death of Samuel Bland (C1805-1864).

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<sup>54</sup> David Bland's family group sheets shows an Arnilda Bland, who later married a Boyd, as the last of Frances Haskett's children. She is, I believe, properly placed by Greg Bland as one of Polly Huckaby's children, tenth of Samuel's children.

<sup>55</sup> David Bland identified two daughters, Olive (1846- ) and Mary Frances (1847- ).

(10) Armilda Bland (C1853 - ) was born at Elm Township, Putnam County Missouri (Grayville at that time). Armilda married William Boyd on March 18, 1863. <sup>56</sup>

(11) Lucretia Bland (C1854 - ) was born in Elm township. She married Richard Arnold on March 8, 1867.

(12) Martha Bland (December 5, 1857 - June 5, 1936) was born in Elm township. She married John P. Lawson and Eli Hudson. <sup>57</sup>

(13) Pheobe Ellen (Melvina) Bland (September 17, 1858 - ) was born in Elm Township. She married John Sumpter Jr.

(14) James Bland (C1860 -1931) was born in Elm Township. James married Mary Ann \_\_\_\_\_ and Effa "Effie" Hudson (C1860-1906) November 19, 1879.

Polly must have died in 1860-1861. On July 16, 1863, Samuel Bland married third Ailcy Bradshaw Clark (May 25, 1841 - January 21, 1909) in Putnam County Missouri. Ailcy had lost her first husband James A. Clark in the Civil War, so the death of Samuel Bland was devastating to her and left her to mother six of his children by Polly Huckaby, as well as her own child by James Clark, who were still minors. On May 6, 1866, Ailcy married Blake Piercy, who fathered these minors as well as three minors by his first marriage until they were grown, a real his, hers and theirs situation. I am pleased to display a photo of Ailcy with her husband Blake Piercy on page 36. The single child of Samuel Bland and Ailcy Bradshaw Clark was:

(15) Andrew Bland (May 20 1864 - 1917), was born in Elm Township and is buried in the Butler Cemetery . Andrew was known as a big man who sat tall in the saddle of his favorite horse, (women and young boys remarked about this) a Kentucky bred saddle horse named Ovid Clifford and was known as "the most handsome man in the county," as his picture on page attests. <sup>58</sup> Greg extends the stories about Andrew's fondness for animals whom he gave odd names, such as his white bull dog named Jap, who was trained to attack any man who called him a son of a bitch and to bite recalcitrant bulls on the nose and throw them to the ground, some feat for a bull dog. On one day, when Andrew and Jap were having a fair time with a

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<sup>56</sup> Armilda's key dates indicate a problem wither with her birth date or date of marriage. If this holds up, she is undoubtedly the youngest bride I have encountered in fourteen years of working on the Bland family. Also note that Samuel Bland was no slacker in helping his wives conceive, which raises a question of why the inactivity between 1846-1853?

<sup>57</sup> Greg Bland's history does not clarify whether Mattie's marriage to Eli Hudson was a late marriage after her sister Mary Frances died in 1915.

<sup>58</sup> Greg Bland, Tracing



bull, Andrew lost his temper and yelled at the bull, "you son of a bitch!" at which time, Jap turned on Andy, who had to kill poor Jap. My question is why name the dog Jap? Why didn't Andy name him Osborne? I am pleased to display a photo of Andrew Bland on page 36. Andrew married Mary Viola Cowell about 1891 and they had a family of thirteen children including:

(a) Hoyce/Hoice Von Bland (October 10, 1892 - May 1, 1957). Hoyce married William Burgin; (b) Gladis Carry Bland (December 5, 1894 - March 5, 1987), was a twin to Homer Bland. She married Verl Guffey; (c) Homer Bland (December 5, 1894 - November 29, 1958) married first Gladis Scobbie and second Rosie Bass White; (d) Freborn Thompson Bland - (January 16, 1896 - January 1, 1958) married Rosia Elvira Billington (1903-1975) on October 19, 1921; (e) Olga Opal Bland (c1897 - February 24, 1972), married first Tom Young and second Charley Cooley; (f) Harley August Bland (August 25, 1899 - May 15, 1965) married Sylvia Pearl Billington. They had six children, including Carold Weldon Bland, who married Irma Aasgaard. They were parents of Gregory Allen Bland, my correspondent; (g) Beulah Ann Bland (July 22, 1901 - July 16, 1973), married Ivan Stanbaugh; (h) Gift Hope Bland (thoughtful name) (April 4, 1903 - July 7, 1969), married Nina Weatherly (1909-1984); (i) Letta Clarice Bland (February 16, 1905- ) married Lyle Byres; (j) Clifford Daniel Bland (March 17, 1907 - May 1, 1981), married Ruth Mills; (k) Dorothy Dale Bland (March 25, 1909 - ), married Parson "Doc" Ledford; (l) Julias Alvin Bland (July 29, 1911 - ) married Murna Johnson; (m) Milar Monroe Bland (August 1, 1913 - ) married Opal Robison on August 8, 1938.

That concludes the families of the fifteen children of Samuel Bland. I suspect that if the Yankees hadn't cut Samuel short, he would have been just as prolific as Henry Bland (1770-1853) of Pendleton County Virginia/West Virginia, with his 24 children. Again, I am grateful to David and Greg Bland and Deanna Shouse for sharing their research.

E. Mildred Bland (C1810 - ) who married David Stark in Hardin County July 30, 1828.

F. Nancy Bland (C1811 - ) married Squire Snyder in Hardin County May 27, 1827.

G. Thomas Osborne Bland (C1813- ) married Augustian Bland, daughter of William Bland (1765-1850) February 18, 1834 in Hardin County.

H. Sarah Bland (C1815- ) married Charles Barlow in Hardin County April 8, 1833.

2. William Bland (1765-1850) Re information supplied by John W. Bland of Elizabethtown Kentucky (AC 3-1, pp. 27-29) and further information obtained during my visit to Kentucky in 1985 (AC 4-2, p. 30), William was the ninth child of John Bland and Margaret Osborne. William was born in Prince William County Virginia and migrated to Kentucky with his parents about 1781. He moved to Hardin County Kentucky about 1831 and settled near the Nolin River, where he lived the balance of his life.<sup>59</sup>

William married Sarah Peake, (1769-1844)<sup>60</sup> who was from Frankfort Virginia, 1785-1790. Both are buried at the Red Mill Cemetery in Hardin County. William and Sarah had a family of sixteen, possibly 17 children including six sons and eleven daughters. Arranging their children according to age is a bit of a problem, since specific dates for their births are not always available. Listed below are sons first, by date when dates are available, and daughters second, listed by dates of marriage.

#### Sons

A. John Daniel Bland (December 5, 1795 - July 25, 1861) was probably born in Kentucky though the 1850 census shows him born in Virginia. John appears to have travelled to Ohio, where he met and married Rebecca \_\_\_\_\_ (June 25, 1802 - November 16, 1872) about 1822. John and Rebecca are buried at Love Cemetery Cedar County Missouri, as are many of their children. Before reaching Cedar County Missouri, John and Rebecca stayed in Ohio for a brief time and then sojourned in Illinois. Deanna Shouse believes that John Daniel and his brother Daniel came to Cedar County Missouri at about the same time. Both had children born in Missouri in 1840.<sup>61</sup> Both brothers had property valuations of \$1,000. which made them relatively prosperous for the time. The family of John Daniel Bland and his wife Rebecca follows:

(1) Nancy Bland (April 7, 1823 - January 8, 1868) Nancy was born in Ohio. She never married and is buried at Love Cemetery.

(2) William H. Bland (1829-1915) was born in Illinois. He married two women: (1) Rachel \_\_\_\_\_. (2) Mary Catherine Dale (1837-1901). William and Mary Catherine are buried at Love Cemetery. They had a family of seven children:

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<sup>59</sup> VU, pp. 460-461. Perrin, Battle and Kniffin, Ed. Biographical Sketches, History of Kentucky, (1887).

<sup>60</sup> Although I have seen variants, the dates used here for William Bland and Sarah Peake are from tombstone inscriptions at the Red Mill Cemetery in Hardin County Kentucky.

<sup>61</sup> See previous information in AC 3-1, p. 30. This information stated that John married a Miss Reece, Reese, Rene or Renee. Deanna Shouse makes no mention of Rebecca's maiden name.

(a) Mary C. Bland (1856- ) Mary married Creel Fraley. Mary and Creel had nine children; (b) Rachel Bland (1858- ) married first, A.M. Nichols and second, William Canfield. Rachel had one child by Nichols and 5 children by Canfield; (c) George "Punkin" Bland (August 8, 1860 - 1953). George married three times. His first wife was Ida Kaiser, by whom he had (c1) Lynn Bland. His second wife was Laura Gurseley and his third wife was Lydia Watts. The remainder of George's children were: (c2) Maggie Bland (October 14, 1888 - still living in 1977) who married Edgar Wait. They lived in Bellflower California in 1977; (c3) Edith Bland (September 1, 1889 - November 10, 1988) who married Lewis Marshall Eslinger. They lived in Twin Falls Colorado in 1977; (c4) Edna Bland (September 28, 1891 - December 26, 1976) Edna married John Oscar Eslinger on December 13, 1908 and moved with him to Twin Falls Idaho; (c5) Eula Bland (December 21, 1897-) married Oscar Lyle and they lived in Pueblo Colorado; (c6) Wilburn Bland married Mabel Beatrice Mahoney and Bessie \_\_\_\_; (c7) Willis Bland (August 6, 1899 - 1988). Willis married Ruby Houchens and they lived in LaJunta Colorado; (c8) Emma Naomi Bland (October 3, 1903 - ) married Meredith E. Burrow and they still lived in Pueblo Colorado in 1977; (c9) Elvin Bland (April 25, 1909 - October 15, 1937). Elvin married Alberta Firestone. (d) William M. Bland (April 18, 1864 - July 10, 1918). William married Elizabeth "Lizzie" G. Schmidt (July 26,, 1866 - February 18, 1949) on February 26, 1884. Their children were: (d1) Nora Elizabeth Bland (March 8, 1885 - December 22, 1956). Nora married Bevery C. Allen (1877-1930) in a double wedding with her sister Mamie on November 18, 1906; (d2) Willis Bland (1887-1887); (d3) Mamie A. Bland, (February 23, 1889 - January 28, 1969), married Earl Smith, (1885-1955) November 18, 1906. Mamie and Earl moved to Nevada about 1945; (d4) Otis Bland (1890-1891); (d5) Lulla Augusta Bland (April 16, 1892 - April 24, 1973), married Ezra Hood (1892-1977) on March 28, 1915. Lulla and Ezra moved to Lamar Colorado in 1956, after having lived in Iola Kansas and Miami Oklahoma; (d6) Lottsee Beulah Bland (August 8, 1894 -April 15, 1937) married John Lewis Smith (1893-1949); (d7) Willie Magdalene Bland (August 5, 1896 - November 30, 1984) married Fred Venter (1897-1976) on August 14, 1915; (d8) Elton Bland (1898-1899); (d9) Bessie Bland (August 7, 1900 - ) was living in Perryton Texas in 1982. Bessie married William Bryan Mays (1896-1973) on December 7, 1918; (d10) Gladys M. Bland (June 7, 1903 - ) was living in Eldorado Springs Missouri as of October 1990. Gladys married Clarence Hackleman (1903-1972) on December 23, 1924; (d11) Raymond Leotha Bland (December 26, 1905 - June 6, 1982). Raymond, the only son of William M. Bland and Elizabeth Schmidt to survive to adulthood, tried farming for a brief interval between working for Ford Motor Company, from whom he retired in 1966. Raymond died at Kansas City Missouri and is buried at Love Cemetery in Cedar County. He married Corda Ethelyne Roe (1907- living in 1990) on December 17, 1927; (d12) Leola Ruth Bland (May 31, 1908 - December 16, 1991), married Ralph Kuhn (1907- ) on February 7, 1928.

(e) Sarah Ellen Bland (1867- ) who married Jesse Bates/Becht.  
(f) Rebecca Jane (Jeanne) Bland (October 1, 1869 - July 9, 1930). Rebecca married Wilburn Wallace Conner (June 4, 1857 - October 28, 1928). Rebecca died at Denver Colorado and is buried at Love Cemetery. (g) Millie Alice Bland (1871-July 31, 1940). Millie married Ora L. Lancaster (July 10, 1875 - November 20, 1968) on July 16, 1892. Millie is buried at Love Cemetery.

(3) John Bland (1832-early 1850s) was born in Illinois. A note in the 1850 census indicates "gone to California." Family legend has it that John was killed by the Indians.

(4) Daniel Bland (April 30, 1834 - October 3, 1882). Daniel was born in Illinois. He married Mary Jane Capps (November 21, 1839 - May 19, 1866) on April 16, 1857. They are buried at the Hackleman Cemetery in Cedar County Missouri. Their children were: (a) John F. "Ratus" Bland (February 16, 1858 - ) who married Amanda Webber about 1900. Their children were: (a1) Mary E. Bland, (March 8, 1901 - August 11, 1978). Mary married first Herman Crane (1891-1959) and second Pearl Morris ( -1968). She is buried at Love Cemetery. (b) James William Bland (March 22, 1861 - December 27, 1934) who married Sarah Frances Wester (1870-1949) on January 22, 1890. Their children were: (b1) John Daniel Bland (December 12, 1890 - October 10, 1961), who married Rena Blanche Bourland (1892-1976) on November 8, 1914; (b2) Mabel Lavina Bland (December 26, 1891 - ) who married Alfred Edwin Carroll (1870-1962) on December 31, 1921; (c) George Kaiser Washington Bland (March 11, 1864 - ) married Ida Kaiser, about 1900. Their children were: (c1) Viola M. Bland (1901 - ) who married a man named Hall; (c2) Netie Bland; (c3) Everett Bland. (d) Joseph "Joe" D. Bland (April 9, 1866 - ) married Maria J. Leonard. Joseph and Maria had an adopted indian orphan boy, and three children of their own, whose names are not known.

Daniel married Matilda Ellen Kirkpatrick on October 7, 1866. By her he had: (e) Mary Cathern Bland (August 1, 1867 - March 14, 1952) married Thomas Oliver Hubbard (December 1, 1857 - November 3, 1892), on February 21, 1885. (f) Rebecca Ann Bland (January 6, 1870 - January 12, 1934) married Charley Henry Hubbard (September 16, 1869 - February 13 1934). She is buried at Love Cemetery. (g) Daniel David W. Bland (August 31, 1872 - May 4, 1899). There is no information that Daniel married. (h) Francis Bland (1878 - ). (i) Finis Ewing Bland (1880-1882). (j) Frances Elizabeth Bland (1881-1882).

(5) George Washington Bland (July 21, 1843 - February 9, 1923) married Teresa Adeline Douglas (August 25, 1848 - October 30 1895) about 1868. George and Teresa had eleven children, including: (a) Lafayette Washington Bland (February 17, 1869 - March 30, 1960). Lafayette, a farmer, married Mary Louise Wester (February 7, 1873 - April 18, 1924) about 1892. Both Lafayette and Mary Louisa are buried at Love Cemetery. Their children were: (a1) Lewis Edward Bland (November 24, 1893 - August 15, 1955), a cattle buyer and furrier, Lewis died of a violent coughing spell.

He married Minnie Ada Burton (February 8, 1900 - May 3, 1985) in 1919. Both Lewis and Minnie are buried at Love Cemetery; (a2) Marion Luther Bland (1895-1896); (a3) Nettie Adeline Bland (December 11, 1896 - October 3, 1963) married on April 4, 1915, Willie Elizah Mays <sup>62</sup> (January 19, 1897 - July 11, 1960). Willie and Nettie are buried at Love Cemetery; (a4) Nora Livina Bland (April 20, 1900 - March 30, 1981) married Ewing Mays (November 3, 1897 - October 1, 1970) on May 26, 1918. Both are buried at Love Cemetery. (a5) Virgie Ann Bland (January 13, 1903 - August 3, 1978), married Omer Finis Witt (January 16, 1899 - December 15, 1982) in Ocala Missouri on August 5, 1920. Both were buried at the Eldorado Springs Missouri cemetery; (a6) Carrie Alice Bland (February 3, 1906 - November 4, 1984). Carrie married first to Cleveland Ray Estes (1892-1926) on October 15, 1922 and second to Reverend David Samuel Williams (1917-1983) on October 3, 1935. Carrie is buried at the Eldorado Springs Cemetery; (a7) Agnes Frances Bland (December 28, 1908 - ) married Olin Frank Casey (1906-1989) on October 2, 1926; (a8) Elton W. Bland (May 3, 1912 - Living in 1990) married Willie "Bill" Lavern Millsap (1912- ), on September 19, 1931; (a9) Lester Ray "Babe" Bland (October 24, 1914 - living in 1990) married Minnie Mae Wells (1919- ) on October 25, 1947; (a10) Len Wester Bland (February 11, 1918 - ) married Helen Faye Davis (1921- ) on July 4, 1942. (b) Ira Bland (1871-1944) married first Maude Bryant and second on November 4, 1913, Jennie Wade, (April 2, 1880 - October 16, 1928). Ira had no children. Ira was buried at the Clintonville Cemetery near Eldorado Springs Missouri. (c) Charles Wesley Bland (August 21, 1872 - December 24, 1900) married Florence Ellen Roe, (April 14, 1880 - October 17, 1976). Florence remarried in 1904 to Edward A. Hamilton. Both Charles Wesley Bland and Florence Ellen Roe Bland Hamilton are buried at the Love Cemetery. He and Florence had one child (c1) William "Willie" Campbell Bland (March 20, 1899 - August 1, 1981), who married Noval May Dawes (November 10, 1903 - ) on August 21, 1921. (d) Laura Ann Bland (February 2, 1874 - November 12, 1933) married Christopher John Vilhauer (September 28, 1871 - October 25, 1953). Laura and Christopher are buried at Love Cemetery. (e) Benjamin Franklin Bland (June 16, 1876 - July 12, 1954), who married first Ida M. Tabor/Taber (July 7, 1878 - January 15, 1933); second Ida Belle Stoops (September 9, 1883 - February 19, 1941). Happily it appears that if Ben called out in the night for his first wife, the second one didn't know the difference; third, Nancy E. Thompson Holman (February 11, 1880 - August 26, 1977). It is difficult to determine who is the mother of Benjamin's children, who are as follows: (e1) Wilcie Bland (1895-1898); (e2) Myrtle Bland (1896-1896) Myrtle died the day she was born; (e3) Freddie F. Bland (September 10, 1898 - September 21, 1963), married Nora Gladys Griffin (September 15, 1899 - ) in 1917. Freddie and Nora are buried at Memory Gardens near Fort Scott Missouri;

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<sup>62</sup> Willie Mays?

(e4) Mary L. Bland (October 12, 1900 - June 13, 1963). Mary married first Charles Henry Harris (1894- ) and second \_\_\_\_\_ Teargstrom; (e5) Ina May Bland (June 8, 1909 - 1987), married Ellis A. Webb (1905- ) on August 7, 1926; (e6) Anna Marie Bland (February 15, 1911 - ) married first John DeWitt and second Granville Swopes (1907-1974); (e7) Bertha Fern Bland (May 14, 1917 - ) married first \_\_\_\_\_ Sutcliff and second Charles H. Denham (1920-1967); (f) Ida Belle Bland (January 18, 1878 - December 25, 1941). Ida married first William Austin Hubbard (1876-1898) and second William D. Curnutt (1850-1912). Ida is buried at the Love Cemetery. (g) Martha Jane Bland (August 2, 1879 - January 10, 1919) who married Lawrence Goodwin (July 5, 1875 - March 1947). Both are buried at the Ceat Cemetery in Cedar County. (h) George Anderson Bland (February 11, 1881 - October 27, 1966). George married Mary Virginia Roe (October 9, 1885 - September 9, 1976) on September 9, 1903. Their ten children were: (h1) Virgil Dee Bland (December 26, 1904 - April 24, 1961). Virgil married Mabel Edna Gannaway (1910 - living in 1990) on August 8, 1928; (h2) Noval Lorene Bland (November 26, 1908 - living in 1990). Noval married Elmer Chester Worthington (1906-1991). They lived at California; (h3) Opal Leota Bland (March 7, 1911 - still living in 1990), married Clay Harrison Robison (1907-1982) July 4, 1929. Secondly, Opal married George E. Davis on April 9, 1983; (h4) Moody Ellis Bland (August 22, 1913 - living in 1990). Moody married Alta Juanita Jackson on May 11, 1921; (h5) Ellen Sarah Bland (December 4, 1915 - living in 1991), married Clayton Wilson Eslinger on April 11, 1937; (h6) Orval Lee Bland (March 20, 1919 - living in 1990), married Lola Allene Davis January 20, 1946; (h7) Leo William Bland (December 13, 1921 - Living in 1990), married Hallie Coreen Tubb, March 9, 1945; (h8) Clifford James Bland (November 23, 1924 - ) married Leona Fern Messick on September 13, 1953; (h9) Alvetta Fay Bland, (December 13, 1927 - living in 1976) married Freddie Leon Allen February 23, 1946; (h10) George Eugene "Scoot" Bland (September 1931 - living in 1990) married Virginia D. Mistler in 1955. (i) Sarah Louisa Bland (September 20, 1882 - December 10, 1959) married John Franklin Allen (December 9, 1876 - February 20, 1953) on May 29, 1904. Both are buried at Hackleman Cemetery in Cedar County.<sup>63</sup> (j) Joseph Israel Bland (November 22, 1883 - February 26, 1963). Joseph married Stella Josephine Grimes (September 3, 1888 - November 20, 1932) on November 30, 1904. Both Joseph and Stella are buried at Love Cemetery in Cedar County. Their children were: (j1) Hazel Gertrude Bland (March 7, 1905 - living in 1991) who married Thomas Everett Mays (1898-1955) on February 4, 1922;

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<sup>63</sup> In this line, Sarah Bland and John Allen's daughter Edna May Allen married Virgil Davis; their daughter Leola Fern Davis married John Samuel Barclay, who were the parents of my correspondent Deanna Barclay Shouse.

(j2) Neva Alma Bland (March 11, 1907 - August 14, 1992) who married Len Hamilton (1897-1937) on December 22, 1923. Both are buried at Love Cemetery; (j3) Neta Naomi Bland (January 18, 1909 - February 23, 1984) who married Milton Vernon Morlan (1905-1976) on November 22, 1927. Neta is buried at Floral Cemetery in Kansas City Missouri; (j4) Corda Mae Bland (July 21, 1912 - living in 1990) who married Elmer Ray Witt on October 23, 1910; (j5) Joseph Ewing Bland (April 18, 1915 - March 28, 1992). Joseph was buried in Love Cemetery. He married Lena Jane Summer (1914 - ) on February 11, 1933; (j6) Nolan Leroy Bland (September 7, 1916 - living in 1984), married Nila Mae Williams (1921- ) on May 24, 1946; (j7) Clayton Howard Bland (March 7, 1920 - living in 1984) married Arleta Lovern Ellerman (1923 - ) on November 4, 1950; (j8) Winifred Geraldine Bland ((January 30, 1927 - living in 1984). Winifred married R.V. Hodo (1926 - ) on October 20, 1950. On June 29, 1935, Joseph Bland (J above) married Lola Summers. There were no children by this marriage. (k) Margaret May "Maggie" Bland (December 17, 1889 - May 26, 1976). Mary died and was buried at Inglewood California. She married first to Ora Waite and second to Howard B. Yoakum (August 8, 1889 - October 17, 1970).

B. Daniel Bland (C1803 - ) Daniel was probably born in Kentucky though the 1850 census states he was born in Virginia. Daniel married Narcissa \_\_\_\_\_. She was born in Tennessee. Daniel and Narcissa moved to Illinois to be with his brother John and must have lived there from about 1832-1837. <sup>64</sup> Their children were:

- (1) Martha I. Bland (C1832- ) born in Illinois.
- (2) Mary L. Bland (C1835 - ) born in Illinois.
- (3) William Bland (C1837 - ) born in Illinois.
- (4) Elizabeth Bland (C1840 - ) born in Missouri.
- (5) John M. Bland (C1843 - ) born in Missouri.
- (6) Frances Narcissa Bland (C1846 - ) born in Missouri.
- (7) Joseph Bland (C1849 - ) born in Missouri.
- (8) Leetha A. Bland (c1855 - ) born in Missouri.

C. William Bland (C1813 - after 1870). William married Susan (C1813 - after 1870), <sup>65</sup> with the following children:

- (1). Hester A. Bland (C1836 - ).
- (2). Nancy E. Bland (C1839 - ).
- (3). Elizabeth Bland (C1843 - ).
- (4). John Bland (C1844 - ).
- (5). Mary A.E. (C1847 - ).
- (6). Phebe (C1849 - ).
- (7). Catherine (C1855 - ).

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<sup>64</sup> AC 3-1, p. 30. Source information was that Daniel married Milly Hart and moved to Missouri.

<sup>65</sup> The 1870 census shows Hester Cleaver, aged 39, possibly Susan's sister, living with William.

D. Elijah Holderman Bland (December 15, 1814 - March 16, 1898) Elijah was an educated man, a farmer, who went to Louisville at age 23. but he returned to Hardin County, where he settled down and became the county sheriff. He also married Corrilla Willet (September 22, 1822 - still living March 27, 1906) on October 29, 1841 in Hardin County. Elijah and Corrilla had eight children, of whom four are known:

- (1). Rhoda Belle Bland - (C1852-1929) who married C.W. Rush.
- (2). Annie Corrilla Bland - (C1854 - 1930) who married Van Buren Stiles.
- (3). Mattie Margaret Bland, (C1861 - ) who married Joseph Farnsworth
- (4). Joseph Elijah Bland, (C1857- ) a Louisville physician, who was living in Larue County Kentucky in 1896.
- (5). William Monterey Bland (C1844- )
- (6). George Griffith Bland (C1848-1870)
- (7). Stiles Preston Bland (C1856 - ) who married Annie Frederick Farnsworth.

E. Ward Bland

F. Thomas Bland

#### Daughters

A. Mary Bland (C1798 - ) who married Isaac or James Bennett January 18, 1819.

B. Nancy Bland Married Samuel Wilkinson in Nelson County Kentucky, December 31, 1823.

C. Susannah Bland married Louis Walker in Nelson County, March 8, 1825.

D. Mildred Bland married Hayden Yates in Nelson County February 9, 1831.

E. Lydia Bland (March 15, 1812 - January 31, 1869), daughter of William Bland, married Leland Bland, (March 13, 1812 - June 7, 1850) <sup>66</sup> a cousin (son of Thomas Morton Bland and Anne Lawrence, Washington County Ky. family) in Nelson County, October 24, 1831. Their children were:

- (1). William T. Bland (April 15, 1833 - May 6, 1867).
- (2). Margaret A. Bland (April 20, 1835 - March 16, 1851).
- (3). Granville Bland (November 6, 1837 - October 8, 1855).
- (4). Lucinda Bland (C1840 - ).

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<sup>66</sup> Leland was the son of Thomas Morton Bland, VU, p. 475.



(5). Adeline Bland (January 28, 1843 - November 25, 1851).

(6). Henry Bland <sup>67</sup>

(7). James H. Bland (December 3, 1847 - December 12, 1874).

(8). Mary Elizabeth Bland (December 23, 1849 - August 18, 1851)

F. Katherine Bland, married William Mount on January 14, 1833 in Hardin County.

G. Augustian Bland, married Thomas Osborne Bland, (Family of Daniel Bland and Elizabeth Hughes) February 8, 1834 in Hardin County.

H. Mahalia Bland married John A Raine in Hardin County Kentucky on December 15, 1834.

I. Emily Bland married John Upton, January 23, 1837 in Hardin County.

J. Sarah A. Bland married John A. Raine (Same as 2) on August 21, 1841 in Hardin County.

K. Elizabeth Bland married Harrell. No date for the marriage is available.

This concludes Volume Eleven of **Among Cousins**. I hope all of you have a happy Summer.

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<sup>67</sup> The 1870 census shows a Henry Bland (C1845- ) living with John L. Bland, aged 4, but no wife.

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PHOTOS

Polly Huckaby Bland (C1810-1861) and Samuel Bland (C1805-1864), name of child unknown. Samuel, his three wives and their descendants are discussed above, pp. 20-25.

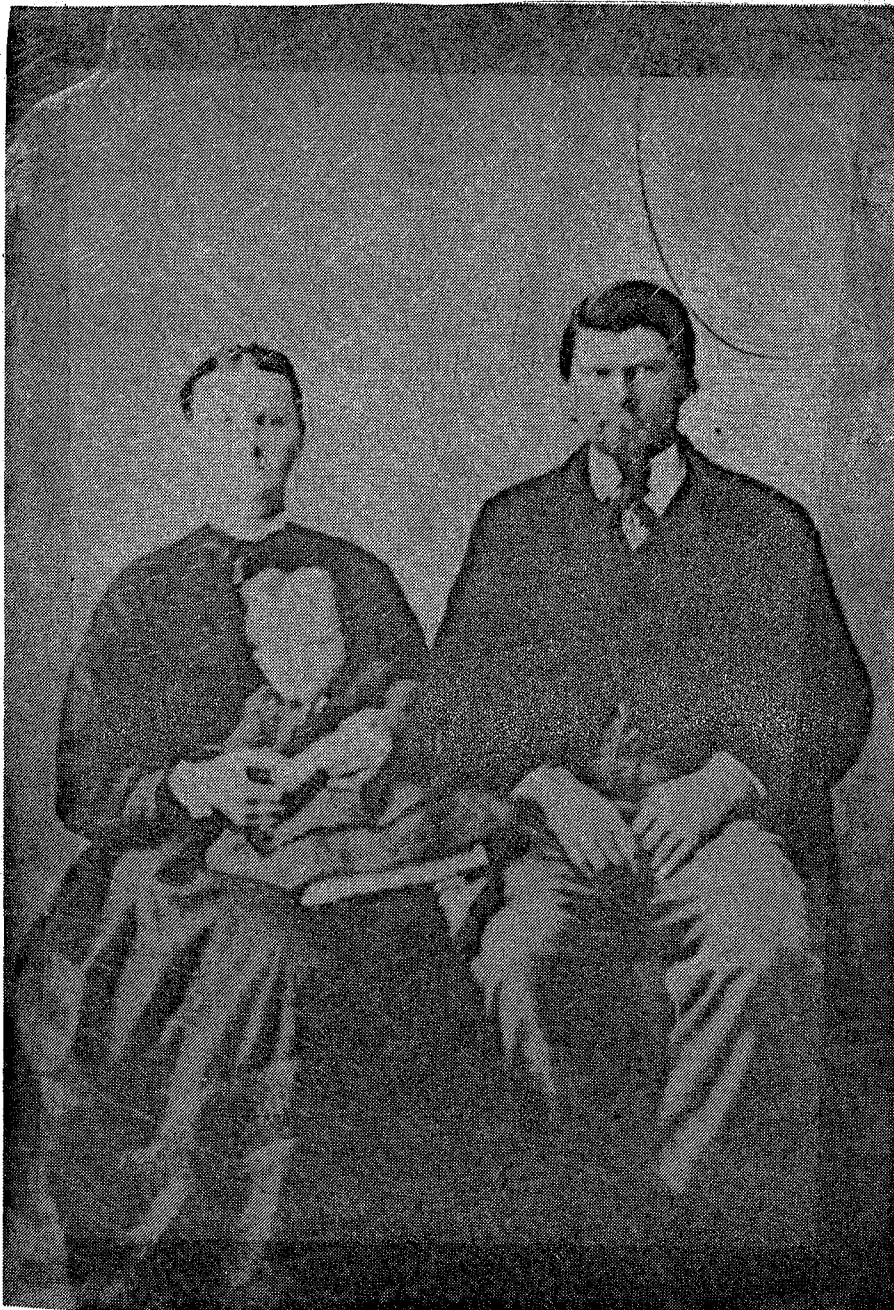


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(Left) Blake Piercey and Ailcy Brashaw Clark Bland Piercey (1841-1909), mother of Andrew Bland (1864-1917), (Right). See discussion above, pp. 24-25.



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