

# Among Cousins

## The Bland Family Newsletter



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Dear Cousins,

Welcome to the introductory number of the twelfth issue of *Among Cousins: The Bland Family Newsletter*. I'm sorry for the long delay in completion of the issue. For one thing it's just been a bad fall and winter for me. Enough said? Second, this number is given over to the huge family of Thomas Bland (C1740-1826) of Pendleton County Virginia/West Virginia which occurred piecemeal in several of the previous numbers of "Among Cousins" and was distilled further from a new book published by our cousin Edith Lanning.

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The sheer immensity of this family line, which is carried through five generations, took longer than usual to put together. Owing to the size of this family group, I will not be discussing other lines but rather will preview the material to be covered in Volume 12-2.

**The Ninth National Bland Reunion:** The Ninth National Bland reunion was held at Deland Florida, August 13-15, 1993 . It was our smallest reunion yet in terms of attendance. On the record sixty five attended. Half of those were from Florida, most near Deland. Others came from France, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, New York, Ohio, South Carolina, Texas, and Virginia. You don't know how grateful I was to see you all. It was also, as always, delightful to meet new faces, to meet the face behind the letters I receive during the year, and as always, there is something new to discover about the Bland family.

My special thanks to Bob and Ethel Bland of Deland, who were the Hosts for the 1993 Reunion. Thanks also to the local Floridians who helped Bob and Ethel put on a first class reunion.

In this reunion, as always, we honored the historical family of the host, which in this case was the James River Bland Family. It was good to have four of the James River Cousins present, including Bob and Ethel, Richard Knight from Virginia Beach Virginia and Sally Lee from Orlando Florida. Incidentally, my deep and intensive study of the James River Family's English origins produced the surprise of the Reunion when I was able to establish that poor old Francis Bland, you know him, Dr. Pepper from that funny little state, was descended through this line as an, ahem, what shall we say, how do you say it but black sheep. Don't believe everything you read.

— **Tenth National Bland Reunion** That's right. When we gather again at Mount Vernon Illinois, August 12-14, 1994, ten years will have rolled by since we first gathered at John W. Bland's place for the first Reunion in 1985. This year it is cousins Laverne and Kay Bland and their sister and brother Delores Sellars and her husband Vernon, who will be our sponsor. Laverne and Delores descend through the line of James Bland of Stafford County Virginia, his son William of Prince William County Virginia and William's son John Bland, who married Margaret Osborne and died in Nelson County Kentucky in 1795. Pleasenote however, that this is simply a recognition of the Sponsor's line of descent. Everyone who is descended through the Bland family, no matter what line, and their families and friends, are all welcome. I know that there are some years in which it seems bleak for the Reunion, but we have persisted for a decade now, which in itself is reason to celebrate. Also, we do something good for each other when we come to these annual gatherings. I urge and implore you to make the special effort to come, and bring with you one person who has never been to one of these events. What a great event it would be if everyone did just that.

Send your reservation today (form enclosed) to: Laverne Bland  
3610 Highway Z, Edgerton Missouri 64444. You need not pay now, but  
please let Laverne know you are coming.

Civil War Film There is an excellent though rather long film out in  
the video stores called Gettysburg after the famous battle of July  
1-3, 1863. The film is based on William Shaara's historical novel,  
The Killer Angels (1975). Interesting question, who were the Bland  
relatives in this battle. We know that General Lee was one of us.  
Also, an interesting character was a Confederate general named  
Lewis "Lo" Armistead, who, according to Cousin Anne Armistead of  
Roanoke Virginia, was her cousin, maybe ours. I'd like to know more  
about the foot soldiers who were Blands.

Prodigy Who subscribes to Prodigy, a really neat information  
exchange computer package, that includes a better than average  
Genealogical Exchange. My number is WFFF85A. Write to me.

Like the Fingers of the Hand The rewrite project is going well,  
slightly behind schedule, but I remain confident that it will be  
completed by the time of the 1995 Reunion.

The Richard Bland Grave Site, Jordan's Point Virginia: An issue  
that arose was the condition of the Bland Family cemetery at  
Jordan's Point Virginia. I delivered a Dedication Speech for the  
Cemetery at Jordan's point on October 26, 1985 and those of you who  
attended the Reunion at Petersburg Virginia in 1986 will recall  
that the reunion gave to Richard Bland College \$600. half of which  
was to go toward maintenance of the cemetery. Of course, \$300  
doesn't go far and time and development stands still for no one. It  
should be noted, however, that the Bland Reunion's contribution was  
not the only one. Cousins William and Vera Moore, who live near the  
Cemetery in Hopewell have been active in its preservation for years  
as was the Reverend Linneous Preston Bland before his death in  
1989. Excavations around Jordan's Point in the mid-1980s turned up  
some valuable historical and archeological finds. The Virginia  
Division of Historical Landmarks contributed \$15,000. toward the  
work of excavation. Mr. John Barnard of Wilmington Delaware, whose  
wife descended from the Bland family, donated \$11,000. An anonymous  
donation of \$5,000 was made, conditioned upon receipt of matching  
donations from others. Smaller gifts were made from the Moores and  
other private individuals and from the Historic Hopewell  
Foundation.

In a recent visit to Virginia, Cousin Bob Bland noted that the  
Cemetery had been grown over with weeds and that a historic marker  
along the road had been defaced. A small group discussed this  
matter after the Reunion and vowed to check into the matter.  
Cousin Richard Knight of Virginia Beach Virginia, who went to  
Prince George County court house to do some research. He could not  
ascertain the present ownership, but did turn up other valuable  
information.

Helen Leavenworth Smith and others deeded the cemetery to Susanna Poythress Bland Temple on October 7, 1926. Land around the cemetery was deeded to J. Powell Watson September 9, 1976 and then to the Prince George Investment Company, May 19, 1986. The cemetery has always been held apart from these land transactions and Richard Knight was unable to find any record that the cemetery ever passed from the hands of Mrs. Temple after she died in 1932.<sup>1</sup> Richard indicates that all Mrs. Temple's property passed to her husband, Edward Groves Temple, who lived in Emporia Virginia.

The Prince George Investment Company has developed the "Jordan on the James" Community. One of the partners, Mr. James Cuddihy, is very aware of the Cemetery. He was present at the 1985 dedication. Richard Knight spoke with Mr. Cuddihy who wrote the he has no intention of disturbing the cemetery. Several years ago, there was an effort to raise money to fence off the Cemetery but it was not successful. Mr. Cuddihy says he is still interested in this project. He also indicated that he would have the property mowed. At the 1993 Reunion, a small committee met to discuss this matter. We should all be grateful to Cousin Richard Knight for taking the time to make inquiry into this matter.

Stupendous Teasers What do you make of this anyone: Courtesy of Cousin Betty Bland Lovvorn citing Clemens, Marriage Records Before 1699 "James Blin married Margaret Dennison on December 6, 1698 in Boston Massachusetts."

Here's another.

From Edith Lanning, "Abraham Bland, CJune 21, 1776, born in Keighley, Yorkshire England, Father Joseph Bland, daughter Susan." (AC 9-2, pp. 6-28). NB. There is nothing about this in Carlisle.

Here's something we didn't know about before. Donna Gleave of Annabella Utah sends information about Charles C. Bland, brother of Richard Parks Bland. Charles was born February, 9, 1837. Charles married Hattie B. Keane. Another source had Charles marrying Mary Goodykoontz, (C1856 - ) on April 23, 1889 in Rolla Missouri. Charles' children included Thomas C.; Richard C or E; Harry O.; Charles P.; Ione; Joseph and George R.; Hattie; Mary (Mary Shaw); The children and perhaps more are buried at the Rolla Missouri Cemetery. I would be grateful if someone who lives near Rolla would check this out and send the inscriptions of any Blands or Bland relatives there.

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<sup>1</sup> Prince George County Virginia, Deeds, Book 8, Page 273; Book 227, page 603-604; Book 285, page 296.

**Roll Over Beatrice Bailey** I've heard from several of you about a new book that is making the rounds. I got my special invitation to buy my copy, now before its too late don't you know. The book is called The Blands Since The Civil War and the order form says "you (blank spot with Charles Bland written in) are in it." At least two people in my office (not Bland's) told me they got a similar offer through the mail for their family names. Caveat Emptor!!!!

**Telesharks** In the last issue I told you about a new breed of scam that has sprung up in Buffalo but has a nation wide outreach. Telesharking is what its called. Phone solicitors call at random and zero in on the elderly and are expert at separating them from their wealth. There was a major crack down and several went to jail, whereupon a new wrinkle arose:

Assistant U.S. Attorney William M. Flynn says, The recovery companies are selling false hope to these people. . .they buy "sucker lists" of people who have lost money to telemarketers, then they call these people up and offer to get their money back to them. (Buffalo News)

If somebody offers you something that seems to be too good to be true, it probably is. Just hang up.

**Transitions:** It is so strange that in our family we never have any births or marriages among our present day cousins. At this rate, we will become extinct within the next one hundred years and then future genealogists can study the Bland family, knowing that sometime in 2094 there weren't any more Bland's to study. Hint.

Eloise Arrington Stoudenmier of Orange Texas wrote to tell me of the death of her sister Ruth Arrington DeCuir, (August 29, 1907 - April 27, 1992). Ruth was married to Laurence Decuir.

Evie Bland Schmidt of Griffin Georgia wrote last July that her daughter Barbara Singleton died November 30, 1992 at age 45, after a long illness. Barbara was descended from the Bland family of Chatham County North Carolina.

On September 17, 1993, Rebecca Bland Miller of Charlottesville Virginia, a retired teachewr, died at age 76. I am grateful to Curly Moore for sending Mrs. Miller's obituary.

Eloise Arrington Stoudenmier also told me of the death of Juanita Peveto Alexander (December 8, 1906 - August 7, 1993) who died in Vancouver Washington, but was a native of Orange Texas. Juanita Alexander was the first major contact I made with the family of Orange County Texas, which was descended from Peyton Bland and Elizabeth Smith (AC 1-1, pp. 10-13; 6-1, pp. 24-30 and 10-1, pp. 12-16). Along with Eloise and Ruth Arrington, Juanita spent a great deal of time in her life putting together the history of their family. Eloise recounts that when she and her sister became interested in genealogy, they contacted Mrs. Monroe Chapman, who provided a great deal of information to them, which enabled them to gain admission to the DAR. Afterward, Juanita Alexander got

involved and with her husband, continued the genealogical work on the Orange County Texas family. We are grateful to all these ladies for the excellent foundation they have made for understanding the history of the Orange County family.

Sherrill Hoefler of Craig Colorado told me of the death of her grandmother Florence Luella Pratt (October 18, 1898 - December 21, 1993) in Albuquerque New Mexico. Florence married Edward McKenna Bland in Berthold, North Dakota on October 20, 1915. I am pleased to display a photo of Edward and Florence taken on their wedding day.

Florence Luella Pratt and  
Edward McKenna Bland,  
October 20, 1915



THE FAMILY OF THOMAS BLAND OF PENDLETON COUNTY  
VIRGINIA/WEST VIRGINIA

This is the story of the truly immense genealogical family of Thomas Bland (1740 - May 14, 1826).<sup>2</sup> Various assumptions push Thomas' birth year back to the late 1730s or early 1740s and for working purposes, it seems safe to leave him where Edith has him, 1740-1826.<sup>3</sup>

The first identification of Thomas with the Pendleton County West Virginia area was in 1769, when he is mentioned in Augusta County records.<sup>4</sup> Tom appeared in a survey conducted in 1771.

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<sup>2</sup> It is a measure of the immensity of this family that from the nine known children of Thomas Bland (1740-1826) there were 99 known grandchildren. Growth in this family from generation to generation was exponential. There is a tombstone inscription for Thomas that reads "TB desed March 14, 1826." Western Virginia broke off from Virginia and became West Virginia in 1863. In this essay, for ease of reading and simplicity I will refer to Pendleton County as located in West Virginia. I was prompted to do this revision of the Pendleton County West Virginia family by Edith Lanning's 1994 revision of her 1985 work Thomas Bland of Pendleton County, West Virginia, which is cited throughout the essay. Edith in turn relied heavily on Oren F. Morton History of Pendleton County, West Virginia (1910). This family group was previously discussed in VU 398-399; AC 2-2, pp. 14-23; AC 3-1, p. 10, 23, 26; AC 3-2, pp. 23-27; AC 4-2, pp. 9-18 & 41; AC 5-2, pp. 15-18; AC 7-1, pp. 19-20; AC 7-2, pp. 32; AC 8-1, p. 10. In addition to Edith Lanning of Dunnellon Florida, over the years I have enjoyed communicating about this family group with Jeanette Bickley Bland, Richardson Texas; Thomas C. Bland, Lafayette California; Ruby Bland Swadley of Mclean West Virginia; Mary Louise Miller Beery; Carol Ferguson, Westerville Ohio; Mariana Miller, Columbus Ohio; Eunice Hubert, Sidney Illinois; Don Pauley, Charleston West Virginia; Emma Bland Lumsden, Mendota Illinois; Frances Dittman, Atascadero California; Diana Linder, Houston Texas. If I have omitted any name it was not by design.

<sup>3</sup> Thomas' first child John was born about 1764, so the birth year estimate of 1740 for Thomas himself seems about right.

<sup>4</sup> The chronology of relevant country formations begins with Augusta County near what became the West Virginia border, formed in 1738-1745. Rockingham County was formed in 1778 from Augusta and Pendleton was formed in 1787 from Augusta, Rockingham, Bath and

He appears frequently in county records after that, and his neighbors in a 1784 document were named Davis, Teeter (Teter), Johnson (Johnston), Pharis (Phares), Yost (Justus), Henkle, Harper Cunningham, Harman and Judy. The reader will soon see that these families intermarried extensively with Thomas' family as the decades rolled by.

The Bland home place was located on the North Fork of the South Branch of the Potomac River, in Pendleton County (see map, P. 9), <sup>5</sup>

No one knows where Thomas was born, his parents, or where he might have lived before moving into the Pendleton County West Virginia area. Thomas might have migrated on his own from England, or he might be a son or grandson of one of the original three sons of James Bland (C1761-1809) of Stafford County Virginia. Thus far no documentation has emerged to prove either of these cases or any alternative.

Some erroneous misperceptions should be laid to rest:

First, this Thomas is too old to be the same Thomas Bland, son of William Bland of Duplin County, North Carolina (1726-1775, VU, pp. 282-284). He could have been William's brother but there is nothing in the record to reinforce the idea.

Second, the evidence making him a son of related to Thomas Bland of Fauquier County, Virginia (VU, pp. 367-392) is strained. The possibility that Thomas of Pendleton County was the son of Thomas of Fauquier (C1719-1788), is suggested because of their respective ages, and the fact that migratory patterns of their two families were somewhat the same. There is also some similarity in naming patterns between the two families. <sup>6</sup>

Unhappily, if one buys this assumption, it would be necessary to accept that the elder Thomas had two sons named Thomas, possibly by two marriages, conceivable but against the grain of contemporary naming practices.

I would suggest that there is some fire in the fact that some of the children and grand children of Thomas Bland (1740-1826) moved to Lewis County Virginia/West Virginia, same as some of the children and grand children of Thomas Bland (1719-1788). The Pendleton County Thomas was not likely a son of Thomas (1719-1788) but could have been closely related. Thomas (1740-1826) could have

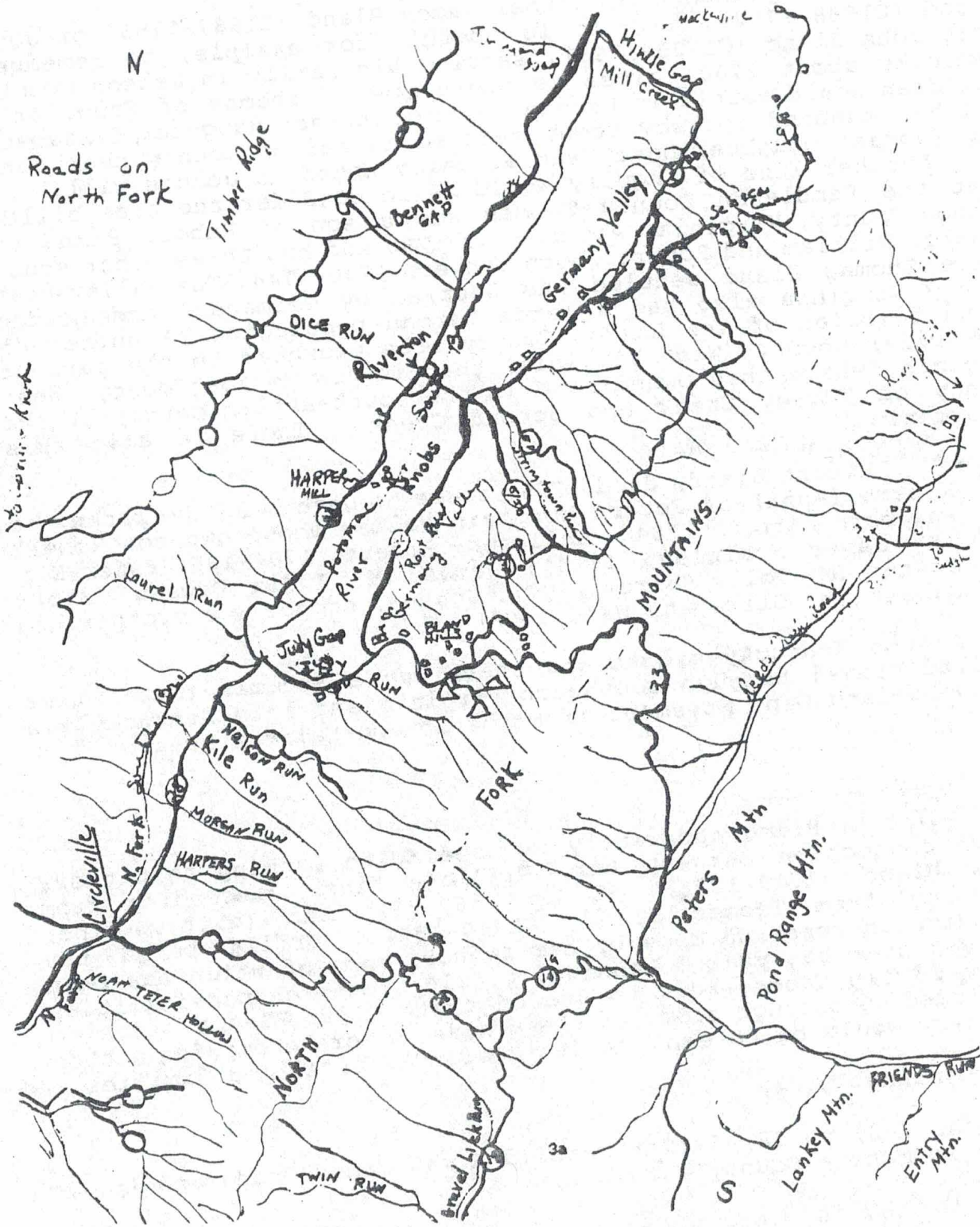
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Hardy Counties.

<sup>5</sup> Lanning p. 3a.

<sup>6</sup> VU, p. 370. Thomas of Fauquier had a son named Henry as did Thomas of Pendleton.





Pendleton County Virginia/West Virginia  
Area settled by Thomas Bland (1740-1826)

been a son or grandson of either James Bland (C1687-1756) or John Bland (C1688-1762).<sup>7</sup> It is useful, for example, to remember that John Bland (C1725-1795), settled his family in Nelson County Kentucky about 1780, close to where one of Thomas of Fauquier's children would settle in Hardin County. Thomas' daughter Elizabeth and her husband Spilsby Stone settled in Nelson County near John and Thomas' daughter Nancy was actually noted in John's will.

Another line of inquiry would be to consider the possibility that the Pendleton County Thomas was a son of Robert Bland of Loudon County, Virginia, who died in 1760 and had three other sons, Edward, William and Robert, born between 1730-1744. The valley near where Thomas Bland settled was settled by Germans<sup>8</sup> and Loudon County Virginia also had a large German population. A number of Bland families of the Loudon County area migrated to the part of Greenbrier County (West Virginia) that is now Monroe County, West Virginia, where they owned land in the southeastern corner of the county on Turkey Creek and Second Creek. There is also this information:

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*Monroe/Greenbrier Blands*  
Robert Bland, died 1795, seems to have been the father of Robert (Anna) of Peters Mountain Valley whose own son Robert was born here in 1784. Children: Robert, 1784-1857 Ester E.<sup>9</sup> (M. James McKinley, 1813); James (M. India Dawson 1813); Joshua (M. Polly Shires 1807). Joshua, probably a brother had Robert (M. Elizabeth Hand 1808).<sup>10</sup>

In the Kentucky migrations there was a "summer route" that entailed travel through southwest Virginia and into Kentucky via the Cumberland Gap. Movement from the Loudon-Fairfax area of

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<sup>7</sup> Urilla Bland apparently advised Edith Lanning that there was no connection between her, Urilla's line, descending from Thomas Bland (1719-1788) (VU pp. 367-392) and Edith's line, descending from Thomas Bland (C1740-1826). Urilla based her conclusion on research done by her father, some of which has been disproven over the years. Lanning, p. 294. Research possibilities that would tie Thomas back to one of these older Blands seems to have eluded us through study of the Blands. A more promising method of inquiry would be to explore the histories of Allied families.

<sup>8</sup> Lanning, p. 4.

<sup>9</sup> Ac 7-2, p. 32, Esther married a man named Snodgrass April 9, 1818 in Monroe County Virginia.

<sup>10</sup> Quoted in Homer Jones to Nel Ford, March 4, 1958, Cf VU, p. 399, N. 2. Jones in turn was quoting from Oren Morton's History of Monroe County.

Virginia to what was the general broad area of Rockingham/Augusta Virginia and Pendleton would make sense. Further, there is a semblance of logic in timing. Robert died in 1760 and by 1764, his sons Edward and Robert were dividing his property. The older Robert evidently did not leave much, and since Thomas of Pendleton, a younger brother but still adult, would have been left the "Hind Tit" by standard law, he might well have left the Loudon area for greener pastures.

But all this is speculative and until something more solid comes along, Thomas of Pendleton County will stand as head of a distinct family group. Thomas married first Margaret \_\_\_\_\_, whose dates could be surmised as roughly 1745-1796 and second, Rachel Shoulders (1773-1851), about 1797. Two things should be kept in mind:

1. Thomas began his second family in the late 1790s when his second son, Henry Bland (1770-1853) was married to Margaret Weirich who was bearing children. It is sometimes difficult to figure out who certain children belong to. In most cases, I've followed Edith Lanning's lead but in some cases differ from her. If interpretive questions arise, I followed my own logic and so am responsible if my conclusions are incorrect.

2. Cousin marriages are prolific in this family. Whenever possible I have made some attempt to identify them, but may not have in all cases. There are also some cases of children born to a man or woman named Bland, who are illegitimate. In those cases, as nearly as possible, I have located them in birth order along with children by documented marriages.

Thomas Bland (1740-1826) had the following family with his first wife Margaret \_\_\_\_\_:

1. JOHN BLAND (1764 - February 1839) was born in Pendleton County. John married Nancy Cunningham, a sister of John Cunningham, who married Margaret Bland, daughter of Thomas Bland (1740-1826) probably about 1789-1790. He must have left Pendleton County with his family in the early 1790s for John is found in Hampshire County (north of Pendleton) as early as December 10, 1794, when he purchased 171 acres of land. On October 7, 1796 John was granted 100 acres of land "on the south side of Knobly mountain."<sup>11</sup> John Bland is noted in History of Muskingum, Ohio as "one of the

<sup>11</sup> Hampshire County Virginia, Deed to John Bland, December 10, 1794. Land Grant to John Bland, October 7, 1796, 100 acres. Hampshire County was formed from Frederick in 1753. This is further reinforced by Survey #288 of Hampshire County, April 27, 1795, which specifies the land is John's. On October 17, 1840, per Hampshire County Deed Book 37, p. 54, John's land was ruled tax delinquent and sold for 2 cents. Lanning, pp. 19-20.

original pioneers...coming from Virginia," and settling on the Muskingum River near Zanesville in 1798.<sup>12</sup> John made out his will on November 15, 1838 and amended it December 15, 1838. It is believed that he died about February 1839. In his will, John named his son Joel and his son-in-law John Lane as his executors. He left \$500 each to his sons John<sup>13</sup> and Joel and indicated he had earlier given that amount to Ebenezer. John later amended his will to provide a \$200. bequest for son William, but remained firm that children, Thomas, Henry Silas and daughter Ann Zane would receive a bequest of one dollar. Daughters Mary Wolf, Sidney Beard, Margaret Campbell, Mary Ellen Means and Martha Lane shared in John's chattel property. John Bland and Nancy Cunningham had a large family of thirteen children including:<sup>14</sup>

<sup>12</sup> Edith Lanning shared with me Isaac Smucker's Pioneers of 1801 and 1802 (1872) pp. 3-9, which tells of John Bland's pursuit of some Native American thieves.

<sup>13</sup> The will arranges to pay John interest only on his bequest until the young man reaches age 25. This would seem to indicate that John was a minor in 1838.

<sup>14</sup> Philip Jordan, The National Road, (1948) quoted by Lanning at page 22. Lanning also refers to an undated letter from Pauline Eaton stating that the family arrived in Muskingom with four children. Lanning, at pp. 29-30, notes an Amy Bland who married Silas Keane in Muskingom County, August 2, 1812. Amy would have been about 16-20 at the time. Also, Mariana Miller of Columbus, Ohio once sent me a batch of clippings that seem to fit the description of a family from the Pendleton County group, but for which no connection can be made. Edith Lanning cites the presence in Muskingom County, Ohio in 1850 of Eli Bland and a wife Caroline, ages 29 and 21 respectively. This couple likewise cannot be connected to John Bland and his family but do connect with the material sent by Mariana Miller. The clippings were in turn sent to Mrs. Miller in 1983 by Genevieve Hertel of Garden City, Kansas. In sorting them out, the following children of Eli and Caroline Bland appear: (1) L. M. Bland of Garden City, Kansas; (2) Walter E. Bland of Columbus, Ohio; (3) Wellington Bland born in Muskingom County, Ohio, who married Amelia \_\_\_\_\_ and moved to Columbus, Ohio. Their children were Warren and Ernest Bland of Columbus, Ohio; (4) Alta Rebecca Bland (April 28, 1861-March 29, 1947, born near Zanesville, Ohio, was married to Kleber Phelps in 1891. They lived in Garden City, Kansas, also Florida, but Alta moved back to Kansas after her husband's death. The family of John Bland and Nancy Cunningham which is discussed in Lanning, pp. 23-31, was in close proximity to these Bland's but no specific connection has been made..

Eli, son of William (1804), son of Henry 1770  
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A. Thomas Bland - (C1790 - living in 1838).

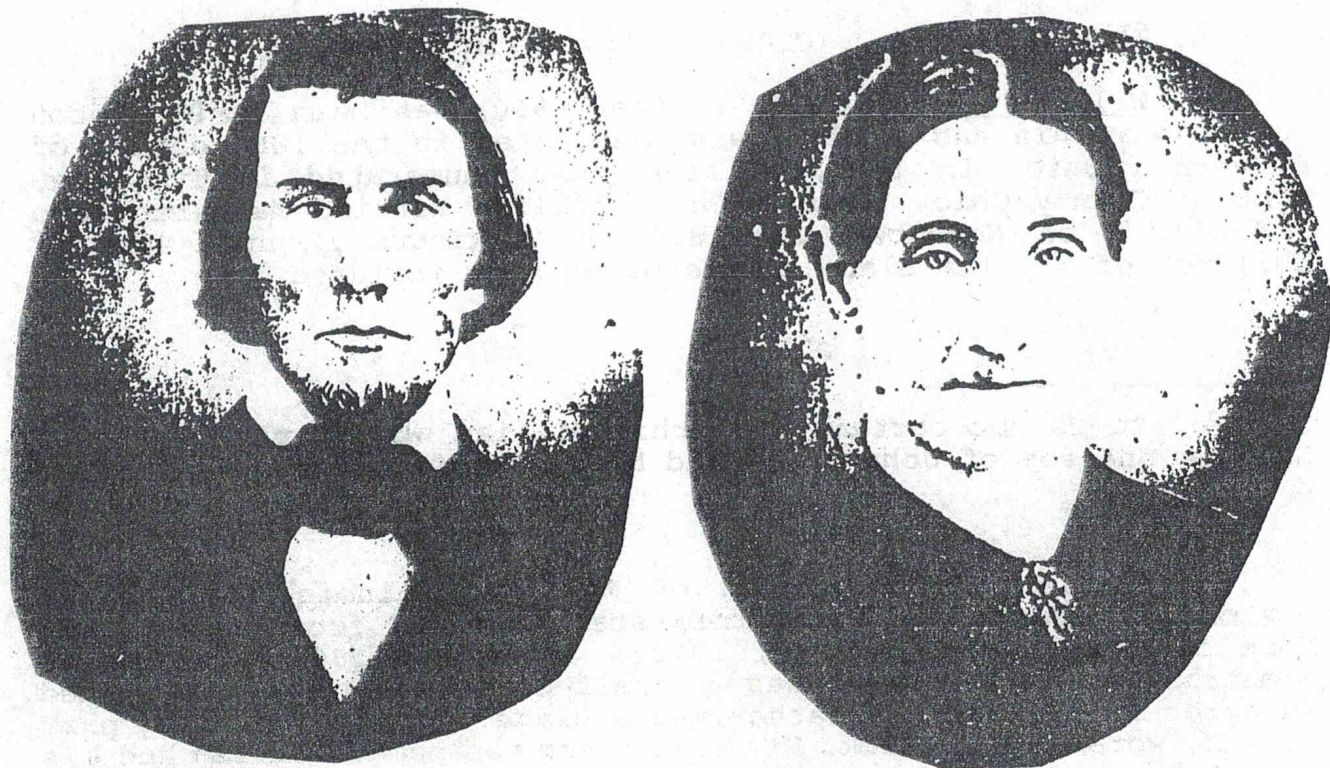
B. William Bland (C1790 - after 1860) was born in Pendleton County Virginia and died or was last noted in the 1860 census of Belvernon Ohio. In 1850, William was enumerated in Tymochee, Wyandot County Ohio. County Ohio. William married Margaret Lane (1801- ) on November 14, 1820 in Muskingum County Ohio. <sup>15</sup> Children of William Bland and Margaret Lane included <sup>16</sup>

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<sup>15</sup> It is not certain that this William who married Margaret Lane is the son of John Bland and Nancy Cunningham.

<sup>16</sup> Beulah Bland Lumsden of Mendota Illinois and Frances Dittman of Atascadero California are descended from John Bland, born in Ohio (February 14, 1812 - April 17, 1864) and Lovina Armstrong. John's mother was a "half-breed Ohio Cherokee named Margaret Lane," and his father was a Bland. John then, being part indian, wore a scalp lock. His eldest son was named William and his eldest daughter Margaret. John later moved to Peoria Illinois. Mrs. Lumsden reports family tradition which says John was an illegitimate child. This leads Mrs. Lumsden to conclude that her ancestor John Bland was a son of William Bland and Margaret Lane and born prior to their marriage. This may be, but also raises some problems. Margaret would have been but ten or eleven when she delivered John, (perhaps she lied to the census taker). It also means that twelve years would have elapsed between this union between William and Margaret and their marriage in 1824. John Bland married Lovina Armstrong (C1820 - ) on October 18, 1836. Lanning, at page 24, gives the year as 1846, which doesn't seem to match the dates of their children, who were: (a) Margaret Bland, (August 22, 1837 - ); (b) William Bland (November 28, 1838). William's family is discussed in Lanning, p. 24; (c) Mary Ellen Bland (September 15, 1840 - ); (d) John A. Bland Jr. (March 19, 1842 - ); (e) Rachel Ann Bland (May 19, 1844 - ); (f) Henry Bland (1846-1848); (g) Charlotte "Lottie" Bland (June 29, 1849 - ); (h) Elizabeth Jane Bland (December 25, 1851 - ); (i) David Berry Bland (April 18, 1854 - 1924) David's family is discussed in Lanning at p. 24.; (j) Nelson Bland (October 22, 1856 - ); (k) Pauline Bland (October 22, 1858 - ). Photos of John Bland and Lovina Armstrong appears on page 14.

I also was struck by a note from the Georgia Genealogical Society "Indian Issue" which listed John Bland as one who had intermarried with the Cherokees in Georgia. A note written by Johnny P. Bland of Mathison, Mississippi said "This Bland married an Indian maiden."



John Bland and Lovina Armstrong  
Courtesy, Edith Lanning

(1) Henry Bland - (C1824 - ) was born in Ohio. Henry married Mary A. Ingle (C1824 - ) on October 10, 1843 in Seneca County Ohio. Their children included (a) Hannah M. Bland (c1844 - ); (b) Mary Jane Bland (c1846 - ); (c) Martha E. Bland, (C1847 - ); (d) William H. Bland (C1848 - ); (e) Virginia V. Bland (C1850- ).

Henry may have married a second time inasmuch as there is a record of a Henry Bland and Maria Perry marrying in Wyandot County Ohio July 4, 1869.

(2) Joel Bland - (C1826 - ) was born in Ohio.

(3) Frances Bland - (C1830 - ).

(4) Nancy A. Bland - (C1833 - ). Nancy married Zachary J. Hammond in Wyandot County Ohio October 27, 1859.

(5) Margaret A. Bland - (C1833 - ).

(6) Martha E. Bland, (C1840 - ).

(7) Silas Bland (C1844 - ).

C. Annie or Anna Bland (C1794 - before 1838) Anna married a Zane and her heirs received \$1. in her father's will.

D. Henry Bland (June 8, 1796 - November 18, 1867) was born in Hampshire County Virginia and died in Shelby County Illinois.<sup>17</sup> Henry married Elizabeth Dettenheffer (1808 - 1874) on March 20, 1828 in Muskingum County. Their children included:

(1) George Bland (C1830 - ) who went to California in 1852. George was said to have died of yellow fever in Cuba.

(2) Mary E. Bland (1834 - 1866) married Shelton Birkett in Shelby County Illinois.

(3) Harriet V. Bland (1839 - 1900) married T.J. Brewster and moved to Chicago Illinois.

(4) Eugene Bland (November 2, 1841 - May 9, 1900). Eugene fought in the Civil War and lost a leg. He married Nancy Elizabeth Wright (C1846 - ) on October 31, 1867. Their children were:

(a) Martha Elizabeth "Mattie" Bland (1868 - ) who married Oscar J. Danzeisen; (b) Ella Bland (1870-1958), who married Harry Foster; (c) Ada Bland (1873-1936), who married Xerxes Wallace; (d) William Henry Bland, (1874-1936) who married Margaret Anna Woodruff (1877-1941); (e) Mary Isabel Bland (1876-1906), who married Homer Hott. She died in her first childbirth; (f) Arthur G. Bland (1880-1908); Arthur fought in the Philippines during the Spanish American war and died of suicide in Montana; (g) Ray Bland (1881- ) married Georgia Griswald; (h) Eugene Bland (1882-1965), Eugene served three terms as Illinois State Attorney. He married Ida Shea and they had no children.

(5) Videll Bland (1843-1844).

(6) Winfield Scott Bland (1846-1914) Winfield moved to Chicago to work in the grain business and then returned to Shelby County prior to his mother's death.

(7) Martha Bland (1849-1851).

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<sup>17</sup> Henry's dates are recorded from his tombstone, though in the 1850 Census for Shelby County Illinois, he is recorded as aged 50 and born in Ohio.

E. Silas Bland, (C1798 - living in 1872) the fifth child,<sup>18</sup> was born at a sugar camp soon after the family's arrival in Zanesville, Muskingum County Ohio. He was one of the first "white children" born in Muskingum. Silas married Harriet Cooksey,<sup>19</sup> (C1808 - living in 1870 ) on March 6, 1826 in Muskingum. They moved to Licking County Ohio in 1844. Silas and Harriet are found in Licking County, Perry township as late as 1872.<sup>20</sup> Their only son was:

(1) Joel Hamline Bland (C1845 - 1880) Joel was elected director of the Licking County Agricultural Society in 1879. He married Marietta Spencer (1847 - Living in 1880) on July 4, 1867. Their children were: (a) Celestia Bland (C1868- ); (b) Harriet L. "Hattie" Bland (C1871- ); and (c) Silas H. Bland (c1876 - ).

F. Mary "Polly" Bland (C1802 - ) who married Jacob Wolf in Muskingum County on January 1, 1822.

G. Sidney Bland (C1804 - ) who married Isaac Beard May 24, 1827 in Muskingum County.

H. Joel Bland (1806 - died before 1860) he was the executor of his father's will in 1838. Joel married Harriet Dettenheffer (1811 - ) on October 31, 1831.<sup>21</sup> The 1850 Census shows Joel and Harriet in Licking County, Perry township, with the following family:

(1) Ebenezer Bland (1832 - 1857) Ebenezer wrote a poem to his mother prophesying his death and died a few days later at Denison University.

(2) Ambrose Bland (C1833 - ).

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<sup>18</sup> Morton stated that Silas was the first born in Ohio and that four children had preceded him. There is a marriage record of Amy Bland to Silas Keane on August 2, 1812 in Muskingum County. She may be the third child of John Bland and Nancy Cunningham.

<sup>19</sup> An alternate name for Harriet is Ida, Lanning, p. 25. A marriage between William Bland and Martha Cooksey is shown in AC 1-2, pp. 9-10.

<sup>20</sup> Isaac Smucker, Pioneers of 1801-1802, (1872) includes brief mention of Silas Bland as "a venerable and respected pioneer . . . he is the oldest person now living in Licking County who was born in the valley of the Licking,"

<sup>21</sup> Harriet was the sister of Elizabeth Dittenhauer, wife of Joel's brother Henry. In the 1860 census, Harriet was living with Henry and Elizabeth.



(3) Mary E. Bland (1835 - ).

(4) Nancy J. Bland (1837 - ).

(5) Silas Bland (1840 - living in 1910). Silas married Sidney M. \_\_\_\_\_ (1855 - ) about 1876 and had by her: (a) Elizabeth Bland (1877 - ); (b) Dora Bland (October 1881 - ); (c) Cleveland Bland (December 1884 - ); (d) Beha May Bland (November 1888 - )

(6) Augustus Bland (1842 - ).

(7) Catherine Bland (1844 - ).

(8) John Bland (1848 - ).

I. Margaret Bland (C1808 - ) who married William Campbell on August 10, 1831

J. Mary Ellen Bland (C1810 - ), who married John J. Means on February 16, 1832.

K. Ebenezer Bland (February 15, 1810 - March 3, 1887). Ebenezer married Harriet Lane (1819- ) a daughter of John Lane, October 29, 1839. They had the following children:

(1) Jerome Bland (1841 - living in 1910) who by 1880 was in Bucyrus, Crawford County Ohio with his wife Lucy M. Bland (1849 - living in 1910) and children (a) Hattie Belle (1871 - living in 1910) who married \_\_\_\_\_ Yawger; (b) Ebenezer (1876).

(2) Belmeare Bland (December 11, 1842 - January 13, 1879).

(3) Horatio Bland (1845 - ) of Dresden, Cohocton County Ohio, who married Laura \_\_\_\_\_ (C1853- ).

(4) Howard Bland (May 5, 1848 - March 9, 1933) lived in Taylor Texas and married L. Augusta "Gussie" Schultz (July 31, 1855 - October 14, 1940) on November 8, 1880. Their children were: Leah Marion Bland (April 21, 1882 - May 27, 1972), who married Aristides A. Zizinnia (1877-1918); (b) Ray Hoxie Bland Sr. (December 22, 1884 - December 30, 1948) who married Leah Lucinda Pumphrey (1887-1958); (c) Zella Agnes Bland (June 28, 1887 - August 6, 1967) who married and subsequently divorced Tom Jones; (d) Howard Bland Jr. (February 19, 1892 - January 2, 1952) who married Lillian Anderson (1901-1965).

(5) Mary Jane Bland (May 28, 1850 - May 5, 1874).

(6) Thomas B. Bland (C1851 - died by 1880) married Julia Ellen Sidle, November 17, 1869 in Muskingom County. Their children included:

(a) David Bland (C1872 - ); (b) Ivy Bland (1874 - ); (c) Cliffie Bland (C1878 - ) and (d) Clintie Bland (C1878 - ) perhaps a twin of Cliffie.<sup>22</sup>

(7) Frances M. Bland (1853 - ).

(8) Charles A. Bland (May 14, 1855 - December 25, 1882).

(9) Alice B. Bland (1857 - ). Alice moved from Zanesville Ohio to Newark New Jersey.

(10) George Bland (1860 - ) lived in Zansville Ohio.

~~(11) Thomas B. Bland, died before 1880~~

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L. John Bland (1813/1814 - ) John was under 25 in his father's will, but it is reasonable to say that even if he is the youngest child of John Bland and Nancy Cunningham, he would probably have been born no later than about 1820.

M. Martha Bland (December 5, 1814 - June 7, 1884), who married John Lane (May 12, 1811 - April 16, 1900) October 27, 1835. John Lane evidently was highly esteemed by his father in law, who made him a co-executor of his will.

2. FRANCES BLAND (C1766 - before 1850). Frances married John Cunningham, son of James and Agnes Cunningham, about 1787 in Rockingham County Virginia. John moved to Lewis County Virginia in 1816.<sup>23</sup> Their children were:

A. Jesse Cunningham (C1789 - ) served in the War of 1812 and married Mary Jordon in Randolph County Virginia, April 10, 1816. They had six or eight children.

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<sup>22</sup> LDS Records cited in Lanning, p. 28, indicate that Thomas and Julia Ellen had a daughter born August 29, 1873 and a son born August 25, 1875. A daughter Sarah was born October 8, 1870 and a son John Bland was indicated.

<sup>23</sup> Frances Bland and John Cunningham's family is discussed on pp. and supplement VIII. It is worth noting also that during the same period, the widow of Thomas Bland (C1765-1792) moved with her children to the same area, with a younger son Thomas Bland (1793-1867) settling in Jane Lew and Weston, Lewis County Virginia, VU, pp. 372-374.

B. Henry Cunningham, (C1791 - 1863) married Nancy Hayes. They had nine children. <sup>24</sup>

C. Silas Cunningham Dates uncertain, served in the War of 1812.

D. Enoch Cunningham dates uncertain, married Jane Stewart at Lewis County Virginia October 24, 1820.

E. Moses Cunningham

F. John Cunningham (February 24, 1810 - February 11, 1887) married Alcinda Akire (C1822 - November 18, 1897). They had seven children. <sup>25</sup>

3. HENRY BLAND (April 25, 1770 - March 27, 1853) About 1790, Henry married Margaret Weirich probably a daughter of Peter Weirich, who owned land next to Thomas Senior. Secondly, Henry married Mary Dolly (probably a derivative of the German name Dahle) (C1796 - 1880), about 1815. <sup>26</sup> Henry was the second child of Thomas Bland and his first wife.

Henry, in the course of two marriages, had a prodigious offspring of twenty three children. The children of Henry Bland and Margaret Weirich were:

A. John Bland (January 15, 1791 - November 25, 1864). <sup>27</sup>  
There is another Pension application for John Bland who served in Captain Jesse Hinkle's Company July 21 to December 10 1814.

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<sup>24</sup> Lanning, p. 206, notes that Henry's children included a daughter Margaret who married Joseph or Josiah or Jonas Bland about 1842. On February 23, 1986, I received a letter from Carol Ferguson of Westerville, Ohio, citing bare information about her ancestor Josiah Bland born in 1821 in Virginia, who married Margaret Susan Coler of Hardy County, Virginia. They moved to Ohio with her family. How this Bland man might fit into the family or how Margaret Cunningham and Margaret Coler might have a relationship is not apparent.

<sup>25</sup> The family of Frances Bland and John Cunningham is discussed in Lanning, pp. 206-212.

<sup>26</sup> Per Lanning, p. 59, Henry's state was never settled until Mary Dolly died in 1880.

<sup>27</sup> Dates of John, his wives and children are supplied in a bible record displayed in Lanning, pp. 39i-k.

John moved to Seneca County Ohio and is found in the 1850 Census as a Farmer, born in Virginia, worth \$3,000. John married Nancy Bland (December 6, 1792 - February 8, 1853) on April 19, 1814.<sup>28</sup> Secondly John married the widow Mary \_\_\_\_\_ Pancoast (C1806 - April 11, 1897) on February 8, 1855 in Sandusky, Ohio. John and his first wife Nancy had the following children<sup>29</sup>:

(1) Deuwaine Bland (April 9, 1815 to June 24, 1882). Deuwaine was born in Pendleton County Virginia and is buried in the Wharton Cemetery, Dayton County Ohio. Deuwaine married (1) Julia Ann Brundage (November 16, 1819 - 9 February 1855), on March 3, 1840 and (2) Margaret Bibler Harmon (January 6, 1828 - August 7, 1909) on March 27, 1856. (see photo below).



Deuwaine Bland and  
Margaret Bibler Harmon  
Courtesy Edith Lanning  
Note: Look at the size  
of Deuwaine's Hands

<sup>28</sup> Edith Lanning notes that there is no certainty who was Nancy's father, but that there were "traces" of Blands at Linville Creek in Rockingham County.

<sup>29</sup> In the 1850 Census, an Eliza A. Carter, aged 4, is listed as living with John and Nancy, but in 1860, the name is Eliza Bland, aged 14. John Bland and Mary Pancoast were residing in Wyandot County Ohio with Malvina, aged 24, and Thomas M. and Eliza Bland, both aged 14. Edith Lanning reasons that Thomas may be an son of Mary Pancoast, adopted by John, thus accounting for two Thomas Bland's in John's household.

Deuwaine Bland had 15 children. Deuwaine and Julia Ann Brundage had the following children:

(a) an unnamed infant daughter; (b) Nancy Jane Bland (March 23, 1843 - November 6, 1929); (c) Mary A. Bland (February 28, 1845 - January 30, 1851); (d) Caleb S. or B. Bland (February 1, 1847 - May 10, 1910) Caleb was born in Wyandot County Ohio and is buried in Wharton Cemetery, Dayton County Ohio. Caleb served in the Civil War with the 187th and 192nd Ohio Infantry. He married an Ohio girl, Mary Ann Moser (September 5, 1850 - January 15, 1826) on June 6, 1868. Caleb and Mary Ann had fourteen children<sup>30</sup>; (e) John J. Bland (August 28, 1848 - August 9, 1849); (f) Julia A. Bland (February 23, 1850 - February 1851); (g) Silas Bland (November 25, 1851 - August 6, 1881); (h) Deuwaine Bland (August 17, 1854 - 1855).<sup>31</sup>

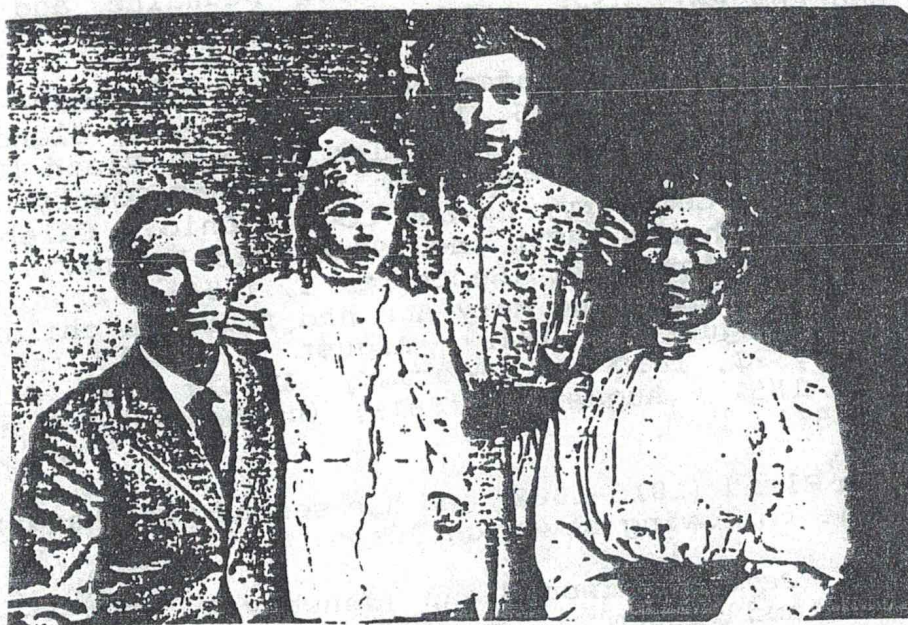
Deuwaine Bland (1815-1882) and his second wife Margaret Bibler Harmon had the following seven children.

(i) James Madison Bland (January 1, 1857 - 1857); (j) Frances Alma Bland (December 15, 1857 - 1946), Frances married James Cole (1859 - December 20, 1930) on February 15, 1880. They had four children. Frances Bland and James Cole are buried in the Wharton Ohio cemetery; (k) Henry Zane Bland (June 30, 1860 - December 26, 1933). Henry married first, Ida Mary Reynolds (December 4, 1864 - December 20, 1924) on December 7, 1884 and with her had two daughters (see photo on page 22). Second, Henry Zane Bland married Alda Perry on August 23, 1928. Henry Bland and Ida Reynolds are buried in the Wharton Ohio cemetery; (l) George Harvey Bland (June 15, 1863 - November 23, 1949) married Nora Jane Reynolds (May 19, 1869 - August 16, 1949) and they had two children. George Harvey Bland and Nora Reynolds are buried at the Old Dutch Cemetery at Vanlue Ohio; (m) Harriet Ellen Bland (March 30, 1866 - October 19, 1921). Harriet married Abraham Mcleod Brown on May 25, 1890. They had four daughters;

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<sup>30</sup> Lanning, p. 40 notes that Caleb and Mary Ann were divorced December 6, 1909. A new young correspondent of Edith Lanning and myself provided a supplemental lineage of Caleb Bland's line that is cited in Lanning, pp. I-VII.

<sup>31</sup> Julia Ann Brundage and her four children with Deuwaine Bland who died in their infancy are buried at the Methodist Cemetery, McCutcheonville Ohio.



Henry Zane Bland, Ida Reynolds and their daughters,  
Annis and Agnes Bland  
Courtesy Edith Lanning

(n) Atta Ann Bland (1868 - April 18, 1934). Atta married John Frank Mann (1865-1922) on February 16, 1887 and they had seven children;<sup>32</sup> (o) Virginia Mae Bland (November 1, 1871 - February 1958). Virginia married William H. Schade, (1872-1894) and second, Clinton W. Schade (1868-1934) a brother of William. By Clinton Schade, Virginia had three children. Virginia and Clinton are buried at the Methodist cemetery in McCutcheonville Ohio.

(2). William Bland, (November 10, 1819 - February 2, 1862), married Rhoda Spitler (C1826- ) about 1849. William and Rhoda were in Seneca County in 1850 and in 1860 were in Mifflin Township at Marseilles P.O. They had the following children:

(a) George Mc (perhaps McSwain) Bland (C1850- ); (b) Mary E. Bland (C1851- ); (c) Nancy J. Bland (C1855 - ); (d) Rhoda A. Bland (C1857 - ).<sup>33</sup>

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<sup>32</sup> Atta Ann is listed as Sita in the 1870 census.

<sup>33</sup> A Silas Bland, aged 50, from Ireland, resided with William in 1860. Silas was recorded in the census with \$1800. worth of real estate and \$350. in personal property.



See family of Deuwaine Bland and Margaret Harmon, pp. 21-22 (Standing L-R: Virginia Bland Schade (1871-1958); Atta Ann Bland Mann, (1868-1934); Frances Alma Bland Cole (1857-1946); Harriet Ellen Bland Brown (1866-1921); Seated L-R, George Harvey Bland (1863-1949); Deuwaine Bland (1815-1882) in photo; Margaret Bibler Harmon (1828-1909); Henry Zane Bland (1860-1933).

Courtesy Edith Lanning

(a) George Mc (perhaps McSwain) Bland (C1850- ); (b) Mary E. Bland (C1851- ); (c) Nancy J. Bland (C1855 - ); (d) Rhoda A. Bland (C1857 - ).<sup>33</sup>

(3). Mary Ann Bland (May 19, 1822 - January 10, 1904). Her family bible from which much of Edith Lanning's new information is derived, is on display at the Miswauka Indiana Museum. Mary married John Pecher (1818-1900) in Indiana. They had seven children.

(4). Nancy Bland (September 22, 1824 - February 8, 1855), no record of marriage.

<sup>33</sup> A Silas Bland, aged 50, from Ireland, resided with William in 1860. Silas was recorded in the census with \$1800. worth of real estate and \$350. in personal property.

(5). Thomas Bland (March 18, 1827 to August 4, 1897)<sup>34</sup> died in Strasburg, Shelby County Illinois, where he was a well off farmer and landowner in 1850, holding 2,000 acres. Thomas married Malinda Stokeley (January, 1831 - February 2, 1907) in Ohio, January 1, 1852. Thomas and Malinda brought their family from upper Sandusky Ohio. Their children were:<sup>35</sup>

(a) Franklin K.P. Bland (November 23, 1852 - July 18, 1857); (b) Olive A. Bland (October 2, 1854 - ), who married Daniel Colbert on December 17, 1874. (c) John M. Bland (June 9, 1858 - ) married M. Shane on March 1, 1886; (d) Hester J. "Hettie" Bland, (August 27, 1861 - ); (e) Annis L. Bland (May 3, 1863 - ) who married E. Rominger on November 27, 1888; (f) Duewaine Bland (February 27, 1867 - ) who married Sarah Elizabeth Beery on November 23, 1890;<sup>36</sup> (g) Lewis E. Bland (April 7, 1870 - June 6, 1874); (h) Willie Bland (May 9, 1872 - December 24, 1872).

(6). John C. Bland (June 2, 1829 - June 3, 1894). John was in Crawford Township, Wyandot County Ohio in the 1880 Census and died there. John married Eliza Brashear or Brashares (C1834 - May 9, 1919) about 1861. Their children were:

(a) Ambrose Bland (CMarch 1862 - May 3, 1929). Ambrose married Laura (C1862 - September 1, 1943). They had one known child; (b) Oliver Perry Bland (COctober 1864 - August 3, 1924) Oliver married Rena \_\_\_\_\_ (C1871 - ) about 1891. They had one child; (c) Charles A. Bland (C1867 - November 16, 1936). Charles married Jennie \_\_\_\_\_ (C1871 - July 12, 1943), about 1892. They had two children; (d) Effa Bland (CMarch, 1870 - April 3, 1932), married Charles rife; (e) George Bland (1874- ). George married Cora \_\_\_\_\_ (C1872 - January 1931), probably about 1894. They had two children; (f) Alfred "Alf" Bland, (December 18, 1876 - January 22, 1940) married Rachel (Ray) Suzanne Orians (July 15, 1881 - September 26, 1951) on February 19, 1898. Alfred and Rachel had six children.

(7). Henry Bland (August 9, 1832 - April 1, 1856) married Hattie Engle. Henry and Hattie had four sons:

(a) Thomas Bland (August 26, 1849 - October 19, 1932), who married Josephine A. \_\_\_\_\_ (C1863 - ) about 1875. They had twelve children; (b) William Bland; (c) Perry Bland; (d) John Bland.

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<sup>34</sup> Edith Lanning lists Thomas Birth date as June 2, 1827.

<sup>35</sup> Photos of Thomas Bland and Malissa Stokeley appeared in AC, 3-2, p. 25.

<sup>36</sup> A photo of Duewaine Bland and Sarah Elizabeth Beery appeared in Ac 3-2, p. 25.



(8). Melvina Jane Bland (April 24, 1835 - ).

John Bland (1791-1814) was the first child of Henry Bland and Margaret Weirich. Their other children were:

B. Thomas Bland (December 1794 - October 6, 1865). Thomas was born in Pendleton County Virginia and died in McCutcheonville, Wyandot County Ohio. He married Martha or Patsy Cunningham (these names were often used interchangeably) (C1799-1893), either August 14, 1819 or October 1, 1820. They were married in Pendleton County. Thomas Bland was a veteran of the War of 1812 along with his brother John, serving in Captain Jesse Hinkle's Company, July 21 to October 19, 1814.<sup>37</sup> This Thomas, who died October 6, 1865, served in Captain Jessie Hinkle's company of the Virginia Militia July - October 1814. Thomas and Martha Cunningham were married by Hinkle. In his pension papers, Martha described Thomas as a farmer, 6'6", fair skin, black hair, blue eyes. At the time of the 1850 Census, Thomas Bland and Martha Cunningham were living in Seneca County Ohio. They had three known children<sup>38</sup>:

(1) Mary Alice Bland (C1821 - ) Married Benjamin C. Harman (C1812- ) about 1842. Mary Alice and Benjamin had a family of three children.

(2) Elvin Perry Bland (C1832 - ) of Seneca County Ohio.

(3) William Bland (C1834 - ) of Seneca County Ohio.

C. Silas Bland (C1796 - October 5, 1881).

D. Eli Bland (C1797 - 1862/1863) married Annie Haigler (1806-after 1880) on December 3, 1824.<sup>39</sup> Eli was born and died in Pendleton County, Virginia.<sup>40</sup> Eli and Annie had a family of eight sons and two daughters:

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<sup>37</sup> Martha, when she filed a War Pension claim on February 19, 1879 claimed to have married Thomas October 1, 1820. Martha could not find her marriage certificate so may have guessed at their marriage date.

<sup>38</sup> The substantial gap in time between Mary Alice and Elvin Perry Bland suggest that there were other children who had grown to adulthood and moved out of the home of Thomas Bland and Martha Cunningham prior to the 1850 census.

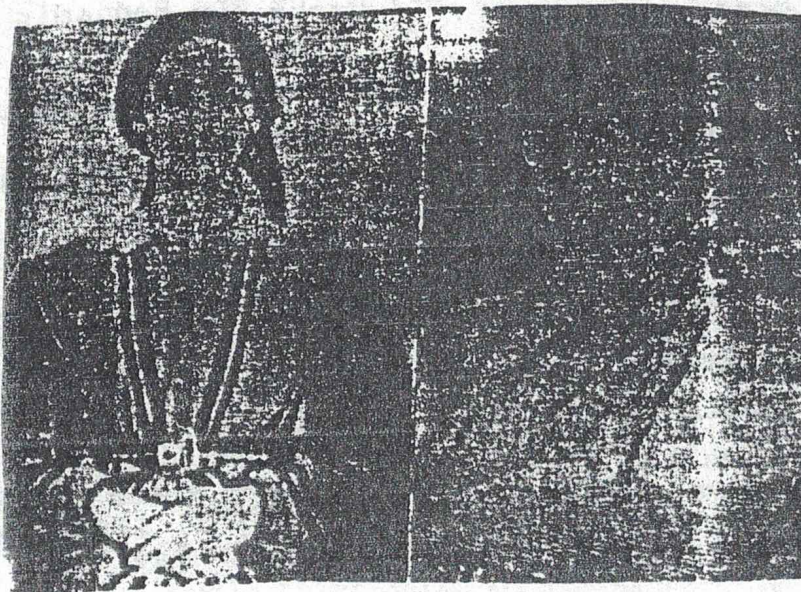
<sup>39</sup> Lanning, at p. 61, cites Calhoun's "Twixt North and South" to establish that Annie Haigler was widowed by March 12, 1863. Annie's photo appears in AC 5-2, p. 38

<sup>40</sup> Lanning, pp. 59-60.

(1). Miles H. Bland (July 25, 1826-October 25, 1902) who went to Fayette County Ohio during the Civil War. Miles was buried in Paint Township, Fayette County. Miles married Mary A. "Polly" Bible (C1828 - 1907) on September 9, 1848. They had four children:

(a) Mary Elizabeth Bland (C1849 - ) who married Franklin H. Klontz of Jamestown, Ohio on September 5, 1872 in Fayette County. They had five children; (b) Ann Rebecca Bland (January 31, 1853 - ) who married Isaac "Ike" Roush on April 23, 1873.<sup>41</sup> They had eight children; Martha V. Bland (August 22, 1858- ) who married Luther Martin Stuthard of Yatesville, Fayette County Ohio, on August 26, 1877. They had ten children; (d) James William Bland (C1860- ) who married Anna Cockerill. They had five children.

(2). William Bland (April 29, 1829- December 10, 1910). As an adult, William was described as having fair skin, brown hair and grey eyes. He served with Lantz's company, 46th Virginia, Company B. He lost a leg after he was captured by Union Forces on March 3, 1862.<sup>42</sup> He married a cousin, Mary Teter (October 2, 1840 - November 15, 1882), daughter of Johnson Teter and Rachel Bland on January 1, 1861. William Bland and Mary Teter had five children:



Mary Teter (1840-1882) and William Bland (1829-1910)  
Courtesy of Edith Lanning

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<sup>41</sup> The LDS Records show the marriage at March 20, 1873.

<sup>42</sup> Mrs. Hattie Huffman of Judy Gap West Virginia, still owns the wooden leg that William Bland carved for himself after his war injury.

(a) Harriet Bland (September 28, 1861 - April 18, 1939) who married John Will Biby (1851-1922) about 1878. Biby was superintendent of schools in Pendleton County West Virginia before and moved to Oklahoma with him. John Biby and Harriet Bland had ten children.<sup>43</sup> (b) Clara Bland (December 16, 1865 - June 15, 1950) who married John Harper (C1862-before 1900) on January 15, 1885. They had one daughter; (c) Almeda Bland (July 18, 1869 - May 6, 1964) married Jacob Kenny Judy (1860-1932) on January 6, 1885; (d) Strite Bland (August 26, 1872 - December 18, 1945) married Rose \_\_\_ and moved to Bakersville California. During his life Strite lived in Illinois and Iowa and built bridges. He and Rose had two sons; (e) Austin Bland (December 1, 1879 - December 31, 1968) died in Tampa, Florida. Austin married (1) Grace Nelson, (2) Leah Robins. Austin had one child by Grace Nelson.<sup>44</sup>

(3). Amos Bland (April 4, 1832 - December 18, 1912) married Mary M. Hevener (August 26, 1836 - February 8, 1913) on February 16, 1860. They lived in Champaign County Illinois, moving there from their roots in Pendleton County Virginia by way of Fayette County Ohio. Amos and Mary had seven children<sup>45</sup>:

(a) Alice Bland (C1861 - ) who married William Vance, (C1843-1912). They had one child.<sup>46</sup>; (b) Halleck Bland (February 1862 - living in 1900); (c) a son who died in infancy; (d) Virginia Bland , (C1866 - ) married Samuel Buoy Saybrook (1861-1901) on January 8, 1885. They had seven children;

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<sup>43</sup> A photo of Will Biby and Harriet Bland appears in AC 2-2, p. 17. Edith Conant Lanning, the principal historian of the Pendleton County Virginia/West Virginia group descends through this line. Harriet Bland and John Biby had a daughter, Lenora Biby, (January 14, 1884 - February 14, 1920) who married William Henry Daughtery (April 5, 1883 - June 10, 1921) on February 15, 1902. Their daughter Ethel Hopkins Daughtery (January 3, 1906 - living) married Arnold M. Conant (February 10, 1902 - ) on May 20, 1927. Their daughter is Edith Conant Lanning of Dunnellon Florida.

<sup>44</sup> By coincidence, Austin, while in Belvedere Illinois, roomed at a boarding house owned by Mrs. E. Lanning, great grandmother of Keith Lanning, husband of Edith C. Lanning. Small world.

<sup>45</sup> The family of Amos Bland and Mary Malinda Hevener listed below may not be complete. Edith Lanning makes not note of Henry F. Bland (January 4, 1864 - July 17, 1889) , previously listed as a son. Also correspondents with Edith identify a Key and Doit Bland as well as J. William Bland as additional sons. Lanning, p. 73.

<sup>46</sup> William's first wife was Lydia Helmick, sister of Elizabeth Helmick Bland, wife of James S. Bland (See below p. 29).

(e) Julia Bland (C1870 - ) married George Blaich, (C1869 - ) September 19, 1893. They had two children; (f) Mary Ella Bland (September 1875 - ); (g) George Bland (October 12, 1876 - ); (H) Walter Bland (October 1878 - ).

(4). Lucinda Bland (April 29 1834- November 6, 1911) married John Wesley Dolly (1823-1894) October 17, 1851. Lucinda and John had four children.

(5) George Washington Bland (April 25, 1836 - living 1910) married Virginia "Jennie" Whitecotton (July 6, 1844 - July 7, 1904) about 1861 and moved with her to Champaign and McClean County, Illinois. George and Jennie are buried at the Mount Hope Cemetery in Fisher Illinois. Their children were

(a) James P. Bland (C1862 - Living in 1900), married Sarah Heavener or Sadie Hemline (November 1865 - ). Whichever woman was his wife, they had one known child; (b) John W. Bland (C1864 - ) married Lillian Fisher and they had six children; (c) a son who died in infancy; (d) William P. Bland (C1868 - )<sup>47</sup>; (e) Mary C. Bland (C1870 - ), who married George Skidmore (a photo of Mary is displayed on page 29); (f) Anna Bland "died early"; (g) Benjamin F. Bland (C1872 - Living in 1910). Benjamin married Grace Cleveland (July 1875 - living in 1910) about 1894. They had five children; (h) Albert M. "Mat" Bland (June 1873 - living in 1910) in Saybrook, McClean County Illinois. Albert married first Grace Taylor, (November 1874 - ) and second M. Dozier. Albert had a single daughter.<sup>48</sup>

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<sup>47</sup> (From AC 1-2, p. 25) Corrine Abbott Bland, Island Lake Illinois, wrote me about her ancestor William Bland (March 5, 1866 to April 20, 1920) who was born in Sidney, Champaign Illinois) a son of Allen Bland and Hannah Watkins. Allen and Hannah's children were: William (1866-1920) above. William married Emma May Giberson (1873-1941) in Macon County Illinois, November 15, 1892 or 1893. They had ten children born between 1894-1910, including Corrine Mildred Bland who married Robert Steele Abbott. James married Evie Nettie Bland, but no close relation. Children were Marcus, Lewis, James, Melvin, Nellie and Emil. John married Mary \_\_\_\_\_ and they had children, Mary Opal and Alla (maybe ella).

A Nine year differential between John, James and William suggests that Allen married twice.

<sup>48</sup> Albert's father is living with him in the 1910 Census. Lanning lists a "male" bland born February 11, 1880 and listed as the thirteenth child. Children 10, 11 and 12 are not noted.



Mary Bland Skidmore (p. 28, Par (5) (e))

(6). Mary Bland (1840- ) married Andrew Jack Simpson, (C1836 - ) September 1, 1859. They had six children.

(7). John W. Bland (May 1840 - January 6, 1905) did not marry. He was crippled, hare-lipped and was known as "hornick".<sup>49</sup> John was buried in the Bland-Harper Cemetery in Riverton West Virginia.

(8). Eli Perry Bland ((1842- March 2, 1862). Eli Perry Bland was killed while serving in Captain Joseph Lantz' company for the Confederate Army. Union soldiers killed him and by one account, dragged his body down a mountain and tossed it across a fence.

(9) James Stickley Bland (January 23, 1845 - January 27, 1917). James married Elizabeth Helmick (July 10, 1851-February 17, 1941)<sup>50</sup> in Farmer City, McClean County, Illinois on July 23, 1871. Later he lived in Empire township and died in Dewitt County Illinois. James enlisted in Company A, 18th Virginia Volunteer Cavalry, in 1862. He fought at the battles of Fisher's Hill, Winchester, New Market, Lynchburg and Gettysburg. He was captured by the Union Forces in September 1864 and confined at Camp Chase, Ohio until the end of the war.

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<sup>49</sup> Just so you know I know, we'd call him "physically challenged" today.

<sup>50</sup> A photo of James Stickley Bland and Elizabeth Helmick is displayed in AC 5-2, p. 38. I received several clippings from Mollie Grant, including a notice of Elizabeth Hemlick's death, a family group sheet and an extract from the McClean County Illinois, Album.

After the Civil War, James returned to Pendleton County but left in 1867, staying briefly in Champaign then Dewitt Counties. When James married Elizabeth Hemlick he settled in McClean County and stayed put. The children of James S. Bland and Elizabeth Hemlick were:

(a) Ashby Stickley Bland (December 26, 1871 -December 8, 1961), who married Florence Belle Dever (December 13, 1876 - November 26, 1918) on April 17, 1893. Late in his life, Ashby married Emma B. Poug (1882-1965). Ashby is buried near Urbana Illinois.<sup>51</sup> He and Florence Dever had nine children; (b) Mary A. Bland (January 8, 1874 -January 31, 1978) who married Theodore Lappin. She is buried in the Asbury Cemetery in Green Hill Indiana. Mary Bland and Theodore Lappin had five children;<sup>52</sup> (c) Harriet Bland, (C1876 - ) who married first, Mike Walden and second, Clayton J. Wilson. Harriet died in Ohio. She had two children by each husband; (d) Walter Elihu Bland (July 11, 1878 - June 17, 1964). Walter married Lena May Wilson (1884-1930). Walter is buried at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Farmer City Illinois. He and Lena had a family of six children; (e) Ewell Bland (1882-1898); (f) Surrade "Bessie" Bland (September 3, 1883-December 3, 1912) married Harry Ogdon, a barber; (g) Clara Delle Bland (November 21, 1885 - 1949) married Arthur Dever, ( - 1946), brother of Ashby Stickley Bland's wife on January 19 or 20, 1920. There were no children; (h) Bertha E. Bland (1890-1897).

(10). Benjamin Franklin Bland (1848- ) moved to Champaign County, Brown Township, Illinois. He married Sara Agnes Caton August 19, 1870.<sup>53</sup> Their children were:

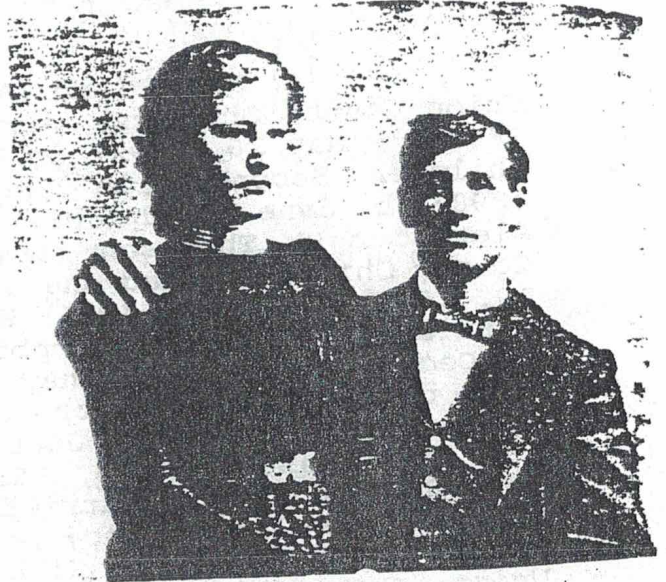
(a) Floyd Bland (June 8, 1871 - November 3, 1903); (b) Myrtle Bland (November 23, 1872 - February 17, 1892). Myrtle was a single housemaid; (c) Flick Bland (March 30, 1874 - ); (d) Henry Bland (CSeptember 10, 1875 - January 1, 1906); (e) Carrie Bland (April 24, 1879 - February 17, 1902). Carrie was a housemaid and she died single;<sup>54</sup> (f) Eddie Bland (March 29, 1887 - ).

<sup>51</sup> A photo of Ashby Stickley Bland and Florence Belle Dever is displayed in AC 5-2, p. 38.

<sup>52</sup> A photo of Mary Bland Lappin is displayed in AC 5-2, p. 38.

<sup>53</sup> Sarah Agnes was the sister of Martha B. Caton, who married Enoch Dice Bland. (See below, p. 48).

<sup>54</sup> Henry, Carrie and Myrtle are buried at the Willowbrook cemetery in Fisher Illinois. All three died of tuberculosis. The deaths of these siblings apparently prompted the youngest son, Eddie, to take his mother away to Washington Territory.



Henry Bland (1875-1906), Myrtle Bland (1872-1892) and Floyd Bland (1871-1903), P. 30, (10) (d) (b) and (a).  
Courtesy of Edith Lanning

E. Saul or Solomon Bland (May 23, 1800 - February 19, 1877). Saul was the fifth son of Henry Bland and Margaret Weirich. Saul was born in Pendleton County Virginia. In the 1820s, he moved to Crawford County, then in the 1830s to Clark County and after the Civil War, Saul, then in his sixties, settled at Milford Center, Union County, Ohio, where he died in 1877. Saul married Abigail Phares (March 27, 1804 - July 31, 1890)<sup>55</sup> on February 19, 1823. Saul and Abigail had a family of twelve children, including:

(1) Peter Bland (March 31 or April 30, 1824 - December 14 1870) who married (1) Elizabeth Reed (December 12, 1826 - November 16, 1860) in Champaign County Illinois on June 24, 1846. My records show a second marriage to Martha E. Morse. Edith Lanning does not cite Martha as a second wife but it must be true, because

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<sup>55</sup> Abigail's name has always fascinated me. It is of Irish derivation, as is my mother's maiden name, which she spells Faries, though others spell it Farris.

Elizabeth Reed died in 1860 and Peter had a daughter Evangeline born in 1862.<sup>56</sup> Peter Bland and Elizabeth Reed had the following family:

(a) Nile Bland (August 8, 1848 - ) who lived in Milford, Union County Ohio and married Anna Jane or Lean Turpin (July 16, 1857 - May 26, 1892) on December 3, 1873. Nile and Anna had two children. Second, Nile married Sarah Moody (1839-1921) on June 16, 1898; (b) Jane Bland (July 18, 1850 - March 16, 1922). Jane married Alexander H. Thompson (1848-1911) on October 19, 1871 in Union County Ohio. They had one daughter; (c) William W. Bland (November 10, 1851 - March 7, 1923) William died in Pekin Illinois. William married first, Lillie Campbell (June 22, 1867 - September 11, 1887, on December 24, 1884. They had one daughter and Lillie appears to have died in child birth. Second, William married Gertrude Pantz (June 29, 1867 - ) on January 16, 1890. They had three children; (d) John Bland (June 8, 1853 - January 26, 1878). He may be the same John Bland who married Anna Howser on March 19 or March 23, 1873 in Pike County Ohio; (e) Abigail Bland (May 24, 1855 - May 10, 1931) who married Ira Kimball (1848-1928) on March 19, 1873 in Union County Ohio. They had four children<sup>57</sup>;

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<sup>56</sup> Lanning, p. 92, shows Peter Bland married to Martha Morse July 3, 1861, in Union County Ohio. Because of the Champaign County Ohio Connection, I would be glad to hear from anyone who might clarify the proper place for a family first brought to my attention by Alda Clayton Vitz, Fort Thomas Kentucky, (AC1-2, pp. 3-4). **Lewis Bland** (C1799 - ) of Kentucky who married **Martha LeMasters** on October 11, 1820 in Shelby County Ohio. Lewis and Martha named their first son "Rolla" , suggesting a link to the Washington County Kentucky Family.

**Lewis** had a brother **John Bland**, who was living in adjacent **Zane** Township in 1820, Logan and Champaign Counties, Ohio, also about 1820. Logan County Ohio had antecedent roots in Champaign County and the Virginia Military district which extended from the Ohio River north to Logan County. It was the northern point of a 6,000 acre land grant to Theodorick Bland (1740-1790) of the James River Family. **John** married **Rebecca Johnston** on June 14, 1822. Rebecca evidently remarried to Joseph Lippincott August 31, 1825 in Champaign County. suggesting that John Bland died perhaps about 1824.

<sup>57</sup> One of these was Anna Clair Kimball, who married Harlan Edgar King, parents of Edith Lanning's correspondent Edna Claire King Warren, who wrote of her grandmother Abigail Bland "Grandmother was short, fat, with a great sense of humor and I loved her dearly. She had beautiful white hair - I don't remember her any other way. . . I talked all the time and she used to say, 'Edna, come back, you have gone off and left your mouth running



(f) Elizabeth Bland (October 18, 1860 - March 14, 1922) married James H. McClintock (1855 - ) on November 12, 1890. Evidently, James had children by a former marriage but none with Elizabeth Bland; (g) Evangeline Bland (June 22, 1862 - February 10, 1929). Evangeline married Albert L. Black (1861 - ) and second John R. Dudley (1860-1919) on August 31, 1915. By his second marriage, Peter Bland had Eliza Bland who married a McClintock and Eva Bland who married a \_\_\_\_\_ Black.

(2) John Bland (July 14, 1825 - January 30, 1900).<sup>58</sup> John died in Waldo, Ohio. He married two women, first Margaret Kennedy or Cannady (April 30, 1826 - July 7, 1873) probably March 16, 1848, in Belmont County Ohio and second Electra Jones (December 24, 1870 - ) on March 29, 1890. John's children by Margaret Kennedy included:

(a) Mary Anna Bland (May or July 4, 1849 - January 28, 1866); (b) Robert Kennedy Bland (August 15, 1851 - May 29, 1906). Robert married Adeline F. Crawford (C1866 - ) on September 14, 1885. They had one son, Harry and perhaps three other children<sup>59</sup>; (c) John Lewis Bland (December 8, 1851 - September 14, 1889) who died in Pleasant Township, Hardin County Ohio. He married Nancy H. McDowell (June 8, 1848 - May 19, 1875) at Union County, Ohio, October 7, 1873. By this marriage, John had a single daughter<sup>60</sup> After the death of Nancy McDowell, John Lewis married Orra Boal Coe on September 28, 1876. They had four children<sup>61</sup> (d) George Washington Bland (April 7, 1853 - March 22, 1877). George married Anna Jane Kennedy on April 28, 1874, and they had one daughter; (e) Saul Bland (also listed as Solomon) (January 20, 1856 - April 25, 1881) married Ella Kennedy June 27, 1876. They had no children;

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again. I think uncle George inherited his sense of fun from Grandmother- not from Grandfather because he was very gruff and serious." Lanning, p. 88.

<sup>58</sup> A photo of John Bland and his grand daughter Anna Lulu Bland (1874-1902), daughter of John Lewis Bland, is displayed in AC 4-2, p. 19.

<sup>59</sup> Two of the other three children are George and Robert G. Bland. Lanning, p. 89

<sup>60</sup> Anna Lulu Bland (1874-1902), the grandmother of Mary Louise MiLer Beery, a correspondent who has supplied helpful information for this line.

<sup>61</sup> Lanning, pp. 89-90.

(f) Emma Bland, (February 19, 1857 - December 31, 1885) married William Osborn; (g) Madoria or Dora Bland (1859-1875) did not marry; (h) Sarah Bland (April 17, 1860 - September 17, 1860); (i) Rebecca Bland, born February 12, 1862 died the following day; (j) John J. Bland (April 8, 1864 - July 26, 1904) <sup>62</sup> John married Rosa A. Gompf in Marion County Ohio on March 12, 1885; (k) Margaret Bland (January 8, 1866 - 1929) Margaret died in California. She was married to an unknown (to us) man on December 27, 1885; (l) Hester Bland, born January 24, 1868, died two weeks later. (m) Jonah Bland (October 9, 1870 - 1954) married Ella Gompf, in Marion County Ohio on December 24, 1872. †

(3). Mary Ann Bland, (June 9, 1827 - November 9, 1910) who married Peleg Cranston (1826-1911) on December 24, 1846 and moved to Ohio with him. They had four children.

(4). Sarah J. Bland, (January 11, 1829 - March 18, 1850) who married John Cranston (1829-1877) on November 11, 1847, and moved with him to Ohio. They had two children.

(5). Emeline Bland (December 2, 1831 - March 20, 1907, married John Cranston, widower of her sister Sarah, (4) above, on December 1, 1850 They had two children. Old John, who knew his Bland women, had five children with Emeline.

(6) Melchizza "Chise" Bland (January 22, 1833 - November 22, 1905). Melchiza moved to Missouri and Oklahoma, where he died. He married Sarah Elizabeth Long (February 25, 1848 - Mary 27, 1924) on March 24, 1866 or 1868 at Savannah Andrew Missouri. Their children were:

(a) George D. Bland (September 10, 1870 - after September 1938) who married a woman whose identity is unknown, on August 7, 1898 had two daughters who died young; (b) Edmond Bland (1872-1873); (c) Willie F. "Bill" Bland (May 5, 1874 - died before 1938) who married a woman whose identity is unknown on December 25, 1899 but had no children; (d) James Bland (July 23, 1876 - September 14, 1938) died in Oklahoma. James married Elizabeth Amanda Brickers July 2, 1902, but divorced her. They had one son, Richard Parks

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<sup>62</sup> Dates I earlier noted for John J. Bland June 8, 1863 - January 26, 1878 dates are questionable, particularly since he married in 1885.

Bland, no doubt named after the great "Silver Dick"<sup>63</sup>; (e) Earnest C. Bland (1881-1883); (f) Abbie Bland (September 6, 1884 - Before 1938) who married first \_\_\_\_\_ Bulow on December 24, 1902, by whom she had one child and second, \_\_\_\_\_ Morse in February 1913.

(7) Emily Bland (January 30, 1835 -September 4, 1893) who married Alson Bronson (1826-1892) on August 10, 1855 and moved with him to Ohio.

(8) Eliza Jane Bland (February 3, 1837 - April 23, 1908) who married Ira Mitchell (1835-1883) on October 14, 1858. Born and died in Ohio. They had two children.

(9) Oliver P. Bland (March 6, 1840 - ) born in Ohio.

(10) Susan Bland (March 4, 1842 - March 25, 1905) born and died in Ohio, married Albert Witter (1840-1906) on February 2, 1867. They had four children.

(11) Huldah Bland (April 13, 1844 - ) born and died in Ohio. Huldah married Elias Hathaway (1844-1926) on September 25, 1867 in Union County Ohio.

(12) George Washington Bland (July 2, 1847 - January 5, 1912) born in Ohio, died in Michigan, married Mercy M. Turner, (C1852 - ) on March 20, 1873. Their children were (a) Harold Bland (May 29, 1875 - ); and (b) Clarence Bland (1877-1877).

F. William Bland (C1801 - died before 1830), William moved from Pendleton County to Muskingom Ohio, and married Sidney Gadd (C1804 - ) on September 30, 1824, in Muskingom County Ohio. Edith Lanning reports Case Number 936 in Muskingom County in which this William Bland is shown as deceased. The 1830 Census of Muskingom County shows Sidney living alone with a son under 5 and a daughter under 5. The 1850 Census shows Sidney living alone with Saul Bland (1825 - ) and Margaret Bland (1828 - ). Saul Bland married Margaret Gorsach on November 9, 1849 in Muskingom County Ohio. The 1850 Census also shows a daughter in law Ellen Bland (1822- ) living close by with her children, David Bland (1842 - ); Ivy S. Bland (1844 - ); Cliffie Bland (1848 - ) and Clintie Bland (1848 - ) perhaps twins. The 1860 census also shows that the above Saul and Margaret Bland were son and daughter in law of William Bland and Sidney Gadd. By 1860, they are living close to Sidney and are shown

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<sup>63</sup> Richard Parks Bland (1902-1966) married Fannie Fern Cobb and they had Richard Parks Bland (1928 - ) who married Jeanette Maxine Bickley, whom we know as Jeanette Bickley Bland, Richardson Texas, who did a yeoman's job of indexing Volumes 6-10 of "Among Cousins".

aged 35 and 31 respectively, with children Alphena Bland (1853 - ); Francis M. Bland (1854 - ); Columbia Bland (1856 - ); William Bland (1857 - ); and Flora Bland (1859 - ).<sup>64</sup>

G. Margaret Bland (C1803 - ). She married James Davis in Pendleton County November 24, 1818. They had 13 children.<sup>65</sup>

H. Mary A. "Mollie" Bland (C1804 - living in 1860). Mollie married Solomon Teter in Pendleton County July 19, 1826. They had nine children.<sup>66</sup>

I. Isabel Bland (C1805 - ) married David Florin (or Flinn) February 4, 1822.

J. Sidney Bland (October 28, 1809-October 18, 1861) married Philip Teter (1801-1871) on June 27, 1826. They had fifteen children.<sup>67</sup>

K. Unnamed Infant (See P. 157)

L. Phoebe Bland (June 1814 - was still living in 1900). She married Zebedee Warner (1807-1891) on June 4, 1835. Several of the children of Phoebe and Zebedee intermarried with other Bland cousins. Phoebe and Zebedee had a family of ten children.<sup>68</sup>

By Mary Dolly, his second wife, Henry Bland (1770-1853) had the following children:

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<sup>64</sup> Discussion that separates William Bland, son of Henry Bland, (1770-1853) from William Bland, son of Thomas Bland (1740-1826) appears in Lanning inter alia, pp. 25, 30, 53, 155-156. Page 156 is displaced to follow page 177 in Edith's book. and 178 follows 155.

<sup>65</sup> Lanning, at p. 157-A, hypothesizes that Margaret may be a daughter of the elder Thomas Bland and Margaret \_\_\_\_\_. Margaret's family is discussed in Lanning, pp. 168-170.

<sup>66</sup> The extended family of Mary Bland and Solomon Teter is discussed in Lanning, pp. 93-125.

<sup>67</sup> The family of Sidney Bland and Philip Teter is discussed in Lanning, pp. 126-155.

<sup>68</sup> Phoebe Bland's and Zebedee Warner's family is discussed in Lanning, pp. 171-187.

M. Zane Bland (C1817 - C1852) Zane Bland is found in Huntington County Pennsylvania, living with Isaac Gorsuch and married to Harriet \_\_\_\_\_ (C1822-) in the 1850 census. He was a Methodist preacher who died in Cumberland County, probably in Pennsylvania. In a letter to me, citing records in Macon County Missouri, Edith C. Lanning of Dunnellon Florida, shows that there was a Zane W. Bland, the "one child and heir" of Zane Sr. and Harriet, married to Emma F. \_\_\_\_\_ Bland in 1896-1897 Zane W. Bland laid claim to his father's share of the estate of Henry Bland (1770-1853) and Mary Dolly. Also noted in his claim were Zane senior's sister Lucinda Bland, Zane's brother Stewart D. Bland and Virginia his wife of Todd County Kentucky (AC 4-2, p. 41), who outlived Lucinda, Harvey Bland and Melissa, his wife, of Shelby County, Illinois, and Henry James Bland and his wife Annot, of Santa Clara County California.<sup>69</sup>

N. George Washington Bland (April 9, 1818 - March 16, 1889). George stayed in Pendleton County. He married Caroline (perhaps Barnett) Woods (1828-1849) on August 9, 1847. They had:

(1) James Bland (C1848-) ~~although some members of the family think he went to California and became a lawyer and Morton thinks he might have been a minister in Ohio, I at least, think his parentage was confused because in the 1850 census, James was counted in the household of Henry Bland then 80 and Mary Dolly, then 54. Edith has proposed that he might in fact have been the first son of George Washington Bland. I will go a step further and say I think it is so, and hope some family historian will come along to affirm or disprove the assertion.~~<sup>70</sup>

George Washington Bland remarried March 3, 1849 (Wow! Talk about Fast Work!) to Margaret Skidmore (March 30, 1832 - February 25, 1910). The children of George Washington Bland and Margaret Skidmore were:

<sup>69</sup> Pendleton Co, WV  
Macon County Missouri Deed Book 34, February 15, 1896, p. 179 and Deed Book 35, July 27, 1897 p. 234, cited in Lanning, p. 202. Also cf AC 4-2, p. 14, and AC 7-2, p. 37.

<sup>70</sup> Lanning, pp. 188, 205. One must remember that if James were the son of Henry Bland and Mary Dolly, she would have been 52 at the time of his birth, which though not impossible, is a long stretch. Also, keep in mind that Stewart Bland was born in 1839, a full nine years before James. It seems logical to me that Stewart was the last child of Henry and Mary, when she was 43. Besides, Stewart was such a masterpiece of work that no one could possibly improve on him.

see AC 13, R. 81

(2) Mary Elizabeth Bland (October 28, 1850 - C1940) who married Solomon K. Huffman, (C1844-1924) about 1870. They had three children.

(3) Martha Ellen Bland (June 5, 1853 - April 8, 1934) who married John Huffman (1853-1924) on April 8, 1874. They had ten children.

(4) Zane W. Bland (C1857-1869).

(5) Annie C. Bland (October 15, 1858-December 13, 1895) who married David Miles Day (1853- ) about 1876. They had five children.

(6) Alice Bland (February 22, 1862 - 1933) married Simeon Harper (1855-1923) in 1879. They had three children.

(7) Arabella Bland (September 1866 - C1915) married George W. Butcher (1866- ) on September 30, 1892. They had four children.

(8) Clara Bland (April 9, 1868 - July 20, 1936) married Henry Harper (1870-1940) on April 3, 1888. They had seven children.

(9) Steward L. Bland (June 5, 1872- 1946). Steward married Delvena or Delzene "Della" Sites (1867-1944) August 1, 1892. Their children were:

(a) Byron Stanley Bland (December 23, 1895 - December 3, 1958). Byron married Erma Harper ( - 1980) and they had six children; (b) Eva Lena Bland (January 12, 1893 - November 26, 1984). Eva married Don Lee Sponaule (1891-1932) on September 8, 1914. They had four children Eva married, second, Walter Tyler on March 10, 1937; (c) Gae Nell Bland (June 29, 1884 - May 21, 1984) married Delbert Lear of Mayfield Kentucky; (d) Van Kirk "Bub" Bland (September 17, 1897 - September 30, 1968) married Lulu Harper; (e) Harry Bland (1901-1902); (f) Delmer or Delmas Bland (May 28, 1906 - June 14, 1936) married Mary Arthur. They had one daughter; (g) Sampson Bland (February 2, 1908 - September 1969).<sup>71</sup> Sampson was a school teacher and Principal of Dixie Elementary School at Riverton West Virginia. He married Leota Louraine Whiting (1904-1960) and they had five children.

(10) Zella Mae Bland (January 30, 1875 - October 8, 1967). Zella married John Vernon Harmon (1880-1968) on December 30, 1898. They had seven children.

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<sup>71</sup> The Sites Genealogy, available to Edith Lanning, gives Sampson's dates as February 2, 1907 to August 29, 1969.

O. Adam Bland (May 31, 1821 - C1861) Adam Bland may have been killed in the Civil War. Edith Lanning says Adam was a Methodist preacher who went to California and maybe to Pennsylvania. Edith also thinks he served beginning April 1861 in the CSA. Company A, Twenty-Fifth Virginia Regiment, Jones Brigade and that he died in service. Adam Bland was listed in the Monroe County, Virginia Census, 1850, aged 30, with a wife Ellen \_\_\_\_, age 19. This couple did not appear among the pre-1850 marriage records. <sup>72</sup>

P. Henry James Bland (December 8, 1822 - 1905). Henry went to California about 1857 and must have died there. He was living in Santa Clara County California on July 27, 1897. Henry was executor of Henry's will in 1850 and perhaps used his proceeds to move to California after becoming a Methodist preacher. He married Annot Lyle Steele. They had one son:

(1) Henry Meade Bland (April 21, 1863 - 1927) who was born in Fairfield, California. Henry Meade Bland was a poet and educator listed in Who's Who in America. He married Annabelle Mabel Haskell on July 25, 1888 and they had three children:

(a) Henry Morton Bland; (b) Annot Mildred Bland who married Aloysius McCormack; and (c) Harold Bland.

Q. Duane Bland (c1823/1824 - ) Died young.

R. Jesse Bland (C. 1825 - living in 1880). apparently did not marry. He was disabled and is shown living with his mother and later with his sister Lucinda.

S. Annis Bland (C1826 - 1860).

T. Harvey Bland (July 18, 1827 - May 2, 1900). married Melissa Stokeley (January 26, 1831 - ) on January 16, 1851 in Wyandot County Ohio. Melissa was a twin of Malinda Stokeley (1831-1907) wife of Thomas Bland noted above (p.) Harvey and Melissa are buried at Shelbyville Illinois. They were parents of the following children:

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<sup>72</sup> There is some uncertainty about Adam that leads one to be tentative in writing about him. For example, there is a marriage in Botetourt County, Virginia, just adjacent to Monroe County, February 15, 1848 between Adam Bland and Caroline Kimberlane. Also, it is not absolutely certain whether Adam was the Civil War soldier who enlisted in 1861 in a Virginia unit. He would have done so after traveling to California and possibly to Pennsylvania. Adam is discussed in Lanning, p. 202.

(1) Silas Zane Bland (November 1851 - ). Silas was born at Bell Vernon Ohio.

(2) Hannah Annis Bland (May 3, 1854 - ) also born at Bell Vernon Ohio, married David Henry Pawley May 29, 1873, at Effingham Illinois. They had a family of five children, all buried at Bono, now Toronto Cemetery at Dana Indiana.

U. Asa Perry Bland (C1832- ) married Ellen Kitchen and moved to Grant, Kansas. No such couple turns up in the 1880 or 1900 Kansas Census, indicating Asa and Ellen were dead or had moved on.

V. Lucinda "Old Luce" Bland (August 22, 1836 - September 27, 1902). did not marry, but was evidently a generous soul, who cared for her brother Jesse (R above) and also donated her land for the Riverton Methodist Church. She was known as "Old Luce". Lucinda is said to have lived in a house in Riverton with a bath-tub on the third floor which had a sky window that heated the bath water.<sup>73</sup>

W. Stewart or Stuart Bland (C1839 - living in 1902). During the Civil War, Stewart enlisted as a private in Company F, 1st Regiment, Virginia Partisan Rangers, on September 5, (year uncertain, probably 1861). He appears to have deserted from this enlistment, whereupon he served as a lieutenant in CSA Company A, 18th Regiment. He was an expert marksman who led several raids on enemy forces and fought in the Battle of Harman Hills and was wounded in battle. Stewart was responsible for rescuing George Harper, the father of his wife. Though Harper had previously objected to Stewart's marriage to his daughter, the rescue left him favorably disposed though Stewart was a disreputable thief and scoundrel. While in the Confederacy he was charged with encouraging his men to steal a bee hive at Brook's Gap, Rocking Ham County Virginia on February 19, 1863. He was also charged with offering to pay a private under his command to steal hay to feed his horse at Lacy Springs on March 13, 1863. He was found unfit to lead as an officer and was forced to return to the ranks and confined at Camp Washington. He was later transferred to Fort Delaware. This placed Stewart among a group known as the "Immortal 600." They were later taken to Charleston S.C. , kept in a "pine pole prison pig pen," on Morris Island, starved and bombarded for 45 days and then transferred again, some to Fort Pulaski and some to Hilton Head. Only one third of them, including Stewart and three

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<sup>73</sup> A photo of Lucinda Bland is displayed in AC 8-1, p. 10. A letter from Elsie Harper Cooper to Mary Harper Smith, in possession of Edith Lanning, is very descriptive of Lucinda's generosity of spirit and is cited in Lanning, pp. 203-204.



other Penedleton County natives, survived and were ultimately returned to Fort Delaware. Stewart was released from Fort Delaware on June 15, 1865. He was described in his prison record as six feet tall, fair skin, blue eyes, a farmer.<sup>74</sup>

Two months later on August 22, 1865, Stewart married Virginia Harper (C1843 - ), daughter of George Harper, who, owing his life to Stewart, thought he could afford a daughter to him. Stewart and Virginia traveled to Montgomery County Virginia and then to Todd County Kentucky, by way of Tennessee, where they were found in the 1900 census. Todd County is adjacent to Logan County, which in those days anyway, was a repository for criminals, lawyers, doctors, school teachers, ministers of the gospel and other social misfits.. Perhaps old Stewart felt right at home. Stewart Bland and Virginia Harper had the following children:

- (1) Mollie Bland (C1866 - )
- (2) Fannie K. Bland (C1868 - )
- (3) G. Howard Bland (C1870 - ). In the 1900 census of Todd County, is married to Sallie \_\_\_\_\_ age 29.
- (4) H.T. Bland, (C1873 - ).
- (5) Ross Bland (C1878 - ) Ross married Mary Simmons, (c1883 - ).

This ends the genealogy of the family of Henry Bland and his two wives.

The remaining children of Thomas Bland and Margaret \_\_\_\_\_.

4. GEORGE BLAND (C1776- ) died young.

Thomas Bland (1740-1826) married Rachel Shoulders about 1797 and by her had:

5. SUSANNAH BLAND (C1800 - ) Married George Washington Raines (December 20, 1794 - November 7, 1856), January 10, 1820, in Pendleton County Virginia.<sup>75</sup> Their children were:

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<sup>74</sup> Stewart's Civil War story is recounted by Edith Lanning, pp. 204-205.

<sup>75</sup> Susannah was thought for a long time to be a daughter of Henry Bland and his first wife, but information sent to Edith Lanning by Nedra Brill, from the West Virginia University Archives, validates Susannah's position as a daughter of Thomas Bland and Rachel Shoulders. Envelope 13 states "This is to certify that we have no objection against George Washington Raines having our

A. Toibias Raines (July 3, 1820 - December 13, 1862). Tobias was a Civil War Soldier killed at the Battle of Big Run. He is buried at grave 1999 at Camp Chase Ohio. He married Elizabeth Harper on November 17, 1841. They had a family of ten children.

B. Morgan Raines (March 5, 1821 - ). Morgan married Phoebe Bennett (C1828 - May 8, 1883). They had seven children.

C. Eunice Raines married William Leach or Leitch.

D. Isaac Raines married Mary Harman.

E. Elizabeth Raines married Michael H. Hinkle, August 27, 1846.

F. Mahala Raines married Jacob Flinn on October 22, 1846.

G. Huldah Raines married Jacob Slagle April 17, 1851.

H. George Raines

I. Mary Raines married Peter Wimer.

J. Susannah Raines (September 3, 1833 - December 13, 1910) married John Borrer (1832-1897) on October 12, 1853. They had five children.

K. Sidney Raines married Noah Stagle or Slagle.

L. Jacob Raines

6. ENOCH BLAND (January 9, 1804 - October 27, 1882). He married twice to Naomi Teter (C1808-1833) on December 5, 1826. He had a child by a woman named Catherine Lambert and secondly, Enoch married Mary Ann Harper (January 8, 1811-February 10, 1882) on June 23, 1836,<sup>76</sup> By Naomi Teter, Enoch had two children:<sup>77</sup>

A. Jane Bland (C1826/1828 - June 16, 1899) married Jesse Wybright (1817-1864), on November 15, 1849. Waybright was ambushed and killed during the Civil War, outside his house. They had two children.

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daughter Susannah Bland in the sate of marriage from under our hands this 5 day of January 1820." Lanning, pp. 157-166 esp 157a-b.

<sup>76</sup> A photo of Enoch Bland and Mary Ann Harper is displayed in AC 4-2, p. 20.

<sup>77</sup> Enoch's family is discussed in Lanning, pp. 213-264

B. Johnson Bland (February 15, 1829 - August 30, 1897) married Sallie Lawrence (October 1829 - August 19, 1914), probably about 1851. Johnson was in the CSA, Company C, 62nd Regiment of Virginia Infantry, captured and sent to Fort Chase, exchanged October 1864. He was described as 5'9", fair, gray eyes, light hair.<sup>78</sup>

The children of Johnson Bland and Sarah (Sallie) Lawrence were:

(1) Isaac J. Bland (May 16, 1852 - February 8, 1896).<sup>79</sup> Before his marriage, Isaac had by Cass Bennett a child named Kennie Bland (1867-1888). Isaac married Susan P. Hedrick (May 30, 1856 - March 17, 1925) on September 25, 1877. Their children were:

(a) Olen Bland, (C1877-1946), who married Ada E. Dove (C1874-1933) on October 14, 1905; (b) Walter J. Bland (March 21, 1880 - June 11, 1958), married Anna Phares (1886-1967) on October 25, 1905. They had four children; (c) Rolla "Rollie" Bland (December 23, 1881 - March 25, 1966). Rolla married Belva L. Thompson (1888-1973) on January 2, 1908. They had a single daughter; (d) Fannie Etony Bland (November 23, 1883 - February 9, 1966), married Green J. Sponaugle (1877-1966) on November 6, 1901; (e) Cora J. Bland (1887-1899); (f) Bessie E. Bland (August 24, 1889 - June 8, 1907), married Henry Clay Teter on December 24, 1905; (g) Sallie Bland (April 1892 - ); (h) Birdie A. Bland (1895-1897).

(2) Susan Bland (C1855 - ) Before her marriage, Susan had a child by one Jacob Wimer. His name was Elmer Wimer (C1776 - ) who himself married Lertha Susan Huffman (1881-1976) on June 7, 1897. Susan married Martin Decatur Bennett on February 2, 1884. They had five children.

(3) Christina Bland (February 11, 1855 - March 10, 1875). Christina did not marry.

(4) Enoch Bland (C1862 - ). Enoch married Carrie Shirk (C1771- ) on September 1, 1889. There is no information about whether they had children.

(5) Lee Bland (October 20, 1863 - January 18, 1916) married Lucy F. Bennett, (April, 1871 - October 11, 1940). a cousin, (daughter of Isaac Newton Bland) on January 25, 1885. Their children were (a) Kenny Johnson Bland (May 6, 1886 - March 18 1961) who married Annie Rooney Vandevander (1890-1962). They had nine children; (b) Curtis Patrick Bland (January 23, 1889 - October 23, 1961) who married Grace Warner (1900-1983) about 1915.

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<sup>78</sup> A photo of Johnson Bland and Sarah Lawrence is displayed in AC 4-2, p. 20.

<sup>79</sup> His tombstone says he was born June 1, 1851.

They had ten children; (c) Etta Jane Bland (March 11, 1893 - February 20, 1954) who married Jessie Howard Warner (1892-1962) on May 11, 1913.

(6) Mary Bland (October 20, 1863 - ) is said by Edith Lanning to be a twin sister of Lee Bland (5) above. Mary married Martin V. Huffman, (C1866 - ) June 30, 1888. They had twin boys and Mary died soon after her first child birth.

(7) Sarah Jane Bland (June 9, 1866 - April 24, 1949). She had a son named Virgil Bland (1886-1894). About 1885, she married Henry Jackson "Sonny" Burns (1866-1955), whose sister Laura married Saymour Burns, (8 below). They had five children.

(8) Seymour <sup>Bland</sup> ~~Burns~~ (August 29, 1869 - April, 1949). He married Laura Burns (January 6, 1877 - July 22, 1957) February 1, 1896. Their children were (a) Rettie "Retta" Bland (June 18, 1897 - May 11, 1959) who married Ora Huffman (1892-1961) on September 12, 1914. They had five children; (b) Don Bland (October 3, 1899 - January 26, 1979) who married Tina Huffman, (1900-1973) on August 24, 1919. They had eleven children; (c) Sally Bland (August 22, 1902 - April 5, 1981) married Curtis James Judy in 1922; (d) Mary Bland (April 19, 1905 - September 1929) killed in an accident. She did not marry; (e) Ralph Bland (January 15, 1909 - 1945) married Marjorie I. Nelson (1913-1984) on October 15, 1931. They had three children; (f) Merlie Jane Bland (July 11, 1913 - February 27, 1981) married Dennis Everly on April 21, 1931. They had a single daughter; (g) Golden Jack Bland (October 13, 1916 - ). Golden Jack had a child named Wayne Golden Bland by Mildred Burns. He then married Hazel Madeline Sponaugle on October 3, 1946. They had four children.

(9) Grant Bland (C1871 - ) married Charlotte Harper (C1878 - ) in September 4, 1899. They had:

(a) Titus Bland (1900-1979) who married Margie Mallow Thompson (1898-1976) about 1928. They had four children; (b) an unnamed female child (July 6, 1910 - ).

(10) Jasper "Jade" Bland (March, 1875 - C1923). Jasper did not marry.

(11) D. Newton Bland (May 10, 1875 - September 10, 1886) maybe a twin of Jasper, (10, above).

(12) S. Newton Bland, (1876 - ) might also have been a twin of D. Newton. Possibly also, D. and S. Newton were one and the same.

After the death of Naomi Teter, Enoch Bland had a child by Catherine Lambert:

C. James B. Bland (C1834 - July 12, 1864) James died from wounds incurred during the Civil War. He served in the 62nd Virginia, Company E, 1st Regiment, Virginia Partisan Rangers. He was buried at the Grace Episcopal Church Cemetery in Silver Spring Maryland. On November 15, 1855 married Susan Lawrence (C1832- ). They had:

(1) James Albert Bland (April 1856- ) who married Sarah Alice Nelson (C1856- ) on April 3, 1877. They had five children:

(a) Kenny (January 2, 1877-); (b) Bessie L. Bland (C1879 -) who married Howard D. Colaw, October 24, 1898; (c) W. Otho (May 14, 1882- ); (d) Ethel Bland and (e) Bee.

Enoch Bland had the following children by Mary Ann Harper, his second wife:

D. John A. Bland (December 16, 1835 - October 20, 1904). He married Mary E. Caton (January 11, 1850 - August 11, 1901) on December 18, 1869.

(1) Charles P. Bland (May 1874 - 1950). Charles had by a woman named Callie Shears:

(a) Arlie Bland, (May 16, 1894 - February 27, 1939). Arlie served as a private in World War I, as a private in the 138th Infantry, 35th Division. Arlie married Sally Harper (1904-1979) December 3, 1922. They had four children.

Charles P. Bland married Salinda Sponaugle (1873/1874 - ) on December 27, 1894. They had:

(b) Frank Lester Bland (June 7, 1896 - December 15, 1993) who married Zona Jordan on March 17, 1923. They had four children; (c) Denver Bland (1899-1899); (d) Mary Anna Bland, (May 28, 1900 - ) married Zellie Nelson. They had one daughter who died as an infant; (e) Grace Elizabeth Bland (July 3, 1902 - ). By a cousin, Charles J. Raines, and by Ira Bennett, Grace had two children; (f) Sallie Iva Bland (August 15, 1907 - May 18, 1931). By Robert Raines, Sallie had a son; (g) an unidentified female child, (June 20, 1913 - ).

Charles had by a cousin, Virginia Warner (1883- ), daughter of Ellen Bland and John Wesley Warner:

(h) Geneva Bland, who married Lee Stone and (i) Texie Bland, who married a cousin Harlan Wimer (1920-1967).

(1) Anna V. "Jennie" Bland (July 19, 1877 - before 1956) who married Howard Mauzy, ( - 1945), March 22, 1903.

E. Caroline Bland (C1836-1917). She married first, Elijah Harper, (1838- after 1863) November 6, 1856 and they had four children. Harper went west to California where he died. Second, Caroline married Henry Cunningham on October 29, 1872. Caroline and Henry had eight children.

F. Pleasant D. Bland (October 20, 1838 - November 15, 1914) who married Mary J. Calhoun (April 1848 - December 30, 1922) on November 24, 1866.<sup>80</sup> Their children were:

(1) Delzerena Bland (October 25, 1867 - February 15, 1957) who married her cousin Watson Raines (1863-1939) on April 19, 1885. They had five children.

(2) Lettie C. Bland (July 17, 1870 - May 7, 1944) married John Wilson Warner, (1866 - ) on November 5, 1891. They had ten children.

(3) Martha P. Bland (December, 1872- ) married a cousin Patrick Teter, (C1862 - ) on September 28, 1888. They had seven children.

(4) Mary Etta Bland (September 2, 1882 -October 7, 1980) married Clyde Sponaugle, ( - 1958) August 17, 1904. They had four children.

G. Isaac Newton Bland (January 1841- ). Isaac Newton Bland had by Mary Harper:

(1) Isaac Harper (C1866 - )

(2) Elizabeth Harper (April 21, 1869 - September 24, 1940). Elizabeth married a cousin Edward J. Dolly, (1867-1914) but there were no children.

(3) Tina Harper (1871-1955). Tina married Charles Grant Teter, (1867-1947) and they had three children.

In between these children by Mary Harper, Isaac Newton Bland had by Catherine Cassell:

(4) Kennie Bland (1867-1888).

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<sup>80</sup> A photo of Pleasant Bland and Mary Jane Calhoun is displayed in AC 4-2, p. 20.

(5) Lucy F. Bennett (1871-1940) who married Lee Bland (1863-1916) a cousin.<sup>81</sup>

Isaac Newton Bland married his cousin Annis Susan Warner, a daughter of Zebedee Warner and Phoebe Bland on May 22, 1871.

Their children were:

(6) America Bland (C1872- ), who married Jacob Wimer.<sup>82</sup> They had two children.

(7) Fannie Bland (C1873- ). Fannie had a son named Russell Wimer, (1895-1941). She married Johnson Smith, December 6, 1897. They had twelve children.

(8) Celie Bland (C1876- ) married Ernest Smith.

(9) Silas Bland (C1877-1881)

(10) Oceola Bland (July 14, 1878 - )

(11) Effie Bland (February 25, 1881 - March 22, 1926). Effie had a child named:

(a) Verde Austin Hinkle (1899-1959) who married Gussie Susan Harman, (1901-1968).

Effie married Rollie Huffman (1882-1971) on May 29, 1902.

(12) Isaac Tyre Bland (December 22, 1883 - January 1, 1961) married Sarah \_\_\_\_\_.

(13) Bettie Bland (April 15, 1885 - January 30, 1963) married Claude Harman on July 2, 1902. They had fourteen children.

(14) Peachie Bland (January 1888 - ). Peachie married William or Wilbur Lough, by whom she had three children. Peachie remarried but the name of her second husband is not known to us.

(15) Unnamed child (August 20, 1890 - )

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<sup>81</sup> See above, p. . Long story. Catherine Cassell had married George Bennett, who was killed in the Civil War, so Lucy came to be named Lucy Bennett.

<sup>82</sup> This may be the Mary Bland who married Jacob Wimer. See above p. .

(16) Fred Bland (September, 1891 - ). Fred married Viola Glofelty of Silver Lake Maryland.

(17) Dewitt Bland (August, 1893 - June 19, 1954) married Lula Jenkins. They had no children.

(18) Unnamed child (August 19, 1897 - )

(19) Charles Bland (June 1898 - 1927). Charles died in a car accident but was survived by a wife and son, whose names are not available.

Boy, that Isaac Newton Bland. His uncle Henry must have been proud of him.

H. Phoebe Bland (C1844- ) married David W. Lough on January 7, 1875.

I. Elizabeth Bland (1846- ) married William A. Nelson, November 17, 1870. They had three children.

J. Ellen Bland (July, 1849 - 1929) married her cousin John Wesley Warner, a son of Phoebe Bland, (daughter of old Henry Bland) and Zebedee Warner, on April 1, 1870. They had eleven children.

K. Mary Bland (C1854 - ) married Ambrose Smith May 19, 1874. They had two children.

M. Enoch Dice Bland (April 4, 1855 - April 5, 1929). Enoch had a child by Phoebe Caton:

(1) Lula F. Bland (C1876 - August 26, 1964). Lula married Jacob Kenny Thompson (C1874-1948)

By Ida Judy, Enoch Dice Bland had

(2) Zoe Bland ( - February 16, 1957), who married Frank Warner (C1880-1957). They had seven children.

Enoch Dice Bland married Martha B. "Mattie" Caton (May 1857 - July 15, 1930) on July 21, 1877.<sup>83</sup> Their children were:

(3) Isom Bland (June 8, 1875 - October 7, 1933) who married Effie Harper (September 29, 1889 - October 4, 1965) on March 7, 1926. They had two children:

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<sup>83</sup> A photo of Enoch Dice Bland and Mary Caton is displayed in AC 4-2, p. 20.



(a) Mary Lucille Bland (February 19, 1927 - ) who married William John Dalton (1927 - ). They had two children; (b) Martha Jean Bland (May 31, 1930 - ) married Marvin Luther Sponaugle (1928 - ). They were divorced in 1978. They had two children.

(4) Nora Eaton Bland (September 30, 1879 -March 27, 1903) married Adam Jay Bennett (1879-1959) on October 22, 1900. They had two children.

(5) Sallie Agnes Bland (October 22, 1881 - June 29, 1924) married William Jackson Raines. They had three children.

(6) Bertha Britton Bland (May 12, 1883 - May 13, 1971) married William Edward Phares (1885-1975) on July 3, 1907. They had seven children.

(7) Frank E. Bland (1885-1888).

(8) Edward Clarence Bland (September 12, 1888 - November 19, 1957) married Flora Morral, (November 8, 1896 - September 12, 1958) on November 14, 1915. Their children were:

(a) Ernest Edward Bland (October 11, 1916 - May 7, 1984). Edward married Kate Lucy Bland (November 15, 1912 - December 27, 1986). They had four children; (b) Robert Lester Bland (August 1, 1918 - August 17, 1951). Robert died in a tractor accident. He married Irene Nelson (October 4, 1916 - ) on April 5, 1942. They had three children.

(9) Robert "Boss" Bland (July 7, 1893 - April 20, 1931) By a woman named Ocie Adamson, Robert had:

(a) Hansel Robert Bland (April 18, 1918 - ) who married but we do not know the name of his wife. They had three children. Hansel divorced this first wife and remarried to Josephine Taylor. They had one child.

Robert Bland married Nora Nelson (1901-1987) on November 27, 1920. Their children were:

(b) Richard Henry Bland (May 29, 1921 - ) who married Wilda Mae Hedrick (1926 - ) on November 4, 1944. They had three children; (c) Ruby Mae Bland (December 1, 1922 - ) married Virgil Hahn Swadley on January 3, 1945. Ruby is one of the major historians of this branch of the Bland family. She and Virgil had three children; (c) Charles Coy Bland (January 10, 1928 - ) married Jeanne Dove on July 1, 1949. They had three children.

7. Elizabeth Bland (C1807 - 1856) Elizabeth was the third child of Thomas Bland and Rachel Shoulders.<sup>84</sup> On December 3, 1827 she married Jesse Davis (C1807 - August 14, 1884). Their children were:

- A. Jehu Davis (C1828 - )
- B. Simeon davis (C1830 - )
- C. Susan Davis (C1832 - )
- D. William A. Davis (C1834 - )
- E. Lucinda Davis (C1836 - )
- F. Rachel Davis (C1838 - )
- G. Job Davis (C1840 - )

8. Rachel Bland (C1811 - May 25, 1873). Rachel married Johnson Teter on December 31, 1829. They had a family of seventeen children:<sup>85</sup>

A. Naomi Teter (November 7, 1830 - October 27, 1901. Naomi married Jacob S. Dolly (1827-1880) on March 5, 1854. They had six children.

B. Margaret "Phoebe" Teter (C1832 - C1860) married Simeon Harman (1834-1927) on September 22, 1853. They moved to Kansas and Oklahoma. They had one daughter. Simeon later married Margaret's sister Jane.

C. Caleb Teter (C1833 - ) married Hannah Dyer Hoover (C1837 - ) on August 14, 1856. They moved to Illinois.

D. Sarah Teter (C1835 - ) married Joshua Harman (1838-1865) on February 4, 1858. They had four children.

E. Cyrus Teter (C1837 - November 8, 1906) married Hannah Elizabeth Harper (1841-1936), on February 3, 1861. They had ten children.

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<sup>84</sup> Elizabeth's family is discussed in Lanning, p. 265. Her last child by Jesse Davis was born in 1856 and by 1860, Jesse had remarried.

<sup>85</sup> The family of Rachel Bland and Johnson Teter is discussed in Lanning, pp. 265-293.

F. Jane "Jennie" Teter (March 20, 1839 - January 18, 1932) married Simeon Harman (1834-1927) on January 1, 1864. Simeon had previously married Jane's sister Margaret. They had four children.

G. Eunice "Una" Teter (September 11, 1839 - 1914) married William Taylor Lambert (1843-1904) on December 7, 1865. They had four children.

H. Mary Teter (October 2, 1840 - November 25, 1882). Mary married a cousin, William Bland (1829-1910) and they had five children.<sup>86</sup>

I. Annis Teter (C1842 - ) married Andrew Jackson Wilson (1840-1914) on January 12, 1879. They had two children.

J. Isaac Teter (February 7, 1844 - July 3, 1928). Isaac married Sarah Elizabeth Teter (C1850 - ). They had sixteen children.

K. Adam Charles "Clay" or "Ad" Teter (C1845 - February 26, 1909). Adam married Mary Ellen Nelson (1857-1941) on January 5, 1873. In 1876 they moved to Toronto Kansas. From there they traveled to Oklahoma and Texas. They had ten children.

L. Elizabeth Teter (January 16, 1847 - June 9, 1926) married Amby Cunningham (1846-1926) on June 6, 1869. They had eight children.

M. Martha Teter (C1848 - July 1857)

N. Louisa Teter (October 24, 1849 - December 30, 1916). Louisa died near Marshall Oklahoma. She lived in Kansas, moving their from West Virginia, before moving to Oklahoma. She married Elijah Bennett (1854-1943) on January 31, 1873. They had seven children.

O. Eve Teter (October 22, 1851 - September 22, 1928) died in Marshall Oklahoma. She married John Phares (1843-1911) on December 13, 1874. They too went to Kansas and Oklahoma. They had three children.

P. Johnson "Bud" Teter (July 2, 1853 - 1903). Johnson had a child named Johnson Teter Jr. He married Barbara Jane Raines (October 1855 - ) on December 15, 1881. They had three children.

Q. Job Teter (November 7, 1855 - October 5, 1930). He moved to Marshall Oklahoma. In 1928, Job was in Lahambra California.

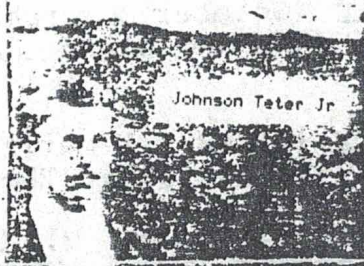
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<sup>86</sup> See above, p. .

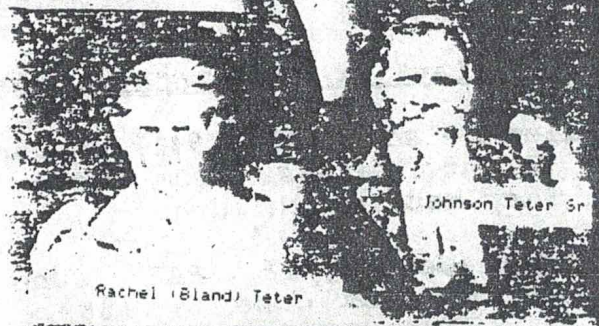
265a Teter Family (Composite Picture)  
(Possibly Rachel (Bland) and Johnson Teter - the picture is not positively identified but Dorothy Cunningham and Joy Robertson believe so) with ch Naomi, Louisa, Eva, Jennie, Job Elizabeth, Mary Johnson Jr.



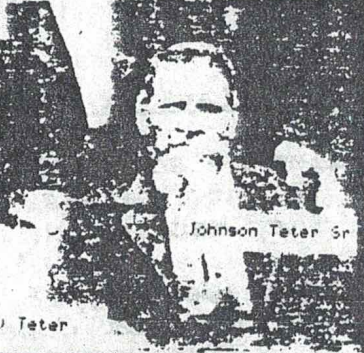
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Johnson Teter Jr



Rachel (Bland) Teter



Johnson Teter Sr



Louisa (Teter) Bennett



Jennie (Teter) Harman



Eva (Teter) Phares



Elizabeth (Teter) Cunningham



Job Teter



Mary (Teter) Bland

Courtesy of Edith Lanning

9. Job or Jobe Bland (June 11, 1812 - December 28, 1854) The last known child of Thomas Bland and Rachel Shoulders, Job died in Jane Lew in Lewis County, Virginia. Job married Margaret Cunningham (C1822 or 1827 - November 7, 1883) on September 7, 1842 and had by her a family of eight children, including:<sup>87</sup>

A. Virginia Bland (C1844 - ) who married William Warner on February 5, 1866.

B. Nancy Bland (C1845 - )

C. Rachel Bland (C1847 - ) Rachel married John Sylvester Beverage on October 3, 1872 in Lewis County West Virginia. They had two children.

D. William Henry Bland (C1850 - 1913) died at Lewis County Virginia. William Henry married Margaret Willoughby (C1855 - 1885) on January 19, 1879. Their children were:

(1) James Clay Bland (November 19, 1879 - ) James was killed in a sawmill when a boiler exploded. He is buried at the Willoughby cemetery in Braxton County West Virginia.

(2) Charles Roy Bland (May 1, 1881 - March 26, 1919). He married Maud Mick (February 9, 1887 - December 23, 1963). They must have been married about 1908. Their children were:

(a) Velva Mae Bland (March 31, 1909 - ) who married Hoy L. Spaur of Akron Ohio; (b) William Warren Bland (June 9, 1913 - ) who married Louise Hamilton in June 1921; (c) Justine Lavon Bland (September 17, 1915 - ) married Arch G. Pritchard in June 1921; (d) Wanda Roy Bland (November 19, 1918 - ) married Kenneth O. Matheny in June 1921 in Walkersville West Virginia.

(3) Alfaretta Bland (October 29, 1882 - April 1958), married Waitman Thomas Brown. They had eleven children.

(4) Odie Willoughby Bland (February 22, 1885 - May 21, 1955) married Ona Orlena Mealey (1877-1947) on May 7, 1922. Their children were:

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<sup>87</sup> Lanning, p. 5, notes that Ohio records have a Lewis Bland whose origin is unknown. She speculates that Morton, who in his history listed two Jobs as sons of Thomas Bland, actually meant to refer to Lewis who went to Job Ohio, and Job, who went to Lewis County Virginia. Job's family is discussed on page 294 and in a supplement p. VII-IX.

(a) Margaret Emogene Bland (January 7, 1924 - ) who married William H. Blosser on June 18, 1946. They were divorced in 1959. Margaret later married Walter Varnish on February 4, 1960; (b) William "Bill" Mealey Bland, (April 15, 1927 - ) married Ruth Isabella Swanger; (c) Elizabeth June Bland (October 8, 1930) was still born.

William Henry Bland married Julissa Agnes Curry Willoughby (1857-1907) on July 6, 1885. Their children were:

(5) Esther Maybelle "Mae" Bland (C1893 - 1940s). She married Arthur Lee Dick (C1879- ) on July 14, 1928 .

F. Margaret Bland (C1851 - )

G. Mary Ann Bland (August 1, 1853 - ) married George W. Beverage on June 18, 1885 in Lewis County Virginia.

H. John Bland (August 15, 1855 - )

This ends discussion of the genealogy of the family of Thomas Bland (1740-1826) and his family by his two wives, Margaret (C1745-1796) and Rachel Shoulders, (C1773-1851). For inquiries, write to Edith Lanning, 21585 SW Raintree St., Dunnellon Fl. 34431

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Here are some of the subjects for the next issue:

1. Some absolutely excellent research by Bland Goodwin Jr., Augusta Georgia, on the Edgefield County South Carolina Family and some in close geographic proximity.
2. A riddle solved. Who was the father of Samuel Bland (1806-1864)?
3. A learned essay on the Bland Family Crest by no one else but me.
4. Dr. Pepper's Family (see what you miss when you don't come to the reunion and meet this character).
5. Some updates on the Family of Joseph Bland (C1752-1820) and Susan Bailey Johnson.
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7. Some insights into North Carolina Bland families.
8. Whatever happened to all those Blands who went to California?
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