

My Opinion About Some Other Things

In the last issue of *Siftings* I gave my opinion about the use of state abbreviations. I explained how the postal service state abbreviations are confusing and that I would like to see them eliminated from genealogy programs. (I spell out the states in my genealogy program.)

Thanks for those of you who wrote and agreed with me. I did not hear from others, but surely there are many of you from what I see (and change) in queries.

Here is another of my opinions on still another subject that causes confusion. That is the manner in which you list dates. Let's suppose you want to put July 6, 1999 as a death date in your program. Do you say 7/6/99 or 6/7/99 or Jul 6, 1999, or 6 Jul 1999.

Of course, you may have discovered that your program reads "99" as the year 99 and not 1999. (No Y2K problem with our genealogy software!) So let's say 7/6/1999 or 6/7/1999. Still a problem. When you see someone else's dates expressed in numbers, which comes first, day or month? See my point?

It is clear when you put the month in a three-letter abbreviation. Personally, I prefer day, month, year since it does not require a comma. Like 6 Jul 1999. And most of the rest of the world lists day, month, year, whether in all numbers or not.

So you are not putting your stuff in a computer? It is *still* confusing to express dates in all numbers.

Want to hear my opinion on using Coats-of-Arms? You will need to see issue No. 4. But, I'll tell you now that you probably have no business using them. ■

Don Schaefer, *editor*

Paul Saunders Finds Home of Immigrant Ancestor, Tobias Saunders, in Amersham

The following was prepared in May 1999 by Paul A. Saunders, 1417 Woody Creek Road, Matthews, NC 28105-8811, <Pasaun0712@aol.com>. Paul gathered some of this material and took many photographs on a visit to England in the spring of this year.

Paul says, "I visited the villages in Northants where the Saunders family originated and stayed three nights with Gerald Sanders, the gentleman from whom Col. Howard K. Sanders obtained some of the source material for his book." [See *Sanders Siftings*, Nos. 7-10.] "I also visited Amersham, Bucks, the place where my immigrant ancestor [Tobias Saunders] originated."

First is the material on Richard Saunders, and second is that for Tobias Saunders, son of Richard.

Richard Saunders, Miller of Amersham

ca. 1560 - Born in Amersham?

7 Oct. 1582 - Married Johanna Osborne in Amersham.

16 Feb. 1583/4 - Ann daughter of Richard Saunders baptised.

20 Feb. 1583/4 - Ann Saunders daughter of Richard buried.

14 May 1587 - Bridget daughter of Richard Saunders baptised.

15 Apr. 1588 - Bridget Saunders daughter of Richard buried.

28 June 1590 - Elizabeth daughter of Richard Saunders baptised.

30 May 1596 - Tobias son of Richard Saunders baptised.

27 Jan. 1614/15 - Joan Sanders wife of Richard buried.

6 May 1629 - Richard Saunders senior buried.

Nov. 1630 - Will of Richard Saunders of Agmondesham (Amersham), miller, proved in the Archdeaconry of Buckingham:

"The will noncupative of Richard Saunders late of Agmondesham in the countie of Bucks., miller, deceased, by him uttered in his life tyme by word of mouth, and after his death put into writing as followeth:

The said Richard Saunders being of perfect mind & memory did about Whitsuntide in anno domini 1629 [24 May-30 May in 1629 Julian calendar] in the presence of John Richardson, clerk,

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This was the Upper Mill in Amersham, Bucks, England, the mill operated by the Saunders in the 17th century. It is now a private residence. Photo by Paul Saunders, 1999.

A Visit to Eagle Creek Campground Near Sanders, Kentucky

Written in October 1998 by Donald J. Sanders, 415A 5th Street, Rising Sun, IN 47040, <djsanders1041@hotmail.com>.

Today, I came back to work in Rising Sun, Indiana, from my home in Illinois, but not without my usual tour through Carroll County, Kentucky. A quick pass through Worthville (it hasn't changed any since by last pass-through), and then to the Eagle Creek Campground, close to Sanders, Kentucky, where I met the owner, Wayne Douglas, who was very accommodating. I told him that his property would be a great place for a Sanders family reunion, and he replied that several family reunions are held there each year, and he gave me his card.

The Eagle Creek Campground is across the creek from Carroll County and in Owen County where Nathaniel Sanders lived on his 600, or so, acres at the turn of the 18th century. My ggg-great grandfather, William Sanders, was born there, or in that vicinity in 1807. Wayne told me that the Nathaniel Sanders Cemetery was "back up the road a mile or so," and with some more guidance from a couple of his employees who told me a tale about hunting and fishing with my Uncle Check, years ago, I back-tracked to the place where they told me to look for some "ancient cedar trees," and underneath them there were old tombstones with Sanders names carved upon them.

The cedars were tall beacons marking the location of the cemetery, and soon I was out of my car, across the fence, and about waist-high in not-too-dense brush and grass. The cedar trees were at least four-hundred up the side of the hill, and at an altitude of about sixty-feet higher than where my car was parked off the road. The hill continued at the same rate of grade until the summit was reached at a height of three or four-hundred feet above Eagle Creek. The hill was part of a series of hills carved out of the rich Kentucky soil by the creek, and this ring of hills forms the sides of the Eagle Creek valley. The hill was treeless except for the three cedars that I was standing beneath, but near the top the forest began again, and the hardwoods were beginning to show their autumn colors.

Much to my great disappointment, there were no Sanders tombstones standing in the cedar grove. Actually, there were no standing stones at all, but

only the bases that once held grave markers, and only a few of those remained. A search of the blanketing grass revealed a couple of broken and fallen gravestones. Two marked the eternal resting places of a man and woman from a family named Browning. He was Nathaniel Browning, and died in 1819 at the age of sixty-five. Not enough was left of the other stone to make out more than the sex of the one for whom the stone was carved, and I wondered who or what could have made such a wreck of the cemetery of an important Kentucky pioneer family.

It wasn't hard to determine what seemed to be the cause of the demise of the cemetery. The place was deep in cow manure, and the animals found that the three cedar trees, on an otherwise treeless pasture, gave the only shade on hot Kentucky summer afternoons. No small works of man could stand up to such an assault by such large animals as cattle, and the tombstones were shoved and trampled under the hooves of the great beasts. I hope that this was only the work of the animals and no man played a part in the destruction of this impor-

tant resting place. The cemetery has been appropriately catalogued, and the bones of these early Kentucky settlers of European origin still rest peacefully, though unmarked, beneath the grand old cedars planted there for them one-hundred fifty years, or more, ago.

For an hour or so, I stayed and marveled at the beauty of the Eagle Creek valley, and imagined the satisfaction Nathaniel Sanders must of had settling this place when buffalo, black bears, and eagles might have still lived there, too. I felt the pull of the land within some genetic, molecular part of myself that I could feel but not explain. Soon it was time to leave, and my final stop was at the Sanders General Store for a soda and a bag of chips, and then the quiet ride through Ghent and across the bridge at Markland Dam into Indiana. Twenty-two miles later, to the East, I was in Rising Sun, but my thoughts continued to remain along the creek.

Donald Sanders does not know the parentage of his ggg-grandfather, William Sanders, and until he finds some proof, he says he is a "genealogical orphan." ■

Do Any Of Your Sanders Fit With This List Of Submissions By Eugene Cummings?

This was sent in by Myrna Myres, 202 Azalea Drive, Carlisle, KY 40311. These individuals were abstracted from a submission by Eugene W. Cummings to the LDS Los Angeles Temple in 1958. I am still attempting to locate Cummings or a family member and I thought perhaps one of the *Siftings* readers could help shed some light on this puzzle. Are these people related to one another? Seems reasonable. Do any of you recognize anyone on this list?

My ancestor, Isaac Sanders, born in Boone County, Ky., in 1791 and married to Margaret McDaniel, is shown with only two of his four children but all information is correct.

Kentucky: Nelson Sanders born 1788, father of: Hughes born 1818, Evermont born 1828, and John C. born 1833. James Sanders born 1786 and married to Mary, father of William born 1841. Isaac born 1791 and married to Margaret, father of Samuel B. born 1822 and George M. born 1831. William H. born

1791, father of Julia born 1829 and William R. born 1838. James B. born 1800 and married to Lucy, father of John born 1836, Henry born 1841, William B. born 1826, and George born 1848. William W. born 1805 and married to Lucinda Tap or Top, father of James P. born 1846.

Tennessee: Harmon born 1806, married to Mary and father of Sarah born 1829 and Napoleon B. born 1833 and married to Margaret.

South Carolina: James born 1798, married to Eliza, father of Jesse born 1833, Mons born 1834, James born 1836 and Isaac born 1842.

North Carolina: William B. born 1782, married to Elizabeth, father of William G. born 1824. James born 1786, wife Mary, father of Emily born 1827. William J. born 1801, married to Nancy and father of Silome born 1842. James S. born 1811, married to Milly and father of Elinor born 1831 and Joel born 1842. ■

Tobias Saunders of Amersham

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Anne Jacman and spoke after his mind concerning the distribution of his goods to the effect following - viz: first he gave all his goods & chattells where so ever he possessed of unto the person of Tobias Saunders his son, to be equally divided amongst him. And he named & appointed the said Tobias Saunders, his said son, executor of his said will."

Will proved November 1630 by the oath of Tobias Saunders, executor and son of the deceased.

[This would appear to indicate that his wife and any other children were then deceased.]

Notes: His mill would appear to be the Upper Mill in Amersham to which his son held the lease when he wrote his will in 1642.

There were at least five others named Richard Saunders living in the area about this time, viz:

Richard, son of Thomas, of Amersham or Dinton, who was married to 1. Anne Isham (d. 1584) of Lamport and 2. Elizabeth Blount.

Richard, son of John, of North Marston or Dinton, who was married to Elizabeth __ (d. 1615).

Richard, son of William of Wavendon, who was married four times: 1. Elizabeth Chadger, 2. Frances FitzHugh, 3. Beatrice Annesley, 4. Frances Staunton.

Richard, son of Richard, of North Marston, who was married to Elizabeth __ (d. 1656).

Richard, son of Richard, of Wavendon, who was married to Anne Wrey.

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Tobias Saunders, Sr., of Amersham

30 May 1596 - Tobias son of Richard Saunders baptised in Amersham.

27 May 1616 - Tobias Sander & Isbaell Wilde married in Amersham.

26 Oct. 1617 - Elizabeth daughter of Toby Sander baptised in Amersham.

23 Jan. 1619/20 - Ann daughter of Tobias & Isabel Sanders baptised in Amersham.

4 Dec. 1623 - Richard son of Tobias & Isabel Saunders baptised in Amersham.

6 May 1629 - Richard Saunders senior buried in Amersham.



This is the King's Arms Inn, one of the four inns still standing in Amersham that could have been the one operated by Tobias Saunders. Photo by Paul Saunders, 1999.

6 Feb. 1629/30 - Tobias son of Tobias & Isabel Sanders baptised in Amersham.

14 Aug. 1634 - Elizabeth Sanders & Thomas Todd married in Amersham.

12 July 1642 - Will of Tobias Saunders, inn holder of Amersham, written.

4 Sept. 1642 - Tobias Sanders buried in Amersham.

20 Feb. 1642/3 - Will of Tobias Saunders proved by oath of Isabella Saunders, widow of the deceased and sole executrix.

Children named: sons, Richard, Thomas and Tobias (two youngest sons), all under 22 years; daughters, Anne, unmarried, and Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Todd, and their three daughters.

Witnesses: Thomas Todd, Winstone Elmer, Thomas Jon.

Overseers: "my well beloved friends William Childe the elder of Penn, Richard Wilde and Edmund Bull of Amersham," who were to sell his four tenements and "lease of the upper mill wherein Richard Goddard now dwelleth situate at Amersham."

The Upper Mill, later called the Town Mill, was a corn mill on the 1897 Ordnance Survey Map, but originally was a paper mill, then a malt mill and finally a flour mill when it stopped operating in the First World War. It is located at the west end of High Street in Amersham Old Town and has been converted into a private residence which was put up for sale in 1996 at 900 thousand pounds sterling. [See photo on page 1.] It was built at the beginning of the 17th century, or possibly earlier, of brick and timber, according to the Royal Commission

on Historical Monuments, 1912.

Four inns, still standing, might have been the one operated by Tobias, viz: The Crown Hotel, The King's Arms (built ca.1572), The Saracen's Head (built ca.1645), or The Griffin. The Swan (built ca.1651) appears to be not quite old enough to be included. The Crown Hotel, which was used for the seduction scenes in the movie, "Four Weddings and a Funeral" in 1994, appears to be the most likely candidate, as it was owned by John Cheeseman (who married Anne Saunders at Hughenden on 2 July 1677) in 1686 and James Child in 1715 (probably a descendant of the William Childe who was an overseer of Tobias' will). I ate lunch in The Crown in March and found it charming and the food excellent. It has a lovely Queen Elizabeth Lounge, the Huntsman Bar (where we ate), 21 bedrooms and two four-poster mini suites, according to the hotel brochure.

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George Saunders, Born in N.C., Died in Morgan County, Georgia

The following is taken from one chapter of *Ancestors and Descendants of Henry Simeon Saunders*, by R. S. Sanders. There are still a few copies of this 1983 book available from Mr. Sanders at \$30.00 each, plus a \$2.00 mailing fee.

R. S. Sanders is a great-grandson of Henry Simeon Saunders. He may be reached at Box 147, Weinert, TX 76388.

The author has added, "Sorry but this book was written before I recognized my William was the son of James Sanders who died 1764 in neighboring Johnston Co., N.C. I believe James to descend from Richard, son of John of Nanesmond Co., Va." [This is in earlier chapters.]

Chapter Eleven

George Saunders, Son of William 1769 - 1826

George Saunders was born in North Carolina according to the 1880 U. S. census takers. His birth was recorded as Feb. 15, 1769, according to Henry Simeon Saunders' Bible. We know that he was living in Chatham County, N.C. and was in his father's home there in 1772. By 1796, he had married Nancy ___ and they had their first child. When he and his brother John asked for the division of their father's estate in 1796, he was given his equal share. As has been mentioned previously, he bought his brother John's share of the estate on March 21, 1801 while he was still in North Carolina.

The 1800 census of Oglethorpe County, Georgia gives the information that George Saunders and his wife were 26-45 years of age, one male 19-16; one son and two daughters under ten years of age. On the twentieth day of November, 1802, George Saunders of Oglethorpe Co., Ga., sold to James Saunders of Chatham Co., N.C. one hundred nineteen and one-half acres on Roberson Creek which he had purchased from his brother John in 1801. On first appearance, it is hard to decipher exactly where George lived in 1800. The facts become clear when one finds that the 1800 U. S. census was not taken until May, 1801.

The reason for moving westward was free land. The State of Georgia drew many inhabitants to their state by offering free land. This land was distributed among the people by means of land lotteries. Married men had two chances at

a prize, and single men over twenty-one had one chance. Numbers were assigned to those who signed up and at a specific date, a drawing was held to see who was fortunate enough to get the free land.

In Oglethorpe County, George Saunders signed up in 1802 for the 1805 Georgia land lottery. He had two chances. On his first chance, a prize was drawn but on the second, he drew blank. He drew Lot 271, which was in the fifth district of Baldwin County. The prize was two hundred two and one-half acres. He probably moved there soon afterward. He took out a grant on this land Dec. 4, 1805. By 1807, Baldwin County had grown so rapidly that the state decided to form Morgan County from that of Baldwin and Jasper Counties. George Saunders found himself in the newly formed Morgan County after the 1807 division.

In 1808 and 1810 George paid his taxes in Captain Henry Lane's District of Morgan County. On Nov. 4, 1811, George Saunders sold the land granted him in 1805 to Absalom Farrar. This land was on the edge of the Appalache River. The selling price was fifteen hundred dollars. Witnesses to the sale were William McMurray, Jr., and Rueben Winfrey. On the same day George paid four hundred dollars to Absalom Farrar for 99.4 acres of land which was near the same river.

In 1816, George Saunders sold 145 acres on the waters of the Appalache River to Isaac Dotson for five hundred seventy-six dollars. The deed was witnessed by A. B. McCluire and Joshua Creel.

George Saunders paid his taxes in 1817 in Captain Williams' District. By the time of 1820 U.S. census, George and Nancy Saunders family had grown to include one male under ten years of age, one male ten to fifteen, two males sixteen to twenty-five. They had one female in the home, ten to sixteen. The father and mother were past forty-five years of age.

George Saunders died in November, 1826 in Morgan Co., Ga. He died intestate. Letters of administration were granted to Martin P. Sparks by the ordinary court, Dec. 6, 1826. Sparks was bonded by Charles H. Walker and Thomas Dorough to return an inventory of the estate, administer the paying of

the estate debts, and the sale of the property. The estate property was appraised Jan. 24, 1827. The appraisers were Archibald Stewart, Thomas Stewart, John Hollis, and Guy Smith.

More cruel than death itself in our early history was an estate sale called "crying sales." A wife had no rights by law to any of the family estate. After a man died, an appraisal of the estate was made. Very soon afterward, the personal property, from pots and pans to the most expensive items, were auctioned off. If the wife received any of the household goods, she had to buy them at the sale. Wives and children watched as some of the items in their home which had precious memories were sold to outsiders. Even the beds they slept on were sold. It was no different at the inventory sale of George Saunders' personal property in Nov., 1827.

The final settlement of George Saunders estate was not made for ten years. Sometimes, this permitted the widow to live on the proceeds of an estate for an extended time. The final settlement was made Jan. 5, 1836. In the final settlement, the legatees received twenty-four dollars and six and one-fourth cents each. The legatees were: Nancy Sanders, Sr., Elizabeth Williams, Ambrose Petty, Nancy Sanders, Jr., George W. Sanders, Silas Sanders and Simeon Sanders. The latter three received their share jointly. Martin P. Sparks was still the administrator. Nancy Saunders, wife of George, is listed as head of a household in the 1830 and 1840 census of Morgan County. Usually a married couple was living with her and her unmarried children. In 1850, she and her daughter Nancy, were living in a county home. She was eighty years of age. She probably died between 1850 and 1860.

From the Bible record of Simeon Saunders, we find the following recorded:

George Saunders, born Feb. 15, 1769
Nancy Saunders, born Mar. 12, 1770
William Saunders, born Jun. 14, 1789
Mary Saunders, born Jun. 9, 1791
Elizabeth Saunders, born Jan. 24, 1793
Silas Saunders, born Feb. 4, 1803
Simeon Saunders, born Mar. 24, 1805
Nancy Ann Saunders, born Aug. 7, 1807
George W. Sanders, born May 18, 1813
It is significant that Simeon spelled

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the surname of George W. Junior, as Sanders. This would distinguish George, Jr. from his father. This particular son's name is always found in official and family records as Sanders.

A search has not been made of the descendants of George Saunders by the author except for the descendants of Simeon. However, some things are known about the other children.

William Saunders, born 1789, drew a blank in the 1827 Georgia Land Lottery. It is not known who William married. In the 1830 census of Morgan Co., Ga., one finds in the household of William Saunders, one male, 30-40, and one male under five years of age. There was one female, 20-30, one female age 5-10, and one female under five years old. William is listed in the 1850 census of Morgan County as William Sanders, 63 years of age.

Mary Sanders is known to have married Ambrose Petty on May 5, 1816, in Morgan Co., Ga. Ambrose was a widower with children when they married. Mary died prior to 1830. In 1830, Ambrose, still living in Morgan County, listed himself as being born 1770-1780. The census indicates that his household consisted of one male, 5-10, one aged 10-15, and one 15-20. There was one female, 10-15, and one 15-20. Ambrose Petty probably died in Morgan County prior to 1850.

In 1820, a John Petty and his young wife lived near Ambrose and Mary. This was probably the son of Ambrose and his first wife. In 1840, Ambrose was between sixty and seventy years old, living with two boys, who were between 15-20 years old. They resided near Nancy Saunders and her family.

One child of Ambrose and Mary Petty was probably George W. Petty. George had a daughter, Frances E., born in 1843, a son, Isaac, born in 1845, a son, William M., born about 1846, and a daughter, Mary J., born in 1848. His wife had probably died, as no mention is made of her. The family lived next door to George Sanders Jr., in Morgan County in 1850.

Elizabeth Saunders, George and Nancy's second daughter, married William R. Williams in Morgan Co., Ga., June 1, 1809. They lived near the family until after the father's death.

Silas Saunders was born Feb. 4, 1803, in Oglethorpe Co., Ga., to George and

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A copy of issue No. 1, April, 1995, will be included free with any order for a back issue. ■

Is This Your John Sanders At The Henrico MM, 1708?

Mary Ann Machonkin. 19 Cupania Court, Homosassa, FL 34446 would like information about the John Saunders listed in Hinshaw's *Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, Virginia Volume*, in the Henrico Monthly Meeting 1708 as condemned for marrying outside the Quaker Church. His son John Saunders, Jr. m. Jane Crew 28 Dec 1727/28 at New Kent Co., Va. Could John Saunders, Sr. be the John Saunders, b. 2 Dec 1684, son of Woodward Saunders. b. 24 Apr 16321, Colony of Virginia? ■

Nancy Saunders. He grew up in Morgan County and married Mary Ann (Polly) Sims Jan. 4, 1824, in Madison Co., Ga. She was the daughter of Charles Sims and sister of Simeon Saunders' wife, Arpha. Mary Ann was born Nov. 14, 1823. The couple was living in Morgan County in 1827, when he drew Walton County land. The Walton Co., Ga., record of 1830 lists him as living next door to Simeon Saunders and listed as Julius. The children in that 1830 census match Silas' family. He lived in Morgan County in 1840, and then he and Mary Ann moved to Clark Co., Ga., and settled there for the rest of their lives. Silas worked as a factory guard in 1860. In 1880, he was living with his daughter, Emily Giles. He was disabled and a widower. Emily and Dock Giles' children were George, Dock Jones, James, Mary Jane, and Susan Giles.

The children of Silas and Mary Ann Sims Saunders were Wiley, b. abt 1824, William, b. abt 1827, George, b. abt 1828, Emily, 1832, Elizabeth, b. abt 1833, Susan, b. abt 1832, and Charles, b. abt 1840. In 1860, Samantha and

This Nathaniel Sanders II Moved From N.C. to Ga.

Jeannie Griffin, 15310 Amesbury, Sugar Land, Texas 77478, <KL2000G@aol.com> is looking for this particular Nathaniel Sanders. Nathaniel Sanders II, b. ca 1776 in N.C.?; d. in Upson Co., Ga.; m. Mary Driver ca 1792 in FranklinCo./Guilford Co., N.C. Parents of Mary Driver: Giles Driver and Susan Williams.

Children of Nathaniel Sanders II and Mary Driver Sanders: John D., Alsay, Thomas Carroll, Ephraim, James Isaac, Britton, Richmond, Nancy, Rebecca, and Sara. (Thomas Carroll, Ephraim, and James Isaac married sisters by the name of Cadenhead.)

Nathaniel's son, my line, Thomas Carroll Sanders, b. 12 Nov. 1795/1796 in Greensboro, Guilford Co., N.C.; d. 28 Nov. 1870 in Pike Co., Ala.; burial: Kendrick Cemetery, Troy, Pike Co., Ala. married Martha Louise "Polly" Cadenhead 9 Jan 1817 in Jones Co., Ga.

(This generation moved through Jones Co., Ga. to Talbot Co., Ga., and on to Troy, Pike Co., Ala., where the subsequent generations remained—except one, my g-g-grandfather, who moved to Texas.) ■

Mary Sanders were also living in Silas Saunders' home. These two were probably grandchildren. William Sanders, son of Silas, married Nancy House in Walton County in 1852.

Henry Simeon Saunders is the main descendant researched in this book. The next chapter will be devoted to him. Nancy Saunders, the youngest daughter of George Saunders and Nancy, was born in 1807 in Morgan Co., Ga. Having never married, she lived in the home of her mother until the home was broken up, and then lived with her in the county home. In 1860, Nancy was still a resident of the county home, but Nancy, her mother, had probably died. George W. Sanders, Jr., was born in 1812 in Morgan Co., Ga. He married Elizabeth Few in Walton County, on Nov. 22, 1839. The 1850 census of Morgan County reveals that George W. Sanders was living there with his wife, Elizabeth, born in 1816. Their children were Thomas, born 1840, George, born 1846, and William, born 1846. No further search has been made on the family of George W. Sanders, Jr. ■

ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

Cathy Wolfe, P. O. Box 22, Grandin, MO 63943, <cwolfe@semo.net> is seeking information about Reuben Sanders (b. 1819 S.C.) who 1st married Susan _____, 2nd married Lucinda Mathews. Reuben came to Mt. Vernon, Ark. from Morgan Co., Ala. Children were: Mary (b. 1852); Hiram (b. 4 Oct 1844. d. 25 Nov 1834, m. Mary Adeline Brody); John (b. 15 Feb 1847, d. 28 Jun 1911); S.E. (b. 1849 Ala.); S. (b. 1856 Ala.).

Sandi Koscak, 141 Dog Canyon Road, Alamogordo, NM 88310, <Evilsizer3@aol.com>. Is this Lewis Sanders descendant?—John Price Sanders? Looking for ancestors of John P. Sanders, b. 1825, Ky., m. Susan, b. 1825, Ill. c 1845. They appear in the 1850 Greene Co., Ark. Census. Children are Sarah Caroline, my g-gm, b. 7 Aug 1847; Margaret, b. 1849; Rachel, b. 1855; and John M. Sanders, b. 1857, all in Greene Co., Ark. Sarah Caoline married Timothy Monroe Martin and they settled in Washington Co, Ill. I have traced the descendant of Nathaniel Sanders, Lewis, b. 1796, who in 1821 married Margaret Price, b. Franklin Co., Ky. They had a son John Price Sanders also born in 1825 in Ky. My John's middle initial of "P" could be the Price name of his mother. He also named a child Margaret, I assume after his mother. If anyone is researching this line, I would love to share/exchange info.

Barbara Saunders Heaton, 1415 Crescent Dr., Alamogordo, NM 88310, <JHeaton@netmdc.com> is looking for information concerning Andrew Addison Saunders, born April 25, 1855. Married Finetta A. A. Harding, in Mills Co. Iowa on July 4, 1880. Lived in eastern Nebraska until 1886, then homesteaded in Taney Co. Missouri.

Children: Lemuel C., 1882; James T. 1884, Josephine; Finetta O., 1888; Charlotte E., 1887; Sirenda (Cindy), 1891; and Surepta (twin of Cindy) 1891. According to my father, James T. Saunders, his father, Andrew A., left for Forsythe, Mo., where he had a real estate office one morning in 1893 and never returned to their home in Gravel Hollow, Mo. To the best of my knowledge there is no record of his being in contact with any of his children. He was declared legally dead after seven years and his widow received title to the property.

Margaret A. Martinez, 315 North Linwood Ave., Charlotte, NC 28216-3919, <margmartinez@hotmail.com> is seeking to correspond with descendants of any Sanders who resided in New Salem or Henderson Townships in Rusk Co., Texas from 1850-1950, especially William or Thomas Jefferson Sanders.

Donna Kidder Naismith, 2284 N. Elmdale Ave., Simi Valley, CA 93065-2508, <xtwr63b@prodigy.com> is looking for death dates of Ebenezer Sanders (b. 11 Jan 1754) and son, Ebenezer M. Sanders (b. 10 Dec 1786). Both men were born in Billerica, Middlesex Co., Mass.

Dava Sanders Woodard, 3804 Chetwood Dr., Del City, OK 73115-2804, <DavaGene@aol.com> is researching John Sanders, b. 1783-84 New Jersey; m. Hannah (Anna) Woodruff; d. New Market, Highland Co., Ohio. Known children: John, Dennis, Jacob, Julianna, and Oliver Harris Sanders. Their son Jacob was b. 1810-11 probably Northumberland Co., Pa.; d. Butler Co., Kans.; m. Olivia Yeoman 1836 Fayette Co., Ohio. Children: Phebe, m. Will Downs; John; Milton; William; Allen Jackson; Jane, m. Andrew McAllister; and Josephine, m. Henry Moyle. John was b. 1842 Guernsey Co., Ohio; m. Mary Amelia Powell 1865 Fayette Co., Ohio. Their son was my grandfather, Arthur Wellington "Dick" Sanders, b. 1868 near Good Hope, Fayette Co., Ohio m. Miss Anna Dodd Powell 1889 Wichita, Kans. He was in the run for land in 1892 when the Cheyenne Arapaho lands opened and filed for homestead in Canadian Co., Okla. My father was Chester A.A. "Chet" Sanders, b. 1903; m. Miss Edith Vaughn Bray, 1923 in El Reno, Canadian Co., Okla.

Paul Zebe, 42 Huron Ave., Apt. 1, Cambridge, MA 02138 <pzebe@compuserve.com>. I am looking for information on the ancestors of Isaac Sanders, who is said to have been born in Kentucky on 24 Apr 1803. He married Phoebe Jane Wyatt in 1830, probably in Madison Co., Ky., and a few years later they removed to Chariton Co., Mo., where they lived out their remaining years. Isaac Sanders died there in 1885.

Gary Sanders, Box 305190 UNT Station, Denton, Tx 76203, <gsanders@library.unt.edu>. I am searching for information concerning Isaac Sanders born 1818 in North Carolina, lived in Jackson Co., Alabama, Montgomery Co., Ark. and Booneville, Miss., and died after 1880.

Paul Zebe, 42 Huron Ave., Apt. 1, Cambridge, MA 02138 <pzebe@compuserve.com>. I am looking for information on the ancestors of Dianah Canote (nee Sanders), who is said to have been born in Kentucky on 7 Jul 1817. She married Jacob Canote, probably in Howard Co., Mo., sometime around 1839. She died between 1860-65, probably in Chariton Co., Mo. (her husband died or disappeared between 1857-60). Also seeking information on John J. Sanders of Chariton Co., Mo., a neighbor of Dianah in 1860, probably her landlord at that time, and possibly her brother. He was born 30 Apr 1819 in Kentucky (possibly Fayette County). His parents were Joel Sanders and his wife, Sally Moon, who came to Missouri from Kentucky in 1828, settling first in Howard County, and later in Chariton County. John J. Sanders married (1) Eliza Ehrhardt, with whom he had four sons, and (2) Mrs. Nancy Miller. He died sometime after 1880.

Joseph C. Carroll, 465 Sunset Terrace, Cedar Park, Texas 78613, <Carroll465@aol.com> is seeking information on John "Jack" Sanders; b. 6 May 1816 in Christian Co, Ky., d. 5 Aug 1871 in Hamilton, Shelby Co., Texas. He married Rachel Boyd Wellington in 1838 in Haywood Co., Tenn., and they had six children: Catherine (b. 1839 in Ala.; m. John Wilburn); James (b. 1840 in Tenn. d. in Civil War); Ann Eliza (b. 1841 in Tenn.; d. 1922 in Texas); John Jr. (b. 1844 in Shelby Co., Texas); Susan M. (b. 1846 in Shelby Co., Texas); and Sarah Elizabeth (b 1848 in Shelby Co., Texas, d. 1924 in Newton Co., Ark.).

Jefferson Saunders, P. O. Box 20445, Seattle, WA 98102, <JCSaunders@aol.com>. This is my newly found Saunders line in America. This Samuel Saunders must have tagged along with his older brother Phillip.

Samuel Saunders was born Feb. 1837, bap Bethania Independent Chapel,

Talgarth, Wales 19 Mar 1837. Wife, Ann, born abt 1842 Wales and may have died about 1895. Children:

Mattie Saunders, b. abt 1869 Mo.

John Saunders, b. abt 1873 Mo.

Elizabeth "Lizzie" Saunders, b. abt Jul 1879

About 1868 Sam and Ann moved along with his brother Philip and family to Yellow Creek Township, St. Catharine, Linn Co., Mo. In 1870 Samuel was a farmer while Ann was keeping house. Shortly after their arrival Mattie was born, then about 1874 their son John was born. By June 3rd of 1880 Samuel and his family had moved north a few hundred miles to Oskaloosa, Iowa and were well settled. The census record of 1880 shows Samuel being a laborer and Ann is keeping house. There is no sign of little Mattie, so I think she died. John is six years of age and the newest child Elizabeth is 10 months old and was born in Iowa. This means they were in Iowa by July 1879. Since the 1890 records are missing the next contact with the family of Samuel is in the 1900 census of Harrison Co., Mo. in the town of Blythedale Village. This time, I only find Samuel, born Feb. 1837 age 63 and farming, and his youngest daughter "Lizzie," born July 1879 in Iowa, age 20 years. The 1900 records indicate Samuel was only married five years, but due to the fact that his wife Ann is missing I suspect this is an error that means he has been widowed five years, or remarried five years ago.

Faye Rhoden, 10708 N.E. 5th, Midwest City, OK 73130, <Redcan1@aol.com>. I am looking for any connection to or information on a William Lemual Sanders aka Humpy Bill Sanders who entertained by singing and playing on the banjo. He had a riverboat and fished, hunted, and entertained up and down the Arkansas or White River sometime between 1878 and 1895. He was born in 1863 in Kentucky? and married Susie L. Randall in 1887 and they had James Harrison Sanders in 1888. He then sold the boat for a wagon and team and married Vinetta Poplin then Robert(a) Snow. I have him in Ozark Co., Mo. in 1895, Marion Co., Ark. in 1900-1910, and Ozark Co, Mo. in 1920. He died in 1922 and is buried in Gainsville, Ozark Co., Mo. He and Vinetta had Steven Wallace in 1898, then Ara Jane, and William Allen. I found a family in Kentucky with a son William L. Sanders but wish to know if

this is my William Lemual to be able to carry on. If this is him, his father is William, his mother either Susan or Elvira and his siblings are: Robert Lewis, James W., George T., Marion B., Susan A., and Samual, Ira S.

From Kathryn Goy, 2912 Stivers Blvd., Bryant, AR 72022 <KBaby2@aol.com>. I am related by marriage to Sanders in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, about 1840. William H. H. Sanders was born 1840 to Matilda Morgan and John Sanders. John Sanders moved to that area of Alabama, was an early settler. Sanders Ferry was named after him. John's father was Ezekial Sanders of England. He fought in Rev War. You can find a great article on this family in *Arkansas Goodspeed*, Lonoke County.

William H. H. Sanders moved to Arkansas about 1860/1870. He was married to Julia Annette Ellis my great great aunt. They had 10 children, six boys and four girls. I have found four of the 10. Some moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas. Julia had an older sister, Harriett Ellis and I found Harriett's burial place and it says Harriett Sanders, but no husband or anything. I am wondering who she married and if she had children. Can you help?

This is the direct line of Della Neely, 825 Dubois Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70808-5038.

Phillip Sanders came to America in 1734 from Essexshire, England, m. Sapphira.

William Sanders, b. June 1760 Borgue Sound, Cartright Co., N.C., m. Patricia Benthal.

Absalom Sanders, b. 1809 Christian Co., Ky. In 1836 m. Anna Dickenson, b. 1814.

Wiley Sanders, b. 1852 in Bessemer, Ala, d. Aug 1937; m. Fannie Stokes (Jennings?), b. 1856.

Stokes Sanders, b. 1888 Bessemer, Ala.; m. Della Carnes, b. 1888.

Dorothy Bell Sanders, b. 1910 Kosciusko, Miss.; m. Lamar Norton. Dorothy Bell is Della Neely's grandmother.

More Sanders twins. Faye Rhoden reports twin grandsons, Joey and Josh, two years old. Her grandmother, Rose Lantz Sanders, had twins—and it continues on back every other generation.

Norma Needs Parents of Robert Sanders, Born 1821, Orange County, Indiana

Norma E. Turner, 515 Tracy Terr., Centralia, IL 62801-4476, <returner@midwest.net>. I am trying to find the parents of my 3rd great grandfather, Robert Sanders, b. Feb. 24, 1821, Orange Co., Ind., d. Oct. 27, 1858, Centralia Twp., Marion Co., Ill., buried at Little Grove Cem., Walnut Hill, Ill. He married Nancy Jane Copple Oct 22, 1846 in Jefferson Co., Ill. She was the daughter of John William Copple and Catherine Copple. I have been told his parents are Richard Sanders and Elizabeth Breeze. Richard Sanders, b. Oct 28, 1755 in North Carolina, d. 1836 in Orange Co. Ind. Elizabeth Breeze. b. Jan. 1, 1785, d. March 26, 1856 in Walnut Hill, Jefferson Co., Ill. I cannot prove that Richard and Elizabeth Breeze Sanders are Robert's parents.

I have the estate papers of Robert Sanders and they are signed by Virgil Grubb, Aaron Sanders, and Miles Sanders as administrators of the estate. Miles and Aaron Sanders are the sons of Richard Sanders and Virgil Grubb is married to Delilah Sanders, the daughter of Thomas Sanders who is the son of Richard Sanders. I think maybe Robert could be the son of Thomas Sanders. If anyone happens to know anything about any of the above please let me know. Any information would be appreciated. ■

From Judy Fuller Sikora, 2441 Fox Avenue, Madison WI 53711-1924, <stevens608@aol.com>. Benjamin Franklin Saunders was born on 10 Dec 1822 in Pennsylvania. I have not been able to determine his place of birth or the names of his parents. The 1870 census in Harrison County spells his name "Sanders;" the 1880 census lists his name as "Saunders." His daughter, Ruanna, my great great grandmother, used the name Saunders. Benjamin married Matilda Ann Harrison on Valentine's Day in 1850 in Harrison Co., W.V. I would like to now more about Benjamin before he came to Harrison Co., W.V. and particularly the names of his parents and where he was born. ■

About This Issue

All queries received to date have been included. Let me know if yours was missed. More queries are needed. Please update the current status of your genealogical needs and send in some updated queries.

Thanks for the good stories. I had lots of good stuff left over. Many articles were rather long and I may just have to wait for the right size space to fit them in. Keep sending in stories and other products of your research, but I need a few shorter ones. Also, more good pictures are needed to support stories and queries.

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It will be very much appreciated if you send me your queries and other material via e-mail. Send it to me at <dschafe@comp.uark.edu> or <DES32@aol.com>. If you can't e-mail, put your copy on a 3 1/2" disk in WordPerfect or Microsoft Word (PC or Mac) or most anything on a Macintosh. Also, if you send cleanly typed copy, I can scan it with OCR software and a scanner to save time. *Whichever is okay for you—but send me something!*

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Betty S. Brock, 7675 Old Hickory Hammock, Milton, FL 32583, <jimbrock@dotstar.net>. These are my g-g-grandparents. Don't know where they came from or who their parents were. Does anyone connect? Allen Jefferson Sanders (b. 24 Sep 1842 Conecuh Co., Ala., d. 24 Jul 1917 Holt, Fla.) married Artha C. McClellan 20 Sep 1866 in Walton Co., Fla. ■

Tom Sanders Family Came From Tennessee To Marion County, Arkansas; Had Seven Children

From pp 251-52, *The History of Marion County (Ark.)*, Earl Berry, Marion County Historical Asso., 1977.

The Tom Sanders family came by covered wagon from Tennessee and settled a farm on Jimmies Creek near the Wild Cat ford. This farm was later known as the E. B. Adams farm near the Simon Osborne place.

Tom Sanders was a man of means and came to Arkansas prior to the Civil War, and in addition to his family, he brought along a number of slaves, probably three or four. He was a farmer, carpenter and wagon-maker.

Tom Sanders married Peggy Ralph, also a native of Tennessee, before coming to Arkansas. To this union were born the following children: Joseph, Robert, Richard, Mary, Jane, Jim, Tennessee, and another son born after the family came to Arkansas. This son died while a small child, probably near the end of the Civil War.

Tom Sanders enlisted in the Confederate Army but before joining the army and prior to the Emancipation Proclamation, he freed his slaves. These former slaves chose to live on the farm and work during the Civil War. Some of them were buried in the Wild Cat Cemetery.

Robert Sanders married a Lawance. They had several children but their names cannot be recalled. Robert (Bob) was a farmer and real estate broker. He died prior to WW I and was buried in the Long Cemetery near Fairview.

Richard Sanders moved to the Indian Territory while a young man and we have no record of his family.

Mary Sanders married a Mr. Thomas of Valley Springs. They were not blessed with any children but adopted a son.

Jane Sanders married George W. Jenkins and her family is covered in the Jenkins family history.

Tennessee Sanders married Pate King of Flippin and they had thirteen children: Mary, Roy, Charlie, Willie, Eura, Ella, Rosie, Tommie, Austin, Dallas, J.S., and two daughters whose names cannot be recalled. For many years the family lived on what is now the Fred Rose place near Fairview. They moved to Oklahoma during WW I.

Joseph Sanders was born on June 2, 1853. In 1878 he married Lydia Pangle who was born in Dade County, Ga., in 1855. She had lived during the Civil War near Lookout Mountain, Tenn., and in 1869 came to Marion County with her parents, John and Elizabeth McKeehan Pangle. Joseph and Lydia Pangle Sanders lived for many years on a farm on Fallen Ash road at the foot of Lee's Mountain. Bertha Sanders, widow of Collie Sanders, lives there now. Lydia's older brother, Francis Pangle, fought in the Civil War. The family learned from friends that he survived the war but he never returned to his family.

Jim Sanders married Vickie Pangle, Lydia's sister. Their children were Gladys, Dossie, Gussie, and Ned; the last three, all unmarried, still live on the farm on Fallen Ash. It was bought by Jim and Vickie in 1907.

Joseph and Lydia Pangle Sanders had six children: Hettie, Lester, Johnnie, Elsie, Collie and Ralph. Hettie and Willie Lynch were married in 1900 and were the parents of Opal and Herman. In 1903 Lester married Mettie Cornelius Briggs in the home of her parents, Andre and Virginia Hutchinson Briggs who lived on Fallen Ash near Mountain View. That same year Lester built a house on Fallen Ash where his children Lalah, Durward, Gordon, Orville, Clifton, and A. J. were born. On March 16, 1930, Mettie Sanders died there. In 1935, Lester married Bonnie York Brewer, who brought her son Harlin to live on the Fallen Ash farm, which is presently owned by Dr. Bob Ahrens.

Collie Sanders married Bertha Noe and their son, Von, is now deceased. Elsie married Charlie Beavers and they adopted a son, Charles Edward. Johnnie married John Briggs, brother of Mettie Briggs, and their children were Norman, R. L., Lynn, and Joann. Ralph married Georgia Wilson and their two sons were Ralph, Jr., and Lowell Wayne. ■

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