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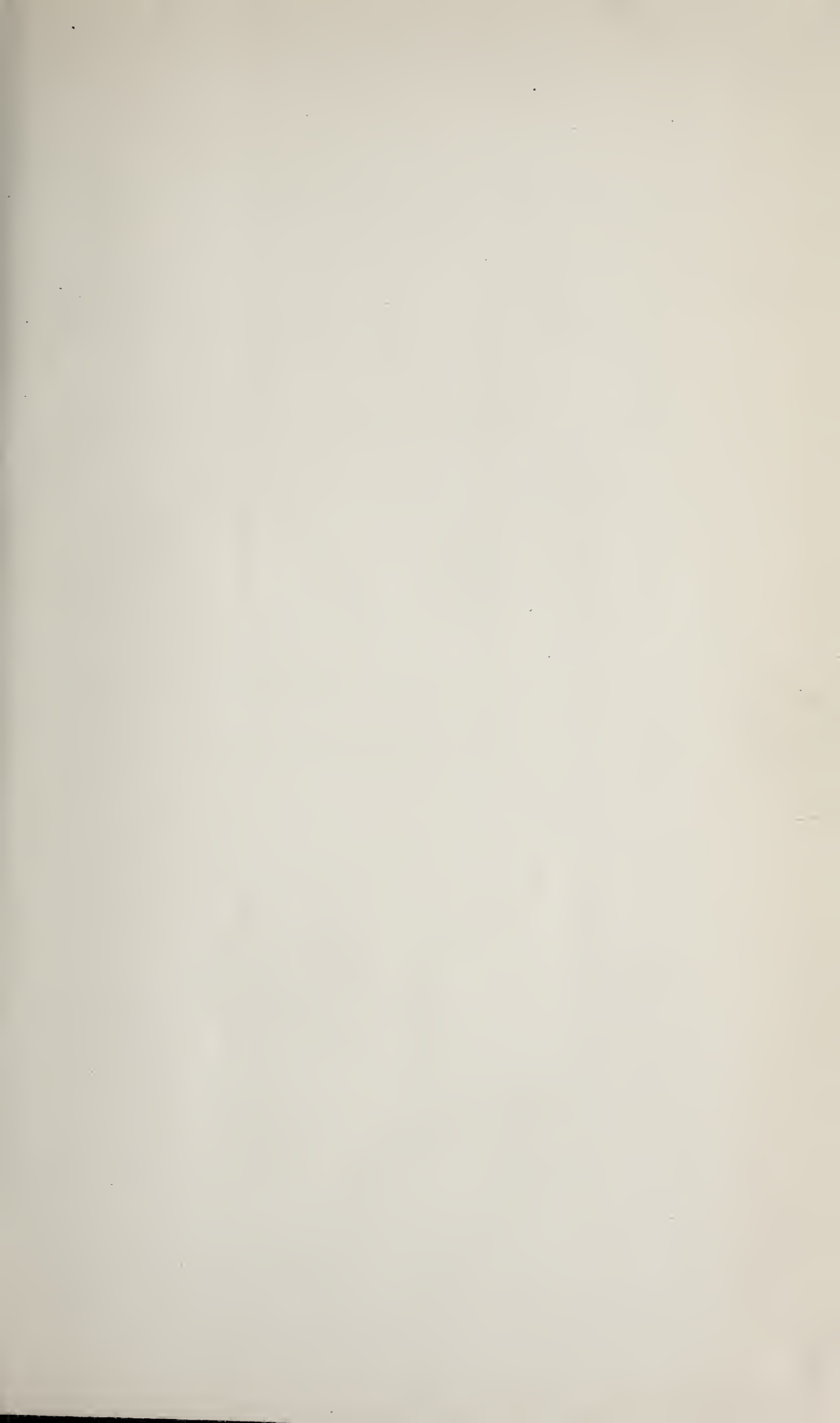






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# HIS FATHER TO EDMUND

## UPON THE ADMISSION OF HIS GRANDMOTHER TO THE PAULUS HOOK CHAPTER, DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Why, Edmund, do I smile? We are  
All tickled to the core, son,  
Your grandma is a D. A. R.  
By right of Jacob Corson.

Who was this hero you inquire?  
Your Jersey ancestor, son,  
Descended was from Swedish sire,  
Founder of Jacob Corson.

Carsten Jansen, the Ocean spanned  
In sixteen fifty-six, son,  
With his household goods to Long  
Island,  
Forbear of Jacob Corson.

There, reared two sons to share his  
toil,  
Then both came to explore, son,  
Discovered Seaville's sandy soil,  
Home of Jacob Corson.

It was son John the eldest one,  
Of our founder Carsten, son,  
Who was destined to become  
Grandpa to Jacob Corson.

When minute-men made flintlocks  
crack  
For liberty, of yore, son,  
The Eagle clawed the lion's back  
And screamed for Jacob Corson.

Of Washington, and how he won,  
Of course you've heard before, son,  
But mark the man behind the gun!  
That man was Jacob Corson.

"What battles did he fight?" you  
ask,  
Although he shed no gore, son,  
A waiting-serviceable task  
Was that of Jacob Corson.

He camped his guard on Cape May's  
sand  
Afar from battle's roar, son,  
No foeman dared attempt to land  
For fear of Jacob Corson.

His home-defending band of friends  
No regimentals wore, son,  
But Gandys, Marshalls and Towns-  
ends,  
Saluted Jacob Corson.

Cornwallis then with arms and men  
Despairing fled our shore, son,  
Great Father George was victor when  
Enforced by Jacob Corson.

And when the British had decamped,  
He mustered out his corps, son,  
A martial spirit fitly stamped  
As Colonel, Jacob Corson.

But knowing that in time of peace  
One must prepare for war, son,  
Foreseeing far this land's increase  
Our hearty Jacob Corson

Wooded and married straight away.  
His wife a big brood bore, son,  
The population of Cape May  
Descend from Jacob Corson.

And if in after years you care  
To cull ancestral lore, son,  
I hope you'll cultivate and spare  
The tree of Jacob Corson.

Although his multiplied descent  
Are counted by the score, son,  
And constitute a monument  
Attesting Jacob Corson.

## 2 THREE HUNDRED YEARS WITH THE CORSON FAMILIES

Yet better still another plan;  
Have cast in brazen ore, son,  
This martial, maritalis man,  
And model Jacob Corson.

So honor give where honor's due  
And thank him o'er and o'er, son,  
Grandma's a Daughter, you are you,  
Because of Jacob Corson.

This patriotic patriarch  
Perpetuate by more, son,  
Inscribe a book to Paulis Hook  
On gallant Jacob Corson.

A moral may this tale afford  
Of your progenitor, son:  
Virtue is its own reward,  
In peace, rest Jacob Corson.

*(Poem by Mr. Seward Davis, given at the Hope Corson reunion, some years ago. First five verses rewritten by the compiler to fit history.)*



# I

## THREE HUNDRED YEARS WITH THE CORSON FAMILIES IN AMERICA—THE ORIGIN AND USE OF THE NAME CORSON BY THE CAPE MAY BRANCH OF THE CORSON FAMILY

The progenitor of the Cape May Corson families was Carsten or Corsten Jansen. This man could write and his signature is preserved in many of the early records of Gravesend and Flatbush, Long Island. Although he seems to have signed his name more often as Carsten Jansen, on at least three occasions he used Corten or Corsten. In Liber D of Flatbush records, on page 48, he signed a deed as "Corten Jan," while his name appears in the instrument, written by the clerk, as "Caersten Jansen." This deed was dated Jan. 21, 1666. In another deed, dated Jan. 27, 1666, on page 52 of the same volume, he signed his name as "Korten Jan," while the clerk in the same record wrote it "Corsten Jansen." In 1682 the progenitor was a witness to the will of William Osborn of Gravesend, dated Feb. 10, 1682, and proved Aug. 29, 1683. The witnesses signed as "Corsten Jansen, Samuel Spicer and Peter Smith." (New York Historical Society's Abstract of Wills, V. 1, p. 469.)

That this man should sign his name sometimes as "Carsten" and on other occasions as "Corsten" is not as unusual as it might seem. Carsten, Corsten, Cors, Corstiaan, Corst, Karsten, etc., are variant forms of the same name, all being derived from the word Christ. They are all forms of the name Christian or Kristian. Carsten was used, it would seem from the records of New Netherland, as a first or baptismal name, not only by the Dutch, but also by the Scandinavians, as in the case of Carsten Jansen Eggert as is later explained. The fact that this man used the name "Corsten" is mentioned by the compiler, because it no doubt accounts for his sons using the name Corston and later Corson. "Jansen" in Corsten Jansen is not a family name, it must be remembered, but a patronymic name, designating Carsten or Corston as the child of Jan, and from this patronymic name we know that "Jan" was the first or baptismal name of Carsten's father. In the record of the will heretofore mentioned, the family names of the English

settlers, William Osborn, Samuel Spicer and Peter Smith, are quite in contrast to the name, Carsten Jansen.

The two sons, John and Peter, of Carsten Jansen, were born at about the time that the English took over control of New Netherland from the Dutch. At the time they became of age and their names began to appear in the records, the effect of the English customs, that began to prevail after the English assumed control, was being felt and the patronymic system, that had heretofore been rigidly followed by the Dutch and Scandinavian settlers in naming or designating their wives and children, was not followed in its truest form. It must be borne in mind that in England and France this patronymic system had before this period been discarded and that family names had come into common use. This was not true of the Dutch and Scandinavian countries, where, except in exceptional cases, the patronymic system was at its height, and the wives and children were designated by adding the genitive ending, "sen," "se," "s," or as it also appears in the records, "szen" or "sz," to the first or baptismal names of the father or husband. This ending designated the wife or child as belonging to, or as the wife of the husband or child of the father. The sons of Carsten Jansen did not at first use the name Corson, but this name was evolved or corrupted from the patronymic, Carstensen. The fact that Gravesend, L. I., the home of this family, was settled by the English, and that they predominated in the population, possibly hastened the changing of the name to the more English form. The Gravesend records were recorded in the English language, but still the clerks attempted to write the name in the patronymic form, although it appears as such in the English form of spelling.

The writer will show how this name was evolved into Corson from its patronymic form. This evolution is clearly shown and illustrated in the records themselves. The spelling of the various names will be given as they appear in the original records, photostatic copies of which are in possession of the compiler. The English form of Jan is John and Carsten often appears when written by the clerk as Carson, although the father of John and Peter signed his name as "Corsten" or "Carsten" Jansen. Thus the father's name when written by the clerk often appears as Carsten Johnson or Carson Johnson. In two of the earliest records in which the names of John and Peter appear, the name appears in the correct patronymic form, although the clerk in one, used the English form of Carsten and Jan and also the English form



of the genitive ending "sen," writing it "son." The record in which the name of the two brothers appear in the correct patronymic form is Gravesend Book VI, p. 38, by which "John Cars-tensen" conveyed parts of certain tracts to his brother "Petter Carstensen." This deed was dated Mar. 21, 1687-88. In this deed appears the English name of "Jerimyah Stillwell," which it should be noted is not written in the patronymic form. This document was signed by the mark of "John Carstensen." The other early record in which the name appears in the correct patronymic form, although spelled in the English fashion, is Gravesend Book V, p. 125. In this deed, William Goulding, as attorney for Thomas Coddington conveyed two garden spots and buildings to "John Carsonsson," and "Peeter Carsonsson." It is very clear in this instance that the name "Carsonsson" is nothing more than an English form of the patronymic, Carstensen. It designates the two sons as John, Carson's son; and Peter, Carson's son. In this deed John made his mark to "John Carssonson" and Peter signed his name as "Peter Corsonson." William Goulding made his mark to the name "William Goulding." This deed was dated May 25, 1685. It should again be noted that the English names, "Goulding" and "Coddington" are not patronymic names, but are family names, such as were already used by the English at this period.

About ten years later, the effect of the English customs was more pronounced and in three deeds the names of the two sons appear as John and Peter "Carsten," which is the patronymic name minus the genitive ending. It is the first name of the father used as a last or patronymic name of the sons. These three deeds are found in Gravesend Book VI, p. 111, dated Sept. 23, 1693; p. 136, dated Sept. 25, 1694; and p. 154, dated Jan. 10, 1695-96. Peter signed two of these deeds by dropping the genitive ending, "son," from his signature of "Corson-son," of May 25, 1685, and writing his name "Peeter Corson." Thus was the name "Corson" first used by the Cape May branch of the family. John had already gone to Cape May County and he did not so soon drop the corrupted patronymic form of Carsten or Corsten, as we find his name spelled in various Cape May records, including his will, dated Jan. 11, 1721, as "Corston." John's and Peter's names were also found in Cape May records spelled as "Causon" and "Coston," but it finally was spelled only in the English form of "Corson."

Many years later than the period we have been discussing, the patronymic system was still used to some extent by the descendants

of John and Peter, although in modified form. The following interesting account of this system was given to the compiler by Mrs. Letitia Y. Corson Tomlin, of Westfield, N. J., and pertains to the time when the descendants of the family were very numerous in Upper Township, Cape May County. She wrote: "One of the most amusing things peculiar to the upper part of the county now called 'Upper Township,' where the greater part of the Corsons resided, was the way they distinguished the wives and even children, calling them by their husband's name or that of their father, to the amusement of our Philadelphia friends and relatives as well as many in the county. My grandfather would speak of Aunt Rhodie Bijie, who was none other than one Rhoda who had married Abijah Corson. In the radius of a mile in a county village there might be three or more Marys, who had married Corson men and these to be distinguished would be called by their husband's first name, Mary John or Mary Sammy, whatever the case might be."



## II

### THE NATIONALITY OF CARSTEN JANSEN

The question of nationality of Carsten Jansen, the progenitor or founder ancestor of the Cape May families is an interesting one. It is especially so in view of the fact that many authorities have presumed that all the Corson families in America were descended from one common ancestor and that the common progenitor was of French Huguenot stock. If you have been a student of Corson genealogy you will have noticed that practically every instance in which it had been claimed the family was of Huguenot ancestry, it was the descendants of Cors Pietersen, that were referred to. It seems to have been taken for granted that there was only one progenitor. Then it was discovered that Carsten Jansen was the father of John and Peter Carstensen, Corston, or Corson, of Cape May County, and following the theory that all of the name were of common stock several attempts were made to show that Cors Pietersen and Carsten Jansen were from a common ancestor. But when these claims were checked with the records, it was found that they could not be verified.

Nothing was found in the records that gave any suspicion that Cors Pietersen and Carsten Jansen were related. The history of these two men as compiled in this work from the records shows that they had little in common. In fact, all the circumstantial evidence seems to indicate that they were not even of the same nationality. You have already been shown, according to the official records of New Netherland, that Cors Pietersen came from Langergeraer, Holland. In the face of the evidence, it can hardly be denied that he or his ancestors, for many generations before him, were of Dutch stock. But let us see what was found to indicate the nationality of Carsten Jansen. This man could write and we have his signature preserved not only once but several times. He signed his name as "Carsten Jansen," which is itself the most convincing proof that he was not of French ancestry. His name was a patronymic name and he chose to sign it as such in an English settlement, in which the records were recorded in English, and in which settlement patronymic names were not the rule but the exception. If he were of French or English origin he most certainly would not have used a patronymic name, and especially so since he was still using the patronymic name as a signature as

late as 1696 and 1697, thirty-three years after the English had taken over control of New Netherland and at a time the English customs already had begun to prevail and family names were coming into use.

A search of the Gravesend records was made by Mr. Frank L. Van Cleef, of the Commissioner of Records Office, Brooklyn, N. Y., in an attempt to find positive proof of nationality of Carsten Jansen, but without success. There seemed to be no reference of nationality in the records, so we will have to be guided by the circumstantial evidence. Carsten Jansen chose to locate and live in Gravesend, L. I., where the Dutch were very much in the minority. From the records of him that are preserved, it is very evident that he did not associate to any great extent with Dutch people. From this fact we certainly have a right to suspect that he was not of Dutch ancestry. From the name alone it can hardly be determined whether he was of Dutch or Scandinavian origin. It is true that "Jansen" is Dutch, but a Dane or Norwegian, known as Jensen, would in a country controlled by the Dutch be readily called "Jansen."

That the name Carsten Jansen could have been used by a Scandinavian is well established in John O. Evjen's SCANDINAVIANS IN NEW YORK, 1630-1674. Under the heading, Danish, in this volume, p. 195, appears the following: "Carsten Jansen Eggert from Dithmarschen in Schleswig-Holstein was in New Amsterdam in 1655 or before. . . ." Carsten Jansen Eggert was an entirely different person from the subject of this sketch, as his will was proved, May 9, 1678. That the baptismal name, Carsten, was used by other Scandinavians is also proved by the fact that there were several settlers in New Netherland who were called Carsten de Noorman and who, therefore, were clearly Norwegians.

The most convincing evidence that Carsten Jansen was of Scandinavian descent rather than Dutch was found in the tradition that exists among his descendants. During the gathering of data for the history of the Cape May families, the compiler came into contact with the genealogists of the family. Some of these persons had been interested enough to gather data concerning their family many years ago and to record the results of their endeavors before they passed on. Others had the foresight to discuss these questions with their parents and grandparents. It was the opinion of the majority of these persons that the family was of Scandinavian origin. The few that suggested Dutch ancestry were, in most instances, influenced by Stanley Craig's statement in his



History of Petersburg, and it was his opinion that the family was of Dutch stock. Not one offered any tradition from their forefathers that they were of Huguenot stock. The opinion of some of these family historians will no doubt be interesting.

Probably the most outstanding of the early genealogists was Florence Corson Barnes, now deceased. After the death of her husband, she became greatly interested in gathering and recording data about her ancestors. She prepared two family trees, one listing the descendants of John and the other of his brother, Peter Corson. Mrs. Barnes prepared her charts after considerable research, the data being secured by interviewing the older members of the family by traveling over Cape May County with her father, with a horse and buggy. She also examined, it would seem from her records, many old wills, marriage records, etc., and has recorded the names of the wives, which were found to be very accurate. This data was gathered forty or more years ago, while some of the great great grandchildren of John and Peter Corson were still living, and who had heard their parents and grandparents talk about family ancestry. It is not at all likely that the question of ancestry would have been handed down to her incorrectly.

Mrs. Letitia Young Corson Tomlin of Westfield, N. J., is the present owner of the original Florence Corson Barnes charts, and Mrs. Tomlin was kind enough to furnish the author with photostatic copies of these charts. Concerning the nationality of the family, Mrs. Barnes had recorded the following on each of her charts: "John Corson, a Swede"; and "Peter Corson, a Swede."

Let us see what some of the other family historians say. Miss Mary Leonora Corson of 1124 Asbury Ave., Ocean City, N. J., has for many years been interested in Corson genealogy. She advised concerning ancestry as follows: "When my mother was living, she had a very clear mind and often would talk of old days and really enjoyed that much more than she did later happenings. Just where she got this from I cannot tell, but she always said the Corsons were Norwegians, that we all had the light blue eyes of the Norway people."

A letter was addressed to Miss Victoria Corson, a great granddaughter of Joseph, the first, living at Petersburg, N. J. She was ninety years old Oct. 23, 1931. Miss Victoria's eyesight did not permit her to reply and Mrs. Allen Corson, of Ocean City, answered for her. She replied that Miss Victoria Corson knows nothing definite, but Mrs. Corson adds: "I can only say that the Corsons around here seem to think that they are of Scandinavian

descent. No one, unfortunately, knows anything and those that *knew* have passed on. There are some members of the family whose features seem to substantiate the above theory."

Mrs. Letitia Y. Corson Tomlin of Westfield, N. J., said she has always favored the Scandinavian theory. Mrs. Cara Ellen Corson Bevis, of College Hill, Cincinnati, Ohio, said she had always been told that they were of Scandinavian stock. The majority of those interviewed, who expressed themselves on the subject, seemed to think the family was of Scandinavian origin. This tradition existed among the descendants of both John and Peter Corson, and it was not confined to any particular part of the country. An interesting incident concerning the family characteristics of light hair and blue eyes of the Cape May Corsons, was related to the writer by Mrs. Eliza Jane Corson Downs, of 1501 N. Redfield St., Philadelphia. She said she attended the annual meetings of the Corson Family Association, when possible, and on one occasion at a reunion held on Alan Corson's lawn, a very bright woman, a Corson by marriage, carrying her family tree with her, walked right up to her and said: "You are a South Jersey Corson." Mrs. Downs said: "I was very much surprised and asked the lady how she knew that, as I was born and raised near Philadelphia, although my father was born at Seaville, N. J." This lady, continued Mrs. Downs, whom I did not know, said: "The South Jersey Corsons were all light or sandy complexioned, while the Pennsylvania Corsons had dark eyes and hair." On looking over the Corsons assembled that day, I found she was right, concluded Mrs. Downs.



### III

## CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CAPE MAY CORSONS —RELIGIOUS AFFILIATIONS—CHIEF OCCU- PATIONS—CIVIL AND MILITARY SERVICE

It is unfortunate that nothing was found in the records conclusively establishing the country whence Carsten Jansen, or his parents, if he was born in this country, had come. According to the widespread tradition in the family, which seems to be verified by the predominating family characteristics of blue eyes and light hair, he was a Scandinavian. But why did Carsten Jansen choose to associate with English people? Was it because he had a dislike for the Dutch, because they had displaced or taken control of South Jersey from the Swedes, or possibly had he married into an English family? Could it have been possible that Carsten Jansen had first settled in New England, and had immigrated from there to Long Island, with those settlers of Gravesend, who were of that despised sect, known as Quakers. These were some of the questions the compiler asked himself, but found no answers.

While the names of the parents of Barbara, the wife of Carsten Jansen were not identified, her name suggests English parentage. Of the wives of the two sons of Carsten and Barbara, there can be little doubt but that John or Jan married an English woman, Maria (Mary), the daughter of Elias Daws, and from the first or baptismal name of Peter's wife, Deborah, it can also be assumed that her parents were English and probably Quakers. The names of the sons and grandsons of Carsten and Barbara, Jan (John) and Peter, Andries or Andrias (Andrew), Jacob and Christian are probably more typically Scandinavian than English, but the names of the granddaughters, Hannah, Martha and Abigail, are Scripture names and certainly indicate English Quaker parentage. The names in the several following generations were names that were commonly used by the pioneer families of Cape May. Many of them were Bible names, the use of which may be traced to the religious zeal of the inhabitants. The influence of Carsten Jansen's association with the English settlers of Gravesend is very apparent.

The names of the children of the early Cape May Corson families are quite in contrast to the baptismal names used by the Staten Island branch of Corson families. In the Staten Island Corson families, the histories of which are recorded in volume one of this work, there was hardly an exception, before the Revolutionary War period, in which their children were given names other than typical Dutch names. With only one exception, in the many baptismal records found, their children were baptised in the Dutch Reformed Church and the baptisms whether in New Amsterdam, Staten Island, New Jersey or Pennsylvania, were recorded in the Dutch language.

Although only the family records of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson, and some of their children, were found in the Minutes of the Friends Monthly Meetings, it is generally assumed that the earliest religion of the Cape May families was that of the Quakers. Peter was a contributor to the building fund of the old meeting house still standing. It is generally accepted that later they became Baptists and Methodists. But no matter of what sect, they were very religious and many of them were ministers of the Gospel.

They seem to have been very clanish. This is reflected in the great many intermarriages of the various families. While in a few instances the contracting parties were first cousins, in most cases they were more distantly related. Mr. Luther Corson, son of Elva (son of Joseph III) and Martha Corson (daughter of Miles), in a letter to Dr. David B. Corson discussing family history, said: there were eighteen intermarriages in the next generation (after Joseph I), but the contracting parties were mostly distant cousins and what was very truly remarkable: "No fools, no idiots, halt, lame nor blind." This practice of intermarriage of the Corson families seems to have almost been the rule rather than the exception. It was far more common than is apparent to the reader of this work, because the collateral lines are not always given. In many cases it was the mother of the bride who was a Corson, and of course her name was not Corson, unless her father was also a Corson. One reason for the unusual number of intermarriages lies in the fact that there were a great many Corson families descended from the two brothers, John and Peter, and the greater part of these families lived in Upper Township, fifty-two families being recorded in the 1850 census in this township. Because of these intermarriages the most unusual circumstances present themselves to those of the family tracing their lines. Many can trace their lineage through their father and mother to the same



common ancestor. There are probably few families in America whose descendants can boast of as much blood of their progenitor. Many in tracing their lines for the compiler stated that they were mostly Corson and it could not be denied.

Whaling seems to have been the chief occupation of the earliest settlers in Cape May County, in fact, according to a traditional story, John and Peter Corson, the pioneers, were with an expedition hunting whales, when they became disgusted with the drinking and carousing of those aboard and disembarked and landed in Cape May County. The earlier generations of the Corson families in Cape May County seem to have been interested in this industry, which flourished until the early part of the eighteenth century. They were lovers of the sea and good seamen, and many of the family followed this occupation. Some farmed part of the time and went to sea part of the time. Others devoted all their time to tilling of the soil and many of the family had extensive plantations.

The family was very patriotic, taking an active part in civil and military affairs. Peter Corson, the first, was probably the first office holder, having represented Cape May County in the Assembly of the Legislature of New Jersey in 1707-08. Later Parmenas Corson served in the Council (Senate) of the Legislature in 1796-97; 1797-98; 1798-99; 1801-03; and 1804-05. Amos Corson served in the Assembly in 1836-38; and in the Council in 1838-40. Alexander Corson was Director of Freeholders in 1878.

On the Board of Freeholders we find the name of Amos Corson representing Upper Township in 1827. Parmenas Corson represented Upper Township in 1829, 1830, 1831, 1833, 1834; Miles Corson, Upper, 1839; Daniel Corson, Upper, 1844; Ezra Corson, Upper, 1846; Levi Corson, Upper, 1850, 1851; Amos Corson, Upper, 1855; Sylvanus Corson, Upper Township, 1864 to 1870 inclusive and 1872; Alexander Corson, Upper, 1873 to 1897 inclusive; Henry T. Corson, Dennis Township, 1885, 1886; Youngs Corson, Ocean City, 1889; Theophilus Corson, Upper Township, 1890, 1892, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897.

Elva Corson was sheriff of Cape May County, 1853-58. Remington Corson was sheriff, 1881-83. Among the names of postmasters of Cape May County appear the following: Luther Corson was appointed postmaster of Palermo, N. J., Sept. 30, 1878; Elenor W. Corson at Palermo, Mar. 29, 1887; Seth W. Corson, at Palermo, Oct. 17, 1893; Remington Corson, at South Seaville, Sept. 7, 1867; Baker Corson, at South Seaville, Dec. 6, 1881; Remington Corson, at South Seaville, May 11, 1889; James H.

Corson, at Marmora, June 21, 1890; Peter Corson, at Petersburg, Apr. 14, 1856; Harrison J. Corson, at Petersburg, Aug. 3, 1885, reappointed, Oct. 13, 1893.

## REVOLUTIONARY WAR RECORD

In Capt. James Willetts' second company, Cape May Battalion of Infantry, the following served as privates: Cornelius Corson, Darius Corson, David Corson, Jacob Corson, Jesse Corson, John Corson, Levi Corson, Nicholas Corson, Parmenas Corson, Rem Corson. Capt. James Willetts, Jr., the captain of the company in which the above named ten Corsons served, was the son of James Willetts, Sr., and Martha Corson. Amos Willetts, another son of James, Sr., and Martha Corson, also served in this company as a private. Jacob and Darius Corson also served at times as seamen during the war. John Corson, Jr., of the Tarkil district, old Gloucester County, served in the Gloucester County Militia. Abel Corson, of Cumberland County, enlisted as private in the Gloucester County Minute Men, Nov., 1776, in Capt. John Hollingshead's company; he was transferred to the New Jersey Continental Line, Jan. 1, 1781; he served as fifer in Captain Hendry's company, then promoted to fifer-major.

## OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

Among the people of the county who took the Oath of Allegiance to the New State Government, on May 27, 1778, appears the names of the following members of the family: Rem Corson, Jesse Corson, Abner Corson, Peter Corson, and David Corson.

## WAR OF 1812

In Capt. George Norton's company of volunteers, enrolled May 15, 1814, and discharged Feb. 17, 1815, we find the following descendants of John and Peter Corson: Corporal, McBride Corson. Privates: Aaron Corson, Cornelius Corson, Jr., Elijah Corson, Jacob Corson, John Corson, and Nathaniel Corson.

Following the close of the War of 1812, the "First Regiment-Cape May" was not disbanded until 1835. Among the officers of that period were the following:

### FIRST BATTALION

Cornelius Corson, Captain, first company, commissioned May 15, 1818.  
Somers Corson, Lieutenant, first company, commissioned May 20, 1816.



Allen Corson, Lieutenant, first company, commissioned May 15, 1818.  
Enos Corson, Lieutenant, fourth company, commissioned May 15, 1818.  
David Corson, Ensign, fourth company, commissioned May 15, 1818.  
Allen Corson, Captain, first company, commissioned Apr. 21, 1822.  
Seth Corson, Lieutenant, first company, commissioned May 21, 1822.  
Aaron Corson, Lieutenant, first company, commissioned May 22, 1823.  
Enos Corson, Captain, fourth company, commissioned Apr. 11, 1826.  
Ezra Corson, Lieutenant, fourth company, commissioned Apr. 11, 1826.

## SECOND BATTALION

Elijah Corson, Ensign, first company, commissioned June 10, 1817.

## IV

# THE HISTORY OF THE CAPE MAY OR SOUTH JERSEY CORSON FAMILIES—CARSTEN JANSEN AND HIS FAMILY

The first record of Carsten Jansen, the founder ancestor or progenitor of the Cape May, N. J., branch of the Corsons in America, occurs under date of 1656. His name appears in a list of persons who were inhabitants and probably freeholders of Gravesend, Long Island, in that year. (History of Long Island by Benjamin Thompson, V. 2, p. 177.) Other names in the list include Wm. Goulding, John Enams, Nicholas Stillwell, Samuel, Jacob, and Thomas Spicer. It will be seen that the names of these persons are found associated in the records with Carsten Jansen and his descendants, not only in Gravesend, but the same surnames occur very often in later generations in Cape May County.

The next year Carsten Jansen again appears in the Gravesend records, in Book 3, p. 4, of Town Records, as having ten morgans in tillage in the year 1657. A morgans is equivalent to two acres. It is very likely that Carsten was in America before 1656, but a search of the records failed to establish proof. The record that lends weight to this supposition is found in Flatbush Records, No. 1006, pp. 246-247. It is here recorded that the mother of "Karsten Jansen" was buried on Nov. 5, 1665. On Dec. 23, 1665, 20 guildens were paid therefore. Because it seems his mother was in this country, is ample reason to suspect that Carsten may have been born in America, as it is not so likely that an emigrant to a new country would bring his mother with him. It seems that it would be more probable that his parents had come to this country. But as the records examined by the compiler failed to establish this fact it was necessary to call Carsten Jansen the progenitor.

On Jan. 21, 1666, Carsten Jansen bought a farm of Dirck Jansen De Groot, a cooper, on the south side of the farm of Arent Mosenaer, in Flatbush, L. I., as recorded in Liber D, p. 47 of Flatbush Records. On the next day, Jan. 22, 1666, Carsten Jansen sold a house and lot in Flatbush to Jan Jansen Fyn, as per p. 51 of Liber D of Flatbush Records. Carsten Jansen, between 1663 and 1670, appears in various suits and in 1671 he was given a release from all claims, by Bartholamew Aplegate, Gravesend



Book III, p. 27. Between 1672 and 1695 he was allotted plots of woodland or meadow or was assessed for the construction of common fences. He appears as a witness in 1685 and 1686, in Gravesend Book V, pp. 143, 147, 151, and 157. He bought a house and lot of Samuel Spicer in 1686, Gravesend Book V, p. 159, which he afterward sold to Jacobus Enams in 1697, Gravesend Book V, p. 193. The bond he gave for this purpose is found in Paper 217. Carsten Jansen also appears as a witness to the wills of Derck Stoffels and Joanna Havens, in 1690-91. On Feb. 10, 1682, he with Samuel Spicer and Peter Smith witnessed the will of Wm. Osburn of Gravesend. (New York Historical Society Wills, Vol. 1, p. 469.)

It may be not without interest to know something about Gravesend and Flatbush. Gravesend, now a part of New York City, was established by Lady Deborah Moody, an English woman, and her associates in 1643-45. They fled from persecution in Massachusetts, and later became Quakers. It "is the most southerly part of Kings County, and includes, within its limits, Coney Island, bordering on the Ocean. It is centrally distant about ten miles from New York City, and is bounded east by Flatbush, south by the Atlantic Ocean and west by New Utrecht, being of a triangular shape, with its base resting on the Ocean and terminating in a point adjoining the town of Flatbush. The town, being an exception to the other parts of the county, was settled by English people, some of whom were of that despised sect called Quakers, most of them coming from the Colony of Massachusetts, where they had resided for different periods." (Thompson's History of Long Island, V. 2, p. 168.)

The Gravesend records were recorded in the English language, which accounts for Carsten Jansen's name being sometimes written by the English clerk as Carson Johnson. While not much is known about Carsten, it is safe to assume that he was a farmer. He seems to have bought and sold considerable property and was doubtless a man of means. He signed his name "Carsten Jansen."

Carsten Jansen married Barbara ————. The name of his wife was established by the conveyance record under date of Aug. 23, 1697, and heretofore mentioned as recorded in Gravesend Book V, p. 193, a photostatic copy of this deed being in the possession of the compiler. She made her mark to this document. Carsten Jansen and his wife, Barbara, had at least two sons:

- (1) JAN or JOHN CARSTENSEN;
- (2) PETER CARSTENSEN.

The name of the sons appears in the records, on at least one occasion, in the correct patronymic form of "Carstensen," it also appears in the misspelled patronymic form of "Carsonson" and "Corsonson." Then we find the patronymic name minus the genitive ending, as "Carsten" or "Corston." Later it appears as "Coston" and "Causon." Peter could write and he seems to have been the first son to use the final English form of "Corson," by which name the descendants of Carsten Jansen were later known. The origin of the name is more fully explained in chapter I, p. 3.

The baptismal or birth records of the sons, John and Peter, were not found, but Peter is positively identified as Carsten Jansen's son in a conveyance record, under date of Jan. 10, 1695-6, recorded in Gravesend Book VI, p. 154, in which it is recorded that Carsten Jansen, as attorney of his son, Peter, sold two lots of meadows in Gravesend to John Lake. The first part of this deed reads as follows:

"These Present Writting witnesseth that I Carsten Johnson Living in towne of Gravesend in Kings County on the Island Nassou in the province New York Doe hereby Absolutly own & acknowledge to have Sold Assigned and Transported by vertue of a power Given to me from my son Peter Carsten two Lotts of Medow Lying and being in ye Limits of Gravesend aforesd, viz: . . ."

Then follows a description of the lots, after which the consideration is given as three pounds, two shillings and six pence. This deed bears the signature of "Carsten Jansen" and the mark of John Lake.

That John and Peter Carstensen, Carsten or Corson were brothers is fully established by the conveyance records of Gravesend, photostatic copies of which are in possession of the compiler. These will be discussed subsequently. Although the baptismal or birth dates of the two sons were not found, it is the opinion of the compiler that they were born not later than 1665 and probably in the period ten years previous to this date. John and Peter were no doubt of age in 1685, as in that year a conveyance record is found in Gravesend Book V, p. 125, in which it is recorded that one William Goulding, of Gravesend, as attorney for Thomas Coddington, conveyed "Twoe Guarden Spotts of land with ye houseing there uppon — unto John Carsonsson and Peeter Carssonsson of ye same place their heirs Executors Administratours Assigns," etc., "And in Consideration of ye above houseing & land ye said John Carsonsson & Peeter Carsonsson are to pay unto ye sd Thomas Coddington or his order, ye summ of fifteene hun-



dred gillders in currant passable Silver money in this Country.” This document is dated the 25th day of May, 1685, and is signed by “William Goulding” and “John Carsonsson” by their marks and by the signature of “Peter Corsonson.” This is the earliest conveyance record found of John and Peter Carstensen or Corson. They were no doubt of age at this time and evidently much attached to each other, as what seems to have been their first investment was made jointly. It will be seen that this same evidence of attachment to each other followed these two brothers during their whole life.

JOHN AND PETER CORSON AND THEIR FAMILIES—PROOF OF IMMIGRATION FROM GRAVESEND, L. I., TO CAPE MAY COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

John Corson, it seems, was the eldest son of Carsten Jansen and Barbara, and was born probably not later than 1660, as he had married Maria Eliase Daas or Daws about 1680. He baptised a son, Andries, under date of Jan. 23, 1681. This baptism is found in the records of the Flatbush Dutch Reformed Church; the parents were recorded as "Jan Karsten" and "Maria Elias Daas" and the witnesses were Elias Daas (Daws) and Barbara Karsten. Barbara Karsten (patronymic name meaning Carsten's Barbara) was the paternal grandmother, and Elias Daas or Daws was the maternal grandfather of the child, Andries. Elias Daws was allotted a plot on the Neck meadows of Gravesend in 1672. He had four daughters, Maria, Rebecca, Patience and Annetje. (Bergen p. 85.) In the baptismal record it will be noticed that the maiden name of the wife was used as was customary in the records of the Dutch Reformed Church. Jan or John Carsten or Corson's wife's name also appears in the records as Mary Jansen and Mary Johnson, in which cases the genitive ending "sen" was added to the first name of her husband, Jan or John, instead of to the name of her father.

Peter Carstensen, Carsten, or Corson married Deborah ———. Her parents' name or the probable date of her marriage to Peter was not found in the records. She was identified by the conveyance record found in Gravesend Book VI, p. 111, under date of Sept. 23, 1693, to which she made her mark to her signature written by the clerk as "Deborah (X) ye wife of Peter Carsten." Peter, no doubt, married Deborah about the same time that John married (about 1680), as their daughter was a widow with five small children in 1709.

An examination of the conveyance records of Gravesend seems to indicate that John Carsten or Corson moved to Cape May County, N. J., before his brother, Peter. John did not long keep the tracts of land that he had bought from Wm. Coddington and others. On the 21st of Mar., 1687-8, he conveyed a half interest



in five tracts of land to his brother, Peter. This deed recites as follows :

“Know all men by these presents That I John Carstensen, Living at Gravesend in ye Kings County upon Long Island doe hereby owne & Acknowledge absolutely to have Sould Assigned & made over these following half portions or parcels of Land & meddouse.” After a description of the five tracts it continues: “I the above said John Carstensen doe owne & Acknowledge absolutely to have Sould Assigned & made over from me my heyres Executors Administratours or Assignes for ever Unto my brother Petter Carstensen in the same Towne above sd. ——” etc.

This deed was signed by John Carstensen by his mark. It was no doubt shortly after this time that John Carstensen immigrated to Cape May County, N. J., as he is recorded as a witness in an action in slander and defamation before Burlington Court and offered testimony on June 3-4, 1690. (Steven’s Hist. Cape May County, p. 33.)

That Peter Corson was still living in Gravesend on Sept. 23, 1693, and had moved to Cape May County, N. J., during the following year is shown by two conveyance records by which he disposed of his property in Gravesend. The first found in Gravesend Book VI, p. 111, and dated Sept. 23, 1693, begins by reciting as follows :

“This present writting wittneseth thatt I Petter Carsten living att gravesend in Kings County on Long Island in ye province of New York doe hereby ——” etc.

It was to this same deed that his wife signed with her mark as “Deborah Carsten.” The second deed by which Peter Corson conveyed two allotments of his Gravesend property to Cornelis Williamsen and Dirck Brower establishes clearly that Peter now lived in Cape May County, N. J., and is the record that proves that the John and Peter Corston or Corson of early Cape May history were the John and Peter Carstensen, Carsten, or Corson of Gravesend, Long Island. This deed is dated Sept. 25, 1694, and is recorded in Gravesend Book VI, p. 136. It begins by reciting as follows :

“Know all men by these presents thatt I Peeter Carsten living now in the County of Cape May in ye province of West Jersey doe hereby Absolutely Acknowledge to have sold and transported all my right and Title in two allotments of Land Lying and being in the limitts and bounds of Gravesend upon Gisberts Island so called and from my Heyers Executorss Administratours and Assignes which sd. Lotts of Land Received from William Goulding living then in this towne of Gravesend and Sould by him to us: viz to me Petter Carsten and John Carsten my brother which said lotts are of the No. 8 and No. 12 as the Record of ye towne make appears ——” etc. This deed was signed by “Peeter Corson.”

The traditional story concerning the manner in which John and Peter Corston or Corson happened to settle in Cape May County is interesting and may be correct. In the latter part of the seventeenth century the whaling industry flourished off the coast of New Jersey. It is said that John and Peter Corson during the winter months engaged in the hunting of this largest of the mammalia and that during one of these expeditions the crew of the whaling ship reveled to such an extent that the two brothers became disgusted with the drinking and carousing aboard the ship and in their own language "could not stand such goings on." They therefore embarked in a yawl boat, when off the coast of New Jersey and landed in Cape May County. They are said to have spent their first winter in a cave along a creek, and in the spring when the waters became high they had to move to another celler or cave on higher land. The name of this creek was thereafter Celler Creek, it being so called today and the first home in the cave was on what is now known as the Ezra Corson farm. If the traditional story is correct it is evident that Peter must have returned to Gravesend for several years before he finally disposed of his Gravesend property and came to Cape May County to join his brother John.

## THE FIRST DEEDS FROM THE WEST JERSEY SOCIETY TO JOHN AND PETER CORSON

The two brothers, John and Peter Corston or Corson, bought land in 1695 of Dr. Daniel Coxe, who had obtained a grant of 95,000 acres in Cape May County and vicinity. Doctor Coxe was one of the most eminent physicians in his day, being physician to Charles II and afterwards to Queen Anne of England. Doctor Coxe formed the West Jersey Society in 1692, and in 1694 this Society began to grant deeds to the settlers who purchased land. On the 23rd of Apr., 1695, the two brothers, John and Peter Corson, again purchased land. On that day they made their first purchase of land in New Jersey, John being deeded 300 acres and Peter, 400 acres, from the West Jersey Society. My cousin, Alan Corson, of Philadelphia, presented the compiler in June, 1931, with photographic copies of these original deeds. The originals at that time were in the possession of Miss Sarah Corson of Petersburg. These two deeds are very similar in form and are very interesting. A copy of the deed to John follows:



"This Indenture Made the twenty-third day of April in the yeare of our Lord according to English Acct one thousand six hundred ninty & five Between Jeremiah Basse now of Burlington in the province of west new Jersey Merchant (Agent for the Hon. the west new Jersey society in England of the one part) and John Causon of Cape May in the Province aforsd Yeoman of the other part witnesseth that the said Jeremiah Basse According to the Power & Authority to him Given by his Commission of Agency together with the instructions and Advice from the said society thereto relating (which Commission of Agency & Instructions Advices thereto relating stand severally upon Record in Published Records of sd Province of west Jersey in Liber B. folio 301 & folio 423) for & in Consideration of the sume of thirty pounds of Currt Money within the sd province of west Jersey to him the said Jeremiah Basse by the said John Causon for & on behalfe of the society aforsd in hand payd or secured to be payd at & before the sealing and delivery hereof the receipt whereof of the sd Jeremiah Basse Doth hereby acknowledge & thereof & of every part & parcell thereof in the name & on behalf of the society aforsd Doth Acquitt Exonerate Release & Discharge the sd John Causon his heirs Executors & Administrators & Every of them forever by these presents Hath Granted bargained & sold Alyened enfeoffed & Confirmed And by these presents in the name & on the behalfe of the sd society doth fully Clearly & absolutely bargain & sell alyen Enfeoffe & Confirm unto the said John Causon his heirs And Assignes forever three hundred Acres of land taken up & surveyed forth of the Tract or Tracts of Land belonging to the aforsd society at Cape May aforsd to & for the said John Causon according to the survey thereof Returned (The Buttinge & Boundinge whereof stand recorded in the secretaries office for the said province at Burlington aforsd Together Also with all & Every the Mines Mineralls woods ways waters ffishing fowling Hawking Hunting & all other profitts Comodities Hereditant & Appertenant to the sd Granted three hundred acres of land belonging or in any wise Appertaining & all the Estate Right Title Interests Use Trust possession property Claims & Demands whatsoever as well as the society aforsd as of the said Jeremiah Basse as their Agent as aforsd or either or any of them as in Law or in Equity of in or unto the sd granted & bargained premises or any part parcell thereof and the reversion & reversions Remain & Remainder of the same & of every part thereof TO HOLD & TO HAVE the said three hundred Acres of Land and granted & bargained premises with the Appertenances unto the sd John Causon his heirs & Assignes for Ever to the onely proper use & beheofe of him the sd John Causon his heirs & Assignes for Ever more And the sd Jeremiah Basse for himself & for & on behalfe of the said west Jersey society & in their Names & for their successors Doth promise grant & Agree to & with the said John Causon his Heirs & Assignes by these presents that the sd Jeremiah Basse or the society aforsd or either or any of them have not or hath not wittingly or willingly Committed or Done any Act Matter of thing whatsoever whereby or by Reason whereof the said granted & bargained premises or any part of parcell thereof is or may or shall be Charged burthoned or incumbred in any Tytle Charge Estate or otherwise howsoever And the said John Causon shall or Lawfully May for Ever hereafter (under the quitrent of two fat Capons or hens payable on the twenty-fourth Day of December yearly forever to the sd society their heirs or successors Agent or Attorney att Cox Hall on Cape May have hold



occupy Enjoy & possess the sd Granted & bargained premises with the & Every of the appertenances without the Lawfull Loss Mollestation Interup-tion or Disturbance of the sd society or Any other person or persons what-soever) other than the quitrents thereof to the sovereigns Lord & Lady the King & Queen & their heirs & the orders thereof if Any be And further that the sd Jeremiah Basse Agent as aforesd & the sd society or their successors Agents ffactes & Attorneys or some of them & will at all & Every time & times hereafter Duering the space & term of seven years next ensuing the Date hereof at the Reasonable Request Cost & Charge of the said John Causon his heirs or Assignes Make Doe Execute or Cause or provide to be Made Done & Executed such further & other Lawful Act or Acts Matter or things for the further More full & perfect Conveying Con-firming & Assuering the sd Granted Premises & Every part & Parcell thereof with the Appertenances to ye sd John Causon his heirs & Assignes forever according to the tenour true intent & Meaning of these presents soe as the person or persons to whom such request shall be Made shall not be compelable or compeled to travel or goe from the place of his or their aboad for the Making Doeing or Executing thereof And soe as such further assur-ances contain noe further covenants or warranty then as herein is Expressed In Witness whereof the sd Jeremiah Basse in the Name & on behalfe of the society aforesd to this present Indenture hath sett his hand & seale the Day & year first above written

(Signed) JEREMIAH BASSE

The deed from the West Jersey Society, Proprietors, to Peter Corson is similar in form and conveys 400 acres for a considera-tion of 40 pounds. This land is said to be located where the Seaville Station on the Reading Railroad now stands. In this deed the grantee is named as "Peter Causon Weaver." In June, 1931, the compiler visited Cape May Court House, the county seat of Cape May County, and Trenton, N. J., but failed to find either of these two deeds on record. Neither were they found at Mount Holly, the county seat of Burlington County. On Dec. 30, 1719, Peter Corson again purchased land from the West Jersey Society, the deed in this instance conveyed 208 acres for a consideration of £30.3.3½, and was proved Oct. 2, 1721. This tract is described in the deed as "Lying & being near Egg Harbor, between the said Peter Corson's land where he now dwells and the land belonging to Peter Golder, Jr., and not joining either of them."

Less than four years before his death, Peter Corson acquired more land from the Society as the abstract of the following deed bears witness: Proprietors to Peter Corson, Senior, of Cape May County, yeoman, dated Oct. 23, 1727, recorded Nov. 22, 1727, for land beginning at the northwest corner of Peter Corson Jr.'s land and extending along Peter Corson Sr.'s and Peter Corson Jr.'s land. Also a tract of land back of John Corson beginning at Peter Corson Sr.'s northernmost corner. Also marsh land adjoining



This Indenture made the twenty third day of April in the year above writing to English account one  
thousand six hundred ninety & five Between Jeremiah Basse now of Burlington in the province of west  
New Jersey agent for the Honorable the west New Jersey society in England of the one part and  
Peter Causon of Cape May in the Province aforesaid Weaver of the other part Witnesseth that the said  
Basse according to the power & authority to him given by his Commission of agency together with the instructions  
coming from the said society thereto Relating which Commission of agency with the Instructions & others there  
Relating stand severally upon Record in the public Records of the Province of west Jersey in the B. fol 201 &  
fol 423 for & in consideration of the sum of forty pounds . . . of current money within  
the said Province of west Jersey to him the said Jeremiah Basse by the said Peter Causon for & on the behalf  
of the said society in hand paid or secured to be paid at & before the sealing & delivery hereof the said  
agent of the said Jeremiah Basse both hereby acknowledge & certify that of every part of the said forty  
pounds he has received on behalf of the said society aforesaid both in full & discharge of the said Peter  
Causon his heirs Executors & assigns & every of them forever by these presents fully granted bargained & sold  
conveyed & confirmed and by these presents in the name & on the behalf of the said society both fully &  
clearly & lawfully granted bargained & sold conveyance & confirmed unto the said Peter Causon his heirs  
and assigns for ever four hundred . . . acres of land taken up & conveyed forth of the tract or  
tracts of land belonging to the aforesaid society at Cape May aforesaid to & for the said Peter Causon and  
to the service thereof & his heirs & assigns whose said land is recorded in the records of the office for  
the said Province at Burlington aforesaid together also with all & every the things & things & woods ways waters  
fishing fowling Hunting & all other profits commodities & advantages & appurtenances to the said granted  
four hundred . . . acres of land belonging or in any wise appertaining & all the Estate Right Tithes &  
profits & trust possession & rights & demands whatsoever as well of the society aforesaid as of the said  
Jeremiah Basse as their agent aforesaid or either or any of them as well in law as in equity in or out of  
Court & bargained & conveyed or any part or parts thereof and the Record & Receipt Remains & Remains  
of the said society with the appurtenances unto the said Peter Causon his heirs & assigns for ever to the only  
use & behoof of him the said Peter Causon his heirs & assigns forever clear & discharged the said Jeremiah  
Basse for himself & for the use & behoof of the said west Jersey society & in their names & for their successors both  
Covenant Grant & charge to & with the said Peter Causon his heirs & assigns by these presents that neither  
said Jeremiah Basse or the society aforesaid or either or any of them have not or shall not willingly or unwillingly  
committe suffer or do any act matter or thing whatsoever whereby or by Reason whereof the said granted & bargained  
part or any part or parts thereof is or shall or may be charged burthened or incumbered in any title Charge  
Estate or otherwise howsoever But that the said Peter Causon his heirs or assigns shall or lawfully  
may for ever hereafter under the yearly payment of two full cypres or hors on the twelfth fourth day of  
November to the said society their heirs or successors agent factor or certain attorney at law or at Cape May aforesaid  
for ever yearly for ever if yearly & lawfully demanded have hold enjoy & use the said  
granted & bargained premises with the & entry of the appurtenances without the lawfull interruption  
interruption or disturbance of the said society or their successors or any other person or persons whatsoever unless the  
the said Record thereof issuing to & for the King & Queen & their heirs & the act and thereof if an  
to be had further that the said Jeremiah Basse (agent aforesaid) & the said society or their successors agents  
factors & attorneys or some of them shall & will at all & every time & times hereafter during the term & space  
of seven years next ensuing the date hereof at the reasonable request cost & charge of the said Peter  
Causon his heirs or assigns make good & secure or cause or procure to be made good & secured with  
further & other lawfull acts or deeds being or things necessary or expedient for the further better more full  
perfect conveying confirming & assuring the said premises hereby granted & every or any part or parts thereof with the  
appurtenances unto the said Peter Causon his heirs or assigns for ever according to the tenor hereof and  
the meaning of these presents by him the said Peter Causon his heirs or assigns shall be reasonably  
required so as the person or persons to whom such request shall be made be not compelled or compelled to come  
or goe from the place of his or their abode or residence for the charging doing or executing thereof and for  
such further assurances containe not further covenants or warranties then as herein is expressed All  
Witnesseth whereof the said Jeremiah Basse in the name & on the behalf of the society aforesaid to & his  
personal Executors hath set his hand & seals the day & year first above written

Jeremiah Basse





Christian Corson and James Hathorn beginning at Christian Corson's N.W. corner and running along James Hathorn and Jacob Corson's creek. The three tracts contained 83 acres. (Liber D, p. 294, Trenton.) Another deed, recorded in Liber D, p. 118, in the Secretary of State's Office in Trenton, dated Nov. 4, 1725, conveyed 54 acres and 148 perches of land from the Proprietors of West Jersey to Peter Corson of Cape May County.

John Corson also seems to have made purchases of land from the society, other than that recorded in the deed of 1695, although no record of the conveyances from the Proprietors to John was found. This second purchase was referred to in a deed on record in Cape May Court House, in Liber of Deeds B, p. 185, by which "John Cossons, yeoman," conveyed 200 acres of land to "Andrew Cossons" for a consideration of 40 pounds. This instrument was dated June 19, 1719, and recorded on Apr. 24, 1724. The description of the land contained the following reference to a second purchase of land from the society by John Corson: "For Messuage & tract of land in Cape May---being 200 Acres of land and marsh of that 250 acres, which was surveyed by Timothy Brandneth, Feb. 22, 1713-14, for me for ye which I have a deed from Coll. Lewis Moris, Agent for the Honorable Jersey Society." The deed was signed by John Corson and his wife, Mary Corson, by their marks. It was witnessed by John Corson, Jr., and Jacob Corson. On Nov. 21, 1720, "John Coston Junior" appeared before John Townsend, Justice of the Peace, and acknowledged "that he seen ye above mentioned instrument to be the voluntary act of the signor John Coston Senior."

Very little concerning the life of John Corston, Coston, or Corson has been preserved in the records. As we can judge him from the records, he was, no doubt, a farmer by occupation and a man of considerable means. He was commonly referred to as yeoman. John and his wife, Maria or Mary (Daws) Corson had three sons and two daughters. The baptismal or birth records of his children, except for Andrew, who, possibly, was the eldest, were not found, but their identity is well established by the will of John Corson, Sr., dated Jan. 11, 1721, proved July 31, 1728, and recorded in Liber 2, of Wills, Folio 534, Trenton, N. J. John Corston or Corson no doubt died just previous to the latter date. The children named in this will were sons: Andrew; John Jr; and Jacob; the daughters: Hannah and Martha. This will, the first made and recorded by the Cape May Corson families, is beautifully written and deserves to be reproduced in this volume in its entirety. It follows:



## WILL OF JOHN CORSTON OR CORSON

"In the Name of God Amen this eleventh Day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & twenty one I John Corston of the County of Cape May in the Province of New Jersey Yeoman being of perfect mind & memory as well as health of body Thanks be given to Almighty God calling to mind the Mortality of my body & the uncertainty of this Transitory life Do make & ordain this my Last Will & Testament that is to say principaly & first of all I Recommend my Soul into ye hands of God who gave it hoping through ye Meritorious Death & Mediation of Jesus Christ my only Redeemer to Receive forgiveness of all my Sins & my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be buryed in Decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at ye General Resurrection I shall receive ye same again by the Mighty Power of God, and Touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give & dispose of the same in ye following manner & form

Imprimis I give & bequeath unto my Son Andrew the Sum of two pounds  
Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah the Sum of Three pounds  
Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Martha the sum of three pounds  
Item I give & bequeath unto my wife Mary Corston after my Debts & the above Legacies are paid one halfe of my Personal Estate during her widowhood & incause She continues so after her Decease She may Dispose of it as she will among my Children but if she marries again She shall Carry away but one Third of my Moveables to Dispose of at her Discretion the other part to be Divided between my Two Sons Jacob & John

Item ye other halfe of my Moveables I give & bequeath two Thirds of them unto my Son Jacob & his heirs & unto my Son John I give & bequeath one Third of the said halfe of my Moveable Estate & to his heirs forever  
Item I constitute make & ordain my wife Mary Corston and my Son Jacob Corston my Sole Executors of this my Last Will & Testament & I do hereby Disanull Revoake & make Void all other Wills & Testaments Legacies Bequests & Executors by me in any Ways named Willed or bequeathed Ratifying & Confirming this & no other as my Last Will & Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand & Seal the Day & Year first Above written

(Signed) JOHN CORSTON X His Mark

Signed Sealed & published pronounced & Declared by the said John Corston as his last will & Testament in presence of us the Subscribers

PETER CORSON  
DAVID GANDY  
NATHANIEL JENKINS

(The copy of the above will was made for the compiler by Mr. Dayton T. Corson of Paulsboro, N. J. In the abstract of this will given in the New Jersey Archives, the children were named as Andrew, Jacob, Martha and Hannah. The name of John Corson Jr. does not appear, although his name appears twice in the original



record. This is only one of the many instances in which it was found that only copies of original records can be depended upon. This error in the New Jersey Archives may have been responsible for the misplacing of John Corson, Jr., and his descendants on Champion Corson's and Florence Corson Barnes' "trees" of the descendants of John and Peter Corson.)

It should be noted that John Corston conveyed only personal property in his will. His real property, it seems, was conveyed by deed to his sons before he made his will and recorded after his death.

Peter Corson, the younger brother, was a resident of Gravesend on Sept. 23, 1693 (Gd. Bk. VI, p. 111), but had moved to Cape May County before Apr. 28, 1694, as on that date his ear mark for cattle was recorded in Cape May County, under the name of "Peter Coston." He was a member of the Legislature in 1707-08, being the second one to represent Cape May County in the Assembly after the first record in 1702. The children of Peter Corson and his wife, Deborah, whom he had married in Gravesend, L. I., were sons, Christian and Peter, Jr., and daughters, Abigail and Mary. The sons were identified by three conveyance records in the Office of the Secretary of State, in Trenton, N. J., and the daughter by the will of her husband, Shamger Hand, Jr.

The first of these three conveyance records is a deed, dated Dec. 30, 1719, and recorded Oct. 2, 1721, by which the West Jersey Society conveyed 100 acres to Christian Corson, yeoman, of Cape May County, for a consideration of 18 pounds. The description of this land recites:

"Beginning at a stake being in the South West Corner of the Tract of land and marsh belonging to Peter Corson, *father to said Christian Corson*, called Dry swamp and running from the said stake 80 perches to the upland and North West Half West 240 perches to a Pine tree marked with 12 notches then South West Half South 52½ perches then South East Half East 320 perches then North East half north 52½ perches to the beginning containing with 5 acres allowance for Highways 100 acres." (Liber BB, p. 457.)

The second conveyance record was dated June 8, 1726, endorsed the same day and recorded Nov. 5, 1733. By this deed Peter Corson, Jr., is identified as the son of Peter Corson, Sr. This instrument begins by reciting as follows:

"To all Christian People, to whom these presents shall have come, Greeting: Know ye that I Peter Corson Sr. of the County of Cape May in the province of West New Jersey yeoman for and in consideration of love good will and affection which I have and do bear towards my *loving son Peter*

*Corson* of the same place and Province afores'd husbandman, and also for the consideration of 60 pounds good & lawful money of America, to me in hand paid. . . ." After a description of the first tract it was said to contain 208 acres with 10 acres allowance for highways. The second was described as containing 94 acres with 4 acres allowance for highways, "which second tract of land and marsh the aforesaid Peter Corson Sr. has purchased of Louis Morris, Esq. agent of the West New Jersey Society." (Liber K, p. 133.)

The third deed recorded the conveying of 4 tracts by Peter Corson, Weaver, to Peter Corson, Jr., and in the description the names of the two sons, Christian and Peter Corson, Jr., are found. This deed was dated Feb. 11, 1729, recorded Nov. 5, 1733, and the consideration 25 pounds. In the description of the first tract it is stated:

"Beginning at a stake standing in the marsh which is Christian Corson's stake in the marsh and so running up the said Christian Corson's line North West 325 perches to the said Christian's Corner in the woods & from thence N.E. 85 perches to a corner tree, which is Peter Corson Junior's own corner and then down the said Peter Corson Jr's own line South East 1 quarter South 320 perches to the said Peter Corson Jr's corner stake in the marsh and from thence South West 71 perches and 1 quarter to the place of beginning. . . ."

The first tract contained 154 acres, the second 47 acres, the third 41½ acres, and the fourth 38 acres. This deed was signed by "Peter Corson." Witnesses were John Goff and Henry Young. (Liber K, p. 130.)

It is very evident that the father, Peter Corson, Sr., and his two sons, Christian and Peter, Jr., lived on adjoining farms. Peter Corson, Sr., died, probably in the early spring of 1731, as an inventory of his estate was dated Apr. 25, 1731. The inventory included the bonds of Peter Corson, Jr., and Christian Corson. On Apr. 29, 1731, Deborah Corson qualified as administrator, the fellow bondsman being recorded as Peter Corson and Jacob Corson. The witnesses were Henry Young and Mary Corson. It should be noted that the two deeds, one dated June 8, 1726, and the other, Feb. 11, 1729, by which Peter Corson, Sr., conveyed 582½ acres of land to Peter, Jr., were not recorded until two years after the decease of the elder Peter, both deeds being recorded on Nov. 5, 1733. It would seem that although Peter Corson, Sr., left no will, he evidently arranged before his death that the younger brother, Peter, Jr., should have the share of his father's estate that the father so desired.

The records that identify Abigail and Mary as the daughters of Peter and Deborah will be given subsequently in the history of



the third generation. In order that the descendants of Peter and Deborah Corson can be readily traced from generation to generation, the order of birth of their children is used as their index number. They are indexed numerically as follows:

- 21 CHRISTIAN CORSON;
- 22 ABIGAIL CORSON;
- 23 MARY CORSON;
- 24 PETER CORSON, JR.

As no dates of birth were found, this order of birth was assumed as being the most likely arrangement.

## VI

### THE THIRD GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY (DAWS) CORSON

For the purpose of indexing numerically, the children of John and Mary (Daws) Corson will be listed in the following order, which probably is not much out of place: 11 Andrew; 12 Jacob; 13 Hannah; 14 John, Jr.; and 15 Martha.

11 ANDREW CORSON, the eldest son of John and Mary (Daws) Corson, was baptised Jan. 23, 1681, in the Flatbush, L. I., Dutch Reformed Church. Except for the deed of June 19, 1719, mentioned heretofore, by which John Corson, Sr., conveyed 200 acres of land to Andrew, little was found in the records concerning the eldest son. As none of the early records of the family seem to record any descendants of Andrew, it is very unlikely that he was survived by issue.

12 JACOB CORSON was probably the second child of John and Mary Corson. Concerning him, Florence Corson Barnes noted on her chart that his father conveyed the original tract of 300 acres, purchased from the West Jersey Society, in 1695, to Jacob and that the deed was recorded on Nov. 5, 1731. A record of this deed was not found at Cape May Court House or at Trenton, but as the original tract seems to have been in Jacob's possession, this transfer was probably made. Jacob married Naomi ———, whose maiden name was not learned. Naomi was also referred to as Amy, which seems to have been an abbreviated form or nickname for Naomi. Jacob died between Dec. 12, 1736, the date that he made his will, and Apr. 25, 1737, the date it was proved. In this will he was referred to as "yeoman" and his residence was given as Cape May County. He disposed of his property as follows: The place that he lived on, he bequeathed to his wife, Amy, as long as she remained his widow. In case of marriage it was to descend to his sons, Jacob and Peter. To his son, Jeremiah, he bequeathed 100 acres at the place called Fast Landing. Daughter Rachel Corson, seven pounds, when 18; daughter Amy Corson, seven pounds when 18; daughter Martha Corson, seven pounds when 18; also some cattle were given to the



daughters. The rest of his goods and chattels was given to his wife, Amy. She and his son, Jacob, were named as executors. The witnesses were John Willets, Joseph Badcock and Richard Hoe. John Willets was the husband of Martha Corson, a sister of the deceased. (Will recorded, Liber 4, p. 103, Trenton, N. J.)

It can hardly be denied that Jacob died when not a very old man, as his son, Jacob, lived 66 years after his father's decease. His wife, Amy, who was named Naomi, in the letter testamentary, probably survived Jacob, Sr., about twenty years, as it seems that the land given to her in the will was divided by the sons, Jacob and Peter, on Oct. 16, 1756. It also would seem that her sons, Jacob and Peter, lived with her until her death as Peter married in 1757, and Jacob not many years previously, probably about the time the land was partitioned. The children of Jacob and Naomi (Amy) Corson, identified in his will, are indexed as follows:

121 JACOB CORSON, II;

122 PETER CORSON;

123 JEREMIAH CORSON, who died intestate in 1776, and who seemed to die without issue;

124 RACHEL CORSON;

125 AMY CORSON;

126 MARTHA CORSON.

13 HANNAH CORSON, probably the eldest daughter of John and Mary Corson, as far as could be learned did not marry.

14 JOHN CORSON, JR., or II, was probably the youngest son of John and Mary (Daws) Corson. The date of his birth was not found, but as he is mentioned as receiving payment for a debt, on Oct. 20, 1715, in the settlement of the estate of Abraham Hand, it is likely that he was of age at that time. As stated heretofore, he witnessed the deed, dated June 19, 1719, whereby John Corson, Sr., conveyed 200 acres to his son, Andrew. He died prior to Apr. 4, 1739, on which date an inventory was returned, in the settlement of his estate, by Henry Young and John Willets. Susannah Corson, who, without much doubt, was his wife, was made administratrix on Mar. 31, 1740. According to the marriage, recorded on page 76½, Marriage Book, Years 1727-34, she married James Conaway for a second husband. The record of this marriage license follows: "James Conaway to Susannah Corson, widow, Cape May, May 14, 1741." John II and Susannah Corson had two sons:

141 DAVID CORSON;

142 JOHN CORSON, III.



The authority for the identification of his sons is an old manuscript history of about ten pages, of the early generations, written many years ago by John M. Corson, a grandson of Joseph the first. This old family history was loaned to the compiler by Mr. Chas. E. Corson of The Dalles, Oregon. It was very helpful in straightening out some of the discrepancies that existed in the meager available charts and records of the early generations.

15 MARTHA CORSON, probably the youngest child of John and Mary (Daws) Corson, married John Willets on Oct. 15, 1716. The ceremony was performed by Justice John Townsend. John Willets was the son of Hope Willets and was born in Cape May County in 1688. Hope Willets was the son of Richard, who is said to have come from Wales in the 17th century and settled in New London, Conn., thence to Long Island; his son, Hope, settled in Cape May. John Willets was a judge for many years, and a member of the Legislature in 1743-44. He died after 1763. Martha (Corson) and John Willets had the following sons:

151 ISAAC WILLETS;

152 JAMES WILLETS;

153 JACOB WILLETS. They had at least one daughter;

154 HANNAH WILLETS, born Mar., 1730, married 243 Darius Corson.

## VII

### THE THIRD GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER AND DEBORAH CORSON

21 CHRISTIAN CORSON was without much doubt the eldest son of Peter and Deborah Corson. He probably was born in Gravesend, L. I., between 1680 and 1685. As in the case of others of this generation little is known about Christian. As hereinbefore mentioned, he purchased 100 acres of land from the West Jersey Society in the year 1719. He evidently died in the same year as his father. In fact, the inventory of his estate was returned Apr. 22, 1731, just three days before the inventory of his father's estate was filed. The administratrix of Christian Corson was Ann Corson, Spinster, appointed Apr. 28, 1731, just one day before Deborah Corson qualified as administratrix of Peter Corson's estate. From the fact that the father and son died so close together and that neither left a will, it is suggested that they may have died from an accident or epidemic. Concerning "Ann Corson, spinster," named as administratrix of Christian's estate and "Deborah Corson, spinster," the administratrix of Peter's estate, it seems, if the appellation "spinster" was used as it is used today, that there can be no question but that neither was the wife of the deceased. Webster's New International Dictionary says under "Spinster," "Formerly, an addition or title—Its use as appended to married women in legal proceedings survived later in America than in England." It is the opinion of the compiler that in these instances the word "spinster" was used as an addition or title, as Esq. for men today, and that Ann Corson was the wife of Christian. From authentic records, heretofore mentioned, it was established that Peter Corson's wife was Deborah and as no mention was found in any of the preserved records, that Peter and Deborah had a daughter, Deborah, it seems that the administratrix for Peter Corson's estate must have been his wife. Among the witnesses to the marriage of Robert Champion and Mary Mayps, before Justice Townsend, June 17, 1715, appear the names, Peter Corson, Deborah Corson, Christian Corson, Ann Corson, Catren Corson, Elizabeth Corson, and John Corson. We



know that Deborah Corson, whose name follows that of her husband, was the wife of Peter, Sr. Ann Corson, whose name follows the name of Christian Corson, was, in the opinion of the compiler, the wife of Christian. Catren, Elizabeth and John were children of Christian and Ann.

Another record that indicates that Ann Corson was probably the wife of Christian is the marriage license record found in Bk. 1727-34, p. 224, in the Secretary of State's office at Trenton, as follows: "John Leonard to Ann Corson, *widow*, Dec. 29, 1732." It was probably Christian's widow that married John Leonard. In the administration of Christian's estate, Peter Corson was fellow bondsman. Peter was Christian's brother. The inventory showed the property was appraised at £174.0.11, and included smiths' tools, one-fourth of a shallop, oxen, cows, etc. The appraisors were Robert Townsend and Henry Young. From the fact that Christian had an interest in a shallop (a sort of large boat with two masts), it seems likely that he was a mariner, as well as "husbandman" (farmer) as named in the intestacy. The children of Christian and Ann Corson are listed as follows:

- 211 CHRISTIAN CORSON, II;
- 212 CATREN CORSON;
- 213 JOHN CORSON;
- 214 ELIZABETH CORSON;
- 215 ANDREW CORSON;
- 216 JOSEPH CORSON, born Sept. 6, 1716.

22 ABIGAIL CORSON, the only daughter of Peter and Deborah Corson, whose identity was clearly established, was probably born in the period 1680-90, as she was a widow with five children in 1709. She is identified as the daughter of Peter Corson by the will of her first husband, Shamgar Hand, Jr., dated June 4, 1707, and proved Nov. 16, 1709. In this will he names his wife, Abigail, sons, Cornelius, William, and according to an abstract of the will in the New Jersey Archives, "apparently other children." The wife was made executrix with "father-in-law, Petter Corson, and brother, Cornelius Hand, as overseers." Her first husband, Shamgar Hand, II, was the son of Shamgar Hand, the first, who purchased 1,000 acres of land, about 1690, near where Cape May Court House is now located. Shamgar Hand, I, married Sarah Pierson. He was born about 1640 and with his brothers, Benjamin born 1642 and Thomas born 1646, immigrated from East Hampton, Long Island, to Cape May County, N. J., probably before 1690.

They were the sons of John Hand, born about 1611 at Stanstede, Kent County, England, who married Alice Stansborough in Eng-



land (some authorities say his wife was Alice Gransden, daughter of Henry Gransden of Sunbridge, Eng.). John Hand was at Lynn, Mass., in 1635. Originally settled at Southampton, L. I., in 1644. Proprietor of East Hampton, L. I., in 1649. Inventory of estate dated Jan. 24, 1660. Other children of John Hand were: John, Jr., born 1633, Stephen born 1635, Mary born 1636, Joseph born 1638, died 1724, James born 1644, and a daughter. The latter children are said to have died on Long Island.

The marriage of Abigail Corson to Shamgar Hand, II, was probably the first intermarriage of these two pioneer families that were to be united by marriage many times later. The children of Abigail (Corson) and Shamgar Hand, II, were identified by the will of Shamgar Hand, the first, dated Mar. 16, 1728, and proved Apr. 22, 1728. They were named as follows:

- 221 CORNELIUS HAND;
- 222 WILLIAM HAND;
- 223 SHAMGAR HAND, III;
- 224 ICHOBOD HAND;
- 225 JAMAMIE HAND.

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Abigail Corson married, second, Henry Young. The proof of this marriage has been established (1) from the ear mark record of Shamgar Hand, Jr., which follows:

“shamgar hand, Juner records his ear mark Apr. 30, 1707, Later henry young’s his Suckseeder (successor).”

(From Liber A, Records of Cape May County Stillwell’s Historical Miscellany, Vol. 1, p. 405.) It is established (2) from the will of Cornelius Hand, the son of Abigail (Corson) and Shamgar Hand, II. An abstract of this will follows:

“1732, Nov. 7, Will of Cornelius Hand of Cape May Co. Wife, Deborah; son, Cornelius (not 21); daughter-in-law (step-daughter), Deborah Taylor. Executors, wife and “my honorable father-in-law (step-father), Henry Young.” Will proved Mar. 31, 1733. Inventory, Nov. 18, 1732.

That the terms, “daughter-in-law” and “father-in-law” in this will, as in other Cape May wills of this period were misused and in these instances were intended to mean, step-daughter and step-father was verified by a careful examination of Cape May County records. They established very clearly that Cornelius Hand, the son of Abigail (Corson) and Shamgar Hand, II, married Deborah (Garrison) Taylor, the widow of John Taylor, who died about 1728, and that Deborah Taylor, named as a daughter-in-law of Cornelius Hand in the latter’s will was the daughter of his wife and her former husband, John Taylor. Consequently, the daughter of Cornelius Hand’s wife of her first marriage to John Taylor,

was the step-daughter of Cornelius Hand and not his daughter-in-law. Likewise, the term, father-in-law, as it refers to Henry Young in the will of Cornelius Hand, was wrongly used, as the maiden name of the wife of Cornelius Hand is clearly established as Deborah Garrison and not Deborah Young. (See J. E. Stillwell's *Historical Miscellany*, Vol. 1, p. 395 for marriage of John Taylor and Deborah Garrison: *N. J. Archives*, 1st Ser., Vol. 13, p. 453, for record of settlement of estate of John Taylor.)

Again it is indicated that Abigail Corson was the wife of Henry Young in the names of the witnesses at the marriage of Robert Champion and Mary Mayps, before John Townsend, Justice of the Peace, June 17, 1715. The Corsons named as witnesses, seemingly, are Peter Corson, I, his wife, Deborah, and their children and grandchildren. In the list appears the name of Abigail Young and Henry Young. In the will of Henry Young he requested "to be buried as near my first wife, Abigail, as possible."

Henry Young was the ancestor of all the Youngs in Cape May County and thus were the Corson and Young families united, a union that was indicated in the records before it was established. Henry Young was born in 1690, and was in Cape May County as early as 1713. From Steven's "John Townsend" we find he "was King's Colony surveyor in 1716 and deputy surveyor for the West Jersey Society in the years 1727, 1729, 1730, 1733, 1735, 1739, 1745, 1746, and 1750. He was Commissioner of the Peace and Sheriff of Cape May County, 1722-23; loan officer from 1733 to 1742; member of the Colonial Assembly from Cape May County during the years 1733-40, inclusive; loan officer again 1746-53; Surrogate of the County from 1741 until his death in 1767; Major of Cape May and Salem County militia in 1739; Colonel of Militia in King George's War (1748); Colonel of regiment of foot soldiers in Canadian Expedition, French and Indian War (1756)."

He seems to have been married three times, the name of his second wife remaining unknown, and the third having been Phoebe (Ludlam) Norton, daughter of Joseph Ludlam, Sr., and widow of Daniel Norton, to whom he (Henry Young) was married, Dec. 28, 1757. The children of Abigail (Corson) and Henry Young are listed as follows:

- 226 STEPHEN YOUNG, married Anne \_\_\_\_\_;
- 227 DEBORAH YOUNG, married Clement Daniels, Oct. 24, 1737;
- 228 TABITHA YOUNG, born Oct. 27, 1718;
- 229 PHOEBE YOUNG, married William Robinson, June 20, 1738;
- 22:10: \_\_\_\_\_ YOUNG, married \_\_\_\_\_ Godfrey and had a daughter, Mehetibel;



22:11: ABIGAIL YOUNG, married, first, Joseph Ludlam, Aug. 17, 1747, second, Jonathan Smith, June 27, 1758;

22:12: ELIZABETH YOUNG, married John Mackey, Apr. 25, 1746;

22:13: JOB YOUNG, married Mary Norton, Apr. 26, 1757, daughter of Nathaniel Norton and Eunice Hand, daughter of George Hand, Sr.

The date of Henry Young's death was recorded in John Townsend's diary: "Our father Henry Young Esq. after a long illness of near eight months departed this life, Apr. 8, 1767, in the 77th year of his age."

His will, dated July 17, 1762, proved June 2, 1767, mentions the following: sons, Stephen and Job; daughters, Tabitha Townsend, Abigail Smith, Elizabeth Mackey; granddaughter, Mehetibel Godfrey. Deborah and Phoebe, probably, were deceased in 1762.

23 MARY CORSON is listed as the third child of Peter and Deborah Corson. While the proof of her identity is entirely circumstantial, nevertheless it seems to leave no doubt of her parentage. She married four times. Her first husband was Joseph Maypse, whose son,

231 JOSEPH MAYPSE, JR., whose birth was recorded on July 25, 1714, in the Minutes of the Friends Meeting of Great Egg Harbor, was identified by the will of Mary's third husband.

Ruth Maypse, who married John Wright by license of Dec. 24, 1733, was probably another child, although the proof was not found. John Wright lived on the plantation adjoining that of Mary Corson's second husband.

Mary (Corson) Maypse married, second, Robert Champion. This marriage is recorded at Cape May Court House in an old book of deeds, wills, marriage records, etc., of Cape May County between 1691 and 1720. It was recorded by John Townsend, Justice of the Peace, under date of June 17, 1715, and in this record is hidden circumstantial evidence that Mary was the daughter of Peter and Deborah Corson. After the names of the groom and bride, Robert Champion and Mary Maypse in this marriage record appear the names of the following witnesses: John Champion; Peter Corson; Deborah Corson; Christian Corson; Samuel Champion; Ann Corson; Catren Corson; Abigail Young; Elizabeth Corson; Henry Young; Robert Townsend; John Corson; Joseph Goldin; Samuel Shivers; Thomas Shivers; Thomas Gandy.

In these early Cape May marriage records it seems to have been the usual custom for the parents of the groom to sign below the names of the newly weds, followed by the names of the parents of the bride, after which may follow the names of other close



relatives and friends. The first named witness to this marriage has been identified as the father of Robert Champion. Then followed the names of Peter and Deborah Corson, who no doubt were the parents of the bride, who was the widow of Joseph Maypse. Christian Corson was the bride's brother; Samuel Champion, probably, was a relative of the groom; Ann Corson was Christian's wife; Abigail Young was the sister of the bride and wife of Henry Young; Robert Townsend was a first cousin of the groom; Catren, Elizabeth, and John Corson were probably children of Christian. Joseph Goldin, Samuel Shivers and Thomas Gandy were friends and neighbors.

Robert Champion, the second husband of Mary Corson, was born at Westbury, Long Island, about 1685. He lived on Cooper's Creek about eight miles from the present city of Camden, N. J. Mr. H. C. Campion, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa., who has gathered much data about the Champion family, commented concerning Robert Champion as follows: "It might be thought strange that Robert Champion should have married so far away from his place of residence, but when you know, as I do, that his older brother, Thomas Champion, lived on the Tuckahoe River, it could be easily understood how he came to be in that locality, probably visiting or staying with his brother, and hence became acquainted with this widow. Besides, Robert had many relatives living in Cape May and Gloucester Counties, as he was the son of John Champion and his wife, Sarah Williams. Sarah Williams was a sister of Phoebe Williams, who was the first wife of John Townsend, Jr., who died in 1721, in Cape May County (hence was uncle by marriage of the above groom) and was ancestor of all those of the name living in South Jersey. She also was the sister of Esther Williams, who married Thomas Cock, whose daughter, Charity Cock, born at Oyster Bay, Long Island, married Samuel Johnson, who lived in Goshen in Cape May County; and also a sister of Mary Dole, wife of John Dole, who died in Gloucester County not far from where Robert Champion lived in 1716, whose son, Joseph Dole, married Hannah Somers and lived at Great Egg Harbor, Gloucester County, so that he had many relatives along the seashore in the neighborhood where he married his wife."

Mary (Corson) and Robert Champion had one son:

232 PETER CHAMPION, who probably was named after his grandfather, Peter Corson.

It is not known when Robert Champion died, but on Apr. 19, 1728, license was issued in Gloucester County for the marriage of

Mary Champion to her third husband, Jonathan Belldon. To them were born three children:

- 233 SYDONIA BELLDON;
- 234 MARY BELLDON;
- 235 HEZEKIAH BELLDON.

Mary's third husband died prior to April 7, 1737, on which date his will was proved. In this will, dated Oct. 4, 1735, Jonathan Belldon gave his residence as Waterford Township, Gloucester County, and was referred to as "Cordwainer" (shoemaker). He mentioned his wife, Mary, daughters, Sydonia and Mary, who were to learn housewifery and to read the Bible, infant son, Hezekiah, and stepsons, Joseph Maypse and Peter Champion. He named his friend, Ephraim Tomlinson, as executor. The witnesses were John Shivers, Michael Grumley and Josiah Shivers.

Mary (Corson) (Maypse) (Champion) Belldon married, fourth, John Eastlack of Gloucester County, by license of June 27, 1737. No record of children of this marriage was found. Nor were the dates of death of Mary or her fourth husband.

24 PETER CORSON, JR., or the second, was probably the youngest child of Peter, Sr., and Deborah Corson. The date of his birth was probably in the period 1690 to 1700. He seems to have been a man of influence in the community and to have had a large estate, his father having conveyed nearly six hundred acres of land to him in the deeds of June 6, 1726, and Feb. 11, 1729. He was referred to as "Gentleman" in his will, dated Dec. 12, 1760, and proved Apr. 4, 1764. Prior to 1722 he married Rachel ———. The names of her parents were not disclosed by the records that were examined. Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson were Quakers, as the records of their decease and the birth of their eleven children were recorded in the Minutes of the Great Egg Harbor and Cape May Friends' Monthly Meetings. Peter Corson died Dec. 29, 1763, and Rachel, his wife, died Apr. 17, 1764. Their children were as follows:

- 241 BENJAMIN CORSON, born Aug. 20, 1722, died Aug. 28, 1722;
- 242 ZIBIAH CORSON, born June 24, 1723;
- 243 DARIUS CORSON, born Nov. 14, 1726;
- 244 REM (REMINGTON) CORSON, born May 31, 1730;
- 245 PETER CORSON, III, born June 9, 1732;
- 246 REBECCA CORSON, born May 11, 1735;
- 247 LEVI CORSON, born Nov. 17, 1737;
- 248 RACHEL CORSON, born May 21, 1741;
- 249 JESSE CORSON, born May 6, 1742;
- 24:10: ELIZABETH CORSON, born Apr. 18, 1744;
- 24:11: DEBORAH CORSON, born Jan. 27, 1748.



## VIII

### THE FOURTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY CORSON

121 JACOB CORSON, JR., who was probably the eldest son of Jacob, I, and Naomi Corson, could hardly have been of age when his father died in 1737. It is the opinion of the compiler that all of the elder Jacob's children were minors when their father died and probably for some years afterward. As stated heretofore, Jacob Junior's mother, according to the will of his father, was to have the homestead place as long as she remained his widow, and then it was to go to their sons, Jacob, Jr., and Peter. About four months before Peter married, this land was partitioned, Peter paying Jacob, Jr., £100 for his choice of the tract. Jacob, Jr., married Charity Stillwell, the daughter of Nicholas, and a descendant of the family, whose names were associated with Carsten Jansen and his sons, when they lived on Long Island.

By a comparison of various dates and data, it would seem probable that Jacob, Jr., did not marry many years before this land was divided, and Jacob, Jr., and Peter gave each other quit claim deeds in 1756. Jacob and Peter no doubt lived with the mother until her death, and after her decease came into possession of the tract bequeathed to her in 1737. During the Revolutionary War, Jacob Corson served as a seaman under Hope Willets, who had charge of the Privateers "Black Jack" and "Luck and Fortune." He also served as a private under Capt. James Willets, 2nd Battalion, Cape May Infantry. (Steven's History, Cape May County, pp. 197-202.) Jacob, Jr., died between Jan. 12, 1803, the date his will was signed, and Jan. 31, 1803, the date it was proved. In it his residence was given as Upper Township, Cape May County. From his will we may gather that he was a large landowner. He bequeathed his estate as follows: Grandson, Equila Corson, my homestead plantation and marsh that I bought of the Executors of Jacob Spicer; also my cedar swamp; but my son, Eli Corson, and his wife shall have the place as long as they live. Grandson, James Corson, son of Parmenas Corson, 50 acres of land on the south side of the place where his father now lives, that I bought

of Richard Thompson; and the rest of the place to my son, Parmenas. He bequeathed personal property to his sons: Jacob, Job, and Jeremy, and daughter, Priscilla Peterson. His grandsons, Benajah, and Nicholas, son of Nicholas Corson, deceased, and granddaughters: Angeline Corson, Charity Corson, and Lettice Corson also shared in the personal property. Executors were his sons: Eli and Job. Witnesses: Henry Young, Robert Pedrick and Uriah Smith. The inventory was made by Cornelius Corson and Lewis Corson on Feb. 16, 1803.

The children of Jacob, Jr., and Charity (Stillwell) Corson are listed as follows:

- 1211 PARMENAS CORSON;
- 1212 NICHOLAS CORSON;
- 1213 ELI CORSON;
- 1214 JACOB CORSON;
- 1215 PRISCILLA CORSON;
- 1216 JOB CORSON;
- 1217 JEREMIAH CORSON.

Ellis Corson, whose inventory was made by Parmenas and Jesse Corson, Mar. 9, 1789, was probably another son. Eli Corson was his administrator, with Jacob Corson as bondsman.

122 PETER CORSON, listed as the second son of Jacob and Naomi Corson, married Martha Edwards on Feb. 10, 1757. Peter Corson died intestate before 1797, and his children were identified by several deeds (the first of which was dated in that year) that were made in the settlement of his estate. These deeds also show that Peter Corson was the owner of considerable land. In the first deed, dated Jan. 23, 1797, Cornelius Corson and his wife, Sarah Corson, and Enoch Young and his wife, Deborah (Corson) Young, son and daughter, heirs of Peter Corson, deceased, conveyed 147 acres to Jonathan Corson, which tract it was stated consisted of two parts, one of which had been purchased by Peter Corson, deceased, from Jacob Spicer's executors and the other given to Peter Corson, by his father, and further strengthened by deeds given by Jacob Corson, Oct. 16, 1756, on which date Peter gave his brother 100 pounds for being allowed his choice of the bequeathed land and each gave quit claim deeds. The consideration in the deed from Cornelius to Jonathan was 200 pounds and this deed was recorded on Jan. 2, 1804. (Deed Book C, p. 306, Cape May Court House.) By a second deed, dated Aug. 9, 1803, Jonathan Corson and Lydia Corson, his wife, son and heir of Peter Corson, deceased, conveyed this same tract to Elias Corson



for the sum of \$950. This deed, recorded on the same day as the first one, Jan. 2, 1804, was also found at Cape May Court House in Deed Book C, p. 311. By another deed, dated Mar. 11, 1797, Elias Corson and Sarah, his wife, conveyed 13 acres of land to Cornelius Corson. Eleven acres of this tract had been purchased by Peter Corson, deceased, from Jeremiah VanGilder, and two acres had been purchased by Peter from John Corson, by deed, on Mar. 20, 1775. This latter deed was recorded Apr. 18, 1801. The residence of all the parties is given in these deeds as Upper Township, Cape May County. Martha Corson, the wife of Peter, lived until about 1821, her will being proved on Aug. 21 of that year. In this will she named the children and heirs of her eldest son, Cornelius Corson, deceased; granddaughter, Mary Godfrey (late Mary Young), daughter of Enoch and Deborah Young, deceased; and her two sons, Elias Corson and Jonathan Corson. Peter and Martha Corson's children are listed and indexed as follows:

- 1221 CORNELIUS CORSON;
- 1222 DEBORAH CORSON;
- 1223 PETER CORSON;
- 1224 ELIAS CORSON;
- 1225 JONATHAN CORSON.

123 JEREMIAH CORSON seems to have been the third son of Jacob and Naomi Corson. He died intestate and his brother, Jacob Corson, was appointed administrator Dec. 27, 1776. Fellow bondsman was Joseph Edwards. Inventory for £629.17.8 was made by Joseph Edwards and Hugh Hathorn on Dec. 18, 1776. He was probably a bachelor as no record of marriage or issue was found. (Liber 22, p. 43.)

124 RACHEL CORSON, the daughter of Jacob and Naomi Corson, was a minor according to her father's will proved in 1737. She married, Jan. 22, 1759, her cousin, Joseph Corson, I, the son of Christian, I. Their children will be listed under the descendants of Peter the first.

125 AMY CORSON, daughter of Jacob and Naomi, was also a minor in 1737. Whether she married and left descendants was not learned.

126 MARTHA CORSON, daughter of Jacob and Naomi Corson, married her first cousin, 142 John Corson, III, son of John, II, and Susannah Corson. Their children will be listed under the issue of John, III.

141 DAVID CORSON, probably the eldest son of John, II, and Susannah Corson, married Rebecca Godfrey. This is probably the first intermarriage of the Corson and Godfrey families, the latter being descended from Benjamin Godfrey, another Cape May pioneer, who was in the county about 1690. David Corson was no doubt one of the two of the name who petitioned in the spring of 1777-78 to the Governor, Captain General, and Commander-in-Chief of the State of New Jersey, requesting that the militia of Cape May be exempt from service abroad, in order that the shores of Cape May should be better protected from the enemy. He probably was the David Corson who was a private in Capt. James Willetts' Company, Cape May Battalion, New Jersey Militia, in the Revolutionary War. His name also appears in an association of persons, formed in 1752, to buy from the West Jersey Society, all its rights in the county. The children of David and Rebecca (Godfrey) Corson are listed as follows:

- 1411 PHILIP CORSON;
- 1412 MILLICENT CORSON;
- 1413 ENOS CORSON.

David Corson died intestate about 1810. Inventory was made Sept. 6, 1810. (Record 847 E.)

142 JOHN CORSON, III, was probably the youngest son of John, II, and Susannah Corson. He married his first cousin, 126 Martha Corson, the daughter of Jacob and Naomi Corson. This was one of the first intermarriages of the descendants of John and Peter Corson, which became so common in the later generations. However, this is one of the few instances in which the contracting parties were as closely related as first cousins. John Corson, III, without much doubt can be identified as the private in Capt. James Willetts' Company, Cape May Battalion, New Jersey Militia, in the Revolutionary War, of the same name. He was a second cousin of Captain Willetts and seemed to be the only John Corson in Cape May County of proper age for military duty at the Revolutionary War period. The following certification was received Jan. 28, 1932, from the Office of Adjutant General, Trenton, N. J.:

"CORSON, JOHN—served as Private, Captain Willetts' Company, Cape May Militia."

Signed:

"FREDERICK GILKYSON,  
The Adjutant General."



John and Martha Corson lived in Upper Township and had the following children :

- 1421 JOHN CORSON, IV ;
  - 1422 JOEL CORSON ;
  - 1423 ORPHA CORSON.
- (John M. Corson Mss.)

John Corson, III, died intestate probably in 1803. Inventory was made Oct. 7, 1803. Martha Corson was made administratrix Oct. 6, 1803.

152 JAMES WILLETTS was the son of Martha (Corson) and John Willetts. The name of his wife was not learned. The dates of birth of their children, as taken from an old Bible, were furnished by Mrs. Letitia Y. C. Tomlin of Westfield, N. J. They are as follows :

- 1521 JOHN WILLETTS, born Mar. 1, 1742 (old style), lost at sea ;
- 1522 JAMES WILLETTS, JR., born July 11, 1744 ;
- 1523 JACOB WILLETTS, born Jan. 10, 1749 (old style), died Jan. 4, 1753 ;
- 1524 ESTHER WILLETTS, born Jan. 21, 1752 (old style), married Joseph Wheaton ;
- 1525 MARTHA WILLETTS, born Mar. 28, 1754 (new style) ;
- 1526 ENOCH WILLETTS, born Jan. 9, 1757 (new style), bachelor ;
- 1527 AMOS WILLETTS, born Mar. 10, 1759 (new style) ;
- 1528 RACHEL WILLETTS, born Aug. 9, 1762 (new style), married Parmenas Corson ;
- 1529 SARAH WILLETTS, born Jan. 16, 1765 (new style), married Joseph Edwards ;
- 152:10: NICHOLAS WILLETTS, born Apr. 10, 1769, married Experience Griffin, the daughter of Moses Griffin. Nicholas was a surveyor and served in the State Assembly, 1815-19. He died Oct. 8, 1825.

## IX

### THE FOURTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER AND DEBORAH CORSON

211 CHRISTIAN CORSON, JR., or the second, is placed by the compiler as the eldest son of Christian, I, and Ann Corson. From what has been gathered from the meager records concerning him, there is not much doubt that he and his family moved from the seaside of Upper Township to the bayside of Middle Township. This supposition is supported by the fact that the place of residence of his sons, as given in their wills, is recorded as the latter location, and accounts for the history of his family not being recorded as accurately as that of the families in Upper Township, where the great majority of the early families lived. His wife was not identified and the names of his daughters, if he had any, were not found. From wills and other records, the names of his sons are listed as follows:

- 2111 DAVID CORSON;
- 2112 ABNER CORSON, born June 25, 1729;
- 2113 CHRISTIAN CORSON, III;
- 2114 NATHAN CORSON.

213 JOHN CORSON, SR., probably the second son of Christian and Ann Corson, was born, apparently, in the decade 1700-10. He married Mary Goff. The record of this marriage was found by my cousin, Alan Corson, in the Secretary of State's Office in Trenton, in Marriage License Book, 1727 to 1734, p. 155. This record follows: "On June 4, 1731, license issued to John Corson and Mary Goff, both of Cape May County." Mary Goff was probably a granddaughter of John Goff, born Nov., 1666, the son of Samuel Goff (born ———, died Jan. 15, 1706) and Ann Bernard (born 1635, died 1679) and grandson of Edward Goffe, born at Cambridge, England, married, first, Joyce ———, who died in 1638, and, second, Margaret Wilkinson. Edward and Joyce Goffe, with their children, Samuel and Lydia, embarked late in 1634 in the ship "Good Hope" from Ipswich, England, with the Rev. Thos. Sheppard, who had been expelled from Emanuel College, Cambridge University, because of his Puritan activities. They landed at Watertown, Mass., early in 1635. John Goff, the



grandfather of Mary Goff, sailed in a whaler from Norwalk, Conn., and settled, about 1700, at Tarkill, on the Tuckahoe River, in Cape May County, and about 2 miles from the Cape May-Cumberland County boundary line, as such boundary lines exist today. John Goff bought land at West Creek, on the bayside of the county in 1710-12, but according to family tradition the older Goffs were born at Tarkill and lived and died there. It is said the Goffs did not occupy the land at West Creek until a much later period. Many of the family lived in this district near Tarkil, either in Cape May or Cumberland Counties.

John, Sr., and Mary (Goff) Corson, it seems, lived on the seashore side of Upper Township, where the majority of the Corson families resided for many years, but late in life, probably in the decade 1760-70, with his children and their families, moved to the vicinity of the Goff holdings. The Goff family no doubt was the magnet that drew them away from the seashore. He seems to have sold some of his land on the seashore to his brother, Joseph, who in his will, dated 1793, mentions land bought from John Corson, deceased. Although the district to which he moved was not far from the seashore, as we consider distance today, it was distant enough to cause his family's history to be poorly preserved, as was the history of his brother, Christian, II's, family after they moved to the bayside of Middle Township.

John Corson died between May 6, 1779, the date he made his will, and May 12, 1779, when the inventory of his estate, amounting to £323.9.6 was made by David Goff and Frederick Peterson. David Goff lived in Cape May County, but the residence of Frederick Peterson, when he married Ellenor Lore, Nov. 3, 1775, was given as Cumberland County. The will of John Corson, proved June 26, 1779, gave his residence as Cape May County, and provided as follows: "Else Lord is to have her freedom dues out of my estate; and, if there is any left, my sons and daughters are to have it." Executor—James Hollinshead; Witnesses—Frederick Moslander, William Moslander, and Aaron Hand. The executor and witnesses all seem to have lived in Cumberland County. Else (Elsie) Lord probably had been bound out to John Corson, Sr., or he may have been her guardian.

James Hollingshead did not act as executor. While the reason for his renunciation was not stated, the apparent cause is that he was at that time in the military service in the Revolutionary War, as Captain, First Battalion, Cumberland County Militia. (Stryker, p. 394.) His renunciation as executor, dated June 14, 1779, was

witnessed by Aaron Peterson and Joseph Corson. Aaron Peterson's residence was named as Cumberland County when he married Martha Hollingshead, Mar. 25, 1779, and he probably was the son-in-law of Captain Hollingshead. Joseph Corson was a grandson of the deceased, John Corson, Sr., and the grandson's name appeared as a witness, no doubt, in place of his father, John Corson, Jr., who was also in the military service. (Stryker, pp. 554-55.)

After James Hollingshead's renunciation, we can reasonably assume that one of the family would seek to serve as administrator. June 26, 1779, Jeremiah Corson qualified as administrator, with David Goff as fellow bondsman, both of Cape May County, yeomen; witnesses were Frederick Moslander and Aaron Hand. The Moslander families lived in the Maurice River, Cumberland County, district, and Aaron Hand's residence, when he married Ann Lowring, May 10, 1777, was given as Cumberland County. That John Corson, Sr., at the time of his decease lived near the Cumberland County line is apparent. The records indicate the following were children of John, Sr., and Mary (Goff) Corson:

- 2131 RHODA CORSON, married William Robinson, Aug. 13, 1754;
- 2132 JOHN CORSON, JR., married Mary Goff of Cumberland County, Dec. 19, 1761;
- 2133 JEREMIAH CORSON, married Mary Creasy (Cresse), Aug. 24, 1763;
- 2134 AN UNNAMED SON, married Flowander Lord, the daughter of Joseph Lord, who in his will, proved Oct. 6, 1766, mentioned his daughter, Flowander Corson.

Joseph Lord's residence was given as Maurice River, Cumberland County. The husband of Flowander may have been Joshua or William Corson, whose names appear in this district and who possibly were sons of John, Sr., and Mary (Goff) Corson.

215 ANDREW CORSON, listed as the third son of Christian the first and Ann Corson, also seems to have left the Atlantic seaboard, as his will proved, Nov. 25, 1792, gave his residence as Maurice River, Cumberland County. He probably moved to Cumberland County about 1762, when he conveyed land to his brother, Joseph Corson. In his will he mentions the following children:

- 2151 ISAAC CORSON, who had a son,  
21511 ISAAC CORSON, JR.;
- 2152 ANDREW CORSON, JR., probably a bachelor, as his share after his death was devised by his father to Nathan Newton, who was executor and friend of the deceased;
- 2153 ABEL CORSON;
- 2154 HANNAH CORSON, who was named as Hannah Steelman;



2155 DEBORAH CORSON, who married John Drummond, Feb. 29, 1772,  
and had children,

21551 SILVIA DRUMMOND,;

21552 HANNAH DRUMMOND, who married ——— Howard.

Deborah was no doubt deceased before her father made his will, as she was not named. Silvia and Hannah Howard were named as grandchildren.

216 JOSEPH CORSON, apparently, was the youngest son of Christian and Ann Corson. He was born Sept. 6, 1716, and married 124 Rachel Corson, the daughter of Jacob and Naomi Corson, Jan. 22, 1759. The History of Petersburg, by Stanley Craig, says of him: "In 1745, he was a grand juror; in 1762, he, with others, petitioned the Legislature for a toll bridge over Cedar Swamp Creek at Fast Landing, now called the Lower Bridge. The same year he was commissioned Judge of the Court of Common Pleas; in 1767, he was made a Justice of the Peace, and in 1775, he was a member of the Committee of Safety." Joseph Corson, Sr., was a man of much property, as the following abstract of his will bears witness:

1793, Mar. 19, Corson, Joseph, Sr., of Cape May Co., N. J., will of. Wife, Rachel,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my personal and real estate. Eldest son, Parmenas, the plantation where I live and the land adjoining thereto; also the plantation I bought of Daniel Brandreth, joining lands of Jas. Godfrey, and that tract which I bought of Clement Daniels and Randal Daniels; also the salt meadow on the northwest side of Tide Pond near Bushy Island, which I bought of Jacob Spicer's Executors; also a salt meadow near the mouth of Cedar Swamp Creek; also a cedar swamp (bought from the Society) which joins the swamp of Peter Corson; also a swamp bought of Sylvanus Townsend, Sr.; also  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the cedar swamp near Dennis creek bought from John Stanaland; also  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a swamp I have in partnership with John Stites bought of Jonathan Townsend. To my second and youngest son, Joseph, the three tracts of land where he lives, on southeast side of Cedar Swamp Creek, and lands of said Creek I bought of John Vangilder; and lands at the Saw Scaffle, bought by my grandfather, Peter Corson, from the Society, which joins land of Peter Corson, Jr. (1223); also a cedar swamp bought of John Mackey; also one bought of John Corson, deceased, joining land of Peter Corson, Sr.; also one bought of George Stites, joining Eli Townsend and Elijah Townsend, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a swamp held in Partnership with John Stites. Executors—wife, Rachel, and sons, Parmenas and Joseph. Witnesses—Eli Townsend, Mathias Woodruff, Nicholas Willets and John Townsend. Proved Aug. 7, 1795. 1793, Aug. 6, Inventory £324.10.8, made by Eli Townsend and Daniel Townsend. (Liber 33, p. 276 (585 E) Trenton, N. J.)

Joseph, Sr., and Rachel (Corson) Corson had three sons:

2161 PARMENAS CORSON, born Jan. 23, 1760;

2162 AMOS CORSON, born Sept. 30, 1763;

2163 JOSEPH CORSON, JR., born Sept. 6, 1765.

226 STEPHEN YOUNG, the son of Abigail (Corson) and Henry Young, in his will, dated Feb. 16, 1774, and proved July 8, 1778, named his wife as Anne. Her maiden name was not ascertained. They resided in Upper Township, Cape May County. He seems to have been a large landowner. His homestead was bounded by the lands of John Willets, Hugh Hathorn, Joseph Corson, Darius Corson, Joseph Edwards, Joseph Badcock, John Baker, Noah Garretson, and James Garretson. According to his will he was survived by the following children:

2261 HENRY YOUNG;

2262 STEPHEN YOUNG, JR.;

2263 URIAH YOUNG, whose daughter, Jane Young, married 24413 Lewis Corson;

2264 —————, who left a child, Anne Gandy, possibly the daughter of Elizabeth Young and Thomas Gandy, married under license of Dec. 12, 1768;

2265 RACHEL YOUNG, married James Willets, Dec. 9, 1776;

2266 TABITHA YOUNG.

228 TABITHA YOUNG, born Oct. 27, 1718, the daughter of Abigail (Corson) and her second husband, Henry Young, married Dec. 1, 1740, John Townsend. He was born Oct. 29, 1706, the second child of Richard and Millicent (Somers) Townsend, in a family of eleven children. John Townsend previously had married, Sept. 6, 1733, Sarah Champion, five children having been born to the first union. John and Tabitha (Young) Townsend lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. They had nine children:

2281 TABITHA TOWNSEND, born July 28, 1742, died July 6, 1743;

2282 HENRY YOUNG TOWNSEND, born May 7, 1744, died May 13, 1789, married, first, Priscilla Ludlam, second, Edith Stites;

2283 HANNAH TOWNSEND, born Dec. 28, 1846, married, Feb. 10, 1774, Jacob Swain;

2284 TABITHA TOWNSEND, twin, born Feb. 7, 1750, married Eli Townsend;

2285 SARAH TOWNSEND, twin, born Feb. 7, 1750, married John Stites;

2286 JUDITH TOWNSEND, born Oct. 15, 1752, died Sept. 23, 1824, married, Apr. 20, 1775, Elijah Townsend;

2287 JOHN TOWNSEND, JR., born May 8, 1755, died Mar. 26, 1832, married, Jan. 8, 1777, Sarah Swain;

2288 JOSHUA TOWNSEND, born Dec. 28, 1757, died Apr. 13, 1786;

2289 PRISCILLA TOWNSEND, born Aug. 15, 1760, died Sept. 7, 1760.

Tabitha (Young) Townsend died Apr. 2, 1793. John Townsend, her husband, died Sept. 23, 1785. The five children of John Townsend and his first wife, Sarah Champion, were named: Amy; David; Rachel; Millicent; Richard.



22:11: ABIGAIL YOUNG, daughter of Abigail (Corson) and Henry Young, married, first, Aug. 17, 1747, Joseph Ludlam, Jr., second, June 27, 1758, Jonathan Smith. The latter in his will, proved Sept. 17, 1767, named seven children. Several of these children may have been of a previous marriage. One-half of his moveable estate was left to his daughters, Sarah Smith and Hannah Smith, and "his youngest sons," Jonathan, Carmon, and Jeremiah Smith. They may have been the children of his second wife, Abigail Young.

22:12: ELIZABETH YOUNG, the daughter of Abigail (Corson) and Henry Young, married, Apr. 25, 1746, John Mackey. He was one of Cape May County's outstanding settlers. Miss Fannie E. Corson of New Berlin, Ill., told the following interesting story about John Mackey's early life. It was related to her by her grandfather, John Mackey Corson, who was a grandson of John Mackey. "John Mackey was a poor Irish boy who sold himself to pay his passage to this country. He worked that out and then bound himself out to learn the wheelwright trade. After serving his apprenticeship he worked at his trade and bought land near Petersburg, N. J., with his earnings. The land was covered with timber and John Mackey, after working at his trade all day, would work at clearing his land at night. He became one of the largest landowners in Cape May County."

In connection with the "Mackey" plantation of 740 acres, the following note in Jacob Spicer's diary, under date of Feb. 22, 1756, is interesting: "John Mackey's house is 40x25, single story with hip, for which Joseph Edwards is to get the timber, frame, cover, make window frames, sashes, put in the lights, make the outside doors, lay the floors for £16, for himself and workmen. Mackey is to find lath, shingles, sawed and fit for covering."

John Mackey held many public offices of trust in Cape May County. He was a freeholder in 1764; Justice of the Peace in 1767, 1771, 1773; Justice of the Court of Oyer and Terminer, 1773; Lieutenant Colonel, Cape May Militia, 1771 to 1777. On Sept. 21, 1775, the people of Cape May County elected the officers for the newly authorized Cape May Battalion. John Mackey, Esq., was made Colonel. He was commissioned Colonel on May 7, 1777. After the Battle of Brandywine, by order of Governor Livingston, the Cape May and neighboring militia were ordered to rendezvous at Woodbury immediately. This was accomplished and on Sept. 22, Colonel Mackey's command crossed the Delaware to join General Armstrong, under whom they fought in the Battle

of Germantown. Colonel Mackey resigned his commission Mar. 27, 1778, and was succeeded by Nicholas Stillwell. John Mackey was a Quaker.

Elizabeth (Young) and John Mackey had the following children:

22:12:1 TABITHA MACKEY, married Capt. Hope Willets, who was Captain of the Privateer Ships, "Black Jack" and "Luck and Fortune," both of which preyed on British shipping passing along the Jersey coast during the Revolutionary War;

22:12:2 ELIZABETH MACKEY, married Henry Young;

22:12:3 ABIGAIL MACKEY, married, Apr. 27, 1777, Jacob Willets;

22:12:4 PHOEBE MACKEY, married, first, Feb. 1, 1780, Joseph Badcock, second, Sept. 22, 1791, 2163 Joseph Corson, Jr.;

22:12:5 MARTHA MACKEY, married, June 6, 1778, 2332 Darius Corson, Jr.;

22:12:6 JOHN MACKEY, JR., born 1764, died Dec. 13, 1837, married Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_.

John Mackey, Sr., died Sept., 1784, at "Mackey Plantation," Petersburg, N. J.

## THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER CORSON, JR.

241 BENJAMIN CORSON, the first child of Peter and Rachel Corson, born Aug. 20, 1722, died eight days later.

242 ZIBIAH CORSON, the eldest daughter of Peter and Rachel Corson, born June 24, 1723, married, Joseph Hildreth on Feb. 16, 1748.

243 DARIUS CORSON, the second son of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson, was born on Nov. 14, 1726. From the Minutes of the Great Egg Harbor and Cape May Friends Monthly Meetings it was found that Darius married his cousin, 154 Hannah Willets, the daughter of John M. and Martha (Corson) Willets, born on Mar. 3, 1730. She married Darius prior to 1752 and died on July 27, 1777. This union was the third intermarriage of the grandchildren of John and Peter the first. By a deed, dated Apr. 21, 1756, and proved June 21, 1756, Peter Corson, Jr., yeoman, conveyed 150 acres to Darius Corson, Tailor, for a consideration of £110. During the Revolutionary War, Darius Corson was one of the seamen that served under Hope Willets, who was in charge of the Privateers "Black Jack" and "Luck and Fortune." (Stevens' Hist. Cape May Co., p. 203.) The following record of the children of Darius and Hannah (Willets) Corson was secured from the Minutes of the Friends Monthly Meetings:



2431 "FIRST SON," born Aug. 24, 1752, died Oct. 14, 1752;

2432 DARIUS CORSON, II, born Sept. 2, 1757.

244 REM (REMYNGTON) CORSON, born May 31, 1730, was the third son of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson. On Apr. 16, 1777, he helped "nominate, choose and appoint" the officers of Capt. James Willets, Jr.'s, Company, in which he was recorded as a private during its service in the Revolutionary War. He is recorded as taking the Oath of Allegiance to the New State Government on May 27, 1778. Rem Corson married Hannah Stillwell, daughter of Nicholas Stillwell, on Jan. 17, 1759, and they had the following children:

2441 LEWIS CORSON;

2442 SOPHIA CORSON, born Apr. 22, 1769;

2443 AMOS CORSON, born 1774;

2444 AMELIA CORSON, married ——— Pectrick.

245 PETER CORSON, III, the fourth son of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson, was born June 9, 1732. John M. Corson, in his manuscript referred to him as Carpenter Peter. Peter, III, married Elizabeth Godfrey, July 20, 1763. They had the following children:

2451 JAMES CORSON;

2452 MARY CORSON;

2453 HENRY CORSON;

2454 CONSTANTINE CORSON;

2455 ELIZABETH CORSON;

2456 ELISHABA CORSON.

In his will, dated Oct. 7, 1798, and proved May 3, 1804, his residence is given as Upper Township, Cape May County, and mention is made of his homestead plantation, his salt meadow and cedar swamp, the place where his son, Constantine, lives, and his rights on Peck's Beach. His wife, Elizabeth, and the aforesaid children are named. The inventory for \$824.47 was made on June 1, 1804, by Henry Young and Cornelius Corson.

246 REBECCA CORSON was the sixth child of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson. She was born May 11, 1735, and married Daniel Townsend, Feb. 2, 1756. He was born Dec. 10, 1728, the eleventh son of Richard and Millicent (Somers) Townsend. They had a son:

2461 PETER CORSON TOWNSEND, born 1756.

247 LEVI CORSON was the seventh child of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson. He was born Nov. 17, 1737, and married Margaret Hand, Dec. 23, 1766. The record of this marriage was found in Marriage Book "C," p. 418, at Trenton, N. J.; the names

of Levi Corson and David Edwards appear on the marriage bond; the witnesses were Job Young and Mary Young. Levi Corson served in the Revolutionary War as a private in Capt. James Willetts' Company, Cape May County Militia. (Stryker, p. 554.) A notation on Flora Corson Barnes' chart states: "Levi (husband of Mar. Hand) killed in Rev. War." The compiler was unable to further verify her statement. The names of the children of Levi were recorded in the John M. Corson manuscript; the dates of birth were secured from other sources. They are listed as follows:

- 2471 ABRAHAM CORSON;
- 2472 LOT CORSON, born 1768;
- 2473 LEVI CORSON, JR.;
- 2474 JOHN CORSON;
- 2475 REBECCA CORSON, married 1216 Job Corson;
- 2476 RACHAEL CORSON, born May 2, 1778, married 2161 Parmenas Corson.

248 RACHEL CORSON, the eighth child of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson was born Apr. 21, 1741. Whether she married was not disclosed.

249 JESSE CORSON, the ninth of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson's children, was born May 6, 1742. He married Martha Somers, May 5, 1767. He served as a private with his cousin, Capt. James Willets, Jr.'s, Company in the Revolutionary War, and on May 27, 1778, took the Oath of Allegiance to the new Colonial Government. Jesse and Martha (Somers) Corson had eleven children, their birth records being preserved in the Minutes of the Friends Meetings. Their children were:

- 2491 SAMUEL CORSON, born Aug. 26, 1768;
- 2492 HANNAH CORSON, born Oct. 25, 1770;
- 2493 ZIBIAH CORSON, born Feb. 8, 1773;
- 2494 MARTHA CORSON, born May 16, 1778;
- 2495 MILISENT CORSON, born Nov. 26, 1780;
- 2496 JESSE CORSON, born Feb. 26, 1781;
- 2497 RACHEL CORSON, born Aug. 2, 1783;
- 2498 EDITH CORSON, born Feb. 26, 1786;
- 2499 SOMERS CORSON, born Feb. 9, 1789;
- 249:10: AARON CORSON, born Oct. 3, 1792;
- 249:11: REM CORSON, born Apr. 15, 1797.

249:10: ELIZABETH CORSON, the tenth child of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson, was born on Apr. 18, 1744. Whether she married and left descendants was not learned.

249:11: DEBORAH CORSON, the youngest of the children of Peter, Jr., and Rachel Corson, was born Jan. 27, 1747. Nothing further was found concerning her.



## X

### THE FIFTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY CORSON

1211 PARMENAS CORSON, listed as the eldest son of Jacob and Charity (Stillwell) Corson, was probably born in the period 1750-55. He married two times, his first wife being Mary Lee, to whom he was married on Apr. 12, 1774. The record of this marriage is recorded at Trenton, N. J., in Marriage Book C, p. 558. Uriah Young and Parmenas Corson were named on the marriage bond, and the witnesses were Margery Smith and Priscilla Leaming. Parmenas Corson served in the War of 1812. (Presidents, Soldiers and Statesmen, V. 2, p. 1350.) Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson had nine children. The dates of birth of all except Naomi, who is mentioned in the will of her father, were secured by the compiler from Bible records. They follow:

- 12111 JAMES CORSON, born Mar. 11, 1775;
- 12112 NAOMI CORSON;
- 12113 CHARITY CORSON, born July 8, 1781;
- 12114 MARGARET LEE CORSON, born Sept. 30, 1783;
- 12115 ABEL CORSON, born Sept. 2, 1786;
- 12116 ELLIS CORSON, born Mar. 30 1790;
- 12117 PARMENAS CORSON, JR., born Apr. 25, 1793;
- 12118 JOSEPH CORSON, born May 8, 1797;
- 12119 ITHAMER CORSON, born Oct. 20, 1801.

The birth record of James was recorded in the family register of his old family Bible, and the birth records of the other seven children were secured from two pages, removed from an old Bible, and now in the possession of Mrs. Cara Ellen (Corson) Bevis of College Hill, Cincinnati. The page recording the birth records of James and Naomi had evidently been lost. Mary (Lee) Corson, the first wife, died on Apr. 17, 1805. Feb. 7, 1811, Parmenas married, second, Rhoda Lee. (Gloucester County Records.) She was mentioned in his will. There were no children by the second marriage. Parmenas, Sr., died on Oct. 20, 1832. His will, dated Sept. 19, 1828, and proved Oct. 31, 1832, mentions, beside his wife, Rhoda, all of his children in the order of their birth, except his son, Abel, who had died on May 3, 1827. It also mentions his grandsons, Parmenas and Jonas.

1212 NICHOLAS CORSON, listed as the second son of Jacob and Charity (Stillwell) Corson, married Lydia Ross. (F. C. B.) They had one son:

12121 NICHOLAS CORSON, born in 1779.

The father had died prior to Jan. 12, 1803, as Jacob Corson in his will, dated on that day, mentions his "grandson, Nicholas Corson, son of Nicholas Corson, deceased." Lydia (Ross) Corson married, second, George Souder. She died May 2, 1841, in her eighty-seventh year and is buried in Calvary Baptist Cemetery, Ocean View, N. J.

1213 ELI CORSON, probably the third son of Jacob and Charity (Stillwell) Corson, married Christeanna Thompson. They had three sons:

12131 EQUILA or AQUILA CORSON;

12132 BENAJAH CORSON;

12133 JOHN CORSON.

According to the will of Eli's father (Jacob), Eli and his wife were to have the father's homestead plantation, that he had bought of the Executors of Jacob Spicer, as long as Eli lived, then it was to go to Eli's son, Aquila.

1214 JACOB CORSON, III, listed as the fourth child of Jacob, II, and Charity (Stillwell) Corson, married Sarah Johnson, Apr. 2, 1797. She was the daughter of David and Sarah Johnson. The mother, Sarah Johnson, of Upper Township, Cape May County, died leaving a will dated Oct. 6, 1800 and proved Apr. 4, 1803. In this will she mentioned her son-in-law, Jacob Corson and also named him as one of the executors. Jacob Corson, II, of Upper Township, the father of Jacob, III, made his will Jan. 12, 1803. It was proved 19 days later and conveyed to "Son, Jacob, 5 pounds, if at this time he be living." (Recorded at Trenton, 768 E.) Evidently Jacob, III, was missing when his father made his will. This fact seems further verified by the record by which Jeremiah Johnson was made administrator for the estate of Jacob Corson, Jr., deceased. James Ludlam and Israel Stites, Cape May, go on the administrator's bond, Feb. 1, 1803, the day after the will of Jacob, II, was proved. (Recorded at Trenton, 769 E.) Jeremiah Johnson, Esq., was named as a son of David and Sarah Johnson in their wills and no doubt it was the brother-in-law of the seemingly missing Jacob, who was made his administrator. Sarah (Johnson) Corson evidently assumed her husband was dead as she married Nathaniel Dickin-



son, Oct. 12, 1804. However, it seems the court was not satisfied that Jacob was deceased as a further examination of the records disclosed that, presumably, because the administrator, Jeremiah Johnson, had died prior to Feb. 12, 1816, James Ludlam was at this time appointed administrator De Bonis Non of Jacob Corson, Jr., deceased. The share of the missing Jacob Corson in his father's estate, in the hands of the deceased Jeremiah Johnson, was fixed at \$384.65 on Mar. 27, 1817, the date of this administration. The second administrator, James Ludlam, was probably the James Ludlam who married Martha Johnson, a sister of Jacob's wife, Sarah. What really happened to Jacob, III, was not disclosed, but it is probable that he was lost at sea. As no grandchildren were mentioned in the wills of David and Sarah Johnson as the children of Jacob, it may be safely assumed that he and Sarah had no children.

1215 PRISCILLA CORSON, apparently the only daughter of Jacob and Charity (Stillwell) Corson, married ——— Peterson. No record of any children of this union was found.

1216 JOB CORSON, listed as the sixth child of Jacob and Charity (Stillwell) Corson, married, Oct. 21, 1792, 2475 Rebecca Corson, the daughter of Levi and Margaret (Hand) Corson. They had nine children as follows:

- 12161 JOB CORSON, JR.;
- 12162 HOPE CORSON, born 1794;
- 12163 REBECCA CORSON;
- 12164 LEVI CORSON, born Apr. 7, 1797;
- 12165 MOSES CORSON, born 1798;
- 12166 PRISCILLA CORSON;
- 12167 NICHOLAS CORSON;
- 12168 JACOB CORSON;
- 12169 ESTHER CORSON.

1217 JEREMIAH CORSON, last mentioned in the will of Jacob, II, probably was the youngest child of Jacob and Charity (Stillwell) Corson. Whether he married and left children was not disclosed in the records examined.

1221 CORNELIUS CORSON, the eldest child of Peter and Martha (Edwards) Corson, was born in 1757. At the age of twenty years he with others of the Second Company of Cape May Battalion of Militia, elected the officers of the Company, with whom he served as a private in the Revolutionary War. Cornelius Corson married, prior to 1780, Sarah, whose maiden name, according to Mrs. Barnes' chart, was Corson. Whether Sarah was a

cousin to Cornelius was not verified as her parents were not identified. In the deed from Cornelius to his brother, Jonathan, given in administering their father's estate, the wife of Cornelius was named as Sarah Corson. Cornelius Corson was a large landowner; his will, dated Nov. 5, 1815, and proved Dec. 11, 1815, mentions beside his homestead plantation and other tracts joining same, a tract bought of Enoch Young; another tract laid off by the Commissioners appointed by the Orphans' Court, in the estate of David Corson, deceased, as the share of Enos Corson, from whom it was bought; also other tracts bought from Mathew Godfrey; from John Mackey; from Nicholas Willets and David Townsend, assigns of Eli Corson; from Elijah Shaw's heirs; also tract known as Elias Gandy tract; another which belonged to Peter Corson, deceased; and one referred to as a place called Indian Ordinary. The inventory for \$1,528.99 was made on Dec. 22, 1815, by John Mackey and Nicholas Willets. His residence was named as Upper Township, Cape May County. Cornelius and Sarah Corson had the following children:

- 12211 SARAH CORSON, born about 1780;
- 12212 CORNELIUS CORSON, JR., born Mar. 24, 1788;
- 12213 REBECCA CORSON, born 1791;
- 12214 PHOEBE CORSON, born about 1792;
- 12215 PETER CORSON, born 1795;
- 12216 EDITH CORSON, born Feb. 22, 1796;
- 12217 DEBORAH CORSON, born 1800;
- 12218 EXPERIENCE CORSON, born 1802, died 1815.

1222 DEBORAH CORSON, probably the only daughter of Peter and Martha (Edwards) Corson, married Enoch Young. They had a daughter:

- 12221 MARY YOUNG, who married ——— Godfrey.

1223 PETER CORSON, JR., was the third child of Peter and Martha (Edwards) Corson. In the deed of Mar. 11, 1797, to his brother Cornelius Corson, given in the settlement of the father's estate, Peter's wife signed as Sarah Corson. Her maiden name was not disclosed, nor was it learned whether they had any children. As none of the early family trees or charts list any issue, it may be assumed that Peter and Sarah Corson had no children. The compiler wondered if Peter Corson, who died intestate in Gloucester County, N. J., and whose administratrix was Sarah Corson, appointed July 4, 1797, could have been Peter Corson, Jr., and his wife, Sarah, from Upper Township, Cape May County. (Liber 27, p. 108, Trenton, 2081 H.) In the old Methodist Ceme-



ter, at Head of River, Tuckahoe, is this inscription: "Peter Corson died May 31, 1797, aged 23 years."

1224 ELIAS CORSON, the fourth child of Peter and Martha (Edwards) Corson, was born on Jan. 23, 1767. He was only ten years old when his eldest brother, Cornelius, went to war, and while too young to enlist, no doubt witnessed many interesting events of those times that tried men's souls. Elias married twice. His first wife was Sarah Evans and the second was Abigail Steelman. License for his marriage to Abigail was issued Oct. 11, 1810. (Gloucester Co. Records.) After the administration of his father's estate, Elias was in possession of 147 acres of land and marsh, part of which tract had been given to his father, Peter Corson, by the will of Peter's father, Jacob, and strengthened by deed from his brother, Jacob, Jr., Oct. 16, 1756, the remaining part having been purchased by Elias' father from Jacob Spicer's executors. The part of this 147-acre tract, given to Peter Corson, deceased, by will was part of the original 300 acres conveyed to John Corson, the first, by the West Jersey Society by deed of Apr. 23, 1695. On this part of the 147 acres, old Cellar Creek runs through, along which it is said that John and Peter spent their first winter in Cape May County in a cave and when the waters came up in the spring it was necessary to move on to higher ground. This 147-acre tract was referred to in the will of Elias, dated Sept. 2, 1831, and proved in 1832, as his "Seaside Plantation" bequeathed to son Ezra, where he now lives. He devised to his son, Richard S.: "my homestead & farm & plantation on which I now live." By the will, Ezra and Richard S. were to make cash settlements to their sisters and brother, Elias, Jr. Ezra was sole executor. Elias Corson, Sr., died on Oct. 5, 1832, and is buried in the M. E. Churchyard at Petersburg, N. J. Elias, Sr., by his first marriage with Sarah Evans had five children:

- 12241 AMY CORSON, born 1790;
- 12242 EZRA CORSON, born May 5, 1792;
- 12243 HANNAH CORSON;
- 12244 ELIAS CORSON, JR.;
- 12245 MARTHA CORSON, born 1797.

To the second marriage with Abigail Steelman, three children were born:

- 12246 RICHARD S. CORSON, born Jan. 9, 1815;
- 12247 LIDIA MAY CORSON, born 1821;
- 12248 TABITHA CORSON.



1225 JONATHAN CORSON, born Nov. 18, 1768, was the youngest child of Peter and Martha (Edwards) Corson. He married on Nov. 28, 1793, Lydia Lake, who was born on Mar. 7, 1776. By the deeds, made during the settlement of his father's estate, hereinbefore mentioned, Cornelius and Sarah, his wife, and Enoch Young and Deborah Young, his wife, son and daughter, heirs of Peter Corson, conveyed the previously mentioned 147 acres, part of the 300 acres bought by John, I, from the Society, to Jonathan Corson. The consideration was £200 and the deed was dated June 23, 1797. Jonathan did not long keep this tract, as he and Lydia Corson, his wife, son and heir of Peter Corson, for a consideration of \$950, by deed, dated Aug. 9, 1803, conveyed the same 147 acres to Elias Corson. Both of the aforesaid deeds were recorded on Jan. 2, 1804. Jonathan Corson died on Aug. 31, 1848, and Lydia died on Aug. 7, 1856. They had the following children:

- 12251 DANIEL CORSON, born about 1800;
- 12252 PETER CORSON, born Jan. 15, 1801;
- 12253 ABSALOM CORSON, born about 1802;
- 12254 JONATHAN CORSON, JR., born Dec. 11, 1808;
- 12255 TABITHA CORSON, born June 21, 1809, died Oct. 19, 1825;
- 12256 AMARIAH CORSON, born Mar. 11, 1811;
- 12257 LUCAS L. CORSON, born Dec. 1, 1817.

Jonathan Corson, his wife Lydia, and daughter, Tabitha, are buried in the Palermo-Seaside-Baptist Cemetery.

1411 PHILIP CORSON, the eldest son of David and Rebecca (Godfrey) Corson, married Lydia Ross. (Florence Corson Barnes.) They had three sons:

- 14111 PHILIP CORSON, JR.;
- 14112 ENOCH CORSON, born 1786;
- 14113 HUMPHREY CORSON, born 1787.

1412 MILLICENT CORSON, the daughter of David and Rebecca (Godfrey) Corson, married 2491 Samuel Corson, the son of Jesse and Martha (Somers) Corson. They had eleven children, who are recorded under the history of the father.

1413 ENOS CORSON, listed as the youngest son of David and Rebecca (Godfrey) Corson, married, first, Deborah (Thompson) Edwards, the widow of David Edwards. She had married David Edwards, Jan. 20, 1772. Enos and Deborah had three sons:

- 14131 ENOS CORSON, JR., born Feb. 14, 1787;
- 14132 SETH CORSON, born Oct. 30, 1792;
- 14133 RICHARD CORSON.

Deborah (Thompson) Edwards Corson died about 1804, her estate being administered in that year. Four children of her first



marriage and three of the second to Enos Corson were named. (Book C, p. 69, Trenton.) Enos Corson, Sr., married, second, Sylvia Brown, Feb. 9, 1804. They had one son:

14134 HENRY CORSON, born 1813. (1850 census.)

They lived in Upper Township.

1421 JOHN CORSON, IV, the eldest son of John Corson, III, and his wife, 126 Martha Corson, the daughter of Jacob and Naomi Corson, married 2492 Hannah Corson, the daughter of Jesse and Martha (Somers) Corson. Hannah was born Oct. 25, 1770. John and Hannah were married May 13, 1792, by Justice of the Peace Parmenas Corson. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. Their children were:

14211 SAMUEL J. CORSON, born 1793;

14212 HANNAH CORSON, married William Hess, Nov. 2, 1826;

14213 RACHEL CORSON;

14214 HEZEKIAH CORSON, born 1802;

14215 EMLEY CORSON, born 1805;

14216 JOHN CORSON, V, born 1810.

1422 JOEL CORSON was identified from the old manuscript history, compiled by John M. Corson, and loaned to the writer by Charles E. Corson of The Dalles, Oregon, as the son of John and Martha Corson. While he lived the early part of his life in Cape May County, he later moved to Gloucester County, N. J., where he died intestate in 1823. The lineage of this family was not found on the several family trees that have been preserved. From the old manuscript history by John M. Corson, it was established that Joel had one son:

14221 JOEL CORSON, JR.

From information furnished by Dr. J. Clark Corson of Paulsboro, N. J., the history of the descendants of Joel, Jr., was secured. Joel Corson, Jr.'s, full name was Joel Somers Corson, and although nothing definite was found concerning the maiden name of the mother, it may be a good guess that she was a Somers.

1423 ORPHA CORSON was named in the John M. Corson manuscript as the only daughter of John, III, and Martha Corson, the daughter of Jacob and Naomi Corson. Whether she married and left descendants was not disclosed.

1522 JAMES WILLETS, JR., born July 11, 1744, was the second son of James Willets, Sr. He took a very active part in the cause of the colonies in the period preceding and during the Revolutionary War, his name appearing time and time again in the records of this time. He was selected as a member of the County

Committee of Safety in 1775, and on Apr. 16, 1777, was made Captain of "the second company of ye Cape May Battalion of militia in the State of New Jersey." The following account of James and his family was taken from the "Journal of Reuben Willets," who was a son of James' youngest brother, Nicholas:

"My grandfather, James Willets, had eight children, Ester, Sally, Rachel, James, Enoch, John, Amos, and Nicholas. The sons all took an active part in the American Revolution, except my father, Nicholas, who was a boy in the times, 'That tried men's souls.' James was a man of considerable wealth and note during the war, but like most of his countrymen, lost an estate by the depreciation of Continental money. He lived many years afterward and I knew him well. James was the oldest of my father's brothers. He was very remarkable for his athletic exploits and muscular powers. The wife of James was the daughter of Nicholas Stillwell, of whom I may have something to say presently. Her name was Rebecca, and during his affluence, their house was famed for its good living and hospitality. Rebecca was a woman of great courage, and withall a great Whig in the War of the Revolution. At one time, while they kept a Public House and Ferry, at what is now Beesleys Point, she was left alone while her husband and all the neighbors were absent on some public occasion at a distance; there was a great quantity of stores left there which had been captured by armed look-out boats, that were fitted out by the people of Cape May. During the day, an armed barge filled with Red Coats was seen to come in the river and row straight for the house (undoubtedly, she was piloted by some refugee, acquainted with the absence of the men). Rebecca watched the approach steadily with a spy-glass, until they were within a half mile of her dwelling. The crisis was a trying one as she doubted not but their objective was plunder. A cannon kept charged and ready for emergencies lay on the river bank near the house; she took a fire brand and pointing well as possible she discharged the gun. The grape shot were seen to fall thickly around the boat; the men fell flat and the boat put about and went to sea. How many were killed or what became of the party remains to this day as profound a secret as the fate of Somers (whose native place was the opposite side of the river) since he entered the harbor of Tripoli. The property, however, and perhaps her life, was saved. Her remains lie buried in the Stillwell burying ground beside the road half a mile south of Beesleys Point. Her husband was buried many years after, I think in 1833, in a family graveyard near where Capt Enoch Wheaton now lives at Tuckahoe."



## XI

### THE FIFTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER AND DEBORAH CORSON

2111 DAVID CORSON is listed as the eldest son of Christian the second. It is very probable that he was the David Corson, who is recorded as taking the Oath of Allegiance, "to the government established in this state, under the authority of the people," on May 27, 1778. David Corson is recorded in his will, dated Mar. 14, 1799, and proved Feb. 25, 1805, as a resident of Middle Township, Cape May County. The fact that he did not live in Upper Township, where the majority of the Corson families lived, not unlikely accounts for his name not appearing on the several family trees of the descendants of John and Peter the first. The name of his wife was not learned; she was not mentioned in his will and had no doubt died previous to the making of same. One son:

21111 DAVID CORSON, JR., died previous to the date of the will, by which the names of his other children were established as follows:

21112 PARMENAS CORSON;

21113 LYDIA CORSON;

21114 A DAUGHTER, who was then deceased, but who left sons:

211141 DAVID FERGUSON; and

211142 HENRY FERGUSON.

The eldest son, David, Jr., was identified by his will, proved Apr. 1, 1797.

2112 ABNER CORSON, born June 25, 1729, son of Christian the second, also lived in Middle Township. He was one of the patriots, who took the Oath of Allegiance to the new Colonial government, on May 27, 1778. He married, first, Jane Cresse, born Apr. 9, 1735, whose identity was established from an old memorandum book, the property of Allan Douglas, and also by an old deed, which, since its execution, has been in possession of Abner's descendants and is now owned by Miss Arthelia Jane Mathis, of Ogden, Utah. The connection in the old deed: "This Indenture, made the 26th day of Oct. 1764, between Jacob Spicer Jr., of the County of Cape May in the Province of New Jersey, of the one part, and Jane Corson, late daughter of James Cresse, and present

wife of Abner Corson, and Elizabeth Ludlam, late daughter of the said James Cresse, and present wife of Anthony Ludlam, both of the same place, of the other part," etc. The said James Cresse died intestate, and his parents were Arthur Cresse, and his wife, Mercy —————; the said Arthur's parents were Arthur Cresse and his wife, Mary —————. So Jane (Cresse) Corson was the great granddaughter of Arthur Cresse, a pioneer from Long Island to Cape May about 1692, he whom Jeremiah Basse required to send up to the Manor of Coxe Hall, in the name of the West Jersey Society, on the day before each Christmas, "two fat hens or Capons, as a quit Rent."

She was probably a great great granddaughter of the emigrant to Rowley, Mass., William Cresse, who married Ann Haddon, and lived at Stanford, Conn., a brother of Mighill Cresse, emigrant to Rowley, Mass., who lived at Ipswich, Mass. The children of Abner and Jane Corson were born as follows:

- 21121 CHRISTIAN CORSON, born June 27, 1757;
- 21122 JUDITH CORSON, born Aug. 8, 1759;
- 21123 JANE CORSON, born Apr. 10, 1763, died Nov. 23, 1814;
- 21124 EDITH CORSON, born May 20, 1765;
- 21125 ABNER CORSON, JR., born Nov. 9, 1767;
- 21126 NATHAN CORSON, born Apr. 8, 1770.

It seems very probable that Abner married, second, Mary Smith, whose marriage is recorded on Apr. 5, 1773. Abner Corson, Sr., died between the date Sept. 22, 1798, when his will was executed, and May 28, 1799, when it was proved. He was evidently a man of some property, the amount of the inventory, made by Phillip Cresse and Stephen Hand, Apr. 10, 1799, totaling £1,135.0.1.

2113 CHRISTIAN CORSEN, III, is listed as the third son of Christian, II. He probably married Margaret Hildreth and had at least one son:

2113 CHRISTIAN CORSON, JR.,

whose estate was administered May 5, 1829, by Cresse Townsend as assignee.

2114 NATHAN CORSON, listed as the fourth son of Christian, the second, was a bachelor. On page 228, Steven's History of Cape May County, he is said to have been "a man of wealth, who owned what is now the Mount Vernon neighborhood." The statement on the same page that Judith (Corson) Eldredge was a daughter of Nathan Corson is in error as she was the daughter of Abner and Jane (Cresse) Corson, and is so mentioned in Abner's will. An abstract of Nathan's will follows:



"1799, April 8. Corson, Nathan, of Cape May Co., bachelor; will of. Brother David Corson, all my movable estate. To brother, David Corson's son, Permenas, all my lands. Executors—brother, David, and the above named Parmenas Corson. Witnesses—Thomas Yates, Elizabeth Crawford, and Enoch Scull, Proved Oct. 8, 1804."

2131 RHODA CORSON was probably the eldest child of John, Sr., and Mary (Goff) Corson. She married William Robinson of Cape May County, Aug. 13, 1754. This marriage is found in Marriage Book R, p. 79, at Trenton, N. J. The names on the marriage bond are William Robinson and John Corson, and the witnesses are named as Henry Young and Abraham Van Gilder. William Robinson probably was the widower of Phoebe Young and cousin of Henry Young. From this record it would appear that William Robinson and John Corson lived at this time on the seashore side of Upper Township, Cape May County. That William Robinson and his family some time later immigrated with John Corson's family to the vicinity of the Goff's holdings near the Cape May-Cumberland County border is clearly shown by his (Robinson's) will, dated Jan. 11, 1777, and proved Apr. 15, 1777. His residence was given as Cumberland County. The executors were named as: "friend James Hollinshead and my son, William." Witnesses—Joseph Corson, Levi Crandol, and William Aulis. Mar. 13, 1777, an inventory for £438.6.11 was made by William Aulis and Nathan Youngs. Two years later James Hollinshead was named as executor in the will of Rhoda's father. Joseph Corson was the son of Rhoda's brother, John Corson, Jr. The children of Rhoda (Corson) and William Robinson are identified in his will as follows:

21311 WILLIAM ROBINSON, JR., named as "oldest son," married Mary Youngs, both of Maurice River, Cumberland Co., June 20, 1772;

21312 RHODA ROBINSON;

21313 ENOS ROBINSON, named as "youngest son," was to live with William until he was sixteen years old.

William Robinson's plantation was devised to his sons.

2132 JOHN CORSON, JR., the son of John, Sr., and Mary (Goff) Corson, married a woman of the same maiden name as his mother. At Trenton, my cousin, Alan Corson, found two distinct John Corson and Mary Goff marriage records. The record of the earlier marriage of June 4, 1731, of John Corson and Mary Goff, both of Cape May County, was described under the account of John Corson, Sr. The record of the second marriage, found in Liber C (1735-1764), p. 312, follows:



“Bond of John Corson Jr. and Jeremiah Corson, both of Cape May County, Dec. 19, 1761, for marriage of the above named John Corson to Mary Goff of Morris River, Cumberland Co. Witnesses—Henry Young & Mehetabel Godfrey.”

Mehetabel Godfrey was the granddaughter of Henry Young. Mary Goff of Maurice River, Cumberland Co., was the daughter of Jeremiah Goff of Maurice River, Cumberland County, and was mentioned in his will, proved July, 1761.

Her brother, Joseph Goff, of Down Township, Cumberland County, in his will, dated Feb. 25, 1777, and proved June 17, 1777, mentions: “my sister Mary Cosen and sister, Hannah Goff,—My brother John is to live with my brother-in-law John Causon till of age.” Jeremiah Goff, was probably a grandson of the immigrant to Cape May County, John Goff. Jeremiah Corson was, doubtless, the brother of John Corson, Jr. Although his wife resided in Cumberland County, it seems clear that John Corson, Jr., took his bride to the seashore side of Upper Township to be married, as the witnesses lived near the seacoast. John, Jr., and Mary, after their marriage, probably lived on the north side of Tuckahoe River, in old Gloucester County, now Atlantic County, in the Tarkil or Head of River district, where the boundary lines of the then Gloucester, Cape May and Cumberland Counties verged.

This seems to be verified by the record of John Corson of Gloucester County, whose certificate of military service in the Revolutionary War, as received from John M. Rogers, Lt. Colonel, Deputy Adjutant General of New Jersey, reads as follows:

“It is certified that the records of this office show that John Corson received certificate No. 139, dated May 1, 1784, signed by Thomas Carpenter, for £0:13:6, for the depreciation of his continental pay in the Gloucester County Militia.

“Signed,

FREDERICK GILKYSON,

The Adjutant General.”

In Stryker's *JERSEYMEN IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR*, p. 608, is recorded the names of John Goff of Gloucester County and Joseph Goff of Cumberland County. They probably can be safely identified as brothers of Mary (Goff) Corson, the wife of John Corson, Jr. John Goff, who was not of age when his brother died in 1777, as stated heretofore, was to live with his brother-in-law, John Corson. As will be seen hereinafter, descendants of John Corson, Jr., lived and died in this district. The children of John, Jr., and Mary (Goff) Corson are recorded as follows:



21321 JOSEPH CORSON;

21322 JOHN CORSON.

2133 JEREMIAH CORSON, listed as the third child of John Corson, Sr., and Mary (Goff) Corson, married, Aug. 24, 1763, Mary Creasy (Cresse). His cousin, Job Young, joined him on the marriage bond. (Book C, p. 350, Trenton, N. J.) No record of their children was found. He probably died early in 1788 as an inventory for Jeremiah Corson, deceased, was made May 14, 1788, by Moses Williams and John Goff. Mary Corson was administratrix. She made her mark to the administratrix's bond, also signed by John Goff, Aug. 2, 1791. (Record 770 E, Trenton.) John Goff was probably the brother-in-law of Jeremiah's brother, John Corson, Jr.

2151 ISAAC CORSON, listed as the eldest son of Andrew Corson, evidently was deceased when his father made his will in 1792. The name of his wife was not learned. An item in Aaron Leaming's diary that may be of interest reads as follows: "May and June, 1775. Bloody flux prevailed." Among those listed as dying were: "Isaac Corson, wife and child." Their son,

21511 ISAAC CORSON, JR., survived as he was named in his grandfather's will in 1792.

He may have been the Isaac Corson who married Rachel Corson, Sept. 15, 1816. (Liber B, C. M. C. H.)

2153 ABEL CORSON is listed as the third son of Andrew Corson, of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County. His remarkable record of military service in the Revolutionary War, according to Lewis Reed Corson of Millville, N. J., was certified by William Stryker, Adjutant General, at Trenton, N. J., Feb. 23, 1900, as follows:

"He enlisted as private in the Gloucester Co. Minute Men, November 1776, for the war in Capt. John Hollingshead's Co., Second Battalion, second establishment, New Jersey Continental Line; took part in the Indian Campaign against the six nations from May 11, 1779, to November 5, 1779. Transferred with Company to second New Jersey Continental Line, January 1, 1781—made Fifer in Capt. Hendry's Co., then promoted to Fifer-Major.

"Took part in battle and surrender of Cornwallis, Oct. 19, 1781. Engaged in battles of Millstown, June 7, 1777; Short Hills, N. J., June 26, 1777. Strawberry Hills and Monmouth, N. J., June 28, 1778; Chemung and Newton, N. J., August 28, 1779; Elizabethtown, N. J., June 6, 1780 and Springfield, N. J., June 23, 1780.

"Discharged, June 5, 1783, after six years and seven months of Service."

After the close of the war he married, June 2, 1785, Hannah Royal, a Bridgeton girl, where, it is said, they resided. They were

married by Rev. George Faitout of the Greenwich Presbyterian Church. They had two sons:

21531 GEORGE CORSON, born Aug. 14, 1785;

21532 ANDREW CORSON, born Nov. 30, 1789.

2161 PARMENAS CORSON, the eldest son of Joseph the first and Rachel Corson, was born Jan. 23, 1760. On the 16th of Apr., 1777, he with 23 others "did nominate, chose and appoint James Willets, Captain," as well as the other officers of the second company of "ye Cape May Battalion" of militia. During the Revolutionary War he served as a private under the officers he helped to elect. Craig's History of Petersburg says of him: "He was a member of the Governor's Council (now State Senate) in 1796-99; 1801-05; Justice of the Peace, 1796-1801; Freeholder, 1829-32 and 1834." Parmenas Corson married three times. His first wife was 1528 Rachel Willets, daughter of James, whom he married Oct. 26, 1778. She was born Aug. 9, 1762. Two children were born to this union:

21611 AMOS CORSON, born Aug. 4, 1779;

21612 ANTHEA CORSON, born Feb. 2, 1784.

Rachel (Willets) Corson died July 14, 1801, from a tumor in her back and is buried in the Friends Graveyard at Fifth and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. Parmenas married, second, Roxanna (Griffing) Benezett, a widow, on Oct. 18, 1804. To them one son was born:

21613 ALBERT GRIFFING CORSON, born Apr. 23, 1806.

The second wife, Roxanna Corson, died May 17, 1806. The third wife of Parmenas was 2476 Rachel Corson, the daughter of Levi and Margaret (Hand) Corson. They were married Sept. 15, 1816. Rachel Corson was born May 2, 1778, and died on May 1, 1872. Parmenas Corson died Feb. 22, 1843. Parmenas, his second wife, Roxanna, and third wife, Rachel Corson, are buried in the Cemetery of the Second Baptist Church, adjoining the Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, Cape May County.

2162 AMOS CORSON, the second son of Joseph, I, and Rachel Corson, was born on Sept. 30, 1763, and died on Oct. 10, 1763.

2163 JOSEPH CORSON, II, the youngest son of Joseph, I, and Rachel Corson, was born on Sept. 6, 1765. Craig, in his History of Petersburg, says: he "lived on what is known as the Swan Place at the Lower Bridge, and is buried in the Palermo



Second Baptist Cemetery. He was appointed Judge of the Inferior Court in 1805, was Justice of the Peace in 1810-11, and conducted a ship-yard at the Lower Bridge." He took the oath as Justice of Peace on Dec. 9, 1803, in 1808 and 1811. By the will of his father, proved in 1793, he was bequeathed many tracts of land, among which was "land at the Saw Scaffle, bought by my grandfather, Peter Corson, from the Society." He married 22:12:4 Phoebe (Mackey) Badcock, the daughter of Elizabeth (Young) and John Mackey, and the widow of Joseph Badcock, who was lost at sea. She was born Aug. 11, 1758, died Sept. 7, 1839, and is buried in the Palermo, N. J., Second Baptist Cemetery. Joseph Corson, II, died on Apr. 7, 1841. Joseph and Phoebe Corson had six children (index numbers not as order of birth) :

- 21631 JOSEPH CORSON, III, born Sept. 1, 1788;
- 21632 ALLEN CORSON, born Oct. 10, 1790;
- 21633 SARAH CORSON, married Ezra Young, Aug. 12, 1821;
- 21634 JOHN MACKEY CORSON, born Dec. 29, 1795;
- 21635 RACHEL CORSON, born Sept. 27, 1786;
- 21636 ISAIAH CORSON, born 1802.

2284 TABITHA TOWNSEND, born Feb. 7, 1750, the daughter of Tabitha (Young) and John Townsend, married, Jan. 1, 1773, Eli Townsend. He was born Dec. 4, 1746, the son of James and Abeah (Hand) Townsend. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. Their children were :

- 22841 HANNAH TOWNSEND, married, Sept. 6, 1798, Christopher Leaming.
- 22842 JAMES TOWNSEND, born 1778, died Apr. 8, 1831;
- 22843 PRISCILLA TOWNSEND, born Jan. 4, 1782, died Feb. 23, 1807;
- 22844 ELI TOWNSEND;
- 22845 ELIJAH TOWNSEND;
- 22846 JOHN TOWNSEND.

Eli Townsend, Sr., died May 16, 1796.

2432 DARIUS CORSON, JR., the second son of Darius, Sr., and Hannah (Willets) Corson was born on Sept. 2, 1757. On Apr. 16, 1777, he assisted in the appointment of the officers of the Second Company, Cape May Battalion, under whom he served as a private during the Revolutionary War. On June 6, 1778, he married Martha Mackey and had two sons :

- 24321 DARIUS CORSON, III;
- 24322 MACKEY CORSON.

2441 LEWIS CORSON was the eldest son of Rem and Hannah (Stillwell) Corson. He married three times; the first wife



Silhouette of PHOEBE (MACK E Y) CORSON, born 1758, died 1839, wife of JOSEPH CORSON, II, and great granddaughter of PETER CORSON, THE FIRST.



Silhouette of JOSEPH CORSON, II, born 1763, died 1841. son of JOSEPH CORSON, I, and RACHEL CORSON, granddaughter of JOHN CORSON, THE FIRST.



Silhouette of ISAIAH CORSON, born 1802, died 1855, son of JOSEPH, II, and PHOEBE MACK E Y CORSON.

SILHOUETTES REPRODUCED FROM ORIGINALS OWNED BY MISS FANNY E. CORSON OF NEW BERLIN, ILL.





was Martha Baker, whom he married on Sept. 15, 1790. Lewis and Martha (Baker) Corson had four children:

- 24411 MILES CORSON;
- 24412 REM. CORSON;
- 24413 LEWIS CORSON, JR.;
- 24414 REBECCA CORSON.

Lewis Corson married, second, Martha (Mattocks) Townsend, the widow of Thomas Townsend, on June 28, 1801. Martha was the daughter of Robert (born 1717) and Sarah Mattocks. (Robert Mattock's Bible records.) Lewis and Martha (Mattocks) Corson had three children:

- 24415 MARTHA CORSON, born Feb. 27, 1802;
- 24416 STILLWELL CORSON, born 1807;
- 24417 FRANKLIN CORSON.

Lewis Corson married, third, Hannah (Ford) Townsend, the widow of Henry Townsend, and daughter of Dr. Philip Ford. The third marriage was consummated on Mar. 11, 1824. There was no issue of the last union. Lewis lived in Cape May County. He died about the end of the year 1848.

2442 SOPHIA CORSON, born Apr. 22, 1769, was the second child of Rem and Hannah (Stillwell) Corson. On Apr. 25, 1789, she married Uriah Smith, born Oct. 4, 1764, the son of Tuthill and Judith (Gandy) Smith, and the grandson of Rev. Worthington and Mary (Tuthill) Smith. Tuthill Smith is said to have come from England with his brother and settled first on Long Island. Tuthill moved to Cape May County, where he bought a farm in 1746. He married Judith Gandy, of Cape May, in 1748. Sophia (Corson) and Uriah Smith had the following children:

- 24421 REM SMITH;
- 24422 SAMUEL G. SMITH, born 1792;
- 24423 RACHEL SMITH;
- 24424 SARAH SMITH;
- 24425 SOPHIA SMITH, married Reuben Godfrey;
- 24426 URIAH SMITH, married Ann Corson, probably the daughter of Jesse and Ann (Smith) Corson;
- 24427 RICHARD SMITH, married Tabitha Corson, also probably the daughter of Jesse and Ann (Smith) Corson;
- 24428 JANE SMITH;
- 24429 REUBEN SMITH, married Mary Ann Weaver.

Sophia (Corson) Smith died on Nov. 8, 1846, and Uriah Smith, her husband, died Mar. 11, 1843.

2443 AMOS CORSON, the youngest son of Rem and Hannah (Stillwell) Corson, was born about 1780. On Oct. 5, 1812, he



married Mary Garretson, born, according to the 1850 census, in 1794. According to this census Amos and Mary were residents of Middle Township. John M. Corson's manuscript recorded the children of Amos and Mary Corson as follows:

- 24431 HANNAH CORSON;
- 24432 FIRMAN CORSON, born 1815;
- 24433 MARY CORSON;
- 24434 TRIPENA CORSON;
- 24435 ABIGAIL CORSON;
- 24436 AMELIA CORSON;
- 24437 RACHEL CORSON; and probably another daughter,
- 24438 HENRIETTA CORSON, born 1831, and who is listed in the 1850 census.

Amos Corson died Aug. 20, 1843, and is buried in the M. E. Church-yard at Petersburg, N. J.

2451 JAMES CORSON, the eldest son of carpenter Peter and Elizabeth (Godfrey) Corson, married, first, Sylva Conover. His second wife was Sylvia Drake, whom he married on Dec. 30, 1802. (F. C. B. & Cape May Mar. Records.) Seemingly they had no children. They lived in Cape May County.

2452 MARY CORSON, listed as the second child of Peter and Elizabeth Corson, married ——— Cox. No record of their children was found.

2453 HENRY CORSON, the third child of Peter and Elizabeth (Godfrey) Corson, married Elizabeth Young, Feb. 21, 1788. They had one son:

- 24531 HENRY CORSON, JR. (J. M. C. Mss.)

They lived in Cape May County.

2454 CONSTANTINE CORSON, probably the fourth child of Peter and Elizabeth Corson, married Edith Townsend, Nov. 11, 1790. They had two sons:

- 24541 CONSTANTINE CORSON, JR.;
- 24542 JAMES CORSON. (J. M. C. Mss.)

They lived in Cape May County, N. J.

2455 ELIZABETH CORSON, listed as the fifth child of Peter and Elizabeth (Godfrey) Corson, was named in her father's will as Elizabeth Bingham.

2456 ELISHEBA CORSON, probably the youngest child of Peter and Elizabeth (Godfrey) Corson, according to the Cape

May marriage records, seems to have married John Bingham, Apr. 27, 1801. In her father's will, dated Oct. 7, 1798, she was named Elisheba Corson, so it seems probable that Elisheba also married a Bingham, possibly a brother of her sister's husband.

2471 ABRAHAM CORSON, listed as the eldest son of Levi and Margaret (Hand) Corson, according to the records examined, left no descendants. A notation on Flora Corson Barnes' chart states: "Abram 1st killed in Battle of Germantown." The first Abraham found in the descendants of John and Peter Corson was the son of Levi, but unless he was a son of a marriage previous to his marriage to Margaret Hand, Abraham, the son of Levi, would hardly have been old enough to serve as a soldier in the Revolution.

2472 LOT CORSON, born about 1768, is listed as the second child of Levi and Margaret Hand. He married Elizabeth Smith and had the following children:

24721 LOT CORSON, JR.;

24722 ELIZABETH CORSON, married Jonathan Hopman and had four children;

24723 JUDITH CORSON, married Corson Garretson, the grandson of 1221 Cornelius Corson;

24724 ABRAHAM CORSON, born 1804.

Lot and his family lived in Cape May County.

2473 LEVI CORSON, JR., is listed as the third son of Levi, Sr., and Margaret (Hand) Corson. No authoritative record naming his wife or wives was found. Flora Corson Barnes' tree lists his wife as "Deb." If he was the Levi who married Deborah Norton, Dec. 29, 1795, she probably was his second wife, as Thomas, a son of Levi, married in 1807, and no doubt was not born after 1790. The sons of Levi Corson, Jr., are listed as follows:

24731 JEREMIAH CORSON;

24732 THOMAS CORSON. (John M. Corson Mss.)

2475 REBECCA CORSON, daughter of Levi and Margaret (Hand) Corson, married 1216 Job Corson, the son of Jacob and Charity (Stillwell) Corson, Nov. 21, 1792. The account of their family is recorded under the history of Job.

2476 RACHEL CORSON, daughter of Levi and Margaret (Hand) Corson, was born May 2, 1778. She married, Sept. 16, 1816, 2161 Parmenas Corson, the son of Joseph. The account of their family is recorded under the history of Parmenas.



2491 SAMUEL CORSON, the eldest son of Jesse and Martha (Somers) Corson, born Aug. 26, 1768, married twice. His first wife was 1412 Millicent Corson, the daughter of David and Rebecca (Godfrey) Corson. (J. M. Corson Mss.) They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. The children of Samuel and Millicent Corson were as follows:

- 24911 DAVID CORSON, born Feb. 6, 1792, died a bachelor on Mar. 10, 1848;
- 24912 ELIZABETH CORSON, married ——— Ross;
- 24913 SAMUEL S. CORSON;
- 24914 RHODA CORSON;
- 24915 AMELIA CORSON, married Nicholas Godfrey, Oct. 22, 1815;
- 24916 JESSE CORSON, born 1803;
- 24917 MILLICENT CORSON;
- 24918 REBECCA CORSON;
- 24919 MARTHA CORSON, married Simeon Harmon, of Cumberland County, Sept. 10, 1827;
- 2491:10: TABITHA CORSON, born 1814, married 141315 John G. Corson, son of Enos. (J. M. Corson Mss.)

Samuel Corson, Sr., married, second, Martha Godfrey, widow, on Aug. 13, 1828. Samuel Corson died, probably, early in 1852, as his will, dated Feb. 28, 1849, was proved on Feb. 9, 1852. In this will he mentions daughters, Elizabeth Ross; Amelia Godfrey; Martha Harmon; Rebecca and Tabitha Corson; and sons, Samuel; and Jesse. The children who were not mentioned, probably died before the father. Amos Townsend was executor and the witnesses were Rem Corson, Amos Corson, Jr., and Tabitha Corson. Martha, the second wife of Samuel Corson, died Sept. 2, 1842, aged 72 years. Samuel and Martha are buried in the cemetery of the Second Baptist Church, adjoining Seaside Cemetery, Palermo, N. J.

2496 JESSE CORSON, JR., born Feb. 26, 1781, as the sixth child of Jesse and Martha (Somers) Corson, married, first, Ann Young, the daughter of 2263 Uriah and Rachel (Smith) Young. They lived in Cape May County, N. J. Jesse and Martha Corson had three daughters:

- 24961 TABITHA CORSON;
- 24962 CAROLINE CORSON;
- 24963 ANN CORSON, married Uriah Smith, Aug. 6, 1829. (Tuthill Smith letter.)

Jesse Corson, Jr., married, second, Ruth Willets, July 3, 1814. They had one son:

24964 AARON CORSON, who married Mary Gallagher, but seemed to leave no issue.

2499 SOMERS CORSON, born Feb. 9, 1789, was the ninth child of Jesse and Martha (Somers) Corson. He married Jane Young on Feb. 26, 1816, but no record of issue of this union was found.

249:10: AARON CORSON, the tenth child of Jesse and Martha (Somers) Corson, was born Oct. 3, 1792. He married, first, Rebecca Van Gilder, the daughter of Ezekial and Judith (Smith) Van Gilder, on Mar. 26, 1811. Rebecca was born on Feb. 18, 1789, and died on Apr. 23, 1854. Aaron Corson married, second, Lydia Brown on May 31, 1855. Lydia was born on June 2, 1803, and died Jan. 1, 1887. Her husband, Aaron Corson, died Feb. 6, 1873. There seemed to be no issue by either marriage. Aaron lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. He and his two wives are buried in the Seaside-Baptist Cemetery, Palermo, Cape May County, N. J.

249:11: REM CORSON, the youngest child of Jesse and Martha (Somers) Corson, born Apr. 15, 1797, married Esther Van Gilder on Feb. 3, 1817. She was born on June 18, 1800, and died July 23, 1876. Rem and Esther lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. They had the following children:

249:11:1 EZEKIAL CORSON;

249:11:2 SOMERS CORSON, listed by Florence Corson Barnes as a bachelor;

249:11:3 ESTHER CORSON;

249:11:4 REM CORSON, JR., born 1825;

249:11:5 ANN CORSON;

249:11:6 AMASA C. CORSON, born 1833;

249:11:7 YOUNGS CORSON, born 1836;

249:11:8 AMBROSE CORSON, also listed as a bachelor;

249:11:9 AARON CORSON, born 1841.

Rem Corson, Sr., died on Jan. 14, 1873. Rem and his wife, Esther Corson, are buried in the Seaside-Baptist Cemetery, Palermo, Cape May County.



## XII

### THE SIXTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY CORSON

12111 JAMES CORSON, the eldest son of Parmenas and his first wife, Mary (Lee) Corson, according to the Family Register of his own Bible, was born Mar. 11, 1775. Although, according to the marriage records of Cape May County, a marriage license was issued to James Corson and Elizabeth Edwards on Dec. 6, 1801, it seems the ceremony was not performed until Jan. 26, 1802 (date in Bible Register). Elizabeth Edwards was the daughter of Joseph Edwards (born 1757, died 1845), and his wife, Sarah (born 1765, died Jan. 9, 1833). They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. The children of James and Elizabeth Corson were recorded in their Bible as follows:

- 121111 EMMA CORSON, born Sept. 26, 1803;
- 121112 REUBEN CORSON, born Dec. 5, 1805;
- 121113 BETSEY CORSON, born Oct. 25, 1807, died July 23, 1809;
- 121114 SARAH CORSON, born June 16, 1810;
- 121115 RACHEL CORSON, born Oct. 4, 1812, died May 17, 1813;
- 121116 EDWARDS CORSON, born May 19, 1814;
- 121117 PRISCILLA CORSON, born May 15, 1817;
- 121118 SYLVANUS CORSON, born Mar. 12, 1820;
- 121119 THEOPHILUS CORSON, born Feb. 28, 1822;
- 12111:10: ELEANOR CORSON, born Dec. 25, 1828.

James Corson died, Jan. 31, 1848, aged 73 years, and Elizabeth, his wife, died on June 19, 1861, aged 76 years 1 month 29 days.

12112 NAOMI CORSON, the eldest daughter of Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson, married ——— Steelman. No record of their issue was obtained.

12113 CHARITY CORSON, the third child of Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson, was born July 8, 1781. She married Aaron Hickman on Dec. 24, 1802. Whether they had children was not learned.

12114 MARGARET LEE CORSON, daughter of Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson, born Sept. 30, 1783, married ——— Weaver. Names of their children were not obtained.

12115 ABEL CORSON, born Sept. 2, 1786, was the second son of Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson. He married Ann Rogers and had two sons:

- 121151 PARMENAS CORSON, who married Elizabeth ———;
- 121152 OLIVER CORSON.

Abel Corson died May 3, 1827.

12116 ELLIS CORSON, born Mar. 30, 1790, the third son of Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson, married Betsey Lee on Dec. 21, 1811. They had four children:

- 121161 LOAMI CORSON;
- 121162 WILLIAM CORSON;
- 121163 RHODA CORSON;
- 121164 ANNABELL CORSON.

Loami and William were listed as bachelors by Florence Corson Barnes.

12117 PARMENAS CORSON, born Apr. 25, 1793, the fourth son of Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson, married, first, Abigail Stevenson, Mar. 7, 1815, and, second, Mary Runyan. He had children:

- 121171 ELIZA CORSON, born Dec. 12, 1815, died Aug. 21, 1819;
- 121172 MARY CORSON, born Oct. 31, 1817;
- 121173 ALMEDA CORSON, born July 21, 1820, died Nov. 24, 1824;
- 121174 HANNAH CORSON, born Aug. 10, 1822, died Nov. 8, 1824;
- 121175 SWAIN CORSON, born Mar. 8, 1827.

Abigail (Stevenson) Corson died Apr. 27, 1855.

12118 JOSEPH CORSON, born May 8, 1797, the fifth son of Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson, married, first, Margaret Lee on Jan. 7, 1822. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. The record of his children was secured from two pages of the register of an old family Bible, that were sent to the compiler by Mrs. Cara Ellen Corson Bevis of College Hill, Cincinnati, Ohio. Joseph and Margaret had one son:

- 121181 JONAS CORSON, born Aug. 5, 1822.

Margaret did not long survive after the birth of Jonas, passing beyond July 3, 1823. Joseph married, second, Harriet Corson on Aug. 25, 1825. Harriet Corson, according to the 1850 census, was born in 1804, but the names of her parents were not obtained. Joseph and Harriet Corson had the following children:

- 121182 ELLEN CORSON, born Jan. 7, 1826, married ——— Townsend;
- 121183 ABEL CORSON, born Nov. 27, 1827;
- 121184 JACOB G. CORSON, born Dec. 26, 1829;
- 121185 ELMER Y. CORSON, born June 26, 1832;



- 121186 MARY ANN CORSON, born Apr. 26, 1835, married Willis W. Mossbrook, July 20, 1858;  
 121187 CHARLES WESLEY CORSON, born Sept. 19, 1838;  
 121188 DAVID D. CORSON, born Apr. 26, 1841;  
 121189 RACHEL JANE CORSON, born Dec. 28, 1843;  
 12118:10: MARGARET JUNE CORSON, born Mar. 13, 1847, died Jan. 10, 1849.

Joseph Corson died Aug. 22, 1864, and his will was proved Sept. 24 in the same year. Harriet, his wife, died Nov. 2, 1866. They are buried in the Tuckahoe M. E. Church Cemetery, Tuckahoe, Cape May County. Their son, Jacob G. Corson, died on Apr. 26, 1850, and is buried in the same burying ground.

12119 ITHAMER CORSON, born Oct. 20, 1801, in Cape May County, N. J., was the youngest son of Parmenas and Mary (Lee) Corson. He married, first, Hannah Wooley, Jan. 1, 1825. They moved to near Cincinnati, Ohio, and had the following children:

- 121191 MARGARET CORSON, born Oct. 15, 1825, married Ashem Wert;  
 121192 PHOEBE CORSON, born July 22, 1827;  
 121193 LUMIS CORSON, born Sept. 22, 1829;  
 121194 EMELINE CORSON, born May 14, 1832, married William Gilland;  
 121195 FRANCES CORSON, born Oct. 24, 1834;  
 121196 PARMENAS CORSON, born May 2, 1837;  
 121197 JOSEPH CORSON, born Jan. 24, 1842;  
 121198 WILLIAM CORSON, born Feb. 16, 1844;  
 121199 JAMES CORSON, born Nov. 4, 1847.

Hannah Corson, the wife and mother, died less than two years later on July 16, 1848. Ithamer Corson married, second, in Hamilton County, Ohio, Tabitha Willey. They had no children. Ithamer's six sons served in the Civil War.

12121 NICHOLAS CORSON, JR., born Aug. 6, 1779, seems to have been the only child of Nicholas and Lydia (Ross) Corson. He married, first, Elizabeth Hewitt, who was born in 1782. The names of their children were given in the John M. Corson manuscript. They are listed as follows:

- 121211 SHAMGER CORSON, born Nov. 11, 1804;  
 121212 LYDIA CORSON;  
 121213 PHOEBE CORSON, married 21613 Albert Griffing Corson, son of Parmenas and Roxanna Corson, Apr. 9, 1828;  
 121214 ABIJAH CORSON, born Mar. 20, 1809;  
 121215 REUBEN CORSON, born May 15, 1812, died May 5, 1865;  
 121216 SUSAN CORSON, born 1817, died Sept. 24, 1825;  
 121217 ELIZABETH S. CORSON, married David Townsend, Jan. 6, 1841;  
 121218 NICHOLAS CORSON, III;  
 121219 PRISCILLA CORSON, born 1822, died 1825.

Elizabeth (Hewitt) Corson died Nov. 28, 1827, and on July 28, 1828, Nicholas married his second wife, Sarah (Somers) Leaming, the widow of William Leaming and the daughter of Constantine and Sophia Somers. She was born Oct. 11, 1795. By the second union they had two children:

12121:10: PRISCILLA CORSON, born 1830, married 244124 Henry Corson, the son of Rem and Priscilla Corson;

12121:11: JAMES CORSON, born 1830, died Mar. 23, 1837.

Sarah (Somers) Corson died July 26, 1866, and is buried in the Cemetery of the First Baptist Church in Cape May Court House, N. J. Nicholas Corson, II, died Aug. 17, 1851. He and his first wife are buried in Calvary Baptist Cemetery at Ocean View, N. J.

12131 AQUILLA CORSON, son of Eli and Christianna (Thompson) Corson, was born in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. According to the 1850 U. S. census in Indiana, he was born about 1783. He was mentioned as a grandson of Jacob Corson, II, in his will, proved Jan. 31, 1803. He married, about 1812, Catherine (Totten) Giffin, the widow of Jacob Giffin, an early Ohio school teacher. The Giffins lived on a farm about ten miles above Cincinnati, Ohio, on the Little Miami River in Hamilton County, Ohio. Aquilla and his wife lived in this neighborhood until 1816, when they moved to Columbia, Ohio. They lived there until 1823, then moved to Dearborn County, Indiana, in the neighborhood of Laughery Creek. At that time the roads were bad, and the woods were full of wolves, deer, and wild turkeys. In 1822 droves of squirrels came across the Ohio River, destroying everything before them. At Lawrenceburg, Ind., there is a record that he bought Government land in 1818. Aquilla Corson died at the home of a granddaughter in Kentucky, across the river from Rising Sun, Ind. His body was taken across the Ohio River in a boat and buried in Fulton Cemetery, near Rising Sun. The children of Aquilla and Catherine (Totten) Corson were:

121311 MARY (POLLY) CORSON, born 1815;

121312 A SON, died in infancy;

121313 ELI CORSON;

121314 ALBERT CORSON, born Apr. 13, 1818;

121315 ANGELINE CORSON;

121316 LUCINDA CORSON;

121317 JANE CORSON.

Aquilla Corson's grandfather, Jacob Corson, II, bequeathed his homestead plantation and a cedar swamp to Aquilla. As far as the compiler could learn, Aquilla never returned to New Jersey to claim this land.



12161 JOB CORSON, JR., the eldest son of Job and Rebecca Corson, married Parmelia ————. They had one son:

121611 EDWIN CORSON.

12162 HOPE CORSON, born 1794, the second son of Job and Rebecca Corson, married 121211 Lydia Corson, the daughter of Nicholas, on Sept. 6, 1819. Lydia was born in 1803. They had the following children according to the 1850 census and other records:

121621 SUSAN CORSON, born 1827, married 121118 Sylvanus Corson, the son of James;

121622 SOMERS CORSON, born 1829;

121623 ELIZABETH CORSON, born 1832;

121624 NICHOLAS CORSON, born 1833;

121625 CHARLES CORSON, born 1836, married Henrietta Wilson;

121626 JOSEPHINE CORSON, born 1844.

Hope Corson died Oct 21, 1874, and Lydia Corson, his wife, died in 1879. Both are buried in Calvary M. E. Church Cemetery at Ocean View, Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J.

· 12164 LEVI CORSON, the fourth child of Job and Rebecca Corson, was named after his mother's father, 247 Levi Corson, who married Margaret Hand. This seems to have been the only instance in which the name, Levi, was used by the descendants of John, I, and then it can be clearly traced to those of the name in Peter's line. Levi Corson was born on Apr. 7, 1797. He married 12217 Deborah Corson, the daughter of Cornelius and Sarah Corson, on Feb. 23, 1817. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, where they had the following children:

121641 CHARLOTTE CORSON, born 1820, married 121116 Edwards Corson, the son of James;

121642 HARRIET CORSON, born Nov. 17, 1822, married 141134 Captain Philip Corson, son of Humphrey;

121643 CORNELIUS CORSON, born 1829;

121644 DEBORAH CORSON, born 1829;

121645 SYLVIA CORSON, born 1834, married George W. Blake on Aug. 29, 1852.

Levi Corson died Oct. 14, 1873, and is buried in the Baptist Cemetery at Cape May Court House, N. J.

12165 MOSES CORSON, born 1798, was the fifth child of Job and Rebecca (Corson) Corson. He married, first, Elizabeth Smith, and second, Mrs. Sarah S. Lee, on Dec. 21, 1843. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. From the 1850 census and J. M. Corson's manuscript it was determined that he had the following children:

- 121651 RACHEL CORSON ;  
 121652 MARY CORSON ;  
 121653 HESTER CORSON ;  
 121654 ELIZABETH CORSON ;  
 121655 ELLEN B. CORSON, married Richard German, Mar. 24, 1855 ;  
 121656 REBECCA CORSON, born 1832 ;  
 121657 JOB CORSON, born 1833 ;  
 121658 SARAH (SOLLY) CORSON.

Sarah Corson, the wife of Moses, died on Feb. 12, 1865, and is buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery, Palermo, N. J.

12168 JACOB CORSON, the youngest son of Job and Rebecca (Corson) Corson, married Margaret Shoemaker. (F. C. B.) They probably had no children.

12211 SARAH CORSON, born 1780, was the eldest child of Cornelius and Sarah Corson. She married Joshua Garretson, Apr. 15, 1800, and had a son :

- 122111 CORSON GARRETSON, who married 24723 Judith Corson, the daughter of Lot Corson.

12212 CORNELIUS CORSON, born Mar. 24, 1788, was the second child of Cornelius and Sarah Corson. He married, first, Delilah Champion, July 9, 1809. They had the following children :

- 122121 CHAMPION CORSON, born 1810 ;  
 122122 DAVID CORSON, married Elizabeth Ford ;  
 122123 CORNELIUS S. CORSON ;  
 122124 SARAH CORSON, born 1821, married Baker Corson, the son of Rem and Priscilla Corson.

Cornelius Corson married, second, Edith Godfrey, Aug. 22, 1827. It is said in Craig's History of Petersburg that he married Rebecca Corson for his third wife. In his will, dated Sept. 10, 1858, his residence is stated as Upper Township, Cape May County. He died Apr. 26, 1859, and is buried in the M. E. Church-yard Cemetery at Petersburg, N. J.

12213 REBECCA CORSON, born 1791, the second daughter of Cornelius and Sarah Corson, married William Earl on Apr. 4, 1810. They had the following children :

- 122131 PETER EARL ;  
 122132 DANIEL EARL ;  
 122133 REBECCA EARL, who married James Homan.

12214 PHOEBE CORSON, born 1792, the third daughter of Cornelius and Sarah Corson, married Eli Stevenson, Sept. 13, 1811, and had children :



122141 DAVID STEVENSON ;  
 122142 RICHARD STEVENSON.

12215 PETER CORSON, born 1795, was the second son of Cornelius and Sarah Corson. He married, first, Sylvia Smith, on Mar. 9, 1817. She was born in 1793. It is said the town of Petersburg was changed from Littleworth to Petersburg in honor of Peter Corson. They had the following children:

122151 LIVIA CORSON, born 1817, married Levi Van Gilder on Feb. 27, 1838;  
 122152 CORNELIUS S. CORSON, born 1818, died 1824;  
 122153 ELLEN CORSON, born 1833. (History Petersburg and 1850 census).

Peter Corson married, second, Lydia Godfrey on May 29, 1863. He died on June 19, 1873, and in his will, proved June 30, the same year, his residence is given as Upper Township, Cape May County. He is buried in the M. E. Church-yard Cemetery at Petersburg, N. J.

12217 DEBORAH CORSON, the daughter of Cornelius and Sarah Corson, was born in 1800. She married 12164 Levi Corson, the son of Job and Rebecca (Corson) Corson. They had five children, who are enumerated under the history of Levi.

12241 AMY CORSON, the eldest child of Elias and his first wife, Sarah (Evans) Corson, was born about 1790. She married 14112 Enoch Corson, the son of Philip. Their children are listed under the history of Enoch.

12242 EZRA CORSON, born May 5, 1792, was the eldest son of Elias and Sarah (Evans) Corson. He inherited from his father part of the original 300 acres that John, the first, bought of the West Jersey Society in 1695, through which old Cellar Creek runs. It was along the creek that John and Peter are said to have spent their first winter in a cave, after landing in Cape May County from a whale-boat. Ezra Corson married Hannah Steelman, a sister of Abigail Steelman, Ezra's father's second wife, on Mar. 5, 1815. Hannah Steelman was born in 1793. They lived in Upper Township, where they had the following named children:

122421 ELMINA CORSON, born 1823, married Gilbert Godfrey, they had no children;  
 122422 TOWNSEND CORSON, a bachelor;  
 122423 ELIAS CORSON, born 1828, also a bachelor;  
 122424 EZRA CORSON, born 1829, a bachelor;  
 122425 BURROWS CORSON, born 1832.

Ezra Corson, Sr., died Sept. 9, 1874, and Hannah, his wife, in 1877. They are buried in the M. E. Church-yard, Petersburg, N. J.

12243 HANNAH CORSON, the second daughter of Elias and Sarah (Evans) Corson, married Joseph Miller on Aug. 4, 1820. The names of their children were not obtained.

12244 ELIAS CORSON, JR., was probably the second son of Elias and Sarah (Evans) Corson. Florence Corson Barnes said concerning him: "Lost, ran away."

12245 MARTHA CORSON, a daughter of Elias and Sarah (Evans) Corson was born in 1787 and died in 1869. She married William Boon.

12246 RICHARD S. CORSON, born Jan. 9, 1815, was the eldest son of Elias and his second wife, Abigail (Steelman) Corson. He married Mary Corson, born May 25, 1821, the daughter of John M. and Eliza (Ingersoll) Corson, on Oct. 15, 1836. They were married at the home of her parents by Rev. Mathias Jerman. Richard S. and his family lived in Petersburg, Cape May County, N. J., for ten years, the husband and father farming part of the time and going to sea the rest of the time. In the spring of 1845 he went to Illinois and worked on a farm north of Pleasant Plains, Ill., to see how he liked the country. The Illinois prairies appealed to him so well that he rented a farm and sowed fall wheat, then bought a horse and went back to New Jersey on horseback. In the spring he returned to Illinois with his wife and five children. The trip from New Jersey was made by water except from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh. From thence by the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers to St. Louis, then up the Illinois River to Beardstown, and from there to Pleasant Plains. They lived for five years near Richland, Sangamon County, Ill., then in the fall of 1850 he bought some land about five miles southeast of Pleasant Plains, Ill., and built a home on it. The family moved into the new home on Feb. 26, 1851, and here the parents lived the remainder of their lives. They lived to celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on Oct. 16, 1901. (From information from Fannie E. Corson of New Berlin, Ill., and Nellie R. (Corson) Soderburg of Dwight, Kan.)

Richard S. and Mary Corson had thirteen children, two of whom died young, one was killed in the Civil War, nine married, eight of these leaving descendants. At this time the descendants of this remarkable family are scattered over the western part of the



United States from Illinois to the Pacific Coast. The following are the children:

- 122461 ASAIL CORSON, born Feb. 26, 1838;
- 122462 ABIGAIL CORSON, born Oct. 24, 1839;
- 122463 SARAH ELIZABETH CORSON, born Aug. 7, 1841;
- 122464 TOWNSEND CORSON, born Aug. 17, 1843;
- 122465 RICHARD CORSON, born Mar. 9, 1845;
- 122466 MARY ANN CORSON, born Feb. 9, 1847;
- 122467 MARGARET CORSON, born Jan. 19, 1849;
- 122468 JOHN FOSTER CORSON, born May 1, 1851;
- 122469 ELIAS CORSON, born Apr. 27, 1855, died Sept. 5, 1856;
- 12246:10: EMLY FRANCES (FANNIE E.) CORSON, born May 20, 1857;
- 12246:11: ELIAS CORSON, born July 30, 1859, died Mar. 24, 1862;
- 12246:12: WINFIELD SCOTT CORSON, born Jan. 3, 1862;
- 12246:13: IDA MAY CORSON, born Oct. 25, 1866.

Richard S. Corson died Dec. 7, 1901, and Mary Corson died Aug. 23, 1909. They are buried in Bethel Cemetery, Pleasant Plains, Ill.

12251 DANIEL CORSON, born about 1800, was the eldest son of Jonathan and Lydia (Lake) Corson. He married, Jan. 28, 1824, Millicent Young, born in 1806. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, and had five children:

- 122511 SYLVESTER CORSON, born 1826;
- 122512 DANIEL CORSON, and
- 122513 MILLICENT CORSON, twins, died Jan. 3, 1829, age 3 days;
- 122514 TELETHA CORSON, born 1831;
- 122515 MILLICENT AMANDA CORSON, born 1834.

Daniel died, probably in 1845, when his estate was administered by his wife. (Book C, p. 74, C. M. C. H.)

12252 PETER CORSON, born Jan. 15, 1801, the second son of Jonathan and Lydia (Lake) Corson, married Rebecca M. Chattin, born June 7, 1811, the daughter of John Chattin, on Dec. 29, 1831. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. Their children were:

- 122521 PETER CORSON, born July 22, 1834;
- 122522 JOSEPH A. CORSON, born 1837;
- 122523 LAKE S. CORSON, born 1839, died Apr. 8, 1861;
- 122524 ISAAC B. CORSON, born Apr. 19, 1842;
- 122525 LYDIA L. CORSON, born 1843;
- 122526 BURNACE M. CORSON, born 1846;
- 122527 HANNAH E. CORSON, born 1848;
- 122528 ROBERT R. CORSON, born 1852.

Peter Corson died Sept. 23, 1880, and his wife, Rebecca, died Aug. 10, 1886. Both are buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery, Palermo, Cape May County.



RICHARD S. CORSON AND MARY CORSON





12253 ABSALOM CORSON, born about 1802, the third son of Jonathan and Lydia (Lake) Corson, married Sarah Corson, born 1812, whose identity was not disclosed. They lived in Upper Township and had the following named children:

122531 ELIAS LAKE CORSON, born July 14, 1835, married Eleanor Young, Sept. 4, 1856;

122532 LUCIUS E. CORSON, born 1836, died Oct. 22, 1853;

122533 SARAH E. CORSON, born 1840, married Capt. Somers Willis;

122534 ABSALOM CORSON, born 1844.

Absalom Corson, Sr., died Feb. 27, 1877, aged 75 years 25 days. Sarah E. Corson, the wife of Absalom, died June 25, 1894, aged 82 years 5 months 22 days. Both are buried in the Second Baptist-Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, N. J.

12254 JONATHAN CORSON, JR., born Dec. 11, 1808, the fourth son of Jonathan and Lydia (Lake) Corson, married 24431 Hannah Corson, born Jan. 5, 1814, the daughter of Amos and Mary (Garretson) Corson on Mar. 13, 1830. They lived in Upper Township. Their children were:

122541 SARAH G. CORSON, born 1829, married Timothy Gorham, Nov. 2, 1852;

122542 ANENATH CORSON, born 1832;

122543 MULFORD M. CORSON, born 1837;

122544 JONATHAN W. CORSON, born 1844, married Ida Foster (no record of issue).

Jonathan Corson, Jr., married, second, Charlotte Wicks, the widow of Hugh W. Wicks. Jonathan, Jr., died on May 22, 1881; Hannah, the first wife, died Mar. 29, 1849; Charlotte, the second wife, on Jan. 8, 1880. They are buried in the Tuckahoe M. E. Church Cemetery.

12256 AMARIAH CORSON, born Mar. 11, 1811, the sixth child of Jonathan and Lydia (Lake) Corson, married 24433 Mary Corson, the daughter of Amos and Mary (Garretson) Corson, Jan. 14, 1835. They had one daughter:

122561 MARTHA CORSON, born 1841.

Amariah Corson married, second, Sarah H. Orum, Feb. 7, 1848. To the second marriage one son was born:

122562 AARON CORSON.

Amariah Corson lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J.

12257 LUCAS L. CORSON, born Dec. 1, 1817, the youngest child of Jonathan and Lydia (Lake) Corson, married Mary Corson



Chattin, Sept. 20, 1841. They resided in Upper Township, Cape May County. He was a follower of the sea for many years. Their children were:

- 122571 WILLIAM M. CORSON, born 1842, probably remained unmarried;
- 122572 JOHN C. CORSON, born Oct. 26, 1844;
- 122573 MARY L. CORSON, born 1846;
- 122574 LUCAS B. CORSON, born 1852, married Anna Johnson, but seemed to have had no children;
- 122575 RACHEL R. CORSON, born 1854, married James H. Garrard, Sept. 20, 1875, and had a daughter, Este Ella Garrard, who married Harry L. Crater, Oct. 26, 1898;
- 122576 CHARLES S. CORSON, born 1859, married Corabelle Swackhammer, Dec. 20, 1893, no children;
- 122577 THOMPSON S. CORSON, born Oct. 3, 1861.

Lucas L. Corson died on Oct. 31, 1897, and Mary, his wife, on May 10, 1897.

14111 PHILIP CORSON, JR., probably the eldest son of Philip and Lydia (Ross) Corson, married Zada Ireland. It seems they had no children.

14112 ENOCH CORSON, born 1786, the second son of Philip and Lydia (Ross) Corson, married 12241 Amy Corson, born 1790, the daughter of Elias and Sarah (Evans) Corson. They lived in Upper Township and had the following children:

- 141121 MAURICE CORSON, born 1810;
- 141122 ROXANNA CORSON;
- 141123 ELMER CORSON, bachelor (F. C. B.);
- 141124 REBECCA CORSON, born 1818, married 24432 Firman Corson, the son of Amos and Mary (Garretson) Corson;
- 141125 EDWIN CORSON, born 1823;
- 141126 EVELINE CORSON, born 1828;
- 141127 RICHARD S. CORSON, born 1836.

14113 HUMPHREY CORSON, the youngest son of Philip and Lydia (Ross) Corson, was born in 1787. He married, first, Phoebe Gandy, and seven children were born to this union as follows:

- 141131 MARY CORSON, born 1810, married 122121 Champion Corson, son of Cornelius;
- 141132 REUBEN CORSON, born 1816;
- 141133 LYDIA CORSON;
- 141134 PHILIP CORSON, born June 21, 1821;
- 141135 ENOCH CORSON, born 1824;
- 141136 MAGDALINE CORSON;
- 141137 JEREMIAH CORSON, born 1829.

Humphrey married, second, Hannah Godfrey, born 1812, on Jan. 5, 1844. One daughter was born to the second marriage:

141138 SEFRONA CORSON.

Humphrey Corson died May 17, 1863, aged 76 years, and his wife, Phoebe, died Aug. 14, 1841, aged 49 years. Both are buried in the Second Baptist-Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, Cape May County, N. J. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May.

14131 ENOS CORSON, JR., born Feb. 14, 1787, was probably the eldest son of Enos, Sr., and his first wife, Deborah Thompson Edwards. He married Hannah Gandy, Oct. 27, 1809. They lived in Upper Township and had six children as follows:

141311 ENOS CORSON, III;

141312 DEBORAH CORSON, married Jesse Godfrey, Aug. 21, 1831;

141313 LYDIA CORSON, married James Eldredge, Aug. 7, 1835;

141314 RICHARD T. CORSON, born 1817, married 12247 Lydia May Corson, born 1821, the daughter of Elias and Abigail Corson, Jan. 12, 1840, no children;

141315 JOHN G. CORSON, born 1819, married 2491:10: Tabitha Corson, born 1814, the daughter of Samuel and Millicent Corson, Oct. 18, 1849, no children recorded;

141316 THEOPHILIS CORSON, born 1823 and recorded by Florence Corson Barnes as a bachelor.

Enos Corson, Jr., died Aug. 19, 1852, and is buried in the M. E. Church-yard at Petersburg, Cape May County, N. J.

14132 SETH CORSON, born Oct. 30, 1792, is listed as the second son of Enos, Sr., and his first wife, Deborah (Thompson) Edwards. He married, first, Dec. 21, 1817, 21635 Rachel Corson, the daughter of Joseph, II, and Phoebe M. Corson, and had children:

141321 PHOEBE CORSON, born Oct. 5, 1818;

141322 ANTHONY CORSON, born May 27, 1820;

141323 CURTIS E. CORSON, born Apr. 13, 1822;

141324 LOUISA CORSON, born Oct. 11, 1825.

He married, second, Elizabeth Corson, Oct. 5, 1828. Seth died May 18, 1830, in which year his estate was administered by Stephen Young. His widow, Elizabeth S. Corson, was mentioned as now being married to Henry Corson. (Book C, p. 352, Cape May C. H.) Seth and Rachel Corson are buried in the Baptist Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, N. J.

14134 HENRY CORSON, born 1813, the youngest son of Enos, Sr., was much younger than his brothers and, probably, was the child of his second wife, Sylvia Brown, who married



Enos Corson, Feb. 9, 1804. He married Elizabeth Corson, the widow of his half-brother, Seth Corson. The names of her parents were not obtained. She was born in 1805. According to the 1850 census, they lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, and had three children:

- 141341 ELIZA G. CORSON, born 1830;
- 141342 SETH F. CORSON, born 1838;
- 141343 WILLIAM S. CORSON, born 1840.

Eliza G. Corson may have been the daughter of Seth and Elizabeth Corson.

14211 SAMUEL J. CORSON, born 1793, was probably the eldest son of John Corson, III, and his wife, Hannah Corson, the daughter of Jesse. Samuel probably lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, although he married Mary Warren, Sept. 19, 1819, in Cumberland County. According to the 1850 census record and his will, they had two sons and five daughters as follows:

- 142111 MARY W. CORSON, born 1823;
- 142112 LIDIA CORSON, born 1825;
- 142113 SARAH CORSON, married Manson McDonald, July 3, 1849;
- 142114 HANNAH CORSON, born 1829, married ——— Menten;
- 142115 KIMSEY CORSON, born 1831;
- 142116 EDITH CORSON, born 1834;
- 142117 SOMERS S. CORSON, born 1836.

All the children, except Lidia, are mentioned in the will of Samuel J. Corson, dated July 23, 1860, and proved Sept. 3, 1860. Kimsey, Lidia, Mary and the mother, Mary Corson, are recorded in the 1870 census. Lidia and Mary also appear in the census of 1885. The compiler was unable to obtain a further record of the descendants of Samuel J. and Mary (Warren) Corson.

14214 HEZEKIAH CORSON, born 1802, was the fourth child of John Corson, III, and his wife, Hannah (Corson) Corson. He married, first, Catherine Daniels and, second, Mary Blake. He had one son and one daughter as follows:

- 142141 DANIEL H. CORSON;
- 142142 PHOEBE T. CORSON, born 1832, married John L. Bradley, Oct. 16, 1855.

Hezekiah and his family lived in Upper Township. His will, dated Mar. 18, 1854, was proved in 1869.

14215 EMLEY CORSON, born 1805, the fifth child of John, III, and Hannah Corson, married Mary Cramer, who was born

in 1806. They were listed in the census of 1850 and 1870 as residents of Upper Township, Cape May County. Their children were:

- 142151 ADALINE CORSON, born 1827;
- 142152 JOSEPH CORSON, born 1829;
- 142153 EMLEY CORSON, born 1831;
- 142154 HEZEKIAH CORSON, born 1834;
- 142155 SURRENDAY CORSON, born 1836;
- 142156 STILLWELL CORSON, born Dec. 9, 1839.

14216 JOHN CORSON, born 1810, seems to have been the youngest child of John, III, and Hannah (Corson) Corson. He married Sarah Hess on June 4, 1832. Sarah was probably the sister of William Hess, who married Hannah Corson, John's eldest sister. John and Sarah (Hess) Corson seem to have left no children. Sarah probably had died before 1850, as in the census record of that year, John appears to have been living with his mother, Hannah Corson. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County.

14221 JOEL SOMERS CORSON, born Apr. 5, 1806, was the only son of Joel Corson, the son of John and Martha (Corson) Corson. He married twice, his first wife was Mary Sailor and his second was Christianna Craggs, who was born in 1826. License for his marriage to Mary Sailor was issued in Salem County, Sept. 20, 1827. His name was spelled "Cosson." By the first union fourteen children were born, four of whom died young. Ten lived to ripe old age. They were as follows:

- 142211 WILLIAM CORSON, married Emeline Justice;
- 142212 JOEL CORSON, married Phoebe Horner, no children;
- 142213 JOHN CORSON, married, first, Mary Firestone, second, Louisa Mulford;
- 142214 CHARLES CORSON, married Sarah Pierce;
- 142215 MARY CORSON, married James Johnson;
- 142216 EDITH CORSON, married Michael Pedrick;
- 142217 SABIAH CORSON, married Edmund Dawson;
- 142218 ELLA CORSON, married John Landenslager, no children;
- 142219 SARAH CORSON, married Thomas Slape;
- 14221:10: DEBORAH CORSON, married Edward Stout.

The children by the second marriage were:

- 14221:11: MAURICE CORSON, deceased;
- 14221:12: THOMAS CORSON, married Anabell Justice;
- 14221:13: RICHARD EVANS CORSON, born June 15, 1864.

Joel Somers Corson lived in Salem County, N. J. He died in Apr., 1885, and his second wife, Christianna Craggs, died in 1926.



### XIII

#### THE SIXTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER AND DEBORAH CORSON

21111 DAVID CORSON, probably, was the eldest son of David, the son of Christian, the second. The name of his mother was not found. David, it seems, died while not a very old man and unmarried. By his will, dated Nov. 20, 1796, and proved Apr. 1, 1797, eight years before the will of his father was proved, he provided as follows: Father David Corson, all my cattle and mare; also money and clothing and all my estate. Executors—father, David. Witnesses—Parmenas Corson, Jr., and James Godfrey. On May 26, 1797, the inventory for £104.4.0 was made by Jesse Corson and Cornelius Corson. David probably lived in Middle Township.

21112 PARMENAS CORSON is listed as the second son of David, the son of Christian, the second. He probably married, first, Priscilla Cresse, Nov. 1, 1774. This marriage is recorded in marriage Book C, p. 565, at Trenton, N. J. The bondsman was John Godju, and the witnesses were Joseph Savage and Sarah Stillwell. He married, second, Lydia ———, who renounced her right to administer her deceased husband's estate on Feb. 27, 1822. William Leaming became administrator on Mar. 5, 1822. (File C, p. 304, Cape May Court House, N. J.) The administrator sold various tracts of real estate. From the will of the sister of Parmenas Corson, Lydia Corson, it was established that Parmenas was survived by at least one child:

211121 McBRIDE CORSON, born 1792. (Census 1850.)

Parmenas Corson, it seems, lived in Middle Township, Cape May County, N. J.

21113 LYDIA CORSON was the daughter of David, the son of Christian, II. It seems very clear from the records that she did not marry. In her will, dated Apr. 24, 1822, just after the death of her brother, and proved July 14, 1828, she mentioned her nephews, McBride Corson and David Ferguson, and his heirs,

Samuel F. and Mary Ferguson. The witnesses were Nicholas Isard, Obed Cresse and Clark Ridgway.

21121 CHRISTIAN CORSON<sup>1</sup>, III, was the eldest son of Abner and Jane (Cresse) Corson. He was the rich bachelor, who died intestate, Dec. 5, 1821. He lived in Middle Township, Cape May County. He was born June 27, 1757.

21122 JUDITH CORSON, the second child of Abner and Jane (Cresse) Corson was born Aug. 8, 1759. On Dec. 10, 1778, she married William Eldredge, who was born Nov. 1, 1759, and who served in the State Council or Senate during the term 1805-06. The descendants of Judith and William Eldredge are numerous in Cape May County and include the descendants of John Mecray, who, Apr. 2, 1805, married Hannah Eldredge, a daughter of William and Judith.

21123 JANE CORSON, born Apr. 10, 1763, the third child of Abner and Jane (Cresse) Corson, married Benjamin Orum and had three children. They were named in the will of their grandfather, Abner Corson, Sr., as follows:

211231 CHARLOTTE CRESSE ORUM;

211232 DANIEL HILDRETH ORUM;

211233 BENJAMIN ORUM.

21125 ABNER CORSON, JR., born Nov. 9, 1767, the fifth child of Abner, Sr., and Jane (Cresse) Corson, married Margaret Buck, a daughter of Aaron Buck—a Patriot of the Revolution, whose house was spared at the burning of Tom's River, by the British, on Sunday, Mar. 24, 1782—and his wife, Margaret Dillon, a daughter of James Dillon, a Patriot and officer in the Revolution. They lived in Middle Township, Cape May County. To Abner, Jr., and Margaret Corson the following children were born:

211251 ABNER CORSON, III, married Ester or Hester Hewitt and lived in Philadelphia;

211252 NATHAN CORSON, born Feb. 28, 1803;

211253 REUBEN CORSON;

211254 JOHN CORSON;

211255 JANE CORSON, born Aug. 19, 1807;

211256 ROBERT CORSON, born Mar. 31, 1809.

Abner Corson, Jr., died Dec. 18, 1809; his wife married, second, ——— Hughs. She died Mar. 15, 1815.

21126 NATHAN CORSON, born Apr. 8, 1770, the youngest child of Abner, Sr., and Jane (Cresse) Corson, married, first, Nov. 24, 1790, Esther Shaw. She was born Mar. 3, 1772, and



died Feb. 4, 1812. His second wife was Violetta Norton, to whom he was married July 19, 1812. Nathan and Esther (Shaw) Corson had the following children:

- 211261 ABNER CORSON, born Aug. 9, 1791, died Feb. 20, 1798;
- 211262 EDITH CORSON, born Mar. 18, 1794, died Nov. 29, 1811;
- 211263 JAMES CORSON, born Sept. 5, 1796;
- 211264 ROXANNA CORSON, born Nov. 5, 1798;
- 211265 CHRISTIAN CORSON, born Jan. 22, 1801;
- 211266 CLANCY CORSON, born Mar. 4, 1804, died July 7, 1811;
- 211267 EMLEY CORSON, born Jan. 16, 1807.

Nathan Corson died Feb. 23, 1824. He served as Constable in 1799-1801. Nathan and his family lived in Middle Township, Cape May County.

21321 JOSEPH CORSON is listed as the eldest son of John Corson, Jr., who married Mary Goff, of Cumberland County, Dec. 19, 1761. He probably was born in the following year. While not much is known about his early life, he apparently lived near the home of his father, which seems to have been on the north side of the Tuckahoe River in old Gloucester County, near Tarkil or Head of River. Tarkil was in old Gloucester County, near the former border line of Cape May and Cumberland Counties. Old Gloucester County is now Atlantic County. The border lines of these counties have been changed from time to time, so that some of the plantations of the early settlers in the borderline districts were first in one county and then in another. On Mar. 14, 1844, the eastern corner of Maurice River Township, which at that time was in Cumberland County, was set off to Cape May County; it was reannexed to Cumberland, Feb. 26, 1845, and again set off to Cape May, Mar. 26, 1878. On Jan. 11, 1777, Joseph Corson witnessed the will of William Robinson, the husband of his father's sister. On June 14, 1779, he witnessed the signature of James Hollingshead, when the latter found it necessary to renounce as executor for John Corson, Sr., deceased, Joseph's grandfather.

From the family Bible of Mrs. Esther (Peacock) Gordon, it was established that the wife of Joseph was named Barbara. The names of her parents were not learned. Mrs. Esther (Peacock) Gordon was the granddaughter of Prudence (English) Peacock, whose second and third husbands (John Corson and Joseph Corson) were sons of Joseph and Barbara. Joseph and Barbara had the following children:

- 213211 JOHN CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1781;
- 213212 ELLEN or ELEANOR CORSON, born 1783, married David Goff;



213213 JOSEPH CORSON, born 1785;

213214 RHODA CORSON, born Mar. 24, 1787, at Ewings Neck, Delmont, married John Goff, who died Mar. 6, 1864.

21322 JOHN CORSON, III, listed as the second son of John, Jr., and Mary (Goff) Corson, was born probably 1764-66. He, no doubt, also resided during his whole life near the home of his parents in the Tarkil district. This seems substantiated by statements of his descendants, that he died at Head of River when his children were quite young, and that they, after his death, because of necessity, were bound out to other families. This circumstance seems to account for the fact that his children in later life lived in different parts of the county. He is listed on the Champion Corson "tree" as a son of John Corson, Jr., or II, and Flora Corson Barnes records his wife as Bessie ————. Her maiden name was not learned. While the names of his daughters were not found, the names of two sons were:

213221 JAMES CORSON, born 1792;

213222 JOSEPH CORSON, born 1806.

The latter was known in later life as "Honest Josie."

21531 GEORGE CORSON, born Aug. 14, 1785, was the eldest son of Abel Corson and his wife, Hannah (Royal) Corson, a Millville, N. J., girl. He left New Jersey early in life for the West and married ———— Johnson, who was born in Canada. She died at St. Joseph, Mo., in 1891. They had four children:

215311 JOSEPH CORSON, born Sept. 7, 1815;

215312 SARAH CORSON, born June 18, 1821;

215313 GARRET WINTERS CORSON, born Nov. 3, 1825;

215314 JOHN S. CORSON, born Apr. 17, 1829. (Family Bible records in possession of George W. Corson of Los Angeles, Calif.)

Relatives in Millville, N. J., said that George was never heard from after he left New Jersey.

21532 ANDREW CORSON, born Nov. 30, 1789, the youngest son of Abel Corson, married, Feb. 17, 1813, Mary Hoover, who was born, Jan. 22, 1784, at Millville, N. J. They lived in Millville and had seven children:

215321 HANNAH CORSON, born July 14, 1814, married Daniel Brandriff;

215322 DAVID CORSON, born Mar. 29, 1816, married Eliza Parvin;

215323 GEORGE CORSON, born Aug. 26, 1818;

215324 RACHEL CORSON, born Jan. 17, 1821, married Samuel Downs;

215325 SARAH CORSON, born June 7, 1823, married Robert Harris;

215326 ISAAC CORSON, born Mar. 6, 1825, married ———— ————;

215327 JOSEPH CORSON, born Aug. 16, 1827, married Mary Stratton.



21611 AMOS CORSON, born Aug. 4, 1779, was the eldest child of Parmenas and Rachel (Willetts) Corson. He married twice, his first wife was Hope Willetts, whom he married Oct. 17, 1804. By this union one daughter was born:

216111 JULIA ANN CORSON, born 1805, married 24411 Miles Corson, son of Lewis, Jan. 22, 1825.

Amos married, second, Apr. 6, 1815, Huldah Swain, and they had the following children:

216112 AMOS S. CORSON, born May 26, 1817;

216113 LETITIA CORSON, married, first Capt. Hugh Orum, Aug. 11, 1838, second, ——— Isenhard;

216114 MARIA CORSON, married 216322 Allen H. Corson, son of Allen and Sarah (Hewitt) Corson.

Amos Corson, Sr., and family lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J.

21612 ANTHEA CORSON, born Feb. 2, 1784, the only daughter of Parmenas and Rachel (Willetts) Corson, married Zebulon Townsend, Oct. 23, 1803. He was the son of John and Sarah (Swain) Townsend. John Townsend was the eighth child of Henry Young Townsend and his second wife, Edith (Stites) Swain, the widow of Daniel Swain. Henry Young Townsend (born 1744, died May 13, 1789) was the second child and eldest son of John Townsend and his second wife, Tabitha (Young) Townsend, the daughter of Henry and Abigail Young. Henry Young was the progenitor of the Young family in Cape May County, and was there as early as 1713. John Townsend (born Oct. 29, 1706, died Sept. 23, 1785), the father of Henry Young Townsend, was the second child of Richard and Millicent (Somers) Townsend. John's first wife was Sarah Champion. Millicent Somers (born Dec., 1685, died Apr. 20, 1782) was the daughter of John Somers, who came to Somer's Point from Long Island in 1695. John Somers (born Apr. 30, 1648, and died Dec. 19, 1723) was the first ancestor of the Somers family in Cape May County. Richard Townsend, said to have been the first white child born in Cape May County (born Dec., 1681, died May 3, 1737), was the son of John Townsend, ancestor of all of the name in Cape May County, who came to Leed's Point, near Little Egg Harbor, in 1680 from Long Island, whence he was banished for harboring Quakers.

Anthea (Corson) and Zebulon Townsend had the following children:

- 216121 ROXANNA TOWNSEND;  
 216122 RACHEL TOWNSEND;  
 216123 SARAH TOWNSEND, married, second, 213222 Joseph Corson;  
 216124 RICHARD TOWNSEND;  
 216125 ZEBULON TOWNSEND;  
 216126 HANNAH TOWNSEND;  
 216127 ANTHEA TOWNSEND.

Anthea (Corson) Townsend died Oct. 17, 1819, aged 35 years 8 months.

21613 ALBERT GRIFFING CORSON, born Apr. 23, 1806, was the only child of Parmenas and his second wife, Roxanna (Griffing) Benezett. He married, first, Apr. 9, 1828, 121213 Phoebe Corson, the daughter of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Hewitt) Corson. They had two children:

- 216131 GRIFFIN CORSON, born 1828;  
 216132 CAROLINE CORSON, born 1830, married 216324 Alexander Corson, the son of Allen and Sarah (Hewitt) Corson, no issue.

On May 21, 1844, Albert Griffing Corson married, second, 121114 Sarah (Solly) Corson, the daughter of James, and the widow of 1211211 Shamgar Corson, the brother of his first wife. They had two daughters:

- 216133 CORDELIA CORSON, born 1845, married Wilbert Sack, Jan. 13, 1872;  
 216134 ROXANNA GRIFFING CORSON, born 1848, died July 1850.

Albert Corson died Dec. 25, 1861; his first wife died Mar. 25, 1830, his second on Dec. 29, 1877. All are buried in Calvary Baptist Cemetery, Ocean View, N. J.

21631 JOSEPH CORSON, III, born Sept. 1, 1788, was the eldest son of Joseph, II, and Phoebe (Mackey) Corson, the widow of Joseph Badcock. He married Sarah Edwards, born 1791, on July 26, 1812. They had five children as follows:

- 216311 JOSEPH E. CORSON, born 1812;  
 216312 AMBROSE M. CORSON, born 1815, a bachelor, died Apr. 16, 1856;  
 216313 ELVA CORSON, born 1817;  
 216314 SARAH ANN CORSON, born 1820, married Jesse Godfrey, July 10, 1839;  
 216315 ISABELL (ZEBELLAR) CORSON, born 1823, married 216112 Amos S. Corson, son of Amos.

Joseph Corson, III, followed the occupation so popular with many of the Cape May families, that of a seaman. On one of his voyages, while his children were still young, he failed to return, having been "lost at sea." He probably died in 1825, as Allen



Corson was appointed administrator for his estate in that year. The record of this administration disclosed that Joseph had been a sea captain, part owner of a sloop, and among his effects were a quadrant, other instruments and nautical books. His wife died Sept. 25, 1887.

21632 ALLEN CORSON was the second son of Joseph, II, and Phoebe (Mackey) Corson. He was born Aug. 10, 1790, and married Sarah Hewitt, Nov. 24, 1816. She was born Apr. 22, 1796. He was an officer in the "First Regiment—Cape May," having been commissioned Lieutenant in the First Company, May 15, 1818, and commissioned Captain of the same Company, May 21, 1822. He served as Justice of the Peace from 1831 to 1835. (Hist. Petersburg, Craig.) They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. Allen and Sarah (Hewitt) Corson had the following children:

216321 ROXANNA CORSON, born Oct. 23, 1817;

216322 ALLEN H. CORSON, born Mar. 18, 1819;

216323 SHAMGAR CORSON, born Dec. 9, 1821, died Dec. 19, 1821;

216324 ALEXANDER CORSON, born May 23, 1823, married, Feb. 2, 1850,

216132 Caroline Corson, daughter of Albert G. Corson, no issue;

216325 SARAH CORSON, born Nov. 8, 1825, married Feb. 5, 1855, William Simpson, no issue.

216326 RACHEL CORSON, born July 30, 1830, died unmarried about 1890;

216327 ANN ELIZA CORSON, born Apr. 8, 1832, married 216131 Griffing Corson;

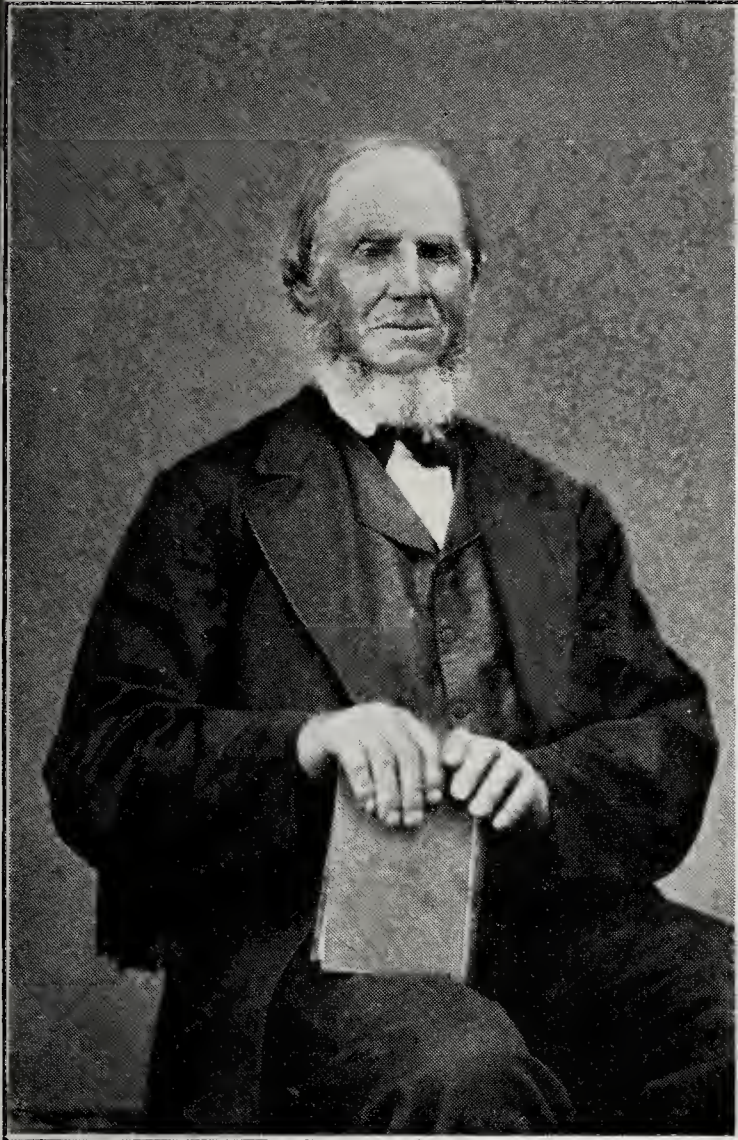
216328 WILLIAM SANFORD PENNINGTON CORSON, born Oct. 18, 1834, died Aug. 14, 1848;

216329 VICTORIA CORSON, born Sept. 24, 1841, unmarried and living at Petersburg, N. J., in 1931.

The foregoing family records were secured from Miss Victoria Corson and her old family Bible, during the summer of 1931, by my cousin, Alan Corson, of Philadelphia.

21634 JOHN MACKKEY CORSON, born Dec. 29, 1795, at Petersburg, N. J., Cape May County, was the fourth child of Joseph, II, and Phoebe (Mackey) Corson. He married Eliza Ingersoll, who was born at Tuckahoe, N. J., on Dec. 16, 1799. She was the daughter of John Ingersoll (1763-1838) and Mary Champion (1764-1837). License for this marriage was issued Feb. 12, 1819. (Gloucester Co. Records.) They lived at Petersburg, Upper Township, until their children were about grown. In the fall of 1846, John M. Corson moved his family to Illinois, following his daughter, Mary, and her husband, Richard S. Corson, who had preceded them to Illinois in the spring of the same year.





JOHN MACKKEY CORSON



ELIZA INGERSOLL CORSON





They settled near Pleasant Plains. Their eldest son, John I. Corson, had married before his father moved, and he was the only child who stayed in New Jersey. John Mackey Corson died on Apr. 21, 1874, and his wife, Eliza Corson, died Mar. 31, 1869. Both are buried in the Bethel Cemetery, Pleasant Plains, Ill. They had the following children:

- 216341 MARY CORSON, born May 5, 1821, married 12246 Richard S. Corson, son of Elias;
- 216342 JOHN I. CORSON, born Feb. 12, 1823;
- 216343 FRANCIS CORSON, born Nov. 9, 1828;
- 216344 ELIZA ANN CORSON, born June 17, 1831, married John Foster, May 27, 1847, died May 16, 1889, without issue;
- 216345 HORATIO CORSON, born Dec. 7, 1832.

John Mackey Corson probably compiled the first history of the Cape May Corson families, having written a ten-page manuscript history of the early generations that recorded not only quite a few of the descendants of John and Peter Corson, but also many inter-marriages, in which both of the contracting parties were identified. It is now owned by his grandson, Charles E. Corson, of The Dalles, Oregon, and he very kindly loaned it to the compiler. It was very helpful in straightening out some of the errors that had crept into the charts or family trees. This manuscript was written probably not long after 1860-65.

21635 RACHEL CORSON, born Sept. 27, 1786, the daughter of Joseph, II, and Phoebe (Mackey) Corson, married 14132 Seth Corson, the son of Enos. Their issue is recorded under the record of Seth.

21636 ISAIAH CORSON, born 1802, was the youngest child of Joseph, II, and Phoebe (Mackey) Corson. He married twice, his first wife being Tabitha Wheaton, to whom he was married on Jan. 6, 1827. They resided in Upper Township, where six children were born as follows:

- 216361 LEANDER CORSON, born 1828;
- 216362 THEODORE CORSON, born 1830;
- 216363 GERMAN CORSON, born 1832;
- 216364 JOSEPHINE CORSON, born 1834, married William L. Smith, Jan. 8, 1855;
- 216365 GILBERT CORSON, born 1838;
- 216366 WILLETS CORSON, born 1842, a bachelor.

Tabitha (Wheaton) Corson, who was born Aug. 28, 1799, died June 6, 1843, when her youngest child was only one year old. Isaiah Corson married Elizabeth Godfrey, his second wife, on



Feb. 3, 1846. Three children were born to the second marriage as follows :

- 216367 GIDEON CORSON, born 1847 ;
- 216368 MELVIN CORSON, born 1852 ;
- 216369 FRANCES CORSON, born 1854.

Isaiah Corson died on May 6, 1855. Isaiah and Tabitha Corson are buried in the Second Baptist-Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, Cape May County.

22842 JAMES TOWNSEND, born 1778 in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J., the son of Eli and Tabitha (Townsend) Townsend, married, Dec. 12, 1809, Eliza Schellenger of Lower Township, Cape May County. She was born in 1784. They lived at Townsend's Inlet, Dennis Township, Cape May County, N. J. They had the following children :

- 228421 HARRIET TOWNSEND, born 1810, died Nov. 12, 1889, married Elmer Godfrey ;
- 228422 ELI TOWNSEND, born Nov. 27, 1813, died Feb. 11, 1897, married Eliza Holmes ;
- 228423 JAMES TOWNSEND, JR., died single ;
- 228424 CORNELIUS TOWNSEND, born Mar. 15, 1817, died Aug. 18, 1881, married Ann Hildreth, born 1824, died 1873 ;
- 228425 ALEXANDER TOWNSEND, married Sarah Stites, born 1819, died Jan. 27, 1901 ;
- 228426 ISAAC TOWNSEND, married Hannah Holmes ;
- 228427 ELIZA ANN TOWNSEND, born Nov. 15, 1822, died Apr. 17, 1884, married Henry Swain, born 1817, died 1892 ;
- 228428 JACOB TOWNSEND, died young ;
- 228429 PRISCILLA TOWNSEND, married Henry Schellenger ;
- 22842:10: MARTHA TOWNSEND, born 1830, died May 8, 1854.

James Townsend, Sr., died Apr. 8, 1831 ; Eliza, his wife, died Sept. 24, 1854.

24321 DARIUS CORSON, III, born 1782, was the son of Darius and Martha (Mackey) Corson. Flora Corson Barnes has recorded his wife as Lorinda Corson, whose parents were not identified. They had children :

- 243211 REUBEN CORSON, born 1804 ;
- 243212 ALFRED CORSON ;
- 243213 JACOB CORSON ;
- 243214 MARTHA CORSON.

Jacob and Alfred were recorded as bachelors by Mrs. Barnes. Darius probably died in 1855, as in that year Joshua Swain was appointed administrator of his estate.

24411 MILES CORSON, the eldest son of Lewis and Martha (Baker) Corson, married, Jan. 22, 1825, 216111 Julia Ann Corson, the daughter of Amos and Hope (Willets) Corson. They lived in Upper Township. Miles and Julia Ann Corson had the following named children:

244111 SUSAN S. CORSON, married, Jan. 4, 1843, James Smith, son of Samuel and grandson of Uriah and Sophia (Corson) Smith, daughter of Rem Corson;

244112 MILES CORSON, JR., born 1827;

244113 MARTHA B. CORSON, born 1828, married 216313 Elva Corson, son of Joseph, III;

244114 PARSONS CORSON, born Sept. 27, 1830, died June 27, 1844;

244115 PARMENAS CORSON, born 1833;

244116 STILLWELL CORSON, born 1837, married Margaretta M. Clark, born 1837, on Dec. 21, 1873, no issue.

Stillwell Corson died Feb. 21, 1895.

24412 REM CORSON, the second son of Lewis and Martha (Baker) Corson, married, Feb. 13, 1815, Priscilla Townsend, born 1789. They resided in Dennis Township. Rem died intestate prior to July 8, 1829, when his inventory was made by Joshua Swain and James Townsend. (Recorded 1086-E. Trenton.) The names of the mother and three sons were listed in the 1850 census of Dennis Township. The three sons and a daughter were:

244121 BAKER CORSON, born 1816;

244122 URIAH H. CORSON, born July 28, 1818, died in Illinois in 1879;

244123 EDITH CORSON, born June 21, 1821;

244124 HENRY TOWNSEND CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1828.

24413 LEWIS CORSON, JR., born 1798, the third son of Lewis, Sr., and Martha (Baker) Corson, married Jane Young, born 1797, on Jan. 29, 1824. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J., where one daughter was born to them:

244131 TABITHA CORSON.

Jane Young was the daughter of Uriah Young. She died Mar. 9, 1868, and Lewis Corson, Jr., died Jan. 17, 1861. Both are buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, Cape May County.

24415 MARTHA CORSON, born Feb. 21, 1802, was the fifth child of Lewis and Martha (Baker) Corson. She married, Mar. 18, 1827, John Gandy, born July 18, 1802, the son of Thomas Gandy (born Sept. 22, 1776, died Feb. 11, 1867) and Elizabeth Springer (born Dec. 5, 1781, died May 3, 1870). Thomas Gandy



was the son of John Gandy, born July 14, 1746, married Lydia Williams, Aug. 30, 1774. Lydia Williams was born Nov. 17, 1752, died 1828. Her husband, John Gandy, died Aug. 30, 1774. Martha (Corson) and John Gandy had the following children:

- 244151 LEWIS GANDY, born Jan. 6, 1828;
- 244152 LYDIA ANN GANDY, born Aug. 31, 1830, married Lafayette Smith, born Dec. 4, 1825, son of Samuel G. and Sarah (Lee) Smith, issue, one child died in infancy;
- 244153 REBECCA M. GANDY, born Nov. 27, 1832;
- 244154 FRANCIS GANDY, born May 27, 1837;
- 244155 JOHN J. GANDY, born Apr. 21, 1840.

Martha (Corson) Gandy died Oct. 24, 1875; John Gandy, her husband, died Feb. 10, 1876.

24416 STILLWELL CORSON, the sixth child of Lewis and Martha (Baker) Corson, was born about 1803. On May 3, 1840, he married Elizabeth (Ford) Corson, the daughter of Dr. Philip and Hannah (Hughs) Ford, and the widow of 122122 David Corson, the son of Cornelius. Elizabeth Ford was born in 1816. Stillwell and his family lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. They had two sons and one daughter:

- 244161 REBECCA M. CORSON, married Frank Smith;
- 244162 MILES CORSON, born 1843;
- 244163 STILLWELL CORSON, JR., born 1845, married Virginia A. Brooker.

The youngest son, Stillwell F., was recorded as Stephen F. in the 1850 census.

24421 REM SMITH, the eldest son of Sophia (Corson) and Uriah Smith, married Mary Williams, and had the following children:

- 244211 RACHEL SMITH, married Phillip Hand;
- 244212 HAMBETON SMITH;
- 244213 JOHN SMITH;
- 244214 MARY JANE SMITH;
- 244215 REM SMITH, JR.;
- 244216 THOMAS SMITH.

24422 SAMUEL G. SMITH, born Mar. 27, 1792, the son of Uriah and Sophia (Corson) Smith, married Sarah Lee, the daughter of Elihu and Rhoda (Beaston) Lee, on Feb. 17, 1815. Sarah Lee was born on Apr. 5, 1795. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, where the following children were born:

- 244221 GRIFFITH SMITH, born Sept. 12, 1816, died in youth;
- 244222 LIVINGSTON SMITH, born Dec. 4, 1819, married Rhoda Smith;
- 244223 JAMES SMITH, JR., born Aug. 1, 1821, married Susan Corson;

244224 LAFAYETTE SMITH, born July 25, 1825, married Lydia Ann Gandy;

244225 ELIZA ANN SMITH, born Dec. 6, 1827, married Lewis Corson Gandy;

244226 FRANCIS SMITH, born July 25, 1829, married, first, Mary Young, second, Sylvia Simpson;

244227 WILLIAM L. SMITH, born July 25, 1831, married Josephine Corson;

244228 GRIFFITH SMITH, born Oct. 30, 1833, married Lizzie ———;

244229 BELFORD SMITH, born June 14, 1836, married Ellen Marshall;

24422:10: SARAH L. SMITH, born Mar. 27, 1840, married Francis Gandy.

24423 RACHEL SMITH, the daughter of Uriah and Sophia (Corson) Smith, married Daniel Young, and had a son:

244231 SMITH YOUNG, married Rachel Weaver.

24424 SARAH SMITH, the fourth child of Uriah and Sophia (Corson) Smith, married Henry Brown. They had children:

244241 AZARIAH BROWN;

244242 LYDIA BROWN;

244243 HANNAH BROWN;

244244 SARAH ANN BROWN.

24431 HANNAH CORSON, born Jan. 5, 1814, the eldest child of Amos, son of Rem and Mary (Garretson) Corson, married 12254 Jonathan Corson, Jr., on Mar. 13, 1830. Their issue is recorded under the record of Jonathan, Jr.

24432 FIRMAN CORSON, the only son of Amos and Mary (Garretson) Corson, was born in 1815. He married, first, Rebecca Corson, the daughter of Enoch, on Apr. 13, 1838. His second wife was probably 141122 Roxanna Corson, the sister of his first wife. In the census of 1850, his wife is named as Roxanna and they are recorded as living in Upper Township, Cape May County. Firman's children were as follows:

244321 MELVINA CORSON, born 1844;

244322 ELIZA L. CORSON, born 1847;

244323 LEONARD CORSON, born 1853, bachelor (F.C.B.);

244324 FRANKLIN CORSON, born 1858.

24433 MARY CORSON, listed as the third child of Amos and Mary (Garretson) Corson, married 12256 Amariah Corson, the son of Jonathan and Lydia (Lake) Corson.

24436 AMELIA CORSON, the sixth child of Amos and Mary (Garretson) Corson, probably married David Preston, Sept. 1, 1843. Whether they had children was not learned.



24438 HENRIETTA CORSON, the youngest child of Amos and Mary (Garretson) Corson, born 1831, probably married Jacob Souder, Jan. 12, 1856.

24721 LOT CORSON, JR., the son of Lot and Elizabeth (Smith) Corson, married Lydia Edwards, Feb. 2, 1821. They had one son:

247211 SMITH CORSON, born Apr. 25, 1822.

24724 ABRAHAM CORSON, born 1804, was the youngest son of Lot and Elizabeth (Smith) Corson. He married Margaret Cole, Oct. 7, 1825. They had one daughter:

247241 MARY ELIZABETH CORSON, born 1830, died 1833.

24731 JEREMIAH CORSON, listed as the eldest son of Levi Corson, Jr., probably had children, but the line was not established. Jeremiah Corson, born 1807, who married, July 18, 1829, Rhoda Fox, and had daughters, Rhoda and Phoebe, may have been the son of the first named Jeremiah. Jeremiah and Rhoda Corson and their daughters were recorded in the 1850 census as residents of Middle Township, Cape May County.

24732 THOMAS CORSON, born about 1790, was, doubtless, the youngest son of Levi Corson, Jr., and the grandson of Levi, Sr., and Margaret (Hand) Corson. He married, July 5, 1807, Rachel Sayre. They lived at West Creek, Cape May County, N. J. Thomas Corson's name appears in the old account books of John Goff of West Creek quite often; the last charge bearing his name was dated June 10, 1822, being for  $10\frac{1}{4}$  lbs. of pork, for which he was charged \$1.02 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Thomas died soon after the latter date and several charges appear against his estate. A charge to Rachel Corson, his wife, appears under date of Mar. 25, 1823. He died while his children were young and some of them were raised by other families. The children of Thomas and Rachel were:

247321 JAMES CORSON, settled near Dayton, Ohio;

247322 WILLIAM CORSON;

247323 GEORGE CORSON;

247324 THOMAS CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1813, settled in Millville, N. J.;

247325 HANNAH CORSON, moved to Philadelphia;

247326 JEREMIAH CORSON, who went to the Mexican War, where he was cited for bravery, having left the lines to bring back a wounded officer. He is said to have been taken with dysentery, sent home, where he died soon thereafter.

24913 SAMUEL S. CORSON, the third son of Samuel and Millicent Corson, the daughter of David, married, Nov. 20, 1820, Maria Seaman. They had three sons:

- 249131 GODFREY CORSON;
- 249132 STEPHEN CORSON, married Louisa Corson;
- 249133 SAMUEL CORSON, III.

24916 JESSIE CORSON, born Dec. 14, 1802, was the sixth child of Samuel and 1412 Millicent (Corson) Corson, the daughter of David. He married, first, Mrs. Phoebe Godfrey on Oct. 16, 1826. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, and were the parents of the following children:

- 249161 GEORGE Y. CORSON, born May 17, 1827, died Aug. 25, 1828;
- 249162 HIGBEE CORSON, born Oct. 18, 1830;
- 249163 PHOEBE CORSON, born Feb. 12, 1832;
- 249164 JESSE CORSON, born Sept. 13, 1833;
- 249165 WASHINGTON CORSON, born Apr. 23, 1835.

Jesse Corson married, second, Dec. 14, 1837, Angeline (Miller) Godfrey, born 1800, the widow of Matthew Godfrey, whom she had married Jan. 13, 1818. Three children were born to the second marriage:

- 249166 ANGELINE M. CORSON, born Sept. 18, 1838;
- 249167 MILLICENT CORSON, born Aug. 23, 1840, married 141323 Curtis Corson;
- 249168 JESSIE S. CORSON, born Jan. 23, 1843. (Enoch Corson Bible records.)

Jesse Corson, the husband and father, died Aug. 28, 1888, and his second wife, Angeline, died Jan. 5, 1887. Both are buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery, Palermo, N. J. Phoebe Corson, his first wife, died Nov. 23, 1836.

249:11:1 EZEKIAL CORSON, listed as the eldest son of Rem and Esther (Van Gilder) Corson, married Ellen Brown. (F.C.B.) They seem to have had one son:

- 249:11:11 EZEKIAL CORSON, JR., who married Amarantha Smith. (F.C.B.)

This family did not seem to be listed in the 1850 census of Cape May County.

249:11:4 REM CORSON, JR., born 1825, listed as the fourth son of Rem and Esther (Van Gilder) Corson, married Sarah Homan, Aug. 25, 1849. (F.C.B.) They had one son:

- 249:11:41 CHARLES CORSON.



249:11:6 AMASA C. CORSON, born 1833, recorded as the sixth son of Rem and Esther (Van Gilder) Corson, married Martha Scudder, Jan. 9, 1856. They were listed in the 1870 census as residents of Upper Township, Cape May County. Their children were named as follows:

- 249:11:61 RACHEL G. CORSON, born 1855;
- 249:11:62 ADELIA CORSON, born 1859;
- 249:11:63 ANDREW J. CORSON, born 1863.

249:11:7 YOUNGS CORSON, who was placed as the seventh child of Rem and Esther (Van Gilder) Corson, was born in 1836. He married Mary E. Sacks on Aug. 31, 1861. They were listed as residents of Upper Township in the 1870 census, in which their children were recorded as follows:

- 249:11:71 CARLOS CORSON, born 1862;
- 249:11:72 ESTHER V. CORSON, born 1863;
- 249:11:73 OSBORN CORSON, born 1868;
- 249:11:74 ADELLA CORSON, born 1870.

249:11:9 AARON CORSON, born 1841, at Beesley's Point, N. J., was the youngest son of Rem and Esther (Van Gilder) Corson. He married, first, Augusta Smith, Sept. 16, 1866, and second, Mrs. Louisa Cornelia Gandy, Jan. 10, 1872. The second wife was the widow of John Gandy. Aaron lived at Palermo, Upper Township, where he was listed in the 1885 census. The eldest son:

- 249:11:91 ELTON S. CORSON, born May 4, 1867, married Martha Thomson, was of the first marriage.

By the second union, Aaron and Louisa C. Corson had three children:

- 249:11:92 EVERTON CORSON, born 1873;
- 249:11:93 ELMER L. CORSON and
- 249:11:94 MARY E. CORSON, twins, born 1875. Mary E. Corson married Clifton Smith, the daughter of Amarantha Smith. (L. M. Gandy.)

Aaron Corson died Nov. 16, 1900. Aaron's first wife, Augusta, who was the daughter of James and Susan Smith, died Jan. 14, 1869, and is buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, N. J. She was born Jan. 7, 1844.

## XIV

### THE SEVENTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY CORSON

121111 EMMA CORSON, the eldest child of James and Elizabeth (Edwards) Corson, was born Sept. 26, 1803. From the Family Register of their old Bible, it was ascertained that she married Reuben Young on Jan. 26, 1828. They had the following children:

- 1211111 RICHARD YOUNG;
- 1211112 REUBEN YOUNG;
- 1211113 ADELAIDE YOUNG;
- 1211114 LOUISA YOUNG.

121112 REUBEN CORSON, born Dec. 5, 1805, the second child of James and Elizabeth (Edwards) Corson, married Judith Ireland on Jan. 26, 1833. It would appear that Reuben and his family did not reside in Cape May County until after 1770, as they were not listed in the 1850 or 1870 census. That the family lived in Cape May County, later, seems certain as the wife, Judith Corson, two sons and a daughter were listed as residing in Upper Township, in the census of 1885. Reuben Corson died on Nov. 21, 1883, and his wife, Judith, who was born July 6, 1813, died June 16, 1889. Both are buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, N. J. They had the following children:

- 1211121 JOPHET CORSON, born 1838, died Jan. 13, 1809;
- 1211122 ELWOOD CORSON, born Apr. 27, 1840, died July 18, 1847;
- 1211123 THOMAS CORSON;
- 1211124 REUBEN CORSON, JR., born 1850;
- 1211125 HESTER CORSON, born 1855.

Elwood Corson is also buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery.

121114 SARAH CORSON, born June 16, 1810, the fourth child of James and Elizabeth (Edwards) Corson, married 121211 Shamgar Corson, the son of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Hewitt) Corson. Their children are recorded under the history of Shamgar.

121116 EDWARDS CORSON, born May 19, 1814, was the sixth child of James and Elizabeth (Edwards) Corson. He was a shipbuilder by occupation. He married 121641 Charlotte Cor-



son, the daughter of Levi and Deborah Corson, the daughter of Cornelius. The ceremony was performed on Dec. 22, 1831. They resided in Upper Township, Cape May County, where they were recorded in the 1850 census. Their children were as follows:

- 1211161 THOMPSON CORSON, born Oct. 5, 1839;
- 1211162 ELIZABETH CORSON, born 1841;
- 1211163 ANNA MARIA CORSON, born 1843;
- 1211164 AUGUSTUS CORSON, born 1845;
- 1211165 DEBORAH CORSON, born July 19, 1849;
- 1211166 IDA CORSON, born Aug. 15, 1852;
- 1211167 DAYTON CORSON, born Sept. 7, 1859;
- 1211168 EMMA CORSON, born 1862, died young.

Edwards Corson died on Apr. 4, 1881, and Charlotte, his wife, died on Dec. 31, 1891. She was born on June 13, 1820.

121117 PRISCILLA CORSON, born May 15, 1817, the seventh child of James and Martha (Edwards) Corson, married Thompson Van Gilder, Feb. 20, 1833. (James Corson Bible records.) It is said that they had six children as follows:

- 1211171 PARMELIA VAN GILDER;
- 1211172 EMILY VAN GILDER;
- 1211173 JULIATTE VAN GILDER;
- 1211174 JAMES VAN GILDER;
- 1211175 THOMPSON VAN GILDER;
- 1211176 VOLNEY VAN GILDER.

Priscilla (Corson) Van Gilder died Nov. 11, 1854, and is buried in Calvary Baptist Cemetery, Ocean View, N. J.

121118 SYLVANUS CORSON, born Mar. 12, 1820, was the eighth child of James and Elizabeth (Edwards) Corson. On Mar. 6, 1844, he married 121621 Susan Corson, the daughter of Hope and Lydia Corson, the daughter of Nicholas. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. Sylvanus and Susan were recorded in the 1850 census, in which their children were listed as follows:

- 1211181 THERESA M. CORSON, born 1845, married Theodore F. Townsend on July 8, 1862;
- 1211182 HENRY CLAY CORSON, born 1848, was for many years secretary of the Goodrich Rubber Company; he died in 1930 at Scarsdale, N. Y.

Susan Corson died not many years after 1850, as we find Sylvanus married, Nov. 18, 1855, a second wife, Amanda Townsend, born at Seaville, N. J. They had two daughters, who were recorded in the 1870 census as follows:

1211183 FLORENCE CORSON, born 1857;

1211184 CAROLINE CORSON, born 1860.

121119 THEOPHILUS CORSON, born Feb. 28, 1822, was the ninth child of James and Elizabeth (Edwards) Corson. He married Maria Elizabeth Corson on July 6, 1850. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. Two daughters were born to them:

1211191 BLANCH CORSON, born Apr. 23, 1853, married Giles Worth in 1879;

1211192 FLORENCE CORSON, born Mar. 21, 1855.

12111:10: ELENOR CORSON, born Dec. 25, 1828, the tenth child of James and Elizabeth (Edwards) Corson, married Enoch Townsend. They had three children:

12111:10:1 EUGENE TOWNSEND;

12111:10:2 ADELAIDE TOWNSEND;

12111:10:3 ELIZABETH TOWNSEND.

121172 MARY CORSON, born Oct. 31, 1817, the daughter of Parmenas and Abigail (Stephenson) Corson, married, Dec. 13, 1834, Benjamin Davis, born Jan. 21, 1808. They lived in Hamilton County, Ohio, where he worked at the trade of brick mason. They had six children:

1211721 ALMEDA DAVIS, born Mar. 30, 1836;

1211722 HARRIET DAVIS, born Aug. 25, 1838, married 121196 Parmenas Corson;

1211723 PARMENAS DAVIS, born June 1, 1841;

1211724 SEREPTA DAVIS and

1211725 SEMANTHA DAVIS, twins, born June 14, 1844;

1211726 JOHN DAVIS.

121175 SWAIN CORSON, born Mar. 8, 1827, son of Parmenas and Abigail (Stephenson) Corson, married, Jan. 17, 1850, Amanda Davis, the sister of Benjamin Davis, who married Swain's sister, Mary. They lived in Hamilton County, Ohio. They had four children:

1211751 SYLVESTER CORSON, born May 11, 1851, now deceased;

1211752 MARY CORSON, born Sept. 11, 1852, died young;

1211753 SARAH CORSON, born Dec. 2, 1853, deceased;

1211754 EMMA CORSON, born Feb. 13, 1862, deceased.

Swain Corson was a minister of the gospel and was a veteran of the Civil War, serving as chaplain of his company. He died at the Battle of Stone River, Dec. 31, 1862.

121181 JONAS CORSON, born Aug. 5, 1822, the only child of Joseph Corson and his first wife, Margaret (Lee) Corson,



married Martha (Hickman) Payne on Dec. 24, 1850. She was the daughter of Joseph and Sarah Hickman, who lived at Egg Harbor, N. J., and the widow of ———— Payne, who died about one year after he married Martha Hickman. Jonas and his family lived at Palermo, in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. Jonas and Martha (Hickman) had five children as follows:

- 1211811 JACOB GODFREY CORSON, born June 6, 1852;
- 1211812 ELVINA CORSON, died in childhood;
- 1211813 EDITH G. CORSON, born May 29, 1856, died Jan., 1907;
- 1211814 HARRIET CORSON and
- 1211815 JOSEPH CORSON, twins, born May 12, 1859, both living in 1931.

Jonas Corson died at sea about 1866.

121185 ELMER Y. CORSON, born June 26, 1832, in Cape May County, was the fourth child of Joseph and Harriet Corson. He married, Apr. 15, 1858, at Tuckahoe, N. J., Sarah Fifer Hogan, the daughter of John and Katherine (Applegate) Hogan. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. Norris. John Hogan, for many years, was a bookkeeper, residing at Tuckahoe, N. J. Immediately after their marriage, Elmer Y. Corson and his bride moved to Hamilton County, Ohio, staying temporarily with his uncle, Parmenas Corson, at Irving's Corner, now called Peach Grove. They soon moved to Groesbeck, Hamilton County, where Elmer Y. Corson established himself in the blacksmithing business, for which he had prepared himself while in Cape May County, N. J. Here, he and his wife lived the rest of their lives. Both were prominent members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Elmer Y. Corson served for 100 days in Company F, 138th Regiment, Ohio National Guard. He received his honorable discharge on the 15th day of Dec., 1864, signed by President Abraham Lincoln and Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War. He held various public offices and, at the time of his death, was treasurer of Colerain Township, which office he had held for some time. Elmer Y. and Sarah Corson had three children:

- 1211851 JOHN CORSON, born 1860, died in infancy;
- 1211852 CARA ELLEN CORSON, born Aug., 1862;
- 1211853 HARRY MELVINE CORSON, born Nov. 3, 1865.

121187 CHARLES WESLEY CORSON, son of Joseph and Harriet Corson, married Marietta Babcock, and it is said they had four daughters. He was a Methodist minister in a New York Conference.

121193 LUMIS CORSON, born Sept. 22, 1829, was the third son of Ithamer and Hannah (Wooley) Corson. He married Angelina Carr, Jan. 1, 1849. She was born Jan. 16, 1832. They lived near Cincinnati, Ohio, where they had the following children:

- 1211931 VINCENT CORSON;
- 1211932 ITHAMER CORSON;
- 1211933 JOSEPH CORSON, born Mar. 28, 1858;
- 1211934 ASHER CORSON;
- 1211935 SARAH CORSON;
- 1211936 MARY L. CORSON.

Lumis Corson died July 20, 1903, and his wife, Angeline, died Feb. 2, 1909. Lumis Corson was a veteran of the Civil War.

121195 FRANCES CORSON, the fifth child of Ithamer and Hannah (Wooley) Corson, was born Oct. 24, 1834. He served as a Union soldier in the Civil War. Frances or Frank married Ruth ————— and had two sons and a daughter:

- 1211951 SIMION CORSON;
- 1211952 WILLIAM CORSON;
- 1211953 JULIA CORSON.

121196 PARMENAS CORSON, the sixth child of Ithamer and Hannah (Wooley) Corson was born May 2, 1837. Parmenas Corson married 1211722 Harriet Davis, the daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Corson) Davis, Nov. 18, 1857. They lived in Hamilton and Butler Counties, Ohio. Parmenas enlisted for service in the Civil War on May 2, 1864, in Hamilton County, as a private in Co. F, 138th O. V. I., 9th A. C., Army of the Potomac. He was discharged at Camp Dennison, Ohio, by expiration of his term of service in Sept., 1864. He and his five brothers, Lumis, Frances, Joseph, William and James, were all in the Civil War at the same time. Parmenas and his wife were active members of the United Brethren Church in Hamilton County and later in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Okeana, Butler County, Ohio, where they resided during the later years of their lives on a farm. They had six children:

- 1211961 CHARLES ELLIS CORSON, born Aug. 26, 1858;
- 1211962 MARY CORSON;
- 1211963 FRANCES or FRANK CORSON, born Sept. 30, 1861;
- 1211964 SWAIN CORSON, born Aug. 10, 1864;
- 1211965 SEREPTA CORSON, born 1870;
- 1211966 MARGARET CORSON, born May, 1879.

The three daughters were mentioned as deceased in a biography of Parmenas Corson, on page 1349, Vol. 2, PRESIDENTS, SOLDIERS,



AND STATESMEN, published by H. D. Hardesty in 1898. Parmenas Corson died May 28, 1905.

121197 JOSEPH CORSON, the seventh child of Ithamer and Hannah (Wooley) Corson, was born Jan. 24, 1842. He served with the Union Army during the Civil War and died from wounds received at Perrysville. He was unmarried.

121198 WILLIAM CORSON, born Feb. 16, 1844, in Hamilton County, Ohio, was the eighth child of Ithamer and Hannah (Wooley) Corson. He was one of the six sons of Ithamer, who served with the Union Army during the Civil War. He was captured and held prisoner for some time in the Saulsbury prison. William Corson married Emma Johnson and they were the parents of six children :

- 1211981 WILLIAM CORSON ;
- 1211982 CORA CORSON ;
- 1211983 JAMES CORSON ;
- 1211984 DOLLY CORSON ;
- 1211985 EDWARD CORSON ;
- 1211986 CARRY CORSON.

121199 JAMES CORSON, born Nov. 4, 1847, in Hamilton County, Ohio, was the youngest child of Ithamer and Hannah (Wooley) Corson. He, likewise, was one of the six sons of Ithamer, who served with the Union Army during the Civil War. James married ————— and they had one daughter :

- 1211991 EVA CORSON.

121211 SHAMGAR CORSON, born Nov. 11, 1804, was the son of Nicholas, Jr., and Elizabeth (Hewitt) Corson. He married 121114 Sarah Corson, the daughter of James and Elizabeth (Edwards) Corson, Sept. 6, 1828. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, where their four children were born :

- 1212111 PHOEBE CORSON, born 1831 ;
- 1212112 NICHOLAS CORSON, born Sept. 9, 1833 ;
- 1212113 EMMA CORSON, born 1836, married Aaron C. Smith, Jan. 8, 1856 ;
- 1212114 JAMES CORSON, born 1838, a bachelor. (F.C.B.)

Shamgar died Aug. 13, 1840, and his widow, Sarah Corson, married 21613 Albert Griffing Corson, the son of Parmenas and Roxanna (Griffing) Corson.

121214 ABIJAH CORSON, born Mar. 20, 1809, was probably the fourth child of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Hewitt) Corson. He

married Rhoda Beesley Stites, Feb. 18, 1835. She was born Mar. 3, 1813. They had three children:

- 1212141 LOUISA STITES CORSON, born Sept. 2, 1837;
- 1212142 LUCIAN B. CORSON, born June 26, 1843;
- 1212143 LAURA CORSON, born June 3, 1847, married Thomas Shoemaker, Apr. 1, 1870.

Abijah Corson died Aug. 2, 1863, and Rhoda B. (Stites) Corson, his wife, died Nov. 14, 1909, aged 96 years. They are buried in the South Seaville, N. J., Cemetery. Rhoda B. (Stites) Corson married, second, Thomas Williams; no issue.

121218 NICHOLAS H. CORSON, was the youngest son of Nicholas, Jr., and his first wife, Elizabeth (Hewitt) Corson. On Jan. 1, 1841, he married 121658 Sarah B. Corson, the daughter of Moses Corson. The family did not seem to be recorded in the 1850 or 1870 census of Cape May County, and probably had moved outside of the county. Florence Corson Barnes has recorded three sons of Nicholas H. and Sarah B. Corson as follows:

- 1212181 EDWARD CORSON;
- 1212182 LEWIS CORSON;
- 1212183 ABIJAH CORSON.

121311 MARY (POLLY) CORSON, born 1815, in Hamilton County, Ohio, was the eldest child of Aquilla and Catherine (Totten) Corson. She married George Washington Hopping, who was born in Virginia in 1815. According to the 1850 census record they lived in Boone County, Ky. They had the following children:

- 1213111 ANGIE HOPPING;
- 1213112 RACHEL HOPPING;
- 1213113 BELL HOPPING;
- 1213114 ZED HOPPING;
- 1213115 GEORGE HOPPING.

121313 ELI CORSON, it seems, was the third son of Aquilla and Catherine (Totten) Corson, the second, a son, having died in infancy. He married, first, ——— Winkley, but the name of his second wife was not learned. Many years ago Eli and his family moved to Missouri and trace of them was lost. He had at least one son:

- 1213131 AQUILLA CORSON.

121314 ALBERT CORSON, born Apr. 13, 1818, was the fourth child of Aquilla and Catherine (Totten) Corson. He married, first, Elizabeth Kittle, born Aug. 8, 1818, whose ancestors



also lived in New Jersey. They went to house-keeping about 1836-37 in a cabin in the Ohio River Bottom (Dearborn County) with no furniture except what could be made with their hands. Albert Corson was a quiet, unassuming, hard-working man, and successfully raised a family of fifteen children. He was totally drowned out in the Ohio River flood of 1847, escaping to the high land with his wife, five children and four horses. He had to ask credit for a time to feed his family, but the pioneer pluck won out; he was a large landowner and one of the wealthiest men in the community when he died. Albert and Elizabeth Corson had the following ten children:

- 1213141 JAMES K. CORSON, born June 9, 1838;
- 1213142 SOLOMON K. CORSON, born June 25, 1840, was a bachelor;
- 1213143 ANDREW K. CORSON, born Jan. 10, 1842;
- 1213144 ELI CORSON, born Mar. 14, 1843, unmarried, died in Civil War and is buried at Fort Scott, Kan.;
- 1213145 CATHERINE TOTTEN CORSON, born Sept. 23, 1845;
- 1213146 JOHN K. CORSON, born Oct. 4, 1847;
- 1213147 SARAH ANN CORSON, born Apr. 10, 1850;
- 1213148 ELIZABETH CORSON, born June 18, 1852, and
- 1213149 NANCY CORSON (twins), born June 18, 1852.
- 121314:10: LUCINDA JANE CORSON, born Sept. 15, 1854.

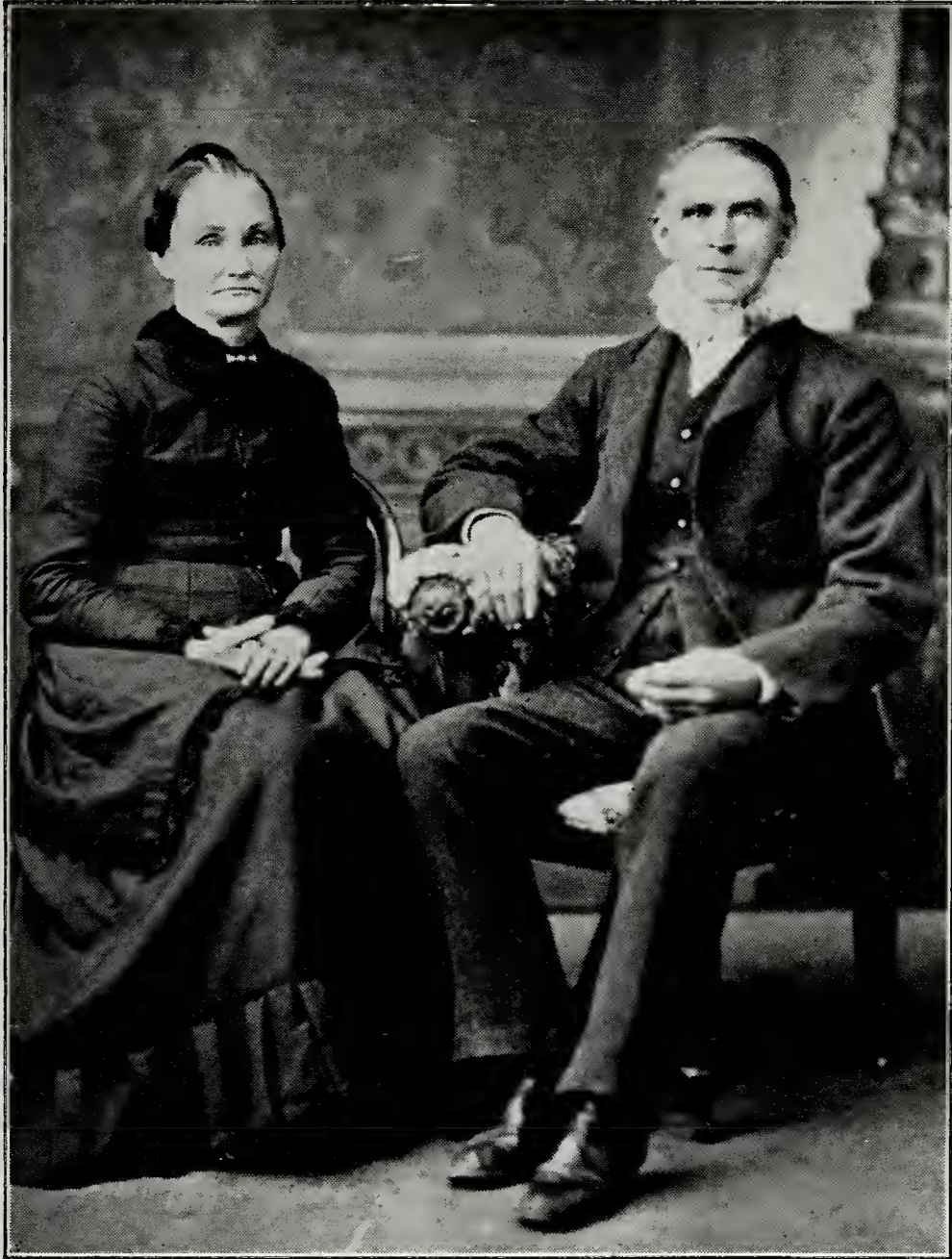
Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson died Dec. 18, 1855. Albert Corson married, second, Susan Winkley, the daughter of Eli's (Albert's oldest brother) first wife. After their marriage, Albert and his second wife moved to Ohio County, Ind. They had five children:

- 121314:11: ALBERT CORSON, JR., born Feb. 4, 1858;
- 121314:12: SUSAN CORSON, born Jan. 18, 1860;
- 121314:13: AQUILLA CORSON, born Sept. 20, 1863;
- 121314:14: RUFUS CORSON;
- 121314:15: LAURA CORSON, born Mar. 4, 1867.

Albert Corson, Sr., died Oct. 12, 1897, at Rising Sun, Ind., where he is buried.

121315 ANGELINE CORSON, the fifth child of Aquilla and Catherine (Totten) Corson, married Thomas Smith. They moved to Portland, Ore., and trace of their family was lost.

121316 LUCINDA CORSON, the sixth child of Aquilla and Catherine (Totten) Corson, married John Gibson Kittle, a brother of Elizabeth Kittle, who married Lucinda's brother, Albert. Lucinda Corson was born Aug. 27, 1827, and her husband, John Gibson Kittle, on Feb. 27, 1827. The two-fold relationship between the Corson-Kittle families made a strong tie of kinship between the two. The Kittle family also had come from New Jer-



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sey. The Bible record of the children of Lucinda and John Kittle follows:

- 1213161 SARAH KITTLE, born July 10, 1846, died three years later;
- 1213162 SOLOMON KITTLE, born Sept. 1, 1847, died in infancy;
- 1213163 MARY CAROLINE KITTLE, born July 5, 1849, married Maleck Hunt;
- 1213164 ALBERT KITTLE, born Oct. 14, 1850, died in infancy;
- 1213165 WILLIAM KITTLE, born May 8, 1853, married Olive Lake;
- 1213166 ELIZABETH KITTLE, born Jan. 28, 1854, unmarried;
- 1213167 THOMAS SMITH KITTLE, born Jan. 16, 1856, married Elizabeth Cooley;
- 1213168 AMELIA KITTLE, born Sept. 23, 1858, married Louis Riggs;
- 121369 ANNA L. KITTLE, born Nov. 17, 1860, married George Young;
- 121316:10: EMMA J. KITTLE, born Mar. 12, 1863, married Link Wilson;
- 121316:11: CATHERINE KITTLE, born Apr. 11, 1866, married George Percy;
- 121316:12: WALKER KITTLE, born Nov. 28, 1867, married Flora Harvey;
- 121316:13: JOHN F. KITTLE, born Dec. 22, 1870, married Nettie Hubbard.

121317 JANE CORSON, the youngest child of Aquilla and Catherine (Totten) Corson, married Jake Pearson. They moved to Missouri and had at least one son:

1213171 JOHN PEARSON.

121622 SOMERS CORSON, born 1829, was the second child of Hope and Lydia Corson, the daughter of Nicholas Corson. He married Emeline Fifer and had two sons:

1216221 HOPE CORSON;

1216222 ARLINGTON CORSON, bachelor. (F. C. Barnes.)

121624 NICHOLAS SHAMGAR CORSON, the fourth child of Hope and his wife, Lydia (Corson) Corson, was born Nov. 25, 1833. He married Priscilla C. Godfrey, July 15, 1856. They had two children:

1216241 ARLINGTON CORSON, married Maud Corson, the daughter of Noel;

1216242 THERESA CORSON. (F. C. Barnes.)

Nicholas Shamgar Corson died July 4, 1880; Priscilla, his wife, died July 15, 1865.

121643 CORNELIUS CORSON, born 1829, was the third son of Levi and Deborah Corson, the daughter of Cornelius, Sr., and Sarah Corson. He married Almira J. Blake, born 1833, Sept. 27, 1852. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. Their children were named in the census of 1870 as follows:



1216431 HARRISON CORSON, born 1857;

1216432 JAMES W. CORSON, born 1860;

1216433 LAURA CORSON, born 1863.

121657 JOB CORSON, born 1833, was the only son of Moses and Elizabeth (Smith) Corson. The name of his wife was not found, but Champion Corson, on his "Tree," lists Job's son as:

1216571 SAMUEL S. CORSON.

122121 CHAMPION CORSON, born 1810, the eldest son of Cornelius and Delilah (Champion) Corson, married, Nov. 11, 1831, 141131 Mary Corson, born 1810, the daughter of Humphrey Corson. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. The children of Champion and Mary were:

1221211 DELILAH CORSON, born 1832;

1221212 HANNAH CORSON, born 1835, married Somers Hand;

1221213 PHOEBE CORSON, born 1840, married Harry Grush (Lila M. Gandy);

1221214 DAVID CORSON, born 1843, bachelor (F.C.B.);

1221215 PETER S. CORSON, born 1846;

1221216 ARABELL CORSON, born 1850, married John Ross, Jan. 21, 1867.

122122 DAVID CORSON, second child of Cornelius and Delilah (Champion) Corson, married, Jan. 26, 1834, Elizabeth Ford, the daughter of Dr. Philip and Hannah (Hughs) Ford. Elizabeth was born in 1816. They had two daughters:

1221221 AMANDA CORSON, married 216361 Leander Corson, son of Isaiah;

1221222 MARY FORD CORSON, married Dr. William A. Burns.

David Corson died previous to Oct. 28, 1836, when Seth Young and Lewis Corson made an inventory of his property. Elizabeth Corson administered, Mar. 15, 1837. His residence was given as Upper Township, Cape May County. (Record 1170 E-Trenton.)

122425 BURROWS CORSON, born 1832, son of Ezra and Hannah (Steelman) Corson, and the only one of their children to leave descendants married, Jan. 25, 1859, Sophia A. Smith. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J., but it seems that Burrows had died before 1870, as his name does not appear with the rest of his family in the census of that year. Their children were:

1224251 EVA CORSON, born 1861, married William R. Van Gilder;

1224252 ROLLAND CORSON, born 1865, married Hester Van Gilder.

122461 ASAIL L. CORSON, born Feb. 26, 1838, in Cape May County, was the eldest son of Richard S. and Mary (Corson)

Corson, the daughter of John M. Corson. He moved with his parents to Illinois in 1846. He enlisted, Aug., 1861, in Company D, 26th Regiment, Illinois Volunteers, was made a Second Lieutenant and promoted to First Lieutenant. After serving three years he was given a furlough to come home to vote for Lincoln, when he sought re-election. The train bringing the soldiers home to vote was wrecked, it was said by persons, to keep them from voting. Asail was the only one in his coach that was not killed; those sitting up in their seats being decapitated. Asail was asleep with his head on the back of the seat in front of him and was scalped. A piece of his scalp as big as a saucer was fastened by only about two inches of flesh. When the doctor was dressing his wound he held a mirror so that Asail (Ace) could see his skull bone. Upon arriving home he fainted, but the next day was able to vote for his beloved leader. He was to be made a Captain when he returned to his company, but his wound was so long in healing that he could not return. At Jacksonville, Morgan County, Ill., Nov. 16, 1865, he married Ellen Elizabeth Cole, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Henry Wallace. They lived at Ashland, Ill., for a number of years, then moved to Kansas, where he lived for some time. He was prospecting for gold near Cripple Creek, Colo., when he died. Asail and Ellen had eight children:

- 1224611 WILLIAM CORSON, born Aug. 27, 1866;
- 1224612 ALMA CORSON, born Sept. 29, 1867;
- 1224613 ASAIL (ASA) CORSON, JR., born Nov. 7, 1868;
- 1224614 HARLEY TOWNSEND CORSON, born Aug. 2, 1872;
- 1224615 LEROY CORSON, born Jan. 4, 1875, died June 19, 1884;
- 1224616 ADA CORSON, born Sept. 29, 1876;
- 1224617 NELLIE CORSON, born Feb. 23, 1878;
- 1224618 WINNIE CORSON, born June 23, 1880, died Dec. 31, 1895. (Asa Corson's tree.)

Asail Corson, Sr., died June 17, 1901, and is buried in Highland Cemetery, Minneapolis, Kan. Ellen E. (Cole) Corson, his wife, died Sept. 24, 1932, at her daughter Alma's home at Kansas City, Mo. Her body was cremated.

122462 ABIGAIL CORSON, born Oct. 23, 1839, in Cape May County, the daughter of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson, married William Hunter, June 15, 1860. He was born June 3, 1833. They lived in Ashland, Cass County, for a number of years, where he operated a general store. He sold his general store and then bought a grain elevator, which he operated until it burned, after which the family moved to Springfield, Ill. Here



Mr. Hunter went into the retail and wholesale candy business, later moving to Kansas City, Mo., where he continued in the candy business until his death in 1897. They had eleven children:

- 1224621 EDWARD HUNTER, born Apr. 27, 1861;
- 1224622 WILLIAM RICHARD HUNTER, born Sept. 25, 1862;
- 1224623 EMMA HUNTER and
- 1224624 ANNA HUNTER, twins, born Oct. 21, 1864, died Oct. 21 and 22, 1864, respectively;
- 1224625 CLARENCE HUNTER, born Oct. 14, 1866, died Jan. 1, 1901;
- 1224626 LILLIE HUNTER, born Mar. 24, 1868, died Oct. 28, 1874;
- 1224627 HARRY HUNTER, born Feb. 24, 1872, died Aug. 3, 1873;
- 1224628 CHARLES G. HUNTER;
- 1224629 EUGENE CORSON HUNTER, born Oct. 25, 1875;
- 122462:10: ERNEST HUNTER, born Mar. 6, 1878;
- 122462:11: ABBIE MAY HUNTER, born Jan. 7, 1880.

William Hunter died May 10, 1897, and Abigail, his wife, died July 26, 1910.

122463 SARAH ELIZABETH CORSON, born Aug. 7, 1841, in Cape May County, N. J., came to Illinois with her parents in 1846. She was the third child of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson. In 1865 she married Richard Woelffel, who was a book-keeper in Springfield, Ill. The next year they moved to Sacramento, Calif., and from there to San Francisco, where both died. They had the following children:

- 1224631 ETTA WOELFFEL, born Aug. 7, 1866, now deceased;
- 1224632 GEORGE WOELFFEL, born 1869, died 1917;
- 1224633 MAY WOELFFEL, born 1871;
- 1224634 EMMA WOELFFEL, born 1875;
- 1224635 RICHARD WOELFFEL, JR., born 1882, married, Oct. 7, 1905, Gertrude Williams, and have a son:  
12246351 RICHARD WOELFFEL, III, born Sept. 20, 1917.

Sarah E. (Corson) Woelffel died in 1928. Miss May and Miss Emma Woelffel have been successful school teachers in San Francisco for some years. Richard Woelffel, Jr., lives in San Jose, Calif.

122464 TOWNSEND O. CORSON, born Aug. 17, 1843, in Cape May County, the fourth son of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson, was only about three years old when he went to Illinois with his parents. In Aug., 1861, at the age of 18 years, he enlisted with his eldest brother, Asail, in Company D, 26th Inf. of Ill. Volunteers and served as Corporal until he was killed at Dallas, Ga., in 1864.

122465 RICHARD H. CORSON, II, born Mar. 9, 1845, in Cape May County, was the fifth child of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson. He moved to Illinois in 1846 with his parents. Richard H. was not old enough, in 1861, to enlist with his brothers, Asail and Townsend, but one year later he joined his brothers in Company D, 26th Ill. Inf. Vol., being enrolled on Aug. 14, 1862. He served throughout the Civil War and was with Sherman in his march to the sea. He was discharged June 1, 1865. On Jan. 7, 1869, he married Julia Frances Connelly, who was born in Springfield, Ill., on Mar. 16, 1839. Their children were:

1224651 RICHARD EDWARD CORSON, III, born Dec. 4, 1869;

1224652 CHARLES CONNELLY CORSON, born July 15, 1874;

1224653 CORA RAMES CORSON, born July 16, 1880.

Richard H. Corson and family lived in Springfield, Ill., where he died on Nov. 11, 1925. His widow, Julia Frances (Connelly) Corson, in 1931, was living at 700 S. Glenwood Ave., in Springfield, with her daughter, Cora Rames.

122466 MARY ANN CORSON, born Feb. 9, 1847, in Sangamon County, Ill., was the sixth child of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson. She married John Nottingham on Apr. 30, 1868, and they lived on a farm near Pleasant Plains, Ill. After the death of her husband she moved to Delaware, Ohio, to educate her children. Later she moved to California for her sons' health and has lived there ever since. She was residing in 1932 in Los Angeles. She had ten children, one died in infancy and the others, who lived to be grown, are:

1224661 ARTHUR NOTTINGHAM, born 1869;

1224662 WALTER NOTTINGHAM, born 1871;

1224663 LUTHER NOTTINGHAM, born 1873;

1224664 JONATHAN NOTTINGHAM, born 1878;

1224665 FRANCES NOTTINGHAM, born 1880;

1224666 RICHARD NOTTINGHAM, born 1882;

1224667 ELIZABETH NOTTINGHAM, born 1884;

1224668 LEROY NOTTINGHAM, born 1887;

1224669 FRANK NOTTINGHAM, born 1888.

122467 MARGARET CORSON, born Jan. 19, 1849, near Springfield, Ill., in Sangamon County, was the seventh child of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson. She married, Aug. 15, 1872, Thomas McGinnis, a farmer and school teacher. They lived in the eastern part of Illinois for a number of years, then moved to Kansas, where he bought a farm, but still continued to teach school. His health was not good so they moved to Emporia,



Kan., where he died, May 12, 1911. Margaret (Corson) his widow, usually called Maggie by her folks, was living in 1932 in Glendale, Calif. Their children were:

- 1224671 CHARLES EDGAR MCGINNIS, born June 3, 1873;
- 1224672 EUGENE EVERET MCGINNIS, born Aug. 13, 1874;
- 1224673 VIRGIL HORACE MCGINNIS, born Aug. 14, 1878;
- 1224674 MAUD MCGINNIS, born May 18, 1880;
- 1224675 MYRTA ETHEL MCGINNIS, born Nov. 10, 1891.

122468 JOHN FOSTER CORSON, born May 1, 1851, near Springfield, Ill., was the eighth child of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson. He married Julia ————. They had one daughter:

- 1224681 FRANCES CORSON.

John Foster Corson died in San Francisco, Calif., Nov., 1922.

12246:10: EMLY FRANCES CORSON, born May 20, 1857, near Springfield, Ill., was the tenth child of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson. She is unmarried and lives near New Berlin, Ill., with her sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Ernst. Miss Emly Frances said she did not like the name Emly Frances and has always used the name of Fannie E. Corson, being known among her many relatives and friends as Aunt Fannie. Although the compiler, at this writing, has never had the pleasure of meeting Miss Fannie, he has had the privilege of having had an extended correspondence with her and knows that she is a remarkable and very gifted lady. She has been interested for many years in Corson genealogy and has a broad knowledge of her family's history. It was through her efforts that the compiler was able to secure and record the history of the descendants of the children of Richard and Mary Corson, who at this time were scattered as far west as the Pacific coast. She is truly the genealogist of her family, and as she very appropriately remarked is mostly Corson.

12246:12: WINFIELD SCOTT CORSON, born Jan. 3, 1862, was the twelfth child of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson. He was born and raised near Springfield, Ill., and on Oct. 18, 1887, married Frances Jane Fleming. They lived at Pleasant Plains and Tower Hill, Ill., and since his wife's death he has lived at Loami, Ill. He died Apr. 7, 1934. One son, their only child,

- 12246:12:1 ARTHUR CORSON, died of influenza during the World War, at Bordeaux, France.

12246:13: IDA MAY CORSON, the youngest child of Richard S. and Mary (Corson) Corson, was born near Springfield, Ill.,

on Oct. 25, 1866. She married John Alexander Ernst on Oct. 13, 1897. They live near Springfield and have no children.

122511 SYLVESTER CORSON, born 1826, was probably the only son of Daniel and Millicent (Young) Corson. He married Ellen Godfrey, who was born in 1830. They lived in Upper Township, County of Cape May, where in the census of 1850 their two children were recorded as:

1225111 DANIEL L. CORSON, born 1852;

1225112 ADELLA CORSON, born 1862, married Dr. Benjamin T. Abbot.

Other children may have been deceased at this time. After the death of Sylvester Corson, his widow, Ellen, married Thomas E. Scudder. Ellen died on June 16, 1914.

122521 PETER C. CORSON, JR., the eldest son of Peter and Rebecca M. (Chattin) Corson, was born on July 22, 1834. He married Emeline H. Quick, Jan. 9, 1868. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. To them three children were born as follows:

1225211 WILLIAM C. CORSON, born June 6, 1869, died May 29, 1880;

1225212 CORA R. CORSON, born 1872;

1225213 VIOLA M. CORSON, 1874.

Peter C. Corson died Sept. 12, 1877, and Emeline Corson, his wife, June —, 1876, aged 33 years 8 months 29 days. Both are buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, N. J.

122522 JOSEPH A. CORSON, born 1837, the second son of Peter and Rebecca M. (Chattin) Corson, married Abby Blackman. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. To them one son was born:

1225221 RODMAN CORSON, born 1866, married 14112141 Generva Corson, the daughter of Joshua and Emeline (Harris) Corson.

Joseph A. Corson died Mar. 4, 1909, and Abby Corson, his wife, Sept. 3, 1908.

122524 ISAAC B. CORSON, born Apr. 9, 1842, the fourth child of Peter and Rebecca M. (Chattin) Corson married Eleanor W. Huffman. Isaac was a veteran of the Civil War and probably married shortly after the end of hostilities. They seem to have had three daughters recorded in the census of 1885 as follows:

1225241 FLORENCE CORSON, born 1877;

1225242 BEULA D. CORSON, born 1880;

1225243 EDNA B. CORSON, born 1882.



Isaac Corson died Apr. 9, 1884, and is buried in the Baptist Cemetery, Palermo, N. J.

122528 ROBERT R. CORSON, born 1852, was the youngest child of Peter and Rebecca (Chattin) Corson. He married B. A. Floretta Goddard on Jan. 1, 1874. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. Two children were born to them as follows:

1225281 JUDSON B. CORSON, born 1876;

1225282 MINNIE A. CORSON, born Apr. 2, 1878, married Enoch Madera, who had:

12252821 MYRTLE MADERA, who married ——— Dailey and has a son, Donald.

Robert R. Corson died July 9, 1910, and Floretta, his wife, died Feb. 2, 1927.

122531 ELIAS LAKE CORSON, the son of Absolom and Sarah Corson, was born July 14, 1835. He was a sea captain. On Sept. 4, 1856, he married Eleanor Hughs Young, who was born Apr. 26, 1839, at Palermo, Cape May County, N. J. She was the daughter of Pedrick Young, born 1804, at Palermo, Cape May County, N. J., and Eleanor Hughs Ford, born Nov. 30, 1807, at Marcus Hook, Pa. They were married Nov. 26, 1826. Pedrick Young died Aug. 26, 1856, and his wife died June 5, 1901. Both are buried in the Seaside Cemetery at Palermo. Pedrick Young was the son of Samuel Townsend Young, son of Henry Young, son of Stephen Young, son of the emigrant Henry Young and Abigail Corson, daughter of the first Peter Corson of Cape May County. Capt. Elias Lake and Eleanor Hughs (Young) Corson had the following children:

1225311 LILLIE CORSON, born May 13, 1857;

1225312 ELIZA HAYWARD CORSON, born Oct. 5, 1861, died Jan., 1864.

1225313 ELLA MAY CORSON, born Oct., 1863, died Dec. 10, 1865;

1225314 MARY FLORENCE CORSON, born Nov. 24, 1865;

1225315 SARAH MAY CORSON, born Dec. 5, 1867;

1225316 IDA STILLWELL CORSON, born July 28, 1870, died Jan. 4, 1875;

1225317 WILLIAM PENN CORSON, born Feb. 27, 1873;

1225318 BELLE CORSON, died when an infant;

1225319 ESTELL CORSON, born Aug. 21, 1878;

122531:10: EARL G. CORSON, born June 9, 1882.

Capt. Elias Lake Corson died Nov. 6, 1916, and his wife died July 12, 1925, at Camden, N. J. They are buried in Evergreen Cemetery in or near Camden.

122543 MULFORD M. CORSON, born May 27, 1837, the third child of Jonathan, Jr., and Hannah (Corson) Corson, mar-

ried, Dec. 9, 1861, Catherine L. Wicks. She was born in 1836. They lived in Upper Township, County of Cape May, N. J. Mulford and Catherine (Wicks) Corson had four children:

- 1225431 CHARLOTTE W. CORSON, born May 18, 1861;
- 1225432 ARNELIA CORSON, born Sept. 18, 1864;
- 1225433 DANIEL HUGH CORSON, born Nov. 7, 1866;
- 1225434 WALTER L. CORSON, born Mar. 29, 1872, single, lives at Palermo, N. J.

122572 JOHN C. CORSON, born Oct. 26, 1844, was the second child of Lucas L. and Mary C. (Chattin) Corson. He married 1413212 Martha Borden, Nov. 14, 1866. Martha was born Nov. 1, 1843, and was the daughter of Joseph and Phoebe (Corson) Borden, the daughter of Seth and Rachel (Corson) Corson. John C. and Martha Corson lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. From the age of thirteen years he was a follower of the sea, first as assistant cook and later as captain for many years. At the time of his death he was in the Government Coast Guard Service in their Ocean City Station, where his family lived. They had three children:

- 1225721 RICHARD T. CORSON, died in infancy;
- 1225722 MARY LENORA CORSON, born Oct. 29, 1877;
- 1225723 ELMA J. CORSON, died in infancy.

Martha (Borden) Corson married, second, July 2, 1890, Ezra B. Lake. John Chattin Corson died Jan. 26, 1889; Martha died Mar. 28, 1929. They are buried in the Petersburg, N. J., Churchyard.

122577 THOMAS S. CORSON, born Oct. 3, 1861, the youngest child of Lucas L. and Mary (Chattin) Corson, married Adelaide Harvey, born Oct. 10, 1864. They had two children:

- 1225771 ETHEL RAE CORSON, born Dec. 23, 1893, lives at 6520 Bellmar Ter., W. Philadelphia, Pa.;
- 1225772 HARVEY T. CORSON, died in infancy.

Thomas S. Corson died Sept. 9, 1929.

141121 MAURICE CORSON, born 1810, was the son of Enoch and Amy (Corson) Corson, the daughter of Elias Corson. He married Martha Garritson, born 1814, the daughter of Joshua Garritson, on Jan. 1, 1833. They lived in Upper Township, County of Cape May, where in the 1850 census their children were named as follows:

- 1411211 CORNELIUS CORSON, born 1834;
- 1411212 LUCIUS E. CORSON, born 1836;



- 1411213 ISAAC M. CORSON, born 1839;  
1411214 JOSHUA G. CORSON, born 1841.

141125 EDWIN CORSON, born 1823, the fifth child of Enoch and Amy (Corson) Corson, married Mary Ingersoll, who was born in 1827. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. Their children were:

- 1411251 JOHN WESLEY CORSON, born 1848;  
1411252 ANNA M. CORSON, born 1849;  
1411253 EDWIN I. CORSON;  
1411254 MAURICE CORSON.

141132 REUBEN CORSON, born 1816, was the son of Humphrey and his first wife, Phoebe (Gandy) Corson. He married Sarah R. Young, the daughter of Hugh H. Young, on Jan. 15, 1838. They lived in Upper Township, County of Cape May, and had three children:

- 1411321 FREDERICK W. CORSON, born 1838;  
1411322 CORNELIA CORSON, born 1848, married Newton C. Townsend, July 8, 1866, and was his widow in 1875;  
1411323 PHOEBE G. CORSON.

Reuben Corson probably died in 1875, the year his will was proved. He was survived by his wife and children.

141134 CAPTAIN PHILIP CORSON, born June 21, 1821, was the fourth child of Humphrey and his first wife, Phoebe (Gandy) Corson. Jan. 5, 1843, he married 121642 Harriet Corson, who was born Nov. 17, 1822, and who was the daughter of Levi and Deborah Corson, the daughter of Cornelius Corson. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. They had two daughters:

- 1411341 PRISCILLA CORSON, born 1845;  
1411342 ANZENETTA CORSON, born Dec., 1849.

Captain Philip died July 8, 1866 and Harriet his wife on Feb. 25, 1885.

141135 ENOCH CORSON, born 1824, the fifth child of Humphrey and his first wife, Phoebe (Gandy) Corson, married, July 17, 1849, Caroline Godfrey. They had two sons:

- 1411351 LEWIS CORSON, born 1851;  
1411352 LEAMING CORSON, born 1855.

The mother and two sons were recorded as residing in Upper Township in the 1870 census. The father probably had died before that date.

141137 JEREMIAH CORSON, born 1829, was probably the youngest son of Humphrey and his first wife, Phoebe (Gandy) Corson. On the family tree, made by Champion Corson, was listed one son:

1411371 NELSON CORSON.

The name of his wife was not found.

141321 PHOEBE CORSON, born Oct. 5, 1818, was the eldest child of Seth and Rachel (Corson) Corson, the daughter of Joseph, II. On Apr. 10, 1841, she married Joseph Borden, born Mar. 16, 1816. In early life he was a shipbuilder in Cape May County. In later years he lived in North Vineland, N. J., where he worked in a glasshouse. Three children were born to them as follows:

1413211 ROXANNA BORDEN, born Jan. 23, 1842;

1413212 MARTHA H. BORDEN, born Nov. 1, 1843;

1413213 LOUISE BORDEN, born May 18, 1846, died Jan. 24, 1870.

Phoebe (Corson) Borden died Mar. 22, 1848, and is buried in the Methodist Cemetery at Tuckahoe, N. J. Joseph Borden, her husband, died Feb. 10, 1885, and is buried in the Methodist Cemetery at Winslow, N. J.

141323 CURTIS E. CORSON, born Apr. 3, 1822, was the third child of Seth and Rachel (Corson) Corson. On Dec. 25, 1862, he married 249167 Millicent Corson, the daughter of Jesse and his second wife, Angelina (Godfrey) Corson. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. To them one son,

1413231 SETH W. CORSON, was born in 1863.

Curtis Corson died May 1, 1881, and is buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery, Palermo, N. J.

142141 DANIEL H. CORSON, the son of Hezekiah and Catherine (Daniels) Corson, married (sup) Caroline S. Spence, Aug. 4, 1852. Florence Corson Barnes named their sons as:

1421411 EDWARDS CORSON;

1421412 GEORGE CORSON.

142152 JOSEPH C. CORSON, born 1829, was the second child of Emley and Mary (Cramer) Corson. Feb. 8, 1852, he married Margareta Champion and of this union two sons were born. They were:

1421521 CHAMPION CORSON, married Ella ———;

1421522 JOSEPH CORSON, who married Hannah Mayhew. (F. C. Barnes.)



142153 EMLEY CORSON, JR., born 1831, the third child of Emley and Mary (Cramer) Corson, married, Jan. 7, 1857, Sarah Garretson. She was born in 1835. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. Their children were recorded in the 1870 census as follows:

- 1421531 IDILLA CORSON, born 1860;
- 1421532 MILTON CORSON, born 1862;
- 1421533 CHARLES G. CORSON, born 1865;
- 1421534 MIRANDA CORSON, born 1867;
- 1421535 WALTER S. CORSON, born 1870.

142154 HEZEKIAH CORSON, born 1834, the fourth child of Emley and Mary (Cramer) Corson, married, Jan. 9, 1856, Mary Smith. She was born in 1835. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. The family is listed in the 1870 census, which named their children as follows:

- 1421541 FIDELIA CORSON, born 1856, married Alfred Reeves;
- 1421542 ALIDA CORSON, born 1860, married Allen McDonald;
- 1421543 WILLIAM D. CORSON, born 1866, married Amanda Lamb.

142156 STILLWELL CORSON, born Dec. 9, 1839, is listed as the youngest son of Emley and Mary (Cramer) Corson. He married Sarah Agnes Herdman, who was born Feb., 1852. They had the following children:

- 1421561 GEORGE WALTER CORSON, born Nov. 25, 1874;
- 1421562 ROBERT CORSON, born Nov. 9, 1876;
- 1421563 HAROLD CORSON, born Feb. 7, 1879;
- 1421564 ELVIN CORSON, born Mar. 13, 1881.

Stillwell Corson died Oct. 4, 1915, and Sarah, his wife, died Jan. 11, 1885.

142211 WILLIAM CORSON, the eldest son of Joel S. and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married Emeline Justice and had four children: They were:

- 1422111 MARY CORSON;
- 1422112 PRESTON CORSON;
- 1422113 HANNAH CORSON;
- 1422114 EVA CORSON.

142213 JOHN CORSON, the third son of Joel S. and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married, first, Mary Firestone. They had one daughter:

- 1422131 CLARA CORSON.

John married, second, Apr. 9, 1864, Louisa Mulford, and had the following children:

1422132 SHARON CORSON;  
 1422133 JOHN CORSON;  
 1422134 ARABELLA CORSON.

John Corson and Louisa Mulford were married in Salem County.

142214 CHARLES CORSON, the fourth child of Joel S. and Mary (Sailor) Corson married Sarah Pierce. To them two children were born:

1422141 JOEL CORSON;  
 1422142 EZEKIAH CORSON.

142215 MARY CORSON, the eldest daughter and fifth child of Joel S. and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married James Johnson. Their only child was:

1422151 MINNIE JOHNSON.

142216 EDITH CORSON, the sixth child of Joel S. and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married Michael Pedrick. They had five children:

1422161 ISAAC PEDRICK;  
 1422162 THOMAS PEDRICK;  
 1422163 MARY PEDRICK;  
 1422164 HANNAH PEDRICK;  
 1422165 EMMA PEDRICK.

142217 SABIAH CORSON, the seventh child of Joel S. and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married Edmund Dawson. Their five children were:

1422171 WILMER DAWSON;  
 1422172 FRANK DAWSON;  
 1422173 MARY E. DAWSON;  
 1422174 ANNA DAWSON;  
 1422175 EMMA DAWSON.

142219 SARAH CORSON, the ninth child of Joel S. and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married Thomas Slape and had three children. They were:

1422191 WILLIAM SLAPE;  
 1422192 WALTER SLAPE;  
 1422193 NETTIE SLAPE.

14221:10: DEBORAH CORSON, the tenth child of Joel S. and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married Elward Stout. To them two children were born:

14221:10:1 JOSEPH STOUT;  
 14221:10:2 LEONA STOUT.



14221:12: THOMAS CORSON, the second child of Joel S. and his second wife, Christianna (Craggs) Corson, married Annabell Justice. They had one daughter:

14221:12:1 GRACE CORSON.

14221:13: RICHARD EVANS CORSON, the third son of Joel Somers and his second wife, Christianna (Craggs) Corson, was born July 15, 1864. He was the youngest of Joel's remarkable family of seventeen children, twelve of whom lived to a good old age, and ten of whom left descendants. He married Sarah M. Morrison, who was born Aug. 5, 1865. They had three children:

14221:13:1 JAMES CLARK CORSON, born Nov. 21, 1892;

14221:13:2 EDNA BURK CORSON, married Alonzo Porch, no children;

14221:13:3 ELLA MORRISON CORSON, single.

## XV

### THE SEVENTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER AND DEBORAH CORSON

211121 McBRIDE CORSON was probably the only surviving child of Parmenas and Priscilla (Cresse) Corson. He was born May 5, 1792. McBride was a Corporal in Capt. George Norton's Company, which was ordered into service May 15, 1814, by Gov. William Pennington for the defense of the seacoast during the War of 1812. On Aug. 26, 1823, he married Amy Ingersoll, the daughter of Ebenezer and Deborah (Springer) Ingersoll. She was born May 21, 1807. McBride Corson is said to have been a man of much property and lived in Middle Township, Cape May County. They had thirteen children, born as follows:

- 2111211 LYDIA CORSON, born Feb. 5, 1826;
- 2111212 GEORGE WASHINGTON CORSON, born June 26, 1828;
- 2111213 SARAH JANE CORSON, born Feb. 20, 1830;
- 2111214 MARTHA CORSON, born Mar. 7, 1832;
- 2111215 ALEXANDER CORSON, born May 25, 1834;
- 2111216 JOSEPH ASHBROOK CORSON, born Oct. 6, 1836;
- 2111217 SAMUEL D. CORSON, born Dec. 15, 1838;
- 2111218 DEBORAH CHURCH CORSON, born May 5, 1840, died May 3, 1845;
- 2111219 ANN JANE CORSON, born Apr. 4, 1841;
- 211121:10: DEBORAH CHURCH CORSON, born June 22, 1846;
- 211121:11: HANNAH E. CORSON, born May 7, 1848, died Feb. 24, 1860;
- 211121:12: EMMA CORSON, born May 15, 1851;
- 211121:13: REBECCA D. CORSON, born Apr. 13, 1856.

McBride Corson died Apr. 11, 1871, aged 79 years, and Amy Corson, his wife, died Sept. 22, 1901, aged 94 years 4 months 1 day. Both are buried in the Cemetery of the First Baptist Church at Cape May Court House, N. J.

211252 NATHAN CORSON, listed as the second son of Abner, Jr., and Margaret (Buck) Corson, was born in Cape May County, Feb. 28, 1803. At the age of six years he was an orphan, and was reared by his uncle, Christian, who had no children. After Christian's death in 1821, Nathan came into possession of his home. He married, Dec. 4, 1822, Abigail Hand, the daughter of Stephen and Laodicea (Isard) Hand of Cape May County. Con-



cerning him, his granddaughter, Mrs. Bertha Ashbrook, of Springfield, Ill., said: "Grandfather Nathan was a 'shouting Methodist'—one who works at his religion." "A licensed exhorter and class leader." Although his parents were Baptists, Mrs. Ashbrook said: "All his children lived and died in the Methodist faith." Seven children were born to Nathan and Abigail Corson as follows:

- 2112521 SOMERS CORSON, born Mar. 14, 1824;
- 2112522 MARGARET CORSON, born Jan. 16, 1829;
- 2112523 REUBEN CORSON, born June 16, 1831;
- 2112524 STEPHEN H. CORSON, born Jan. 27, 1835;
- 2112525 HANNAH E. CORSON, born Feb. 8, 1838;
- 2112526 CHARLES P. CORSON, born Apr. 22, 1843, died on the field of battle, Tupelo, Miss., July 13, 1864;
- 2112527 EMMA CORSON, died in infancy.

About 1849, when he was 46 years old, Nathan and his family moved, in a migration of several Cape May families, to Richland, Sangamon County, Ill., to what was then called the "West." There he lived until his death, Nov. 14, 1883. He is buried in the Bethel Churchyard beside his beloved Abigail, who died Sept. 20, 1887, aged 84 years 19 days. All the children, except Emma, grew to maturity and moved with their parents to Richland, Ill.

211254 JOHN CORSON, the son of Abner, Jr., and Margaret Buck Corson, died previous to Feb. 15, 1825. On that date his inventory was made by Henry Hand and Spicer Hughs. Jennings G. Mathis, his brother-in-law, was made administrator. (Record 1022-E. Trenton.) Part of his estate was a legacy from the estate of his uncle, 21121 Christian Corson, valued at \$800.

211255 JANE CORSON, probably the fifth child of Abner, Jr., and Margaret (Buck) Corson, was born in Cape May County, Aug. 19, 1807. She married, Sept. 28, 1823, Jennings Gaskill Mathis, who was born at Little Egg Harbor, Aug. 1, 1800, a son of John Mathis and his wife, Martha (Crammer) Mathis. She lived in Cape May County until 1854, when she and her family joined in the migration of Cape May families to the "West," and moved to Philadelphia, Ill., where she lived until her death, Dec. 17, 1878; she is buried in the Bethel Churchyard (Methodist) one and one-half miles northwest of Pleasant Plains, Ill. She was a niece of the rich bachelor, Christian Corson, who died intestate, Cape May County, Dec. 5, 1821, and as such was an inheritor of her part of her deceased father's share of this estate. Miss Arthelia Jane Mathis of Ogden, Utah, who furnished the history of her



line from Abner, Sr., and Jane (Cresse) Corson, has written the following concerning her grandmother, Jane Corson (Mathis): "She was a motherly, hospitable, and lovable woman, and, with her large blue eyes, and fine curling hair, and aristocratic bearing, she was representative of her early Manhattan ancestry. She lived in Illinois, on a fine farm, with large apple orchards, in a three-story house of the New England Colonial style, which was set in a grove of black locust, walnut, and hard maple trees. There she was the patron-saint of her grandchildren. Her pewter candlestick and her black lace shawl are now owned by her granddaughter, Mrs. Margaret Foster (Smith) of Merrill, Wis.; her four poster and her thumb-print glass bon bon dish are now the much-prized possessions of her great granddaughter, Miss Danna Kelly, of Ogden, Utah; and her Sheraton bureau is in the keeping of her great granddaughter, Miss Alice Mathis, of Jacksonville, Ill.

Jane Corson (Mathis) and her husband, Jennings Gaskill Mathis, had seven children, all born in Cape May, N. J. They were:

- 2112551 JOHN MATHIS, born July 23, 1825;
- 2112552 ROBERT MATHIS, died in infancy;
- 2112553 SEDGWICK RUSSLING MATHIS, died in infancy;
- 2112554 CHARLES PITTMAN MATHIS, died at 16 years;
- 2112555 JENNINGS CASE MATHIS, born June 13, 1836;
- 2112556 JANE MATHIS, born Apr. 5, 1838;
- 2112557 MARY MATHIS, born Mar. 31, 1840.

211256 ROBERT CORSON, listed as the youngest child of Abner, Jr., and Margaret (Buck) Corson, was born on Mar. 31, 1809, in Middle Township, Cape May County. He married Kesia Bradford, Jan. 19, 1827; the ceremony was performed by the Rev. Israel Townsend. Kesia Bradford was born in Cape May County, Jan. 25, 1810. Robert Corson was a sea captain. The family was recorded as residents of Middle Township in the 1850 census. According to the family register of their old Bible, a copy of which was furnished by Miss Lila M. Gandy, of Ocean View, N. J., they had the following children:

- 2112561 ELIZABETH CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1829;
- 2112562 MARY JANE CORSON, born Mar. 2, 1831;
- 2112563 KESIA CORSON, born Sept. 23, 1834, at Cape May, married Clinton Souder;
- 2112564 HANNAH P. CORSON, born Aug. 1, 1845, at Philadelphia, Pa.;
- 2112565 SALLIE H. CORSON, born Mar. 16, 1848.

The first three children were born in Cape May County. Kesia Corson, the wife of Robert Corson, died in Philadelphia, Pa.,



Feb. 16, 1881, but is buried in Cape May. Robert Corson died Feb. 21, 1887, in Port Richmond, Pa.

211264 ROXANNA CORSON, born Nov. 5, 1797, in Middle Township, Cape May County, the daughter of Nathan and Esther (Shaw) Corson, married, May 24, 1819, Samuel Eldredge. He was the son of Jehu and Martha (Mathews) Eldredge, and was born June 10, 1796. They lived in Cape May County. They had six children:

2112641 ELIZABETH ELDREDGE, born Nov. 1, 1821, married Thomas Douglass;

2112642 ROXANNA ELDREDGE, born Mar. 15, 1825, married John Holmes;

2112643 CLARISSA ELDREDGE, born Oct. 24, 1830, married John Hewitt Douglass;

2112644 HETTY CLEMINTINE ELDREDGE, born July 26, 1837, married Hugh Hand;

2112645 HARRIET ELDREDGE, born Aug. 6, 1839, married Jacob Nottingham Eldredge;

2112646 MARTHA MATHEWS ELDREDGE, born June 16, 1842, died in infancy.

Samuel Eldredge died Feb. 11, 1860; his wife, Roxanna Eldredge, died Jan. 26, 1888. Both are buried in the Baptist Cemetery at Cape May Court House, N. J.

213211 JOHN CORSON, probably the eldest son of Joseph and Barbara Corson, born Mar. 17, 1781, crossed Great Egg Harbor for a bride, there being few marriages of those on different sides of the Bay. On Nov. 26, 1803, he married Prudence (English) Peacock, the widow of Samuel Peacock, a shoemaker by trade, a Godly man highly respected in the community, a local preacher in the Methodist Church. She was the daughter of Mizeal and Elizabeth English of Great Egg Harbor. Mizeal was born in 1755 and died Nov., 1839, aged 84 years; Elizabeth died May 4, 1805. It is not known whether John and Prudence lived in old Gloucester or in Cape May County. John died Oct. 20, 1804, and Prudence was again a widow. In Dec., 1804, or Jan., 1805, posthumous twins were born to Prudence. They were named:

2132111 JOHN CORSON, who lived until 1849;

2132112 RHODA CORSON, who died in 1865-66. Rhoda was blind.

On June 17, 1806, Prudence married 213213 Joseph Corson, the brother of her late husband.

213212 ELLEN CORSON, born 1783, the second child of Joseph and Barbara Corson, married David Goff, Jr., a son of

David Goff, whose wife was Mary ———, and who was bondsman for the administrator for John Corson, Sr., deceased in 1779. Ellen and David Goff, Jr., had children:

- 2132121 DAVID GOFF, III, married Rebecca McCarty;
- 2132122 JOSEPH (JUDGE) GOFF, married Hannah Stephenson;
- 2132123 RACHEL GOFF, married Walter Spicer, no issue;
- 2132124 JOHN GOFF, born Sept. 31, 1807, married Hannah Eldredge.

213213 JOSEPH CORSON, the third child of Joseph and Barbara Corson, was born in 1785. On June 17, 1806, he married the widow of his elder brother, Prudence (English) (Peacock) Corson. They were married by Justice of the Peace, David Goff, who is said to have lived near Goshen, on the Delaware Bay side of Cape May County. Prudence (English) (Peacock) (Corson) (Corson) later (Dilks) was a somewhat unusual personality. She was the daughter of Mizeal and Elizabeth English of Great Egg Harbor, Gloucester County. She was born Feb. 8, 1784; died Mar. 7, 1847. She was stricken with apoplexy when making a speech in a Methodist class meeting at Glassboro and died the following morning. She first married Samuel Peacock, a widower with three children, who had buried three wives. He was born June 18, 1764; died Oct. 18, 1802, aged 38 years 4 months. There was one son of this marriage, Samuel, Jr., born Aug. 27, 1802; died Aug. 12, 1877.

Samuel Peacock, Sr., was a very devout Christian. He was a local preacher and greatly respected in the community. Prudence married him before she was eighteen years of age. His proposal of marriage, still extant, reads in part:

. . . . "Although I have not had personal acquaintance with you and have only seen you a few times, yet believing and hoping you to be a person possest of real Religion and having the Grace of God reigning in your soul, this makes me so bold as to send these few lines only humbly to inquire without dissimulation or flattery—although I know that flattery is greatful to every listening ear—whether you have any mind to change your station in life or not, and simply to ask whether you would permit such a man as myself to come and converse with you seriously on that subject. In my youth my feelings would not let me keep company with the fair sex on any other subject and now my years, my profession, and my station in life entirely forbid it. Therefore if you have no such mind but still prefer a single life, I humbly beg that you will not take this amiss or as an affront to you, but that you would freely answer me as plain and as simply as I have asked and as Christianity requireth yea or nay—for I solemnly tell you that I desire that my yea might be yea and my nay might be nay, knowing from the sacred oracles that anything more than this cometh of evil. This from your well wisher and brother in tribulation in the kingdom and patience of Jesus etc., etc.

SAMUEL PEACOCK



P.S. You can send such an answer by your Aunt Sallie either verbal or written as you shall think best and proper with such secrecy as you please. Your compliance with this humble request will greatly oblige yours, etc. The reason I said secrecy is because there are so many peering eyes watching me insomuch that I am almost afraid to set foot toward such an attempt upon uncertainties.

S.P.

For,

I sojourn in a vale of tears,  
 Alas, how shall I sing!  
 My harp doth on a willow hang  
 Discord in every string:  
 My sins they are a captains chain  
 Their sounds my ears do fill  
 How shall I sing sweet Zions song  
 On this side Zions hill?"

Prudence English married Samuel Peacock, July 31, 1801. He died Oct. 18, 1802. Prudence (English) Peacock married John Corson, Nov. 26, 1803. He died Oct. 20, 1804, aged 23 years 7 months 3 days. Late in 1804 or early in 1805, posthumous twins were born of this union: John and Rhoda. Her third marriage was to Joseph Corson as heretofore mentioned. Her fourth marriage, after a widowhood of thirteen years, was to Chester Dilks, of Glassboro, Aug. 25, 1837. Her name in the Gloucester County records was spelled Prudence Causdon.

Joseph and Prudence, it seems, lived first at Maurice River, Cumberland County, where their first child was born. The other children were born at Glassboro, N. J., where, presumably, the family had moved. Joseph, probably, was engaged in the business of glass manufacturing, as a glass-house had been established at Glassboro. The children of Joseph and Prudence Corson were:

- 2132131 MIZEAL CORSON, born July 19, 1807;
- 2132132 WESLEY CORSON, died Oct. 28, 1810;
- 2132133 JOSEPH CORSON, born May 6, 1812;
- 2132134 ELLEN CORSON, died 1870, married George E. Moffett;
- 2132135 WILLIAM BENNETT CORSON, born Aug. 13, 1820;
- 2132136 DAVID PEACOCK CORSON, born Oct. 12, 1822.

Joseph Corson, the father and husband, died Mar. 12, 1824.

213221 JAMES CORSON, born 1792, apparently was the eldest son of John and Bessie Corson. He is said to have lived the greater part of his married life, at least, near Goshen, Cape May County. He married Sarah Newton, Aug. 15, 1815. She was born in 1792. They had the following children:

- 2132211 JAMES CORSON, JR., born June 19, 1819;
- 2132212 SOMERS CORSON, born 1822;

- 2132213 MARY CORSON;  
 2132214 JOSEPH CORSON, born 1830;  
 2132215 SARAH ANN CORSON, born 1834, married Richard Ross;  
 2132216 SWAIN CORSON, born 1837.

213222 JOSEPH CORSON (Honest Josie), born 1806, is listed as the youngest son of John and Bessie Corson. On Aug. 22, 1830, he married 216123 Sarah (Townsend) Gorham, the daughter of Anthea (Corson) and Zebulon Townsend, and the widow of Eleazar Gorham. She was born Jan. 6, 1806. In the census of 1850, they were recorded as residing in Upper Township, but in the 1870 census their residence was given as Middle Township, Cape May County. In that year he was a farmer at Townsend's Inlet. Joseph and Sarah (Townsend) Corson had the following children:

- 2132221 HULDAH SWAIN CORSON, born July 24, 1831;  
 2132222 SOMERS CORSON, born June 16, 1834;  
 2132223 ANTHEA T. CORSON, born Dec. 2, 1837, married Amos Voss,  
 Mar. 23, 1856;  
 2132224 JOSEPH LYBRAND CORSON, born Sept. 4, 1840;  
 2132225 BRINTON JACOB CORSON, born Nov. 27, 1845.

215313 GARRET WINTERS CORSON, born Nov. 3, 1825, the third child of George and ———— (Johnson) Corson, married Cornelia E. Francis, born 1842, at Terra Haute, Ind. They had children:

- 2153131 GEORGE WINTERS CORSON, born Dec. 5, 1861, at Terra Haute, Ind.;  
 2153132 EMMA CORSON, born May, 1864;  
 2153133 JOHN S. CORSON, born Apr., 1866, deceased;  
 2153134 EDWARD CORSON, born Jan. 31, 1869.

Garret Winters Corson died, 1889, in Oklahoma; Cornelia E. Corson, his wife, died in 1907 in Los Angeles, Calif.

215323 GEORGE CORSON, born Aug. 26, 1818, the third child of Andrew and Mary (Hoover) Corson, married, Aug. 14, 1841, Mary T. Claypool, born Oct. 29, 1822. They lived at Millville, N. J., and had six children as follows:

- 2153231 AREANA CORSON, born Dec. 18, 1842, died Nov. 26, 1843.  
 2153232 ELIZABETH CORSON, born Nov. 7, 1844, died Oct. 10, 1874, unmarried;  
 2153233 EMMA CORSON, born Oct. 14, 1846, died Mar. 19, 1883, unmarried;  
 2153234 LEWIS REED CORSON, born Sept. 3, 1849;  
 2153235 DORA CORSON, born May 2, 1854, married Malcolm B. Tuller, M.D.;



2153236 GEORGE CORSON, born July 2, 1857, died Sept. 26, 1879, unmarried.

George Corson, Sr., died Dec. 7, 1870; Mary (Claypool) Corson, his wife, died Dec. 31, 1895.

216112 AMOS S. CORSON, born May 26, 1817, was the eldest child of Amos Corson and his second wife, Huldah (Swain) Corson. On Oct. 24, 1842, he married 214315 Isabella Corson, the daughter of Joseph, III, and Sarah (Edwards) Corson. They lived in Upper Township in 1850, but were not recorded in the compiler's copy of the Corsons listed in the census of 1870. According to the will of Huldah (Swain) Corson, proved Dec. 10, 1867, Amos S. Corson had previous to this date moved to Illinois. Their children were named in the John M. Corson manuscript as follows:

2161121 SYDNEY CORSON, born 1844;  
 2161122 PARSONS CORSON;  
 2161123 HULDAH CORSON;  
 2161124 AMOS CORSON, probably died in infancy;  
 2161125 MORGAN CORSON;  
 2161126 EDWARD CORSON;  
 2161127 MARIA CORSON;  
 2161128 AMOS CORSON;  
 2161129 AMBROSE CORSON;  
 216112:10: ELVA CORSON (sup), married Jenny Watson;  
 216112:11: ALLEN CORSON;  
 216112:12: MILTON CORSON;  
 216112:13: WILSON CORSON.

Sydney was the only one of these children recorded in the 1850 census; the three children born after Sydney may have died previous to 1850.

216122 RACHEL TOWNSEND, daughter of Anthea (Corson) and Zebulon Townsend, married, Jan. 23, 1823, Jesse C. Godfrey. They had children:

2161221 REUBEN GODFREY, who died at sea when a young man;  
 2161222 SWAIN T. GODFREY, married Sarah Townsend;  
 2161223 THOMAS TOWNSEND GODFREY.

Jesse C. Godfrey married, second, Deborah Corson; third, Phoebe Sayre; fourth, Rebecca Ingersoll.

216123 SARAH TOWNSEND, born Jan. 6, 1806, the daughter of Anthea (Corson) and Zebulon Townsend, married, first, June 23, 1824, Eleazar Gorham. They lived in Cape May County, and had two children:

2161231 ROXANNA GORHAM, born 1826, died May 14, 1827;

2161232 TIMOTHY GORHAM, born June 5, 1827, married Sarah G. Corson, Nov. 2, 1852.

She married, second, Aug. 22, 1830, 213222 Joseph Corson (Honest Josie). The account of their family is recorded under Joseph's record.

216124 RICHARD TOWNSEND, son of Anthea (Corson) and Zebulon Townsend, married Martha Godfrey. They had five children:

2161241 RACHEL TOWNSEND, unmarried;

2161242 JULIA TOWNSEND, married, Dec. 31, 1856, Francis H. Hewitt;

2161243 ARABELLA TOWNSEND, married, Jan. 13, 1853, Willets Young;

2161244 RICHARD SWAIN TOWNSEND;

2161245 REUBEN TOWNSEND, unmarried. The latter two were twins.

216125 ZEBULON TOWNSEND, JR., son of Anthea (Corson) and Zebulon Townsend, married Rachel Godfrey. They had two children:

2161251 MARTHA TOWNSEND, married ——— Kates;

2161252 ISRAEL TOWNSEND, married ——— Stevens.

Zebulon Townsend, who died a young man, was prominent in the Methodist Church; his widow, Rachel, died Nov. 27, 1889.

216126 HANNAH TOWNSEND, daughter of Anthea (Corson) and Zebulon Townsend, married, Oct. 22, 1835, Amos Gandy. They lived in Cape May County and had seven children:

2161261 TOWNSEND GANDY;

2161262 ELIZABETH GANDY;

2161263 GEORGE GANDY;

2161264 WILLIAM HARRY GANDY, died young;

2161265 ISABELL GANDY, died Nov. 2, 1845, aged 12 months 25 days;

2161266 ANNA GANDY, died Jan. 3, 1850;

2161267 LAFAYETTE S. GANDY, died Dec. 10, 1861.

Amos Gandy died Nov. 2, 1883.

216127 ANTHEA TOWNSEND, youngest child of Anthea (Corson) and Zebulon Townsend, married, Mar. 3, 1833, Jesse Gandy. They had two children:

2161271 ROXANNA GANDY, married Henry Young, Jr.;

2161272 ELIZA GANDY, married Thomas Smith.

Anthea (Townsend) Gandy died Dec. 6, 1839.

216131 GRIFFING CORSON, born Mar. 1, 1828, the eldest son of Albert Griffing and Phoebe (Corson) Corson, married 216327 Ann Elizabeth, the daughter of Allen and Sarah (Hewitt)



Corson. She was born Apr. 8, 1832. They lived in Upper Township, County of Cape May. To them three children were born as follows:

2161311 SARAH H. CORSON, born 1857;

2161312 ROXANNA G. CORSON, born 1861, married Rev. William Massey, and now lives at 120 Ampere Parkway, East Orange, N. J.;

2161313 LESLIE CORSON, born 1868, married Lydia Thomas.

Sarah H. Corson, who never married, is said to have been the historian who furnished the material about the Corson families in Stanley Craig's HISTORY OF PETERSBURG.

She had in her possession the original deeds by which the first land in Cape May County was conveyed, in 1695, from the West Jersey Society to the immigrants, John and Peter Corson. Several years before this work was undertaken, my cousin, Alan Corson, of Philadelphia, through the courtesy of Miss Sarah Corson, had made photographic copies of these deeds, and he presented a copy of each deed to the compiler. A complete transcription of the deed to John is given heretofore in this volume. During the summer of 1931, while gathering data for this work, the writer was advised by Mrs. Massey that her sister, Sarah, was then a helpless invalid, living with her at her home in East Orange. Griffing Corson died Jan. 5, 1892, and is buried in the M. E. Churchyard, Petersburg, N. J. His wife, Ann Elizabeth, died on Mar. 5, 1911.

216311 JOSEPH E. CORSON, IV, born 1813, was the eldest son of Joseph, III, and Sarah (Edwards) Corson. He married Cornelia L. Foreman (History of Petersburg), who was born in 1826. They lived in Upper Township, where two daughters were born to them:

2163111 CYNTHIA CORSON, born 1861, married Spencer Swan;

2163112 GERTRUDE CORSON, born 1864, married, first, Rufus Budd and, second, William Mathews. She had one daughter:

21631121 CORNELIA MATHEWS.

Cornelia, wife of Joseph, died in 1908.

216313 ELVA CORSON, born 1817, was the third child of Joseph, III, and Sarah (Edwards) Corson. His father was lost at sea, and Elva, while a mere boy, found it necessary to take his place behind the plow. In 1853 he was Sheriff of Cape May County. He married twice, his first wife was 121652 Mary Corson, daughter of Moses and Elizabeth (Smith) Corson. They had one daughter:

2163131 CAROLINE CORSON, married Andrew Lippincott, June 3, 1863.

He married, second, Feb. 16, 1848, 244113 Martha B. Corson, born 1828, the daughter of Miles and Julia Ann (Corson) Corson, the daughter of Amos. From the second marriage eight children were born as follows:

- 2163132 JOSEPH MILES CORSON, born 1850;
- 2163133 WINFIELD S. CORSON, born 1851;
- 2163134 JOHN M. CORSON, born 1853;
- 2163135 LUTHER CORSON, born 1855;
- 2163136 SALLIE E. CORSON, born 1858;
- 2163137 ALBERT CORSON, born 1863;
- 2163138 ISABELLE CORSON, born 1866;
- 2163139 AMBROSE CORSON, born 1869, married Minnie W. Corson, the daughter of Washington.

Elva Corson died Oct. 23, 1886, and his wife, Martha, died Mar. 30, 1881. Both are buried in the Second Baptist Cemetery, now usually called the Seaside Cemetery, Palermo, N. J.

216314 SARAH ANN CORSON, born 1820, the fourth child of Joseph, III, and Sarah (Edwards) Corson, married Jesse Godfrey, July 10, 1839. They had one daughter:

- 2163141 CORNELIA GODFREY, born Apr. 14, 1841, married 244115 Parmenas Corson, the son of Miles.

216321 ROXANNA CORSON, born Oct. 23, 1817, the eldest child of Allen and Sarah (Hewitt) Corson, married Joseph Mickel and had children:

- 2163211 HOLLIS P. MICKEL;
- 2163212 RACHEL E. MICKEL.

216322 ALLEN H. CORSON, II, born Mar. 18, 1819, was the second child of Allen and Sarah (Hewitt) Corson. He married, Jan. 31, 1849, 216114 Maria Corson, the daughter of Amos. They lived in Upper Township, County of Cape May. Allen is recorded in the 1850 census as 30 years of age. According to this census they had one son:

- 2163221 PENNINGTON CORSON, one month of age.

From information secured from Miss Victoria Corson and her Bible, Allen had another son:

- 2163222 ALLEN CORSON, III, died young.

Allen Hewitt Corson died Nov. 11, 1883, and is buried in the M. E. Churchyard at Petersburg, N. J.

216341 MARY CORSON, born May 5, 1821, the eldest child of John M. and Eliza (Ingersoll) Corson, married 12246 Richard



S. Corson, the son of Elias. The history of this family is recorded under the record of her husband.

216342 REV. JOHN I. CORSON, the second child of John M. and Eliza (Ingersoll) Corson, was born Feb. 12, 1823. He married, first, Hannah Marshall, Jan. 11, 1845. He was a Methodist minister, being the only one of his father's children that did not go to Illinois in 1846. In 1853 he entered the New Jersey M. E. Conference and served continuously until 1893, when he took supernumerary relations with the Conference. He died Mar. 29, 1899, aged 76 years, and is buried in the Churchyard at Tuckahoe, N. J. Rev. John I. and Hannah Corson had three children:

2163421 EXPERIENCE CORSON;

2163422 ELIZA CORSON;

2163423 FRANCES CORSON.

John I. Corson married, second, Hannah Frambres.

216343 FRANCIS CORSON, born Nov. 9, 1828, in Cape May County, the second son of John M. and Eliza (Ingersoll) Corson, married in Illinois, Sept. 11, 1848, Willis Ann Anderson. They had one son:

2163431 MOSES E. CORSON, born Sept. 26, 1849, married in Colorado, but left no children.

Francis Corson died June 28, 1851.

216344 ELIZA ANN CORSON, born in Cape May County, June 17, 1831, the fourth child of John M. and Eliza (Ingersoll) Corson, married John Foster in Illinois, May 27, 1847. They had no children. Eliza Ann Corson died May 16, 1889. They lived in Illinois.

216345 HORATIO CORSON, the youngest son of John M. and Eliza (Ingersoll) Corson, was born Dec. 7, 1832, in Cape May County, and went to Illinois with his father in 1846. There he married Emily Kirkpatrick, Dec. 27, 1853. They later moved to The Dalles, Oregon, where he died, Nov. 9, 1893. Emily Kirkpatrick was born Apr. 29, 1823, and died Apr. 29, 1900. They had four children:

2163451 ANNA E. CORSON;

2163452 CHARLES E. CORSON, born June 22, 1863;

2163453 WILLIAM K. CORSON, born Oct. 13, 1865;

2163454 HATTIE B. CORSON.

216361 LEANDER CORSON, the oldest son of Isaiah Corson and his first wife, Tabitha (Wheaton) Corson, was born in 1827.

He seems to have married three times. His first wife was 1221221 Amanda Corson, the daughter of David and Elizabeth (Ford) Corson, who was born May 18, 1834, and died Feb. 21, 1856. They were married Jan. 19, 1852. By the first marriage one son was born:

2163611 OLIVER CROMWELL CORSON, born Dec. 4, 1855, died Apr. 25, 1856.

Leander married, second, Dec. 5, 1860, Caroline Smith, born Apr. 14, 1841. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, where two children were born to them:

2163612 AMANDA CORSON, born 1865;

2163613 LEANDER S. CORSON, born 1869. (Census 1870.)

The third wife was Mary E. Gallagher, whom he married Nov. 18, 1877. Leander Corson, Sr., died in 1903, and Caroline (Smith) Corson, his second wife, died on Mar. 26, 1872. Leander, Sr., his first and second wives, Amanda and Caroline, and son Oliver Cromwell, are buried in the Baptist-Seaside Cemetery, Palermo, N. J.

216362 THEODORE CORSON, born 1830, the second son of Isaiah and his first wife, Tabitha (Wheaton) Corson, married Phoebe Corson, Mar. 12, 1856. They had one son:

2163621 VIRGIL CORSON.

216363 GERMAN CORSON, born 1832, the third son of Isaiah and his first wife, Tabitha (Wheaton) Corson, married Cornelia Townsend on Jan. 21, 1871. They had two children:

2163631 ELLA MAY CORSON;

2163632 WILLETS CORSON, born Aug. 16, 1878.

German Corson died probably in 1898 as his will was proved Oct. 10 of that year. Cornelia, his wife, was born in 1844 and died in 1929. They are buried in Calvary Baptist Cemetery, Ocean View, N. J.

216368 MELVIN CORSON, the eighth child of Isaiah and his second wife, Elizabeth (Godfrey) Corson, was born in 1852. On July 17, 1877, he married Harriet E. Brooks. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, where two daughters and one son were born to them:

2163681 MABEL CORSON, born 1879, married ——— Champion;

2163682 DONALD CORSON;

2163683 MAUD CORSON, born 1882, married Edgar Stratton, and had two daughters.



Melvin Corson died Aug. 31, 1898.

216369 FRANCIS CORSON, born 1854, the youngest son of Isaiah and his second wife, Elizabeth (Godfrey) Corson, married Judith Hand. They had a son:

2163691 FRANCIS CORSON, JR., born 1884.

They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County.

228422 ELI TOWNSEND, born Nov. 27, 1813, the son of James and Eliza (Schellinger) Townsend, married, Feb. 14, 1847, Eliza Holmes. She was born May 31, 1816. They lived at Townsend's Inlet (now Clermont), Cape May County, N. J. Their children were:

2284221 JAMES TOWNSEND, born Feb. 7, 1849, died Apr. 12, 1924;

2284222 HANNAH TOWNSEND, born Oct. 7, 1850, died July 18, 1863;

2284223 JACOB TOWNSEND, born Nov. 7, 1853, died July 13, 1859;

2284224 ELI TOWNSEND, born July 4, 1856, living in 1933;

2284225 ELIZABETH TOWNSEND, born Mar. 17, 1858, living in 1933.

Eli Townsend, Sr., died Feb. 11, 1897; Eliza (Holmes) Townsend, his wife, died Mar. 2, 1892. They are buried in the Ashbury M. E. Churchyard, Clermont, Cape May County, N. J.

243211 REUBEN CORSON, born 1804, probably was the eldest son of Darius and Lorinda (Corson) Corson. He married Ruth Garretson, Feb. 8, 1836. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, and were the parents of one son and three daughters. They were:

2432111 MARTHA CORSON, born 1836, married ——— Godfrey;

2432112 CHARLOTTE H. CORSON, born 1842;

2432113 SARAH L. CORSON, born 1848, married George C. Thompson;

2432114 REUBEN S. CORSON, born 1850.

The daughters were named in the 1850 census and the son in the 1870 census. Reuben Corson, Sr., died between May 2, 1885, the date of his will and May 23, 1885, the date of proving. Ruth Corson, his wife, and Martha, his daughter, were deceased when Reuben made his will.

244111 SUSAN B. CORSON, the eldest daughter of Miles and Julia Ann (Corson) Corson, married, Jan. 4, 1843, James Smith, son of Samuel and grandson of Uriah and Sophia (Corson) Smith, the daughter of Rem Corson. They had the following children:

2441111 MARY AUGUSTA SMITH, married 249:11:9 Aaron Corson, the son of Rem and Ester (Van Gilder) Corson;

- 2441112 SAMUEL G. SMITH, married Lydia Ross;  
 2441113 CLYDE LEON SMITH;  
 2441114 ELTHERA SMITH, married Harry Douglas.

2441113 MARTHA B. CORSON, born 1828, the third child of Miles and Julia Ann (Corson) Corson, married 216313 Elva Corson, the son of Joseph, III, and Sarah (Edwards) Corson. Their issue is recorded in the account of Elva.

2441115 PARMENAS CORSON, born Sept. 1, 1832, was the fifth child of Miles and Julia Ann (Corson) Corson. He married 2163141 Cornelia Godfrey, the daughter of Sarah Ann Corson (Godfrey). Cornelia was born on Apr. 14, 1841. They lived in Upper Township, County of Cape May. To them the following children were born:

- 2441151 AMOS S. CORSON, born 1860, married Lydia Stites;  
 2441152 SARAH ANN CORSON, born 1863;  
 2441153 ETHELDA CORSON, born 1868, married Samuel R. Young;  
 2441154 SAMUEL G. CORSON, born 1876.

Parmenas died on Dec. 12, 1904, and Cornelia, his wife, on Oct. 31, 1882. Both are buried in the Baptist Seaside Cemetery at Palermo, N. J.

244121 BAKER CORSON, born Oct. 3, 1815, the eldest son of Rem and Priscilla (Townsend) Corson, married, Nov. 11, 1841, 122124 Sarah Corson, daughter of Cornelius. She was born, June 23, 1821. Baker and Sarah Corson lived in Dennis Township in 1850, and their children are named as follows:

- 2441211 CECELIA CORSON, born Mar. 12, 1842, married, Jan. 14, 1862,  
 1411321 Frederick Corson, son of Reuben;  
 2441212 REM CORSON, born Sept. 29, 1845;  
 2441213 WILLIAM CORSON, born Mar. 30, 1850, died Apr. 23, 1851.

Baker Corson died Apr. 20, 1894; Sarah, his wife, died Aug. 1, 1905.

244123 EDITH CORSON, born Jan. 23, 1845, daughter of Rem and Priscilla (Townsend) Corson, married, Jan. 23, 1845, William M. Godfrey, son of Mathew and Angelina (Miller) Godfrey. They had two children:

- 2441231 PRISCILLA CORSON GODFREY, born July 1, 1846, died July 15,  
 1865, married 121624 Nicholas Shamgar Corson;  
 2441232 ELIZA JANE GODFREY, born July 11, 1849.

244124 HENRY TOWNSEND CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1828, the fourth child of Rem and Priscilla (Townsend) Corson,



married, July 2, 1850, 12121:10: Priscilla Corson, born Feb. 10, 1830, the daughter of Nicholas and Sarah (Somers) (Leaming) Corson. Their marriage record bears date of July 2, 1850. They lived in Dennis Township and had a son:

2441241 RICHARD S. CORSON, born May 21, 1851, died Jan. 5, 1871.

Priscilla (Corson) Corson died Jan. 18, 1869. Henry T. Corson married, second, Hannah Townsend Leaming, daughter of Humphrey and Sarah (Ludlam) Leaming. She was born Dec. 9, 1849, and died Mar. 8, 1897; he died May 18, 1927. Henry T. Corson and his two wives are buried in Calvary Baptist Cemetery, Ocean View, N. J.

244151 LEWIS CORSON GANDY, born Jan. 6, 1828, was the eldest son of Martha (Corson) and John Gandy. He married, Aug. 25, 1847, 244225 Eliza Ann Smith, the daughter of Samuel G. and Sarah (Lee) Smith. Eliza Ann was born Dec. 6, 1827. Lewis and Eliza Ann Gandy had a son:

2441511 CHARLES M. GANDY, born Nov. 6, 1857.

They lived at Ocean View. Dennis Township, Cape May County, N. J. Lewis Gandy died Apr. 16, 1896; Eliza Ann Gandy, his wife, died Sept. 12, 1909.

244153 REBECCA GANDY, born Nov. 27, 1832, daughter of Martha (Corson) and John Gandy, married, Aug. 25, 1856, Henry Shaw, born at Long Island, N. Y., Jan. 17, 1833, son of Demott and Eliza Shaw. They lived at Ocean View, Cape May County, N. J., and had eight children:

2441531 MARTHA GANDY SHAW, born Oct. 5, 1857;

2441532 IDA SHAW, born Dec. 12, 1859;

2441533 LEWIS CORSON GANDY SHAW, (twin) born Jan. 31, 1863, died Dec. 2, 1864;

2441534 FRANCIS GANDY SHAW, (twin) born Jan. 31, 1863, married, June 4, 1896, Anna M. Powell, issue, a son, died in infancy;

2441535 LEWIS CORSON GANDY SHAW, born Aug. 9, 1865, married Elizabeth McIntyre, no issue;

2441536 ELIZA D. SHAW, born Sept. 20, 1868, married John Cole, son of Baker;

2441537 IRVING C. SHAW, born Oct. 29, 1872;

2441538 HARRY D. SHAW, born Apr. 21, 1876, married Elizabeth Ann Davis, no issue.

Rebecca (Gandy) Shaw died Jan. 13, 1882; Henry Shaw died Nov. 3, 1901.

244154 FRANCIS GANDY, born May 27, 1837, the fourth child of Martha (Corson) and John Gandy, married three times.

He married, first, Jan. 8, 1862, 24422:10: Sarah L. Smith, born Mar. 27, 1840. They lived at Ocean View, N. J. By the first union three children were born:

2441541 ELOISE (ELLA) GANDY, born Oct. 10, 1864, died Dec. 25, 1890, married James Smith;

2441542 HARRY DEMOTT GANDY, born Jan. 22, 1866, died Jan. 8, 1875.

2441543 GRIFFITH SMITH GANDY, born Oct. 29, 1869, married Harriet Taylor;

Francis Gandy married, second, Jan. 21, 1885, Sarah Jane Smith, born Apr. 29, 1841, died May 7, 1889, no issue. He married, third, Nov. 26, 1890, Margaret E. Powell, born May 14, 1854, died Sept. 5, 1921, daughter of Charles R. and Sarah (Evans) Powell. No children were born to the third marriage. Francis Gandy died Jan., 1928.

244155 JOHN JONES GANDY, born Apr. 21, 1840, the youngest child of Martha (Corson) and John Gandy, married, Nov. 29, 1862, Danielia M. Izzard, born 1843. Two of their sons died in infancy. Six other children were:

2441551 EDWARD GANDY, born 1864, lost at sea, 1886;

2441552 LAFAYETTE S. GANDY, born 1866, died 1872;

2441553 RODNEY GANDY;

2441554 ROY GANDY;

2441555 LYDIA GANDY;

2441556 ROZWELL GANDY.

John Jones Gandy died in 1894; his wife, Danielia, died 1925.

244162 MILES CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1843, was the eldest son of Stillwell and Elizabeth (Ford) Corson. He married, Feb. 16, 1871, Margaret C. Springer of Cape May County. She was born, Sept. 30, 1841, and was living in the latter part of 1931. Miles and Margaret Corson lived in Philadelphia, Pa., and had a son:

2441621 NEWTON W. CORSON, born July 7, 1872.

Miles Corson died Oct. 18, 1887.

244324 FRANKLIN CORSON, born 1858, the youngest son of Firman and Roxanna (Corson) Corson, married Emma Douglass, and had a son:

2443241 OLIVER E. F. CORSON. (F.C.B.)

247211 SMITH CORSON, the only child of Lot, Jr., and Lydia (Edwards) Corson, was born Apr. 25, 1822. On Sept. 2, 1847, he married Rhoda Ann Stites, who was born Oct. 25, 1824.



They lived in Middle Township, Cape May County, in 1850, and in Dennis Township in 1870. They had nine children:

- 2472111 HANNAH CORSON, born 1848;
- 2472112 SOMERS M. CORSON;
- 2472113 ANNA MARGARET CORSON, born 1855;
- 2472114 ENOCH CORSON, born Nov. 20, 1857;
- 2472115 SALLY CORSON, born 1859;
- 2472116 LOT CORSON, born 1860, married Anna Giberson;
- 2472117 THOMAS SMITH CORSON, born Aug. 25, 1864;
- 2472118 JAMES CORSON, born 1866;
- 2472119 WILLIAM CORSON, born 1869.

Smith Corson died Jan. 3, 1897, and Rhoda Ann, his wife, died Feb. 12, 1882. They are buried in the Baptist Cemetery at Cape May Court House, N. J.

247321 JAMES CORSON, the eldest son of Thomas and Rachel (Sayre) Corson, was born in the West Creek district of Cape May County. His father died when he was a child, and he is said to have been reared by Benjamin Hand. He married Rhoda Errickson of Cape May County, and very early the family moved to where Dayton, Ohio, now is located. He had the following children:

- 2473211 SARAH CORSON;
- 2473212 RUTH CORSON, unmarried;
- 2473213 GEORGE CORSON;
- 2473214 SILSBEE CORSON;
- 2473215 DANIEL HAND CORSON;
- 2473216 SUSAN CORSON, married Peter Knerr;
- 2473217 ELIZABETH CORSON.

247324 THOMAS CORSON, JR., the second son of Thomas and Rachel (Sayre) Corson, was born at West Creek, Cape May County, Mar. 17, 1813. When eight or nine years old, his father died and he was adopted by his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Cambron of Tuckahoe, Cape May County. When he was eighteen years old he moved to Millville, Cumberland County, N. J., where he learned the trade of blacksmithing. He worked for Frederick Shutter, who started the first glass manufacturing plant in Millville. He was employed by this firm as long as they were in business. He then worked for Moore Bros. and later for Whital Tatum Company. He retired at the age of 77 years. He was Mayor of Millville in 1867, and for several years was a member of the County Board of Freeholders. He was also a Trustee of the County Alms House. Thomas Corson, Jr., was an active member of the Methodist Church all his life. June 29,

1835, he married Hannah Hampton, daughter of William and Atlantic Hampton. To them were born:

- 2473241 ELLEN MATILDA CORSON, born July 13, 1837, died Aug. 4, 1837;
- 2473242 GEORGE WILLIAM CORSON, born Oct. 29, 1839;
- 2473243 ANN ELIZABETH CORSON, born Jan. 29, 1842;
- 2473244 THOMAS HAMPTON CORSON, born May 2, 1844;
- 2473245 JOSEPH GASKILL CORSON, born June 1, 1847, died Nov. 24, 1848;
- 2473246 JEREMIAH CORSON, born Aug. 10, 1849;
- 2473247 EDWIN HAMPTON CORSON, born Mar. 14, 1852;
- 2473248 CHARLES DOWNS CORSON, born Aug. 2, 1856.
- 2473249 MATILDA CORSON, an adopted daughter, was born Sept. 4, 1835.

Thomas Corson died Feb. 2, 1895; Hannah, his wife, died in 1907. Both are buried in Millville, N. J.

249131 GODFREY CORSON, born in Tuckahoe, N. J., was the son of Samuel S. and Marie (Seaman) Corson. He married Mary Curry Corson, who also is said to have been born in Tuckahoe. They moved from Tuckahoe to Camden, N. J., after their sixth child was born. They had eight children:

- 2491311 STEPHEN CORSON;
- 2491312 SAMUEL CORSON, born July 1851;
- 2491313 CHARLIE CORSON;
- 2491314 WILLIAM CORSON, died unmarried;
- 2491315 MILLARD CORSON, died unmarried;
- 2491316 JOHN CORSON;
- 2491317 MARY CORSON, unmarried;
- 2491318 ANN CORSON, died unmarried.

Godfrey Corson died in Camden, N. J., when his son, John, was about twelve years of age, while a comparatively young man; Mary (Curry) Corson died about 1884.

249162 HIGBEE CORSON, born Oct. 18, 1830, the second son of Jessie and Phoebe (————) Godfrey Corson, married Hannah Miller, who was born in 1825. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J., and had at least one son:

- 2491621 JOSEPH M. CORSON, born 1854.

249165 WASHINGTON CORSON, born Apr. 23, 1835, the youngest son of Jesse and his first wife, Phoebe Corson, married, first, Sarah Ann Gifford, Aug. 17, 1855. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. Five children were born to the first wife as follows:

- 2491651 ANNA CORSON, born 1859;
- 2491652 CLARA CORSON, born 1862;
- 2491653 RICHARD CORSON, born 1864;



2491654 WILLIAM CORSON, born 1866;

2491655 ELIZA CORSON, born 1869.

Washington Corson married, second, Eliza Holmes, Aug. 26, 1876, and three children were born to them:

2491656 MINNIE CORSON, born 1878, married 2163139 Ambrose Corson, the son of Elva;

2491657 ELTON CORSON, born 1882;

2491658 WASHINGTON CORSON, JR., born 1884.

Eliza (Holmes) Corson was born in 1858. Washington Corson, Sr., died Feb. 6, 1910.

249168 JESSE S. CORSON, born Jan. 23, 1843, in Cape May County, was the third and youngest child of Jessie Corson and his second wife, Angelina (Miller) Godfrey Corson. He married, June 19, 1875, Anna M. Coleman. She was born in 1846. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J., and were the parents of two children:

2491681 BESSIE M. CORSON, born 1874, died Dec. 12, 1890;

2491682 CURTIS E. CORSON, born Nov. 4, 1882.

Jesse S. Corson died July 1, 1917, and Anna, his wife, died in 1921.

249:11:91 ELTON SMITH CORSON, M.D., born May 4, 1867, at Palermo, Cape May County, son of Aaron and Augusta Smith Corson, married, Oct. 10, 1896, at Bower, Pa., Martha Margaret Thomson. She was born Mar. 2, 1869, at Clearfield County, Pa. They live at Bridgeton, N. J., and have one child:

249:11:911 ELTHERA GLENN CORSON, born Sept. 5, 1899.

## XVI

### THE EIGHTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY CORSON

1211161 THOMPSON CORSON, born Oct. 5, 1839, was the eldest son of Edwards and Charlotte (Corson) Corson. He married Lena Allen, Feb. 2, 1869. They lived in Millville, N. J. Thompson and Lena Corson had the following named five children :

- 12111611 OLIVER B. CORSON, born Apr. 7, 1870;
- 12111612 WILLIAM CORSON, born May 9, 1872;
- 12111613 EDWARDS CORSON, born July 23, 1874;
- 12111614 BERTHA A. CORSON, born Oct. 15, 1877;
- 12111615 SUMNER CORSON, born Aug. 16, 1881.

Thompson Corson died Jan. 31, 1920.

1211165 DEBORAH CORSON, born July 19, 1849, the fifth child of Edwards and Charlotte (Corson) Corson, married Thomas Boys, Dec. 24, 1873. They lived at Paulsboro, N. J., where they had one daughter :

- 12111651 CHARLOTTE BOYS, born Sept. 22, 1874.

1211166 IDA CORSON, born Aug. 15, 1852, the sixth child of Edwards and Charlotte (Corson) Corson, married Benjamin D. Hartman, Dec. 8, 1874. They lived in Paulsboro, N. J. To them five daughters were born :

- 12111661 EMMA HARTMAN, born May 2, 1877;
- 12111662 CLARA BOYS HARTMAN, born Aug. 20, 1878, unmarried, lives at Paulsboro, N. J.;
- 12111663 ELIZABETH KEAN HARTMAN, born Feb. 24, 1881, died Nov. 29, 1893;
- 12111664 MERIBA WOLF HARTMAN, born July 18, 1882;
- 12111665 DEBORAH BOYS HARTMAN, born Nov. 21, 1891.

1211167 DAYTON CORSON, born Sept. 7, 1859, was the youngest son of Edwards and Charlotte (Corson) Corson. He lived in Cape May County until the spring of 1881, when he moved to Paulsboro, N. J. For forty-seven years he was employed by the Du Pont Powder Company at Gibbstown, N. J., having retired about one year before he died. He married Marietta F. Duncan, the daughter of Samuel and Mary Ann (Goslin) Duncan.



She was born Apr. 11, 1851. Dayton and Marietta Corson had one son:

12111671 DAYTON T. CORSON, born Aug. 21, 1891.

Dayton Corson, Sr., died Mar. 7, 1931. His wife, Marietta Corson, died Feb. 23, 1926.

1211183 FLORENCE CORSON, the daughter of Sylvanus and his second wife, Amanda (Townsend) Corson, was born Sept. 30, 1857. She married, Feb. 1, 1876, J. Orville Barnes. They had no children. After her husband's death, it is said that she was very melancholy until she became interested in the genealogy of her family. She became one of the leading genealogists of the Cape May Corson families, and after an extensive research into family history, requiring much time and considerable expense, made two family trees or charts, one listing the male descendants of John Corson and the other of Peter Corson, the pioneer settlers of the family in Cape May County. She obtained her data not only by an examination of various records, but also by personally interviewing many of the older members of the family, on several trips through Cape May County, with her father, by horse and buggy. Her research was made more than fifty years ago, and by interviewing the older members of the family then living, she was able to secure information that these old people had secured in their youth by talking to their parents and grandparents. Mrs. Barnes, unlike some of the others who made family trees, recorded the names of the wives in a great many instances. She also made a research into the nationality of the pioneers, John and Peter Corson, and from the results of this investigation was convinced that they were of Scandinavian origin, as she records each brother as "A Swede." The compiler also found the tradition of Scandinavian origin of the family very widespread and deepseated. It was also found that there were very few instances in which the names of the wives, as recorded by Mrs. Barnes, did not correspond to those named in other various records. The original charts are in possession of Mrs. Letitia Young Corson Tomlin of Westfield, N. J., who very kindly furnished a photostatic copy of each to the compiler. They were very valuable in compiling this work. Florence Corson Barnes is now deceased.

1211184 CAROLINE CORSON, the youngest child of Sylvanus and his second wife, Amanda (Townsend) Corson, was born at Seaville, Cape May County, N. J. She married James C.

Ross on Dec. 14, 1899. He is now deceased and Mrs. Ross lives at Ocean View, N. J. They had no children.

1211723 PARMENAS DAVIS, the son of Mary (Corson) and Benjamin Davis, was born June 1, 1841, in Hamilton County, Ohio. He served with the Union Army in the Civil War, in Company F, 138th O. V. I. He married Harriet E. Jamison, who was born in New Jersey. They lived in Hamilton County, Ohio, and had two children:

- 12117231 LILLIAN DAVIS, died in infancy;
- 12117232 CLARENCE DAVIS, born Oct. 11, 1863.

1211811 JACOB GODFREY CORSON, the eldest child of Jonas and Martha (Hickman) Corson, was born on June 6, 1852. He married Ruth Scull, who was born on Feb. 22, 1858. They had the following children:

- 12118111 MARTHA ELVIRA CORSON, born Feb. 24, 1880;
- 12118112 JONAS B. CORSON, JR., born Oct. 8, 1881, married Edna Hinneman, no issue;
- 12118113 ANNA JANE CORSON, born Mar. 13, 1884, married, first, Jack Rutherford, second, James McClure;
- 12118114 BERTHA TEAL CORSON, born Oct. 6, 1885;
- 12118115 JOHN FRANKLIN CORSON, born Aug. 8, 1888, married Maria ——— and had a son, who died in infancy;
- 12118116 ELTON B. CORSON, born Jan. 15, 1893;
- 12118117 ERNEST HAINES CORSON, born Mar. 11, 1894;
- 12118118 WILLIAM SNYDER CORSON, born May 14, 1896;
- 12118119 ELLA MYRTLE CORSON, born Apr. 24, 1899, married Ernest Soderberg and lives at 4332 Francis Ave., Seattle, Wash., no issue.

Jacob Corson died Jan. 3, 1925, and Ruth Corson, his wife, was living in 1931.

1211813 EDITH G. CORSON, born May 29, 1856, the third child of Jonas and Martha (Hickman) Corson, married William Snyder. They had two children:

- 12118131 ELVIRA H. SNYDER;
- 12118132 CLARENCE SNYDER.

1211814 HARRIET CORSON, born May 12, 1859, was the daughter of Jonas and Martha (Hickman) Corson. She and her twin brother, Joseph, were the youngest children of Jonas and Martha. She married Tobias de Kalb and had four children:

- 12118141 ELSIE DE KALB;
- 12118142 EDITH DE KALB;
- 12118143 RALPH DE KALB;
- 12118144 A CHILD who died at the age of one year.



1211815 JOSEPH CORSON, the twin brother of Harriet and the son of Jonas and Martha (Hickman) Corson, was born May 12, 1859. He married Ida Kent. They had two children:

- 12118151 MARY CORSON;
- 12118152 CHESTER CORSON.

1211852 CARA ELLEN CORSON, born Aug., 1862, was the daughter of Elmer Y. and Sarah (Hogan) Corson. She married Edgar M. Bevis. They lived at 1340 Hillcrest Rd., College Hill, Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Bevis is engaged in the real estate business. Mrs. Bevis for some time has been interested in the genealogy of the Corson families, and assisted the compiler in many ways. To them three children were born:

- 12118521 HOWARD LANDIS BEVIS, born Nov. 19, 1885;
- 12118522 CARA ALICE BEVIS, born Mar. 8, 1891;
- 12118523 CHARME DOROTHY BEVIS, born Sept. 20, 1894.

Cara Ellen Corson Bevis died Aug. 27, 1934. She is buried in the Bevis Cemetery at Bevis, Ohio.

1211933 JOSEPH CORSON, born Mar. 28, 1858, the third child of Lumis and Angelina (Carr) Corson, married Lida E. Shafer. She was born on Oct. 30, 1865. They live at New Baltimore, Ohio, near Cincinnati. Their children are:

- 12119331 CLARENCE CORSON, born July 11, 1884, married May Riningger, Sept. 9, 1903;
- 12119332 ORRIE CORSON, born Aug. 26, 1886, married Ethel Whitney, Mar. 22, 1905;
- 12119333 WALTER CORSON, born Nov. 11, 1888, married Frances Otto, Oct. 22, 1917;
- 12119334 EDITH CORSON, born Oct. 25, 1890, married Robert Whitehead, Sept. 1, 1906, she died May 7, 1913;
- 12119335 ESTELLE CORSON, born July 8, 1893, married Louis Raish, Oct. 26, 1921;
- 12119336 MYRTLE CORSON, born July 10, 1895, married Howard Mc-creadie, Sept. 17, 1813;
- 12119337 ELSIE CARRIE CORSON, born Aug. 4, 1897, married Chelsey C. Agnew, Apr. 22, 1916;
- 12119338 VALIDA CORSON, born Feb. 14, 1906, married John Colegate, June 27, 1923.

1211963 FRANK CORSON, the second son of Parmenas and Harriet (Davis) Corson, was born Sept. 30, 1861. He taught school for about 30 years and then farmed. On May 28, 1890, he married Dora S. Clawson, the daughter of George and Rebecca (DeArmond) Clawson. They live on a farm near Okeana, Butler County, Ohio. Frank and Dora Corson had three children:

12119631 EARL LEROY CORSON, born Sept. 25, 1892;

12119622 BLANCH CORSON, born Nov. 4, 1902;

12119623 RAYMOND CORSON, born Aug. 6, 1907.

1211964 SWAIN CORSON, the third son of Parmenas and Harriet (Davis) Corson, was born Aug. 10, 1864. He married Adda Abraham, born Oct. 27, 1866. He was a carpenter by trade and in 1932 resided at Oxford, Ohio. They had three children:

12119641 THURMAN M. CORSON, born Nov. 26, 1888;

12119642 BONNIE B. CORSON, born Apr. 24, 1891, died Sept. 26, 1913;

12119643 FLOSSIE CORSON, born Jan. 12, 1900, died Mar. 29, 1900.

Swain Corson died in the fall of 1932.

1212112 NICHOLAS CORSON, son of Shamgar and 121114 Sarah (Corson) Corson, the daughter of James, was born Sept. 9, 1833. He married, July 4, 1863, Harriet B. Hall, who was born May 15, 1840. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. They had three children:

12121121 EMMA CORSON, born May 31, 1864, married Samuel Henderson, resides in Ocean City, N. J., no issue;

12121122 LINWOOD SHAMGAR CORSON, born Nov. 19, 1872;

12121123 ALLEN H. CORSON, born 1875, married Florence Ingram, resides at Germantown, Pa., no issue.

Nicholas Corson died, Nov. 15, 1909, and his wife, Harriet, died Jan. 15, 1889.

1212141 LOUISA STITES CORSON, born Sept. 2, 1837, was the daughter of Abijah and Rhoda (Stites) Corson. She married Dr. Job Braddock Somers on Jan. 1, 1863. He was born at Somers Point, N. J., June 17, 1840, the son of Richard L. Somers and Annie (Braddock) Somers, of Medford, N. J. Doctor Somers was of the sixth generation from John Somers (progenitor) who came from Worcester, England, about 1691-92, and bought property from Thomas Budd in 1695. Florence Somers Scull has the original deed for this land. It is known as "The Somerset Plantation"; some of the property, including the Somers Mansion, built in the early 1700, is still owned by the family. Doctor Somers attended school at Charlotteville, N. Y.; graduated from Jefferson Medical College in 1859, at 19 years of age. He started to practice medicine at South Seaville, Cape May County, N. J., where he wooed and married his wife. He later moved to Linwood, N. J. (about three miles from Somers Point), where he continued practicing until his death in 1895.



He was a charter member of the Atlantic County Medical Society and was its first president. He also was a charter member and past master of Trinity Lodge, F. and A. M., of Atlantic City, and charter member and past master of Keystone Lodge, F. and A. M., of Linwood. He was a great student, very conscientious, modest and retiring. He wrote and compiled several pamphlets, notable among them was the Life of Captain Richard Somers, of Tripoli fame, who was a member of his family, and the Medical History of Atlantic County, N. J. At the time of his death he was engaged in looking up the history of the Quakers of South Jersey. He was a member of the Baptist Church. Louisa Stites (Corson) and Dr. Job B. Somers had two children:

- 12121411 FLORENCE TOWNSEND SOMERS, born July 12, 1864;  
12121412 LUCIEN SOMERS, born Apr. 8, 1871.

Dr. Job B. Somers died Apr. 8, 1895, and Louisa, his wife, on Dec. 14, 1888. They are buried in the Old Family Burying Ground at Somers Point, N. J.

1212142 LUCIEN B. CORSON, born June 25, 1843, was the only son of Abijah and Rhoda (Stites) Corson. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having been mustered in the service Sept. 2, 1862; served with N. J. Vol., 25 Reg., Co. G., Col. Durham in Command. He was mustered out of service June 20, 1863. He married Isabelle Endicott on Dec. 17, 1875. They had four children:

- 12121421 CHARLES CORSON;  
12121422 PAULINE CORSON;  
12121423 LOUISA CORSON;  
12121424 ANNA CORSON.

The first three children died in infancy. Anna resided at May's Landing, N. J., with her mother. Lucien B. Corson died Oct. 13, 1907.

1213141 JAMES K. CORSON, born June 9, 1838, the eldest son of Albert and Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson, married, Mar. 10, 1857, Mary Jane Spore. They lived in Ohio County, Ind., for some years, then moved to Illinois. They had seven children:

- 12131411 WILLIAM ALBERT CORSON, born Jan. 24, 1858, at Rising Sun, Ind.;  
12131412 THOMAS EDDY CORSON, born Dec. 10, 1859;  
12131413 GEORGE ELMER CORSON, born Apr. 26, 1862;  
12131414 ALMA HENDEE CORSON, born Sept. 28, 1863;  
12131415 INFANT, born July, 1864, died Aug., 1864;

12131416 MARY EMMA CORSON, born Apr. 28, 1866;

12131417 JOHN BAILEY CORSON, born Dec. 10, 1868.

1213143 ANDREW K. CORSON, born Jan. 10, 1842, the third son of Albert and Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson, married, Feb. 20, 1867, Rose Trester. They lived in Dearborn County, Ind. Two children were born to them:

12131431 LOUELLA CORSON, born Dec. 28, 1867;

12131432 A. J. (JACKEY) CORSON, born July 18, 1869.

Andrew K. Corson died Feb. 5, 1872. Rose (Trester) Corson, his wife, died July 29, 1929.

1213145 CATHERINE TOTTEN CORSON, born Sept. 23, 1845, the fifth child of Albert and Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson, married, Dec. 5, 1866, Cornelius Buchanan. They lived in Dearborn County, Ind. Three children were born to them as follows:

12131451 ANNA BUCHANAN, born Mar. 1, 1868;

12131452 CLARA BUCHANAN, born Apr. 20, 1871;

12131453 HARRIET BUCHANAN, born Feb. 19, 1879.

1213146 JOHN K. CORSON, born Oct. 4, 1867, the sixth child of Albert and Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson, married, Mar. 12, 1873, Sarah Pate. She was born Aug. 4, 1849, near Coles Corner, Ohio County, Ind. He was born near Laughery Creek, Ohio County, Ind. They lived at Rising Sun, Ind., and had four children:

12131461 JOHN PETER CORSON, born Jan. 25, 1875;

12131462 JAMES WILLIAM CORSON, born Oct. 10, 1877, unmarried, U. S.

Internal Revenue Agent in charge San Francisco Office;

12131463 ALBERT CORSON, born Sept. 20, 1880, died Feb. 19, 1920, married Harriet Hayes, issue two children;

12131464 ELIZABETH CORSON, born Feb. 27, 1883.

John K. Corson is deceased.

1213147 SARAH ANN CORSON, born Apr. 10, 1850, the seventh child of Albert and Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson, married Hartsell Buchanan. They lived in Dearborn County, Ind., for some years then moved to Milton, Ky. To them were born seven children:

12131471 MAY BUCHANAN, born Feb. 26, 1874, married ——— Graves, lives at Madison, Ind.;

12131472 TIMOTHY BUCHANAN, born Jan. 25, 1875, married and lives at Milton, Ky.;

12131473 HARRY BUCHANAN, born July 21, 1880, married, lives at Madison, Ind.;

12131474 LUCY BUCHANAN, born Jan. 31, 1882, married ——— Kelly, deceased;



12131475 STELLA BUCHANAN, married ——— Brooks, lives at Sulphur, Ky.

12131476 ADA BUCHANAN, married ——— Melton, lives at Madison, Ind.;

12131477 (NO RECORD OF SEVENTH CHILD).

Sarah Ann Corson is deceased.

1213148 ELIZABETH CORSON (twin), born July 18, 1852, was the eighth child of Albert and Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson. She married Hiram Barricklow. They lived in Ohio County, Ind., and had two children:

12131481 ALBERT BARRICKLOW, born June 28, 1878;

12131482 MARY BARRICKLOW, born Oct. 1, 1879.

Elizabeth Corson is deceased.

1213149 NANCY CORSON, born July 18, 1852, twin sister of Elizabeth Corson, was the ninth child of Albert and Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson. She married William Moore. They lived in Ohio County, Ind., and had three children:

12131491 LIDA MOORE, born Oct. 25, 1879;

12131492 CURTIS MOORE, born Oct. 3, 1883;

12131493 KATE MOORE, born Mar. 20, 1890.

Nancy Corson was living in 1932.

121314:10: LUCINDA CORSON, born Sept. 15, 1854, the tenth child of Albert and Elizabeth (Kittle) Corson, married, Apr. 27, 1884, Luke Buchanan. They lived in Dearborn County, Ind. They had seven children:

121314:10:1 LIZZIE BUCHANAN, born Mar. 13, 1885;

121314:10:2 LURENA BUCHANAN, born July 27, 1886, deceased, married L. A. Preston, no issue;

121314:10:3 ELLA BUCHANAN, born Dec. 26, 1887, married J. M. Larkin, resides at Osawatamie, Kan., no issue;

121314:10:4 KATE BUCHANAN, born Oct. 12, 1889;

121314:10:5 JOHN BUCHANAN, born Aug. 31, 1891;

121314:10:6 CORNELIUS BUCHANAN, born Feb. 13, 1895;

121314:10:7 MARY BUCHANAN, born June 25, 1898, died in infancy.

Lucinda Corson is deceased.

121314:11: ALBERT CORSON, born Feb. 4, 1859, the eldest child of Albert Corson and his second wife, Susan (Winkley) Corson, married Mary Barricklow, Jan. 31, 1883. They lived in Ohio County, Ind., and had three children:

121314:11:1 LAURA CORSON, born Dec. 27, 1883;

121314:11:2 MABEL CORSON, born July 19, 1888;

121314:11:3 RUSSELL CORSON, born Jan. 7, 1900, married Alta Miller, lives at East Enterprise, Ind., no issue.

Albert Corson in 1933 resided in East Enterprise, Ind.

121314:12: SUSAN CORSON, the second child of Albert Corson and his second wife, Susan (Winkley) Corson, was born Jan. 18, 1860. She married, Sept. 2, 1879, Will Higbee. They lived at Rising Sun, Ind., and had seven children:

- 121314:12:1 MINNIE HIGBEE, born June 30, 1880;
- 121314:12:2 STELLA HIGBEE, born Dec. 8, 1881;
- 121314:12:3 FRANK HIGBEE, born May 2, 1883, lives at Victor, Mont.;
- 121314:12:4 BESSIE HIGBEE, born Oct. 26, 1885;
- 121314:12:5 RUSSELL HIGBEE, born May 28, 1887;
- 121314:12:6 MARY HIGBEE, born May 27, 1888;
- 121314:12:7 NETTIE HIGBEE, born June 3, 1893, married, Feb. 6, 1929, Clarence Forsberg, lives at Fallon, Nev.

121314:13: AQUILLA CORSON, born Sept. 20, 1863, the third child of Albert Corson and his second wife, Susan (Winkley) Corson, married, Sept., 1890, Emma Higbee. They lived at Rising Sun, Ind., and had two children:

- 121314:13:1 PEARL CORSON, born Dec. 27, 1894;
- 121314:13:2 ERNEST CORSON, born Feb. 24, 1896.

Aquilla Corson married, second, Ella Lingenfelter, Feb. 25, 1903. One daughter was born to the second union:

- 121314:13:3 NELLIE CORSON, born Apr. 18, 1904, died Dec. 17, 1909.

Pearl and Ernest Corson live at Rising Sun.

121314:14: RUFUS CORSON, the fourth child of Albert Corson and his second wife, Susan (Winkley) Corson, married Allie Hunter. After their marriage they lived in Ohio County, Ind., but later moved to Modesto, Calif. They had two children:

- 121314:14:1 ALVEE CORSON;
- 121314:14:2 EDITH CORSON.

121314:15: LAURA CORSON, the fifth child of Albert Corson and his second wife, Susan (Winkley) Corson, was born Mar. 4, 1867. She married, Mar. 15, 1887, John Lotton. They lived at Rising Sun, Ind., and had four children:

- 121314:15:1 RONALD LOTTON, deceased, married Ruth Detmer;
- 121314:15:2 ALBERT LOTTON, married Jessie Barricklow;
- 121314:15:3 DILVER LOTTON, married Nannie Beard;
- 121314:15:4 MYRTLE LOTTON, unmarried.

All live at Rising Sun, Ind.



1213163 MARY CAROLINE KITTLE, the third child of Lucinda (Corson) and John Gibson Kittle, married Malic Hunt. She was his second wife. They resided in Dearborn County and had the following children:

- 12131631 MARIAN CHARITY HUNT, born May 17, 1876, married 12131461 John Peter Corson, under whose record their children are recorded;  
12131632 GEORGE FRANCIS HUNT, born July 3, 1879.

Mary Caroline Hunt died May 30, 1884.

1213165 WILLIAM KITTLE, the fifth child of Lucinda (Corson) and John Gibson Kittle, died Aug. 2, 1922. He married, first, Aug. 15, 1876, Olive Jane Lake, and had three children, two dying in infancy. The surviving child was:

- 12131651 MINNIE NORINE KITTLE, born Mar. 28, 1877.

William Kittle married, second, Jan. 7, 1884, Laura Beel Richardson and had four children:

- 12131652 ALBERT W. KITTLE, born May 25, 1885, married Adeline Higgs, was foreman Pennsylvania Railroad Yards, now retired;  
12131653 LESTER KITTLE, born Sept. 15, 1890;  
12131654 RALPH M. KITTLE, born Sept. 30, 1895;  
12131655 JAMES F. KITTLE, born Oct. 27, 1900.

1213167 THOMAS SMITH KITTLE, the seventh child of Lucinda (Corson) and John Gibson Kittle, married Elizabeth Cooley. They had one child:

- 12131671 GRACE KITTLE, married Ralph Parks, issue, Ruth, Wahl, and Paul Parks.

1213168 AMELIA KITTLE, the eighth child of Lucinda (Corson) and John Gibson Kittle, married Louis Riggs, who died in Jan., 1905. They had two children:

- 12131681 FRANK LLOYD RIGGS, born Jan. 5, 1886, married, May 1, 1907, Daisy Strong, issue, Frank Lloyd, Jr., born Aug. 15, 1908, John A., born Jan. 29, 1912, Robert A., born Mar. 24, 1914;  
12131682 JOHN RIGGS, born Feb. 15, 1890, died Jan. 6, 1908.

They resided in Indianapolis, Ind.

121316:10: EMMA J. KITTLE, the tenth child of Lucinda (Corson) and John Gibson Kittle, married Lincoln Wilson. He died May 28, 1915. They had one child:

- 121316:10:1 ARTHUR E. WILSON, born Feb. 4, 1884.

121316:11: CATHERINE (KATE) KITTLE, the eleventh child of Lucinda (Corson) and John Gibson Kittle, married

George W. Percy. They resided in Indianapolis, and had one child:

121316:11:1 IVY MYRTLE PEARCY, born Sept. 11, 1890, and is (1939) a teacher in the Potter Fresh Air School, Indianapolis, Ind.

121316:13: JOHN F. KITTLE, the youngest child of Lucinda (Corson) and John Gibson Kittle, married, Oct. 14, 1893, Nettie Hubbard. They resided in Indianapolis, Ind., and had one child:

121316:13:1 RUTH F. KITTLE, born Feb. 8, 1896.

1216221 HOPE CORSON, the son of Somers and Emeline (Fifer) Corson, married Susan Denby. They had one son:

12162211 FOREST CORSON.

1216431 HARRISON CORSON, born 1854, the son of Cornelius and Almira (Blake) Corson, married Roselma Hill. She was born in 1855. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. Their children were recorded in the 1885 census as follows:

12164311 ROSELMA CORSON, born 1875, died Apr. 24, 1907;

12164312 ALMIRA B. CORSON, born 1875;

12164313 WALTER H. CORSON, born 1878, died Dec. 25, 1909;

12164314 LEWIS C. CORSON, born 1880;

12164315 JAMES W. CORSON, born 1881, died Dec. 14, 1903. Two other sons are listed by Flora Corson Barnes as:

12164316 FRANCIS CORSON, deceased;

12164317 BELMONT CORSON, deceased.

According to Craig's History of Petersburg, Roselma married George Eldredge; Allie (Almira) married Benjamin Taylor; Walter married Sara J. Sharp.

1221215 PETER S. CORSON, born 1846, the son of Champion and Mary (Corson) Corson, married Amelia Cowley. (F. C. Barnes.) They had one son:

12212151 WALTER CORSON.

1221222 MARY FORD CORSON, born 1836, the second daughter of David and Elizabeth (Ford) Corson, married Dr. William A. Burns. They had three sons:

12212221 STILLWELL BURNS;

12212222 WILLIAM BURNS;

12212223 WEBSTER BURNS.

1224611 WILLIAM CORSON, born Aug. 27, 1866, the eldest son of Asail L. and Ellen Elizabeth (Cole) Corson, never married. He was killed making an arrest while performing his duties as Sheriff, at Bisbee, Ariz., June 18, 1901.



1224612 ALMA CORSON, born Sept. 29, 1867, was the second child of Asail L. and Ellen Elizabeth (Cole) Corson. She attended school at Minneapolis, Kan.; taught school several years; graduated in optometry in 1893. She followed her profession for several years, then graduated in medicine from the Woman's Medical College in 1902. After graduating she specialized in diseases of the eye, ear and throat, and taught in the Southwestern Optical College at Kansas City, Mo. She married, June 16, 1898, S. W. Lane, M.D., born Nov. 1, 1854, in Ozark County, Mo. He also studied law and is the founder and president of the Southwestern Optical College. His wife, Dr. Alma Lane, is treasurer of the College. They have no children.

1224613 ASA L. CORSON (ASAIL, JR.), the third child of Asail and Ellen E. (Cole) Corson, was born Nov. 7, 1868, in Ashland, Cass County, Ill. Asa is now associated with the Southern Pacific Railroad, being located in Mexicali, Mexico, where he is train dispatcher. He married, first, July 23, 1889, Joana Belle Amidon, born 1867, the daughter of Solomon B. Amidon, an engineer on the Missouri Pacific Railway. To them three daughters were born as follows:

12246131 HELEN CORSON, born Aug. 13, 1891;

12246132 RUTH CORSON, born June 9, 1896, died Aug. 3, 1909;

12246133 HARRIET CORSON, born Aug. 31, 1903.

The first wife died May 29, 1919. Asa Corson married, second, 1224665 Frances N. Nottingham, born Jan. 29, 1880, the daughter of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham. The ceremony was performed on Jan. 19, 1929. Asa is one of the genealogists of the family and has prepared a very unique family tree, showing how his grandfather and grandmother were descended from the immigrants to Cape May County, John and Peter Corson. He very kindly furnished the compiler a copy of this chart, which was helpful in compiling the history of his family.

1224614 HARLEY TOWNSEND CORSON, born Aug. 2, 1872, the fourth son of Asail and Ellen E. (Cole) Corson, married Hattie Thomas. They live in Chicago, where he is executive secretary of the National Food Bureau. They have two sons:

12246141 KEITH CORSON;

12246142 DONALD CORSON.

1224616 ADA CORSON, born Aug. 29, 1876, the sixth child of Asail and Ellen E. (Cole) Corson, married James Bosier. She

died Sept. 9, 1894, at Kansas City, Mo., and is buried in Highland Cemetery, Minneapolis, Kan. They had one son:

12246161 HARRY LEROY BOSIER, who after his mother's death was adopted by his grandmother, Ellen E. Corson.

1224617 NELLIE RACHEL CORSON, born Feb. 23, 1878, the seventh child of Asail and Ellen E. (Cole) Corson, married three times. She married, first, Archie E. Parnall, Dec. 25, 1896, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Edwin Seldon at Denver, Colo. They had two children:

12246171 EDGAR ERWIN PARNALL, born Nov. 28, 1897;

12246172 EUNICE MARIA PARNALL, born Dec. 4, 1898.

Nellie R. and Archie E. Parnall were divorced July 13, 1909, at Denver, Colo. She married, second, Jan., 1911, Henry Lewis; he died in Jan., 1913. She married, Dec. 25, 1921, at Kansas City, Kan., Alfred Soderberg. Except for two years (1930-31), when they lived at Dwight, Kan., they have lived on a farm at Junction City, Kan. During the World War, Nellie organized and operated the Soldiers' and Sailors' Club at Denver, Colo. She is very much interested in Corson genealogy and has prepared a manuscript of many interesting records of the family, gathered from various sources. This was very kindly loaned to the compiler for his use while preparing this work.

1224621 EDWARD HUNTER, eldest son of Abigail (Corson) and William R. Hunter, born Apr. 27, 1861, at Ashland, Ill., married, July 4, 1883, Sophia D. Lohman, who was born Nov. 7, 1863, at Habana, Ill. He was living in 1932 at Tampa, Fla. They had three children:

12246211 CLAUDE WILLIAM HUNTER, born 1884, at Ashland, Ill.;

12246212 BERTHA ABBIE HUNTER, born 1886, at Springfield, Ill.;

12246213 FRANK LOHMAN HUNTER, born 1888, at Ashland, Ill.

1224622 WILLIAM RICHARD HUNTER, born Sept. 25, 1862, at Ashland, Ill., second son of Abigail (Corson) and William H. Hunter, married, Mar. 16, 1898, Sarah Elizabeth Byard, born July 18, 1877, at Mt. Vernon, Ill. They have four children:

12246221 BESSIE BAYARD HUNTER, born Mar. 8, 1900, at Kansas City, Mo.;

12246222 RICHARD CORSON HUNTER, born Aug. 11, 1901, at Kansas City, Mo., married, Aug. 4, 1930, Dorothy Wilson, born July 1, 1910, at Chillicothe, Mo.;

12216223 MILDRED MAY HUNTER, born Nov. 28, 1904, at Kansas City, died Aug. 17, 1913;



12246224 WILLIAM PAUL HUNTER, born Nov. 18, 1914, at Kansas City, Mo.

12246228 CHARLES G. HUNTER, born at Ashland, Ill., the eighth child of Abigail (Corson) and William R. Hunter, married Jennie Hutchinson of Leeds, Mo., in 1897. They reside at Los Angeles, Calif. They have two children:

12246281 TOM HUNTER, who is married and has a son, Glenn;

12246282 LOUIS HUNTER.

12246229 EUGENE CORSON HUNTER, born Oct. 25, 1875, at Ashland, Ill., the ninth child of Abigail (Corson) and William R. Hunter, married, Sept. 15, 1902, at Kansas City, Mo., Aimee Zare Pierson, born Nov. 17, 1879, at Nerne, Tex. They reside at Independence, Mo. They have five children:

12246291 RALPH PIERSON HUNTER, born Sept. 10, 1903, at Kansas City, Mo.;

12246292 CLARENCE EUGENE HUNTER, born Jan. 19, 1905, at Kansas City, Mo.;

12246293 DOROTHY HUNTER, born July 14, 1907, at Kansas City, Mo.;

12246294 VIRGINIA GLADYS HUNTER, born June 11, 1918, at Independence, Mo.;

12246295 JOSEPH LESLIE HUNTER, born May 18, 1920, at Independence, Mo.

122462:10: ERNEST HUNTER, born Mar. 6, 1878, at Ashland, Ill., the tenth child of Abigail (Corson) and William R. Hunter, married, Nov. 22, 1905, at Kansas City, Mo., Louise Haffner, born Feb. 15, 1885, at Warrensburg, Mo. They resided in Kansas City, where their only son:

122462:10:1 ERNEST HUNTER, JR., was born Feb. 14, 1908. He married, Mar. 15, 1930, Hazel Peel, born July 19, 1907, at Slater, Mo.

Ernest Hunter, Sr., died Mar. 15, 1931.

122462:11: ABBIE MAY HUNTER, the youngest child of Abigail (Corson) and William R. Hunter, was born Jan. 7, 1880, at Jacksonville, Ill. She married, July 17, 1912, at Kansas City, Mo., Ernst F. Stoeltzing, who was born Mar. 2, 1880, at Kansas City. Mr. Stoeltzing, in 1932, was engaged in the wholesale and retail paint business at Kansas City. They have two children:

122462:11:1 ERNST RICHARD STOELTZING, born Nov. 3, 1915, at Kansas City;

122462:11:2 MILDRED MAY STOELTZING, born Oct. 1, 1916, at Kansas City, Mo.

1224651 RICHARD EDWARD CORSON, III, born Dec. 4, 1869, in Cartwright Township, Sangamon County, Ill., was the

eldest son of Richard H. and Julia Frances (Connelly) Corson. He married, June 8, 1897, Jessie Curry Fee, who was born at Rockport, Ind., on Aug. 28, 1872. They reside at 122 N. Glenwood Ave., Springfield, Ill. To them the following named children were born:

- 12246511 HAROLD FEE CORSON, born Aug. 29, 1898;
- 12246512 WESLEY CONNELLY CORSON, born June 11, 1901;
- 12246513 JESSIE FRANCES CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1904;
- 12246514 RICHARD AUTHUR CORSON, IV, born June 26, 1917.

1224652 CHARLES CONNELLY CORSON, born July 15, 1874, was the second child of Richard H. and Julia Frances Corson. He resides at 315 W. Monroe St., Springfield, Ill. On Aug. 12, 1896, at Springfield, Ill., he married Olive Elizabeth Carver, who was born June 25, 1874. She died, June 22, 1927, and is buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Ill. They had no children.

1224653 CORA RAMES CORSON, the only daughter of Richard H. and Julia (Connelly) Corson, was born July 16, 1880, at Springfield, Ill. She married, July 2, 1902, Roy Madison Heaton, who was born Mar. 21, 1879, at Virden, Ill. They reside at 700 Glennwood Ave., Springfield. They have one son:

- 12246531 FOREST CORSON HEATON.

1224661 AUTHUR NOTTINGHAM, born 1869, the eldest son of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham, married, Nov. 16, 1896, Mary F. Sutton. They live near Pleasant Plains, Ill. They have three children:

- 12246611 HELEN NOTTINGHAM, born Sept. 4, 1898, died Mar. 27, 1921;
- 12246612 MABEL NOTTINGHAM, born Aug. 13, 1902;
- 12246613 DELLA NOTTINGHAM, born Jan. 19, 1906.

1224662 WALTER NOTTINGHAM, born 1871, son of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham, married, Jan. 1, 1896, Annie Roby. They live near Pleasant Plains, Ill. Their children were:

- 12246621 GEORGE NOTTINGHAM, born Oct. 28, 1901;
- 12246622 EDNA NOTTINGHAM, born July 31, 1903, married James Brashears, July 26, 1926;
- 12246623 WALTER NOTTINGHAM, JR., born Aug. 25, 1905;
- 12246624 MARIELLEN NOTTINGHAM, born Dec. 23, 1910, married John P. Moss, Apr. 5, 1930.

1224663 LUTHER NOTTINGHAM, born 1873, son of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham, married Laura Henderson, Jan. 2, 1896. They live in Springfield, Ill. They had five children:



- 12246631 WILLIAM NOTTINGHAM, born May 9, 1898; Edgar  
 12246632 NELLIE NOTTINGHAM, born Mar. 31, 1900, married Edward  
 Marion, Oct. 5, 1917;  
 12246633 CHESTER NOTTINGHAM, born July 19, 1902, died Jan. 29, 1930;  
 12246634 LENA NOTTINGHAM, born July 3, 1907, married John Micko,  
 May 4, 1930;  
 12246635 FLOYD NOTTINGHAM, born Nov. 9, 1909.

1224664 JONATHAN NOTTINGHAM, born 1878, son of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham, married Nellie Purviance, Oct. 16, 1901. They live near Pleasant Plains, Ill. To them three children were born:

- 12246641 BURTON NOTTINGHAM, born Oct. 23, 1902;  
 12246642 JONATHAN NOTTINGHAM, JR., born May 21, 1908;  
 12246643 RUTH NOTTINGHAM, born June 13, 1912.

Jonathan, Jr., died Sept. 22, 1925.

1224665 FRANCES NOTTINGHAM, daughter of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham, was born Jan. 29, 1880. She married 1224613 Asail (Asa) Corson, her cousin, in 1929. They live in Mexicali, Mexico, and Los Angeles, Calif.

1224667 ELIZABETH NOTTINGHAM, born 1884, daughter of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham, married Floyd Weaver, Jan., 1911. They live near Delaware, Ohio. They have one son:

- 12246671 ROBERT WEAVER, born Feb. 1, 1913.

1224668 LEROY NOTTINGHAM, born 1887, son of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham, married Katherine Dempsey in 1913. They live at Taft, Calif. To them one son was born:

- 12246681 RALPH NOTTINGHAM, born June 25, 1914.

Leroy Nottingham died June 25, 1925.

1224669 FRANK NOTTINGHAM, son of Mary Ann (Corson) and John Nottingham, was born Sept. 7, 1888. He married Harriet Rush, June 1, 1921. They live at Shafter, Calif.

1224671 CHARLES EDGAR MCGINNIS, the eldest son of Margaret (Corson) and Thomas J. McGinnis, was born June 3, 1873, at Bement, Ill. His residence is Glendale, Calif., and in 1931 he was practicing law in Los Angeles. He also devotes much time to writing and teaching, and was Dean of the College of Law of Lincoln University, San Francisco, for five years until Aug., 1930. He married, Aug. 28, 1901, Edith Jeffries at St. John, Kan. They have no children.

1224672 EUGENE EVERETT McGINNIS, born Aug. 13, 1874, at Bement, Ill., was the second son of Margaret (Corson) and Thomas J. McGinnis. He is a successful farmer at Flemington, Mo. He married, Dec. 25, 1906, at Bucklin, Kan., Mabel Wyatt. She died on Apr. 12, 1929. They adopted a son:

12246721 RALPH MILES McGINNIS, born in 1916.

1224673 VIRGIL HORACE McGINNIS, born Aug. 14, 1878, at Bement, Ill., was the third son of Margaret (Corson) and Thomas J. McGinnis. He resides at Alamosa, Colo., and is traveling engineer and train master for the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad. On Apr. 17, 1901, at Florence, Colo., he married Ida Wonn. They have three children:

12246731 RAYMOND CECIL McGINNIS, born Apr. 3, 1902;

12246732 MILDRED McGINNIS, born Aug. 20, 1906;

12246733 HARLEY McGINNIS, born May 21, 1908, student, University of Colorado.

The three children were born in Pueblo, Colo.

1224674 MAUD McGINNIS, was born at Bement, Ill., May 18, 1880. On Nov. 4, 1903, she married Elmer L. Stocking at Delavan, Kan. He is a successful farmer and is also rural mail carrier. Eight children were born to them as follows:

12246741 CARL LEROY STOCKING, born Sept. 5, 1904;

12246742 ALMA LOUISE STOCKING, born Apr. 10, 1906;

12246743 NELLIE FRANCES STOCKING, born Dec. 17, 1908;

12246744 HAROLD FREDERICK STOCKING, born Jan. 20, 1911;

12246745 FRANK ALVIN STOCKING, born Feb. 26, 1913, teacher;

12246746 MARGARET ETHEL STOCKING, born May 2, 1915, at Mayfield, Kan., student (1931) Sumner County High School, Wellington, Kan.;

12246747 MARY ELIZABETH STOCKING, born Oct. 15, 1821, Wellington, Kan.;

12246748 HERBERT LEE STOCKING, born Apr. 26, 1923, Mayfield, Kan.

1224675 MYRTA ETHEL McGINNIS, the youngest child of Margaret (Corson) and Thomas J. McGinnis, was born near Hepler, Kan., Nov. 10, 1891. She is a teacher of note, and is now (1931) finishing her thesis for her Ph.D. degree at Yale, New Haven, Conn. Previously, she taught two years in Missouri University, two years in the University of Wisconsin as instructor in English, and six years in Goucher College, Baltimore, Md.

1225111 DANIEL L. CORSON, born 1852, was the son of Sylvester and Ellen (Godfrey) Corson. He married Elizabeth Brooks and had two sons:



12251111 SYLVESTER CORSON ;  
 12251112 HARRIS CORSON. (F.C.B.)

1225311 LILLIE CORSON, born May 13, 1857, the eldest child of Elias Lake and Eleanor Hughs (Young) Corson, married, June 20, 1888, John Wesley Lower, a builder and contractor. They had one child:

12253111 ELMA RAE HATTON LOWER, born June 21, 1890, who married George H. Clemens. Mr. and Mrs. Clemens live in Camden, N. J., and have no children.

1225314 MARY FLORENCE CORSON, born Nov. 24, 1865, the fourth child of Elias Lake and Eleanor Hughs (Young) Corson, married, Oct. 18, 1886, Thomas Addison Stockham. They have two children:

12253141 FLORENCE ADDISON STOCKHAM, born Feb. 16, 1889, died in Camden, N. J., about 1920, married J. Milton Tietz of Haddonfield, N. J., no issue;

12253142 THOMAS BYRON STOCKHAM, born Dec. 5, 1897, is married and resides at Rochester, N. Y., no issue.

1225315 SARAH MAY CORSON, born Dec. 5, 1867, at Philadelphia, Pa., the fifth child of Capt. Elias Lake and Eleanor Hughs (Young) Corson, married, June 8, 1903, Walter O. Pennell, the son of Robert Franklin Pennell and Martha Morgan (Otis) Pennell. He was born Jan. 13, 1875, and is an engineer, a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is chief engineer of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, which operates in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas. Sarah May (Corson) and Walter O. Pennell had three children:

12253151 A SON, died at birth in 1905;

12253152 DOROTHY PENNELL, born Sept. 27, 1906, at Kansas City, Mo., married Sept. 17, 1929, Dr. Arthur Weever Melton and resides at Columbia, Mo., where Doctor Melton is Professor of Psychology at the University of Missouri;

12253153 FORD PENNELL, born May 15, 1909, at Kansas City, Mo., who is unmarried and lives in St. Louis, Mo., where he is general sales manager of the Jasper Blackburn Products, Inc.

Sarah May (Corson) Pennell died Feb. 12, 1933, at Webster Groves, Mo.

1225317 WILLIAM PENN CORSON, born Feb. 27, 1873, the seventh child of Capt. Elias Lake and Eleanor Hughs (Young) Corson, married, May 30, 1899, Katherine Kronenwetter from the eastern part of Pennsylvania. He was a man of considerable prominence and for many years was Sheriff of Camden County,



N. J. He was also a contractor and road builder. He died about 1928. William Penn and Katherine (Kronenwetter) Corson had four children :

12253171 WILLIAM WALLACE CORSON, born Mar. 16, 1900;

12253172 CHARLES HOBERT CORSON, born July 23, 1902, unmarried, and resides at 506 Haddon Ave., Camden, N. J.;

12253173 EDWARD MAHLON CORSON, born Dec. 8, 1907, married, Oct. 28, 1929, Marie Kurtz, and resides at the Kingsway, Haddonfield, N. J.;

12253174 JOHN MARVIN CORSON, born May 16, 1912, died Jan. 8, 1915.

1225319 ESTELL CORSON, born Aug. 21, 1878, married, July 26, 1905, Henry Bamberger, the son of Isaac and Babette Bamberger. He was a manufacturer of ladies' lingerie and dresses and was a man of prominence. He died June 20, 1908. Estell Corson married, second, about 1920, Walter Smith, an Englishman, who is an engineer with the British Government in charge of roads and public improvements in the federated Malay States. There were no children of either marriage.

1225431 CHARLOTTE W. CORSON, born May 18, 1861, daughter of Mulford and Catherine L. (Wicks) Corson, married Townsend Godfrey in 1880 at Palermo, Cape May County, N. J. Their children were:

12254311 WILLIAM P. GODFREY, born Dec. 23, 1880;

12254312 IRENE C. GODFREY, born July 2, 1884;

12254313 MULFORD T. GODFREY, born Aug. 22, 1887;

12254314 ZELMA G. GODFREY, born Nov. 26, 1890; all born at Palermo.

1225432 ARNELIA B. CORSON, born Sept. 18, 1864, daughter of Mulford and Catherine L. (Wicks) Corson, married Edgar M. Cain of Lancaster, Pa., in 1883. Mr. Cain was associated with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and died Mar. 27, 1931, aged 69 years, at Lynchburg, Va., of heart failure. He is buried at Seaside Cemetery, Palermo, N. J. Mrs. Cain in 1932 was living in Philadelphia, Pa. They have one daughter:

12254321 FLORENCE L. CAIN, born in Philadelphia in 1891.

1225433 DANIEL HUGH CORSON, born 1866, son of Mulford and Catherine L. (Wicks) Corson, married Edith Miller of Philadelphia, Pa. He is deceased. They had no issue.

1225722 MARY LEONORA CORSON, born Oct. 29, 1877, is the only surviving child of John C. and Martha (Borden) Corson. She is unmarried. Mary Leonora is one of those interested in Corson genealogy and she very kindly assisted the com-



piller by furnishing data for this work. She resides at Ocean City, N. J.

1411211 CORNELIUS CORSON, born 1834, at Beasleys Point, Cape May County, N. J., was the son of Maurice and Martha (Garritson) Corson. He was a sea captain. Aug. 18, 1857, at Beasleys Point, he married Martha Ann Ingersoll, who was born in 1841. They had six children:

- 14112111 CARRIE L. CORSON, born July 24, 1861;
- 14112112 JOSEPHINE Y. CORSON, born Aug. 25, 1863;
- 14112113 WALTER T. CORSON, born Feb. 19, 1866;
- 14112114 LAURA G. CORSON, born Mar. 2, 1871;
- 14112115 CORA M. CORSON, born May 29, 1880;
- 14112116 HERBERT CORSON, born Mar. 6, 1885.

Cornelius Corson died Dec. 15, 1914, and his wife, Martha Ann, died in 1915.

1411212 LUCIUS E. CORSON, born 1836, the second son of Maurice and Martha (Garritson) Corson, married, Nov. 9, 1861, Eleanora B. Worth. She was born in 1841. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. In the 1870 census one daughter was listed:

- 14112121 EDWINA CORSON, born 1865.

In the census of 1885 a son was recorded:

- 14112122 AUTHUR B. CORSON, born 1878. Edwina L. was listed in 1885 as 20 years old.

Lucius E. Corson died Feb. 1, 1907.

1411213 ISAAC M. CORSON, born 1839, the third son of Maurice and Martha (Garritson) Corson, married, Feb. 8, 1863, Josephine Young, who was born Sept. 10, 1838. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. They had four children:

- 14112131 SALLY J. CORSON, born 1865;
- 14112132 MARTHA G. CORSON, born 1870;
- 14112133 LAMOTT CORSON, born 1872, married Hattie Goodwin;
- 14112134 MAURICE CORSON, born 1875, married Carrie Davis.

Josephine (Young) Corson died Apr. 6, 1906.

1411214 JOSHUA G. CORSON, the youngest son of Maurice and Martha (Garritson) Corson, was born in 1841. He married Emeline Harris, born 1848, on June 10, 1867. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. One daughter was born to them:

14112141 GENEVERA CORSON, born 1868, married 1225221 Rodman Corson.

1411321 FREDERICK CORSON, born Oct. 12, 1838, the son of Reuben and Sarah (Young) Corson, married, Jan. 14, 1862, 2441211 Cecelia Corson, the daughter of Baker Corson. She was born in 1842. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County. Three sons were born to them:

14113211 NEWELL CORSON, born 1863;  
 14113212 WALTER CORSON;  
 14113213 CLARENCE CORSON.

1411342 ANZENETTA T. CORSON, born Dec., 1849, the youngest daughter of Capt. Philip and Phoebe (Gandy) Corson, married David T. Matchette. They had one son:

14113421 CHARLES CORSON MATCHETTE, born Jan., 1876.

1411351 LEWIS CORSON, born 1851, son of Enoch and Caroline (Godfrey) Corson, married Sarah Hughs, and had one son:

14113511 GILBERT CORSON, born 1881, married Clara Somers.

1411352 LEAMING CORSON, born 1855, son of Enoch and Caroline (Godfrey) Corson, married Elizabeth Young, Dec. 31, 1874. They had three daughters:

14113521 NORA M. CORSON, born 1877;  
 14113522 JOSEPHINE S. CORSON, born 1883;  
 14113523 ELSIE CORSON.

1413211 ROXANNA BORDEN, born Jan. 23, 1842, was the eldest child of Phoebe (Corson) and Joseph Borden. She married Sylvanus Murphy, Mar. 22, 1862. He was born Mar. 1, 1839, and died Jan. 4, 1925. She died July 10, 1910. They lived at Bridgeton, Cumberland County, N. J., and had seven children:

14132111 FRANK L. MURPHY, born Apr. 16, 1863, died without issue;  
 14132112 JOHN MURPHY, born Aug. 24, 1866, married Lydia Cossabone;  
 14132113 LIZZIE MURPHY, born Mar. 16, 1868, married William B. Clark;  
 14132114 LOUISA B. MURPHY, born Dec. 29, 1871;  
 14132115 ROSELIN MURPHY, born 1875, married, first, Frank Grutier, second, Dave Gulliland, no issue;  
 14132116 ANNA MURPHY, born May 17, 1880, married Clarence Ferguson;  
 14132117 LEONARD MURPHY, married Vivian ———, no issue.

Roxanna and her husband, Sylvanus Murphy are buried in the Overlook Cemetery, Bridgeton, N. J.



1413212 MARTHA H. BORDEN, born Nov. 1, 1843, the second child of Phoebe (Corson) and Joseph Borden, married 122572 John Chattin Corson. The record of their children is recorded under the history of John C. Corson.

1413231 SETH W. CORSON, born 1863, the son of Curtis E. and Millicent (Corson) Corson, married Minnie Brown. They had one son:

14132311 WILLIAM T. CORSON, married Mabel Steelman.

1421561 GEORGE WALTER CORSON, the eldest son of Stillwell and Sarah Agnes (Herdman) Corson, was born Nov. 25, 1874. He married Sarah Elizabeth Taylor, born Dec. 13, 1875. They lived in Philadelphia, Pa. They had three children:

14215611 ALMA SARA CORSON, born July 16, 1902, died Mar. 14, 1909;

14215612 WALTER S. CORSON, born Oct. 16, 1906;

14215613 EVELYN LAURA CORSON, born June 17, 1909.

George Walter Corson died Dec. 18, 1926. Sarah A. Corson, his widow, was living in 1931.

1421562 ROBERT CORSON, born Nov. 9, 1876, was the second son of Stillwell and Sarah A. (Herdman) Corson. He married Kate Alt. They live (1931) at 5642 Mascher St., Philadelphia, Pa. To them three children were born:

14215621 MARGARET CORSON, born Dec. 30, 1903;

14215622 OSCAR CORSON, born Nov. 10, 1905;

14215623 ELVIN CORSON, born June 20, 1911.

1421563 HAROLD CORSON, born Feb. 7, 1879, was the third son of Stillwell and Sarah A. (Herdman) Corson. He married Alfreda Brittingham. They reside (1931) at 212 S. 50th St., Philadelphia, Pa. Their children are:

14215631 HAROLD CORSON, JR., born May 15, 1905;

14215632 DOROTHY CORSON, born May 27, 1909.

1421564 ELVIN CORSON, the youngest son of Stillwell and Sarah A. (Herdman) Corson, was born Mar. 13, 1881. He married Louise Brown and they lived (1931) at Pittsburgh, Pa. They have two children:

14215641 ELIZABETH CORSON, born Dec. 20, 1905;

14215642 CARLTON CORSON, born Jan. 17, 1907.

1422111 MARY CORSON, the daughter of William and Mary (Sailor) Corson, born about 1862, married William Budd. They live at S. Jefferson Ave., Wenonah, N. J.

1422112 PRESTON CORSON, born about 1866, son of William and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married ————. They live at 901 W. 11th St., Wilmington, Del.

1422113 HANNAH LUREEN CORSON, born June 18, 1870, daughter of William and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married, first, Elmer Corson. They had one son:

14221131 OSCAR CORSON, born Oct. 16, 1891.

She married, second, ———— Foster. They live (1931) at Willow Grove, Pa.

1422114 EVA CORSON, born about 1876, daughter of William and Mary (Sailor) Corson, married ———— Kircher. They live at 3018 Stevens St., Camden, N. J.

14221:13:1 DR. JAMES CLARK CORSON, the only son of Richard Evans and Sarah M. (Morrison) Corson, was born Nov. 21, 1892. He married Elizabeth Ayers, who was born Feb. 8, 1900. He is a doctor of dentistry and lives at Paulsboro, N. J. They have one son:

14221:13:11 RICHARD HOWELL CORSON, born Nov. 2, 1931.

Dr. James Clark Corson furnished the record of the descendants of his grandfather, Joel Somers Corson, for this volume.



## XVII

### THE EIGHTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER AND DEBORAH CORSON

211121:10: DEBORAH CHURCH CORSON, born June 22, 1846, was the tenth child of McBride and Amy (Ingersoll) Corson. She married David W. Lloyd. They had the following children:

- 211121:10:1 AMY J. LLOYD;
- 211121:10:2 J. WARREN LLOYD;
- 211121:10:3 RICHARD I. LLOYD;
- 211121:10:4 LILA B. LLOYD;
- 211121:10:5 FRANK S. LLOYD;
- 211121:10:6 HANNAH E. LLOYD;
- 211121:10:7 J. A. GARFIELD LLOYD;
- 211121:10:8 LUCRETIA G. LLOYD;
- 211121:10:9 HERBERT S. LLOYD.

2112521 SOMERS CORSON, son of Nathan and Abigail (Hand) Corson, was born Mar. 14, 1824, and married Cynthia Long, both of whom were from Cape May County. They moved to Richland, Ill., about 1849, with Somers' parents, in a migration of several Cape May families to the "West." They had four children:

- 21125211 ROBERT CORSON;
- 21125212 REBECCA CORSON, died at 16 years;
- 21125213 REUBEN CORSON;
- 21125214 SARAH CORSON.

Somers Corson died Aug. 10, 1897, while gathering flowers for the grave of his cousin, John Mathis, who had died three years before.

2112522 MARGARET CORSON, daughter of Nathan and Abigail (Hand) Corson, was born Jan. 16, 1829, in Cape May County, N. J. She married Nicholas Parsons of Cape May County, and moved to Illinois about 1849. They lived and died near Pleasant Plains, Ill., where twelve children were born to them as follows:

- 21125221 JAMES H. PARSONS, deceased at 11 months;
- 21125222 THOMAS PARSONS;

- 21125223 NATHAN PARSONS;  
 21125224 SOMERS PARSONS;  
 21125225 CYNTHIA PARSONS;  
 21125226 ABIGAIL PARSONS, born Sept., 1857, maiden lady, now deceased;  
 21125227 ADA PARSONS;  
 21125228 McCLELLEN PARSONS;  
 21125229 CHARLES PARSONS;  
 2112522:10: EVA PARSONS;  
 2112522:11: HANNAH PARSONS, born Nov. 14, 1868;  
 2112522:12: JOSEPHINE PARSONS.

Margaret (Corson) Parsons died Apr. 25, 1889.

2112523 REUBEN CORSON, born June 16, 1831, was the third child of Nathan and Abigail (Hand) Corson. He married Rachel Nottingham in 1859. Miss Arthelia Jane Mathis furnished the following account of their fiftieth wedding anniversary, as given in the *Ashland Sentinel*. (The index numbers of their children were inserted by the compiler.) "The fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Reuben Corson and Rachel M. Nottingham was celebrated at their home, four miles southwest of Tallula, Tuesday, Feb. 23, 1909, . . . by a gathering of about sixty-five of their relatives and old time friends. The house was beautifully decorated with cut flowers and smilax . . . of the sixty-five present, only four witnessed the marriage fifty years ago; Mrs. R. E. Hand, sister of Mr. Corson; J. S. Nottingham, brother of Mrs. Corson, both of Pleasant Plains; Mrs. Mattie Crowder, of Springfield; Mrs. Belle Chicken, of Ipava. Uncle Reuben was born in Cape May, N. J.; Aunt Rachel in Sangamon County, this State. Both of their parents were among the oldest settlers in this part of the country. Mr. and Mrs. Corson have lived on the place where they now live for forty-six years. To them were born five children, all of whom are living and were present:

- (21125231) MRS. HANNAH C. ALLEN, Butler, Mo.;  
 (21125232) CHARLES P. CORSON, Tallula;  
 (21125233) EDWARD E. CORSON, Roosevelt, Okla.;  
 (21125234) BERTHA CORSON, at home;  
 (21125235) NATHAN CORSON, who owns his grandfather Nottingham's old homestead, just over the line in Sangamon.

They have eight grandchildren, four of whom were present. Mr. and Mrs. Corson, aged 77 and 70 respectively, are unusually strong and hearty for people of their ages. Mr. Corson enjoys the distinction of having traveled across the continent by wagon, coming from New Jersey with his parents in 1849. Then, in the spring of 1851, he, with others, started in March with ox-teams

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for California, reaching there in September. He was in the mining sections of California for four years, then returned home by water, by San Francisco, Panama, and New York. He visited his old home in New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Corson have never directed attention to getting rich but have aimed through life to be a betterment to mankind; they are always found on the side of right; are active members of the M. E. Church, and of society, and are among the best and most highly respected people of the community." Reuben died in 1918; Rachel in 1923.

2112524 STEPHEN CORSON, son of Nathan and Abigail (Hand) Corson, was born Jan. 27, 1835. He died May 24, 1909, and the Tecumseh, Neb., *Chieftain* of May 29, 1909, had this to say concerning him: "Stephen Hand Corson was born in Cape May County, N. J., June 27, 1835, and in 1849 he removed with his parents to Sangamon County, Ill., settling near Pleasant Plains. He married Miss Julia A. Townsend, Nov. 8, 1860, and seven children were born to this union. Two died in infancy, and those living are: Mrs. J. R. Swan, of Crab Orchard; Mrs. R. F. Adkins, of Lincoln; Carl S. Corson, of Denver; Mrs. George Townsend and Milton Corson, of Tecumseh. Mr. Corson was the fourth of six children, only two of whom survive him, Reuben, of Tallula, Ill., and Mrs. Emma Hand of Pleasant Plains, Ill.; he is survived by twenty-one grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

He came to Johnson County in 1889 and has lived in Tecumseh for five years. He has been a member of the Methodist Church for many years; he was a kind hearted man, loving to his family, and concerned in the welfare of his friends. Interment in Tecumseh." The children of Stephen and Julia (Townsend) Corson are listed as follows:

- 21125241 ADA CORSON;
- 21125242 REBECCA CORSON;
- 21125243 CARL S. CORSON;
- 21125244 EMMA CORSON;
- 21125245 MILTON CORSON.

2112525 HANNAH EMILY CORSON, the youngest daughter of Nathan and Abigail (Hand) Corson, was born Feb. 8, 1838. She married George Hand and for years they made their home with their parents, at Richland, Sangamon County, Ill. They had five children:

- 21125251 ETTA HAND;
- 21125252 MATTIE HAND;
- 21125253 HAROLD HAND, died in infancy;



21125254 ABBY HAND;  
21125255 HAROLD HAND.

2112551 JOHN MATHIS, the eldest son of Jane (Corson) and Jennings Gaskill Mathis, was born July 23, 1825, in Cape May County, N. J. He lived in New Jersey with his parents until 1854, when he moved with his family to Philadelphia, Ill. Here in Illinois, on a fine farm, he lived with his mother for two years, in their fine three-story New England Colonial style home, set in a grove of black locust, walnut and hard maple trees. He married in 1856 and his daughter, Miss Arthelia Jane Mathis, has written the following concerning him: "To this colonial house, John, the handsome and dignified son of Jane Corson & Jennings Gaskill Mathis, took his bride, St. Helena (who was the daughter of Henry Hand and his second wife, Arthelia Hewitt, of Cape May) and from their marriage, Dec. 18, 1856, to the end of their long lives it was their home. It was a proud and happy time for John and St. Helena when they went west to tame the Illinois prairies. They were good lovers and good pioneers; John's best suit was a black broadcloth swallow-tail, which he wore over a white Mar-seilles waistcoat, cut away to show a broad expanse of much-tucked, much-starched, and much-buttoned shirt front of linen, dazzling white, over which was draped a flowing neckerchief of soft black silk; his headpiece was a stove-pipe of black beaver.

The bride's gown was a rich silk of olive and black moire, with undersleeves of hand-embroidered fine cream mull. Her bonnet was crimson lyon's velvet, self-trimmed, and the bow under her chin was edged with narrow black silk lace. Her shawl was cream silk, with a deep Persian border in violet and scarlet; she wore black silk mits, and a brooch that was hung top and bottom, on a pivot, in its gold frame, so that it could be worn either side out. She carried a purse that was made of tiny French beads in many colors; her parasol was brown silk with ivory handle, and her fan, which was an heirloom, was of brown and tan feathers. He was a thrifty man (John was) being industrious and versatile; he could with equal ease plow a straight furrow in a 40-acre field; execute a manuscript in a beautiful hand, with a quill pen; fashion a bob-sled; sing a hymn; dig a well; say grace at the table; shoe a horse; and dress the baby before breakfast. He was a good son, a good husband, and a good father, kind and courteous at all times.

He loved his Illinois farm; but he did yearn, sometimes, for the fleshpots of Cape May—the oysters, blue fish, and eels—when in bondage to the chicken pot-pies of Illinois, and the fat wild geese



which his trusty aim brought low. St. Helena was a capable and cheerful companion and help-meet; she could, at the end of a perfect day of housework, after the farm supper was eaten, and the dishes cleared away, knit a man's sock, from toe to top, by eleven o'clock."

Three children were born to them:

21125511 EMMA MATHIS, born Apr. 13, 1858;

21125512 CHARLES LUCIEN MATHIS, born Dec. 23, 1861;

21125513 ARTHELIA JANE MATHIS.

Concerning their childhood, Miss Arthelia Jane had the following interesting recollections; she wrote: "They had no need of any modern gymnasium. Their endurance test was to hold their breath, while they ran up three flights of stairs to the attic, throw a side-saddle (done in scarlet cloth) upon the footbar of the four-poster, and then jump for a wild ride! Neither had they any literary needs; for was not the old chest, which smelled of dried peaches, plum full? 'The Prairie Flower' for the romantic; 'Sin-bod the Sailor' for the adventurous; and the grey Bible, with the Apocrypha, for the pious. This attic also contributed to their taste for music, with its dulcimer, which one was at liberty to play, while the other two played the accompaniments with the spinning-wheel and the sausage grinder. Were any of them pugilistic? There was a constant challenge to tilt with the old coats, the bags of sage and hops, and the hoop-skirts, which swung from the rafters; and if any keen ears heard the bears coming, one child would scale the steps, which led to a trap-door in the house roof, one would hide in the recess of a dormer window, while the third scuttled, on hands and knees, behind a brass-bound chest, made of bull hide, with the red hair on, which was so fierce in itself that it was the safest place of all."

2112555 JENNINGS CASS MATHIS, the fifth child of Jane (Corson) and Jennings Gaskill Mathis, was born June 13, 1836, in Cape May County, N. J. He moved to Philadelphia, Ill., in 1854. In 1863 he married Minerva Evelyn Mathews of Griggsville, Ill., and to them one son was born:

21125551 JOHN CASS MATHIS, born July 18, 1864.

Jennings Cass Mathis died at Junction City, Kan., Sept. 16, 1870, where he had resided about two years previously. He is buried at Bethel Cemetery, near Pleasant Plains, Ill. His widow married Oscar Conover, and is buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Ill.



2112556 JANE MATHIS, born Apr. 5, 1838, in Cape May County, N. J., was the sixth child of Jane (Corson) and Jennings Gaskill Mathis. She moved to Philadelphia, Ill., in 1854, and on Oct. 3, 1858, at the home of her parents, married Joseph Ruskin Foster, of Farmingdale, Ill., the noted Peter Cartwright officiating. He was the son of Constantine and Margaret (Sayre) Foster. The groom, his parents, and the circuit-rider preacher, were all of Cape May. The honeymoon was by horse and buggy to Burlington, Iowa. Six children were born as follows:

- 21125561 HARRIET JANE FOSTER, born Sept. 11, 1859;
- 21125562 LUELLA MAY FOSTER, born Oct. 31, 1860;
- 21125563 EDWARD RUSLYN FOSTER, born Nov. 12, 1861, died Dec. 24, 1867;
- 21125564 IDA FOSTER, born Aug. 7, 1864, died unmarried, June 3, 1882, buried in Springfield, Ill.;
- 21125565 MARGARET MARIA FOSTER, born Oct. 25, 1866, married Anson Smith, Oct. 10, 1922, resides in Merrill, Wis.;
- 21125566 BERTHA FOSTER, born Aug. 8, 1868, married Louis C. Arnold, June 26, 1895, of Joliet, Ill., both are deceased and buried at Portage, Wis.

Bertha Foster died July 16, 1914. Jane (Mathis) Foster married, second, John H. Ingram. She died Aug. 30, 1881, and is buried at Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Ill.

2112557 MARY MATHIS, the youngest child of Jane (Corson) and Jennings Gaskill Mathis, was born Mar. 31, 1840, in Cape May County, N. J. She went to Philadelphia, Ill., in 1854, where in 1863, at the home of her parents, she married Joseph Wesley Arnold of Cape May parentage. They lived at Springfield, Ill., and had six children as follows:

- 21125571 KATE ARNOLD, born 1864;
- 21125572 BELLE ARNOLD, died at the age of 12 years;
- 21125573 JANE ARNOLD;
- 21125574 J. JENNINGS ARNOLD;
- 21125575 MARY ARNOLD;
- 21125576 JOSEPH ARNOLD.

Mary (Mathis) Arnold died Nov. 20, 1878, and is buried at Oak Ridge, Springfield, Ill.

2112562 MARY JANE CORSON, born Mar. 2, 1831, at Cape May, was the daughter of Robert and Kesia (Bradford) Corson. She married Seth Hand, Oct. 14, 1849. They had one son:

- 21125621 WILLIAM G. HAND, who died Apr. 30 (no year given) on board U. S. Ship "Antetam," at League Island, aged 29 years. He is buried at Cape May, N. J. (Bible of Robert Corson.)



2112563 KESIA CORSON, born Sept. 28, 1834, at Cape May, daughter of Robert and Kesia (Bradford) Corson, married, Dec. 27, 1852, Clinton Souder. They had a daughter:

21125631 PRISCILLA SOUDER, born July 15, 1855.

Kesia (Corson) Souder died Sept. 25, 1885.

2112641 ELIZABETH ELDREDGE, born Nov. 1, 1821, at Cape May Court House, N. J., daughter of Roxanna (Corson) and Samuel Eldredge, married, Dec. 27, 1838, Thomas Douglas, son of William and Mary (Isard) Douglass, born Oct. 25, 1814, in Cape May County. They lived at Dias Creek, N. J. Their children were:

21126411 SAMUEL ELDREDGE DOUGLASS, born July 21, 1839;

21126412 FRANCIS DOUGLASS, born Aug. 16, 1841;

21126413 HENRY FREEMAN DOUGLASS, born July 17, 1849;

21126414 HOWARD DOUGLASS, born Dec. 28, 1851;

21126415 THOMAS REEVES DOUGLASS, born Nov., 1854;

21126416 MARY ISARD DOUGLASS, born Jan. 24, 1859.

Elizabeth (Eldredge) Douglas died Mar. 28, 1896, at Cape May County. Thomas Douglas, her husband, died June 5, 1892, at Cape May County.

2112642 ROXANNA ELDREDGE, born Mar. 15, 1825, at Cape May, daughter of Roxanna (Corson) and Samuel Eldredge, married John Holmes Hand. They had two children:

21126421 JOHN HOLMES HAND, JR.;

21126422 ABSALOM HAND.

2112643 CLARISSA ELDREDGE, born Oct. 24, 1830, at Cape May, daughter of Roxanna (Corson) and Samuel Eldredge, married, first, 1847 Shamgar Hewitt Douglass, born July 12, 1824, in Cape May County. She married, second, William Errickson. Six children of the first union were:

21126431 LEWIS HEWITT DOUGLASS, born 1849;

21126432 LESLIE DOUGLASS, born Aug. 17, 1853;

21126433 ROXANNA DOUGLASS, born July 31, 1854;

21126434 ALLEN CORSON DOUGLASS, unmarried;

21126435 JOHN DOUGLASS, died Jan. 14, 1915, without issue;

21126436 SHAMGAR HEWITT DOUGLASS, JR.

Two children were born to the second union:

21126437 CLARA ERRICKSON, born Nov. 26, 1868;

21126438 THEODORE ERRICKSON, born Dec. 16, 1870.

Clarissa (Eldredge) Douglass-Errickson died Dec. 23, 1861; William Errickson died May 24, 1897. They are buried in the Baptist Cemetery at Cape May Court House.

2112644 HETTY C. ELDREDGE, born July 26, 1837, at Cape May County, daughter of Roxanna (Corson) and Samuel Eldredge, married, Dec. 20, 1854, Hugh Hand, born May 12, 1833, the son of Miller and Hannah Hand and the brother of John Holmes Hand. They had several children to die as infants. Others were:

21126441 MARTHA ANN HAND, born Mar. 10, 1865;

21126442 CHARLES S. HAND, born June 23, 1876, unmarried.

2112645 HARRIET ELDREDGE, born Aug. 6, 1839, in Cape May County, daughter of Roxanna (Corson) and Samuel Eldredge, married, Feb. 5, 1856, Jacob Nottingham Eldredge, born Aug. 19, 1831. He was the son of George and Lydia (Nottingham) Eldredge, and the grandson of Nathaniel and Rachel (Garretson) Eldredge. They had five children:

21126451 EDNA D. ELDREDGE, born Oct. 18, 1862, married, Jan. 21, 1882, Harvey Hill;

21126452 HARRIET J. ELDREDGE, born Mar. 3, 1865, died Jan. 1, 1913, married, Mar. 8, 1883, Jacob Snoderly;

21126453 LYDIA N. ELDREDGE, born Sept. 5, 1866, married, Sept. 5, 1886, James Clapp;

21126454 MARTHA A. ELDREDGE, born Feb. 17, 1871, died 1931, married, Feb. 12, 1889, James Hill;

21126455 JACOB N. ELDREDGE, JR., born Dec. 18, 1878, died Aug. 31, 1909, married, Dec. 22, 1891, Allie Toy, died Mar. 2, 1910.

2132124 JOHN GOFF, born Sept. 31, 1807, the youngest son of Ellen (Corson) and David Goff, Jr., married Hannah Eldredge, born 1811. They had nine children:

21321241 DEBORAH GOFF;

21321242 MATILDA B. GOFF, born 1836, died 1900, unmarried;

21321243 MARGARET GOFF;

21321244 SUSAN GOFF, born 1840, died 1922, unmarried;

21321245 LYDIA B. GOFF, born 1843, died 1845;

21321246 HESTER ANN GOFF, born 1844;

21321247 HARRIET GOFF, born 1847;

21321248 RACHEL ELLEN GOFF, born 1849;

21321249 WILLIAM E. GOFF, born 1852.

John Goff died Sept. 30, 1899; Hannah, his wife, died in 1878.

2132131 MIZEAL CORSON, the eldest son of Joseph and Prudence (English) Corson, was born July 19, 1807, at Maurice



River, N. J. While still very young he moved with his parents to Glassboro, N. J., where he later became a glassblower. He married, first, Mary Stanger, of Glassboro, N. J. Their marriage license was issued May 29, 1828 (Gloucester County Records). Three children were born to this union:

- 21321311 ELIZABETH CORSON, born July 3, 1828;
- 21321312 WILLIAM S. CORSON, born Mar. 18, 1831;
- 21321313 CHARLES W. CORSON, born Dec. 11, 1841.

Mizeal married, second, Nov. 6, 1866, Deborah (Stewart) Wilkinson, born Oct. 2, 1834, died Aug. 27, 1903. Five children were born to this union:

- 21321314 VENORA S. CORSON, born 1866, died Mar. 10, 1921, unmarried;
- 21321315 GEORGE HANS CORSON, born Jan. 1, 1868, died Mar. 23, 1919;
- 21321316 EMERSON CORSON, died in infancy;
- 21321317 MARY EVA CORSON, born Jan., 1873, died July 21, 1928, married George Bowman;
- 21321318 HERBERT S. CORSON, born July 29, 1874, died Oct. 6, 1926.

Mizeal Corson died July 31, 1879; Mary (Stanger) Corson, his wife, died Sept. 14, 1865.

2132133 JOSEPH CORSON, JR., born May 6, 1812, at Glassboro, N. J., the third child of Joseph and Prudence (English) Corson, married Mary Ann Williams, Feb. 20, 1834. (Gloucester County Records.) She was born Aug. 6, 1814. Joseph, Jr., was a farmer at Clarksboro, N. J. They had four children:

- 21321331 JOSHUA CORSON, born Nov. 14, 1834;
- 21321332 PRUDENCE CORSON, born 1838, died 1862;
- 21321333 ROSE ANNA CORSON, born Aug. 3, 1843;
- 21321334 ISABELLA BECKET CORSON, married Benjamin Watson and lived near Clarksboro, N. J.

Joseph Corson, Jr., died Jan. 29, 1879, and Mary Ann, his wife, died Oct. 21, 1876.

2132135 WILLIAM BENNETT CORSON, born Aug. 16, 1820, at Glassboro, N. J., the fifth child of Joseph and Prudence (English) Corson, married Jane Ann Simmerman, Apr. 22, 1843. He was a glassblower and lived at Clayton, N. J. They had the following children:

- 21321351 ANN ELIZABETH CORSON, born Mar. 19, 1844;
- 21321352 AMANDA J. CORSON, born Nov., 1846;
- 21321353 MALINDA CORSON, born Sept. 27, 1848;
- 21321354 HANNAH CORSON, born Sept., 1851, died Sept. 30, 1874;
- 21321355 WILLIMINA CORSON, died in infancy;
- 21321356 MADORA CORSON, born Oct. 15, 1864.

William Bennett Corson died Oct. 15, 1873.

2132136 DAVID PEACOCK CORSON, the youngest child of Joseph and Prudence (English) Corson, was born at Glassboro, N. J., Oct. 12, 1822. He became a glassblower and later lived near Millville, N. J. He married twice; his first wife was Lydia A. Young. Their marriage license was issued Feb. 11, 1843. (Gloucester County Records.) To this union two children were born as follows:

- 21321361 SARAH E. CORSON, born Aug. 28, 1843;
- 21321362 DANIEL W. CORSON, born Oct. 22, 1845.

David Peacock Corson married, second, Mary Ann Birdsall (Burdall) on May 29, 1850. She was born Mar. 17, 1833. They had five children:

- 21321363 LYDIA ANN CORSON, born June 27, 1851;
- 21321364 MARY S. CORSON, born Feb., 1859, died July 4, 1869;
- 21321365 DAVID BIRDSALL CORSON, born Feb. 17, 1864;
- 21321366 LAFAYETTE CORSON, born Jan., 1866, died Oct. 30, 1867;
- 21321367 WILLIAM YOUNG CORSON, born Sept. 13, 1869.

David Peacock Corson died Mar. 14, 1895, and Mary Ann (Birdsall) Corson, his wife, died Mar. 17, 1888. They are buried at Glassboro, N. J.

2132211 JAMES CORSON, JR., born June 19, 1819, the eldest son of James and Sarah (Newton) Corson, married, Oct. 6, 1839, Hester Conover. She was born Jan. 17, 1818. They lived near Goshen, Middle Township, Cape May County. They had four sons:

- 21322111 SWAIN CORSON, born 1845;
- 21322112 JOHN CORSON, born June 8, 1850;
- 21322113 WILLIAM CORSON, born 1853;
- 21322114 FRANKLIN CORSON, born June 4, 1855.

James Corson, Jr., died Jan. 10, 1892, and Hester, his wife, died Apr. 27, 1905.

2132212 SOMERS CORSON, born 1822, son of James and Sarah (Newton) Corson, married June 17, 1845, Nancy Errickson, who was born in 1819. They lived in Middle Township, Cape May County. Their children, recorded in the census of 1870, were:

- 21322121 ADELAIDE CORSON, born 1847;
- 21322122 JAMES CORSON, born 1854;
- 21322123 JULIA CORSON, born 1857;



- 21322124 SARAH CORSON, born 1857;
- 21322125 RACHEL CORSON, born 1860;
- 21322126 COLEMAN CORSON, born 1862;
- 21322127 IDA CORSON, born 1867;
- 21322128 CHARLES CORSON.

2132213 MARY CORSON, daughter of James and Sarah (Newton) Corson, married, Mar. 11, 1848, Jesse Grace. They had a son:

- 21322131 LYBRUM GRACE.

2132214 JOSEPH CORSON, born 1830, son of James and Sarah (Newton) Corson, married Susan Tyler. They had children:

- 21322141 LEWIS CORSON, married Jennie Edwards;
- 21322142 HARRY CORSON, married Ella Errickson;
- 21322143 DANIEL CORSON, married Amelia Tomlin;
- 21322144 SAMUEL CORSON.

2132216 SWAIN CORSON, born 1837, son of James and Sarah (Newton) Corson, married Theodosia Corson, Mar. 27, 1857. They had children:

- 21322161 SOMERS CORSON, married Rose Weldon;
- 21322162 HENRY CORSON;
- 21322163 ROBERT CORSON;
- 21322164 EDMUND CORSON;
- 21322165 HATTIE CORSON;
- 21322166 ALVIN CORSON;
- 21322167 CHARLES CORSON.

2132221 HULDAH SWAIN CORSON, born July 24, 1831, in Cape May County, was the eldest daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Townsend) Corson. She married, July 22, 1851, in Philadelphia, Pa., David Rossiter Llewellyn, born Aug. 27, 1828. He was the son of David and Priscilla (Rossiter) Llewellyn. They lived at Philadelphia, until 1857, when the family moved to Sterling, Ill., where the parents lived until they died, except about two years of residence in St. Louis, Mo. He was a carpenter. They had six children:

- 21322211 FRANKLIN PIERCE LLEWELLYN, born Oct. 27, 1852, died July 8, 1854;
- 21322212 JOSEPH CORSON LLEWELLYN, born July 22, 1855;
- 21322213 HENRY SOMERS LLEWELLYN, born Jan. 17, 1859;
- 21322214 EMMA KATE LLEWELLYN, born Dec. 19, 1864, died Jan. 3, 1865;
- 21322215 MARY EVA LLEWELLYN, born Dec. 19, 1864, died Feb. 26, 1880;
- 21322216 WILLIAM LLEWELLYN, born Apr. 25, 1868.

Huldah Swain (Corson) Llewellyn died Mar. 29, 1891. David Rossiter Llewellyn died Dec. 4, 1923.

2132222 SOMERS CORSON, son of Joseph and Sarah (Townsend) Corson, was born in 1835. On Feb. 5, 1862, he married Lydia Lake, born in 1842. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, in 1870. Their children were:

- 21322221 ESTELLA CORSON, born 1863, married Albert Adams;
- 21322222 LOUISA CORSON, born 1867, married Adolph Edwards;
- 21322223 SOMERS CORSON, JR., married Mary Hoff;
- 21322224 MARY CORSON, married Lucien Eddy.

2132224 JOSEPH LYBRAND CORSON, JR., son of Joseph and Sarah (Townsend) Corson, born in 1841, married, June 5, 1865, Emma Smith, born 1842. They resided in Upper Township in 1885, and had two daughters:

- 21322241 MARY CORSON, born 1873;
- 21322242 LETITIA CORSON, born 1880.

2132225 BRINTON JACOB CORSON, born about 1846, son of Joseph and Sarah (Townsend) Corson, married, first, Lettice (Letitia) Smith, Apr. 4, 1866. She was born in 1843, and was a sister of Emma Smith, who married Joseph Lybrand Corson. They were recorded as residents of Middle Township in 1870. He married, second, Louisa Combs. They lived in Upper Township in 1885. Louisa was born in 1848. No children seem to have been born of either marriage. Brinton died Feb. 4, 1917.

2153131 GEORGE WINTERS CORSON, born Dec. 5, 1861, at Terra Haute, Ind., son of Garret Winters and Cornelia E. (Francis) Corson, married, Oct. 7, 1889, at St. Joseph, Mo., Annie Friend, born 1867 in Germany. They live at Los Angeles, Calif., and have two sons:

- 21531311 CHESTER C. CORSON, born Aug. 9, 1892;
- 21531312 LESTER A. CORSON, born Dec. 15, 1894.

2153132 EMMA CORSON, born May, 1864, daughter of Garret Winters and Cornelia E. (Francis) Corson, married Charles E. Patterson, born in Maine. They have children:

- 21531321 HARRY PATTERSON, born 1892;
- 21531322 ELIZABETH PATTERSON, born 1894. Both are unmarried.

2153134 EDWARD CORSON, born Jan. 31, 1869, at St. Joseph, Mo., son of Garret Winters and Cornelia E. (Francis) Corson, married, Mar. 12, 1889, at St. Joseph, Mo., Mina Evans,



born Oct. 14, 1870, at St. Clair, Pa. They live at Los Angeles, Calif., and had four children:

- 21531341 G. EDWARD CORSON, born Sept. 23, 1889, died Nov. 5, 1918;
- 21531342 CHARLES E. CORSON, born Sept. 9, 1890;
- 21531343 MARIA J. CORSON, born Oct. 1, 1892;
- 21531344 AMELIA E. CORSON, born May 30, 1896.

2153234 LEWIS REED CORSON, born Sept. 3, 1849, at Millville, N. J., son of George and Mary (Claypoole) Corson, married, Apr. 8, 1874, Sarah Turner, born Aug. 8, 1853, at Newport, N. J. They lived at Millville, N. J., and had four children:

- 21532341 ELIZABETH CORSON, deceased;
- 21532342 LEWIS CORSON, JR., deceased;
- 21532343 BENJAMIN CORSON, no issue;
- 21532344 RHETTA CORSON.

2163132 JOSEPH MILES CORSON, born 1850, the eldest son of Elva Corson and his second wife, Martha Corson, married Sarah Cole. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, and seemed to have no children. Joseph Corson was a seaman and died while on duty, in Feb., 1883, having been "lost at sea."

2163133 WINFIELD S. CORSON, born 1851, the second son of Elva Corson and his second wife, Martha (Corson) Corson, married Mary W. Young, Jan. 11, 1877. They live on the old Lewis Corson farm at Palermo, Cape May County, N. J. They have a daughter:

- 21631331 LETITIA YOUNG CORSON, born 1881.

2163134 JOHN M. CORSON, born 1853, the third son of Elva and Martha (Corson) Corson, married Margaret Tibbels. They had a son:

- 21631341 EWING T. CORSON.

2163135 LUTHER CORSON, born 1855, the fourth son of Elva and Martha (Corson) Corson, married Flora Young. They live at Beesley's Point, N. J. They have a son:

- 21631351 ELVA CORSON.

Luther is one of the Corson genealogists.

2163136 SARAH E. CORSON, born 1858, the eldest daughter of Elva and Martha (Corson) Corson, married Benjamin Turner. No record of their issue was obtained.

2163137 ALBERT G. CORSON, the fifth son of Elva and Martha (Corson) Corson, was born in 1863. He married Julia

Stites. No record of issue of this family was found. Albert Corson died July 10, 1902.

2163138 ISABELLE CORSON, the second daughter of Elva and Martha (Corson) Corson, was born in 1866. She married J. Edward Bauer. They live at Beesley's Point, Cape May County, N. J. They seem to have no children.

2163139 AMBROSE M. CORSON, born 1869, the youngest child of Elva and Martha (Corson) Corson, married Minnie H. Corson, the daughter of Washington Corson. They seem to have had no children.

2163212 RACHEL E. MICKEL, the daughter of Roxanna (Corson) and Joseph Mickel, married, Nov. 3, 1874, Ezekial Van Gilder. They had four children:

- 21632121 FLORENCE VAN GILDER, died young;
- 21632122 IRENE VAN GILDER, married Linwood Sack, no issue;
- 21632123 RODNEY VAN GILDER, married ——— Gandy;
- 21632124 LEROY VAN GILDER, married Penelope Susby.

2163221 PENNINGTON CORSON, son of Allen and Maria (Corson) Corson, the daughter of Amos, was recorded in the 1850 census as one month of age and in the 1870 census as 20 years of age. According to information furnished the compiler by his eldest daughter, he was born Aug. 19, 1852, at Seaville, N. J. This date should probably be Aug. 19, 1850. He married, June 6, 1877, Sarah Roden, born Sept. 25, 1859, at Leesburg, N. J. They had eight children:

- 21632211 MARIA CORSON, born Mar. 21, 1878;
- 21632212 ALEXANDER CORSON, born Nov. 1, 1879;
- 21632213 ALLEN CORSON;
- 21632214 LOUISA CORSON, born Jan. 29, 1884, at Seaville, N. J., unmarried;
- 21632215 CAROLINE CORSON, born June 4, 1885, at Post Norris, N. J., unmarried;
- 21632216 DANIEL BURT HARRIS CORSON, born May 4, 1887;
- 21632217 PENNINGTON CORSON, JR., born Jan. 29, 1892;
- 21632218 PAUL CORSON, born Nov. 25, 1892, died unmarried Feb. 19, 1925.

Pennington Corson, Sr., died May 6, 1921, at Hammonton, N. J., and Sarah, his wife, died Feb. 29, 1911, at Haddonfield, N. J.



2163451 ANNA E. CORSON, the daughter of Horatio and Emily (Kirkpatrick) Corson, married Charles F. Davis. They lived in Springfield, Ill. She died in 1878 and left a baby girl:

21634511 MAUDE DAVIS, who married O. G. Addleman of Springfield, Ill.

2163452 CHARLES E. CORSON, the eldest son of Horatio and Emily (Kirkpatrick) Corson, was born June 22, 1863. He married Ada Pauline Richer, Apr. 26, 1893. They live at The Dalles, Oregon. To them three sons were born:

21634521 CLAIRE H. E. CORSON, born Mar. 16, 1894;

21634522 KARL E. CORSON, born Nov. 19, 1896;

21634523 EARL R. CORSON, born Nov. 19, 1896.

The latter two sons were twins.

Charles E. Corson is the present owner of the old manuscript 10-page history of the early generations of the family, compiled by his grandfather, John M. Corson. He very kindly loaned it to the compiler, and it was very helpful in working out the lineage of the early generations.

2163453 WILLIAM K. CORSON, the youngest son of Horatio and Emily (Kirkpatrick) Corson, was born Oct. 13, 1865, near Springfield, Ill. Apr. 25, 1900, he married Ardella Reed, in Lone Rock, Gilliam County, Ore. She was born Sept. 8, 1873, and was the daughter of John Francis Reed, born Apr. 15, 1838, in Ohio, died Nov. 9, 1901, near Goldendale, Wash., and Louisa Frances (Barlow) Reed, born June 6, 1840, near Florence, Ky., died June 2, 1899, near Hood River, Ore. William K. and Ardella Corson live in Oregon. They had one son:

21634531 ELDRED WILLIAM CORSON, born July 11, 1901, in Ione, Ore.

2163454 HATTIE B. CORSON, the youngest daughter of Horatio and Emily (Kirkpatrick) Corson, married Hugh Chrisman. They live at Mors, Sherman County, Ore., and have three children:

21634541 VERNICE CHRISMAN;

21634542 ANNA CHRISMAN;

21634543 WILLIAM CHRISMAN.

2163632 WILLETS CORSON, born Aug. 16, 1878, son of German and Cornelia (Townsend) Corson, married Inez ———. They live in Cape May Court House, N. J., where Mr. Corson owns a drug store. They have two children:

21636321 MILDRED M. CORSON, who is married and has three children;

21636322 OSMAN MYRON CORSON, who is married and has one child.

2284221 JAMES TOWNSEND, born Feb. 7, 1849, at Townsend's Inlet (Clermont), Cape May County, N. J., was the eldest son of Eli and Eliza (Holmes) Townsend. He married, Feb. 7, 1910, Jennie, widow of Jason Waters, the daughter of Capt. George Downer. She was born Dec. 15, 1851. He died Apr. 12, 1924, at Collegeville, Pa.

2284224 ELI TOWNSEND, JR., born July 4, 1856, at Townsend's Inlet (now Clermont), Cape May County, N. J., the son of Eli and Eliza (Holmes) Townsend, married, Oct. 25, 1885, Frances Dryburgh. She was born Oct. 20, 1865, at Philadelphia, Pa., the daughter of David and Mary Ann (Porter) Dryburgh. They resided at Clermont, Cape May County. Their children were:

22842241 HARRY (HENRY) SCHELLERGER TOWNSEND, born Aug. 6, 1886, died Mar. 20, 1927;

22842242 JACOB DAVID TOWNSEND, born Apr. 7, 1888;

22842243 PAUL HENSON TOWNSEND, born Dec. 19, 1889;

22842244 KATHERINE DRYBURGH TOWNSEND, born Feb. 11, 1897;

22842245 MARGARET ELIZA TOWNSEND, born Jan. 30, 1900.

Eli Townsend, Jr., and his wife were living in 1933.

2284225 ELIZABETH HOLMES TOWNSEND, the fifth child of Eli and Eliza (Holmes) Townsend, was born Mar. 17, 1858, at Townsend's Inlet, Cape May County. She married, May 5, 1894, George Sutton, the son of Alexander and Sarah (Rice) Sutton, born May 14, 1857. They had one son:

22842251 ARTHUR V. SUTTON, born June 19, 1895, at Clermont, Cape May County, married, Oct. 11, 1917, Helen Howell, daughter of Newton and Lydia (Delancey) Howell of Ocean View, N. J., and have one son, Ralph Sutton.

2432111 MARTHA CORSON, born 1836, daughter of Reuben and Ruth (Garretson) Corson, married, May 7, 1859, Samuel Godfrey. They had five children:

24321111 HAMILTON GODFREY;

24321112 BRADFORD GODFREY;

24221113 CARLTON GODFREY;

24321114 ALBERT GODFREY;

24321115 LOTTIE C. GODFREY.

2432114 REUBEN S. CORSON, born 1850, son of Reuben and Ruth (Garretson) Corson, married, May 20, 1876, Ella Taylor. They lived in Upper Township, Cape May County, N. J. They had four children:



24321141 VIRGIL T. CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1876;

24321142 BERNARD CORSON, born 1886, married Martha Kohn, issue,  
two sons;

24321143 RUTH CORSON, born Nov., 1893, married \_\_\_\_\_,  
issue, two daughters;

24321144 PAUL CORSON, killed in early manhood.

2441152 SARAH ANN CORSON, born 1863, daughter of Parmenas and Cornelia (Godfrey) Corson, married, 1887, Frank S. Ashmead. They had a daughter:

24411521 CORA ASHMEAD, married Thompson Miller.

2441154 SAMUEL G. CORSON, born 1876, son of Parmenas and Cornelia (Godfrey) Corson, married Eva Young. They had a son:

24411541 EDGAR CORSON.

2441212 REM CORSON, born Sept. 29, 1845, son of Baker and Sarah (Corson) Corson, married Mary York, born 1845. In 1870 they lived in Dennis Township, Cape May County. They had two sons:

24412121 WILLIE CORSON, died Dec. 27, 1867, aged four days;

24412122 CHARLES B. CORSON, born 1870.

Rem Corson died Apr. 21, 1894.

2441232 ELIZA JANE GODFREY, born July 11, 1849, daughter of Edith (Corson) and William M. Godfrey, married, Sept. 18, 1870, Henry P. Entricken. They had at least one child:

2442321 ADA ENTRICKEN, married Manly Collins, and has two daughters, Nancy and Patricia.

They reside in St. Petersburg, Fla.

2441511 MAJOR CHARLES MOORE GANDY, the son of Lewis Corson Gandy and Elizabeth Ann (Smith) Gandy, was born Nov. 6, 1857, at Ocean View, Cape May County, N. J. He received his preparatory education in the South Jersey Institute, Bridgeton, N. J. In 1879 he graduated as a Doctor of Medicine from the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa. He was appointed assistant surgeon, United States Army, Dec. 3, 1883; captain assistant surgeon, Dec. 3, 1888. During the winter of 1890-91, Colonel (then Captain) Gandy saw service with the Sixth Cavalry, in the Sioux Indian Campaign. In May, 1898, he accompanied the famous "Gussie" expedition, on which occasion a force of the First Infantry was landed in Cuba, and fought the



first action of the Spanish-American War. Colonel Gandy had the honor of dressing the first gunshot wound of the war. He was appointed Major Brigade Surgeon Volunteers, June 4, 1898; Major Chief Surgeon, Jan. 7, 1899. He was honorably discharged from the Volunteers, Mar. 22, 1899, and was appointed Major Surgeon, U. S. A., Feb. 2, 1901; Major Medical Corps, Feb. 2, 1901; Lieutenant Colonel, Jan. 1, 1909; Colonel, Apr. 16, 1913. He was Acting Chief Surgeon, 4th Army Corps, Oct. and Nov., 1898; Surgeon and Professor of Military Hygiene, U. S. Military Academy, 1906-10; Chief Surgeon, Western Department, 1910-11; Assistant Surgeon General's Office, Washington, 1912-14; Chief Surgeon Philippine Department, 1915-16; Commanding Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 20, 1917-May 26, 1919; Chief Surgeon, Eastern Department, Governors Island, N. Y., 1919-21. He was retired Nov. 6, 1921. He was also a member of various medical societies and military clubs. On Nov. 6, 1884, Charles Moore Gandy married Emma Rebecca Graham, born July 12, 1862, in Philadelphia, Pa. She was the daughter of Robert S. and Eliza Sloss Graham.

They had two children:

24415111 LILA M. GANDY, born Mar. 15, 1887;

24415112 CHARLES LEWIS GANDY, born Jan. 24, 1889.

During the eventful military career of Colonel Gandy he saw much military service, and his recollections concerning many incidents of his service are very interesting. The following was related by Colonel Gandy on Christmas Day, 1931: "Forty years ago today, my Christmas dinner consisted of bacon and hard tack sandwiches out of my saddle pocket, coffee, and a little strawberry preserves, that one of the officers had bought at a small trading store a day or two before, and we were mighty glad to get it. You may remember that the winter of 90-91 saw the last serious Indian outbreak with the Sioux on the war path. I (then a Capt. and Assistant Surgeon) was attached to the sixth cavalry and on Christmas day was with a squadron of this organization, scouting in the "Bad Lands" of the Dakotas riding thirty miles a day and sleeping on the ground. We were endeavoring to prevent Chief Big Foot and his ghost dancers from coming through a pass and joining other hostile bands.

About this time the eighth cavalry to the north of us intercepted Big Foot's band and reported his capture. We were ordered to join the main command at the Pine Ridge Agency and started to do so. The wily Indian, however, succeeded in making his escape



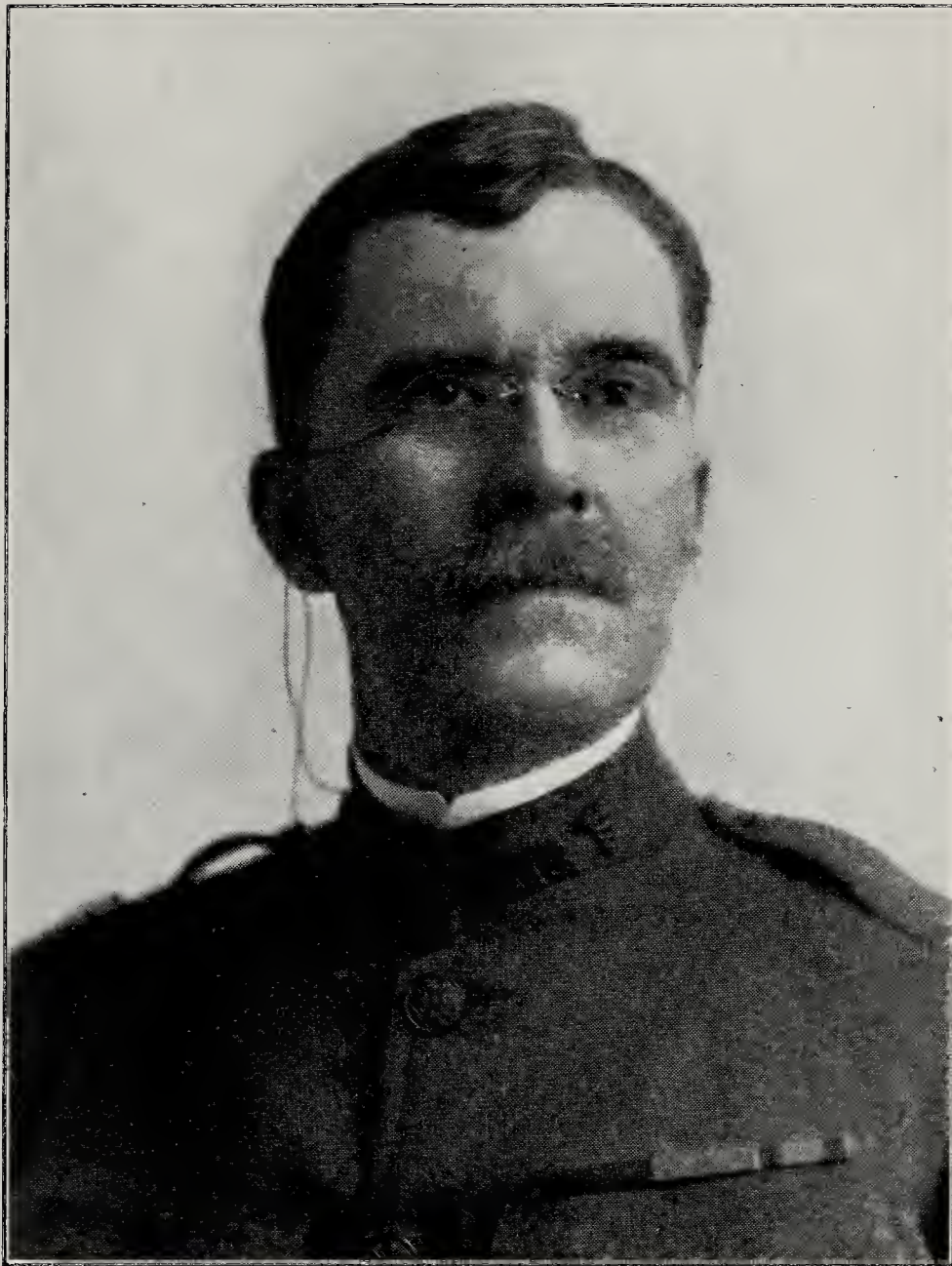
from the eighth cavalry and came through the territory at the point we had been guarding, but after our retirement. He was again rounded up by the seventh cavalry, before we reached the main command. During the attempt to disarm this band after they had nominally surrendered, the Indians, with arms concealed under their blankets, opened fire on the soldiers and a fight occurred which resulted in the killing of one officer, Capt. Wallace, and wounding others. A few soldiers were killed and others wounded and the Indians suffered a heavy loss before they finally surrendered their arms and themselves.

The squadron to which I was attached had not yet joined the main command, when a Cheyenne courier reached us at midnight with an account of the engagement and further orders to proceed to General Miles Camp near Pine Ridge Agency. We started to obey these orders but before we could rejoin the rest of the regiment a terrific blizzard lasting several days over took us. New Year's day, 1891, dawned bright and clear with everything covered with a heavy snow. Early in the forenoon we heard firing and "boots and saddles" was sounded. As we were ready to start a courier reached us with a message to the effect that a detached troop of the regiment had been attacked by another band of hostile Sioux and were on the defensive on Little Dry Grass Creek, some five or six miles away.

Our ride to the rescue was nominally at the gallop, but progress was naturally impeded by the heavy snow. We arrived at about the same time as another squadron of the regiment and found the troop dismounted and fighting on the defensive. The superior range of the cavalry carbines over the Indians' weapons had enabled them to hold off the greater numbers of redskins without loss of men. The two rescuing squadrons crossed the river deployed and began the fight on foot. After a short skirmish the Indians, now outnumbered, retreated, taking with them any dead or wounded. The troops suffered no casualties. Lieutenant, afterward Major General, Robert L. Howz was with the besieged troop and 2nd Lieut. John J. Pershing was a member of the rescuing party.

Colonel Gandy is now living at Ocean View, Cape May County, N. J., the place of his birth, with his wife and daughter.

2441531 MARTHA GANDY SHAW, born Oct. 5, 1857, daughter of Rebecca (Gandy) and Henry Shaw, married Washington Young. They had children:



CHARLES W. GANDY

Colonel Medical Corps, U. S. Army, Commanding Army and Navy  
General Hospital, Hot Springs, Ark., February, 1917 to May, 1919





24415311 WILLIS YOUNG;  
 24415312 REBECCA YOUNG;  
 24415313 LYDIA YOUNG;  
 24415314 HENRY YOUNG.

2441532 IDA SHAW, born Dec. 12, 1859, daughter of Rebecca (Gandy) and Henry Shaw, married, Oct. 27, 1877, Volney Van Gilder, son of Thompson. They had one daughter:

24415321 ESTER VAN GILDER, unmarried.

2441537 IRVING SHAW, born Oct. 29, 1872, son of Rebecca (Gandy) and Henry Shaw, married Clara Ingersoll. They had a daughter:

24415371 LIDA RAY SHAW.

2441621 NEWTON W. CORSON, the son of Miles and Margaret C. (Springer) Corson, was born July 7, 1872, in Philadelphia, Pa. He married Emily G. Fiss, who was born Dec. 16, 1870. Mr. Corson is vice-president of the Corn Exchange National Bank in the city of his birth, and is a member of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America. Newton W. and Emily Corson have one daughter:

24416211 HELEN F. CORSON, born May 8, 1906.

2472114 ENOCH CRESSE CORSON, born Nov. 20, 1857, the son of Smith and Rhoda Ann (Stites) Corson, married, May 26, 1885, Elmira Melia Alvens. They had children:

24721141 MABEL ARLENE CORSON, married Harry Boyd;  
 24721142 ENOCH CRESSE CORSON;  
 24721143 ROBERT W. COX CORSON.

2472117 THOMAS SMITH CORSON, born Aug. 25, 1864, the son of Smith and Rhoda Ann (Stites) Corson, married Martha P. Hand, born Aug. 2, 1870. They lived at Wildwood, Cape May County, N. J., and had three children:

24721171 HANNAH CORSON, married Howard Palmer;  
 24721172 M. ISABELLE CORSON, married William Blumenstein;  
 24721173 H. SMITH CORSON, born Nov. 11, 1888.

2473211 SARAH CORSON, daughter of James and Rhoda (Errickson) Corson, married Thomas Bentley. They lived near Dayton, Ohio. To them were born:

24732111 CLARA BENTLEY;  
 24732112 EFFIE BENTLEY;  
 24732113 BLANCH BENTLEY;  
 24732114 JAMES BENTLEY;  
 24732115 CHARLES BENTLEY.



2473213 GEORGE CORSON, son of James and Rhoda (Errickson) Corson, married Margaret Mathews. They lived at Dayton, Ohio. To them were born:

- 24732131 LULA CORSON, died young;
- 24732132 HARRY CORSON, born Sept. 5, 1865;
- 24732133 CLARENCE CORSON, died young;
- 24732134 CARRY CORSON;
- 24732135 HORACE CORSON;
- 24732136 MARGARET CORSON;
- 24732137 RUFUS CORSON.

2473214 SILSBEE CORSON, son of James and Rhoda (Errickson) Corson, married ——— Hart. They had a daughter:

- 24732141 JOSEPHINE CORSON, unmarried, and lives (1932) at Los Angeles, Calif.

2473215 DANIEL HAND CORSON, son of James and Rhoda (Errickson) Corson, married, first, Elizabeth Whealen. They had no issue. He married, second, Anna Brown, and they had two children:

- 24732151 DANIEL CORSON, JR., who is married and has one child;
- 24732152 NELLIE CORSON.

They live at Dayton, Ohio.

2473217 ELIZABETH CORSON, daughter of James and Rhoda (Errickson) Corson, married Charles W. Whealen. Elizabeth in 1932 was the only one of James' children living. She resided at Dayton, Ohio, with her daughter:

- 24732171 GLENN WHEALEN, who is unmarried.

2473243 ANN ELIZABETH CORSON, the daughter of Thomas, Jr., and Hannah (Hampton) Corson, married ——— Stratton. They had a son:

- 24732431 PAUL STRATTON, who is special representative for the Berkshire Life Insurance Company, at Rochester, N. Y.

2473246 JEREMIAH CORSON, son of Thomas, Jr., and Hannah (Hampton) Corson, was born Aug. 10, 1849. He married Mary Payne, born Feb. 22, 1856. They resided at Millville, N. J. To them were born:

- 24732461 NELLIE CORSON, born June 19, 1877, married Howard Beebe in 1901;
- 24732462 FLORA V. CORSON, born Feb. 19, 1879, married Hiram Peterson, 1902;

24732463 CHARLES CORSON, born Nov. 17, 1881, married Elizabeth Kates, 1920;

24732464 HELEN CORSON, born Oct. 4, 1886, married Alva Franckle in 1906;

24732465 FRED P. CORSON, born Apr. 11, 1896, married Frances Beaman in 1922.

2491311 STEPHEN CORSON, son of Godfrey and Mary Curry Corson, married ————— and was survived by one child:

24913111 EMMA CORSON.

He was deceased prior to 1932.

2491312 SAMUEL CORSON, born July, 1851, at Tuckahoe, N. J., son of Godfrey and Mary Curry Corson, married Martha Gamble, born Apr. 23, 1850, at Rockdale, Delaware County, Pa. They lived at Chester, Pa. They had at least one son:

24913121 JAMES HARRY CORSON, born Oct. 23, 1877.

Samuel Corson died June 21, 1928; Martha (Gamble) Corson died Apr. 25, 1929.

2491313 CHARLIE CORSON, son of Godfrey and Mary Curry Corson, married ————— and had a son:

24913131 LEROY CORSON.

Charlie Corson was deceased in 1932.

2491316 JOHN CORSON, son of Godfrey and Mary Curry Corson, married and had one child. The wife and child died about 1887. He did not marry again.

2491682 CURTIS E. CORSON, son of Jesse and Anna M. (Coleman) Corson, was born Nov. 4, 1884, in Cape May County, N. J. He married, Dec. 5, 1912, Caroline Young Townsend, the daughter of Eugene and Amanda (Young) Townsend. They have a son:

24916821 CURTIS T. CORSON, born Jan. 30, 1915.



## XVIII

### THE NINTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY CORSON

12111611 OLIVER B. CORSON, born Apr. 7, 1870, the eldest son of Thompson and Lena (Allen) Corson, married Mary Stites on Jan. 12, 1895. They lived in Millville, N. J. They had the following children :

- 121116111 EDITH E. CORSON, born Dec. 16, 1895, died Oct. 24, 1916;
- 121116112 LESTER O. CORSON, born Aug. 28, 1899;
- 121116113 MERIAN B. CORSON, born Apr. 3, 1904, died Sept. 24, 1928;
- 121116114 IRA S. CORSON, born Dec. 5, 1906;
- 121116115 LILLIAN D. CORSON, born Sept. 8, 1909.

12111612 WILLIAM CORSON, born May 9, 1872, the second son of Thompson and Lena (Allen) Corson, married Lottie Dilks, Dec. 3, 1899. They live in Millville, N. J. To them one son was born :

- 121116121 IRA W. CORSON, born Oct. 30, 1900, died Mar. 12, 1901.

12111614 BERTHA A. CORSON, born Oct. 15, 1877, the fourth child of Thompson and Lena (Allen) Corson, married Charles H. Edwards, Aug. 5, 1914. They live in Millville, N. J., and have no children.

12111671 DAYTON T. CORSON, JR., the only son of Dayton, Sr., and Marietta F. (Duncan) Corson, was born Aug. 21, 1891, in Paulsboro, N. J. He graduated from the Paulsboro High School in 1910, and from Bucknell University in 1914 as a civil engineer. He is now employed in the Kalman Steel Corporation (a subsidiary of the Bethlehem Steel Company) in their Philadelphia office as a sales engineer. He married, Oct. 25, 1916, Stella Kathryn Hartman, born Apr. 29, 1892, the daughter of Charles W. and Annie K. (Shadle) Hartman. They reside in Paulsboro, N. J. They have one daughter :

- 121116711 GERALDINE MARIE CORSON, born Sept. 6, 1917.

Dayton T. Corson is one of the genealogists of the family and assisted in obtaining the data for this work.

12117232 CLARENCE DAVIS, the son of Parmenas and Harriet E. (Jamison) Davis, was born Oct. 11, 1863, in Hamilton County, Ohio. He married, Oct. 11, 1888, Louise D. Kresz. They reside at Hamilton, Ohio. Four children were born to them:

121172321 ARTHUR F. DAVIS, born July 18, 1889;

121172322 ELMER J. DAVIS, born Oct. 30, 1892;

121172323 EDNA M. DAVIS, born Dec. 4, 1897;

121172324 BERTHA N. DAVIS, born July 27, 1902.

The first three children were born at Cincinnati, Ohio, and the youngest in Barnesburgh, Ohio.

12118111 MARTHA ELVIRA CORSON, born Feb. 24, 1880, the eldest child of Jacob Godfrey and Ruth (Scull) Corson, married Carl S. Rutherford. They live at 5642 Sydenham St., Philadelphia, Pa. They have one daughter:

121181111 CHARLOTTE RUTHERFORD.

12118114 BERTHA TEAL CORSON, born Oct. 6, 1885, the fourth child of Jacob Godfrey and Ruth (Scull) Corson, married Burton Hickey. They reside at 1255 Langham Ave., Camden, N. J. They have two daughters:

121181141 CATHERINE HICKEY;

121181142 RUTH HICKEY.

12118116 ELTON B. CORSON, born Jan. 15, 1893, the sixth child of Jacob Godfrey and Ruth (Scull) Corson, married Virginia Macpherson. They live at 326 Race St., Millville, N. J. To them one son was born:

121181161 ELTON CORSON, JR.

12118117 ERNEST HAINES CORSON, born Mar. 11, 1894, was the seventh child of Jacob Godfrey Corson and Ruth (Scull) Corson. He married Marian E. Griffith, who was born Sept. 28, 1895. They live on R. F. D. No. 1, Cape May, N. J. Ernest and Marion E. Corson had the following children:

121181171 ERNEST HAINES CORSON, JR., born Apr. 28, 1918;

121181172 ROBERT HENRY CORSON, born Dec. 21, 1919, died Dec. 17, 1926;

121181173 JAMES WILLIAM CORSON, born May 16, 1924;

121181174 LEWIS ALLEN CORSON, born Dec. 10, 1927.

12118118 WILLIAM SNYDER CORSON, born May 14, 1896, the eighth child of Jacob Godfrey and Ruth (Scull) Corson, married Bertha Peterson. They reside on R. F. D. No. 1, Cape May, N. J. They have two children:



121181181 DOROTHY CORSON ;

121181182 CARL CORSON.

12118521 HOWARD LANDIS BEVIS, the eldest child of Cara Ellen (Corson) and Edgar M. Bevis, was born Nov. 19, 1885. He received his preliminary education in the Colerain Township, Hamilton County, schools; then attended the Cincinnati Technical School. He is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati; Cincinnati Law School; and Harvard Law School. He was admitted to the bar in 1910. During the World War he was Chief, Legal Section, Air Service, U. S. Army, 1918-19. He was a professor of law, University Cincinnati Law School, from 1921 until 1931, when he was appointed by Governor George White as Director of Finance for the State of Ohio, and in 1933 was elevated by Governor White to a Justice of the Supreme Court. In 1924 he had been a candidate for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, in Hamilton County. After serving in the Ohio Supreme Court, Judge Bevis accepted a professorship in advanced law in Harvard University. Howard L. Bevis married, June 30, 1914, Alma Dorst Murray, the daughter of William C. and Rose (Dorst) Murray. They have one son:

121185211 MURRAY BEVIS, born Sept. 2, 1921.

12118523 CHARME DOROTHY BEVIS, born Sept. 20, 1891, near Cincinnati, Ohio, was the youngest child of Cara Ellen (Corson) and Edgar M. Bevis. She married, Sept., 1920, Henry L. Anthony, the son of Henry and Frances Anthony. They reside (1932) on Hillcrest Road, College Hill, Cincinnati, Ohio. They have one daughter:

121185231 DOROTHY ALICE ANTHONY, born July 28, 1927.

12119331 CLARENCE L. CORSON, born July 11, 1884, the eldest son of Joseph and Lida E. (Schafer) Corson, married May Riningger, Sept. 9, 1903. They reside at Fernald, Ohio, and have six children:

121193311 EARL CORSON, born Apr. 8, 1906;

121193312 MARIE CORSON, born May 4, 1908;

121193313 DOROTHY CORSON, born Mar. 2, 1911;

121193314 EVELYN CORSON, born Feb. 19, 1913;

121193315 CECILIA EVA CORSON, born May 19, 1917;

121193316 JOSEPH CORSON, born Aug. 6, 1921.

12119332 ORRIE O. CORSON, born Aug. 26, 1886, the second child of Joseph and Lida E. (Schafer) Corson, married Ethel



JUDGE HOWARD L. BEVIS





Whitney, Mar. 22, 1905. They reside at Hooven, Ohio, and have one daughter:

121193321 MINA MARJORIE CORSON, born May 11, 1906.

121193333 WALTER H. CORSON, born Nov. 11, 1888, the third son of Joseph and Lida (Schafer) Corson, married Frances Otto, Oct. 22, 1917. They reside at Fernald, Ohio, and have no children.

121193334 EDITH CORSON, born Oct. 25, 1890, the eldest daughter of Joseph and Lida (Schafer) Corson, married Robert Whitehead, Sept. 1, 1906. They lived at New Baltimore, Ohio. Edith Corson Whitehead is deceased, having passed on, May 7, 1913. They have one daughter:

121193341 GLADYS WHITEHEAD, born Aug. 5, 1908.

121193335 ESTELLE CORSON, born July 8, 1893, the second daughter of Joseph and Lida (Schafer) Corson, married Louis Raish, Oct. 26, 1921. They reside at New Baltimore, Ohio, and have no children.

121193336 MYRTLE CORSON, born July 10, 1895, the third daughter of Joseph and Lida (Schafer) Corson, married Howard McCreadie, Sept. 17, 1913. They live at New Baltimore, Ohio, and have a daughter:

121193361 GLADYS E. MCCREADIE.

121193337 ELSIE CARRIE CORSON, born Aug. 4, 1897, the fourth daughter of Joseph and Lida (Schafer) Corson, married Chelsey C. Agnew, Apr. 22, 1916. They reside at New Baltimore, Ohio. They have two children:

121193371 SHIRLEY E. AGNEW;

121193372 HAZEL G. AGNEW.

121193338 VALIDA CORSON, born Feb. 14, 1906, the youngest child of Joseph and Lida (Schafer) Corson, married John Colegate, June 27, 1923. They reside at McGonigle Station, Ohio. They have one daughter:

121193381 BETTY JANE COLEGATE, born Apr. 22, 1925.

Valida Corson was married, second, ————— Gorsuch.

12119631 EARL LEROY CORSON, the eldest son of Frank and Dora S. (Clawson) Corson, was born in Butler County, Ohio, Sept. 25, 1892. After finishing his common and high school education, he graduated from the Y. M. C. A. College at Springfield,



Mass. He was Secretary of Montgomery County, Ohio, Y. M. C. A. for several years, then, at the request of the National Committee, took charge of the County Y. M. C. A. at Sufken, Tex., Oct. 1, 1929, where he is now located. June 29, 1918, at Columbus, Ohio, he married Elsie Brady, a graduate of Ohio State University. They have two children:

121196311 BETTIE LOUISE CORSON, born Oct. 9, 1920;

121196312 DONALD EARL CORSON, born Dec. 19, 1923.

12119632 BLANCH CORSON, born Nov. 4, 1902, in Butler County, Ohio, the daughter of Frank and Dora S. (Clawson) Corson, married, Aug. 7, 1926, George F. Moore. They live on a farm one and one-half miles east of Hamilton, Ohio. They have three children:

121196321 CLARENCE EUGENE MOORE;

121196322 AVIS SAVERNE MOORE;

121196323 RALPH WAYNE MOORE.

12119633 RAYMOND CORSON, born Aug. 6, 1907, the youngest child of Frank and Dora S. (Clawson) Corson, married, Aug. 6, 1919, Laura Jane Terwilleger. They live at Hamilton, Ohio, and have one daughter:

121196331 LUCILLE CORSON.

12119641 THURMAN M. CORSON, the eldest child of Swain and Ada (Abraham) Corson, was born Nov. 26, 1888. He married, Nov. 29, 1911, Anna Burnhart, born May 25, 1892. He is a carpenter and builder and lives at Hamilton, Ohio. They have two sons:

121196411 CLARENCE SWAIN CORSON, born Aug. 9, 1912;

121196412 CARL C. CORSON, born June 1, 1914.

12121122 LINWOOD SHAMGAR CORSON, M.D., the son of Nicholas and Harriet (Hall) Corson, was born Nov. 19, 1872, at Seaville, N. J. After graduating as a druggist, he operated a drug store on the corner of 26th and Oxford Sts., Philadelphia, for five or six years, until about 1895. He then decided to fit himself for a physician, and graduated as a Doctor of Medicine from Temple University, Philadelphia. After serving as an interne at the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia, he began the practice of medicine in Oct., 1907, in Glen Moore, Chester County, Pa., a village of about 300 population, having bought the home and practice of Doctor Nichols. He practiced here until his death, Sept. 14, 1914. He was a high type man and the friend of all who knew him. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Woodmen of

the World. On Dec. 4, 1896, he was united in marriage to Adelaide Printz. They had three children:

- 121211221 WALTER EVERTON CORSON, born June 15, 1899;
- 121211222 ELMER NICHOLAS CORSON, born Oct. 31, 1901;
- 121211223 SPENCER LINWOOD CORSON, born Oct. 5, 1908.

12121411 FLORENCE TOWNSEND SOMERS, born July 12, 1864, was the daughter of Louisa Stites (Corson) and Dr. Job Braddock Somers. She was born in Linwood, N. J. She married, Apr. 10, 1892, Martin V. B. Scull, the son of Judge Joseph and Hannah (Gifford) Scull. He was born Mar. 2, 1862, at Scullville, N. J. For some years he was engaged in the grocery business at Atlantic City and now is engaged in the real estate business at Somers Point, N. J. Florence Townsend (Somers) Scull has long been interested in Corson genealogy and assisted in gathering data for this work. She is a member of the D. A. R., Century Chapter.

12131411 WILLIAM ALBERT CORSON, born Jan. 24, 1858, at Rising Sun, Ind., the eldest son of James K. and Mary Jane (Spore) Corson, married, first, Sept. 11, 1878, Susie Belle Grubbs. They lived in Dearborn County, Ind., and later moved to Urbana, Ill. He was an engineer and later farmed. They had two children:

- 121314111 GOLDIE LEE CORSON, born Oct. 7, 1879;
- 121314112 MABEL CORSON, born 1886, died in infancy.

The first wife died Oct., 1894. William Albert Corson married, second, Mar. 3, 1897, Laura Snideman of Urbana, Ill. They lived on a farm at Metropolis, Ill. To them were born four children:

- 121314113 EUNICE JEANETTE CORSON, born Aug. 5, 1898;
- 121314114 CLIFFORD R. CORSON, born Sept. 19, 1900;
- 121314115 HELEN LUCILLE CORSON, born July 19, 1906;
- 121314116 LILLIAN JUANITA CORSON, born Aug. 20, 1910, lives in Chicago, Ill.

12131412 REV. THOMAS EDDY CORSON, born Dec. 10, 1859, the second son of James K. and Mary Jane (Spore) Corson, entered the ministry in 1891. On Sept. 14, 1893, he married Clara Margaret Bachman. They had seven children.

- 121314121 MAE WINNONA CORSON, born Oct. 23, 1894;
- 121314122 HARRELL L. CORSON, born Oct. 21, 1896;
- 121314123 HOWARD BENSON CORSON, born Sept. 9, 1898;
- 121314124 NELL MURILL CORSON, born Sept. 29, 1900;
- 121314125 RUTH CARLOTTA CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1902;
- 121314126 FAITH DELIGHT CORSON, born Mar. 19, 1904;



121314127 NEWALL LADUE CORSON, born Aug. 11, 1906, unmarried, lives in Chicago, where he is a supervisor of salesmen for the Bell Telephone Company.

12131413 GEORGE ELMER CORSON, born Apr. 26, 1862, the third son of James K. and Mary Jane (Spore) Corson, married, first, Dec. 31, 1883, Alvena Maker. They live at Urbana, Ill., and six children were born to them:

- 121314131 ALBERT JAMES CORSON, born Sept. 21, 1884;
- 121314132 GEORGE ELMER CORSON, JR., born July 8, 1886;
- 121314133 ADOLPH CORSON, born Nov. 17, 1888, died Dec. 12, 1901;
- 121314134 HARMON CARL CORSON, born Aug. 28, 1890;
- 121314135 FLORENCE WILKINS CORSON, born Sept. 26, 1892;
- 121314136 WILLA JANE CORSON, born July 17, 1895.

The first wife died Feb. 19, 1909. George Elmer Corson married, second, Dec. 20, 1911, Nellie Allen, an Evangelist in the Free Methodist Church. They live on their ranch at Modesto, Calif.

12131414 ALMA HENDEE CORSON, the fourth child of James K. and Mary Jane (Spore) Corson, was born Sept. 28, 1863, in Ohio County, Ind. On Apr. 7, 1886, she married Emmet G. Yearsley. They lived on their farm in Somers Township, north of Urbana, until 1892, when they moved into a new home in Urbana, Ill. They had two children:

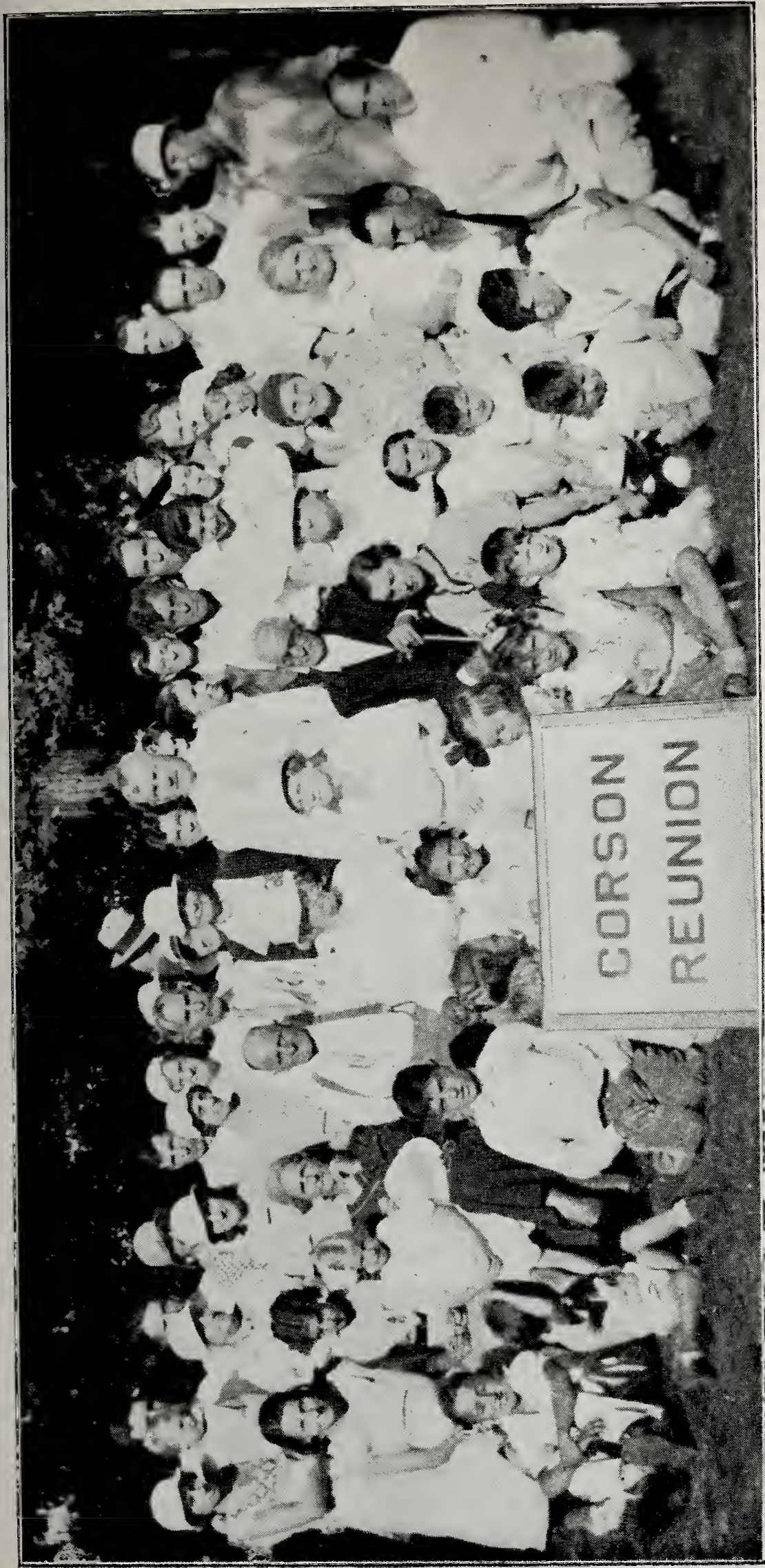
- 121314141 JOHN C. YEARSLEY, born July 28, 1887;
- 121314142 MARY YEARSLEY, born Aug. 7, 1898.

12131416 MARY EMMA CORSON, born Apr. 28, 1866, in Ohio County, Ind., the sixth child of James K. and Mary Jane (Spore) Corson, married, Sept. 5, 1894, Howard William Waters. They reside on their farm in Somers Township, north of Urbana, Ill. They have five children:

- 121314161 HOPE C. WATERS, born July 3, 1895, in Champaign County, Ill., lives in Glendale, Calif.;
- 121314162 LEE WILLIAM WATERS, born Dec. 2, 1897;
- 121314163 JESSIE ELIZABETH WATERS, born Feb. 4, 1898;
- 121314164 FERN DEETTE WATERS, born Oct. 23, 1900, resides at Champaign, Ill.;
- 121314165 MAUDE EMMA WATERS, born Aug. 9, 1903, resides at Glendale, Calif.

12131417 JOHN BAILEY CORSON, born Dec. 10, 1868, in Ohio County, Ind., the seventh child of James K. and Mary Jane (Spore) Corson, married, Feb. 12, 1893, Ella Brownfield. They reside on a farm north of Urbana, Ill. To them were born six children:





CORSON REUNION, CRYSTAL LAKE PARK, URBANA, ILLINOIS, AUGUST 13, 1933

*Left to Right, Rear Row:* Millard McBride; Lee and Frieda Waters; Ben Battleson; Ivy Penray; Hope Waters; John Yearsley; Elizabeth Yearsley; Margaret Corson; Mr. Percy; Denny Donnell; Wm. Marshall; Helen Corson; Newell Corson; Catherine Corson.  
*Standing, Second Row:* Helen and Onnelee McBride; Goldie Meade; Fern Waters; Maud Waters; Howard W. Waters; Jessie Yearsley; Harriet Price; Emma Yarsley; Belle Corson; Albert Corson; June Battleson; Faith Donnell; Kathryn McClain; Dale McClain; Mae Battleson.  
*Seated:* Ruth Yearsley; Agatha Meade; Kathryn McBride; Ella Corson; Bailey Corson; Emma Waters; Alma Yearsley; Edward Corson; Clara Corson; Mrs. Percy; Mrs. Orville Corson.  
*Seated on Ground:* Robert Waters; Dale McBride; Robert Corson; Donna Sue Keller; Norma Waters; Mary Jane Marshall; Ruth Marshall; Esther Waters; Nelle Palmer; Harold Palmer; Robert Battleson; Richard Battleson; Douglas Palmer; Orville Corson.





- 121314171 MAUDE MARY CORSON, born Aug. 7, 1894, died May, 1896;  
 121314172 GLADYS THANKFUL CORSON, born June 26, 1898;  
 121314173 JAMES BAILEY CORSON, born June 7, 1900, died 1902;  
 121314174 FAYE GEORGE CORSON, born May 23, 1902;  
 121314175 RUTH PANSY CORSON, born Jan. 7, 1905;  
 121314176 MEREL CLINT CORSON, born July 1, 1907.

12131431 LOUELLA CORSON, born Dec. 28, 1867, the eldest child of Andrew K. and Rose (Trestler) Corson, married, Apr. 22, 1885, W. G. Smith. They had one child:

121314311 L. C. SMITH.

They reside at Hartford, Ind.

12131432 A. J. (JACKEY) CORSON, born July 8, 1869, the second child of Andrew K. and Rose (Trestler) Corson, married, Feb. 14, 1893, Hattie Akers. They live at Friendship, Ind., and had two children:

- 121314321 HOWARD R. CORSON, born July 14, 1895;  
 121314322 GERTRUDE W. CORSON, born July 3, 1900.

12131451 ANNA BUCHANAN, born Mar. 1, 1868, the eldest child of Catherine Totten (Corson) and Cornelius Buchanan, married, Dec. 25, 1897, Henry Libbert. They reside at Plymouth, Ind. To them were born three children:

- 121314511 JOHN LIBBERT, born Mar. 22, 1900, married Laura ———, resides at Plymouth, Ind., no issue;  
 121314512 CATHERINE LIBBERT, born Jan. 13, 1903;  
 121314513 WILLIAM LIBBERT, born Apr. 24, 1905, married Jesse Reibel, resides at Indianapolis, Ind., where he is assistant manager, Indianapolis International Harvester Company, no issue.

12131452 CLARA M. BUCHANAN, born Apr. 20, 1871, the second child of Catherine Totten (Corson) and Cornelius Buchanan, married, Apr. 20, 1891, Dr. E. J. Libbert. They reside at Aurora, Ind. They have five children:

- 121314521 MARSHALL LIBBERT, born Mar. 1, 1892;  
 121314522 EUGENE LIBBERT, born Oct. 25, 1893, died in infancy;  
 121314523 CORNELIUS LIBBERT, born July 19, 1895;  
 121314524 EDWIN LIBBERT, born Nov. 28, 1900;  
 121314525 CLARENCE LIBBERT, born Oct. 17, 1905, married, Dec. 31, 1929, Helena Roos, and resides at Kansas City, Kan.

12131453 HARRIET D. BUCHANAN, the youngest daughter of Catherine Totten (Corson) and Cornelius Buchanan, was born Feb. 19, 1879, in Dearborn County, Ind. On Oct. 17, 1904, she married Lyman H. Price. They reside in Indianapolis, Ind., where Mr. Price is engaged in the real estate business. They have no



children. Mrs. Price is the genealogist of her family and furnished the record of Aquilla Corson's descendants in Indiana.

12131461 JOHN PETER CORSON, born Jan. 25, 1875, the eldest child of John K. and Sarah (Pate) Corson, married, first, Content Kemp, about 1897. They had one son:

121314611 JOHN CORSON, married twice, died Sept., 1930, issue, one child.

John Peter Corson married, second, Marian Hunt. They had four children:

121314612 JAMES CORSON, born Jan. 14, 1906;  
 121314613 ELIZABETH CORSON, born July 11, —;  
 121314614 GEORGE EDWIN CORSON, born Feb. 9, 1911;  
 121314615 MARY E. CORSON, born Nov. 31, 1913.

12131463 ALBERT CORSON, born Sept. 20, 1880, the third child of John K. and Sarah (Pate) Corson, married Harriet Hayes. They resided in Modesta, Calif. The names of their two children were not learned. Albert Corson died Feb. 19, 1930.

12131464 ELIZABETH CORSON, born Feb. 27, 1883, the fourth child of John K. and Sarah (Pate) Corson, married, Aug., 1905, George Elliott. They reside at Rising Sun, Ind., where the father and son are engaged in the dairying business. They had three children:

121314641 SARAH ELLIOTT, born Mar. 31, 1913, died in infancy;  
 121314642 ROY ELLIOTT, born July 18, 1914;  
 121314643 GEORGIA ELLIOTT, born Dec. 21, 1916.

12131481 ALBERT BARRICKLOW, the eldest son of Elizabeth (Corson) and Hiram Barricklow, was born June 28, 1878. He married Mary Liggett. They live at Norwood, Ohio, and have two children:

121314811 GERTRUDE BARRICKLOW;  
 121314812 EDWARD L. BARRICKLOW.

12131482 MARY BARRICKLOW, born Oct. 1, 1879, the second child of Elizabeth (Corson) and Hiram Barricklow, married, first, Joe Beckett. They had one son:

121314821 J. HAMILTON BECKETT.

She married, second, John D. Coffield. One son was born to the second marriage:

121314822 JOHN D. COFFIELD, JR.

They reside at Rising Sun, Ind.

12131491 LIDA MOORE, born Oct. 25, 1879, the eldest child of Nancy (Corson) and William Moore, married, Jan. 14, 1905, William Shepherd at Urbana, Ill. They live at Aurora, Ind., and had three children:

121314911 GRACE L. SHEPHERD;

121314912 MARY B. SHEPHERD, married ——— Thompson, resides at Dillboro, Ind.;

121314913 MERRITT J. SHEPHERD, lives at Great Lakes, Ill.

12131492 CURTIS MOORE, born Oct. 3, 1883, the second child of Nancy (Corson) and William Moore, married, Nov., 1912, Clara Hilker. They reside at Aurora, Ind., where Mr. Moore has charge of Riverview Cemetery. They have one son:

121314921 NORMAN C. MOORE.

12131493 KATE MOORE, born Mar. 20, 1890, the third child of Nancy (Corson) and William Moore, married, Oct. 5, 1912, Robert Dennis. They reside at Aurora, Ind., and have two children:

121314931 LAURA M. DENNIS;

121314932 WILLIAM DENNIS.

121314:10:1 LIZZIE BUCHANAN, born Mar. 13, 1885, the eldest child of Lucinda (Corson) and Luke Buchanan, married Harry Tyrell, July 23, 1912. They reside at Osawatomie, Kan., and have two children:

121314:10:11 ROBERT TYRELL;

121314:10:12 RICHARD TYRELL.

121314:10:4 KATE BUCHANAN, born Oct. 12, 1889, the fourth child of Lucinda (Corson) and Luke Buchanan, married, Dec. 25, 1914, F. J. Richland. They reside at Coffeyville, Kan., and have one daughter:

121314:10:41 MARGARET HELEN RICHLAND.

121314:10:5 JOHN BUCHANAN, the fifth child of Lucinda (Corson) and Luke Buchanan, was born Aug. 31, 1891. He married, first, Gertie Bennett, and second, Minnie Rogers. He lived at Osawatomie, Kan., and has three sons:

121314:10:51 CARL BUCHANAN;

121314:10:52 HAROLD BUCHANAN;

121314:10:53 EDGAR BUCHANAN.

John Buchanan is engaged in the chain store business.



121314:10:6 CORNELIUS BUCHANAN, the sixth child of Lucinda (Corson) and Luke Buchanan, born Feb. 13, 1895, married ————. They have one son:

121314:10:61 CALVIN BUCHANAN.

121314:11:1 LAURA CORSON, the eldest child of Albert and Mary (Barricklow) Corson, married Orville Fish. They live at East Enterprise, Ind. To them four children were born:

121314:11:11 LEONA FISH, married, Apr., 1927, Casper Allen;

121314:11:12 ROY FISH;

121314:11:13 CARROL FISH;

121314:11:14 WILFORD FISH.

121314:11:2 MABEL CORSON, born July, 1888, the second child of Albert and Mary (Barricklow) Corson, married, May 8, 1907, Walter Potter. They reside in East Enterprise, Ind., and have seven children:

121314:11:21 ELIZABETH POTTER, born Jan. 30, 1910;

121314:11:22 CLAYTON POTTER, born Mar. 19, 1913;

121314:11:23 ALBERT POTTER, born May 30, 1916;

121314:11:24 MELVIN POTTER, born May 15, 1919;

121314:11:25 ORSON POTTER, twin, born June 14, 1921;

121314:11:26 NORMA POTTER, twin, born June 14, 1921;

121314:11:27 ROBERT POTTER, born June 4, 1927.

121314:12:1 MINNIE HIGBEE, born June 30, 1880, the eldest child of Susan (Corson) and Will Higbee, married, Mar. 27, 1901, Charles Pavey. They reside at Rising Sun, Ind. They had three children:

121314:12:11 MARTHA PAVEY, married ———— Jenner, resides at Newburgh, Ind.;

121314:12:12 ALFRED PAVEY;

121314:12:13 FRANCES PAVEY, married ———— Huffman, lives at Cleves, Ohio.

121314:12:2 STELLA HIGBEE, born Dec. 8, 1881, the second child of Susan (Corson) and Will Higbee, married, Oct., 1902, William Conaway. They reside in Indianapolis, Ind., and had two children:

121314:12:21 LEE CONAWAY, deceased;

121314:12:22 THOMAS CONAWAY.

121314:12:4 BESSIE HIGBEE, the fourth child of Susan (Corson) and Will Higbee, born Oct. 26, 1885, married Richard Thomas in Jan., 1910. They reside at Fallon, Nev., and have three children:

121314:12:41 HELEN THOMAS;  
 121314:12:42 HAZEL THOMAS;  
 121314:12:43 RICHARD WILLIAM THOMAS.

121314:12:5 RUSSELL HIGBEE, born May 28, 1887, the fifth child of Susan (Corson) and Will Higbee, married Minnie Acra, Feb. 16, 1910. They reside at East Enterprise, Ind., and have one child:

121314:12:51 NORMALEE HIGBEE.

121314:12:6 MARY HIGBEE, born Nov. 27, 1888, the sixth child of Susan (Corson) and Will Higbee, married, June 6, 1909, Louis Tyler. They reside at East Enterprise, Ind., and have two children:

121314:12:61 HERSCHELL INGLE TYLER;  
 121314:12:62 CHARLES RUSSELL TYLER.

12131632 GEORGE FRANCIS HUNT, the second child of Mary Caroline (Kittle) and Malic Hunt, married, June 20, 1906, Edna McDonald. They resided in Indianapolis, Ind., and had five children:

121316321 LESTER MALIC HUNT, born Feb. 1, 1907 (twin brother died at birth), married, Mar. 28, 1932, Agnes Dobson, issue, Charlene Louise Hunt, born June 13, 1933;  
 121316322 THELMA ILENE HUNT, born Sept. 22, 1908, married, Oct. 28, 1928, Harold Ralstob, issue, Shirley, born Apr. 8, 1930, and Gerald Lee, born Nov. 26, 1932;  
 121316323 RHUHAMA HUNT, born July 9, 1911;  
 121316324 MARY FLORENCE HUNT, born Oct. 10, 1918;  
 121316325 GEORGE HUNT, JR., born Aug. 14, 1920.

12131651 MINNIE NORINE KITTLE, the only surviving child of William Kittle and his first wife, Olive Jane Kittle, married, Dec. 31, 1899, Charles F. McVey. They resided in Indianapolis, Ind., and had one child:

121316511 DELBERT P. McVEY, born Nov. 12, 1901, married, June, 1930, Juanita Crosky, and resides in Oak Park, Ill.

12131653 LESTER KITTLE, the second child of William and Laura Beel (Richardson) Kittle, married Pearl Bolander. He died in 1913. They had one child:

121316531 KENNETH KITTLE, born Apr. 22, 1909, resides in Richmond, Ind.

12131654 RALPH M. KITTLE, the third child of William and Laura Beel (Richardson) Kittle, married Helen Hall and have two children:



121316541 BETTY JANE KITTLE, born July 1, 1918;  
 121316542 MARGARET HELEN KITTLE, born July 6, 1920.

12131655 JAMES F. KITTLE, the fourth child of William and Laura Beel (Richardson) Kittle, married, Nov. 28, 1921, Betty Meyers. They reside in Richmond, Ind., and have one child:

121316551 WILLIAM J. KITTLE.

121316:10:1 ARTHUR E. WILSON, the only child of Emma J. (Kittle) and Lincoln Wilson, married, Dec. 25, 1905, Eva M. Kirk. They resided in Indianapolis, Ind., and had five children:

121316:10:11 LUCILLE KIRK WILSON, born Jan. 8, 1907, married Gerald Shortridge, issue, Susanna, born Feb. 28, 1930, and Barbara, born May 21, 1937;

121316:10:12 THEODORE E. WILSON, born Mar. 16, 1909, married Lucille Hurd, issue, George and Alice;

121316:10:13 MYRTLE ELIZABETH WILSON, born Aug. 10, 1912, married Benjamin Parrish, issue, David, born Feb. 13, 1937;

121316:10:14 ARTHUR E. WILSON, JR., born Nov. 14, 1914, married, Oct. 1, 1938, Elaine Oberholtzer;

121316:10:15 HELEN CATHERINE WILSON, born Nov. 21, 1917, married, June 5, 1937, Luther Symons.

121316:13:1 RUTH F. KITTLE, the only child of John F. and Nettie (Hubbard) Kittle, married, May 30, 1913, Horace Clark. They resided in Indianapolis, Ind., and had six children:

121316:13:11 HELEN CLARK, born Jan. 15, 1914, married, Oct. 31, 1930, Eugene Elliott, residence, North Vernon, Ind., issue, Donald, born July, 1931;

121316:13:12 CHARLES W. CLARK, born June 22, 1915;

121316:13:13 EMMA LELIA CLARK, born Dec. 30, 1917, married, Apr., 1938, Charles Koed;

121316:13:14 JOHN FRANCIS CLARK, born June 26, 1921;

121316:13:15 BETTY ALICE CLARK;

121316:13:16 JOAN CLARK, born May 12, 1926.

12212151 WALTER CORSON, the son of Peter S. Corson, according to Champion Corson's family tree of the male descendants of the immigrant John Corson, had a son:

122121511 ISREAL ADELBERT CORSON.

12246131 HELEN CORSON, the eldest daughter of Asa and Joanna Belle (Amidon) Corson, was born Aug. 13, 1891. She married, first, John F. Rose, born June 3, 1889, in Rhode Island, and by this union two children were born;

122461311 RUTH LOUISE ROSE, born May 3, 1914, at Willowbrook, Calif.;

122461312 JOHN FRANCIS ROSE, born Oct. 4, 1916, at Pueblo, Colo.

This union was dissolved and Helen married, second, Edward H. Shannon, of Los Angeles, Nov. 7, 1922. They had children:

- 122461313 EDWARD ASHBURY SHANNON, born June 15, 1924;
- 122461314 JOANA PATRICIA SHANNON, born Jan. 12, 1929.

12246141 KEITH CORSON, born Dec. 30, 1894, son of Harley and Hattie (Thomas) Corson, married Georgie Fritz in Kansas City, Kan. They live at Glendale, Calif., and have three children:

- 122461411 EDWIN CORSON, born Aug. 1, 1917;
- 122461412 KENNETH CORSON, born Oct. 23, 1922;
- 122461413 BETTY MAY CORSON, born May 1, 1926.

Georgie Fritz Corson was born Apr. 23, 1896.

12246142 DONALD CORSON, born Sept. 12, 1900, at Kansas City, Kan., younger son of Harley Townsend and Hattie (Thomas) Corson, married Norma Evans, Sept. 9, 1920. They reside at Kansas City, Kan., and have two children:

- 122461421 NORMA SUE CORSON, born Sept. 9, 1922;
- 122461422 DONALD CORSON, JR., born Jan. 31, 1926.

12246172 EUNICE MARIA PARNELL, born Dec. 4, 1898, at Denver, Colo., the daughter of Nellie Rachel (Corson) and Archie E. Parnell, married, first, Raymond L. Hill in July, 1921. One child was born to this union:

- 122461721 GEORGIA NELL HILL, born May 13, 1922.

The first marriage was dissolved and Eunice Maria (Parnell) Hill married, second, Milferd E. Brown.

12246211 CLAUD WILLIAM HUNTER, born 1884, at Ashland, Ill., the eldest child of Edward and Sophia D. (Lohmann) Hunter, married, Nov., 1906, Georgia May Jones, born 1884, at Bourbon County, Ky. They reside at Kansas City, Mo., and have ten children as follows:

- 122462111 EDWARD CLAUDE HUNTER, born 1907;
- 122462112 ARTHUR HUNTER, born 1909;
- 122462113 NANNIE MAY HUNTER, born 1911;
- 122462114 FRANCES DINA HUNTER, born 1913;
- 122462115 JOSEPH LOHMANN HUNTER, born 1916;
- 122462116 FRANK WALKER HUNTER, born 1918;
- 122462117 ROBERT EVERETT HUNTER, born 1920;
- 122462118 FOREST LAMONT HUNTER, born 1922;
- 122462119 GLENN WILLIAM HUNTER, born 1924;
- 12246211:10: HOWARD VICTOR HUNTER, born 1927.

The eldest son was born at Hot Springs, Ark., and the other nine children were born at Kansas City, Mo.



12246212 BERTHA ABBIE HUNTER, born 1886, at Springfield, Ill., married ——— Hamnen. They live in Florida and have five children:

- 122462121 ——— ———, died in infancy;
- 122462122 JEAN HAMNEN;
- 122462123 SOPHIA LAURA HAMNEN;
- 122462124 DOROTHY LEE HAMNEN;
- 122462125 BURKS HAMNEN.

12246221 BESSIE BAYARD HUNTER, born Mar. 8, 1900, at Kansas City, daughter of William Richard and Sarah Elizabeth (Bayard) Hunter, married, Oct. 3, 1922, Joseph E. Cox, born May 29, 1906, at Ashland, Ore. They reside at Dickens, Mo., and have three children:

- 122462211 KENNETH W. COX, born Oct. 19, 1923;
- 122462212 JOSEPH ALLEN COX, born Apr. 29, 1925;
- 122462213 RICHARD ELLSWORTH COX, born Apr. 11, 1928.

12246292 CLARENCE EUGENE HUNTER, born Jan. 19, 1905, at Kansas City, Mo., second son of Eugene Corson Hunter and Aimee Zare (Pierson) Hunter, married May 15, 1925, Frances C. Williams. They have two children:

- 122462921 GONNA LEE HUNTER, born Nov. 30, 1926;
- 122462922 RALPH EUGENE HUNTER, born Sept. 20, 1929.

They reside at Independence, Mo.

12246511 DR. HAROLD FEE CORSON, born Aug. 29, 1898, was the eldest son of Richard Edward and Julia Frances (Connelly) Corson. He is a Doctor of Medicine and resides in Providence, R. I. On June 1, 1926, he married Helen Crawford and they have a daughter:

- 122465111 NANCY CORSON, born May 5, 1927.

12246531 FOREST CORSON HEATON, the only child of Cora Rames (Corson) and Roy Madison Heaton, was born Oct. 7, 1902. He married, June 1, 1927, Mary Helen Hobson, who was born Dec. 22, 1903. They have one daughter:

- 122465311 MARY FRANCES HEATON, born Dec. 12, 1929, in Springfield, Ill.

12246612 MABEL NOTTINGHAM, born Aug. 13, 1902, the daughter of Arthur and Mary F. (Sutton) Nottingham, married, Aug. 16, 1924, Dale Yoder. They have a son:

- 122466121 THEODORE (TED) YODER, born Feb. 26, 1931.

12246641 BURTON NOTTINGHAM, born Oct. 23, 1902, the son of Jonathan and Nellie (Purviance) Nottingham, married \_\_\_\_\_ on May 21, 1925. They have one daughter:

122466411 LOIS ANN NOTTINGHAM, born July 3, 1928.

12246731 RAYMOND CECIL MCGINNIS, the eldest son of Virgil Horace and Ida (Wonn) McGinnis, was born Apr. 3, 1902, in Pueblo, Colo. He married, Aug., 1928, at Binghamton, N. Y., Gertrude Tobey. They reside in Scotch Plains, N. J. Mr. McGinnis is telephone engineer for the Western Electric Company, Jersey City, N. J. They have one son:

122467311 CHARLES GORDON MCGINNIS, born June, 1931.

12246732 MILDRED MCGINNIS, born Aug. 20, 1906, in Pueblo, Colo., the daughter of Virgil Horace and Ida (Wonn) McGinnis, married, Aug., 1928, at Philadelphia, Pa., John C. Wilson, Jr. They reside (1932) in Middletown, Ohio, where Mr. Wilson is employed in the sales department of the American Rolling Mill Company. They have one daughter:

122467321 MILDRED DOLORES WILSON, born Sept. 3, 1931.

12246741 CARL LEROY STOCKING, born Sept. 5, 1904, at Mayfield, Kan., was the eldest son of Maud (McGinnis) and Elmer L. Stocking. He is a minister of the gospel (Methodist) and resides in Hanston, Kan. On Aug. 17, 1927, he married Ida Glenna Hensley.

12246742 ALMA LOUISE STOCKING, the second child of Maud (McGinnis) and Elmer L. Stocking, was born in Mayfield, Kan., Apr. 10, 1906. She married, May 2, 1926, Harry H. Yearout, farmer. They have two children:

122467421 ROBERT ELMER YEAROUT, born Aug. 12, 1928, at Wellington, Kan.;

122467422 JACK LEROY YEAROUT, born Oct. 2, 1930, at Milan, Kan.

12246743 NELLIE FRANCES STOCKING, born Dec. 17, 1908, at Mayfield, Kan., was the daughter of Maud (McGinnis) and Elmer L. Stocking. She married, May 1, 1930, Marshall W. Hill, teacher. They live at Anson, Kan., and have a daughter:

122467431 DONNA JUNE HILL, born Sept. 1, 1931, at Wellington, Kan.

12246744 HAROLD FREDERICK STOCKING, born Jan. 20, 1911, at Mayfield, Kan., was the fourth child of Maud (McGinnis) and Elmer L. Stocking. He is a farmer and resides near Mayfield, Kan. On May 1, 1930, he married Dorothy Jones.



12253171 WILLIAM WALLACE CORSON, born Mar. 16, 1900, the eldest son of William Penn and Katherine (Kronenwetter) Corson, married, June 28, 1930, Sarah Heraty. They have two children:

122531711 KATHERINE FRANCES CORSON, born June 2, 1933;

122531712 MARY MARGARET CORSON, born June 3, 1935.

They reside at 723 Kenmore Rd., Cynwyd, Pa.

12254311 WILLIAM P. GODFREY, the eldest son of Charlotte W. (Corson) and Townsend Godfrey, was born Dec. 28, 1880. He married, July 3, 1916, Maud Trader, of Uniontown, Pa. They have no children.

12254312 IRENE C. GODFREY, born July 2, 1884, the daughter of Charlotte W. (Corson) and Townsend Godfrey, married John C. Regan of Merchantville, N. J., on Oct. 15, 1902. They have one daughter:

122543121 VALERA G. REGAN.

12254313 MULFORD TOWNSEND GODFREY, the youngest son of Charlotte W. (Corson) and Townsend Godfrey, was born Aug. 22, 1887, at Palermo, Cape May County. He married, July 1, 1916, Florence Virginia Prichett, born Sept. 22, 1891, the daughter of Channing and Ida Bell (Beebe) Princhett. In 1932, Mr. Godfrey was Collector and Treasurer of Upper Township, Cape May County. Mulford T. and Florence V. Godfrey have five children:

122543131 DORIS PRITCHETT GODFREY, born June 26, 1918;

122543132 WILLIAM CHANNING GODFREY, born Jan. 29, 1921;

122543133 HERBERT LAWRENCE GODFREY, born Jan. 2, 1922;

122543134 IDA BELLE GODFREY, born Dec. 10, 1925;

122543135 MARIAN JEAN GODFREY, born Sept. 19, 1931.

12254314 ZELMA G. GODFREY, born Nov. 26, 1890, the daughter of Charlotte W. (Corson) and Townsend Godfrey, married Herbert R. Smith, May 11, 1910. Mr. Smith is a realtor in Ocean City, N. J. They have no children.

12254321 FLORENCE L. CAIN, the only child of Arnelia B. (Corson) and Edgar M. Cain, was born Nov. 19, 1891. She married John E. Betzold, proprietor of the Betzold Cleaning & Fur Storage Plant, at Second and Glenwood Ave., Philadelphia, Pa., with offices in New York and Chicago. Mr. Betzold's company dressed and cured 80 barrels of hides secured by Roosevelt

on his African expedition. Florence L. and John E. Betzold have two children:

122543211 JOHN EDWARD BETZOLD, born Jan. 21, 1917, in Philadelphia, Pa.;

122543212 LESTER BETZOLD, born July 21, 1919, also in Philadelphia.

14112113 WALTER THOMAS CORSON, born Feb. 19, 1866, the son of Cornelius and Martha Ann (Ingersoll) Corson, married Margaret Davidson, who was born June 1, 1868. They lived in Philadelphia, Pa., where they had seven children as follows:

141121131 CHARLES C. CORSON;

141121132 ROBERT D. CORSON;

141121133 WALTER CORSON;

141121134 WESLEY INGERSOLL CORSON, born Feb. 3, 1897;

141121135 IDA MAY CORSON;

141121136 CORA CORSON;

141121137 LAURA CORSON.

14113522 JOSEPHINE S. CORSON, born 1882, the daughter of Leaming and Elizabeth (Young) Corson, married Howard Stites. They had a daughter:

141135221 ELSIE STITES.

14113523 ELSIE CORSON, the youngest daughter of Leaming and Elizabeth (Young) Corson, married Orlando Giberson. They had three children:

141135231 ROGER GIBERSON;

141135232 FRED GIBERSON;

141135233 EDITH GIBERSON.

14132113 ELIZABETH (LIZZIE) MURPHY, daughter of Roxanna (Borden) and Sylvanus Murphy, married William B. Clark. They had one son:

141321131 EARL CLARK.

14132114 LOUISA B. MURPHY, daughter of Roxanna (Borden) and Sylvanus Murphy, married John Tullis. They had children:

141321141 EDNA TULLIS;

141321142 OLIVE TULLIS;

141321143 HAZEL TULLIS.

14215621 MARGARET CORSON, born Dec. 30, 1903, the daughter of Robert and Kate (Alt) Corson, married Marion Cole. They have two children:



142156211 ALICE JEAN COLE, born May 22, 1927;

142156212 HENRY COLE, born Jan. 11, 1930.

14215642 CARLTON CORSON, born Jan. 17, 1907, in Pittsburgh, Pa., the son of Elvin and Louise (Brown) Corson, married Marjorie L. Anderson, born Mar. 26, 1911. They had one son:

142156421 CARLTON NEWMAN CORSON, born June 27, 1931.

14221131 OSCAR CORSON, son of Hannah Lureen Corson and Elmer Corson, was born Oct. 16, 1891. He is a structural engineer, having attended Drexel Institute; Columbia University; and the Wilson English Corporation. He served overseas with the 315th M. G. Co. in the World War, and was wounded and gassed in action. He is disabled as a result of this service. Apr. 3, 1920, he married Pearl Stanton, who was born Dec. 8, 1894. They live in Ardsley, Glenside, Pa., and have three children:

142211311 CHARLES OSCAR CORSON, born Aug. 9, 1921;

142211312 JOSEPH MACKIE CORSON, born Mar. 8, 1924;

142211313 DONALD EDWIN CORSON, born Feb. 27, 1926.

Oscar Corson is a 32nd degree Mason.

## XIX

### THE NINTH GENERATION

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER AND DEBORAH CORSON

211121:10:1 AMY J. LLOYD, the eldest child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married John C. Long. They have two children:

211121:10:11 MILDRED LONG, married Earl Miller and have several children;

211121:10:12 ANNA LONG, married Millard F. Ware and have children, Ronald and Elizabeth.

211121:10:2 J. WARREN LLOYD, the second child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married Mary Littlewood. They have three children:

211121:10:21 ELSIE LLOYD, married Harry Foster and have children, Helen and Harry Junior;

211121:10:22 RUSSELL LLOYD, married Elsie Gray and have children, Sarah, Russell, Jr., Ruth, Mary, Warren, and Lorraine;

211121:10:23 GENEVA LLOYD, married James Bradford and have no children.

211121:10:3 RICHARD I. LLOYD, the third child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married Sarah Messick. They have one child:

211121:10:31 RAYMOND LLOYD.

211121:10:4 LILA B. LLOYD, the fourth child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married Frank T. Hand. They had two children:

211121:10:41 WARREN HAND, died at seventeen years of age;

211121:10:42 IDA HAND, married ————— and has several children.

211121:10:5 FRANK S. LLOYD, the fifth child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married Katherine McPherson. He is principal of the Wildwood High School of Wildwood, N. J. They have one child:

211121:10:51 MARION K. LLOYD, unmarried.



211121:10:6 HANNAH E. LLOYD, the sixth child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married Charles L. Mauer. They had one child:

211121:10:61 MANETTA MAUER.

211121:10:7 J. A. GARFIELD LLOYD, the seventh child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married Mamie Snee. They have no children.

211121:10:8 LUCRETIA G. LLOYD, the eighth child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married Fred S. Burk. They had two children:

211121:10:81 CHARLOTTE BURK, unmarried;

211121:10:82 LLOYD BURK, who was killed by an auto truck at the age of eight.

211121:10:9 HERBERT S. LLOYD, the ninth child of Deborah Church (Corson) and David W. Lloyd, married Gertrude Weiss. They have two children:

211121:10:91 RUTH LLOYD;

211121:10:92 ANITA LLOYD.

21125211 ROBERT CORSON, the son of Somers and Cynthia (Long) Corson, was born May 14, 1845, in Cape May County. When about four years old he moved with his parents to Richland, Ill. He married Meda Preston. After residing several years near Ashland, Ill., he and his family went to Cherrydale, Kan. He had two daughters and perhaps other children, whose names were not learned.

21125213 REUBEN CORSON, the son of Somers and Cynthia (Long) Corson, is living (1932) in Ashland, Ill. He married Frances Catherine Helse and had four children:

211252131 IDA CORSON, married George Crum;

211252132 REBECCA CORSON, died young;

211252133 HARRISON CORSON;

211252134 GEORGE CLINTON CORSON.

21125214 SARAH CORSON, daughter of Somers and Cynthia (Long) Corson, married Louis Preston. They lived most of their lives in California. They had several children, but their names were not obtained.

21125222 THOMAS PARSONS, the second son of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons, was born Aug. 11, 1849. He

married twice; his first wife was Belle Parsons. They had one child:

211252221 BELLE PARSONS, deceased.

He married, second, Ella Secrest, and they had four children, whose names were not learned. Thomas Parsons was a farmer and is now deceased.

211252223 NATHAN CORSON PARSONS, the third son of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons, was born Feb. 23, 1851, in Illinois, two miles east of Tallula, on what is known as the Green farm. He later lived there for twenty years, retiring as a successful farmer in 1914, when he moved to Tallula, where he lived until his death. Except for a short time in Kansas, he spent all his life near Tallula and Ashland, Ill., farming extensively. He married in 1874 Isabelle Bess, born May 16, 1853. They had the following children:

211252231 CARLEN NATHAN PARSONS, born Feb. 15, 1875;

211252232 MARY OLIVE PARSONS, born Jan. 29, 1877;

211252233 ADA GERTRUDE PARSONS, born Feb. 22, 1880;

211252234 EDYTH BLANCH PARSONS, born Feb. 2, 1884;

211252235 MARGARET HANNAH PARSONS, born Mar. 11, 1890;

211252236 GUY RICHARD PARSONS, born Aug. 7, 1892.

Nathan Corson Parsons died Oct. 11, 1923, and Minerva Isabelle, his wife, died July 1, 1925.

211252224 SOMERS PARSONS, one of the twin children of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons, was born Oct. 26, 1854. He married Mary ————. They had four children, whose records the compiler was unable to obtain. Somers was a carpenter and is now deceased.

211252225 CYNTHIA PARSONS, twin sister of Somers, and daughter of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons, was born Oct. 26, 1854. She married Charles Hoff, a farmer, and had four children:

211252251 MARITA HOFF, married ———— Overholtzer and resides in La Vern, Calif.;

211252252 ELIZABETH HOFF, married ———— Fox and lives near Huntington Beach, Calif.;

211252253 ADA HOFF, married ———— Wardwell of Huntington Beach, Calif.;

211252254 EARL HOFF, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Charles Hoff is now (1932) deceased.



21125227 ADA PARSONS, born Oct. 30, 1859, in Illinois, was the seventh child of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons. She married Alvah Lane, Sept. 19, 1883. They lived on a farm in Smith County, Kan., where their six children were born. In 1904 the family moved to near Alma, Neb., where Mr. Lane farmed the same place successfully for twenty years. He retired at the age of 65 years and moved to Alma, Neb., where he and his wife now reside. After moving to Alma, Mr. Lane was elected Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, serving a four-year term. The six children were:

- 211252271 LESLIE ERNEST LANE, born July 1, 1884;
- 211252272 ETHEL BELLE LANE, born Oct. 24, 1885;
- 211252273 NEVA LANE, born Aug. 22, 1887;
- 211252274 ROSS TAYLOR LANE, born Feb. 9, 1890;
- 211252275 FLOYD ALVAH LANE, born Aug. 6, 1898;
- 211252276 MILDRED GENEVIEVE LANE, born Dec. 29, 1900.

21125228 McCLELLAN PARSONS, born 1861, the son of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons, married Mary (Mollie) O'Neill, Dec. 20, 1882. He was a farmer in Illinois. He died Aug. 13, 1896, while helping to stretch a seine, and it was thought he either had cramps or an attack of heart trouble. His wife was left with five small children all under the age of eight years. She became a seamstress and managed to rear her family. She died July 17, 1926. McClellan and Mary Parsons had the following children:

- 211252281 A DAUGHTER, born and died Apr. 12, 1886;
- 211252282 STELLA MAY PARSONS, born Apr. 13, 1887, died Aug. 30, 1888;
- 211252283 ALLIE ROE PARSONS, born Nov. 29, 1888;
- 211252284 JESSIE PARSONS, born June 10, 1890;
- 211252285 MARY PARSONS, born Jan. 7, 1892;
- 211252286 NATHAN PARSONS, born July 14, 1893;
- 211252287 MABEL BLANCH PARSONS, born Nov. 16, 1894.

21125229 CHARLES PARSONS, born 1863, the son of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons, remained unmarried. He was a Spanish-American War veteran and died in the Philippines.

2112522:10: EVA PARSONS, born Mar. 1, 1865, daughter of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons, married W. R. Anthony, a school teacher. They had four children. She died on Jan. 1, 1929.

2112522:11: HANNAH PARSONS, born Nov. 14, 1868, near Lincoln, Ill., the daughter of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas



Parsons, married, Aug. 11, 1903, in Los Angeles, Robert McIntyre, a native of Canada. He is a horticulturist and they reside (1932) in Pasadena, Calif. They had three children:

2112522:11:1 ROBERT PAUL McINTYRE, born Apr. 12, 1906, in Walla Walla, Wash.;

2112522:11:2 MIRIAM KATHRYN McINTYRE, born Oct. 6, 1908, in Whittier, Calif.;

2112522:11:3 DONALD STUART McINTYRE, born Apr. 28, 1912, in Whittier, Calif.

2112522:12: JOSEPHINE PARSONS, born July 21, 1873, the youngest child of Margaret (Corson) and Nicholas Parsons, married Cyrus Glenn, a farmer. They lived at Pecomton, Kan. To them six children were born, but their record was not obtained.

21125231 HANNAH H. CORSON, the daughter of Reuben and Rachel (Nottingham) Corson, married Rev. J. R. Allen. They resided for some time in Lawrence, Kan. They had three children:

211252311 RALPH ALLEN, a lawyer in Kansas City;

211252312 GLEN ALLEN, a farmer in Canada;

211252313 FRANCES ALLEN, a music teacher.

21125232 CHARLES P. CORSON, born Nov. 16, 1861, the son of Reuben and Rachel (Nottingham) Corson, married Amelia Frogley, of Tallula, Ill. He was a farmer. They had two children:

211252321 GEORGE CORSON;

211252322 MARY CORSON.

Charles P. Corson died May 8, 1926.

21125233 EDWARD E. CORSON, the son of Reuben and Rachel (Nottingham) Corson, married Eva Murphy. They have lived for many years at Roosevelt, Okla. To them two children were born:

211252331 REUBEN MERL CORSON;

211252332 MABEL CORSON.

21125234 BERTHA CORSON, the daughter of Reuben and Rachel (Nottingham) Corson, married Rev. William A. Ashbrook. Rev. Ashbrook is pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, Springfield, Ill. They have no children. Mrs. Ashbrook furnished the data about her father's family.

21125235 NATHAN CORSON, the youngest child of Reuben and Rachel (Nottingham) Corson, married Essie Correll. They



live on a fine farm, his grandfather Nottingham's old homestead, just over the line in Sangamon County, Ill. They have a son:

211252351 REUBEN CORSON.

21125241 ADAH SUTTON CORSON, born May 11, 1862, in Sangamon County, Ill., the eldest daughter of Stephen and Julia A. (Townsend) Corson, married, Feb. 19, 1882, John Harper Randolph Swan. He was born Dec. 5, 1855, in Fayette County, Pa., moved to Ohio in 1860 and from there to Illinois in 1867. They lived in Menard County, Ill., and moved about 1890 to Johnson County, Neb. They were active members of the Methodist-Episcopal Church. They had ten children:

- 211252411 PAUL SPENCER SWAN, born June 5, 1883;
- 211252412 JESSE RANDOLPH SWAN, born Jan. 6, 1885;
- 211252413 HARRIET McCLELLAND SWAN, born Apr. 24, 1887;
- 211252414 JULIA CORSON SWAN, born Feb. 22, 1889;
- 211252415 BELLE TOWNSEND SWAN, born Nov. 21, 1890;
- 211252416 KARL MILTON SWAN, born Oct. 11, 1892;
- 211252417 ROLLIN RAY SWAN, born Aug. 10, 1894;
- 211252418 REUBEN KENT SWAN, born June 14, 1896;
- 211252419 DALLES DeWITT SWAN, born Feb. 21, 1898;
- 21125241:10: ELDON WAYNE SWAN, born Oct. 5, 1904.

John H. R. Swan died June 8, 1926, near Crab Orchard, Neb. His widow was living in 1933.

21125251 ETTA HAND, the daughter of Hannah Emily (Corson) and George Hand, married Ausley Hutchinson. They had five children:

- 211252511 EDNA HUTCHINSON;
- 211252512 PEARL HUTCHINSON;
- 211252513 AUSLEY HUTCHINSON;
- 211252514 EMMA HUTCHINSON;
- 211252515 ROY HUTCHINSON.

21125252 MATTIE HAND, the daughter of Hannah Emily (Corson) and George Hand, married William Ayers. They had three daughters:

- 211252521 ALICE AYERS, married ——— Stout and left a daughter, Merle Stout.
- 211252522 STELLA AYERS;
- 211252523 MIRIAM AYERS.

21125254 ABBY HAND, the daughter of Hannah (Corson) and George Hand, married Charles Walker. They had two daughters and a son:

211252541 LOUISE WALKER;  
 211252542 MERLIN WALKER;  
 211252543 A SON.

21125255 HAROLD HAND, the youngest son of Hannah Emily (Corson) and George Hand, married Hallie ———, a very estimable woman, of Pleasant Plains, Ill. She died in 1913 and left nine small children, whose names were not obtained.

21125511 EMMA MATHIS, the eldest daughter of John and St. Helena (Hand) Mathis, was born Apr. 13, 1858, near Philadelphia, Ill. She developed into an excellent school teacher; she is a student at all times, reading choice books, and keeping abreast of the times. She has served her day in church and club life, and is progressive in her ideas; her home has been in Ogden, Utah, since 1891. On May 6, 1886, at Philadelphia, Ill., she married George Johnson Kelly, born Feb. 26, 1857, the son of Peter and Sarah Kelly. They have two children:

211255111 DANA KELLY, born Mar. 24, 1887;  
 211255112 REX MATHIS KELLY, born Aug. 29, 1890.

George Johnson Kelly died Feb. 10, 1929.

21125512 CHARLES LUCIAN MATHIS, the only son of John and St. Helena (Hand) Mathis, was born Dec. 23, 1861, near Philadelphia, Ill. He lived in Jacksonville, Ill., for many years and was the head member of the firm of Mathis, Kamm and Shibe, shoe merchants, since 1901. The *Boot and Shoe Recorder* of Nov. 13, 1926, gave him a write-up concerning his business ability. He is devoted to his church work and has been Sunday school superintendent for thirty years at the Central Christian Church. He married, Jan. 10, 1883, Eliza Kate Sybrant at Philadelphia, Ill. She was the daughter of John and Mary Sybrant. Charles L. and Eliza K. Mathis have two daughters:

211255121 ALICE MIRIAM MATHIS, born July 13, 1889;  
 211255122 HELEN DOUGLAS MATHIS, born Mar., 1895.

21125513 ARTHELIA JANE MATHIS, the youngest daughter of John and St. Helena (Hand) Mathis, was born Apr. 9, 1863, near Philadelphia, Ill. She attended school at Philadelphia, Ill., and at the Illinois State Normal. She has resided in Ogden, Utah, since 1905, and is a member of the Ogden Historical Society. Arthelia Jane has found life-long enjoyment in Chatauqua and other reading. She is a gifted genealogist and the family historian. She furnished an excellent account of the line from Abner and Jane (Cresse) Corson.



21125551 JOHN CASS MATHIS, the only child of Jennings Cass and Minerva Evelyn (Mathews) Mathis, was born July 18, 1864, in the house of Jane (Corson) Mathis, his grandmother, at Philadelphia, Ill. He was educated in the Cass County public schools; graduated in 1882 at the Springfield, Ill., High School, and in the same year became a student at Princeton University, graduating in 1886. He was married by the Rev. T. DeWitt Talmadge to Miss Maria Hyatt of Lincoln, Ill. He became a resident of Springfield, Ill.; studied law with Conkling and Grout; was admitted to the bar in 1888; and was assistant attorney for the Southern District of Illinois for three years. He was then engaged by N. W. Harris and Company of Chicago as their bond attorney and resided in Chicago after 1893.

Two years later he opened offices with Judge S. P. Shope, formerly of the State Supreme Bench. The *Chicago Record-Herald* of Dec. 3, 1904, said, in announcing his death: "John C. Mathis, of Shope, Mathis, Jane and Weber, died yesterday. . . . He leaves a widow and two sons, Robert, 14 years old, and John, 7. Interment in Oakwood Cemetery. . . . He was special counsel for the city in traction matters, . . . was a recognized authority on municipal and corporation law, and, as an expert on bond issues, he had few equals." The children of John C. and Maria (Hyatt) Mathis were:

- 211255511 JUNE MATHIS, died at 5 years;
- 211255512 ROBERT MATHIS, born in Chicago in 1890;
- 211255513 JOHN MATHIS, born in 1897 in Springfield, Ill.

21125561 HARRIET JANE FOSTER, born Sept. 11, 1859 the eldest daughter of Jane (Mathis) and Joseph Ruslyn Foster, married, Dec. 22, 1881, Charles E. Hessey. They had two daughters:

- 211255611 VERA MAY HESSEY, born Aug. 18, 1882;
- 211255612 ANNA RAE HESSEY, born Feb. 8, 1884, died Oct. 16, 1888.

21125562 LUELLE MAY FOSTER, born Oct. 3, 1860, the daughter of Jane (Mathis) and Joseph Ruslyn Foster, married, June 6, 1881, Robert H. Howarth of Oakkosh, Wis. One son was born to them:

- 211255621 CHARLES EDWARD HOWARTH, born June 3, 1882, in Springfield, Ill., married Gladys ——— and lives in Milwaukee, Wis.

21125571 KATE ARNOLD, born in 1864, the daughter of Mary (Mathis) and Joseph Wesley Arnold, married William Ballou of Springfield, Ill. They had five children:

211255711 MARIA BALLOU;

211255712 FRANCES BALLOU, married Charles Lawrence, who died soon thereafter;

211255713 MAUDE BALLOU, died in childhood;

211255714 HELEN BALLOU, married ——— Staley and lives in Springfield;

211255715 ELOISE BALLOU, who lives with Helen.

21125573 JANE ARNOLD, the daughter of Mary (Mathis) and Joseph Wesley Arnold, married Charles Douglas. They had three children:

211255731 ESSIE DOUGLAS, married an Oregon lumber dealer named Dollar;

211255732 ARNOLD DOUGLAS.

211255733 THELMA DOUGLAS.

21125574 J. JENNINGS ARNOLD, the son of Mary (Mathis) and Joseph Wesley Arnold, received his early education in the Springfield, Ill., schools. After graduating from the University of Illinois he studied law and settled in Seattle, Wash. There he married Ethel Walker. They had three children:

211255741 MARY ARNOLD;

211255742 WILLIAM ARNOLD;

211255743 GEORGE ARNOLD.

21125575 MARY ARNOLD, the daughter of Mary (Mathis) and Joseph Wesley Arnold, married Frank Ballou, a brother of Will Ballou, who married her sister, Kate. For many years she and her husband resided in Springfield, Ill.; they now reside in Los Angeles, Calif. They have no children.

21125576 JOSEPH ARNOLD, son of Mary (Mathis) and Joseph Wesley Arnold, married Mrs. Angie Cross (Long) and lives in Montpelier, Idaho. She was born in London, England. They had six children:

211255761 AVIS ANGIE ARNOLD;

211255762 FLORENCE IVY ARNOLD;

211255763 GERVASE EARL ARNOLD;

211255764 TIENA BELLE ARNOLD;

211255765 WILFORD JENNINGS ARNOLD, lives in Chicago;

211255766 WINNEFRED CLARRISSA ARNOLD.

Joseph Arnold had a step-son, Alma Long, who assumed the name of Arnold, and was married and buried at Ogden, Utah, under that name. He left a daughter.

21125631 PRISCILLA SOUDER, the daughter of Kesia (Corson) and Clinton Souder, was born July 15, 1855. She mar-



ried Henry S. Rutherford and they live (1932) at Cape May, N. J. They had three children:

211256311 CHARLOTTE R. RUTHERFORD, born Dec. 25, 1878, married M. Langert;

211256312 CLINTON S. RUTHERFORD, born Jan. 29, 1883, married Amy Doyle;

211256313 KESIA S. RUTHERFORD, died in infancy.

21126411 SAMUEL ELDREDGE DOUGLASS, born July 21, 1839, at Dias Creek, N. J., the son of Elizabeth (Eldredge) and Thomas Douglass, married, first, Jan. 24, 1866, Mary Ann Kernan. She was born in Philadelphia, Pa., May 7, 1842. They had two children:

211264111 JOHN SMITH DOUGLASS, born Dec. 29, 1867;

211264112 ABBIE DOUGLASS, died in infancy.

He married, second, June 16, 1891, at Cape May Court House, N. J., Johanna Walker, born Nov. 8, 1845. Samuel Eldredge Douglass died Jan. 29, 1901.

21126412 FRANCIS DOUGLASS, born Aug. 16, 1841, at Dias Creek, N. J., son of Elizabeth (Eldredge) and Thomas Douglass, married, Feb. 29, 1868, at Dennisville, N. J., Achsah Hand, born June 7, 1842, at Rio Grande, N. J. They lived at Dias Creek. They had three children:

211264121 THOMAS HOLMES DOUGLAS;

211264122 HANNAH AUGUSTA LEAMING DOUGLASS;

211264123 PARSONS LEAMING DOUGLASS.

Francis Douglass died Mar. 21, 1932; Achsah Douglass, his wife, died May 6, 1925.

21126413 HENRY FREEMAN DOUGLASS, born July 17, 1849, at Dias Creek, N. J., son of Elizabeth (Eldredge) and Thomas Douglass, married, about 1870, Josephine Schellinger, born Jan. 23, 1851, at Dias Creek. They lived in Cape May County. Four children were born to them:

211264131 GEORGE DOUGLASS;

211264132 BELFORD SMITH DOUGLASS;

211264133 ARNULDA VAN KESSEL DOUGLASS;

211264134 HANNAH ELIZABETH DOUGLASS.

Henry Freeman Douglass died Dec. 14, 1923; Josephine, his wife, died Oct. 19, 1905.

21126414 HOWARD DOUGLASS, born Dec. 28, 1851, at Dias Creek, N. J., son of Elizabeth (Eldredge) and Thomas

Douglass, married, Nov. 30, 1891, Margaret Bingham, born Oct. 10, 1856. She died Sept. 6, 1915. They lived at Dias Creek, N. J., and had no children.

21126415 THOMAS REEVES DOUGLASS, born Nov. 5, 1854, at Dias Creek, N. J., son of Elizabeth (Eldredge) and Thomas Douglass, married, first, Oct. 26, 1878, at Goshen, N. J., Annie McKraig Powell, born Aug. 22, 1860, at Goshen, N. J. She died Mar. 22, 1921. He married, second, Oct. 12, 1922, at Dias Creek, Irene Jackson. She was born Feb. 11, 1870, at West Bradford, Chester County, Pa. He died Mar. 13, 1930. There were no children of either marriage.

21126416 MARY ISARD DOUGLASS, born Jan. 24, 1859, at Dias Creek, son of Elizabeth (Eldredge) and Thomas Douglass, married, 1881, at Goshen, N. J., Burton Lee Howell, born Nov. 11, 1858, at Center Morichess, Long Island, N. Y. They lived at Dias Creek, N. J., and had three children:

- 211264161 ELWOOD ATKINS HOWELL;
- 211264162 CLARENCE BURTON HOWELL;
- 211264163 MILLARD HOWELL, died in infancy.

21126431 LEWIS HEWITT DOUGLASS, born 1849, son of Clarissa (Eldredge) and Shamgar Hewitt Douglass, married Sarah Fidler. They had a daughter:

- 211264311 CLARA DOUGLASS.

21126432 LESLIE DOUGLASS, born Jan. 2, 1853, son of Clarissa (Eldredge) and Shamgar Hewitt Douglass, married Mary Hall. She was born Jan. 2, 1853. They had children:

- 211264321 PERCY HALL DOUGLASS;
- 211264322 JOSEPHINE DOUGLASS, unmarried;
- 211264323 MAY DOUGLASS;
- 211264324 HAROLD DOUGLASS;
- 211264325 LULA DOUGLASS;
- 211264326 CLARA DOUGLASS, unmarried.

Leslie Douglass died Aug. 15, 1923.

21126433 ROXANNA DOUGLASS, born July 31, 1854, daughter of Clarissa (Eldredge) and Shamgar Hewitt Douglass, married, Dec., 1872, George Eldredge, born Sept. 27, 1848. They had two children:

- 211264331 CLARA ELDREDGE, born Jan. 8, 1879;
- 211264332 LEWIS HEWITT DOUGLASS ELDREDGE, born July 11, 1881.



Roxanna Douglass died Mar. 12, 1929; George Eldredge, her husband, died Sept. 21, 1929.

21126441 MARTHA ANN HAND, born Mar. 10, 1865, daughter of Hetty C. (Eldredge) and Hugh Hand, married Thaddeus Hemsley. They have a daughter:

211264411 ALLIE HEMSLEY, married George Dubel, who live in Trenton, N. J., and have a daughter.

21321241 DEBORAH GOFF, eldest daughter of John and Hannah (Eldredge) Goff, married Thomas Roberts. She died in 1871. They had four children, who are all deceased, leaving no descendants. They were:

213212411 MABELLA ROBERTS;  
213212412 JOHN ROBERTS;  
213212413 WALTER ROBERTS;  
213212414 WILLIAM ROBERTS.

21321243 MARGARET GOFF, the third child of John and Hannah (Eldredge) Goff, married Eleazer Crawford. They had three children:

213212431 IRENE CRAWFORD;  
213212432 MARGARET CRAWFORD, unmarried;  
213212433 ELEAZER CRAWFORD.

21321246 HESTER ANN GOFF, born 1844, the sixth child of John and Hannah (Eldredge) Goff, married Ludlam Hand. They had three children:

213212461 LESLIE L. HAND;  
213212462 RAE ETHEL HAND;  
213212463 HELEN L. HAND, a graduate of the Normal School at West Chester, Pa., married Dr. Leon Darrah.

Hester Ann (Goff) Hand died in 1925.

21321247 HARRIET GOFF, born 1847, the seventh child of John and Hannah (Eldredge) Goff, married Herbert Carroll. They had four children:

213212471 PAUL CARROLL, deceased, married Rose Stratton and had two sons;  
213212472 LEWIS CARROLL, married \_\_\_\_\_, no issue;  
213212473 HELEN CARROLL, graduate Teachers' College, Temple University, married Clinton Ledlow, no issue;  
213212474 J. HERBERT CARROLL, died 1926, married Marie Soligney, no issue.

Harriet (Goff) Carroll died in 1899.

21321248 RACHEL ELLEN GOFF, born 1849, the eighth child of John and Hannah (Eldredge) Goff, married Samuel Bishop. They had one child:

213212481 LULU LEE BISHOP.

21321249 WILLIAM E. GOFF, the youngest child of John and Hannah (Eldredge) Goff, was born in 1852. He married, first, Elizabeth Garrison, born 1856, died 1881; second, Kate Briesley, born 1856, died 1920. He died in 1905. Two children of the first marriage were:

213212491 SARAH GOFF;

213212492 WILLIAM GOFF, died in infancy.

Two children were also born to the second marriage. They were:

213212493 HANNAH GOFF;

213212494 JACOB GOFF, died at eleven years of age.

21321311 ELIZABETH CORSON ("LIB"), born July 3, 1828, the eldest child of Mizeal and his first wife, Mary (Stanger) Corson, married Richard Skinner. They lived at Glassboro, N. J., and had six children:

213213111 MARY KING SKINNER, born Apr. 28, 1848, died Aug. 14, 1866;

213213112 ANNA FRANCES SKINNER, born Dec. 18, 1849, married Arthur R. Henry;

213213113 ELLA C. SKINNER, born Apr. 13, 1851, died Feb. 12, 1918;

213213114 MIZEAL SKINNER, born Jan. 6, 1855, died Mar. 6, 1856;

213213115 IDA MISSOURI SKINNER, born July 3, 1856;

213213116 FLORINDA MAY SKINNER, born Aug. 29, 1862, married L. N. Shreve of Glassboro, N. J.

Elizabeth (Corson) Skinner died Jan. 9, 1896.

21321312 WILLIAM S. CORSON (BILLY), born Mar. 18, 1831, the second child of Mizeal and his first wife, Mary (Stanger) Corson, married, first, Sue Spencer. They had one son:

213213121 JOHN S. CORSON, born May 29, 1856, died Jan. 17, 1861.

William S. Corson married, second, Parnelia (Nellie) Sickler. They had four children:

213213122 CHARLES A. CORSON, born Mar. 16, 1861, died Dec. 30, 1861;

213213123 MIZEAL CORSON, born Mar. 28, 1863;

213213124 WILLIAM H. CORSON, born Sept. 1, 1865;

213213125 IRVING S. CORSON, born Nov. 26, 1868.

William S. Corson, Sr., died Oct. 6, 1909.

21321313 CHARLES W. CORSON, born Dec. 11, 1841, the third child of Mizeal and his first wife, Mary (Stanger) Corson,



married Maria Schellinger. He was for many years head salesman in George B. Bain's leather goods store, 1028 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., and was a man of integrity, greatly respected. He died May 31, 1917. Charles W. and Maria (Schellinger) Corson, his wife, are buried at the Old Brick Church, Cold Springs, Cape May County, N. J. They had no children.

21321331 JOSHUA CORSON, born Nov. 14, 1834, the eldest son of Joseph and Mary Ann (Williams) Corson, married Mary Fussy, who was born Feb. 22, 1834. They had one daughter:

213213311 ADA CORSON.

Joshua Corson died Nov. 2, 1894, and Mary, his wife, died Feb. 19, 1917.

21321333 ROSE ANNA CORSON, born Aug. 3, 1843, the third child of Joseph and Mary Ann (Williams) Corson, married three times. Her first husband was Isaac B. Murphy, to whom she was married Jan. 15, 1863. They had two children:

213213331 JOSEPH C. MURPHY, born Jan. 9, 1864, married Lydia Hules;

213213332 PRUDENCE ELIZABETH MURPHY, born Sept. 5, 1866.

Rose Ann Corson married, second, Dec. 5, 1872, Elias Brown, and six children were born to this union:

213213333 TALBERT I. M. BROWN, born Sept. 30, 1873;

213213334 HARRIET BROWN, born Oct. 31, 1875, died Mar. 7, 1876;

213213335 WALTER H. BROWN, born Mar. 22, 1877;

213213336 RUTH ANN BROWN, born Nov. 11, 1879, died Nov. 26, 1881;

213213337 NELLIE G. BROWN, born Dec. 27, 1882, died 1892;

213213338 BELLE N. BROWN, born Feb. 10, 1885.

Rose Ann Corson married, third, Feb. 14, 1901, James H. Harvey. No children were born of this union. She died Nov. 11, 1911.

21321334 ISABELLA BECKET CORSON, the youngest child of Joseph and Mary Ann (Williams) Corson, married Benjamin Watson. They lived near Clarksboro, N. J., and had two daughters:

213213341 MARY A. WATSON, married Frank G. Hitchner;

213213342 LOIS A. WATSON, married John H. Dall.

21321351 ANNA ELIZABETH CORSON, born Mar. 19, 1844, the eldest daughter of William B. and Jane Ann (Simmerman) Corson, married William Johnson, Feb. 2, 1863. He was born Mar. 22, 1841, and was a veteran of the Civil War, having served with Co. C, 9th N. J. Inf. Volunteers. Ann Elizabeth (Corson) and William Johnson had two daughters:

213213511 ESTHER (ETTIE) JOHNSON, born Apr. 10, 1864;

213213512 ANNA VESTA JOHNSON, born Oct. 10, 1869, died Feb. 11, 1895.

Ann Elizabeth Johnson was living in 1832; her husband, William Johnson, died Jan. 27, 1918. They lived at Camden, N. J.

21321352 AMANDA JANE CORSON, the second child of William B. and Jane Ann (Simmerman) Corson, was born May 15, 1856. She married, June 7, 1866, at Glassboro, N. J., James Robert Graham. They moved to near Springfield, Ill., where Mr. Graham became engaged as a farmer and stock-grower. They had eight children as follows:

213213521 WILLIAM CORSON GRAHAM, born Apr. 24, 1868;

213213522 ANNA MAY GRAHAM, born Oct. 18, 1870;

213213523 MARY FRANCES GRAHAM, born Oct. 1, 1876;

213213524 MARTHA JANE GRAHAM, born Aug. 19, 1879;

213213525 FRED JAMES GRAHAM, born Nov. 25, 1881;

213213526 ELLA AMANDA GRAHAM, born Feb. 21, 1885;

213213527 HOWARD GRAHAM, born June 6, 1888, stockman at Sedgwick, Kan.;

213213528 RUTH AMY GRAHAM, born Apr. 13, 1890, saleswoman, Kansas City.

Amanda Jane (Corson) Graham died Dec. 24, 1929; her husband, James R. Graham, died Dec. 17, 1926; both from heart trouble.

21321353 MATILDA CORSON, born Sept. 27, 1848, the third child of William B. and Jane Ann (Simmerman) Corson, married, Nov. 27, 1875, Thomas Corson Hampton. He was born Dec. 12, 1841. They lived at Millville, N. J., and had three children:

213213531 ELSIE HAMPTON;

213213532 ANNETTA HAMPTON;

213213533 A SON, died in infancy.

Matilda (Corson) Hampton died Nov. 13, 1921; her husband, Thompson Corson Hampton, died May 13, 1911.

21321354 HANNAH CORSON, born Sept., 1851, the fourth child of William B. and Jane Ann (Simmerman) Corson, remained unmarried. She died Sept. 30, 1874.

21321356 MADORA CORSON, born Oct. 15, 1864, the youngest daughter of William B. and Jane Ann (Simmerman) Corson, married, Apr. 3, 1884, John Comer. They had one daughter:

213213561 ALICE GENEVA COMER, born Feb. 21, 1892, in Vineland, N. J., unmarried.



John Comer died Apr. 27, 1910, and Madora Corson married, second, Dec. 22, 1923, John F. Rieman, a realtor.

21321361 SARAH E. CORSON, born Aug. 28, 1843, the eldest child of David Peacock Corson and his first wife, Lydia A. (Young) Corson, married, first, Brazier Wilsey. They had one child, which died in infancy. She married, second, Michael Birdsall (Burdall). No children were born to this union. Sarah E. (Corson) Birdsall died June 26, 1924.

21321362 DANIEL W. CORSON, the only son of David P. Corson and his first wife, Lydia A. (Young) Corson, was born Oct. 22, 1845. He married Beulah Lake, born 1854. They had two children, one of whom was drowned in boyhood. Daniel died Dec. 2, 1915, and Beulah, his wife, in 1911. They lived at Camden, N. J.

21321363 LYDIA ANN CORSON, born June 27, 1851, the eldest child of David Peacock Corson and his second wife, Mary A. (Birdsall) Corson, married Aaron L. Fisher. They lived at Camden, N. J., and had six children:

213213631 MAY FISHER, born Nov. 29, 1870;

213213632 AARON L. FISHER, JR., born July 21, 1872, died, unmarried, Jan. 15, 1931;

213213633 FRANK FISHER, died in infancy;

213213634 CARLTON FISHER, died in infancy;

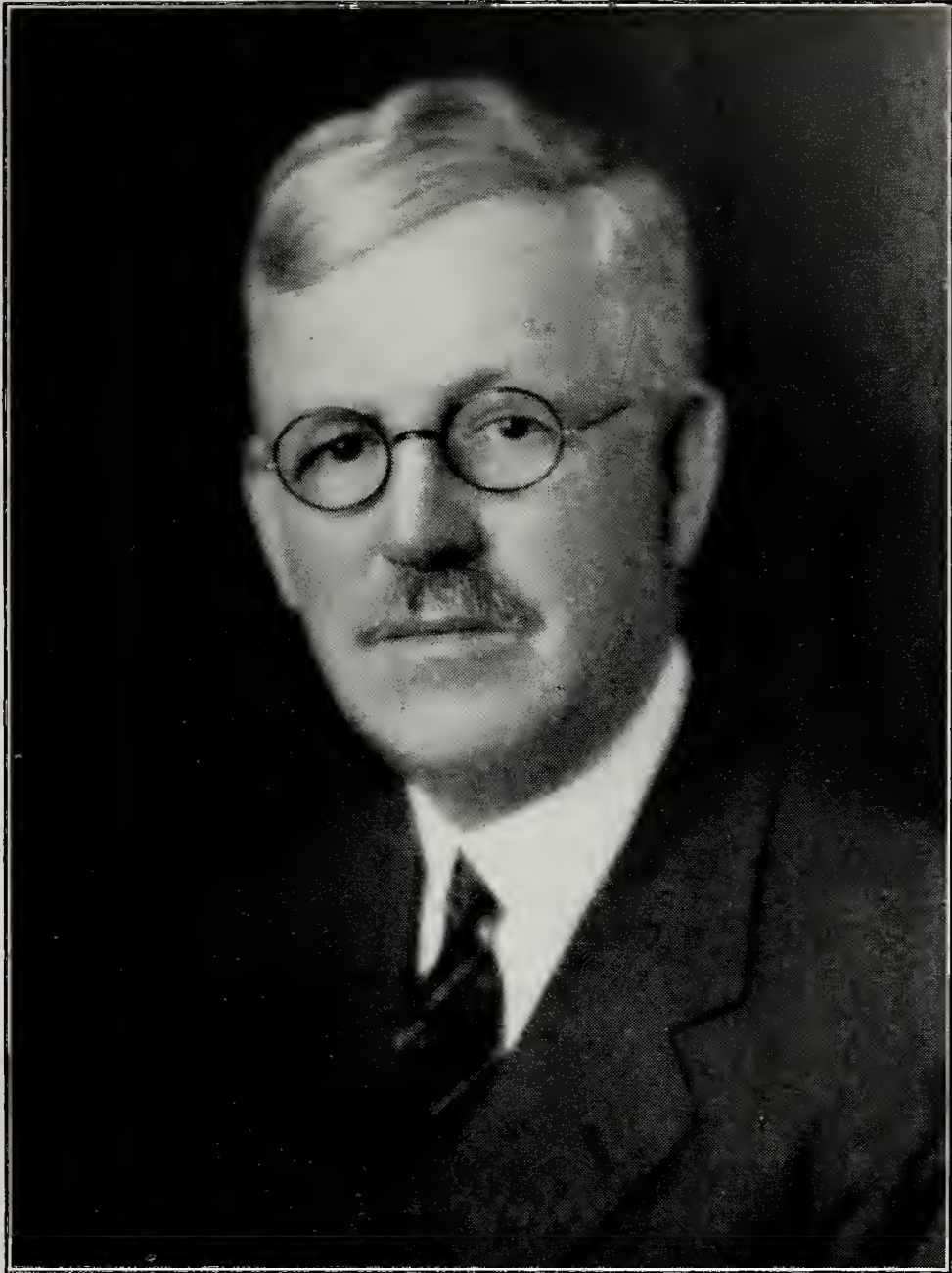
213213635 BERTHA FISHER, born Feb. 7, 1879, married Warren Farrell, who died Sept. 26, 1928, no issue;

213213636 HOWARD FISHER, died in infancy.

Lydia Ann (Corson) Fisher died June 11, 1907.

21321365 DAVID BIRDSALL (BURDSALL) CORSON, the eldest son of David Peacock Corson and his second wife, Mary A. (Birdsall) Corson, was born near Millville, N. J., on Feb. 17, 1864. He is a graduate of Trenton State Normal School (now Trenton State Teachers' College), 1884; New York University, 1893, Pd.M.; 1913, Pd.D.; 1924, Ph.D.; Alfred University, 1921, LL.D. Doctor Corson was principal of elementary schools and superintendent of schools of Rahway, N. J.; principal in Newark, N. J., in 1894; assistant superintendent, 1905; first assistant superintendent of schools, 1917; and superintendent of schools, 1918-27.

He organized courses for teachers in service (now a widespread custom) which developed into the Newark Institute of Arts and Sciences; was active and influential in the establishment of vocational, continuation, and alternating or platoon schools, and other



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outstanding educational projects, including all-year schools. The system of all-year schools in Newark consisted of high, junior high, elementary and special schools, particularly the School for Crippled Children. After some years of experiment he became convinced that the all-year plan was excessively expensive, especially in view of the unsatisfactory results obtained, and courageously recommended its discontinuance. After six years of further trial the plan was abandoned, but not until the expense had become prohibitive. He named and extended the Binet Schools and centers for defective children and established sight conservation classes. He encouraged and developed all types of classes for handicapped children. He caused the establishment of the first evening high school in New Jersey on a par with day high schools in admission requirements, in length of term, curricula and value of diploma.

He introduced into elementary schools classification of pupils according to ability and what is known as the Intensive Plan of teaching the Manual Arts. He recommended and caused to be established the first junior college east of the Allegheny Mountains, the first on exact par in curricula, faculty, work, and standing for freshman and sophomore years with the old established colleges of arts and sciences. This college after several years of unquestioned success was abolished because of expense, the claim being made by the authorities that collegiate education should not be given at public expense.

He was a member of a committee of national educators appointed in 1924 to make a survey of the public schools of New York City. He was a member of a committee appointed by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in U. S. A., of which Dr. W. O. Thompson, President of the Ohio State University, was chairman, to survey the theological seminaries of the Presbyterian Church. The reports have been published. Doctor Corson was vice-president of the National Department of Superintendents of the N. E. A., a member of the National Council, president of the New Jersey Council of Education, president of the Newark Principals' Association, president of the Presbyterian Union of Newark, and president of the New York Schoolmasters' Club. He was also a member of the Scholia Club of Columbia University. He is a textbook author and author of various public reports and addresses. He was a college lecturer and public speaker at educational meetings and conventions. Doctor Corson married Kate Thompson, the daughter of Joseph and Mary Thompson, Nov. 21, 1893, at Rahway, N. J. They had three children :



213213651 DAVID NOBLE CORSON, born Oct. 7, 1894;

213213652 FRANCES CORSON, born June 2, 1897;

213213653 MARY CORSON, born Oct. 18, 1898.

Doctor Corson, after retiring from his busy life as one of the outstanding educators, became interested in Corson genealogy, and during the several years that this work was being prepared, it was the compiler's privilege to have been associated with him by the medium of an extended correspondence. His assistance and advice in solving some of the problems of lineage that seemed at times to be impossible of solution was valuable and greatly appreciated. Doctor Corson very kindly edited the work in the summer of 1932, the greater part of it being completed at that time. He suffered a stroke on Apr. 23, 1935, and died one week later.

21321367 WILLIAM YOUNG CORSON, the youngest son of David Peacock Corson and his second wife, Mary A. (Birdsall) Corson, was born Sept. 13, 1869, at Camden, N. J. He married, Nov. 16, 1889, Mary Penn, born in 1870. They lived at Camden, N. J. To them six children were born:

213213671 WILLIAM PENN CORSON, born July 5, 1892, married but had no issue;

213213672 KATE CORSON, born — 18, 1898;

213213673 DAVID B. CORSON, died in infancy;

213213674 ALBERT WARREN CORSON, born Apr. 5, 1902;

213213675 RALPH CORSON, died in infancy;

213213676 GEORGE EDINGER CORSON, born Dec. 13, 1907.

William Young Corson died Dec. 6, 1924, and Mary (Penn) Corson, his wife, died in 1919.

21322111 SWAIN CORSON, born 1845, the son of James, Jr., and Hester (Conover) Corson, married Rebecca ———, born in 1844. They lived in Middle Township, Cape May County, and had a daughter:

213221111 HESTER CORSON, born in 1864.

21322112 JOHN CORSON, the son of James and Hester (Conover) Corson, was born June 8, 1850. He married Rachel N. Horton, born about 1849. They lived near Goshen, Cape May County, and had two sons:

213221121 HOWARD CORSON, born Aug. 9, 1877;

213221122 WILLIAM CORSON.

21322114 FRANKLIN CORSON, born June 4, 1855, the son of James, Jr., and Hester (Conover) Corson, married Mary Ellis, born 1848. They had a son:

213221141 RAYMOND S. CORSON, born Feb. 26, 1880.

21322122 JAMES CORSON, born 1854, the son of Somers and Nancy (Errickson) Corson, married Emma Grace and had a son:

213221221 LINEAUS CORSON.

21322126 COLEMAN CORSON, born 1862, the son of Somers and Nancy (Errickson) Corson, married Florence Swain, and had a son:

213221261 CHARLES O. CORSON.

21322212 JOSEPH CORSON LLEWELLYN, born July 22, 1855, son of Huldah S. (Corson) and David Rossiter Llewellyn, married, May 17, 1883, Emma Clarinda Piatt, daughter of William Hart and Clarinda Marquis Piatt. He was an architect and located, 1892, in Chicago, where he specialized in school building designing, his work bringing for him a place of prominence in his profession. He was a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects. They had four children:

213222121 RALPH CORSON LLEWELLYN, born Apr. 20, 1884;

213222122 CLARINNE LLEWELLYN, born Feb. 14, 1886;

213222123 RUTH LLEWELLYN, born Dec. 21, 1888;

213222124 VIDA LLEWELLYN, born Aug. 21, 1891.

Joseph Corson Llewellyn died May 15, 1932, in Chicago; his widow, Emma (Piatt) Corson, in 1932, was living in La Grange, Ill.

21322213 HENRY SOMERS LLEWELLYN, M.D., born Jan. 17, 1859, son of Huldah Swain (Corson) and David Rossiter Llewellyn, married, Oct. 17, 1894, Cora May Kauffman, daughter of Jacob and Ann Eliza (Snyder) Kauffman. She was born Jan. 19, 1862. He was a prominent physician, practicing in Chicago and in La Grange, Ill., his home. They had four children:

213222131 MARJORIE KAUFFMAN LLEWELLYN, born Sept. 22, 1895;

213222132 HARRY CORSON LLEWELLYN, born Aug. 13, 1897;

213222133 PAULINE LLEWELLYN, born Mar. 19, 1899;

213222134 ROSSITER SUMMY LLEWELLYN, born Mar. 1, 1901.

Henry Somers Llewellyn died June 21, 1927.

21322216 WILLIAM EDDIE LLEWELLYN, born Apr. 25, 1868, a son of Huldah Swain (Corson) and David Rossiter Llewellyn, married, Oct. 22, 1891, Chloe Jane Hill, daughter of Marion Jasper and Susan A. (Stennet) Hill. She was born Jan. 14, 1864. They live at Sterling, Ill., where Mr. Llewellyn is engaged in the automobile business. They have two children:



213222161 HAZEL IRENE LLEWELLYN, born Oct. 18, 1893;

213222162 EDITH MARIE LLEWELLYN, born Dec. 4, 1895.

Chloe Jane (Hill) Llewellyn, wife of William Eddie Llewellyn, died Jan. 4, 1926.

21531342 CHARLES E. CORSON, born Sept. 9, 1890, son of Edward and Mina (Evans) Corson, married Leila Judan, born Aug., 1894. They have three children:

215313421 RUSSELL E. CORSON, born Nov., 1914;

215313422 C. EDWARD CORSON, born July, 1920;

215313423 RICHARD C. CORSON, born Nov., 1924.

Charles E. Corson died Nov. 19, 1930. His widow and children live in Los Angeles, Calif.

21531343 MARIA J. CORSON, born Oct. 1, 1892, daughter of Edward and Mina (Evans) Corson, married Harry Deebanks, born June 28, 1885. They have a son:

215313431 KENNETH J. DEEBANKS, born July 25, 1924.

They live in South Gate, Calif.

21531344 AMELIA E. CORSON, born May 30, 1896, daughter of Edward and Mina (Evans) Corson, married L. R. Arnett, born Oct. 14, 1893. They have a son:

215313441 HOWARD W. ARNETT, born Aug. 31, 1926.

They live in Los Angeles, Calif.

21532344 RHETTA CORSON, daughter of Lewis Reed and Sarah (Turner) Corson, married William B. Troth. They live in Millville, N. J., where Mr. Troth is in the plumbing business. They have five children:

215323441 ELIZABETH TROTH;

215323442 LEWIS TROTH;

215323443 MARY TROTH;

215323444 RUTH TROTH;

215323445 WILLIAM TROTH.

21632211 MARIA CORSON, eldest daughter of Rev. Pennington, Sr., and Sarah (Roden) Corson, was born Mar. 21, 1878, at Seaville, N. J. She married, June 4, 1900, at Princeton, N. J., Peter Kier DuBois, born Mar. 10, 1871, at Manta, N. J. They reside at Clayton, N. J. They have one son:

216322111 ALLEN CORSON DuBois, born May 6, 1903.

21632212 REV. DR. ALEXANDER CORSON, born Nov. 1, 1879, at Seaville, N. J., was the eldest son of Rev. Pennington, Sr.,

and Sarah (Roden) Corson. He attended public schools in Long Beach, then Temple University, Princeton University, from which he was graduated in 1902, and Drew Theological Seminary, where he obtained his B.D. In 1923, Dickinson College made him a Doctor of Divinity. For twelve years Doctor Corson was a member of the executive committee of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extensions of his denomination. While at Princeton he was director of Wesley Foundation of New Jersey, an organization within the church which interests itself in young men becoming ministers.

He also was chairman of the Board of Ministerial Training in the New Jersey Conference and superintendent of the Trenton District of the New Jersey Methodist Episcopal Conference. Dr. Alexander Corson married, Apr. 6, 1905, Miriam Leigh at Clayton, N. J. She was born July 6, 1881. They lived at 236 Chestnut St., Trenton, N. J. Doctor Corson died Jan. 9, 1933, at Hahne-man Hospital, Philadelphia, where he had undergone an operation one week before. They had seven children:

216322121 EUGENIA HOAGLAND CORSON, married Laurence F. Halliday;  
216322122 REV. LYNN HOUGH CORSON, married Dorothy Farrow, hav-  
ing one son, Lynn Hough Corson, Jr., and residing at Hopewell,  
N. J.;

216322123 MIRIAM LEIGH CORSON, married Oscar L. Updike, now resid-  
ing (1933) with their son, Donald Corson Updike, at Kansas City,  
Mo.;

216322124 SARAH WILLIAMS CORSON, born 1912;

216322125 FANNIE REEVES CORSON, twin, born 1914;

216322126 ALEXANDER CORSON, JR., twin, born 1914;

216322127 PAUL CORSON, born 1917.

21632213 ALLEN CORSON, M.D., son of Rev. Pennington, Sr., and Sarah (Roden) Corson, is a practicing physician. He is married and resides at Ocean City, N. J. Questionnaires request-  
ing the record of his family were not returned.

21632216 DANIEL HARRIS CORSON, son of Rev. Pen-  
nington, Sr., and Sarah (Roden) Corson, was born May 4, 1887,  
at Sharptown, N. J. He married, Feb. 15, 1909, Elizabeth Marks,  
born Feb. 19, 1887, at Malaga, N. J. They resided, 1910, at  
Philadelphia, Pa., but now (1932) live at San Gabriel, Calif.,  
where Mr. Corson is engaged in the real estate business. They  
have one son:

216322161 BURT HARRIS CORSON, born Oct. 25, 1910, at Philadelphia, Pa.  
He is, in 1932, living with his parents and is engaged in business  
with his father.



21632217 REV. PENNINGTON CORSON, JR., born Jan. 29, 1892, at Elmer, N. J., son of Pennington, Sr., and Sarah (Roden) Corson, married, Mar. 10, 1917, Elizabeth Bates. She was born Jan. 2, 1891, at Haddonfield, N. J. Pennington, Jr., is a minister of the gospel and in 1932 was the pastor of the Salem Methodist Church at Pleasantville, N. J. They have two children:

216322171 ELIZABETH CORSON, born Mar. 14, 1918, at Port Elizabeth, N. J.;

216322172 PENNINGTON CORSON, III, born June 14, 1921, at Barneyat, N. J.

21634521 CLAIRE H. E. CORSON, the eldest son of Charles E. and Ada Pauline (Richer) Corson, was born Mar. 16, 1894, in Oregon. He married, Nov. 25, 1916, Alzina E. Parker, who was born on Jan. 1, 1895. They live in Portland, Ore., and have two children:

216345211 ROBERT E. CORSON, born Dec. 19, 1920;

216345212 HELEN L. CORSON, born Feb. 1, 1923.

21634522 KARL E. CORSON, twin son of Charles E. and Ada Pauline (Richer) Corson, was born Nov. 19, 1896. He married Laila Gilhauren, Aug. 21, 1921. They live in Portland, Ore., and have a daughter:

216345221 VIRGINIA A. CORSON, born Mar. 18, 1926.

21634523 EARL R. CORSON, twin son of Charles E. and Ada Pauline (Richer) Corson was born Nov. 19, 1896. He married Bernice M. Eklund, Sept. 21, 1929. They reside in Portland, Ore.

21634531 ELDRED WILLIAM CORSON, born July 11, 1901, in Ione, Ore., was the only child of William K. and Ardelia (Reed) Corson. He was married, Aug. 22, 1927, to Dorothy Agnes Dimond, in Chicago. Dorothy was born Apr. 9, 1905, in Chicago.

21634542 ANNA CHRISMAN, the daughter of Hattie B. (Corson) and Hugh Chrisman, married A. E. Blacktowne of Arlington, Ore. They have two children:

216345421 HAROLD BLACKTOWNE;

216345422 MILDRED BLACKTOWNE.

22842241 HARRY (HENRY) SCHELLENGER TOWNSEND, the eldest child of Eli and Frances (Dryburgh) Townsend, was born Aug. 6, 1886, at Clermont, Cape May County,

N. J. He married, July 27, 1918, Margaret Bonny Taylor, daughter of Frederick and Helen (Carslake) Taylor of Bordentown, N. J. She was born Sept. 17, 1892. They had two children:

228422411 HELEN TOWNSEND, born May 2, 1919;

228422412 HARRY L. TOWNSEND, born Nov. 5, 1920.

Harry (Henry) Schellenger Townsend, Sr., died at Salem, N. J., Mar. 20, 1927, and was buried at Bordentown, N. J.

22842242 REV. JACOB DAVID TOWNSEND, the second child of Eli and Frances (Dryburgh) Townsend, was born at Clermont, Cape May County, N. J., Apr. 7, 1888. He married, first, Mar. 15, 1913, Helen Frease, who was born Nov. 30, 1893. Of this union, one child was born:

228422421 DAVID TOWNSEND, born July 12, 1915, at Algiers, Algeria, died Feb. 26, 1925, at Paris, France, where he is buried.

Jacob David Townsend and Helen were divorced in Paris, France, in 1926, and he married, second, Bertha Simonette of Paris in 1926. To the latter union three children were born:

228422422 SIMONE TOWNSEND, born Apr. 25, 1927;

228422423 PAUL TOWNSEND, born Jan. 30, 1929, died Jan. 8, 1930;

228422424 PAULETTE TOWNSEND, born Mar. 3, 1930.

They live in Paris, France, where Rev. Townsend is pastor of the Methodist Memorial Church. He was educated in the local Cape May County schools and the University of Grenoble.

22842243 PAUL HENSON TOWNSEND, the third child of Eli and Frances (Dryburgh) Townsend, was born at Clermont, Cape May County, N. J., Dec. 19, 1889. He is a graduate of the Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, Conn., 1913; Yale, 1918, A.B., Honoris Causa. He served as private with the Connecticut National Guard during the Mexican trouble in 1916; enlisted at the outbreak of war in 1917; Second Lieutenant, Artillery, from First Officers' Training Camp, Fort Myers, Va.; instructed in artillery, Third Officers' Training Camp at Camp Lee, Va.; Captain, Battery D, 315th Artillery, 80th Division; wounded in action at Nantillois, France, Oct. 5, 1918. On Sept. 3, 1920, he married Clarissa Marie Davis, the daughter of Edward and Nettie (Skinner) Davis of Detroit, Mich., where she was born, Feb. 27, 1899. They reside at Detroit and have two children:

228422431 ANN TOWNSEND, born Feb. 16, 1931;

228422432 PAUL HENSON TOWNSEND, JR., born Oct. 28, 1932.



22842244 KATHERINE D. TOWNSEND, the fourth child of Eli and Frances (Dryburgh) Townsend, was born Feb. 11, 1897, at Clermont, Cape May County, N. J. They reside in Camden, N. J. She married, June 3, 1922, Howard B. Seeler, who was born Apr. 10, 1898. They have one child:

228422441 VIRGINIA F. SEELER, born Apr. 7, 1927.

22842245 MARGARET E. TOWNSEND, the fifth child of Eli and Frances (Dryburgh) Townsend, was born Jan. 30, 1900, at Clermont, Cape May County, N. J. She resides with her parents at Camden, N. J.

24412122 DR. CHARLES B. CORSON, born 1870, the son of Rem and Mary (York) Corson, married Theresa Corson. They had a son:

244121221 EDMUND CORSON.

Dr. Charles B. Corson died in 1928. Theresa, his wife, was born in 1877 and died in 1912. They are buried in Calvary Baptist Cemetery, Ocean View, N. J.

24415111 LILA MARGUERITE GANDY, the only daughter of Maj. Charles Moore Gandy and Emma Rebecca (Graham) Gandy, was born Mar. 15, 1887, at Fort Concho, San Angelo, Tex. Miss Gandy, in telling of her birthplace in those early frontier days, stated that "Fort Concho was ninety miles from a railroad station and had a wall built to keep the buffalo from charging across the parade grounds. The mail was robbed every time they took off the military escort and on several occasions they had to turn out the troops because the celebrating cowboys shot out the post street lights." Miss Gandy now resides with her parents at Ocean View, Cape May County, N. J., and has for some years taken great interest in historical and genealogical research. She is an active member of the Cape May County Historical and Genealogical Society and has held various offices in the Cape May Chapter, D. A. R. She is a capable genealogist and the compiler is deeply indebted to her for her assistance in securing data for compiling this work. She furnished a record of the Corsons listed in the census of Cape May County in 1850, 1870, and 1885, by which the parents and their children and their ages were identified; Cape May marriage records, tombstone records, Bible records, and various old papers and letters that were invaluable in compiling the history of the Cape May Corson families.

24415112 MAJ. CHARLES LEWIS GANDY, the second child and only son of Maj. Charles Moore Gandy and Emma Rebecca (Graham) Gandy, was born Jan. 24, 1889, at Fort Concho, Tex., the frontier outpost, where his father was stationed. He prepared himself for military service and has followed in his father's footsteps. Charles Lewis Gandy was an honorary graduate and medalist, Army Medical School, 1914. Before this he had received his B.S. degree in 1910 and M.D. in 1912, University of Michigan. He is a member of Sigma Xi and Alpha Omega, and a Fellow, American College of Surgeons. In the regular army he was appointed First Lieutenant, Medical Corps, May 6, 1914; accepted June 23, 1914; commissioned Captain, June 16, 1917, and Major, June 16, 1917. In addition to the above, he received the following commissions: First Lieutenant, Medical Reserve Corps, July, 1912; accepted Aug. 3, 1912; active duty, July 1, 1913; vacated June 23, 1914; Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, U. S. Army, Nov. 6, 1918; accepted Nov. 10, 1918; honorably discharged Feb. 20, 1920. Maj. Charles Lewis Gandy married Mary Alden Bailey, born Apr. 24, 1897, the daughter of Gen. Charles Justin and Mary (Dodge) Bailey. To them were born the following children:

- 244151121 KATE ALDEN GANDY, born Dec. 8, 1917;
- 244151122 PRISCILLA GRAHAM GANDY, born May, 1922, died June, 1923;
- 244151123 CHARLES LEWIS GANDY, JR., born Aug. 18, 1924;
- 244151124 ELIZABETH CORSON GANDY, born June 10, 1926.

24415311 WILLIS YOUNG, son of Martha Gandy (Shaw) and Washington Young, married Anna Davis. They have a daughter:

- 244153111 RUTH YOUNG.

24415312 REBECCA YOUNG, daughter of Martha Gandy (Shaw) and Washington Young, married Duke Flag. They have five children:

- 244153121 ALBERT FLAG;
- 244153122 LEWIS FLAG;
- 244153123 EDWARD FLAG;
- 244153124 DAVID FLAG;
- 244153125 ELIZABETH FLAG.

24415313 LYDIA YOUNG, daughter of Martha Gandy (Shaw) and Washington Young, married Elwood Wadsworth. They have two children:

- 244153131 MORGAN WADSWORTH;
- 244153132 MARTHA WADSWORTH.



24415314 HENRY YOUNG, son of Martha Gandy (Shaw) and Washington Young, married Ida Cobb. They have four children:

- 244153141 JULIA YOUNG;
- 244153142 MARTHA YOUNG;
- 244153143 RICHARD YOUNG;
- 244153144 CHARLES YOUNG.

24721173 H. SMITH CORSON, born Nov. 11, 1888, the son of Thomas Smith and Martha P. (Hand) Corson, married Caroline Rakestrevy, born Feb. 6, 1885. They live in Cape May County and have a daughter:

- 247211731 ANNA BELL CORSON, born Feb. 12, 1912.

24732132 HARRY CORSON, the eldest son of George and Margaret (Mathews) Corson, was born Sept. 5, 1865. He married Katie Mahr, Oct. 24, 1889. They resided at Dayton, Ohio, and had one son:

- 247321321 ELMER CORSON, born Sept. 22, 1890.

24732134 CARRY CORSON, the daughter of George and Margaret (Mathews) Corson, married Harry Ferris. They had five children:

- 247321341 GEORGE FERRIS;
- 247321342 HARRY FERRIS;
- 247321343 HORACE FERRIS;
- 247321344 MARGARET FERRIS;
- 247321345 RUFUS FERRIS.

24732465 DR. FRED P. CORSON, born Apr. 11, 1896, was the fifth child of Jeremiah and Mary (Payne) Corson. After receiving preliminary education he graduated from Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., in 1917. For some years he was superintendent of the Methodist Church, New York East Conference, Brooklyn South District, Brooklyn, N. Y. On Oct. 1, 1934, he returned to Dickinson College as its president, being one of the youngest men ever to head this historic school, then in its 152nd year. He married Frances Beaman in 1922.

24913121 JAMES HARRY CORSON, born Oct. 23, 1877, at Chester, Pa., son of Samuel and Martha (Gamble) Corson, married, Jan. 29, 1901, Mary Catherine Kernan. She was born May 24, 1882, at Philadelphia, Pa. They resided at Chester, Pa., where two children were born:

- 249131211 MILDRED ELIZABETH CORSON, born Apr. 21, 1903;
- 249131212 HARRY ROBERT CORSON, born Mar. 29, 1905.

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### THE TENTH AND ELEVENTH GENERATIONS

#### THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY CORSON

121116112 LESTER O. CORSON, the son of Oliver B. and Mary (Stites) Corson, was born Aug. 28, 1899. He married, Dec. 21, 1926, Mabel Garritson. They had two children:

1211161121 CHARLES EDMONDS CORSON, born Sept. 2, 1927;

1211161122 DORIS M. CORSON, born Nov. 12, 1929.

121172321 ARTHUR F. DAVIS, the son of Clarence and Louise (Kresz) Davis, was born July 18, 1889, in Cincinnati, Ohio. He married, May 13, 1913, at Lima, Ohio, Ida Ufeil. They have two children:

1211723211 LUCILLE M. DAVIS, born Jan. 3, 1914, at Lima, Ohio;

1211723212 EVELYN L. DAVIS, born July 9, 1916, at Elyria, Ohio.

121172322 ELMER J. DAVIS, born Oct. 30, 1892, at Cincinnati, Ohio, the son of Clarence and Louise (Kresz) Davis, married, June 24, 1914, Mabel J. Wheelwright of Hamilton, Ohio. They have one son:

1211723221 DALE A. DAVIS, born July 29, 1916, at Hamilton, Ohio.

121172323 EDNA M. DAVIS, born Dec. 4, 1897, at Cincinnati, Ohio, the daughter of Clarence and Louise (Kresz) Davis, married, Mar. 28, 1921, Stanley W. Betscher. They reside at Hamilton, Ohio, and have three children:

1211723231 ELAINE BETSCHER;

1211723232 GORDON BETSCHER;

1211723233 MARILYN BETSCHER.

121172324 BERTHA N. DAVIS, born July 27, 1902, at Barnesburgh, Ohio, the daughter of Clarence and Louise (Kresz) Davis, married, Aug. 29, 1923, Sherman J. Betscher of Hamilton, Ohio. They have two sons:

1211723241 SHERMAN C. BETSCHER, JR.;

1211723242 MARK A. BETSCHER.

They reside at Hamilton, Ohio.



121193312 MARIA CORSON, born May 4, 1908, the daughter of Clarence L. and May (Riningger) Corson, married ——— Miller. They reside at New Baltimore, Ohio, and have two children:

1211933121 CLIFFORD EARL MILLER, born June 12, 1927;

1211933122 JAMES ALBERT MILLER, born Oct. 24, 1930.

121193313 DOROTHY CORSON, born Mar. 2, 1911, the daughter of Clarence L. and May (Riningger) Corson, married ——— Webster. They reside at Burlington, Ky.

121193314 EVELYN CORSON, born Feb. 11, 1913, the daughter of Clarence L. and May (Riningger) Corson, married ——— Frick. They reside at Bevis, Ohio.

121193321 MINA MARJORIE CORSON, born May 11, 1906, the daughter of Orrie and Ethel (Whitney) Corson, married ——— Loring. They reside at Mt. Healthy, Ohio, and have two children:

1211933211 BILLY ORVIL LORING, born June 7, 1925;

1211933212 JOSEPH BRADLEY LORING, born July 9, 1927.

121193341 GLADYS WHITEHEAD, born Aug. 5, 1908, the daughter of Edith (Corson) and Robert Whitehead, married Lee H. Baer. They reside at New Baltimore, Ohio, and have one child:

1211933411 LEE ADAM BAER, born Oct. 22, 1928.

121211221 WALTER EVERTON CORSON, born June 15, 1899, at Camden, N. J., was the eldest son of Dr. Linwood Shammgar Corson and Adelaide (Printz) Corson. After receiving his common and high school education in Wallace Township, Glenn Moore, Pa., he studied music for some years. He is a mandolin soloist and has been leader for his orchestra, performing for several winters at Rolyat Hotel, St. Petersburg, Fla., and broadcasting at several of the radio stations in and near Philadelphia, Pa. He has also toured as a mandolinist with plectrum orchestras from coast to coast. He is now teaching and operating studios in Downingtown, Bridgeport and Reading, Pa., and Wilmington, Del. He was married June 2, 1926, at Newport, Del., to Ruth Cecelia Thalman of that city. They have two children:

1212112211 DUANE OPAL CORSON, born Apr. 19, 1927;

1212112212 ZANE NICHOLAS CORSON, born July 29, 1930. They reside at Downingtown, Pa.

121211222 ELMER NICHOLAS CORSON, born Oct. 31, 1901, at Camden, N. J., was the second son of Dr. Linwood S. and Adelaide (Printz) Corson. He, with Howard Neiman, in 1932, was operating a Ford sales and service station at 913 Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa. He married Florence Lippincott and they reside at 87 Manor Ave., Oaklyn, N. J. They have no children.

121211223 SPENCER LINWOOD CORSON, born Oct. 4, 1908, the youngest son of Dr. Linwood S. and Adelaide (Printz) Corson, is unmarried and lives at 2044 S. 63rd St., Philadelphia, Pa. He is buyer for Elkins Morris stock exchange.

121314111 GOLDIE LEE CORSON, born Oct. 7, 1879, the eldest daughter of William Albert Corson and his first wife, Susie Belle Grubbs, married, first, John McGhee in 1905. They lived on a farm in Champaign County, Ill. He died Apr. 16, 1906, without issue. His widow married, second, Dec. 25, 1908, Loraine Meade, a decorator of Fithian, Ill. Goldie Lee (Corson) and Loraine Meade had four children:

1213141111 MARY JANE MEADE, born Jan. 24, 1910, in Fithian, Ill., married Herschel Keller, resides in Cates, Ind., issue, Barbara Jean Keller, born Sept. 14, 1925, Esta Eloise Keller, born May 12, 1930, Norma Herschel Keller, born June 14, 1932;

1213141112 KATHRYN LEE MEADE, born Apr. 12, 1912, in Fithian, Ill., married, first, Dec. 17, 1929, Arnold Keller, married, second, Jan. 24, 1932, Dale McClain, farmer near Potomac, Ill., issue by first marriage, Donna Sue Keller, born Nov. 28, 1930;

1213141113 ALBERTA CLAIRE MEADE, born May 20, 1910, married, Sept. 24, 1931, ——— Reese, resides at Danville, Ill., issue, Galanna Claire Reese, born July 23, 1932;

1213141114 AGATHA MAY MEADE, born Nov. 25, 1920, in Fithian, Ill.

121314113 EUNICE JEANETTE CORSON, born Aug. 5, 1898, the eldest child of William Albert Corson and his second wife, Laura (Snideman) Corson, married, Feb., 1917, Walter Dyer. They live on a farm near Metropolis, Ill., and have five children:

1213141131 ALBERT M. DYER, born Aug. 19, 1918;

1213141132 EMMA ELIZABETH DYER, born Oct. 17, 1920;

1213141133 CHARLES EDGAR DYER, born July 15, 1923;

1213141134 DONALD LOUIS DYER, born June 14, 1926;

1213141135 EVERETT WILLIAM DYER, born Aug. 26, 1931.

121314114 CLIFFORD R. CORSON, born Sept. 19, 1900, the second child of William Albert Corson and his second wife, Laura (Snideman) Corson, married, Sept. 25, 1920, Oda Lenkering. They live at Metropolis, Ill. Seven children were born to them:



- 1213141141 THELMA CORSON, born Jan. 18, 1922;  
 1213141142 WILLIAM CLIFFORD CORSON, twin, born Jan. 14, 1924;  
 1213141143 ROBERT JAMES CORSON, twin, born Jan. 14, 1924, died 1924;  
 1213141144 DOROTHY JANE CORSON, twin, born Feb. 11, 1926;  
 1213141145 DOYLE LEE CORSON, twin, born Feb. 11, 1926;  
 1213141146 ALICE MARIE CORSON, born May 18, 1928;  
 1213141147 LLOYD H. CORSON, born June 26, 1931.

1213141115 HELEN LUCILLE CORSON, born July 19, 1906, the third child of William Albert Corson and his second wife, Laura (Snideman) Corson, married, Aug. 4, 1926, Millard McBride. They live in Urbana, Ill., and have three children:

- 1213141151 KATHRYN MAE McBRIDE, born Jan. 14, 1928;  
 1213141152 DALE EUGENE McBRIDE, born May 1, 1929;  
 1213141153 ONNOLEE LOIS McBRIDE, born June 26, 1931.

121314121 MAE WINNONA CORSON, born Oct. 23, 1894, the eldest child of Rev. Thomas Eddy and Clara (Bachman) Corson, married, Dec. 19, 1917, Benjamin F. Battleson, a mechanic. They live in Danville, Ill., and have three children:

- 1213141211 WINNONA JUNE BATTLESON, born Oct. 27, 1918;  
 1213141212 RICHARD JEAN BATTLESON, born Apr. 22, 1920;  
 1213141213 ROBERT DEE BATTLESON, born June 14, 1928.

121314122 HARRELL L. CORSON, born Oct. 21, 1896, the second child of Rev. Thomas Eddy and Clara (Bachman) Corson, married, June 24, 1920, Julia Bolton. They live in Los Angeles, Calif. To them were born four children:

- 1213141221 LOIS HELEN CORSON, born July, 1921;  
 1213141222 HOWARD EDGAR CORSON, born Aug. 30, 1923;  
 1213141223 VERLIE MARGARET CORSON, born Aug., 1927;  
 1213141224 SHIRLEY FAITH CORSON, born Oct. 2, 1929.

121314123 HOWARD BENSON CORSON, born Sept. 9, 1898, the third son of Rev. Thomas Eddy and Clara (Bachman) Corson, married, first, July 9, 1919, Vivian Elliott. They had one daughter:

- 1213141231 NANNETTE MAY CORSON, born May 11, 1920.

The first wife died Feb. 27, 1923. Howard B. Corson married, second, July 14, 1930, Jean Balzley. They live in Louisville, Ky., where Mr. Corson is manager of a furniture store. They have a child:

- 1213141232 ——— CORSON, born Aug. 17, 1932.

121314124 NELL MURIEL CORSON, born Sept. 29, 1900, the fourth child of Rev. Thomas Eddy and Clara (Bachman)

Corson, married Douglas Palmer, a fireman on the Pennsylvania Railroad. They live at Greenville, Ill., and have two children:

- 1213141241 CHARLES DOUGLAS PALMER, born Oct. 1, 1926;  
1213141242 HAROLD CORSON PALMER, born Dec. 3, 1931.

121314125 RUTH CARLOTTA CORSON, born Mar. 17, 1902, the fifth child of Rev. Thomas Eddy and Clara (Bachman) Corson, married, Mar. 17, 1926, William F. Marshall. He is an appraiser for the Federal Land Bank, St. Louis, Mo. They live in Greenville, Ill., and have two children:

- 1213141251 MARY JANE MARSHALL, born June 26, 1927;  
1213141252 CHARLES MARSHALL, born Apr. 21, 1929.

121314126 FAITH DELIGHT CORSON, born Mar. 19, 1904, the sixth child of Rev. Thomas Eddy and Clara (Bachman) Corson, taught in the public schools of Greenville, Ill. She resigned and married H. Denny Donnell on Oct. 29, 1932. They live in Greenville.

121314131 ALBERT JAMES CORSON, born Sept. 21, 1884, the eldest child of George Elmer Corson and his first wife, Alvena (Maker) Corson, married, Sept. 21, 1911, Belle Roberts. They live in Urbana, Ill., and have four children:

- 1213141311 LUSETTA FLORENCE CORSON, born June 24, 1912;  
1213141312 JENNIE MARGARET CORSON, born Feb. 16, 1915;  
1213141313 ROBERT ALBERT CORSON, born Dec. 12, 1919;  
1213141314 ALBERTA BELLE CORSON, born July 29, 1924.

121314132 GEORGE ELMER CORSON, JR., born July 8, 1886, the second child of George Elmer Corson, Sr., and his first wife, Alvena (Maker) Corson, married, May 30, 1910, Mabel May Stewart. They live in Lake Munroe, Fla., and have three children:

- 1213141321 ELMER WILLIAM CORSON, born Mar. 22, 1912;  
1213141322 BEATRICE MAY CORSON, born June 24, 1914;  
1213141323 WALDO GEORGE CORSON, born Oct. 3, 1920.

121314134 HARMON CARL CORSON, born Aug. 28, 1890, the fourth child of George Elmer Corson and his first wife, Alvena (Maker) Corson, married, Mar. 24, 1925, Edythe May Weinger. They live at Modesto, Calif. They have two children:

- 1213141341 ROBERT CARL CORSON, born Jan. 9, 1926;  
1213141342 ESTHER LOUISE CORSON, born Sept. 8, 1928.

121314135 FLORENCE WILKINS CORSON, born Sept. 26, 1892, was the fifth child of George Elmer Corson and his first



wife, Alvena (Maker) Corson. She is a registered nurse and lives at Los Angeles, Calif.

121314136 WILLA JANE CORSON, born July 17, 1895, the sixth child of George Elmer Corson and his first wife, Alvena (Maker) Corson, married, July 14, 1918, Frank Loomis. They live in Hanford, Calif., and have one child:

1213141361 ALBERTA CLAIRE LOOMIS, born May 8, 1919.

121314141 JOHN C. YEARSLEY, born July 28, 1887, in Somers Township, north of Urbana, Ill., was the eldest child of Alma Hendee (Corson) and Emmet G. Yearsley. On Dec. 5, 1907, he married Jessie May Edwards of Urbana, Ill. They live on a farm north of Urbana, Ill. To them three children have been born:

1213141411 EMMETT EDWARDS YEARSLEY, born Mar. 17, 1909, in Champaign County, Ill., married, Apr. 27, 1932, Maybelle Lindley of Homer, Ill., and resides on a farm north of Urbana, where the grandparents of Mr. Yearsley formerly lived;

1213141412 JESSIE ELIZABETH YEARSLEY, born Aug. 1, 1917;

1213141413 RUTH YEARSLEY, born Apr. 26, 1920.

121314142 MARY YEARSLEY, the younger child of Alma Hendee (Corson) and Emmet G. Yearsley, was born Aug. 7, 1898, in Urbana, Ill. In June, 1924, she graduated from the University of Illinois; in 1926 she graduated from the Prince School of Education for Store Service, Boston, Mass. Since 1926 she has been engaged in personnel work in department stores. The Corsons of Illinois have held family reunions annually since 1920. Miss Yearsley has taken an active part in making these family gatherings a success. She furnished the record of these families for this work.

121314162 LEE WILLIAMS WATERS, born Dec. 2, 1897, in Champaign County, Ill., the second son of Mary Emma (Corson) and Howard William Waters, married, July 15, 1922, Frieda Mae Cruse. They live on a farm north of Urbana, Ill. To them have been born three children:

1213141621 ROBERT WILLIAM WATERS, born Apr. 27, 1923;

1213141622 ESTHER LOUISE WATERS, born July 7, 1924;

1213141623 NORMA GERTRUDE WATERS, born Apr. 5, 1926.

121314163 JESSIE ELIZABETH WATERS, born Feb. 4, 1898, in Champaign County, Ill., the third child of Mary Emma (Corson) and Howard William Waters, married, Aug. 21, 1926,

Leslie Lorraine James. They live at Leavenworth, Kan., where he is engaged in government service. They have one child:

1213141631 MARILYN RUTH JAMES, born July 24, 1927.

121314172 GLADYS THANKFUL CORSON, born June 26, 1898, in Champaign County, Ill., the second child of John Bailey and Ella (Brownfield) Corson, married, Dec. 16, 1915, Carl F. Neef. They live in Somers Township, north of Urbana, Ill. To them have been born three children:

1213141721 RUSSELL FREDERICK NEEF, born Oct. 8, 1917;

1213141722 HAROLD BAILEY NEEF, born Jan. 5, 1920;

1213141723 PAUL LEE NEEF, born Sept. 17, 1928.

121314174 FAYE GEORGE CORSON, born May 23, 1902, in Champaign County, Ill., the fourth child of John Bailey and Ella (Brownfield) Corson, married Marie Seams. To them has been born one child:

1213141741 LOUISE ELLEN CORSON.

121314175 RUTH PANSY CORSON, born Jan. 7, 1905, in Champaign County, Ill., the fifth child of John B. and Ella (Brownfield) Corson, married, Jan. 9, 1923, Charles White. They live near Urbana, Ill., and have five children:

1213141751 OSCAR BAILEY WHITE, born May 11, 1924;

1213141752 RUTH ELLEN WHITE, born Sept. 1, 1925;

1213141753 EMMA JANE WHITE, born Aug. 21, 1927;

1213141754 RICHARD EUGENE WHITE, born Feb. 5, 1929;

1213141755 EVELYN MAY WHITE, born Jan. 5, 1931.

121314176 MEREL CLINT CORSON, born July 1, 1907, in Champaign County, Ill., the youngest child of John B. and Ella (Brownfield) Corson, married, Oct. 17, 1932, Leota Panky of Champaign, Ill. They reside in Champaign.

121314321 HOWARD R. CORSON, born July 14, 1895, the eldest child of A. J. (Jackey) Corson and Hattie (Akers) Corson, married, Aug. 19, 1919, Mildred R. Ward. They have one son:

1213143211 JACKY NEWTON CORSON, born Aug. 3, 1923.

They reside at Friendship, Ind. Mildred R. (Ward) Corson died Mar. 5, 1931.

121314322 GERTRUDE W. CORSON, born July 3, 1900, the second child of A. J. (Jackey) Corson and Hattie (Akers) Corson, married, Mar. 21, 1925, Otto Steingruber. They reside at Aurora, Ind. Two children have been born to them:

1213143221 MARJORIE STEINGRUBER, born Jan. 5, 1926;

1213143222 MARCELLA C. STEINGRUBER, born Feb. 9, 1927.



121314512 CATHERINE LIBBERT, born Jan. 13, 1903, the second child of Anna (Buchanan) and Henry Libbert, married Carl Kittle. He is a farmer near Aurora, Ind. They have six children:

- 1213145121 FLOYD KITTLE;
- 1213145122 LEO KITTLE;
- 1213145123 LUCY KITTLE;
- 1213145124 MARTHA LOUISE KITTLE, deceased;
- 1213145125 DORIS KITTLE;
- 1213145126 BABY.

121314521 MARSHALL LIBBERT, born Mar. 1, 1892, the eldest child of Clara M. (Buchanan) and Dr. E. J. Libbert, married, June 28, 1920, Nellie Smallzmeyer. They reside at Fayetteville, Ark., and have three children:

- 1213145211 ROBERT LIBBERT;
- 1213145212 CLARE EMILY LIBBERT;
- 1213145213 MARY CATHERINE LIBBERT.

121314523 CORNELIUS LIBBERT, born July 19, 1895, the third child of Clara M. (Buchanan) and Dr. E. J. Libbert, married, July 15, 1919, Dess Stevens. He is field man for the Phillips Oil Company, Indianapolis. They reside at Lafayette, Ind., and have two children:

- 1213145231 JOHN EDWARD LIBBERT;
- 1213145232 EUGENE LIBBERT.

121314524 EDWIN LEE LIBBERT, M.D., born Nov. 28, 1900, the fourth child of Clara M. (Buchanan) and Dr. E. J. Libbert, married, Dec. 31, 1922, Roberta Edson. They reside at Lawrenceburg, Ind., where Doctor Libbert is a practitioner and coroner. They have two children:

- 1213145241 MARJORIE LIBBERT;
- 1213145242 EDWIN LEE LIBBERT, JR.

122543121 VALERA G. REGAN, the daughter of Irene C. (Godfrey) and John C. Regan, married William Stringfellow of Philadelphia, Pa. He is a dye superintendent at Mount Holly, N. J., and they have one child:

- 1225431211 WILLIAM STRINGFELLOW, JR.

141121134 WESLEY INGERSOLL CORSON, born Feb. 3, 1897, the son of Walter Thomas and Margaret (Davidson) Corson, married Jennie Dutton. They reside at Philadelphia, Pa., and have three children:

- 1411211341 ELIZABETH F. CORSON, born Sept. 14, 1916;
- 1411211342 WESLEY C. CORSON, born Oct. 7, 1918;
- 1411211343 WALTER L. M. CORSON, born Aug. 13, 1921.

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### THE TENTH AND ELEVENTH GENERATIONS THE DESCENDANTS OF PETER AND DEBORAH CORSON

211252231 CARLEN NATHAN PARSONS, born Feb. 15, 1875, the eldest son of Nathan Corson Parsons and Isabelle (Bess) Parsons, is a farmer living one and one-half miles south of Tallula, Ill. He married, Feb. 15, 1898, Vienna Hughett. They have two children:

2112522311 EARL PARSONS, farmer, near Tallula, Ill., married Lilly Woodrum, and have one son, Weldon Earl Parsons;

2112522312 EMMA PARSONS, married Joseph Campbell of Springfield, Ill., and have no issue.

211252232 MARY OLIVE PARSONS, born Jan. 29, 1877, the second child of Nathan Corson Parsons and Isabelle (Bess) Parsons, married, Mar. 10, 1897, Oscar Burnett. They live in Tallula, Ill., and were the parents of eight children:

2112522321 RALPH BURNETT, died in infancy;

2112522322 VEDA BURNETT, died in infancy;

2112522323 BLANCH BURNETT, married Alex. Mitchell, no issue;

2112522324 LESTER BURNETT, single;

2112522325 RUTH ALMA BURNETT, married Charles Burns, resides in Peoria, Ill., have a son, Charles Burns, Jr.;

2112522326 GLADYS BURNETT, married Roy Cardiff, reside at Oakford, Ill., and have one son, Robert Glenn Cardiff;

2112522327 NELSON BURNETT, single;

2112522328 HAZEL BURNETT, single.

Mary Olive Parsons Burnett died Feb. 21, 1932.

211252233 ADA GERTRUDE PARSONS, born Feb. 22, 1880, the third child of Nathan Corson Parsons and Isabelle (Bess) Parsons, married, Feb. 7, 1900, Henry Lewis, farmer, near Jacksonville, Ill. She died Mar. 11, 1923, and Henry, her husband, is also deceased. They had one daughter:

2112522331 VELMA LEWIS.

211252234 EDYTH BLANCH PARSONS, born Feb. 2, 1884, the fourth child of Nathan Corson Parsons and Isabelle (Bess) Parsons, married, Feb. 25, 1903, W. G. Gilpin, farmer, near Edinburg, Ill. They are the parents of ten children:



- 2112522341 HERMAN GILPIN, farmer near Edinburg, married Maria Akin, and has children, Billy and Juanita Gilpin;  
 2112522342 ELSIE MARIA GILPIN, married Hershel Barns of Edinburg, Ill., and has a daughter, Dolly Maria Barns;  
 2112522343 FLOSSY GILPIN, married Embert Akin, farmer, near Edinburg, Ill., and has a daughter, Marcella Akin;  
 2112522344 LOUISE GILPIN, married Walter Buckles, farmer, near Edinburg, Ill., has one son, Charles Walter Buckles;  
 2112522345 DORA GILPIN, married Oscar Hendricks, farmer, near Tallula, Ill., no children;  
 2112522346 GEORGE NATHAN GILPIN;  
 2112522347 MARY GILPIN;  
 2112522348 CHESTER GILPIN;  
 2112522349 IRENE GILPIN;  
 211252234:10: ELMA GILPIN.

The last five children are living (1932) at home.

211252235 MARGARET HANNAH PARSONS, born Mar. 11, 1890, the fifth child of Nathan Corson Parsons and Isabelle (Bess) Parsons, married Benjamin H. Luck, carpenter, at Tallula, Ill. They have no children. She is the family historian and furnished the history of her parents' family.

211252236 GUY RICHARD PARSONS, born Aug. 7, 1892, the youngest child of Nathan Corson and Isabelle (Bess) Parsons, married Dotty Gilpin. He is employed by the Illinois Power Company. They have no children.

211252271 LESLIE ERNEST LANE, born July 1, 1884, the eldest child of Ada (Parsons) and Judge Alvah Lane, married, Dec. 25, 1912, Evelyn Crotinger of Saybrook, Ill. They live on the old home place eight miles from Orleans, Neb. Leslie was a school teacher before going on the farm. They have one child:

2112522711 ARDYCE GRETA LANE, born Jan. 28, 1920.

211252272 ETHEL BELLE LANE, born Oct. 24, 1885, the second child of Ada (Parsons) and Judge Alvah Lane, was a school teacher before she married Henry M. Miller, Mar. 25, 1908, of Atlantic, Neb., where they reside. They have four children:

2112522721 HAROLD MAX MILLER, born Apr. 24, 1909, graduated from Atlantic High School, married, Jan. 27, 1932, Leis Yerl of Holdrege, Neb., and resides on a farm near his parents;

2112522722 ALVAH LANE MILLER, born May 13, 1911, graduated from Mascah High School in 1930, and is keeping his father's farm;

2112522723 RUBY LORRAINE MILLER, born Jan. 19, 1913, graduated from Mascah High School in 1931;

2112522724 EDWIN LEE MILLER, born Dec. 10, 1917, and is attending Mascah High School in 1932.

211252273 NEVA LANE, born Aug. 22, 1887, the third child of Ada (Parsons) and Judge Alvah Lane, taught school for several years. She then prepared herself for missionary work at Bethany, Okla.; Nebraska Wesleyan at Lincoln, Neb.; and Pasadena University. She now (1932) has spent ten years teaching a girls' school at Coban, Guatemala, Central America, and will be there four more years.

211252274 ROSS TAYLOR LANE, born Feb. 9, 1890, the fourth child of Ada (Parsons) and Judge Alvah Lane, taught school for one year before he married, Dec. 24, 1913, Mae Dairs of Chester, Neb. They live at Holdrege, Neb., and Ross is interested in the Flathers-Lane Chevrolet Company at Alma, Neb. They have four children:

2112522741 LAURENCE DEANE LANE, born Dec. 15, 1914, graduated from Holdrege High School, 1932;

2112522742 ARLENE JOY LANE, born Aug. 10, 1917, student in Holdrege High School;

2112522743 IRIS NEVA LANE, born Feb. 20, 1925;

2112522744 NORMA JEAN LANE, born Feb. 20, 1925.

211252275 FLOYD ALVAH LANE, born Aug. 6, 1898, the fifth child of Ada (Parsons) and Judge Alvah Lane, took a two years' course in the State Agricultural School. He was married, Feb. 28, 1925, to Mildred Runcie of Alma, Neb. They live on a farm three miles from Stamford, Neb., and have two children:

2112522751 RONALD EUGENE LANE, born Nov. 1, 1929;

2112522752 GENEVIEVE RUTH LANE, born Oct. 18, 1931.

211252276 MILDRED GENEVIEVE LANE, born Dec. 29, 1900, the youngest child of Ada (Parsons) and Judge Alvah Lane, graduated from the Nebraska Wesleyan Academy. She married, July 14, 1920, Laurence Flathers of Franklin, Neb. He is interested in the Flathers-Lane Chevrolet Company at Alma, Neb. They have two daughters:

2112522761 LILLIE ELAINE FLATHERS, born July 1, 1922;

2112522762 MARY ELOISE FLATHERS, born Dec. 14, 1924.

211252283 ALLIE ROE PARSONS, born Nov. 29, 1888, the third child of McClellan and Mary (O'Neill) Parsons, married, Dec., 1909, Nova Glenn. He is telegraph operator at Pekin, Ill. They have two sons:

2112522831 GLENN PARSONS, who is married and has a child;

2112522832 DEE PARSONS.



211252284 JESSIE PARSONS, born June 10, 1890, the fourth child of McClellan and Mary (O'Neill) Parsons, taught school for 18 years. She married, June 10, 1926, Dr. W. S. Taylor, and they live at Ashland, Ill. They have no children. She is the family historian and furnished the record of her parents' family.

211252285 MARY PARSONS, born Jan. 7, 1892, the fifth child of McClellan and Mary (O'Neill) Parsons, married Guy Ferguson, a plumber. They had two children:

2112522851 THOMAS ROE FERGUSON;  
2112522852 MILDRED FERGUSON.

Mary (Parsons) Ferguson, the wife and mother, died Jan. 31, 1915, and the daughter, Mildred, died several months later. Thomas Roe is working with his father.

211252286 NATHAN PARSONS, born July 14, 1893, the sixth child of McClellan and Mary (O'Neill) Parsons, married Rachel Purviance. They have four children:

2112522861 CULLY PARSONS;  
2112522862 ROBERT RAY PARSONS;  
2112522863 ADA JANE PARSONS;  
2112522864 JESSE PARSONS.

211252287 MABEL BLANCH PARSONS, born Nov. 16, 1894, the youngest daughter of McClellan and Mary (O'Neill) Parsons, married Lester Anderson, a farmer, but later the union was dissolved. She is an assistant to an exodontist.

2112522:11:1 ROBERT PAUL McINTYRE, born Apr. 12, 1906, the eldest son of Hannah (Parsons) and Robert McIntyre, married, Nov. 20, 1930, Virginia Hubbard. They had a daughter born Nov. 1, 1931.

2112522:11:2 MIRIAM KATHRYN McINTYRE, born Oct. 6, 1908, the second child of Hannah (Parsons) and Robert McIntyre, married, Sept. 14, 1930, Paul Boldt.

211252411 PAUL SPENCER SWAN, the eldest son of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, was born at Ashland, Ill., June 5, 1883. After attending the Tecumseh High School he was a window decorator for a short time. He taught school in western Nebraska for one term, then became a pupil of John Vanderpoel; Lorado Taft; Art Institute, Chicago, Ill. He has become a painter and sculptor of note and also a dancer of considerable fame. He married Helen Palmer Gavit, the daughter of Joseph and Frances

A. (Palmer) Gavit, in New York, where they now reside. Mr. Swan's studio is located in that city. She was born Mar. 26, 1875, and was secretary to Henry Van Dyke, the noted writer. They have two children:

2112524111 PAULA RANDOLPH SWAN, born Feb. 10, 1914, in Albany, N. Y.;

2112524112 FLORA SWAN, born July 5, 1917, in New York City.

211252412 JESSE RANDOLPH SWAN, born Jan. 6, 1885, near Ashland, Ill., was the second son of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan. After attending Lincoln Business College, he became head bookkeeper for a department store in Lincoln, Neb. He decided to prepare himself for the practice of law and graduated from the Law College in the University of Nebraska in 1913. On Dec. 30, 1914, he married Bertha Reed, born Apr. 11, 1886, in Sterling, Neb., the daughter of Charles C. and Clara Matilda (Perkins) Reed. She graduated from Nebraska State University in 1913. He started his law practice in Great Falls, Mont., where he bought a ranch and has since devoted part of his time to ranching. They reside at this time at Altadena, Calif., and have three children:

2112524121 JESSE RANDOLPH SWAN, JR., born Apr. 12, 1916;

2112524122 HARLAN REED SWAN, born Mar. 28, 1918;

2112524123 ROBERT CLAIR SWAN, born Dec. 4, 1921.

The children were born at Great Falls, Mont.

211252413 HARRIET McCLELLAN SWAN, born Apr. 24, 1887, the third child of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, married, May 2, 1906, Leslie David Spence. He was born Jan. 1, 1878, at Radcliffe, Iowa, the son of Alexander and Alice (Mace) Spence. He attended Crab Orchard schools and Beatrice Business College. He has served as County Clerk, was president of the Crab Orchard School Board for nine years, and was State Representative for two terms. He is a farmer and livestock raiser. They reside at Lincoln, Neb. To them were born three children:

2112524131 ROBIN ALEXANDER SPENCE, born Feb. 24, 1907;

2112524132 WILLARD McCLELLAN SPENCE, born Sept. 17, 1908;

2112524133 WILLIAM MORTON SPENCE, born Oct. 30, 1912.

Robin A. Spence graduated from the Nebraska State University in 1929 and in 1933 was County Agent at South Sioux City, Neb. Willard Spence graduated from the Nebraska State University and is now in the second year in Union Theological Seminary,



New York City. William Morton Spence is now a sophomore at the University of Nebraska.

211252414 JULIA CORSON SWAN, born Feb. 22, 1889, the fourth child of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, married, July 20, 1916, Dr. Daniel Webster Hurst, at Tecumseh, Neb. He was born Apr. 18, 1886, near Ames, Iowa, the son of Amos and Mary (Conrad) Hurst. He graduated as a veterinarian at Ames, Iowa, State College in 1908. In 1918-20 he was in the office of the Federal Animal Bureau at Lincoln, Neb.; served one year at St. Paul, Minn., one year at Chicago as government inspector at packing houses, and is now practicing at Tecumseh, Neb. He was Mayor of Tecumseh for three terms; appointed a member of the State Board of Veterinarians by Governor Bryan in 1932. She is a member of several women's clubs in Tecumseh. They have three children:

2112524141 HUDSON RUPERT HURST, born Apr. 4, 1918, at Tecumseh, Neb.;

2112524142 MARY MAXINE HURST, born July 8, 1919, at Lincoln, Neb.;

2112524143 PAUL ADRIAN HURST, born Mar. 18, 1921, at Tecumseh, Neb.

211252415 BELLE TOWNSEND SWAN, born Nov. 21, 1890, at Ashland, Ill., the fifth child of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, married, June 14, 1911, Charles Edward Stewart. He was born June 15, 1888, at Vesta, Neb., the son of Dr. Malcolm and Mary Elizabeth (McGee) Stewart. He graduated from Tecumseh High School at 14 years of age; from Wesleyan University in Lincoln, Neb., in 1908 at 19 years of age; returned to Wesleyan for a short business course before entering a bank in Tecumseh as bookkeeper. He was with the bank for 23 years, fourteen years as cashier. He left the bank to serve as county clerk and is now vice-president of the bank, and city treasurer. He has been active in directing choir work in the Methodist Church and also in band work for 20 years. His wife has also been active in civic and church work. They have two children:

2112524151 HOWARD RANDOLPH STEWART, born Feb. 11, 1917;

2112524152 ELEANOR STEWART, born Feb. 24, 1920.

211252416 KARL MILTON SWAN, born Oct. 11, 1892, near Vesta, Johnson County, Neb., the sixth child of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, attended the Agricultural College at Lincoln, Neb. He is a farmer and ranchman in Custer

County, Neb. He married, Apr. 9, 1918, Ethel Pearl Hamptman, born Dec. 29, 1891, the daughter of Charles Edward and Lula Marian (Walter) Hamptman. She graduated from the Peru Teachers' College and then taught school for some years. They have no children.

211252417 ROLLIN RAY SWAN, born Aug. 10, 1894, near Vesta, Neb., the seventh child of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, attended the State Agricultural College at Lincoln, Neb. On Dec. 1, 1917, he enlisted in the Marines. After being stationed at Mare Island, Calif., for some time, he was sent to the Philippine Islands and then to Shanghai, China. He married, May 9, 1932, at Fort Benton, Mont., Vera Margaret Oliver, the daughter of Don and Susie (Hahn) Oliver. She was born Dec. 17, 1905. They live, 1933, on a ranch near Power, Mont. They have no children.

211252418 REUBEN KENT SWAN, born June 4, 1896, near Vesta, Neb., the eighth child of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, attended the State Teachers' College at Peru, Neb. He taught school in country schools and was also superintendent of schools at Elk Creek, Neb. On Dec. 14, 1917, he joined the Coast Artillery and was stationed in California and Maryland. He was discharged Dec. 21, 1918. He married, May 6, 1925, at Beatrice, Neb., Rose Emma Nation, the daughter of Edwin and Edna (Clawson) Nation. She was born Oct. 26, 1905, at Red Oak, Iowa. She attended the Peru State Teachers' College and taught school before her marriage. They now live at Altadena, Calif., and have no children.

211252419 DALLES DEWITT SWAN, born Feb. 21, 1898, near Vesta, Neb., the ninth child of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, attended the University of Nebraska for one year. He received an appointment to the Military Academy at West Point, where he attended for two years. During the World War he drilled recruits for the U. S. Army. He is now sales manager in New York City. He married, Sept. 29, 1926, in New York City, Olivia Cecelia Buranelli, the daughter of Vincent and Margaret (Meyer) Buranelli. She was born Dec. 21, 1904, at Temple, Tex. She is a charming woman and often poses for her brother-in-law, Paul Swan. He used her as a model for his cover on the *Literary Digest* of Jan. 2, 1932. They have two children:

2112524191 OLIVIA CYNTHIA SWAN, born May 20, 1928;

2112524192 DALLES DEWITT SWAN, JR., born Nov. 4, ———.



21125241:10: ELDEN WAYNE SWAN, born Oct. 5, 1904, near Vesta, Neb., the youngest child of Adah Sutton (Corson) and John H. R. Swan, attended school at home and at Tecumseh, Neb. He is now managing a grain elevator at Lewiston, Neb. He married, Jan. 19, 1926, Hildred Richardson, the daughter of Clyde and ——— (Wolfe) Richardson. She was born July 12, 1907, at Lewiston, Neb. She graduated from the Lewiston High School and is librarian of the Public Library. They have two children:

21125241:10:1 ELDONNA SWAN, born May 21, 1927;

21125241:10:2 JOAN SWAN, born Mar. 16, 1929.

211255111 DANA KELLY, born Mar. 24, 1887, the daughter of Emma (Mathis) and George Johnson Kelly, is head teacher at the Utah School for the Blind at Ogden, Utah. She is a graduate of the University of Chicago, B.S., 1921; past president of the Women's University Club, Ogden, Utah; past president of Ogden Art Society; past matron of Miriam Chapter No. 14, O. E. S.; and charter member of the Drama Club of Ogden, Utah.

211255112 REX MATHIS KELLY, born Aug. 29, 1890, the son of Emma (Mathis) and George Johnson Kelly, was president of the Ogden Real Estate Board at the time of his death; he was a member of Ogden Lodge, No. 719, B. P. O. Elks; Herman Baker Post, No. 9, American Legion; Weber Lodge, No. 6, F. and A. M. He was born in Philadelphia, Ill., was educated in Ogden, Utah, where he lived from 1891 until his death in 1931.

211255121 ALICE MIRIAM MATHIS, born July 13, 1889, is the accomplished daughter of Charles L. and Eliza (Sybrant) Mathis. She is a graduate in music of the Illinois Women's College, and is a teacher of piano in the Illinois State School for the Blind; she has taken several courses of post-graduate work and has a fine appreciation of music; for a number of years she has been pipe organist at the Central Christian Church, Jacksonville, Ill.

211255122 HELEN DOUGLAS MATHIS, born Mar., 1895, was the youngest daughter of Charles L. and Eliza K. (Sybrant) Mathis. Miss Arthelia Mathis, her aunt, said of her: This Helen, like Helen of history, is pre-eminently worthwhile, but in a very different way; sweet and charming she is, but no war nor strife follows in her wake; but peace and happiness. O the joy of her, and the comfort. Always is she ministering to the welfare of

those around her, doing this and that and the other in her quiet way. She was born in Jacksonville, Ill., and has had her educational, art, and business training there.

211255611 VERA MAY HESSEY, born Aug. 18, 1882, the daughter of Harriet Jane (Foster) and Charles E. Hessey, married George Harshaw, and they live (1932) in Springfield, Ill. They had a son:

2112556111 MCKINLEY HARSHAW, who is married and lives in Springfield, Ill.

211255761 AVIS ANGIE ARNOLD, the daughter of Joseph and Angie (Cross) Arnold, married Lawrence Roe. They live in Ogden, Utah, and have four children:

2112557611 HAROLD EUGENE ROE;

2112557612 AVIS MYRTLE ROE;

2112557613 ARNOLD ROE;

2112557614 JACK ROE.

211255763 GERVASE EARL ARNOLD, the son of Joseph and Angie (Cross) Arnold, married Maxine Price. They live in Ogden, Utah, and have a son:

2112557631 EUGENE ARNOLD.

211255764 TIENA BELLE ARNOLD, the daughter of Joseph and Angie (Cross) Arnold, married Charles Nate of Montpelier, Idaho, about 1920. They have two children:

2112557641 IONE NATE;

2112557642 DONALD NATE.

211255766 WINNIFRED CLARISSA ARNOLD, the daughter of Joseph and Angie (Cross) Arnold, married Harvey Peterson of Fifield, Wis. They live in Montpelier, Idaho, and have two children.

2112557661 BEVERLY JO PETERSON;

2112557662 DOUGLASS PETERSON.

211264111 JOHN SMITH DOUGLASS, D.D., born Dec. 29, 1867, at Cape May Court House, N. J., son of Samuel E. and Mary Ann (Kernan) Douglass, married, Nov. 30, 1909, at South Seaville, N. J., Edna Collins, born June 24, 1884. He died Dec. 6, 1920. They had no children.

211264121 THOMAS HOLMES DOUGLASS, born Apr. 7, 1872, at Dias Creek, N. J., son of Francis and Achsah Douglass, married, Oct. 22, 1893, Emma Clara Tomlin, born Aug. 31, 1871, also at Dias Creek. They had five children:



2112641211 HOLMES TOMLIN DOUGLASS, born Dec. 13, 1897, at Dias Creek, N. J., married, Mar. 5, 1927, Elizabeth Mary Schellinger, and have two sons, Robert Holmes Douglass and John Arthur Douglass;

2112641212 FRANCIS DOUGLASS, born Dec. 12, 1903, at Wildwood, N. J., married, at Millville, N. J., Adella Mae Henderson, and have two sons, William Thomas Douglass and Walton Francis Douglass;

2112641213 MARY EMMA DOUGLASS, born Apr. 13, 1905, at Dias Creek, died in infancy;

2112641214 SAMUEL TOWNSEND DOUGLASS, born Jan. 12, 1911, at Dias Creek;

2112641215 CHARLES PUTNAM DOUGLASS, born Apr. 13, 1914, at Dias Creek, N. J.

211264122 HANNAH AUGUSTA LEAMING DOUGLASS, born Apr. 24, 1878, at Dias Creek, N. J., daughter of Francis and Achsah Douglass, married, Mar. 4, 1900, Wilbert Franklin Bateman, born Apr. 22, 1852, at Cedarville, N. J. They had three children:

2112641221 FANNIE ERRICSON BATEMAN, born Jan. 30, 1901, at Dias Creek;

2112641222 WILBERT HARVEY BATEMAN, born Nov. 9, 1905, at Wildwood, N. J., married, Apr. 19, 1929, at Fairton, N. J., Alberta Skellinger, born May 28, 1910;

2112641223 MARY ACHSAH BATEMAN, born July 7, 1908, at Dias Creek, married, July 12, 1926, at Elkton, Md., Edward Griner Ramsey, born May 28, 1908, at Millville, N. J., and have two children, Edward Douglass Ramsey and Doris Mary Ramsey.

211264123 PARSONS LEAMING DOUGLASS, born June 25, 1886, at Dias Creek, son of Francis and Achsah Douglass, married, first, Jan. 26, 1909, at Goshen, N. J., Mary Hannah Norton, born Apr. 14, 1890, at Dias Creek, N. J. She died Apr. 2, 1919. He married, second, Apr. 29, 1929, at Lancaster, Pa., Marie Catherline Schwartz, born Dec. 3, 1883. There were two children of the first union:

2112641231 ROBERT STANLEY DOUGLASS, born Nov. 5, 1909, at Dias Creek;

2112641232 JOHN WARMOUTH DOUGLASS, born Mar. 25, 1911, at Dias Creek, married, May 8, 1930, at Cold Spring, N. J., Emma Eldredge, born Sept. 30, 1913, and have a daughter, Jean Marie Douglass, born Feb. 13, 1931.

211264131 GEORGE DOUGLASS, born Sept. 5, 1873, at Cape May, son of Henry Freeman and Josephine Douglass, married, Sept., 1897, at Cape May, N. J., Jennie Smith, born at Philadelphia, Pa. They lived at Cape May, N. J. Five children and six grandchildren were born as follows:

2112641311 MARY DOUGLASS, born Apr. 15, 1899, married, Aug. 5, 1921, at Philadelphia, Pa., Lawrence Mears, and have three children, Lawrence Mears, Jr., Douglass Mears and James Mears;

2112641312 WALLACE DOUGLASS, born Apr. 11, 1901;

2112641313 DONALD DOUGLASS, born Apr. 23, 1903, at Cape May, married, June, 1927, at Germantown, Pa., Almira Long, and have two children, Virginia Douglass and George Schellinger Douglass;

2112641314 CATHLEEN DOUGLASS, born Nov. 20, 1904;

2112641315 MARGARET DOUGLASS, born Oct. 31, 1906, married, Mar., 1928, Louis Riggs and has a daughter, Carol Riggs, born Nov. 24, 1928.

George Douglass, the father and grandfather, died Jan. 29, 1917.

211264132 BELFORD SMITH DOUGLASS, born Mar. 13, 1878, at Cape May, N. J., son of Henry Freeman and Josephine Douglass, married, July 8, 1900, Alice Beatrice Boyd, at Alton, Ill. She was born Aug. 24, 1883, at Alton. They had three children and six grandchildren:

2112641321 JOSEPHINE ELIZABETH DOUGLASS, born Apr. 20, 1901, at Crisco, Ind., married, 1917, at Elkton, Md., John Charles Cook, born Apr. 22, 1895, and have three children, Alberta Mae Cook, Pearl Evelyn Cook and Lillian Douglass Cook;

2112641322 ALICE MAE DOUGLASS, born Aug. 16, 1906, at Port Lambton, Canada, married, June 30, 1923, at Elkton, Md., Albert Weeks, have a son, Albert Stevens Weeks, Jr.;

2112641323 FREEMAN SMITH DOUGLASS, born Dec. 6, 1907, at Warwick, Ohio, married, June 27, 1926, at Goshen, N. J., Blith Mathews, and have two sons, Freeman Smith Douglass, Jr., and Robert Douglass, born at Erma, N. J.

211264133 ARNULDA VAN KESEL DOUGLASS, born Dec. 21, 1884, at Cape May, N. J., daughter of Henry Freeman and Josephine Douglass, married, Mar. 23, 1903, Charles Richardson Ginder, born Sept. 7, 1879, at Philadelphia, Pa. They lived at Cape May, N. J. Their two children were:

2112641331 WILBERT WILLIAM GINDER, born Nov. 7, 1912, at Wachapreague, Va.;

2112641332 EARL DOUGLASS GINDER, born Apr. 1, 1906.

211264134 HANNAH ELIZABETH DOUGLASS, born Jan. 4, 1894, at Cape May, N. J., daughter of Henry and Josephine Douglass, married, Apr. 20, 1921, at Cape May, N. J., Michael Brown McPherson, born Sept. 9, 1897, at Cold Spring, N. J. They lived at Cold Spring and Elmira, N. J. They had two children:



- 2112641341 HOLLIS HUGHS McPHERSON, born Dec. 23, 1921;  
 2112641342 MARGARET ELIZABETH McPHERSON, born Oct. 28, 1929, at Elmira, N. J.

211264161 ELWOOD ATKINS HOWELL, born June 19, 1881, at Dias Creek, N. J., son of Mary Isard (Douglass) and Burton Lee Howell, married Bertha May Norton, born Mar. 6, 1881, at Dias Creek, where they live. They had eight children and four grandchildren:

- 2112641611 EDNA MARIAN HOWELL, born Aug. 22, 1899, married, June 19, 1918, at Goshen, N. J., George Mehl Schwartz, born Oct. 8, 1899, and have four children, Marie Catherine Schwartz, George Mehl Schwartz, Beatrice Mary Schwartz, and Betty Mae Schwartz;  
 2112641612 RAYMOND ELWOOD HOWELL, born Aug. 29, 1900, drowned in Delaware Bay, Aug. 22, 1908;  
 2112641613 BEATRICE MARY HOWELL, born June 24, 1904;  
 2112641614 LEROY OSCAR HOWELL, born Oct. 9, 1905, married, Sept. 21, 1929, at Philadelphia, Pa., Ellen Gorrell, born Mar. 1, 1909,  
 2112641615 BURTON ELWOOD HOWELL, born July 29, 1909;  
 2112641616 HOWARD NORTON HOWELL, born Sept. 26, 1911;  
 2112641617 NORMAN CLIFFORD HOWELL, born Oct. 19, 1912;  
 2112641618 MARGARET KEIM HOWELL, born Jan. 13, 1918.

213212431 IRENE CRAWFORD, the eldest daughter of Margaret (Goff) and Eleazer Crawford, married Harold B. Stiles. Six children were born as follows:

- 2132124311 HAROLD STILES, JR., married Marion Sands;  
 2132124312 IRENE STILES, married Guy A. Anderson;  
 2132124313 NORMAN STILES, born 1895, died 1931, unmarried;  
 2132124314 EDWARD STILES, married Margaret Buncke;  
 2132124315 MARGARET STILES, born 1899, died 1928, unmarried;  
 2132124316 DOROTHY STILES, unmarried.

213212433 ELEAZER CRAWFORD, JR., the youngest son of Margaret (Goff) and Eleazer Crawford, Sr., married Edna Shardlow. They had one son:

- 2132124331 SHARDLOW CRAWFORD, married ————, and has two children, Shardlow Eldredge Crawford and Jean Stewart Crawford.

213212461 LESLIE L. HAND, M.D., the eldest son of Hester Ann (Goff) and Ludlam Hand, graduated as a Doctor of Medicine from the University of Pennsylvania. He married Florence Smith. They have three children:

- 2132124611 MARY HAND, married ————;  
 2132124612 ELIZABETH HAND;  
 2132124613 ETHEL RAE HAND, married ————, a graduate of Syracuse University.

213212462 RAE ETHEL HAND, the second child of Hester Ann (Goff) and Ludlam Hand, was a graduate of the Normal School at Kutztown, Pa. She married Dr. John Berks. They have two sons:

- 2132124621 JOHN BERKS, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania;  
2132124622 LESLIE BERKS, now a student at Bucknell University.

213212481 LULA LEE BISHOP, the only daughter of Rachel Ellen (Goff) and Samuel Bishop, is a graduate of Kutztown, Pa., State Normal School. She married Dr. Frank R. Hughs, a graduate of Hahnemann Medical College. They had three children:

- 2132124811 SAMUEL BISHOP HUGHS, student, Hahnemann Medical College;  
2132124812 HAROLD FRANKLIN HUGHS, student at Temple University;  
2132124813 DAVID WHEATLEY HUGHS.

213212491 SARAH GOFF, the eldest daughter of William E. and Elizabeth (Garrison) Goff, married Leaming Rice. They had five children:

- 2132124911 WILLIAM RICE, married \_\_\_\_\_;  
2132124912 BEATRICE RICE, married \_\_\_\_\_;  
2132124913 JAMES RICE, graduate of Yale University;  
2132124914 ELIZABETH RICE, graduate, New Jersey College for Women at Brunswick, N. J.;  
2132124915 LEAMING RICE.

213212493 HANNAH GOFF, the daughter of William E. Goff and his second wife, Kate Briesley, married Raymond Mayhew. They had two children:

- 2132124931 KATHERINE MAYHEW;  
2132124932 ELIZABETH MAYHEW.

213213123 MIZEAL CORSON, born Mar. 28, 1863, the son of William S. and his second wife, Parnelia (Sickler) Corson, married Rachel Downs. They had a son:

- 2132131231 WALTER S. CORSON, born Dec. 7, 1893.

Mizeal Corson died June 26, 1896.

213213124 WILLIAM S. CORSON, JR., born Sept. 1, 1865, the son of William S. Corson, Sr., and his second wife, Parnelia (Sickler) Corson, married Leta Birch. They had three daughters:

- 2132131241 MARGARET ALICE CORSON, born Nov. 28, 1896, married H. Milton Wagner, and lives at Ruxton, Md.;  
2132131242 LETA ENOLA CORSON, born July 10, 1898;  
2132131243 MIRIAM S. CORSON, born Sept. 6, 1901.



213213125 IRVING S. CORSON, born Nov. 26, 1868, the son of William S. and his second wife, Parnelia (Sickler) Corson, married Anna Matilda Fisher. They had three children:

2132131251 PARNELIA S. CORSON, born Dec. 11, 1898;

2132131252 CARL FISHER CORSON, born Nov. 11, 1903;

2132131253 MILDRED ELIZABETH CORSON, born Aug. 11, 1906.

213213332 PRUDENCE ELIZABETH MURPHY, born Sept. 5, 1866, the daughter of Rose Anna (Corson) and Isaac B. Murphy, married Sheppard B. Shimp. She died Oct. 20, 1902. They had two children:

2132133321 ELSIE R. SHIMP, married Walker Mayhew and had four children;

2132133322 FAY SHIMP, married Charles Duffel and had one child.

213213333 TALBERT I. M. BROWN, born Sept. 30, 1873, the son of Rose Anna (Corson) and her second husband, Elias Brown, married Anna Van Weber. They had nine children.

213213335 WALTER H. BROWN, born Mar. 22, 1877, the son of Rose Anna (Corson) and her second husband, Elias Brown, married Anna M. Bitters. They had three children.

213213338 BELLE N. BROWN, born Feb. 10, 1885, the daughter of Rose Anna (Corson) and her second husband, Elias Brown, married Joseph Fogg. They had three children.

213213511 ESTHER (ETTIE) JOHNSON, the daughter of Anna Elizabeth (Corson) and William Johnson, was born Apr. 10, 1864. She married, Nov. 3, 1887, Daniel Thomas Abbott, born Sept. 9, 1861, at Camillus, N. Y., the son of George Andrew Abbott (1835-1871) and Lucy Maria Ford (1840-1906). George Andrew Abbott was a Civil War veteran. His son, Daniel Thomas Abbott, for thirty-three years has had charge of the carding department of the Matteawan Manufacturing Company, felt and fur hat manufacturers of Beacon, N. Y. They had three children:

2132135111 VERNA MILDRED ABBOTT, born May 23, 1892, died Dec. 3, 1892;

2132135112 PEARL MERTICE ABBOTT, born Nov. 30, 1893, died Nov. 17, 1894;

2132135113 VESTA MARJORIE ABBOTT, born Mar. 30, 1898.

All were born in Camden, N. J. The two children who died in infancy are buried in Camden, N. J. Vesta Marjorie Abbott graduated from Oneonta, N. Y., Normal School; taught in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., for four years and three years at Beacon, N. Y. She married Joseph Butler, Aug. 20, 1929.

Their home was in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He at that time was secretary and treasurer of the W. W. Kingston Building Company. A son:

21321351131 JOSEPH ABBOTT BUTLER, was born Nov. 24, 1931.

The young wife and mother was stricken with pneumonia and died Mar. 24, 1932, her untimely decease being a great shock to her relatives and friends. She is buried in Fishkill Rural Cemetery, N. Y. Vesta and her mother had taken a great interest in Corson genealogy, as well as in their other lines, and were both members of the D. A. R.

213213521 WILLIAM CORSON GRAHAM, born Apr. 24, 1868, the eldest son of Amanda Jane (Corson) and James Robert Graham, married, first, Lora Scharf, Oct. 10, 1894. He is a farmer at Fancy Prairie, Ill. They had two children:

2132135211 ORIN GRAHAM, born Sept. 7, 1896, married Annabel Davis;  
2132135212 ELZINA GRAHAM, born Nov. 10, 1899, married, Sept., 1923,  
Verne Bellington, a farmer.

Orin and Annabel Graham live in Springfield, Ill., and have one daughter;

21321352111 JUNE GRAHAM, born June 19, 1921.

Elzina (Graham) and Verne Bellington had three children:

21321352121 VERA BELLINGTON, born July, 1924, died Aug. 1924;  
21321352122 DUANE ALLEN BELLINGTON, born Feb. 14, 1926;  
21321352123 DORIS ELAINE BELLINGTON, born Feb. 14, 1930.

William Corson Graham married, second, Effie Cantral, Jan. 18, 1906. One son was born to the second union:

2132135213 JAMES ROBERT GRAHAM, born Sept. 10, 1907, died Sept. 13, 1907.

213213522 ANNA MAY GRAHAM, born Oct. 18, 1870, daughter of Amanda Jane (Corson) and James Robert Graham, married, Dec. 15, 1915, Allen W. Carter. He was a farmer and is now retired. They live at 528 W. Carpenter St., Springfield, Ill., and have no children.

213213523 MARY FRANCES GRAHAM, born Oct. 1, 1876, daughter of Amanda Jane (Corson) and James Robert Graham, married, Feb. 18, 1903, Thomas Edward Kurtz. He is a farmer at Fancy Prairie, Ill. They had four children:

2132135231 FRED KURTZ, born Aug. 5, 1904, farmer, Elkhart, Ill., married Gladys Townsend, Dec. 3, 1928;



2132135232 LUCINDA JANE KURTZ, born Oct. 25, 1906, married, Mar. 5, 1929, Cecil Tibbs, farmer, Elkhart, Ill.;

2132135233 JAMES KURTZ, born Nov. 24, 1908, farmer;

2132135234 EVERETT LEONIDAS KURTZ, born Dec. 1, 1910.

Lucinda Jane (Kurtz) and Cecil Tibbs have a son, Cecil Edward Tibbs, born Nov. 17, 1929.

213213524 MARTHA JANE GRAHAM, born Aug. 19, 1879, daughter of Amanda Jane (Corson) and James Robert Graham, married, June 3, 1912, Henry Crellin. He was a harness dealer at Lyons, Neb., and died of apoplexy, Jan. 26, 1924. They had three children:

2132135241 MARGARET CRELLIN, born Jan. 18, 1913, died Jan. 19, 1913;

2132135242 HENRY GRAHAM CRELLIN, born Nov. 13, 1915;

2132135243 JAMES AMBROSE CRELLIN, born Feb. 16, 1918.

Mrs. Crellin is a registered nurse and now conducts a licensed hospital in her home in Lyons, Neb. She is the family historian who furnished the record of the descendants of Amanda Jane Corson.

213213525 FRED JAMES GRAHAM, born Nov. 25, 1881, son of Amanda Jane (Corson) and James Robert Graham, married, June 5, 1907, Nelle Florence Goff. He was a farmer and died an accidental death July 25, 1914. They lived at Sweetwater, Ill., and had four children:

2132135251 HAROLD FRED GRAHAM, born Apr. 17, 1908;

2132135252 FLORENCE AMANDA GRAHAM, born Apr. 19, 1909, married, Jan. 18, 1928, Espey Snedigar;

2132135253 JAMES ROBERT GRAHAM, born Feb. 14, 1911;

2132135254 HOMER GOFF GRAHAM, born June 17, 1913.

Florence Amanda (Graham) and Espey Snedigar live in Springfield, Ill., and have a son, Leroy Snedigar, born July 11, 1929.

213213526 ELLA AMANDA GRAHAM, born Feb. 21, 1885, daughter of Amanda Jane (Corson) and James Robert Graham, married, Jan. 1, 1908, George Sea, born Jan. 15, 1883, at Lawrenceburg, Ky. He is a farmer at Hedrick, Iowa. They have four children:

2132135261 ROBERT SEA, born Dec. 11, 1908;

2132135262 RUTH JANET SEA, born Oct. 8, 1910;

2132135263 GEORGE SEA, JR., born Oct. 29, 1912;

2132135264 NORMAN SEA, born Nov. 11, 1915.

213213531 ELSIE HAMPTON, daughter of Malinda (Corson) and Thomas Corson Hampton, married Harry Campbell.

He is a glass blower. They live in Millville, N. J. They have two children:

- 2132135311 DORIS CAMPBELL;
- 2132135312 BLAIR CAMPBELL.

213213631 MAY FISHER, born Nov. 29, 1870, the daughter of Lydia Ann (Corson) and Aaron L. Fisher, married, first, Albert Kennedy. They had three children:

- 2132136311 ELLIOTT KENNEDY;
- 2132136312 RUSSELL KENNEDY;
- 2132136313 RALPH KENNEDY, died in childhood.

They lived at Camden, N. J.

213213651 DAVID NOBLE CORSON, the only son of Dr. David B. and Kate (Thomson) Corson, was born Oct. 7, 1894. He is a graduate of Newark Academy and of Princeton University. He served overseas in the Princeton Unit, Ambulance Service, Section No. 523, under the French Government during the World War. He was cited by Marshall Petain and granted the Croix du Guerre. "Après approbation du General Commandant en Chef les Forces expeditionnaires Americaines en France, le General Commandant en Chef les Armes Francaises du Nord et du Nord-Est cite a l'Ordre du Corps D'Armee." He is now associated with the Bell Telephone Company and lives at Columbus, Ohio. He married, Sept. 12, 1921, Minnie Mae Mathews. They have three children:

- 2132136511 BARBARA CORSON;
- 2132136512 DAVID THOMSON CORSON;
- 2132136513 WILLIAM GIFFORD CORSON.

213213652 FRANCES CORSON, the second child of Dr. David B. and Kate (Thomson) Corson, married, Oct. 22, 1925, Herbert Priestley Greenwood. He is the son of Herbert S. Greenwood, both of whom are members of the firm of Oakes, Clark and Greenwood, Accountants, of 80 Broad St., New York City. They have two children:

- 2132136521 KATHRYN GREENWOOD;
- 2132136522 ELLEN GREENWOOD.

They live at Maplewood, N. J.

213213653 MARY CORSON, the youngest child of Dr. David B. and Kate (Thomson) Corson, was graduated from Barringer High School, Newark, N. J. She married, Feb. 22, 1923, John Robinson McCune, Jr., son of John R. McCune, III. They live in Pittsburgh, Pa. They have two children:



2132136531 MARY McCUNE;  
2132136532 JOHN R. McCUNE, V.

213213672 KATE CORSON, born Jan. 18, 1898, daughter of William Young and Mary (Penn) Corson, married James Murray. They have two children:

2132136721 HELEN MURRAY;  
2132136722 GEORGE MURRAY.

213213674 ALBERT WARREN CORSON, born Apr. 5, 1902, the son of William Young and Mary (Penn) Corson, married, Oct. 6, 1920, Mamie McReady. They have two sons:

2132136741 JAMES CORSON;  
2132136742 ALBERT WARREN CORSON, JR.

They live at Passaic, N. J.

213221121 HOWARD CORSON, born Aug. 9, 1877, the son of John and Rachel N. (Horton) Corson, married, first, Elizabeth ————. They had one son:

2132211211 HOWARD A. CORSON, JR., born Aug. 26, 1913.

The first wife died Mar. 5, 1920.

Howard Corson, Sr., married, second, Neata ————, born July 9, 1886. They live at Goshen, Cape May County, N. J.

213221141 RAYMOND S. CORSON, born Feb. 26, 1880, the son of Franklin and Mary (Ellis) Corson, married Dorcas ————, born May 5, 1880. She died Dec. 3, 1928. They had one son:

2132211411 DONALD BREWTON CORSON, born Feb. 22, 1910.

Raymond S. Corson lives in Philadelphia, Pa.

213222121 RALPH CORSON LLEWELLYN, born Apr. 20, 1884, son of Joseph Corson Llewellyn and Emma Piatt Llewellyn, married, Apr. 25, 1915, Louise Brooks Tyler, daughter of William Chester and Laura (Leland) Tyler. They had three children:

2132221211 LUCIA BROOKS LLEWELLYN, born Mar. 3, 1922;  
2132221212 WILLIAM TYLER LLEWELLYN, born July 15, 1925;  
2132221213 JOSEPH PIATT LLEWELLYN, born Nov. 5, 1926.

They live in La Grange, Ill.

213222123 RUTH LLEWELLYN, born Dec. 21, 1888, daughter of Joseph Corson Llewellyn and Emma (Piatt) Llewellyn, married, Apr. 9, 1921, Frederick Harold Baird, son of Frederick Homes and Blanch (Maxwell) Baird. He was born Aug. 14, 1891. They had two children:

2132221231 RICHARD LLEWELLYN BAIRD, born Apr. 23, 1924;

2132221232 BEVERLY MAXWELL BAIRD, born Feb. 11, 1928.

They live in Cincinnati, Ohio.

213222124 VIDA LLEWELLYN, born Aug. 21, 1891, daughter of Joseph C. and Emma (Piatt) Llewellyn, married, Nov. 27, 1920, Henry Darrah Livezey, son of John Bennett and Mallie Brown (Moorehead) Livezey. He was born Mar. 26, 1891. They live at La Grange, Ill. To them one daughter was born:

2132221241 PRISCILLA DARRAH LIVEZEY, born Apr. 7, 1925.

213222131 MARJORIE KAUFFMAN LLEWELLYN, born Sept. 22, 1895, daughter of Henry Somers and Cora May (Kauffman) Llewellyn, married, June 25, 1924, Richard Arthur Martin, son of Edward and Caroline (Kennedy) Martin. He was born Feb. 7, 1887. They live at La Grange, Ill., and have two children:

2132221311 ROBERT LLEWELLYN MARTIN, born Aug. 10, 1926;

2132221312 MARJORIE VASS MARTIN, born Mar. 21, 1928.

213222132 HARRY CORSON LLEWELLYN, born Aug. 13, 1897, son of Henry Somers and Cora May (Kauffman) Llewellyn, married, Oct. 1, 1921, Dorothy Love Gernand, daughter of Elmer Elsworth and Lilly Louella (John) Gernand. She was born Aug. 2, 1898. They live at La Grange, Ill. They have three children:

2132221321 DAVID ROSSITER LLEWELLYN, born May 19, 1923;

2132221322 PHYLLIS JEAN LLEWELLYN, born May 22, 1925;

2132221323 MARY LOUISE LLEWELLYN, born Nov. 28, 1927.

213222134 ROSSITER SUMMEY LLEWELLYN, born Mar. 1, 1901, son of Henry Somers and Cora May (Kauffman) Llewellyn, married, June 12, 1926, Rebecca Abigail Peck, born Aug. 31, 1900, daughter of Charles G. and Lilly Lou (Evans) Peck. They live at Glen Ellyn, Ill. They have two children:

2132221341 JOAN EVANS LLEWELLYN, born June 19, 1927;

2132221342 REBECCA PECK LLEWELLYN, born Aug. 8, 1930.

213222161 HAZEL IRENE LLEWELLYN, born Oct. 18, 1893, daughter of William Eddie and Chloe Jane Llewellyn, married, Aug. 6, 1921, Ralph Asa Scott, born Apr. 2, 1896. They live at Sterling, Ill. Four children were born to them:

2132221611 DORIS MARIA SCOTT, born June 24, 1923;

2132221612 RALPH LLEWELLYN SCOTT, born July 13, 1925, died July 14, 1925;

2132221613 WILLIAM PHILIP SCOTT, born July 29, 1927;

2132221614 RALPH ASA SCOTT, JR., born July 23, 1929.



213222162 EDITH MARIE LLEWELLYN, born Dec. 4, 1895, daughter of William Eddie and Chloe Jane (Hill) Llewellyn, married, Aug. 6, 1928, Joseph Anglese Davis, son of Benjamin Franklin and Kate (Anglese) Davis. He was born Mar. 29, 1901, died Apr. 22, 1929. They lived at Sterling, Ill., where a posthumous son was born:

2132221621 JOSEPH ANGELES DAVIS, born Oct. 13, 1929.

247321321 ELMER CORSON, born Sept. 22, 1890, the only child of Harry and Katie (Makr) Corson, married Bessie Barr. They live at Dayton, Ohio, and have two children:

2473213211 HERBERT FRANKLIN CORSON, born Oct. 14, 1917;

2473213212 MARTHA CORSON, born Dec. 27, 1920.

249131211 MILDRED ELIZABETH CORSON, born Apr. 21, 1903, daughter of James Harry and Mary Catherine (Kernan) Corson, married, Feb. 15, 1928, Carl Edward Riley. He was born Nov. 23, 1900. They have no children.

249131212 HARRY ROBERT CORSON, born Mar. 29, 1905, son of James Harry and Catherine (Kernan) Corson, married, Sept. 3, 1928, Mary Cannon. She was born Aug. 4, 1906, in Chester, Pa. They have one son:

2491312121 HARRY ROBERT CORSON, JR., born Apr. 5, 1930, at Chester, Pa.

## THE CORSONS OF DUMFRIESSHIRE, SCOTLAND

The Corsons in America descended from the Dumfriesshire, Scotland, group, while probably less numerous than any of the other groups, seem to be the only families whose ancestors used the name as a family name before coming to America. The progenitor of this group is said to have been an Italian named Corsani or Corsini, brought to Scotland by Dervorguila, the queen of John De Baliol, King of Scotland, from 1292 to 1296. She was the daughter of Alan, Earl of Galloway. Queen Dervorguila was very devoted to her husband and after his death had his heart embalmed and always carried it with her in a little silver casket. To his memory she then built Sweetheart Abbey or "Dulce Cor" as it was then called and after her death she was buried under its altar with the silver casket on her bosom. Sweetheart Abbey is now a beautiful ruin in good preservation near Dumfries, Scotland. The Corsons of Dumfriesshire have spelled their name "Corson" or "Corsan." A characteristic of the Scottish Corson families is "brown eyes and very dark hair."

The story of the origin of this family was published in the 1922 publication of the Gallovidian Annual, published by Robert Dinwiddle, Dumfries, Scotland, under the caption THE CORSANES OF MEIKLE KNOX, AN OLD DUMFRIES FAMILY. It was compiled from Nisbet's "Heraldry," the manuscript of George Corsane Cunningham, and Edgar's History of Dumfries, and edited by R. C. Reid, a descendant of the family. The Gallovidian said in part:

"Tradition asserts that this family is descended from an Italian named Corsini, reputed to be of the many artisans of skill brought from the Continent by Dervorguila to build Sweetheart Abbey. From the original prefix, "A" or "AP," occurring as a routine in old writs, some authorities question this origin, considering the name to be Celtic and of Galloway origin. The story of the early Scottish and Galloway connection is well brought out by such compilations of State papers as Bain's 'Calendar of Documents,' 'The Exchequer Rolls,' 'Papal Petitions,' etc., to which we make one or two references:

"1296—Robert de Carson, persone (parson) of Kirkcandres (Kirkandrews) Church, figures in the 'Ragmans Roll.'

"1305—John Akarson, scutifer (literally, a shield-bearer), with other Galloway and Dumfriesshire men, was present at the successful assault on



the Castle of Dumfries, garrisoned by Bruce's followers, after the death of Comyn.

"1400—Sir Alexander Corsane witnessed a charter of Archibald the Grim to Sir John Stewart of the lands of Calie (Cally) Kirkcudbrightshire.

"1408—Dominus Thomas Corsanus was perpetual Vicar of Dumfries. (Several of the old references show an ecclesiastical standing.)

"1464—John A'Corstone had sasine (possession) of the lands of Gaitgilmakkilwernock (Gaitgill M'Ilvernock) in Borgue.

"1503—Andro Akersane was granted a respite for burning the Place of Dunskey.

"According to Nisbet, the founder of the Dumfries family was Sir Robert Corsane of Skyreburn and Glen-skyreburn (Rusco), but this reputed origin cannot be established. There is, however, a very interesting Galloway relationship through the marriage of his two daughters, Marion and Janet. Marion, the elder, inheriting the property, married Sir Robert Gordon, son of Sir John Gordon of Lochinvar, who assumed the designation of Glen until the death of his brother, Sir Alexander, who fell at Flodden, when he succeeded to that of Lochinvar. From this union sprang the barons of that ilk, and the Lords of Kenmuir. The younger daughter, Janet, married Edward Maxwell of Hills, Lochrutten, their arms being quartered on the Castle walls. A very noteworthy point in the family history insisted upon by tradition, and quoted by Nisbet, is that there was 'a lineal succession of male heirs for eighteen generations, and they were all of the name of 'John.'

"With this introduction we can now pass to the details of the Dumfries branch proper, with which we are more intimately concerned. Probably the earliest mention of the family takes us back to June 30, 1367, when Maurice and Gilbert Acrassane served on an Assize at Dumfries. Then follows a pause extending to 1477, when there is an available statement that 'Patrick Corsane, burgess, was in possession of a tenement in Dumfries,' a definite note of genealogical basis. It would indeed have been of supreme interest to have followed consecutively the individual histories of the 'eighteen Johns,' but of the first ten we have no record at all. We are, however, able with some degree of confidence to commence an authentic account with John Corsane (the eleventh), who was either the son or grandson of Patrick Corsane, just mentioned. This John Corsane was a burgess in Dumfries in 1520.

"John Corsane (the twelfth). Now on more substantial ground, we learn that this twelfth John (1537-1580) married ——— Brown, daughter of James Brown and Marion Newall. John Corsane (the thirteenth), 1553-1629, was prominent in office, holding the municipal positions of Bailie, Treasurer, and Provost, of Dumfries, while in Parliament, he represented the Burgh from 1617 to 1621. He married Isobel Maxwell, daughter of the seventh Lord Maxwell (slain at Dryfe Sands) and sister of Robert, eighth Lord Maxwell, and first Earl of Nithsdale, who was beheaded at Edinburgh for the treacherous shooting of Sir James Johnstone on sixth April, 1608. (Legend of the 'Bloodstone,' etc., omitted.)

"Reverting to the career of John Corsane (the thirteenth), it may be noted that he was reputed to be one of the richest commoners of the day. Besides the property of Meikle Knox in Kirkcudbright, he was an extensive owner of house property in the town of Dumfries itself. He died in 1629, when his eldest son, John the fourteenth, raised to his memory a handsome



memorial in St. Michael's Churchyard. This monument is situated by the entrance gate, with its back to the street. It is an imposing structure, with fluted pilasters on either side of an entral panel. Decay, however, has worked some havoc with the stone, which is soft in character. (Copy of inscriptions, etc., on monument omitted.)

"One daughter born to John Corsane and Isobel Maxwell became the Maxwelton merchant of Dumfries. John Corsane (XIV) also had a dismother of 'Bonnie Annie Laurie' by her marriage to Stephen Laurie of tinguished career. A graduate of Edinburgh University, he became an Advocate in 1613, Sheriff Depute and M. P. of Dumfries in 1633 and Provost from 1637 to 1644. He succeeded to the property of Meikle Knox, and married Margaret, daughter and co-heiress of Robert Maxwell of Dinwoodie and Cowhill, a cadet of the Maxwells of Nithdale, descended from Robert, second son of the Master of Maxwell, son of the third Lord Maxwell (Descriptions of various activities of John XIV omitted.)

"John Corsane (XV), born in 1621, also held the municipal position of a Bailie of Dumfries. He married Jean Kirkpatrick of Closeburn. John Corsane (XVI), his son, married Marion Maxwell of Tinwald, and was succeeded by his son, John Corsane (XVII), who died in 1717. To his wife, Agnes Crosbie, was born a son, not many months after his father's death. This child, John Corsane (XVIII), the last male heir by lineal descent, unfortunately died in February, 1721. The estate then passed to Agnes, his father's sister, the wife of Rev. Peter Rae, Minister of Kirkbride, Dumfriesshire. The marriage took place on July 19, 1697. Twelve children were born to Peter and Agnes Rae, and by 'special destination' in 1731, with the consent of her husband, it was arranged that 'the eldest son of Agnes Corsane or Rae' should assume the name Corsane, and the arms of the family of Meikle Knox.

"Trace now this connection from the 'Spindle' side and we find that Robert Corsane, son of Peter Rae and Agnes Corsane, married Agnes, daughter of Alexander M'Gown or M'Gowan, described as a W.S. of Edinburgh, otherwise as a 'Bailie' of Dumfries. Of a family of seventeen only seven survived, a son and six daughters. The son, Robert, an ensign in the Royal Scots, seems to have died at Gibraltar (1776). From the eldest daughter, Janet, a more than interesting Galloway connection arose by her marriage with David McCulloch of Ardwall, the friend of Robert Burns. Their son, James Murray M'Culloch, was the father of Walter M'Culloch and his two sisters, Agnes and Janet. Janet married G. G. Brown, Esq., of Lochanhead, and they became the parents of the well-known trio of Galloway Ladies, Lady Ardwall, Mrs. Cliff M'Culloch, and Mrs. Stewart of Shambellie.

"From the youngest daughter of Robert Corsane and Agnes M'Gown, Margaret, are descended the Threshie Reids, represented by Lord Loreburn and R. C. Reid, Esq., Editor of Edgar's History of Dumfries."

## THE CORSONS OF THE MARR

The Marr Farm is an old Corsan or Corson stronghold on the River Nith. The Corsans of the Marr have occupied this farm



for many generations and are living there today. Mrs. Margaret Corsan (Millar) Doty of Elyria, Ohio, a descendant of this family, says, although the exact line of descent has not been established, it is her opinion that the Corsans of the Marr are descended from John, the thirteenth or fourteenth. The line has been traced to George Corsan, who had two sons, George and Thomas, and a daughter, Janet Corsan, who married James Dalziel. Sir Kennedy Dalziel, the famous surgeon, was the great grandnephew of James Dalziel.

GEORGE CORSAN, the eldest son, succeeded his father and lived at the Marr. He had two sons, William and Thomas. William Corsan, the eldest son, succeeded his father, George, to the Marr Farm and married his cousin, Agnes Corsan, the daughter of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan. Their descendants still live there. They had two sons, Thomas and George; the latter lived at Dalbeattie.

THOMAS CORSAN, the younger son of George of the Marr, lived at Mennock Mill. He had a son, Dr. John Corsan, who moved to Canada, but was killed in a railroad accident while in Scotland visiting relatives. Dr. John Corsan had a son, Dr. Douglas Corsan, who lived at Woodstock, Ontario, Canada, and a daughter, Isabelle Corsan, a very beautiful woman, who married \_\_\_\_\_.

THOMAS CORSAN, the younger son of George Corsan of the Marr, was born about 1744. As his elder brother, George, succeeded his father to the Marr farm, Thomas had to find another place. He moved to a nice farm called the Humbie and married Agnes Kennedy, the daughter of William and Agnes (Gracie) Kennedy. Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan had nine children as follows: Jeanie, William, Agnes, Thomas, George, James, Ebenezer, John, Margaret.

JEANIE CORSAN, the eldest daughter of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, married Mr. Telfer.

WILLIAM CORSAN, the son of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, died unmarried.

AGNES CORSAN, the daughter of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, married her cousin, William Corsan, the son of George Corsan of the Marr.

THOMAS CORSAN, the son of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, married Mary Haining. They lived on the Humbie after his father retired and moved to Sanquhar, Scotland, where he had built a home.

GEORGE CORSAN, the son of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, became, first, a minister and later was made rector of Irvine Academy, a famous school at that time. The name of his wife was not learned. He had four children: Thomas; George; Jeanie; Elizabeth, who died unmarried.

THOMAS CORSAN, the son of George Corsan and grandson of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, was born at Irving (near Glasgow) Scotland. He moved to Toronto, Ontario, Canada, where he became the manager of a bank. He married a Miss Hebden of New York City. They had three children: Prof. George Hedden Corsan, the expert swimmer and originator of the Australian crawl or Corsan stroke, who had a son, Capt. George Corsan, also an expert swimmer and aviator in the World War; Janet Corsan, who is head mistress of a school near London, England; Kate Corsan, who married a Mr. Hotchkin of Southampton, England. Thomas Corsan, the father, died in 1905, at Toronto, Canada.

JAMES CORSAN, the son of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, was born in Scotland, emigrated to Canada and settled near Woodstock, Ontario. He married Elizabeth Nesbit, when living in Glasgow, Scotland, and they had two children: James Corsan, who farmed in Canada and died without issue; Elizabeth Corsan, who married Doctor Morton, a prominent physician of Glasgow, and had five children. The children of Doctor and Elizabeth (Corsan) Morton were: Thomas Corsan Morton, a famous painter, who, several years before he died, was appointed "Keeper of the Galleries of Scotland"; Colonel Hugh Morton of Glasgow, Scotland, died 1928; David Morton; Bruce Morton; Robert Morton; Sarah Morton.

EBENEZER and JOHN CORSAN, sons of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, died young.

MARGARET CORSAN, the youngest daughter of Thomas and Agnes (Kennedy) Corsan, married George Donald, the proprietor of the Annandale Distillery of Annan, Scotland, where "Johnny Walker" is now made. They had ten children: Agnes



Donald, married David McKay; Barbara Bonner Donald, married John Jackson of "Solway Bank," Annan, Scotland; Margaret Donald, born Jan., 1833, living in 1933, married Peter Drummond of Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, Scotland; Ebenezer Donald, died young; Dr. Alexander Donald, died at 39 years of age, unmarried; William J. Donald, married Elizabeth Blythe of Coventry, England; George Donald, unmarried; Mary Anne Donald, married Captain Aitchison; Katherine Donald, married John S. Millar; Jennie Donald, married Walter Park of Annan, Scotland; Elizabeth Donald, married Matthew Blythe of Coventry, England.

AGNES DONALD, the eldest daughter of Margaret (Corson) and George Donald, married David McKay of the Hurkledale, Scotland. They had eight children: David McKay, resides at Fort Wayne, Ind.; Margaret McKay, married B. Drummond of Moffat, Scotland; Mary McKay, married Rev. William Johnstone of Ormiston, Scotland; Agnes McKay, unmarried; George McKay, of Winnepeg, Canada; William McKay, bachelor; Jane McKay, married Doctor McCorkill of Farnham, Quebec Province, Canada.

MARY ANNE DONALD, the daughter of Margaret (Corson) and George Donald, married Capt. Andrew Aitchison. They resided at Solway Bank, Annan, Scotland. They had seven children: Andrew Aitchison, Jr.; George Aitchison; David Aitchison; William Aitchison; Eva Aitchison; Ethel Aitchison; Margaret Aitchison. William and Margaret died young. Eva married William Wallace and resides at Viking, Sask., Canada. Ethel married Lieut. Com. Bertie Bluett, who went down with his ship, "H. M. S. Monmouth," sank by the Germans of Coronel during the World War.

KATHERINE DONALD, the daughter of Margaret (Corson) and George Donald, married Maj. John Smith Millar of the Territorial Force. They lived at Apsley House, Annan, Scotland. They had two children: Col. W. J. Millar; Margaret Corson Millar.

COL. W. J. MILLAR, of the K. O. S. B., the only son of Katherine (Donald) and Maj. John Smith Millar, won the D. S. O. in the World War. He married Margaret Tweedie of Dumfries, Scotland. They reside at Westerhill, Annan. They had four children: Thomas Tweedie Millar; John S. Millar, Jr.; Edith Ogilvie Millar; Andrew Blair Millar, who died during the

World War, aged twelve years. Thomas Tweedie Millar, born about 1897, married Miss Violet Robinson. He was assistant engineer for Palestine under the British Government and in this capacity was in charge of the road building in that country. In July, 1932, his home was entered by Arab bandits, his wife was stabbed and murdered and he was seriously wounded. He was sent home to recover from his wounds, but died in Feb., 1933, as a result of a dagger stab that had penetrated his diaphragm. Commenting on his death, the press said that the wonderful roads of Palestine, built under his direction, will be a perpetual memorial to his engineering skill. John S. Millar, Jr., born about 1899, married Nancy Malcolm. He is a captain in the British army. Edith Ogilvie Millar married Col. Thorburn McGowan, D. S. O. of the British army.

MARGARET CORSAN MILLAR, the only daughter of Katherine (Donald) and Maj. John Smith Millar, married, first, William James Hutton, and second, L. E. Doty. Mr. and Mrs. Doty reside at Elyria, Ohio. Margaret Corsan (Millar) and her first husband, William James Hutton, had two daughters: Katherine D. Hutton, married Herbert George Cowling of East Angus, Quebec Province, Canada; Margaret Corsan Hutton, married Frederick Corbin Worthington of a very old Virginian family and a direct descendant of Capt. John Worthington of Baltimore, Md. Margaret Corsan (Millar) and her second husband, Mr. L. E. Doty, have one son: Edgar Forbes Doty, born 1907, and educated at Gary, Elyria High School and Cornell University. He is a mechanical engineer. Margaret Corsan (Millar) Doty is one of the genealogists of her family and furnished the data from which this sketch of the Dumfriesshire, Scotland, Corsans or Corsons has been compiled.



## XXIII

### THE CORSONS OF AMWELL TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

This group of Corson families is descended from Jacob Corson, who married Mary Hoppock prior to 1790. She was born in 1759 and died Oct. 7, 1828. She was buried on her daughter's-in-law father's plot (the Huffman plot) in Lebanon Old Dutch Reformed Cemetery. Her husband seems to have preceded her in death. His place of burial was not found. Mary Hoppock was the daughter of Peter and Catherine Hoppock and the granddaughter of Jost or George Hoppock and his wife, Mary, of Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, N. J. The Hoppock or Happack family were members of the early Dutch Reformed Church of Readington, Hunterdon County, and seem to have been of Dutch origin.

A thorough search of the records failed to reveal the identity of the parents of Jacob Corson. The place of residence of Jacob and Mary and their family was named in the will of her father as Amwell Township. Peter Hoppock seems to have been a large landowner, as he devised a farm of approximately 100 acres to each of his nine children. An abstract of part of this will follows:

"Give and devise unto Executors the farm on which my daughter, Mary Corson, now lives situated in Amwell—100 acres—part of the place given to me by my father. In Thrust never-the-less to permit my daughter, Mary Corson, to live on it if she herself shall choose so to do and receive and take rents, issues and profits to her own proper use without being in any manner subject to the debts, engagements or control of her Husband, or if she shall not choose to live on it, . . . the Executors to rent out same and pay rents to said daughter, Mary Corson, into her own hands and for which her own receipt shall be sufficient etc. . . . After her decease I give the same unto her children to be equally divided between them."

The research work made in connection with this family by the compiler, working in conjunction with Miss Carola W. Bogardus of Hillside, Union County, N. J., who has worked unceasingly to identify the parents of her great great grandfather, Jacob, seemed to indicate that he belonged to Corson families identified with the early Dutch Reformed Church of Readington. Belonging to this Church were descendants of both the Sussex County and Staten Island Corson groups. A careful study of these families favored

the possibility that Jacob, the husband of Mary Hoppock, was grandson of either Benjamin or Douwe Corson, sons of Jacob Corssen and Elizabeth Viele of Staten Island. Benjamin baptised a son, Jacob, in the Readington Church on Feb. 10, 1740, and Douwe baptised a son, Jacob, in the same church on May 1, 1743, and a son, Cornelius, on Feb. 8, 1740. Either of these sons of Benjamin or Douwe could have been the father of Jacob, the husband of Mary Hoppock. Possibly someone will be able to establish the line.

Jacob and Mary (Hoppock) Corson had four children. They were identified by quit claim deeds by which the land conveyed to Mary by her father, Peter Hoppock, was divided among the four children. The children were identified as follows:

PETER CORSON;  
 JOHN CORSON;  
 JACOB CORSON;  
 CATHERINE CORSON.

An abstract of the deed from John Corson and others to Peter Corson, dated Mar. 25, 1822, follows:

"Whereas Peter Hoppock, Senr. late of Amwell, deceased, by his last will and testament bearing date 16 Jan. 1806 did will and devise to his daughter, Mary Coarson, late Mary Hoppock, a certain plantation or tract of land situate in the township of Amwell, aforesaid and in this County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey containing 98 and  $\frac{8}{100}$  acres of land more or less, to her the said Mary Corson . . . . and whereas the said Mary Coarson now widow of Jacob Coarson Senr. late of Amwell aforesaid, deceased, hath four children to wit Peter Coarson, John Coarson, Jacob Coarson and Catherine Yawger late Catherine Coarson, heirs to the said Mary Coarson and lawful heirs to the said premises after her decease. Now this Indenture witnesseth that the said John Coarson and Esther his wife, Jacob Coarson and Ann his wife, and Catherine Yawger and William Yawger her husband for and in consideration of the sum of \$1.00 each of them in hand paid . . . . released . . . . quit claim unto the aforesaid Peter Coarson . . . . parcel containing 24 and  $\frac{27}{100}$  acres." Other deeds give portions of this property to the other children of Mary Corson in much the same manner.

## PETER CORSON AND HIS DESCENDANTS

PETER CORSON, probably the eldest son of Jacob and Mary (Hoppock) Corson, was born about 1790. He married Peggy Moore. A copy of his marriage record follows:

"August 25 in the year 1807 consent was given for the marriage of his son from witnesses present.      Jacob Corson      George Teepee  
 Peter Corson and Peggy Moore Both of Amwell, he under age, a written



consent of his father, Jacob Corson, annexed. I do certify the above parties were married by me on the 5th day of Sept. A.D. 1807.

JOHN COVENHOVEN, Justice of the Peace."

Peter and Peggy Corson had four children :

ASA CORSON, born Dec. 6, 1807 ;  
 MAHLON CORSON ;  
 MARY ANN CORSON ;  
 HANNAH L. CORSON, born Jan. 6, 1825.

ASA CORSON, born Dec. 6, 1807, the eldest child of Peter and Peggy (Moore) Corson, married Dency Pond Nicholson. She was born at Salem, Pa. They resided at Scranton, Pa., and had seven children :

EMILY CORSON, born Jan. 23, 1834 ;  
 NICHOLSON ASA CORSON, born Nov. 15, 1835 ;  
 SYLVANUS HENRY CORSON, born Aug. 7, 1839 ;  
 SYLVESTER MAHLON CORSON, born Jan. 30, 1841 ;  
 ANN MARIE CORSON, born July 14, 1843, died young ;  
 DENCY MARGARET CORSON, born Aug. 23, 1850, died young ;  
 PETER WILSON CORSON, born Aug. 23, 1850.

Asa Corson died Apr. 29, 1892, at Scranton, Pa.

SYLVANUS HENRY CORSON, born Aug. 7, 1839, son of Asa and Dency Pond (Nicholson) Corson, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was severely wounded in action, but recovered and lived to be ninety-six years old. He died Mar. 31, 1933. He married Eleanore Gardner and had two sons :

ALBERT CORSON, living (1933) at Nutley, Essex County, N. J. ;  
 GEORGE CORSON, now deceased but has descendants living in Pennsylvania.

SYLVESTER MAHLON CORSON, son of Asa and Dency Pond (Nicholson) Corson, was born Jan. 30, 1841. He married Sarah J. Jones. They lived at Scranton, Pa., and had two children :

LULU J. CORSON, married W. C. McDonnell ;  
 HARRY G. CORSON, living in Scranton, Pa., in 1933.

PETER WILSON CORSON, son of Asa and Dency Pond (Nicholson) Corson, was born Aug. 22, 1850. He married, Apr. 5, 1873, at Corning, N. Y., Jennie S. Williams. She was born Feb., 1856, at Monroe, Wis., and died Jan. 31, 1919, at Los Angeles, Calif., where Mr. Corson now resides. They had five children :

EDGAR N. CORSON, died July 13, 1922 ;  
 ASA G. CORSON, born Dec. 20, 1875, at Corning, N. Y., married, July 31, 1901, Lila Grace Field, born Sept. 24, 1877 ;

HENRY W. CORSON, married \_\_\_\_\_;  
 JAMES R. CORSON, married \_\_\_\_\_;  
 MABEL G. CORSON, married \_\_\_\_\_ Wharain.

Asa G. and Lila Grace (Field) Corson reside at Los Angeles and have two children:

LILA GRACE CORSON, born May 27, 1903;  
 ASA LEROY CORSON, born June 30, 1905, married Merna Chapman.

MAHLON CORSON, the son of Peter and Peggy (Moore) Corson, married Sarah Heath. They lived on a farm at Locktown, Hunterdon County, N. J. He died July 2, 1881, aged 71 years 5 months 23 days. She died July 18, 1895, aged 88 years 1 month 3 days. They had five children:

JOHN CORSON;  
 DENCY CORSON, died in infancy;  
 ASA CORSON;  
 MARY CORSON, died July 5, 1862, unmarried;  
 JANE CORSON, died Aug. 15, 1863, unmarried.

JOHN CORSON, the son of Mahlon and Sarah (Heath) Corson, married Esther A. Dalrymple. He died May 1, 1878, aged 29 years 8 months 29 days. She married, second, Asa Hockenbury and died at Stockton, N. J., Mar. 8, 1927, aged 78 years 11 months. John and Esther A. (Dalrymple) Corson had one son:

MAHLON CORSON, living (1933) at Stockton, N. J.

ASA CORSON, the son of Mahlon and Sarah (Heath) Corson, married Lydia A. Mecklin. They resided at Locktown, N. J. They had three children:

SARAH ANN CORSON, married Joseph Robbins, no issue;  
 JOHN HENRY CORSON, married Elizabeth Burket and had a son, Thomas Asa Corson, who married Adelaide Hills, no issue;  
 VIOLETTA R. CORSON, unmarried, resides (1933) at Locktown, N. J., with her mother, Lydia M. Corson, and sister, Sarah A. Robbins.

MARY ANN CORSON, the daughter of Peter and Peggy (Moore) Corson, married, Oct. 13, 1836, Adam Bellis of Belvedere, N. J. They had three children:

MARTIN BELLIS, died in infancy;  
 MARY BELLIS, died young;  
 MARGARET BELLIS, married John Simerson. They had children and lived at Belvedere, Warren County, N. J.

HANNAH L. CORSON, the daughter of Peter and Peggy (Moore) Corson, was born Jan. 6, 1825. She married, May 10, 1845, Edward Holcolm Dilts, who was born May 9, 1823. They



lived at Lambertville, Hunterdon County, N. J. She died June 9, 1919; he died Aug. 20, 1890. They were Baptists. They had three children:

- OLIVER H. DILTS, born Dec. 16, 1847, died Feb. 7, 1871;
- EMILY FRANCES DILTS, born Apr. 13, 1846, died July 24, 1928, married, first, Lewis Riddle, second, George Hyde;
- GEORGE HOWARD DILTS, born Jan. 15, 1856. The latter married but the name of his wife was not learned. He had three children:
  - EDWARD HOLCOLM DILTS, born Aug. 16, 1880, unmarried, living at Perth Amboy, Middlesex County, N. J.;
  - LUKE DILTS, born 1882, died July 12, 1886;
  - GEORGE HOWARD DILTS, JR., born Jan. 15, 1884, living (1933) in New Brunswick, N. J.

### THE SECOND SON OF JACOB AND MARY (HOPPOCK) CORSON

JOHN CORSON, the son of Jacob and Mary (Hoppock) Corson, probably married, first, Mahitable Dalrymple, Nov. 14, 1812. This marriage is recorded in Hiram Deats' "Hunterdon County Marriages 1795 to 1870." John Corson's will was probated Mar. 27, 1848. His residence was given as Delaware (formerly Amwell Township), Hunterdon County, N. J. He named his wife as Hester, who probably was his second wife. He devised one-third of his property to his wife, Hester, and the remainder to his brothers, Peter and Jacob. Seemingly he was not survived by children.

### JACOB CORSON, JR. AND HIS DESCENDANTS

JACOB CORSON, JR., the son of Jacob, Sr., and Mary (Hoppock) Corson, was born in Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, N. J., Feb. 5, 1801. He married, Dec. 16, 1818, Ann Huffman, born Jan. 16, 1800, the daughter of William and Sarah Huffman. They were married in the Dutch Reformed Church at Lebanon, N. J. Jacob Corson, Jr., was a tailor and at one time owned a tailoring establishment adjoining the old Dutch Reformed Church at Lebanon, Hunterdon County. Jacob, Jr., and Ann Corson had the following children:

- WILLIAM H. CORSON, born Jan. 31, 1821;
- JOHN CORSON, born Dec. 25, 1824, died Nov. 27, 1895;
- MARY CORSON, born Feb. 5, 1828, died unmarried;

WATSON CORSON, born Aug. 4, 1830, married Louise Kent, no issue;  
 GERTRUDE CORSON, born Oct. 30, 1832, married, 1865, John Charles  
 Berqner and had a son, Edgar J. Berqner, married Ella Kline, who  
 had a son, Carl M. Berqner;  
 CARRIE CORSON, born Jan. 10, 1840, died unmarried, May 9, 1888.

Jacob Corson, Jr., died Sept. 18, 1875; Ann Corson, his wife,  
 died Feb. 18, 1878. Both are buried in the Presbyterian Church-  
 yard at Clinton, Hunterdon County, N. J.

WILLIAM H. CORSON, born Jan. 31, 1821, at Lebanon,  
 N. J., the eldest son of Jacob, Jr., and Ann (Huffman) Corson,  
 married, Jan. 31, 1842, at Belvedere, Warren County, N. J., Susan  
 Coffin. She was born Jan. 16, 1822, the daughter of Ira A. and  
 Magdaline (Miller) Coffin. They lived at High Bridge, N. J.  
 They had eight children:

ANNA CORSON, born 1843;  
 AARON ROOT CORSON, born 1845;  
 JOHN B. CORSON, born Mar. 6, 1846;  
 JACOB CORSON, born 1848;  
 EMILY (EMMA) CORSON, born May 29, 1850;  
 ADELAIDE COIT CORSON, born July 18, 1852;  
 LEWIS EMERY CORSON, born Sept. 18, 1859;  
 HARVEY CORSON, born 1863, died July 4, 1881.

William H. Corson died Apr. 13, 1893; Susan (Coffin) Corson,  
 his wife, died Jan. 18, 1885. Both are buried in the Evergreen  
 (Methodist) Cemetery, Clinton, N. J.

## THE DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM H. AND SUSAN (COFFIN) CORSON

ANNA CORSON, born 1843, the daughter of William H. and  
 Susan (Coffin) Corson, married George Lewis Emery of High  
 Bridge, N. J. They had one son:

HARRY MILTON EMERY, who married, first, Ella Wycoff, second, Bertha  
 Alpaugh.

Harry Milton Emery and his first wife had a son:

HAROLD EMERY, who married Jennie ——— and had a daughter,  
 Elsie Emery. They live in New Castle, Dela.

AARON ROOT CORSON, born 1845, the son of William H.  
 and Susan (Coffin) Corson, married, Jan. 1, 1865, Mary Jane  
 Silverthorn. They lived at High Bridge, Hunterdon County, N. J.  
 They had eight children:



ADELAIDE CORSON, married ——— Stout of Easton, Pa. ;  
 JOHN CORSON, who lived at Frenchtown, N. J. ;  
 WILLIAM CORSON, who has a son, George ;  
 ELIZABETH CORSON, married George Ferguson, no issue ;  
 ANNA MAY CORSON, married Irvin Frey, no issue ;  
 FREDERIC B. CORSON, married ——— Beam ;  
 PERCIVAL CORSON ;  
 REUBEN CORSON.

JOHN BURNSIDE CORSON, born Mar. 6, 1846, the son of William H. and Susan (Coffin) Corson, married Elizabeth Hummer. They had a son :

EDGAR CORSON, died in infancy.

John B. Corson died Mar. 29, 1885 ; his widow was living at High Bridge in 1933.

JACOB CORSON, born 1848, the son of William H. and Susan (Coffin) Corson, married Edith Cummings. They lived at High Bridge, N. J., and had five children :

SUSAN CORSON, died young ;  
 CHARLES CORSON, died young ;  
 WALTER CORSON, died young ;  
 HARRY CORSON, born Feb. 10, 1884, married Gertrude K. Schickel and has a daughter, Myrtle ;  
 JENNIE CORSON, married Daniel Bowen and has three children.

They reside in Jersey City, N. J.

EMILY (EMMA) CORSON, born May 29, 1850, the daughter of William H. and Susan (Coffin) Corson, married, June 22, 1868, William Archer. They lived at High Bridge, N. J. Their children were :

FANNY ARCHER, died young ;  
 ADELAIDE ARCHER, died young ;  
 CHARLES ARCHER, died in Brooklyn, aged 30 years ;  
 MABEL ARCHER, married Charles Spear of New York, no issue.

Emily (Corson) Archer died Oct. 9, 1879.

ADELAIDE COIT CORSON, the daughter of William H. and Susan (Coffin) Corson, was born July 18, 1852, at Amandale, N. J. She married, Feb. 5, 1870, Frederic Bogardus, born Mar. 24, 1844, the son of Abram A. and Sarah Jane (Smith) Bogardus. They resided at High Bridge and later at Newark, N. J. Three children were born to them :

CAROLA W. BOGARDUS, born Sept. 18, 1876 ;  
 FLORENCE JEANE BOGARDUS, born Aug. 30, 1878 ;

LIVINGSTON FREDERIC (called TOM) BOGARDUS, born Aug. 31, 1900, at Newark, N. J.

Florence J. Bogardus married, Apr. 10, 1901, Percival Youngling Baker of Newark, son of George and Martha (Wolfe) Baker. They had three children:

HELEN LOUISE BAKER, born Sept. 12, 1902, married, May 30, 1929, in New York City, Gordon Campbell of London, England, and had a son, Richard, died in infancy;

MILTON KENNETH BAKER, born June 11, 1904, married Aug. 19, 1932, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Katherine, daughter of Oscar Jones;

RUTH BAKER, died in infancy.

Carola W. Bogardus furnished the data concerning Jacob and Mary (Hoppock) Corson and their descendants. Adelaide Coit (Corson) Bogardus died Apr. 17, 1911, at Hillside, Union County, N. J. Frederic Bogardus died June 25, 1905. They are buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Hillside, N. J.

LEWIS EMERY CORSON, born Sept. 18, 1859, at High Bridge, N. J., the son of William H. and Susan (Coffin) Corson, married, Apr. 8, 1880, Elizabeth Bertha James, the daughter of Llewellyn and Susannah James. They resided at High Bridge, N. J. Their children were:

SUSAN CORSON, born Oct. 29, 1881, married Horace S. Marr, no issue;

LULA M. CORSON, born Jan. 12, 1887, married, at High Bridge, N. J., Jay Charles Roberson of Bound Brook, N. J. They resided at New Brunswick, Middlesex County, N. J., and had two children, Robert Roberson, who died young, and Richard C. Roberson.

Lewis Emery Corson died at Bound Brook, Middlesex County, N. J., Mar. 25, 1931; Elizabeth (James) Corson died at New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 6, 1933.

## JOHN CORSON, THE SON OF JACOB AND ANN (HUFFMAN) CORSON

JOHN CORSON, the second son of Jacob, Jr., and Ann (Huffman) Corson, was born Dec. 25, 1834. He married, 1852, Mary H. Kline. They had eight children:

JOHN W. K. CORSON, born 1858, died young;

CHARLES D. CORSON, born 1859, died 1861;

ANNE CORSON, born 1861, died 1919, unmarried;

GEORGE B. CORSON, born 1864, married, first, Julia Baslor, second, Hannah Swarer;



HARRY M. CORSON, born 1871, married Anne Bryan;  
IRENE CORSON;  
A DAUGHTER, born 1869, died 1875;  
CORA V. CORSON, born 1873.

John Corson died Nov. 27, 1895.

HARRY CORSON, born 1871, the son of John and Mary H. (Kline) Corson, married, 1897, Ann G. Bryan. They reside at High Bridge, N. J. They had two children:

HARRY MILLER CORSON, JR., born 1901, died 1923, married Florence Jewett and had a son, Harry Miller Corson, III, born 1922;  
ROBERT BURNS CORSON.

## XXIV

### THE NEW ENGLAND CORSON FAMILIES

Associated with the early history of New Hampshire and Maine are found a group of Corson families, whose histories the compiler was unable to identify with the other groups recorded in this work. After a careful research, there seemed to be little doubt that the New England families were not related to the Staten Island, Sussex County, N. J., or South Jersey groups. The descendants of these families were found scattered across the northern tier of states to the Pacific coast.

The first ancestor of the New England group appears from the records to be one Cornelius Corsen or Coson, who resided at Cochecho Point, N. H., as early as 1685. He is identified as the father of Samuel Corson, who was living in Dover, N. H., and in combat with the Indians in 1710. This identification is found in *NEW HAMPSHIRE PROVINCIAL PAPERS*, Vol. IX, p. 155, and in *THE GENEALOGICAL DICTIONARY OF MAINE AND NEW HAMPSHIRE*, by Charles Thornton Libby, Part 2, p. 162. In a suit for the possession of land brought by Richard Waldron against so-called "Pretenders" to his claim (1719-29), Samuel Corson claimed land received from his father. In 1719, Hatevil Roberts, James Stagpole and Henry Hobbs deposed that William Henderson and Cornelius Corson were in quiet possession at Cochecho Point by building and improving 34 years ago (1685).

Samuel Corson seems to be the only child of Cornelius, whose identification is certain. Other children may have been Abigail and Hannah. Abigail Coursin or Coursonwhitt (both names appearing in the record) is recorded as being taken captive by the Indians before 1695. (Coleman's *NEW ENGLAND CAPTIVES CARRIED TO CANADA*, Vol. 1, Chap. IV, p. 92, and *MATHEW CARY'S* list of October 1695, p. 75). Hannah (Courson), Portsmouth, was a witness in 1702.

In the above named suit, twelve settlers were dispossessed because of Waldron's overlapping grant and Samuel Corson moved to Rochester, N. H.

A careful search of available records and correspondence with those interested in the genealogy of the family failed to disclose the identity of his ancestors or their origin. The possibility that



Cornelius may have been a descendant of John Cousins, who settled on Cousin's Island as early as 1627, seemed to be not at all unlikely, although positive proof was not found. This supposition was suggested because of the similarity of the name, Corson, and the various forms of the English surname, Cousin, which have been found in old documents spelled as Corzen, Curzon, Cozzen, Cosens, Cousens, Cossen, Cosin, etc. (See "Cousins Family," Redlon's Saco Valley Settlements and Families, pp. 590-91, and Pope's Pioneers of Maine and New Hampshire, p. 46.)

An examination of records relating to John Cousins and his descendants disclosed many instances in which the name was spelled Cossin, Cosson, Cosen, or Cosin. In the will of Samuel Tebbets of Dover, N. H., dated Nov. 8, 1738, and proved Jan. 31, 1738-39, the name of his granddaughter was spelled in one instance as "Mary Cosin" and in another sentence as "Mary Corsen." She was mentioned in each case as one of the children of "my son, Samuel Tebbets, deceased." (Probate Records of the Province of New Hampshire, Vol. 2, 1718-40, pp. 735-36.) Although her identity was not clearly established, she probably was the wife of one of the sons of the aforesaid Samuel Corson of Dover, N. H.

SAMUEL CORSON is recorded as owning land at Rochester, N. H., in 1722, according to the following record found on page 34, History of Rochester, N. H., by Franklin McDuffee, A.M.: "1722—Samuel Corson was one of the Third Share Proprietors of Rochester, N. H." (A whole share was 500 acres.) On page 346, History of Dover, N. H., by A. H. Quint, D.D., again is mentioned: "1753—In a Deposition, he and others swear to 'having seen the letters on a pitch pine tree (a boundery) for upwards of thirty years,' Sept. 19, 1753. Sam O Corson"  
his  
mark

Samuel Corson of Dover, N. H., married Mary \_\_\_\_\_ and had at least seven children. The birth records of five are recorded in the Vital Statistics, Concord, N. H., and are given in Vol. 1, p. 23, Historical Collections of Dover, N. H., as follows:

"ZEBELON CORSON, son of Samuel Corson by his wife Mary born the 17th of June, 1712;

"HARTIVELL CORSON, son of Samuel Corson by his wife Mary born the 9th of Dec., 1714;

"JOANNAH CORSON, daughter of Samuel Corson by his wife Mary born the 15th June, 1717;

"SAMUEL CORSON, son of Samuel Corson by his wife Mary born 2nd Nov., 1719;



"MARY CORSON, daughter of Samuel Corson by his wife Mary born the 9th Sept., 1722."

Two other children are named in a baptismal record on page 137 of the same volume as follows: Ichabod Corson m. Abigail —

"Bapt. by Rev. Jonathan Cushing of the First Church of Dover, N. H.—  
Apr. 7, 1727—Samuel Corson and Mary, his wife, and their chil'n,  
Joanna, Mary, Samuel, Ichabod and Hannah." Hannah m. Dec. 12, 1745  
Nathaniel Tilletto

Only fragments of the histories of the first Samuel's children were found and their lines were not definitely proved. It is recorded in a history of Dover, N. H., that Zebulon Corson was in the army in 1746. About 1769 it seems that Aaron, Samuel, Moses, Lemuel and probably John Corson moved from Rochester, N. H., to Lebanon, Me. Although the proof of their line was not found, they, without much doubt, were brothers and grandchildren of the first Samuel of Dover. Isaac Corson, probably another brother, moved to Waterville, Me. Aaron Corson moved from Rochester, N. H., and settled in Lebanon, Me., in 1769. His brother, Samuel, settled in Lebanon, Me., in 1770, clearing land and building a log cabin. He died in Lebanon in 1785. He had a son, Levi, and probably other children. In the 1790 census of Lebanon, York County, Me., are found the names of Levi, Daniel, Mary, and Aaron Corson. Levi's family, according to this census, seems to have consisted of himself, wife, one son over sixteen, two sons under sixteen, and a daughter. Daniel's family appears to have consisted of himself, wife, a son under sixteen years, and a daughter. Aaron's family included, seemingly, himself, three sons over sixteen years, and three females, one probably being his wife. Mary Corson is recorded as the only one in her family and probably lived alone.

MOSES CORSON was married May 15, 1769, by Parson Isaac Hasey of Lebanon, Me., to Elizabeth (Betsy) Perkins. On May 15, 1775, he enlisted in Capt. Philip Hubbard's Company, under Col. James Scammon's 30th Regiment, Mass., and was in service for 2 months and 22 days. His brother, John Corson, enlisted May 20, 1775, as private and died in service, July 27, 1775, his brother, Moses, later collected for bounty coat due John. (Vol. 4, Mass. Soldiers and Sailors, War of Rev.) Moses Corson sold his place in Lebanon in 1780 and moved to Shapleigh, Me., where he had a homestead of 205 acres valued at \$10 per acre. He died prior to Feb. 21, 1803, on which date the administration of his estate was granted to his widow, Elizabeth, and to Isaac Corson



of Waterville, Me. Andrew Lord and James Corson furnished the administrator's bond for \$4,000. Andrew Lord was a son-in-law of the deceased.

Moses Corson was listed in the 1790 census at Shapleigh, Me., as having a family of seven males under sixteen years of age and three females, including his wife. Moses and Elizabeth Corson had the following children:

1. JOHN CORSON, of Waterville, Me., married Betsy ———, resided at Waterville;
2. MOSES CORSON, JR., married Roxanna Carpenter;
3. BENJAMIN CORSON;
4. AARON CORSON;
5. FANNY CORSON, married John Quimby;
6. SEWARD CORSON;
7. PRISCILLA CORSON, born 1778;
8. BETSY CORSON, married John Wyman Page.

2. MOSES CORSON, JR., son of Moses, Sr., and Elizabeth Corson, married Roxanna Carpenter. They resided at Shapleigh, Me. They had the following children:

- LUCINDA CORSON;
- BARRETT CORSON;
- MOSES CORSON;
- DEXTER FOSTER CORSON, born Sept. 13, 1812, at Shapleigh, Me., married Deborah Norton;
- BETSY NELSON CORSON;
- ALANSON CORSON.

Moses Corson, Jr., died in June, 1816, and his widow requested that Andrew Lord, the husband of his sister, Priscilla, administer her deceased husband's estate. Roxanna (Carpenter) Corson married, second, Levi Bean of Hartland, Somerset County, Me., and in 1833 they gave quitclaim deeds for her share of her first husband's estate to Alanson Corson of Caanan, Me.

7. PRISCILLA CORSON, daughter of Moses, Sr., and Elizabeth Corson, was born in 1778, at Lebanon, Me., and died June 28, 1820. She married, Apr. 3, 1797, Andrew Lord, the son of Noah and Keziah (Brackett) Lord. He was born Nov. 14, 1775, at Lebanon, Me., and died at Acton, Me., May 11, 1850. Of their children:

- KESIA LORD, born Mar. 3, 1810, at Shapleigh, Me., married Jonathan Hubbard. He was born July 30, 1803, at Shapleigh, Me., and died Mar. 10, 1881, at Acton, Me., which, until 1830, was part of Shapleigh. Jonathan and Kesia (Lord) Hubbard had a son:

AUGUSTUS HUBBARD, born at Acton, Me., June 27, 1849, died June 20, 1920, at Gloucester, Mass. He married Judith E. Wonson, who was born Aug. 12, 1849, at Gloucester, Mass., and died at the same place, Nov. 2, 1914. They had a daughter:

JOSIE W. HUBBARD, born July 15, 1874, at Gloucester, Mass.

She is one of the family genealogists and furnished information she had gathered about the New England Corson families.

ISAAC CORSON, probably a grandson of Samuel and Mary Corson of Dover, N. H., married, first, Cynthia Nason. In the 1790 census he is recorded as residing at Shapleigh, Me., and his family consisted of himself, one son under sixteen years, and one female, probably his wife. He seems to have moved to Waterville, Me., as his residence was so named when he was appointed as one of the administrators of the estate of Moses Corson on Feb. 21, 1803. He probably was a brother of the deceased Moses. Isaac and Cynthia (Nason) Corson had the following children:

1. BENJAMIN CORSON;
2. MOSES CORSON, born about 1792, at Waterville, Me.;
3. NAHEEM CORSON, born June 6, 1793, married Polly Shorey and had fourteen children;
4. JAMES CORSON, married Hannah Hussey;
5. BETSEY CORSON;
6. PRISCILLA CORSON;
7. LOVE CORSON;
8. HULDA CORSON;
9. LUCY CORSON;
10. SEAFY CORSON, married ——— Patterson.

Isaac Corson married, second, Nancy Tuttle. They had four children:

11. DIGHTON CORSON, who was a judge in South Dakota;
12. COULACA CORSON;
13. MARY JANE CORSON;
14. NANCY CORSON.

2. MOSES CORSON, born about 1792, the son of Isaac and Cynthia (Nason) Corson, married Sarah Gleason. She was born at Canaan, Me., about 1802, and died at Fairfield, Me., in 1895. They lived at Canaan, Me., and had six children:

- LYSANDER HARTWELL CORSON, born Nov. 8, 1823;  
 RELIEF CORSON, married Jack Nelson;  
 ESTHER CORSON, married Jack Nelson as a second wife after the decease of her sister, Relief;  
 ELIJAH CORSON, married Mary Ann ———;



FRANK CORSON, married Olive Allen and had children, William and Ada;  
SARAH CORSON.

LYSANDER HARTWELL CORSON, the son of Moses and Sarah (Gleason) Corson, married Susan C. Morrison. She was born at Canaan, Me., in 1826, and died in 1880. They had seven children, one of whom was:

HENRY LYSANDER CORSON, born July 26, 1870, at Canaan, Me. He married, Feb. 21, 1901, at Oakland, Calif., Eva Carolyn Shorey, who is deceased. They had no children.

Henry Lysander Corson is an attorney and resides (1932) at San Francisco, Calif.

4. JAMES CORSON, son of Isaac and Cynthia (Nason) Corson, married Hannah Hussey. They had children, one of whom was:

MOSES STACY CORSON, born Nov. 19, 1829, at Waterville, Me., and died Oct. 10, 1882.

MOSES STACY CORSON, the son of James and Hannah (Hussey) Corson, married Lucretia K. Farnham, who was born in 1833 and died 1910. They had nine children:

ESTHER FLORENCE CORSON;  
HORACE EDWARD CORSON;  
JULIAN GLENDON CORSON;  
JAMES LORING CORSON;  
LULA BELL CORSON;  
LILY HANNAH CORSON and EMMA CORSON, twins;  
MINNIE ROSE CORSON;  
NELLIE EDITH CORSON.

## THE CANADIAN CORSON FAMILY

In 1928, while at the Toronto National Exhibition, I talked to Mr. Rolph R. Corson, who had an exhibit of perfumes and toilet requisites in the Manufacturers' Building. He told me that he belonged to the New Jersey branch of the Corsons and inquired: "From which branch of the family are you descended?" I could not tell him and feeling embarrassed because I knew so little about my ancestors, decided to investigate as soon as I arrived home. It was this conversation with Rolph R. Corson that started the investigations concerning the histories of the Corson families that were to be continued until this work was compiled.

During the research incidental to compiling this work, I came into contact with some of the descendants of the Canadian Corson family to which Rolph belonged, but was never able to identify the parents of their ancestor, Daniel Corson. He, according to records in possession of their family, married Rebecca Lawrasson and moved from Sussex County, N. J., to what is now Clinton County, Ontario, with the Lawrasson family and other New Jersey families, to take up liberal land grants offered by the Canadian Government of that time. It was a sincere disappointment not to be able to identify this family with one of the groups, whose histories to their progenitors have been traced and recorded.

According to a brief one-page sketch of the family, said to have been written as a memorandum by Henry Ryan Corson, their ancestor, Daniel, was the son of Benjamin, the first, of the Staten Island Corsons, who moved from Staten Island to Bucks County, Pa., in 1726. Because of the complete history of Benjamin, the first, and his descendants, we know that the Daniel who moved to Canada was not of Benjamin's line. Although the identity of Daniel's parents was not found, the circumstantial evidence, in the opinion of the compiler, indicated that he belonged to the Sussex County group, descended from Jan Corszen, who came to New Amsterdam from the Dutch settlement in Recife, Brazil.

This circumstantial evidence may be outlined as follows: Mr. Rolph R. Corson has in his possession a book entitled "Father Corson," and is the history of the life and religious labors of Rev. Robert Corson, who was the second son of Daniel Corson and



Rebecca Lawrasson. This book contains extracts from letters written by the Rev. Robert Corson and by his eldest son, John W. Corson, from which it is clear that those two persons believed that Daniel Corson was born in Sussex County, N. J., twelve years before the Revolutionary War; that he married Rebecca Lawrasson and moved with the Lawrasson family and other New Jersey families to what is now Clinton County, Ontario. That the foregoing was correct, there would seem to be little doubt.

From the history of the Sussex County Corsons in volume one we know that the families living in Sussex County, N. J., from about 1763 were descended from Johannes or John Corssen of the Sussex County group. Also that no evidence was found that Corsons of other groups lived in this county at this time. Also that there was a movement of Sussex County families to Canada about the time of the Revolutionary War. The following is quoted from page 195 of *The Gustine Compendium* by Gustine Coursen Weaver:

"Eliphalet Gustine settled prior to 1763 in Sussex Co. About the year, 1777, during the Revolutionary War, Eliphalet and his wife (nee Whitman), in company with some other persons, started overland from Sussex Co., N. J., for Canada with a view to locating there."

Also in the same volume it is indicated that Gustine and Corson families of Sussex County were associated not only in this county, but in immigrations to other parts of our country.

Although there seems to be much circumstantial evidence indicating that Daniel Corson, who moved to Canada, belonged to the Corson families of the Sussex County group, a careful search of the records failed to identify his parentage. Whether he was descended from the children of Johannes Corssen and Geertruyde Van Tuyle or from Jacob Coursen of Roxbury or Rocksbury Township, Morris County, N. J., who died prior to Sept. 14, 1770, and who, although unidentified in this work, was undoubtedly of the Sussex County group, remains unsolved.

DANIEL CORSON and Rebecca Lawrasson had six children:

LAWRENCE CORSON;

ROBERT CORSON;

DANIEL CORSON;

JOHN CORSON;

ESTHER CORSON, married ——— Wood;

MERCY CORSON, married, first, Smith Griffin, second, ——— Ford.

REV. ROBERT CORSON, the second son of Daniel and Rebecca (Lawrasson) Corson, married Emma Freeland. She was

the daughter of Daniel Freeland, who, with his wife, a Hartman, was banished by the American Government from this country to New Brunswick for their British loyalty. Rev. Robert and Emma (Freeland) Corson had eight children. They were:

JACOB CORSON, died in infancy;

DR. JOHN W. CORSON;

DANIEL F. CORSON;

ALVIN TORRY CORSON;

HENRY RYAN CORSON;

ROBERT CORSON;

DR. WILLIAM CASE CORSON;

DR. ADAM CLARK CORSON.

HENRY RYAN CORSON, son of Rev. Robert and Emma (Freeland) Corson, lived at Markham, Ontario, where, after 1850, he conducted a weekly newspaper known as the *Markham Economist and Sun*. He married and had five children, only one of whom, Robert John Corson, lived to a marriageable age and had a family. He lived at Markham, where he continued the operation of the weekly newspaper started by his father. Robert John Corson was the father of Rolph R. Corson of Toronto, Ontario.

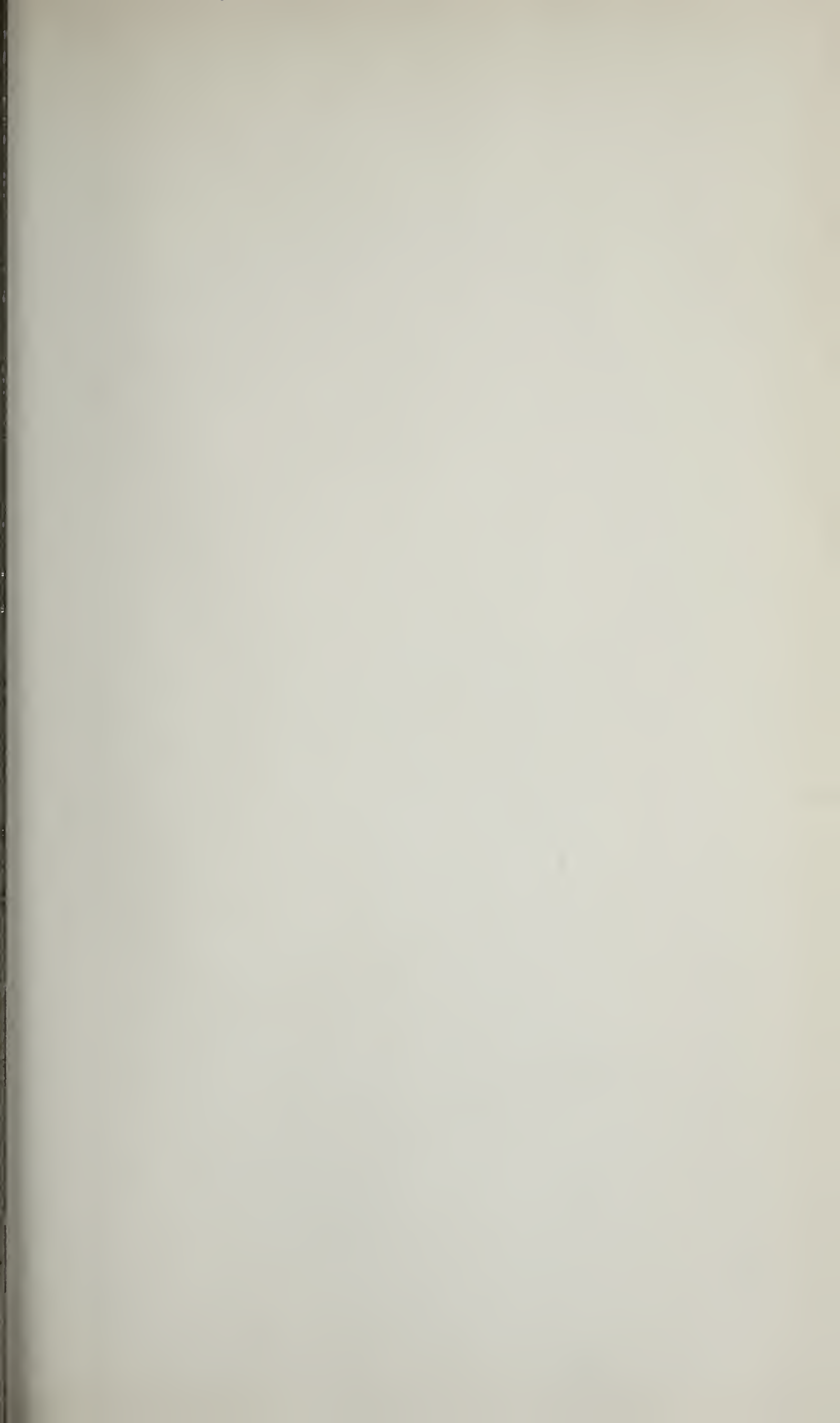
DR. ADAM CLARK CORSON, born Jan. 20, 1839, at Dumfries, Ontario, Canada, was the youngest son of Rev. Robert and Emma (Freeland) Corson. He married Henrietta Hequembury Cone, who was born Feb. 14, 1842, at Hartford, Conn., and died June 18, 1896, at Philadelphia, Pa. He died Oct. 6, 1873, at Flushing, N. Y. Of their children, William Russell Cone Corson was born Feb. 18, 1870, at New York, N. Y. He married, June 25, 1891, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Marion Fay Lyles, who was born Aug. 13, 1871, at Flatbush, N. Y. They have two daughters:

DOROTHY LYLES CORSON, born Apr. 24, 1892, at Brooklyn, married, June 7, 1913, at Hartford, Conn., John M. Ellis, issue, Elizabeth, Ann, John, and William Ellis;

MILDRED CONE CORSON, born June 6, 1893, at Hartford, Conn., married, Oct. 25, 1916, John R. Cook, no children.

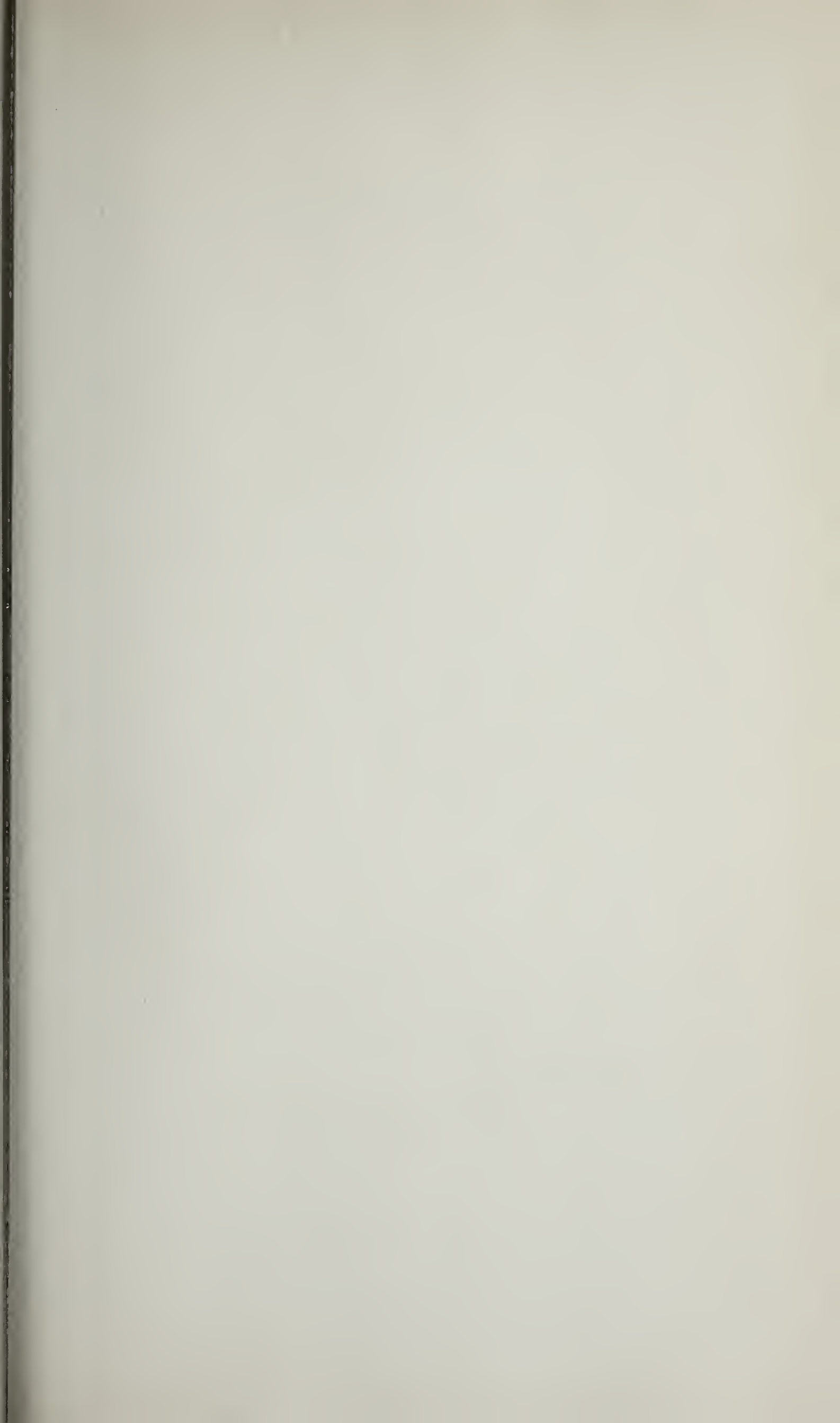




























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