



JOSEPH SHIRLEY
(son of William Washington Shirley)

JOHN PINKNEY SHIRLEY was born May 19, 1827 in Alabama. His ancestors came from England to Virginia to South Carolina to

Alabama. His parents were born in S.C. He moved to Mississippi in about 1842 where he owned a plantation.

He befriended the Mormon missionaries, protecting them from the mobs on several occasions, but he never joined the church.

According to Charles A. Shirley, a grandson, and Joy Ham Montgomery, a great, granddaughter, John Pinkney had two brothers. One was William Washington who was married to Mary Bucklew and James B. In 1860 Lauderdale Co. Miss. census, J.B. was living in the household with John Pinkney and William Washington was living next door.

All three brothers served in the Confederate Army. J.B. Shirley was captured when Vicksburg fell.

John Pinkney Shirley married Sarah Martin Sept 10, 1846 in Lauderdale Co. Ms. She was born March 25, 1829 to Daniel Martin and Susan "Selma" Baxter. Susan's father was Israel Baxter who was born March 2 1762 in Kingston, Lenoir Co. S.C.

Children of John Pinkney Shirley:

1. John Martin b. April 9, 1849 Ms.
Died 1919, Shepherd, San Jacinto, Texas
Married Eliz. Chatham
2. Sarah Celita b. Mar. 15, 1852 Ms.
Died 1932 Walker Co. Texas
Married J.W "Wes" Hayman
3. William Washington b. Feb. 14, 1855 Ms
Married Martha Jame Henderson
[PARENTS OF JOSEPH SHIRLEY PICTURED ON COVER].
4. James Norman b. April 25, 1858 Ms.
Married Nancy C. Dunham
[See July 1980 page 7 NEWS].
5. Susan Ellen b. Feb 1, 1861 Ms.
Married J.W. "Wade" Hughes
6. Margaret Emeline b. Mar. 25, 1864 Ms.
Married E.W. "Eli" Dunham
7. Benjamin Pinkney b. April 9, 1867 Ms.
Died 1923 Shepard, San Jacinto, Texas
Married Ella Cornelia White
8. Hulda McGuire b. Mar. 28, 1870 d. 1872
9. Infant died young

Picture from Ricky Shirley and information from Redie Mac Arthur.

Earl Ferrers
Coat of
Arms.



CLARK CO. GA. SHIRLEYS

from a letter written by a granddaughter of William and Adeline Shirley.

My maternal grandparents were William Randolph Shurley, born of staunch southern parents. Not sure where he was born, but know he was of English descent. Lived in Athens from your namhood till he died at age 66. He was Marshall of Athens for 30 years and is buried there.

My grandmother, Adeline Moore Shurley, was a very refined aristocratic lady. Traced her ancestors back through the Moores, Evans, Longworths. She was of Northern parents and during the Civil War was placed in a very uncomfortable position. Her father and two brothers fought on the Union side and husband and sons for the Confederate side. When things got too bad during battle, a Confederate guard was sent to their home to protect them from the Yankees. They had two sons and three daughters.

My mother, Mary Jane Shurley, was the youngest child. She was raised very strictly and taught many things as a child.

My grandfather freed 30 slaves at surrender. My mother had her own waiting maid. She went to private school and then to Lucy Cobb Institue, a private female college. She married quite young and was left a widow with two children. She continued her studies and became a doctor's techician. Worked for a Dr. Lallestedt (who's mother kept and helped to raise her two small children). They worked in several towns in Georgia including Augusta and Milledgeville. Came to DeKalb Co. where he established a practice. She married Francis Marion Dobbs in about 1870. She continued her work with Dr. Lallestedt. Was very active in church and community. Wrote many articles for publication. She died at age 60 of cancer.

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William Shirley b. ca. 1818 S.C.
and Adaline's Children....

1. Clark A. b. ca. 1834 Ga.
[see page 6, Jan 1985 NEWS].
2. Henry L. b. ca. 1837 Ga.
3. Harriet b. ca. 1841 Ga.
4. Nancy b. ca. 1844 Ga.
5. Mary Jane b. ca. 1846 Ga.

Letter submitted by Cecil Dobbs, Jr.

SWAFFORD AND SHIRLEY OF TENN.

Elizabeth Swafford listed in the 1830 Bledsoe Co. Tenn. census as 50-60 yrs.

By 1850 census she is 70 and state of birth is S.C. She may have been the wife of Aaron Swafford who appeared in 1800 census of Greenville Co. S.C. Her children are as follows:

1. Lou Haney b. Feb. 15, 1800 S.C.
2. James b. 1806 S.C.
3. Matilda b. Sept. 19, 1807 S.C.
4. Peter b. 1808 Tenn.
5. Aaron b. 1812 Tenn. M. 1st. ____? m. 2nd. Elizabeth SHIRLEY. They migrated west like so many of their family. In 1850, they were found in Bledsoe Co. Tenn. but 1860 they were in Miller Co. Mo. The 1870-80 census reveals them in Ray Co. Mo. In 1900 Elizabeth is a widow in Reno, Kansas. They had 7 children.
6. Thomas b. 1813 Tenn.
7. Sarah b. 1814 Tenn. married LONDON JESSE SHIRLEY ca. 1835 in Bledsoe Co. Tenn. In 1850 they are living in Bledsoe Co. Tenn. but in 1860 they are living in Moniteau Co. Mo. [added info from Shirley Assoc... by 1880 Landon Jesse Shirley is in Collin Co. Texas and 1900, Carter Co. Oklahoma].
8. John Calvin b. ca. 1818 Tenn. married Mary Ellen "Mollie" SHIRLEY ca. 1841. In 1850 they are in Bledsoe Co. Tenn. but moved to White Co. Tenn and remained there until the early part of the Civil War. They moved west and in 1880 census they are in Ray Co. Mo. 12 known children.

From Sequatchie Families by James L. Douthat.

Jesse B. Shirley b. ca. 1780 S.C. [Updike says, Laurens Co. S.C. and that he is said to be son of John Shirley b. Aug. 27, 1738 according to other family members].

known son: Blackman L. Shirley b. June 15 1829 Tenn. d. Feb. 17, 1933 Parker Co. Texas.

The following is from Anne Bumpus and is from micro-film at the Chattanooga Public Library.

[Is Jesse B. Shirley a brother of John Shirley b. ca. 1783 S.C. who m. Miss. Frost? p. 7 Apr '83 NEW].

OLDEST NATIVE TENNESSEAN
BLACKMAN SHIRLEY

from: Chattanooga Times, Sunday, April 1 1928.

"Aged 108, said to be the oldest native Tennessean, now a resident of Parker Co. Texas,

"Mr. Peace who, himself, is now a grandfather, when a boy knew Mr. Shirley and recalls that Mr. Shirley was then a thrifty Hamilton Co. farmer, aged in the late forties or early fifties."

"Since returning to Chattanooga from his visit in Texas, Mr. Peace has gone to the courthouse and studied the records to ascertain dates of deeds to aid in fixing Mr. Shirley's exact age. Among other records, he found one which was most interesting to him, the transfer of a farm to his father, J.W. Peace, Methodist circuit rider in January, 1870."

"I reckon I'm here to stay" says Blackman Shirley, aged 108, one of the oldest native Tennesseans and now a resident of Parker Co. Texas."

"Everyone I knew long ago is dead and gone But it seems that I just can't get away from here." and the old man, now a centenarian checked mildly over his words in summing up a conversation about his age and old times in his native state Tenn.

"Blackman Shirley was born in Sequatchie Valley, Tenn. near Jasper about 1820. He is now attracting wide attention as being one of the oldest men in the country. He has been made a guest of honor at Parker Co. fairs and other occasions in his resident county in Texas and the Weatherford Texas Chamber of Commerce has entertained him. He is held in high esteem in his community."

"Mr. Shirley spent the first sixty-two years of his life in East Tenn. mostly Hamilton Co.; he was a thrifty farmer being a large wheat and corn producer and also dealt in cattle and land."

"During the Civil War Blackman Shirley served in Co. F, Fifth Infantry of Tenn. He received an honorable discharge and is now enjoying a liberal pension."

"Mr. Shirley is enjoying good health, Mr. Peace says, and enjoys eating as well as ever. His sight is not good but his hearing is excellent. He is in comfortable circumstances, and is now living with his third wife who is a very ____ woman and a comfort

to him in his old days. They have a daughter born to them in his ninetieth year. She is now married to.....

"Five daughters and one son by his former marriages are also living, some of them having their homes near him. He has one girl 80 years old.

"Mr. Shirley told Mr. Peace that he often thinks of Tenn. and wishes he could see it again. Tears come to his eyes when speaking of bygone days in his native state. He recalled that he was a grown young man when James K. Polk of Tenn. was elected president of the United States. He remembers when the "stars fell in 1833", and when the first steam railroad was built in America. He saw John A. Murrell, that notorious outlaw of Sequatchie Valley, in the early days of Tenn."

"Many of the older residents of Hamilton and Marion counties will recall Old Man Black Shirley," states Mr. Peace.

"My first recollection of Mr. Shirley was in 1867, when he moved my father, J.W. Peace, who was at that time a Methodist circuit rider, then being transferred from Pikeville circuit to another circuit. I remember Mr. Shirley had a pair of mules and an old fashioned covered wagon. In that old covered wagon was placed our household goods; in fact everything in the world that we had. I remember that I and my brother walked the mountain as we traveled into Hamilton Co. I recall, too, how Old Man Black Shirley locked the wheels of his heavy wagon with chains, as was done in those days."

"In 1869, my father located and bought a farm from Mr. Shirley adjoining Mr. Shirley's farm. We were neighbors for several years."

"Mr. Shirley was a jolly, good natured man and loved to tell a good joke and was always the center of attraction in a crowd. About 1881 he migrated to Parker Co. Texas where he has lived ever since.

There is some controversy over his age. He doesn't know his exact age but he reckons his age by certain events which make him think he is about 108 years old. I have known him since 1867. Then he had the appearance of a man in his late forties.

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Can anyone help ???

The following is from a lady who saw our listing in the Genealogy Helper...

Dear Betty;

When I saw the surname Sherley, I just had to ask this question---odd as it may seem.

My father was named Sherley William Spencer and was born a few miles outside of Elizabethtown, Kentucky, in a log cabin Dec. 28, 1891 and died 1983.

There are no Sherley's in our family ancestry that we have ever heard of, but dad once told my daughter that the unmarried schoolteacher in the country school next door to the cabin told his parents that she would buy shoes for the 3 older kids if they would let her name the baby when it came. She named him Sherley William and bought the shoes.

I am wondering if the schoolteacher was a Sherley or, I suppose she could have "loved a sweetheart named Sherley, perhaps even William Sherley.

The question in my mind is: does anyone in the Shirley Association know of any kind lady schoolteacher named Sherley near Elizabethtown, Ky. in Hardin County in Dec. 1891? Can anyone shed any light on this?

Sincerely,

Irene Spencer Ling

Write to the Shirley Association please if you have any input on this. Thanks!

MEMBERSHIP SOLICITATION FOR SHIRLEY ASSOC.

The Shirley Association would like to ask your help in encouraging other members of your family to join the Assoc. I have heard many times of members who copy their issue of the NEWS for other family members to save money. I would like to ask you to consider that by your family members joining and receiving their own issue of the NEWS, they are helping to support the Shirley Assoc. We are in need of more cash flow. I suspect that it is assumed we take in quite a bit of money. Not true! Very little is left over each year from the expenses for mailing and printing etc. I remind you I do not take money for myself. More members will definitely help! Thanks!

Interesting Facts About
SHIRLEY PLANTATION AND
the CARTER & SHIRLEYS.

[from: Shirley's in Maryland
and Virginia 1600's and 1700's
by Betty Shirley].

The Shirley Plantation was established in 1613 by Lord Delaware West, son-in-law of Sir Thomas Sherley, the elder of Wiston in Sussex, England.

Colonel Edward Hill came into possession of the Shirley Plantation in 1660 and it remained in the Hill family until the third Edward Hill gave it to his daughter, Elizabeth, when she married John Carter, son of King Carter, and Shirley has remained in the Carter family since 1723.

Edward Hill I was granted 450 acres in Charles City County, Virginia for personal adventure and transportation of 8 people. He was commissioned in 1645 by Governor Berkeley to travel to Maryland and demand the return of certain Virginians who had taken up land illegally.

Apparently, Hill and Governor Calvert of Maryland had an agreement to protect Lord Baltimore's interest in the colony while the Governor hurried to Virginia on business. Hill was to be compensated for his services and Gov. Calvert signed a commission to Capt. Hill "deputing and appointing him Gov. of the Province of Maryland" in his absence.

Hill was not immediately compensated after his return to Virginia. He waited for his money which was slow in coming. Suddenly, Gov. Calvert died and the executor of his estate, Margaret Brent, settled the debt promptly.

In 1647, Edward Hill lived at Westover and by 1655, a deed for 60 acres of land in Charles City County refers to him as Edward Hill of Shirley Hundred. In 1660, Colonel Edward Hill patented 416 acres within the boundaries of Shirley Hundred, including the site on which the present mansion now stands.

Edward Hill II inherited the Shirley Plantation when his father died in 1663. Lord Culpeper stated he knew Edward Hill since his youth. Edward Hill II married Tabitha Custis, widow of General John Custis of Arlington, Virginia.

Edward Hill III inherited the Shirley Plantation when his father died in 1700. He married Elizabeth Williams. He had a cricket court on his lawn at Shirley where Governor Spotswood played cricket as well as other notables of the day.

Edward Hill III was the father of Elizabeth Hill who married John Carter, son of King Carter. Edward Hill gave Shirley Plantation to Elizabeth as a wedding present.

*Charles Carter, son of Eliz. Hill and John Carter, was the father of 23 children. One of these children was Ann Carter born in 1773. She married Lightfoot Harry Lee.

Lee was a widower with several children. He was twice Ann Carter's age and her father was not much in favor of this romance.

Thomas Jefferson had offered an ambassadorship to Lee to France but Lee declined the appointment and this apparently smoothed the way to the marriage as the wedding took place at "Shirley".

Their fourth son was ROBERT E. LEE who was born January 19, 1807. He later became the famous General Robert E. Lee.

The father of King Carter was John Carter who with his brother, Thomas Carter, emigrated to America about 1649 and settled in upper Norfolk County Virginia. (Thomas Carter married Katherine Dale, daughter of Edward Dale).

John Carter married 5 times, the fifth being to Elizabeth Shirley, a spinster of Gloucester Co. Virginia.

John Carter's fourth wife was the mother of King Carter. Thus, Elizabeth Shirley was the step mother of King Carter who's son married Eliz. Hill and they inherited Shirley Plantation!

Margaret Brent and her brother, Giles Brent came from England to Maryland in 1638. By 1651, they migrated to what is now known as Northumberland Co. Va. They had become weary of the bickerings of the Puritans of Maryland. They brought into Northumberland Co. many Marylanders upon whose headrights a great amount of land was granted, being more than 15,000 acres.

In Westmoreland Co. Va. 1660, Giles Brent signs as witness with Robert Sherley.

*Charles Carter married Anne Butler Moore, daughter of Ann Catherine Spotswood and Colonel Bernard Moore. (Ann was the daughter of Governor Spotswood of Virginia).

MARRIAGES HAMILTON CO. ILLINOIS

sent by Bonnie Caneva

Shirley, John m. Rosannah Moore Feb 2, 1824
 Shirley, Nancy m. John Hall Sept 1, 1824
 (daughter of Moses)
 Shirley, Margaret m. Leoy Perry Nov 28, 1826
 (daughter of Nimrod)
 Shirley, Eliz. m. Alfred Moore June 12, 1828
 (daughter of Moses)
 Shirley, Leana m. Phillip Adair Oct 2, 1829
 (daughter of Nimrod)
 Shirley, Milly m. Henry Irvin Dec 17, 1829
 (daughter of Moses)
 Shirley, Sally m. Milton Cox Dec. 22, 1833
 (daughter of Moses)
 Shirley, Sally m. James Scribner Nov 29, 1836
 (daughter of Nimrod)
 Shirley, Ann Eliza m. John Lane Dec 9, 1837
 Shirley, Rubin m. Martha Anderson Dec 13, 1838
 (dau. of Robert Anderson)
 Shirley, Russell m. Cindy Allen Jan 31, _____
 (dau. of Josiah Allen)

The Dales and Shirleys of Va.

Reuben Dale was in Old Rappahannock Co. Va. in 1685. (This area was later divided into Essex and Richmond Co.s). His wife was Elizabeth.
Three known children:

1. Thomas Dale
2. Eliz. Dale m. 1st Thomas Young, 2nd. William Dodson and 3rd William Rogers.
3. Abraham Dale b. ca. 1690 Richmond Co. Va. 1714, he married Winifred Southern b. Mar. 8, 1693 and the daughter of Elinor and Thomas Southern. They lived near the boundry of Richmond and Lancaster Counties and their eight children were born in Farnham Parish, Richmond Co. Va.
 - (1). William Dale b. 1715 m. Frances Phillips
 - (2). Ann b. Apr. 2, 1717
 - * (3). Reuben b. Sept 21, 1720
 - (4). Frances b. Mar 18, 1721/2
 - (5). Abraham b. Apr 4, 1724
 - (6). Isaac b. Nov 15, 1727
 - (7). Thomas b. Apr 20, 1730
 - (8). Robert b. Mar 27, 1730 m. Eliz Hanks (?) died Pr. Wm. Co. Va. 1778.

*Reuben Dale b. Sept 21, 1720 married Hannah Phillips. Reuben transferred land in Richmond Co. in 1741 and Lancaster Co. in 1752.
 Children...

1. John Dale b. 1747, a carpenter, me. Lucy
2. George b. ca. 1749 d. 1830 Hamilton Co. Ill.
3. Isaac Dale b. June 17, 1751 d. 1820 Barren Co. Kentucky.
4. Abraham Dale July 30, 1753
5. William Dale Nov 29, 1757

7. Robert Dale b. Mar 14, 1760 went to Missouri.
8. Betty Dale b. June 15, 1764

Isaac Dale b. June 17, 1751 Farnham Parish Richmond Co. Va.
 Married 1st. Eleanor, 2nd. Margaret Frazier 1801 and 3rd. Margaret Gum in 1808.

Children...

1. Rueben M. Dale Mar 17, 1774
 m. Sally Gill
children
 - (1). Eliz. Dale b. July 1799 d. 1860
 m. Richard Shirley
 - (2). Jemima Dale b. Apr 14, 1802
 Barren Co. Ky. m. Richard Crabb
 - (3). Abram Dale Nov 2, 1804 Barren Co
 m. Martha Masters
 - (4). Edward Dale Oct 27, 1807 Barren Co
 m. 1st Patsy Hayes Dale
 m. 2nd Sarah Wolcott
 - (5). Rebecca Dale Apr 17, 1811
 m. William Anderson
 - (6). Sally Dale Jan 15, 1814
 m. Samuel Anderson
2. Hannah Dale b. ca. 1778
 m. THOMAS SHIRLEY
3. Nancy Dale b. ca. 1780
 m. MOSES SHIRLEY lived Hamilton Co. Ill.
4. William Dale m. JENNIE SHIRLEY
5. John Dale May 5, 1785
 m. 1st ELIZABETH SHIRLEY
 m. 2nd Nancy Hall
6. Milly Dale m. John Gar ?
7. Elizabeth Dale m. NIMROD SHIRLEY,
 (son of James Shirley b. ca. 1735 of Barren Co. Ky). [sent by Dale desc.]
8. Isaac Dale m. 1st SARAH SHIRLEY
 m. 2nd Parthenia Smith
 m. 3rd Elizabeth Barton
 m. 4th Louisa Hensley

Hannah Phillips was the daughter of Tobias Phillips and Hannah Goad/Good. Tobias Phillips was the son of John Phillips and Elizabeth of Richmond Co. Va.

Hannah Goad was the daughter of Abraham Goad and Catherine Williams, daughter of John Williams and Eva.

Marriages in Defiance Co. OhioSHIRLEY

Alice O. m. Peter Fournier June 10, 1884
 Ann E. m. John Andrews Dec 1, 1850
 Della F. m. John C. Peffly Apr 23, 1882
 Eliz. m. Charles Speaker June 17, 1851
 John J. m. Lucinda C. Pefley Jan 20, 1848
 Mary E. m. George Ball July 22, 1884
 Nancy m. A.J. Dils Aug 16, 1864
 Rebecca m. John Lewis Jan 28, 1860
 Robert B. m. Ladora Ann Falkner May 1, 1881
 Stephen M. m. Estella Newton Sept 24, 1871
 Susan m. Rufus Peck May 18, 1851
 Tabitha m. Cephas Mead July 26, 1859
 William m. Rebecca Hawkins Mar 9, 1854
 William R. m. Sarah Hunter Sept 8, 1853
 Winnie A. m. Jacob Garman Dec 6, 1860

MARRIAGES IN HURON CO. OHIOSHIRLEY

Almira m. Carlos Alonzo Munson Jan 19, 1834
 Almyra m. Charles Morrison Jan 1, 1834 ???
 Deborah m. Sumner Kuapp Jan 19, 1830
 Mary m. John Thompson Sept 2, 1819
 Mary Ann m. Geor Lakins Nov 26, 1836
 Sally R. m. Charles W. Atwater Dec 23, 1832
 Sophia m. Chandler Knapp Jan 8, 1834
 Stilla m. Joshua C. Martin Mar 1, 1831

MARRIAGES IN MAHONING CO. OHIOSHIRLEY

Andrew m. Prercilla Anthony Apr 4, 1861
 Caroline m. J.B. Kritler Apr 26, 1863
 Christian m. Mary A. Shornberger Nov 25, 1858
 David m. Rebecca Jones Mar 7, 1865
 Eliz. Jane m. Calvin Bernett July 3, 1856
 George m. Roseanna Blott Nov 16, 1880
 John m. Harriet A. Mahan May 23, 1861
 John R. m. Susanna King Oct 25, 1855
 Lawrence m. Emily M. Carson June 4, 1863
 Sarah A. m. Irwin Westover Aug 17, 1862
 Susie P m. J.E. Tuttle Sept 15, 1863
 William m. Catherine Saipply Apr 16, 1857

MARRIAGES IN MUSKINGUM CO. OHIOSHIRLEY

Eliz. A. m. Aaron B. Howell Oct 27, 1853
 James m. Sarah Ann Grey Aug 6, 1836
 James m. Evaline Henderson Aug 30, 1868
 Josephine m. William Addison Jan 31, 1884
 Lizzie m. William C. Harmany Setp 4, 1867
 Margaret m. David Wallman 1831
 Martha Jane m. John Winn Oct. 19, 1854

Marriages in Muskingum Co. Ohio cont..

Richardson m. Catherine Porcupile
 July 28, 1833

Sarah m. Joseph D. Richards
 June 4, 1846

Sylvester m. Margaret Swanke
 Mar. 14, 1824

Timothy m. Rebecca Pickett
 Aug 6, 1826

MARRIAGES IN PAULDING CO. OHIOSHIRLEY

David C. m. Rachel Strother
 Mar 11, 1866

Emma C, m. Henry Daniels
 Aug 23, 1868

John W. m. Rachel A, Fryman
 Oct 16, 1870

Joseph H. m. Mary E. Ward
 Aug 12, 1854

Joseph H. m. Malinda Nash
 Aug. 3 (or 23), 1868

Nancy m. Steven Ward
 March 26, 1858

Nathan m. Ann Hankins
 May 5, 1853

Rachel m. Sahdrach Hudson Carey
 Nov. 17, 1842

Robert m. Elizabeth Strother
 November 19, 1863

William H. m. Julia Burt
 Dec. 25, 1852

William J. m. Missouri Slough
 Feb 21, 1864

MARRIAGES IN PREBLE CO. OHIOSHIRLEY

Ann m. Solomon Petry Dec 24, 1846
 Jonathon m. Polly Pence June 14, 1826/7
 Julia m. Joseph Day Apr 15, 1849
 Nancy m. Lewis Harshman May 2, 1856

MARRIAGES IN SENECA CO. OHIOSHIRLEY

Anthony m. Margaret Dertinger
 Oct 23, 1866
 Catherine m. John Wagner Feb 5, 1857
 Christina m. Samuel Feasel Dec 27, 1868

SHIRLEYS OF NEW ENGLAND STATES

JOHN SHIRLEY born Decemebr 10, 1797. He was the son of James Shirley born ca. 1759 (*See Shirley NEWS Jan. '3 page 2*) and the grandson of James who came to America ca. 1730 from Ireland settling in Chester, New Hampshire.

John Shirley married Margaret Houston of Bedford. She was the daughter of Robert and Ann (Barr) Houston. John and Margaret resided in Bedford, Canada and Niagara Falls. For a time he kept tavern at the Dana or Abram Richards place on Wallace Road. He died Oct. 20, 1886.

Children:

1. Alfred b. May 13, 1818 Bedford.
m. Jane Woodbury Dec. 22, 1846
He served in the War of Rebellion
Co. E. 8th New York Heavy Artillery.
Died Jan 16, 1902 Niagara Falls.

Children:

- (1). Sylvania b. May 5, 1848 Haverhill,
Essex Co. Massachusetts
 - (2). Albert b. Sept 14, 1851 (same)
 - (3). Ira M. b. May 1, 1853 Dunkirk,
Chautauqua, New York
 - (4). William B. b. Mar 11, 1857
Niagara Falls, New York
 - (5). Charles Henry b. June 21, 1859
Niagara Fall, New York
2. James b. Dec. 22, 1819 d. 1825
 3. Robert Houston b. Dec. 13, 1821 d. 1824
 4. Gilman b. Sept 20, 1823
m. Nancy SHIRLEY (daughter of Daniel M.
and Jane Moore Shirley, his cousin).
They resided in Haverhill, Mass and
Dunkirk, New York. He served in the
War of Rebellion, Co. G. 112th Reg.
New York Volunteers and was killed at
the battle of Cold Harbor June 2, 1864.

Children:

- (1). Alina b. May 1850 d. June 12, 1850
 - (2). Clinton b. Oct. 6, 1851 Haverhill,
Mass. m. Ann R. Stevens and they
resided in Hooksett and Manchester.
 - (3). Frank b. Mar 29, 1854 d. Sept 21, 1863
5. John b. April 19, 1825 Bedford
m. Susan Parker. He died 1885 Hooksett.
 6. Maria Ann b. June 1, 1827 Bedford
m. Andrew Kimball and they resided in
Millerstown, Pa.

7. Mary Jane b. Aug 3, 1829 d. 1831
8. Mary Jane b. Oct. 5, 1832 Melbourne,
Canada.
m. 1st. Griggs Holbrook
m. 2nd. Joseph Stevens
m. 3rd. Andrew Kimball, husband of
her sister who died in 1881.
9. William Thomas b. May 6, 1834 d 1836
- 10 Sarah Caroline b. July 19, 1836
m. Matthew Dolphin
- 11 Margaret E. b. July 19, 1840
m. James Cooper of Ontario, Canada.

William Shirley b. Feb. 7, 1826
Munsville, West Moreland, New York
Died June 10, 1906.
m. Mitty La Munyon

no children. Does anyone know who
his father is?

John Shirley b. ca. 1824
m. Esther Abigail Ensign Dec. 31, 1844
in Lisle, Broome, New York

children:

Bradford D. b. Feb 27, 1846 Richford,
Tioga, New YORK
Royal L. b. May 19, 1851 (same)
anyone know who these Shirleys belong?

James Thomas Shirley b. Aug. 11, 1863
Sutton, Worcester, Massachusetts.
Son of John Shirley and Margaret Maxwell
James m. 1st _____
m. 2nd Augusta Lucinda Clark
June 15, 1925 Whitehall, New York

anyone know to whom these Shirleys
belong?

Thomas Shirley came from Boston, Mass.
where his family for several generations
had lived. He settled first in Louis-
ville Landing just below the ferry dock
near Messena, New York. He left two
brothers, John and William in Boston.
He had three sons, two who died in
infancy and a son William Shirley.

info sent by members Paul and Pat Shirley

Any leads as to who Thomas of Boston
belongs?

FROM YOUR EDITOR.....

Welllll, guess the whole world knows I turned 50. What a surprise! My family decided to have a party for me and planned everything without any knowledge or hint on my part. I wondered if they might try something since I gave a good sized one for their father a few years ago. I had said all along I didn't want anybody to go to any trouble on mine. I am rather shy when it comes to things like this. I embarrass very easy and suggested that a simple family dinner at a nice restaurant would be just fine.

Well, no one said anything and so I just assumed that everyone was busy doing their own thing and I busied myself for days working on the things you will read about further down in this column.

Saturday morning I went to the beauty shop as I always do and when I returned about 10:45, I was told I could not come in the house and to go shopping (which I rarely do since I am not a "shopper"), eat lunch and don't come back until about 2:00pm. I balked at this as I needed to get something typed to take over for the printer that I had forgotten the day before. They wouldn't let me out of the car, so being a good sport...ha! I left thinking I don't want to spoil what ever they are doing. I went to a computer store and a computer fair over at our college to check out the new computers. I have been told they now have one that even I personally can operate. Corrects spelling...I need this! I stopped at Kentucky Fried Chicken and ate lunch in the school parking lot. Drove around, and about 1:00 I called home and told them I was positively bored and wanted to come home. My daughter, Delaine who organized this party, said she guessed it would be O.K. now as they were almost through painting. "Painting...I thought! OH NO! What are they doing to my house?" I opened the door and they all yelled surprise! My whole house had been turned into an Hawaiian paradise. Fishermans net hanging decoratively from the ceilings, floral and greenery, sea shells and a bit of sand decorated the tables centerpiece and the luncheon was Hawaiian foods, very good too! My daughters and Barbara, my neice, had been up half the night before at another daughters house preparing the food. They even arranged for an Hawaiian dancer. We had a great time. But.....the highlight of the day was when I came home from "shopping", I was handed a grocery bag

full of birthday cards from all over the United States and a few from England. I even received a long distance call from England wishing me a happy birthday!

I spent the next hour plus reading all my lovely cards! THANK YOU! for sending them and participating in my special birthday. My daughter said she thought I would like this since I practically attack the mailman everyday to get my mail. If he is very late, I prance the floor and comment several times, "where he is? another new one!" I do like my mail. I always get such interesting things in it. I love hearing from people...even though I am slow so many times to answer. It arrives in handfuls sometimes and I just can't keep up because of some other project I am working on at that time.

I am sure you would like to know what I got so I will tell you... I received a lovely picture frame, a cup from Pittsburg, Pa. (guess you must have heard that I collect things like this, mementos of my trips and display in my office. It reminds me where I have been and how fortunate I have been to get to travel round and see so much). I received an old time clown bank that puts money from his hand into his mouth, and his eyes open, pop corn from the farm of one of our members, a lovely pin, a color booklet about Arizona from one of our members who lives there, and about \$285 in money, and lots of very kind words of appreciation for my work and dedication.

I have decided to put the money in a savings account and try to build on it for my trip Australia/New Zealand in February 1988.

I WISH TO THANK ALL OF YOU AND WISH EVERYONE COULD COME TO VIRGINIA SO I COULD MEET SOME OF YOU WHOM I HAVEN'T HAD THE CHANCE TO MEET YET! I APRECIATE ALL OF YOU AND WITHOUT YOU WE COULDN'T HAVE A SHIRLEY ASSOCIATION!

I also wish to Thank my daughter, Delaine, for including the Shirley Association into the planning of my special day. It was the perfect touch to a wonderful day.

She took the names of the members to a friend who put them on labels for me so I won't have to hand address!

RECENT PROJECTS !

In mid- March, we mailed 2000 letters to Shirleys in Australia, New Zealand, Jamaica, Barbados, South Africa, Canada, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and England, announcing the initiation of SHIRLEY ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL! We are slowly getting members and response. Some of the material about their Shirley ancestors is very interesting!

If you haven't joined the International Association, may I encourage you to do so? There is a much broader coverage of Shirleys from everywhere and they are equally as interesting as the American Shirleys of the past.

If you are wondering why I would branch out to an International Association, it because I see the Shirley picture on a larger scale than perhaps the person who is just struggling to learn about who his or her great grandparents were. For you, you may not be able to comprehend the larger picture yet. We understand this. I didn't either when I started in the Shirley work. It grows on and you become more knowledgeable as time goes by.

It is my opinion that there are many Shirleys in the other countries just as interested to learn more about their ancestors as we are to learn of ours. As we concentrate on our own here in the states, there are those here in the states who want to connect to their England or Ireland Shirley ancestors. They have already learned beyond the great grandparents and their and my level of personal interest is now to connect with the ancestors of abroad.

By studying these other Shirleys and members sending their family data and stories to us from all over the world, (most take us right back to England about late 1700's and early 1800's), they may have family data on their ancestor's brother or...who left for America in early 1600 or 1700's. In other words, we need to work from both sides of the world to gain our information. Also, since we do have active research going on in England, we will have more input into Shirleys and etc. by this in depth study.

The more I learn the more interesting as we are learning about related families of the Shirleys too! in England.

NEWS ON OBEDIAH SHIRLEY'S HOUSE
HONEA PATH, S.C.

In the summer of 1983, those attending the SHIRLEY CONVENTION in Anderson, S.C. were escorted to the former home of Obediah Shirley. [See Oct. NEWS page 2 and 3].

For sometime, I have been concerned because Obediah's house was going to be torn down and I hoped someone would come forth and buy it and preserve it. I have asked about it many times.

Shirley Faye Hill mentioned to me some ago that she was going to S.C. for a visit, which she did a few weeks ago. The following is a story about her visit.

My phone rang one afternoon about 3 weeks ago and an elated Shirley Faye Hill was calling me to tell me some exciting news. While visiting Honea Path area, she met Jim, the owner of the land Obediah's house sits. He approached her about the house. It was about to be torn down by the people he was selling the property to. To make a long and very interesting story short, the house and one acre of land has been offered to the Shirley Association as a gift and as a tax right off for the new buyer. We are now waiting for a letter to give to our attorney and looking into the possibilities of tax exempt status etc...

If this becomes a reality and we are able to complete this transaction, there will be expenses for work to be done in necessary areas such as new roof and a few windows and etc... We are hopeful that others who descend from Obediah or related to the family, such as Benjamin and Eliz. Hughes Shirley line may take interest in helping with donations and etc. if and when this becomes a reality.

I have asked Shirley Faye Hill to head this project. If you have any suggestions, wish to offer assistance in donations or labor to work on the house in the future, please contact Shirley.

It is possible that we may have a work week next summer to work on the house to repair damages etc. It reminds me of the old days when they gathered together from all over to help build a barn or house. The ladies did the cooking and helped while the men did the hard labor. Just an idea!

Write: Shirley Faye Hill
3627 Mt. Vernon
Ft. Worth, Texas 76103

(817) 536-4715

SHIRLEY IS A DESCENDANT OF OBEDIAH SHIRLEY!

SHIRLEY CONVENTION REMINDER!

Reservations for the Shirley Convention continue to arrive dailey and phone calls from all over the U.S. to inquire about the Convention. We have many previous convention goers and several first timers. We look forward to seeing all of you in Williamsburg.

The date is June 20-21st. The data is in the last issue of the NEWS and applications were sent out to all members. If you didn't receive an application and want to receive it, call me or write for it.

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND AND YOU HAVEN'T MADE YOUR FLIGHT RESERVATIONS, REMEMBER THEY MUST BE MADE 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE!!!

If you haven't made your hotel reservations at Patrick Henry Inn, the deadline for this is May 25th. They will continue to honor reservations based on room availability.

WHEN YOU RESERVED YOUR ROOM, DID YOU SAY YOU WERE WITH THE SHIRLEY ASSOCIATION? This will dictate your room costs! The cost is \$67 per night for either single or double occupancy.

If you do not have transportation upon arriving in Va. we have made this available too! Write for the data or call me. Since time is fast approaching, I suggest phone calls as letters take too long.

Remember....Friday eve. Feb 19th is an informal gathering in the Hospital-ity Room in the hotel. Time: 7:00pm.

BOSTON, MA. TRIP !

All planning is complete for the trip. If you are interested in departing from Va. on Monday following the Shirley Convention and flying with us to Boston and touring for 8 days June 22-30th and ending back in Williamsburg, I suggest you get in touch with me right away. We have room for only 9 more people! I know some have not made up their minds yet. I have had calls and several are thinking seriously about going. We cannot accomodate more than the 9. Sorry! Three people called me tonight to confirm their reservations and that their check and forms would be in the mail tomorrow. The details were in the last issue of the NEWS. Write or call if you have any questions. (408)255-8511, Betty Shirley.

BROAD RUN BAPTIST CHURCH, VA.

Our tour will be coming to this church in Broad Run near Warrenton, Virginia for morning church services on June 28. Unfortunately we could not make arrangements for dinner on the church grounds that I was comfortable with. There were to many problems with the facilities so, we are dining in a nearby restaurant, Cheswick Inn in Warrenton, Va. We have a special speaker who is currently doing research on the Shirleys of Fauquier Co. and Pr. William Co. Va. for presentation at this occasion.

We have heard from a few who live in nearby areas who wish to meet up with us when we come to Broad Run. We would love to meet you there too! Morning services begin at 11:00a.m. If you wish to dine with us at the Inn, you may call for reservations: CHESWICK INN, Warrenton Virginia, 703-349-9114. The address is 394 Broadwayview. Just tell them you want to make reservations to join the Shirley Association group on June 28th at 12:30PM. for lunch.

DO YOU KNOW THE EXACT LOCATION OF ANY SHIRLEY PROPERTIES IN VA. ?

We would appreciate hearing from you if you know of any old historical locations the Shirleys lived before 1800 in Va. As part of the tour, we will be visiting the areas where some of the early Shirleys lived. If you have visited or know of these locations, would you send a map or tell us someone living in the area to contact that would show us. Also, please identify who it was that had the land and when. We have the location of Walter of Frederick Co. W.VA. Also the area of where the original Broad Run Baptist Church was. How about info on where the church in Culpeper Co. Va. was? Anyone know? How about any Shirley property in Spotsylvania Co. or Madison Co. Va.?

[Please write your editor, Betty Shirley].

To our travelers! Letters will be going out in 2 weeks with confirmation of flight times for those we are picking up at airport, list of hotels, etc. for the trip following convention.

Any questions, please call me.

A SHIRLEY FAMILY REUNION!!!

Decendants of William Washington Shirley family, (brother of John Pinkney Shirley family featured on cover of this issue of the NEWS), thru son, William Brunner Shirley b. ca. 1850-60, who married Ella Goodman....reunion!

DATE: June 7, 1987

PLACE: Paul B. Johnson State Park
South Hattisburg, Mississippi.

TIME: 10am.

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH!

[for more information, call Patty Jones 601-585-8966].

Wish to find info about the parents of Belinzia Ann Shirley who married Augustus Briggs on Jan. 1, 1855 in Franklin Co. Missouri. Belinzia evidently died between 1860-67. Can anyone help?

Mrs. Eadie Flickinger
1114 Harvey
Topeka, Ks. 66604

"Looking for info and descendants of Thomas and Hannah Shirley's son John b. ca. 1813 in Ky. died 1884 in Illinois. Married Mary Jane Hatchett. Their daughter Laura married Will Whorton (newspaper man in Hiawatha Ks. and later in San Francisco 1893). Know to have had a son Shirley Whorton".

Louise Marqueling
411 Terrace Road
Santa Barbara, Ca. 93109

"Looking for family information about William Shirley, Jr. who married Eliz. Clark of Miller Co. Mo., had two daughters Martha Jane b. ca. 1854 and Eliz.

William, Jr. was killed before the Civil War, Martha Jane was raised by her Shirley grandparents. She married Isaiah Sherrell in Mo. and had ten children."

Elsie Goodyear
5541 24th Terrace North
St. Petersburg, Fla. 33710

YOU NEVER KNOW WHERE YOU WILL FIND ANOTHER SHIRLEY....

I learned recently that one of our members has a daughter, Elaine Shirley, working in Colonial Williamsburg, Va.

She wrote me and offered to help if I needed any help in planning our Shirley Convention in Williamsburg.

She milks the cows and feeds the chickens while the tourist watch as they visit old Colonial Williamsburg. So watch for her when ever you visit Williamsburg.

Ray L. Shirley of the University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla. and Shirley Association member, is the author of: NITROGEN AND ENERGY NUTRITION OF RUMINANTS

Ray Shirley, an expert in animal nutrition, discusses new systems of determining dietary energy requirements, the effects of processing feedstuffs, and stress factors. He reviews the availability of nutrients in grains, distillers grain residues, oilseed meals, molasses, silages, pastures, crop residues and aquatic plants. Growth stimulants, nutrititional management of ruminants in feedlots and pastures, and the value of feed additives are also among the topics considered.

Very interesting people, our members. Below is about another member and a brother of Ray Shirley.

Rev. Leslie and Grace Shirley have been members of the Shirley Association since 1978 when we began the Shirley work.

The Shirleys served 25 years as missionaries to Sierra Leone West Africa. They are pastors of a United Methodist Church in Florida.

At the annual meeting of the Southeast Region III of the Order of St. Luke the Physician, Leslie was elected Warden of the Region which includes, Fl., Ga., Al., Ar., La., N.C., S.C., Tn. and Ky.

The Shirleys and Grace's sister traveled to England last year with our group when we attended the celebration at Ettington and the England tour.

Know some other interesting Shirley people??? Send it in. We'll run an article from time to time if you send it!