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Henry Junius Peckinpaugh
Age 45.

What's Happening Around the County

The County Historical Society is still awaiting the completion of the renovation of the old "Dollar Store" to complete their and the Archive books move into the new facilities. Meanwhile, the old court house is a mess with books stacked all over the place and will probably get worse before it gets better, as the shelving in the old court house is re-

moved and cleaned and installed in the new building. Our Archives Director, Roberta Toby, is "chomping at the bit" to get moved!!

The County Veterans Memorial Association has not yet completed their organization process. According to our Secretary, Jim Montgomery, we have to pass a new set of By-Laws before applying for our permit from the state for our tax-free status. Then after we get that number, we have to apply to the IRS for a tax-free number. The group elected me, Larry Burmeister as their Chairman. Other officers are: Vice-Chairman Jim Frazee; Treasurer, Mary Edwards; Agent, Jim Montgomery. You are welcome to attend our meetings at the VFW on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M.

Our Proctor House Committee has remained busy this year and with summer approaching will be even more so!! They have completed the kitchen in the shelter house and are hoping to rent out the facility for "extra income." There has been no decision on whether we will have a yard sale there this year or not.

There will be several school gatherings beginning this month and later on the several special events held by each of the towns in Crawford County, from RiverFest at Leavenworth to Eckerty Days. Unfortunately, the members of the historical society cannot attend all these functions, as we do not have the volunteers available to staff all of them, and the "old timers" are getting to be "old timers."

Anyway, I hope to see you at one or more of the above-named events and hope you have a great summer!

Larry M. Burmeister.

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State of Indiana,
Crawford County, Sct.

I, Samuel Sands, Clerk of the Crawford Circuit Court for the county aforesaid do hereby Certify that the foregoing Report and Declaration, upon the oath of George Ouerbacker was duly registered and recorded in this office on the 28th day of April, 1847. In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Court at Leavenworth the day and year last above written. Samuel Sands, Clerk.

And the said George Ouerbacker now here proves to the satisfaction of the Court by Michael Ouerbacker, a Citizen of the United States that he has resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States for the full term of five years immediately preceeding this application; That he has resided in the State of Indiana for one year last past; And that during all the time aforesaid, he has behaved as a man of good moral character, attached to the principals of the Constitution of the United States and . . . the said George Ouerbacker now here declares upon oath that he will support the Constitution of the United States, and that he doth absolutely and entirely renounce all allegiance to every foreign prince, potentate, state or sovrenignity whatsoever, and more particularly to Ludwig Phillip of Konigneich Bayern in Germany of whom he was last a subject.

And thereupon the said George Ouerbacker is admitted a Citizen of the United States.

Ordered that the following named persons be allowed the sums appropriated for their service at the present term:

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| <u>Daniel H. Barnett</u> | <u>John C. Hoskins</u> |
| <u>James Gibbs</u> | <u>Isaac Hoskins</u> |
| <u>Thomas Cunningham</u> | <u>Alexander McCain</u> |
| <u>Hiram McCrandell</u> | <u>Alexander Barnett</u> |
| <u>Lewis B. Mason</u> | <u>Wm. R. Reynolds</u> |

Ordered that Court Adjourn until Court In-Course. I. Lockhart.

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Grand Jurors selected at the October Term, 1847:

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| <u>William Keysacker</u> | <u>William Bullock</u> |
| <u>Hiram Enlow</u> | <u>William Nash</u> |
| <u>Samuel Scott</u> | <u>Warren Tower</u> |
| <u>Wm. F. Williams</u> | <u>Wm. Patton</u> |
| <u>Thomas Lynch</u> | <u>Thomas Atkins</u> |
| <u>Isaac Condra</u> | <u>Levi Grant</u> |
| <u>John Parr</u> | <u>Joseph Beals</u> |
| <u>James Carpenter</u> | <u>Joseph Jones</u> |
| <u>Isaac Sands</u> | <u>Thompson Schoonover.</u> |

Following 12 persons to serve as Petit Jurors at October Term, 1847:

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| <u>Hardin M. Mahan</u> | <u>Baily J. Brown</u> |
| <u>Lewis Shields</u> | <u>Henry J. Rothrock</u> |
| <u>Jacob Baylor Sr.</u> | <u>John King, Sr.</u> |
| <u>David Watson</u> | <u>Philip Crecelius</u> |
| <u>Frederick Smith</u> | <u>Wm. M. Singleton</u> |
| <u>Jos. Vanwinckle Sr.</u> | <u>Reuben D. Tucker.</u> |

18 persons to serve as Grand Jury at April Term, 1848:

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| <u>Esau McFall</u> | <u>Peter Carberry</u> |
| <u>James G. Land</u> | <u>Jesse Enlow</u> |
| <u>Nathan Sturgeon</u> | <u>Jesse Turner</u> |
| <u>Henry Warfield</u> | <u>Tarton Benedict</u> |
| <u>John H. Green</u> | <u>Nehemiah Tower</u> |
| <u>James Froman</u> | <u>Allen Jones</u> |
| <u>Wm. Scott</u> | <u>John Mills</u> |
| <u>Wm. St. Clair</u> | <u>James Bowman</u> |
| <u>Samuel Mansfield</u> | <u>John W. May.</u> |

And the names of 12 persons to serve as Petit Jurors at the April Term, 1848:

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| <u>James Morrison</u> | <u>Samuel W. Brown</u> |
| <u>John U. Williams</u> | <u>John Key</u> |
| <u>John Newton</u> | <u>Samuel Heath</u> |
| <u>Horace Stevens</u> | <u>Uriah Taylor</u> |
| <u>Philip Wiseman</u> | <u>John L. Baless</u> |
| <u>Joseph Whitehead</u> | <u>John Sturgeon.</u> |
| June 8, 1847. | <u>Samuel Sands, Clerk.</u> |

In Vacation.

May 15, 1847 — Joseph and Wm. H. McMahan, Plaintiffs vs. John Goodson, Defendant — Debt for \$15. W. L. Temple, J. P.

June 30, 1847 — Edwards and Peckenpaugh, Plaintiffs vs. James Froman, Defen-

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dant. — Debt of \$6.60. Asa Kendall, J. P. Hiram McConnell, Sheriff or Constable.

July 21, 1847 — Willey and McFarland vs. James Riggle — Debt of \$55.75. Asa Kendall, J. P., Jennings Township.

September 8, 1847 — John H. McMickle, Surplus Revenue Agent vs. Ebenezer E. Morgan and John T. Morgan and Nathan Morgan, Defendants. — Debt of \$73.86. William Mansfield, J. P. Attested to by Zebulon Leavenworth, J.P. on transfer from Mansfield Docket #12.

October Term 1847, 1st Day.

Monday, October 25, 1847. Present: The Honorable James Lockhart, President Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in the said State of Indiana and Manuel Schoonover and Jacob Poe his Associate Judges of The Crawford Circuit Court.

Now comes the Sheriff and makes his return of the Grand Jury [listed previously] and for those not appearing, the Court appoints:

Jesse Henson Henry Ryman

William Green Valentine Blunk

Paris Totten Marmaduke B. McCartney.

Nathaniel C. Foster and Thomas L. DeB.... are sworn as a new attorneys at this court.

Wm. L. Lamb vs. John L. McNaghten, etal. — In Chancery Court. On motion, leave is given plaintiff to publish the depositions of James Rogers, Cotton Tower, J. W. Philips, A. Edwards and G. Engleman, now on file in this Court. John McNaghten is now appointed Guardian ad Litem of Araminta Davidson and Margaret Davidson, infant defendants to this suit.

Samuel Lathrop, Administrator of the Estate of Andrew Tadlock, deceased vs. John Tadlock, Administrator of the Estate of Elisha Tadlock, deceased — Chancery Court. On motion, plaintiff given leave to publish depositions of Vincent Weathers and Thomas Vance.

State vs. James King — Petit Larceny. Continued with arrest warrant.

State vs. Francis Forbes — Altering the mark of sheep. Comes a jury, to-wit:

Hardin McMahan Bailey J. Brown

Lewis Shields Henry P. Rothrock

David Watson Philip Crecelous

Jeremiah Smith Joseph Vanwinkle

Benjamin Suddarth Jeremiah Lynch

Wm. Gibbs James Exline.

“We the jury find the Defendant not guilty.” Jeremiah Smith, foreman.

State for Daniel B. Smith vs. Elam Willey, Joseph N. Phelps and John Lyntch — Chancery Court. Continued.

Peter R. Fullinwider, Administrator of the Estate of Jonathan Brown, deceased vs. Grandison Boon, Ratliff R. & Austin Pearson — Debt. Continued.

Asa Wood vs. James Kindle — Assumpsit. Defendant not appearing after being served, Plaintiff to recover \$102 plus costs and damages.

John McMickle vs. Ebenezer E. Morgan, John L. Morgan, Nathan N. Morgan — Against Crawford County Officials. Defendants not appearing, the plaintiffs to have execution against the defendants for \$73.86, the amount of the judgment before the J.P., making in all the sum of \$81.45 plus costs.

John Vance, Administrator of the Estate of Ephramin Blackburn, deceased vs. Wm. Toler and Alexander Barnett — Execution of Judgment. Defendant not appearing, therefore the Plaintiff to have execution against him for \$15.06.

Onus Townsey vs. Marcus C. Gaither — Foreclosure. Continued.

John H. McMickle, Administrator of Michael Pruitt, deceased vs. Joshua Pruitt, Elizabeth Pruitt and Polly Pruitt, minor heirs of Michael Pruitt. Petition of Insolvency. Continued.

John Wright, John L. Morgan and Nathan Morgan vs. Reuben T. Thom — Chancery. Proof of publication. Continued.

Samuel Sands, Surplus Revenue Agent vs. Amasa B. Woodford, etal. Continued.

State vs. William Seaton — Recognizance to keep the peace. Dismissed.

State vs. John Key — Betting on horses. Defendant and his bond holders, Jonathan R. Brown and Goldsberry Key, also do not appear, therefore warrants issued for all of them.

State vs. Wilson Combs — Assault & Battery. Defendant pleads not guilty and stands before the judge and the judge finds him not guilty.

State vs. Sterling Cooke — Assault & Battery and he stands before the judge who finds him

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guilty and fines him \$1 plus costs.

Stephan R. Jenner, Administrator of Lucinda Hall, deceased vs. Jeremiah Jenkins and Alexander Flynn — Execution. Dismissed at plaintiff's costs.

State vs. Ebenezer E. Morgan — Crawford County Seminary. Dismissed.

Zebulon Leavenworth vs. David H. Barnett — Appeal. Dismissed.

Reuben T. Thom vs. Elias Patrick, John Knight, Ebenezer E. Morgan, John L. Morgan, Nathan N. Morgan — Continued.

State on Complaint of Ruth Priest vs. William R. Reynolds, defendant — Bastardy. Upon motion of plaintiff by his attorney and for cause shown; It is considered by the Court that the body of Ruth Priest returnable to the next term of this Court to answer the State of Indiana for Contempt and that the Sheriff take bail in the sum of \$250.

State on Complaint of Ruth Priest vs. William R. Reynolds — Bastardy. \$250 bond of William W. Reynolds for William R. Reynolds.

State vs. John Key — horse betting. Cont.

Joseph P. H. Thornton, Crawford County Treasurer vs. William R. Reynolds, James Totten and Elam Willey — Chancery Court. Debt, Cont.

Court Adjourn until tomorrow.

State vs. Sterling Combs — Assault & Battery. Stephen Gilding, Wilson Combs and William R. Smith appear for the bond of Sterling Combs.

October Term 1847, 2nd Day.

Tuesday Morning, October 26, 1847.
Present: The same as yesterday.

The Grand Jury returns the following indictments:

Greenville Boston — Perjury.

George V. Elliott — Trespass.

State vs. Sterling Combs — Assault & Battery. Andrew Smith and Wm. R. Smith each claim one day attendance as witnesses on part of the plaintiff.

State on relation of David D. Smith vs. Elam Willey, Joseph N. Phelps and John Lyntch — Court rules that a jury be called to assess the damages of the breach caused by said defendant and cause, continued.

George V. Elliott vs. Zachariah Harrison —

Defendants Harrison and David Barnett and Joseph Morris not appearing, therefore, George Elliott to recover his damages. Jury called to assess damages.

William Mansfield, Administrator of the Estate of Oliver L. Beach, deceased vs. Nathaniel Hollcraft — To Reserve Judgment. Defendants appear not, but make default, Therefore the judgment rendered on Nov. 8, 1843 in this court be reviewed and the plaintiff have execution thereof.

State vs. John Key — Betting on Horses. Continuance set aside at cost of the reconitors.

Samuel Lathrop, school commissioner of Crawford County vs. Maria J. Woodford, etal. — Defendant have not paid the amounts due the Complainant as hereintofor ordered at the last term. That sum being \$361.12. And Sheriff authorized to begin the sale of assets of said defendants to raise money to pay the judgment.

David Pitman vs. Greenville Boston — Perjury. Pleads not guilty of charges.

State vs. John Key — Betting on Horses. Bond of \$50 set. Continued.

Crawford County Board of Commissioners vs. Elam Wiley, John Edwards, etal. Chancery Court. Continued.

Joseph P. H. Thornton, Treasurer of Crawford County vs. William R. Reynolds, James Lathem, Elam Willey — Debt in Chancery Court. Continued.

George V. Elliott vs. David H. Barnett, Zachariah Harrison and Joseph Morris — Chancery Court, Trespass. Dismissed at Plaintiffs costs.

Henry Baily vs. James Suddarth — Appeal. On Motion of Plaintiff an attachment to be issued against the body of George Black for Contempt in not obeying process of the Court. And the Sheriff brings into Court the said George Black and the Contempt charge is dismissed. Court rules that the said Henry Baily pay the costs of this attachment.

NOW at this time comes the parties by their attorneys and by consent of the parties this cause is submitted to the Court for trial; And the Court after consideration do say that the Plaintiff to take nothing from this suit. It is therefore considered the said defendant recover of the said plaintiff his costs and charges in his behalf expended on this

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Items found on the web relating to Crawford County.
By Roberta Toby.

Continued from Last Edition: ASKREN FAMILY.

Notes for Sarah Davis:

Sarah "Sally" Davis, born 1807 in Washington Co., Kentucky; died 1906 in Harrison Co., Ind. (Lanesville Cem); married (1) Col. William(1st) Gresham 1825 in Harrison Co., Indiana; born 1802 in Mercer Co., Kentucky; died 1834 in Harrison County, Indiana; married (2) Noah(2nd) Rumley 1838 in Harrison Co., Indiana; born 1808; died Unknown in Harrison Co., Ind. (Lanesville Cem).

Sarah "Sally" Davis: Married Noah Rumley after Col. William Gresham was killed in 1834.

The Illustrated Atlas and History of Harrison County, Indiana, shows the following biography for Sarah.

Mrs Sarah Rumley, whose maiden name was Davis, was born in Springfield, Kentucky, September 5th, 1807. She came with her parents to Harrison County when twelve years of age. In 1825 she was married to William Gresham and came as a bride to live in the house near Lanesville where she died, March 6, 1905. In January 1834, Mr Gresham was killed while performing his duty as Sheriff..

In January, 1834, a disturbance arose in the Sipes neighborhood, near Blue River township. Levi Sipes, a young man, became enraged over a whipping given his brother in school and grew so unruly that the local authorities were not able to manage him. They sent for the County Sheriff, William Gresham, that he might arrest him. Sipes shot Mr Gresham and afterwards slashed him with a

knife. The body of Gresham was prepared for burial and brought to Corydon and afterwards taken to his home near Lanesville. Sipes was tried at the April term of Court, 1835, and was defended by Honorable John Rowan, of Louisville, Kentucky. Charles Dewey was prosecuting attorney. The jury returned a verdict of manslaughter and punishment fixed at twenty-one years in penitentiary and one thousand dollar fine. Sipes was pardoned by the Governor after having served four or five years imprisonment and his fine was remitted. Thus after a married life of ten years she [Sarah] was left a widow with five children. She was afterward married to Nathan Rumley. Her eldest son, Colonel Benjamin Gresham, was a soldier of the Mexican and the Civil War.

More About Sarah Davis:

Burial: Lanesville, Indiana

Census: 1860, Franklin Twp, Harrison Co., In

Notes for William Gresham:

William and Sarah and other members of the Gresham family are discussed in an excerpt from a biography of their son: Walter Q Gresham as follows:

Colonel William Gresham, the father of Walter Q Gresham, was born in Mercer County, Kentucky, September 17, 1802. He was the eldest son of George Gresham, who was born near Petersburg, Virginia, October 9, 1776. Lawrence Gresham, the father of George, was born in England. In 1759, when a small boy, Lawrence was sent to Virginia to live with his uncle - "indentured," it was called.

After securing his "freedom" at his majority, Lawrence served for a time in the ranks of the Continental army. While yet a young man, George Gresham joined the stream of emigrants pouring into Kentucky. He "carried along" with him his father, Lawrence, then in feeble health, and his mother. In 1801 in Mercer County, Kentucky, George Gresham married Mary Pennington, the only sister of Dennis Pennington. In 1809 George Gresham moved his family, and entered land in Harrison County, Indiana, where the hamlet of Lanesville is now located. He gave ground for the

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churches and graveyards. In one of these cemeteries there are buried Lawrence, George and William Gresham, representing three generations, and representatives of several subsequent generations. November 3, 1825, William Gresham married Sarah Davis. They went to live in a log cabin on land his father had entered, within a mile of the father's house. On this spot Sarah lived eighty-one years. William Gresham was elected by popular vote a colonel in the State militia, and in 1833, although a Whig, was almost unanimously elected sheriff of Harrison County. January 26, 1834, he was stabbed and instantly killed while aiding a constable to arrest a desperado named Levi Sipes. There survived William Gresham, his widow, Benjamin and two younger sons, Walter Quintin, born March 17, 1832, and William G, born July 30, 1833.

The Life of Walter Quintin Gresham, by Matilda Gresham (1919).

I received this information from Gary Watson 1/14/02

xii. Mahala Davis, born March 11, 1809 in Washington Co, Kentucky; died May 08, 1902 in Harrison Co, Indiana; married George Seacat April 09, 1829 in Harrison County Indiana; born October 09, 1805 in Lincoln Co, Kentucky; died October 09, 1883 in Corydon, Harrison Co, Indiana.

xiii. Anderson Davis, born January 25, 1810 in Washington Co., Ky.; died Bef. January 16, 1839 in Carroll Co., Indiana; married Lucy A Unknown.

xiv. Robert F. Davis, born December 14, 1814 in Washington Co, Kentucky; died February 14, 1897 in Harrison Co., Indiana; married Jane P Pennington February 23, 1836 in Harrison Co, Indiana; born January 15, 1815 in Moberly, Harrison Co, Indiana; died August 27, 1907 in New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana.

Notes for Jane P Pennington:

A note found in Etherton files says that Jane and Robert had 18 children. This also says that Henry's wife Sarah Harbeson Pennington was married to Robert, but Jane outlived both Robert and Sarah by several years and I question this greatly.

Generation No. 4

8. Thomas Askren, Sr, born June 19, 1719 in Burghwallis, Yorkshire, England; died Abt. 1804 in Fayette Co., PA. He was the son of 16. William Askeren and 17. Dinah. He married 9. Martha New. 9. Martha New, born 1725 in Maryland; died Abt. 1770. She was the daughter of 18. William New.

Children of Thomas Askren and Martha New are:
4 i. William Askren, born Abt. 1755 in Fayette Co, Pa; died September 1798 in Washington County, Ky; married Hannah Springer June 07, 1796 in Fayette County, Pa.

ii. David Askren, born Abt. 1752 in Pennsylvania; died 1844 in Logan Co., Delaware.

iii. John Askren, born Abt. 1756 in Fayette Co, Pa.

iv. Elizabeth Askren, born Abt. 1758 in Fayette Co, Pa.

v. Richard Askren, born Abt. 1759; died 1840 in Brown Co., Ohio; married Martha Abt. 1779; died Aft. 1850.

Notes for Richard Askren:

Information on this family from jen6@gateway.com
Ancestry record 17980

Other source says died in Brown Co., Indiana

vi. Diana Askren, born December 21, 1759 in Fayette Co, Pa.

vii. Samuel Askren, born Abt. 1760 in Fayette Co, Pa.

viii. Mary Askren, born October 08, 1761 in Fayette Co, Pa; died 1811 in Champaign Co., Ohio.

ix. Ann Askren, born Abt. 1764 in Fayette Co, Pa.

x. Thomas Askren, born Abt. 1765 in Fayette Co, Pa.

xi. Martha Askren, born Abt. 1768 in Fayette Co, Pa; died June 04, 1836.

10. Josiah Springer, born December 23, 1737 in Burlington Co., NJ. He married 11. Ann Davisson.

11. Ann Davisson, born Abt. 1738.

Notes for Josiah Springer:

Note: NOTE: Be aware there is a Springer Hoax. There are published genealogies with intention-

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ally falsified family trees that were intended to bilk possible Springer descendants. This family is copied from the IGI and can be extended back to Adam. There are several problems just in this family group: 1) Fayette County, PA was formed from Westmoreland County, PA in 1783, and if these birth are accurate they should be listed in Westmoreland, not Fayette County; 2) The genealogy lists children Hannah and Ann which are usually interchangeable names but the first is not deceased as both are listed with husbands.

The Name: Originally almost all the Springers come from Thuringia. The name started when Louis the II Count of Thuringia leaped or sprang from a castle tower and earned a pardon from the King and the nickname Louis the Springer. Further details can be found on the Web. Also Check out Wartburg Castle the original Springer Castle.

Children of Josiah Springer and Ann Davisson are:

- i. Hannah Springer, born June 07, 1769 in Fayette County, Pa; died January 26, 1826 in Indianapolis, Ind; married William Askren June 07, 1796 in Fayette County, Pa.
- ii. Josiah Springer, born Abt. 1763; married Ann Jenkins.
- iii. Dennis Springer, born Abt. 1760.
- iv. Martha Springer, born Abt. 1770.
- v. Ann Springer, born Abt. 1772.
- vi. Mary Springer, born Abt. 1774.
- vii. Nathan Springer, born Abt. 1775.

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12. Edward Davis, born June 11, 1738 in Hedgesville, Montgomery Co., Virginia; died 1827 in Mercer Co, Kentucky. He married 13. Mary (D) Belles (Bellesfelt Abt. 1760 in Orange Co, Virginia.

13. Mary (D) Belles (Bellesfelt, born Abt. 1734 in Frederick Co, Virginia; died Abt. 1808 in Kentucky.

Notes for Edward Davis:

Nick's notes include a REV WAR notation for Edward Davis. (DHQ) His date of 1745 I have changed to 1734 as shown in the Hickman Book p. 89 (CJS)

#3857 says born in Hedgesville, Va., (now W.Va.) Capt. of Virginia Militia, Rev. War. In Washington's Militia at Braddock's Defeat. Moved to Ft. Harrod, Ky, 1777. Vol. #3, #3857; Vol 6, 3922

Children of Edward Davis and Mary (Bellesfelt are:

- i. Ruth Davis, born February 21, 1763 in Berkeley Co, West Virginia; died February 23, 1850 in Mercer Co, Kentucky; married John Goodnight December 25, 1786 in Mercer Co, Kentucky; born May 01, 1765 in North Carolina; died 1841 in Mercer Co, Kentucky.

- ii. Robert Davis, born Abt. 1765 in Frederick Co, Virginia; died Aft. October 18, 1811 in Mercer Co, Kentucky; married Elizabeth Davis January 24, 1787 in Mercer Co, Kentucky; born 1766; died Aft. February 16, 1826 in Mercer County, Ky.

- 6 iii. John Davis, born July 11, 1767 in Frederick Co., Va; died Abt. 1851 in Harrison County Indiana; married Sarah Litsey August 21, 1790 in Nelson County Kentucky.

- iv. James Davis, born 1768 in Berkley Co., West Virginia; died Bef. September 22, 1829 in Harrison County Indiana; married Elizabeth Sanders September 20, 1791 in Mercer Co., Ky; born 1773 in North Carolina; died Bef. 1870 in Harrison County Indiana.

- v. Mary Davis, born December 10, 1775.

- vi. Elizabeth Davis, born Abt. 1780 in Berkeley Co, West Virginia; died Bef. October 21, 1800 in Mercer Co., Ky; married Samuel Cull December 19, 1796 in Mercer Co., Ky.

- vii. Sarah Davis, born 1782.

- viii. Jacob Davis, born 1783.

- ix. Thomas Davis, born 1785.

- x. Edward Davis, born 1771 in Frederick Co., Va;

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died Bef. 1860 in Harrison County Indiana; married Catherine Litsey August 25, 1794 in Washington Co., Ky; born 1773 in Augusta Co., Va; died Bef. 1850 in Harrison County Indiana.

14. Anthony Litching^{2,3}, born Abt. 1745 in Maryland; died June 28, 1791 in Nelson (now Washington Co) county Ky. He married 15. Susanna Slack Abt. 1768 in Virginia.

15. Susanna Slack, born Abt. 1742 in Pennsylvania; died Abt. 1833 in Harrison Co., IN. She was the daughter of 30. Randolph Slack and 31. Sarah Penn.

Notes for Anthony Litching:

The earliest member of the Litsey family of whom we have record was named Anthony Litsey. He was born about 1745. Judge Berry Lewis Litsey, a great-grandson of Anthony Litsey, was quoted as saying: "When our forefathers came to this country from Scotland, the name was Leitching, later was spelled Litching and was then changed to Litsey."

In 1774, Anthony received a grant of 98 acres from King George III of Great Britain. The grant reads as follows: George, the 3rd, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France, Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, etc... Know Ye... That for diverse and good causes and considerations, but more especially for and in consideration of ten shillings of good and lawful money for our use paid to our Receiver General of our revenues in this our colony and Dominion of Virginia, we have given, granted and confirmed and by these presents for us, our heirs and successors do give, grant and confirm to Anthony Litching one certain tract or parcel of land containing 98 acres lying and being in the county of Augusta on a small branch of the Bull Calf Pasture Creek, opposite the Scott's land and bounded as follows... Beginning at two hickories on a ridge and thence S20 W 90 poles crossing a branch to a white oak and hickory, thence S 15W 60 poles to a chestnut and a black oak, thence S 70 E 100 poles to a lynn and a Spanish oak, thence N 30 E 156 poles to a mulberry tree and thence N 74 W 108 poles to the beginning... Witness our trusty and well beloved John Earl of Dunmore our Lieutenant and Governor General of our said colony and Dominion at

Williamsburg, Virginia, under the seal of our said colony the 5th day of July, 1774, in the 14th year of our reign.

In April 1778, Anthony left for Kentucky. Soon after his departure, Anthony was called to serve in Captain Hicklin's Company of the Augusta County, Virginia, militia. Since he was in Kentucky, he did not appear and in June 1778, a court martial warrant was issued. The records show that Anthony had left for "Kentuckie before April" and that he would not be required to serve. The following year, 1779, Anthony is listed as "gone" on a list of delinquents for Augusta County, Virginia. On June 16, 1780, Anthony and Susanna (Slack) Litching sold the 98 acres that Anthony had received from George III through the following deed[excerpt].

This Indenture made June 16, 1780, between Anthony Litching and Susana his wife of the County of Augusta of the one part and Andrew Jaeger of Shenandoah County of the other part... for and in the consideration of Å•900... one certain tract or parcel of land containing 98 acres lying and being in the county of Augusta on a small branch of the Bull Pasture opposite Scott's land...

Upon their arrival in Kentucky, Anthony and his family first lived in what later became Mercer County, Kentucky. Like his father-in-law, Randolph Slack, he was living in the neighborhood between Harrodsburg and Danville, Kentucky. At the August 1783 session of the Lincoln County, Kentucky Court, it was "Ordered that one Tithe belonging to Anthony Letching be added to the list taken by Alexander Robinson." Three years later, he moved his family west a few miles into what is today Washington County, Kentucky. There he purchased 201 acres of land lying on Road Run, a branch of Cartwright's Creek. At that time, this land was part of Nelson County, Kentucky. Land records of both Nelson and Washington Counties have been examined for a record of the purchase, but nothing has been found. In 1818, the "lawful heirs and legatees of Anthony Litsey deceased" deeded this tract to Matthew Walton and his wife through the following deed [excerpt]:

This Indenture made this May 29, 1818, be-

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tween Matthew Walton and Frances, his wife, of the one part and Randal Litsey, John Litsey, Anthony Litsey, James Litsey, Matthew Litsey and Henry Litsey, Lawful heirs and legatees of Anthony Litsey deceased, of the other part all of the commonwealth of Kentucky... for and in the consideration of \$166.66, contracted to be paid in the year 1786, or thereabouts... a certain tract of parcel of land situate lying and being in the county of Washington and Commonwealth aforesaid on the waters of Road Run, a branch of Cartwright's Creek, containing by survey 201 acres, two roods, and 15 poles...

On the same day, another deed was recorded regarding the same tract:

This indenture made and entered into this May 29, 1818, between Randal Litsey for himself and as attorney in fact for James Litsey and John Litsey and John Davis as attorney in fact for Anthony and Henry Litsey and Matthew Litsey all of the County of Washington and commonwealth of Kentucky of the one part, and Basil Muligan of the County and State aforesaid of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Litseys and Davis for and in the consideration of \$1,266... a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the county of Washington and state aforesaid, on the waters of Road Run a branch of Cartwright's Creek, containing by survey, 201 acres, 2 roods and 15 poles and beginning as follows...

An article written by Orval W Baylor in 1934 mentions a connection between the Lincoln and Litsey families as well as the dangers of living in Kentucky in the early days.

...Of all persons qualified to speak with authority on early Lincoln family history, insofar as it related to the first years in Kentucky, the members of the Litsey family are entitled to considerate attention. The earliest members of the Litsey family in Kentucky was Anthony Litsey, whose house stood about midway between the Lincoln cabin on the South and the Richard Berry Sr house on the North. It is but a few minutes walk from the Anthony Litsey house-site to the spot where the pioneer Lincoln is said to have met his death.

Randel Litsey, son of Anthony, married Mary Gregory, daughter of Richard Gregory. Randal and Mary Gregory Litsey were contemporaneous with Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Hanks, the Litsey's being but a few years older than Thomas and Nancy. Mary Litsey was one of Nancy's intimate associates. She assisted with the making of Nancy's wedding dress and she attended the wedding of Thomas and Nancy at Francis Berry's house in 1806. Uriah Litsey was a son of Randal and Mary Gregory Litsey. From his mother he learned much that related to the Lincolns and their kinfolk. This information he passed on to his son, Judge Berry Litsey, and the Judge spent the greater part of a day in conducting his son, David Litsey, over the Lincoln country, and in acquainting him with the facts as he had heard them from this father.

Now, what do the Litseys say about the Lincolns?

Judge Berry Litsey took David Litsey to the site on Lincoln's Run, now marked by a replica of the original Lincoln cabin, and there pointed out the place where Abraham Sr settled in 1782. From thence, the Judge and his son walked along the ridge overlooking the Beech Fork, to a point which the Judge designated as being the same that his father had often told him was the place where the President's grandfather, while outhunting, was killed by Indians.

From the massacre site, father and son passed to the burying-ground, situated on a high bluff overlooking the river. At the western edge of the graveyard, Judge Litsey located a grave that he said was none other than that of the pioneer Abraham Lincoln [the President's grandfather]. There could be no mistake for the grave was then marked by a stone that bore the inscription A LINCOLN.

David Litsey took mental note of the grave site and afterward he took a photograph of the stone. At that time, David Litsey's picture shows it was still standing and name was plainly showing.

Last Fall, David Litsey took me to the old burying-ground. He went straight to the spot where this father, some thirty years before, had pointed out to him the grave and head-stone of Abraham Lincoln Sr. The stone was no longer intact. Only

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the base remained in place. Several pieces lay scattered about. On one of the pieces I found a part of the name. The pieces were so badly mutilated that it was impossible for us to reconstruct them and restore the entire inscription.

As mentioned in the article above, during the 1780s and early 1790s there were numerous conflicts with the Indians in the area. Anthony was one of many who fought to get the Indians under control. Kentucky military payroll records dated November 14, 1800 document that Anthony was paid for fighting against the Shawnees August 10, 1787.

Anthony died sometime between June 28, 1792 and September 13, 1792, in Nelson County, Kentucky, in an area that is today the southeast corner of Washington County, Kentucky. His will, recorded in Nelson County, Kentucky, reads as follows:

In the name of God Amen, I Anthony Litsey [spelled Litsen in the will] of Nelson County, and State of Virginia, do find myself weak of body but of perfect mind and memory. And knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die and to rise again at the resurrection by the mighty power of God. That is to say, principally, and first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it, and [my body] to the Earth to be buried at decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching my worldly estate where with it has pleased God to bless me with in the life, I give, devise and dispose of it the following manner: FIRST I give to my well beloved sons my Lands and Tenements in an equal proportion namely, Randolph, John, Anthony, James, Henry and Matthew, only I will they shall not dispose of the same till all come of age and then by the consent of each other. Item next: I give to my oldest daughter Sarah such of my property as she has already got and ten shillings more. Item: I give to my daughters Catherine, Mary and Nancy an equal share of my goods and chattels and also my sons to receive an equal share of my good and chattels with they of my daughters only. I will that such of my children as wants schooling to be schooled and at the expense of my sons. Item: I give to my well beloved wife Susannah such portion of my estate as the law directs during her natu-

ral life and not to destroy the same and at her decease to be divided between all the children, and to assist me in this, my last Will and Testament, I appoint my trusty friends: Benjamin Ogden and William Hays my Executors, I have to this end set my hand and seal June 28, 1792.

Children of Anthony Litching and Susanna Slack are:

7 i. Sarah Litsey, born December 09, 1766 in Augusta Co., Va; died Abt. 1843 in Harrison County Indiana; married John Davis August 21, 1790 in Nelson County Kentucky.

ii. Randal Litsey, born April 18, 1770; died September 28, 1849.

iii. Catherine Litsey, born 1773 in Augusta Co., Va; died Bef. 1850 in Harrison County Indiana; married Edward Davis August 25, 1794 in Washington Co., Ky; born 1771 in Frederick Co., Va; died Bef. 1860 in Harrison County Indiana.

iv. John Litsey, born November 02, 1774; died April 20, 1857.

v. Anthony Litsey, born Abt. 1777.

vi. Mary Litsey, born Abt. 1780; died Aft. 1830.

vii. James Litsey, born August 03, 1782; died November 02, 1854.

viii. Henry Litsey, born 1784; died February 17, 1867.

ix. Nancy Litsey, born 1787; died April 06, 1813.

x. Matthew Litsey, born 1788; died June 07, 1852.

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16. William Askeren, born March 14, 1687/88 in Stubbs Walden, Yorkshire, England; died December 1721 in Haywood, Yorkshire, England. He was the son of 32. Richard Askorne and 33. Unknown. He married 17. Dinah.

17. Dinah, born 1673; died January 08, 1770 in Campsall, Yorkshire, England.

Children of William Askeren and Dinah are:

8 i. Thomas Askren, Sr, born June 19, 1719 in Burghwallis, Yorkshire, England; died Abt. 1804 in Fayette Co., PA; married Martha New.

ii. John Askren, born April 06, 1714 in Womersley, England; died August 21, 1721 in St Marti, Yorkshire, England.

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cause.

State on relation of Daniel D. Smith vs. Elam Willey. — Michael Neal claims 2 days as witness.

John Sturgeon Sr. vs. Benjamin L. Elliston — Domestic Attachment. Publish order in the *Crawford County Whig*, a weekly newspaper. Defendant came not, but defaulted — Attachment issued on: SE qtr. of the SE qtr. of Section 27, Township 3S of Range 1E; for debt due of \$77.

John Wright, John T. Morgan and Nathan N. Morgan vs. Reuben T. Thom — Chancery Court; continued.

Overseers of the Poor of Union Twp., Crawford County vs. Peter Shuck — Attachment. Warrant of Alfred Williams, a Justice of the Peace of Union Township and the return of the Overseerer. It is Ordered that the said Overseers proceed to sell the property and effects mentioned in said return on such terms as they may think best and appropriate the proceeds thence to the support of the defendant's family.

Barzilla Willey vs. James McFarland — Arbitration of Ebenezer E. Morgan, Abraham Edwards and William M. Elsworth. James McFarland to receive most of the firm.

State of Indiana,
Crawford County, Sct:

I, James Lockhart, President Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for said state hereby Certify that I have examined the records and papers in the Clerk's Office of Crawford Circuit Court and find them in good order and well kept.

October 26, 1847. James Lockhart

Court Adjourn until tomorrow.

October Term 1847, 3rd Day.

Wednesday, October 27, 1847. Present: Same as yesterday.

Grand Jury discharged and allowed 3 days service.

Henry Bailey vs. James Suddarth — Ordered that defendant, Henry Bailey, go hence without delay and recover of the plaintiff his costs.

Zebulon Leavenworth vs. Joseph Phelps and Amasa Woodford — Chancery, continued.

State on relation of David L. Smith vs. Elam Willey, Joseph Phelps and John Lyntch — Debt. An

appeal from the division of last term by the said defendant upon entering into an appeal bond in the sum of \$400 with John N. P. McKoon as security upon said bond and said bond is to be filed in the Clerk's Office of this court within ten days from this time.

State on relation of Ebenezer E. Morgan, Auditor vs. Samuel Lathrop, etal. — Debt. Cont.

William Mansfield vs. Horace Z. Williams and Samuel Lathrop — Writ. Execution is awarded against the possessions of defendants for the sum of \$11.39, the original debt, plus charges, interest, costs which in all now total \$16.66. Execution shall not issue until the expiration of 6 months from this date.

Prosecuting Attorney moves to set aside the indictment for Petit Larceny against James King.

John Wright, John L. Morgan and Nathan N. Morgan vs. Reuben T. Thom — Chancery Court, continued.

State vs. James King — Petit Larceny. James King, John King and Stephen Golden acknowledge their bond for \$200 to warrant that James King will appear at the next term of Court to answer an Indictment against him by the Grand Jury on a charge of Petit Larceny, cont.

State vs. Greenville Boston — Perjury. Greenville Boston, Jacob Poe and Fisher A. Bilden acknowledge their bond on the appearance at the next term of Greenville Boston to answer a charge of Perjury. Bond set at \$500 to appear at the court house in Leavenworth.

On this day personally appeared Lewis Pearson, Barnett Moore, Eli Stewart, S. R. Gowen, Wm. Proctor, Luke Wood and Peter Miller and each acknowledged themselves severally to owe and be indebted to the state of Indiana in the sum of \$50 to be levied of their goods and lands, if default be made in the following condition; That is to say, That if they and each of them shall personally be and appear before the judges of the Crawford Circuit Court and not depart without leave, at their next term to be held at the court house in the Town of Leavenworth in the County of Crawford and State of Indiana, then and there in said Court to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the State of Indiana in a certain suit now pending in said Court wherein the State of Indiana is Plaintiff and Greenville Bos-

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iii. Richard Askren, born November 17, 1715 in Womersley, England; died October 03, 1758 in Arksey England; married Margaret Carter.

Notes for Richard Askren:

There is indication that this family may have changed the spelling of Askren to Askron.

iv. Willian Askren, born October 07, 1717 in Womersley, England; died August 21, 1741 in Campsall, Yorkshire, England.

v. Mary Askren, born January 27, 1720/21.

18. William New

Child of William New is:

9 i. Martha New, born 1725 in Maryland; died Abt. 1770; married Thomas Askren, Sr.

30. Randolph Slack, born Abt. 1720; died March 1795 in Washington Co., Ky.. He married 31.

Sarah Penn.

31. Sarah Penn, born Abt. 1734; died Aft. April 02, 1795 in Washington Co., Ky..

Notes for Randolph Slack:

Randal Slack was born about 1720, probably in Pennsylvania. The exact place of his birth is unknown but at one time the Slacks were living near the old Fort where Harrisburg, Pennsylvania is today.

Augusta County, Virginia, Court Records, Order Book 16, May 18, 1779 - Randall Slack and Sarah, his wife, failing to appear as witnesses to the will of Casper Ekert, are fined unless they appear, &c.

By 1781, Randal had moved his family to Kentucky. The first mention of Randolph in Kentucky was recorded in August, 1783 in the Lincoln County, Kentucky, Court, when it was "Ordered that one Tithe belonging to Randolph Slack be added to the list taken by Alexander Robinson."

Pioneer History of Washington County, Kentucky, by Orval W Baylor, page 22 — Randolph Slack, prominent in his time in public affairs in Washington County, settled therein about the year 1795. His home was in the neighborhood of Hardin's Mill.

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ton is Defendant in a charge of Perjury.

Thomas W. Fox vs. Joseph Jones — In Assumpsit — Plaintiff to recover of Defendant \$379 plus interest at 6% plus costs.

Ordered the following allowances for the present term:

Jesse Crecelius James A. Clark

Isaac Hoskins Martin Tucker

Jesse McWilliams James Gibbs

Alexander Barnett B. McConnell

Alexander McCone Fountain Tucker

Joseph Ratliff, all served as bailiff.

The Grand Jury returns the following Indictments as True Bills:

Felix B. Parr — Disturbing religious society.

William Morgan — Same.

James Travis — Same.

Joseph Beal — Same.

Greenbury Kemp — Same.

John Kemp — Same.

Henry Conrad — Same.

James Riley — Same.

John W. Witson — Assault & Battery.

James Gibbs — Assault & Battery.

State vs. Joseph Combs, William Combs, Mather Combs, John Langer and Stephen Golden — Indictment for Robbery. Sheriff brings into Court Stephen Golden, one of the Defendants herein — And this cause as to the other Defendants is continued and arrest warrants are issued and the Clerk endorses bail in the sum of \$300 each and the said Stephen Golden is committed to the custody of the Sheriff for want of bail which is required in the sum of \$300 and this cause is continued.

Ordered that all other causes not other wise disposed of be continued until next term of this Court to which time this Court stands adjourned.

James Lockhart.

In Vacation.

January 18, 1848.

Special Session of the Crawford Circuit Court to fill the vacancy of Clerk of the Court due to the death of Samuel Sands, Esq., late clerk of said Court. Present: The Honorable Manuel Schoonover and Jacob Poe, Associate Judges of said

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