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A limited number of FIVE LINE Business Cards will be inserted for the remainder of the year at Forty Cents each; cash to accompany the order.

WITH the birth of a new year, is born a new idea, a new enterprise, a new paper for the Lewis race. In this initial number of our *inter-family letter* we come with blessings to greet you. The LEWIS LETTER marks a new epoch in the history of the race, and has an important mission to accomplish. Its aim is not only to cultivate the acquaintance and friendship of the members of the family, but to serve as a medium through which every one of the name may become and remain known to their kindred; and at the same time to record and perpetuate their traditions, history and pedigree.

THE one great fault common to all people, and especially noticeable in Americans, is the lack of genealogical records.

THERE should be a system of town records fully and faithfully kept; and each family should have a book of family records to be transmitted from generation to generation. If such records were made would it not tend to improve the *social*, moral and intellectual condition of the people? Would they not emulate the best models of probity and virtue? Would they not strive to have a clear record? The policy of this paper will be to suggest and encourage all efforts in this direction; to gather and disseminate useful and interesting intelligence concerning the Lewises for their pleasure and profit, to the end that the world may be the better and perhaps the wiser for our having lived in it.

“PEOPLE who do not take pride in remote ancestry, will never achieve anything to be remembered by their remote descendants.”—*Macaulay.*

Lewis is defined as a bold warrior.

First Reunion of Lewis Family.

[FROM WHITNEY'S POINT REPORTER.]

On Saturday at a late hour we had the pleasure of visiting the fair ground and witnessing a reunion of the Lewis family. Mr. F. P. Lewis Esq., of Lisle had labored assiduously for this gathering and he had the pleasure of seeing his efforts crowned with success. We arrived after the banquet and just before the organization for the coming year was perfected. Mr. F. P. Lewis called the meeting to order and in a few well chosen remarks stated the object of the gathering and trusted that succeeding years would see it increase in numbers and interest. All with whom we conversed expressed themselves as highly pleased and very thankful to Mr. Lewis for his untiring efforts in arranging such an enjoyable meeting.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President, Hon. T. H. B. Lewis, of Wilkes Barre, Pa.

Vice Pres. Alonzo Lewis, Lisle, N. Y.

Secy. and Treas., F. P. Lewis, Lisle, N. Y.

It was voted to hold another reunion next year. Mr. Alonzo Collins and the Broome County Agricultural Society were tendered a vote of thanks for the free use of the beautiful grounds. The reunion was composed of smart and intelli-

gent, appearing people, and we trust not, that another year, all will look forward to their annual gathering with much pleasure.

SPEECH OF PRES. LEWIS

Pres. Lewis first spoke of the name Lewis as related to nationality. He said that it was the generally received opinion that all Lewises were of Welsh origin, and that in his younger days he had never doubted the correctness of the supposition. As however all our names in their origin had some meaning aside from being simply a name, being usually the appropriation of the name of some animal or other object, or given to designate the occupation or some prominent characteristic of the individual, he had a desire to know the meaning of the word Lewis. He therefore asked its meaning of many educated Welshmen that he met, and to his surprise none of them could tell. The name was evidently as arbitrary in the Welsh as in the English language, and he came to the conclusion that he was not necessarily a Welshman by reason of his name, though he might be one by blood. Some years ago, however, the mystery was cleared up in his mind by an article on the subject of names in one of our leading magazines. Among other names the writer spoke of the name Lewis, and said that it was of Saxon origin and meant a lion, being given to some

brave warrior, and coming in that way to have bold warrior as a secondary meaning.

In accounting for its use among the Welsh people the writer said that William, the Conqueror found the Welsh people without any tribal name, that each individual was simply John, the son of Thomas, or William, the son of James, as the case might be, and that was all. William, therefore for political purposes, divided them into hundreds, a hundred families constituting a tribe, and gave to each hundred a distinctive name, and among the names so given was that of Lewis, which in that way became a tribal name, and has so continued ever since. Mr. Lewis further said in this connection that undoubtedly there were Lewises among the Saxons who come over and settled in Britian at the time of the Saxon conquest of Britian, so that a man of that name might be a descendent from Welsh, Anglo Saxon or Saxon origin.

Referring to the present gathering and the organization just effected, he said that its immediate and primary object was to promote acquaintance and sociability among relatives and people of the name, and those of other names related to them, but that it had a higher and more enduring object, which was the helping them all to live better and more useful lives. This was a

day of organization. Every thing of any account was accomplished by the means of some sort of organization. This was necessitated by our human nature. There was only here and there a man who alone and without support and encouragement will even attempt anything worthy in life, or who without some outside restraint will live a life of average morality. The mass of men require both encouragement and restraint. This is furnished by organization in its multitudinous forms. A man who is identified with any organization is assured of its support and sympathy in any undertaking consonant with its purposes, and of its condemnation of any one act inconsistent therewith, and acts accordingly. Now what was sought by this organization, was to assure every one belonging to it that in everything worthy and laudable, he will have the sympathy, goodwill and moral support of the whole Lewis name and lineage, and in everything unworthy he will have their disapprobation. The organization would in that way become to every one of its members an incentive to virtue and usefulness, and a restraint from evil. All present were therefore urged to give the organization their hearty support that it might accomplish its most worthy purpose.

SPEECH OF PROF. G. H. STILWELL.

Such a person as I, is only *half*

Lewis and it seems to me that the *Lewis half* should do the speaking, especially as it is the *better half*.

You know it is said of Adam that, when he got tired of giving names to his descendants he said "Let all the rest be called Smith," but I think it would be true to say that for a hundred years or so previous to this he had been giving them the name of Lewis and only changed to Smith when he had grown tired of that. You find Lewises everywhere, of all ages, sizes, kinds and occupations, and true also to say, of all colors. Up in Madison-co., you can find nothing but Lewises and their relatives, the Curtisses. When a politician goes round up there hunting up votes and meets a person, he says at once "How do you do Mr. Lewis?" If the person says "You are mistaken that is not my name," the politician says, "I beg your pardon, I took you for your relative, how do you do Mr. Curtis?" Then he is always right.

As far back as the family to which I am connected, can go in their geneology is to my great grandfather, Judson Lewis, who lived in revolutionary times at Stratford, Conn. About 1795 he moved to Madison Co., N. Y., and one street there now is called Stratford-st. in honor of the place from which he came. He brought with him eight sons who soon developed a great

liking for Madison Co. Six of them married Curtises, then to cap the climax the seventh one married the widow Curtis. I don't know what the eighth one did but presume no Curtis was left for him.

A fact worthy of consideration by the Lewises is one in reference to a Col. Whitney, a British officer in the French and Indian war of 1755. He had charge of some troops in the northern part of this state, and history speaks of him as rallying his soldiers after a repulse by the Indians, four miles north of Fort Edward. He loaned the British government £1500 for which he was never paid, and which has increased at this time to about \$15,000,000. This Col. Whitney, was the great grandfather of Alonzo Lewis, whom you have just chosen as your vice president and some of the Lewises have been looking up the records with a view of getting the money back into the family and dividing it. Another fact worthy of our notice is that some claim that the word Lewis is only a corruption of the French word *Louis* and that we are descendants of a long line of European Kings of that name. In my mind there is no doubt of this fact. Now if the Lewises can prove this and get some one of their number seated upon a European throne, then get this \$15,000,000 and divide it, I don't think they need ask any odds of any family or

tribe upon the face of the earth.

Lewis family association register of attendance at the first reunion and basket picnic held on the Broome County Fair Grounds at Whitney's Point, N. Y., Saturday August 28, 1886 :

LISLE, N. Y.,

Alonzo Lewis, Vice President; John C. Lewis, Tribe Clerk; Mary J. Lewis, Dollie Lewis, Sarah Stoddard Lewis, Ida Lewis, George W. Lewis, Carrie R. Lewis, Minnie E. Personcous, Elmer J. Lewis, Harriet M. Stoddard, Parley Lewis, Margaret M. Lewis, Willie M. Lewis, G. Clarence Lewis, Henry W. Lewis, Fred Johnson, Mary E. L. Lewis, Herbert M. Personcous, James R. Lewis, S. Eugenie Lewis, F. P. Lewis, Secy. and Treas.

WHITNEY'S POINT, N. Y.

Isabelle Lewis, W. D. Lewis, Ella B. Lewis, Vina M. Lewis, Edith Lewis, Freeman Lewis, Edwin S. Lewis, George Hyde, Albert C. Lewis, Lillie A. Lewis, Cora Lewis, Della J. Stoughton, Fanny M. Stoughton, Geo. W. Stoughton, Mrs. L. A. Terwilliger, DeEtta Bush, Libbie Lewis Wagoner, Laura Lewis, Deloss Hibbard.

LAMB'S CORNERS, N. Y.

Lottie Marsh.

LONDON, ENGLAND.

Milly Ryan.

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Prof. G. H. Stilwell, Mary Lewis Stilwell.

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Joseph Self, Adelia P. Self, M. D. Pearsall, Erwin B. Whitney, Luella M. Whitney.

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KATTLEVILLE, N. Y.

Leonard Lewis, Tribe Clerk, Mrs. Leonard Lewis, Julius Lewis, Mary Lewis, Joshua Lewis, Eunice Carroll, Mrs. Joshua Lewis, P. H. Palmer, Tessie C. Lewis, Ella Palmer, Sarah Carroll.

MONTROSE, PA.

Edwin R. Stebbins, Tribe Clerk; Blennie Stebbins.

WILKESBARRE, PA.

Hon. T. H. B. Lewis, President, Blanche Lewis.

CASTLE CREEK, N. Y.

Jacob S. Hodges, Betsey Hodges, Merton Hodges, Loran Hodges.

VESTLE CENTRE, N. Y.

Mrs. Judson Lewis.

OXFORD, N. Y.

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E. Lewis.

GLAD BROOK, IOWA.

Mrs. G. R. Dunn, Jennie Dunn.

HAMMONDSPORT, N. Y.

Nancy Vanderburg, Arthur Van-
derburg.

Books.

For convenience the records to be found in this paper will be divided into BOOKS, and each book into CHAPTERS.

BOOK I will contain all the records pertaining to Randall Lewis, *progenitors* and *descendants* (among whom is President Lewis.)

BOOK II will contain all the records pertaining to Judson Lewis, his *progenitors* and *descendants* (among whom is Vice President Lewis.)

BOOK III will contain all the records pertaining to Stephen Lewis his *progenitors* and *descendants* (among whom are Prof. Burr Lewis of Lockport, and J. O. and G. W. Lewis of Lisle, N. Y.) A new BOOK will be added for each distinct branch of the Lewis family to be found among the subscribers to this *paper*.

If any of the branches are traced to a common ancestor the proper change will be made in the BOOK.

It is desirable to have one chapter in each book in every issue of this paper, so that the records of each branch of the race may be published contemporaneously. The subscribers are solicited to send their records to the office for publication. All correspondence intended for publication should be written upon one side of the sheet in ink, and the BOOK in which it belongs should be indicated. Write *names* and *dates* plainly.

Every subscriber is urged to communicate with the office every month by postal card or letter and note births, marriages and deaths; change of residence and any matter of interest.

Family Record Questions.

1—Name in full? 2—Last P. O. address? 3—When and where born? 4—When and where married? 5—By whom and to whom married? 6—Her *maiden* name? 7—Her father's name? 8—Her mother's *maiden* name? 9—When and where was wife born? 10—When and where died? 11—Cause of death? 12—Where buried? 13—if re-married give same date? 14—When and where died? 15—Cause of death? 16—Where buried? 17—Occupation? 18—Politics? 19—Religion? 20—When and where educated? 21—What army or navy service? 22—When and what offices held? 23—What knowledge

of Family Coat of Arms? 24—
 What traditions in family? 25—
 Family history? 26—Give several
 places and date of residence? 27—
 Give names of paternal ancestors.

Note. Write on one side of sheet.
 Write all middle names in full. In
 giving dates—give day, month, year.
 Answer all questions as fully as
 possible and give names of such
 people as you think may be able to
 complete the record. Old news-
 paper files, tomb stones, cemetery,
 church, school, town, county and
 probate, records and family bibles
 should be examined and old people
 consulted.

Notes.

A HAPPY New Year to you.

WILLIAM TERRELL LEWIS, of
 Louisville, Miss., has compiled a
 genealogy of the Lewis family,
 embracing a period of about 250
 years and several thousand names,
 and placed the manuscript with the
 Louisville, (Ky.) Courier Journal
 Job Printing Co. to publish as soon
 as enough subscriptions are received.
 The price of the book is \$2.00.

LEWIS ASSOCIATION No. two, with
 Seth Lewis, Esq., Secretary, was
 organized at Ulysses, Potter Co.,
 Pa., Dec. 6, 1886. A full report
 will appear in the February issue.

LEWIS, the child, King of the
 Germans, died in 911, not having
 attained manhood.

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No. two, organized December 6, 1886,
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SEVENTY-TWO paid subscribers for the first issue of this paper.

32 SUBSCRIBERS added during January.

THE LEWIS LETTER is the official organ of the Lewis Associations.

CORRECTIONS: The Post Office address of Christopher D. Lewis, is Caton, N. Y.; the reference in Prof. Stilwell's speech was to Col. Whiting instead of Whitney; Mrs. J. W. Duffy is a subscriber.

THE organization of Lewis Associations is earnestly recommended, and full reports are solicited for publication.

WE report Lewis Associations, No. one, of Lisle, N. Y., and No. two, of Ulysses, Potter Co., Pa.

THE associations receive their number in the order of the reports to this paper.

WHEN five or more associations have been formed, they may organize a Lewis League.

LET us try and double the subscription list during February.

Constitution and By Laws.

The Lewis Association of Potter County,
Pennsylvania.

Adopted Dec. 6th, 1886, at the
First Annual Reunion, at the house
of Mrs. Lucy L. Lewis, in the Bor-
ough of Louisville, Pa.

ARTICLE I. NAME.

This Association shall be known
as the Lewis Association of Potter
county, Pennsylvania.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP.

This Association shall consist of
all persons by the name of Lewis,
and all persons connected with the
Lewis Race by blood or marriage,
who shall enrol themselves as mem-
bers.

ARTICLE III. OBJECTS.

The objects of this Association
are declared to be, the promotion
of fraternal feeling among the mem-
bers, the encouragement of each
other in every laudable undertaking,
and the collection and preservation
of the facts and events in the histo-
ry and geneology of the Lewis Race.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association
shall be a President, a Vice Presi-
dent, a Secretary and a Treasurer,
who shall severally perform the
duties usually pertaining to their
offices, and shall also constitute an
Executive Committee. They shall
hold their several offices for the
term of one year, and shall serve
without compensation.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS.

SEC. 1. The meetings of this Asso-
ciation shall consist of an Annual
Reunion and such other meetings
as may be called by the Executive
Committee on request of the mem-
bers of the Association.

SEC. 2 This Association shall hold
one Annual Reunion, at a time and
place to be designated by the Ex-
ecutive Committee, at which time
the officers shall be elected to serve
for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE VI. EXPENSES.

No fees or dues shall be collected,
but all moneys which may be found
necessary to carry out the objects
of the Association shall be raised
by voluntary contribution.

ARTICLE VII. MEMBERS.

SEC. 1. Any person who is eligi-
ble may become a member of this
Association by signing this consti-
tution.

SEC. 2. Every person, on becom-
ing a member, shall furnish his
Post Office address, and shall notify
the Secretary of all changes. Every
member, when called upon by the
Secretary, shall furnish without
charge or expense, such information
as he may have or can conveniently
obtain, in regard to the history and
genealogy of the Lewis Race.

Emma L. Edgcomb, Ayer's Hill, Pa
M. Lavinia Lewis, President, Coud-
ersport, Pa.

Lucy L. Lewis Ulysses, Pa

Ella M. Lewis.....	Ulysses, Pa	celebrated the 25th anniversary of their wedding. Owing to the severity of the weather the gathering was not large, being confined to those relatives who lived in the vicinity, amounting to nearly twenty. The presents consisted of a cake basket, two castors, pickle dish, butter knife, napkin ring, and napkins etc in value about \$20. Among the guests was Mrs. M. Lavinia Lewis of Coudersport, the oldest living relative of Mrs. Edgcomb, and the occasion will be long held in remembrance by those who participated.
Harrison Edgcomb,	"	
Libbie G. Edgcomb,	"	
Sarah (Torrey) Cady..	Ulysses, Pa	
Mary E. (Torrey) Jenkins	"	
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Addie L. Hyde.....	Ulysses, Pa	
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[From Local Paper.]

FRIDAY afternoon, Dec. 3, 1886, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Edgcomb, of Ayers Hill, Potter Co., Pa.,

A Pleasant Gathering.

Last Monday afternoon, Dec. 6, 1886, there was a gathering of the members of the Lewis Race and those related to them in this vicinity, at the residence of Mrs. Lucy Lewis in Lewisville, the immediate object being to celebrate the birthday of Miss Ella M. Lewis the only daughter of the late A. G. Lewis. Nearly forty persons in all were present, mostly from the vicinity, but there were also Mrs. Emma (Lewis) Edgcomb, her husband, Mr. Harrison Edgcomb, and daughter Libbie, of Ayer's Hill, and E. D. Lewis, Esq., of Coudersport. The families of five children of William and Azuba Lewis, of Farmington, Conn., were represented. The company organized themselves into an Association and elected

Mrs. M. Lavinia Lewis, of Coudersport, President, John Lewis, of Lewisville, Vice President and Seth Lewis, Secretary. In accordance with the requirements of a constitution adopted by the Association, it was determined to hold an annual reunion, the next one to be held during the summer of 1887, at a time and place to be determined hereafter. This day being, in fact, a family anniversary, it was deemed fitting that some substantial recognition of it should be made, and accordingly Aunt Lucy and Cousin Ella became the recipients of presents amounting to nearly \$40. Each lady having contributed something from the contents of her pantry, a substantial lunch was provided at about 6 o'clock, and the company separated at a little past 7.

Books of Reference.

Alden's Collection - American Epitaph, Vol. 5, page 68-70.

Andrew's History of New Britain, Ct., pages 160-1-7, 277, 303-7, 332.

Austin's Rhode Island, Genealogical Dictionary.

Barton Genealogy, Part 2, 170-2.

Bradbury's History Kennebunkport, Me., 257.

Bronson's History, Waterbury, Ct., 518-19.

Cavelain's History of New London, Ct., 295-6.

Genealogical Records.

BOOK I.

RANDALL LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

There is a tradition in this family that Randall Lewis came from some place in Rhode Island to Petersburg, Keneselaer Co., N. Y., and from thence moved to or near Delhi, Delaware Co., N. Y., where he died. It is not known when he was born or died. Any information concerning him or his progenitors or collateral relatives, is desired. An outline of his children and grand-children, so far as known, is appended, to assist investigations. Randall Lewis—R. I. to Petersburg and Delhi, N. Y.

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

- | | | |
|-----------------|---|---------------------|
| 1. John | { | 1. John, Jr. |
| | | 2. Sylvia Stebbins. |
| | | 3. Asa. |
| | | James R. |
| 2. Randall, Jr. | { | 1. Marquis. |
| Delhi to | | 2. William. |
| Petersburgh. | | 3. Polly. |
| | | 4. Betsey. |
| | | 5. Laura. |
| | | 6. Phebe. |
| | | 7. Harriet. |
| 3. Caleb | { | 1. Katie. |
| b. | | 2. Sophia Weaver, |
| | | Oakland, Cal. |
| | | 3. William H. |
| | | 4. Raymond P. |
| | | 5. Fanny. |
| | | 6. Electa. |
| | | 7. Henry H. |
| | | 8. Leonard L. |
| | | 9. Almira. |
| Delhi to | { | 10. Squire H., |
| Petersburgh | | Luddsburgh, Pa. |
| | | 11. Alvira |
| | | 12. Palmyra. |
| | | 13. Mary A. |

4. Joshua } Information wanted.
Unknown }
5. Daniel } Do.
do }
6. Olive }
M. Stanton Bailey, } Do.
Petersburgh, N. Y. }
7. Ruth }
M. Elizabeth Osborn } Do.
8. Rowland }
1 Isaac.
2 Elsie—in. Wood.
3 Joshua.
4 Hulduh.
5 Sarah M.
6 Thomas.

PERSONALS.

HON. T. H. B. Lewis, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., a son of Dr James R. Lewis, writes that he is engaged in Court, but will try and contribute an article for the March number and send with his club for the LEWIS LETTER.

JOSEPH SELF, of Triangle, N. Y., has just returned from a month's visit to his nephew, Dr. Wm. Bolton, Batavia, N. Y.

T. J. PAYNE, of the mercantile firm of Payne & Green, Tylersburgh, Pa., a son-in-law of the late ASA LEWIS, writes commending the LEWIS LETTER and adds his subscription. Mr. and Mrs. Payne expect to attend the reunion next August.

BOOK II.

JUDSON LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

Information concerning the pro-

genitors, collaterals and descendants of Judson Lewis, is desired.

The following outline is given, hoping it may inspire and assist some one of this branch to furnish the full record for publication.

Judson Lewis, farmer, Stratford, Ct., to Sallsville, Madison Co., N. Y., 1795.

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

- | | | |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------|
| 1 Charles | { | 1 Charles, Jr. |
| | | 2 Abner. |
| 2 Whiting | { | 1 Henry. |
| | | 2 Judson. |
| | | 3 Stiles. |
| 3 Silas | { | 1 Albert. |
| | | 2 Otis. |
| 4 William | { | 1 Alonzo, Lisle, N Y |
| | | 2 Alfred. |
| | | 3 John. |
| | | 4 Amanda. |
| | | 5 Jerome B., |
| | | Smithville Flats, N Y |
| | | 6 Imogene. |
| 5 Isaac | { | Wanted. |
| 6 Conway | { | Wanted. |
| 7 Betsey | { | Wanted. |
| 8 Catherine Curtis | { | Wanted. |

PERSONALS.

Prof. G. H. Stilwell, of Geddes, N. Y., son-in-law of Vice-President Lewis, is in receipt of a letter from Rollin H. Cooke, of Winsted, Ct., informing him of a manuscript genealogy possessed by a member of his family in Kansas; that his earliest progenitor was probably Benjamin, of Wallingford, Ct., 1670, who returned to Stratford, Ct.

ALONZO D. LEWIS, of Lisle, N. Y., was in Albany, N. Y., during the late Senatorial contest.

BOOK III.

DAVID LEWIS and REV. THOMAS LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

The Rev. Thomas Lewis was a Baptist clergyman at Waterford, Ireland, where he died *s. p.*

His brother David came from Pembrokehire, South Wales, to Philadelphia, Pa., about 1800. He afterwards moved to the following named places: Utica, N. Y.; Trenton, N. Y.; Seneca Falls, N. Y., where he died May 12, 1825, and was buried at Cayuga.

HIS CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

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|---|---|----------------------|
| 1 Ann, b., Wales | { | Information desired. |
| m. Edwin Baldwin
Utica, N. Y. | | |
| 2 Sarah, b. W. | { | 1 George. |
| m. Geo. H. McClara
Seneca Falls, N. Y. | | |
| 3 James b. W. | { | Information desired. |
| m. Elizabeth Annin | | |
| 4 Thomas b. W. | { | Information desired. |
| A sea faring man,
Lost at sea | | |
| 5 John b. W. | { | Information desired. |
| Died in N. Y. City | | |
| 6 Stephen b. W. | { | Information desired. |
| m. Miss Delvin
Utica, N. Y. | | |
| 7 Edward b. W. | { | Information desired. |
| m. Min Arnold,
Seneca Falls, N. Y. | | |
| 8 Louise b. Phila., Pa | { | 1 William |
| m. Timpson
Lived and died, N. Y. | | |
| | | 2 Julia. |

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| 1 Annin David, b.
Cayuga, Nov 26,
1828 | { | 2 William Edward
Cay, Sept 10, 1831 |
| 3 Mary Cuyler,
Cay, Jan 29, 1833 | | |
| 4 John Cooper,
Clarkson, Oct 28,
1834 | { | 5 Alfred S.,
Clar, Oct 3, 1836 |
| 6 Prof. Burr,
Clar, Sept 10, 1838 | | |
| 7 Esther,
Clar, Feb 24, 1840
died June 27, 1843 | { | 8 George Washing-
ton, b.
Clar, Oct 16, 1844 |
| 9 Geo. B., b.
Phila., Pa.,
July 18, 1804,
m. Susan An-
nin,
Cayuga, N. Y.,
now of
Brockport,
N. Y. | | |

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|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| 9 Maria, b. Phila,
Pa., m. Hon. Ben-
son Owen, Seneca
Falls, N. Y. | { | 1 Frances Taft
Rochester,
N. Y. |
| 10 Catherine, b
Utica, N. Y. | | |
| | { | Not married. |

PERSONALS.

MISS SADIE LEWIS, of Lisle, N. Y., is visiting friends in New York.

JOHN C LEWIS, of Lisle, N. Y., has recently returned from a trip which included Chicago, Denver, and Cheyenne.

ANNIN D. Lewis, a thrifty farmer of East Kendall, N. Y., raised an oat crop the past year which averaged ninety bushels per acre

BOOK IV.

RICHARD LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

Emigrated from Wales to Broome Co., N. Y., about the year 1793.

Will some one of the family write up the full record?

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

- 1 Lewis—Information wanted.
- 2 Catherine—Information wanted.
- 3 William, Port Crane, N. Y.—1 Henry; 2 Robert; 3 Frank; 4 Elizabeth Evans, Binghamton, N. Y.
- 4 Mary A. Brownson—1 David L. Binghamton; 2 Mrs. C. H. Amsbry, Camptown, Pa.
- 5 Elizabeth Hatch—Mary A. Scott, North Fenton, N. Y.
- 6 John—1 Hermon; 2 Eunice.
- 7 Ellis—1 Richard G., Cortland, N. Y.; 2 E. W., Chenango Forks, N. Y.; 3 Eliza Smith; 4 Z. D. Walker, Brooklyn, Mich; 5 A. L. Patterson, Chicago, Ill; 6 Elda R. Cowles, Chenango Forks.

BOOK V.

RICHARD LEWIS, R. I.

CHAPTER I.

The following outline is given with the hope that the members of this branch may complete the full record for publication.

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

- 1 Laban, R. I., to Vt., to Jefferson county, N. Y., to Pa—1 Esek;
- 2 Henrietta; 3 LaFayette; 4 Nancy A; 5 Amadaville; 6 Judson, Vestal, N. Y; 7 Perry.
- 2 Polly Pierce—1 Alanson; 2 Elizabeth; 3 Almeda; 4 Lewis.
- 3 Ezekiel—1 John; 2 Samuel; 3 Edwin; 4 Ezekiel.

- 4 Zelotus—Information desired.
- 5 Arnold, Wood Co., Ohio.
- 6 Lydia Darrow—1 Sylvester; 2 Barbara.
- 7 Lucy Gray, Wood Co., Ohio.
- 8 Anna Hinman—1 Richard; 2 Lydia.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Judson Lewis, of Vestal Centre, N. Y., was the only one of this branch, who attended the first reunion of association No. one.

BOOK VI.

JOSEPH LEWIS, 1776.

CHAPTER I.

Moved from Vermont to Cherry Valley, and thence to Broome Co., N. Y. Outline of descendants:

- 1 Spencer, Cayuga Co, 1820—Children unknown; information desired
- 2 Daniel, Binghamton, N. Y; 1850—Do
- 3 Nicholas, Broome Co, N Y, —1 Calvin P., Hamilton, N Y; 2 Leonard, Kattleville, N Y—[1 Joshua; 2 Charles; 3 Julius; 4 Leonard;]
- 3 Rhoda Collins, Batavia, Ills; 4 Geo W, Josslin, Mo—[Albert, Elgin, Ill]; 5 Mary Bennett, Chenango Forks, N Y; 6 Salmon, South Bend, Ind; [James, m. Jasper E];
- 7 Electa Hoadley, Chicago, Ills;
- 8 Laura Bullock, Waukon, Iowa;
- 9 Sally A; 10 Dennis H; 11 Rachel; 12 Phebe.

PERSONALS

LEONARD LEWIS, of Kattleville, N. Y, is tribe clerk, and was among a largo delegation representing his branch at the reunion. It is probable that he will send a report with a club before the next issue of this paper

Lewis of Rhode Island.

(Savage's Genealogical Dictionary, Vol. III)

[Furnished by Rollin H. Cooke.]

Lewis Daniel, Westerly, R. I., 1679, perhaps son of John of same, m. Mary Button, dau. probably of Peter Button. In will 1718 he names eldest son John, Johnathan, Mary, Dorcas, Daniel and Hannah.

Lewis David, Westerley, R. I., bro. of Daniel, above, m. Elizabeth, dau. of the sec. James Babcock.

Lewis Israel, Westerly, 1679, bro. of Daniel, m. Jane, dau. of sec. James Babcock, had children,
Israel b June 22, 1695.
Benjamin b June 8, 1697.
Jane, May 21, 1700.
Ann, July 13, 1704.

Lewis James, Westerly, 1679, son John, Sen., that was there ten years earlier, m. Sarah, dau. of the second James Babcock.

Lewis John, Westerly, son of John of same, by wife Ann had children

Joseph, b. October 16, 1683.

Sarah, b. August 17, 1687.

Mary, b. May 4, 1689.

Ann, b. January 6, 1691.

Abigail, b. May 20, 1693.

John, b. June 13, 1698.

William b. February 1, 1702.

Jerusha, b. January 11, 1707.

Lewis Samuel, Westerly, son of John of same, by wife Joanna had children

Samuel.

Jonathan.

Joanna T—as named in his will of August 5, 1734.

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THE second number of the LEWIS LETTER was issued Tuesday, and makes a very attractive sheet. It now has over 100 subscribers, and should be taken by every family bearing the name of Lewis, or related to them.—*Whitney's 1st Reporter.*

A Word to the Older People.

T. H. B. L.

The amount of interesting and valuable historic knowledge that is lost in the death of aged people is beyond computation. Men grow old in active life, participating in, and observing a constant succession of family, neighborhood, and business events, yet making no record of them, except perhaps a more or less temporary record of business transactions. All this information therefore passes away with the individual. In countries where there is little migration, and the sons succeed the fathers in the homesteads and community, each generation grows up and lives in the presence of the preceding generation. The accumulated fund of information and history of the fathers is communicated orally to the sons, until there become well established family and local traditions. In this country however we have no traditions, nor can we have any because of the migratory habits of the people. Our ancestors settled in the eastern states, their children migrated to the middle states, the grand-children to the nearer western states, and the great-grand-children to the more remote western states. As a consequence communication even between parents and children became and continues to be infrequent, and the later generations cease to know or

to care anything about their ancestors. It is not necessary to stop here to consider the evil of such a state of things, for it will be readily admitted. The question is how to remedy the evil and how to make amends for the past; and the appeal here is especially to the older people. It is true that we are wisely so constituted, that in earlier and middle life our ambition and effort is to rear and provide for our children as well as to provide for the support and comfort of our old age. When however those later years come upon us, and those former cares and ambitions subside, our minds revert to the years and events of our earlier life. Then it is that we gather up in our own minds the history and events of our own lives and of those in whom we have been interested. Now if this knowledge, so gathered, is not communicated in some permanent form, it is lost. Let all those therefore who are in the evening of their days, in some way, make a permanent record in writing of these recollections of a life time, so that it may be had for the profit and pleasure of succeeding generations. And remember it is not for you to judge of the value of those recollections, but rather for those who inherit them.

TEN new subscribers to this paper added during the month of February.

Genealogical Records.

BOOK VII.

REV. JOSHUA LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

Rev. Joshua Lewis, a Baptist clergyman, emigrated from Wales to Conn. about 1780. He had a son Joshua who was a Baptist clergyman and resided in Conn. and R. I.

Rev. Joshua Lewis, Jr., had a son Joshua b. February 8, 1767; d. July 1, 1836; moved to Saratoga co., and afterwards to Cayuga co., N. Y.; m. Miss Electa Grennell, of Greenfield.

CHILDREN. GRAND CHILDREN.

1. John C. b. March 22, 1794; m. Miss ^(Delecta) Barbour.

1. Mrs. E. R. Handy.
2. Loran L., Buffalo, N. Y.
3. George W. —

✕ 4. Dio b. 1825.

5. A sister.

2. Daniel G. b. June 14, 1796.

3. Asenath b. September 7, 1798.

4. Anna b. March 23, 1801.

5. Isaac B. b. July 9, 1803.

6. Lucy b. October 7, 1805.

7. Charlotte b. June 28, 1810; m. King, Port Byron, N. Y.

8. Justice II. b. June 7, 1814.

BOOK VIII.

JOSHUA LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

John Lewis of—Rhode Island, father of John, Jr., father of Abraham. The members of this family

are urged to prepare the records for publication.

The following is an outline of Abraham's—

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

1. Abraham Jr., had two wives.

1. Nathan, b. December 19, 1776.

2. William, b. September 7, 1778.

3. Abram, b. Sept. 30, 1780.

4. Thankful, b. Sept. 12, 1782.

5. Abel, b. May 3, 1784.

6. Delight, b. June 13, 1786.

7. Miner, b. April 2, 1788; d. March 31, 1790.

8. Miner, b. May 2, 1790.

9. Asher, b. February 28, 1792.

2d wife—

10. Lyman, b. February 27, 1794.

11. Thomas, b. Dec. 5, 1795.

12. Ethan, b. October 4, 1797; d. December 22, 1800.

13. Joshua S., b. May 11, 1799.

14. Ethan, b. May 4, 1801.

15. Nancy, b. July 22, 1803.

16. Orrin, b. October 1, 1805.

17. Lester D., b. March 17, 1808.

18. Edna, b. December 22, 1810; m.—Briggs, Waterford, N. Y.

2. Cap. James had two wives.

1. James.

2. Jabez.

3. Rebecca.

4. Sybil.

5. May.

2d wife—

6. Jeremiah.

7. Abigail.

8. Samuel, who had children: 1. Eliza; 2. Oliver; 3. Sarah;

4. Clemantine; 5. William;
6. Morgan; 7. Fanny, m.
Alex. Marshall, of Green-
wich, N. Y.; 8. Ephraim;
9. James; 10. Phebe; 11.
Daniel.

9. Phebe.
10. Naomi.
11. Belle.
12. Priscilla.
3. Abram, information wanted.
4. Augustus, " "
5. David, " "
6. Abel, father of: 1. Datus E.;
and he was the father of Rev.
A. Herbert, of Plainfield, N.J.

BOOK IX.

ELISHA LEWIS.

CHAPTER 1.

Elisha moved from Litchfield, Ct.,
to or near Binghamton, N. Y.

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

1. Justice C.
1. Marquis II., Centre Lisle, N. Y.
2. Betsey, m.—Cook.
3. Deziah, m.—Everett.
4. Mary, m.—Millen.
2. Orrin, information desired.
3. John, " "
4. George, " "

PERSONAL.

MARQUIS II. LEWIS a merchant at
Centre Lisle, N. Y., and his wife
visited friends in Greene, N. Y., a
few weeks since.

BOOK X

JOHN LEWIS, Stratford, Ct.

CHAPTER 1.

[This branch may be of kin to
Judson of Book No. 3, Ed.]

If this record comes to the knowl-
edge of any member of the family,
it is desired that a full record may
be furnished.

An outline is given of John and
His—

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

1. Abijah, information desired.
2. John, Morrisville, N. Y.
1. Beach.
2. Abigail.
3. Jerome.
4. Romulus.
5. Remus.
6. Norman.
7. Philander.
8. Phebe.
9. Betsey.
3. Joseph, information desired.
4. Anna, " "
5. Jernsha, " "
6. Huldah, " "
7. Phebe, " "
8. Comfort, " "

BOOK XI.

SAMUEL LEWIS.

CHAPTER 1.

Samuel Lewis, b. May 20, 1744,
at Hopkinton, R. I.

Can any one furnish the names
of his progenitors?

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

1. Samuel, Jr, b. Feby. 9, 1775.
1. Abram.

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| <p>2. Daniel.</p> <p>3. Ruth.</p> <p>4. Garner.</p> <p>5. Thomas, of Norwich, N. Y.</p> <p>6. Hannah.</p> <p>7. Aaron.</p> <p>8. Lyndall.</p> <p>9. Eli.</p> <p>2. Sally, b. June 20, 1776, m. Stephen Lewis (2d wife) no children.</p> <p>3. Clark, b. February, 20, 1778, at Exter, R. I., d. at Preston, N. Y., October 27, 1853.</p> <p>1. Eunice, b. March 22, 1803; m. May 6, 1879, Elnathan Torry of Norwich, N. Y.</p> <p>2. Mary, b. Nov. 18, 1804; m. Nov. 19, 1829, Chas. Eccleston; d. December 1885.</p> <p>3. Stephen, b. Aug. 7, 1806, Oxford, N. Y.</p> <p>4. Clark, Jr., b. Dec. 23, 1808; d. July 31, 1883.</p> <p>5. Hannah, b. November 21, 1810; m. Sep. 4, 1836, Wm. R. Burdick, McDonough, N. Y.</p> <p>6. Sarah, b. July 24, 1813; d. January 3, 1814.</p> <p>7. Samuel, b. July 24, 1813; d. August 29, 1816.</p> <p>8. Ira W., b. March 16, 1815; deaf and dumb, German, N. Y.</p> <p>9. Edward, b. August 16, 1817; d. December 2, 1820.</p> <p>10. Samuel E., b. August 9, 1819; d. October 24, 1885.</p> | <p>11. Sarah E., b. March 9, 1822; d. November 23, 1826.</p> <p>12. Clarinda, b. August 29, 1824; d. January 25, 1827.</p> <p>13. Prudence, b. November 21, 1826; now in N. Y. Institution for deaf and dumb.</p> <p>4. Lucy, b. November 3, 1780; m. Nathaniel Wilcox.</p> <p>1. Sally.</p> <p>2. Isaac.</p> <p>3. Rebecca.</p> <p>4. Eli.</p> <p>5. Samuel, Oxford, N. Y.</p> <p>6. Nathaniel, Sherburne, N. Y.</p> <p>5. Hannah, m. Stephen Lewis..</p> <p>1. Sally.</p> <p>2. Lydia.</p> <p>3. Clark</p> <p>4. Stephen.</p> <p>5. Samuel.</p> <p>6. Hannah.</p> <p>7. Eunice.</p> <p>8. Ezra.</p> <p>9. Arnold.</p> <p>10. Elsie.</p> <p>6. Prudence, m. Gates Wilcox.</p> <p>1. George.</p> <p>2. Mary A.</p> <p>3. Lewis.</p> <p>4. Daniel.</p> <p>5. Sarah A.</p> <p>7. Pattie, m. Latham Beebe.</p> <p>1. Seneca.</p> <p>2. Harriet.</p> <p>3. Samuel.</p> <p>4. Franklin, Atty, Minneapolis, Minn.</p> |
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PERSONAL.

MERTON D. PEARSALL of Triangle, N. Y., has recently been appointed Postmaster at his town

BOOK XII.

WILLIAM LEWIS.

Emigrated in ship *Lion* in 1632.

CHAPTER I

His son William of Farmington, Ct., had a son Ebenezer, of Wallingford, Ct. 1684, who had a son Caleb who was father of Ichabod who had—

CHILDREN. GRAND-CHILDREN.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Samuel, information desired 2. Elisha " " " 3. Esther. 4 Jared. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Isaac: Hon Isaac C, Meriden, Ct; Jared, Meriden, Ct. 2. Amelia. 3. Frederick. 4 Samuel. 5. Chauncey. 6 Julia. |
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BOOK XIII.

HEZEKIAH LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

Additional information is requested by Rollin H Cooke, Winsted, Conn

1. Hezekiah Lewis, b. 1743, d May 26, 1805, m 1st, Lydia Merriman, of Rainbow, (Windsor Ct.) b. 1748, d. November 11, 1794. m. 2d widow Ruth Phelps, who had 5 or 6 children by Phelps His will was probated June 11, 1805,

his sons, Hezekiah and John being executors The estate inventoried \$7,008 09, and the legatees were the widow Ruth, and the children by the first wife. Children b. Suffield, Ct.

- 2 John b. 1772, d. September 1816, m. Mary Gillett, daughter of Benjamin Gillett, of Suffield, Ct.
3. Hezekiah, b. 1770, d. August 11, 1858, m. Hannah Dewey, b. Westfield, m October 11, 1772, daughter of Moses and Hannah (Noble) Dewey.
4. Simeon, b —d.—m. May 1, 1806, Zerviah Owen, daughter of Isaac Owen, of Suffield, Ct
5. Lydia, b March 26, 1777, d June 29, 1821, m Joel Owen of Suffield, uncle of Simeon's wife Joel and Isaac were sons of Capt. Isaac Owen.
6. Dorothy, b August 1, 1779, d. June 5, 1856, m January 1, 1822, Joab Owen, her brother-in-law.
7. Gabriel, b 1789, d July 8, 1821, m Feb 7, 1811. Elizabeth Hillyer, b. May 29, 1787, d. December 29, 1871, at Winsted, Ct., daughter of Dr. Asa and Rhoda (Smith) Hillyer.

The next generation will be given in another number of the LEWIS LETTER, with earlier generations.

Death of Mrs. M. Waggoner.

Mrs M. Waggoner, who has been sick since September last, and who has not been expected to live from day to day for several weeks, expired at her residence in this village early on Tuesday morning, Jan. 25, 1887, aged about fifty years

The deceased was born at East Guilford, Chenango-co., N. Y., where she resided until about the time of her first marriage, which took place in 1861.

Her family name was Aylesworth and her first husband was Geo H. Lewis, of Kattelville, N. Y., who died about three years subsequent to their marriage.

In 1865 she was united in marriage to Matthias Waggoner, by Rev. William Gates, now deceased, and during the greater part of the time since her home has been in this village.

She was a member of Grace Episcopal church, having united there by transfer from the Baptist church, a few years since.

The funeral services were held at the house and at Grace church, on Thursday morning, Rev. Russell Todd officiating. The burial was at Kattelville, N. Y.—*Whitney's Point Reporter*.

This is the first death reported among the persons attending the reunion of Association No. one.

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An Old Letter.

A few days since we were looking over a letter written by Thomas Lewis, of Almond, N. Y., to his father Abraham, at Petersburg, N. Y. The letter bears date June 5, 1825, and is interesting in the facts which it contains concerning the methods of travel, etc. It states that the writer started from Troy with his family for the purpose of locating at Almond, and that in six days thereafter they arrived safe at Pittsford, Monroe county, by boat on the Erie canal. This same distance may now be traveled by the N. Y. Central in a few hours. It appears to have been a season of considerable immigration to that section, for the writer states that he was unable to secure any teams at that place to take his things to Almond, and consequently was obliged to go to the latter place for a team, which took about six days more. The writer also says that improved land could be purchased for less than the cost of improvement, from those who had tired of the task of subduing it. There is also a feature in the letter itself that many of our young readers may not remember. At that time there were no envelopes. The paper is foolscap and so written upon that when folded the center of the last page was blank, and formed the place for writing the address. The

rate of postage differed according to the distance the letter was sent. There were no stamps used then, but upon the upper right hand corner the post-master had written the amount of postage—18 cents. The edges of the paper were sealed with sealing wax.—*Waterford Advertiser.*

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NOTES.

FOUR subscribers added during March.

ERRORS; In Book 8, "Joshua" should read "John." In Book 1, "7 Ruth" married "Elisha" Osborn. In Book 7, "Soseph" should read "Joseph." The February paper was No. "2" In Book 7, Rev. Joshua emigrated in "1680."

FOR the "Books of Reference" published in the Feby. and March numbers of this paper, we are indebted to Josiah Granville Leach, Esq., of Philadelphia, Pa., who is compiling the genealogical records of his family.

THE columns of the LEWIS LETTER are open to the subscribers and their friends.

THE members of the several branches whose records have been commenced in this paper, are urgently solicited to prepare further matter for publication.

ATTENTION is called to the "Family Record Questions" on page sixth with the hope that it may assist persons in preparing records for this paper.

The Origin of the Lewis Name.

EDWIN H. LEWIS, PLAINFIELD, N. J.

The study of the growth of language is a lode of rich veins of interesting facts. There is something very interesting in the development of a word through its various stages—monosyllabic, agglutinative etc., until by contact with other families of words it reaches the present day. The Lewis name can be traced as far back, at least, as the fifth century. The conversion of the Salian Franks to Christianity took place in 496, under their victorious king, Chlodvig, or Clovis. Having been persuaded that the Christian God was more powerful than Odin, he prayed to Christ and won a victory. This settled the matter, and he and his warriors were baptized. Ohlovis was the son of Childeric. In the Teutonic languages, we find the early Ch equivalent to He, so that Childeric becomes Hildarik, and Ohlovis becomes Hlovis. The Latinized form was Ludovicus. In later times, Hlovis became changed, first, to Hludvig or Hludwig—the modern German Ludwig, and, second, to Hludwi, Ludwi, Luis, Louis. Ohlovis was the progenitor of the French race, and the Louis of France are his direct descendants. Still later, the name is again Teutonized, on being transferred to Wales, Scotland and England, becoming Lewes and Lewis.

Genealogical Records.**BOOK XIV.**

JOHN, SAMUEL, NATHANIEL LEWIS

CHAPTER I.

There is a tradition that *five* brothers of the name emigrated from England to New England during its early settlement.

Their given names are not all known. Two located near Boston, Mass. Another—David, settled in Westerly Rhode Island, and was the father of seven sons and several daughters, to wit:

1. John resided in Westerly, R. I.
2. Jonathan, went to Long Island where he died leaving a large family.
3. ———settled in Exeter.
4. Daniel m. a sister of Elder Joseph Maxon, and lived near the Seventh Day Baptist meeting house in Westerly. They had two sons:
 1. John who is supposed to have been the father of:
 1. John Jr.
 2. James.
 3. Israel.
 4. Samuel.
 2. Daniel, m. Martha Prosser, children:
 1. Elias.
 2. Jonathan.
 3. Daniel.
 4. Maxon.
1. John Lewis, Jr., m. Anna——. His will was dated April 14, 1732; recorded in book No. 2 at page 186. Council and pro-

bate records of Westerly ; provided among other things: "I give my negro man Will, the sum of ten pounds ; and after my death he shall be really and absolutely *free* from my heirs, executors and administrators." children :

1. Joseph, b. Oct. 16, 1683.
2. Sarah, b. Aug. 17, 1687 ; m. —Bemis.
3. Mary, b. May 4, 1689 ; m. —Lake.
4. Anna, b. Jan. 6, 1691 ; m. —Ross.
5. Abigail, b. May, 20, 1693 ; m. Clarke.
6. John, b. June, 13, 1698.
7. William, b. Feb. 1. 1701.
2. James, m. Lucy Crandall. Their son John married in 1717 and had two children.
 1. Stephen, b. April 9, 1719.
 2. Joseph, b. April 28, 1721.
3. Israel, m. Sarah Saunders according to will recorded in book No. 2 at page 32, and had eight children.
 1. Enoch.
 2. Israel.
 3. Robert.
 4. Ebenezer.
 5. Bathsheba.
 6. Elizabeth.
 7. Hannah.
 8. Jane, m. Daniel Grinnell, May 21, 1727, South Kingston, R. I.
4. Samuel Lewis is supposed to have had four children.

1. Samuel, Jr.
2. Jonathan.
3. Joanna.
4. Nathaniel.
7. William, son of John, Jr., m. Mary Gavitt, Oct. 10, 1723, and had seven children.
 1. Ezekiel.
 2. William.
 3. Clarke.
 4. Prudence.
 5. Sarah.
 6. Mary.
 7. Hannah.
2. Israel, son of Israel, m. Mary Marsh March 27, 1718, and had a son Elisha, b. Feby. 4, 1719.
4. Nathaniel the supposed son of Samuel, Jr., m. Mary Lewis, Westerly, R. I., Nov. 13, 1729, and had ten children.
 1. Amos, b. April 29, 1731.
 2. Nathaniel, Sr., b. Feb. 28, 1732.
 3. Mary, b. July 31, 1735, m. Peleg Cross.
 4. Jane, b. June 22, 1737, m. Asa Minor.
 5. Ruhama, b. Oct. 9, 1739, m. Elisha Champlin.
 6. Elisha, b. Oct. 10, 1741.
 7. Nancy, b. Aug. 10, 1743, m. Samuel Babcock.
 8. Israel, b. Sept. 15, 1745, m. Sarah wells.
 9. Besiah, b. June 4, 1750.
 10. Thankful, b. ———m. John Grant.

9. Beriah, son of Nathaniel, m. Lois Wells Jan. 3, 1771, moved to Norwich, Chenango county, N. Y., 1815, died 1826-1839. They had eleven children.
1. Mary, b. April 19, 1772, m. Pardon Burdick.
 2. Sarah, b. August 31, 1774, d. Nov. 17, 1775.
 3. Beriah, Jr., b. July 19, 1776, m. Sarah Saunders.
 4. Sarah, b. Sept. 9, 1778, m. Elias Babcock.
 5. Lois, b. Jan. 14, 1781, m. Levi Ray.
 6. Thompson, b. June 9, 1783, m. Sophia Hall.
 7. Eunice, b. Feb. 27, 1785, m. James Packer.
 8. Amos, b. June 1, 1787.
 9. Henry, b. May 4, 1789.
 10. Thomas, b. Jan. 26, 1792, m. Lucia A. Wheeler.
 11. Phebe, b. Jan. 26, 1792, m. Nathan Stanton.
3. Beriah Lewis, Jr., son of Beriah, b. July 19, 1776, m. Sarah Saunders, Oct. 30, 1800, d. Sept. 6, 1884, on the homestead in North Stonington, Ct., purchased of his father. Their children were:
1. Harriet, b. Jan. 17, 1802, m. W. H. Orandall.
 2. Christopher, b. June 30, 1804, m. Julia A. Lewis.
 3. William B. b. Oct. 24, 1807, d. March 14, 1809.
 4. George H. b. April 10, 1809, m. Amelia Babcock.
5. Nathan S. b. June 9, 1812, m. Melinda Davidson.
 6. Phebe M. b. Feb. 13, 1816.
 7. Julia A. b. April 23, 1819, m. Geo. F. Rogers.
 8. Sarah E. b. Feb. 2, 1822, m. John C. Stillman.
 9. William B. b. August 21, 1826, m. Sarah E. Smith.
6. Thompson Lewis, son of Beriah, b. June 9, 1783, Westerly, R. I., m. Sophia Hall Jan. 21, 1808, Stonington, Ct., moved to Norwich, N. Y., 1810, and about two years thereafter moved to Maine, N. Y. They had three children.
1. Benjamin F. b. Nov. 10, 1808, m. Katharine Berry, Nov. 13, 1836.
 2. Charles S. b. August 5, 1811, m. Fanny Taylor, — 1835, d. Nov. 2, 1862, and had six children.
 1. Miles; d. aged 20 years.
 2. Myron A. m. Mary McGregor.
 3. George F. m. Lucy Rogers Dec. 24, 1867.
 4. Mary, m. A. U. Curtiss Feb. 11, 1869.
 5. Robert M.
 6. Charles, m. Alice Marean— 1868. He m. (2d.) Eliza Pitcher— 1850, and had five children.
 7. Eugene, m. Levantia Briggs Jan. 21, 1877.
 8. Spencer, d. aged 18 years.

9. Eliza J. d. aged 17 years.
10. Flora, m. Wm. Baldwin—
1879.
11. Lottie, d. aged 18 years.
3. Mary P. b. August 17, 1813,
m. Robert Taylor Sept. 24,
1833, and had four children.
 1. Zarah S. m. Darwin Taylor
Dec 18, 1851.
 2. Mary J. m. Duray Hunt Dec.
1856.
 3. R. Dinsmore, m. Emogene
Hovey Dec. 1867.
 4. Baker L. m. Eva Hathaway
Jan. 1875.

All persons of kin to this branch who know of any errors in this record, or who have any further information will please communicate with Mrs. Zarah S. Taylor, Maine, Broome county, N. Y., who will gladly prepare the same for publication.

BOOK XV.

JONATHAN LEWIS, Farmington, Ct.

CHAPTER I.

Jonathan, the earliest known progenitor, was the father of Adonijah and William Jr.

William Jr., was born at Farmington, Ct., in 1737; moved to North Adams, Mass.; thence to Butternuts, N. Y.; thence to Upper Lisle, N. Y., where he died in 1820. He married (1st) Hannah Mather in 1776, who died in 1773. He married (2d) Azuba Gridley in 1774, who died in 1836.

HIS CHILDREN, GRAND-CHILDREN.

1. Thomas, b. 1768; m. Hannah Belden ^{died 1832.}
^{son of David & Mary} Information desired.
2. Jonathan, b. October 10, 1769; came to Upper Lisle, N. Y., 1806; d. July 1, 1830; assemblyman, 1823; m. May 6, 1792, Abigail, daughter of Thaddeus and Mary (—) Bow, b. August 29, 1766; d. Marathon, N. Y., March 8, 1859.
Children: 1. Polly, b. March 29, 1793; m. Barnabas Wood; d. Marathon, March 4, 1858.
2. Hannah, b. July 5, 1795; m. Daniel Thurston.
3. Jonathan, Jr. b. Middletown, Ct., Nov. 19, 1797, d. Jan. 4, 1821, s. p.
4. Henry, b. M. Ct, Feb. 5, 1800, d. Dec 3, 1846.
5. Caroline b. M., Ct., May 19, 1802, d. Dec. 23, 1803.
6. Caroline E. b. M, Ct, Sep. 7, 1804, d. August 28, 1877, m. Horace Dickinson.
7. Clarissa, b. Dec. 31, 1806, d. Lisle, N. Y, March 2, 1842, m. Jesse Smith.
8. Sally A. b. Upper Lisle, N Y. April 14, 1809, d. October 5, 1851, m. Ransom Thurston.
3. Ami, b. 1771. Information desired.
(2d wife)
4. Hannah, b. 1775, d. 1776. Information desired.

5. Elizabeth, ^(b. 24, 20) b. 1777, d. Dec 13, 1818, m. Samuel Torry Jan. 10, 1799, children :
1. Polly, b. October 9, 1799, m. Samuel Walton June 1821, d. October 6, 1857.
 2. David, b. Nov. 21, 1800, m. Hannah K. Smith, March 7, 1843, d. June 1878
 3. George B. b. Feb. 7. 1802, m. Elizabeth B. Boardman Jan. 10, 1826, d. March 8, 1876.
 4. Azuba G. b. Nov. 21, 1803, m. John Boardman, Jr., Nov. 21, 1826, d. Feb. 22, 1882.
 5. Jason, b. Nov. 4, 1805, d. about 1870.
 6. Nathan W. b. Feb. 1, 1807, m. Sarah Brown Nov. 24, 1836, d. October 18, 1846.
 7. John M. b. October 23, 1809, d. June 24, 1878.
 8. Lucy A. b. July 6, 1812, d. November 13, 1843
 9. Amos, b. November 5, 1814.
6. James, b. September 20, 1779, d. August 4, 1865, m. Abigail Hurlbert April 17, 1802, children :
1. Jason, b. January 27, 1803, m. Almira Baker August 31, 1834, by Rev. Mr. S. Keels.
 2. John H. b. January 5, 1805, d. May 20, 1805.
 3. M. Lavinia, b. May 2, 1806, m. Orange A. Lewis —
- 1828
4. William O. b. July 3, 1808, d. November 1, 1846.
 5. Seth H. b. June 27, 1810, d. January 16, 1811.
 6. Catherine, b. August 23, 1812, d. September 23, 1812.
 7. Sarah E. b. May 18, 1814, m. A. G. Lewis 1833, d. Oct. 6, 1856.
 8. Helen A. b. August, 22, 1818, m. Elijah Gridley Dec. 25, 1837, d. Nov. 22, 1871.
7. Jesse, b. December 25, 1781, d. March 6, 1855, m. Hannah Thurston, children :
1. Orange A. b. December 21, 1806, m. M. Lavinia Lewis (6-3) 1828, d. August 14, 1862.
 2. Eunice, b. — 1809, m. Silas Courtney 1829.
 3. Ann M. b. — 1811, m. Thos. Burt Jan. 1829, d. Sept. 1879.
 4. Albert G. b. March 23, 1813, m. Sarah E. Lewis, (6-7) 1833, d. January 5, 1878.
 5. Mary, b. Dec. 1815, m. Charles Dwight Feb. 10, 1839.
 6. Hannah, b. May 31, 1817, m. Lewis Lyman 1839, d. Jan. 12, 1884.
 7. Emma b. April 26, 1827, m. (1st,) W. B. Beebe June 19, 1849, m. (2d,) Harrison Edgcomb December 3, 1861.
 8. William b. Feb. 22, 1784, m. Ruth A. Bierce March 4, 1811,

- d. September 28, 1866.
1. Crayton, b. Feb. 11, 1813, m. Caroline Hinman March — 1835, d. January 14, 1870.
 2. Angeline, b. August 24, 1814, m. Erastus Smith Nov. — 1834, Upper Lisle, N. Y.
 3. Louisa, b. March 26, 1816, m. Hiram Brigham, January 30, 1835.
 4. Almond, b. January 3, 1818, d. 1823
 5. Anna, b. November 12, 1819, m. Alanson Burt August — 1838.
 6. Perry, b. August 26, 1821, d. April 10, 1877.
 7. Martha, b. March 29, 1824, m. John Harris March 20, 1845, d. January 19, 1881
 8. Thomas, b. Feb. 9, 1826, d. October 23, 1851
 9. Seth, b. January 27, 1829, m. Sarah E. Gridley Jan 30, 1851, Ulysses, Pa.
 10. Burton, b. Feb. 29, 1832, m. Caroline E. Gridley March 1, 1852.
 9. Gersham, b. — 1786, d. — 1792.
 10. Eunice, b. 1790, m. Ephraim Torrey September 28, 1806.
 1. Betsey, b. November 6, 1808, m. Hiram Devine November 28, 1828, d. April 19, 1847
 2. Hannah W. b. June 2, 1811, m. Truman Goodnough August 31, 1830.
 3. Melissa, b. April 9, 1813, m. John M. Horton January 15, 1834. d. October 15, 1882.
 4. Lois, b. July 7, 1815, d. Oct. 6, 1872.
 5. Charlotte S. b. Feb. 21, 1817, m. Enos Thatcher Feb. 3, 1843.
 6. Seth L. b. January 1, 1819, m. (1st,) Polly Alvira Wagner May, 24, 1848, m. (2d,) Mary E. Butler August 7, 1882.
 7. Emily B. b. January 31, 1821, m. John M. Smith, March 14, 1844.
 8. Olive N. b. Feb. 25, 1823, m. Josiah M. Bruce — 1849, d. — 1858.
 9. William W. b. August 21, 1825, m. (1st,) Lucretia Tremain, m. (2d,) Sarah Court, July 21, 1872.
 10. Ann E. b. October 29, 1827, m. (1st,) David Saunders — 1873, m. (2d,) Joseph Stanton — 1881.
 11. Seth, b. July 16, 1793, m. Sally Cook January 11, 1820, d. September 10, 1847.
 1. Lucy, b. Feb. 24, 1821, m. John Monre September 20, 1837, d. May 28, 1839.
 2. Elizabeth, b. April 18, 1824, m. Titus W. Burt, Sep. 15, 1845.
 3. Zernah, b. June 20, 1826, m. O. R. Bassett, d. Feb. 9, 1865.

4. Azubah, b. June 21, 1828,
m. Andrew Baker Dec. 25,
1850.
5. William W. b. September 1,
1830, m. Margaret Denton
July 4, 1864.
6. Ephraim C. b. August 1,
1833, m. Lonisa Chilson
June—1864.

PERSONALS.

SETH LEWIS, Esq., Secy. of Lewis Association No. 2, Ulysses, Pa., would be glad to receive any information from any source concerning his branch which will assist him in compiling the records.

SETH LEWIS, Esq. is Secretary of Association No. 2 and editor of the *Ulysses Sentinel*, published at Ulysses, Pa. He is of the opinion that Wm. Lewis, of Book 12, is the progenitor of his ancestor, William Lewis. He would like to correspond with any one of that branch who would be able to give him some information concerning their early history.

WE clip the following from recent Nos. of the *Sentinel*:

A. G. LYMAN, Esq. has purchased from parties in Philadelphia two warrants of timber land in the northern portion of West Branch Township, in this county. Amount paid was about \$24,000. There are two warrants lying by the side of these which are about to be sold for about the same price.

MISS BELLE GARDNER, the assistant in our graded school, who has

been spending her vacation at her old home in Westfield, returned last Sunday, in order to begin the spring term.

ART S. BURT had a little brush with a limb last week and is now nursing a black eye.

W. I. LEWIS, Esq., of Coudersport, was in Lewisville this week on business.

MR LYMAN, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Burt are great grandsons, and Miss Gardner is a great, great granddaughter of William Lewis whose name is at the head of this book.

ALLEN W. LEWIS of Williamsburg, Wayne county, Indiana, writes that he is 78 years old and the only one of his father's family now living. That his great grandfather emigrated from England or Wales and settled in Pennsylvania where his grandfather was born. After arriving at manhood's estate he moved to Randolph county, North Carolina, and married a Miss Brooks. They were the parents of five sons and three daughters. The youngest of the sons was the father of Allen, who was the youngest child of his father's family. Any one having information concerning his family will please correspond with him. We hope Mr. Lewis will contribute an article for this paper.

WITH this issue fifteen books of genealogical records have been published.

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THE Lewis League, when formed, will probably take charge of the publication of the LEWIS LETTER.

Now is the time to organize Lewis Associations and send reports of the same to this paper for publication.

THE name of the earliest known ancestor, is placed at the head of each BOOK of genealogical records.

SUBSCRIBERS are advised to carefully preserve every number of this paper, and when the volume is completed have it bound.

THE head of each family is requested to answer the family record questions to be found on page 40. Do not repeat the question but number each answer to correspond with each question.

MR. ROLLIN H. COOKE, Winsted, Ct., probably has the most complete record of names and dates of the descendants of William Lewis, late of Farmington, Ct., and will be glad to furnish any information possessed by him, private through the LEWIS LETTER.

Early Connecticut Lewises.

[BY ROLLIN H. COOKE, WINSTED,
CONN.]

I am very glad the LEWIS LETTER has been started, for I have tried, and am still trying, to assort out a few of the various Lewis families.

A genealogist of long experience recently wrote to me that "The Lewis is a big tract, and he who clears it up and fences it in, has a solemn job." The more one studies genealogy the less sure one feels about dates, when a grave stone gives one date, a town record another, and a family record still another.

The history of Wallingford, Ct., says that the name of Lewis is derived from the Welsh, *Lluaws*, signifying a multitude. The name of Lewes is derived from the same, as is the ancient town of Lewes, in Sussex, England. The spelling of the name was generally Lewis. Savage's Genealogical Dictionary names several who came to this country early, especially New England.

The Plymouth Colony records give George Lewis, of Scituate, as a freeman in 1636-7. John H. Sheppard gives dates and names of this George Lewis' family in the N. E. Gen. and Hist. Register, Vol. VIII, pp. 162-6. He says he from East Greenwich, Eng-
ore 1632.

Genealogical Records.

Book XVI.

BENJAMIN LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

By J. B. LEWIS, EAST VIRGIL, N. Y.

Benjamin Lewis, in Llangranog, Cardiganshire, South Wales,—
1785; m. Hannah Perry 1814; emigrated to America in 1831; d. —, Wisconsin, — 1848-52.
children:

1. Elizabeth, b. L. South Wales, — 1815; m. Lewis Jones; d. Wisconsin about 1851, leaving six children whose names are unknown. Information desired.
2. David, b. L. S. W.—1818; d. about 1860, leaving three children, names unknown. Information desired.
3. John B., b. L. S. W., March 4, 1820; m. Mrs. Hannah W. Weaver at Nelson, N. Y., January 28, 1867, by Rev. James O'Dell, a Free-Methodist clergyman; she d., Freetown, N. Y., October 5, 1875.
 1. Winifred H., b. N., N. Y., Feby. 27, 1868.
 2. John B., Jr., b. Perryville, N. Y., January 15, 1870; d. East Virgil, N. Y., October 26, 1877.
4. James, b. L. S. W. — 1822; d. February 24, 1880, in — Wisconsin.
 1. Caleb.

2. Sarah.
3. Anna.
5. Sarah, b. L. S. W.; — 1824 ;
m. Robert W. Roberts, —
1844 ; d. — 1869.
1. Benjamin, b. — ; d. —
1869.
2. William.
3. John.
4. Mary.
5. James.
6. Edward.
7. Hannah.
8. Robert.
6. Enoch, b. L., S. W., — 1826 ;
d. — 1849.
7. Mary, b. L., S. W., — 1828 ;
m. David Davis.
1. Libbie, b. — ; d. —
2. Benjamin, b. —.
3. Mary A., b. — ; d. —
4. Mary A. b. —

PERSONAL.

JOHN B. LEWIS is a merchant and Post Master at East Virgil, N. Y. He will be glad to receive any information concerning his relatives which will enable him to perfect the records to be found in this Book.

BOOK I.

RANDALL LEWIS.

CHAPTER II.

By F. P. LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

The late James R. Lewis, M. D., of Trucksville, Luzerne Co., Pa., under date of Oct. 19, 1879, wrote

his grand-nephew, Secretary of Association No. 1, as follows :

“With regard to the origin of the name, Lewis, the name is an ancient British tribal name of Saxon origin, and in process of time became the surname of the individuals of the tribe. My grandfather, Randall Lewis, and probably his father came from Rhode Island and settled in Petersburg, Rennselaer Co., N. Y. My grandfather finally settled in Delaware Co., N. Y., where he and two of his sons died and were buried on the west bank of the west branch of the Delaware river. Forty-nine years ago I made the acquaintance of the Rev. Griffin Lewis, an intelligent Baptist minister, a native of Rhode Island, who informed me that he had traced his ancestry to *three* brothers by the name of Lewis who came from England and settled in Rhode Island, from whom all the Lewises of New England and Northern New York descended. Relying upon the reverend gentleman, who claimed me as a relative, I have no doubt that we and all the relatives by the name of Lewis are descendants of those *three* brothers.”

PERSONALS.

FRANK P. LEWIS, Lisle, N. Y., is compiling the genealogical records of this branch—his family—and solicits information, however meagre, concerning the earlier and

present generations. He is inclined to think that his branch is of kin to John Lewis, Book 8.

WILLIAM W. LEWIS, of Tylersburgh, Clarion Co., Pa., great grandson of Randall Lewis, has just returned from an extended tour through the west. While at Kinsley, Edwards Co., Kansas, he purchased a farm as an investment. He and his family expect to attend the next reunion of Association No. 1.

MRS. EDWIN R. STEBBINS, of Montrose, Pa., is convalescent from illness. Mr. Stebbins is the great grandson of Randall Lewis.

WE clip the following from the *Independent Republican*, published at Montrose, Pa.:

MARRIED.

BUSH—STEBBINS—At the M. E. Parsonage, Montrose, Pa., March 30, 1887, by Rev. H. C. McDermott, Judson A. Bush, of Bridgewater, and Miss Emma P. Stebbins, of Montrose.

BOOK. VIII.
JOHN LEWIS.

CHAPTER II.

BY MRS. EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS,
WATERFORD, N. Y.

David Lewis, fourth son of Abraham, Sr. b. Westerly, Washington Co., R. I., June 15, 1761; m. — 1785, Sarah Hammond, b. — 1761. children:

1. Mary, b. — 1786.

2. David, b. — 1788.
3. Aaron H., b. — 1790.
4. Elijah, b. — 1792.
5. Benjamin, b. — 1794.
6. Elizabeth, b. — 1796.
7. Esther, b. — 1798.
8. Jesse, b. — 1801.
9. Abram, b. — 1803.
10. Rebecca, b. — 1805.
11. Almeda, b. — 1810.

Corrections:

For Joshua in chap. 1, substitute John. Nathaniel was 1st child of Abraham, Jr.

PERSONAL.

MRS. EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS, of Waterford, N. Y., the 18th child of Abraham Lewis, Jr., will assist in preparing for publication the records pertaining to this Book. She thinks the progenitors of Book I. were born in Westerly, R. I.

THE following is from the Waterford, N. Y., *Advertiser* of March 18th, 1887:

An article in the LEWIS LETTER, concerning the preserving of the family traditions in the form of written or printed books, is worth the attention of all, and in our own case we propose to take early advantage of the suggestion. There are a few links still preserved in the family chain between ourself and grand-parents which bind us to revolutionary events, and if these are lost, only that which the younger members of the family can remember will be preserved. The interest which some are now taking in family records may seem to be

more than necessary, but the time is coming when these records will be of great interest. In the first place let those now living be careful to make a good record and then be careful to preserve it in a form not easily destroyed, and the generations yet unborn will have an interest in the people and events of the present which can in no way be so well incited.

BOOK XII.

WILLIAM LEWIS CAME IN SHIP LION IN 1632.

CHAPTER II.

BY LEMUEL LEWIS, OF COVENTRY, N. Y.

William Lewis came from England to Boston, Mass., in the ship Lion, Sept. 16, 1632. He was admitted freeman, Nov. 6, 1632, and was a member of the Baintree Company, which came to Cambridge in August, 1632. He was one of the earliest settlers, 1636, of Hartford, Ct., and was juryman and selectman in 1641. He became one of the first settlers, 1653, of Hadley, Mass. He represented Hadley in 1662, and Northampton in 1665. His wife's name was Felix who died in Hadley, August 17, 1671.

Soon thereafter he moved to Farmington, Ct., where he died August, 1683.

Their only child was William, born in —, England, — married — 1644, Mary Hopkins.

He was an important man in

Farmington, being the first register there. Their children were:

1. Samuel,
2. Sarah,
3. Hannah,
4. William,
5. Felix,
6. Ebenezer,
7. John,
8. James.

His children by a second wife were:

9. Elizabeth,
10. Ezekiel,
11. Nathaniel,
12. Abigail,
13. Joseph,
14. Daniel.

Samuel Lewis, 1st child of William and Mary (Hopkins) Lewis, b. —; m. Elizabeth —; was made freeman in 1676; held the rank of Sergeant; d. Nov. 1726. Their children were:

1. Hannah,
2. Samuel,
3. John,
4. Nehemiah,
5. Nathaniel,
6. Hester,
7. Josiah,
8. Job.

Nathan Lewis, 5th child of Samuel and Elizabeth, b. —; m. Mary Gridley, July 28, 1730; and settled in Southington, where he d. Sept. 7, 1799.

Their children were :

1. Job,
2. Rhoda,
3. Nathan,
4. Lemuel,
5. Timothy,
6. Mary,
7. Asahel,
8. Nathaniel,
9. Hannah,
10. Lemuel.

BOOK XVII.

BENJAMIN LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

Ode to The Old Elm.

(Of Wallingford, Ct.) Over 200 Years old.

By P. C. LEWIS, OF WICHITA,
KANSAS.

On the east side of Main-st in Wallingford, Ct., not far from the north end, and nearly opposite the old homestead ; stands the largest, if not the oldest elm-tree in the state, planted by Benjamin Lewis, my earliest recorded ancestor this side the Atlantic ; and one of the original proprietors or settlers of that ancient town.

Its dimensions, by accurate measurement, taken by myself, are as follows : circumference, at base of trunk, near the ground, 60 ft. Circumference $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet from the ground 33 ft. circumference 3 feet from the ground 28 ft. Its average spread of bough is 105 ft. diameter, covering a superficial area of nearly one fifth of an acre of ground.

Allowing to each man a space of 18 inches square, this tree could shelter at one time, four regiments of soldiers, each, nine hundred and sixty-two strong !

Although this mighty Monarch of the wood, has defied the storms of centuries ; yet, to all appearance it exhibits no outward signs of approaching decay ;—on the contrary—as is shown by comparative measurement—taken thirty years ago,—it is still growing ?

Standing on a commanding eminence, with its majestic, leaf-crowned head towering to the skies, this venerable Patriarch is visible for many miles around.

I cannot better express my veneration for this old elm-tree, placed here by my forefather's hand, and whose glory and renown are spread over land and sea, than by the citation of the following original lines, composed beneath its spreading shade.

I

Majestic shade !

Ye Monarch of the wood,
Whose giant stem, time-worn, and
grey,

Flings its huge arms across the way

For ages, ye have stood,

Unbow'd—unsway'd—

And still your form uprears,

Waxing in strength, with lapse of
years,

As if ye dared a Mightier Power,
and defied

Heaven's own thunder, in your
strength and pride!

II

Proud, forest king!
Two hundred years ye've braved
The tempests' shock! Aye, long
before
Columbia's flag waved on our shore
In lofty pride ye waved!
And now, ye fling
A giant sceptre wide
From ocean to the ocean tide,
In all the proud, broad land, no
monarch-tree
Wears his green coronal as loftily?

III

Monarch of power!
The lordly hurricane,
And whirlwinds sweep from moun-
tain-height
And with thy sinewy arms of might
Grapple, but toil in vain!
Ay! like a tower
Of grandeur, beauty, grace;
Firm as Gibraltar's rocky base,
In full-grown strength, immovable,
ye stand,
Mightiest of all, the lordliest of the
land!

IV

Ancestral tree!
Ye grew beside his cot,
Placed here by my forefather's
hand
And like a stately sent'nal stand,
Guarding the hallow'd spot!
Majestic, free,

Long may your waving crown,
Upon this glorious realm look
down;
Where hills o'er hills lift up their
heads of green,
With pleasant vales and villages
between.

V

Emblem of might!
Firm as the mountain-oak,
Long may ye wave your brave, old
crest,
In proud defiance—o'er all the rest
Unbow'd, unscar'd, unbroke;
Upon this height
Still unassailed by ruthless hand,
O, dear old elm! long may you
stand,
Long, long may generations yet to
be,
With honor, love and reverence,
speak of thee?

Book XVIII.

NATHANIEL LEWIS.

CHAPTER I.

By S. D. LEWIS, WARSAW, N. Y.

1. Nathaniel Lewis was the father of Oliver, who was a British officer; married Hannah Kelley and died in Montreal, Canada.

Their son Oliver, b. January 2, 1758; m. Lucinda North, b. July 19, 1762, and were the parents of Truman, b. Nov. 5, 1784, Farmington, Conn., now of Avon, Conn. m. Lucy Porter, daughter of Seth and — Porter, of New Britain, Conn.

Truman and Lucy were the parents of S. D. Lewis, of Warsaw, N. Y., and Frank Lewis, of Norwich, N. Y.

Family Record Questions.

1—Name in full? 2—Last P. O. address? 3—When and where born? 4—When and where married? 5—By whom and to whom married? 6—Her *maiden* name? 7—Her father's name? 8—Her mother's *maiden* name? 9—When and where was wife born? 10—When and where died? 11—Cause of death? 12—Where buried? 13—If re-married give same data? 14—When and where he died? 15—Cause of death? 16—Where buried? 17—Occupation? 18—Politics? 19—Religion? 20—When and where educated? 21—What army or navy service? 22—When and what offices held? 23—what knowledge have you of the Family Coat of Arms? 24—What traditions in family? 25—Family history? 26—Give several places and date of residence? 27—Give names and dates of birth of children? 28—Give names of paternal ancestors.

NOTE. The head of each family should answer the questions. Write on one side of sheet. Write all middle names in full. In giving dates—give day, month, year. Answer all questions as fully as possible and give names of such people as you think may be able to complete the record. Old newspaper files, tomb stones, cemetery, church, school, town, county and probate, records and family bibles

should be examined and old people consulted.

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BOOK I.

RANDALL LEWIS.

CHAPTER III.

By F. P. LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

In the Exeter, R. I. records is to be found the record of the marriage of Randall Lewis, of Hopkinton, R. I., to Aise Rathborn, of Exeter, November 21, 1765. The records do not show the births of their children, and it is therefore presumed that they immediately moved to Petersburg, Rensselaer Co., N. Y. If this presumption proves true, then an important fact will be established in identifying him as the man who bore the name at the head of this Book.

Mr. Myron S. Lewis, of 82 Parade-st., Providence, R. I., is of the opinion that the branches in Books I, V, VIII and XIV are his kin. He lacks only one link to establish his descent from John Lewis, the first of the name to settle in R. I.

BOOK II.

JUDSON LEWIS, Stratford, Ct.

CHAPTER II.

By ALONZO LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

I. Judson Lewis, a farmer, of Stratford, Ct., married Elizabeth Whiting, and moved to

Madison, Madison Co., N. Y. in 1795, with their eight children.

1. I. Silas, b. Stratford, Ct., m. Charity Curtis, Both died in M.
2. II Judson W., b. Stratford, m. (1.) Anna McCune; m. (2.) Widow Holmes.
3. III Charles, b. S., m. (1) Sally Morton, moved to Madison, N. Y.; m. (2) Altha Curtis, d. in Bloomington, Ill.
4. IV Betsey, b. S., m. Thompson Curtis, of Morrisville, N. Y., d. in Howel, Mich.
5. V William, b. S. Dec. 29, 1783, m. Atlanta Curtis, Dec. 24, 1812, at Madison, N. Y., d. at Madison, N. Y., Feb. 11, 1869.
6. VI Isaac, b. S., m. (1) Mary Curtis, d. Morrisville, N. Y., m. (2) Lydia Gates, d. M.; m. (3) Esther Card, d. Chicago, Ill.
7. VII Conway, b. S., m. Delia Curtis; both died in Morrisville, N. Y.
8. VIII Catherine, b. S., m. Isaac Curtis, both died in Madison, N. Y.
Silas [1] and Charity (Curtis) Lewis had six children.
9. I Everett, d. Syracuse, N. Y.
10. II Birdsey was a physician, m. ——— Pratt, d. Hamilton, N. Y.
11. III Albert, m. Emiline Gifford, reside in Madison, N. Y.
12. IV Mary Ann, m. Gad. Gaylord, d. Madison.
13. V Theodosia, m. Philander Powers, d. Augusta, N. Y.
14. VI Otis, m. Caroline ———; reside in Madison.

BOOK VIII.

JOHN LEWIS.

CHAPTER III.

BY MRS. EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS,
WATERFORD, N. Y.

Having been requested to contribute for the LEWIS LETTER, I commence by writing something on the maternal side of the house of Lewis as given in Book 8. in March No. I am now in the 77th year of my age, and mention this, as any one seeing by the record, that six of my half brothers and sisters were born more than one hundred years ago, might think that I ought to have died long ago.

Among the earliest recollections of childhood, was that of hearing my mother speak of grandfather Abel. In after years I learned that he was the father of Thankful Lewis, the first wife of Capt. Abraham Lewis, Jr. She had a brother Abel, (a major in the Revolutionary army) and one named Augustus, whose farms were contiguous to that of my father's in Petersburg, N. Y., and they three, with Randall Lewis, Jr., in Book 1., gave the place the name of Lewis Hollow.

Abel and Augustus were cousins of Abraham, Jr. Many thought them brothers. Probably that is how the mistake has appeared in March No. of LEWIS LETTER, making Abel my father's sixth brother, whereas he was his fifth son.

Abel, above mentioned, had no children; Augustus married Esther Lewis, my father's sister, had a large family, a son and grandson being named Abel. It is supposable that these families of dou-

ble Lewises had a large share of brains, to inter-marry as they did, with no humiliating results.

She had another brother named Uriah, who married a daughter of Capt. James Lewis, had a large family, mostly girls, one of whom is now living in North Adams, Mass.

These three, Abel, Augustus, and Uriah all lived and died in Petersburg, N. Y. Another brother in the same line was Asa., I think he was older than the others. He lived in Berlin, N. Y. a good many years, and then went to Adams, Jefferson Co. and died there. He had a son Asa and one named Clark Aldin, by a second wife. A daughter, named Polly, married Ezra Hull, both living so far as known, at the ripe age of more than four score, at Scipio Summit, Cayuga Co., N. Y. near Auburn.

BOOK XII.

WILLIAM LEWIS, came in ship Lion in 1632.

CHAPTER III.

BY LEMUEL LEWIS, COVENTRY, N. Y.

Lemuel Lewis, 4th son of Nathan and Mary Gridley Lewis, b. —, m. — Royce; lived in Southington; d. in 1821, aged 86. Children:

1. Ebenezer, 2. Elisha, 3. Royce
4. Maria, 5. Sally.

Elisha, 2nd son of Lemuel and — Royce Lewis, m. — —. Children:

1. Eunna, 2. Sophia, 3. Mary Ann.

Royce, 3d son of Lemuel, m. Electa Newell, 1797. Children:

1. Lucy, 2. Charles, 3. Lemuel,

4. Edwin, 5. Pomeroy, (a second wife) 6. Electa, 7. Ann, 8. Harvey, 9. Laura, 10. Fanny, 11. Martha.

Lucy, 1st daughter of Royce and Electa Newell Lewis, m. Romeo Warren, lived in Coventry, N. Y. Children:

1. Andrew, 2. Mary, 3. Sophia, 4. Edward.

BOOK XII.

WILLIAM was the great grandfather of Jonathan of Book XV. These books are therefore merged.

CHAPTER IV.

BY SETH LEWIS, OF COUDERSPORT, PA., ASSISTED BY R. H. COOKE.

William Lewis came over in ship Lion, 1632, to Hartford, Ct., with early settlers. After removing to Hadley, Mass., he returned to Farmington, Ct., where he d. Aug. 2, 1683. His wife, Felix — d. at Hadley, Apr. 17, 1671. Their only son was

William Lewis (Capt.) d. Aug. 18, 1690, m. (1st) 1644, Mary Hopkins, daughter of Wm. Hopkins, of Stratford. He m. (2nd) Nov. 22, 1671, Mary Cheever, b. Nov. 29, 1640. d Jan. 10, 1728, dau of Ezekiel Cheever, of New Haven. She m. (2nd) Jan. 3, 1692, Dea. Thomas Bull. Wm. was 1st register of Farmington, Conn. Children by 1st wife:

1. Mary, b. May 6, 1645, m. Benjamin Judd, b. about 1642 at Hartford, son of Thomas Judd who was at Cambridge 1634, Hartford

- 1636, Farmington 1644-79, then Northampton.
2. Philip, bap. Dec. 13, 1646, m. — Ashley. dau. of Robert Ashley, of Springfield, Mass. He, Philip, was made freeman at Farmington 1689, lived Hartford and Fairfield. Was in Fairfield 1692-98 if not more.
 - *3. Samuel (Serg't.) b. Aug. 18, 1648, d. 1725 (or Nov. 28, 1752) made freeman 1676 m. Elizabeth Judd (?). She joined the ch., Oct., 1691. Lived at Farmington.
 4. Sarah, b. 1652, d. Aug. 10, 1722 m, Serg't, Samuel Boltwood, of Hadley, Mass., son of Robert and Mary Boltwood, of Hadley. He was killed by Indians, Feb. 29, 1704.
 - *5. Hannah, m. 1st Samuel Crow, of Hadley? m. 2nd, Nov. 5, 1676 Daniel Marsh, b. Hartford, d. Feb. 24, 1725, at Hadley, M., age 72, son of John and Anne (Webster) Marsh.
 - *6. William bap. March 15, 1656-7, d., 1737, m. Phebe More, d. Aug. 19, 1725, dau. of Dea. Isaac More, of Farmington, Ct. Lived at Farmington.
 - *7. Felix, bap. Dec. 12, 1658, d. after 1738, m. Thomas Selden, of Hadley, M., bap. Aug. 30, 1645, d., Nov. 24, 1734, son of Thomas Selden, of Hartford.
 - *8. Ebenezer, d. 1709, m. Dec. 2, 1685, Elizabeth Merriman, b. Sep. 14, 1669, dau. of Capt. Nathaniel Merriman, a 1st settler of Wallingford, in 1670. He, Ebenezer, settled in eastern part of Wallingford in 1684.
 9. John, b. May 15, 1665, d. abt 1694. Savage says he d. at 19 yrs.
 10. James, b. July 10, 1667, was in Farmington 1696, later of Long Island. He appealed from Capt. William's will. He ran away to Jamaica and d. 1728. Children by his 2nd wife:
 11. Elizabeth, b. Oct. 20, 1672, d. 1674.
 - *12. Ezekiel, b. Nov. 7, 1674, d. Aug. 14, 1755. Grad. Yale c. 1695. Was merchant of Boston where he d. He m. 1st, Mar. 18, 1702, Mary Braden. She d. Feb. 1703. He m. 2nd Oct. 11, 1704, Abigail Kileup, widow of Roger Kileup.
 - *13. Nathaniel, b. Oct. 1, 1676, d. Feb. 24, 1752, m. 1st, Nov. 25, 1699, Abigail Ashley, dau. of David Ashley, of Westfield, Mass. m. 2nd, July 4, 1726, Thankful Lyman. Lived Farmington, Ct.
 14. Abigail, b. Sep. 19, 1678, d. June 20, 1707, m. Dec. 10, 1696 William Wadsworth, of Farmington, Ct.
 15. Joseph, b March 15, 1679-80.
 - *16. Daniel, b. July 16, 1681, m. May 1, 1718 Mary Strong b. Jan. 22, 1692-3, d. April 9, 1751. dau. of Asahel and Margaret (Hart) Strong, of Farmington. He, Daniel, was a farmer. Savage says "the last d. young." He may

have meant Joseph. Strong Genealogy says Daniel, "of Northampton."

6. William and Phebe (More) Lewis' children :

1. Ruth, b. Sep. 12, 1679.
2. Sarah, b. April 13, 1682.
3. (Ensign) Isaac, b. April 26, 1685, d. Southington, Ct., April 1761, m. 1st, May 4, 1710, Abigail Curtis, of Wethersfield, Ct., who d. Aug. 3, 1727. He m. 2nd, Jan. 29, 1728-9, Phebe Wiard, of Wethersfield, Ct. who d. Feb. 12, 1758.
4. William, b. Aug. 31, 1687, d. Jan 11, 1734.
5. Daniel, b. Dec. 10, 1691.
6. Phebe, b. Sep. 3, 1694, d. Jan. 11, 1713.
- *7. [Capt.] Jonathan b. — 2, 1697, m. Jan 28, 1720, Elizabeth Newell, b. Nov. 1, 1689, dau. of Simon and Elizabeth [Wrotham] Newell.

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BOOK XIII.

HEZEKIAH LEWIS.

CHAPTER II.

By ROLLIN H. COOKE, WINSTED, Ct.

NOTE, Prior to March 1752, the new year began March 25th instead of January 1st, which explains an apparent discrepancy of a year in some dates; and the use of dates like March 20, 1674-5.

The small figures after each name indicate the generation.

The sign * indicates that the children are named further on.

Joseph Lewis, of Simsbury, Ct., d. 1680, m. April 30, 1674, Elizabeth Case, b. about 1658, dau. of

John and Sarah [Spencer] Case. She m. (2nd) 1684, John Fuller, of Simsbury, d. Oct. 9, 1718. Children :

1. Elizabetha, b. Mch. 20, 1674-5, m. Smith.
- *2. Joseph, b. Mch. 15, 1676, d. Nov. 29, 1749, m. April 7, 1703, Sarah Andrus, b. March 16, 1683-4, d. March 6, 1773, dau. of Abraham and Rebecca (Carrington) Andrus settled in Waterbury, Ct. about 1700.
- *3. John, b. Jan. 8, 1680, d. about 1713, m. Jan. 22, 1711, Abigail Bacon, dau. of Thomas Bacon, of Simsbury, Ct., who returned inventory of John Lewis estate Jan. 18, 1713-14.

Children of Joseph (2) and Sarah (Andrus) Lewis, of Waterbury, Ct.:

1. —, dau. b. Aug. 12, 1704, d. Sep., 1704.
- *2. Joseph, b. July 12, 1705, d. Oct. 22, 1749, m. Nov. 12, 1727, Mary Slaughter, d. Apr. 4, 1738, dau. of John Slaughter, of Simsbury, Ct. He m. (2d) Elizabeth.
- *3. Sarah, b. April 29, 1708, m. Feb. 1, 1726-7, Obediah Warner, b. Feb. 24, 1702-3, son of Dr. Ephriam and Sarah (Richards) Warner.
- *4. John, b. April 14, 1711, m. Dec. 4, 1734, Mary Munn, who d. Sep. 30, 1849, dau. of Samuel Munn, of Woodbury. He m. (2d) May 29, 1750, Amy, dau. Capt. Samuel Smith, of New Haven.
5. Mary, b. June 10, 1714, m. Daniel Williams.

6. Rev. Thomas, b Aug. 6, 1716
Cong. clergyman, graduated
Yale Feb. 1741.
- *7. Samuel, b July 6, 1718, d
April 11, 1788, m (1st) May
19, 1743, Hannah Rew, d
1759, dau Hezekiah Rew. He
m (2d) Nov. 7, 1763, Eunice,
dau Ephriam Beebe, of Say-
brook, Ct.
8. Abraham, b. Feb. 21, 1721,
d young.

BOOK XIV.

JOHN LEWIS, supposed to be the
1st settler in R. I.

CHAPTER II.

BY MRS. ZARAH S. TAYLOR, MAINE,
N. Y.

Mr. Myron S. Lewis, 82 Parade-
st, Providence, R. I. has kindly cor-
rected an error in chapter I. He
says: "The first settler by the
name in R. I. was John, who had
seven sons, one of whom was Da-
vid" He also quotes the following
from Austin's Genealogical diction-
ary of R. I.

NOTE. *means after, and — means
before the date either may accom-
pany.

John Lewis, born —, d in West-
erly before 1690

1661, March 22. He signed
certain articles in relation to
Misquamicut lands.

1668, Oct 28, Westerly Free-
man.

1669, May 18. His name was
in the list of inhabitants.

1679; Sep. 17. He took oath of
allegiance.

There has been no relation
found between him and
Robert Lewis, of Newport,

who made his will 1682,
April 12, (having but two
witnesses, though the law
required three) Nothing
more is learned of this Rob-
ert, nor of his will except
that it was named in a list
with others as deficient in
witnesses.

BOOK XIV

DAVID LEWIS.

CHAPTER II.

BY MRS ZARAH S. TAYLOR, MAINE,
N. Y.

- 3 David Lewis, one of the five
brothers who emigrated, set-
tled near the Paucatuc river.
His eldest son, John, was our
ancestor. Then there was
John 2d who was the father
of Nathaniel Nathaniel m
Mary Lewis (probably his
cousin) Westerly. R. I., Nov.
13, 1729, b — 1710, d — 1796.
Beriah, the 9th son of
Nathaniel, b June 4, 1750,
m Lois Wells, daughter of
Thomas and — [Thompson]
Wells, January 3, 1771, b —
1748, moved to Norwich, N.
Y., — 1815, he d — 1826,
and she d — 1839.

According to history, Rhode
Island was settled in 1636, near
Providence. The two names of
John Lewis are on the old records,
and were made freemen in 1669.

BOOK XVIII

CHAPTER II.

BY S. D. LEWIS, WARSAW, N. Y.

- 1 I Nathaniel Lewis [the writer
supposes] was the father of Oliver
Lewis, a British officer.

- 2 I Oliver, m Hannah Kelly and d in Montreal, Canada. Their son
- 3 I Oliver, Jr, b January 2, 1758, m Lucinda North, b July 19, 1762. Both d Ridgeville, Ohio. Children of Oliver [3] and Lucinda [North] Lewis.
- 4 I Truman, b Nov. 5, 1784, m Lucy, dau of Seth and Porter, of New Britain, Conn. b Mch 6, 1795. He d Sept. 15, 1865, Warsaw, N. Y. She d Dec 13, 1866
- 5 II Theodocia, b April 26, 1786, m [1] JUDSON, m [2] TRUMAN PITKIN, she d Dec 24, 1866.
- 6 III Serena, b January 14, 1788, m LYMAN CODY. She d July 2, 1864.
- 7 IV Corinna, b Dec 23, 1789 m [1st] ISAAC D. FAXON, m [2d] REUBEN AVERY. She d June 8, 1878.
- 8 V Lucinda, b Jan. 15, 1792, m JONATHAN TINKER. She d Dec. 19, 1884.
- 9 VI Pamela, b Feb. 12, 1794, m ZENAS KENT. She d Oct. 13, 1862.
- 10 VII Oliver H., b July 1, 1796, m [1st] Alma Beebe, m (2d) Sarah Webster, m [3d] Sally Denison. He d Nov. 5, 1884
- 11 VIII Jason, b Aug. 10, 1798, m [1st] Caroline Yates, m [2d] — He d Mch, 26, 1882, Hinsdale, N. Y.
- 12 IX Betsey, b Sept. 19, 1800, d in infancy.
- 13 X Sally, b May 24, 1804, m TIMOTHY COOLEY. She d Oct. 13 1876.
- 14 XI Eliza, b Mch 17, 1806, m HORATIO TYRRELL. She d July 1, 1884.
- The children of Truman [4] and Lucy [Porter] Lewis :
15. I. Charlotte, b —; m E. H. STRATTON. She d —
16. II. David, b —, m Emiline Mason, he d —
17. III. Julia, b —, m EDWIN SNOW.
18. IV. Eliza, b — m HARVEY STONE.
19. V. Corina, b —, m E. T. Cleveland. She d —
20. VI. Pamela, b —, m GEO. C. CLEVELAND
21. VII. Jane, b —, m M. F. SHOEMAKER.
22. VII. Laura, b —, m SAMUEL SEYMOUR. Live at Rockford, Ill. No children.
23. IX. Simeon D., b — m Sarah L. Canfield.
24. X. Frank, m Julia Bristol. Children of Charlotte [15] and E. H. Stratton :
25. I. Laura Stratton, b — Children of Daniel [16] and Emiline [Mason] Lewis ;
26. I. Frances, m M. C. HUMPHREY and reside, Marshall, Minn.
27. II. Edwin M., d — aged 14 years.
28. III. Judson P., d in infancy.
29. IV. William M., m Julia Doty and reside Attica, N. Y.
30. V. Lucy, m R. R. BUMFORD, and reside, Marshall, Minn. Children of Julia [17] and Edwin Snow :

31. I. Theodore, m reside, Elyria, Ohio.
32. II. Stillman, resides in — Kansas.
33. III. Clemon, m Mary Sweet, reside, Elyria, Ohio.
34. IV. Florence, m — BLACKWELL.
35. V. Lucy.

Wedding Anniversary.

Wednesday evening, Feb. 23d, at the residence of Mr. Benjamin F. Lewis, New Bedford, a most enjoyable occasion was observed, the event being the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. B. F. Lewis to Miss Annie E. Weeden. The house was filled with friends, who enjoyed themselves in a happy, social manner. In the early part of the evening, after the company had been presented to the bride and groom and congratulations extended. Rev. B. S. Batchelor addressed them, referring to the time when it was his pleasure to unite them in the holy bonds of wedlock, and asked them if they had regretted the step they had taken, to which they responded with a hearty, "No, sir." At the close of his remarks, Mr. Batchelor offered prayer. Mr. Rufus A. Soule then stepped forward, and in behalf of the "Sunflower Club" presented to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis a handsome silver water pitcher with gold lined goblet, making a few

remarks, in which he alluded to the many pleasant evenings the members had enjoyed in company with host and hostess. A tray containing twenty-five silver dollars was presented to Mrs. Lewis by her husband, commemorative of the anniversary. The presents contributed by the invited guests were numerous and costly, comprising a variety of silver and glass ware, linen and two elegant pictures, one entitled "Harvest Moon," and the other a nicely executed pastel representing a winter scene. There were presents from friends in Philadelphia, New York, Providence, Montreal, Boston and Jamestown, and the company was pleasantly entertained with fine music by Church's orchestra, whose lovely airs caused the hours to glide rapidly away. A collation was served, and as the friends departed congratulations were again shared, and the wish expressed that the bride and groom might live to celebrate their golden wedding.—*Newport [R. I.] Mercury, March 5, 1887.*

THE BOOKS to be found in this paper contain the records of *distinct* branches of the Lewis race.

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WHAT is the coat of arms of the Lewis family?

SOMETHING concerning the Lewises may be found in the "Books of Reference" heretofore published. Transcripts therefrom are solicited.

EIGHTEEN Books of Records so far have been opened in this paper under the supposition that these represented as many distinct branches of the Lewis race, but it is already demonstrated that the lines run together in Books 12 and 15; and in Books 2 and 17, which so far as known, leave us with 16 Books and branches.

The Lewis Letter,

With this number, enters the second half of the first year of its existence with a feeling of confidence for the future. It has found and made many new friends since the first number was issued in January. It has been the means of bringing together families and their isolated members, which were unknown to each other, or between whom all communication had been suspended and a knowledge of their whereabouts entirely lost. It has awakened an interest in family traditions, history and pedigree. It is received and read by subscribers in *fourteen* states, and in Canada. It is what it claims to be, the organ of the Lewises, their kindred and friends. It claims, among others, the merit of adaptation and growth commensurate with the requirements, necessities and efforts of its patrons.

ANY one and every one may contribute to the accomplishment of all the possibilities within its scope.

HE does well, who after years of careful inquiry, patient study, and unremitting labor, puts forth a book of the genealogical records of his, or any other family; and it may be safely assumed that but few of the many who possess the work, ever take the time to familiarize themselves with it, so as to understand or appreciate it.

It is not thus with the Lewis family paper. We are all interested and willing workers gathering material each according to his ability, circumstances or pleasure, with which to build this monument — a fitting memorial — to the virtues and blood of our progenitors, and thus express and perpetuate our estimate and appreciation of them. We will do well thus to honor our fathers and our mothers.

Now as to the future of our paper. It is proposed to ask our friends if they desire it to continue another year, and if the subscription list can be increased to five hundred copies? We believe it can be done. If the replies are favorable we shall endeavor to make Vol. 2 of the LETTER a sixteen page monthly for only fifty cents a year. If we double the number of pages and reduce the price as proposed, we must be assured of the required number of subscribers or copies. If our friends will call the attention of those whom they think may be interested in our enterprise and give us the results of their inquiries and their own views, during July and August, we will tabulate and publish the returns and make the proper announcement in the September number of the paper.

THE article upon the naming of girls in this issue is worthy of the serious attention and consideration of all. If one name only should be given to each girl, then upon marriage she would very naturally and properly retain her full maiden name and identity.

Lewis Associations.

We cannot too strongly urge upon the brethren, the desirability and also the necessity of forming Lewis Associations. There should be at least one, and there may be more than one Association in every state. A notice similar to the one to be found in another column, but signed "Committee" should be published a few weeks in the local papers in the vicinity where it is proposed to meet. The programme should be carried out as advertised. The by-laws printed on page 10 are recommended for adoption with a further article in relation to its membership in the League.

The Lewis League.

The Associations now existing desire to organize a League which shall have supervisory jurisdiction over the Associations now or hereafter to be formed, and also to have charge of the publication of the LEWIS LETTER. It is proposed that each Association shall be represented in the League by its officers present and past. The Lewis League will be organized and hold its first meeting with the second reunion of Association No. one.

Two hundred and fifty copies of the LEWIS LETTER are printed for July.

Genealogical Records.

BOOK I.

RANDALL LEWIS.

CHAPTER V.

By F. P. LEWIS LISLE, N. Y.

The following is a correct copy of the record of the marriage of Randall Lewis as found in the Exeter, R. I., clerk's office, kindly furnished by N. B. Lewis, clerk, who suggests that the schoolmaster must have been abroad in those early days:

Exeter, November the Twenty-first Day A. D. 1765 then Ware Joined to Gather in marriage Randal Lewis of hopkinton and Alse Rathbune of Exeter both in Kings County and in the Colony of Rodeisland

by me, STEPHEN RICHMOND, Justice of ye peace.

Myron S. Lewis, 82 Parade-st, Providence, R. I. is authority for the statement that *Alse* is the same as Alice, and sometimes called Elsie. It will be noticed on page 13 that Elsie was the daughter of Rowland who was a son of Randall.

WE clip the following from the *Scioto (O.) Gazette*, published by R. G. Lewis, and we would be pleased if other papers in the states named would copy:

Mr. Frank P. Lewis, of Lisle, N. Y., wishes any one having information or related to John Lewis who moved to Ohio, Indiana, or Illinois from New York to communicate with him.

MISS NENO MOODY, a niece of President, T. H. B. Lewis, graduated in June from the Mansfield (Pa.) Normal school.

MRS. CAROLINE LEWIS HODGES, of Glen Aubrey, N. Y., is ill with erysipelas.

JAMES R. LEWIS and F. P. Lewis expect to spend the month of July in the West.

BOOK II.

JUDSON LEWIS, Stratford, Ct.

CHAPTER III.

Judson W. (2) and Anna (McCune) Lewis had five children :

15 I Henry, m. Susan Root, Madison, N. Y.

16 II Sarah, m Zebrina Mowry, M. D.

17 III Judson, m Ann Tyler, Madison, N. Y.

18 IV Stiles, m Melinda Marble, Madison, N. Y.

19 V Ann Jennette, m Dwight Williams.

Charles (3) and Sally (Morton) Lewis had eight children :

20 I George, b Madison, N. Y., m Cornelia Curtis.

21 II Melinda, b M. m — Barber, d Bloomington, Ills.

22 III William, b M., m Mary White, Bloomington, Ills.

23 IV Eliza, b M., b Bloomington, Ill.

24 V Maria, b M., m Alanson B. Coe, d Omaha, Neb.

25 VI Frank, b M.

26 VII Abner, b M., Chicago, Ill.

27 VIII Seymour, b M.

Betsey (4) and Thompson-Curtis had three children :

28 I Eliza Ann, b in Morrisville, N. Y., m Pardon Barnard, lives Howel, Mich.

29 II Burr, b in Morrisville, N. Y.

30 III Aristeon P., b in Morrisville, N. Y., m Ely T. Barnard, Register of Livingston co, Mich., d Howel.

William (5) and Atlanta (Curtis) Lewis had six children :

31 I Alonzo, b M. April 29, 1815, m Mary B. Dayton, (Fair) now New Haven, Ct., Nov. 3, 1839; moved back to Madison, N. Y.; thence to Smithville Flats, Chenango co., N. Y., in 1848, and to Lisle, N. Y., in 1862, where he has since resided. Mr. Lewis has been, in business a hardware merchant, in religion an Universalist and in politics a Republican. In Lisle, he has been a member of the Board of Education, President of the village and enumerator of the last U. S. census. He is Vice President of Lewis Association No. one, an upright man and a gentleman, respected by all who know him.

32 II Alfred Curtis, b M. Dec. 16, 1816; m Eusebia W. Curtis, Dec. 1846; d Mel. 6, 1871, in Madison, N. Y.

33 III John Homer, b M. April 1, 1819, m Sarah Washburn, of Augusta, N. Y., Oct. 1847.

34 IV Amanda Jane, b M. Mel. 19, 1821; m Sanford Peckham, Dec. 1846; Madison, N. Y.

35 V Jerome Bonapart, b M. July 5, 1825; m Sept. 6, 1852, Mary Tarbell, b Oct. 6, 1821,

Smithville Flats, N. Y.

- 36 VI Imogene Amelia, b M. Nov. 4, 1827, m Jason Peckham, Hamilton, N. Y., d. Mch. 1870.

BOOK VIII.

JOHN LEWIS:

CHAPTER IV.

BY REV. WELCOME LEWIS, COVENTRY, N. Y.

Bell Lewis, 5th son and 11th child of Captain James and Phebe (York) Lewis, (thus named for his maternal uncle Bell York of Stonington, Conn.) b Mch. 24, 1798, Petersburg, Rensselaer co, N. Y.; m January 26, 1820, Brookfield, N. Y., Melinda, dau of Phineas and Sarah (Feun) Babcock, b January 18, 1802, B; d there September 28, 1865, of scrofulous consumption, b at B. In 1821 he moved to Ellisburgh, Jefferson co, N. Y. In 1832 he returned to B. where he d Dec. 25, 1864, from injuries received from the falling of a tree. He was a deacon in 1st Bap. church in B., in business a painter, in politics a republican. Their children were:

- 50 I Welcome, b Dec. 12, 1820, B: m Sept. 22, 1861, by Hon. Wm. Robinson (whom he had previously married to his wife's sister at Mansfield,) Hannah W.; dau of Marshall and Hannah (White) Shaw, b. in Foxborough, Mass. May 11, 1827, she d Oct. 19, 1878, in M. of gastritis. He prepared for college at Whitestown Seminary, graduated at Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y. in 1849 and at Newton (Mass.) Theological Institution. in 1852,

ordained pastor of the Bap. ch, Mansfield, Mass. Sept. 30, 1852, was a member of Mass. Legislature in 1871, during which time he continued his clerical labors without interruption. He went to Coventry, N. Y. in 1881, an invalid to live in the family of his sister, Mrs. Rease.

- 51 II Mary Ann, b Nov. 21, 1822, Ellisburgh, N. Y., m Brookfield, Oct. 25, 1848, by Rev. S. C. Ainsworth, George T. Bramer, a machinist who lived successively at Fabius, Arcadia and Little Falls, N. Y., where he d March 10, 1880.
- 52 III Harriet Melissa, b. May 18, 1824, d in July following.
- 53 IV Harriet Maria, b June 15, 1829, Ellisburg, m Mch 10, 1873, at Sandy Creek, N. Y. by Rev. Joseph H. Lamb, Rev. Daniel Rease, a Bap clergyman.
- 54 V Infant son, b and d Sept., 1838.

CHAPTER V.

BY EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS, WATERFORD, N. Y.

OUR GIRLS' NAMES AND IDENTITY.

I have been thinking a good deal of late, as to the propriety, or rather impropriety of girls losing their identity on becoming married, in other words losing their family names. If it were something to benefit their husbands it would seem more excusable, but to use an allusion from Shakespeare they appropriate what does them no good, and leaves the wife "poor indeed" even without a name, except a borrowed or adopted one.

In order to make the case plain as may be, allow me to mention that cousin of ours, who writes her name Fannie M. Marshall. Now to see the name or hear it, one might suppose her innocent of ever thinking of a Lewis, to say nothing of having been one. As to M. in her name, few know little, and care less as to what it stands for. It might stand for Mith or Mythology. Now if she would just drop that, and write Fannie Lewis Marshall all would seem appropriate and lovely, and all could understand where her distinguishing traits of good nature and mirthfulness sprung from, and it might now be appropriately said of her, as of the Prodigal, "Lost but is found."

It is said to be never too late to mend. It is only about two years since I began to write my name in full, before that it was Edna L. I began to think L. was too "loose." It might mean Labrador, Lumbago, Lozenges, or even *Lucifer*. So to end all doubt, or guess work I now write it Lewis, wishing it to be understood that I am just as much a Lewis now, as before the name of Briggs was grafted on, and also that one's maiden name should never be considered a thing of the past, but continue right on through our natural life, and then be perpetuated on our tomb-stones, that future generations may know the stock from which we sprang.

BOOK XIV

JOHN LEWIS, of Westerly, R. I.

CHAPTER IV

By MYRON S. LEWIS, PROVIDENCE,
R. I.

John Lewis was one of the original settlers of Westerly, R. I. According to tradition, the first settlers were John Babcock and his lover, Mary Lawton, who eloped from Newport. They landed on the east side of the Pawcatuck river, and built themselves a wigwam. Their first child, James Babcock, was the first male white child born in the Narragansett territory.

The place of their retreat having been ascertained by the people of Newport, they deputized five men, viz: William Vaughan, Robert Stanton, John Fairchild, Hugh Mosher and James Longbottom to purchase a title of the land from the Indians. They purchased of one Sosa his title to the land and the deed was dated June 29, 1660.

It was not long before settlers began to arrive, and among them were John Lewis and his family. It is supposed that he came from Newport, but nothing definite can be ascertained, as the records of Newport were captured by the British during the Revolutionary War and carried to New York. When they were returned they were in such a condition (having been in the water) that they were worthless.

The records of the R. I. colony, Vol. II, page 238, state that "John Lewis of Misquamocott was admitted a freeman Oct. 28, 1668. The records of Westerly were not kept in any regular form until 1683, when the town obtained 'A Book' and the 'list of free inhabitants' were entered. Under the date of May 18, 1669, the name of John Lewis appears; Sept. 1679, that of John Lewis, Jun. 9, lot; and

March 3, 1680, 'James Lewes, 1 lot, David Lewes, 5 lot, Izreall Lews, 16 lot and Samuel Lews, 38 lot."

John Lewis was in Westerly in 1661, as he signed articles of agreement March 22nd of that year.

On May 16, 1671, a warrant was issued requiring the inhabitants of Westerly to appear "to-morrow at Tobias Saunders house, to see how they stand as to their fidelity to His Majesty and this colony." Twenty-two persons, including John Lewis, appeared and took the oath of allegiance to the government of Rhode Island.

John Lewis had seven sons, viz: Jonathan, who was married twice, first to Jemima Whitehead and second to Deliverance ^{Towns} ^{and} who died about 1708; John, who m Ann —; Daniel, m Mary Maxon, dau of John and Mary (Mosh-er) Maxon; James, m Sarah Babcock, dau of James and Jane (Brown) Babcock; David, m Elizabeth Babcock; Israel, m Jane Babcock; and Samuel, who married Joanna —.

John Lewis died before 1690 and was buried just below the village of Westerly, near the road leading to Watch Hill, on the east side of the highway. The place where he was buried is a large unfenced spot, in the southeast corner of a field in front of the house owned by Thomas E. Saunders. The land once belonged to the Lewises and afterwards to Arnold Kenyon. It is said that seven generations of the Lewises are buried here, but there is no lettering on the stones to designate to whom they belong. There is also another Lewis burying

ground in Westerly situated on the crest of a gravel hill, south of the house of Pardon Lewis. It is also like the other ground, in a neglected condition, having no fence to inclose it and no headstones to mark the resting place of some of the earliest members of this family. There are about a dozen graves in this ground.

CHAPTER V

BY MRS. ZARAH TAYLOR, MAINE,
N. Y.

Mrs. Stanton, widow of the late Cap. R. A. Stanton, died at her home in Norwich, N. Y., June 9, 1887, after a long and painful illness, leaving two sons and two daughters, orphans. She was the daughter of Mr. Nathan Pendleton, of Oxford, N. Y., and was an amiable and highly cultured lady. Her husband was the grandson of Beriah and Lois (Wells) Lewis.

Lucy Rogers, wife of George F. Lewis, died at her home in Maine, N. Y., March 22, 1887. George F. is the great grandson of Beriah above named.

BOOK XVIII

NATHANIEL LEWIS

CHAPTER III

BY S. D. LEWIS, WARSAW, N. Y.

- Children of Eliza (18) and Harvey Stone, of Varysburg, N. Y.:
- 36 I Almira, m GEORGE PARKER, reside in Buffalo, N. Y.
- 37 II Morris L. m Fannie Stanley, reside Wamego, Kansas.
- 38 III Truman L. m Helen Lewis, reside, Varysburg, N. Y.
- Children of Corina (19) and E. T. Cleveland:
- 39 I Almon, m resides — Iowa.

- 40 II Truman, m Ida Nichols,
resides, Rockford Ills.
- 41 III Lucy, m — VANALSTINE,
reside — — Iowa.
- 42 IV Laura, m WILLIAM GREGO-
RY, reside, Rockford, Ills.
Children of Pamela (20) and
George C. Cleveland, all of
Rockford, Ills. :
- 43 I Frank, m Etta Stambro.
- 44 II Edward.
- 45 III William.
- 46 IV Carrie.
Children of Jane (21) and M. T.
Shoomaker, of Rural, Wis. :
- 47 I Lewis.
- 48 II Lucy, m — — Potts.
- 49 III Truman.
- 50 IV Laura.
Children of Simeon D. (23) and
Sarah (Canfield) Lewis, Warsaw,
N. Y. :
- 51 I George A., m Frances East-
man.
- 52 II Edward T., d aged 7 years.
Children of Frank (24) and Julia
Bristol, Norwich, N. Y.
- 53 I Mary E.

Lewis, Attention !

The second annual re-union and basket picnic of Lewis Association No. one, will be held on the Broome County Fair grounds between Whitney's Point and Lisle on Wednesday, August 31st, 1887, at 10 A. M.

All persons attending the re-union, upon their arrival, will please report to the Secretary and register their names.

Introductions and visiting will be enjoyed until dinner, after which reports and speeches will be made

and officers elected for the ensuing year.

A small collection will then be in order, to defray expenses.

Lisle is a station on the D. L. & W. R. R., 23 miles north of Binghamton and 57 miles south of Syracuse, N. Y.

Special rates have been secured at the Dudley House for persons from abroad and carriages will run to and from the grounds.

All Lewises, their kindred and friends are cordially invited to attend.

No postponement on account of weather.

Papers please mention.

July 1, 1887.

FRANK P. LEWIS, Secretary.

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Wm. M. Lewis, Attica, N. Y.
Helen A. Lewis, Milford, Dela-
ware.

JUNE :

Mary Lewis Munon, Newport News,
Va.
Myron S. Lewis, 82 Parade-st,
Providence, R. I.
Sarah Lewis McIntosh, Almond,
N. Y.
Miss L. A. Lewis, Norwich, N. Y.

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BOOK II.

BENJAMIN LEWIS, Stratford, Ct.

CHAPTER IV.

BY ALONZO LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

Isaac (6) and Mary (Curtis) Lewis had two children:

37. I. Thompson, b M; m Lucy.

38. II. Lucetta, b M; m Palmer Hall, Morrisville, N. Y.

Isaac (6) and Lydia (Gates) Lewis had five children:

39. III. Lucy Ann, b Morrisville, N. Y.; m William Perry, Chicago, Ills.

40. IV. Lucinda, b M; m Mason Chamberlain, of Pratt's Hollow, N. Y., where he died; she is living in Chicago, Ills.

41. V. Dwight, b M; m Sophia Hadcock, Stockbridge, N. Y.; he died in Morrisville.

42. VI. Henry, b M; m Nancy —; Englewood, Ills.

43. VII. Helen, b M; m Lutherkent, of Utica, N. Y., where he died; she resides Chicago, Ills.

Isaac (6) and Esther (Card) Lewis had three children:

44. VIII. Mary, b M.

45. IX. Angelette, b M; Chicago, Ills.

46. X. Alasco B., b M — 1841; Dubuque, Iowa.

Conway (7) and Delia (Curtis)
Lewis had seven children :

47. I. Curtis, b M; m (1) Mary Morris who died 1841; m (2) Delia Morris, of Pratt's Hollow, N. Y.; Fondulac, Wis.
48. II. Ransom, b M; m Helen Williams.
49. III. Nancy, b M; m Tucker.
50. IV. Hiram, b M; Canastota, N. Y.
51. V. LaFayette, b M; m — Shapley, of Hamilton, N. Y., where he died.
52. VI. Julia Ann, b M; m George Cross, of M.
53. VII. Elizabeth, b M.

Catherine (8) and Isaac Curtis
had eight children;

54. I. Seymour, b Madison, N. Y., a physician; m (1) Electa Ann Curtis, who died, Madison; m (2) Lavonia Barber, of Munsville; he died at Madison.
55. II. Pixley, b Madison; m Emily Peckham.
56. III. Ransom, b M; m Minerva Bridge; he died in M.
57. IV. Leroy, b M; m Frances Peterson.
58. V. Maria, b M; m Hon. John W. Lippit, of Madison, N. Y.
59. VI. Jennette, b M; m William Wallace Washburne; Madison, N. Y.
60. VII. Martha, b M.
61. VIII. Alonzo, b M; m (1st) Martha Washburne; m (2d) Louisa Tucker.

BOOK II.

Benjamin Lewis, of Book XVII

was the great grandfather of Judson.
These Books are therefore merged.

CHAPTER V.

By PHILO C. LEWIS, WICHITA,
KANSAS.

62. Benjamin Lewis, first of Wallingford, Ct., and afterwards of Stratford, m Hannah, dau. of Serg't John Curtis, one of the original proprietors, or settlers, of that ancient town. Her birth is recorded Feb. 16th, 1654. She died Oct. 21, 1728. Benjamin d. in Stratford, about 1700. Their children were:
 63. I. John, b Sept, 1672, in Wallingford, Ct.
 64. II. Mary, b Nov., 1674, in Wallingford, Ct.
 65. III. James, b —, 1677, in Stratford, Ct.
 66. IV. Edmund, b —, 1679, in Stratford, Ct.
 67. V. Joseph, b —, 1683, in Stratford, Ct.
 68. VI. Hannah, b —, probably 1685, m Joseph Jones.
 69. VII. Mary, b — about 1688, m Sam'l Fairchild, and d at Ripton in 1777, aged 89.
 70. VIII. Martha, b —, 1691, m James Judson 1712.
 71. IX. Benjamin, b —, 1696.
 72. X. Eunice, b —, probably who m Judson Buxton, in 1721.
- James (65), son of Benjamin 1st (62), and Hannah (Curtis) Lewis, m Hannah, dau. of James Judson, Nov. 11th, 1702. She d at Stratford, July 2nd, 1756. James d Jan. 20, 1766, and were buried in the old Episcopal cemetery, their

tombs being yet in a good state of preservation. Children:

73. I. John, b Dec. 20, 1703, in Stratford.
74. II. Mary, b May 18, 1706, m Rev. John Goodsell, pastor at Greenfield Hill.
75. III. James, b Oct. 12, 1708.
76. IV. David, b June 5, 1711.
77. V. Abigail, b Nov. 9, 1712, m Nehemiah Beardsley.
78. VI. Ephriam, b about 1718.
- John (73), son of James (65) and Hannah (Judson) Lewis, m Sarah, d of Nathaniel Sherman, Dec. 7, 1727. Nathaniel was the son of Samuel, son of Edmund Sherman, born in Dedham, England, and came to America about 1632 and settled in Watertown, Mass. Nathaniel's father came to Stratford previous to 1656. Their children born in Stratford, were:
79. I. Nathan, b Sept. 19, 1728.
80. II. Nathaniel S., b June 3, 1730.
81. III. Amy, b Aug. 19, 1732.
82. IV. Sarah, b Jan 2, 1734-5.
83. V. John, b Oct. 25, 1737, d Jan. 14, 1737-8.
84. VI. John, b Jan. 19, 1738-9, d Jan, 1744-5.
85. VII. Judson, b Mar. —, 1743.
86. VIII. John, b Nov. 5, 1747.
87. IX. Stephen, b Aug. —, 1749.

Judson (85, chap. 2), son of John (73) and Sarah (Sherman) Lewis, m Elizabeth, dau. of Capt. Samuel Whiting, son of Rev. Samuel Whiting, of Windham, Ct., who was the son of William Whiting, the first at Hartford, Ct. Capt. Samuel was born in 1720, and d in 1803. Elizabeth was

bapt. in Stratford, Nov. —, 1751. About the year 1795, Judson Lewis with his family, removed from Stratford to Madison, Madison-co., N. Y. Their children born in Stratford, were:

88. I. John, bapt. Mar. —, 1771. (Probably d young.)
89. II. Elizabeth, bapt. Jan. —, 1772. (Prob. Betsey 4).
90. III. Silas, bapt. Sept. —, 1773. (Prob. d young).
91. IV. Silas, bapt. Nov. —, 1775. (1).
92. V. Judson, W., b — —, (2).
93. VI. Charles, b — —, (3).
94. VII. William, b Dec., 1783. (5).
95. VIII. Isaac, b April —, 1788, (Prob. d young).
96. IX. Conway, b — —, (7).
97. X. Isaac, bapt. Mar. —, 1792.
98. XI. Catherine, b — —, [8].

Silas [91] [1], son of Judson [85] and Elizabeth [Whiting] Lewis m Charity, dau. of [probably] Joseph 3d and Martha [Judson] Curtis. Charity was b in Stratford, May —, 1774. Silas and Charity d in Madison, N. Y. They had:

99. I. Everett, b — —, d Syracuse, N. Y., [9].
100. II. Birdsey, b — —, Pratt; d Hamilton, N. Y., [10].
101. III. Albert, b —; m Emeline Gifford; reside in Madison, N. Y., [11].
102. IV. Mary Ann, m Gad. Gaylord; d Madison, [12].
103. V. Theodosia, m Philander Powers; d Augustus, N. Y., [13].
104. VI. Otis, m Caroline —; reside in Madison, N. Y., [14].

BOOK VIII.
JOHN LEWIS.
CHAPTER VI.

BY MARY S. LEWIS, JOHNSTOWN,
OHIO.

Children of Zebulon [] and
Mary Lewis :

55. I. Zebulon.
56. II. Simeon.
57. III. David.
58. IV. Jabez.
59. V. Phebe.
60. VI. Sarah.
61. VII. Stephen.

CHAPTER VII.

BY EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS, WATER-
FORD, N. Y.

It is noteworthy that the old stock of Lewises very generally had bible names. When recently I obtained the record of my father's youngest brother, I was reminded of the fact. The record was furnished by his son, Hon. Harris Lewis, of Frankfort, N. Y. I shall quote his language largely.

62. Nehemiah Lewis was born in 1766 ; m [1st] Miss McGinness by whom he had *ten* children :

63. I. Abraham.
64. II. Isaac, d 1886, Taylor, Chenango-co., N. Y., aged 97.
65. III. Jacob, d there many years ago.
66. IV. Nehemiah.
67. V. Rebecca.
68. VI. Grace.
69. VII. Infant, d young.
70. VIII. Infant, d young.
71. IX. Infant, d young.
72. X. Infant, d young.

Soon after the death of his wife he moved to the unbroken wilderness of Chenango coun-

ty, N. Y., taking with him all the children except Abraham and Nehemiah. At the age of 36 he m [2d] Phebe Bolster, aged 18 years, by whom he had *ten* children :

73. XI. Lot, d 1886, aged 81 years.
74. XII. Mary, m LYMAN PRIOR, Saquoit, N. Y.
75. XIII. Thomas, d Conn.
76. XIV. Phebe, d Westmoreland, Oneida-co., N. Y., 1884, aged 72 years.
77. XV. Amos, resides Wooster, Ohio.
78. XVI. David, d young.
79. XVII. Solomon, d young.
80. XVIII. Harris.
81. XIX. Sybil, d Wis. 1877, aged 62 years.
82. XX. Rebecca, m Abel Tuttle ; has five children ; resides Brookfield, N. Y. After a few years he removed to Oneida county, N. Y., and settled at the Burstone Factory, where he resided until his death in 1828, preceded by the death of his wife, two days.

BOOK XII.

WILLIAM LEWIS, came in ship
Lion, 1632.

CHAPTER V.

BY LEMUEL LEWIS, COVENTRY, N. Y.

Charles [44] 2d child of Royce and Electa [Newell] Lewis, m Emeline Bartholomew, 1827 ; children :

83. I. Henry.
84. II. Romeo.
85. III. Gustavus.
86. IV. Marion.
87. V. Cornelia.
88. VI. Josephine.

Leuel [45] 3d child of Royce and Electa [Newell] Lewis, m Eliza Tubbs, 1827; children :

- 89. I. Electa.
- 90. II. Lucy.
- 91. III. Elizabeth.
- 92. IV. Charles.

Edwin [46] 4th child of Royce and Electa [Newell] Lewis, m Lucinda Curtis; children :

- 93. I. Burdette.
- 94. II. Charles.
- 95. III. Ella.

Pomerooy [47] 5th child of Royce and Electa [Newell] Lewis, m Rebecca —; children :

- 96. I. Thomas.
- 97. II. Jane.
- 98. III. Charles.
- 99. IV. Clement.
- 100. V. George.
- 101. VI. Electa.
- 102. VII. Lucy.
- 103. VIII. Pomerooy.

Electa [48] 6th child of Royce and Fanny [Smith] Lewis, m Eli Sanford; children :

- 104. I. Edwin.
- 105. II. Emerson.

Ann [49] 7th child of Royce and Fanny [Smith] Lewis, m Edward Terry; child :

- 106. I. George.

Early Connecticut Lewises.

[FROM ROLLIN H. COOKE, WINSTED, CONN.]

The Records of Mass. Bay Colony, name Humphrey Lewis, in May, 1629.

William Lewis and Felix, his wife, came with his only son, William to Boston in 1632 in the ship

Lion. The son William settled in Farmington, Ct., and had 16 children. I have the names of about 500 of his descendants.

There was another William Lewis, at Roxbury, Mass., before 1642, a John Lewis at New London, Conn. 1648, one at Charlestown, Mass., 1634, a Thomas Lewis, of Lynne, Ct., who married in 1659 and may have been identical with a Thomas of Northampton, Mass.

A Rev. Joshua Lewis, a Baptist clergyman, came from Wales in 1686 and has descendants in Conn. and R. I.

Robert and Elizabeth Lewes came in the ship Blessing in 1635 to Boston, Mass.

Gen. Robert Lewis, a native of Wales, settled in Virginia, and his grandson married a sister of Gen. Washington.

A Lewis came to America in 1732 and settled in Virginia. He was from a Huguenot family and settled first in England, then in Ireland. The Am. Cyclopaedia gives this in a notice of John Lewis.

Benjamin Lewis, of Stratford, Conn., went to Wallingford in 1670 and returned to Stratford in 1687.

All these are the earlier generations, and do not include the Rhode Island families.

I quote from Hotten's Lists of Emigrants to America :

Lists of emigrants were taken

in England of those who legally left the country. Passengers were examined by ministers as to their conformity to the church discipline of England, and that they had taken the oaths of allegiance and supremacy. It was sometimes especially certified that they were no subsidy men, that is, men liable to the payment of a subsidy to the crown. Many left to avoid payment of the subsidy, and must have left secretly, without record. Ships left almost daily for America in the early years of the country. The imposition of the first forced loan by Charles the First resulted in the emigration of John Winthrop and others about 1630. The Star Chamber proceedings drove many away.

The following are from records :

To New England, July 13, 1635, Ship Blessing, John Lester, master : Robert Lewes, 28 yrs, Elizabeth Lewes, 22 yrs.

April, 1634, Ship Elizabeth, of Ipswich, England, William Andrews, Master : Edmund Lewis, age 33 yrs ; Mary Lewis, age 32 yrs, wife ; John Lewis, age, 3 yrs, child ; Thomas Lewis, age, 3 quarters, child.

Mar. 1634, Ship Hercules, of Sandwich, John Witherby, Master : John Lewis, of Tenterden, wife, Sarah, and child.

June 22, 1632, Ship —, Capt. Mason : William Lewes to Virginia.

Aug. 7, 1635, Ship Globe, of London, Jeremy Blackman, Master : Edward Lewes, 21 yrs, William Lewes, 25 yrs.

Jan. 2, 1634, Ship Bonaventure, James Riccosti, Master : John Lewes, 23 yrs

Aug. 21, 1635, Ship Thomas, Henry Taremen, Master : Jo. Lewes, 16 yrs.

May, 15, 1635, Ship Plaine Joan, Richard Bucbam, Master : Robert Lewes, 23 yrs.

July 4, 1635, Ship Transport, London, Edward Walker, Master : Robert Lewes, 38 yrs.

May, 1617, Ship Edwin : Roger Lewes, 19 yrs, servant to Mrs. Mary Madison, 1624. This Roger is also in the list of those living at West and Shirlow Hundred Island Feb. 16, 1623. The name is spelled Lewis, in the last list

To St. Christopher's, Sep. 2, 1635, William and John, Rowland Langram, Master : Richard Lewes, age 26 yrs

1680, Parish Register of Christ church, Barbadoes : Edmund Lewis, 214 acres, 8 white servants, 72 negroes ; David Lewis, 10 acres, 52 negroes ; John Lewis, 15 acres, 6 negroes.

Dec. 20, 1679, Parish Register, St. James, Barbadoes : Capt Hugh Lewis, 40 acres, 15 negroes

ONE subscriber was added to the LEWIS LETTER in July.

Early Settlers of Westerly, Rhode Island.

(N. E. Hist.—Gen. Register, Vol. XII, page 237.
J. D. Champlin, Jr., Stonington, Conn.)

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The town of Westerly was settled in the year 1661 by a colony from the island of Aquidneck (now Rhode Island) and mostly from the town of Newport. Its Indian name appears under the various orthography of Misquamocnck, Swampscot, Squamiantt, Squamicuck, etc. For a particular account of the first purchase and settlement, see Potter's Narraganset, Vol. III, Collections Rhode Island Historical Society. The following list of "free inhabitants" is a literal transcript from the first volume of town-meeting records, and although bearing date, 1669, was probably not entered until 1682-3, as may be inferred from the following, recorded on the next page, immediately after the lists:

"The records of the acts and orders of the Inhabitants of the towne of westerle—

whereas it hath pleased the Honored Gennerall Assembly of his Majesties Collony of Rhod Island and Providence plantations and Kings province Sitteing att Newport May the fift 1669:

To grante unto us the Inhabitants of the towne of westerle the Liberty And Authority of Carrieing on our affairs in Condition as A Towne As it may Appaere:
In persuance where of

wec the Inhabitants of the towne Aforesaid have Judged it expedient for the uphclding of peace and Concorde Amonge our Selves and such as shall be Leagally admitted Inhabitants Amonge us and for the prevention of the Contrary hereof for the futtuer:

To make sundery orders boath formerly and lately which have been exposed to delaye being only Committed into Loose papers (and partly by Reasone of the Changes of Governmente we have been passing under) for the prevention where of for the futner the haveing provided, A Book.

And att a Towne meeting held by the ffree Inhabitants in the towne of westerle on March 22, 1682-3 Voated. Mr Jeffree Champion [Champlin] Chossen Modarator— Voated. That the laws and orders of this Towne shall by the Towne Clerk be Recorded in the Towne Book, and Mr. Tobias Saunders and Leiftanant Joseph Davell are Appointed And Authorized to be Assistants to the towne Clerk in the orderly placing of them:"

"A List of the free Inhabitants of the towne of westerle"

May the 18-1669; John Crandall, Tobias Saunders, 17 lot; Edward Larkin, Robert Burdick, 36 Stephen Wilcox, John Randall, John Lewes, John Mackoon, James Cass, John Sharp, Johnathan Armstrong, Danniell Stanton, John Masson, 10 lote 34; James Babcock, Sen., Jeffree Champion, Sen. Thomas Paintter, John ffairfield, 30 lot; James Babcock, Jun. 35; Danniell Cromb, 23 lot; John Babcock, Nickolas Cottrell, 21; Job Babcock, 45 lot; Joseph Clark, 18

lot; Shubaell Painter.

Sept 1679: George Landfeare, 32 lot; Richard Swait, Jeffree Champion, Jun., Henny Halle, Sen., John Lews, Jun, 9 lot; Gershem Cottrell, William Champion, 49 lot; Petter Crandall, 19 lot; Christopher Champion, 22 lot; James Crandall.

March 3—1679—80: Joseph Davell, 42 lot; Joseph Crandall, 14; James Lewes, 1 lote; James Pendleton, Joshua Holmes, 39 lot; Hope Chapman, 31 lot; John Masson, Jun, 12 lot; Benjamin Burdick, 15 lot; Joseph Masson, 29 lot; James Babcock Jun, 48 lot; Henny Halle Jun, 6 lote; Edward Larkin Jun, 33 lot; Thomas Reynolds, 28 lote; John Davis, 8 lot; John Babcock, 27 lot; Joseph Pemberton, 10 lot; Thomas Stephens, 20 lot; Joseph Clark Jun, 43 lot; James Halle, 13 lot; Caleb Pendleton, 41 lot given to George Landpheare; George Browne, 4 lot; David Lewes, 5 lot; Izreall Lews, 16 lot; Richard Landfeare, 11 lot; Nicolas Satterle, Thomas Wells Jun, 47 lot; Thomas Wells Sen, 40 lot; Samuel Lews, 38 lot; Thomas Burdick, 37; Edward Wilcox, John Enos, 2 lot; Sheadrak Landfeare, 24 lot; John Macconne, 26 lot; John Larkin, 46 lot.

In the above list, Lews and Lewes, same as Lewis; Cromb—Crumb; Champion—Champlin; Pemberton is probably a distinct name from Pendleton.

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The second annual re-union and basket picnic of Lewis Association

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Special rates have been secured at the Dudley House for persons from abroad and carriages will run to and from the grounds.

All Lewises, their kindred and friends are cordially invited to attend.

No postponement on account of weather.

Papers please mention.

July 1, 1887.

FRANK P. LEWIS, Secretary.

J. R. LEWIS and F. P. Lewis, of Lisle, N. Y., of Book I, started on a trip West July 6th, were joined in Chicago by J. C. Lewis, of Lisle, N. Y., Prof. Burr Lewis, of Lockport, N. Y., both of Book III, from which point they continued their trip, taking in St. Louis, Mo, Wichita, Eldorado, Hutchinson and many other places in Kansas They expect to return the first week in August.

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GENEALOGICAL RECORDS.

BOOK XIV.

JOHN LEWIS, of Westerly, R. I.

CHAPTER VI.

**BY MYRON S. LEWIS, PROVIDENCE,
R. I.**

Jonathan (2) Lewis, son of John (1) Lewis, of Westerly, according to the R. I. Colonial Records, Vol. 3, took the oath of allegiance Sept. 17, 1679. But little is found in reference to him in R. I. history, as he moved to Long Island and had quite a family.

John (2) son of John (1) Lewis, of Westerly, took the oath of allegiance May 3, 1681 (R. I. Col. Rec., Vol. 3). He was a Grand Juror June 12, 1688; appointed as deputy to the General Assembly at Newport, Oct. 25, 1704, and also in 1709 and 1710 (R. I. Col. Rec.) The following list of the children of John Lewis and his wife Ann, I find in the Narragansett Historical Register, all born in Westerly:

- Joseph (3) born Oct. 16, 1683.
- Sarah (3) born Aug. 17, 1687; m. — Bemis.
- Mary (3) born May 4, 1689; m. — Dake.
- Anna (3) born Jan. 6, 1691; m. William Ross, Apr. 18, 1711.
- Abigail (3) born May 20, 1693; m. — Slack.
- John (3) born Jan. 13, 1698.
- William (3) born Feb. 1, 1701-2.
- Jerusha (3) born Jan. 11, 1706-7.

Daniel (2) son of John (1) moved from Westerly to Hopkinton, R. I. The following extract is taken from "The History of Hopkinton, R. I., by Rev. S. S. Griswold": "The first settler in the town was Daniel Lewis, about the year 1704. He

built his house on the lot now owned by the Joint Districts Nos. 2 and 4 of Hopkinton, and 8 of Westerly, and now occupied by the school house of the graded schools in that Joint District. It is also known as the Lucy Maxson land. An excavation in the ground now marks the spot where his house stood. Says S. in his Ashaway letter: "It is a singular fact that the citizens of this community (Hopkinton) in selecting a site for the first academy in the town, were so united as to at once choose the lot that Daniel Lewis selected for his first house to stand upon. The old well from which he drew water, not many rods from his house, is still in use."

The Daniel Lewis was the son of John Lewis, who came from England, in company with his four brothers, at the first settlement of this country, and settled not far from the present residence of John H. Cross, Esq., Westerly. His brothers located themselves near Boston, Mass. John had seven sons, Daniel found his home in Hopkinton, Israel at Long Island, Jonathan at Richmond in this State, another at Exeter, while several remained with their father at Westerly. John, the father of these seven sons, died at Pawcatuck, and was buried just below the village of Westerly, near the road leading to Watch Hill.

Daniel Lewis, the first settler in that part of Hopkinton, was a fuller by trade and carried on his business where is now the Laurel Dale Mill, or very near there. He erected the first dam there, and for many years carried on a thriving business for the times. He was a firm, go-ahead

man, honest in every particular, and when once set upon what he considered to be right, was immutably fixed. He had three sons, John, Jonathan and Daniel, and three daughters, Mary, Dorcas and Hannah. Mr. Lewis was a member of the first Seventh Day Baptist Church in Hopkinton and died in 1717, not far from fifty years of age. The following is a verbatim extract from the preamble of his will: 'In the name of God, amen. I, Daniel Lewis, in the Colony of Rhode Island, fuller, being sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain, this my last will and testament—that is to say, principal and first of all, I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, and my body I commend to the earth, to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting that at the general resurrection, I shall receive it by the mighty power of God. As touching such wordly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I bequeath, etc., etc.—'

Then follows the several items of bequest, giving John the property at Laurel Dale, and Daniel a farm in the Tomaquag Valley. His grave and the grave of his wife and some of the children may be seen not far from the road, about half way from the Babcock house, (on the site of which the residence of Horace L. Crandall now [1876] stands) to the late residence of

Deacon Elnathan W. Babcock. Sacred to the memory of this ancient family, should preserve these graves from being desecrated by the ploughshare of time."

The N. E. Gen. and Hist. Register, Vol. 14, p. 167, says Daniel Lewis' will was dated Feb. 1, 1717-18.

In the above extract I think Mr. Griswold is mistaken in saying that Israel moved to Long Island and Jonathan to Richmond, R. I. It was Jonathan who went to Long Island and Israel I think remained at Westerly. It was a Jonathan Lewis of a later generation who went to Richmond, and if I could ascertain whose son he was, it would furnish the only missing link in my branch from the present time back to the first settler.

James (2) Lewis who married Sarah Babcock was the father of eight children, three sons and five daughters, viz:

James (3) m. Elizabeth Kenyon, (dan. of Jonathan, of Charlestown) Feb. 27, 1742.

Sarah (3) m. — Enos.

Mary (3) m. — Hall.

Elizabeth (3) m. John Crandall June 28, 1738, married by Elder John Maxson.

John (3) m. 1st Tacy Crandall March 3, 1717, by Joseph Hall, J. P. 2nd Mercy —.

David (3).

Patience (3) m. — Hall.

Ruth (3).

James (2) Lewis died in 1745.

David (2) Lewis had five children:

Elisha (3).

David (3).

Isaac (3).

Mary (3).

Prudence (3).

Israel (2) Lewis, according to records of births printed in the Narragansett Historical Register, had five children :

Israel (3) b. June 22, 1695.

Benjamin (3) b. June 8, 1697.

Joanna (3) b. May 21, 1700.

Anna (3) b. July 13, 1704.

Nathaniel (3) b. March 23, 1706.

Samuel (2) Lewis, whose will is dated Aug. 5, 1734, names children :

Samuel (3).

Jonathan (3).

Joanna (3) m. ——— Tanners.

Sarah (3) m. Fordice.

More details in regard to the above children of John Lewis, Sen., may be found in Austin's Genealogical Dictionary of R. I., notice of which is found in the June number of the LEWIS LETTER.

To Mr. Austin I am indebted for the list of the children of James (2) and David (2) Lewis, he having kindly furnished me with the same from the advance sheets. The list of the children of Jonathan (2) Lewis is also given in the work.

BOOK VIII.
JOHN LEWIS.

CHAPTER VIII.

Generations : John (1), John jun. (2), Abraham (3), Abraham jun. (4).

BY EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS, WATERFORD, N. Y.

Abraham jun. (4) had children (page 19) :

83. I. Nathaniel, the Alpha of the family, b. December 19, 1776. Of him very little is known, but it is believed

that he settled near Boston, Mass.

84. II. William, b. Sept. 7, 1778 ; m. and settled in Caneada, Allegany-co., N. Y. His descendants are living there, although little is known of them.

85. III. Abram, b. Sept. 30, 1780 ; m. Peaty Dally and settled in Antwerp, Jeff.-co., N. Y.

Abram (85) had one child :

86. I. Ward P. b. 1810 ; m. Susan Heaton, 1836 ; d. 1876.

Ward P. (86) and Susan Heaton Lewis had seven children :

87. I. Abram W., b. ——— ; now living in Marysville, Cal.

88. II. James II. resides Newton, Kansas.

89. III. Roscel, resides Morrison, Ills.

90. IV Nancy II., d. July 20, 1846.

91. V. Martha, d. Dec. 12, 1860.

92. VI. Thomas W., resides in — Plymouth-co., Iowa.

93. VII. Addie S., m. ——— Fellows ; resides Round Grove, Ills.

The complete family records of the above are wanted.

BOOK II.

BENJAMIN LEWIS, Stratford, Ct.

CHAPTER VI.

Justus, Samuel, Ichabod.

BY PHILO C. LEWIS, WICHITA, KAN.

105. Abel Lewis, b. in Huntington, Ct., Nov. 1742, was the son of Ephriam (78), who was the son of James (65), the son of Benjamin 1st (62). Abel was m. Feb. 27, 1766, to Emma Odell (he

was 1st cousin to Judson and John, of Huntington, Ct.) and had children:

106. I. Justus, b. H. March 6, 1767, who in 1808 lived in Danbury, Ct. Information of his family wanted.
107. II. Samuel, b. H; July 2d, 1771. In 1808 he lived in Middletown, N. Y., had children Zechariah A. and Ezekiel. Information of his family wanted.
108. III. Catherine, b. H; about 1773, m. Samuel, son of Nathan and Eunice Wolls.
109. IV. Ichabod, b. H; May 7, 1775; m. Abigail — and resided in Phillipic, Dutchess Co., N. Y., in 1794. Information of his family desired.

PERSONALS.

—Mr. and Mrs. Philo C. Lewis, of Wichita, Kansas, are spending the summer with relatives and friends in Conn. and New Jersey.

—Col. H. W. Lewis, Pres. of the Kansas National Bank, of Wichita, and founder of the Lewis Academy located there, is enjoying his vacation with his wife in the Rocky mountains.

BOOK V.

RICHARD LEWIS.

CHAPTER II.

Miss Sara, the lovely and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Judson Lewis, farmers near Vestal Centre, Broome-co., N. Y., after a two weeks illness of typhoid fever, died at her home on Tuesday, July 26, 1887.

Sara was born Aug. 18, 1867, and united with the Baptist church

some years since, while Rev. J. M. Crandall was her pastor. She was a great student and enjoyed teaching others. In social and church matters she was among the foremost.

Rev. J. M. Crandall, of Whitney's Point, preached the funeral sermon, and the interment occurred on Friday, July 29, 1887.

The *Union News*, of which she had been a correspondent, contained appropriate biographical sketches of her life and services.

BOOK XIII.

JOHN LEWIS, New London, Ct.

CHAPTER III.

By ROLLIN H. COOKE, PITTSFIELD, MASS.

1. John Lewis came over from Sandwich in 1635, in the ship *Hercules*, with wife Sarah and one child. He was enrolled from Tenterden, England. He was at New London, Conn., 1648, and died Dec. 8, 1676. (This is on the authority of Miss Caulkins's *History of New London. R. H. C.*) Children:
 2. I. John (2) b. England (?) was freeman in New London before 1669, died 1717, m. 1677 Elizabeth Huntley, of Lyme, Conn. She survived him.
 3. II. Joseph (2) b. —, was at New London 1666, Windsor, 1675, Simsbury (Conn.) 1677, d. 1680. He m. Apl. 30, 1674, Elizabeth, dau. of John and Sara's (Spencer) Case. She was born about 1658, and died Oct. 9, 1718. She m. 2nd John Tuller, of

Simsbury. John Case was at New London 1656, Windsor 1675, and Simsbury 1677.

Children of John (2) and — Lewis :

4. I. John (3) who lived in Lyme, Conn. A more complete record will be obtained later.

Children of Joseph (3) and Elizabeth (Case) Lewis :

5. I. Elizabeth, (3) see chapter 2, page 45.
 6. II. Joseph (3), see chapter 2, page 45.
 7. III. John (3) b. Jan. 8, 1680 ; d. about 1713 ; m. Jan. 22, 1711. Abigail Bacon, dan. of Thomas (formerly called Nathaniel) and Ann (Miller) Bacon, of Middletown, Ct.

Children of Joseph (6) and Sarah (Andrus) Lewis, born in Waterbury, Conn :

8. I. Infant (4) dan., see chapter 2, page 45.
 9. II. Joseph (4), see chap. 2, p. 45.
 10. III. Sarah (4), " " "
 11. IV. John (4), " " "
 12. V. Mary (4), " " "
 13. VI. Thomas (4) " " "
 14. VII. Samuel (4) " " "
 15. VIII. Abraham (4) " " "

Children of John (7) and Abigail (Bacon) Lewis, born in Simsbury, Conn. :

16. I. John (4) bap. May 2, 1714 ; d. 1777 ; m. Sept. 27, 1836, Rebecca, dan. of Samuel Butler, of Middletown, Ct. He was commissioned captain in 1736.

Children of Capt. John (16) and Rebecca (Butler) Lewis, born

Simsbury and Granby, Conn :

17. I. Hannah (5) b. March 12, 1737-8.
 18. II. Abigail (5) b. Aug. 11, 1739.
 19. III. Tamer (5) b. March 15, 1740-1.
 20. IV. Hezekiah (5) b. 1743 ; d. May 26, 1805 ; m. 1st Lydia Merriam, of (Rainbow) Windsor, b. 1748, d. Nov. 11, 1794, m. 2nd widow Ruth (Loomis) Phelps, dan. of Francis and Elizabeth Loomis, of Simsbury, and widow of Aaron Phelps. She was born June 28, 1752, and died April 8, 1849.
 21. V. Abner (5) b. May 10, 1744, twin.
 22. VI. Anna (5) b. May 10, 1744, twin.

PERSONALS.

—It will be noticed that Mr. Cooke has moved from Winsted, Ct., to Pittsfield, Mass., where as a member of the firm of Burns & Cooke, he is engaged in banking.—
 Ed.

—Miss Mary Esther Smith, of Lisle, N. Y., a daughter of Mary Lewis Smith and granddaughter of Hezekiah Lewis, is visiting relatives in Syracuse, N. Y.

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SECOND ANNUAL REUNION.

Report of Frank P. Lewis, Treasurer of Lewis Association, No. one, for first year ending August 31, 1887:

DR.	
To amount of collections at first reunion.....	\$ 2 22
To 136 full year subscriptions to LEWIS LETTER...	81 60
To 13 part year.....	5 50
To received for extra copies.	2 00
To received for adv.....	40

Total received.....\$91 72

OR.	
By paid for books, stationery and postage.....	\$10 41
By paid for circulars.....	1 25
By paid for editions of LEWIS LETTER.....	55 00
By balance in Treasury....	25 06
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	\$91 72

Report of Frank P. Lewis, Secretary of Lewis Association No. one, for first year ending August 31st, 1887:

This Association is the first of its kind, and was the outgrowth of the picnic held on the last Saturday of August, 1886. On that occasion 97 persons met representing at least *nine* different branches of the race. The object of this Association and the reunion is, not only to form and cultivate the acquaintance of others, but to encourage and assist all to live better and more useful lives, and record their history.

The Lewises of Ulysses, Pa., are entitled to credit for their interest in our proceedings at our first

reunion, and for their appreciation of the advantages resulting therefrom, manifested by their organization of Lewis Association, No. two December 6, 1886.

In November, 1886, your Secretary prepared and sent out a printed circular proposing to publish monthly an eight page family newspaper to be called the LEWIS LETTER, for sixty cents, providing 100 subscriptions were received by December 1st, 1886. Mr. R. G. Lewis, of Cortland, N. Y., and a member of that branch of the race whose records are to be found in Book 4, page 14 of the LEWIS LETTER, has the credit of being the first person to subscribe for the proposed paper. When December came only 71 subscriptions had been received. Rather than be to the trouble of returning the money, it was deemed best to publish the paper and take the chances of receiving the required number of subscribers. Therefore the first number of our paper was issued in January, 1887, and the subscription increased until we now have 149 prepaid subscribers, and it is now left to you to say whether the publication shall continue and under what management. It is recommended that the two associations now existing should organize a Lewis League, which shall have a supervisory jurisdiction over the associations now or hereafter to be formed, and have charge of its official organ, the LEWIS LETTER.

And finally I urge that every member of every association, and especially this association, write out his or her pedigree and history and delivery it to the Secretary.

to put on the records of the Association: and that each use all reasonable means to secure the organization of other associations.

F. P. LEWIS, Sec'y.

Seth Lewis, Esq., the Secretary of Lewis Association No. 2, being called upon to read a draft of a Constitution and by-laws which he had prepared for the Lewis League, responded as follows:

My friends and kindred:

I suppose I may call you my kindred, for you are all Lewises. I am happy to meet you here to-day on such a pleasant occasion. The circumstances under which I am placed, though pleasant, render it difficult for me to speak to you. The only one I can now recall who has been situated as I am, is the hero of Pinafore, and he only represents me by antithesis. He felt equal to any emergency when surrounded by his sisters, his cousins and his aunts, while I am now addressing so many of my sisters, my cousins, my aunts and my *nieces* whom I have never met before, that I feel an uncontrollable trepidation. In fact I would not speak now if I could help it, but I am constrained to do so. I am in the same predicament as the street Arab whom some boys induced to go to Sunday School. When asked his name he was too much astonished to speak and the information was furnished by his captors. Then, failing to respond to other questions by the teacher, a boy sitting behind him, prodded him with a pin. He immediately sprang to his feet with response more forcible than polite.

If my remarks fail to find favor with you, please remember, I am a street Arab whom your accomplished Secretary has captured and brought in, and that he is now after me with a sharp instrument.

It may interest you to learn that at the meeting of our association last week, we gathered together over one hundred of our kindred and had a very pleasant visit. As a result of our labors during the past year we have been able to trace our descent from Wm. Lewis, the emigrant of Book XII. This result, though gratifying, is a little surprising to me. I used to be told when a boy, that our family was descended from three brothers who emigrated to New England in an early day. I then supposed I was myself descended from all three of them, and I wondered why, if these three brothers were my great, great, great, grandfathers, they were not called my threefathers instead of my forefathers. Now, when I see so many of my kindred, the Lewis family, around me, I begin to believe again the story of the three brothers. It seems to me that three of them is not enough, that there should have been at least a half dozen of them.

I will not trespass longer on your good nature, but will proceed to the reading of the paper, which, at the request of your Secretary, I have prepared for this occasion.

If you will send the names and addresses of persons you believe may be interested in our paper, sample copies will be mailed to them.

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WilkesBarre, Pa.

F. P. LEWIS, Sec'y and Treasurer,
Lisle, N. Y.

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Ulysses, Pa.

List of Subscribers Added During September.

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Mrs. Emily O. Sheldon, East Granby, Conn.

James L. Easton, Oneonta, N. Y.

George F. Lewis, Maine, N. Y.

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NOTES.

TEN subscriptions received in September.

CONTENTS: Notes; List of Subscribers; 2nd reunion of No. 1; Book 1, ch. 6; Book 14, ch. 7; Book 20, ch. 1.

A. D. LEWIS, Lisle, N. Y., Book 2, is the Republican candidate for the Assembly.

It is proposed to enlarge Vol. 2 of LEWIS LETTER to 16 pages. The first and last two pages to be devoted to advertisements. Sealed bids for printing the same are solicited during October.

FRANK LEWIS, dealer in Diamonds Gold and Silver Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Solid Silver, Plated Ware, Etc., Norwich, N. Y.

Lewis Association No 1.

Second Reunion of the Lewis Family.

(Continued from last issue.)

On Wednesday, August 31, 1887, 10 A. M., the persons attending the reunion began to arrive on the grounds and put up hammocks in the woods and otherwise make ready for the festivities of the day.

The register soon contained 107 names of persons who had come with full baskets, glad hearts and bright faces, to create, partake and share the good cheer.

The weather was perfect, the skies were clear and the air bracing but not sharp.

At one o'clock dinner was served after which the assembly was called to order by Vice-President, Alonzo Lewis in the chair. The Secretary and Treasurer made his reports which were adopted. (See September paper for the reports and speech of Seth Lewis, Esq.)

The following officers were unanimously elected by acclamation:

President—Alonzo Lewis, Lisle, N. Y.

Vice-Pres.—Mrs. Sarah Taylor, Maine, N. Y.

Sec'y and Treas.—F. P. Lewis, Lisle, N. Y.

The agricultural society and Mr. Alonzo Collins were tendered a vote of thanks for the free use of the grounds.

On report and motion of Seth Lewis, Esq., the Lewis League was organized and the following by-laws adopted:

LEWIS LEAGUE.

We, the Lewis Race and their kindred do hereby associate ourselves together under the following Constitution and By-laws:

Art. I.—NAME.

This association shall be known as the Lewis League of the United States of America.

Art. II.—MEMBERSHIP.

All persons by the name of Lewis and all persons of the Lewis blood, together with their wives and husbands may become members, but as a condition of membership every one shall first become a member of some Lewis Association.

Art. III.—OBJECTS.

The objects of this League are to assist all Lewis Associations as well as their individual members, in carrying out the purpose for which they are associated, and in rendering their efforts more effective and the results more enduring.

Art. IV.—GENERAL POWERS.

That the work of collecting, preserving and disseminating the facts in the early as well as the current history of the Lewis Race, may be carried on in wider fields and by more uniform methods, this League shall take control of the LEWIS LETTER and all other similar publications which may be established by the Lewises. That the reunions and other gatherings of the Lewis Race may become more effective in promoting fraternal feeling among kindred and interest in the welfare and good name of the Race, the League shall originate and propose for adoption general rules and regulations for the management of all Lewis Associations and general plans for carrying out their work, and shall have advisory but not compulsory supervision over their affairs.

Art. V.—OFFICERS.

The officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Librarian, who shall be elected at the first meeting of the League and at the annual meeting thereafter, to serve for one year and till their successors are elected. They shall perform the duties usually performed by such officers and shall serve without compensation.

Art. VI.—MEETINGS.

The League shall hold one annual meeting and such other meetings as may be necessary for the transaction of its business. The annual meeting shall be held with some Association upon an invitation to do so, otherwise at Lisle, N. Y., on the last Wednesday in September in each year, which shall be the present headquarters of the League.

Art. VII.—REPRESENTATION.

Each Lewis Association shall be entitled to one vote in the League for each twenty members and each fraction of twenty exceeding one-half and may send to the meeting one delegate for each vote to which it is entitled, or one delegate who shall be entitled to cast all its votes. Any member of the League may be present at the meetings and participate in its deliberations, but shall not be entitled to vote on any question except as a representative of some Association.

Art. VIII.—LIBRARY.

The League may solicit contributors from members for the purpose of procuring a library of books on biography and genealogy, but no dues shall be exacted for this purpose. The library shall be for the use of the several Associations and

on application by the Secretary of any Association, any book in the library may be sent by express at his expense and risk, to be returned within one month in the same manner to be used in completing the records of such Association in regard to the genealogy of the Lewises, such applications to be filled in the order of their reception.

Art. IX.—LEWIS GENEALOGY.

The League shall proceed at once to devise measures for the publication of a genealogy of the entire Lewis Race in the United States, and for this purpose may solicit pecuniary aid as well as copies of registers, records and papers, from all Lewis Associations and from all of the Lewis blood not connected with any association.

The following officers of the League were elected unanimously by acclamation:

President—Seth Lewis, Ulysses, Pa.

Vice-Pres.—Hon. T. H. B. Lewis, Kingston, Pa.

Sec'y and Treas.—F. P. Lewis, Lisle, N. Y.

SPEECH OF JUDGE LORAN L. LEWIS.

He said: Your President requests me to say a word to you.

I did not come here to talk, but at the request of your very efficient and agreeable Secretary and Treasurer, I came, and for the purpose of joining in your festivities and becoming acquainted with you in this part of our state, who bearing the name of Lewis, or if not having that name, have some of their blood in your veins, including also those of you present who not possessing

any of the royal blood had the good sense and fortune to marry into the family.

And allow me first to acknowledge my personal obligations to your very able and painstaking Secretary and Treasurer. He has done and is performing a large amount of labor and spending much of his valuable time in informing and making us acquainted with our ancestry. I assume you all gladly join me in thanking him.

Learning about our forefathers is a duty which we in the hurry and bustle of business are quite likely to forget to do.

It is an important part of our education and the education of our children.

There being nothing in the history of the Lewis family, which any of us would wish to obliterate, it especially behooves us to make ourselves familiar with our ancestry.

I confess to being very largely indebted to your friend and my friend, F. P. Lewis, for an increasing interest in the subject on my part.

It is important in an educational point, when our children come to know that they are members of a family, having such an honorable and respectable record, they will appreciate that they are expected not to do anything to lower the standard, and it will do much to stimulate them to lead useful and honorable lives. For knowing their valuable inheritance in this respect they will not be likely to do anything to dishonor the memory of their forefathers or discredit the members of the family now living.

I was much gratified to learn

from one of the LEWIS LETTERS a fact which I had heard a rumor of, but was not quite certain about, and that is, that my early ancestry in this country were exceedingly pious people. A few of the first generations the LETTER tells me, were orthodox baptist ministers and hence the best of men. Their descendants have not held the standard quite so high perhaps; there being amongst them farmers, business men and lawyers.

We have a large number of Lewises in Buffalo. I think our directory makes the number between sixty and seventy. I am acquainted with many of them. They are a bright, intelligent, prosperous good looking people. I was anxious to meet you here in Central New York and learn how you compare with the Buffalo representatives of the family, and am happy to find you such a good looking, intelligent people. I assure you, you compare well with the Buffalo Lewises.

I hope you will continue in these gatherings; they do you good; they stimulate you to live honorable useful lives.

I shall try and form a Lewis Association in Buffalo and if successful, we will have gatherings like this in Buffalo or perhaps at Niagara Falls, and then we shall expect you to join us in fortifying and keeping alive an interest in our forefathers.

SPEECH OF EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS.

She said: I have not been able to hear a word, that any of you have said. But one who is deaf, is supposed to make good use of their eyes; and I have used mine suffi-

ently, to discover that you are a very *good looking* lot of people, and if I cannot hear what you say, you are *good to look at*.

I wish to make it known in some way, how much I think of the Lewises. This might seem selfish, but if every family, and the different branches of every family each loved their own the *whole world* would be loved.

In speaking of those who are related to the Lewises—here is brother Satterlee, who has long been so nearly allied to a Lewis, that he is just the same as one, and I like him as well, although I must say that I like the Lewis name, the best.

One's affections may take a wide range sometimes; our likes and dislikes too I suppose. As an example I will mention the case of a young man—I am not sure that he was young—he might have been a widower for aught I know. At any rate he had been reproved and pleads to the charge lawyer fashion in this wise:

You write me verses,
And you call me every kind of name,
As if I could not, loving Ann,
Love Julia all the same.

The fact is, I admire the sex,
I love them, one and all.
I love them washing at a tub,
Or dancing at a ball.

I love them in their morning caps,
Or in their evening curls.
Bells, maids and matrons, love I well;
I love the little girls.

Some mighty conqueror wished,
That all his foes might be combined in one,
That with one flourish of his sword,
Their business might be done.

I wish that all the lovely dears
Were bound in one great tether,
And that my arms were long enough,
To hug them all together.

Now as to the practical part, I think I should wish to discriminate, even if my arms were long enough but as *God is love*, we need be in no fear of loving too much. We

are told in his word, even to *love our enemies*, and to do good to them that hate us, if there be any such, and I hardly see how there can be, when we are such a *well disposed set*.

Now I hope you will not think I am wholly given up to nonsense and frivolity. I believe a good deal more perhaps, than one would think, *just to look at me*. I believe in the resurrection. Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead? I believe that He who made heaven and earth, and the sea and the foundations of water, and brought again our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, *will be capable* of raising the rest of the dead, when the time comes. And then the reunion of all the Lewises, the dear loved and lost ones who have gone before, and not only of them, but of all the loved and lost of all nations. A reunion of such blessedness, that we may well rejoice in the anticipation of the glad day.

SPEECH OF GEO. HYDE.

He said: I am glad to be here at this time, and I desire to communicate the fact to you, that my grandmother was a Lewis.

I am therefore greatly interested in you and your work. I have made some effort to trace out my Lewis ancestry, and will continue my investigations and report results.

I am proud of my connection with the Lewis family, and that we can meet in this way to express our appreciation of each other. We need not fear that we will be too cordial or too loving in this life. As time passes and age comes upon

us, we feel in greater need, and more keenly appreciate kind words and good deeds; and I believe the Lewis family possess these virtues in an eminent degree.

The Treasurer received \$7.24 from voluntary contributions.

FOOT NOTES.

MR. LEMUEL LEWIS, of Coventry, N. Y., aged 83 years was the oldest person attending the picnic. He said he should be present next year if alive and well.

MRS. EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS, aged 77 years, of Waterford, N. Y., was the oldest lady present. Her speech abounded in wit and wisdom and received the applause it richly merited.

SETH LEWIS, Esq., of Ulysses, Pa., Secretary of Association No. 2 and President of the League made a happy inaugural address.

HON. T. H. B. LEWIS, of Kingston, Pa., Edwin Stebbins, of Mountrose, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Moody, Mansfield, Pa., G. H. Stillwell and O. H. Lewis, of Syracuse, N. Y., and P. O. Lewis, Wichita, Kansas, were unable to attend our reunion and sent their regrets.

LEWIS FAMILY REUNION.

Register of attendance at the second reunion and basket picnic on the Broome County Fair grounds at Whitney's Point, N. Y., Wednesday, August 31st, 1887.

LISLE, N. Y.

Jno. O. Lewis,
Mary Stoddard Lewis,
Sadie S. Lewis,
Mary B. Lewis,
Alonzo Lewis,
Mary Dayton Lewis,
Ida V. Lewis,
Hiram Smith,

Emma Smith,
Jirah W. Perce,
Hattie Lewis Perce,
Ella Perce,
Geo. W. Lewis,
Carrie Northrup Lewis,
Wm. M. Lewis,
Jas. R. Lewis,
Mary Leach Lewis,
Frank P. Lewis.
Eugene Cole Lewis,
Win. S. Personcus,
Lydia Scott Lewis,
Frank L. Perce,
Lawrence A. Perce.—23.

WHITNEY'S POINT, N. Y.

Laura A. Lewis, Cora D. Lewis,
Edwin S. Lewis, Hephzibah Lewis
Heath, George Hyde, S. L. Stanley,
Racine H. Bush, De Etta Lewis
Bush, Maggie Hawver May, Albert
C. Lewis, Lillie Lewis, Ella B.
Lewis, Vina M. Lewis, Edith Lewis,
Delia J. Stoughton, Fanny M.
Stoughton, Peter A. Hawver, Alice
Hawver.—18.

GLEN AUBREY, N. Y.

Henry Hodges, Caroline Lewis
Hodges, Arthur Merrill, John
Adriance, Samantha Adriance,
Laura Hodges.—6.

MAINE, N. Y.

A. U. Curtis, Mrs. B. L. Tay-
lor, Kittie Taylor, Jennie Taylor,
Dayton Lewis, O. Lewis Guy, M.
D., Louise Curtis, Mrs. Eugene
Lewis, Zarah Taylor, R. A. Taylor,
Earl Taylor, Geo. F. Lewis, R. D.
Taylor, Mrs. A. U. Curtis, Nell
Curtis, Ray R. Lewis.—16.

CASTLE CREEK, N. Y.

Jacob S. Hodges, Betsey Hodges,
Spencer Hicks, Merton Hodges,
Loran Hodges, S. Lucy Hicks.—6.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.

Thomas S. Lewis, Mary E. Lewis,

Georgie E. Lewis, Albert J. Self,
Mary Self, Erwin R. Self.—6.

CENTRE LISLE, N. Y.

Marquis H. Lewis, Olive Atwater
Lewis.—2.

KILLAWOG, N. Y.

Charles G. Satterlee, Harriet
Lewis Satterlee.—2.

TRIANGLE, N. Y.

Joseph Self, Adelia Lewis Self.
—2.

Upper Lisle, N. Y.

Jasper Smith, A. H. Lewis, M.
D., Hattie Lewis Beach.—3.

CHENANGO FORKS, N. Y.

Elizabeth Lewis Palmer.—1.

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Ira Lewis, Sallie Lewis.—2.

CORTLAND, N. Y.

Erwin B. Whitney, Luella Self
Whitney.—2.

TEXAS VALLEY, N. Y.

Eri Madison, Harriet Madison.—
2.

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Jerome B. Lewis,
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Clarence F. Peck, Josphine
Lewis Peck.—2.

COVENTRY, N. Y.

Lemuel Lewis.—1.

NORWICH, N. Y.

Frank Lewis, Lucy A. Lewis,
Julia Lewis.—3.

ONEONTA, N. Y.

James L. Easton, Mary Lewis
Easton.—2.

Ithaca, N. Y.

Minnie Personens.—1.

BUFFALO, N. Y.

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P. Lewis.—2.

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Palnateer.—2.

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GENEALOGICAL RECORDS.

BOOK I.

RANDALL LEWIS, Exeter, R. I.

CHAPTER VI.

BY FRANK P. LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

It has been ascertained that the census taken in R. I. in 1774, shows that Randall Lewis, of Exeter, had two children, a son and a daughter, over 16, and four children, two sons and two daughters under 16 years of age at that time.

It is presumed that soon after the marriage of Randall Lewis to Alse (probably Alice) Rathbun in 1765, he moved from his home in Hopkinton to Exeter and purchased land of his wife's father (or possibly brother); as one John Rathbun 3d and Olive, his wife executed a warranty deed, April 15, 1767, to Randall Lewis, of Exeter, husbandman, conveying 50 acres on Wood river in west part of Exeter; consideration £40 lawful money. Randall probably did not find farming on that land sufficiently remunerative; and while the records do not show that he gave back a mortgage it is probable that he did, because the record shows that on July 10, 1771, Randall Lewis and Alse, his wife, and John Rathbun ye 3d and Olive his wife, conveyed by warranty deed the same 50 acres to John Wilcox, of Exeter; consideration £48.150.

Randall's name does not again appear on the Exeter land records. The records do not show who

were the parents of his wife, but at the first town meeting held March 22d, 1742, in Exeter John Rathbun was elected sealer of leather, an important office as there were probably a dozen small tanneries in that town. The records also contain the names of John, John Jr., John, 2nd, and John 3d, the latter of whom was elected surveyor of highways at a town meeting held Jan. 3, 1746. Mr. N. B. Lewis, of Pine Hill, R. I., clerk of Exeter and Justice of the 2d Judicial District court of his state, kindly furnished the facts in this chapter, and says that the magistrate Stephen Richmond who officiated at Randall's marriage was his paternal grandmother's father.

BOOK XIV.

JOHN LEWIS, Westerly, R. I.

CHAPTER VII.

BY MRS. ZARAH TAYLOR, MAINE,
N. Y.

Eugene Lewis, 6th son and 7th child of Charles (p. 28) b. Maine, N. Y., Nov. 8, 1851; m. Lavantia L. dau. of Calvin R. and Laura Bunn Briggs, Maine, Jan. 21, 1876 by Rev. W. E. Bogart, a Baptist clergyman. He d. Maine, July 2d, 1887 of billious fever, leaving him surviving his widow and son Clarence Earl, b. M. Jan. 4, 1877.

He was a Republican, a farmer, and a member of the Knights of Honor and Baptist church.

Baker Lewis Taylor, of firm of Taylor Bros., Maine, N. Y., has just returned from a two months' stay on their Colorado ranch where they have 2,800 head of cattle and 18,000 sheep. They have shipped this season six carloads of wool to

Philadelphia, Pa.

BOOK XX.

FATHER — LEWIS, N. J.

CHAPTER I.

BY J. W. LEWIS, BUFFALO, N. Y.

The following is a copy taken from a bible now owned by G. F. Lewis, Winona, Ont., Canada:

1. Levi Lewis, b. Oct. 30, 1762, d. Oct. 18th, 1828. Married Mary Beamer, June 25th, 1763, d. Aug. 5th, 1850.

Children of above:

2. I. Anna Lewis, b. May 18, 1784; d. Sept. 29, 1865.

3. II. Mercy Lewis, b. Dec. 18, 1785; d. Aug. 2, 1818.

4. II. Daniel Lewis, b. Jan. 17, 1790; d. Feb. 18, 1864.

5. IV. James Lewis, b. Jan. 24, 1792; d. Jan. 14, 1872.

6. V. Mary Lewis, b. Feb. 11, 1800, still living.

7. VI. Levi Lewis, b. Jan. 26, 1808; d. May 28, 1879.

Copy of a scrap of paper in same bible:

Father Lewis departed this life in Oct. 1799 in the 64 year of his age.

Mother Lewis departed this life 30th March, 1786, in the 44 year of her age.

Mother Beamer departed this life 7th Oct., 1811, in the 64 year of her age.

Father Beamer departed this life 8th Dec., 1811, in the 72 year of his age.

I came to this place the 13th day of June, 1787.

The editor of this book desires any information which will enable him to continue and complete the records of his branch.

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HON. WM. LEWIS, of Hamden,
Del. Co. N. Y., is the Republican
nominee for State Senator for this
24th district. Congratulations are
extended.

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**Lewis Association No. 2 Ulysses,
Pa.**

Lewis Reunion.

The Lewis Reunion Thursday, Aug. 25th, 1887, called out a large number of people. Owing to the cool weather it was held in Gridley's Theater. It was one of the most enjoyable occasions within the recollection on any of those who participated. No attempt was made at display or formality, but each seemed intent on making the most of the occasion for social enjoyment. The tables were spread at about 1 P. M., and eighty-seven sat down at once. All joined in singing the

"Doxology" before partaking of the refreshments. A few came in a little later, making the entire number present about one hundred. While the tables were being cleared, Messrs. John and O. A. Lewis and Wm. Suhr gave some fine instrumental music. Then the whole party grouped themselves north of the Baptist church and Mr. L. R. Bliss, of Condersport, took a photograph of them.

The following officers were re-elected for ensuing year:

Mrs. M. Lavina Lewis, Pres., of Condersport, Pa.

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Lewis Family association No. 2. Register of attendance at second reunion, Thursday, August 25th, 1887, Ulysses, Pa.

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Lydia P. Thurston, Mary Thurston.

ANDOVER, N. Y.

Anna Maria Brigham, Ellen R. Brigham.

Armorial Bearings.

CHAPTER I.

The name of Hon. Hezekiah Lewis is to be found in a long list of Esquires in 1736 published in the *Heraldic Journal* for Jany., 1865. pp. 14-16. The supposition is that they were in the habit of using Coats of Arms, or held high official positions.

In speaking upon this subject the *Journal* says :

Since the time that Coats-of-Arms became hereditary they have been concise and intelligible assertions of the pedigree of their bearers. Notwithstanding the common error, Coats-of-Arms, do not belong to all the bearers of the name, but are a species of personal property inherited by the lineal descendants of the first owner and belong solely to them. These insignia were originally granted to individuals who occupied a certain position, and their use is a distinct claim to a descent from the grantees.

Books of Reference.

CHAPTER III.

BY MYRON S. LEWIS, PROVIDENCE,
R. I.

To the list of reference books found at pages 12 and 23 are added :

Austin's Genealogical Dictionary of R. I., Fultrey's History of Chester, Pa., 628-36, Howe's Historical collections of Virginia 181-3.

Meade's Old Churches and Families of Virginia Vol. II. p. 231-3, 325-6.

N. E. Hist. and Genealogical Register, vol. XVII. p. 162-6.

Paytons History of Augusta Co., Va. 285-301.

Ridlon's Harrison, Me, settlers 93-5. Smith's History of Delaware Co., Penn., 478-80. Savage's Genealogical Dictionary, vol. III, p. 841-90. Virginia Historical Register vol. V. 24-5. Young's History of Wayne Co. Ind. 229-30.

Credit is given to "Daniel S. Durrie's Alphabetical Index to Am'n Genalogies and Pedigrees.

Lewis Fragment.

No. I.

Any one who can show the date, and place of birth, with the parentage of this William Lewis will confer a favor upon Rollin H. Cooke, Pittsfield, Mass. :

William Lewis, of Lyme, Conn. married there, 23 Feb., 1715-16, with Elizabeth Borden. Their children were:

- I. Hannah Lewis, b. 26 Nov. 1716 ; married 18 March, 1735, with Jonathan Beebe, of New London, and settled at Lyme, where the town record erroneously gives the date of marriage as 12 March, 1731-32.
- II. Joseph Lewis, b. 1 (name of month omitted) 1718.
- III. Jane Lewis, b. 10 Feb, 1720-21 ; m. Jonathan Smith.
- IV. Elizabeth Lewis, b. 12 Jan., 1722-23.
- V. Borden Lewis, b. 14 Jan., 1725-26.
- VI. William Lewis, b. 11 June, 1727.
- VII. Ely Lewis, b. 9 March, 1729-30.

GENEALOGICAL RECORDS.

Book I.

RANDALL LEWIS, Exeter, R. I.

CHAPTER VII.

BY FRANK P. LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

He whose name heads this book is at present the earliest known ancestor of this branch. The growth and full measure of our knowledge respecting him is to be seen at pages 12, 35, 41, 51 and 79 of this paper.

1. Randall, m. by Stephen Richmond, J. P., at Exeter, R. I., Thursday, Nov. 21, 1765, Also Rathbun, and after living there about six years must have moved about the summer of 1771, to Petersburg, N. Y., and afterwards to Delaware co., N. Y., where he died.

Randall (1) and Also Rathbun Lewis are supposed to have had 10 children :

2. I. Randall, jun., m. 1st, Susan Wait ; m. 2d, Deborah Aiken. He d. Petersburg, N. Y., of small pox.
3. II. Ruth, m. ELISHA OSBORN and lived at Bloomville, N. Y ; d. 1863.
4. III. Ellen, m. Kit Colgrove, Petersburg, N. Y.
5. IV. John, m. Esther, 2d dau., and child of David and (Bailey) Madison.
6. V. Olive, m. STANTON BAILEY, Petersburg, N. Y. '
7. VI. Caleb, b. Delhi, N. Y., June 16, 1782 ; m. Catherine, dau. of William and Rachel Hall, b. R. I., Aug. 17, 1784 ; She d. P. Dec. 17, 1847 ; He d. Troy, N. Y.
8. VII. Rowland, m. Lydia Conklin ; She d. Greene, N. Y.

of consumption: He was a shoemaker and d. during late war at Capron, Ills.

9. VIII. Joshua.

10. IX. Daniel.

On Aug. 8th, 1887, Wilfred D. Lewis, great grandson of John (5), engaged as traveling salesman for the Gale Mfg. Co., Albion, Mich. He makes his headquarters at the Quincy House, Boston, Mass.

CALVIN MADISON, Penrose, Ills., has credit for valuable information furnished.

THE 122d wedding anniversary of Randall and Alse Rathbun Lewis will occur on Monday, Nov. 21st. All persons of this branch are recommended to observe the day, and engage in appropriate festivities. Please report.

BOOK II.

BENJAMIN LEWIS, Stratford, Conn.

CHAPTER VII.

BY ALONZO LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

Alonzo (31) Lewis, m. Mary B. dau., Darling and Asenath Thompson Dayton, b. Meriden, Conn., May 22, 1817.

Alonzo (31) and Mary Dayton Lewis had six children:

110. I. Alonzo Dayton, b. Fair Haven, Conn., Sept. 29 1840; m. (1st) Triangle, N. Y., March 12th 1866, by Rev. H. W. Lee, a Baptist clergyman, Arvilla S. dau. Abram and Charlotte Day Taft, b. T. July 16, 1845. She d. Lisle, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1872, of consumption. He m. (2d) Centre Lisle, N. Y., Nov. 26, 1876, by Rev.

W. B. Kinney, a Methodist clergyman, Mary Elizabeth, dau. Eugene A. and Sarah Medaugh Robison, b. Slaterville, N. Y., Aug. 7, 1850. He served his country faithfully for three years of the war of 1861 in Co. D. 109 Reg. N. Y. Vols. After his discharge from the service in 1865, he came to Lisle and engaged with his father, under the firm name of A. Lewis & Son, in the hardware store until August, 1880, when his father retired from the business, and he continued it. In politics he has been a Republican and held the office of trustee of the village of Lisle; president of the village two years; supervisor of the town of Lisle in 1879 and 1880, and chairman of the board during his last term; a member of Eldredge Post G. A. R.; and Master of Western Light Lodge F. & A. M. No. 597 for the past twelve years and he is the Republican candidate for the Assembly.

111. II. William Decatur, b. Stratford street, Madison Co., N. Y., Nov., 3, 1843; d. Oct. 7, 1844.

112. III. Ella May, b. Smithville Flats, N. Y., March 27, 1849; m. Lisle, N. Y., Dec. 2, 1880, by Rev. F. B. Peck, a Universalist clergyman, Fred L., son of Franklin and Sophronia Rogers Johnson, b. L. June 13, 1849; he is a Republican and a farmer.

Book XII.

WILLIAM LEWIS, Ship Lion,
1632.

CHAPTER VI.

By LEMUEL LEWIS, COVENTRY, N. Y.

Harvey (50) 8th child of Royce and Fanny Smith Lewis, m. Elizabeth Bassett and had six children :

107. I. Hiram, resides Salem Centre, Ind.

108. II. Laura.

109. III. Ann.

110. IV. Dwight, a farmer and stock dealer, Salem Centre, Ind.

111. V. Newell, a merchant, Angola, Ind.

112. VI. Frank, farmer, Bush Prairie, Ind.

Laura Ann (51) 9th child of Royce and Fanny Smith Lewis; m. Lewis Wilmot and had two children :

113. I. Mordant.

114. II. John.

Fanny (52) 10th child of Royce and Fanny Smith Lewis; m. Orin Botsford and had one child :

115. I. Jennie.

Charles (44) Lewis died in Plainville, Conn. His son Henry (83) is a banker in Wellsville, N. Y.; Romeo (84) died in Sacramento, Cal.; Gustavus (85) is a farmer in Plainville, Conn.; Charles (92) is a farmer in Coventry, N. Y.; Burdett (93) is a and Charles (94) is a geologist, both reside in Plainville, Conn.; Thomas (96) is blind and a broom maker in Naples, Ill.; Charles (98) a carpenter, Naples, Ill.; George (100) a carpenter, LaFayette, Oregon; Clement (99) is railroading in Jacksonsville, Ill.; Pomeroy (103) is a merchant, Perry, Ill.

Book XIII.

JOHN LEWIS, New London,
Conn.

CHAPTER IV.

By ROLLIN H. COOKE, PITTSFIELD,
MASS.

Children of Sergt. Joseph (7) and Mary (Slaughter) Lewis, Waterbury, Conn. :

23. I. Elisha, b. Jan. 30, 1728-9; m. June 14, 1750, Tamar, dan. of Samuel Hale, of New Haven, Conn.

24. II. Samuel, b. Feb. 8, 1730-1.

25. III. Damaris, b. April 22, 1734; m. SAMUEL SCOTT, b. Feb. 14, 1738, son of Samuel and Mary (Richards) Scott.

26. IV. Joseph, b. Oct., 1736.

27. V. Abraham, m. Nov. 9, 1767, Ruth, dan. Joseph and Elizabeth (Royce) Judd, of Nangatnek, Conn., b. May 23, 1740, d. April 20, 1814.

28. VI. Rhoda, d. May 2, 1767.

Children of Obadiah and Sarah (10) (Lewis) Warner, Waterbury, Conn. :

29. I. Jerusha, b. Oct. 13, 1727; m. AARON HARRISON.

30. II. Lydia, b. June 6, 1729.

31. III. Obadiah, b. June 20, 1731; d. June 25, 1750.

32. IV. Esther, b. Nov. 9, 1733; d. Feb., 1746.

33. V. Joseph, b. Oct. 23, 1735.

34. VI. Lois, b. March 30, 1738; m. ASA SCOVIL.

35. VII. Enos, b. Aug 11, 1740; d. Sept. 1, 1749.

36. VIII. Sarah, b. Feb. 21, 1742-3; m. AARON TERREL.

37. IX. Eleanor, b. Jan. 13, 1743-4; m. SAMUEL HICKOX.

38. X. Agnes, b. Feb. 24, 1747.

39. XI. Irena, b. July, 1749; m.

ABIJAH WARNER.

40. XII. Mary, b. Aug. 6, 1751.

BOOK XIX.

JOHN LEWIS, Wales to Va.,
1726.

CHAPTER I.

BY WILLIAM TERRELL LEWIS, Louis-
ville, Miss.

The following names are, in part, the posterity of John Lewis, who emigrated from Wales and died in Hanover-co., Va., in 1726.

1. A. I. John, b. w. about 1640; d. Va., 1726, leaving six children:
2. B. I. Rebecca m. Lyndsay.
3. B. II. Abraham.
4. B. III. Sarah.
5. B. IV. Angelica, m. Fullilove.
6. B. V. David, b. in Hanover-co., Va., about 1685; m. 1st Min. Terrell; m. 2d Mrs. Hart, *nee* Mary M. McGrath; d. in Albemarle-co., Va., 1779.
7. B. VI. John, m. Elizabeth McGrath
B. V. David (6) had eleven children:
8. C. I. William Terrell, b. 1718; m. Sallie Martin; d. Nashville, Tenn., 1802, leaving posterity.
9. C. II. Susannah, b. 1720; m. Alex Mackey; d. Rutherford co., N. C., 1781 leaving posterity.
10. C. III. Hannah, b. 1722; m. James Hickman; d. Clark co., Ky., 1822, leaving posterity.
11. C. IV. Sarah, b. 1724; m. Abraham Mnsick; d. St. Louis-co., Mo., 1800.
12. C. V. David, jun., b. 1726; m. 1st Rebecca Stovall; m. 2d Elizabeth Lockhart; d. Spartanburg, S. C., 1787, leaving posterity.
13. C. VI. John, b. 1728; m. 1st Sarah Talcaferis; m. 2d Susan Clarkson; d. Albemarle-co., Va., 1781, leaving posterity.
14. C. VII. Joel, b. 1730; m. 1st Mary Tureman; m. 2d Sarah Chiles; m. 3rd Lucy Daniels; d. Spotsylvania-co. Va., 1813, leaving posterity.
15. C. VIII. Anna, b. 1733; m. 1st Joel Terrell, her cousin; m. 2d Stephen Willis; d. Rutherford-co., N. C., 1835 leaving posterity.
16. C. IX. Elizabeth (by 2d wife), b. 1754; m. Maj. John Martin; d. Clark-co., Ky., 1838, leaving posterity.
17. C. X. Col. James, b. 1756; m. 1st Lucy Thomas; m. 2d Mary Marks; d. Franklin co., Tenn., 1849, leaving posterity.
18. C. XI. Meriam, b. 1759; m. Col. Gabriel Madison, (brother of Bishop James Madison), d. Jessamine-co., Ky., 1845, leaving posterity.

The different generations in this book are marked by the letters of the alphabet.

Mr. Lewis has prepared a genealogy of the Lewis Families and has secured 170 subscribers at \$2 per copy. It is a very rare and unique work replete with thrilling interest. He will make favorable terms with any one who will undertake the publication.

If no other way opens, perhaps

the Lewis Letter would undertake to publish a chapter each month until finished, provided, the persons interested would subscribe for this paper.

BOOK XXIII.

SAMUEL LEWIS, Rhode Island.

CHAPTER I.

BY LADD J. LEWIS, NASHVILLE,
TENN.

My great grand fathers great grand father's name was Samuel Lewis and the direct line to me is as follows: Samuel, Jonathan 1st, Jonathan 2d, Jonathan 3rd, Moses, John Ladd and myself Ladd John (and Ladd John Jr., my son). Very little is known of Samuel or his family for until within the last 20 years no effort had been made to keep a record of our family and as such a long time has elapsed since his time it has been impossible to get it only in a direct line and for one or two generations after him my record is incomplete. We have always supposed that he was a Welchman and that he came to America with his two brothers, the one settling in Mass. the other in Conn. and he in R. I. but I never fully credited that part relating to his brothers as I find that nearly every one trace their genealogy back to *three brothers*. The only definite thing we do know is that he had a son whose name was Jonathan and from this fact I am inclined to believe that the Samuel Lewis or Lewis mentioned on pages 27, 46, 55 and 64 and whose children's names (Samuel, Jr. *Jonathan* and *Joanna*) are given in April No. page 27 was my great grand fathers great grand father.

I am inclined the more to think this for he lived about the same time this Samuel did and also from the fact that my family as far as we are able to trace their residence back to the same county in R. I. and to the town of Exeter which adjoins Hopkinton on the north where the Samuel named entered land in 1683. If I can establish this fact my family goes back as I understand it one generation to the John Lewis who first settled in R. I.

From 1745 I have the dates of births, marriages and deaths, which will be given in future Letters. At that time (and until 1818 when nearly all their immediate family moved to Wyoming and Erie counties, New York) and undoubtedly for some time before they lived in Exeter. My father, grand father, and great grand father all being born in the same house, which was situated on the most northerly road in the town, running a little north of west and at a point where the road crossed a stream called Flat river (a branch of Wood) where now one or more families of Barbers live and is I think called Barber City, but which was at that time called Lewis City and upon one bank of the stream is a cemetery where my great grand father and other relatives were buried. I am thus explicit that Mr. N. B. Lewis, of Pine Hill (town of Exeter) and others acquainted with the town can exactly locate where my people formerly lived in the town and who possibly later on when I come to give the genealogy of my family can give me facts from the records of the town that I am not now in possession of.

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Book XIV.

JOHN LEWIS, Westerly, R. I.

CHAPTER VIII.

BY MYRON S. LEWIS, PROVIDENCE,
R. I.

1. John Lewis, see pages 46 and 54, chapters 2 and 4.
2. I. Jonathan, (pages 26, 55 and 66.)
3. II. John, (pages 55 and 66.)
4. III. Daniel, (pages 55 and 66.)
5. IV. James, (pages 55 and 67.)
6. V. David, (pages 55 and 67.)
7. VI. Israel, (pages 55 and 68.)
8. VII. Samuel, (pages 55 and 68.)

Jonathan (2) moved to Huntington, L. I., had eight children :

9. I. Sybil.
10. II. Jonathan.
11. III. John.
12. IV. Richard.
13. V. Elizabeth.
14. VI. Jeremiah.
15. VII. Hannah.
16. VIII. Sarah.

John (3) and Ann (see page 66) had eight children :

17. I. Joseph.
18. II. Sarah.
19. III. Mary.
20. IV. Ann.
21. V. Abigail.
22. VI. John.
23. VII. William.
24. VIII. Jerusha.

Daniel (4) and Mary (see page 66) had six children :

25. I. John.
26. II. Jonathan.
27. III. Mary.
28. IV. Dorcas.
29. V. Daniel.
30. VI. Hannah.

James (5) and Sarah (page 67) had eight children :

31. I. James.
32. II. Sarah.
33. III. Mary.
34. IV. Elizabeth.
35. V. John.
36. VI. David.
37. VII. Patience.
38. VIII. Ruth.

David (6) and Elizabeth (page 67) had five children :

39. I. Elisha.
40. II. David.
41. III. Isaac.
42. IV. Mary.
43. V. Prudence.

Israel (7) and Jane (page 68) had five children.

44. I. Israel.
45. II. Benjamin.
46. III. Jane.
47. IV. Anna.
48. V. Nathaniel.

Samuel (8) and Joanna had four children :

49. I. Samuel.
50. II. Jonathan.
51. III. Joanna.
52. IV. Sarah.

BOOK I.

RANDALL LEWIS, Exeter, R. I.

CHAPTER VIII.

By F. P. LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

John (5) and Esther Madison Lewis had 4 children :

11. I. John Jun., b. Sept. 5, or Dec. 20, 1796 ; m. (1st) Esther Street ; she d. Triangle, N. Y., Feb. 24, 1864, aged 62 years and 7 mos. He m. (2d) Sunday, Sept. 1865, widow Cordelia Jones, dau. of John and Mary Gray Kelly, b. Putnam-co., N. Y., Aug. 16, 1823. He d. near Glen Aubrey, N. Y., Sept. 5, 1875 ; interred in Triangle cemetery. The following is inscribed on his tomb stone : "I know that my redeemer liveth." "He died as a true christian."

In politics he was a Republican and in religion a Presbyterian. It is supposed he kept an inn or boarding house at Ballston in an early day, but later in life he owned and worked in a tailor shop at Triangle, N. Y. He never had any children, but adopted Hattie who afterward married Frank Tracy and now resides in Hornellsville, N. Y.

12. II. Sylvia, b. Dec. 13, 1798 ; m. Nov. 10, 1816, ISRAEL JOHNSON STEBBINS, son of Rolland and Elizabeth Eddy Stebbins, b. Vernon, Windam-co., Vt., March 13, 1794 ; she d. Montrose, Pa., April 24, 1848, of consumption. He m. (2) widow Debby Williams Apr. 18 1850 ; b. Groton, New London-co., Conn., March 10, 1796 ; d. Dimmock, Susq-co., Penn., Aug. 8,

1878. He d. Montrose, Pa., March 12, 1878, of pneumonia. He was a farmer, a Republican and a Baptist.

—Mrs. Wilfred D. Lewis and two little daughters, Vina and Edith are visiting relatives in Hamilton, Can., and Albion, Mich.

—Mrs. Edna Lewis Briggs, of Waterford, N. Y., writes that the summer she was 8 years old she attended a school taught by Christopher Colgrove (4) otherwise called "Kit" and "Master."

BOOK II.

BENJAMIN LEWIS, Stratford, Conn.

CHAPTER VIII.

By ALONZO LEWIS, Lisle, N. Y.

113. IV. Ida Asenath, b. Smithville Flats, N. Y., Oct. 17, 1850 ; d. June 9, 1862, of diphtheria.
114. V. Lina Franklin, b. S. F., July 1, 1853 ; d. Sept. 26, 1853.
115. VI. Mary Adel, b. S. F., March 5, 1860 ; graduate of Lisle Academy 1882, and preceptress for 2½ years ; m. Lisle, N. Y., April 29, 1885, by Rev. E. L. Bennett, a Methodist clergyman, Giles H. Stilwell, son of Philip T. and Lucy Heath Stilwell, b. Windsor, N. Y., Jan. 15, 1854 ; graduate of Amherst, 1881 ; principal Lisle Academy for three years 1881-4 ; principal of Geddes High school for three years 1884-7 ; and is now a law student in office of Forbes, Brown & Tracy, Syracuse, N. Y. He is a Con-

gregationalist, a Republican and a D. K. E.

Alonzo D. (110) and Arvilla Taft Lewis had 1 child:

116. I. Ida Vill, b. Lisle, July, 19, 1869; graduate of Lisle Academy 1886; a freshman in Syracuse University class 1891.

Alonzo D. (110) and Mary Robison Lewis had 2 children:

117. II. Ella May, b. L., Aug. 20, 1877.

118. III. William Laurie, b. L., June, 27, 1887.

On the 8th of last month Alonzo D Lewis was elected to the Assembly by the largest majority received by any candidate for that office in many years from Broome.

CHAPTER IX.

BY PHILO C. LEWIS, Wichita, Kan.

Beach Lewis, Sr., a great grandson of Benjamin of Stratford, and eldest son of Sevignion, of Monroe, Ct., was bap. Jan. 26, 1727, and called after his paternal grandmother, Hannah, dau. of Benjamin Beach, of New Haven. He m. Ruth, dau. of Nathan Bennett, son of Isaac Bennett, of Stratford, and early settled at Long Hill, in Huntington, Ct. Beach d. Oct., 1811, age, d. 84; Ruth d. Feb. 1821, age d. 95. His children were:

119. I. Elijah, b. H. about 1750.

120. II. Beach, Jr., b. H. about 1753.

121. III. Nathan, b. H. Jan. 29, 1755.

122. IV. Ezra, b. H. about 1767.

123. V. Curtis, b. H. about 1769, d. unmarried.

124. VI. Sarah, b. H. about 1771, m. Samuel Garlick.

125. VII. Lavinia, b. H. about 1774, m. Samuel Bradley, of

Derby, who d. in middle life; 126. VIII. Diantha, b. H. about 1776 d. unmarried, at 80 years of age.

127. IX. Deborah, b. H. about 1779, m. Ebenezer Hack.

Elijah, son of Beach, Sr., and Ruth (Bennett) Lewis, m. Sarah — and settled in Woodbury, Ct., about 1780. By Huntington Records, in 1810, he was living in Southburg, Ct., had 1 dau.

128. I. Polly, b. W., Sept. 5, 1782.

Further information of this family is desired, as there may have been other children.

Beach Jr., son of Beach Sr. and Ruth (Bennett) Lewis, m. Diana, dau. of John Wheeler, by wife Delilah Sanford, of Southbury, Ct., Oct. 26, 1783, and settled in the parish, or district then, and still called "White Oak." Children:

129. I. Philo, b. S. about 1784, resided in N. York city.

130. II. Lambert W., b. S. about 1786, removed to Vienna, Trumbull-co., O.

131. III. William, b. S. about 1788, d. at 14 yrs of age.

132. IV. Wheeler, b. S. about 1790, removed to Warren, Ohio.

133. V. Bennett, b. S. about 1793, removed to Pittsburg, Pa.

134. VI. Clarissa, b. S. about 1796, removed to Youngstown, O.

135. VII. Garry, b. S. about 1800, removed to Warren, O.

136. VIII. Charles, b. S. about 1805, removed to Warren, O.

Nathan, son of Beach Sr. and Ruth (Bennett) Lewis, m. Dec. 2, 1792, Jerusha Bertram, and soon after settled on the old homestead of his father, at Long Hill, Huntington, where he died, Oct. 26,

1845, aged 90 yrs. Jerusha, b. Aug. 4, 1769; d. May 23, 1841. Children:

137. I. George, b. H. May 3, 1795. Sailed for Port Au-Prince schooner. Export from New York, Aug. 28, 1819, and never was afterwards heard of.

138. II. William Bertram, b. H. Nov. 18, 1797.

Ezra, fourth son of Beach Sr. and Ruth (Bennett) Lewis before he had attained his majority, settled in Derby, Ct., about the year 1785, and set up in the saddle and harness business.

About this time, he was married to Miss Nabbie Hotchkiss, of that place. Removed from Derby to Monroe, a few miles distant, where he remained till about 1814. From Monroe, he went to Yarland N. Y., thence, in 1830, to Painesville, Ashtabula-co., O., and afterwards to Michigan, where he married a 2d wife, and where he died about 1863, at the advanced age of 96 years, leaving three sons and two daughters. His son Arza and Bennett previous to moving West, were merchants in Galena, N. Y., when the canal was opened through their fathers farm. Children, so far as known:

139. I. Raymond, b. Derby, Ct., 1779, d. Nov. 11, 1797.

140. II. Arza, b. Derby, Ct.

141. III. Bennett, b. Derby, Ct.

If this Record comes to the knowledge of any of the descendants of this family, it is desired that a full record may be furnished, as I am informed there is a numerous progeny.

BOOK VIII. JOHN LEWIS.

CHAPTER IX.

BY FANNY LEWIS MARSHALL,
GREENWICH, N. Y.

The following obituary was taken from a local paper.

"Mrs. Phoebe, wife of A. B. Darling, died at 3 o'clock this Wednesday morning after an illness of three months of spinal paralysis. This illness was not at first considered necessarily fatal but of late it began to develop serious complications and for several weeks past there has been little hope of recovery.

Phoebe Ann Lewis was born in Petersburg, N. Y., May 31st, 1815, and at an early age removed with her family to this town. On Nov. 27, 1830, she was married to A. B. Darling and their entire wedded life has been spent in this town. They have had five children, two daughters of whom are dead, and Joseph and Charles A. Darling and Mrs. S. D. Lewis with the affectionate husband and father still survive. Mrs. Darling has for nearly forty years been a consistent member of the Baptist church of this place.

The deceased was a woman of lovely character and lived a rare life of sweetness, patience, kindness and good deeds. She was greatly loved and respected outside her family, and in her home she was the object of unbounded love and devotion. She was worthy of it, for she was tender, faithful, wise and good. The sympathies of many friends in the community go out to the aged husband and his afflicted family.

The funeral will occur at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, from the house on Church-st."

She was one of 14 children of Uriah Lewis of whom mention is made at page 43, chapter 3.

In the next chapter we expect to be able to present a sketch of the life and services of the late Hon. Harris Lewis, of Frankfort, N. Y.

CHAPTER X.

BY ABRAM WALTER LEWIS, MARYSVILLE, CAL.

Abram Wallace Lewis (87) b. Antwerp, Jefferson co, N. Y., April 1st, 1838, m. Marysville, Cal. Jan. 7, 1868, by Rev. C. V. Anthony, a M. E. clergyman, Emma Maria, dau. of Samuel and Jane Allen Garrett, b. Alden, McHenry co., Ill., Nov. 3d, 1846. He is a tonsorial artist, a Republican and a Methodist. He served in Co. B, 7th Reg. Cal. Vols., in service eighteen months, the most of the time in Arizona.

Abram W. (87) and Emma Maria Garret Lewis had 7 children:

94. I. Addie Alice, b. Lukeville, Sonora Co., Cal., Nov. 11, 1868.
95. II. Nettie Jane, b. Gilroy, Cal. Dec. 20, 1869, d. March 1, 1872, Marysville.
96. III. James Edwin, b. Marysville, Cal., Feb. 9, 1873.
97. IV. Riley Ward, b. M., Cal., Feb. 22, 1875, d., May 16th, 1877, Marysville.
98. V. Walter Abram, b. M., April 26, 1877.
99. VI. Arthur Garfield, b. M., Oct. 30, 1880.

100. VII. Everett Rosseel, b. M., March 28, 1885.

CHAPTER XI.

BY SUSAN HEATON LEWIS, MORRISON, ILLS.

James H. (88) Lewis, b. May 31, 1839; m. Marietta Gray, of M., Ills.; had 3 children:

101. I. Una M., m. AUGUSTUS COX, 1880; d. July 2, 1881 with infant.

102. II. Kutie, m. SAMUEL WOOD, 1886; had one child:

103. Hazel K.

104. III. Josie, resides Newton, Kansas.

Rosseel (89) Lewis b. June 29, 1841; m. Lucinda E. Sargent, of Fredericktown, Ohio; had four children; now reside Morrison, Ill.

105. I. Cynthia P., m. RUEL KNOX.
106. II. Mamie, m. EDGAR KNOX.
107. III. Susie S., m. EDWARD KNOX.

108. IV. White.

Thomas W. (92) Lewis b., Dec. 4, 1849; m. Hattie E. Bevine, Morrison, Ill.; had 6 children; reside Akron, Iowa.

109. I. Ola B.

110. II. Guy; d. infancy.

111. III. LeRoy W.

112. IV. Edna; d. infancy.

113. V. Maud S.

114. VI. Harry L.

Addie S. (93) Lewis, b. Aug. 17, 1855; m. Ernest Follows of Round Grove, Ill; had one child:

115. I. Grace E.

BOOK XII.

WILLIAM LEWIS, Ship Lion, 1632.

CHAPTER VII.

BY SETH LEWIS, ULYSSES, PA.

Orange A. Lewis, (page 30,) eldest son of Jesse and Hannah (Thurston) Lewis was born Dec. 23, 1806 at Upper Lisle, N. Y. and grew to manhood there. October 12, 1828, he married M. Lavinia, eldest daughter of James and Abigail (Hulburt) Lewis, also of Upper Lisle. June 6, 1830, he started on foot for the wilds of Potter county, Pa., with an ax on his shoulder from which hung a bundle containing his change of clothing. Arriving at Ulysses, then an almost unbroken wilderness, June 10th, 1830, he began cutting away the forest where he decided the log house should be put up for his new home. February 28, 1831, his family arrived from Upper Lisle and moved into the house he had been able to but barely make habitable about Apr. 1, 1831. In 1833 he was appointed Treasurer of Potter county, so early did his worth become known. An eventful and honorable public career followed. He was elected Justice of the Peace in 1835. Sheriff of Potter county in 1841, appointed Associate Judge in 1846, elected to the same office in 1851 for a term of five years. Retiring from office in 1856 after a public service of nearly a quarter of a century, he was probably the most popular man in the county. October 29, 1861 at 55 years of age he enlisted as a private into Co. "G." 53d Regt. Pa. Vols. and died at Harrison's Landing, Va., August 14, 1862, a martyr to his wavering devotion to duty as well as to the cause of universal freedom.

Two incidents of his life are worthy of a place in the LEWIS LETTER as illustrating the character

of one of the noblest of the Lewis race and as incentives to all young people but especially to those who may be able to claim him as their kinsman, to lead lives worthy of their age and their race.

He spent the first two winters after arriving in Ulysses mostly in threshing on the Cowanesque to get grain for use the following season. The second winter he threshed for a Mr. Cushing, with whom he made an agreement that ten bushels of wheat should be measured out and put away for him, to be paid for in the spring at \$2.00 a bushel, the market price at that time. After sugaring, he took a load of maple sugar, went to Cowanesque, sold it and carried the \$20 to Mr. Cushing. On receiving it Mr. Cushing said to him: "Young man, do you know that the price of wheat has fallen to \$1.00 a bushel, and that you can buy ten bushels of wheat now and have \$10 left?" "I do," replied Mr. Lewis. "Did we not," said Mr. Lewis, "agree upon the price last winter, and have you not kept the wheat for me according to the bargain?" "Oh yes," said Mr. Cushing, "I should have sold it last winter at the market price, if I had not agreed to keep it for you." "If it had risen in price to \$4.00 a bushel," said Mr. Lewis, "would you now refuse to let me have it or charge me that price for it?" "Certainly I should not," said Mr. Cushing. "Why," said Mr. Lewis, "should I be less honest than you?" "You have done right" said Mr. Cushing, "and have won my respect and confidence. Few young men would have done as you have done."

Upright and true-hearted as he

was this decision, no doubt, cost him a struggle. A devoted husband and a fond father, he could hardly have failed to think of the wife and little daughter in his forest home, for whom \$10 meant many comforts to which they had lately been strangers, but neither conjugal affection nor parental love could obscure his clear perception of right nor swerve him from the path of duty.

Whether influenced by a desire to live in a region which produced such men as Mr. Lewis had shown himself to be, or by some other motive Mr. Cushing moved to Ulysses that season. He was almost immediately chosen one of the commissioners of Potter County, and one of the first duties devolving on the Board of Commissioners was the selection of a man for County Treasurer who should go to Philadelphia and receipt and bring back about \$5,000, which had accumulated from taxes since the county was set off from McKean County. Honesty as well as capacity was needed. It was a large sum of money and all the settlers were poor men. It was evident that only a man of strict integrity should be appointed. They began to cast about for a suitable man. Suddenly Mr. Cushing addressed his fellow commissioners as follows: "Gentlemen, I know the man we need. Orange A. Lewis, of Ulysses, is a man we can trust." He was appointed and fully justified the confidence reposed in him.

The other incident, though it increases our appreciation of the innate nobility of the man causes sorrow at its characteristic result.

When McClellan's army reached Harrison's Landing, Va., in July 1862, Mr. Lewis was exhausted. Not possessing the recuperative power of a younger man he gradually sunk under the deadly influences of the time and place. Orders were issued to send the dangerously sick to northern hospitals and he was about to be placed on board a hospital transport boat Russell L. Burnside, a comrade who was also sick desired to go but the boat could carry no more than had already been designated by the surgeon. Burnside begged that some one would give up his place, and with that generosity which had always distinguished him, Mr. Lewis offered his chance to his whimpering comrade though far less feeble than Mr. Lewis. Burnside was mean spirited enough to accept the generous offer. When transportation north could again be given to the sick of the 53d. Regt. Mr. Lewis was too ill to be removed, and he died for want of the pure air and careful nursing which he surrendered to his selfish comrade; while Burnside lived to disgrace himself and bring ruin upon those among whom the self-sacrifice of Mr. Lewis had enabled him to come. Painful as this result was to those who had known Mr. Lewis, it was a characteristic and fitting close to his singularly unselfish life, to which the unworthiness of the comrade for whom he sacrificed himself gives added interest. He but joined the army of noble men and women whose names and deeds illumine the pages of history and prove the divine origin and nature of humanity.

BOOK XIII.

JOHN LEWIS, New London, Conn.

CHAPTER V.

BY ROLLIN H. COOKE, PITTSFIELD, MASS.

Children of John (11) and Mary (Munn) and Amy (Smith) Lewis:

- 41. I. David, b. April, 1736; d. 1754.
- 42. II. John, b. Dec. 1740; m.
- 43. III. Sarah, b. April 1743.
- 44. IV. Amy, b. May 24, 1751.
- 45. V. Samuel Smith, b. Sept. 7. 1753; d. 1842.
- 46. VI. David, b. April 11, 1756. Children of Dea. Samuel (14) and Hannah (Rew) and Eunice (Beebe) Lewis, of Waterbury, and Naugatuck, Ct.
- 47. I. Abraham, b. Oct. 21, 1744; d. 1749.
- 48. II. Rev. Amzi, b. Oct. 29, 1746; grad. Yale, 1768.
- 49. III. Olive, b. Dec. 10, 1749.
- 50. IV. Lucy, b. March 18, 1753; m. SIMON PORTER, b. June 18 1744, son of Capt. Thomas Porter. Removed to Ohio.
- 51. V. Mary, b. 31, 1755; d. 1759.
- 52. VI. Prue, b. Jan. 16, 1759; m. NATHAN PORTER.
- 53. VII. Hester, b. May 3, 1765; m. Lucian Spencer.
- 54. VIII. Molle, b. March 9, 1768; m. CULPEPER HOADLEY.
- 55. IX. Samuel, b. June 4, 1770; d. at Yale college.
- 56. X. Asahel, b. Aug. 8, 1772; d. aged 37 leaving family.
- 57. XI. Eunice, b. Dec. 10, 1775; m. (1) Ebenezer Fairchild; m. (2) Elias Scott, both of Oxford, Conn.

Children of Hezekiah (20) and Lydia (Merriman) Lewis, b. Suffield Conn.

- 58. I. Hezekiah. See chap. I, page 22.
- 59. II. John. See chap. I. page 22.
- 60. III. Simeon. " "
- 61. IV. Lydia. " "
- 62. V. Dorothy. " "
- 63. VI. Gabriel. " "

List of Subscribers Added During November.

- I. Myron S. Lewis, Providence, R.
- Everett C. Lewis, Woonsocket, R. I.
- B. W. Lewis, Tunkhannock, Pa.

This is the last number of Vol. 1, and is enlarged so as to show what Vol. 2 will be during 1888.

TIME TABLE, S. B. & N. Y. R. R.

SOUTH.			STATIONS.	NORTH.		
No 8	No 6	No 2		No 1	No 3	No 5
P M	A M	P M		P M	P M	A M
8 00		8 25	Oswego	10 10	7 20	12 35
9 05	7 25	4 45	Syracuse	8 40	6 05	11 20
9 19	7 40	5 00	Jamesville	8 45	6 10	11 05
9 34	7 55	5 15	Onatavia	8 10	5 35	10 49
9 44	8 05	5 25	Apulia	7 58	5 30	10 37
9 49	8 12	5 35	Tully	7 51	5 25	10 30
9 58	8 22	5 41	Preble	7 41	5 15	10 20
10 02	8 27	5 49	Little York	7 35	5 14	10 14
10 13	8 36	5 50	Homer	7 27	5 05	10 05
10 23	8 46	6 12	Cortland	7 19	5 00	9 53
10 30	8 55	6 21	Blodgett's Mills	7 07	4 50	9 47
10 40	9 05	6 32	State Bridge	6 54	4 41	9 35
10 49	9 14	6 45	Marathon	6 40	4 35	9 28
10 54	9 20	6 51	Killawog	6 37	4 30	9 20
11 00	9 27	6 58	Lisle	6 30	4 24	9 11
11 05	9 33	7 05	Whitney's Point	6 24	4 21	9 05
11 20	9 51	7 23	Chenango Forks	6 07	4 03	8 43
11 30	10 03	7 33	Chenango Bridge	5 55	3 54	8 35
11 45	10 15	7 45	Binghamton	5 45	3 45	8 25
P M	A M	P M		P M	P M	A M

Two freight trains moving south also carry passengers, leaving Whitney's Point at 2:57 and 4:40 P. M. June 27, 1887.

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THE DEAD OF A GREAT WAR.

Official returns show that about 2,900,000 soldiers enlisted during the late war, in response to the successive calls of President Lincoln, and that of this number 186,097 were colored troops. Of this number

New York furnished 467,047 men.

Pennsylvania furnished 366,107 men.

Ohio furnished 319,659 men.

Illinois furnished 259,147 men.

Indiana furnished 197,147 men.

Massachusetts furnished 152,048 men.

Missouri furnished 109,111 men.

These figures do not include men who enlisted for a shorter period than ninety days and, estimating on the basis of New York's enlistment of 17,213, it is fair to calculate that the aggregate of troops furnished by the States for the Union armies was at least 3,000,000.

Additional reports show that the Northern and Southern armies met in over 2,000 skirmishes and battles. In 148 of these conflicts the loss of the Federal side was 500 men, and in at least 10 battles over 10,000 men were reported lost on each side. The appended table shows that the combined losses of the Federal and Confederate forces in killed, wounded and missing in the following engagements were: Shiloh, 24,000; Antietam, 38,000; Stone River, 37,000; Chancellorsville, 28,000; Gettysburg, 53,000; Chickamauga, 33,000; McClellan's Peninsula

campaign, 50,000; Grant's Peninsula campaign, 180,000, and Sherman's campaign, 125,000.

Official statistics show that of the 3,000,000 men enlisted there were:

Killed in battle.....	44,238
Died of wounds.....	49,205
Died of disease.....	186,216
Died of unknown causes.....	24,184

Total 303,843

This includes only those whose death while in the army has been actually proven. To this number should be added, first, 26,000 men who are known to have died while in the hands of the enemy as prisoners of war, and many others in the same manner whose deaths are to-day unrecorded; second, a fair percentage of the 205,794 men who are put down on the official reports as deserters; third, thousands who are buried in private cemeteries all over the North who died while home on a furlough.

By an act of Congress, approved July 27, 1862, the President was empowered to purchase cemetery grounds, and to cause them to be securely inclosed, for the purpose of national cemeteries for the soldiers who should die in the service of the country. Subsequent acts provided that the Secretary of War should take steps to preserve from desecration the graves of soldiers who fell in battle or died of disease during the rebellion, and to enclose the grounds so that the resting

places of the honored dead should be kept sacred forever. No nation of either ancient or modern times after a great war, made such systematic and successful efforts to gather the remains of their dead and secure for them honored burials.

A recent report shows that the nation's dead are buried in 79 national cemeteries, of which only 12 are in the Northern States. Among the principal ones in the North are Cypress Hills, with its 3,786 dead; Finn's Point, N. J., which contains the remains of 2,644 unknown dead; Gettysburg, Pa., with its 1,967 known and 1,608 unknown dead; Mound City, Ill., with 2,505 known and 2,721 unknown graves; Philadelphia, with its 1,909 dead, and Woodlawn, Elmira, N. Y., with its 3,090 dead. In the South, near the scenes of terrible conflicts, are located the largest repositories of the nation's heroic dead:

Arlington, Va., 16,264, of which 4,849 are unknown.

Beaufort, S. C., 9,241, of whom 4,493 are unknown.

Chalmette, La., 12,511, of which 5,674 are unknown.

Chattanooga, Tenn., 12,962, of which 4,963 are unknown.

Fredericksburg, Va., 15,257, of which 12,770 are unknown.

Jefferson Barracks, Mo., 11,490, of which 2,906 are unknown.

Little Rock, Ark., 5,602, of which 2,337 are unknown.

City Point, Va., 5,122, of which 1,374 are unknown.

Marietta, Ga., 10,151, of which 2,963 are unknown.

Memphis, Tenn., 18,997, of which 8,817 are unknown.

Nashville, Tenn., 16,526, of which 4,701 are unknown.

Poplar Grove, Va., 6,199, of which 4,001 are unknown.

Richmond, Va., 6,542, of which 5,700 are unknown.

Salisbury, N. C., 12,126, of which 12,032 are unknown.

Stone River, Tenn., 5,602, of which 289 are unknown.

Vicksburg, Miss., 16,600, of which 12,704 are unknown.

Antietam, Va., 4,671, of which 1,818 are unknown.

Winchester, Va., 4,559, of which 2,365 are unknown.

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