

1850 Census-Ashford Gore

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Microfilm #:	M432/_34; Page 303; Enumeration Date: November 1, 1850	State:	California	County:	Placerville	Township:	El Dorado
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Source:	United States. 1850 United States Federal Census. M432, 1009 rolls. National Archives and Records Administration, Washington D.C.
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Page	House #	Family #	Name of Person	Description			Occupation	Value of Real Estate Owned	Birthplace	Married within year	Attended School	Cannot read or write	Miners Labor Per Day
				Age	Sex	Color							
		17	Duval D Phillips	28	M		MINER		KENTUCKY				\$8.00
			William McCloud	30	M		MINER		VIRGINIA				\$8.00
			James Onstott	26	M		MINER		MISSOURI				\$8.00
			Deleocl (??) Pike	30	M		MINER		MISSOURI				\$8.00
			Ashford Gore	30	M		MINER		KENTUCKY				\$8.00

Ashford's family has handed down the story that Ashford went to the gold rush in California. He travelled by horse to get there. It appears from this census that he travelled with his brother-in-law, James Onstott and several others from Missouri. This group of men made a good wage of \$8 per day. Most of the other miners on the same census page made \$2-\$4 per day. The time frame that Ashford spent in California is unknown. When he returned to Missouri, he went by ship, sailing around the Cape of Good Horn. Mary Jane Gore, along with Ashford's children, were living with her father in 1850.

1850 Census-Mary Jane Gore

Researcher:	Catherine J Karr			Date:	4/2/2005								
Microfilm #:	M432_411; Page: 171			State:	Missouri	County:	Ralls	Township:	District 73				
Source:	United States. 1850 United States Federal Census. M432, 1009 rolls. National Archives and Records Administration, Washington D.C.												
Page	House #	Family #	Name of Person	Description			Occupation	Value of Real Estate Owned	Birthplace	Married within year	Attended School	Cannot read or write	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper or convict
				Age	Sex	Color							
	441	446	William Onstot	51	M		FARMER		NORTH CAROLINA				
			Frances Onstot	50	F				NORTH CAROLINA				
			Frances A Onstot	16	F				MISSOURI		Y		
			Thomas D Onstot	14	M				MISSOURI		Y		
			George W Onstot	7	M				MISSOURI		Y		
			Elizabeth A Onstot	2	F				MISSOURI				
			Albert Gore	28	M		FARMER		KENTUCKY				
			Mary J Gore	24	F				MISSOURI				
			Frances A Gore	4	F				MISSOURI				
			John H Gore	2	M				MISSOURI				
			Emily J Gore	1	F				MISSOURI				

During this time frame, Ashford Gore was in California. Albert Gore might possibly be a relative of Ashford's or he may just be made up to keep up appearances on the census.

1860 Census

Researcher:	Catherine J Karr						Date:	4/2/2005									
Microfilm #:	M653_642; Page: 0						State:	Missouri			County:	Ralls			Township:	Jasper	
Source:	1860 United States Federal Census. M653, 1438 rolls. National Archives and Records Administration, Washington D.C																
Page	House #:	Family #:	Name of person	Description			Occupation	Value of Estate		Birthplace	Married within year	Attended School	Cannot read or write	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict			
				Age	Sex	Color		Real Estate	Personal Estate								
	585	572	Ashford Gore	M	39				525	KENTUCKY			Y				
			Mary J Gore	F	36					MISSOURI							
			Frances A Gore	F	14					MISSOURI		Y					
			James H Gore	M	10					MISSOURI		Y					
			Thomas E Gore	M	8					MISSOURI		Y					
			Mary E Gore	F	6					MISSOURI		Y					
			Harvey Gore	M	2					MISSOURI							

This is the first census that indicates that Ashford Gore cannot read or write.

1870 Census

Researcher:	Catherine J Karr	Date:	4/5/2005				
Microfilm #:		State:		County:		Township:	

Source:																				
				Description				Value of Estate												
Page	House #	Family #	Name of person	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate	Birthplace	Father of foreign birth	Mother of foreign birth	Born with year	Married within year	Attended school	Cannot read	Cannot write	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic	Male over 21	Denied vote

We know that Ashford Gore was living in Ralls Missouri during 1870, however, the family does not show up on the census. I researched this by researching neighbors that lived near them in 1860. Through that research I found that there was one house (number 9) on the same census page that was blank. This tells me that there was a house where a census was not taken. Ashford and Mary Jane were either not home or refused to give the information.

1880 Census

Researcher:	Catherine J Karr				Date:	4/2/2005		
State	Missouri	County	Ralls		Township	Jasper	Enumeration Date:	June 26, 1880
Source:	Year: 1880; Census Place: Jasper, Ralls, Missouri; Roll: T9_711; Family History Film: 1254711; Page: 666C; Enumeration District: 4; Image: 0538.							

Street	House #	Dwelling #	Family #	Name of person	Personal			Born within year	Relationship to Head	Civil condition				Married within year	Occupation		Education			Birthplace		
					Color	Sex	Age			Single	Married	Widowed/Div	Profession or trade		Months unemployed	Attended school	Cannot read	Cannot write	Person	Father	Mother	
		326	339	Smelser, James	W	M	51				Y				FARMER					VA	VA	VA
				Smelser, Elizabeth P	W	F	44		WIFE		Y				KEEP HOUSE					TN	TN	TN
				Smelser, Sarah P	W	F	18		DAUGHTER	Y					AT HOME					MO	VA	TN
				Smelser, John Bell	W	M	20		SON	Y					WORKS ON FARM					MO	VA	TN
				Smelser, Thos H	W	M	15		SON	Y					WORKS ON FARM		Y			MO	VA	TN
		327	340	Gore, Ashford	W	M	60				Y				FARMER			Y	Y	KY	SC	SC
				Gore, Mary J	W	F	56		WIFE		Y				KEEP HOUSE					MO	SC	SC
				Gore, James H	W	M	30		SON	Y					FARMER					MO	KY	MO
				Gore, George H	W	M	15		SON	Y					WORKS ON FARM					MO	KY	MO
				Gore, Jackson S	W	M	13		SON	Y					AT HOME		Y			MO	KY	MO
				Onstott, Frances A	W	F	60		SISTER IN LAW	Y					WITH SISTER					MO	SC	SC
		328	341	Gore, Thos E	W	M	28				Y				FARMER					MO	KY	MO
				Gore, Susan	W	F	22		WIFE		Y				KEEP HOUSE					MO	MO	MO
				Gore, Fannie J	W	F	1		DAUGHTER	Y					AT HOME					MO	MO	MO

Before this census, Ashford and Mary Jane had lost several children: John, Emily and Susan. I have included the census of their two neighbors. James Henry Gore eventually marries Sarah P Smelser. Thomas E Gore is the son of Ashford Gore and lives on the neighboring farm. Also, Mary Jane's sister, Frances, is living with them. This is the last census for Ashford (died in 1882) and Mary Jane (died in 1881).