Letter from Linus Woolverton

My Great-Uncle Ralph Woolverton keyed this in from a typescript that he had in his possession, presumably made by Linus himself (see his note at the end of the letter). As far as I can tell, Ralph left the letter in its original format, with mistakes and page breaks intact. I have notated the typescript content as follows:

Text in blue represents a quotation by Linus Woolverton from another source, typically correspondence.

*Footnote text and superscript1 in green* represent points in the typescript where I have tried to provide extra contextual information, correcting errors or adding genealogical information.

[red notes in bracketed text] represent wording missing from the original typescript that I have added to provide clarity.

[2] red superscript prior to names in the text represent generational numbering from the first Charles Woolverton for the person to follow. Some of these are also footnoted to help provide context including lines of descent to the individual named.

THE WOOLVERTONS

Charles Woolverton, Gentleman, who sailed from Dorsetshire, England for America about the year 1680, was the progenitor of the family of Woolvertons in America.

The family seems to have been an old one in England, appearing under various forms of spelling, as for example, Wolferstan, Woolverstone, Wolverton, and Woolverton. There is a town called Wolverton in middle England, and a station of that name near Sandringham. Woolveraton Park and gardens at Ipswich is one of the largest and most beautiful estates in Suffolk. Perhaps the oldest traces of the name in England appear near Blackgary in the southern part of the Isle of Wight.

One family descended from Robert Wolferston or Woolverstone, who made his will in 1492**,** lived in Staffordshire, England and occupied Statford Hall.

In an old Book of Heraldry in the Library of the University of Toronto in 1868 I found a coat of arms of the Woolverton family, which contained on the face three wolfsheads d'argent with broad band d'or, and which I roughly copied. It had as motto: "Que sera sera."

Another shield belonging to a family of Wolvertons in Wolverton county, Buckinghamshire dating back to the time of Henry III bore arms described as Az; an eagle displayed or over all a bend ga (i.e. a rend bend viz., two lines drawn across, representing a shoulder belt).

There are six parishes of the name Wolverton in England, viz., One each in Somerset, Bucks, St. Georges (Bucks Co.), Hants, Norfolk and Warwick.

In the Books of the Preragative Court of Chancery, London, England, many very similar names appear between 1650 and 1720 and among these Fraser Woolverton, Stafford, Oct. 1712, Humphrey Woolverton, Middlesex, 1718 Leeds 73), Eleanor Woolverton, Stafford, 1712 (Aston 129), Fraser Woolferstone, Stafford, 1715. At Basingstoke, there is the Wolverton rectory, and the following is a letter from the rector Rev. A. H. Cave, addressed to Dr. Theron Woolverton, Grimsby, Ontario.

"My Dear Sir:

I am very sorry I was not at home when you called here, but my daughters have told me the purport of your visit and since my return home a short time since, I have been unable to find your name in the registrar books of this Parish.

There is another Wolverton Parish in Bucks.

The name of my Parish has been variously spelt, sometimes Woolverton. In Domesday Book it is Wolfre-ton, the town of Wolfre, who from his name was probably a Saxon invader who possessed himself of these lands."

Concerning Charles Woolverton, our ancester, tradition is that he came to America about the year 1682 along with Sir William Penn, and that he came from Wolverhampton, England, the "ham" meaning town; the "ton" a mound of earthwork for defence, hence meaning The fortified town of Wolfre. This would not conflict with the statement that he sailed from Dorsetshire.

Very early records of the family are to be found in some books on the early history of the Isle of Wight, which in September,1909, were in possession of Mr. Mellor, an old resident of Black Gary. Near this place in the Parish of St.Lawrence is "Old Woolverton" a building so old and so far in ruins that it puzzles the antiquary. The name "Woolverton House" is on the gateposts; while at Sharewell, near Chale P.O. is a very ancient stone house called the Woolverton Manor House. Here lived in the 14th century, Sir Ralph de Woolverton who owned four hundred acres of land around the house. At Woolverton Undercliff are to be seen the remains of a chapel built by Sir Ralph de Woolverton in 1370 A.D. Sir Ralph also paid tithes for his domaine to the priory of Carisbrooke. In the list of armed men made in the reign of Edward III the name of Sir Ralph appears as having contributed two bowmen for the defence of the island.

It would appear from his name that Sir Ralph was of Saxon origin or perhaps one of the followers of William the Conqueror who came across from Normandy in 1066 and apportioned out grants of land to his faithful followers, among whom may have been Sir Ralph of the town of Wolfre or in short: de Wolfre-ton".

During the reign of Charles II of England, there was little religious liberty for Protestants. Many men of strong convictions looked toward America whither some sixty years previous the Pilgrim Fathers had gone and founded a colony. These men were of various parties such as Puritans, Independents, Quakers and Churchmen and among them such men as William Penn and George Fox who secured from the Crown large estates in what is now known as Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

No wonder that the example of so many brave men and true setting out for America, led Charles Woolverton to dispose of his property in England and come along with his friends Fox and Penn to invest in American lands. So about the year 1682 we find Charles sailing from Dorsetshire to America. Charles is called "Gentleman" in the records of that time, which in those days signified a man of such means as to be able to live without work.

It appears that Charles was then identified with the Quakers, as we find in Consultation with the Secretary of the Friends' Library in Philadelphia in March, 1912. He reported as follows:

"Charles Woolverton was a member of the Society of Friends, as his name is mentioned in the Minutes of Burlington Monthly Meeting about twenty four times, the first mention being made in the year 1704.

The records of Chesterfield Monthly Meeting of Friends show that 9th month, 4th day, 1731, Charles Woolverton produced a certificate from the Burlington Monthly Meeting of Friends and that in the 10th month, 2nd day, 1731, he was appointed overseer of the Friends settled in Bethlehem (Frenchtown) which is not far from where the tract of land purchased by the same Charles was located."

(Col. M.D. Woolverton, Vancouver Barrack, Washington Terr. 1897).

There are some reasons for believing of Charles Woolverton having emigrated from England with his brothers John and Gabriel[[1]](#footnote-1), and after living for a short time on Long Island[[2]](#footnote-2) moved about 1690 to the Pennsylvania bank of the Delaware River from which he moved soon after to Burlington County on the opposite bank. Besides being a man of considerable means, he appears to have been one of the leading men of the community. On the erection of Hanlerder County[[3]](#footnote-3), he was in 1721 elected one of the first five Justices of the Peace and was thereafter frequently called upon to witness his neighbors' wills.

The following memoranda was furnished by H. E. Deats, Flemington, NJ.

"Woolverton Memo Furnished by H.E.Deats of Flemington, NJ."

Charles was witness to will of Richard Caine (Keine) of Arnell, Nov.7, 1727.

Charles was witness to will of John Mills, of Chesterfield, Burlington Co., April 17, 1709."

Charles bought 1666 acres March 2, 1714 of Wm. Riddle, near present village of Rosemont, Delaware, Hunlerder County. He is said to have come from Wolverhampton, England, but stopped on Long Island for a time.

A number of his descendents still live in this county, but not all have the name of Woolverton. There are probably fifty families who have been internamed with them.

Marriage Licences, N.J. List suplied by H.E.Deats, of

Flemington, N.J.

WOOLVERTON.

Charles of Arnell, Mary Drake of Hopewell, Aug.8, 1763.

John of Arnell, Elizabeth Wilden, Arnell, Nov.8, 1768.

Eliza, Hunterden Co. Joseph Lambert, Hunterden Co. Mar.22. 1774.

Mary, Sussex Co. Samuel Crowell, Sussex Co. Oct.8, 1762.

Mary, Kingwood, Geo. Smith, Kingwood, July 27, 1770

Susannah, Kingwood, Henry Matthis, Hunterden Co. May 22, 1782

Mary, Kingwood, Daniel Bray, Hunterden Co. May 2, 1772. Married May 14, according to Daniel Bray's bible.

This is General Bray who gathered the boats for Washington to use in crossing the Delaware Dec. 25, 1776. He left numerous descendents which I[[4]](#footnote-4) am now engaged in tracing, most of them residing in their county.

Note: Arnell and Kingwood were names of rather undefined districts which later became townships in Hunterden[[5]](#footnote-5) Co.

WOOLVERTON WILLS, New Jersey's Secretary of State's Office

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Charles W. Intestate 11 447 1763

Charles Will 12 250 1765

Daniel Intestate 28 247 1786

Dennis Will 16 421 1777

Joel Will 36 151 1796

John Will 16 171 1773

Morris Will 15 86 1770

Thomas Intestate 9 392 1759

Hunterden County

Anna Intestate 1808

Joel Will 1804

In the Colonial Records of New Jersey, West Jersey liber B, page 361, of Pt 1 quoted a purchase which Charles Woolverton made of William Biddle, Aug. 20, 1693, of one hundred acres of land in Burlington County, N.J., and between this date and his death in 1746 there are records of about sixteen transfers of real estate by him. In Book A.A.A. 19 Charles is grantee of fifty acres near Mount Carmel in Burlington County, N.J., from John Dixon and wife Elizabeth (Chadwick) (her second husband) to their son-in-law Charles having married Mary Chadwick, daughter of John Chadwick, who purchased land in Burlington in 1689.

On March 2, 1714, Charles purchased 1665 acres of land in Township of Arnell (vide Book of Deeds B.B.B.P. 429) beautifully situated along the east bank of the Delaware River, a portion of which is still in Woolverton hands, as the farm of Rev. W. H. Woolverton, near Stockton, N.J.

This old estate extended from Rosemont nearly to Prattsville.

In May 1719 Charles sold 284 acres of this land to George Fox and in August 25, 1745, there was land conveyed to Dennis Woolverton[[6]](#footnote-6), which he willed to his son Jonathan. The graves of George Fox, Dennis Woolverton, and probably the first Charles, with many others, [of] these early inhabitants are in Rosemont Cemetery.

That Charles was a Christian man is evidenced by some entries of his which he made in an old family bible.

THE OLD WOOLVERTON FAMILY BIBLE

In the year 1863, the writer (Linus Woolverton) saw this bible at the house of Charles Tomlinson, Flemington, N.J., whose wife is a Woolverton[[7]](#footnote-7). It is a "Breeches Bible" and was printed at Geneva, Switzerland, in 1560 by Rowland Hall. It contained several interesting entries in the handwriting of Charles, as for example:

"Charles Woolverton, his book, bought of

Hugh Huddy of Burlington, N.J. 1704, and

it cost thirty shillings, and this I give

to my eldest son, that he may learn the

just man's steps, when I am dead and gone;

for in my life much love I had to read this

Holy Book."

From this old Bible we copy the following records;

CHARLES WOOLVERTON

Charles Roger Mary Daniel Isaac Dennis Dinah Joel Thomas

b1698 b1700 b1702 b1704 b1706 b1709 b1711 b1715 b1717

From these it would appear that all the branches of the Woolverton family in America have sprung, but some have neglected to keep their records.

In the following pages we give the pedigree of as many as we have been able to trace:

THE WOOLVERTONS OF STOCKTON AND TRENTON, N.J

In the year 1912, the writer, Linus Woolverton, visited some of the old landmarks along the Delaware River portion of the old Woolverton estate. At Trenton, he met Jonathan Peter Dunham[[8]](#footnote-8), a wealthy merchant whose mother was Hannah Woolverton Potter, also John E. Woolverton[[9]](#footnote-9), who traced his ancestry back to Charles Woolverton. At Lambertville he met Miss Emma T. B. Runk who had written a book on the history of the Barcrofts in which she included much concerning the Woolverton, from both of which families she is a descendent. At Stockton, two miles from Rosemont he called at the home of the Rev. W. H. Woolverton, also a lineal descendent of Charles I through his eldest son, Charles II, but unfortunately, he was absent from home. He tramped for miles over the old Woolverton farms, and searched the graves in Rosemont Cemetery where in 1868 he had many years ago found the grave of Dennis Woolverton, the fifth son of Charles I, through whom he traces his own pedigree.

PEDIGREE OF MISS RUNK, THE HISTORIAN.

[2]Charles II. m. Margaret[[10]](#footnote-10)

1698-1765

Deed of 70 acres and mill to [3]John m. E.Wilson[[11]](#footnote-11)

d.1773.

Deed of 268 acres, [3]Maurice[[12]](#footnote-12) m. M.Baker.[[13]](#footnote-13)

d.1770

[3?]Isaac[[14]](#footnote-14)

[4]John[[15]](#footnote-15) -m. Rachel Quimby[[16]](#footnote-16)

[5]Anna- Ambrose Barcroft

[6]Fanny-P.T.Runk

[7]Emma Ton Brook Runk[[17]](#footnote-17) - living in 5 Jefferson St. Lambertville, N.J. in 1912.

The pedigree of the Rev.W. H. Woolverton is as follows;

[1]Charles of England, m. Mary Chadwick

d. 1746.

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[2]Charles II, m. Margaret.

1698-1765.

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[3]John [3]Maurice m. Mary Baker [3]Joel [3]Isaac[[18]](#footnote-18)

10 children[[19]](#footnote-19)

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[4]John[[20]](#footnote-20) - m. Rachel Quimby

1755-1837.

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[5]Samuel -1st wife Mary Johnson, 2nd wife Eliza Wilson

[6]Asher[[21]](#footnote-21) [6]Maurice[[22]](#footnote-22) - Catharine Hoppock

d. 1827.

[5]James - Mary Sargent. Lived on father's farm, 10 children.

[5]Anna - married A. Barcroft.[[23]](#footnote-23)

[6]Asher-

[6]Maurice - Catharine Hoppock. d.1827.

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[7]Samuel- Cashier 5th Ave. Bank, New York City

[7]Rev W.H.[[24]](#footnote-24)--Minnie Primrose Dickanson.

[8]Primrose [8]Dorothy

[6]Dr. Samuel[[25]](#footnote-25) -Dr. Susanna Luken, of Philadelphia

1843-1888.

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[7]James[[26]](#footnote-26) [7]John E.

b.1870 b.1872, Dentist,Trenton,NJ.

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[5]James - Mary Sergent, 1791 -1871 (or Emma)[[27]](#footnote-27)

[6]Sarah [6]Rachel [6]Jane [6]John [6]James.

m.E.Johnson Henry Fell Geo. Hoppock Dr.in Trenton unmarried

[6]Mary [6]Amelia[[28]](#footnote-28) [6]Joseph [6]Charles [6]Samuel[[29]](#footnote-29)

m. Miss Fell Dentist

Trenton

On March 23, 1883, John Woolverton Laquear of Frenchtown, N.J.. then about 60 years of age, wrote a letter to Charles Edward Woolverton of Grimsby from which we take the following notes;

Charles Woolverton (II) had six sons, Maurice, Dennis, Charles, Gabriel, Isaac.[[30]](#footnote-30) To each of these he left a farm of 200 acres.

Maurice married a Miss Baker[[31]](#footnote-31); they had two sons and three daughters[[32]](#footnote-32). One son died young. The other children were Margaret, who married Silas Wilson, Abigail who married John Kensyl; Sophia who married Samuel Cowdrick, and his son John Woolverton who married Rachel Quimby[[33]](#footnote-33). John inherited his father's farm in consideration of his paying 115 pounds to each of his sisters. The old homestead residence, or dwelling stood on the hill, North of Rosemont. He lived in this until 1799, when he bought a part of the Reading tract, Southwest of Rosemont and (moved) on to it, having served some time in the army during the Revolution.

On this farm John and Rachel lived, and ended their lives. After acquiring considerable property, John died December 10th 1837, aged 82 years and his widow Rachel Sept. 19th 1841. They had seven children.

Samuel born April 27th, 1779, learned the Cabinet makers trade, married Mary Johnson and had one child, Asher, born January 30th 1812. Mary died March 5th 1812, aged 24. Samuel then married Elizabeth Wilson, and had one son Maurice (Rev. W. H. Woolverton's father) born Feb. 19th, 1827. Samuel died Sept. 14th 1841.

James, (son of John) was born Oct.19th, 1791, married Emma Sargent, had ten children, viz.,Sarah, Rachel. Jane, John, James, Mary, Amelia, Joseph, Charles and Samuel.

Sarah married Elias Johnson; Rachel married Henry Fell; Jane married George Hoppock; Dr. John married in Trenton and became a successful surgeon there and highly esteemed; James died unmarried; Amelia married Gardiner Johnson; Charles married Miss Fell; Joseph; and Samuel who lived in Trenton.

Mary, daughter of John[[34]](#footnote-34), married Joshua Updyke, and had two children viz., Grace, who married John Vandolah, and Martha, who married Pierson Williamson. Mary was born Feb 2,1782.

Sarah, daughter of John Woolverton, was born July 2nd 1784, married John K. Stockton, had six sons, viz., John, William, Samuel, Nelson, James and Richard.

Martha, daughter of John Woolverton, was born June 31, 1787.

Margaret, Daughter of John Woolverton, was born March 14th, 1788, married Asher Reading and had children John, Kensyl, Samuel, Nancy, Lucy, Rachel, and Margaret.[[35]](#footnote-35)

Ann, daughter of John Woolverton, born January 22nd,1894, married Ambrose Barcroft and had 6 children,viz., Elias, John, Ambrose, Fanny, Martha, and Rachel.

WOOLVERTON Extracts from records of old Morristown Church.

[1]Charles of Dorsetshire,1682 - Mary Chadwick

[2]Charles -m. Margaret [2]Dennis, b.1709-Elizabeth b.1698. Pettitt. 70 acres and mill

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[3]John 1768 m. Eliza Wilson [3]Morris[[36]](#footnote-36) [3]Charles[[37]](#footnote-37)

will 1773, a miller, will to [4]Nathaniel[[38]](#footnote-38) -   
 Parmele Hudnet.

to wife and to children,

[4]Charles A. and [4]George A.[[39]](#footnote-39) [5]Edward[[40]](#footnote-40) -Asenath

(minors) Wilcox

[3]Mary[[41]](#footnote-41) - General Bray, 1772.

[3]Jonathan[[42]](#footnote-42)

b.1754, d.1831. [2]Dinah[[43]](#footnote-43) [4]Dennis[[44]](#footnote-44) - Catherine

Nixon

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[5]Ann[[45]](#footnote-45) - Rowley [5]Charles[[46]](#footnote-46) - Margaret Blair [5]Sarah[[47]](#footnote-47) - Wilcox

Cherry Valley. NY. Ohio.

[5]Dennis[[48]](#footnote-48) Mary - Gen Smith[[49]](#footnote-49), Kingwood 1770

[2]Joel[[50]](#footnote-50) - Elizabeth

Will of 1790 probate 1795

Gave wife Elizabeth & Children

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[3]Job [3]Gabriel [3]Joel [3]John [3]Andrew [3]Charles [3]Jane

[3]Joel

[3]Morris, will 1771, made his brother [3]John and his friend Richard Green executors, Isaac W.[[51]](#footnote-51) a witness, gave to wife Mary and children.

[4]John, [4]Mary [4]Margaret, [4]Abigail [4]Zeriah[[52]](#footnote-52)

All minors.

A Stephen[[53]](#footnote-53) and a John[[54]](#footnote-54) among Revolutionary soldiers. Thomas Woolverton[[55]](#footnote-55) lived in Sussex County 1756.

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Pedigree of Simon P. of Sunbury, Pa.

[1]Charles, of England

[2]Roger

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[3]Charles III[[56]](#footnote-56) William Dennis

Granter of Deed

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[4]Charles IV [4]John [4]Roger [4]Isaac [4]Dennis[[57]](#footnote-57)

[5]Joseph[[58]](#footnote-58) [5]Enoch [5]Mary [5]Elizabeth [5]Ann

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[6]Simon P.[[59]](#footnote-59) of Sunbury Pa. [6]Harriet

died 1912. See letters[[60]](#footnote-60)

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[5]Richard [5]Nathan [5]Benjamin[[61]](#footnote-61)

(of Shamokin) (of Danville, Pa.)

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Pedigree of Marie Louise Woolverton W. Virginia

[1]Charles I

[2]Charles II [2]Roger- m. Mary Fox[[62]](#footnote-62)

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[3]Charles (1741) m. Mary Drake William Dennis[[63]](#footnote-63)

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[4]Charles [4]John [4]Roger [4]Isaac [4]Dennis [4]Rachel [4]Sarah [4]Osie [4]Elizabeth[[64]](#footnote-64)

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[5]John [5]Silas[[65]](#footnote-65)

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[6]Charles H. [6]John Roger - Cornelia Gesap[[66]](#footnote-66)

(Sunbury, Pa.) 1844 - 1884

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[7]Bessie (letter)[[67]](#footnote-67) [7]Catherine [7]John [7]James

[7]Mary Louise (Knox) [7]Frances- Kenneth Brown[[68]](#footnote-68)

Visited Grimsby -now 1912

in Detroit, Mich.

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Isaac [4]Jonathan[[69]](#footnote-69)

moved to Ohio

Benjamin[[70]](#footnote-70) [5]Charles. d.1852

letter 1878[[71]](#footnote-71) [6]Jacob (Pres. St. Joseph Co. Savings Bank)

See letter from James H.1897[[72]](#footnote-72)

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The Woolvertons of Washington (visited by Linus in 1912)

[3]Isaac[[73]](#footnote-73)

[4]Stephen Woolverton - Merdy Phenicox[[74]](#footnote-74) (d. of Genl.

of Philidelphia, an

aristocratic Quaker family.

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[5]Asa [5]Stephen [5]Asher - Jane Kennedy

[5]Cornelius [5]Almira[[75]](#footnote-75)

[6]Mercy (St. John)[[76]](#footnote-76)

b.June 4, 1800,

lived near Batavia

N.Y. D.1896

[6]Stephen [6]Dennis [6]Thos [6]Asher[[77]](#footnote-77)

[7]Mary (Belden)[[78]](#footnote-78)

b. 1820 [6]Orpha [6]Samantha [6]Almira [6]Charlotte E.Nobles[[79]](#footnote-79) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[7]James S. [7]William N Peart [7]Mary[[80]](#footnote-80)

Thomas Pearl [8]Ruby [8]Fanny Beck [8]Wm S.[[81]](#footnote-81)

Mary

Frances Henry

Mercy and cousins were brought up together in Middleburg, Secharie Co. NY. The above table furnished by Charlotte E. Nobles, Cousin of Pearl Woolverton, living 604 South El Molinom Avenue, Pasadena, California, 6th February, 1912.

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Pedigree of Anna Woolverton 246 S. 39th St. Philadelphia.[[82]](#footnote-82)

Great Grandfather in New Jersey

Charles Isaac William

went to Indiana in 1838.[[83]](#footnote-83)

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John b. 1807 Sarah Isaac Nancy Charles Washington

in Hunterdon C. NJ. William Frank.[[84]](#footnote-84)

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Anna William N.

of New York City

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Pedigree of Benjamin Woolverton, Shamokin, Pa.

[1]Charles I

[2]Roger

[3]Charles III - Mary Drake

From New Jersey b. 1741 in Revolutionary War.

10 children, 8 born in New Jersey.

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[4]Dennis [4]Roger [4]John [4]Isaac [4]Charles [4]Sarah [4]Mary [4]Oey [4]Elizabeth[[85]](#footnote-85)

[5]Isaac[[86]](#footnote-86)

[5]Benjamin m. Mary Reed[[87]](#footnote-87)

(Letter Dec. 1878)

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 Pedigree of Judge C. E. Woolverton, Oregon.

[3]Daniel[[88]](#footnote-88) died Sept 13th, 1783 -Hannah, died July 4, 1819,

aged 78.

[4]John - Mary Hoagland, N.J.

b. June 24, b.b. April 4th, 1790.

1781.

[5]John b. 1822 (Dec. 22)

[6]Charles E Portland, Oregon.

b. May 16,1851 .

Judge in Supreme Court in Oregon.

Appointed United States district Judge in 1905, on Federal Bench.

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Pedigree of S. B. Woolverton, Sunbury,Pa. given by him June 1, 1897.

[3]Charles III - Mary Drake

Granter of Deed Feb. 12, 1816. See deed B. K. T. P. 41

Farm of 194 acres, Trenton, NJ.

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[4]John [4]Roger [4]Isaac [4]Charles [4]Dennis [4]Osie -Faye[[89]](#footnote-89) Amelia - Bull

D.1855

[5]John [5]Silas[[90]](#footnote-90)

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Charles H. - Mary, living in Piedmont, W.Va[[91]](#footnote-91)

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Charles William Dennis[[92]](#footnote-92)

d. in Muncy Valley d. Union

Corners, Pa.

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[5]Joseph [5]Enoch [5]Mary [5]Elizabeth [5]Ann[[93]](#footnote-93)

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[6]Anson B. [6]Simon P. [6]Harriet Ann [6]Lucretia C. [6]Samantha-La Shell

Attorney at Law Sunbury. Pa. Iowa.[[94]](#footnote-94)

Note [4]Dennis Woolverton above (which)

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[5]Richard [5]Clement [5]Nathan [5]Benjamin [5]George[[95]](#footnote-95)

of Shamokin Sandusky Ohio Mich. Danville, Pa. d. young \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[4]John, son of [3]Charles (which?)[[96]](#footnote-96)

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[5]Isaac

[5]Jonathan- moved west about 1850

[6]Benjamin[[97]](#footnote-97)

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[6]John d. young [6]Mary - Young[[98]](#footnote-98)

Shamokin

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Pedigree of Newton Woolverton, Nelson, B.C.

[4]John (Baptist Minister)[[99]](#footnote-99)

[5]Asa (Paris, Ont.) [5]Enos (Woolverton, Ont)[[100]](#footnote-100)

[6]Newton, Principal Woodstock College.[[101]](#footnote-101)

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Pedigree of James H Woolverton, Lawton, Oklahoma.

[2]Joel b.1715, will 1790 to

[3]Job [3]Gabriel [3]John [3]Andrew - Mary Ann Stone of N.J.[[102]](#footnote-102)

b.1760

Moved to Kentucky or

Virginia 1771.

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[4]John [4]Thomas [4]William [4]James [4]Betsy [4]Nancy [4]Polly[[103]](#footnote-103)

B1797   
m. Agatha Williams.

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18 children [5]Houston was

Bapt. Preacher[[104]](#footnote-104)

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[6]James Thomas [6]William S. [6]Abbey Judson[[105]](#footnote-105)

Physician & Pres.

U.S. Claim attorney and Commander, National Bank,

G.A.R. Post No. 7. Ardmore, I.T.

Adamsville, Tenn.

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[7]James H. [7]Horace M.[[106]](#footnote-106)

30 years old in 1897 Lawyer

Lawyer.

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Duncan, Ind., June 4th, 1897.

Mr. Charles E. Woolverton,

Grimsby, Ontario, Canada.

My Dear Sir:-

I am just in receipt of a letter this morning from S.P. Woolverton[[107]](#footnote-107) of Sunbury, Pa., enclosing also carbon copy of the letter that he had written to you. Your name has been mentioned to me several times, and I was in receipt of a letter the early part of the week from Mrs. Elizabeth W. Hoover nee Woolverton[[108]](#footnote-108) of Bushnell. Ill., stating that she had received a letter from you about 20 years ago in relation to the family ancestry. I have always had a desire to know something regarding my ancestors, and only a short time since began work of investigation along this line and have managed to accumulate some very valuable data, but a part of it has been of the same nature that you have through S. P. Woolverton of Sunbury. I have several letters from Charles E. Wolverton[[109]](#footnote-109) of the Supreme Court of Oregon, giving me the history of his immediate family, and I am now looking for another from him giving a full detail account of his ancestery. He said that his grandfather was named John who married Mary Hoagland[[110]](#footnote-110) in N. J. and soon afterward moved to Mt. Pleasant, Ohio, where there was a family of children born and raised, that his father was also named John, who was born in 1822, and when in the forties he [moved] from there to Iowa and in 1853 to Oregon and is still living, his address being Albany, Ore. In May I received a letter from Jacob Woolverton[[111]](#footnote-111), President of the St. Joseph County Savings Bank stating that he would send me, a memorandum of his ancestry which he had received about twenty years ago from one M.E. Woolverton of Cleveland, Ohio. However he stated that his father was named Charles[[112]](#footnote-112), who died in 1852 when he was seven years old and that his grandfather was named John, or Johnathan[[113]](#footnote-113) who either came from N.J. or Pa. and settled and lived in Hamilton co. Ohio, just on the outskirts of Cincinnati. Chas. Blair Wolverton[[114]](#footnote-114) of Wolfe Summit, W. Va., gives me his genealogy as follows: - William[[115]](#footnote-115), his great-grandfather, by his intermarriage had the following children: Joab, born April 20, 1800, Joel, Uriah, James, and Naomi. Joab was a Baptist minister and married Catherine Bartlett in 1825. By this union the following children were born, - Benj. M., Jan. 16th, 1828, James S., 1830, Martin B. 1834, Elisha L. 1836,and Cintha A., 1826[[116]](#footnote-116). Benj. M. is living near Wolfe Summit, W. Va. His children are as follows; Clinton B. Wolfe Summit, W.Va., Chas f. Vannoys Mills, W. Va., Geo. B., Wilsonburg, W. Va., Joseph N., West Union, W. Va. Clinton B. Wolfe Summit, W. Va., Sarah C. intermarried McConkey, Elizabeth E. intermarried Cole; Joab died in infancy and Martin also died in infancy[[117]](#footnote-117). James S. resides at Big Bend, W. Va. He has a son practising law at Houston, Texas[[118]](#footnote-118), who tells me that he had the biography of Lord Frederic Wolverton[[119]](#footnote-119) of the House of Lords and his father Genl. Chas. Wolverton whom his son succeeded upon the death of the latter. Martin B. is dead, but his family resides in Munday, W. Va., where Elisha L. also lives. In addition to this statement, he says that three Woolverton brothers came over together from England and first settled on Long Island, but afterwards in 1714 moved to N. J., and that one of their names was Chas. and that the coat of arms was a wolf's head. I have been able to run down to the present generation, the descendents of Roger and John of whom you probably already know. As for my ancestry I can go no further back than my great-great-grandfather whose name was Andrew, who when grown married Mary Ann Stone of N.J. and soon afterwards moved to Kentucky where the following children were born, namely: John, Thomas, James, Betsy, Nancy and Polly. They were principally raised in Maury Co., Tenn., where Andrew and his wife died. James, the youngest of the seven children, was born on May 12, 1797, and married Agatha Williams in Maury County, Tenn., on Sept 23rd, 1817. Unto them twelve children were born, Houston, my grandfather being about 5th in order. He was a Baptist preacher, and has three sons now living, James Thomas, William Skelly, and Abbey Judson. James Thomas is a U.S. Claim Attorney and Commander of G.A.R. Post No. 7 residing in Adamville, Tenn. He has three sons, Jas. H., Horace M. and myself[[120]](#footnote-120). I am 30 years old, and Horace 25. Both of us are engaged in the practise of law here. William Skelly is a merchant doing business in Ardmore, I.T., and has a large family of boys. Abbey Judson has been an able physician, but has retired and engaged in banking business in Ardmore, I.T., is the President of the City National Bank of that place. He likewise has a large family of boys. This is about all the information that I have up to the present on genealogy of the Wolverton Family. I am now in correspondence with Wolvertons of whom I have known nothing before. Probably they may represent some distinct branches of which we have no knowledge.

I hope that you may give me the results of your investigations as full amd complete as possible. If so desired, it will be a pleasure to me to give you from time to time any further information that I may be so fortunate to obtain. It is my object to never relinquish my efforts in this behalf until I find that it is a futile task to continue my researches.

Hoping to be favored with an early reply, giving information desired, I am,

Yours truly,

(sgd.) Jas. N. Woolverton[[121]](#footnote-121).

The Woolvertons of Albany, N. Y.

[1]Charles of England

[2]Charles [2]Dennis - Elizabeth Pettit

1709 - 1774

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[3]Charles [3]Mary [3]Jonathan [3]Dinah - Tomlinson[[122]](#footnote-122)

Drowned in Delaware

[4]Nathaniel- Pamalie Hudnot.[[123]](#footnote-123)

[5]Edward - Asenath Wilcox[[124]](#footnote-124)

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[6]Lavina F. [6]George A. [6]Sarah A.- Peter Monteith

1815- 1883

1812 - 1890 b.1813- D.1896

Albany. NY.

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[6]Henry Mortimer [6]Harriet Asenath[[125]](#footnote-125)

1818 - 1890 b. 1825.

Patron of College

at Albany.Visited

1868.

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[7]Ada - G. L. Steadman. [7]Caroline Shular-G. Sard[[126]](#footnote-126)

b. 1840, Albany, N.Y. b. 1844

[8]George Woolverton Steadman[[127]](#footnote-127) [8]Mabel Woolverton Sard[[128]](#footnote-128)

of the Albany Bar.

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The Woolvertons at Cherry Valley, N.Y. and Glen, N.Y.

[1]Charles of England

[2]Charles [2]Roger David [2]Dennis[[129]](#footnote-129)

b.1709. Willed the Kingwood

homestead to [3]Charles [3]Jonathan [3]Mary [3]Dinah[[130]](#footnote-130)

Built the house

near Frenchtown, NJ.

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[5]Ann -Phineas Rowley [5]Edward - Asmoth Wilcox [5]Charles - Margaret Blair Cherry Valley NY.

Charleston, SC.

[5]Sarah - E. Wilcox [5]Dennis - McNames,[[131]](#footnote-131)

Ohio. Vincannes, Ind.

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[5]Charlotte - P. Wychoff [5]Mary - Peley Osborne

New York City Saratoga Co. NY.

[5]Hiram [5]Gaius [5]Nathaniel- Jane Overbaugh

Glen Montgomery Co. NY b. Glen, NY. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[6]Charles Blair- Harriet White Charleston of Albany, NY.m.1852

b.1822, d.1861 Albany.NY.[[132]](#footnote-132)

[6]Cecelia [6]Pamelia [6]Jane

d.1903 at Sharon Springs, NY.[[133]](#footnote-133)

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Charles B. - Harriet Chapman[[134]](#footnote-134)

b. 1855 Albany Andrew - Ann Baily[[135]](#footnote-135)

d. 1888 b. 1860 Albany

[6]Monroe - Lilian Barrett

b. 1851 d. Glen, NY. [6]Byron - Emma L Myers[[136]](#footnote-136)

Mary B. - Wm. Taylor, Plainfield, NJ Howard Harriet[[137]](#footnote-137)

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NOTES OF THE WOOLVERTONS AT ALBANY

Collected by Adda W. Steadman

Charles Woolverton, son of Dennis Woolverton and Elizabeth Pettit, was probably born at Rosemont.. He married Ann Jewell, a daughter of John Jewell of Arnell and was accidentally drowned in the Delaware River in 1763. They had but one child, Nathaniel, who was born on January 14th, 1763, probably at Kingwood.

It is probable that this John Jewell is responsible for the connection of the Woolvertons with the Baptists of the Mohawk valley, among which they have been prominent for four generations. Barber and Howes Historical Collections Jersey relates that John Jewell and others built the first Baptist Church in the township of Arnell in 1766 and that at one time the regular supply was shut out of the house by Mr. Jewell, because he thought him too favorable to the British.

Nathaniel Woolverton, son of Charles Woolverton and Ann Jewell was born January 14th,1763, probably at Kingwood, NJ. and died at Glen, Montgomery Co. NY. in 1835, his mother marrying shortly after his father's death and while Nathaniel was a young boy, he was taken into the household of his maternal grandfather, John Jewell and lived with him at Arnell. NJ. until his own marriage in January 1786 to Pamelia Hudnot.

For a year or two after his marriage he lived at Arnell and then moved to Kingwood, probably to the farm that came to him from the estate of his grandfather, Dennis Woolverton. After living there for six years, he removed to Montgomery Co. NY., and in 1794 purchased for 550 pounds a farm of two hundred acres in William Cory['s] patent. Upon it Nathaniel erected a fine substantial house which is still standing, and there reared his large family. One of his daughters describing him says "He was a man of heroic courage, stirling integrity, a firm believer in God and his attributes, and generous in word and deed."

Edward Woolverton, aon[[138]](#footnote-138) of Nathaniel Woolverton and Pamelia Hudnot was born in 1797 at Ardell[[139]](#footnote-139), NJ. and died at Pittsfield, Mass. in 1874. His grave and that of his wife is in Albany Rural County. His early married life was spent in Charleston, NY. In 1832 he moved to Albany and was thereafter a forwarder of goods, principally on boats plying the Hudson. A dignified man, with a large clean shaven face, always appearing in an old fashioned stock tie, he impressed his great grandchildren who remember him as a true gentleman of the old school.

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THE WOOLVERTONS OF GRIMSBY, ONTARIO, AND ALBANY, NY.

[1]Charles of England.

[2]Charles [2]Roger [2]Mary [2]Daniel [2]Isaac [2]Dennis Dinah [2]Joel [2]Thomas

1709-1774

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[3]Charles [3]Mary- Gen.Daniel Bray [3]Jonathan-m. Mary Barcroft [3]Dinah[[140]](#footnote-140)

Drowned in Delaware R.

buried Rosemont Cemetery

[4]Nathaniel- Parmele[[141]](#footnote-141) [4]Delilah[[142]](#footnote-142)

Buried in Rosemont.

[5]Edward - Wilcox[[143]](#footnote-143)

[6]George (Albany b.1813)[[144]](#footnote-144)

Wholesale boot and shoe merchant, 1868.

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[7]Mrs. A Steadman [7]Mrs. Sard[[145]](#footnote-145) [6]Sarah - Monteith[[146]](#footnote-146)

[8]Mabel[[147]](#footnote-147)

(see letter)[[148]](#footnote-148)

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[4]Hannah - S. Potter [4]Eliabeth - Daniel Palmer

b. 1776 married 1801 b. 1781 M. 1803

[4]Orpha - P. Moore [4]Dennis - Catherine Nixon[[149]](#footnote-149)

m. 1803 m. 1810.

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[5]Jonathan-Emeline Bergmann [5]Allen Nixon [5]Charles Edward m.

Delight E. Bennett[[150]](#footnote-150)

[6]Theoron [6]Edgar [6]Algernon [6]Solon [6]Delos [[151]](#footnote-151)

Surgeon US All living in 1912.

Navy

Linus-S.F.Lorimer

b. Dec 1848

Ida.

[7]Charles Ernest[[152]](#footnote-152), B.1874

Landscape Gardener, 1912.

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JONATHAN WOOLVERTON

Son of Dennis, 1754 to 1831, lived in Kingwood until about 1798. It was he who built the fine old stone house on a farm there, afterward occuied by the Bray family. From an entry in the books dated June 23, 1788 we find that he was a member of Unity Lodge No. 7 F. A. M. In the year 1768[[153]](#footnote-153), when on a college vacation, I visited the old mansion and drew a rough pencil sketch of it. It was then occupied by Wilson Bray, a descendent of General Bray who married Mary Woolverton. His mother entertained me most cordially and [on] a tea table brought out some beautiful family silver.

Jonathan married Mary Barcroft and this was only one of several crosses between the Woolvertons and the Barcrofts.

The latter was a noble family in England, the records of which have been carefully gathered and published by Miss Emma Ten Brock Runk of Lambertville, NJ.

In 1868 I met a Mr. Aaron Barcroft, living with his daughter Mrs Chas. Tomlinson at Flemington, NJ. He was then in his 92nd year and needed much care, but his eyesight was so good that he had no need of spectacles. He was very glad to see me and loved to talk about "Uncle Jonathan Woolverton". "I was," he said "but a chunk of a boy when my uncle moved away to Cananda[[154]](#footnote-154). I often used to go down to his house to get pears. Once calling me to him he said; 'One time another boy and I were there throwing up stones and sticks to knock the fruit down. My companion shouted to me to move out of the way, but I would not and soon one of the stones fell down on my head and made a wound, the scar of which you can see on the top of my head.'" He went on to say that his Uncle Jonathan owned a great deal of land, probably 400 acres and kept three or more negro slaves. "My Uncle," he added "was a large sized man; very easy going, too much so for his own good, when it came to loaning money." He also remembered his cousins Hannah, Orpha and Elizabeth, daughters of Jonathan Woolverton. The old gentleman spent much of the time in reading for pastime his books being the Bible, the Pilgrims' Progress, History of all Denominations, etc.

Jonathan Woolverton held several public appointments in New Jersey, viz: in 1788 "Justice of the Peace for the County of Hunterden." In 1794 "Justice of the Peace for the County of Hunterden". In 1786 Ensign in Third Company of Militia; The original copies of these appointments are in my scrapbook (L.W.) having the old Seal of the State of New Jersey attached.

He held several Masonic positions in New Jersey and when he came to Grimsby, he was elected Master of the Lodge at that place.

In 1798, Jonathan Woolverton, hearing good reports of Canada from his uncle Judge Pettitt, went out on horseback to Grimsby (600 miles) to view the Country. He purchased six hundred acres, two hundred next to Judge Pettitt which he puchased from......... [[155]](#footnote-155) for.......... and which extended from the mountain to Lake Ontario; two hundred on the mountain next to Forty Mile Creek, and two hundred over the lake in Nelson Township, which he called "the Purchase". Then he returned to New Jersey to bring his family.

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When Jonathan Woolverton came through Oswego, Tioga Co. NY., he found there also some relatives, viz., Asa and Stephen Woolverton. Asa was a deacon in the Baptist Church, of whom Linus Peck (classmate of Charles Edward Woolverton at Madison University) used to speak in highest terms.

Stephen, son of Isaac Woolverton who died about 1852, told Charles Edward that he could remember when Jonathan Woolverton came through in 1798 on his way to Canada, riding on a fine black horse. He said "I always remarked that I thought your grandfather looked very much like Gen. Washington."

STATEMENT BY DENNIS WOOLVERTON

GRIMSBY, ABOUT 1860.

Jonathan Woolverton came to Canada with his family in 1798, his son Dennis being then a boy of eight. Travel was very difficult, some came on pack horses, the women and children riding and the men walking. Jonathan came most of the way by boat, taking schooner from Brunswick to Albany, thence 15 miles carrying place to Schnectedy[[156]](#footnote-156); thence by Mohawk River to Rome; thence two miles by Canal into Wood Creek, where the boat was pupped up on the bank for the night; thence to Oneida Lake; thence via Oswego River to Oswego; thence coasted along on Lake Ontario to Grimsby. In rough weather they drew up on the beach, which in those days was very wide.

They came along the lake in a "Schnectedy Boat" which was good and comfortable, but all open, flat bottomed and without sails.

Nathaniel, Jonathan's nephew came along with him as far as Albany. He had a son named Edward, of whom Orpha, Jonathan's daughter, said to Charles E. of Grimsby in later years "I well remember taking care of "Little Eddie" and playing with him when he was a baby."

At Oswego, Jonathan called on his relatives Asa Woolverton and Stephen (son of Isaac). The latter told Charles E. Woolverton previous to 1850, "I well remember Jonathan Woolverton when he came through on his way to Canada, riding a fine black horse. I always thought your grandfather looked very much like General Washington.

Jonathan chose to purchase land in Grimsby then known as "the Forty" because some friends and relatives were there, as for example Judge (Andrew) Pettit, his uncle, a brother of his mother, Elizabeth Pettit. Allen Nixon had also come to the Forty a few years previously and both these families came from New Jersey about 1783 (?) and both were U. E. Loyalists, and received grants of land as a reward of their loyalty.

The roads were very bad of course in those days and the one west from Grimsby though open was full of old trees, chestnut stumps, etc. and it required many a twist to make progress. Jonathan at first lived in a log house nearly on the site of the present brick house, built by Linus about 1890. These were days of endurance and privation until their first wheat was harvested and then there was not a mill to grind it nearer than old Niagara, nearly forty miles away, and this by horseback or on foot.

Jonathan brought in the first wagon into Lincoln County from New Jersey, a truck wagon and when the wheels were worn out, others about six inches wide were sawn out of buttonwood logs and served for many years.

Wm. Nixon, second son of Allen Nixon was the first white child born west of Niagara Falls. [[157]](#footnote-157)

In the year 1800, Jonathan was made Master Mason of the Lodge at Grimsby.

In January 1801, his daughter Hannah (see Photo) was married to Colonel Jonathan Potter of Pottersville, NJ.; in June 29, 1803; Elizabeth was married to Daniel Palmer, and on Septermber[[158]](#footnote-158) 28, 1803, Orpha to Pearce Moore. Jonathan died at Grimsby March 15, 1831, in the 77th year of his age. His wife, Mary Barcroft Woolverton, died at Grimsby Feb. 26, 1804, in her 53rd year.

On Jan 25th, 1806, Jonathan Woolverton ws married to his second wife, Mary Davis (probably from New Jersey).

On Oct. 19th, 1813,Jonathan was married to his third wife, Alice Kitchen.

Dennis Woolverton, son of Jonathan and Mary[[159]](#footnote-159), was born in the old Kingwood Homestead on January 1, 1790. As a boy of eight years of age, he was brought to Canada, where on March 29, 1810 he married Catherine Nixon.

In April 1816, we find his name heading a subscription with three pounds for building a schoolhouse at the foot of the Woolverton Mountain; to which many of his contemporaries put their autographs; among others Jonathan Woolverton, his father, for two pounds. The school was to be built on Mr. Andrew Pettit's land, in the South West corner of his field, and North of the common Highway.

In this school his children, Jonathan, Allen and Charles were sent under charge of a retired English army officer, Mr. John Oakley, whose methods were rather severe. For nearly one hundred years this schoolhouse stood, the sides often being battered by the bob-sleds of the children coming down the Woolverton Mountain.

Dennis occupied many positions of trust besides cultivating a large farm of 400 acres. In religion he was a Baptist, and in politics a liberal. While his wife Catherine Nixon was an Anglican, a strong Conservative, and of United Empire Loyalist stock.

Dennis was member of the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada from 1834 to 1836, as will be seen in the records of the House. He was urged to be a candidate in 1836 but refused. He was a friend of the Hon. Dr. John Rolph, founder of the Victoria School of Medicine, Toronto.

Photo of Dennis.

He was a fine looking old gentleman, of mild disposition and excellent judgement.

His first wife, Catherine Nixon, died July 2, 1851, in the 60th year of her age, and on the 16th of November, 1853 he married Mary Ann Richardson.

Dennis passed away on the 23rd day of May, 1875, in the 86th year of his age. There were present at his death bed Dennis Palmer, Charles Moore, Charles Woolverton, Jonathan Woolverton (all cousins), Ezekial Smith, Eliza Jane Hough, Amanda Woolverton, Edgar Woolverton and Linus Woolverton.

(See life written by McKee or J.G. Murray)

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Charles Edward Woolverton, son of Dennis Woolverton and Catherine Nixon was born on the Woolverton Homestead, Grimsby in August, 1820. After receiving his early training at Lewiston Academy, he completed his education at Madison University, now Colgate, at Hamilton, NY. It was while at this college that he met his future wife, then a student at the Ladies' Seminary in the same town, in the person of Delight S. Bennett, a woman of excellent culture and Christian character, but who was called away five years after marriage, leaving two children, Linus and Alda.

In 1846, he was invited by his father Dennis, to take charge of the homestead farm, his two older brothers having entered the Medical Profession. Being more interested in Mission work than in farming, he gave a great part of his life to the founding of a large Bible School at Grimsby for which in 1876 he built a Hall at Grimsby. This school was wonderfully successful under his guidance, reaching several generations of children who were not otherwise associated with any church. In the year 1898 at a great Sunday School Convention, Charles Edward was presented with a beautiful copy of Kitto's work in recognition of his having been Superintendent of one Sunday School for over fifty years.

He was a man devoted to reading and study of the best books, as is evidenced by his large and well chosen library. He passed away in the year 1900 at the ripe old age of 80 years.

LINUS WOOLVERTON

Son of Charles Edward Woolverton, and Delight Salva Bennett, of North Brockfield, NY., was born December 12, 1846, on the Woolverton Homestead at Grimsby, Ontario. Daniel Bennett, Delight's father was a man of some means, probably about $50,000, and highly respected in his community as Justice of the Peace. His grandfather, Nathan Bennett, owned one of the earliest houses built in Connecticut on the shore opposite Derby, built in 1721, bought by him in 1726, with 104 acres of land, for 1532 pounds. It was burned down in 1890.

Linus was educated at the Grimsby Grammar School, where he prepared for college. He spent his first college year 1865-6 at Rochester University, being led in part by the fact that two professors were there [that] had been at Madison University in 1840 when his father was a student there, were at Rochest[[160]](#footnote-160), viz. Prof. Richardson, and Prof. Kendrick. While there, he became a member of the Delta Epsilon Fraternity. He spent three summer months studying up for the Senior Matriculation, and was the first to enter by this particular Examination, taking the Classical Scholarship for excellence in Greek and Latin Literature, which amounted to $120 in cash. To the end of second year he took honors in Classics and then, not wanting to confine himself to that department, he took a general course for his Bachelor of Arts, followed by his Master of Arts in 1870.

In the fall of that year he married Sarah Frances Lorimer, daughter of Alexander Lorimer, the librarian of the University, by whom he had six children, only two of whom were living in 1912, viz., Mabel Frances, B.A., of McMaster University, Toronto,[[161]](#footnote-161) wife of Rev. P.G. Mode[[162]](#footnote-162), Professor in Brandon College, Manitoba; and Charles Ernest, on the Homestead at Grimsby, landscape gardener.

For some years after graduation, Linus devoted himself to the growing of fruits and fruit trees; so that in the year 1877 when a man was needed to take the place of Delos A. Beadle as editor of the Canadian Horticulturist, and Secretary of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, this choice fell upon him, a position he held until the year 1901.

In 1896 when the government decided upon pursuing experimental work in fruit growing by establishing ten fruit stations in Ontario, Linus was asked to act as Secretary and Inspector and to report annually to the Government the results of their work. In addition to this he was asked to conduct experimental work in Cherry growing on his own farm and to plant hundreds of varieties of all kinds of fruit for purposes of study and description. This work he continued until 1903, making annual reports to the legislature of Ontario, both for the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario, and the Fruit Experimental Stations of Ontario.

As an outcome of all this special work, Linus was able to prepare a work for the Department of Agriculture, called "The Fruits of Ontario", which was widely distributed among Ontario Fruit growers and farmers.

Later, in the year 1910, in addition to many contributions to the public farm and fruit journals, he prepared and published at his own expense a work entitled "The Canadian Apple Growers' Guide", containing not only carefully prepared instructions for the apple grower, but also technical descriptions of all varieties grown in Canada from a Canadian standpoint, accompanied by original photogravures, made life size.

For a time Linus was also a Vice-President of the Park and Outdoors Association, and also a Vice-President of the American Pomological Association.

In the year 1893, Linus was appointed by the Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion, Superintendent of Horticulture for Canada, at the world's Columbia Exhibition in Chicago, which occupied about eight months of that year.

LINUS WOOLVERTON WROTE THE ABOVE RESUME ABOUT THE YEAR 1912.[[163]](#footnote-163) THIS COPY WAS MADE OFF A POOR TYPEWRITTEN CARBON COPY AND WHETHER THE LAST PARAGRAPH ABOVE WAS REALLY THE END OF THE ESSAY, I CANNOT BE SURE. LINUS WAS THE FIRST COUSIN OF MY GRANDFATHER SOLON WOOLVERTON. HE WAS THEREFORE MY FIRST COUSIN TWICE REMOVED.

Copied May, 1997.

RALPH SOLON WOOLVERTON, MAY,1997.

1. *According to David Macdonald, the existence of Charles’ brothers has still not been proven.* [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. *Possibly where Charles met his wife, Mary?* [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. *Assumed to mean Hunterdon County, as there is no Hanlerder County in New Jersey or Pennsylvania, either current or historically.* [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. *Referring to Linus.* [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. *References to Hunterden County should actually be Hunterdon County. Linus consistently spelled the county name this way.* [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. *Son of* [1]*Charles.* [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. *Per information from Dave Watson, the wife of Charles Tomlinson was Margaret Barcroft.* [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. *Per Dave Watson, his name was actually Jonathan Potter Dunham, grandson of Hannah Woolverton Potter, not son as mentioned in Linus’ text.* [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. *Per Mary Wallace, John Edwin Woolverton:*[1]*Charles,* [2]*Charles,* [3]*Morris,* [4]*John,* [5]*James P.,* [6]*Samuel,* [7]*John Edwin MD (born 1870).* [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
10. *Last name is still unknown.* [↑](#footnote-ref-10)
11. *Elizabeth Wilson* [↑](#footnote-ref-11)
12. *Also written interchangeably as Morris.* [↑](#footnote-ref-12)
13. *Mary Baker* [↑](#footnote-ref-13)
14. *According to Mary Wallace and Dave Watson,* [2]*Charles only had sons named* [3]*Maurice and* [3]*John. I am not sure where this* [3?]*Isaac fits.* [↑](#footnote-ref-14)
15. [4]*John was the son of* [3]*Maurice.* [↑](#footnote-ref-15)
16. *Or Quinby* [↑](#footnote-ref-16)
17. *Emma Ten Broeck Runk.* [↑](#footnote-ref-17)
18. *Again, I am not sure where this Joel and Isaac are supposed to fit, as per records,* [2]*Charles only had 2 sons.* [↑](#footnote-ref-18)
19. *I am assuming that this is supposed to refer to* [3]*Maurice/Morris having 10 children. I have only been able to find references to 5 so far:* [4]*John,* [4]*Margaret,* [4]*Mary,* [4]*Abigail, and* [4]*Zurviah (or Sophia).* [↑](#footnote-ref-19)
20. *Son of* [3]*Maurice.* [↑](#footnote-ref-20)
21. [6]*Asher was the son of* [5]*Samuel and his first wife, Mary Johnson.* [↑](#footnote-ref-21)
22. [6]*Maurice was the son of* [5]*Samuel and his second wife, Eliza (or Elizabeth) Wilson.* [↑](#footnote-ref-22)
23. *Ambrose Barcroft.* [↑](#footnote-ref-23)
24. [7]*Samuel and* [7]*W. H. (William) were sons of* [6]*Maurice and Caroline (not Catharine) Hoppock.* [↑](#footnote-ref-24)
25. *Son of* [5]*James and Mary; married to Susanna Paul Lukens, MD.* [↑](#footnote-ref-25)
26. [7]*James Isaiah and* [7]*John Edwin, sons of* [6]*Samuel and Susanna.* [↑](#footnote-ref-26)
27. *Mary Sergeant’s middle name was Emma; this may be the source of the confusion.* [↑](#footnote-ref-27)
28. *Or Permelia.* [↑](#footnote-ref-28)
29. *All the individuals in this row and the preceding one were children of* [6]*Samuel and Susanna* [↑](#footnote-ref-29)
30. *According to David Macdonald,* [2]*Charles only had 2 sons:* [3]*Morris (or Maurice) and* [3]*John.* [↑](#footnote-ref-30)
31. *Mary Baker* [↑](#footnote-ref-31)
32. *Recorded children of* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Charles,* [3]*Morris and Mary Baker are:* [4]*John,* [4]*Margaret,* [4]*Mary,* [4]*Abigail, and* [4]*Sophia (or Zurviah). I have been unable to find any mention of a second son.* [↑](#footnote-ref-32)
33. *Or Quinby.* [↑](#footnote-ref-33)
34. [1]*Charles,* [2]*Charles,* [3]*Morris,* [4]*John.* [↑](#footnote-ref-34)
35. *David Macdonald shows the following children:* [6]*Mary (or Ann or Nancy – there is ambiguity over her name),* [6]*John Woolverton,* [6]*Kensyl,* [6]*Mary,* [6]*Sarah Woolverton,* [6]*Samuel,* [6]*Rachel, and [6]Margaret F.* [↑](#footnote-ref-35)
36. *Sons of* [2]*Charles.* [↑](#footnote-ref-36)
37. *Son of* [2]*Dennis.* [↑](#footnote-ref-37)
38. *Son of* [3]*Charles; his wife’s name is actually Parmelia Hudnot (in place of “Parmele Hudnet”).* [↑](#footnote-ref-38)
39. *Sons of* [3]*John, above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-39)
40. *Son of* [4]*Nathaniel, above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-40)
41. *Daughter of* [2]*Dennis.* [↑](#footnote-ref-41)
42. *Son of* [2]*Dennis.* [↑](#footnote-ref-42)
43. *Assumed* [2]*Dinah as* [2]*Dennis did not have a daughter named Dinah.* [↑](#footnote-ref-43)
44. *Son of* [3]*Jonathan.* [↑](#footnote-ref-44)
45. *Daughter of* [4]*Nathaniel with husband Phineas Rowley* [↑](#footnote-ref-45)
46. *Son of* [4]*Nathaniel.* [↑](#footnote-ref-46)
47. *Daughter of* [4]*Nathaniel with husband Ephraim Wilcox.* [↑](#footnote-ref-47)
48. *John Dennis. Son of* [4]*Nathaniel.* [↑](#footnote-ref-48)
49. *I have no idea where this Mary fits.* [4]*Nathaniel did have a daughter named Mary, but she married Peleg Osborn, according to David Macdonald. I have been unable to find a “General Smith.”* [↑](#footnote-ref-49)
50. [2]*Joel married Elizabeth Robbins. The following rows are their children.* [↑](#footnote-ref-50)
51. *It is unknown which Isaac this refers to.* [↑](#footnote-ref-51)
52. [*4]Zerviah, daughter of* [3]*Morris.* [↑](#footnote-ref-52)
53. *Stephen Woolverton – possibly* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Isaac,* [3]*Stephen.* [↑](#footnote-ref-53)
54. *Several possibilities exist for this John Woolverton, all of which fit the time frame:* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Charles,* [3]*Morris,* [4]*John;* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Isaac,* [3]*John;* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Joel,* [3]*John;* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Thomas,* [3]*John.* [↑](#footnote-ref-54)
55. *Thomas Woolverton – possibly* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Thomas,* [3]*Thomas.* [↑](#footnote-ref-55)
56. *Son of* [2]*Roger. The Dennis shown on the same line may be his son, but there is no William in his immediate family.* [↑](#footnote-ref-56)
57. *Children of* [3]*Charles as listed by David Macdonald: Sarah, Rachel, Dennis, Mary, Roger, John, Isaac, Osceola, Elizabeth, Charles.* [↑](#footnote-ref-57)
58. *Children of* [4]*Isaac and Lucretia (or Catherine) Chamberlain:* [5]*Elizabeth,* [5]*Enoch,* [5]*Hannah D.,* [5]*Mary,* [5]*Lucretia Ann, and* [5]*Joseph.* [↑](#footnote-ref-58)
59. *Children of* [5]*Joseph and Charity Kase:* [6]*Amanda Jane,* [6]*unnamed son,* [6]*Harriet Ann,* [6]*Lucretia Catharine,* [6]*Samantha,* [6]*Anson Brown, and* [6]*Simon Peter.* [↑](#footnote-ref-59)
60. *Unfortunately, the letters from Simon P. referred to were not attached to the version of this essay that I received.* [↑](#footnote-ref-60)
61. *Children of* [4]*Dennis above and Mary Annias Saxton:* [5]*Charles,* [5]*Richard,* [5]*Clement B.,* [5]*Rhoda,* [5]*Joseph,* [5]*Benjamin Saxton,* [5]*George D.,* [5]*Elizabeth,* [5]*Nathaniel Saxton (Nathan),* [5]*Mary (or Alma), and* [5]*Sarah.* [↑](#footnote-ref-61)
62. *This was actually Mary Milburn, not Mary Fox.* [↑](#footnote-ref-62)
63. *Per note 55 above, there was no* [3]*William otherwise documented in this line.* [↑](#footnote-ref-63)
64. *Children of* [3]*Charles above and Mary Drake.* [↑](#footnote-ref-64)
65. *Sons of* [4]*Charles above and Amelia Jane Polk.* [↑](#footnote-ref-65)
66. [*6]Charles Higgins Wolverton and* [6]*John Roger Wolverton, sons of* [5]*John Irvin above and Mary Farley.* [↑](#footnote-ref-66)
67. *Unfortunately, the letter mentioned was not included with this essay, so its content is unknown.* [↑](#footnote-ref-67)
68. *Known children of* [6]*John Roger above and Cornelia Virginia Cresap:* [7]*Mary Louise,* [7]*Frances Ann,* [7]*Katherine,* [7]*Elizabeth Briscoe,* [7]*John Calvin, and* [7]*James Hanson.* [↑](#footnote-ref-68)
69. *This is actually* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Thomas,* [3]*John W.,* [4]*John (not Jonathan), who married Mary Bell.* [5]*Charles (listed below) is his son, and* [6]*Jacob is his grandson.* [↑](#footnote-ref-69)
70. *I cannot find a connection between this Benjamin and the Isaac above mentioned here and the rest of the individuals mentioned in this section.* [↑](#footnote-ref-70)
71. *The letter referred to here was not included with the essay, so its content is unknown. I am assuming it refers to the Isaac and Benjamin mentioned in the note above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-71)
72. *This letter is included below.* [↑](#footnote-ref-72)
73. *This is* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Isaac,* [3]*Isaac.* [↑](#footnote-ref-73)
74. *Per David Macdonald, this is Mercy Cox.* [↑](#footnote-ref-74)
75. *Known children of* [4]*Stephen Woolverton and Mercy Cox:* [5]*Asa,* [5]*unnamed son,* [5]*Mary (Polly),* [5]*Isaac,* [5]*Asa,* [5]*Stephen,* [5]*Stephen,* [5]*Almira,* [5]*Furman, and* [5]*Asher Van. I am not sure where the Cornelius mentioned fits.* [↑](#footnote-ref-75)
76. *This is* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Isaac,* [3]*Isaac,* [4]*Stephen,* [5]*Isaac,* [6]*Mercy who married Isaac St. John.* [↑](#footnote-ref-76)
77. *All of the names on this line are children of* [5]*Asher and Jane Kennedy.* [↑](#footnote-ref-77)
78. [*7]Mary Carolyn St. John, daughter of* [6]*Mercy and Isaac St. John.* [↑](#footnote-ref-78)
79. [*6]Orpha,* [6]*Samantha,* [6]*Almira and* [6]*Charlotte are children of* [5]*Asher and Jane Kennedy, however, no spouse for Charlotte is known at this time.* [↑](#footnote-ref-79)
80. [*7]James,* [7]*William, and* [7]*Mary are children of* [6]*Thomas above and Mary Horne Hand.* [↑](#footnote-ref-80)
81. [*8]Ruby,* [8]*Fanny (Frances?), and* [8]*William are known children of* [7]*William above and Charlotte Lemira (also known as Pearl). Thomas, Pearl, and Mary are not known names of children in this family. I am not sure as to the second Frances or Henry either.* [↑](#footnote-ref-81)
82. *I have not yet been able to find any of the individuals listed in this section.* [↑](#footnote-ref-82)
83. *I am assuming that the phrase “went to Indiana…” refers to both Isaac and William named above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-83)
84. *I have not yet been able to find any of the individuals listed in this section.* [↑](#footnote-ref-84)
85. *All are children of* [3]*Charles listed above and Mary Drake. Another daughter, Rachel is missing from this list. “Oey” is actually Osceola.* [↑](#footnote-ref-85)
86. [*5]Isaac was the son of* [4]*John above and Elizabeth Chamberlain.* [↑](#footnote-ref-86)
87. [*5]Benjamin Saxton was the son of* [4]*Dennis above and Mary Annias Saxton.* [↑](#footnote-ref-87)
88. *This is* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Daniel,* [3]*Daniel who married Hannah Chamberlain.* [↑](#footnote-ref-88)
89. [4]*Osceola (Osie) married Samuel Foy (not Faye).* [↑](#footnote-ref-89)
90. [5]*John and* [5]*Silas were sons of* [4]*Charles above and Amelia Jane Polk.* [↑](#footnote-ref-90)
91. [5]*John above and Mary Farley had a son named* [6]*Charles Higgins who married 1st Charlotte Seaholtz and 2nd Eliza M. Surgen.* [↑](#footnote-ref-91)
92. *It is possible that the initial “M.” in Eliza’s name could stand for Mary, but the couple had no recorded children named Charles, William, or Dennis.* [↑](#footnote-ref-92)
93. *Children of* [4]*Isaac above and Lucretia (or Catherine) Chamberlain.* [↑](#footnote-ref-93)
94. *Children of* [5]*Joseph above and Charity Kase:* [6]*Amanda Jane,* [6]*Anson Brown,* [6]*unnamed son,* [6]*Simon Peter,* [6]*Harriet Ann,* [6]*Lucretia Catharine,* [6]*Samantha. “Attorney at Law” refers to Simon; Samantha’s husband was David LaShelle.* [↑](#footnote-ref-94)
95. *Sons of* [4]*Dennis above and Mary Annias Saxton. Known children are:* [5]*Charles,* [5]*Richard,* [5]*Clement B.,* [5]*Rhoda,* [5]*Joseph,* [5]*Benjamin Saxton,* [5]*George D.,* [5]*Elizabeth,* [5]*Nathaniel Saxton (not Nathan),* [5]*Mary Alma, and* [5]*Sarah.* [↑](#footnote-ref-95)
96. *I have assumed that this is* [4]*John, the son of* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Roger,* [3]*Charles, because he and Elizabeth Chamberlain had known sons named* [5]*Isaac and* [5]*Jonathan.* [↑](#footnote-ref-96)
97. *Son of* [5]*Isaac above and Nancy Vastine.* [↑](#footnote-ref-97)
98. [5]*Isaac and Nancy also had children named* [6]*John and* [6]*Mary who married Jacob Wiemer Young.* [↑](#footnote-ref-98)
99. *John is the wrong name. The correct individual is* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Joel,* [3]*Charles,* [4]*Robert Wolverton, who married his first cousin* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Joel,* [3]*Gabriel,* [4]*Elizabeth.* [↑](#footnote-ref-99)
100. [4]*Robert and Elizabeth had sons named* [5]*Asa and* [5]*Enos.* [↑](#footnote-ref-100)
101. *This is* [6]*Silas Newton Wolverton, son of* [5]*Enos above and Harriet Newel Towl.* [↑](#footnote-ref-101)
102. [1]*Charles,* [2]*Joel had the following children with Elizabeth Robbins:* [3]*Jane,* [3]*Joel,* [3]*Charles,* [3]*Mary,* [3]*Israel,* [3]*Andrew,* [3]*Gabriel,* [3]*Job,* [3]*Amy, and* [3]*John.* [↑](#footnote-ref-102)
103. *Children of* [3]*Andrew and Mary Ann Stone above:* [4]*John Bird,* [4]*Nancy,* [4]*Thomas,* [4]*Elizabeth (Betsy),* [4]*William Robert,* [4]*Mary (Polly), and* [4]*James Matthew.* [↑](#footnote-ref-103)
104. [4]*James Matthew and Sarah Agatha Williams had 13 recorded children:* [5]*Elizabeth Marinda,* [5]*Sarah,* [5]*William Louis,* [5]*Robert Houston,* [5]*Parthenia Emeline,* [5]*Nancy Artemisia (Artie),* [5]*James Monroe,* [5]*Mary Jane,* [5]*Martha,* [5]*John Thomas,* [5]*Emmeline Malinda,* [5]*Julia C., and* [5]*William. I have not been able to find another 5 children to substantiate this claim of 18.* [↑](#footnote-ref-104)
105. *Children of* [5]*Robert Houston and Louise Elizabeth Hughes:* [6]*Sarah Elizabeth,* [6]*James Thomas,* [6]*William Skelly,* [6]*John D.,* [6]*Absolom Judson (Abby),* [6]*America,* [6]*Carroll,* [6]*Mary Jane,* [6]*Laura Allice,* [6]*Jennie Etter, and* [6]*Robert Spurgeon.* [↑](#footnote-ref-105)
106. *Sons of* [6]*James Thomas above and Charlotte (or Catherine) Linton.* [↑](#footnote-ref-106)
107. [6]*Simon Peter, as per Note #94 above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-107)
108. *This is* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Roger,* [3]*Charles,* [4]*John,* [5]*Jonathan,* [6]*Elizabeth who married John Hoover.* [↑](#footnote-ref-108)
109. *See lines following Note #88.* [↑](#footnote-ref-109)
110. *Ibid.* [↑](#footnote-ref-110)
111. *See Note #72 above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-111)
112. *See Note #69 above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-112)
113. *Jonathan as per Note #69 above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-113)
114. *I cannot find a record of a Charles Blair Wolverton amongst the descendants of Joel William Woolverton. The closest is* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Daniel,* [3]*Daniel,* [4]*Joel William,* [5]*Joab Jacob,* [6]*Benjamin Middleton,* [7]*Charles F. This would fit with the statement about Joel William being his great-grandfather.* [↑](#footnote-ref-114)
115. *This is actually* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Daniel,* [3]*Daniel,* [4]*Joel William, who had the following recorded children with Sarah Ganoe:* [5]*Aubry,* [5]*Ethel,* [5]*Herschel,* [5]*John William,* [5]*Rosanna,* [5]*George C.,* [5]*Naomi,* [5]*James C.,* [5]*Uriah J.,* [5]*David,* [5]*Joab Jacob,* [5]*Isaac Jacob, and* [5]*Joel.* [↑](#footnote-ref-115)
116. [5]*Joab was actually married prior to Catherine Bartlett to another spouse, whose name is not recorded.* [6]*George Washington and* [6]*Cynthia Ann were children from this first marriage, according to David Macdonald. Children with Catherine were* [6]*Benjamin Middleton,* [6]*James Sheldon,* [6]*Martin Bartlett, and* [6]*Elisha Linsey.* [↑](#footnote-ref-116)
117. *Children of* [6]*Benjamin Middleton and Nancy Ann Brown recorded were:* [7]*Charles F.,* [7]*George Brown,* [7]*Joab J.,* [7]*Martin B.,* [7]*Joseph N. (aka Jasper Newton),* [7]*Clinton Burgess,* [7]*Sarah C.,* [7]*Elizabeth E., and* [7]*Benjamin Irving.* [↑](#footnote-ref-117)
118. [6]*James Sheldon and Elizabeth Ann Ferrell had the following children:* [7]*John Marshall,* [7]*Hellen Ann,* [7]*Thomas J.,* [7]*Lewis C.,* [7]*Robert,* [7]*James,* [7]*Joab,* [7]*Hattie, and* [7]*Florence. I have not been able to determine which one of their sons this statement refers to.* [↑](#footnote-ref-118)
119. *“Lord Frederick Wolverton” was actually Frederick Glyn, Baron Wolverton. Wolverton in this case was his title, not his family name. The Glyn family still hold this title. Frederick’s father was actually Vice-Admiral Henry Carr Glyn; there was no Charles in this family. Frederick actually succeeded his older brother Henry, who died childless.* [↑](#footnote-ref-119)
120. *This appears to be a mistake by the writer (James H.) or he has referred to himself in the 3rd person. The other brother should have been Oscar T. or Eugene L.* [↑](#footnote-ref-120)
121. *Possible typographical error – the author of the letter was James H., not James N.* [↑](#footnote-ref-121)
122. *Children of* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Dennis and Elizabeth Pettit were* [3]*Abigail,* [3]*Elizabeth,* [3]*Charles,* [3]*Nathaniel,* [3]*Nathan,* [3]*Andrew,* [3]*Isaac,* [3]*Mary, and* [3]*Jonathan. The Dinah listed is actually* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Roger,* [3]*Dinah who married Francis Tomlinson, and was noted as possessing the family’s Breeches Bible.* [↑](#footnote-ref-122)
123. [4]*Nathaniel was the son of* [3]*Charles and Anna Jewell.* [↑](#footnote-ref-123)
124. [5]*Edward was the son of* [4]*Nathaniel and Parmelia Hudnot.* [↑](#footnote-ref-124)
125. *Children of* [5]*Edward and Asenath Wilcox recorded were:* [6]*Lavinia P.,* [6]*George Alonzo,* [6]*Sarah Ann (who married Peter Monteath),* [6]*Henry Mortimer,* [6]*Chestine,* [6]*Harriet, and* [6]*Elizabeth. A middle name for Harriet has not been recorded otherwise.* [↑](#footnote-ref-125)
126. [7]*Adda Maude Shuler and* [7]*Caroline Shuler were children of* [6]*George Alonzo and Caroline Shuler. Adda married George Lavater Stedman and Caroline married Grange Sard.* [↑](#footnote-ref-126)
127. [8]*George was the son of* [7]*Ada and George Stedman.* [↑](#footnote-ref-127)
128. [8]*Mable (or Mabel) was the daughter of* [7]*Carrie and Grange Sard.* [↑](#footnote-ref-128)
129. [2]*Charles,* [2]*Roger and* [2]*Dennis were sons of* [1]*Charles. None of* [1]*Charles’ known children or grandchildren were named David, so I am not sure where this name should fit.* [↑](#footnote-ref-129)
130. [3]*Charles,* [3]*Jonathan, and* [3]*Mary were children of* [2]*Dennis. As mentioned previously in Note #122,* [3]*Dinah was the daughter of* [2]*Roger, not* [2]*Dennis.* [↑](#footnote-ref-130)
131. *All of the names in this section and the next one are children of* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Dennis,* [3]*Charles,* [4]*Nathaniel and Parmelia Hudnot:* [5]*Anne,* [5]*Edward who married Asenath (not Asmoth) Wilcox,* [5]*Charles,* [5]*Sarah,* [5]*John Dennis who married Adeline MacNamee (not McNames),* [5]*Charlotte who married Peter Wyckoff (not Wychoff),* [5]*Mary who married Peleg Osborn,* [5]*Hiram,* [5]*Gains (not Gaius), and* [5]*Nathaniel Hart. Not listed are* [5]*Keron Happuck,* [5]*Lucretia,* [5]*Rhoda, and* [5]*Ozius.* [↑](#footnote-ref-131)
132. [6]*Charles Blair was the son of* [5]*Charles above and Margaret Blair.* [↑](#footnote-ref-132)
133. [6]*Cecelia,* [6]*Pamelia, and* [6]*Jane were also children of* [5]*Charles above and Margaret Blair.* [↑](#footnote-ref-133)
134. *I have been unable to find this relationship (Charles B. married Harriet Chapman) in any information about this family at all.* [↑](#footnote-ref-134)
135. *As above, I have been unable to find Andrew and Ann Baily in any information about this family.* [↑](#footnote-ref-135)
136. [6]*Monroe and* [6]*Byron are sons of* [5]*Nathaniel Hart and Jane Overbaugh.* [↑](#footnote-ref-136)
137. *I have been unable to find Mary B. and William Taylor, Howard and Harriet in this or any other related family.* [↑](#footnote-ref-137)
138. *This should read “son” not “aon.”* [↑](#footnote-ref-138)
139. *This should read “Arnell” not “Ardell.”* [↑](#footnote-ref-139)
140. *All names on this line are children of* [2]*Dennis and Elizabeth Pettit with the exception of Dinah, as noted previously.* [↑](#footnote-ref-140)
141. [4]*Nathaniel and his wife Parmelia (not Parmele), son of* [3]*Charles above and Anna Jewell.* [↑](#footnote-ref-141)
142. [4]*Delilah Bray, daughter of* [3]*Mary and General Daniel Bray.* [↑](#footnote-ref-142)
143. [5]*Edward and his wife Asenath Wilcox, son of* [4]*Nathaniel above and Parmelia Hudnot.* [↑](#footnote-ref-143)
144. [6]*George Alonzo, son of* [5]*Edward and Asenath Wilcox above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-144)
145. [7]*Adda and* [7]*Caroline were daughters of* [6]*George Alonzo and Caroline Shuler.* [↑](#footnote-ref-145)
146. [6]*Sarah Ann and her husband Peter Monteath; daughter of* [5]*Edward and Asenath Wilcox.* [↑](#footnote-ref-146)
147. [8]*Mable, daughter of* [7]*Caroline Shuler Woolverton and her husband Grange Sard.* [↑](#footnote-ref-147)
148. *I believe that the letter referred to here is the collection of notes from Adda Stedman above.* [↑](#footnote-ref-148)
149. *Names in this section are children of* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Dennis,* [3]*Jonathan and his wife Mary Barcroft:* [4]*Hannah and husband Col. Jonathan Potter,* [4]*Elizabeth and husband Daniel Palmer,* [4]*Orpha and husband Pearce (or Pierce) Moore, and* [4]*Dennis and wife Catherine Nixon. Other children not listed were:* [4]*Mahlon,* [4]*Mary,* [4]*Martha,* [4]*Sarah,* [4]*Elias,* [4]*Phoebe (the last three were children of* [3]*Jonathan and Mary (Polly) Brewer.* [↑](#footnote-ref-149)
150. [5]*Jonathan,* [5]*Allen Nixon, and* [5]*Charles Edward were children of* [4]*Dennis and his wife Catharine Nixon.* [↑](#footnote-ref-150)
151. [6]*Theoron,* [6]*Edgar,* [6]*Algernon,* [6]*Solon, and* [6]*Delos were all sons of* [5]*Jonathan and his wife Emeline Bergman.* [↑](#footnote-ref-151)
152. *This is* [1]*Charles,* [2]*Dennis,* [3]*Jonathan,* [4]*Dennis,* [5]*Charles Edward,* [6]*Linus,* [7]*Charles Ernest. I am not sure why Linus omitted himself from this list.* [↑](#footnote-ref-152)
153. *This should read “1868.”* [↑](#footnote-ref-153)
154. *Canada, not Cananda as written.* [↑](#footnote-ref-154)
155. *The ellipses shown are from the original material.* [↑](#footnote-ref-155)
156. *Schenectady, not Schnectady as written. Linus used this spelling consistently.* [↑](#footnote-ref-156)
157. *In Upper Canada.* [↑](#footnote-ref-157)
158. *As written in the original text.* [↑](#footnote-ref-158)
159. *Mary Barcroft.* [↑](#footnote-ref-159)
160. *As written in the original text.* [↑](#footnote-ref-160)
161. *McMaster University moved from Toronto to Hamilton in 1930.* [↑](#footnote-ref-161)
162. *The surname of this family is also variably given as Mole, but Mode is correct.* [↑](#footnote-ref-162)
163. *Note that in this narrative, Linus does not refer to his second wife, Lilian Oakley. There are two possible reasons for this: either there are pages missing from Ralph's copy, or he married her after 1912, when the bulk of this appears to have been written.* [↑](#footnote-ref-163)