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The Early Murchlands

The Brooke County Murchlands have their beginnings in Killyleagh, County Down, Ireland. There it is recorded in the Presbyterian Church Records that William Murchland married Elizabeth Marshall, 19 February 1706. They were the parents of the James Murchland whose descendants are the subject of this research. The records of the marriage of Jennet Murchland, 1 July 1698, to William Murdough, and of Martha Murchland, 27 April 1699, to William Russell, lead to the possible conclusion that they were sisters of William, having given names commonly found in the Murchland line.

The James Murchland with whom this manuscript is concerned was baptized 11 January 1708, having been preceded by his older sister, Mary, on 24 9ber 1706. He was followed by his sister, Christian, on 5 March 1710, by twin sisters, Jennet and Elizabeth on 26 April 1711, and by his brother, William, on 24 April 1713. After the birth of William, the mother, Elizabeth Marshall Murchland, died. William remarried on 20 8ber 1715 to Margaret Boyd, by whom he had the following children: Martha, Thomas, John, Ann, Jane, Susanna, and Joseph - the last of whom was baptized 11 April 1732.

James Murchland who was baptized 11 January 1708, married Elizabeth Shaw, 30 10ber 1731. Their first five children are numbers 1 through 5 under First Generation in the following document. Their other children were Susan, Mary, Ann, James, and a child who is nameless who was baptized 14 9ber 1756. It is not known if they or any of their descendants came to America. What IS documented, is that #s 3,4,and 5 - namely, William, Christian, and Robert - DID come to America. It is highly probable that at least one descendant of Sarah(#1) and of Elizabeth(#2) also emigrated. Because of this high probability, they are included in the text of this manuscript.

NOTE: In the Irish baptismal records listed above, there is another child of James Murchland listed as being illegitimate, having a mother named Maryann McMurrans. This child is named Isabell and was baptized 16 January 1737. Since James was married to his wife, Elizabeth Shaw, at the time, and since she gave birth to their son, William, just two months after this illegitimate birth, this poses a puzzle as to exactly what the circumstances were in the Murchland household at the time. It should be noted, however, that Elizabeth apparently continued to live with her husband after this unfortunate affair, since she bore him seven more children.

Documentation: Information for the above material was given to this researcher by Joan Tefertillar. It originated with Margaret Williams of Oakville, Ontario, Canada, and is the result of her personal research in County Down, Ireland.

The Murchland Journey to America

The Murchland immigration to Brooke County, VA, appears to have been in this manner. Robert Murchland (#5 in the following manuscript), son of James and Elizabeth Shaw Murchland, came to America from Belfast, Ireland, on the ship "Peggy", landing in Philadelphia in June of 1773. He eventually came to what is today Brooke County, WV, and took up a large tract of land. In 1790, he sent for many of his family. Included in this large migration were his brother, William(#3), and sister, Christian Murchland Lawthers(#4), their spouses and families. This is believed to have been a party of at least 20 persons. (It is possible that William's son, James(#8), was not among them since a granddaughter of his at a much later time wrote that he had come in to New York.) This journey was made on the brig "Brothers" and consumed a time of seven weeks and three days. It arrived in Baltimore, Maryland, where they rested for three months time until Robert(#5) was able to bring a train of pack horses from his home in Brooke County to transport them across the mountains. Among those waiting to greet him was his mother, Elizabeth Murchland, who most certainly was nearly eighty years of age. It had been 17 years since Robert had last seen his mother when he left the Emerald Isle in 1773. Unfortunately, no other tales of their hardships, joys, and sorrows has survived.

First Generation

The Children of James and Elizabeth Murchland

1

Sarah Murchland, baptized 21 January 1733 in Killyleagh, County Down, Ireland; married Hans Steen, 20 April 1752.

Issue:

+6 James Steen, b. 1756, in Province of Ulster, County of Londonderry, near Culmore, Ireland. (NOTE: +sign indicates more information will be given under same name in the following generation)

James Steen arrived in Philadelphia in February, 1776, and joined the Continental Army on April 28, 1776. At the close of the war, he married Margaret Reynolds, circa 1783. By 1787, he is in Brooke County, VA, where he is listed in the Brooke County, VA 1787 Tax List. He died between June 16, 1831 and March of 1833 in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; buried at Tent Cross Creek Cemetery, Brooke County, VA. His wife, Margaret Reynolds Steen, died between 1820 and 1830, and is buried beside him.

NOTE: There is NO documentation to prove that the James Steen documented above was the son of Sarah Murchland. James Steen named his eldest daughter Sarah, which may have been in honor of his mother. IF a Murchland were James Steen's mother, then it was PROBABLY Sarah who married Hans Steen. The rationalization for assuming any of this is based upon the information in the will of Robert Murchland(#5), Brooke County Will Book 1, Page 1. Robert, unmarried, left his land holdings to two sons of his brother, William(#3). They were to pay the other two sons and three daughters a specified share from the profit of the land. The profit from his household goods, etc., he left to the children of Alexander Lawther and James Steen. The remainder of his estate such as debts owed him, plus ALL of his money, he left to be equally divided between Alexander Lawther and James Steen. It is a proven fact that Alexander Lawther was the husband of his sister, Christian. Thus, Alexander Lawther's children would be the nieces and nephews of Robert Murchland. It is also a proven fact that James Steen, according to The Steen Family , was the only one of his family to come to America from Ireland, and thus would no doubt have been the only Steen to receive an inheritance in America. In a number of old Murchland papers, it is repeatedly written that back in Ireland the Murchlands and the Steens were cousins. To this writer, it is most logical that the connection between the two families is that James Steen's mother, like Christian Murchland Lawther, was a sister of Robert Murchland, and thus it was natural for Robert Murchland to divide his property between both Robert Steen's and Alexander Lawther's children. It is UNLIKELY that he would have left half of his estate to the children of persons not very closely related to him. However, this assumption may not be correct.

2

**Elizabeth Murchland, baptized 12 August 1735, Killyleagh, County Down, Ireland;
married _____ circa 1765; died probably before 1790, probably in Ireland.**

Issue:

+7 Esther _____

NOTE: Near the end of his will, Robert Murchland(#5) makes this puzzling statement: "and further the said Alexander Lawther and James Steen is to pay unto Easter Muckleroy three pounds each of them, Pens money, in six months after my death, and further I leave to William Muckleroy's son James a brindle heifer with a white face..." . Under part f) of the Documentation for First Generation is a synopsis of genealogical information compiled by this researcher on a William McElroy, his son James, and wife, Esther. It is very highly probable that the persons named Muckleroy in Robert's will and the persons named McElroy in this documentation are one and the same. If they are, and this is purely speculation, there is still no proof of their blood relationship to the Murchlands. However, a good educated guess would be that Esther is a child of another sister of Robert Murchland(#5), probably this

sister, Elizabeth(#2), who may have died in Ireland before 1790, but whose child, Esther(#7), came to America at that time with the other Murchlands, and later married William McElroy as his second wife. Further insight into this dilemma can be gained by examining the data under Esther(#7) in the Second Generation section of this work. If this speculation is not true, then Esther McElroy was not the child of Elizabeth(#2).

3

William Murchland, baptized 19 March 1737, Killyleagh, County Down, Ireland; married Jane _____, circa 1763; came to America in 1790 on the brig "Brothers" with his family, and settled in what was to become Brooke County, VA, on the land of his brother, Robert Murchland(#5). He died in Brooke County in February or March of 1813, and is buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground on the home farm, Brooke County, VA. William's wife, Jane, was probably born circa 1740, in Ireland, and died in Brooke County, Va, in 1804. She is buried in the Murchland Cemetery. Issue:

+8 James

9 Susanna b. after 1765 but before 1784, in Ireland; unmarried; came to Brooke County in 1790; died 1838; buried in Murchland Cemetery.

+10 William, Jr.

11 John (Bossy), b. 1775, in Ireland; came to Brooke County in 1790; unmarried; died in 1866; buried in Murchland Cemetery.

12 Mary, b. after 1765 but before 1784, in Ireland; came to Brooke County in 1790; unmarried; died in 1844; buried in Murchland Cemetery.

+13 Robert

+14 Elizabeth

NOTE: The order of persons 8 through 14 is not necessarily their birth order. It is, however, the order in which Robert(#5), and their father, William(#3), list them in their wills.

4

Christian Murchland, baptized 26 September 1739, in Killyleagh, County Down, Ireland; married Alexander Lawther, circa 1764; came to Brooke County in 1790; in Cross Creek Township (later, Jefferson), Washington County, PA, in 1800; died between 1800 and 1810; buried probably in the Murchland Cemetery. Her husband, Alexander Lawther, died also between 1800 and 1810, and is probably buried beside Christian in the Murchland Cemetery.

Issue: NOTE: Surname of persons 15 through 21 is LAWTHER.

15 John, b. circa 1765 in Ireland, member of Enneskillen Dragoons; honorably discharged with a pension and lived in

Manchester, England. In 1804 was ordered to Gibraltar; died in 1814 of the Plague; issue: a son who served in the 39th Regiment and two daughters who married and lived in Manchester, England.

+16 James

17 Nancy, b. before 1774 in Ireland; came to Brooke County in 1790; never married; believed to be living with her parents in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA, in 1800; believed to have died between 1800 and 1810; is probably buried in the Murchland Cemetery.

18 Robert, b. before 1774 in Ireland; came to Brooke County in 1790; never married; believed to be living with his parents in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA, in 1800 and with his brother, James, in 1810. In 1820, he is a head of household, living alone, over 45 years of age. He appears to have died after 1820 and before 1830. He is probably buried in the Murchland Cemetery.

+19 Elizabeth

20 Alexander, b. between 1784 and 1789, in Ireland; came to Brooke County in 1790; never married; believed to be living with his parents in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA, in 1800, and with his brother, James, in 1810. He appears to have died between 1810 and 1820, and is probably buried in the Murchland Cemetery.

21 Christian, b. between 1774 and 1784, in Ireland; came to Brooke County in 1790; is believed to be living with her parents in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA, in 1800; is a head of household with one female child under the age of ten in 1820; married William Patterson at some point in time; no further information.

NOTE: The order of persons 15 through 21 is not necessarily their birth order. It is, however, the order in which they are listed in the source from which the information was obtained.

Robert Murchland, son of James and Elizabeth Shaw Murchland, baptized 3 February 1743 in Killyleagh, County Down, Ireland; unmarried; came to America from Belfast, Ireland, on the ship "Peggy", landing in Philadelphia in June of 1773, after a journey of seven weeks. Took up land in what was West Augusta District, VA. (In 1776, this became Ohio County, VA, and in 1796, became Brooke County. Robert Murchland's land in the year 2000, is known as Puntney Ridge and is on the waters of Cross Creek.) In 1790, he sent for his entire family including his aged mother, Elizabeth Shaw Murchland. They arrived at Baltimore, Maryland, where they remained for three

months. Robert then took a train of pack horses to bring them across the Allegheny Mountains to his Virginia home. He died 17 March 1797, and is buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground on his farm.

Documentation for First Generation

- a) **The names of the children of William Murchland(#3) are taken from the will of Robert Murchland(#5), Brooke County Will Book 1, Page 1. Birth dates for Susanna and Mary were calculated from census listings and may be inaccurate, since their appearance in the early censuses is pure speculation. However, tombstones in the Murchland Cemetery were copied by four different persons at four different points in time and death dates for Susanna, John, and Mary are taken from those cemetery listings. Susanna and Mary still bear their maiden names on their tombstones. John is living with a nephew, Robert Jr., in 1860, and appears to have remained unmarried.**
- b) **Information on James Steen(#5) is from The Steen Family in Europe and America by Rev. Moses D.A. Steen published by Monfort & Company, 1917, p. 530.**
- c) **Information on Robert Murchland(#5) is from a 1992 issue of the magazine , Ireland of the Welcomes. It is a copy of a letter published in a Belfast Newspaper in 1773, thanking the owner of a shipping company for safe passage to the New World. It is signed by the passengers, among whom is Robert Murchland.**
- d) **Information on Christian Murchland Lawther(#4) is from Biographical Record of Carroll County, Ohio by J.H.Beers & Company, 1891, pp. 1031 – 1033. Also included in these pages is the story of the Murchland-Lawther family voyage to America in 1790. Death dates of Christian's children are calculated from census records, and are, at best, probable. Both Brooke and Washington County death records and cemetery listings were consulted for Lawther deaths and burials, but none of those in The First Generation were found. Since the Murchland Private Cemetery contains a great number of early graves which were unmarked at the time the tombstone inscriptions were copied, it seems safe to assume that this generation of Murchlands and Lawthers, as well as many of their children, are buried there.**
- e) **The father of this first generation, James Murchland, was born in Ireland and probably died there before his family made the journey to the New World in 1790. The mother, Elizabeth Shaw Murchland, came with them to America. She does not appear in the 1800 Cross Creek Census with the rest of her family, so it would appear that she died in either Brooke County, VA, or Washington County, PA, (while living with her daughter, Christian Lawther) before 1800, and is no doubt buried in the Murchland Cemetery on the land of her**

son, Robert(#5). There is a discrepancy in the information consulted as to the maiden name of Elizabeth. Carroll County history lists her as Elizabeth Crawford Murchland. But marriage records of the Presbyterian Church in Killyleagh, County Down, Ireland, state that James Murchland married Elizabeth Shaw 10ber 30 1731. Their first child was born in January of 1733. Since this is a church record, this researcher has chosen to use the name "Shaw" rather than the Carroll County history listing of "Crawford". It is, of course, possible that her maiden name was Crawford and that she had married a man named Shaw before her marriage to James Murchland.

- f) A William McElroy was born in Ireland circa 1754. Census records of Jefferson County, Ohio, for 1820, 1840, and 1850 bear out this information. According to The History of Belmont and Jefferson Counties, Ohio by J.A.Caldwell, 1880, page 599, William came to this country with his father at the age of six. No mention was made of his mother or of any siblings, and there is nothing more in the way of information on his father. William served in the Revolutionary War and married perhaps circa 1773 since his only child, a son, James, was born circa 1774 in Pennsylvania. According to History of the Upper Ohio Valley by Brandt & Fuller, 1890, page 397, he came to Virginia at some point in time and left there in the spring of 1797 and crossed the Ohio River. He is listed as being one of the first settlers in Cross Creek Township, Jefferson County, Ohio. He cut his way from Steubenville through the woods to Section 24 in that township, remaining on his clearing a number of years. He then secured a deed which was signed by Thomas Jefferson and Bazaleel Wells for a piece of nearby property. This was in the year 1807. This land remained in the McElroy name for several generations. William is believed to have died at the age of 100 and is buried in Two Ridge Cemetery, Island Creek Township, near Wintersville, Ohio. Buried near him are his only child, James McElroy, and James' wife, Esther McElroy. (It is interesting to note that William had left Brooke County, VA, in the spring of 1797, which coincides with the death of Robert Murchland(#5).)
- g) Baptismal dates for persons #1 through #5 are from the Presbyterian Church Records in Killyleagh, County Down, Ireland, and are the result of research done by Margaret Williams of Oakville, Ontario.

Second Generation

6

James Steen (Sarah,1), b. 1756, in Province of Ulster, County of Londonderry, near Culmore, Ireland; married Margaret Reynolds circa 1783; died between June 16, 1831, and March, 1833, in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; buried at Tent Cross Creek Presbyterian Church, Brooke County, VA.

Issue:

- + 22 Robert Steen, b. circa 1784, near Philadelphia, PA.**
- + 23 Sarah Steen, b. circa 1785, near Philadelphia, PA.**
- + 24 Esther Steen, b. circa 1786, near Philadelphia, PA.**
- + 25 Nancy Steen b. 2 August, 1789, Brooke County, VA**
- + 26 James Steen, b. 31 October, 1791, Brooke County, VA**
- 27 Susan Steen, b. circa 1793, probably Brooke County, VA; married Wilkes Bozman; resided in McConnellsville, Morgan County, Ohio; No Issue.**
- 28 Margaret Steen, b. circa 1796, probably in Brooke County, VA; died as a young woman, in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; unmarried.**
- +29 Finley Steen, b. 4 July 1798; Noble County, Ohio.**
- +30 William Steen, b. 8 January, 1801; Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA.**
- +31 John McComb Steen, b. 4 June, 1805; Cross Creek Township; Washington County, PA.**

7

Esther _____, (Elizabeth,2), b. circa 1767 probably in Ireland; probably came to America in 1790 with Murchlands and Lawthers families; married William McElroy as his second wife sometime after 1790 probably in Brooke County, VA; went with him and his son, James, to Jefferson County, OH, in the spring of 1797; died in Jefferson County, OH, in 1832; is buried beside William and James in Two Ridge Cemetery, Jefferson County, OH. No issue.

NOTE: The Esther who married William McElroy has the birth, death, and burial statistics listed above. There is no proof that she was a child of a sister of Robert Murchland(#5). The reasoning for including such a possibility is the fact that in his will, Robert Murchland(#5) left Esther McElroy, wife of William McElroy, money to be paid directly to her. It would thus appear that she is some close blood connection of Robert – probably a niece, since he left legacies to his other nephews and nieces. It is also a possibility that William McElroy himself may have had blood ties to Robert Murchland(#5), since Robert left James McElroy, son of William, a small remembrance in his will. William

8

McElroy was born in Ireland circa 1754 and came with his father to America about 1760. His mother probably had died before 1760 since there is no mention of her having come with them. She could have been an older sister of Robert who was born in the 1730s. (Baptismal records show four other sisters, one of whom was born in 1737.)

8

James Murchland (William,3), b. between 1765 and 1770 in Ireland; came to America probably in 1790; married Isabelle Hamilton circa 1798; died August ,1846, in Brooke County, VA; believed to be buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground. His wife, Isabelle Hamilton Murchland, was born 21 September 1772 and died 14 March 1852. She is buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground.

Issue:

- 32 William Murchland, b. 12 July 1799, Brooke County, VA; unmarried; died 16 September 1883, Brooke County, WV; buried in Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery, Brooke County, WV.**
- +33 Mary Marguerite Murchland, b. 28 February 1802, Brooke County, VA.**
- +34 Jane Murchland, b. 10 April, 1804, Brooke County, VA.**
- +35 Mary (Polly) Murchland, b 11 March 1805, Brooke Co., VA**
- 36 John Murchland, b. 1808, Brooke County, VA; unmarried; died 7 January 1837, Brooke County, VA; buried in Murchland Private Burial Ground. NOTE: There is no proof that the John Murchland listed here as #36, is really the son of James & Isabelle Murchland. His tombstone gives the facts listed, and since James and Isabelle are reputed to have had 13 children, this John is very likely their son. He is not listed among their children in the Agreement of Dower of 1847, but of course he would not be listed if he were this John, having died in 1837.**
- 37 Infant Male Murchland, b. circa 1810- 1820; based on Census Records and tradition which reported that James and Isabelle were the parents of 13 children.**
- +38 James Murchland, Jr., b. 22 October 1813, Brooke County, VA.**
- +39 Elizabeth Murchland, b. 17 January 1815, Brooke County, VA.**
- 40 Ellen Murchland, b. 7 July 1817, Brooke County, VA.; unmarried; died 21 October 1876, Brooke County, WV; buried in Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery, Brooke County, VA.**
- +41 Susannah Murchland, b. circa 1819, Brooke County, VA.**
- +42 Sarah Murchland, b. circa 1820, Brooke County, VA.**
- +43 Isabelle Muchland, b. circa 1821, Brooke County, VA.**
- +44 Alexander Hamilton Murchland, b. 22 July 1822, Brooke County, VA.**

William Murchland, Jr. (William,3), b. circa 1768 in Ireland; may have married in Ireland; came to America in 1790 with the other Murchlands; died 20 June 1818 in Brooke County, VA; is buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground. If William Jr. married while still in Ireland, his wife may have died there after the birth of a daughter, Sarah Ellen Murchland. Another scenario is that she and Sarah Ellen may have come with the Murchlands to America in 1790 where the wife died before 1810 when she would have shown up in the census records. NOTE: There is no documentation for this theory. It is based on the fact that a Sarah Ellen Murchland, born in Ireland circa 1785, came with the other Murchlands to America in 1790, married Robert Steen circa 1813. This researcher has been unable to place the parents of Sarah Ellen, unless she is the daughter of William(#10). This assumption is based on two premises: first, one of her two sons listed in the 1830 Census, appears to have died before 1840, but the remaining son was given the name of William Murchland Steen, which is probably her father's name; and second, in the will of Robert(#5), this William(#10) is not given any of the land, but rather is to be given money from the estate. Could it be that Robert(#5) saw that William had only his daughter, Sarah Ellen, as an heir and perhaps showed no interest in marrying again? Robert(#5) had four of his brother's sons to choose from in assigning the land. He chose James, the eldest, and Robert, the youngest. Perhaps in Robert's mind, he wished the land to remain in the Murchland name and he may have felt that William(#10) was a poor choice, having only a daughter and little prospect of a son.

Issue:

+45 Sarah Ellen Murchland, b. circa 1785 in Ireland.

Robert Murchland (William,3), b. 1782 in Ireland; came to America with his parents in 1790; married Sarah Henderson circa 1812; died 12 December 1863, Brooke County, WV; buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground. His wife, Sarah Henderson Murchland, was born 10 November 1787 and died 10 February 1850.

Issue:

- +46 William Murchland, b. 17 May 1813**
- +47 John H. Murchland, b. 26 May 1815**
- +48 Jane Murchland, b. 24 November 1816**
- +49 Robert Murchland, Jr., b. 14 May 1819**
- +50 Andrew Murchland, b. 13 December 1820**
- +51 Mary Murchland**
- +52 David H. Murchland, b. 19 January 1825**
- +53 Sarah Murchland, b. 18 January 1827**
- +54 Nancy Murchland, b. 1830**

55 Martha Murchland, b. 1831; unmarried; died 10 November 1847; buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground.

14

Elizabeth Murchland(William3) b. circa 1785 in Ireland; probably unmarried; may have died 4 December 1849. NOTE: The wills of both Robert(#5) and William(#3) list Elizabeth last among the seven children of William(#3), at least last among the three sisters. It is impossible from the early census records to determine precisely who is being counted. Elizabeth may or may not be the youngest female in William's household in 1810. This could be Sarah Ellen(#45). The reason for such a dilemma concerning Elizabeth is that before her brother, Robert(#13), died in 1863, he stated in his will that tombstones were to be erected for his sisters, Mary and Susannah. There is a tombstone in the Murchland Private Burial Ground which says "Elizabeth Murchland died 4 December 1849". If this is Elizabeth(#14), why did Robert not mention her as needing a stone also? Or is this the stone of some other Elizabeth Murchland? If so, did Elizabeth(#14) marry and is buried somewhere beside her husband who would have provided her grave marker?

16

James Lawther(Christian,4), b.15 March 1769, in Ireland; married Jennette Shaw in County Antrim, Ireland, in 1790; set sail on their wedding day for America with a number of Lawther and Murchland relatives; settled in Brooke County, VA, on the farm of his Uncle Robert Murchland(#5), where he lived until sometime between 1800 and 1810 at which time he moved near his parents, Alexander and Christian Murchland Lawther, in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA. He died there 23 December 1821, and is probably buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground. (One person who copied that cemetery reported a headstone which simply read "J.L.") His wife, Jennette Shaw Lawther, was born in Ireland circa 1773, and died on the Lawther farm in Washington County, PA, between 1850 and 1860. She is probably buried beside her husband.

Issue:

- + 56 Eleanor Lawther, b. June, 1791, in Wells Fort, Brooke County, VA, during an Indian raid.**
- 57 Christian Lawther, b. circa 1793, Brooke County, VA; m. Charles Long prior to 1820; lived in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA, until after 1830, at which time they had a son and three daughters. No further information.**
- + 58 John Lawther, b. 11 June 1796, Brooke County, VA.**
- 59 Jane Lawther, b. 1801, Brooke County, VA; unmarried; died**

**October, 1877; buried at Bethel Methodist Cemetery,
Jefferson Township, Washington County, PA.**

- 60 Gawin Lawther, b. 3 January 1806, Brooke County, VA;
was an early teacher in the frontier schools; learned the
trade of blacksmithing from William Leeper, his brother-in-law;
practiced medicine a number of years; married Anna Price
who was born 22 February 1812; was a Colonel in the Union
Army during the Civil War; died 21 August 1887; buried beside
his wife, Anna Price Lawther, in the Leesville Cemetery,
Orange Township, Carroll County, OH. Anna died 22 August
1898.**
- + 61 Nancy Lawther, b. circa 1807, Brooke County, VA.**
- + 62 Alexander Lawther, b. 22 June 1808, Brooke County, VA.**
- 63 Catherine Lawther; b. 30 August 1810, Brooke County, VA;
unmarried; mentally retarded; died 29 July 1870, Jefferson
Township, Washington County, PA; buried at Bethel Methodist
Cemetery.**
- 64 James Lawther, b. circa 1815, Cross Creek Township,
Washington County, PA. No further information.**

19

**Elizabeth Lawther (Christian,4), b. circa 1778 in Ireland; came to America
in 1790 with other Lawther and Murchland relatives; married Gawin
Lawther, born in 1772, a first cousin of her father; lived in
Cross Creek Township (later Jefferson), Washington County, PA,
until 1808 when they moved to Jefferson County, OH. Elizabeth died
10 June 1864 in her 87th year. Gawin died 14 March 1845. They
are buried in Two Ridges Cemetery, Jefferson County, OH.**

Issue: NOTE: Persons 65 through 71 are not necessarily birth order.

- 65 Thomas Lawther, b. 22 December 1811; may have married
Julia Ann Myers 1 April 1830; may have had issue including
sons Samuel and Alexander; died 8 February 1890; buried
Two Ridges Cemetery, Jefferson County, OH.**
- 66 Robert Lawther, may have had sons Samuel and Alexander.**
- 67 Nancy Lawther, may have married Samuel Leeper 3 March
1831, in Jefferson County, OH.**
- 68 Elizabeth Lawther, may have married William Leeper
13 February 1845 in Jefferson County, OH.**
- 69 Isabelle Lawther, may have married Alexander Leeper
13 May 1846 in Jefferson County, OH.**
- 70 Christian Lawther. NOTE: This may or may not be a child of
Elizabeth(#19). A Christen Lawther married Moses Arnold
25 November 1830, in Jefferson County, OH. In Gawin's**

will, made 13 March 1845, he names a grandson, Gawin Arnold.

71 Mary Lawther. **NOTE:** May or may not be a child of Elizabeth (#19). A Mary Lawther married William Patterson 8 August 1826 in Jefferson County, OH. In the will of Gawin, he names granddaughters Rachel and Elizabeth Patterson.

NOTE: Information on the children of Elizabeth(#19) is from the will of her husband, Gawin Lawther, made 13 March 1845 and probated 5 May 1845, Jefferson County, OH, and from Jefferson County marriage records.

Documentation for Second Generation

- a) Information for the children of James Steen(#6) is from The Steen Family in Europe and America by Rev. Moses D.A. Steen published By Monfort & Company, 1917, pp. 531-547.
- b) Information on the children of James Murchland(#8) is from the Agreement of Dower, 20 March 1847, recorded in Deed Book #16 p. 43, Brooke County, VA. Birth dates are from family records, tombstones, and census records. Much data is from the files of Joan Murchland Tefertillar.
- c) Information on the children of Robert Murchland(#13) is from the files of Albert Miller, a descendant of Robert(#13).
- d) Information on James Lawther(#16) and his children is from the Biographical Record of Carroll County, Ohio by J.H. Beers & Company, 1891, pp. 1031-1033. Also used were census records, graveyard records, and family records. Persons contributing family records were Steve Leeper and L. David Johnson.

Third Generation

22

Robert Steen (James,6), b. circa 1783 near Philadelphia, PA; came with his parents to Brooke County by 1787; was still with his parents after they moved to Cross Creek (later, Jefferson) Township, Washington County, PA, in the 1810 census record; married Sarah Ellen Murchland(#45) between 1810 and 1814 when their son was born; bought back the original Steen farm in Brooke County on which his father had settled circa 1787 and which his father had sold before moving to Washington County, PA; lived out his life on that Brooke County farm; died 9 January 1864; buried in the Tent Cross Creek Church Graveyard, Brooke County.
Issue:

+ 72 William Murchland Steen, b. 7 April 1814

73 Male Steen, b. between 1810 and 1820; is apparently dead by 1830 as he does not again appear in the census records as part of his parents' household; is probably buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground.

+ 74 Elizabeth Steen, b. 1820 in Brooke County, VA

23

Sarah Steen (James,6), b. circa 1785 near Philadelphia, PA; came with her parents to Brooke County by 1787; married James Lyons; lived in Florence, Hanover Township, Washington County, PA; died in Florence 5 April 1841; buried in Florence Cemetery. James Lyons died 24 July 1857 in his 81st year. He is buried beside his wife.

Issue:

+ 75 Hannah Lyons

+ 76 Nancy Lyons

+ 77 William Lyons, b. circa 1809

+ 78 James Lyons

+ 79 Elizabeth Lyons, b. circa 1817

+ 80 Margaret Lyons, b. 1821

24

Esther Steen (James,6), b. circa 1786 near Philadelphia, PA; came with her parents to Brooke County by 1787; married William Lyons; lived in Florence, Hanover Township, Washington County, PA; died in Florence 4 April 1830; buried in Florence Cemetery. William Lyons died 26 February 1856 and is buried near his wife.

Issue:

+ 81 Robert Lyons

+ 82 Frances Lyons

+ 83 James Lyons, b. circa 1825

+ 84 Nancy Lyons

85 Margaret Lyons, married Robert Simpson; lived near Mt. Vernon, Ohio. No further information.

25

Nancy Steen (James,6), b. 2 August 1789, in Brooke County, VA; married John Lauther(#58). Nancy died 30 June 1859 and is buried in the Leesville Cemetery, Orange Township, Carroll County, OH.

Issue: See John Lawther(#58).

James Steen (James,6), b. 31 October 1791, in Brooke County, VA; married Jane Kinkade 17 December 1818; lived on the old Steen farm in Brooke County, VA, until 1838 when he moved his family to Logan County, OH; died 2 March 1870. His wife, Jane Kinkade Steen, was born 24 January 1796, and died 9 May 1855 in Logan County, OH.

Issue:

- 86 Susan Steen, b. 7 November 1819, Brooke County, VA; died 5 October 1821, Brooke County, VA.**
- + 87 Nancy Taylor Steen, b. 1 March 1822.**
- 88 Margaret Reynolds Steen, b. 2 August 1824, Brooke County, VA; went with her parents to Logan County, OH, in 1838 and lived there until their deaths. Moved to Illinois after 1870, and lived with her sister, Nancy Duncan. Her last years were spent in Lucas, Kansas, with her sister, Sarah McKnight, where she died 20 February 1908. In 1866, she had gone to Osborne County, Kansas, where she took up a homestead which she held until her death. She lived a very useful life, always helping her siblings and nieces and nephews. She never married.**
- +89 James L. Steen, b. 21 July 1827, in Brooke County, VA.**
- 90 Eleanor Jane Steen, b. 12 July 1830, Brooke County, VA; moved with her parents to Logan County, OH, in 1838, where she lived with them until her death on 5 May 1855, at age 24 years; unmarried.**
- +91 Milton Steen, b. 24 December 1832, Brooke County, VA.**
- +92 Sarah Ann Steen, b. 13 September 1838, near Bellefontaine, Logan County, OH.**

Finley Steen, (James,6), b. 4 July 1798, in Noble County, OH; married Jane P.Worstell, 30 June 1820; lived and raised a family in Marietta, OH; but is in Hancock County, VA, in 1850; his wife, Jane Worstell Steen, was born 8 February 1802. No death information. NOTE: This writer disagrees with the information in the Steen history stating that Finley was born in Noble County, OH. He was probably born in Brooke County with his siblings.

Issue:

- 93 Margaret Reynolds Steen , b. 5 October 1820 in Pennsylvania; unmarried. No further information.**
- 94 William W. Steen, b. 2 October 1822. No further information.**
- 95 Ellen W. Steen, b. 16 August 1824. No further information.**
- 96 Infant son, born and died 11 February 1825.**

- 97 Narcissa M. Steen, b. 25 August 1827 in Pennsylvania; married _____ Cunningham; had a son and a daughter. No further information.
- + 98 James McClelland Steen, b. 27 June 1830 in Pennsylvania.
- + 99 Ely W. Steen, b. 29 December 1832, Noble County, OH.
- 100 Sarah Steen, b. 8 May 1835. No further information.
- 101 Rachel Steen, a twin of Sarah #100, b. 8 May 1835. In the Census of 1850, Rachel is not listed. She may have died prior to that time. No further information.
- 102 Mary Elizabeth Steen, b. 9 September 1837. No further information.
- 103 Infant son, born and died 6 May 1840.
- 104 Infant daughter, b. 7 May 1842.

30

William Steen, (James,6), b. 6 February 1801; Cross Creek Township (later, Jefferson), Washington County, PA; married Francis S. Richardson circa 1825; died 10 September 1873; buried at Bethel Methodist Cemetery, Jefferson Township. Francis Richardson Steen was born 27 June 1802 and died 27 July 1861. She is buried beside her husband.

Issue:

- 105 Mary Elizabeth Steen, b. circa 1827; died of scarlet fever 7 November 1837; buried at Bethel.
- 106 James Reynolds Steen, b. 25 August 1829; unmarried; died the day after his mother died – 28 July 1861; buried at Bethel.
- 107 Francis Steen, b. circa 1732; died of scarlet fever 1837; buried at Bethel.
- + 108 Susannah Steen, b. 1 April 1834
- 109 Karen Happuch Steen, b. 24 January 1837; married Campbell Hunter; had a son, Reynolds Hunter who married and disappeared. He was never heard of again. Some sources say he lived in the West. Karen was nicknamed "Kit". She died 18 September 1868 and is buried at Bethel.
- + 110 William Edward Steen, b. 6 April 1842.
- + 111 Elizabeth Steen, b. 22 February 1846.

Note: All of the children of William Steen (#30)– that is, # 105 through #111- were all born on the Pleasant Hill Tract on Scott Hollow Road in Jefferson Township, Washington County, PA.

31

John McComb Steen, (James,6), b. 4 June 1805 on the Pleasant Hill Tract

on Scott Hollow Road, Cross Creek Township (later, Jefferson), Washington County, PA; married Jane Sharp on 29 October 1839; lived all his life on the home farm; died in the spring of 1874. His wife, Jane Sharp Steen, d/o John and Hannah Freeman Sharp, was born 14 July 1813 and died in 1873.

Issue:

- + 112 Lysander Maurice Steen, b. 4 September 1840.
- 113 Mary Elizabeth Frances Steen, b. 22 February 1842; left the home farm in 1875 after the death of her brother; moved to Washington, PA, for a year, then to Bellefontaine, OH, in 1876; never married; died in Bellefontaine, OH, 27 January 1907; buried in Washington, PA.
- 114 Infant daughter, b. 23 August 1844; died 24 November 1844.
- 115 Sarah Melissa Jane Steen, b. 23 August 1846, left the home farm in 1875 and went to Washington, PA, for a year, then to Bellefontaine, OH, with her sister; never married; died in Bellefontaine, OH, 26 May 1907; buried in Washington, PA.

NOTE: The children of John McComb Steen(#31) – that is, #112 through #115 – were all born on the Pleasant Hill Tract on Scott Hollow Road, Cross Creek Township (later, Jefferson), Washington County, PA.

33

Mary Marguerite Murchland(James,8), b. 28 February 1802, Brooke County, VA; married James Neil, 11 December 1828, in Brooke County; died 11 April 1888, in Williams, Josephine County, OR; buried in Sparlin Cemetery, Josephine County, OR. Her husband, James Neil, was born circa 1800, and died between 1865 and 1870.

Issue:

- 116 James Neil, b. 2 December 1829, Brooke County, VA; is not in any census record after 1830. Appears to have died in Brooke County between 1830 and 1840. May be buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground.
- 117 John Neil, b. 29 October 1831, Brooke County, VA; married Rebecca Rutledge, 20 November 1856; died 10 September 1880.
- 118 Robert Neil, b. 13 October 1833, Brooke County, VA; unmarried; d. 10 June 1907.
- 119 Mary Neil, b. 5 December 1835, Brooke County, VA; married Jacob Carter, 10 December 1857; died 3 July 1924.
- 120 William M. Neil, b. 18 December 1837, Brooke County, VA; married Susan Clarinda Follett, 27 March 1874; died 18 October 1894.

- + 121 Cyrus Neil, b. 23 December 1839, Brooke County, VA.
- 122 Margaret Jane Neil, b. 31 August 1844, Cross Creek Township (later, Jefferson), Washington County, PA; married John Charles Hall 20 June 1876; died 24 December 1927.

34

Jane Murchland (James,8), b. 10 April 1804, Brooke County, VA; married John Headington, 11 September 1828, in Brooke County; died 30 October 1889, in Brooke County; buried at Old Baptist Graveyard on Cross Creek, Brooke County. Her husband, John Headington, son of Nicholas and Adelia Baxter Headington, was born 10 August 1801, in Baltimore County, MD; came with his parents to Brooke County circa 1808; died 3 February 1863; is buried beside his wife.

Issue:

- + 123 Isabelle Headington, b. circa 1829 in Brooke County, VA.
 - + 124 Nicholas Headington, b. circa 1831 in Brooke County, VA.
 - + 125 Mary E. Headington, b. circa 1833 in Brooke County, VA.
 - + 126 Sarah J. Headington, b. circa 1835 in Brooke County, VA.
- 127 James Murchland Headington, b. 12 February 1839, in Brooke County, VA; died 17 April 1840, in Brooke County; buried in the Old Baptist Graveyard on Cross Creek beside his parents.
- + 128 John Headington, b. 21 April 1842, in Brooke County, VA.
 - + 129 Margaret Ellen Headington, b. 6 July 1845, in Brooke County.
 - 130 Rachel Delia Headington, b. circa 1847, in Brooke County, VA; married William Scott, s/o Charles and Margaret Cassidy Scott, 27 February 1868; died 9 March 1919; buried in Bethel Methodist Cemetery, Jefferson Township, Washington Co., PA. No issue.

NOTE: It is believed that all of the children of Jane Murchland(#34) – that is - # 123 through # 130 – were born on the old Headington farm on the hilltop above Virginville, in Cross Creek Township, Brooke County, VA.

35

Mary (Polly) Murchland, (James,8), b. 11 March 1805, in Brooke County, VA; married James Puntney, circa 1835; lived in Wells Township, Jefferson County, OH, from the time of marriage until at least 1847 when they returned to Brooke County and bought out the other heirs of Mary's father, James

Murchland; lived the remainder of their lives on the old James Murchland Farm on what became known as Puntney Ridge, Brooke County; died on the farm 18 February 1885; buried at Ebenezer Cemetery on Cross Creek, Brooke County. Her husband, James Puntney, was the son of James Puntney, Sr. and was born in Maryland in 1805. He died in Brooke County, 11 March 1888, and is buried beside his wife.

Issue:

131 James Murchland Puntney, b. circa 1837, in Jefferson County, OH; never married; returned with his parents to Brooke County in the mid 1850s to the old James Murchland Farm. When his cousin, Rachel Wiggins Saunders, died in 1881, at the birth of her fifth son, James Puntney took her third child, Campbell Saunders, aged 3, to raise. (Rachel's husband kept the two older boys. The two younger ones died soon after birth.) This child grew up in the household of James in the company also of James' brother, William Puntney, and his sister, Mary J. Puntney – none of whom ever married. Campbell Saunders grew to manhood, married Celia Cline, and became the father of three children. In 1910, at the age of 34, he contracted typhoid fever and died. His youngest son was but six weeks old at the time. James Puntney kept Campbell's wife and three children, moving them into the new house he had built for himself. At James Puntney's death from pneumonia on 20 June 1924, he willed his entire fortune, lands, etc. to the children of Campbell Saunders. James is buried at Ebenezer Cemetery in Cross Creek, Brooke County, not far from the graves of his parents.

+ 132 Isabelle Puntney, b. circa 1839, in Jefferson County, OH.

133 John Puntney, b. circa 1841, in Jefferson County, OH; came with his parents to Brooke County in the mid 1850s; no record of a marriage; does not appear in any examined census records after 1860, at which time he is in the family homestead on Puntney Ridge. At the death of his father, he is mentioned in the will in 1888, but does not receive any of the land bequests. He is mentioned in the wills of some of his siblings, but it appears that he may have lived a lifestyle which did not meet with the approval of the rest of the family, as he does not receive bequests similar to the other siblings. In his father's will, no children of John are mentioned, so it may be that he did not marry. There is no known record of his death, and he does not appear to be buried where the rest of the family are interred.

Note: John Puntney(#133) had a cousin also named John Puntney, who was born the same year as John(#133) and in the same township, county, and state. This John married and there is a record in Ohio of his death and burial. This is not to be confused with this John(#133).

- 134 Achsuh Puntney, b. circa 1843, in Jefferson County, OH; came with her parents to Brooke County in the mid 1850s; married Joseph Dimit; died in 1915; is buried in the Franklin Cemetery, Brooke County. No known issue.**
- 135 William Puntney, b. circa 1845, in Jefferson County, OH; came with his parents to Brooke County in the mid 1850s; unmarried. When his Uncle William Murchland(#32) died in 1883, he willed to this namesake, his 50 acres of land in Brooke County , "with all the houses, mill, and improvements thereon...". When his father died in 1888, he willed a part of his farm to this son, but the house and buildings, etc. were to go to his eldest son, James(#131). Perhaps his father felt that William was well taken care of by his Uncle William Murchland and had no need of the old homestead. William Puntney(#135) died 5 May 1914, and is buried with his parents and siblings at Ebenezer Cemetery, Brooke County.**
- 136 Mary J. Puntney, b. circa 1847 in Jefferson County, OH; came with her parents to Brooke County in the mid 1850s; unmarried; after her parents' deaths, she lived with her brothers, William and James, on the home farm. She helped to raise Campbell Saunders (see James Puntney(#131). She died 28 November 1914, just six months after her brother William. She is buried with the family at Ebenezer Cemetery, Brooke County.**

38

James Murchland, Jr.(James,8), b. 22 October 1813, in Brooke County,VA; married Martha A. Davis [?] circa 1838; came to Union Township Adams County, IN, circa 1846; moved to Monroe Township, Allen County, IN, before 1860; was killed by a train in Monroeville, IN, 5 December 1883.

Issue:

- 137 Samuel Murchland, b. circa 1839, in Brooke County, VA; went to Indiana with his parents circa 1846; married Martha J. _____; died in 1917.**
- 138 James Murchland, b. circa 1841, in Brooke County, VA; moved with his parents to Indiana, circa 1846; is listed in the Union Township, Adams County, IN, census in 1850 as being 9 years of age; does not appear again in any census examined. May have died between 1850 and 1860.**
- +139 William Murchland, b. 23 April 1843, in Brooke County, VA.**
- 140 Smith Murchland, b. circa 1845, in Brooke County, VA; moved with his parents to Indiana circa 1846; on 29 April 1875 he married Jennie Gray; no further information.**
- 141 Isabelle Murchland, b. circa 1847, in Indiana; on 1 August 1868**

- she married **George W. Stout**; no further information.
- +142 **Nimrod Johnson Murchland**, b. 17 September 1850 in Indiana.
 - 143 **Mary M. Murchland**, b. circa 1852, in Indiana; probably unmarried; died 16 December 1878.
 - 144 **Lewis Murchland**, b. circa 1854, in Indiana; died 1878.
 - +145 **Abel Lee Murchland**, b. 29 December 1856, in Indiana.
 - 146 **John Murchland** b. circa 1861, in Indiana.
 - 147 **Anderson Murchland**, b. March, 1864.

39

Elizabeth Murchland, (James, 8), b. 17 June 1815, in Brooke County, VA; married **Aaron Boles**, 30 November 1838; lived in the Eldersville area of Cross Creek Township (later, Jefferson), Washington County, PA, until between 1853 and 1856 when they moved to Mason County, VA; died 7 January 1901 in Mason County, WV, and is buried in the Pine Grove Cemetery, Cologne Township, Mason County, WV. Her husband, **Aaron Boles**, s/o **Cornelius** and **Nancy Buxton Boles**, was born near Eldersville, 20 January 1814; was a wheelwright and farmer; died 27 April 1879 and is buried beside his wife.

Issue:

- 148 **Nancy Jane Boles**, b. 24 October 1839, Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; married **John Bowles**, 2 June 1881, in Mason County, WV.
- 149 **James M. Cornelius Boles**, b. 21 June 1841; Cross Creek Township Washington County, PA; died 19 October 1861.
- 150 **William Murchland Boles**, b. 28 August 1843, Cross Creek Township Washington County, PA; married **Rebecca Duvall**, 15 August 1877, Mason County, WV; died 18 May 1885, Mason County, WV; buried there in Pine Grove Cemetery.
- +151 **Alexander Murchland Boles**, b. 4 September 1845, Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA.
- 152 **Isabelle Boles**, b. 22 March 1847, Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; married **Hamilton Winebrenner**, s/o **William** and **Sarah Winebrenner**.
- 153 **John Boles**, b. 8 March 1849, Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; married **Harriet Ann Greenlee**, 13 April 1873, Mason County, WV; died 24 September 1885, Mason County, WV, is buried there in Pine Grove Cemetery.
- 154 **Robert Boles**, b. 18 September 1851, Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; married **Mahala J. Wheeler**, d/o **Samuel** and **Abigail Wheeler**, 22 October 1876, Mason County, WV; died 7 February 1934, in Mason County, WV, and is buried there in Pine Grove Cemetery.

155 Aaron Albert Boles, b. 17 November 1853, Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; married Mary Jane Hill, d/o Dan and Mary Hill, 6 September 1876; died 6 December 1914, in Mason County, WV, and is buried there in Pine Grove Cemetery.

156 Mary Elizabeth Boles, b. 1 June 1856, Mason County, VA; married William Varner Ferguson, s/o William and Isabell C. Varner Ferguson, 6 September 1876, on a showboat on the Ohio River near Gallipolis, Oh, Gallio County, OH; died 1 January 1944, Columbus, OH; buried Cheshire Cemetery, Meigs County, OH.

41

Susannah Murchland,(James,8), b. circa 1819, Brooke County, VA; married Cornelius Boles, circa 1843; lived in Cross Creek Township (later, Jefferson) Washington County, PA; died near Eldersville in 1894; buried in Eldersville Cemetery. Her husband, Cornelius Boles, s/o Cornelius and Nancy Buxton Boles, was born 23 August 1821, Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA; died 1901, and is buried beside his wife.

Issue:

+157 James K. Polk Boles, b. circa 1845, Eldersville, PA.

158 George M. Dallas Boles, b. circa 1847, Eldersville, PA; reputed to be unmarried. No death information.

+159 Nancy Boles, b. circa 1849, near Eldersville, PA.

160 Mary Jane Boles, b. circa 1853, near Eldersville, PA; unmarried; died 1874, buried at Eldersville Cemetery beside her parents.

+161 Cornelius Robert Murchland Boles, b. circa 1856, near Eldersville, PA.

42

Sarah Murchland,(James,8), b. circa 1820, Brooke County, VA; married Andrew Dimit, circa 1843; lived from before 1850 through 1870 in Independence Township, Washington County, PA; died after 1870. Her husband, Andrew Dimit, is probably the son of Jacob Dimit of Brooke County, VA, who lived near the Murchland Farm of Sarah's father; and was born circa 1818.

Issue:

+161 Isabelle Dimit, b. circa 1845, in Pennsylvania.

+162 Jacob Dimit, b. 1846, in Pennsylvania.

163 Margaret Dimit, b. circa 1849, in Pennsylvania.

164 Lafayette Dimit, b. circa 1851, in Pennsylvania; appears to have died between 1860 and 1870.

165 Catherine Dimit, b. circa 1853, in Pennsylvania.

166 Sarah Dimit, b. circa 1854, in Pennsylvania.

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167 George Dimit, b. circa 1857, in Pennsylvania.

168 Mary Dimit, b. circa 1859, in Pennsylvania.

169 Caroline Dimit, b. circa 1861, in Pennsylvania.

NOTE: The above children of Sarah Murchland Dimit(#42), that is, # 161 through #169, were probably born in either Donegal Township or Independence Township, Washington County, PA.

43

Isabelle Murchland,(James,8), b. circa 1821, Brooke County,VA; married James Johnston, 15 June 1848, in Brooke County, VA; is listed in the Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA, 1850 census, living near Ewing McCleary in the Jefferson Township area. A child, Margaret J. Johnston is living with them. Since they were married just two years prior to 1850, this is probably his child to a prior marriage. Isabelle gives her age in 1850 as 30 years. This family does not appear again in any census checked by this researcher.

44

Alexander Hamilton Murchland,(James,8), b. 22 July 1822, Brooke County, VA; married Amy Carman, 16 February 1854; moved to Caldwell County, Missouri, in 1856; went West again in 1872 (on the trip, Frances(#173) was crushed to death when the wagon upset with her in it, near Cottonwood, Kansas); stayed with relatives until the next wagon train came through in 1873; settled on Dead Man Creek, Virginia Dale, Larimer, CO, in August, 1873; died 10 July 1902, Larimer County, CO, and is buried in the Virginia Dale Presbyterian Church Yard. His wife, Amy Carman, d/o Joseph and Frances Kantz Carman, was born in 1832 in Washington County, PA, and died 2 October 1894, in Larimer County, CO. She is buried beside her husband.

Issue:

+170 Sarah Murchland, b. 18 December 1854, Washington County, PA.

171 Frances Murchland, b. 26 March 1856, Washington County, PA; died enroute to Colorado near Cottonwood, Kansas, when the wagon upset with her in it, in 1873.

172 Alexander Murchland, b. 21 June 1858, Caldwell County, MO; unmarried; died 26 October 1929; buried Cheyenne City Cemetery, Wyoming.

+173 Joseph Naren Murchland, b. 26 October 1860, Caldwell County, MO.

+174 Isabelle Murchland, b. 24 February 1862, Caldwell County, MO.

175 John Murchland, b. 19 December 1864, Caldwell County, MO; unmarried; died 20 September 1931; buried Cheyenne City Cemetery, Wyoming.

+176 Virginia Murchland, b. 3 March 1867, Caldwell County, MO.

177 Jesse Murchland, b. 10 June 1869, Caldwell County, MO; died January, 1876, of scarlet fever or diphtheria; buried in

old Murchland Ranch at Virginia Dale, Larimer County, CO.
178 Jonas Murchland, b. 10 January 1872, Caldwell County, MO;
died January 1876, of scarlet fever or diphtheria; buried in
old Murchland Ranch at Virginia Dale, Larimer County, CO.
179 Edward Murchland, b. 31 December 1874, in Larimer County, CO;
died December 1875 of scarlet fever or diphtheria; buried in
old Murchland Ranch at Virginia Dale, Larimer County, CO.

45

Sarah Ellen Murchland, (William,10), b. circa 1785, in Ireland; married Robert Steen(#22), between 1810 and 1814; died between 1830 and 1840, probably on the old Steen farm in Brooke County, VA; may be buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground. (There is no stone for her beside her husband who is buried at the Tent Cross Creek Graveyard.)
Issue: See Robert Steen(#22).

46

William Murchland,(Robert,13), b. 17 May 1813, in Brooke County, VA;
married Mary Ann Boyle, circa 1844; died 17 November 1875, buried in
Murchland Private Burial Ground. His wife, Mary Ann Boyle Murchland
died 25 March 1859, and is buried with her husband.

Issue:

- 180 Boyle Murchland, b. circa 1846, Brooke County, VA; died**
15 October 1862.
- 181 Sarah Murchland, b. circa 1848, Brooke County, VA; died**
23 October 1862.
- 182 William Murchland, b. circa 1851, Brooke County, VA; died**
23 October 1862.
- +183 Mary A. Murchland, b. circa 1854. After the death of her**
three siblings in 1862, she is found in the Brooke County
census records of 1870, still living at home with her father.

47

John H. Murchland,(Robert,13, b. 26 May 1815, in Brooke County, VA;
married Sarah Ann Dever, 29 March 1842; died 9 November 1889;
buried at Bethel Methodist Cemetery, Jefferson Township, Washington
County, PA. His wife, Sarah Ann Dever Murchland, was born 25 February
1820 and died 2 August 1862, 4 months after the birth of her ninth child. She is
buried beside her husband. They lived out their married life in Jefferson
Township, not far from the old Alexander Lauther farm.

Issue:

- +184 Robert H. Murchland, b. 25 March 1843, in Washington County, PA.**
- +185 Mary Caroline Murchland, b. 10 February 1845, in Washington County, PA.**
- 186 Sarah Jane Murchland, b. 23 December 1846, in Washington County, PA; unmarried; reported to have lived out her last years in McDonald, PA; died 1931; buried at Bethel.**
- +187 John H. Murchland, Jr., b. 27 March 1849; in Washington County, PA.**
- +188 Martha Ann Murchland, b. 28 March 1851, in Washington County, PA; married W.S.Moore.**
- +189 Lydia Alice Murchland, b. 14 October 1853, in Washington County, PA.**
- 190 Elizabeth Emmeline Murchland, b. 9 February 1856, in Washington County, PA; unmarried; reported to have lived out her life in McDonald PA; died 1944; buried at Bethel.**
- 191 Nancy Adaline Murchland, b. 1 February 1860, Washington County, PA; d. 2 July 1871 at age 11; buried at Bethel beside her parents.**
- 192 Hannah Amanda Murchland, b. 10 February 1862, in Washington County, PA; died 31 March 1864, aged 2 years, 1 month, and 21 days; buried at Bethel beside her parents.**

48

Jane Murchland,(Robert,13), b. 1 January 1816, in Brooke County, VA; married George Miller, Jr. 24 November 1840; died 27 July 1876 in Jefferson Township, Washington County, PA; buried at Cross Creek Presbyterian Graveyard, Cross Creek Township, Washington County, PA. Her husband, George Miller, Jr., was born on Bancroft Farm, Jefferson Township, 5 March 1805. He died 2 July 1883 and is buried beside his wife. They lived out their married life on Bancroft Farm.

Issue:

- 193 Robert Murchland Miller, b. circa 1842, Washington County,PA; married Catherine _____; is in the Jefferson Township 1870 census with his wife and two year old daughter, Florence. No further information.**
- 194 Mary Margaret Miller, b. November, 1843, Washington County, PA; unmarried; died 1917; buried with her parents at Cross Creek Village.**
- +195 Sarah Virginia Miller, b. January, 1846, Washington County, PA.**
- +196 George C. Miller, b. 26 February 1848, Washington County, PA.**
- +197 Martha J. Miller, b. circa 1851, Washington County, PA.**
- +198 Thomas Albert Miller, b. April, 1854, Washington County, PA.**

Robert Murchland, Jr., (Robert,13), b. 14 May 1819, Brooke County, VA; married Harriet Hindman, 25 November 1849; died 5 February 1873; newspaper clippings of that day indicate that he took his own life; buried at Tent Cross Creek Graveyard, Brooke County, WV. His wife, Harriet Hindman Murchland, was born 30 July 1828; died 12 September 1903. She is buried beside her husband.

Issue:

- 199 Ebenezer Murchland, b. 7 October 1850, Brooke County, VA; died 19 November 1850; buried in Murchland Private Burial ground.**
- 200 John H. Murchland, b. circa 1853, Brooke County, VA. No further information.**
- 201 Catherine Murchland, b. circa 1855, Brooke County, VA. No further information.**
- 202 William Murchland, b. 1 January 1856, Brooke County, VA; died 29 January 1856; buried in Murchland Private Burial Ground.**
- 203 Sarah Murchland, b. circa 1858, Brooke County, VA. No further information.**
- 204 Mary E. Murchland, b. circa 1860, Brooke County, VA. No further information.**
- 205 Rebecca Murchland, b. 9 April 1864, Brooke County, WV; died 10 May 1865; buried with her parents at The Tent.**
- +206 Robert L. Murchland, b. circa 1865, Brooke County, WV.**
- 207 Maggie Murchland, b. 18 January 1869, Brooke County, WV; died 8 April 1885; buried with her parents at The Tent.**

Andrew Murchland, (Robert,13), b. 13 December 1820, Brooke County, VA; married 1st Elizabeth Jones who died 4 December 1849; married 2nd Jane McCrea who died 17 April 1857 at age 23. Andrew died 14 January 1865 in Brooke County, WV, at the age of 44. He and both of his wives are buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground.

Issue:

To 1st wife, Elizabeth Jones:

- +208 Nancy E. Murchland, b. circa 1848, in Brooke County, VA.**
- +209 Elizabeth Murchland, b. December, 1849, in Brooke County, VA.**

To 2nd wife, Jane McCrea:

- +210 Andrew Murchland, Jr., b. 11 April 1857, in Brooke County, VA.**

Mary Murchland,(Robert,13), b. possibly between the Fall of1821 and early in 1824, in Brooke County, VA. (Since nothing definite is known about her birth date, she may be listed here out of her birth order in the family.) Married John White; died 20 March 1844. (Her son, John H. White, is mentioned in the codicile to her father's will in 1863.)

Issue:

211 John H. White, b. probably in 1844, when his mother is reputed to have died. (The family is not listed in any census examined. It is therefore not known where they lived at the time of this child's birth.) Living in 1863 at the time his grandfather, Robert Murchland(#13), wrote his will. No further information.

David H. Murchland,(Robert,13), b. 19 January 1825, Brooke County, VA; married 1st Susannah Morrison, 24 October 1850. Susanna was born 25 October 1829 and died 3 January 1861. David married 2nd Josephine Buckalew, 1 June 1862. Josephine was born 18 July 1843 and died 3 November 1873. David died 9 April 1882. David and both wives are buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground.

Issue:

To 1st wife, Susannah Morrison:

212 Infant Son, born and died 20 June 1851, Brooke County, VA. Buried in Murchland Private Burial Ground.

+213 Morrison Murchland, b. 6 December 1853, Brooke County, VA.

214 Robert O. Murchland, b. 11 January 1856, Brooke County, VA; nicknamed "Skip"; never married; conducted a bakery, store, and meat market at Colliers, as well as the railroad restaurant; died 15 November 1926; buried at St. John's Cemetery, Brooke County, WV.

+215 Mary Ann Murchland, b. 18 May 1857, Brooke County, VA.

216 Sarah E. Murchland, b. 23 April 1859, Brooke County, VA; married William H. Mooney, lived in California; died 18 November 1926. It is not known if she had children. Buried at St. John's Cemetery.

+217 James M. Murchland, b. 18 December 1860, Brooke County, VA.

To 2nd wife, Josephine Buckalew:

+218 Emma W. Murchland, b. 10 March 1863, Brooke County, VA.

+219 Virginia G. Murchland, b. 23 January 1865, Brooke County, WV.

220 Garrett Latour Murchland, b. 26 July 1867, Brooke County, WV; never married; died 29 July 1931.

+221 Mitchell Elson Murchland, b. 7 October 1869, Brooke County, WV.

Sarah Murchland,(Robert,13), b. 18 January 1827, Brooke County,VA; married Thomas Wheeler, 12 March 1846, in Brooke County, VA; died 29 June 1882, Brooke County, WV, buried St. John's Cemetery, Brooke County, WV. Her husband, Thomas Wheeler, was born 16 February 1814, and died 28 August 1894. He is buried beside his wife.

Issue:

- +222 Albert Wheeler, b. 11 April 1848, Brooke County, VA.**
- +223 Robert Wheeler, b. circa 1850, Brooke County, VA.**
- 224 Female Wheeler, b. 23 March 1853, Brooke County, VA.**
No other information.
- +225 Thomas Wheeler, b. circa 1855, Brooke County, VA.**
- +226 Sarah Wheeler, b. circa 1857, Brooke County, VA.**
- 227 Nancy Wheeler, b. 15 May 1858, Brooke County, VA;**
died 20 May 1861, Brooke County, VA; is buried with
her parents at St. John's.
- 228 James P. Wheeler, b. 4 January 1861, Brooke County, VA;**
died 29 December 1888; buried with his parents at
St. John's.
- 229 Nannie Lizzie Wheeler, b. 13 May 1863, Brooke County, VA;**
died 29 August 1864; buried with her parents at St. John's.
- +230 Nettie Wheeler, b. 3 January 1867, Brooke County, WV.**
- 231 Cornelius Wheeler, b. 27 May 1870, Brooke County, WV;**
died 8 March 1886, Brooke County, WV; buried with his
parents at St. John's.
- +232 William McCready Wheeler, b. 2 November 1874, Brooke**
County, WV.

Nancy Murchland, (Robert,13), b. 1830, Brooke County, VA; married Robert Boyd, 15 August 1850, Brooke County, VA; died between 1863 when her father mentioned her in his will, and April of 1867 when her husband remarried. Her husband, Robert Boyd, was born 20 December 1819, and died 20 February 1892. It is not known where they are buried. Nancy may be buried in the Murchland Private Burial Ground since she and her husband bought the original Murchland farm which contained that burial ground from her father, and were living there in 1863 when he made his will.

Issue:

- 233 Mary M. Boyd, b. circa 1852, Brooke County, VA; married Israel C. Wright, s/o Jonathan Wright, 16 February 1881. No further information.**
- 234 Thomas J. Boyd, b. circa 1855, Brooke County, VA; no further information.**
- 235 Robert Murchland Boyd, b. 2 July 1856, Brooke County, VA. No further information.**
- 236 William H, Boyd, b. circa 1859, Brooke County, VA; married Marie Emma Everett, 16 February 1893, in Brooke County. Reputed to be living in Jefferson County, OH, after the marriage. No further information.**

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Eleanor Lawther,(James,16), b. 6 June 1791, in Wells Fort during an Indian raid, Brooke County, VA; married William Leeper, 1814, at old Lawther homestead, Washington County, PA; died 6 September 1844; buried in Leesville Cemetery, Orange Township, Carroll County, OH. Her husband, William Leeper, s/o James and Jennie Amspoker Leeper, was born in 1782, in Brooke County, VA; died 9 September 1858, and is buried beside his first wife, Eleanor Lawther Leeper.

Issue:

- +237 James L. Leeper, b. 27 August 1816, Norfolk, VA.**
- 238 Mary Ann Leeper, b. 4 March 1819; died 21 November 1833; buried at Leesville Cemetery with her parents.**
- 239 Jane Leeper, b. 6 May 1822; died 3 January 1832; buried at Leesville Cemetery with her parents.**
- 240 John Leeper, b. 18 August 1825; died 19 November 1835; buried at Leesville Cemetery with his parents.**
- +241 William Alexander Leeper, b. 8 December 1828.**
- +242 Martha Jane Leeper, b. 27 April 1832.**

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John Lawther,(James,16), b. 11 June 1796, Brooke County,VA; married Nancy Steen(#25); died 21 January 1886; buried Leesville Cemetery, Orange Township, Carroll County, OH.

Issue:

- +243 James Lawther, b. 16 February 1821.**
- 244 John Lawther, Jr., b. 19 November 1823; died 3 July 1864; buried in Leesville Cemetery with his parents.**
- 245 William Lawther, b. 28 February 1825; died 30 June 1834; buried in Leesville Cemetery with his parents.**
- 246 Jane Lawther, b. 14 June 1826; died 4 November 1826;**

buried in Leesville Cemetery with her parents.
247 Alexander Lawther, b. 27 _____ 1831; died 2 May 1839;
buried in Leesville Cemtery with his parents.
+248 Robert Lawther, b. 14 June 1832 (?)
NOTE: In some sources, it is reported that John and Nancy Steen Lawther were the parents of 8 children, including a child named Margaret.

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Nancy Lawther,(James, 16), b. circa 1807, Brooke County, VA; married Samuel Wright, circa 1828. Is in Washington County (Jefferson Twp.) in 1850; is in Brooke County, WV, in 1870. Samuel was the son of Samuel, Sr. & Sarah Criss Wright. No further information.

Issue:

- 249 Enoch Wright, b. circa 1830.
- 250 Isaac Wright, b. 17 September 1831; died 30 January 1864;
buried Eldersville Cemetery, Jefferson Township, Washington County, PA.
- 251 Nicholas Wright, b. circa 1834.
- 252 Joshua Wright, b. circa 1836.
- 253 Jacob Wright, b. circa 1838.
- 254 Editha Wright, b. circa 1842.
- 255 Hannah Wright, b. circa 1846
- 256 Alexander Wright, b. circa 1854

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Alexander Lawther, (James,16), b. 22 June 1808, Brooke County, VA; moved with his parents to the Jefferson Township area of Washington County, PA, when a very small child. Lived all of his life on that old Lawther farm of his Grandfather Alexander Lawther, and built the two story frame house, known for years as the Alexander Lawther Homestead. On 8 May 1844, he married Nancy Smith, who descended from Robert McCready who is believed to be Jefferson Township's first permanent white settler. Nancy was born 7 March 1814, and died 1 July 1893. Alexander and Nancy cared for not only their own family of children, but also Alexander's two maiden sisters, Jane and Catherine. (Catherine is listed in the Washington County census records as being mentally retarded.) Alexander died 19 March 1878. They are both buried with all of their children at Bethel Methodist Cemetery, Jefferson Township, Washington County, PA.

Issue:

- 257 Ellen C. Lawther, b. 2 September 1845, Washington County, PA;
married Robert Cunningham, 25 April 1889; died in 1930; buried

at Bethel. (Ellen was Robert Cunningham's second wife.) She had no issue.

258 Mary J. Lawther, b. 10 December 1847, Washington County, PA; died 7 August 1870, age 22; buried at Bethel.

+259 John P. Lawther, b. 10 March 1850.

260 Thomas Benton Lawther, b. 2 August 1852, Washington County, PA; died 1917. It is not known if he married or had issue, but no wife seems to be buried beside him.

261 James Alexander Lawther, b. 4 November 1854, Washington County, PA; died 2 October 1863, aged 8 years; buried at Bethel.

Documentation for Third Generation

- a) Information for the children of James Steen(#6), that is, #s 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, and 31, is basically from The Steen Family in Europe and America by Rev. Moses D.A.Steen, published by Monfort & Co., 1917. There are some errors in birth order in this document as well as misinformation on the descendants of Robert Steen(#22). Census records, cemetery listings and the files of some of the Steen descendants were also consulted to provide as accurate data as possible.
- b) Information for #s 33, 38, 39, & 44 – children of James Murchland(#8), is from the files of Joan Murchland Tefertillar. Some of the material came originally from the files of the late Carolyn Boles and also from Jennette Wright. The rest of James Murchland's children – that is, #s 34, 35, 41, 42, and 43 – are from this researcher's own files and were derived from census records, cemetery listings, and interviews with knowledgeable persons in the area in which these persons and their descendants lived.
- c) Information for the children of Robert Murchland(#13), that is, #s 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, and 52 are from the Murchland files in the keeping of Elwood Moore and the late Albert Miller, which are comprised of cemetery listings of tombstone inscriptions by early Murchland descendants, probable genealogies as composed by Bertha McConnell and other descendants, and a large host of miscellaneous information compiled over many years by interested persons. The information for #47 is from the John H. Murchland Family Bible. Children of #53 and 54 are from census records and cemetery listings.
- d) Information for descendants of James Lawther(#16), that is, #56 and 58, are from the files of Steve Leeper; from Leesville Cemetery listings; from the files of L.David Johnson; from Biographical Record of Carroll County, Ohio by J.H.Beers & Co., 1891, pp. 1031-1033; from old newspaper clippings and obituaries. The information for #61 is from census records. The information for #62 is from Bethel Cemetery readings; census records; The Robert McCready Family by Robert J. McCready, M.D., 1931; The

Commemorative Biographical Record of Washington County, Pennsylvania by J.H. Beers, 1893, page 686; and old obituaries. **NOTE: The information listed in The Steen Family concerning Ellen Lawther(#257) is incorrect. It is correct in this manuscript. The above mentioned genealogy lists Ellen as the mother of some of Robert Cunningham's children. This is not true. Her obituary and a number of other documents substantiate the fact that ALL of his children were children of his first wife.**

Fourth Generation

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William Murchland Steen (Robert,22), b. 7 April 1814 on the Pleasant Hill Farm of his Grandfather, James Steen, on Scott Hollow Road, Jefferson Twp., Washington County, PA, (probably in the old springhouse where the family lived at the time). On 24 April 1815, his father, Robert Steen, bought back the original Steen tract of land in Brooke County, VA, which his father had sold to William and Sarah Carlisle in 1808. William Murchland Steen lived the remainder of his life on this original Steen land. On 29 April 1845, William married Sarah Cunningham, born in 1819. He died 28 May 1887 and was buried at the Tent Cross Creek Presbyterian Church in Brooke County. His wife died in 1905 and is buried beside him.

Issue:

- 262 James Steen, b. circa 1846; married and had one son, Virgil Steen, reputed to have lived in Seattle, Washington.**
- 263 Elizabeth Steen (a twin), b. 1848; died 27 April 1876, unmarried; buried at the Tent.**
- 264 Ellen Steen (a twin), b. 1848; died 13 September 1880, unmarried; buried at the Tent.**
- 265 Robert Steen, b. 22 January 1850, Brooke Co., VA, died 25 January 1947, Brooke Co., probably buried at the Tent. Married Elizabeth O'Hare. No issue.**
- 266 Frances R. Steen, b. 2 November 1851; married George Chalmers Miller, July, 1884. He was the son of George Miller, Jr. and Jane Murchland Miller. George Chalmers Miller was born 26 February 1848 and died 1 March 1887 of tuberculosis. He is buried at Bethel Methodist Cemetery, Jefferson Twp., PA, beside his first wife, Lydia Murchland Miller, and daughter, Jessie, who died at age 8 with tuberculosis. Frances (Fannie) Steen Miller and husband had one son, William Steen Miller, born 21 May 1885. He married Elizabeth Hall, daughter of Robert and Mary Hall, 14 May 1916. Their daughter, Ruth, b. 15 April 1918, married John Lucas. William Steen Miller, (familiarly known as Billy Miller or Virginia Billy) died in February of 1935 and is buried with his wife at Oak Grove Cemetery, Hooverson Heights, WV. Frances Steen Miller died 21 November 1910, and is buried at the Tent Cross Creek Presbyterian Church in Brooke Co., WV.**

- 267 George W. Steen, b. October, 1853; died 2 June 1857; buried at the Tent.
 268 David Steen, b. 16 March 1856; died 12 April 1856; buried at the Tent.
 269 Lewis C. Steen, b. 16 April 1857; died 20 October 1863; buried at the Tent.
 270 Olive Kate Steen, b. circa 1863, married _____ Powers; reputed to have lived in Seattle, Washington.

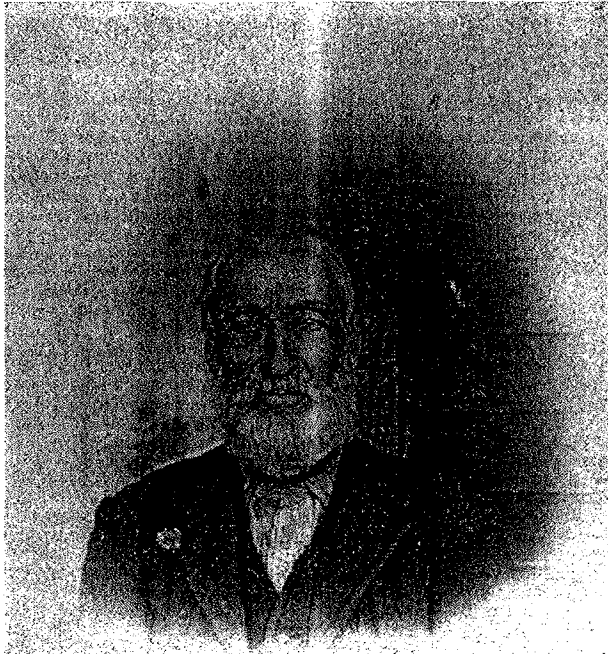
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Elizabeth Steen (Robert,22), b. 27 January 1820, Brooke County, VA, on the old Steen farm; married George Cunningham, son of Launcelot and Hannah Virtue Cunningham, on 1 July 1841 in Brooke County; George was born in 1819 and died in 1906. Elizabeth died 13 December 1881. They are buried in the Bethel Methodist Cemetery, Jefferson Township, Washington Co., PA, near the old Cunningham home of George's father, Launcelot, where they spent their entire lives and where their children were born.

Issue:

- 271 Hannah Ann Cunningham, b. 14 July 1842; m. John R. McCleary, son of Ewing and Mary Magee McCleary. John was born in 1846 and died in 1917. Hannah died in 1926. They are buried in the Eldersville Cemetery. They built and lived out their lives in the big Victorian house on the corner in Eldersville across from the town pump. They were the parents of two daughters: Mary Elizabeth, b. circa 1864 and Nellie, b. circa 1872. Mary married W.A.Cosgrove and Nellie married Eugene Robertson.
- 275 Robert Cunningham, b. 1844; married 1st – Jane Ann Scott, daughter of Charles and Margaret Cassidy Scott. Jane Ann died 15 July 1887. She and Robert had one son, Winfield Cunningham, who married Retta Donovan, daughter of Thomas and Catherine Cole Donovan, on 14 October 1896. Winfield and Retta had two sons, Robert and George, and a daughter, Margaret, who married a Swanson of Cleveland, Ohio. After the death of Jane Ann, Robert married 2nd – Ellen Lawthers, daughter of Alexander and Nancy McCready Lawthers. They had no children. Robert died in 1907. He and both wives are buried at Bethel.
- 276 Elizabeth Cunningham, b. 14 June 1848; died unmarried 19 February 1921; buried at Bethel with her parents.
- 277 George Cunningham, b. 5 May 1851; m. Annie McCray, daughter of William and Elizabeth McGuire McCray. Annie was born 31 March 1864 and died on 12 May 1951. George died 12 May 1937. Their only child, Evelyn, married John C. Brown. Evelyn was born in 1890 and died in 1927 of pneumonia, leaving three small children: Ronald, Lois, and Anna. None of these children left descendants. They were raised by their grandparents, George and Annie Cunningham. Their father, John C. Brown, never remarried. He died in 1956 and was buried beside his wife in the Eldersville Cemetery.
- 278 Launcelot Cunningham, b. 18 July 1855; m.1st – Flora Jackson, b. 1864, d. 1905. To them were born: Ossie, who married a Knox; Grace, b. 15

October 1887 and died unmarried 3 March 1967; and Mabel, b. 12 March 1891, married C.R. Kidd, died 15 November 1952. Mabel and her husband, C.Raymond Kidd, had two sons- Robert and William. After the death of Flora in 1952, Launcelot married for his 2nd wife, Florence Sharpe, who was born 5 August 1865 and died 4 November 1930. She is buried at Cross Creek. Launcelot and his first wife, Flora Jackson Cunningham, are buried at Bethel.



Alexander Hamilton Murchland
b. 22 July 1822 - Brooke County, WV
d. 10 July 1902 - Larimer County, CO
m. Feb 1854 Amy Carman of Steubenville, OH
son of James & Isabelle Hamilton Murchland
of Cross Creek, Brooke Co., WV

Alexander Hamilton Murchland # 44



Andy Murchland

Andy Murchland #210



John Robert Cassidy, son of #129

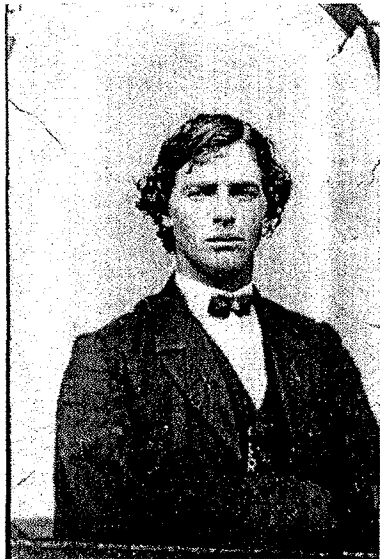


John H. Murchland, Jr.
1849 - 1928

John H. Murchland, Jr. #187

#3





George Chalmers Miller
#196



William Puntney
#135



Frances Steen Miller
#266



Lysander Steen
#112



Isabelle Headington Wiggins
#123



Robert O. (Skip) Murchland
1856 - 1926
Son of David Murchland

Robert O. Murchland
#214

