

**Family Record
of
Capt. Richard Owings
and
Rachel Beale Owings
Married 1698-1701**

Courtesy of Fort Vance Historical Society

The Genealogy of the Wells family is traced back to the Vaux or DeValibus family of Normandy in France to the year 794, being more than 1000 years. The name has been changed by transformation of language or Parliamentary action many times, but its meaning remains the same. Thus Vaux means Spring or Wells, which was followed by Valibus and DeValibus before the Norman conquest, and De Welles--Welles-- Wells since the Norman conquest.

The name was founded in England after the conquest by Harold de Vaux, a near relation of William the Conqueror, and his three sons, Barons Hubert, Ranulph (?) and Robert, who were all surnamed de Valibus. The descent is through the younger son, Robert, whose grandson William had four sons, Robert de Dalston, Baron Adam and William de Welles of Lincolnshire 1194, and Oliver de Vallibus, Prior of Pentney Abbey.

Adam de Welles died s. p. and his brother William thus became founder of long line of noblemen of Lincolnshire, Eng. (see Dugdales Standard work on the Baronage of England.)

Among the many distinguished lineal descendants of the Vaux family are Bishop Hugo de Welles who presented the Magna Charta to His Majesty King John who signed it at Runnymede near Windsor, England A. D. June 15, 1215 (pg. 88), Simon de Welles (Archdeacon) was in Palestine in 1191 (Richard Couer de Lion) and had a special grant of arms by the king. Tasso mentions him as one of the most distinguished of the Crusaders.

Among other nations are found others of the family as follows:

Antonia de Vaux	Queen of Sicily
Isabella de Vaux	" of Naples
Cecelia de Vaux	Countess of Savoy
Sibella de Vaux	Princess of Piedmont
Marie de Vaux	Dauphiness of Vienna
Isabella de Vaux	Despatiss of Servia

(^aHistory of the Wells Family by Albert Wells^a)

Fine plates depict in colors the "ARMS" of the family, 1191 and 1299; also the signing of King John in 1215 and delivery of the royal Magna Charta to Bishop Hugo de Welles, at Gannymede; also the exterior and interior of the Cathedral of Lincoln where Hugo de Welles was bishop; also the bishopric seals of both brothers in colors.

Albert Wells^a

Arthur R. Wells
Box F, Newark N.J.

Nivian Beall, the first settler of this surname to live in Maryland was a Scotchman, who became the owner of large tracts of land in Southern Maryland, (four thousand acres). On one of these tracts, namely, "Rock of Dumbarten", Georgetown, D. C. was founded, as attested by tablet on a memorial erected on this ground, and by land records.

Nivian Beall, Lieutenant of Lord Baltimore vessel, the Royal Charles, was advanced to Major, to Colonel and to Commander in Chief of the Maryland Militia; was a member of the house of Burgesses from Prince George's County, and the recipient of an Act of gratitude passed by the Maryland assembly in 1699. The archives of the State contain many items in reference to Colonel Nivian Beall and he is listed by the genealogists of the Maryland Historical Society as one of the foremost men among the early settlers of the Old Line State (Maryland). He was born in Largo, Fifeshire, Scotland in 1625. His will is dated January 15, 1717, and was probated the following February the 28th day. Prior to leaving his native heath, Nivian Beall held a commission in the Royal Army raised to resist the Cromwellian uprising in Great Britain at the Battle of Dunbar, September 3, 1650, he was taken prisoner and sentenced to five years servitude. With one hundred and fifty other Scotchmen he was sent to the Island of Barbadoes. About two years later he appeared in the Maryland Colony. In the Land Office, Annapolis (1658) there is a record of this Nivian Beall making a land transfer in Calvert County; on October 31, 1668. He is referred to in the Archive and other records as Lieutenant Nivian Beall; in 1678 he was commissioned Lieutenant of Lord Baltimore vessel, the Royal Charles; in 1684 he served as a deputy surveyer of Charles County; in 1688 was appointed Chief Military Officer of Calvert County; in 1689 Major of Calvert County Militia; in 1692, high Sheriff of Calvert County, and on July 30, 1694, was commissioned by the assembly, Colonel of the Colonial Militia.

In 1697, Colonel Nivian Beall served on a Commission of the assembly to treat with the Indians; from 1679 to 1701, he served as a member of the assembly, and in 1699 was subject of an "Act of Gratitude" passed by the general assembly, in recognition of his distinguished services in the campaign against the Indians. Colonel Beall's defeat of the Susquehanna tribe gained for him wide renown as an Indian fighter. Numerous existing official papers written by him and on file in the State Archives reveal that he was a man of broad experience, fine mental capacity, undoubted integrity, staunch moral courage and of good education. His signature is bold and free, apparently significant of an alert mind and ready hand.

Colonel Beall was not active as a military man only. In 1690, a party of two hundred Presbyterian immigrants from Scotland entered Maryland under his supervision. He located them along the Potomac and named the settlement "New Scotland". The pastor of this flock was Rev. Nathaniel Taylor. There is recorded at Upper Marlborough a deed of gift from Colonel Beall to this Pastor of a tract in that district upon which to build a Church. In 1707, Colonel Beall presented to this Church a costly Communion Set of Silver, a part of which is still preserved, now at Hyattsville. Colonel Beall died 1717 and was buried on his plantation "The Rock of Dunbarton" at a point now comprehended with Gay Street in Georgetown. Many years later when his body was removed, his skeleton was found perfect and measured six feet and seven inches. The hair had grown long and retained its youthful ruddy hue.

Colonel Nivian Beall married about 1670, Ruth Moore, daughter of Richard and Jane Moore, Barrister of St. Mary's County, Maryland. They had issue, twelve children.

Colonel Nivian Beall, father of Rachel Beall, wife of Captain Richard Owings. Richard Owings married Rachel Beall; Joshua Owings married Mary Cocke.

FAMILY RECORD
OF
CAPT. RICHARD OWINGS
AND
RACHEL BEALE OWINGS
MARRIED
1698
1701

Richard Owings Born, 16 --
Rachel Beall " 1676

Died
"

Married April 4, 1698 ?

Children	: Births	: Marriages	: Deaths
Samuel Owings	: April 1, 1702	: Urath Randall	: 1775
	:	: Jan. 1, 1729	:
*Joshua	:	: Mary Cockey ?	:
	:	: March 9, 1735	:
Richard	:	:	:
Henry	:	: Helen --	:

FAMILY RECORD
OF
JOSHUA OWINGS
AND
MARY COCKEY OWINGS
MARRIED
1735 ?

Joshua Owings, Born Balt. Co. Md. 1704 Died
 Mary Cockey ? " " Dec. 10, 1716

Married 1735 ? March 9, 1735

Children	: Births	: Marriages	: Deaths
John Cockey Owings	: Jan. 11, 1736	:	:
Richard	: Nov. 13, 1738	:	:
Joshua	: Mar. 22, 1740	:	:
Edward	: Nov. 1, 1743	:	:
*Michal	: Feb. 12, 1745	: * Charles Wells	:
	:	: Dec. 27, 1764	: May 17, 1783
Marcella	: July 11, 1748	: Thomas Worthington	:

Note: History St. Thomas Parish
 Pauls register Vol. 1, Page 155

JOSHUA OWINGS

Last Will and Testament

In the name of God Amen, I, Joshua Owings, late of Baltimore County and State of Maryland, but now of Ann Arundel County in the same State, being weak in body, but of sound and perfect mind and memory, blessed be to God for the same— do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following— that is to say—

ITEM. I give and bequeath unto my son Joshua Owings and his heirs One Hundred Pounds in good and lawful gold and silver current money of this State, which said sum of One Hundred Pounds is to come out of the conditioned money expressed in a bond to be paid to me by my two sons, John Cockey Owings and Edward Owings of Baltimore County bearing date on the sixth day of December in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty, for the sum of Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty-Nine Pounds common current money with legal interest thereon.—

ITEM. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rachel Shipley now wife of Talbot Shipley of Ann Arundel Co. and State of Maryland aforesaid, all the rest and residue of the money both principal and interest expressed to be paid to me in the said bond by my two sons John Cockey and Edward Owings as expressed above, after the said sum of One Hundred Pounds current money in gold and silver is paid to my said son Joshua Owings.

ITEM. It is my will and desire that my executrix hereinafter mentioned shall sell and dispose of my negro man named Walton (now hired to Cornelius Howard of Baltimore Co.) for the sum of Fifty Pounds lawful current money to some person in the neighborhood where the said Walton's wife may reside at the time of sale; and it is my further will and desire that the said negro man Walton shall not be sold to, or obliged to go to any person as a master against his will, for it is my meaning and intent to let him have the choice of a master that is as near and convenient to where his (the said Walton's) wife may reside as possible may be.

ITEM. I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Rachel Shipley, now the wife of Talbot Shipley, all and every part of the money that may arise or proceed from the sale of the said negro man Walton.

ITEM. I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Rachel Shipley, wife of Talbot Shipley all the rest and residue of my estate both goods and chattels of what kind or nature soever to her and her heirs forever; and I also confirm unto her and her heirs forever all the above gifts or bequests.

It is my will and desire that my estate be not brought to any appraisement, and that there be no letters Testamentary or of Administration taken out for my estate.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my said daughter Rachel Shipley sole executrix of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking

all former wills by me made.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this second day of May in the year of Our Lord Christ, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-Six. (1786)

Signed, Sealed, Published and Declared by the above named Joshua Owings to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator—the words "my seal" being first interlined,

Dean Shipley

Joshua his
 X Fisher
 mark

Reuben Meriweather

Ann Arundel Co. Sct
May 9, 1787

Then came Dean Shipley and Joshua Fisher two of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that they did see the Testator Joshua Owings sign and seal this will, and that they heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament; that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; and that they, together with Reuben Meriweather respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence and at the request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before

Thomas Gassaway
Ann Arundel County

T.H.H. No. 2 folio 19
One of the Will record books kept
in the Register of Wills office
for Ann Arundel Co. Md.

May 2, 1786.

FAMILY RECORD
OF
WILLIAM COCKEY
AND
SARAH COCKEY
MARRIED
1674

"William and Sarah Cockey of Cuckold Point, Devonshire, England, migrated to America and settled near the Patapska River in 1679. William Cockey took up extensive tracts of land on the Magotley River in Baltimore County North Side of Jones Falls."

Copied from History of St. Thomas Parish
Page 150 Baltimore, Md.

William Cockey, Born 1638
Sarah _____

Died, May 17, 1698

Married 1674

Children	: Births	: Marriages	: Deaths
Thomas Cockey	: 1676	: Mrs. Elizabeth Moss	:
Elizabeth Cockey	: 1678	: Col. Wm. Hammond	:
Mary "	: 1681	:	:
* John "	: Aug. 15, 1683	: Elizabeth Slade : Jan. 17, 1714	: Aug. 1746
Capt. Edward	: 1685	: Mrs. Harris	: 1750
Anne	: 1686	:	:
Joshua	:	:	:
Sarah	: 1689	:	:
Richard	: 1691	: Elizabeth --	:

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JOHN COCKEY

AND

ELIZABETH SLADE

MARRIED

JANUARY 17, 1714

His tomb is inscribed, "In memory of John Cockey, son of William the immigrant aged 65 years. Died August 15, 1746".

"Elizabeth Baker, wife of Rev. Charles Baker and formerly wife of John Cockey, aged 95, died August 5, 1780."

(These graves in Baltimore in St. Thomas)

These stones are now in St. Thomas' Church Yard "The original burying ground of the Cockey family is located on land owned in 1738 by John Cockey, son of William the immigrant and now belonging to the Browns of Brooklynwood. In Green Spring Valley at the top of the hill. Originally it was surrounded by a brick wall, these bricks have been stolen and carried away." John Cockey is buried here..

John Cockey was one of the Justices of Baltimore County 1726 - 1727 and other dates. Was also one of the commissioners appointed in 1732 to lay off ten acres east of the falls (Jones Falls) as an addition to Baltimore City."

Copied from "Historic Grans of Maryland" Page 140-141

John Cockey Born 1681
 Elizabeth Slade " 1685

Died Aug. 15, 1746
 Died Aug. 5, 1780

Married, January 17, 1714

Children	: Births	: Marriages	: Deaths
Susannah	: Nov. 2, 1714	: Thomas Gist : July 2, 1735	:
*Mary	: Dec. 10, 1716	: Joshua Owings : March 9, 1735	:
William	: Feb. 20, 1718	: Constant Ashman : Aug. 9, 1742	:
Sarah	: Feb. 26, 1721	: Robert Boon : Dec. 16, 1746	:
Thomas	: Dec. 13, 1724	: Prudence Gill : May 15, 1755	:
Joshua	: Mar. 12, 1726	: Clara Dye : Aug. 27, 1755	:
John	: May 18, 1729	:	1746
Edward	: Dec. 20, 1731	: Eleanor Pindall : June 19, 1753	:
Peter	: March 11, 1743	:	:

FAMILY RECORD
OF
HENRY BUTLER
AND
SUSANHA BUTLER
MARRIED

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Henry Butler Born Died
 Susanha Butler "

Married

Children	Births	Marriages	Deaths
Henry)	:	:	:
Elizabeth)	twins June 14, 1715	---	:
:	:	: Aquilla Gilbert	:
:	:	: Jan. 17, 1749	:
Susanha Butler	: 13 Day 7fr 1717	: Peter Bond	:
:	:	: Aug. 1, 1735	:
Youroth Butler	: 13 Day Aug. 1719	:	:
:	:	:	:
Sophia Butler	: 4 Day Oct. 1721	:	:
:	:	:	:
Amon Butler	: 2 Day July 1723	:	:
:	:	:	:
* Temperance Butler	: June 17, 1726	: Benjamine Wells	:
:	:	: 1743	:
:	:	:	:
Absalom Butler	: Jan. 8, 1728	:	:
:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:
:	:	:	:

FAMILY RECORD
OF
BENJAMIN WELLS
AND
TEMPERANCE BUTLER WELLS
MARRIED
1743.

Benjamin Wells, Born Balt. Co. Md. 1724 Died
 Temperance Butler June 17, 1726 " Feb. 19, 1800
 Married 1743

Children	Births	Marriages	Deaths
Benjamin Wells			
x * Charles Wells	Apr. 6, 1745	Michal Owings Dec. 27, 1764	Apr. 16, 1815
Absalom		Michal Wells	
William		Catron Selmon & Marget Ankrom	
Amon			
Caleb		Mary Adams	
Sarah		— Walters	
Nicholas		Providence Talbot	JDH
John			

Jacob's History of Brook Co. W. Va. says that Benjamin Wells took out a patent for land in Brook (then Yocoghney Co. Va.) in the year 1787.

This announcement in the "Maryland Journal" and "Baltimore Advertiser" July 23, 1782.

"To be sold at public vendue at the Coffee House in Baltimore Town on the 17th August next on an extensive credit— The Plantation whereon the subscriber now lives containing about Seven Hundred Acres of land. It is very fertile and has on it a large quantity of meadow now in grass; also a large orchard of the very best of fruit. Every improvement necessary for farming. Any person inclinable to purchase will find the subscriber on the premises who will show the land, as also stock of all kinds which he will sell at a moderate price.

Benjamin Wells."

BENJAMIN WELLS

Last Will and Testament

In the name of God Amen, I Benjamin Wells of Ohio Co, & Commonwealth of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound and perfect memory (thanks be to God for the same) revoking all others, do make, constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following: That is to say—

I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin Wells of Baltimore Town all my land in Baltimore County, State of Maryland; and also all that is due to me from the estate of Charles Ridgley, son of John; and every other estate that I may have in possession or reversion in the said County or State; with the proviso that he pay all my debts in said County of Baltimore and State of Maryland; to him his heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my son Amon Wells all the tract or parcel of land that I purchased of Israel Cox in this County. I likewise give to my son Amon Wells Thirty Acres of land to be laid off out of the tract of land on which I now live; to be laid off convenient to and adjoining the tract of land aforesaid; to him his heirs and assigns forever. I also give and bequeath to my said son Amon all that Israel Cox is indebted to me by mortgage notes and accounts, all my interest in the said debts. I also give and bequeath to said son Amon Twenty Pounds current money of Pennsylvania; to him his heirs and assigns.

I give and bequeath to my son Caleb Wells the remaining part of the tract of land on which I now live with the proviso that my loving wife Temperance Wells is not to be interrupted or molested in the full and quiet possession of the said land during her life; and then to my said son Caleb Wells, his heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Sarah Wells, daughter of Nicholas Wells, two negro girls (to wit) Sall and Peg, and one feather bed and furniture, and two Cows and Calves; to her her heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Temperance Talbot two negroes (to wit) Helen and Peter and one Feather Bed and Furniture to her and her heirs and assigns.

And it is my further will and meaning that if either or these my said granddaughters should die leaving no heirs of their body the other shall have and enjoy the whole of what is left to them in this my last will; and if they should both die not having any heir as above; that then the negroes above given shall be considered as my estate and be equally divided among my children.

And it is my will and desire that after my death seven of my negroes shall be sold at public sale (to wit) Charles, Lucy, Abigail, Charles son of Charles, Cat, Fanny, Pole; and it is my will and desire that the interest of the money arising from the sale of said slaves be the property of my loving wife Temperance Wells and the principal to be divided among my children

and it is my further will and desire that my loving wife Temperance shall at her own discretion sell what part of the stock she sees cause and receive the interest of the money arising from such sale to her own proper use, and the principal after her death divided as above.

I give and bequeath to my loving wife Temperance on negro man named Jack, and after her death it is my will and desire that the said negro Jack be emancipated and set free.

I likewise give and bequeath to my said wife the following negroes (to wit) Bashar, Abraham, Cloe and Rachel during her life, and then after her death to be sold. And in case any of the said negroes should become troublesome or misbehave, it is my will and desire that my said wife shall at her own discretion sell them and enjoy the interest of the money arising from such sale as her own property; and the principal after her death be divided among my children as my estate.

And my further will and desire is that after the death of my loving wife Temperance Wells, that then the residue of my estate that is not here given and legaced away; that is to say-- the principal monies arising from the sales directed above, and every other property that shall be to divide at the time of my wife's death, be equally among children as follows to wit-- Charles Wells, Absalom Wells, William Wells, Amon Wells, Caleb Wells and Sarah Walters, or their heirs, after my just debts are paid. And I appoint my son Charles Wells and my loving wife Temperance Wells executor and executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I the said Benjamin Wells have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty-sixth day of November in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Four

Signed and sealed in the presence of us)
George Hammond)
Samuel Adams)
William Adams)

Benjamin Wells.

November 26, 1794.

FAMILY RECORD
OF
CHARLES WELLS
AND
MICHAL OWINGS WELLS
MARRIED
1764.

Charles Wells-- Born Balt. Co. Md. --Apr. 6, 1745. Died Apr. 16, 1815
 Michal Owings-- " " " Feb. 12, 1745. " May 17, 1783
 Married-- Dec. 27, 1764.

Elizabeth Prather, Born Frederick Co. Md. July 1, 1765--Died Apr. 20, 1845
 Married July 24, 1784.

Children	Birth	Marriage	Death
Rebecca Wells	: Oct. 19, 1765	: --- Miller	: Aug. 28, 1794
Joshua	: Nov. 7, 1767	: Nancy ---	: Feb. 19, 1800
Temperance	: Sept. 1, 1769	: Richard Talbot	: Sept. 23, 1830
		: Jan. 20, 1790	Buried at Metamorass, Ohio
Benedict	: July 19, 1771	: Elizabeth Magruder	:
Absalom	: Oct. 3, 1774	: Helen Owings,	: Apr. 9, 1874
		: b. Dec. 3, 1778	
		: Married January 28, 1798	
* Mary	: Sept. 16, 1776	: x Asa Owings b.	: Aug. 19, 1849
		: Apr. 22, 1766	
		: Married Sept. 28, 1794	
Elizabeth	: Apr. 27, 1779	: --- Weakley	:
Ephraim	: Apr. 28, 1781	:	: Oct. 24, 1804
Michal	: Apr. 15, 1783	: --- McGuire	: June 6, 1802
Children to the second wife			
Charles P. Wells	: May 30, 1785	: Rachel McMechen	: May 3, 1856
		: Jan. 9, 1808	:
Nicholas	: Feb. 20, 1787	: Rachel Whitten	:
		: Jan. 7, 1810	:
Ruth	: Mar. 30, 1788	: Abraham Birckhead	: Aug. 10, 1865
		: Oct. 23, 1814	:
Perigrine	: Oct. 18, 1789	: Elizabeth and next	: May 15, 1868
		: Mary Briarly	:
Nacky	: Oct. 12, 1792	: Died at 11 years	: May 19, 1803
Sarah	: Feb. 20, 1794	: John McCoy Apr. 1817-M.	: Dec. 14, 1887
Delilah	: June 16, 1795	: Robert Grier or	: Jan. 25, 1869
		: William	:
Eli	: May 14, 1797	: Nancy Neff	: Apr. 28, 1854
Twenty	: Nov. 23, 1798	: A helpless child	: Sept. 22, 1816
Katy Adams	: Oct. 6, 1800	: Joshua Russell	: Sept. 12, 1824
Betty Prather	: Sept. 28, 1802	: William Russell	: Aug. 24, 1873
-		: June 17, 1819	:

Children of Joshua : Charles Wells : June 11, 1793 : Died 1824
 : Elizabeth Wells: Dec. 20, 1794

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICES OF JUSTICE CHARLES WELLS FROM 1778--1788.

Original Records preserved at Wheeling Court House. W.Va.

Ohio County Court held at Black's Cabin near present site of Wheeling, W. Va. previous to Court Sessions of May, 1778 (date not affixed)

"Ordered that the following gentlemen be recommended to His Excellency the Governor, in the Honorable Council, as proper persons to be added to*"Commission of the Peace" for the County: Edward Robinson, George McCullough, CHARLES WELLS, James Gillispey," (and others)

Ohio County Virginia, May 1778.

"At a Court continued by adjournment - present, Silas Hedges, Zackariah Spring, John Williamson, David Sharp--these gentlemen, a Commission of the Peace, directed David Shepherd, Solomon Hedge, Silas Hedge, David Rogers, Jos. Dodridge, Charles Wells and James Gill, the preceding named therein took their oaths as Justices of the Peace and took their seats accordingly."

Charles Wells was a Justice for Ohio Co. Virginia May 1778--1788

Charles Wells was a delegate to Virginia Assembly 1792--1798

Charles Wells served four terms in Congress between 1789--1810

This data is collected from Wheeling Court Records, Richmond Library Records, and Newton's History of the Pan Handle.

*The "Commission of the Peace" was composed of the County Justices who formed the early Courts, and during the Revolution were responsible to the Governor for the nominations of Captains and Lieutenants to command the County Militia.

"The Navigator"

Containing directions for navigating the Monongahela, Allegheny, Ohio and Mississippi Rivers.

By Zadak Cramer

Tenth Edition, printed 1818 by Cramer & Spear, Pittsburg. 1st Edition 1801.

"Here resides Mr. Charles Wells, Sr., about half way down the reach and between No. 25 and 26.

After a youthful and vigorous life spent in toil, dangers and fatigues incident to a new frontier country, to which Mr. Wells moved in 1776, while yet a boy, he has seated himself here on a fine farm, having a beautiful view of the Ohio, and where he enjoys all that plenty and happiness, with his numerous family which ought to be enjoyed by every man in the happy decline of life when these blessings have been obtained by virtue and industry.

Indeed the serenity and sage life physiognomy of Mr. Wells, justify the conclusion that his wealth and happiness rests on no other foundation. 'Blessed are the fruits of a virtuous life—blessed he who holdeth out to the end, and soberly enjoyeth, in his old age, the good things procured by youthful labors.'

Mr. Wells has a fine garden in which is recognized the monthly strawberry, of which I ate excellent fruit in October."

As well as in the "Navigator" the following is recorded in "History of West Virginia 1923, page 220" Vol. I.

"Concerning a resident on the present site of Sistersville a Pittsburger wrote as follows:

'Mr. Charles Wells, Sr., resident on the Ohio fifty miles below Wheeling related to me while at his home in October 1812, the following circumstances: that he had two wives (the last of which still lives and is a hale, smart, young looking woman) and twenty-two children, sixteen of whom are living, healthy, and many of them married and have already pretty large families; that a tenant of his, a Mr. Scott, a Marylander, is also the father of twenty-two, the last being still an infant, and its mother a lively and gay Irish woman, being Scott's second wife; that a Mr. Gordon, an American German, formerly a neighbor of Mr. Wells, now residing on Little Muskingum, state of Ohio, has by two wives twenty-eight children. Thus these three worthy families have had born to them seventy-two children, a number unexampled perhaps in any other part of the world.

Mr. Wells is sixty-eight years of age and truly a hale, healthy looking man, and it is not uncommon for him to ride to Wheeling, a distance of fifty miles in a day, and last year he says he rode to his brother's, twelve miles above Wheeling, and got there by sundown."

CHARLES WELLS
Last Will & Testament

In the name of God Amen, I Charles Wells of Tyler County in the State of Virginia----

Do hereby make this my Last Will and Testament in form an manner following to wit---

After my decease and the payment of all my just debts and funeral expenses, I do desire as followeth---

Item 1st. To my beloved wife Elizabeth Wells I give and bequeath all my personal estate of what nature or kind soever and wherever situated or found to be at her disposal so long as she continues my widow, leaving the same to be at her death divided among the children of her own body by me in such time and manner as she may judge most conducive to her interest and their happiness, it being incumbent on her therewith to take due care of my daughter Twenty Wells, it being a helpless child.

I do also leave to my said wife Elizabeth the Mansion House in which we now live with the farm thereto annexed (to wit) Beginning at the mouth of Whittens Run, thence with the wagon road leading to the Jug Handle Mill to the upper corner of the Tanyard lot, thence with the Run to the back line, thence with the lines of the Survey that includes said farm to the beginning; with all the singular the appurtenance thereunto belonging; with the rents, issues, and profits therof, during her continuance of widowhood as aforesaid---

Item 2nd To my son Charles P. Wells he being already provided for, it is my will that he have nothing more of my estate either real or personal, except whatever after my decease my said wife may gratuitously give him out of the part above intrusted to her disposal.

Item 3rd. To my son Nicholas Wells, he being already provided for, it is my will that he have nothing more of my estate either real or personal except whatever after my decease my said wife may gratuitously give him of the part intrusted to her disposal.

Item 4th. To my son Peregrine Wells I bequeath the two Tracts of Land I purchased from John and Ezekiel Clemens lying on the Long Reach; one adjoining the lands of William Johnson and Thomas Cochran, and the other the Lands of William Johnson and others, said to contain in all Six Hundred and Twenty-eight acres: to the said Peregrine Wells and his heirs or his assigns forever.

Item 5th To my son Eli Wells I give and bequeath my Mansion House and Farm upon which I now live and with which I have endowed my well beloved wife Elizabeth during her continuing my widow, to be after her decease or intermarriage, the sole property of my said son Eli: also that certain tract or parcel of land lying in the Ohio River and in the aforesaid County of Tyler, and known by and distinguished by the name of Prusleys Island; and supposed to contain Thirty Acres; to the said Eli Wells and his heirs or assigns forever---

WILL OF CHARLES WELLS

Item 6th. To my grandson Charles Wells, son of my son Joshua Wells deceased, I give and bequeath all that tract of land upon which Nancy Wells, widow of my said son Joshua formerly did live: said to contain Two Hundred Acres; to the said Charles Wells and his heirs or assigns forever; on his paying his sister Eliza Wells Five Hundred Dollars. And should the said Charles die without an heir; then and in that case the land to be divided equally among my first wife's children, namely--Rebecca Miller, Benedick Wells, Temperance Talbot, Absalom Wells, Mary Owings and Elizabeth Weakley: to them and their heirs forever; by their paying the above named Eliza Wells, daughter of the said Joshua Wells deceased, Five Hundred Dollars.

Item 7th. To my daughter Elizabeth Weakley I do bequeath Three Hundred Dollars to be paid by my executors hereinafter to be named.

Item 8th. To my daughter Ruth Burkhead I give and bequeath One Thousand Acres of Land on Sugartree Creek, a branch of Middle Island Creek, adjoining land of Benjamin Lawrence, Richard Owens and others, beginning at a Sugar Tree in the forks of said Creek; and Two Hundred Dollars to be paid by my Executors hereafter to be named; to be hers and her heirs or assigns forever---

Item 9th. To my daughter Sarah Wells I give and bequeath a part of the tract of land I purchased from James Caldwell; beginning at the mouth of Whittens Run and running with the wagon road now leading to the Jug Handle Mill to the upper end of the Tanyard Lot, thence up the Run to the back line, thence with said line so far that a due west line come to the corner of the fence as it now stands that divides Simon Seamons and Lemual Scott lots; thence with the meanders of said fence to the River bank; thence with said river bank to the place of beginning be the same more or less; to her and her heirs and assigns forever. Also one half of a Tract of Land I located the 9th of May last in Ohio County Land Office, adjoining lands of the heirs of John Williamson deceased; containing Four Hundred Acres; to her and her heirs or assigns forever----

Item 10th. To my daughter Delilah Wells I give and bequeath all the residue or upper part of the aforesaid Tract of Land purchased from James Caldwell whereon Samuel Scott now lives: also the one half of the aforesaid Tract I located the 9th of May last; to be divided by a straight line from the River bank between her and her sister Sarah, and her to have the lower part adjoining her other land. The two Tracts to be hers and her heirs or assigns forever---

Item 11th. To my daughter Katie Adams Wells I give and bequeath all that Tract of Land I purchased from John Rolf, adjoining land of Joshua Howard, Thomas Jones and others, said to contain Five Hundred and Sixty-five Acres more or less; also Five Hundred Dollars to be paid by my executors, to her and her heirs and assigns forever---

Item 12th. To my daughter Betsy Prather Wells I give and bequeath all that Tract of Land I purchased from Jeremiah Clemons adjoining Lands of Nicholas Wells and Thomas Cochran, said to contain Three Hundred and Fourteen Acres; to her and her heirs and assigns forever---

LAST WILL OF CHARLES WELLS

Item 13th. To my granddaughter Ruth Wells, daughter Ruth Wells, daughter of Nicholas and Rachel Wells I will and bequeath that she have at the time of her marrying or attaining the age of twenty-one years, One Horse and Saddle to be valued to One Hundred Dollars; and One Hundred Dollars in cash to be paid by my executors—

Item 14th To my Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereafter to be named, I will and bequeath One Hundred Dollars to each of them—

Item 15th To my children of my first wife hereafter to be named (to wit) Rebecca Miller, Temperance Talbot, Benedick Wells, Absalom Wells and Mary Owings, I consider that they have already received an equivalent portion of my estate either real or personal—

Item 16th. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons Charles P. Wells and Nicholas Wells my sole executors of this my last will and Testament. And I do hereby revoke and disannul all others by me heretofore made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirtieth day of December Eighteen Hundred and Fourteen. (1814)

Charles Wells (xxx)

Witnessed by

John Whitten)
George Sturgeon)
Jerh Williams)

Recorded in Tyler Co. Court
May term 1815

Sale Bill of the personal
Estate of Charles Wells, deceased.

List of property sold by Charles P. and Nicholas Wells, Execs.
of the Estate of Charles Wells Decd. 1st Sept. 1815.

1 Shot Gun sold Philander P. Stewart.....	\$ 3.62
1 Axe sold Philander B. Stewart.....	.60
1 Axe sold Francis Thomas.....	.90
1 Plough sold Francis Thomas.....	6.35
1 Axe sold Francis Thomas.....	.50
1 Axe sold David Williamson.....	.57
1 Lott of iron sol ^d David Williamson.....	2.36
1 Oven and lid sold Charles Wells.....	2.00
1 Negro named Peter sold Charles P. Wells.....	500.00
1 Sugar Kettle sold William Wells.....	2.57
1 Lot Pewter sold William Wells.....	11.50
1 Sugar Kettle sold Nicholas Wells.....	2.00
1 Spinning Wheel sold William Dyson.....	1.30
1 Sprinng Wheel sold Thomas Gregg.....	1.50
1 Spinning Wheel sold Daniel Main.....	1.25
1 Check Reel sold Daniel Price.....	1.15
1 Large Wheel sold John Wells.....	2.50
1 Large Wheel sold Richard Talbot.....	1.01
1 Cutting Box sold to Richard Talbot.....	3.01
1 Copper Still sold Richard Talbot.....	70.00
1 Steer sold Richard Talbot.....	29.30
1 Cart and Geers sold Thomas Runnolds.....	12.06
1 Flax Brake sold Thomas Runnolds.....	.50
1 Shovel Mole sold Ralph Smith.....	.50
9 Sickles sold Ralph Smith.....	9.65
1 Steer sold Ralph Smith.....	21.25
1 Lott Iron sold Aron Lewis.....	3.76
1 Feather Bed sold Emanuel Hoover.....	29.75

2 Sheep sold Thomas Evans.....	\$ 7.25
2 Sheep sold Nathan Cooper.....	7.80
2 Sheep sold Nathan Cooper.....	7.00
2 Sheep sold David Evans.....	6.30
2 Sheep sold Benjamin James.....	4.50
2 Sheep sold Richard Cain.....	5.50
1 Cow sold Richard Cain.....	25.00
1 Cow sold Holderman Johnson.....	25.25
1 Cow sold Amos Verguson.....	26.172
1 Steer sold John Buckhan.....	18.00
1 Revised Code sold A. Samuels.....	3.122
1 Bureau sold Robert Gorrell.....	<u>21.00</u>
	Amt. \$871.76

Tyler Co. November Court 1821 This sale bill was presented in Court
and ordered to be recorded.

A copy Teste A. S. Birckhead C.T.C.

FAMILY RECORD
OF
A S A O W I N G S
AND
MARY WELLS OWINGS
MARRIED
1794

Asa Owings came from Baltimore, Md., in the fall of 1795. He stopped with William Griffith for some time to look for an improved farm, but not finding one to suit, he desired to return east to spend the winter. He has with him several thousand dollars in gold and silver which he did not want to take back as he expected to return in the spring and buy land. He and Griffith buried this money deep in the ground under the hearth in Griffith's cabin where it lay until return in May. He then purchased a tract of land south of Harmon's Creek on the hill.

He married in 1797 Mary Wells, daughter of Charles Wells near Buffalo Creek, Brooke Co., W. Va. (This Charles Wells later moved to Tyler Co. and founded Sistersville. Most of the family are buried there.) Asa Owings and his wife Mary Wells Owings lived on this farm during their life time. They raised a family of ten children, five sons and five daughters. The youngest child, Rebecca, married Nathaniel Wells of Middle Ferry.

Asa Owings died about 1819 and Mrs. Owings raised her family and saw them all married and settled in life.

Mary Wells Owings died August 19, 1849, aged 72 years eleven months and three days. Her youngest son Charles Wells Owings now owns and occupies the old homestead.

Asa Owings—Born— Balt. Co. Md. April 22, 1766

Died May 19, 1820

Mary Wells - " Brooke Co. W. Va. September 16, 1776

" . Aug. 19, 1849

Married. — Sept, 28, 1794

Children-	: Birth	: Marriage	: Death
Amelia Owings	: July 29, 1796	: Wm. Atkinson	: Sept. 13, 1869
John	: Nov. 1, 1798	: -----	: July 5, 1825
Ephraim	: Jan. 6, 1801	: Blanch Swearingen	: July 12, 1884
Absalom W.	: June 16, 1803	: -----	: July 9, 1876
Michael	: Aug. 19, 1805	: -----	: April 12, 1825
Katharine	: Sept. 11, 1807	: Thomas Donovan	: Aug. 29, 1852
Asa	: Dec. 29, 1809	: Ruth Donovan	: July 25, 1887
Charles Wells	: Nov. 23, 1812	: Honor Wheeler	: April 8, 1894
Mary Owings	: April 2, 1816	: John Elson	: Nov. 1, 1892
*Rebecca	: July 2, 1818	: Nathaniel Wells	: Feb. 1899
		: June 30, 1842	

FAMILY RECORD

OF

JAMES WELLS

AND

HONOR WELLS

MARRIED

James Wells, Born, Maryland, 1700-1710
 Honor Wells, " " " "

Died Brook Co. W. Va., 1804
 " " " " 1796

Married —

Children	: Births	: Marriages	: Deaths
Nancy Wells	: - 1740	: — Livingston	:
*Richard Wells	: Oct. 25, 1742	: Editha Cole	: Sept. 24, 1831
	:	: — 1776	:

James and Honor Wells came from Maryland in the year 1790 to spend their declining years with their son Richard whose wife had died leaving him with two children,—Jesse and Jamima. They are both buried on the farm of their son Richard in Brook Co., W. Va., about five miles from Wellsburg.

FAMILY RECORD
OF
RICHARD WELLS
AND
EDITHA COLE WELLS.

MARRIED

1776

Richard Wells, Born, Balt. Co. Md. -- Oct. 25, 1742
 Editha Cole " Bedford Co. -- July 17, 1740

Died Sept. 24, 1831
 " Feb. 10, 1783

Married 1776

Children	Births	Marriages	Deaths
* Jesse Wells	Jan. 3, 1779	Susan Davis Sept. 4, 1800	March 21, 1841
Jemima	June 25, 1780	Never married	Aug. 6, 1860

INDENTURE FOR AN EMIGRANT SOLD TO PAY HIS PASSAGE MONEY.

Witnesseth that John Peterson of the County of Bedford and province of Pennsylvania, yeman, of his own free and voluntary will, for the consideration of the sum of Seven Pounds, sixteen shillings and seven pence lawful money of Pennsylvania, and for other good causes, he the said John Patterson hath bound and put himself, and by these presents doth bind and put himself servent to Richard Wells of the county afs'd, to serve him, his Executors, Administrators and assigns, from the Day of the Date hereof, for and during the full term of one year and six months thence next ensuing, During all which Term the said Servant, said Richard Wells, his executors, Administrators and assigns faithfully shall serve and that honestly and obediently in all Things as a good and dutiful Servant ought to do. And the said Richard Wells, his Executors, Administrators and assigns, during the said Term shall find and provide for the said Servant, sufficient Meat, Drink, Washing and Lodging.

And for the Performance hereof both the said Parties bind themselves firmly to each other by these Presents. IN WITNESS whereof they have hereunto interchangeably set their Hands and Seals.

Dated the thirteenth Day of March, Anno Domina one thousand seven hundred and seventy three.

Done before me
George Woods, J. P.

John his
 X Peterson
 mark

March 13, 1773

A copy of above in "Newton's History of the Panhandle."

BILL OF SALE OF A NEGRO WOMAN. 1800

Know all men by these presents that I, Samuel Wheeler of Broo Co. in the commonwealth of Virginia, for and in consideration of the sum of Two Hundred and Sixty-five Dollars and seventy six cents to me in hand paid by Richard Wells of the County and commonwealth aforesaid, before the sealing and delivering of the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said Richard Wells, his heirs and assigns, and certain Negro Woman named DINAH, the said negro woman being about nineteen years of age.

To have and to hold the said negro woman and her offspring, to the said Richard Wells, his heirs and assigns, to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Richard Wells, his heirs and assigns forever.

And the said Samuel Wheeler doth hereby covenant and agree to and with the said Richard Wells, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, that he, the said Samuel Wheeler, his heirs executors, administrators and assigns, the said negro woman named Dinah, shall and will warrant to be a slave for life, and warrant and defend the said negro woman to the said Richard Wells, his heirs, and against the claims of the said Samuel Wheeler, and all other person and persons whatsoever by these presents.

In witness whereof the said Samuel Wheeler hath hereunto set his hand and seal, this third day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of
James Wallace
Josias Reeves

Samuel Wheeler (seal)

Be it remembered that on the third day of May in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred in the presence of us—of services was given of the within named negro woman to the said Richard Wells by the said Samuel Wheeler giving to the said Richard Wells, the actual possession of the within named negro woman.

Witness
Josias Reeves
her
Elizabeth X Reeves
mark
her
Mary O Pley
mark

Brooke Co. June Term 1800
The within bill of sale was acknowledged
in Court and ordered to be recorded.
Recorded in Book B, page 207
Teste
William B. Herren per
John Connell, C.B.C.

RICHARD WELLS
Last Will & Testament

In the name of God Amen, I Richard Wells of Brook County and the state of Virginia being aged and weak in body but of sound mind and memory, I do this third day of December in the year of Our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Twenty Eight make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth, to wit:--

First, I make and bequeath to my son Jesse Wells that part of my tract of land whereon he, Jesse, now lives, bounded as followeth viz:-- beginning in the State line at a notched hickory, thence a westerly course to a double locust marked as the lines come to and go from said locust, thence westerly to a locust post planted in the lane notched as aforesaid; thence running northerly to a Red Oak standing outside of the cleared land. Said Red Oak is notched as the line comes to and goes from said Oak. Thence a westerly course to a marked White Oak in a straight line from said Red Oak to a line between John Hindman and myself. Thus divided after my decease to be the property of my son Jesse Wells his heirs and assigns forever.

The remaining part of my tract of land whereon I now live after my decease I make and bequeath to my daughter Jamima Wells, her heirs and assigns forever.

And further, as to my tract of land called the Narrows, with the Ferry thereon I bequeath to Jesse and Jamima in manner and form following--

That is to say the same is not to be sold during the lifetime of them both, but to be rented and the rent to be equally divided as the same may become due; and in case of the death of either, then and in that case the survivor to inherit the whole for their only proper use forever.

And further I will and bequeath to my son Jesse Wells One Hundred and Fifty Dollars after my decease. And further I leave my three negroes--Daniel, Dinah and Elijah to be free at my decease.

And further I will and bequeath to my beloved daughter Jamima Wells the whole of my personal estate not otherwise disposed of.

And lastly I make, ordain, constitute and appoint my well beloved daughter Jamima Wells the whole and sole executrix of this my Last Will and Testament,-- to pay my just debts and collect my dues, and that no security be required of her.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year first above written.

Richard Wells

Witnesses:

Dec. 3, 1828

Absalom Wells)
John Hindman)

Recorded Brook Co., W. Va.
October 31, 1831

"There was another Richard Wells fort about six miles north west of these in West Virginia a short distance from the Penna. line. In a letter from Gov. Marshall to Gen. Irvine. He says, 'Tomorrow I intend marching whatever men may rendezvous in this quarter to Richard Wells Fort, which is within five miles of Mingo Bottom'"

In the year 1782.

Ohio County Records in Wellsburg Court House, W. Va.

" In 1787 Richard Wells buys from Benjamin Johnston for forty pounds (40) current money, the hillside— beginning upper end of Mingo Bottom (on W. Va. side of the Ohio River) — to 56 poles below mouth of Harmon's Creek, — containing by estimate 217 acres. Purchase price about \$200.00. The original deed is in my possession—KVN.

ORDER FOR RICHARD WELLS, ESQ.

Order of Court 1790 - exempting negro from tax

"At a Court held for Ohio County on Monday .. the 5th day of April, 1790 orders that Richard Wells, Esq. be exempted in futer from paying county levy for a negro woman named, Shinnit, the property of (?) Wells."

A copy

Moses Chaplenith

FAMILY RECORD
OF
WILLIAM DAVIS
AND
CATHARINE GRIFFIN DAVIS
MARRIED
1777

William Davis Born Baltimore Co. Md. (Welsh) Died Holliday's Cove, W. Va.
 Catherine Griffen Davis " " " " " " " W. Va.

Married Baltimore 1777

Children	Births	Marriages	Deaths
Joshua Davis	1778	Isabel Logan 1800	1842
*Susannah	Feb. 6, 1781	Jesse Wells Sept. 4, 1800	June 24, 1864
Nathaniel	1793	Sarah Graham 1810	
Honora	1785	Thomas Graham	
Jemima	1778	Col. Wm. Croghan 1805	

William Davis and Catherine Griffin Davis were married in the year 1777. The parents of both were Welsh.

A few years after their marriage (probably between 1785 and 1790) they emigrated from Baltimore Co., Md., to Ft. Edgington, Va., now called Holliday's Cove, W. Va.

They suffered many hardships. The Indians drove them from their homes with other settlers and burned their Cabins. They were frequently forced to take refuge in the Fort.

William Davis died some years after they came to Virginia leaving Catherine to struggle alone with her family." Mrs. Herron.

.....
 An incident is told of Joshua the eldest son:—

Among a number of other quite interesting incidents of early times in Brooke Co. and on the opposite side of the Ohio related at the pioneer association at Steubenville, was one narrated by Col. Nathaniel Wells, of Joshua Davis, which is illustrative of the perils of those times which so sorely "tried mens' souls."

In those early days all the salt produced by the settlers in this vicinity was transported from Baltimore on horseback, and in return for it the people dug up in the forests here large quantities of ginseng, for which at that time there was a great demand in the markets of Baltimore.

At the time in which this incident happened there were no settlers on the Ohio side of the river, but when there were no rumors of Indians about, those on the Virginia side were frequently in the habit of crossing over from the settlement at the fort to gather "sang root" as it was then popularly called, on the hills where Steubenville now stands. At the time of the following occurrence, Joshua Davis of whom many of the old citizens have heard, and who was then a young man, in company with a number of others, had crossed in canoes and proceeded to a little clearing upon what is now known as the John Bustard farm, for the purpose of laying in a supply of this marketable vegetable.

The manner of digging it was by sharpening a long stick with which the root was pried up from the native earth-- this was afterward dried and made ready for market. The party had all entered the clearing except young Davis and an old man named Anderson. The man was kneeling on the ground busy at his work, while Davis was standing by sharpening his stick, when suddenly a wild whoop was uttered and two rifle shots rang out. The old man fell a corpse, but Davis was untouched. The savages not seeing the remainder of the party they made for their canoes and hurried across the river to report the tidings to the settlers at the Fort--- reporting that both Anderson and Davis were killed. This was incorrect. At the fall of Anderson, Davis realizing the situation and being fleet of foot, darted into the forest in a southerly direction with the band of screeching bloodthirsty demons after him, their terrific yells rending the forest. He led them down the river hoping to save his companions by misleading the howling heathen who were on his track. He finally out distanced them and reaching the river near the present site of Mingo, swam across.

His friends were shortly after greatly astonished to see him bound into the cabin with his knife still open in one hand, and the stick he had been whittling in the other, both of which in his terrible race for life, and his long dive through the river, he had never dropped from his hands."

From Newton's History of the Pan Handle, Page 316

This Joshua Davis was a brother of Susan Davis who married Jesse Wells in 1800 they were the parents of Col. Nathaniel Wells.

FAMILY RECORD
OF
JESSE WELLS
AND
SUSAN DAVIS WELLS
MARRIED
1800

Jesse Wells, Born Bedford Co., Pa. Jan. 3, 1779 Died March 21, 1841
 Susan Davis, " Balt. Co. Md. Feb. 6, 1781 " June 24, 1864

Married Sept. 4, 1800 by Phillip Doddridge

Children	Births	Marriages	Deaths
Nancy Wells	: Sept. 4, 1801	: John Hamilton : April 9, 1821	: July 3, 1864
James	: May 16, 1803	: Margaret Crall	: March 4, 1860
Richard	: Jan. 3, 1805	: Died at 8 yrs.	: Dec. 9, 1813
Editha	: May 4, 1807	: John Wright	: Aug. 19, 1866
*Nathaniel	: June 19, 1809	: Mary Atkinson : Feb. 28, 1836	: 1884
		: Rebecca Owings : June 30, 1847	

JESSE WELLS
Last Will & Testament

In the name of God, I, Jesse Wells considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of a sound mind and memory,— blessed be Almighty God for the same—do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following:—that is to say—

First, I give and bequeath unto my wife Susan Wells one third of the plantation on which I now reside; and one third of all the household property or personal effects. In addition, thereto, I will and bequeath unto her my horse "Creation". I further leave it optional with my wife whether she remain in the Mansion House, or consent to the sale of the farm and hold one third of the purchase money during her natural life time.

I further will and bequeath my wife the rent of the farm (during the life of my son James) for her maintenance. During said time in case farm should be sold I will and bequeath an equal divide of two thirds of the purchase money and also two thirds of my personal property (except such as I have reserved) to each of my four children—Nancy Hamilton, James Wells, Nathaniel Wells and Edie Wright.

And in case said farm is not sold and equally divided;— of the two thirds of the rent of, or the proceeds of said farm, I reserve as much of the real estate money, or personal, or both as the case may be, as will pay my just debts and funeral expenses.

My son Nathaniel's claim of Three Hundred and Sixty Dollars and Thirty One cents I acknowledge as just, and it shall draw interest coming from the date of this instrument of writing.

In case said farm be sold or otherwise as the legatees may determine, I enjoin most sacredly that the burying ground of my Father and family be reserved in said sale; and in addition thereto that special care be taken of the same by whomsoever shall be renter or purchaser of said farm.

And I hereby appoint James Wells and Nathaniel Wells, my sons, executors of this my Last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have herunto set my hand and seal this thirty-first day of January in the year of Our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Forty One. (Jan. 31, 1841.)

Jesse Wells.

Signed sealed published and declared by the above named Jesse Wells to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses.

David Pierce)
David Gardner)
Henry Hamilton)

And I Jesse Wells on the day and year above specified do will and bequeath to my granddaughter Susana Wright One Hundred Dollars in case she conducts herself in a becoming manner so that her grandmother is satisfied she deserves the same. Said hundred dollars to be given to her when she arrives at the age of twenty one years; with lawful interest from the date of this will.

Signed and sealed as above

FAMILY RECORD
OF
NATHANIEL DAVIS WELLS
AND
REBECCA OWINGS WELLS
MARRIED
1842

Nathaniel Wells—Born, Brook Co, W. Va.—June 19, 1809 Died Nov. 9, 1884
 Mary Atkinson " " " W. Va. 1816 " Aug. 18, 1840

Married Feb. 28, 1836

Rebecca Owings — Born W. Va. July 2, 1818 Died Jan. 4, 1899
 Married June 30, 1842

Children	Births	Marriages	Deaths
Lewis Wells	June 13, 1840	Rose born Oct. 1844: Rose McCord Jan. 29, 1863	Apr. 21, 1915 Rose—Feb. 26, 1928
Children to the second wife			
Edwin Wells	June 13, 1843	never married	Nov. 2, 1863
George	April 1, 1845	never married	Oct. 1, 1862
Mary	Nov. 24, 1847	Richard Mahan May 14, 1868	Oct. 7, 1911
*Ephraim	Jan. 8, 1849	Mary Cowans June 23, 1873	Jan. 24, 1924 Mary—Nov. 11, 1922
Katharine	Jan. 22, 1851	died while small	
Talbot	June 18, 1855	Jennie Bustle	Nov. 1925
Alice	Dec. 11, 1857	Jim Mann July 18, 1875	
William	June 29, 1861	Eva Durbin	

AN ANCIENT SEFULCHER.

"In the summer of 1834, one Samuel Cummings an enterprising stone mason of Steubenville, Ohio, one day crossed the river to prospect along the ledge of rocks that line the hills along the Virginia side for a suitable place to quarry stone. In looking about he discovered a massive rock that in some previous age of the world had fallen from the over hanging cliffs above. While making an examination with a view to quarrying it he discovered an ancient stone wall built around one side of it, but almost hidden from view by the accumulation of the rubbish of ages. Curiosity led him to throw this wall down, when an opening appeared in the rock that disclosed a large cavern or vault scooped out of the under side of the rock which contained a large number of human skeletons packed together in perfect regularity. The number estimated at seventy five or one hundred.

At the time of this discovery, the owner of the land-- Col. Nathaniel Wells-- lived several miles distant and did not hear of it for some days. In the meantime, in the absence of any one with authority to protect the place, visitors thronged to it by the hundreds, each one carrying away prominent portions of these remains till they were all scattered as it were to the winds. Thus were the remains of the pre-historic dead, dragged from the long repose of ages and ruthlessly destroyed to gratify the idle curiosity of the ignorant and thoughtless. Had these remains been permitted to remain undisturbed for the inspection of the Archeologist and scientist, they might have added something to our small stock of knowledge of a people that have long since disappeared and left but little of their history behind.

Mr. Wells sadly regrets that he knew nothing of the transaction until too late, for he would have protected the sepulcher by an iron door and lock for the inspection of men of science.

This vault is located on the Virginia side of the Ohio River nearly opposite South street, Steubenville, about one hundred rods below Mr. Wells ferry landing, and a few feet east of the Pittsburgh Wheeling and Kentucky Railroad.

From "Newton's History of the Panhandle" Page 320

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE THREE STEUBENVILLE

FERRYS:

With rates of toll Annexed.

For every 4 Horse Wagon	35 cts. each way.
For every 3 Horse Wagon	30 cts. each way.
For every 2 Horse Wagon	25 cts. each way.
For every 1 Horse Wagon, Cart or Express	20 cts. each way.
For every 2 Horse Pleasure Carriage	30 cts. each way.
For every 1 Horse Pleasure Carriage	25 cts. each way.
For every Horse and Rider	10 cts. each way.
For every Horse and Rider to Market, 15 cts. for the round trip, or for single trip	10 cts.
For all Foot Passengers, each way,	5 cts. a head.
For all Neat Cattle	5 cts. a head.
For all Hogs,	2 cts. a head.
For Sheep,	1 ct. a head.
For droves of Horses,	5 cts. a head.

No Market Wagon allowed to carry more than two Passengers besides the Driver, and they must belong to the same family owning the Wagon.

All persons going to Church on the Sabbath are required to be at the Ferry Boat, at or before the ringing of the Church bells, and to return as soon as Church is out. A failure on the part of any one will subject them to pay the above rates of toll stated.

The above arrangement to take effect August 9.

CRAWFORD & TURNER, Upper Ferry,
WINTERINGER & WELLS, Middle Ferry,
BERNARD WINTERINGER, Lower Ferry.

Steubenville, August 3, 1858

NATHANIEL WELLS: R. R. INTERESTS.

In 1847, a petition was presented to the Virginia Legislature for the right of way to build a Railroad from the Ohio River opposite Steubenville across the Pan Handle of Virginia to the Pennsylvania State line, to fill a gap then existing in the present P.C. and St. L. Ry. line. The petitioners' prayer was not granted. A similar petition was presented to each succeeding Legislature until 1852 with the same result. Further efforts in that direction seeming useless, Messrs. Jesse Edgington and Col. Nathaniel Wells, two energetic, enterprising citizens, in 1853 undertook to build it as a private enterprise, and to that end bought from the landowners along the line of the road one hundred feet of land the entire width of the Pan-Handle - seven miles - and received a title in fee simple for it. The contract for building the road was given to John W. Geary in June, 1853. Mr. Geary subsequently was appointed governor of the territory of Kansas and was afterwards elected governor of Pennsylvania.

On the fourth day of July, 1854, the first train ran over the road from the Ohio to the Pennsylvania State line, where a grand celebration and a public dinner was held.

Edgington and Wells were bitterly opposed by the Virginia authorities. In the fall of 1853 the Governor direct the Attorney General to file in the Ohio County Circuit Court a bill for an injunction enjoining them against further prosecution of the work of constructing the road. The defendants promptly met the issue. The State failed to appear, and the case was dismissed. Immediately thereafter, however, the Prosecuting Attorney of Brooke County commenced another suit in the Circuit Court there charging the defendants with a conspiracy against the laws of the State. The case was promptly met again and after able argument was decided against the State. Not satisfied yet, the enemies of the Road succeeded in getting a bill introduced into the Legislature of Virginia in the session of 1853-54 declaring it a misdemeanor punishable by fine and imprisonment in the penitentiary for any person or persons without a grant of way by the Legislature to build a railroad within the limits of the state. Messrs. Edgington and Wells promptly repaired to Richmond and the result was, the bill failed to pass. They ran a passenger car daily each way for a period of six months, when they discontinued their trains and the road remained idle.

This Road later became a part of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway (Pan Handle)

From "History of the Panhandle."

FAMILY RECORD
OF
EPHRAIM T. WELLS
AND
MARY COWANS WELLS
MARRIED
1873

Ephraim T. Wells, Born, Middle Ferry, W. Va. Jan. 8, 1849--Died, Jan. 24, 1924

Mary B. Cowans " Bethany, W. Va. June 27, 1854-----" Nov. 11, 1922

Married June 23, 1873

Children	Births	Marriages	Deaths
Katharine Cowan Wells	: June 20, 1874	: William H. Netting	: Sept. 19, 1937
	: :	: Sept. 2, 1895	: Wm, Easter, 1935
Leonard Nathaniel Davis "	: June 14, 1876	: Lida Carr	: :
	: :	: June 8, 1902	: :
Anna Pearl Wells	: Dec. 8, 1882	: Graham Bright	: Feb. 29, 1932
	: :	: April 10, 1906	: :
Mildred Ena Olive Wells	: May 12, 1894	: Frank B. Olander	: :
	: :	: May 29, 1920	: :

Laura Menter-- Born March 5, 1866

Died March, 1927

Married--

Eliczer Davies, Born 1869

Died 1940

Steubenville, Ohio.
January 4, 1923.

The following resolutions are presented by the
Loyal Women's Bible Class of the First Christian Church
of Steubenville, Ohio.

Be it Resolved:

First - That we extend to the family of
our late friend and sister, Mrs. E.T. Wells, our sincere
sympathy and that we pray God's blessing upon all who have had
great sorrow because of her death.

Second - That we give expression to our feeling
of gratitude as a class for the splendid friendship, fine
Christian spirit and loyal service always manifested by
Mrs. Wells as a member of the class.

Third - That we express herein our own deep
sense of loss and sorrow at her going.

Fourth - That we state as our sincere belief
that both the church and the community have lost in Mrs. Wells
a great moral and spiritual power.

Fifth - That we the Loyal Women's Bible Class
determine to profit by her fine Christian example and to
so labor for the Lord that to some extent at least her place
shall be filled by us.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Committee.

Mrs. Olo M. Gribben
Mrs. A. J. Barber
Mrs. D. Rosselli

Obituary of Mrs. E. T. Wells

Mrs. Mary Cowans Wells, beloved wife of E. T. Wells, of this city entered into rest peacefully at the home of her son, Reverend L. Nathaniel D. Wells, in Akron, on Saturday evening, November 11, 1922, at 10:30 o'clock, after a month's illness. Mrs. Wells' sudden illness came as a tragedy after a most wonderful service at the First Christian Church at Akron, where her son has been the beloved pastor for a number of years. (Her son had been called to the East Dallas Christian Church in Dallas, Texas.)

It was at the close of her son's farewell service at the High Street Church, Akron, Ohio, that she was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage while greeting a young man who had just been ordained for the ministry. She lived in a semi-conscious condition for four weeks, when she gently fell asleep to waken in eternity.

Mrs. Wells was a daughter of John and Jane Mann Cowans, and was born in Bethany, West Virginia, June 27, 1854. Her father having lost his life in the Civil War, she came to Steubenville and made her home with an aunt, Mrs. William Harding on North Third Street. She married E. T. Wells on June 23, 1873, and they contemplated celebrating their golden wedding anniversary in 1923. Mrs. Wells was well and favorably known in the city, a devoted wife and mother, an earnest and faithful worker in the W.C.T.U., a member of the C.W.B.M. of the First Christian Church of Steubenville, Ohio, and one of the most active members of this denomination, and active in the missions of the church and especially helpful to the mission at Tokyo, Japan. She was pleasing in appearance, with a charming personality, and the beauty of her Christian spirit shown all along the pathway of life, and her presence will not only be missed in the home circle, but in the sanctuary which she served with Christian grace and faithfulness. She is gone, but her good works do follow her, and many hearts have been uplifted and many sorrows lightened by her gentle ministrations.

She leaves to mourn her loss her husband and the following children: Kate, wife of W.H. Netting, Bethany, W. Va.; Reverend L. Nathaniel D. Wells of Akron Ohio, who has just been called to the First Christian Church at Dallas Texas, to succeed Rev. Slater, a former minister of Steubenville, Ohio; Pearl, wife of Graham Bright, and Mildred, wife of Frank B. Olander, the latter two of Wilkinsburg, Pa. Also twelve grandchildren and one great grandson (Bob Bullard) and one adopted daughter, Mrs. Laura Menter Davies, of Washington Street, Steubenville. She leaves one sister, Mrs. A. J. Mercer of Kearney, Neb. who is at the bereaved home. A remarkable feature of the family is that during these fifty years of companionship of Mr. and Mrs. Wells, they have never had a break in their family circle of children with their husbands, wives and children in an unbroken family until this time when the beloved mother and grandmother has entered into rest.

A short funeral service was held at the parsonage in Akron, Sunday afternoon, Rev. George Darsey officiating. The cortege arrived in Steubenville at 7:18 P. M. Monday evening, and was driven to the family residence, 533 North Fifth Street, where children and friends are assembled. She was buried in the Union Cemetery, Steubenville, Ohio.

OBITUARY OF EPHRAIM T. WELLS

E. T. Wells, aged 75, one of the best known residents of Steubenville, Ohio, and a member of one of the oldest families of this vicinity, passed away at his home 533 N. Fifth Street, at 8:15 this morning, January 24, 1924.

The deceased was born January 8, 1849, on a farm in Brooke Co. near what is now known as East Steubenville. He was a son of the late Hon. Nathaniel and Rebecca Wells. Nathaniel Wells, his father, was a member of the Virginia state legislature before the state was divided into Virginia and West Virginia. He was prominent in Virginia politics and was widely known for his work in the legislature.

Mr. Wells lived on the farm where he was born, engaging in agriculture, until 1884. At that time, he came to this city and has lived here ever since. On June 23, 1873, he married Mary E. Cowan, of Bethany. They would have celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last June, but Mrs. Wells passed away a few months before.

After he came to Steubenville, Mr. Wells became engaged in the grocery business. He owned two grocery stores which he kept for years. After selling his two business establishments several years ago, he became affiliated with the Pitcairn Products Co., of Newark, N. J., becoming a salesman for this company.

He was the agent in the Steubenville district for this company, having his headquarters in an office in the rear of his home. He sold these products throughout this district.

He was a devout member of the Christian church and was an officer in the church. Mr. Wells was active in all the affairs of the church and was a devout Christian. While in business and as a salesman in his later years, Mr. Wells had a reputation for honest and square dealing. He had a likable personality and during his many years in this city built up a circle of countless friends who today were grieved to learn of his death.

He is survived by the following children, Mrs. Katharine Netting, 533 North Fifth Street; Dr. L. N. D. Wells, pastor of the East Dallas Christian church, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Pearl Wells Bright, Wilkinsburg, Pa. and Mrs. Mildred Wells Olander, also of Wilkinsburg.

One brother, Todd R. Wells, of Oklahoma City, and one sister, Mrs. Alice Mann, of Columbus, also survive.

WELLS FUNERAL.

Funeral services of E. T. Wells were held this afternoon at 2:30 from the late home, 533 North Fifth Street. Rev. Johnson of the First Christian Church had charge of the services and the church choir furnished the music. Pall bearers were F. B. Olander, Fred Helfer, Fred Mahan, Todd Bullard, Foster Walker and Graham Bright. Interment was in Union cemetery, Steubenville, Ohio.

WILL

IN THE NAME OF THE BENEVOLENT FATHER OF ALL:

I, Ephraim T. Wells, of the City of Steubenville, Jefferson County, Ohio, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament.

ITEM FIRST:

It is my will that all of my just debts and expenses shall be paid as soon as practicable after my decease.

ITEM SECOND:

I will and bequeath to my daughter, Katharine Netting, the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars and my folding bed in front room and dresser in the room now occupied by me.

ITEM THIRD:

I will and bequeath to my son, Rev. L. N. D. Wells, of Dallas, Texas, the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars. I also will and bequeath to my said son, Rev. L.N.D. Wells, my two pieced quilts and any books in my library he may want, excepting the set of books called "The History of Our Country".

Item Fourth:

I will and bequeath to my daughter, Pearl Wells Bright, the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars; also my bookcase with desk attached and the set of books called "The History of Our Country".

ITEM FIFTH:

I will and bequeath to my daughter, Mildred Wells Olander, the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars and my kitchen cabinet, table and table linens.

ITEM SIX:

I will and bequeath to Mrs. Laura Davies the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars and my phonograph with the records belonging thereto.

ITEM SEVENTH:

All the residue of my household goods, including silverware, pictures, etc., I will and bequeath to my son, Rev. L.N.D. Wells, my daughters, Katharine Netting, Pearl Wells Bright, Mildred Wells Olander, and Laura Davies, share and share alike, so far as they may choose the same, and any portion or part of my household goods they may not desire to have, the same shall be sold and reduced to money to be applied in the payment of the legacies herein mentioned.

ITEM EIGHTH:

I will and bequeath to The First Christian Church of Steubenville, Ohio, known in the Year Books as the Disciples of Christ, the sum of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150) Dollars, to be used for the building fund of said church.

ITEM NINTH:

I will and bequeath to The Womens Christian Temperance Union of Steubenville, Ohio, the sum of Fifty (\$50) Dollars.

ITEM TENTH:

I will and bequeath to The Womens Missionary Society, Number One, of The First Christian Church of Steubenville, Ohio, the sum of Fifty (\$50) Dollars.

ITEM ELEVENTH:

I will and bequeath to W. D. Cunningham, in trust for The Yatsuya Mission, Tokyo, Japan, the sum of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150) Dollars.

Will of Ephraim T. Wells.

The four above items and bequests are made in sacred memory of my beloved wife, Mary E. Wells.

ITEM TWELFTH:

It is my will that my executor shall invest the sum of One Thousand and Sixty-two (\$1062) Dollars in such manner as they may deem proper, and to pay the net income therefrom to Mrs. Alice Mann, whose present address is 743 Neal Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

The said sum of \$1062 was left to me in trust by my father, Nathaniel Wells, the interest of which trust fund is to be paid to my sister, Mrs. Alice Mann, during her natural life. At the death of Mrs. Alice Mann, said sum of \$1062 is to be paid to the heirs of my sister, Mrs. Richard Mahan.

ITEM THIRTEEN:

I will and bequeath to The United Christian Missionary Society of The Christian Church, with offices at St. Louis, Missouri, known in the Year Book as Disciples of Christ, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, as an annuity to my son, Rev. L.N.D. Wells, and the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars as an annuity to my daughter, Katharine Netting, and the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars as an annuity to my daughter, Mildred Wells Olander.

At the death of my said children, the said several sums of money shall be the absolute property of the United Christian Missionary Society of the Christian Church, as above named, to be used to advance the Kingdom of our Lord.

ITEM FOURTEEN:

I will and bequeath to W. D. Cunningham, in trust for The Yatsuya Mission, Tokyo, Japan, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, as an annuity to my daughter, Pearl Wells Bright, and the sum of Five Hundred Dollars as an annuity to Laura Davies.

At the death of my daughter, Pearl Wells Bright and at the death of Laura Davies, the respective sums so willed in trust as aforesaid shall become the absolute property of The Yatsuya Mission of Tokyo, Japan, to be used to promote the Kingdom of our Lord.

ITEM FIFTEEN:

It is my will that my farm in Brooke County, West Virginia, and my real estate in the City of Steubenville, shall be sold by my executors as hereinafter provided, and all of my stocks and bonds, my stock of Toilet Articles and Household Goods in which I deal, and property of every character not hereinbefore disposed of, shall be sold and reduced to money, and after the payment of my debts and expenses and the payment and satisfaction of all of the foregoing legacies all of the residue of the proceeds of the sale of said property and all the money left in the hands of the executors of my will, I will and bequeath to my four children, Katharine Netting, Rev. L.N.D. Wells, Pearl Wells Bright, and Mildred Wells Olander, share and share alike.

ITEM SIXTEENTH:

It is my will that my children and also Laura Davies, shall have the right and are hereby given the power to designate as to what branch of missionary work the moneys authorized to be paid by this my will as annuities shall be applied

ITEM SEVENTEENTH:

I do hereby nominate and appoint my two sons-in-law, Graham Bright and Frank Olander, executors of this my last Will and Testament without bond. I have every confidence in my sons-in-law and am trusting them to fully carry out the provisions of this will without giving any bond.

I do hereby authorize and empower my executors to sell at Public or private sale all of my real estate situated in the State of West Virginia or the State of Ohio, of wherever situated or wherever found, and all the real estate of which I shall die seized, at public or private sale, at such time as they may deem proper and at such price and upon such terms as they may think best, and deeds in fee simple to execute and deliver to the purchasers therefor.

My executors shall sell any personal property to me belonging, including my stock of toilet articles and household goods in which I deal, and any household goods my children and Laura Davies may not see proper to select, at private or public sale as they may deem proper.

My executors shall apply any moneys I have to my credit or on deposit in the bank, first, to the payment of my debts and expenses and any portion that may be left to any of the legacies in this my will mentioned. I hereby revoke all former wills by me made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of January, 1923.

(Signed) EPHRAIM T. WELLS

Signed and acknowledge by said Ephraim T. Wells as his last Will and Testament in our presence and signed by us in his presence.

(Signed) D. M. GRUBER

(Signed) JESSIE PEARCE

Our Ancestry through Charles Wells and Temperance Butler

Katharine C. Wells (Netting): Dr. L. N. D. Wells: Anna Pearl Wells (Bright):
Mildred Ena Olive Wells (Olander).

The four children of

Ephraim T. Wells,	Born Middle Ferry, W. Va.	Jan. 8, 1849	Died Jan. 24, 1924
Mary B. Cowans	Born Bethany, W. Va.	June 27, 1854	Died Nov. 11, 1922
	Married	June 23, 1873	

EPHRAIM son of

Hon. Nathaniel Wells	born Brooke Co, W. Va.,	June 19, 1809	Died Nov. 9, 1884
Rebecca Owings	born W. Va.	July 2, 1818	Died Jan. 4, 1899
	Married	June 30, 1842	

REBECCA OWINGS daughter of

Asa Owings	Born Balt. Co., Md.	April 22, 1766	Died May 19, 1820
Mary Wells	Born Brooke Co., W. Va.	Sept. 16, 1776	Died Aug. 19, 1849
	Married	Sept. 28, 1794	

MARY WELLS daughter of

Hon. Charles Wells	Born Balt. Co., Md.	April 6, 1745	Died April 16, 1815
Michal Owings	Born Balt. Co., Md.	Feb. 12, 1745	Died May 17, 1783
	Married	Dec. 27, 1764	

HON CHARLES WELLS son of

Benjamin Wells,	born Balt. Co., Md.	1724	Died
Temperance Butler	born June 17,	1726	Died Feb. 19, 1800
	Married	1743	

TEMPERANCE BUTLER (Wells) daughter of

Henry Butler
Susanna Butler

Henry and Susanna Butler had the following children:
Henry and Elizabeth who were twins (June 14, 1715)
Susanna, Urath, Sophia, Anon, Temperance and Absalom.
Temperance was born June 17, 1726 and married Benj. Wells.

Our Ancestry through Joshua Owings to Richard and Jane Moore, of Maryland

Katharine C. Wells (Netting): Dr. L. N. D. Wells; Anna Pearl Wells (Bright); and Mildred Ena Olive Wells (Olander). Children of Ephraim Wells.

Ephraim Wells son of Nathaniel Wells and Rebecca Owings (Wells)

Rebecca Owings (Wells) daughter of Mary Wells Owings and Asa Owings.

Mary Wells (Owings) daughter of Hon. Charles Wells and Michal Owings (Wells)

Michal Owings (Wells) daughter of ***Joshua Owings*** and Mary Cockey (Owings)

Mary Cockey (Owings) daughter of John Cockey and Elizabeth Slade (Cockey)

John Cockey son of Wm. Cockey and Sarah Cockey of Cuckold Point Devenshire, Eng.
who came to America in 1679

JOSHUA OWINGS (who married Mary Cockey (Owings)) was the son of

Capt. Richard Owings born 16—
Rachel Beale born 1676

Married Apr. 4, 1698 ?

Their children were Samuel, Joshua, Richard and Helen.
Joshua married Mary Cockey, Mar. 9, 1735

Rachel Beale was the daughter of

Ninian Beale (Colonel) or (Anthony Beale?) (Ninⁱ yon, Ninyoⁱine, Ninian Beall)
Ruth Moore Beale

Married

Ruth Moore was the daughter of

Richard Moore
Jane Moore
of St. Mary County, Md.

From a book on Clark family of S. C. by Eva Clark Turner of N. Y.

FAMILY RECORD
OF
MILDRED WELLS OLANDER
AND
FRANK BERNARD OLANDER
MARRIED

May 29, 1920

Mildred E. Wells Born Steubenville, Ohio May 12, 1894
 Frank B. Olander Born Eureka, California Oct. 6, 1893
 Married May 29, 1920

Children	Births	Marriages	Deaths
Mary Alma Olander	: July 16, 1921	: b. June 26, : Wm. A. Price, Jr. : Nov. 12, 1945	: : :
Leona Rose (Posy)	: Aug. 8, 1923	: b. July 19, : Dr. DeArmond Moore: : Oct. 8, 1946	: : :
Katharine Wells (twins)	: June 27, 1927	: : :	: : :
Margaret Wells	: " " "	: : :	: : :
Miriam Jean	: Feb. 5, 1933	: : :	: : :

The children of Mary Alma Olander (Price) and William Adamson Price, Jr., are
 Carol Jean born Aug. 5, 1947 in Wilkinsburg, Pa. (Magee Hospital)

From book on Clark Family of S.C. by Eva Clark Turner of New York

Richard Moore married Jane Moore (Barrister of St. Mary's Co., Md.)

Ruth Moore (Beale) married Col. Niglan Meale in 1670.

Rachel Beale was born in 1676 and married Captain Richard Owings on April 4, 1698 (?). Capt. Richard Owings was born in 16--.

Joshua Owings was born in Baltimore Co., Md., in 1704 and March 9, 1735 married Mary Cockey. Her birth date was December 10, 1716.

Mary Cockey's father, John Cockey was Born in 1681 and died Aug. 15, 1746. John Cockey married Elizabeth Slade Jan. 17, 1714. Elizabeth Slade (Cockey) was born 1685 and died Aug. 5, 1780.

John Cockey's father was Wm. Cockey Born in 1638 (?) and married in 1674(?) Sarah Cockey whose birth date was May 17, 1698 (?). These two "Wm. and Sarah Cockey of Cuckold Point, Devonshire, Eng., migrated to Am. and settled near the Patapska River in Baltimore Co. North Side of Jones Falls" Baltimore Md.

Joshua Owings and Mary Cockey (Owings) were the parents of Michal Owings who was born Feb. 12, 1745 and died May 17, 1783. She married Hon. Charles Wells on Dec. 27, 1764. Hon. Charles Wells was born in Baltimore Co., Md. April 6, 1745 and died April 16, 1815.

Hon. Charles Wells was the son of Benjamin Wells who was born in Baltimore Co., Md., in 1724 and married in 1749 Temperance Butler whose birth date was June 17, 1726 and died Feb. 19, 1800.

Temperance Butler was the daughter of Henry Butler and Susahanna Butler. They had eight children, two of whom were twins (Henry and Elizabeth), born June 14, 1715.

Michal Owings (Wells) and Hon. Charles Wells were the parents of Mary Wells who was born in Brooke Co., W. Va., Sept. 16, 1776 and died Aug. 19, 1849. Mary Wells married Asa Owings Sept 28, 1794. Asa Owings was born in Baltimore, Md, April 22, 1766 and died May 19, 1820.

Asa Owings and Mary Wells (Owings) were the parents of Rebecca Owings born in W. Va., July 2, 1818 and died Jan. 4, 1899. She married Hon. Nathaniel Wells June 30, 1842. Hon. Nathaniel Wells was born in Brooke, Co., June 19, 1809 and died Nov. 9, 1884.

Nathaniel Wells parents were Jesse Wells, born in Bedford Co, Pa. Jan. 3, 1779 and died March 21, 1841. He married Sept. 4, 1800 Susan Davis who was born Feb. 6, 1781 and died June 24, 1864.

Susan Davis was the daughter of Wm. Davis and Catherine Griffen (Davis) both Welsh who were married in Baltimore in 1777.

Jesse Wells was the son of Richard Wells born Oct. 25, 1742 and died Sept. 24, 1831. Richard Wells married in 1776 Editha Cole born July 17, 1740 and died Feb. 10, 1783. Richard's father was James Wells and Honor

Richard Wells parents were James Wells born between 1700 and 1710 and died in 1804. His wife was Honor Wells who died in 1796.

Rebecca Owings (Wells) and Hon. Nathaniel Wells were the parents of Ephraim T. Wells who was born at Middle Ferry, W. Va., across the river from Steubenville, Ohio, Jan. 6, 1849 and died Jan. 24, 1924. Ephraim Wells married Mary Cowans June 23, 1873. She was born in Bethany, W. Va., June 27, 1854 and died Nov. 11, 1922. They had four children, Katharine Cowan Wells, Leonard Nathaniel Davis Wells, Anna Pearl Wells and Mildred Ena Olive Wells.

Mildred Wells was born in Steubenville, Ohio, May 12, 1894 and married on May 29, 1920 Frank Bernard Olander whose birth place was Eureka, California, Oct. 6, 1893. They had five children; Mary Alma, born July 16, 1921; Leona Rose, born Aug. 8, 1923; twins Katharine Wells Olander and Margaret Wells Olander born June 27, 1927; and Miriam Jean Olander born Feb. 5, 1933.

Mary Alma Olander married Wm. Adamson Price, Jr., Nov. 12, 1945. Their daughter Carol Jean Price was born Aug. 5, 1947

Leona Rose Olander married Dr. DeArmond Moore of Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 8, 1946.