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DIAMOND SWINDLE

Jan. 9--In the circuit court at Elizabethtown, a suit has been pending about "the great diamond swindle"--in which Wm. M. Lent, of California, sues Phillip Arnold and John B. Slack, of Hardin Co., to recover \$350,000 paid for an interest in diamond fields alleged to have been discovered in Arizona by defendants. The latter were prospecting in the Rocky Mountains for A. Harpending, G. D. Roberts and themselves, in Nov. 1870; when they returned to San Francisco, and reported the discovery of diamonds. They went again, found diamonds plentiful but over not a large extent of country. Roberts and Harpending paid Slack \$100,000 for his  $\frac{1}{2}$ th, they owning  $\frac{1}{2}$  interest. A third trip to the mines, in July, 1871, showed good results. Arnold sold part of his interest to Harpending for \$550,000. An expert, with the parties named, and others, went to the mines from Rawlings' Springs on the Union Pacific railroad. The expert's written report says the work done (equal to 8 days' work of one man) produced 256 karats of diamonds, first quality, worth \$16 per karat, or \$4,086; 568 karats of diamonds of second quality, worth \$3 or \$1,704; in all, 824 karats, worth \$5,800; also, 4 pounds of rubies, or 7,420 karats, worth 50¢, but estimated at 30¢, \$2,226; total produce of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  tons of gravel, \$8,026, or \$5,351 per ton. Genuine diamonds and rubies, picked up on the ground, were exhibited. Operations were transferred to New York, to form a company with \$10,000,000 capital. A bag of stones was exhibited to Tiffany, the celebrated jeweler who pronounced them worth \$150,000; and it was alleged that \$500,000 worth of diamonds were on deposit in the Bank of California. As long as it was kept secret, the speculation succeeded; it became known at San Francisco, and a commission was sent to the diamond fields--who proclaimed the whole thing a fraud and swindle of gigantic proportions. The precious stones picked up on the field had been "planted" there.

Arnold denies any transaction with Lent, to the amount of even \$1. Arnold had advertised another expedition to the diamond fields, to come off next March; but Lent would not wait, attached Arnold's safe (which contained \$45,000 of McCracken Co. bonds, and about \$10,000 of other valuables) and his land. The latter is supposed to have realized at least \$650,000.  
See DIAMONDS page 34.

### Van Meter Descendants

From a letter of W. M. Van Meter, 1109 Westwood Drive, Tullahoma, Tenn. 37388, 6/28/80

"I spent two weeks in the Netherlands and visited the old Van Meter homeplace, the town of Meteren in Gelderland between the Rhine and Waal rivers, about halfway between Rotterdam and Arnhem. There are only four Van Meters left in the town of Meteren and one in the adjacent town of Geldermalsen, but none of them know very much about the family history. But everyone there knew of the family and one fellow took quite a bit of time to show me what was left of the Van Meteren Manor and to explain how it had been many years ago. A lady in a store in Meteren showed me a book with pictures of the Van Meteren house which was rebuilt in 1766 and finally torn down in 1907. Also a picture of the much older house which stood on the same spot. I was able to buy this book in Geldermalsen of which Meteren is a suburb."

### Democratic Hardin

If any proof is needed that Hardin County is and always has been a Democratic county, the following item taken from the Elizabethtown News dated September 2, 1921 will attest to the fact.

"During Judge W. M. Gardner's first term as County Judge, the office of Sheriff became vacant by resignation. Judge Gardner could find no Democrat in the county who could give the required bond, so he appointed J. M. Lee, a Republican, to that office. Mr. Lee made such a good official that when the time rolled around for an election he was a candidate and was elected to fill out the term. He was the only Republican ever elected to a county office in Hardin County. He was the father of William Lee and Mrs. C. L. Barnes."

Judge Gardner was first elected County Judge in 1882.

### One-room School Painted

A hearty vote of thanks goes to the local Lions Club for painting the exterior of the one-room school building at Freeman Lake Park. If you haven't made a donation to this worthy project, you still can through the society and its tax deductable.

Since you won't be hearing from BITS & PIECES until some time around the first of 1981, let us be the first to wish all of you SEASONS GREETINGS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

FUNERAL NOTICES

Most of the following notices were found in the Brown Pusey House Library files. A few are in the possession of friends.

The funeral service of Linus I. Warren will take place at the Catholic Church tomorrow (Sunday) at 2 o'clock PM. Interment at his late residence. Elizabethtown, Ky. Feb. 22, 1873.

The funeral of Mr. John Hoton will take place this evening at 3 o'clock. The funeral procession will form at the late residence of the deceased at half-past 2 o'clock, and thence to the Town Cemetery. The friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend. Dec. 16, 1847.

The funeral of William S. Young will take place tomorrow evening, at 2 o'clock. The procession will form at the residence of B. Franklin Slaughter, Esq., and proceed thence to the Town Cemetery. The friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend. Jan. 7, 1852.

The interment of Virginia, Catherine, daughters of John C and A. H. Irwin, will take place this evening at 4 o'clock. The procession will form at the residence of John C. Irwin at half-past 3 o'clock, and proceed thence to the public Burying Ground. The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Mar. 22, 1845.

The funeral of Mrs. Frances, consort of Nicholas Tull, will take place this evening at half-past 3 o'clock. The procession will form at the residence of Mr. Tull, at 3 o'clock PM, and proceed from thence to the Town Cemetery. The friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend. Dec. 8, 1847.

The funeral sermon of Mrs. Margaret Read, consort and relict of the late Dr. James Read, of Lebanon, Ky. will be preached by the Rev. Samuel Williams, at the residence of Rev. Alban S. Howsley, today at 4 o'clock PM. After which the Interment will take place at the Baptist Burying-Ground. The friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend. June 29, 1844.

The Interment of Bro. Richard G. Walker, will take place this evening, at 4 o'clock, with Masonic honors. Visiting brethren and the friends of the family are requested to join the procession. By order of Morrison Lodge. Nov. 28, 1844.

THOMAS HERCULES HAYS (continued)

James W. Hays b. 1815 ( some records list 1816) and his first wife, Mary E. Churchill were parents of five children:

1. Arabella Matilda Hays (b. 12-7-1838, d. 184?).
2. John C. Hays (b. 1841) m. 10-29-1868 Rosa R. Gray (b. 1841).
3. James W. Hays, Jr. (b. 1843).
4. Mary Eliza Hays (b. 1846) m. 10-30-1866 George H. Bennett.
5. Hercules Hays (b. 1848).

Some records list five children born to James W. Hays and his second wife, Elizabeth Hays, daughter of Randall Porter Hays, as follows: Sudie, Luther(Luke), Ollie, Horace and Elizabeth(Bettie). Another list supplied by a family member carries the names of eight children by the second marriage, as follows:

1. Randall G. Hays (b. 9-23-1852).
2. Lizzie Hays (b. 1-10-1854).
3. Sallie Hays (b. 8-3-1856).
4. Sue Elizabeth Hays (b. 10-24-1858).
5. Luke C. Hays (b. 5-19-1861).
6. Ollie H. Hays (b. 11-4-1863).
7. Horace Hays (b. 3-4-1866).
8. Bettie Hays (b. 12-20-1867).

Horace Hays married Stanley Cresap of Elizabethtown, a daughter of George M. and Virginia LaRue Cresap, the latter a niece of Governor John L. Helm. Horace and Stanley Hays were parents of two children: George Cresap Hays m. Lucy Spink, and Elizabeth Hays m. Dr. Arthur B. Jenkins.

Elizabeth (Bettie) Hays m. (1) Dr. Clarence V. Rosser a dentist in Elizabethtown and a native of Atlanta, Georgia where he died in 1911; (2) Harry Mantle of Elizabethtown.

Thomas Hercules Hays was born in 1837; in 1857 he graduated from St. Joseph's College in Bardstown and began the study of law in Elizabethtown under his uncle, James W. Hays and former Governor John L. Helm. He formed a partnership with William W. Wilson in 1861, prior to his leaving for the war in September. On July 17, 1861 he married Sarah (Sally) Hardin Helm, daughter of John L. Helm and Lucinda Barbour (Hardin) Helm. Sarah was 16; Thomas was 23.

Hays, who had evidenced an interest in the military prior to the outbreak of the Civil War, was the senior major of the Salt River Battalion of the Kentucky State Guard (Militia). He enlisted early in the Confederate Army and was assigned the rank of major. He was placed in the Sixth Regiment Kentucky Infantry C.S.A., part of the Orphan Brigade, under

the command of Colonel Joseph H. Lewis.

Hays' first action in the war involved the capture of a train and its contents at Elizabethtown, the first such action in Kentucky. A few days later in September, 1861, he was in command of a unit which burned the railroad bridge over the Rolling Fork River. Hays with his men then moved south to join General Buckner at Bowling Green, Ky.

When General Ben H. Helm assumed the command of the brigade, he appointed his brother-in-law Thomas Hays the Brigade Inspector General. Hays was with Helm when the latter fell at Chickamauga. He was next assigned to the army of General Joseph E. Johnston, then stationed at Jonesboro, Georgia. Here Hays served as Assistant Adjutant General.

General Johnston was succeeded by General John B. Hood in the summer of 1864. Hays served on Hood's staff in the battles of Franklin and Nashville, Tennessee later that year commanding the First Battalion Volunteers.

The Hays family was strongly represented in the Confederate Army--apparently all in the Orphan Brigade. James C. Hays, Thomas's brother, was forced to resign in October, 1862, due to ill health; Hercules Hays, a cousin, was wounded at Chickamauga; Stephen Horace Hays, an uncle, was killed in the war. Jack Hays served in Morgan's command while the Second Regiment was in prison following its capture at Fort Donelson. Cyrus Branham, a cousin, was killed at Jonesboro.

After the war, Major Hays engaged in farming on his large farm near Pitts Point, now part of Fort Knox Reservation. In 1869, he was elected to the Kentucky Legislature as Representative from Hardin County. He became a superintendent of the Pullman Palace Car Company of Chicago. In 1871, Hays was promoted to a vice president's position in the company.

Hays's interests in railroads extended beyond his service with the Pullman firm. He was a vice president of the Versailles and Midway Railroad, one of the many short railroads built in Kentucky during the latter part of the nineteenth century. He was the prime mover in the building of the Hodgenville and Elizabethtown Railway Co. This project was completed in 1888 and was a successful operation for a few years before being sold to the system which became the present Illinois Central Gulf Railroad.

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REMEMBER 1981 DUES (\$5.00) ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED. SENT TO  
 MRS. JUNE THORNBERRY, %BROWN PUSEY HOUSE, 128 N. MAIN ST.,  
 ELIZABETHTOWN, KY. 42701.

PLEASANT VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH MEMBERSHIP LIST (continued)

H. A. Burcham	Annie Davis
Columbus Funk	Hannah Robertson
Aramatle Triplett	Wm. Tarrence
Febin Samuels	Mrs. F. Harris
Robt. Robinson	Mrs. Mary Claffy
Dabner Withers	Miss Kate Lovell
Stanton Harris DISM. May 1880	Mr. (Quin) Davis
Jas. Rouse DISM. 1884	Mr. Joseph Harbolt
(Alue) Garrett	Edgar Dawson
Sarah Bennett EXC Aug. 1871	Fannie Robsin
Martha Cowherd	Joan Yates
Patsy Ditto	Elizabeth Hines
Rebecca Ranbauger EXC Jan. 1874	Zerelda A. Lovell
Thomas Wigington	Florence Blakely
W. Fletcher L 1864	Francis A. Barret
Sarah E. Smith	Miss Nellie McDonald
Jane S. West DBL Oct. 1870	Emmie Howell
Susanah Burnett	Andrew Duitt
Ed Long	Tillier Langley
William Butler DBL Sept. 1871	Kate Murrey
Delia Ditto	Mary Triplett
Pusken Harris DBL 1881.	Mary Morrison
Susan Poston DBL Aug. 1888	Nancy A. Wood
Elizabeth Cowley d. Feb. 1875	J. B. Wood
Thos. Mattson DBL Dec. 187(4)	M. H. Langley
Mrs. Helnan DBL Aug. 1874	d. Oct. 1893
Robert W. Ward	Eunice E. Rife
Fransis Ward	Kattie Langley
Matilda E. Hilman DBL Aug. 1872	Alice Langley
Samuel Meadows L Mar. 1894	Malind Pierman
Sarah E. Meadows DBL Dec. 11, 1875	Florence Roberson
Elizabeth Triplett	John Ray Davis
Reason Burnett	John H. Goble
J. Young DBL Sept. 1875	Elizabeth Goble
Sister Yound	Sarah Langley
Vanie Long	Cissey Duett
Warren Ditto	Wm. Hall
Lucy Ditto	Millie Langley
Frank Goldsmith DBL 1887	Leota Stoveall
(D)uinie Goldsmith DBL 1887	Mary M. Patterson
Oscar Triplett	Salley Kelley
Lias Higbey	Mary Ward
Sallie Shearer	Jessey Kindal
Alice Grose	Columbus W. Morris
Darcas Duly	Geo. W. Jackson
Camilla Walker	d. Nov. 18, 188(2)
Emma J. Walker	Sorilda Jackson
Charley H. Ditto EXC Sept. 1870	Mrs. Elmina Denney
	(To be continued)

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO ISAAC HYNES? The following information was sent to us by Mr. James D. Hynes, 1115 Peerless Dr. NW, Cleveland, Tenn. 37311:

- Nelson Co Ky Tax List 1792: Hynns, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 3 horses, 3 cattle.
- Nelson Co Ky Marriage Bonds: Hynes, Isaac and Betsey Handley, 24 Sept. 1792, Surety: Benjamin Grayson.
- Hardin County Court Records: 1793, Isaac Hynes commissioned Sheriff of Hardin County.
- Hardin Co Ky Tax List 1794: Hynes, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 1 horse, 11 cattle, 1 stud horse.
- Hardin Co Ky Tax List 1795: Hynes, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 2 horses, 6 cattle.
- (Did not find record of Isaac Hynes in Tax Lists 1796-1798.)
- Ohio Co Ky Tax List 1799: Hyns, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 1 horse.
- Ohio Co Ky Tax List 1800: Hinds, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 1 horse.
- Ohio Co Ky Tax Lists 1801-1804: Hinds, Isaac, same as 1800.
- Ohio Co Ky Tax List 1805: Hines, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 2 horses.
- Ohio Co Ky Tax Lists 1806-1807: Hines, Isaac, same as 1805.
- Hardin Co Ky Tax List 1808: Hines, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 3 horses.
- Hardin Co Ky Tax List 1809: Hines, Isaac, same as 1808.
- Grayson Co Ky Tax List 1810: Hines, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 4 horses.
- Grayson Co Ky Census 1810: Hynes, Isaac, 1 white male 10-16, 1 white male 16-26, 1 white male 26-45, 1 white female 10-16, 1 white female 45 and over. (NOTE: Isaac L. Hynes would have been 20 this year--the one white male 16-26 could be he.)
- Ohio Co Ky Tax List 1811: Hines, Isaac, 1 white male above 21, 1 horse.
- Ohio Co Ky Tax Lists 1812-1813: Hines, Isaac, same as 1811.
- Ohio Co Ky Tax List 1814: Hines, Isaac, 1 white male over 21, 2 horses.
- (No record found in tax lists for 1815-1818.)
- Hardin Co Ky Tax List 1819: Hynes, Isaac L., patented 510 a., 1 white male above 21, 1 horse, 1 stud, value 160.
- Hardin Co Ky Tax Lists 1820--1822 show Isaac L. Hynes. Did not find him in Hardin Co Ky Tax Lists 1823-1824. Presume but have not verified that he would be found in Meade Co Ky Tax Lists inasmuch as Meade Co was formed from part of Hardin Co in 1823.
- (NOTE: National Archives has pension record indicative of military service by Isaac L. Hynes from 1814 to 1815. Discharged 20 Feb 1815, after one years service at Fort Montgomery (no longer in existence, then located a few miles north of Mobile, Ala.), serving to strengthen the belief that Isaac L. fought in the Battle of New Orleans.)

COURT ORDER BOOK, HARDIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, 1793 (continued)

At a court held for Hardin County on Tuesday the 24th of December, 1793...Present, John Vertrees, Robert Hodgen and Bladen Ashby, Gentlemen Justices.

The state of the levy of this county this day laid and assessed by the court is as follows...

Hardin County	E Pence
To Isaac Larue for building the public jail.....	12.16
To book for the county clerks and sheriffs	
Extra services deposition.....	34.18
and sheriffs percent.....	47.14

Hardin County  
by 318 Tithables at 3/ per Tithable.....47.14  
Ordered that the sheriff collect 3/ per Tithable and pay the several County according to the above statement and settle with the court for the balance...

An Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of Banner Friend deceased was returned and ordered to be recorded...

The persons appointed to view and lay of a road from the place appointed for erecting the public buildings to Pairpoints made their report in the following words; Beginning at the Public grounds thence on a right line to the old road to the said Pairpoints...

On consideration where of it is the opinion that the said road so laid of be established...

Ordered that Jacob Roads be appointed overseer of the said Road from the beginning to the Top of the big Hill.... and that all the Tithables in Severns Valley do assist him in clearing and keeping the same in repair...

Ordered that Samuel Gooden be appointed overseer of the aforesaid Road from the said Hill to Pairpoints and that the Tithables on the Roling fork below Danonses (?) run do assist him in clearing and keeping the same in repair...

On the motion of Philip Philips who made oath thereto and together with Isaac Hynes his security Entered into and acknowledge their bond...in the penalty of one thousand pounds as the Law direct. Certificate is granted him for obtaining Letters of administration of the Estate of Charles Brownfield deceased...

Ordered that Robert Hodgen Joseph Kirkpatrick Isom Enlow and Isaac Larue or any three of them being first sworn before a Justice of the peace for that purpose do appraise in current money the Estate of Charles Brownfield Deceased and return an Inventory there of to the next court...

A deed from John Bennet and Lucy his wife to Jacob Larue for three hundred acres of land was proved by the oaths of Robert Hodgen Philip Philips and John Philips subscribing witnesses thereto and the said Lucy being Examined as the law directs relinquishes her right of dower and the said deed was ordered to be Recorded...

An Indenture of Bargain and sale from Joseph Nourse and Maria his wife to By James Nourse their attorney in fact to George Highbaugh for one hundred acres of Land, was proved by the oaths of Philip Philips Robert Hodgen and Isaac Carmin subscribing witnesses there to and was ordered to be recorded.

A deed from Joseph Nourse and Maria his wife by James Nourse their attorney in fact to Robert Hodgen for one hundred and forty three acres of Land was proved by the oaths of three of the subscribing witnesses thereto and was ordered to be recorded...

An Indenture of Bargain and Sale from Joseph Nourse and Maria his wife by James Nourse their attorney in fact to Theophilus Barton for fifty seven and a half acres of Land was proved by the oaths of three of the subscribing witnesses thereto and was ordered to be recorded...

An Indenture of Bargain and Sale between Joseph Nourse and Maria his wife by James Nourse their attorney in fact of the one part and Rodger Barton of the other part, was proved by the oaths of three of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded...

An Indenture of Bargain and Sale from Joseph Nourse and Maria his wife by James Nourse their attorney in fact to John Deremeah for Eighteen and one quarter acres of Land was proved by the oaths of three of the subscribing witnesses thereto and was ordered to be recorded...

Absent John Vertrees, Gent.

Isaac Hynes Gentleman Sheriff of this County together with Isaac Morrison and John Vertrees his securities entered into and acknowledged their bond for the faithfull performance of the said office untill the next court where the said Hynes is to give approved security and bond conditioned according to law...

Present John Vertrees, Gentlman

Ordered that Conrad Walters John Thomas Joseph Kirkpatrick and Robert Hodgen or any three of them being first sworn before a Justice of the peace for that purpose do view and lay off a Road the best and nearest way from the road leading from Bairdstown to Mr. Hodgenses old mill... To his new one and make report thereof to the next Court term...

John Paul Produced a Commission under the hand and seal of Isaac Shelby appointing him Coroner and Thereupon took the oath of office...

Ordered that Court be adjourned until Court in Course to be held at the House of Isaac Hynes... P. Brown

End of 1st Session

Ordered that Isaac Gooden Bladen Ashby and Peter Portmess being first sworn do view and lay off a Road the most convenient way from Mr. Pairpoints Mill to Enis Randels and make Report thereof to the Court...

Ordered that John Holeman be appointed overseer of the Road leading from Mr. Hodgenses old Mill to the Mouth of the

Beech Fork and that the inhabitants on the waters of the Rolling fork within two miles of the said road and all the Tithables on the west fork of Nolinn also from Captain Philips up do assist him in Clearing and keeping the said Road in repair...

On the Motion of Samuel Haycraft Gent Commissioner of tax and on his making satisfactory proof to the Court he is allowed thirty one days in Taking the List of Tithable property at 6/ per day as directed by law...

Ordered that Philip Philips and John Paul be appointed to settle with the Court of Nelson for the surplus of Levies paid before and after our being divided into a separate County...

Ordered that Philip Philips Bladen Ashby John Paul and Isaac Gooden or any three of them being first sworn do view and lay off a road the most convenient way from Mr. Hodgens old Mill to the Burnt Lick on the Rolling fork and make report thereof to the next Court...

Ordered that Court be adjourned until Court in Course.  
John Vertrees G.W.

(to be continued)

### QUERIES

#### BLANDFORD

Need info on this family prior to 1845 in Hardin, Breckinridge and Nelson Counties. Particularly: Edward Blandford m. Ellen ?, had son John m. Mahalda Newton in 1843. Who were other children? Where is John buried? Reba Mae Terry, 704 Woodland Drive, Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701

#### GOFORTH, HARRIS

Need any info on these families. Especially Josiah (Joseph) Goforth b. ca. 1775/80, d. before 1817, where? Parents? m. 23 Mar 1797 in Hardin Co. Ky. to Ann(a) Harris b. ca. 1775/80 d. prior to 1825, Where? Parents? Mrs. Sheila Vertrees, Rt. 1, Box 172-A, Cornelius, Oregon 97113

#### HARDIN

Am interested in corresponding with anyone researching the Hardin surname. Larry Hardin, 408 W. Van Buren, Gallatin, Mo. 64640

#### BURNETT

Richard J. Burnett b. ? 1812 in Washington Co., Ky. d. ? m. Cynthianna Boles 6 Oct. 1835 in Washington Co., Ky. Was on tax rolls of 1893 in Vine Grove, Hardin Co., Ky. Wife Cynthia A. Burnett is buried in Otter Creek Baptist Cemetery, Vine Grove. Where did he die? Where is he buried? Parents? Robert L. Burnett, Jr., 6731 Stonehaven Rd., Miami Lakes, Fla. 33014

HINCH

Anyone having info on George Hinch left will in 1800 naming Joseph, Eveline, Elizabeth m. Alexander Montgomery in Hardin County. William Hinch whose widow Elizabeth m. 1784 William Brownfield in Louisville. Mr. and Mrs. William Donan, 306 East Main Cross, Greenville, Ky. 42345

TALBOTT

Seeking info on William M. Talbott b. ? Nelson Co. d. 1848 Hardin Co. Where buried? Parents? Widow Catherine Crist Talbott m. ? Andrew Miller Where? Nancy S. Hurley, 539 Bellwood, Apt. B, Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701

MC BURNETT

Any info on Thomas Mc Burnett m. 1867 in Hardin Co. Elizabeth Strickler Arnold. Who were their children and who did they marry? Nancy S. Hurley, 539 Bellwood, Apt. B, Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701

MONTGOMERY

Need parents of Captain John Montgomery b. ? Va. m. 1863 Mary Hatfield b. ?, d. ?, Parents? He served in Civil War. Side? Unit? Died ca. 1888 widow m. \_\_\_\_\_ Jefferies When? Where? Rose S. Jones, General Delivery, Summitt, Ky. 42783

LILLEY

Any info on Captain William Lilley b. ?, d. ?, (reputed Pony Express rider) m. 1863, Hardin Co., Patsy Ann Wilhelm b. ?, d. ?, Who were their parents and their children? Rose S. Jones, General Delivery, Summitt, Ky. 42783

MILLER

Need info on John Miller b. ca. 1791, d. 1850/60, m. ?, Ann ?, b. ca. 1798, d. ca. 1880 had 2 sons: James T. b. ca. 1833 (What became of him?), David Garrett b. 4 Feb. 1838, d. 14 Feb. 1910, m. 21 Sept. 1858 Hardin Co., Rebecca Stader b. 21 Sep 1837 d. 3 Jul 1925. John was executor of Samuel Miller's will in Nelson Co. 1833 and Elizabeth Miller's in 1838. Was he a son? Where are John, Ann, James T., Samuel and Elizabeth buried? Bob Beimdick, Rt. 1, Box 278, Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

TWO CENTURIES IN ELIZABETHTOWN AND HARDIN CO. KY. \$32.75  
by D. E. McClure

HISTORY OF ELIZABETHTOWN, KY. \$12.95  
by Samuel Haycraft, Jr.

CHRONICLES OF HARDIN COUNTY by Mrs. T. D. Winstead \$ 5.00  
Prices include sales tax and postage. Send orders to Hardin Co. Historical Society, Box C, June Thornberry, Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701

DIAMONDS Continued from page 23.

Compromise of the great diamond suit, of Wm. M. Lent and others vs. Phillip Arnold and John B. Slace, in the U. S. Circuit Court at Louisville: Arnold, still denying that he owed them one cent, paid \$150,000, "to purchase his peace, and to get loose from this most powerful and world-renowned ring; and besides he could not afford to lose the time necessary in attending to the suit for four times the money he paid." Collins History of Kentucky, pp. 237, 245.

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