

This just in: Dixie Jordan, who graciously volunteered to look up the 1850 census microfilms for Yuba Co., CA to check the cited index entries on the two Georgia Polleys, reports the following. She finds on LDS microfilm #442879, page 207, for 1 Oct 1850, dwelling #94, household #94:

O.G. Polley, 23, miner, b. GA

W.P. Polley, 21, miner, b. GA

The household contained 9 other men, ages 17-30, identified as miners, plus two people, ages 57 and 21, whose names were almost illegible but who apparently ran the household, undoubtedly a boarding house. Several pages of the census, before and after p. 207, contained virtually all miners.

Reading the actual census record, as opposed to an index, revealed the occupations and corrected the initials of one of the Polleys, W.P. instead of W.F. The other remains as O.G. Polley to be reconciled with the name Oliver J. Polley. Perhaps his middle name was Gerald and it was informally rendered as Jerry. Your editor would wager that these two Polleys belong to the clan of Robert. We will remain alert to developments on this front. Film at eleven! rcr

Welcome Aboard



Mrs. F. Allen Jacobs - Doris is an aunt to subscriber Bud Henley [see lead story, p. 1]. It was through her astute sense of family history that the document identifying the complete family of Elnathan Polley, Jr. survives today. Doris joins us in the status of interested reader and leaves active research to her nephew. She makes her home in North Eastham, MA. Like Bud's mother, her maiden name was Pauley, her father being George Wallace Pauley who changed his surname from Polley. Her line of descent from Woburn is: George¹, George², Ebenezer³, Joseph⁴, Peter⁵, David Luther⁶, Alvin Grimes⁷, George Wallace⁸, Doris Louise⁹.

Susan Ballam Woolley - Susan is researching Polley in Maine, beginning with Anna Polley born in Bowdoin, ME in 1777. She married Abel Dinslow in Bowdoinham 21 Aug 1805 and died in Richmond, ME on 22 Jun 1849. She is believed to have been the daughter of a Samuel Polley. This Samuel is believed to be the one listed in the 1790 Maine census and a Woburn descendant, the line being: George¹, Samuel², Samuel³, Samuel⁴, Samuel⁵. Susan seeks contact with anyone who can help. **Address: 14 West 17th Street, New York, NY 10011-5716. E-mail: woolley@idt.net**

- Corrections -

Gwen B. Bjorkman - Gwen has a new E-mail address: gwenbj@seanet.com

Mary G. Neumaier - Mrs. Neumaier has been assigned a new area code. Her complete telephone number is now: **228.432.7228**

Richard L. Switzer - Rich has a new phone number: **614.427.9336**

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Queries

*Time to update your query?
Rewrite with a fresh angle?*

Marian Bryson McGowen - Seeking info on family of Joseph (Joe) Pauley who m. Ann Carrisco. One known son was Robert Wenten Pauley, b. 1851 in VA. He m., ca. 1874, Elizabeth Ellen Johnson. Need Robert's POB and any info on siblings. Pauley line of descent: Joseph¹, Robert Wenten², Dolphus Gipson³, Ruby Jean⁴.

Robert Gieber - Seeking info on parents of GGM Harriet Josephine Pauley, b. IN, 12 Jun 1861, d. Topeka, KS, 21 Jan 1944. She m. Marcellus Abrams 14 Feb 1876 in St. George, KS. Parents are known as Allen Pauley and Sarah Adaline Tibbets. Harriet's siblings: Eunice, b. IN, ca. 1864; James, b. IN, ca. 1866; William, b. KS, ca. 1870; Nancy E., b. KS, 1873. Allen Pauley d. betw. 1873 & 1878, St. George, KS. Looking to confirm or disprove that Allen Pauley is the same person as Allen Polley living in Hancock Co., IN in 1860 census in the household of William R. and Phoebe Jacobs. His age is given as 29 and there is a George Polley, age 6, living with him. Speculate that Allen Pauley/Polley may have been previously married (bef. Sarah Tibbets) and that his parents may be Andrew Polley, b. VA, ca. 1771 and Sarah ___, b. KY, ca. 1806.

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Porter P. Polley Placed with Parents!

Subscribers Joan Reed Miller and Dixie M. Jordan Find Ancestor's Origin.

New Reader, Bud Henley, Provides Original Documentation Linking P.P. Polley to Woburn Line.

When Joan Reed Miller and Dixie M. Jordan took subscriptions to *POLLEY POINTERS* they both inserted queries seeking parents and other particulars on a Polley ancestor. Joan was seeking the parents of a great-great-grandfather named Porter P. Polley who was born in Leominster, MA. Dixie, who subscribed a few issues later, was seeking the parents of her husband's great-grandfather, known at the time only as P.P. Polley, who had died in Marysville, CA. The potential that they were the same person, based on the initials and the time frames for each, was very great. The two ladies eventually corresponded and generally concluded that they were chasing the same man. Dixie eventually uncovered P.P.'s first name as Porter from some California newspaper clippings. It remained a challenge to find out where Porter really came from.

Enter new subscriber Chandler C. Henley. Introduced last issue, he would provide the missing piece of the puzzle. Bud Henley, a veteran genealogical researcher, whose Polley link is to the Woburn, MA clan, was anxious to assist anyone needing help with their research and contribute to knowledge of Polley origins. Bud told your editor of a rather old, original "Family Register" that contained data on the family of an Elnathan Polley. It did not pertain to his direct ancestors and he wondered if we knew who might benefit from the information. We said we would try to find someone who might be able to use the data if he would send it to us for close examination.

Bud forwarded the crumbling old document and we gingerly unfolded it in order to see the data. The color engraving was quite beautiful

Bud Henley Provides Ancestral Link

Once we knew that the Family Register Bud Henley held pertained to two of our subscribers, we attempted to pinpoint its origin. In answer to several of our questions, Bud provides the following: "My Aunt Doris (Pauley) Jacobs lives in North Eastham, MA, a town on Upper Cape Cod.

One Saturday afternoon, over 30 years ago, she and Uncle Allen decided to go antiquing in the nearby town of Harwich. While browsing through an old building they came across an old parchment that looked like pages from a family Bible. While looking at it more closely, they noticed that the family name was Polley. Uncle Allen asked Aunt Doris if she would like to have it, she said yes, even though it didn't seem to have any connection with her Polley line.

In true New England Yankee tradition Allen suggested that she not tell the store owner her family name. When they asked the price the owner asked Uncle Allen if his name was Polley, he said not, as it truly wasn't. The sale was consummated at \$1.00.

In a recent visit to Aunt Doris, knowing of my interest in family history, she asked if I would like to have the document. I took it home with me, looked through it and was not able to make any connections.

Having learned about Polley Pointers this past May, I subsequently contacted Dick Randt and told him about the parchment. He expressed a real interest in it and I sent it to him— and, as the saying goes— the rest is history."

Bud Henley (legally Chandler Clarke Henley) has been a researcher for 20 years. His maternal grandfather was George Wallace Pauley (1868-1964). George's parents were Alvin Grimes Polley and Harriet Marietta McIntire. George W. informally changed the spelling of his surname and it has passed down to his descendants, some of whom have had to formalize their surname through legal proceedings. Bud's line from George of Woburn is: George¹, George², Ebenezer³, Joseph⁴, Peter⁵, David Luther⁶, Alvin Grimes⁷, George Wallace Pauley⁸, Esther Marion⁹.

considering the overall age and condition. The ink handwriting was clear and bold. It appeared that all the essential data was intact, except for a few pencil notations around the wide margins.

The register was for the family of Elnathan Polley and his wife Miriam with ten children. The marriage of the parents and the births of seven of the ten children can easily be found in various published Massachusetts vital records. What was new information were the last three children, Porter P. Polley, George W. Polley, and Sylvester S. Polley. Porter P. Polley came screaming off the page at me! "Here I am," he shouted. I smiled and thought to myself, "Bud Henley, you're going to make two ladies very happy." And indeed he has.

The Family Register came to Bud through his aunt, Doris Louise Pauley Jacobs [see box, p.1]. The Family Register pertains to one Elnathan Polley (1789-1860), the son of Elnathan⁵, brother of Peter⁵. The latter is Bud's direct ancestor, a 3GGF. So in actuality, the children listed in the register are fifth cousins, four times removed (5C4R) to Bud, the common ancestor being Joseph⁴ (1728-1776).

The document is a Family Register form, 12 x 18 inches in dimension overall, the longer edges being the top and bottom. The dimensions of the form itself are approximately 9 x 13 inches, leaving adequate margins for the completed form to be framed if desired. The form is divided into four panels, approximately 2¾ x 4¾ inches in dimension, formed by illustrations of five Ionic columns. The panels form areas, from left to right, in which one was to record Family Names (Parents and Children), Births (When and Where), Marriages (When, Where and by Whom), and Deaths (When and Where).

Above the spaces for recording data are four individual, semi-circular illustrations, in full color, that are appropriate to the data to be listed in the panels below them. Above the **Family** panel is a picture of a mother and father with two children taking a walk. With the panel labeled **Born** is an illustration of a mother rocking a cradle with another child looking on. Above **Married** the wedding of a couple in the presence of a minister is depicted. The final panel for **Died** is illustrated with a picture of a woman and child mourning at a cemetery monument. Inscribed on the monument are the words, "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

The form is lithographed. At the bottom is the notation "**Litho. & Pub. by N. Currier 2 Spruce St. N.?**" Presumably the location is New York and N. Currier is Nathaniel Currier of Currier and Ives fame. An encyclopedia article on Nathaniel Currier (1813-1888) indicates he was born in Roxbury, MA. He was apprenticed in 1828 to the first successful American lithographing firm, established in Boston by William and John Pendleton. At age 20, Currier went into business for himself in Philadelphia. A year later he moved to

137 Broadway, where he became a partner with Stodart. In 1835 the partnership was dissolved and again went into business for himself. In 1857 Currier took his brother-in-law, James Merritt Ives (1824-1895), a New York artist, into partnership. The foregoing information on Currier would date the form between 1835 and 1857.

The record is in poor condition with many tears and makeshift patches applied over the years, primarily on the reverse side. However, all ink entries are intact and easily readable. There are some pencil notations that are very difficult to read. We have included a reduced-size reproduction of the record and a transcription of the primary entries made in ink on pages 4 and 5 respectively. The pencil notations are still being analyzed.

The first entry in the record corresponds with the published vital records of Bolton, MA, p. 68, births:

Elnathan Polley, s. of Elnathan & Becky, 16 March 1789.

A published vital record of Harvard, MA, p. 201, marriages, shows the union of Elnathan Polley and Rebecca Warner on 10 October 1788. The latter Elnathan is known to be the son of Joseph Polley and per the Leominster records was baptized 24 Aug 1766. The line of Joseph is traceable all the way back to the Woburn, MA progenitor, George Polly. Thus, the Polley line of Elnathan, Jr., head of the family recorded in the chart is as follows: George¹, George², Ebenezer³, Joseph⁴, Elnathan⁵, Elnathan⁶.

Other published records that parallel the Family Register entries are as follows:

From the Leominster Vital Records, p. 115 (under POLLY):

Ai, s. Elnathan Jr. and Abiram, born at Townsend, Dec. 21, 1824.

Eliza M., d. Elnathan Jr. and Abiram, born at Townsend, March 7, 1821.

Henry, s. Elnathan Jr. and Abiram, born at Townsend, Dec. 20, 1822.

Lydia, d. Elnathan Jr. and Abiram, Feb. 13, 1819.

Mary, d. Elnathan Jr. and Abiram, Oct. 19, 1826.

Sylva, d. Elnathan Jr. and Abiram, June 5, 1817.

Thusa, d. Elnathan Jr. and Abiram ?, Oct 16, 1815.

Under Leominster deaths, p. 347, one entry is found that pertains, matching the death of Silvius (or Sylva):

Polly, _____, ch. Elnathan, Jr. Sept 29, 1825, [a. 8, Dysentery, C.R.]

Marlborough records indicate a marriage between Elnathan Polley and Miriam Brigham on 24 Dec 1814. This record must be checked. It may be the record of an intention as opposed to the actual marriage date, indicated in the Family Register as 1 Jan 1815.

There are some minor discrepancies that additional research may resolve or are perhaps trivial enough to ignore:

1. The misspelling of Marlborough as Malbrough may simply be a reflection of a Massachusetts accent.
2. The name Silvius on the Family Register and Sylva in the Leominster records with identification as a daughter. Silvius would seem to be a male name based on the rules of Latin word formations, the male equivalent of Sylvia. Perhaps the printed record reflects a mistranscription and an assumption of gender. [We have learned the name appears on a male character in Shakespeare's *As You Like It*.]
3. The consistent use, in the Leominster records of Abiram as the name of Elnathan's wife. Perhaps it was a corruption of Merriam Brigham and used familiarly, or perhaps it is a mistranscription of illegible handwriting. The presence of the question mark after Abiram on the entry for Thusa for her birth in 1815 tends to support the theory of illegible handwriting. Although the printed record lists birth in alphabetical order by surname, they were originally recorded in time sequence, more or less, depending on when the event was reported to the town clerk. Events were recorded serially without regard to surname. Thus, more than likely, Thusa was the first birth to be recorded for this family. If, in transcribing the handwritten entries, Merriam's name could not be read correctly, an assumption may have been made and used consistently for all the children that were listed.
4. The fact that the last three children are not listed in the printed records may indicate that the family moved between 1826 and 1829.
5. The use of Maria on the Family Register and Mary in the published records may reflect baptismal name versus call name or a change in usage with passing time. It is speculated that the chart was prepared about 1846, at the time Ai died. That was 20 years after the birth of Maria/Mary. She may have been baptized Mary as a baby and began to call herself Maria as she grew to womanhood.
6. The use of the name Ai is a bit odd. It was not found in name books that were consulted.

A dictionary lists it as an interjection used to express pity, pain, anguish, etc. This is perhaps an indication of a birth defect or developmental problem associated with this child that may be consistent with his death at the young age of 21 in 1846. [Male gender is assumed based on the Leominster vital records entry for birth.] An odd thing about the Family Register is associated with the entry for Ai Polley. The chart is filled in using the same ink and the same hand for all the dates of birth inscribed on the chart. That part of the inscription for the death of Silvius that says "Died september 29, 1825" is also in the same hand and ink. All the names are in the same ink. The handwriting is also the same for the names except for Ai's name. His name is written in a very neat, bold Old English, the letters very painstakingly cross-hatched. It is speculated that the Family Register form was filled in at one sitting at the time of Ai's death. The form may have been on display at a wake or hung up as a memorial, etc. The death information for Ai in the **Died** panel, although apparently in the same hand as the **Family Names** and **Born** data, seems to be in a different ink, not quite as black. The date of 1846 is consistent with the date range for the production of the form indicated above, 1835-1857.

For those readers who perhaps have not followed the quest for Porter P. Polley by Joan Miller and Dixie Jordan, it may be useful to review some of their research and findings. Joan searched for years trying to get started with a Polley great-grandmother whose name was found both as Miriam and Marion, with the surname spelled in a variety of the usual ways. Also, her year of birth, obtained initially from family hearsay, was also off by a couple of years.

In 1996 Joan finally secured a birth certificate from the City of Lawrence, MA for Miriam E. Polly who was born 15 June 1854 in Lawrence to Porter Polly (b. Leominster) and Elizabeth _____ (b. Danville). [Ed. Note: There is currently a Danville only in VT, NH, and ME among the New England states. The geography involved would point to NH as the correct state.]

Joan also managed to find a marriage record in the town of Townsend, MA for Marion (age 23, b. Lawrence, MA) daughter of Porter and Elizabeth (Kellog) Pollie. She married Charles Reed, age 44, a farmer from NH, on 5 Sep 1877. Knowing the name Reed, Joan felt pretty certain she had her great-grandmother documented about as well as one could hope for. Then the challenge of Porter Polley began!

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FAMILY REGISTER

Family NAMES	Born WHEN AND WHERE	Married WHEN WHERE AND BY WHOM	Died WHEN AND WHERE
PARENTS			
Elnathan Polley	Born March 16, 1789	Married Malbrough January 1st, 1815	
Merriam Polley	Born June 17, 1794		
CHILDREN			
Thusa Polley	Born Oct. 16, 1815 Leomi		
Silvius Polley	Born June 5, 1817		<i>Silvius Polley</i> Died September 29, 1825 <i>Aged 8 years 4 Months</i>
Lydia Polley	Born Feb'y 13, 1819		
Eliza M. Polley	Born March 7, 1821		
Henry Polley	Born Decm 20, 1822		
AI POLLEY			
	Born Decm 21, 1824		<i>Ai Polley</i> Died Oct 7 1846 Aged 21 years
Maria Polley	Born Oct 19, 1826		
Porter P. Polley	Born Aug 24, 1829		
George W. Polley	Born July 11, 1831	<i>George W. Polley</i> Died March 27, 1876	<i>Elnathan Polley</i> Died Feb 28 1860 Aged 71 years
Sylvester S. Polley	Born Novem 1, 1833		
			<i>Merriam Polley</i> Died Sept 12 1868 Aged 74 years

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Transcribed from the original by Richard C. Randt, 30 Aug 1997. Italics indicate writing in a different hand or from a different time. Pencil notations not transcribed.

Edwin W. Pauley, Oilman and Political Figure, Dies

By DOUGLAS SHUIT,
Times Staff Writer

Edwin W. Pauley, a multimillionaire oilman who was a national Democratic Party figure and who served on the UC Board of Regents for 32 years, died Tuesday morning at his Beverly Hills home after a long illness.

Pauley, 78, was an adviser to four Democratic Presidents, beginning with Franklin D. Roosevelt, and was particularly prominent in the administration of Harry S. Truman.

During a long and often controversial career in California and Washington, D.C., Pauley rose to the top in four fields— business, politics, education and sports.

Along the way, the aggressive and independent-minded oilman became one of Southern California's best known personalities.

Former Gov. Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, whom Pauley helped elect, said after his friend's death, "He was a strong force in the Democratic Party."

Brown said that as ambassador to the reparations conference after World War II, Pauley was: "a tough guy ... very, very fair ... very persistent."

And of Pauley's three decades 'of service on the UC Board of Regents, of which he was chairman, Brown said, "The University of California never had a better friend than Ed Pauley. He lobbied for it. He watched its investments."

Brown recalled that he had known Pauley since the 1944 Democratic National Convention, when Pauley came down from the platform to urge the Californian to support Truman as Roosevelt's running mate, rather than Henry Wallace.

Business His Forte

But Pauley was known primarily as a spectacularly successful businessman.

He grew up learning the oil business from his father, Elbert L. Pauley, and discovered a lot of oil on his own while a young man.

He parlayed his early success as an independent oil producer with successful investments in real estate, banking and commodities to build a multi-million-dollar fortune.

His flagship was a Los Angeles-based oil company, Pauley Petroleum, Inc., in which he owned controlling interest and continued to serve as chairman of the board during his last years.

Pauley Petroleum owns a large refinery in Newhall, holds a 10% interest in the East Wilmington Oil Field and engages heavily in exploration.

In the 1930s, he emerged as a spokesman for the oil industry and within a few years won a reputation as a ranking power in the Democratic Party.

During the 1940s, Pauley was the Democratic Party's national treasurer and, subsequently was a principal figure in the ascendancy of Truman to the Presidency.

Role in World War II Effort

During World War II he shaped Roosevelt's petroleum policy, organizing the Petroleum Administration for Defense, which built the first transcontinental oil pipeline from Texas to the East Coast.

He oversaw the lend-lease program supplying fuel to Britain and the Soviet Union. After the fighting, Pauley was Truman's personal ambassador and U.S. representative to the Allied War Reparations Commission, taking part in the dismantling of the German and Japanese war machines.

Pauley was regarded as a particularly hard bargainer on the three-power Reparations Commission. "I am not a soft-peace man," he declared. "The American people will never forget Pearl Harbor. It is going to be tough on, Japan. There has been entirely too much talk going the rounds about a soft peace with Japan."

He attended the Potsdam Conference with Truman.

During the 32 years he sat on the UC Board of Regents, Pauley helped guide the university through its most dramatic growth period, contributing not only his time and energy, but his money.

It was estimated he gave more than \$2.2 million to the university. Gifts included donations to three facilities that bear his name— Pauley Pavilion at UCLA and two UC Berkeley facilities, the Pauley Nuclear Science Pavilion and the Pauley Ballroom.

In sports, Pauley participated by winning the 1939 Trans-Pacific Yacht Race from San Francisco to Honolulu. Then he became part owner of the Los Angeles Rams football team. That led to an ownership struggle which ended when Daniel F. Reeves bought out Pauley.

Born In Indianapolis

Pauley was born in Indianapolis on Jan. 7, 1903. The family moved to Alabama when he was an infant. He attended Georgia Military Academy, was graduated in 1918 and came west to enroll at Occidental College at the age of 16.

He transferred to UC's College of Commerce and, Business Administration, which was to become UCLA.

He worked his way through college selling encyclopedias and working as an oil field roustabout, transferred again and was graduated from UC Berkeley in 1922 with a bachelor of science degree.

After a year on the Berkeley teaching staff, Pauley worked with his father in the Pauley Oil Co.

-{Porter Polley continued from p. 3}-

In searching for this elusive Polley, Joan pretty much developed the whole Woburn line, including Elnathan and Elnathan, Jr. However, she could never make a connection to anyone named Porter. She had the right geographic area, had zeroed in on the right Polley progenitor, and was even looking closely at the family of Elnathan, Jr. since the name Miriam (or Merriam) was his mother's name. However, there were no records to be had. The one nebulous clue that Joan had was what an aunt had told her about her great-grandmother. Marian/Miriam's mother [Elizabeth Kellog] had died in childbirth, and her father [Porter] left her with family or friends and went west to seek his fortune and no one ever heard from him again.

The idea of Porter leaving for the west and not returning is reinforced by the fact that many people were known to have done the same thing during the time shortly after James W. Marshall first discovered gold at John Sutter's Mill in Coloma, California on the morning of 24 January 1848. Additionally, Joan came across an 1885 news item from a Leominster newspaper that told of the return home from California, after 34 years, of a Henry Polley. Although not specifically identified, he was more than likely the brother of Porter Polley.

Porter's brother Henry was born 20 Dec 1822, making him about seven years older than Porter. Unfortunately, the article [see box at right] does not mention Porter or anyone else who may have traveled to California with Henry. However, the article refers to Henry as the cousin of Frank W. Polley (1837-1899) the owner of a boot and shoe store in Leominster, MA. When checking the genealogy involved, one finds that Frank's father, Alvin M. Polley (1809-1880) was a brother of Elnathan, Jr., the father of Henry, Porter, etc. Thus the two men mentioned in the article appear to be true first cousins and Henry must be Porter's brother.

From Dixie Jordan's perspective, Porter Polley is an ancestor, through her late husband, to her daughter Jennifer. Porter is her 2GGF. Dixie has done extensive California research on Porter Polley and has found that he married one Maria Keenan in 1870. She has found microfilm records in Yuba Co., CA showing an application for a marriage license on 28 Feb 1870. A certificate showing a marriage on 1 March 1870 was filed on 7 March and recorded on 9 March 1870.

Further research revealed that Porter and Maria had four, possibly five, children, all born in California. Two of the children, Martin Richard Polley (1872-1945) and Annie Elizabeth Polley (1879-1944) married into the Delaney family with whom they apparently were raised. The latter is a great-grandmother to Dixie's daughter.

According to an obituary for their daughter Ella, published in the *Marysville Weekly Appeal* on 3 Mar 1879, Porter and Maria lived on A Street, between 2nd and 3rd in Marysville, CA. That area appears to be close to the old Chinese district of town. Marysville, about 110 mi NE of San Francisco, had a large Chinese population in the 1880s and the *Marysville Weekly Appeal* and other local newspapers contain many references to tong wars, gambling and racial prejudice against the Chinese on the part of the white community.

Family lore has it that Porter P. Polley was fatally shot in a Chinese gambling establishment while serving as "China police" or "Chinese

Last Friday, while F. W. Polley was sitting in his boot and shoe store, probably thinking over his profit and loss account, in walked an elderly man, and after taking a general view of the store, inquired if anyone round there knew what had become of Henry Polley. "Well," replied Mr. F. W. Polley, "if he is living, he is in California, but I guess he is dead." "No he isn't, he is a live man still," said the man. On taking a second look, he recognized the speaker as Henry Polley, well-known to many of our old citizens, who went to California in 1851.

Henry is a cousin of Frank, but 34 years of absence had made such a change he was not recognized. Henry Polley was in former years a jeweller in town, and first occupied a small building standing on the spot where Wood's Block now stands. The building he then occupied is now used as a dwelling house by Patrick Higgins of Lancaster Street. Mr. Polley then built a part of the brick block now occupied by Messrs. Gates, Greenwood & Conant. J. Q. A. Pierce built the half occupied by Foster Bros. & Kenney. This was erected in the year 1849. Here he (Polley) carried on the jewelry business until he left for the Golden State in 1851.

When the old Torrent Engine Company was organized Mr. Polley was active in the fire department and was the first foreman of that company.

His stay in town was brief, leaving on the following day.

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watchman" in Marysville. Stories also persist about Maria becoming an alcoholic and deserting the family around the time of Porter's death. The surviving children were placed in an orphanage, possibly in St. Helena (Napa Co.), CA. Later, some or all of them came to live with the Delaney family.

Dixie has recently done some additional research to see if she could find a trace of Henry Polley in California and possibly link him in some way to Porter. She did find a Henry Polly [sic] in the 1860 census. The data reads as follows:

1860 Census Data

Mendocino Co. CA, LDS m/f #0803060, p. 862, "Arrana" township (actually Arena).

Census date: July 6, 1860.

Dwelling # 663, family # 574

Henry Polly, 38, M, farmer, real estate value \$2,000, personal estate value \$2,000, born MA.

Charlotte Polly, 34, F, b. MA

Martha Polly, 17, F, b. MA, in school

Carrie (?) Polly, 10, F, b. MA, in school

Eva Polly, 3, F, b. CA

Charles (?) Polly, 1, F, b. CA

M.S. Desdmiller (?), 25, M, laborer, b. NY

Henry and his family members are not listed in either the 1850 or 1870 California census. There is a Henry Polly in Martinez, CA, in 1870, but he is younger and born in NY, so there is no apparent connection.

In favor of the 1860 Henry being Porter Polley's brother we have his age, which matches well with his now documented 1822 birth date [see the Family Register, pp. 4-5]; and of course, his state of birth.

Mendocino County is on the Northern California coast. Some quick facts gathered from an old county history: Arena Township is in the southernmost part of the county, including the community of Gualala. It is adjacent to Sonoma County, which is now one of California's "wine counties." Early agriculture in the area was mainly wheat, oats and vegetables, and some cattle ranching. However, the big industry was lumber, with lumber mills turning out boards, pickets for fences, etc. The area got its first permanent settlers in 1855, and by 1858 about 30 families were supposed to have lived in the township. Lists of early settlers (through 1859)

are contained in the county history, but Henry is not found among them. However, there is a note that the settlers' names came from the memories of old-timers and there were probably some missing.

Mendocino County was organized as a county in 1859. This area is some considerable distance from both San Francisco and the Gold Rush country. It is about 110 miles east from Arena Twp. to Marysville. Coloma is about 42 miles southeast of Marysville. Mendocino boosters today say the area attracted early settlers from New England because it resembles the New England coastline. It is a gorgeous area, rocky cliffs, redwoods, with lots of native rhododendrons blooming in late spring.

Unless further research turns up something to document the comings and goings of Henry and Porter as they made their way from Massachusetts to California and where and how they made their respective livings, one can only speculate on the events in their lives. Your editor envisions Henry, married with two children, deciding to take his family west around 1851. His brother Porter, a recent widower, anxious to make a new life for himself, leaves his child with relatives and joins his brother in the trek west.

Unless they traveled by ship, going "around the horn," a good portion of the trip was probably by rail. However, since the transcontinental rail system was not completed until 1869, a large portion of the trip would also have been by other overland means.

Upon their arrival in California, "gold fever" was running at a high pitch. Henry, the older, presumably more wiser, family man, probably took a conservative approach and stuck to what he knew, farming. His younger, more daring brother, probably succumbed to the temptation of getting rich quick and soon made his way inland to the gold fields, probably against the admonitions of his more prudent brother. Considering that he did not marry for about 18 or 19 years indicates he may have spent a great deal of time seeking the "mother lode." It is quite plausible that Henry and Porter never saw each other again after arriving in *The Golden State* and going their separate ways, thus accounting for no mention of Porter in the 1885 Leominster news article and a lack of California documentation linking them in any way.

There is still lots of research to do and we will report it as results are attained. rcr

 Editorial



This quarter we've had some real fun putting together the feature story on the discovery of the parents of Porter P. Polley. The primary reason for launching **POLLEY POINTERS** in 1994 was to provide a vehicle for researchers to meet and help each other, and to provide a clearinghouse, so to speak, of problems and resources. Unfortunately we always seem to have an over abundance of the former and a shortage of the latter. However, sometimes the tables turn and we can stamp **SOLVED** on a query or two. Our thanks to all who helped in providing materials for the story.

Serendipity was once again demonstrated as we looked up data in the file to place an inquirer in the correct Polley clan. See Research Progress. Looking at some Georgia data for the clan of Robert Polley (an ancestor of Shirley Gilbert), we noted his ten children, eight of whom we knew nothing about. We then noted two Polleys, born in Georgia and identified only by initials, who appeared in the 1850 Yuba Co., CA census, right where Dixie Jordan has been doing her research on Porter Polley. Her interpretation of the microfilm provides a high degree of confidence that the Georgia pair went to California to "seek their fortune."

It always amazes me how different genealogies always somehow seem to find a way of overlapping in some aspect. Perhaps this is an indication that someday The Master C.G. will reveal to us how we are all related and fit into "The BIG Chart."

Dick Rowlett

 Shades of Meaning

FIRST IN A SERIES OF FEATURETTES EXPLORING THE WORDS AND LANGUAGE OF GENEALOGY. CONTRIBUTIONS IN THIS SUBJECT AREA ARE SOLICITED.

We all pretty much agree on the definition of our favorite pastime. Consultation with the dictionaries of several publishers, and as well as several vintages of dictionaries spanning some fifty years, reveals a rather consistent explanation of **genealogy**: "The record or account of the descent of a person, family or group from an ancestor"; also, "the science that treats of family pedigrees." However, the same sources differ in their meanings for family. Some put primary emphasis on the idea of the clan, or being of a common ancestry. Others give primary emphasis to the definition of a family as a particular house-

hold with parents and children, and perhaps including others such as grandparents, simply because of a common roof. The latter view is the one expressed in the Reader's Digest work, *Use the Right Word*, edited by S.I. Hayakawa.

When one begins to examine definitions for relationships within a family, there is even wider diversity in points of view. Those primary elements of our science, the pawns of our particular game, **relatives**, **relations**, **kinsfolk**, the **cousinry** in general, have some very fine differences which I quite frankly never thought much about until I became involved in genealogy. Now, when accuracy of data is so all important, precision in presenting that data and telling our stories is equally as important. To achieve that precision requires a knowledge of the shades of meaning associated with our fundamental vocabulary.

Kin and **relatives** are comparable words but most of the sources say that **kin** and its derivatives imply a blood relationship, **consanguinity**, whereas the latter admits relationships by marriage as well, **affinity**. **Relatives** and **relations** may be used interchangeably. However, **relations** is used in a disparaging sense, as in "the poor relations." Hayakawa says **kin** is always construed as plural since it is a collective noun. Specific singular derivatives would be **kinsman** and **kinswoman**. These may be pluralized as **kinsmen** and **kinswomen** plus the indeterminate **kinsfolk**. Today's usage may even tolerate **kinperson**. **Kinfolk** and **kinfolks** are informal versions of **kinsfolk** and should be reserved for informal use. The various dictionaries are at odds with Hayakawa in that they allow as proper usage, **kin** in the singular sense, as in "He is not a kin of mine." There is also ambivalence as to whether **kin** and its derivatives encompass **affinal** relationships in addition to **consanguineous** ones. Most express a preference for usage limited to blood relations but allow for both.

Sources generally agree that **affinity** expresses relationship by marriage. Any of the "**in-law**" relationships indicate an **affinity** between two people. Common usage of the suffix "**-in-law**" extends to **parental**, **filial** and **fraternal** relationships. Less common is "**cousin-in-law**," which is usually rendered as "**cousin by marriage**." One source, *The Random House College Dictionary*, recognizes a broader meaning for **affinity** than just in-laws. It defines **affinity** as "relationship by marriage or by ties other than those of blood." Such a definition then would seem to encompass the "**step-**" relationships. As we know, the prefix "**step-**" indicates a relation [Random House says connection] between members of a family by the remarriage of a parent and not by blood. All sources consulted were in agreement that step-relations are not by blood, and were all equally

silent as to whether such relationships are properly considered as connections of **affinity** or if they are to be treated as a category unto themselves.

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-{To be continued.}-

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Research Progress



We have had an inquiry from a researcher regarding the Polley clan to which subscriber Shirley Gilbert belongs. Linda K. Davenport of Baytown, TX sends E-mail regarding her Polley heritage. This particular line centers on a Robert Polley of Georgia. He married Mary Jeanette (called Polly) Darnald in Clarke Co., GA 12 July 1810. Other available documentation shows him in 1827 in Morgan Co., GA and in 1830 in Campbell Co., GA. By December 1839 they were located in Sabine Co., TX where they appear to have stayed. Census data shows Robert's birthplace as Ireland. He probably immigrated between 1795 and 1805.

Robert and his wife Mary had ten children, six boys and four girls. Subscriber Shirley Gilbert is a descendant (great-granddaughter) of son, Hilliard J. Polley, b. ca. 1832. Mrs. Davenport is a descendant of son John Polley, b. 15 Dec 1821. The latter's son, John Robert Polley was Mrs. Davenport's great-grandfather. So Shirley has a third cousin, once removed (3C1R) that she probably was not aware of, who is an active Polley researcher. [Note: Linda joined us as a subscriber just at press time. We plan on giving her a proper introduction in the Spring issue. Linda may be contacted at telephone no: **281.383.3526** and E-mail ID: **dlkport@gte.net**]

There is a strong indication that Robert's father was Thomas Polley of Fairfield Co., SC. His will, proved in 1811, mentions daughters who married Agnew, Glover, and Carlisle who were said to be "of Georgia."

Let's add some more confusion. While reviewing the notes that pertain to the above clan, we came across a California reference (listen up Dixie Jordan). *Index to the 1850 Census of the State of California*, compiled by Alan P. Bowman, 1960, shows the following:

Page 588, Yuba Co.

Polley, O.G. - 23 years old; born GA; No. 207

W.F. - 21 years old; born GA; No. 207

Two other sons of Robert Polley were given as Oliver J. Polley and William P. Polley. The apparent birth years, 1827 and 1829, are plausible. The first initials are correct. The second initials could be different for several reasons. Census enumerators made lots of spelling and transcription errors. Also, researchers and compilers of census indexes make errors in interpreting hand-written census data. It would seem that these two Polleys would be worth running to ground. Perhaps there is a Polley Family Bible somewhere in California waiting to be found!

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until that company was sold in 1927. He then organized the Petrol Corp., an independent firm involving exploration, production, refining and marketing. He incorporated Pauley Petroleum, Inc., in 1958.

Pauley was a founder of the People's Bank of California, and participated in some large real estate ventures. He was a partner in the firm that developed the city of Lakewood and he began the development of Hastings Ranch in Pasadena.

Source of Controversy

From 1934 to 1938, Pauley was president of the Independent Petroleum Assn., a job that was to provide him with an entry into public life. He became a leading lobbyist for the oil industry—an identity that would later spark a bitter controversy.

Although he was widely saluted for his work as petroleum coordinator under Roosevelt during World War II, he was pictured by some as a wheeling-dealing oil man in the bitter episode that followed his 1945 nomination by Truman to be under-secretary of the Navy.

The controversy came to a head when Harold L. Ickes, secretary of the interior, accused Pauley of promising to raise about \$300,000 in oil industry money if the federal government would drop its claims to California tidelands oil fields. Ickes resigned when Truman continued to back Pauley, but the nomination eventually was withdrawn.

Shunned Political Office

Pauley always insisted he did not seek high political office.

He was appointed special assistant to the secretary of the Army and ran into more opposition—this time from Republican Presidential candidate Harold E. Stassen, who asserted that Pauley had used "inside" information to make windfall profits on the commodity market.

Pauley denied using such inside government information, but he resigned from the post and ended his public life in Washington. But he later advised Presidents Kennedy and Johnson on petroleum-related matters.

He returned to California to pursue his business interests, tend to his duties as a regent and enjoy sports hunting, sailing, and tennis—and vacationing on his private island in Hawaii.

His interest in California politics remained lively. He was one of the leading powers behind the election of Brown, father of the current [1981] California governor.

Pauley also had a long-standing friendship with former Los Angeles Mayor Sam Yorty, permitting Yorty to use his private aircraft for campaign jaunts.

Pauley was instrumental in bringing the 1960 Democratic National Convention to Los Angeles, but that resulted in still another tempest.

He was head of the committee that had promised the party \$360,000 if the convention came to this city. The committee asked in return 5,000 of the 16,000 convention seats.

That led to prolonged negotiations because of fears that the conservative oil man was trying to stack the convention.

Pauley was first appointed to the UC Board of Regents in 1939 by then-Gov. Culbert Olson.

In 1969, as chairman of the Regents Investments Committee, Pauley drew criticism for following conservative policies and for investing in companies in which the regents held interests.

But during his service as a regent, Pauley organized and led the fund raising drive for Dr. Ernest Lawrence's first cyclotron.

And he gave \$1 million to help develop UCLA's Pauley Pavilion basketball center as well as \$1 million toward construction of the Student Union at UC Berkeley.

In 1961, with Dr. Lee DuBridge, president of Caltech, Pauley helped raise the money to set up Los Angeles public television station KCET.

He was a director of Western Airlines and of First Western Bank and Trust Co. as well as the Surety Life Insurance Co.

With Pauley when he died was his wife, Barbara Jean. He also leaves four children: Edwin Pauley Jr., Dr. Stephen McHenry Pauley, Robert V. Pauley and Mrs. Susan Jean French.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday in All Saints Episcopal Church in Beverly Hills with the Rev. Kermit Castellanos officiating. Interment will be at Forest Lawn Memorial-Park, Glendale.

The family asked that, in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to the Edwin W. Pauley Cancer Research Fund, in care of UCLA Foundation at UCLA.

*From the Los Angeles Times,
Orange County Edition
29 July 1981, Pt I, pp. 1, 22*

Edwin W. Pauley had an extraordinary life and definitely carved out a place in history. If one takes a look at David McCullough's best selling biography, *Truman*, published in 1992 by Simon & Schuster, at least a dozen page references to Edwin Pauley may be found in the index. Also, if you search the World Wide Web for him by name, you will get at least two dozen "hits." These URLs provide interesting background, including a copy of a 1947 Pauley letter to Truman advising him during formulation of the Truman Doctrine.

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Pauley Profile

This quarter we present a Pauley Profile on recent subscriber, Dr. Stephen M. Pauley. We introduced him in Welcome Aboard last time and promptly erred in presenting a thumbnail sketch of his line. Although the direct line, in our usual format, was stated correctly, we prefaced it by attributing direct ancestry to Edward the Rev. War veteran. What we **should** have said was, "He traces his Pauley line from *the grandfather of Edward the Rev. War veteran.*" Once again for the record Dr. Steve's line is: Edward¹, David², Joseph³, Samuel⁴, Squire⁵, Calvin⁶, Elbert⁷, Edwin W.⁸, Stephen M.⁹. The Rev. War vet is a third generation brother of Joseph³. We finished the short introductory item on Dr. Steve by saying that he is relatively new to the hobby, but is aggressively pursuing his family history, making maximum use of the resources of the Internet and the instant communications capabilities of E-mail.

We received a package of material from Steve, detailing much more of his family history, just a little too late for the last issue. In it he proudly provided the vital stats on the arrival of his first grandchild. Hannah Diane Pauley was born on 23 May 1996 in London to his son Scott Mitchell Pauley and his wife, the former Abigail Mayo Jones. Dr. Steve is married to the former Marylyn Joan Prosser. They will celebrate 35 years of marriage the 21st of December. Congratulations are in order! The Pauleys have two sons, Clarke McHenry and Scott Mitchell.

Dr. Steve has a most interesting recent family history. His grandfather, Elbert L. Pauley, 1874-1947, and his father, Edwin Wendell Pauley, 1903-1981, were prominent businessmen. Their intriguing stories are told by contemporary published items about them.

Elbert L. Pauley

Elbert L. Pauley, an outstanding factor in the petroleum industry of Southern California, has been a well known and highly respected citizen of this community for nearly a generation. Coming to Pasadena in 1919, Mr. Pauley entered the automobile business and under the firm name of Pauley Motor Company handled the Packard, Reo, and Dort lines of cars successfully for about two years. He then organized the Pauley Oil Company for the marketing of gasoline under the trade name of "Eureka." This business had a rapid growth, and gasoline was distributed widely throughout the state. Subsequently, Mr. Pauley leased a refinery at Whittier and in 1924 he built his own refinery on Bandini Boulevard.

The Pauley Oil Company was ultimately converted into the Petrol Corporation, distributors of P.D.Q. gasoline, but a still larger feature of this business is the manufacture of asphalt, which is done on a very large scale. Mr. Pauley continued as the active head of this large corporation until a few years ago when he turned it over to his two sons, Edwin W. Pauley, who has been "Ambassador-at-Large" for President Truman and Harold R. Pauley. Under the able management of these two gentlemen the business has made tremendous strides.

While he is no longer active in the Petrol Corporation, Elbert L. Pauley has other important business interests. He is President of Santa Anita Mesa, Incorporated, sub-dividers of the Hastings Ranch, and he is also Vice-President of the Pasadena Escrow Company and a director of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Pasadena.

Mr. Pauley was born near Charleston, West Virginia, on December 13, 1877 [sic], son of Calvery and Amanda (Vickers) Pauley. His father was of French extraction and his mother comes from the English family of Vickers gun fame. Mr. Pauley received his education in his native state and as a young man was a petroleum engineer. For twenty years he was with the Standard Oil Company of Kentucky, having been located at various places in the Blue Grass State, and ending this period of his career at Birmingham, Alabama, as Marketing Manager. From Birmingham he came to Pasadena.

Mr. Pauley has traveled extensively, and in 1934 took a trip around the world with his wife. He and his two sons, with others, recently purchased the eighteen-acre Cocoanut Island, being one of the Hawaiian group, located three miles off the coast of the island on which Honolulu is located. This is being developed into a sportsman's paradise, and is one of the most beautiful spots in the world.

Mr. Pauley has been active in Pasadena civic affairs, having served as President of The Merchants' Association, and for several years was a director of the Tournament of Roses Association. He is an old-time member of the Overland Club and a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

Mr. Pauley has enjoyed a lifelong interest in boating in which sport his sons have joined him. It is due, no doubt, in large measure to his participation with his sons in this sport that they have always been so congenial.

Mrs. Pauley was formerly Miss Ellen Van Petten and she was born in Peoria, Illinois.

*Extracted from:
Pasadena Community Book, 1947
p. 393*

Janice Frost - Seeking descendants of Benjamin and Eleanor (Hutchinson) Polley who may have knowledge of photographs of Egbert Polley and Adelia Polley. The photos were sent in 1869 by the children's mother, Mary Augusta Polley, to her uncle Benjamin and aunt Eleanor, who were living in either PA or NY at the time.

Shirley S. Gilbert - Seeks par., DOB, & POB of Hilliard Jonathan Polley, m. Sally S. Hill, 28 Sep 1876, Gonzales Co., TX.

Charles W. Poley - Seeking parents of Jesse Poley, b. 27 Apr 1833, Phila., PA. Need names, DOB, POB, etc. Jesse m. Jane Bailey, dau. of John and Mary Bailey, both b. England 1800. Jesse and Jane m. Phila., 17 Jun 1857. They had four ch., Abraham, b. & d. 1858 Phila.; James Hollowell, b. 15 Jan 1860 Phila., d. 7 Mar 1930 Atlantic City, NJ; William Hollowell, b. 1 Jan 1862 Phila., d. Jul 1932 Phila.; John L., b. 1867 Phila., d. 13 Sep 1917, Pleasantville, NJ. Jesse served the Union forces 1863-1865 as a Private in Co. F, 52nd Pennsylvania Infantry Regt. In 1890 Jesse and his wife bought a house in Pleasantville, NJ and lived out their lives there. He died 21 Nov 1909. Jane died 22 Dec 1913.

Jean M. Brewer - Need info on family of Zachariah Polley, b. ca. 1806, m. Nancy ___; their son James Wesley Polley, b. ca. 1841, m. Mary McClary; their son George Wesley Polley b. ca. 1870, m. Frances Turpin; their son Neff Polley, b. ca. 1923, m. Frances Fuhr. They last lived in Brown Co., IN.

Virgil W. Huntley - Seeking parents and other particulars on a man from Lyme, CT identified in records as "goodman Polley." Lyme, CT records, 1667-1730, p. 117 reveal: At a town meeting 27 April 1708 it was voted that Captain William Ely was empowered to go to the next Court of Assistance to be held at Hartford in May to obtain some relief concerning goodman Polley who has been a town charge for some years.

Polley Tools

Approximation of a Date of Birth from Other Genealogical Events

Given a dated event in a person's life, such as a census enumeration or date of death, at a specified age (as customarily expressed in whole years to the last birthday), one can approximate the date of birth within a one year time span as shown in the following actual example:

Grahams Polley died on 21 May 1860 at age 44. Thus without any additional information one must assume that his birth date lies between 22

May 1815 and 21 May 1816. This may be reasoned as follows: On 21 May 1839 he would have been 43 with certainty. On 21 May 1861 he would have been 45 with certainty. If his birthday is 22 May or later in the calendar year, he would have turned 44 in 1859 had his birth year been 1815. If his birthday is exactly 21 May or earlier in the calendar, he would not have turned 45 until sometime in 1861 which would produce a birth year of 1816.

Thus the rule can be stated as follows: **The probable date of birth is established between the event date itself minus the stated age, and the previous year plus one day.**

Given multiple events with the ages stated, the range for a possible birth date narrows up rapidly. Example: Grahams Polley is enumerated on 22 July 1850 in the census. By his own statement he is 35 years old. Thus his probable date of birth is calculated as being between 23 July 1814 and 22 July 1815. When placed against the previously calculated range (based on the death date) we find the only overlap is between 22 May 1815 and 22 July 1815. Thus given that both events state accurate ages, Grahams Polley was born, with reasonable certainty, in 1815, probably in May, June or July. Any other event, which will narrow this window further, must have occurred within that window.

Based on the above, it should be obvious why, when taking down census data, it is so important to record the date of the enumeration. It may at some later time, in conjunction with some other piece of data, become very useful. It may be of interest to know that a family letter, acquired after the above calculations were made, stated Grahams Polley's date of birth as 12 July 1815.

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The Book Nook



My Ancestors, Our Ancestors, Your Ancestors, by Robert E. Polley, was published by the author in July 1997. The book is 240 pages of text plus 24 unnumbered pages of photographs. We reviewed Bob's work last quarter and recommended it. Our one criticism was that it had no index. So, Bob and his wife corrected that fault and now announce the availability of a 55-page index to the numbered individuals in the genealogy sections of his book. He can provide it in a three ring folder for \$8.00 or on floppy disk for \$5.00, both postpaid. Anyone intending to buy the book can get book and index together for \$25.00 postpaid. Items may be ordered directly from the author at: 258 David Avenue, Lehigh Acres, FL 33972-5286.

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Dixie M. Jordan - Seeking parents, POB/DOB, POD/DOD for P. P. Polley. Subject b. ca. 1833, probably in MA. First or Middle name may be Peter, POB may be Boston (based on dim family memories). Facts: P. P. was a constable in Marysville, CA from mid-1860s through at least 1880. He m. Maria Keenan (b. NY) in 1870. They had at least four children.

Daryl L. Polley - Researching David Polly (ca. 1778-1847) and Nancy Polly (ca. 1787-ca. 1862) of Lewis Co., KY and their descendants. Believe David to be related to Polly families in Adair Co., KY, Floyd Co., KY, Darke Co., OH, and Pittsylvania Co., VA. Desire contact and info exchange with researchers with similar interests.

Emelie Tolley - Looking for parents of John Polley (b. 8 Dec 1798, Orange Co., NY; d. 14 Nov 1861, Sussex Co., NJ) and Mahala/Mahalia Horton (b. 2 Oct 1817, Orange Co., NY; d. 4 Jul 1858, Sussex Co., NJ).

Shirley M. Eoff - Seeking info on Andrew Pauley of Gettysburg, Adams Co., PA. (Adams Co. formed from York Co. 1800.) Strayer's Lutheran Church of York Co. records: Andreas Palli, b. 1748, Bapt. 24 Feb 1768, s. of Andreas Palli and Christina. Andreas Palli (Jr.) m. Catharine Berckheimer 29 Aug 1768. In 1800 and after, through 1850, an Andrew Polley, or Polly, is on the census for Adams Co., PA. Are Andrew and Andreas the same person with surname variously recorded as Palli, Polley, Polly and Pauley?

Gwen Boyer Bjorkman - Sarah Polly m. Eligah Baker 1826, Perry Co., KY. They are next to Edward Polly in 1830 Perry Co. census and Eligah signs an affidavit in Edward's Rev. War pension file. Sarah is probably granddaughter of Edward. Among the ch. of Edward, she is possibly daughter of Sarah Polly before she m. Daniel Stout in 1806, or of Andrew Polly. Seeking any and all records of Andrew Polly to determine parentage of Sarah (Polly) Baker.

Patricia Zagata - Seeks record/documentation of 1st marr. of Marshall L. Polley, s. of James Madison & Queen Lillian (Farmer) P. He was b. 14 Aug 1909, possib. Webster Co., KY. SSAN was 405-01-7555. Second marriage believed to be with Mildred Polley [maiden name uncertain].

Evelyn G. White - Seeks mar. & ch. of Josiah Polley b. 16 Aug 1746, Dudley, MA, son of John Polley (1711-1750/1) and Mary Hatch. Also seek any info on par., mar., or ch. of a Josiah Polley who came to live with Dea. Thos. Buckminster, Framingham, MA, on 6 Jun 1781, at age 11.

James L. Polley, John E. Polley, and Susan M. Randt - All seeking anc. & POB of David Polley, b. 4 Sep 1786; d. ca. 1834, NYC; m. 1 Jan 1811, Hannah Purdy, b. 1 Apr 1795, VT.

Jack C. Thompson - Seeks info re John Wesley Pawley, Sr. He m. Margaret Briscoe in 1785 in Nelson Co., KY. He d. 1837 in Hardin Co., KY. Need par., POB, DOB, etc.

Ruth E. Curtis - Need par., DOB, POB, POD, & DOD for Charlotte Polley of "Cobscook," who m. 15 Dec 1800 Joseph Garnett, son of Daniel Garnett, Jr. and Hannah Sherman. Mar. recorded Eastport, ME. Thirteen ch. betw. 1801 and 1823, all recorded Dennysville (Washington Co.), ME. Family res. Pembroke (Wash. Co.), ME.

Judith M. Hull - Seeks par. of Isaac Polley, b. ca. 1815, ME; m. Mary Hatch, b. ca. 1817, ME; both known to be res of Boston in 1850.

E. June Alviso - Seeks par. and other particulars on John Polly, b. ca. 1830, KY; m. Mary Voris, 22 Feb 1855 in Switzerland Co., IN. They had twelve ch. John believed to be a Union vet, but no specifics to uniquely identify records in Nat. Arch.

Richard L. Switzer - Seeks par., DOB, POB, of James W. Polley who m. Sylvania ___. He d. ca. 1865. Had dau. Elizabeth, b. TN, ca. 1790, who m. Isaac Shipley, Monticello, Wayne Co., KY, 15 Jul 1809.

James Albert Polley - Seeks probate info for John Polley and/or Mary Taler whose 1 Apr 1795 marr. is documented in Halifax Co., VA, as well as probate info for John Polley and/or Mary White whose 28 June 1796 marr. is documented in Shelby Co., KY. His John and Mary were both b. 1775 and d. 1849 and are believed to have d. in Breckinridge Co., KY. Attempting to link correct John and Mary to son Joseph W[hite?] Polley, b. 27 May 1799, d. 20 Sep 1878, m. Elizabeth Huff, 10 Sep 1820.

Also seeking contact with other living descendants of James Clark Polley, Sr. whose children were: Benjamin A., Banner, James Clark, Jr., Ellender or Ellenora, and Rolla or Rolly.

Esther L. Walter - Seeks anc. of William Polly, b. 1776, VA; d. 1847, Darke Co., OH; m. 1799, Greene Co., KY, Jemima Kelso (1779-1840), dau. of Robert K. Wm. & Jemima had 13 ch.

Joan Reed Miller - According to Lawrence, MA records, Miriam E. Polly was b. 15 Jun 1854. Her father was Porter Polly, b. Leominster, MA, a blacksmith by trade. He m. Elizabeth Kellogg. Seeks ancestors of Porter Polly.

W A M I L Y P O L L E Y

FAMILY RECORDS		Born WHEN AND WHERE		Married WHEN, WHERE AND BY WHOM		Died WHEN AND WHERE	
PARENTS		Elnathan Polley Born June 17, 1794		Merriam M. Brigham Born Jan. 18, 1815		Sara Polley Died September 20, 1892 aged 8 years	
CHILDREN		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 16, 1815		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Elnathan Polley Born Feb. 28, 1820	
		Elizabeth Polley Born Jan. 5, 1817		George W. Polley Born July 14, 1831		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Feb. 13, 1819		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elizabeth Polley Born Nov. 20, 1822		George W. Polley Born July 14, 1831		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 24, 1824		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Sara Polley Born Oct. 19, 1826		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1828		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1830		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1832		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1834		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1836		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1838		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1840		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1842		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1844		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1846		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1848		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1850		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1852		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1854		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1856		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1858		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1860		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1862		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1864		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1866		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1868		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1870		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1872		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1874		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1876		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1878		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1880		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1882		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1884		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1886		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1888		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1890		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1892		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1894		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1896		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1898		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	
		Elnathan Polley Born Oct. 19, 1900		George W. Polley Born Aug. 24, 1819		Merriam Polley Born Oct. 19, 1833	

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