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P. 121 - old Blue notebook -
 1880 Snyder Census

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HENRY NEFF

The name Neff is very common in Elkhart and Kosciusko Counties. One family of the Neffs is especially noted for its number of preachers it has given the church. The father of this family was Henry Neff, Sr.

He was born in Botetourt County, Virginia, about the beginning of the last century. He was married there to Anna Frantz. About 1833 he moved to Southern Indiana. In 1840 he moved to Elkhart County, settling at first in the northern, and later, in the southern part of the county. Here he raised a family of six boys and three girls. The old home place is three miles southwest of New Paris.

He had united with the church and had been elected to the ministry in Virginia. He took a great interest in the work of the church in Indiana. He was a colaborer with Elder John Leatherman in the oversight of the Turkey Creek church. He did much to build up the church at home and elsewhere. He died suddenly in 1868 at the Union Center Church. His widow died in 1881. (when preaching)

Mary, the eldest daughter, married John Studebaker, a deacon in the Rock Run church. They later moved to Illinois. One of their sons, Daniel, became a preacher in the church. A daughter of John Studebaker married Abram Lear, and became the mother of Elder J. W. Lear. A second daughter of Henry Neff, Sr., Elizabeth, married Adam Lentz and became the mother of Elders George W. Lentz and Charles Lentz, both well-known ministers in Missouri. The youngest daughter, Susie, married Levi Arnold. Their son Charles became elder of the Solomon's Creek, and later of New Paris churches. Charles Arnold's son, Levi, is a minister in Elkhart City.

Two of the sons of Henry Neff, Sr., were ministers: Daniel and Henry Jr. Daniel Neff was an elder in the Union Center church, along with John Burkholder and John Anglemeyer. He had three sons who later became preachers. William was elected in the Bethel Church, ordained here, but later moved to Beaverton, Michigan. James was elected in Solomon's Creek and was presiding elder there for some years until poor health compelled him to give up the work. Another brother, Jacob, a deacon, lived at Milford.

Henry Neff Jr. was called to the ministry in the Union Center church in 1892. He was ordained in 1904 and had charge of the Union Center church at the time of his death in 1906. He was followed in the ministry by his son, Charles, who later became the elder of the Maple Grove church for a number of years, finally moving to New Paris, where he now lives.

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the community, for by their industry and good habits they assist in developing the country and rear honorable families.

JOSEPHUS NEFF, a member of the Nappanee Implement Company, was born December 30, 1861, on his father's farm in Jackson township, this county, and like most country boys he attended the district school in winter and assisted his father with the farm work during the summer months. He continued under the parental roof until of age, when he started out to fight his own way in life. He first settled on a farm in Jefferson township, Kosciusko county, improved this farm in every way and subsequently sold to advantage and moved to Nappanee in 1890. Until the spring of 1891 he was with Paxton Bros., general implement dealers, and he then formed a partnership with Mr. French. During the summer and fall of the same year he and his partner built a large double store and salesroom, which they stocked with all the latest and most improved farm machinery and hardware. They are honorable, conscientious business men and have already built up a large trade in their line. Mr. Neff is a practical and experienced man, thoroughly conversant with every detail of his business, and is highly esteemed throughout mercantile circles for his many exemplary traits of character, promptness and reliability. He was the only child born to John and Anna (Lisle) Neff, the former a native of Ohio and the latter of Elkhart county, Ind. John Neff was the son of Henry Neff, who came to Indiana at an early day, being among the pioneer settlers of Elkhart county. The mother of our subject was a daughter of John Lisle, also a pioneer of this county. She was one of three children by her father's first marriage, and her brothers were Josephus, deceased, and Josiah living in Iowa. Her father married the second time and by this union became the father of six children. Our subject was but six months old when he was left motherless and his father was married the second time to Miss Elizabeth Geyer and reared six sons and three daughters: Calvin, Levi, Alpheus, Rollo, Loyd and Burton, and Ida, Emma and Nettie. Both Mr. and Mrs. Neff are living and have a good farm in Jackson township, this county. Josephus Neff's marriage with Miss Katie Smith, who was born in 1862, was solemnized in 1883, and one bright little child has blessed this union, Gracie, whose birth occurred July 22, 1888. Mrs. Neff's parents, Jacob and Elizabeth (Fischer) Smith, were natives of Pennsylvania and Canada, respectively, and early pioneers of Elkhart county. Both are now deceased. They were the parents of eight children, four sons and four daughters: Samuel, John, Frank, Jesse, Susan, Ludia, Kate and Ella. The latter married George Whitehead and died at the age of twenty three years. The remainder of the children are living, the boys on farms in Jackson township and the girls all married and living not far from the old home. Mr. Neff is one of the pushing, energetic young business men of Nappanee and is quite a favorite in business and social circles. In politics he is a Democrat.

Henry's father

E. W. KIGER, Osceola, Ind. Our subject is one of the old settlers of St. Joseph county, Ind., of German-English descent. His great-grandfather, Peter Kiger, was a native of Pennsylvania, married and had the following family: Peggy, Mary, Jesse, Henry, Jacob and Peter. The occupation of Mr. Kiger was farming, and his death occurred in the Keystone State. Peter Kiger, Jr., son of the above and the grandfather of our subject, was born in Lancaster county, Pa., married there Catherine Farce, daughter of William Farce, who belonged to the same family as the Wilberforce family. Peter Kiger and wife were the parents of fourteen children, as follows: Sarah, who died when a young woman; Jacob, who died when a young man; William, who died when an infant; Henry, Jesse P., Peter, Ebenezer, Abraham, James, Eliza, Katie A., Hannah (deceased), Jane and Minerva. Peter Kiger left Pennsylvania and settled at Cadiz, Ohio, where he remained some years and then moved to Wayne county, Ohio, where he bought 160 acres of land, for which he paid \$480. He settled in the woods before any one else had come there, cleared up a good farm, made improvements, passed there the remainder of his days and died in 1850, seventy-six years of age. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kiger were members

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and Mrs. Fredrick hold membership in the German Baptist Church, and he is a deacon in the same. Mr. Fredrick is not a partisan in politics but is a public-spirited man, and one deeply interested in the progress and improvement of the country. He has held office in the township and is a most worthy citizen.

CHRISTIAN STOUDER is a well-to-do and prominent farmer located in Union township, this county, where he was born April 14, 1845. He was one of four children, only two now living, Mrs. Neff and himself, born to the marriage of Christian and Mary (Miller) Stouder. The mother of our subject had been married previously to a Mr. Bright, and bore him five children, as follows: George W.; David M., residing in Michigan; John (deceased); William, residing in Kansas, and Mary, Mrs. Bradner, now of Union township, this county. During his youthful days our subject divided his time between the duties on the farm and the duties in the school-room, receiving his education during the winter months. When about sixteen years of age he left home and began working a farm by the month. When twenty years of age he came in possession of a farm of eighty acres near Nappanee, and this he owned six or seven years, when he sold out and bought the place where he now lives. At the present time he has 124 acres of good land, well improved and with many improvements. When twenty-two years of age he married Miss Elizabeth Hohbein, a native of the Buckeye State, born September 20, 1853, and the daughter of Adam Hohbein. Mr. Hohbein was born in Germany, and was one of two children born to his parents. He was crippled when a small boy and as a consequence was not obliged to serve in the German army. He was married in the old country to Miss Catherine Horn, and shortly afterward crossed the ocean to America, settling in Mahoning county, Ohio. In 1865 they moved to Indiana, and there Mr. Hohbein has since followed the trade of tailor. He and wife are still living in Union township, and are consistent members of the German Reform Church. They have had ten children, of whom but four are living: Elizabeth (deceased), was the wife of Mr. Stouder; Hannah, the widow of John Umbaugh, resides in Union township; Louisa, married — Wise, and resides on the home place; Martha, wife of William Umbaugh, resides in Union township; Christian, and a brother are deceased; Sarah, died in this State, was the wife of Jacob Wise; Peggie A., died in Ohio, and two other children died young. Mrs. Stouder was a child of thirteen years when her parents came to Indiana. She became a member of the German Baptist Church, and died in 1875, leaving one child, Emma C., now deceased, who was born in 1868. Mr. Stouder selected his second wife in the sister of his first wife, Catherine Hohbein, who was born in Ohio, April 6, 1853, and who became the mother of five children: Alvina, who was born October 23, 1873, and died three years later; Lydia, born October 14, 1875, died at the age of two years; William H., born December 23, 1877, is now at home assisting on the farm; David T., born November 27, 1879, and Mary E., who was born and died in 1881. Mr. Stouder and his wife are both members of the German Baptist Church, and in politics Mr. Stouder is a Democrat. His two sons are still attending public school, and he intends to give them each a good education. On his fine and well-located farm Mr. Stouder is engaged in general farming, and is surrounded by all the comforts and many of the luxuries of life. His property is the result of hard work and perseverance. He inherited land from his parents, and after settling this embarked in the saw-mill business. He was quite unfortunate at one time, for his mill was destroyed by fire, but in spite of all this he managed to make some money, and in 1870 bought the fine farm where he lives. He has added to the original tract, and improved it in so many ways that no better place is to be found in the county.

SAMUEL C. NEFF is one of the oldest native-born residents of Elkhart county, in which he now resides. He is a member of a family whose history was identified with the State in days of earlier and simpler style of living. He was born near Bristol, April 2, 1839, and was the youngest but one of a family of eleven children,

five sons and four daughters living, born to the marriage of Henry and Anna (France) Neff, both natives of Virginia, and descendants of old Virginia stock. Henry Neff was born in Franklin county, that State, and was a son of Isaac Neff, who was also a native of the Old Dominion. Henry Neff's wife, Annie France, was a daughter of Christian France, and like himself, was of German origin. After marriage they moved from Virginia to Ohio, thence to Elkhart county, Ind., in 1834, settling on a farm near Bristol. About the year 1841 the family moved to Jackson township, this county, settled on a farm now owned by the youngest son, and there the father and mother died, the former at the age of seventy and the latter when eighty-three years of age. The father and mother were lifelong members of the German Baptist Church and among its most prominent and influential members. He was a man of resolute character, and of more than ordinary intelligence. His children were named as follows: Isaac, died in Kansas; Mary, married John Studenbaker (cousin of the large manufacturers of South Bend), and is living in Montgomery county, Ill.; Elizabeth, wife of Adam Lentz, died in Illinois; Daniel; Susan, wife of Levi Arnold; John F., Henry, Samuel C. (subject), and William, who resides on the home place in Jackson township. Mr. Neff had very little means when he came to Elkhart county, but by honesty and hard work accumulated a comfortable fortune. Samuel C. Neff was born in the northern part of the county, but when a child moved with his parents to Jackson township, where he grew to manhood. Although his schooling was limited to the winter months, he secured a good education, and after assisting on the farm until twenty-one years of age, started out to battle his own way in life. His father gave him a farm in Marshall county, this State, but this he sold in 1870, and bought the farm on which he has lived ever since. During this time, April 2, 1863, he married Miss Lydia Stouder, who, like himself, was a native of Elkhart county, born July 19, 1843. Her parents, Christian and Mary Stouder, were among the early pioneers of the county, and of the five children born to them two are still living: Lydia and Christian; Samuel, Lucinda and Lovina are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Neff have lived in this part of the county a number of years, and nine children were born to them; two are deceased, Calvin and Marvin. Seven are living, as are also six grandchildren; four of the children are married: Mary A., wife of Mr. Levi Pippinger, and has three children; Anna, married Mr. William Birkholder, and has one child; Christian, married Miss Minnie Smith, and has one child, and Deliline, married Mr. Enos Missler, and they have one child. The unmarried children are at home. Samuel C. Neff and wife are members of the German Baptist Church, and Mr. Neff is deeply interested in church and school work, as well as everything tending toward the upbuilding of the county. He is one of the largest landholders in this part of the county, owning about five hundred and fifteen acres in Union township and a quarter section in Locke township. All his property has been accumulated by the honest sweat of his brow, and he merits the respect and confidence of all for his industry and good management. In connection with farming he is also engaged in stockraising, and is meeting with good success. His elder children are living on his various farms, and the younger are at home.

GEORGE ARNOLD. Mr. Arnold, furniture dealer and manufacturer, is one of the foremost business men of Nappanee, and at all times keeps a well-selected and extensive assortment of medium and the finest grades of goods. As in every thing else so in furniture it always pays to keep the best, and the establishment of Mr. Arnold has gained an excellent reputation for just methods. This gentleman was born in Stark county, Ohio, December 24, 1839, and was the seventh in order of birth of nine children born to Reuben and Mary (Harman) Arnold, both natives of Pennsylvania, the father born November 7, 1799, and the mother May 10, 1805. The Arnold family came originally from England and is remotely connected to Benedict Arnold of Revolutionary fame. Our subject's maternal grandfather, George Harman, was a soldier of the War of 1812, was wounded in a battle with the Indians and remained a cripple for life. The Harmans, for the most part, were prosperous people and

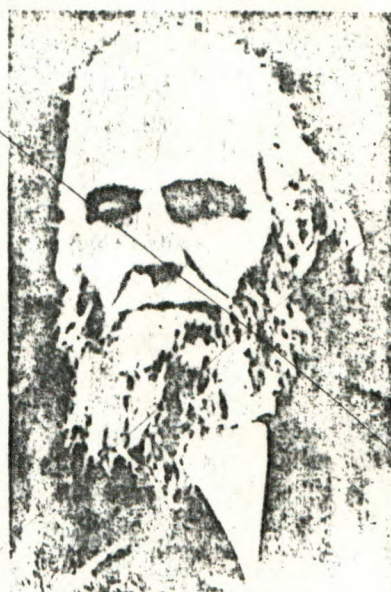
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Anna Frantz B c 1802

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Mother (Maiden Name) Barbara Moyers

Mar. April 18, 1822

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Mother (Maiden Name) Mary

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Newburgh Ind 47630
EVELYN ROSEMARY FRANTZ
7225 New Castle Road
Lafayette, Indiana 47905

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	1 Isaac						Va	In Kansas			Date _____ To _____
	2 Mary						Va	In Ill.			Date _____ To John Studebaker
	3 Elizabeth						Va	In Ill.			Date _____ To Adam Lentz
	4 Daniel	12-23-1829					Va	8-31-1904 Elkhart Co., Ind.			Date Dec. 11, 1854 To Lydia Brown 10 children
	5 Susan	1832									Date _____ To Levi Arnold
	6 John F.	1834									Date _____ To _____
	7 Henry	1-23-1837			White	In					Date _____ To Elizabeth Brown
	8 Samuel C.	4-2-1839			Elkhart	In.		9-15-1903 Elkhart Co., Ind.			Date April 2, 1863 To Lydia Stouder 9 children
	9 William	1842									Date _____ To _____
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M. S. Lawrence

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Could she have been the daughter of Christian³, grandson of Michael? You state that you have more information on Christian and his brothers, do you have a listing of Christian's children & who they married? Please let me know if you can help me. I'll be glad to pay for any expense ^{for copies} on your part. I'm not sure I can make it to the Oct 3rd meeting as I'm 300 miles away & have 2 young children. I would like copies of any materials available. Thank you.

Sincerely
Margaret Lawrence

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CHAPTER II

Jacob and Eva Catherine (Flora) Naff and Their Descendants

1. JACOB NAFF, SR.

Jacob Naff was born in the border land between Germany and Switzerland ca. 1727, and died in Franklin Co., Va., probably in 1806, before Oct. 6, the date on which his will was probated.

According to information presented in Table I, Chapter I, his parents were Jacob Naff II and Anna Elernopage. Nothing very specific is known about them. We can surmise that they spoke German and that they were not wealthy.

He came to America in 1749, arriving at Philadelphia on the Ship Dragon, Tuesday 26 Sept. 1749. About 500 people arrived with him and according to the record they came from the Palatine and Zweybrecht (Zweibruchen), Germany.

Upon arrival, according to his grandson, Isaac N. Naff, he sold himself into servitude for seven years to pay for his passage on the ship. However, his older brother, Sebastian, who had come some years before and apparently was very well established by this time, came to his rescue and reduced his time to three and one half years. (19, p. 1).

It should be noted, however, that some immigrants voluntarily sold themselves for the sake of the experience they would get. For a single man, this was often a decided advantage, because it afforded an opportunity to learn the customs of the new land. (16, p. 82).

He married in Lancaster Co., Pa., ca. 1755, Katherina Florin, daughter of Joseph Flure. (The name Florin or Flure became Flory, Flora and Fleury in later years.) (6, p. 25; 10, p. 16). According to tradition, she was born on board the ship which brought her parents to America. They came from the Palatinate, Germany, to Philadelphia on the Ship Hope, arriving there 28 Aug. 1733. (35, p. 108) She, Katherina Florin, was baptized 8 Sept. 1733 (6, p. 26). This was twelve days after the ship landed, so the tradition may be in error or it could mean that baptism could not be administered on board the ship and was deferred until the family was settled on land.

Katherina was called Eva by her grandson, Isaac N. Naff. Unfortunately, her name was not given in the will of her husband or in any other of his legal documents. In view of these facts, I choose to call her Eva Catherine. She, Eva Catherine, had two sisters and five brothers. One of her brothers, Jacob, moved to Franklin Co., Va., when she did and became the ancestor of the Flora families there. Other brothers became ancestors of Flory families of Pa. and northern Va. (6, p. 26; 10, p. 17).

She died in Franklin Co., Va., ca. 1820, or ca. fourteen years after her husband died. Both were buried on the farm where they settled in 1782 or soon thereafter. Where they were buried became the burial ground for four

or more generations of descendants. It is generally known as the Naff Cemetery and is located on a knoll about a hundred yards south of the home of Blaine and Lois (Bowman) Halterman.

Presumably after marriage he settled on or near the Susquehanna River in an area that later became Franklin Co., Pa. Later, ca. 1770, he moved his family to Frederick Co., Md., and still later ca. 1782 to Franklin Co., Va. See Chapter I for a more complete description of his settlements.

The land on which he settled his family in 1782 or soon thereafter was by grant of Governor Edmund Randolph of Virginia. A portion of the grant document is quoted below; the description of the boundary line around the acreage has been omitted.

"Edmund Randolph Esquire Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, —to all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting. Knowye, that by virtue and in Consideration of a land officers Treasury Warrant number twelve thousand two hundred and fifty three issued the eleventh day of June one thousand seven hundred and eighty two there is granted by the said Commonwealth unto Jacob Knaff assignee of David Morgan a certain tract or parcel of land, containing three hundred and fourteen acres by survey bearing Date the fourteenth day April one thousand seven Hundred and eighty four lying and being in the County of Bedford and Bounded as followeth Towit Beginning at a white oak on the Northside of Magotty Creek . . . with its appurtenances to the said Jacob Knaff and his heirs for ever in witness where of the said Edmund Randolph Esquire Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia hath hereunto set his Hand and caused the lessor Seal of the said Commonwealth to be affixed at Richmond on the Twentieth Day of March in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hundred and eighty eight and of the Commonwealth the Twelfth.

E. Randolph"

(Archives Division, Virginia State Library, Land Office Grants 15, 1787. Reel 81, pp. 558-560.)

On 23 Jan. 1791, to this grant of 314 acres he, Jacob Nafe, added by purchase from Henry McDonald of Green Bryer Co. for 300 pounds, 125 acres on the head of Magotty Creek. (Deed Book 2, p. 174) On 2 May 1791 he, Jacob Knafe, bought from Thomas Arthur for 20 pounds 120 acres beginning at Jacob Knafes corner (Deed Book 2, p. 222). These purchases brought his total holding to 559 acres. Turn back to Chapter I for a verbal and snapshot description of it.

Late in life Jacob and Eva Catherine settled their family here. Nine of their eleven children, all born in Pa. or Md., were brought here with them, and the nine shared in the settlement of the estate, a fact made clear in his will, quoted in full below. Abraham and Sarah apparently did not share in the estate; they were not mentioned in the will. Reasons for their omission are not known. Their omission may indicate that they were married, settled and prosperous in Pa. or Md. before the will was made, and hence did not have the need of the other nine.

His Will

Since he was the immigrant ancestor of all identified in this chapter, it

seems appropriate to quote his will in full. Spelling, capitalization and punctuation are the same as in the original, only the cursive style differs.

In the name of God Amen I Jacob Nave Sr of the County of Franklin being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and disposing memory (for which I thank God, and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath the same in manner following that is to say— To my Two sons Jacob Nave and David Nave all my Land, To Jacob the old improvement and one hundred acres joining of it Cald Arthurs Land for two hundred and fifty pounds. To David Nave a part of the old Tract, it being the lower end of the said Tract, and it being laud off by a marked line for one hundred pounds and both Jacob and David Together shall pay every year Twenty five pounds an Equal shear according to the price of each ones Land till they pay two hundred and twenty five pound to each of one of my children and it is my desire that Jacob and David shall pay the Balance to ther father and mother which is one hundred and twenty five pounds each one according to the price of his Land and they shall pay their father and mother or either of them in money in Grane, in Meat or aneything that they or either of them ask, and we will have liberty to go in the orchard and take fruit as much as We Want as long as we live, and the little place that I now live on which is a part of my old Tract, I will keep as long as I live, and if my wife should be the longest liver, she shall keep it as long as she lives and after our decease It is my desire that my son Jacob shall have it for seventy pounds, and shall pay yearly fourteen pound, til the seventy pound is paid. It is my desire that my daughter Mary shall have Thirty pound out of the seventy and the balance of the seventy pound—which is forty pound—and the ballance of the hundred and twenty five pound if there by any unpaid to be equally divided amongst all my children and there heirs forever unto Isaac one shear; unto Jacob one shear, unto Joseph one shear, unto Jonathan one shear, unto David one shear, unto Mary one shear, unto Susanna one shear, unto Elizabeth one shear, unto Catharine one shear, shear and shear alike unto all my Children, accept Thirty pound to my Daughter Mary which she shall have more than one of the rest, and if I & my wife should die shortly Jacob and David together shall not pay more then Twenty five pound a year til they pay for there Land, which is Three hundred and fifty pound—and Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my friends Isaac Nave and Joseph Nave Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other or former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have herewith set my hand and affixed my seal this 20th day of March in the year of our Lord Christ 1802.

his
Jacob X Nave Seal
mark

Sign'd Sealed published & declared
as for the Last Will & Testament
of above named.

At Court held for Franklin County October 6, 1806. This last Will and Testament of Jacob Nafe, deceased was proved by the solemn affirmation of Jacob Flora and Joseph Flora two of the witnesses hereto and ordered

to be recorded. And on the motion of Isaac Nafe and Joseph Nafe the Executors herein named who took the oath prescribed by law and gave bond and security conditioned as the law directs, certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate in due form.

Teste
James Calloway C.F.C.

(Franklin Co., Va., Will Book I, pp. 340-342.)

There were twelve children, the first seven or eight born in Pa., the remainder in Frederick Co., Md., as follows: (His name is spelled Nafe in his will, but I spell it Naff, since it became that in later years.)

2. Mary Naff, b. 1756.
3. Abraham Naff, b. 22 Feb. 1758.
4. Sarah Naff, b. ca. 1762.
5. Isaac Naff, b. ca. 1763.
6. Susanna Naff, b. ca. 1765.
7. Jacob Naff, b. ca. 1767.
8. Joseph Naff, b. ca. 1769.
9. Jonathan Naff, b. ca. 1771.
10. Elizabeth Naff, b. ca. 1773.
11. Catherine Naff, b. ca. 1777.
12. David Naff, b. ca. 1780.

2. MARY NAFF

Mary 2, Jacob, Sr., 1

Daughter of Jacob and Eva Catherine (Flora) Naff, born in Pa. ca. 1756; died unmarried in Franklin Co., Va., ca. 1856, near age 100. She probably made her home with her parents as long as both lived. In 1850, according to the U.S. Census of that year, she was 94 and living with Jonathan Naff, a nephew. Her father bequeathed her a double share of the estate by his will, probated in 1806. (37, p. 163)

3. ABRAHAM NAFF

Abraham 2, Jacob, Sr., 1

Son of Jacob and Eva Katherine (Flora) Naff, b. in Pa. 22 Feb. 1758; died in Preble Co., Ohio ca. 1813. According to one report, "he married in Franklin Co., Pa, Katy Saylor, sister of Mary Saylor who married Sebastian Naff, brother of Jacob Naff, Sr." (18, p. 52). Dr. J. M. Henry provided some data on Daniel Seilor (Saylor) and his family. He mentioned Bostian Naff as a son-in-law, but no mention of Abraham Naff. He also gave the birth date of Mary and of Catherine. Catherine was born, according to his record, in 1736 and was married long before her father moved to Frederick Co., Md. (13, p. 86). If the data in these reports are true, then Catherine (assumed to be Katy) would have been 22 years older than Abraham.

According to the 1790 Census, Abraham Nave, presumably this Abraham, was living in Franklin Co., Pa., at the head of a household consisting of himself and two males under sixteen and two females. He eventually moved to Franklin Co., Va., as did his father Jacob and Uncle Sebastian. On 5 Sept.

1796, he, Abraham Nave, bought 332 acres on Calloway's line from Daniel and Mary Spangler for 350 pounds. (Franklin Co., Va., Deed Book 3, p. 375).

He did not keep this land very long for on 7 Oct. 1805, Abraham Nafe and Katy Nafe, his wife, sold 320 acres on the waters of Blackwater "being all the land which the said Nafe claims title to" to Samuel Harriston for 1600 pounds. (Franklin Co., Va., Deed Book 5, p. 144). Soon after his sale he moved his family to Preble Co., Ohio. (18, p. 52)

According to the 1790 Census, quoted above, they had two sons and a daughter. Two sons were born later. (18, p. 52) There may have been five children as follows:

Son b. before 1790.

Son b. before 1790.

Daughter b. before 1790.

13. Jacob Neff b. 9 Aug. 1805.

Sebastian Neff II, b. —.

4. SARAH NAFF

Sarah 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Sarah, daughter of Jacob and Eva Catherine (Flora) Naff was born in Pa. ca. 1762 and probably died there. She remained in Pa. or Md. when her parents moved to Va. She was not named in her father's will made in 1802. From this fact, I surmise that she had died without heirs or that she had become independent. (37, p. 163)

5. ISAAC NAFF, SR.

Isaac 2, Jacob, Sr., 1

Son of Jacob and Eva Catherine (Flora) Naff, born in Pa. ca. 1763; died in Franklin Co., Va., ca. 1845. He married in Franklin Co., Va., 1 June 1789, Barbara Movers, step daughter of John Boone. (36, p. 168)

He was a farmer and a minister in the Brethren Church. Soon after marriage he apparently moved to Botetourt Co., Va., for on 29 Nov. 1794, he bought a parcel of land located on the south branch of Back Creek. (Botetourt Co. Deed Book 6, p. 666) (This area is now in Roanoke Co; Roanoke was formed from Botetourt Co. in 1838.) If he moved to this farm, he apparently did not live there very long, for on 29 Sept. 1799, he bought 160 acres located on both sides of Little Creek in Franklin Co., Va. (Deed Book 3, p. 715) About six years later, 2 Sept. 1805, he bought 322 acres also located on both sides of Little Creek in Franklin Co. (Deed Book 5, p. 137)

He was first in the Naff line to gain some prominence as minister and elder in the Brethren Church in Franklin Co. (38, p. 153) He "preached much" in the county and "spoke both English and German fluently." (35, p. 107) Furthermore, he went as far as N.C. in his preaching ministry.

His Will

His will is herewith quoted in full. The wording, capitalization and punctuation are like the original; only the cursive style differs.

In the name of God Amen. I Isaac Nafe Sr. of the County of Franklin being

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Franklin Co. Va. (all were named in this will. Some notes of the birth date of four gained from U.S. Census of 1810, 1820 + 1830) - Mary Naff b. ca 1794 - (14) John Naff b. 9 Oct. 1795 - (15) Henry Naff b. ca 1800 - (16) Elizabeth Naff b. ca 1798 - (17) Isaac Naff Jr. b. ca 1810

sick and weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory for which I thank God, and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of all (?) worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath the same in manner following that is to say to my son Isaac Nafe two little tracts of land called Mishlers and Teats land containing two hundred and sixty acres it being more or less, for six hundred and fifty dollars and one hundred dollars I give Isaac as an heir right, which I gave to all my children except my daughter Mary to her I gave two hundred dollar one hundred dollars which she shall have more than one of the rest, and then Isaac shall pay five hundred and fifty dollars to his father and mother or either of them and Isaac shall pay thirty five dollars for his first payment on or before the 25th day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty six and he shall pay thirty five dollars every year til he pays five hundred dollars and then the last year he shall pay fifty dollars which will make the number full, and it is my desire that the little part of land which I own in the mountain to be sold, and all what is coming from all my lands to be collected as it comes due and to be gab together for the support of my wife as long as she lives, and after our decease it is my desire if there be any unpaid to be equally divided amongst all my children and their heirs forever, unto John one share, unto Henry one share, unto Isaac one share, unto Mary one share, unto Elizabeth one share and share alike unto all my children, accept one hundred dollars to my daughter Mary and some house furniture which will be named hereafter which she shall have more than one of the rest, and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend John Nafe and Joseph Flora and Isaac Nafe Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby making all other or former Wills or testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 10th day of March in the year of our Lord Christ 1834.

Isaac Nafe

Seal

Signed sealed published & declared as and for the last Will & Testament of above named Isaac Nafe in presence of us

Abraham Barnhart

John Barnhart

George Nafe

At a Court held for Franklin County the 6th day of February 1846 This last Will and Testament of Isaac Nafe Dec^d was produced in Court and proved by the oath of Abraham Barnhart and George Nafe two of the subscribing witnesses herein and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of John Nafe, Joseph Flora and Isaac Nafe the executors herein named who made oath and gave bond and security according to law certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probat thereof in due form

Test

M. G. Carper, C.F.C.

(Franklin Co., Va. Will Book 6, p. 93.) There were 5 children all b. in Franklin Co. Va. (all were named in this will. Some notes of the birth date of four gained from U.S. Census of 1810, 1820 + 1830) - Mary Naff b. ca 1794 - (14) John Naff b. 9 Oct. 1795 - (15) Henry Naff b. ca 1800 - (16) Elizabeth Naff b. ca 1798 - (17) Isaac Naff Jr. b. ca 1810

12. DAVID NAFF

David 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of Jacob and Eva Catherine (Flora) Naff, b. in Pa. or Md. ca. 1780; d. in Franklin Co., Va., between 1840 and 1850. (Census) He m. in Franklin Co., Va., 14 Nov. 1803, Magdalena "Polly" Brower, dau. of Jacob Brower. (36, p. 168) She was b. ca. 1790, and d. in Franklin Co., probably in the same decade as her husband.

They were farmers. Their farm was located below the junction of the north and south branches of Maggodee Creek in Franklin Co., Va., and was the lower part of his father's original grant. (See the Will of Jacob, Sr., quoted above.)

He left no will and I found no Bible record containing the names and birth dates of his children. From the census of 1810, 1820, 1830 and 1840, I determined the number and approximate age of eleven children, four male and seven female. The names of most of the children were found in the marriage records of Franklin Co. From all the data available, I have concluded that there were eleven children, all b. in Franklin Co., Va., as follows:

43. Hannah Naff, b. ca. 1804.
44. Elizabeth Naff, b. ca. 1806.
45. Daniel Naff, b. 10 Feb. 1807.
46. Nancy Naff, b. ca. 1808.
47. Jonathan Naff, b. ca. 1810.
48. Mary Naff, b. ca. 1812.
49. Joseph Naff, b. 18 Jan. 1814.
50. Sarah Naff, b. 20 Feb. 1817.
51. Catherine Naff, b. ca. 1819.
52. Rebecca Naff, b. ca. 1824.
53. David Naff, b. 15 Apr. 1827.

13. JACOB NAFF

Jacob 3, Abraham Naff 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of Abraham and Katy (Saylor) Naff, b. in Franklin Co., Va., 9 Aug. 1805; d. at Lewisburg, Ohio, 25 March 1874. He m. 25 Sept. 1860, Margaret Wampler.

There were four children, as follows: (18, p. 52)

- Ira J. Neff, b. —
- Emma Neff, b. —
54. Sebastian Neff III, b. 15 March 1866.
- Maude Neff, b. —

14. JOHN NEFF (Became Neff in Ind.)

John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr., 2, Jacob, Sr., 1

Son of Isaac, Sr., and Barbara (Moyers) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va., 9 Oct. 1795; d. in Montgomery Co., Ind., 26 Nov. 1871. He, John Nave, m. in Botetourt Co., Va., 19 Jan. 1826, Anna "Nancy" Pefley, dau. of Samuel and Anna (Borndrager) Pefley. She was b. in Botetourt Co., Va., 2 Dec. 1806 and d. in Montgomery Co., Ind., 10 Jan. 1874. Both were buried in the Pefley Cemetery near Ladoga, Ind.

They were farmers in Franklin Co., Va., for some years, but ca. 1852 they moved to Ind. near Jamestown, where they continued farming.

There were nine children, all b. in Va., as follows: (12, p. 171; 24, p. 55)

55. Samuel Neff, b. 23 Feb. 1827.

56. Abraham L. Neff, b. 9 Jan. 1830.

57. Jacob B. Neff, b. 6 Jan. 1832.

58. Elizabeth Neff, b. 13 Feb. 1834.

59. Isaac D. Neff, b. 18 June 1836.

60. Julia Ann Neff, b. 3 Oct. 1838.

61. George Neff, b. —; d. young.

61. John R. Neff, Jr., b. 30 Sept. 1843.

62. Henry P. Neff, b. 22 Dec. 1846.

*Charles Grant
Grandfather*

15. HENRY NAFF, SR. (Neff in Ind.)

Henry 3, Isaac, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of Isaac, Sr., and Barbara (Moyers) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va., ca. 1800; d. in Ind. in 1868. He m. in Botetourt Co., Va., 18 April 1822, Anne Frantz (B.C.M.R., p. 597) She was b. in Botetourt Co., Va., ca. 1802 and d. in Ind. in 1881.

*da Henry Frantz
or Mary Knott*

They moved to Southern Indiana ca. 1833 and in 1840 to Elkhart Co., settling first in the northern and later in the southern part. The old home place is about three miles southwest of New Paris. (34, p. 104)

He became a minister in the Church of the Brethren in Va. before he moved to Ind. There he did much to build up the church. Several of his descendants became noted ministers in the Church of the Brethren. (34, p. 404).

There were nine children, six male and three female, but only five were identified. (34, p. 404)

63. Mary Neff, b. —

64. Daniel Neff, b. —

65. Elizabeth Neff, b. —

66. Susie Neff, b. —

67. Henry Neff, Jr., b. —

16. ELIZABETH NAFF

Elizabeth 3, Isaac 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Daughter of Isaac and Barbara (Moyers) Naff, b. in Franklin Co., Va., ca. 1798; d. in 1882. She married in Franklin Co., Va., 21 Oct. 1818, Abraham Barnhart (36, p. 28). He was b. ca. 1795 and d. in Franklin Co., ca. 1872.

They were farmers in Franklin Co., Va. He became a minister in the Brethren Church and one of the strong leaders. (28, p. 46) His will dated 3 July 1869 and probated 2 June 1873 provided for his wife, Elizabeth, the land to Abraham, Jr., and an equal share for each child. (Will Book 16, p. 282).

There were eight children, all b. in Franklin Co., Va., as follows: (10, p. 164; 24, p. 61)

68. Daniel Barnhart, b. ca. 1819.

69. Hannah Barnhart, b. ca. 1821.

70. Jacob Barnhart, b. ca. 1823.
71. Rebecca Barnhart, b. ca. 1828.
72. John N. Barnhart, b. ca. 1829.
73. Abraham Barnhart, Jr., b. ca. 1831.
74. Elizabeth Barnhart, b. ca. 1834.
75. George Barnhart, b. ca. 1837.

17. ISAAC NAFF, JR.

Isaac, Jr. 3, Isaac, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of Isaac, Sr., and Barbara (Moyers) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va., ca. 1810; d. probably in Nebr. He married in Franklin Co., Va., 31 Jan. 1833, Elizabeth Peters, dau. of Michael and Mary (Flora) Peters. (10, p. 197) She was b. in Franklin Co., Va., ca. 1815; d. there ca. 1837.

He remarried in Franklin Co. 22 April 1839, Mary Peters, a sister of his first wife. (36, p. 168) She was b. ca. 1817.

They were farmers in Franklin Co., Va., as late as 1850 (census), but they apparently moved to Nebr. soon after that date. (4, p. 34)

There were two children, both b. in Franklin Co., Va., as follows: (10, p. 197)

76. Mary Naff, b. in 1834.

77. Barbara Naff, b. 26 Oct. 1836.

18. GEORGE NAFF

George 3, Jacob, Jr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of Jacob, Jr., and Elizabeth (Stover) Naff, b. in Franklin Co., Va., 7 Oct. 1793; d. there between 1860 and 1870 (census). He married in Franklin Co., Va., 30 Dec. 1817, Hannah (Bowman). (36, p. 168) She was b. ca. 1800.

They were farmers. On 12 Mar. 1818 he, George Nafe, bought 172 acres on Backrun adjoining Ikenberry and Jacob Flora lines for 197 pounds and 12 shillings. (Fr. Co. Deed Book 8, p. 105) Some years later, 7 Sept. 1833, he bought 259 acres adjoining Samuel Flora line from Isaac Nafe and Barbary his wife for \$900. (Deed Book 14, p. 38)

There were seven children, four male and three female, all b. in Franklin Co., Va., as follows: (census 1840; 24, p. 61)

78. Jacob D. Naff, b. ca. 1820.

79. Elizabeth Naff, b. 16 Sept. 1822.

80. Benjamin Naff, b. 27 Oct. 1824.

(male) b. —

81. Abraham Naff, b. ca. 1827.

82. Hannah Naff, b. ca. 1829.

Rebecca Naff, b. ca. 1834.

19. CATHERINE NAFF

Catherine 3, Jacob, Jr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Dau. of Jacob, Jr., and Elizabeth (Stover) Naff, b. in Franklin Co., Va., 10 Sept. 1796; d. there 17 Apr. 1878. She m. in Franklin Co., Va., 14 Nov. 1817, Daniel Bowman (36, p. 42), son of John and Elizabeth

(Eikenberry Bowman. He was b. in Franklin Co., Va., 7 Oct. 1785 and d. there 23 Sept. 1833. Both were buried in the John Bowman family cemetery

Farmers. Their farm was the original John Bowman plantation consisting of more than 600 acres located on Griffith Creek in Franklin Co., Va. (37, p. 13). He was a minister and elder in the Church of the Brethren. (15, p. 31)

There were ten children, all b. in Franklin Co., Va., as follows: (24, p. 69)

83. Elizabeth Bowman, b. 21 Sept. 1818.

84. Jacob Bowman, b. 10 Nov. 1819.

85. John Bowman, b. 11 Mar. 1821.

86. George W. Bowman, b. 21, Sept. 1822.

87. Isaac Bowman, b. 12 Oct. 1825.

88. William "Billy" Bowman, b. 7 Jan. 1828.

89. Rebecca N. Bowman, b. 5 Mar. 1830.

90. David Bowman, b. ca. 1833.

91. Susannah Bowman, b. 16 Oct. 1834.

92. Daniel Bowman, Jr., b. 21 Jan. 1837.

20. ELIZABETH NAFF

Elizabeth 3, Jacob, Jr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Dau. of Jacob and Elizabeth (Stover) Naff, b. at Boones Mill, Va., ca. 1798; d. there. She m. in Franklin Co., Va., 2 Jan. 1826, Joseph Flora, Jr., (36, p. 90), son of Joseph and Susannah (—) Flora, Sr. (Her grandmother Eva Catherine Flora was a sister to her husband's grandfather, Jacob Flora.) (10, p. 184) He was b. at Boones Mill, Va., ca. 1805 and d. there between 1860 and 1865. Both were buried on the home place.

They were farmers and became large land owners in the northwest section of Franklin Co., Va., near Rocky Mount.

There were nine children, all b. in Franklin Co., Va., as follows: (10, p. 187; 24, p. 74)

John Flora, b. 22 Oct. 1825.

93. Mary Flora, b. 4 Oct. 1828.

94. Isaac Flora, b. 25 Nov. 1831.

95. George Flora, b. 12 Aug. 1834.

Elizabeth Flora, b. 9 Feb. 1837; d. ca. 1853.

96. Daniel Flora, b. 28 March 1840.

97. Sarah Flora, b. 3 Jan. 1843.

98. Joseph Flora, Jr. (III), b. 15 May 1845.

99. Riley Flora, b. 25 Nov. 1848.

21. JACOB NAFF, III

Jacob 3, Jacob, Jr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Stover) Naff, b. in Franklin Co., Va., ca. 1800; d. there between 1870 and 1880. (Census 1870 and 1880) He m. in Franklin Co., Va., 28 Feb. 1828, Susannah Webster. (36, p. 168) She was b. ca. 1805.

They were farmers. Their farm, consisting of 210 acres, was located on the north branch of Maggoodee Creek. It was at one time a stopping place for stage coaches and the Naffs post office was opened there in 1855. (35, p. 2)

"Elder David Neff was a native of Franklin County, Virginia, born April 15, 1827. He was a son of David and Magdalena (Brower) Neff. In 1849 he emigrated to Indiana, making much of the trip by wagon in company with Martin Winger, the great-grandfather of the author of this book. At Springfield, Ohio, he first saw a railroad. His destination was one and one-half miles southeast of Roann.

"As yet the country was mostly covered with forests. Roann was not yet started. David went to a common school the first two winters. The third year he was here he taught school. In January, 1852, he was married to Hannah Fisher, a daughter of Peter Fisher, of Mexico.

"At this time the Roann territory was still a part of Mexico. William Moss and George Brower did the preaching through here. At a common meeting one Sunday in July, 1852, David Neff and wife and eight others united with the church. An organization known as Squirrel Creek was effected in 1855.

"David Neff was elected to the deacon's office in 1861, called to the ministry in 1865, and ordained in 1872. About 1880 he became presiding bishop of his home church and continued as such nearly twenty years. These were busy years for him. Not only was he faithful in performing service in his home church, but he did much preaching elsewhere, especially in the Manchester church, where he was so often called to officiate at funerals. He had a musical voice, was a rapid and ready speaker, and above the average speaker of his day. In the district he was a leader, where he often served as officer of the District Meetings, and represented the District on the Standing Committee three times.

"Elder Neff was three times married. By the first wife he had three children. One daughter became the wife of Elder Dorsey Hodgden. The only son, J. Henry, was for fifteen years a deacon at Roann before he was elected to the ministry in 1896. Elder Neff lived to the ripe old age of 86. For many years before his death he was totally blind. For his second wife he married Sister White, of Roann. After her death he was married to Susie Miller Trump, who tenderly cared for him in his last years."

There were three children, all b. in Ind. (34, p. 404).

Female, b. ca. 1853; m. Dorsey Hodgden.

J. Henry Neff, b. —

———, b. —

54. SEBASTIAN NEFF III

Sebastian 4, Jacob 3, Abraham 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of Jacob and Margaret (Wampler) Naff, b. near Lewisburg, Preble Co., Ohio, 15 March 1866.

"He later moved to Oklahoma and is listed as 'Boss' Sebastian Neff in 'Oklahoma History of Chronicles of Oklahoma' published by the Oklahoma Historical Society." (18, p. 52; K.N.B.)

55. SAMUEL NEFF

Samuel 4, John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of John and Anna "Nancy" (Pefley) Naff, b. at Boones Mill, Va., 23 Feb. 1827; d. at Ponca City, Oklahoma 12 Feb. 1905. He m. in Franklin

Co., Va., 3 Sept. 1849, Elizabeth Jamison (F. Co. M.R.), dau. of Samuel and Sarah (Webster) Jamison. She was b. in Franklin Co., Va., 25 Jan. 1833 and d. at Ponca City, Okla., 16 Dec. 1901. Both were buried in Longwood Cemetery near Ponca City, Okla.

They moved to Ind. ca. 1852. At that time their surname became Neff.

There were eighteen children, the first one b. in Va., the next thirteen in Elkhart Co., Ind., the next three in Montgomery Co., Ind., the last one at Lawrence, Kans., as follows: (33, p. 5; 12, p. 171)

179A. Martha Jane Neff, b. 1 April 1852.

180. Sarah Elizabeth Neff, b. 30 Nov. 1853.

181. James William Neff, b. 27 April 1855.

182. Samuel Henry Neff, b. 3 Nov. 1856.

183. Rebecca Ellen Neff, b. 9 Dec. 1857.

184. Jesse Delano Neff, b. 13 Feb. 1859.

185. Nancy Catherine Neff, b. 31 Jan. 1861.

186. Lydia Frances Neff, b. 19 March 1862.

187. Julia Etta Neff, b. 1 May 1863.

Mary Margaret Neff, b. 12 July 1864; d. young.

188. John Milton Neff, b. 4 Dec. 1866.

189. Amanda Luthetta Neff, b. 4 June 1868.

190. Ida Isabelle Neff, b. 13 March 1871.

191. Thomas Robert Neff, b. 13 Oct. 1873.

192. Lewis Jacob Neff, b. 27 June 1875.

193. Pheobe Alice Neff, b. 1 Oct. 1876.

Benjamin Franklin Neff, b. 22 June 1880.

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56. ABRAHAM L. NEFF

Abraham 4, John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of John and Anna "Nancy" (Pefley) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va., 9 Jan. 1830; d. at Syracuse, Ind., 4 Feb. 1916. He m. in Ind. in 1854, Lydia Whitehead. She d. at Syracuse, Ind., in 1912.

He went to Ind. in 1852. He and his wife joined the Church of the Brethren in 1852. "In 1871 he was called to the ministry in the Solomon's Creek Church, advanced in 1878 and ordained in 1888. In 1886 he moved to West Goshen and remained sixteen years. While here he had presiding charge for some time. In 1902 he moved to Syracuse, where he spent the remainder of his life. . . . He was earnest in his church work and respected by those who knew him." (34, p. 402).

There were five children, four sons and one daughter. (34, p. 402)

57. JACOB B. NEFF

Jacob 4, John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1

Son of John and Anna "Nancy" (Pefley) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va., 6 Jan. 1832; d. at Ladoga, Ind., 14 Feb. 1891. He m. at Ladoga, Ind., 23 June 1859, Margaret Hamm. She was b. at Russellville, Ind., 24 March 1839 and d. at Woodland, Mich., 28 Feb. 1913. Both were buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery near Ladoga.

There were four children, all b. at Ladoga, Ind., as follows: (12, p. 177)

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194. James Neff, b. 12, Jan. 1862.
 195. Martha Ellen Neff, b. 3 Apr. 1865.
 Elizabeth Neff, b. 21 Sept. 1868.
 196. Alice Neff, b. 29 Jan. 1873.

X-4 58. ELIZABETH NEFF

Elizabeth 4, John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1
 Dau. of John and Anna "Nancy" (Pefley) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va.,
 13 Feb. 1834; d. in Ind., 10 Jan. 1911. She m. John Britts.
 There were three children, as follows: (12, p. 183).
 George Britts, b. —
 James Britts, b. —
 Anna Britts, b. 10 Mar. 1869.

X-5 59. ISAAC D. NEFF

Isaac 4, John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1
 Son of John and Anna "Nancy" (Pefley) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va.,
 18 June 1836; d. at Earlham, Iowa, 23 Dec. 1913. He m. at Adell, Iowa,
 3 June 1867, Nancy Gilman Payne, dau. of John and Katie (Lindsey) Gilman.
 She was b. in Lake Co., Ind., 29 Mar. 1846, and d. at Earlham, Iowa, 1 June
 1935.

There were eleven children, all b. in Madison Co., Iowa, as follows: (12,
 p. 178; R.T.L.)

197. Carrie Augusta Neff, b. 16 Mar. 1868.
 198. Cora Anne Neff, b. 28 Sept. 1869.
 199. John Grotius Neff, b. 17 Sept. 1871.
 200. Isaac Franklin Neff, b. 8 June 1874.
 Virna Katie Neff, b. 12 May 1877; d. 27 Dec. 1878.
 Vina Melissa Neff, b. 12 May 1877; d. 12 Sept. 1877.
 201. Jacob Otis Neff, b. 8 Sept. 1879.
 202. Hugh Roy Neff, b. 9 Apr. 1881.
 203. Byron Drake Neff, b. 19 Feb. 1883.
 204. Neil Lloyd Neff, b. 23 Oct. 1886.
 205. Nancy June Neff, b. 15 June 1890; d. 21 Nov. 1918.

X-6 60. JULIA ANN NEFF

Julia 4, John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1
 Dau. of John and Anna "Nancy" (Pefley) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va.,
 3 Oct. 1838; d. in Ind., 20 Dec. 1917. She m. in Montgomery Co., Ind., 27
 Nov. 1862, John Thomas Huffman, son of Isaac and Mary (—) Huffman.
 He was b. in Botetourt Co., Va., 14 July 1832, and d. in Ind., perhaps in
 Hendricks Co., 8 Feb. 1890. They were buried in the John B. Pefley private
 cemetery near Ladoga, Ind.

Farmers in Ind., first in Boone Co., then in 1867 they moved to Hend-
 ricks Co.

There were eight children, all b. in Ind., as follows: (12, p. 181)
 John B. Huffman, b. 16 Aug. 1864; d. 1 Mar. 1872.

206. Isaac Henry Huffman, b. 28 July, 1866.

207. William Franklin Huffman, b. 8 July 1868.
 Jacob S. Huffman, b. 26 Mar. 1870; d. 26 Apr. 1875.
 James O. Huffman, b. 25 May 1872; d. 23 May 1899.
 David Kaylor Huffman, b. 17 Mar. 1875; d. 10 Sept. 189
 208. Thomas C. Huffman, b. 17 Mar. 1875.
 209. Elizabeth May Huffman, b. 23 Feb. 1880.

X-8 61. JOHN R. NEFF, JR.

John 4, John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1
 Son of John and Anna "Nancy" (Pefley) Naff, b. near Boones Mill, Va.,
 30 Sept. 1843; d. at Empire, Calif., 19 Aug. 1933. He m. Susan Hamm.
 Home: near Jamestown, Ind.
 There were three children, as follows: (12, p. 183)

210. Hettie Neff, b. —
 211. Clarence Neff, b. —
 Sabine Neff, b. —; d. young.

X-9 62. HENRY P. NEFF

Henry 4, John 3, Isaac Naff, Sr. 2, Jacob, Sr. 1
 Son of John and Anna "Nancy" (Pefley) Naff, b. in Botetourt Co., Va.
 22 Dec. 1846; d. in Cherokee Co., Kans., 3 March 1896. He m. in Kans. 2
 March 1892, Laura (Haldeman) Harvey, dau. of Christian and Susannah (—)
 Haldeman. She was b. in Wayne Co., Ohio, 16 March 1863, and d. probat
 in Cherokee Co., 17 Feb. 1933 (Pefley Supplement).

There was one child: Emmett Home Neff, b. 10 Feb. 1893; d. 15 July
 1916.

63. MARY NEFF

Mary 4, Henry 3, Isaac 2, Jacob, Sr. 1
 Dau. of Henry and Anne (Frantz) Neff, b. —. She m. in Ind., John
 Studebaker.

They moved to Ill.

There were two children: Daniel and a daughter. (34, p. 404)

64. DANIEL NEFF

Daniel 4, Henry 3, Isaac 2, Jacob, Sr. 1 *Article P. 379 under Tab - no. 1 note*
 Son of Henry and Anne (Frantz) Neff, b. —. He m. —.
 There were three children: William, James and Jacob. (34, p. 405)

65. ELIZABETH NEFF

Elizabeth 4, Henry 3, Isaac 2, Jacob, Sr. 1
 Dau. of Henry and Anne (Frantz) Neff, b. —. She m. Adam Lantz.
 There were two children: George W. and Charles W. (34, p. 404).

66. SUSIE NEFF

Susie 4, Henry 3, Isaac 2, Jacob, Sr. 1
 Dau. of Henry and Anne (Frantz) Naff-Neff, b. —. She m. Levi Ar
 There were two children: Charles and John. (34, p. 405)

WILL OF ISAAC NAFE, Sr

The will of Isaac Nafe, Sr was written in 1834 and proved in 1846. Miss Lehman believes that Isaac, son of Jacob, was her great-great-grandfather. Again the spelling has been followed as it is in the will.

In the name of God Aman I Isaac Nafe Sr of the County of franklin being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory (for which I thank God) and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of all such Worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath the same in the maner following that is to say, to my Son Isaac Nafe the two little tracts of land Called mishlers and Reats land Containing two hundred and sixty acros it being more or less, for Six hundred and fifty Dollars, and one hundred Dollars I give Isaac as an heir Right, which I gave to all my Children, accept my Daughter Mary to her I gave two hundred Dollars one hundred Dollars which She shall have more than one of the rest, and then Isaac shall pay five hundred and fifty Dollars to his father and mother or either of them and Isaac shall pay thirty five Dollars for his first payment one or before the 25th Day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty six, and he shall pay thirty five Dollars every year til he pays five hundred Dollars and then the last year he shall pay fifty Dollars, which will make the number full, and it is my desire that the little part of land which I own in the mountain to be sold, and all what is coming from all my lands to be colectit as it comes due, and to begal (?) together for the support of my wife as long as she lives, and after our decease it is my desire if there be any unpaid to be equally divided amongst all my Children and their heirs forever, unto John one share, unto henry one share, unto Isaac one share, unto Mary one share, unto Elizabeth one share, and share alike to all my Children, accept one hundred Dollars to my Daughter Mary and some houssal furniture which

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will be named hereafter which she shall have more than one of the rest
*now about the houssal furneture which will be namet hereafter which she shall have more than one of the rest it is my will that my daughter mary shall have after our death besits the income of my land not to be controle that what I yet have the loome the chests the beds and bed slats the tabels the cuppert iron kittles and iron pots teekittle and teepot puter ware and crockry ware and many other things do teehees (tedious?) to mension that she shall have after our death.

and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my friends John Nafe and Joseph flora and Isaac Nafe Executors of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other or former Wills or testaments by me heretofore made, In witness where- of I have hereunto set my hand and afixed my seal this 10th day of March in the year of our Lord Christ 1834

Signed sealed published & declared as and
for the last Will and testament of above
named Isaac Nafe in presence of us

Isaac Nafe (seal)

Abraham Barnhart

John Barnhart

George Nafe

year of our Lord Christ

Signed sealed published & declared as and
for the last Will and testament of above
named Isaac Nafe in presence of us

Isaac Nafe (seal)

Abraham Barnhart

John Barnhart

George Nafe

At a Court held for Franklin County the 6th Day of April 1846

This Last Will & Testament of Isaac Nafe Decd was produced in Court and proved by the Oaths of Abraham Barnhart and George Nafe two of the subscribing witness herein and ordered to be recorded and on the motion of John Nafe Joseph Flora and Isaac Nafe the executors herein named who made oath and gave bond and security according to Law certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

Test. M. G. Cooper CfC

* The portion from "now about" to and including "our death" on the copy followed the signatures of the testator and the witnesses, but judging by content seemed to belong as above.

LANCASTER COUNTY RECORDS -- F-37

1846 June 11th 6 June in the year of our Lord One

WILL OF JACOB NAVE, Sr

The copy of this will and of the one following was sent by Ruth T Lehman, Columbus, Ohio. This will of Jacob NAVE, Sr, was written in 1802 and proved in 1806 in Franklin County, Va. She believes that Jacob was her great-great-great-grandfather and the first of the line in New World. The original spelling has been followed as far as possible, except where the use of German script would not be understood. At several points there will be blank spaces where the copy is not clear.

In the name of God Amen I Jacob Nave Sr of the County of Franklin being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory (for which I thank God) and calling to mind the uncertainty of Human life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath the Same in Maner following that is to say -----

To my two Sons Jacob Nave and David Nave all my Land
To Jacob the old improvement and one Hundred acres joining of it Cald Arthurs Land for two Hundred and fifty pounds, To David Nave ~~the~~ a part of the old tract it being the lower end of the Said tract and it being Laid of by a Marked line for one Hundred pounds and both Jacob and David together Shall pay Every year twenty five pound and Equal Shear acording to the price of each ones Land till they pay two Hundred and twenty five pound to Each of one of my Children, and and it is my desire that Jacob and David Shall pay the Ballance to ther father and Mother which is one Hundred and twenty five pound Each one acording to the price of his Land and they Shall pay ther father & mother or Either of them in money in grane in meat or any thing that they or Either of them ask and we will have liberty to go in the orchard and take fruit as much as we want as long as we live and the little place that I now live on which is a part of my old tract I will Keep as long as I live and if my wife Should be the longest liver She Shall keep it as long as She lives and after our Deseace it is my desire that my Son Jacob Shall Have it for seventy pounds and Shall pay yearly fourteen pound til the seventy pound is paid it is my desire that my Daughter Mary Shall have therty pound out of the Seventy and the ballance of the Seventy pound which is fourty pound and the ballance of the Hundred and twenty five pound if there be any unpaid to be Equaly Divided amongst all my Children and there heirs for Ever unto Isaac one Shear unto Jacob one Shear unto Joseph one Shear unto Jonathan one Shear unto David one Shear unto Mary one Shear unto Susanna one Shear unto Elizabeth one Shear unto Catharine one Shear, Shear and Shear a like unto all my Children accept thirty pound to my Daughter Mary which She shall have more then Rest one of the Rest -- and if I and my wife Should die Shortly Jacob and David together Shall not pay more then twenty five pound a year til they pay for there Land which is three Hundred and fifty pound -----

and Lastly -- I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Frunds Isaac Nave and Joseph Nave Excutors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other or former wills or Testaments by me heretofore made --

Land which is three hundred and fifty

and Lastly -- I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Frunds Isaac Nave and Joseph Nave Excutors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other or former wills or Testaments by me heretofore made --

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in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and offered my Seal this 20 Day
of March in the year of our Lord Christ 1802

his

Jacob X Nave (Seal)
mark

Signed Sealed published and declared as
and for the last will and Testament of
the above named Jacob Nave in presence
of us --

Jacob Flora affd

Johannes (not clear because of German script)

Joseph Flora affd

At court held for _____ (Franklin?) County October 6th 1806

This last will _____ ament (and testament?) of Jacob Nafe decd was proved by
the Solemn affirmation of Jacob Flora & Joseph Floratwo of the Witnesses hereto
and ordered to be recorded. and on the motion of Isaac Nafe and Joseph Nafe the