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1. James Shields
2. William Shields
 3. James Shields
 4. Jesse Shields
 4. Meedy Shields
 3. Lethe Shields (Gilbert)
 4. Frank Gilbert
 3. Elizabeth Shields
3. Meedy White Shields
 3. Lycurgus Shields
 4. Eliza Shields
 4. Ewing Shields
 5. Anna Ruth Shields
 5. Ewing Shields
 4. Frances Shields (Barnes)
 5. Lycurgus L. Barnes
 5. Rebecca H. Barnes
 4. Nell Shields
 4. Lycurgus L. Shields
 4. Albert D. Shields
 5. James Allen Shields
 4. Francis Shields
 4. Meedy W. Shields
 3. Sarah Shields (Blish)
 4. Meedy Shields Blish
 5. John Lyman Blish
 5. Meedy W. S. Blish
 4. Tipton Shields Blish
 5. Tipton A. Blish
 5. Edwin A. Blish
 5. Stuart Blish
 5. Janet Blish
 4. Emma M. Blish (Thompson)
 5. Marguerite Thompson
 5. Elbridge Blish Thompson
 4. John B. Blish
 5. Donald Blish
 5. Sarah Blish

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4. Lucy S. Blish (Humbert)
 5. John Humbert
3. Bruce Shields
 4. Fred B. Shields
 5. Fred B. Shields
 5. Margaret Helen Shields
 5. Jackson Mitchell Shields
 4. Meedy Mitchell Shields
 5. Daniel Shields
 5. Thomas Shields
 5. Margaret Shields
 4. Helen Elizabeth Shields
3. Eliza P. Shields (Dickinson)
 4. Harriet S. Dickinson (Waterman)
 5. Albert W. Waterman
3. Ewing Shields
3. William H. Shields
 4. Kester Bruce Shields
3. Meedy Shields
 4. Sarah Shields
3. Tipton Shields
2. Betsey Shields (Baldwin)
 3. Ranson Baldwin
 4. Mary A. Baldwin
 4. Elizabeth Baldwin
 4. Oramel Baldwin
 5. Bertha Baldwin
 5. Alma Baldwin
 5. Ross Baldwin
 5. Ruth Baldwin
 4. George Baldwin
 4. Eliza Baldwin (Davis)
 5. Stella Davis
 5. Grace Davis
 5. Maude Davis
 5. Harry Davis
 4. Meedy Baldwin
 4. John Baldwin

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5. Mary Baldwin
5. Price Baldwin
5. Ralph Baldwin
5. Charles Baldwin
4. Jacob Baldwin
5. Wilbur Baldwin
3. Nancy Baldwin (Gilbert)
 4. Meedy Gilbert
 4. Toss Gilbert
 4. Tipton Gilbert
 4. Mary Gilbert
3. Eliza Baldwin (Marsh)
 4. Edmund Marsh
 4. Seba Marsh
 4. Robert Marsh
3. Charlotte Baldwin
3. Elizabeth Baldwin (McClintock)
 4. George McClintock
 4. Charlotte McClintock
 4. Sarah McClintock
3. Mary Baldwin (Marsh)
 4. James Marsh
 4. Louise Marsh
 4. Martha Marsh
 4. Emma Marsh
 4. Nancy Marsh
3. George Baldwin
 4. Jacob Baldwin
2. Nancy Shields (Mooney Woods)
 3. Polly Mooney
 3. Sarah Woods (Price)
 4. Elizabeth Price
 4. Lawrence Price
 3. ----- Woods (Roseberry)
 4. ----- Roseberry
2. Polly Shields (McClintock)
 3. George McClintock

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James Shields, one of the ten brothers, son of Robert and Nancy Stockton Shields, was born in Virginia in 1771. With the family he moved to Sevier County, Tenn., in 1784, and with his wife and children he again emigrated to Indiana in 1808. In 1795 he was married to Penelope White, a niece of James White, the founder of Knoxville, Tenn., and a cousin of Hugh Lawson White, member of Congress, and candidate for president of the United States in 1824.

James and Penelope White Shields were the parents of five children, William, Meedy White, Elizabeth (or Betsey), Nancy, and Polly. These were all born in Sevier County, Tenn., but while mere children were brought to the new home, which was located near the present station called Shields, on the B. & O. Railroad, between Brownstown and Seymour, in Jackson County, Ind. James and his son, Meedy White Shields, were at various times large land-owners in that and surrounding counties.

James Shields soon thereafter constructed a fort just north of the present city of Seymour, on the knoll at the rear of the present Catholic Cemetery; in this fort this family and that of his sister, Mrs. Jeanette Tipton, lived for protection against the Indians. He was in command of the fort, and won the title of Captain in various Indian skirmishes in which he led the forces of the settlers.

In his old age James Shields became somewhat corpulent and lost much of the strength and agility of his youth. He is said to have been very fond of entertaining his friends and neighbors and for this purpose he had a special dining room, of very large proportions, constructed, in which, from time to time, he would feast his friends. His heavy eating brought on the gout, which troubled him greatly in his latter years.

One story concerning him is particularly interesting as it illustrates his congenial nature. It is said that along about the close of the War of 1812 a man named Perry, from Ohio, was passing through Indiana en route to Illinois, and he stopped at the Shields place to stay over night. A friend-

ship immediately grew out of this chance meeting, and Perry decided to stay a day or two, rest his horses, and hunt, fish, and visit with Shields. The friendship grew closer, the days dragged into weeks, and months, until finally winter approached, and Perry had not moved on to Illinois. James then urged him to stay allwinter, as there would be no opportunity for him to provide himself against the cold weather reaching Illinois at that season; as an inducement, so the story goes, Shields finally told him that he would give him half of his land if Perry would settle right there and neighbor with him; James was then possessed of about 1,200 acres of what is now some of the very finest land in southern Indiana. Perry accepted the offer and stayed. In this connection it is interesting to note one fact that has impressed the writer: Beginning with about 1814 we find the name Perry being applied to Shields children, and we find it in only the family lines of those who at about that time were living or frequently visiting in the vicinity of the place where the above incident is said to have occurred; this name Perry is to this day occasionally appearing in the Shields families. It has been the thought of others that it came from the maiden name of the grandmother of the ten brothers, but we have no information as to what her name was; had it been Perry it seems likely that the name would have appeared in the families of others of the ten brothers; whereas its appearance at the particular time and place that it does appear, and in the families of every one of the Shields in that vicinity, and in these families only, indicates pretty clearly that it came from this man Perry; and whether James Shields did actually give him 600 acres of land or not, he seems, beyond question, to have been quite popular with the Shields people.

James Shields died Feb. 2, 1847, his wife having died six years earlier; both were originally buried in the old cemetery just north of Seymour, but in 1914 were re-interred in the new Riverview Cemetery nearby. The writer has visited both of these cemeteries. The old one is neglected and no longer used. It abounds in very old monuments, some of them crumbled and broken. Among them we find numerous

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specimens of the "mail-order" stones so largely used prior to 1850. These are in the form of a sandstone slab about three feet high and two feet wide, with top rounded off and the upper corners protruding. It would appear that the lettering was done at the factory from copy furnished with the order, as it is markedly similar in style on all the stones. On the one referred to appears the following inscription: "In Memory of JAS. SHIELDS, Who Departed this Life Feb. 2, 1847, Aged 76 yrs. mo & da." It seems that some of the details of his age were omitted in the order, and the spaces were never filled in. This monument is now set up in the Shields plot at Riverview, with that of his sister, Mrs. Tipton, and newer monuments of the later members of the family. The monuments of James' son, William and the latter's wife, Jerusha, are still to be found among the vines and weeds in the old cemetery.

In this connection a note about the flat stone monument of Mrs. Tipton may be included. This stone is different from the others, being Indiana limestone, made on the spot even to the inscription, by her brother James Shields. It was removed from the old cemetery in 1914 and is now in Riverview. It is six feet long, thirty inches wide, and three inches thick, and it lies flat on the ground. The lettering is chiseled in caps, rather roughly, but is quite well executed considering that James was no stone-cutter. The inscription reads: "IN MEMORY OF JENNET TIPTON, BORN IN VA., MARCH the 7, A.D. 1762 & DIED FEB. the 17, A.D. 1827." To this has been added an inscription concerning the removal from the old cemetery by M. S. Blish, and also stating that she was the mother of U. S. Senator John Tipton. The later monuments in the Shields plot are massive blocks of granite, among the most beautiful in the entire cemetery.

William Shields, son of James and Penelope White Shields, was born in Sevier County, Tenn., in 1801, and died while serving in the Indiana Legislature, Jan. 27, 1840. When seven years old he was brought to Jackson County, Ind., by his parents, in

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which section he spent most of his life. He is reputed to have been a very brilliant man. His marriage was an unfortunate one; the name of the woman we do not know, except that her first name was Jerusha. She seems to have been a modern "Xantippe," and she made life so miserable for William that one day he threw his rifle over his shoulder, mounted his horse, and without even saying good-bye, left for the "southwest," where he remained for several years, returning just as mysteriously as he had gone away. They had three children, James, Lethe, and Elizabeth. The latter never married. Lethe married a man named Gilbert, and their son, Frank, now a man about fifty years old, is a conductor on the B. & O. Railroad, running thru Seymour, Ind. James had two sons, Jess and Meedy, who reside at Columbus, Ind. Resolutions containing high tributes to the life and character of William Shields appear in the proceedings of both Houses of the Indiana Legislature shortly following his death. His body was brought home for burial in a farm wagon, and interment was in the old cemetery just north of Seymour, where his monument and that of his wife may be found.

Meedy White Shields was born in Sevier County, Tenn., July 8, 1805, the second son of James and Penelope White Shields. In 1808 the family removed north to Jackson County, Ind., and this three-year-old child, destined to be one of the most prominent factors in the upbuilding of his county and state, was perhaps carried for several hundred miles, over mountain and valley and stream, through woods, perhaps, following a blazed trail most of the way, on a saddle pommel, or mayhap only a folded blanket, on horseback, in the arms of mother or little sister. Finally the family settled in Jackson County, near the present site of Seymour, with the upbuilding of which his life later became inseparably linked.

When the Shields family came there were but six families living in the eastern part of Jackson County, and the country was practically a virgin forest. While a young man Meedy engaged for a time in flat-boating to New Orleans. In 1832 he entered the army and had a part in suppressing the Indians during

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the Black Hawk War; in this expedition he gained his commission as Captain. Thereafter he engaged in farm work, and in 1833 was married to Eliza P. Ewing, a daughter of James Ewing, of Brownstown, Ind. In 1846 he was elected to the Legislature and was re-elected in 1848; in 1852 he became a State Senator and was re-elected in 1856, and in 1860. He was a delegate to the famous Democratic National Convention that met at Charleston, S. C., in 1860, being a supporter of Douglas.

Meedy W. Shields was a man of business. His dealings, especially in land, were most fortunate. He owned a large tract, on which the city of Seymour is now built. To the north of him a few miles was the beginning of a town, and there was another south of him. When the B. & O. Railroad was proposed it became evident that one of the principal cities of southern Indiana would inevitably spring up where it crossed the Indianapolis & Louisville track, which ran through the Shields land. The matter of the location of the new road at once became a bone of contention between the two towns named. Meedy W. Shields at once quietly began planning to get the road for himself and bring the crossing on his own land, and to this end he offered the company a free right-of-way across his property; but there was some difficult grading necessary in order to locate the road where he planned, and the company could not see its way clear to undertake it. Then Shields proposed that he himself would make the required cuts, and with a force of his neighbors he accomplished the work. The crossing, as he foresaw, was the beginning of a city, which was at once platted and named Seymour, in honor of the surveyor of the road. He gave lots to all church denominations desiring them, and built the Presbyterian Church, of which Mrs. Shields was long a leading member. He helped to organize various business institutions in the place, including the First National Bank and a large general store. He engaged heavily in stock-raising, and conducted pork-packing plants at Seymour and Brownstown. He has been properly called "A Leading Farmer of His Day." He died in 1866.

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The children of Meedy White and Eliza P. Ewing Shields were Sarah, Bruce, Eliza P., Lycurgus, Ewing, William H., Meedy W., and Tipton.

Sarah Shields married John H. Blish, and to this union were born five children: Meedy Shields Blish, a prominent business man of Seymour, engaged, with his brother, in the flour milling business under the firm name of the Blish Milling Co. He was married to Isabella Everingham, of Chicago. They have two sons, John Lyman, and Meedy W. S. Blish. Tipton Shields Blish, son of Sarah above referred to, is also a leading business man of Seymour, a member of the firm mentioned above; he was married to Agnes Andrews, and their children are Tipton A., Edwin A., Stuart, and Janet. M. S. and T. S. Blish, in 1914, erected a \$40,000 Farmers Club Building in Seymour, an institution unique in the history of the Farmers Club movement in this country, and also provided for the organization and perpetual maintenance of a Farmers Club. This was done as a memorial to their grandfather, Meedy White Shields. Emma M. Blish, a sister of the two men just referred to, married E. G. Thompson; their daughter, Marguerite, married Thomas Groub, and their son, Elbridge Blish Thompson, who lost his life on the ill-fated Lusitania, left a widow, Maude R., now engaged in Red Cross Hospital work in Paris, France. He was connected with the Blish Milling Company, and was a graduate of Yale; in his memory two Yale scholarships are provided for graduates of Shields High School, of Seymour, by Mrs. Thompson. John E. Blish, also one of the children of Sarah Shields Blish, is a United States Naval Officer, stationed at Baltimore; he has a son Donald, and a daughter, Sarah. Lucy S. Blish, another of the children of Sarah, married W. C. Humbert, and they had a son, John Humbert.

Bruce Shields, son of Meedy White Shields, was married to Jane Mitchell. They had three children, Fred, Meedy M., and Helen. Fred is a passenger conductor on the Union Pacific Railroad, running between Kansas City and Denver.

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He resides at 3400 Michigan Ave., Kansas City, Mo. He was born at Seymour, Ind., June 19, 1870. His son, Fred B., was born at Gypsum City, Kan., Feb. 6, 1895; his daughter Marguerite Helen was born at Council Grove, Kan., Sept. 12, 1896; and his son Jackson Mitchell was born in Kansas City, Mo., July 24, 1905.

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Meedy Mitchell Shields, son of Bruce referred to above, was born at Seymour, Ind., Mar. 6, 1868. His address is Delta Building, Los Angeles, Calif. His sister, Helen Elizabeth, was born at Seymour Dec. 7, 1872, married Hy Morrison, and lives at 953 Bonnie Brae St., Los Angeles. Meedy M. has three children, Daniel, Thomas, and Margaret.

Eliza P. Shields, daughter of Meedy White Shields, married A. W. Dickinson, Superintendent of the Missouri Pacific Railroad. Their daughter, Harriet S. Dickinson, married S. Jewett Waterman, also a prominent railroad official. Mrs. Dickinson died Mar. 16, 1896, in a Chicago hospital. It is a peculiar co-incidence that her sister, Sarah, died at the same time and place and under similar circumstances, and a double funeral service was conducted for them. They were buried in Riverview Cemetery, Seymour, Ind. She had a son, Albert W. Waterman.

Lycurgus Shields, son of Meedy White Shields, was married to Jane McCollum. Their children were Eliza; Ewing, who was married to Hattie White and whose children are Anna Ruth and Ewing; Frances, who married Wm. Barnes and whose children are Lycurgus L. and Rebecca H. Barnes; Nell, who married Arch A. Dixon; Lycurgus L., who died in 1916; Albert D., who was married to Ola Pruett and who has a son, James Allen; Francis; and Meedy W., who was married to Marie Wolzer.

Ewing Shields was a son of Meedy White Shields, but of him we have no further information.

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William H. Shields, son of Meedy White Shields, was born in 1843 in Jackson County, Ind., and died at the family home in Rockford in 1913. During his entire life he resided in or near Seymour. In 1879 he was married to Sarah Kester, of Rockford, eleven years his junior, who still lives on a farm near Seymour, and to them was born one son, Kester Bruce, in 1880. This son was married to Julia Adkins Gosnell in 1909, and is engaged in farming in Jackson County, Ind. William H. Shields was a public spirited man, and was for two terms, 1888 to 1890, a member of the Indiana Legislature. He was especially interested in everything tending to promote the welfare of his community. He was stricken with paralysis about six years before his death, and since that time was in poor health. He was buried in the family lot in Riverview Cemetery.

Meedy W. Shields, son of Meedy White Shields, was born in 1845, near Seymour, and spent his entire life in that vicinity. It is a peculiar co-incidence that his death and that of his older brother, William H., occurred on the same day. He died in his rooms at the Hotel Jonas, in Seymour, also of paralysis, but unexpectedly. He was at the time of his death engaged as clerk of the hotel. In 1871 he was married to Ida Conway, and to them was born one daughter, Sarah. Following a double funeral at the Shields home in Rockford he was buried beside his brother in Riverview Cemetery. The co-incidence is all the more remarkable since the deaths of the sisters of these men occurred at almost the same time also, as referred to above.

The youngest child of Meedy W. and Eliza P. Ewing Shields was named Tipton. Of him we know nothing further.

James and Penelope White Shields had three daughters, Betsey, born in 1797, who married a Mr. Baldwin; Nancy, born in 1799, married first a Mr. Moonsey and then Lawrence Woods; and Polly, born in 1803, married a man named McClintock.

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Betsey Shields, daughter of James and Penelope White Shields, was born in Sevier County, Tenn., and at the age of eleven was brought by her parents to Jackson County, Indiana. On July 12, 1820, she married Jacob Baldwin, who was born in 1798 and died in 1864. They settled in Jackson County, where she died in 1877. They had seven children: Ransom, Nancy, Eliza, Charlotte, Elizabeth, Mary, and George.

Ransom Baldwin was born in 1832 and died in 1898. He resided at Reddington, Ind., all his life. In 1853 he was married to Martha Gilbert, who was born in 1836 and died in 1906. They had eight children: Mary A., Elizabeth, Oramel, George, Eliza, Meedy, John, and Jacob. Mary A. was born in 1854 and died, unmarried, in 1878. Elizabeth was born in 1856 and died the following year. Oramel was born in 1857 and now resides at Reddington, Ind. In 1880 he was married to Ella McClintock, who died in 1908. They had four children: Bertha, who married Wm. Beckwith, Alma, who married Louis Mawk, Ross, and Ruth. George was born in 1861 and died in 1880, unmarried. Eliza was born in 1862, at Reddington, and now resides at Columbus, Ind. She married Calvin Davis, of Reddington, and they have four children: Stella, unmarried; Grace, who married Jacob Fields; Maude, who married George Newkirk; and Harry, unmarried. Meedy was born in 1864, and is still living, but we know nothing further of him. John was born at Reddington in 1868, and in 1895 was married to Leona Allman. They reside at Reddington. Their four children are Mary, born in 1896, Price, born in 1898, Ralph, born in 1902, and Charles, born in 1906. Jacob was born at Reddington in 1871, where he now resides. He was married to Annabel Talley, and they have a son, Wilbur, born in 1904.

Nancy Baldwin, daughter of Betsey Shields Baldwin, was born at Reddington, Ind., in 1821, and died there in 1860. She married Anason Gilbert, also of Reddington, where they resided. They had four children: Meedy, who was married to Elizabeth Williams; Toss; Tipton; and Mary; but concerning the last three we have no further information.

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Eliza Baldwin, daughter of Betsey Shields Baldwin, was born at Reddington, Ind., in 1823, and died there in 1897. Her husband was Seba Marsh, and they had three children: Edmund, who was married to Mary Bain; Seba, who was married to Mary Foster; and Robert, who was married to Laura Hibbs.

Charlotte Baldwin, daughter of Betsey Shields Baldwin, was born at Reddington, Ind., in 1828, and died there in 1874. She was never married.

Elizabeth Baldwin, daughter of Betsey Shields Baldwin, was born at Reddington, in 1830, and died there in 1909. Her husband was Samuel McClintock, and they had three children: George, who was married to Nancy Ellen Davis; Charlotte, who married Cass Beem; and Sarah, who married Brown Shields.

Mary Baldwin, daughter of Betsey Shields Baldwin, was born at Reddington in 1825, where she died in 1899. Her husband was Edmund Marsh, and they had five children: James, who was married to Mary Cox; Louise, who married Lovett Foster; Martha, who married Valentine Fox; Emma, who married Wm. Murray; and Nancy, who married Smith Gilbert.

George Baldwin, son of Betsey Shields Baldwin, was born at Reddington in 1834 and died there in 1860. His wife was Sarah Foster. They had a son, Jacob, whose wife was Dora Robertson.

Nancy, daughter of James and Penelope White Shields, referred to above, had a daughter, Polly, by her first husband; she never married. By her second husband she had a daughter Sarah who married a Price, their children being Elizabeth and Lawrence, and another daughter, name unknown, who married a Roseberry; the son of the latter is now a Barber in Seymour.

Polly, daughter of James and Penelope White Shields, had a son, George McClintock, who resides near Reddington, Ind.

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 5. Elizabeth Shields.
 5. Sarah L. Shields
 5. George R. Shields
2. Richard Shields
 3. John Tipton Shields
 4. John Alwin Paul Shields
 5. Hal L. Shields
 5. Pauline L. Shields
 5. Thelma Ruth Shields
 5. Ella May Shields
 4. Loyed B. Shields
 4. Robert Shields
 4. Sarah E. Shields (McMahan)
 5. Walter McMahan
 5. Mary Q. McMahan
 4. Susanna Madora Shields
 3. Perry Shields
 4. Perry Shields
 3. James Shields
 4. Perry Shields
 5. George Shields
 5. Matilda Shields
 5. Delia Shields
 5. Margaret Shields
 5. Jacob Perry Shields
 6. Ella May Shields
 6. Cora Alice (Simms)
 7. Thelma Irene Simms
 7. Mildred May Simms
 6. Jacob Edwin Shields
 7. Dessie Aurilla Shields
 3. Jesse Shields

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- 4. Shields (Tritt)
- 4. Andrew Shields
- 3. Henderson Shields
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- 3. Meedy W. Shields
- 3. R. Mc. Shields
- 3. Nancy Shields
- 3. Robert H. Shields
 - 4. Arthur Blaine Shields
 - 5. Rhonda Shields
 - 5. Edith Shields
 - 4. Sophia Jane Shields
 - 4. Victor Shields
 - 4. Hobart Shields
 - 4. Frances Shields
 - 4. Deborah Shields
 - 4. John Shields
 - 4. Haskell Shields
 - 4. Grafton Shields
- 3. Deborah Shields
- 3. Sarah Shields (Shields)
 - 4. George R. Shields
 - 5. Frederick Wyatt Shields
 - 5. Mary E. Shields
 - 5. Roger Denton Shields
 - 4. William A. Shields
 - 4. John W. Shields
- 2. Nancy Shields
- 2. Sarah Shields
- 2. Deborah Shields
- 2. Jonathan Shields
- 2. Jennie Shields
- 2. Polly Shields
- 2. Sabra Shields

Robert Shields was one of the sons of Robert and Nancy Stockton Shields. He was born in Virginia in 1772 and died at Pigeon Forge, Seven miles southeast of Sevierville, Tenn.,

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in 1833. In 1792 he was married to Sabra White, a sister of Penelope White, the wife of James Shields, brother of Robert. Robert and his family came to Floyd County, Ind., in 1808. He was a soldier in the War of 1812 under General Harrison. In 1815 he returned to Sevier County where the Shields family had settled upon coming from Virginia in 1784. After his return to Tennessee he became quite wealthy, owning much valuable land. He had eleven children: Jesse, Meedy W., who married Nan Floyd, Robert, of whom more is said below, Nancy, Sarah, Deborah, Jonathan, Jennie, Polly, and Sabra. We know little of any of these except Robert and Richard.

Robert Shields, above referred to as the son of Robert and Sabra White Shields, was married to Eliza Floyd, a sister of Nan Floyd mentioned above. They had a son, George R. Shields, who was born May 3, 1833, in Blount County, Tenn., and moved to McDonald County, Mo., in 1846. He was married to Anna M. Testerman, a daughter of Jacob T. Testerman, and they had a son, John W. Shields, born Nov. 14, 1856; he was married to Lulie M. Riggs Oct. 14, 1880, near Southwest City, Mo. Their children in turn were Cynthia A., Robert J., Elizabeth, Sarah L., and George R.

Richard Shields, above named as the son of Robert and Sabra White Shields, was born in Sevier County, Tenn., in 1793, and died in that County in 1865. He was a farmer and a miller. His first wife was Susan Thurman, and his second was Emily Adams. He, like his father, had eleven children: John Tipton, of whom more is said later; Perry, who married a lady named Gillet, and died in Georgia, near Chattanooga; he in turn had a son named Perry, and two daughters; the son lives just across the Missionary Ridge, at Highland Park, Tenn., and is a prosperous farmer. James (again returning to the sons of Richard) who went to Alabama, and later to Indiana, still later settling in Quincy, Hickory County, Mo. For years this family was completely separated from the other Shields. He had a son Perry who had six children. We know nothing further of this James. After leaving home he wrote a few letters, but he and his father had a misunderstanding and correspondence ceased. The children of the

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son referred to were George, who died in 1884, Matilda who married Frank Anderson, Delia who married Caliph Cruthers, Margaret who married Ira Rose and for a long time resided at Humboldt, Kans., and Jacob Perry who was married to Mrs. Malissa Case. This Jacob Perry Shields was born in Indiana in 1844 and died in 1907. He had three children, Ella May, born in 1869, married John H. Cash in 1885, resides at Monitor, Ore.; Cora Alice, born in 1876, married Richard Simms, of Greene County, Va., in 1895, and with two daughters, Thelma Irene, born in 1904, and Mildred May, born in 1907, resides at Hoff, Oregon; and Jacob Edwin, born in 1884, married to Maud Canady in 1906, and has one daughter Dessie Aurrilla, born in 1906.

Jesse Shields, a son of Richard and grandson of Robert of the ten brothers, was a soldier. He served in the Mexican War and was at the capture of Mexico City; he was also a captain for three years in the Second Tenn. Cavalry during the Civil War; he died in Alabama. His wife was Margaret Spurgeon, and they had a son, Andrew Shields, who lives at Boyds Creek, Tenn., and a daughter, name unknown, who married W. H. Tritt, of Witts Foundry, Tenn. Henderson, brother of Jesse just referred to, who had one son Andrew, and one daughter, was killed by a cannon ball at the battle of Vicksburg in 1864; the son Andrew owns and lives on a fine farm a short distance below Knoxville, on the Tennessee River. Meedy W., another brother, who was born in 1847, has been a minister, and now keeps a hotel at Spring Place, Ga.; R. Mc., who is an official of the state prison at Petros, Tenn.; Nancy, who married a Perryman and lives near Pigeon Forge, Tenn.; Robert H., of whom more is said below; Deborah, who married a Lequire; Sarah, who married a distant cousin, Jesse W. Shields, who was a great grandson of Richard, one of the ten brothers; her family is referred to in connection with her husband's family line.

John Tipton Shields, referred to above, was a son of Richard Shields and a grandson of Robert. He was a physician, born Sept. 27, 1825, in Sevier County, Tenn., and died Oct. 29, 1907, at Chestnut Hill, Jefferson County, Tenn. He was married to Margaret Q. Hill Mar. 14, 1854. He served as a physician during

the Mexican War. He was a Brigadier General of militia in the United States Army at the outbreak of the Civil War. When the Civil War broke out he became a strong Union sympathizer, and as such had great influence in eastern Tennessee. The rebels tried to kill him. In escaping to the north he was exposed to the weather, and upon his arrival at Camp Nelson, Ky., his physical condition was such that he was rejected for service in the Union army. He then went to Indiana, Illinois, and Missouri, visiting distant relatives, and at the close of the war returned to Tennessee. He was also a prominent man in civil affairs, being the first Trustee of Sevier County. He held Elder's Orders in the United Brethren Church, was an able speaker, and was considered one of the best informed men in the state. He was six feet tall and weighed two hundred pounds. He was buried at Chestnut Hill cemetery, at Bean's Station, near Knoxville, Tenn. He had five children: John Alwin Paul Shields, referred to later; Loyed B. Shields, born Dec. 1, 1856; Robert Shields, born Mar. 4, 1861 and died the same year; Sarah E. Shields, born Oct. 15, 1852 and died in 1881; she married A. R. McMahan, and their son, Walter, is a prominent physician of Sevierville, formerly a member of the Tennessee Legislature, and private secretary to former Congressman Moroney; their daughter, Mary Q. McMahan married John Dennis; Susanna Madora, also a daughter of Dr. John Tipton Shields, was born Nov. 26, 1854, and died four years later.

John Alwin Paul Shields, son of Dr. John Tipton Shields, above referred to, was born Nov. 16, 1869, at Chestnut Hill, Tenn. He has his Medical Degree from U. S. Grant University, from which institution he graduated as president of his class, with the gold medal. He is five feet and eight inches tall, and weighs two hundred pounds; is a good athlete. He has dark hair tinged with gray, red mustache, and blue eyes. His wife, Josie E. McAndrew, is of Scotch descent. His five children are Hal L., born Sept. 16, 1901, died in 1915; Pauline L., born Sept. 27, 1903; Thelma Ruth, born Mar. 11, 1905; and Ella May, born Jan. 21, 1909. He is a physician, connected with a lumber concern, at Norma, Tenn.

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Robert H. Shields, mentioned above, a son of Richard, was, like his father, a prominent man of Sevier County, Tenn. He was for many years a Trustee of the county. He was born in 1857, and died in 1916. His wife's maiden name was Clabo. His children were Arthur Blaine Shields, who was married to Mary McClure; they have two daughters, Rhonda and Edith; Sophia Jane Shields; Victor Shields; Hobart Shields; Frances Shields; Deborah Shields; John Shields; Haskell Shields; Grafton Shields; and two other daughters who are married, but whose names we do not know.

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1. John Shields
2. Jennie Shields (?) (Tipton)
3. Spier Shields Tipton.

John Shields, son of Robert and Nancy Stockton Shields, is, in one respect, the best known of all the ten brothers, but although he has more claim to a place in the history of his country than has any of his brothers, we know almost nothing of him. He was the gunsmith on the Lewis & Clark Expedition to Oregon, commissioned by President Thomas Jefferson to explore the Missouri River to its source, and then go across the mountains to the head waters of the Columbia, and follow its course to the Pacific Ocean. This little party of twenty-nine men left St. Louis in 1804, and was more than two years in accomplishing its mission.

John Shields is highly spoken of in the reports of both Lewis and Clark as a scout and gunsmith, although very little of an intimate nature is known of him. He is credited with having preserved the lives of the members of the party during their first winter, which was spent near the present city of Mandan, N. D. He diplomatically kept the Mandan Indians in good humor, and through his skill as a blacksmith, fashioned all sorts of old metal into hatchets, knives, and other implements, which were traded to the Indians for corn and other provisions so sorely needed when the little party found itself destitute and facing starvation. Too much credit cannot be given to this little party for the work it did.

Jennie Shields, the cousin and wife of General John Tipton, is generally believed to have been the daughter of this explorer, although it must be admitted that this cannot at

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present be definitely proved. More of her and her descendants will be found in connection with the story of John Tipton, and his mother, Janet Shields Tipton.

What became of John Shields we do not know. For a time at least, after his return from the west, he lived in southern Indiana, but later lived in Sevier County, Tennessee, where he probably was buried.

Shortly following the War of 1812 we find a record of his having made repeated efforts to gain some recognition for his immensely valuable services to his country. His long trip, together with the fatigue and exposure incident to it, ruined his health, and it is said that he wore his life away in Washington in a vain effort to get Congress to relieve his poverty by making some provision for him in return for what he had done. No reward was ever given him, however, during his lifetime, and now, "the fitful fever of life being over, he sleeps well," but there is not a stone to mark the place. Perhaps somewhere in Indiana, or in the mountains of eastern Tennessee, or in Virginia, where he was born, nobody knows just where, his remains repose. He is, by the government for which he did so much, left, so far as it is concerned, without a monument to mark his resting place, or a line of record to indicate where it might be found.

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1. Joseph Shields
 2. Nathan V. Shields
 3. Sarah Shields
 3. William O. Shields
 3. Jane Shields
 3. Ellen Shields
 3. Henry M. Shields
 3. Martin Shields
 4. David H. Shields
 5. Wilma Louise Shields
 5. Mary Arline Shields
 4. W. E. Shields
 4. Josie May Shields
 4. Isaac Bruce Shields
 4. Hattie Ellen Shields
 4. Harry V. Shields
 3. Ellis Shields
 3. John J. Shields
 3. Susan Shields
 3. Eli Shields
 3. Nancy Shields
 3. Polly Shields
 2. Kinzie Shields
 3. Kinzie Shields
 4. Laura Shields
 4. Etta Shields
 4. Guy Shields
 4. Hattie V. Shields
 4. Lucy C. Shields
 4. Hiram Shields
 3. John A. Shields
 4. Eliza Shields
 4. Louis Shields
 2. Joseph Shields
 3. Mary Ann Shields
 3. Nathan Shields
 3. Emizia Shields
 3. William Shields
 3. Eliza Shields

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- 3. Susan Shields
- 3. Ettie Shields
- 3. Lucy Shields
- 2. Asa L. Shields
 - 3. John W. Shields
- 2. Hiram Shields
- 2. David Shields
- 2. Jesse Shields

Joseph was one of the younger sons of Robert and Nancy Stockton Shields, born in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, probably in the late 1770s. We know very little of him. He was severely wounded by a party of Cherokee Indians, near Sevierville, Tennessee, on April 18, 1793, at the time that his brother-in-law, Joshua Tipton, was killed. He lived in the vicinity of Sevier County, Tenn., from the time the Shields family came to that section until about 1808, when he went north, probably to Louisville, or some nearby place in Kentucky, and later into Harrison County, Ind. He had six sons; there may have been more. Their names were Nathan V., of whom more is said later; Kinzie, also again referred to; Joseph, who is mentioned below; Asa L., who was first married to Mary Miner, and second to Rachel Seehorn, in 1860, and who had a son by his first wife named John W. Shields. The other sons of Joseph were Hiram, David, and Jesse.

Nathan V. Shields was born June 8, 1801, in Sevier County, Tenn. When a child, probably about 1808, he moved with his parents to Harrison County, Ind., where he was later married to Polly Onion, August 6, 1827. After her death he was married to Mary Kingery, in March, 1835. In 1836 they moved to Fulton County, Ill., which then comprised a much larger section than now. He was a wheelwright by trade. He died Oct. 15, 1866.

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The Children of Nathan V. Shields were as follows: by his first wife, Sarah, born in 1828, married William Fike in 1848; William O., born in 1830, died in 1847; Ellen, born in 1831, married Ephriam Dubes in 1853; Jane, born in 1834. By his second wife, Polly, born in 1835, and died in 1890, never married; Eli, born in 1837, married to Louisa Littlejohn in 1858, and died in 1864, being killed at the battle of Kenesaw Mountain; Nancy, born in 1838, married Henry Bloomfield in 1858, died in 1863; Henry M., born in 1841, in 1865 married to Tabiatha Weldon; Martin, of whom more is said later; Ellis, born in 1845, married to Hannah M. Hughes in 1869; John J., born in 1847, married to Ariel Hughes; Susan, born in 1849, married Conrad Fitz in 1873, and died in 1905. Martin Shields, referred to above, was born near Astoria, Illinois, in 1843. In 1868 he was married to Mary Van Meter, of Macomb, Ill. She was born in 1847 and died in 1907. For a time they resided at Malta Bend, Mo., but he now lives in Macomb. Their children were David H., of whom more is said below; W. E., born in 1871 and married to Pearl ---- in 1900; Josie May, born in 1874; Isaac Bruce, born in 1876; Hattie Ellen, born in 1878, married William Grafton in 1908; Harry V., born in 1881.

David H. Shields, referred to above as the son of Martin Shields, was born near Astoria, Ill., in 1869. In 1900 he was married to Fannie Arline Dodge, of Salina, Kans. He has at various times resided in Fulton and McDonough Counties, Ill., in Salina, Kans., and Kokomo, Ind. For a time he was Financial Secretary of Eureka College, Illinois. He is now the pastor of the First Christian (Disciples) Church of Kokomo, Ind., and is President of the American Temperance Board of his church

Kinzie Shields, son of Nathan V. Shields, was married to a lady whose first name was Katie, second name unknown. He had at least two children, Kinzie and John A. The son, Kinzie, was born in 1844, May 4, in Fulton County, Ill. He was married to Susan Kingery Oct. 25, 1867, and had six children, Laura, Etta, Guy, Hattie V., Lucy C., and Hiram.

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John A. Shields was born in 1833, in Indiana. He was during his entire life a farmer, having died at the age of 72. He was married to Jane Smith in 1860, by whom he had two children, Eliza and Louis. She died in 1873, and the next year he was married to Melvina Rounds by whom he had one child.

Joseph Shields, son of Joseph of the ten brothers, was born in Harrison County, Ind., in 1814. In 1828, with his mother and two of his brothers he went to Schuyler County, Ind., and the next year he went to Fulton County, Illinois. On Feb. 11, 1836, he was married to Rebecca Miner, and their children were Mary Ann, Nathan, Emizia, William, Eliza, Susan, Ettie, and Lucy.

Asa L. Shields, also a son of Joseph, was married to Mary Miner, as his first wife, by whom he had a son, John W. Shields. His second wife, to whom he was married in 1860, was Rachel Seehorn. John W. Shields resided in Kerton Township, Fulton County, Ill., and was a farmer and grocer. Asa L. Shields, referred to above, was left an orphan at the age of twelve, while living in Indiana, and soon after that he moved to Woodford Township, Fulton County, Ill., where, in 1829, he was married to Mary, a daughter of John and Mary Miner. He had eight children by his first wife and four by his second. He served in the Union army during the Civil War.

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1. Jesse Shields
 2. Agnes Shields (Watson)
 3. James B. Watson
 3. Jesse Shields Watson
 3. Catherine Watson
 3. Gordan Watson
 3. Mark Watson
 4. Kate Watson (Beanblossom)
 5. Ward H. Beanblossom
 4. Ward H. Watson
 4. Margaret Watson
 4. U. Grant Watson
 5. Elsie Watson
 5. Elza Watson
 5. Edith Watson
 5. Elwood Watson
 5. Estyal Watson
 3. Nicholas Watson
 3. John Watson
 3. Adkinson Watson
 4. Agnes Watson
 4. Robert Watson
 4. Frank Watson
 5. John Watson
 5. Robert Watson
 4. Elmer Watson
 4. Ella Watson (Flora)
 5. Beulah May Flora
 3. Rachel Watson (Miller)
 4. Eli Miller
 4. Mary Catherine Miller
 4. Nettie Miller
 3. Burford Watson
 4. Julia Watson (Neely)
 5. Paul Neely
 4. Edward Watson
 3. Henry Watson
 3. Shields Watson

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- #. Newton Jasper Watson
3. Agnes Jane Watson
2. Ann Shields (Burford)
 3. Mary Jane Burford (Fleshman)
 4. George W. Fleshman
 4. Lyman Sylvester Fleshman
 4. Simon E. Fleshman
 4. Arthur Cary Fleshman
 4. Charles L. Fleshman
 4. Aquila Fleshman
 3. Isabel Catherine Burford (Highfill)
 4. Mary W. Highfill
 4. Martha Jane Highfill
 4. Helen A. Highfill (Taylor)
 5. Faye Taylor (Cline)
 4. Cary M. Highfill
 4. Kate Isabel Highfill
 3. Margaret Parnelia Burford (Highfill)
 4. Mary Jane Highfill
 4. Annie B. Highfill
 4. Henry H. Highfill
 4. Warren S. Highfill
 4. Thomas W. Highfill
 3. Marion Ferrine Burford
 3. Ann Elizabeth Burford (Briley)
 4. Burford L. Briley
 4. Elmer Ellsworth Briley
 3. Jesse Milton Burford
 4. Mattie H. Burford
 4. Gora M. Burford
 4. Stella F. Burford
 4. Pearl Burford
 3. Cary Sylvester Burford
 4. Nellie M. Burford
 4. Jessie B. Burford
 3. Nancy Helen Burford (Murphy)
 4. Edwin C. Murphy
 4. Grace Murphy
 4. Viola Murphy

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- 4. Blanch Murphy
- 4. Wayne Murphy
- 3. William Thomas Burford
 - 4. Annie Maud Burford
 - 4. Cary Clive Burford
- 3. James Cetrick Burford
 - 4. Guy Ernest Burford
 - 4. Ivan Burford
- 3. John Hezekiah Burford
 - 4. Otho Ray Burford
 - 4. Cary Clea Burford
- 2. Jane Shields
- 2. Margaret Shields (Bean)
 - 3. William Jasper Bean
 - 4. Jerry Lee Bean
 - 4. Sallie Bean
 - 4. Hugh Fletcher Bean
 - 4. John Edward Bean
 - 4. Jesse Bellfield Bean
 - 5. Alta Marion Bean
 - 5. William Bean
 - 5. Kenneth Bean
 - 5. Clifford Bean
 - 5. Violet Bean
 - 5. Emmett Bean
 - 4. Walter Clark Bean
 - 5. Walter Jasper Bean
 - 3. Sarah Catherine Bean
 - 3. Agnes Arma Bean (Clark)
 - 4. Ellen M. Clark
 - 4. Julia Beatrice Clark
 - 4. Martha Clark
 - 4. Alta Keith Clark
 - 3. John James Bean
 - 4. Aaron Lincoln Bean
 - 4. David Thomas Bean
 - 5. Katie Bean (Laycock)
 - 6. Donald Laycock
 - 6. Ralph Laycock

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5. John Bean
5. William Jasper Bean
5. David Thomas Bean
4. Sarah Agnes Bean (Haight)
 5. Ethel Margaret Haight
 5. William B. Haight
 6. Margaret Haight
 6. Stanley Haight
 5. Herbert Haight
 5. James Haight
 5. Sidney Haight
 5. Elizabeth Haight
 5. John Haight
3. Margaret Parmelia Bean (Flora)
 4. Elmer E. Flora
 4. Florence Flora
 4. Hannibal Flora
 4. Eliza Clara Flora (Hays)
 5. Flora Hays (Shewmaker)
 6. Helen Shewmaker
 5. Sybil Hays (Yeager)
 6. Clo Yeager
 4. Horace Flora
 5. Jefferson H. Flora
 5. Forrest Custer Flora
 5. Kenneth Flora
 4. Edward Flora
 5. Lea Flora
 5. Helen Flora
 5. Ruth Flora
 4. Cora Flora
 4. Minnie Pearl Flora (Jones)
 5. Clarence Jones
 5. Margaret Jones
 5. Dudley Jones
 4. Curry Flora
3. Jesse Shields Bean
 4. Minnesota Jane Bean (Houghton)

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5. Edward L. Houghton
5. Harry Houghton
4. Edward E. Bean
3. Pleasant Meedy Bean
3. Rachel Adeline Bean (Williams)
 4. Martha Jane Williams
 4. Meedy P. Williams
 5. Allan Williams
 5. Elizabeth Williams
 4. John Edward Williams
 5. Agnes Williams
 5. Walter Williams
 5. Effie Williams
 5. Margaret Williams
 5. Clinton Williams
 5. Alta Lucile Williams
 4. Harriet Williams (Achason)
 5. Griffeth Achason
 5. Phyllis Achason
 5. Evan Achason
3. Martha Jane Bean
2. John Shields
2. Rachel Shields
2. Mark Fox Shields
2. Elizabeth Shields (Marsh - Miller)
 3. Ann Rachel Marsh (Mitchel)
 4. Nora Mitchel
 4. Edward Mitchel
 4. James Mitchel
 3. Eliza Helen Marsh
 3. James K. Marsh
 3. George A. Miller
2. Catherine Shields (Hisey)
 3. Mary Hisey
2. William T. Shields
 3. William T. Shields
 3. Epervia Shields (Zenor)
 4. Claude Zenor
 3. Jesse Shields

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4. Virgie Shields
4. Roy Shields
4. Charles Shields
3. Eli Shields
 4. Harry Shields
 4. Ola Shields
 4. Louise Shields
 4. James Shields
 5. Durrel Shields
3. Carrie Shields (Cunningham)
 4. Hewitt Cunningham
3. G. L. Shields
 4. Sallie Shields
 4. Sidney Shields
3. J. B. Shields
 4. Fedelia Shields
 4. Estyal Shields
 4. Gladys Shields
 4. Clarice Shields
3. Mark Fox Shields
 4. Ruth Shields (Russell)
 5. Virginia Lee Russell
 4. Jessie Shields
 4. Georgia Shields
3. A. L. Shields
2. Helen Lydia Shields (Aydelott)
 3. Eliza Catherine Aydelott
 3. Robert Leffler Aydelott
 3. Benjamin Jesse Aydelott
 3. Anna Margaret Aydelott (Moyars)
 4. Daisy Moyars
 4. Helen Catherine Moyars
 4. Beulah Delores Moyars
 3. Edwin Thompson Aydelott
 3. Charles William Aydelott
 3. O. T. Aydelott
 4. Charles William Aydelott
 4. Helen Margaret Aydelott (Jones)

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5. Mary M. Jones
5. Lucile Delores Jones
5. Marcus Carl Jones
4. Carl Edward Aydelott
4. Maggie Lucile Aydelott (Peyton)
 5. Boyd Clayton Peyton
 5. Helen Peyton
4. Mamie Lee Aydelott
2. Mary Parmelia Shields

Jesse Shields was the smallest and youngest of the ten sons of Robert and Nancy Stockton Shields. He was born in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia Mar. 10, 1782. In the autumn of the year 1784 he was taken with the family to Sevier County, Tenn., where he lived until 1808. In 1803 he was married to Catherine Fox, of Sevier County, who was born Mar. 26, 1786, and died at Mauckport, Ind., July 18, 1877. Jesse Shields was one of the emigrant party of Shields who left Sevier County in 1808 and settled along the Ohio River in Indiana. He and his family settled at Ripperdan's Valley, Harrison County, Ind., ten miles southwest of Corydon. He became a man of prominence in county affairs, and died Sept. 16, 1848. He was buried in the Shields plot of the Old Cross Roads Grave Yard on the pike between Corydon and Mauckport, about two miles from the latter place.

They had twelve children, listed in the outline above. Of some of these and their descendants we know but little. Jane was born in 1807 and died in 1848; her husband was W. M. Morrison. John was born in 1811 and died in 1841; his wife was Eliza Marsh. Rachel was born in 1812 and died in 1876; her first husband was William Moore, and her second H. G. Barkwell. Mark Fox was born in 1813 and died in 1838. Catherine was born in 1819 and died in 1867; her husband was Jonathan Hisey, and they had a daughter Mary, who married Horace Sonner. Mary Parmelia was born in 1828 and died in 1851; her husband was Clark Highfill. Such information as we have of the other children of

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Jesse and Catherine Fox Shields is listed under their respective names below.

Agnes, Daughter of Jesse Shields

Agnes Shields, the eldest of the twelve children of Jesse and Catherine Fox Shields, was born in 1804 and died in 1878. She married Adkinson Hill Watson in 1821. They had fourteen children as follows: James B., married to Jane Hedges; Jesse S., married to Alice Fravel; Catherine; Goodan; Mark, married to Mary Smoots, their children being Kate, Ward H., Margaret, and U. Grant; Kate married Henry Beanblossom, and has a son Ward H. Beanblossom, whose wife is Nellie Miller; Ward H. married a lady whose given name was Edith; U. Grant was married to Emma Elwood, and they have five children, Elsie, Elza, Edith, Elwood, and Estyal. Nicholas; John, married to a lady named Smith; Adkinson, married to Agnes Hedges, and they have five children: Agnes, whose husband is Geo. Hess, Robert, Frank, who was married to a Marshall and has two sons, John and Robert; Elmer; and Ella, who married W. H. Flora, and whose daughter is Beulah May; Rachel, who married a Miller, and their children are Eli, Mary Catherine, and Nettie; Burford, who has two children, Julia, who married Daniel Neely, and they have a son Paul Neely; and Edward, who has three children; Henry; Shields, married to Sidney Miller; Newton Jasper; and Agnes Jane.

Ann, Daughter of Jesse Shields

Ann Shields, daughter of Jesse and Catherine Fox Shields, was born in 1806 and died in 1895. In 1829 she married Cary Burford, and they had eleven children, as follows: Mary Jane, Isabel Catherine, Margaret Parmelia, Marion Perrine, Ann Elizabeth, Jesse Milton, Cary Sylvester, Nancy Helen, William Thomas, James Cetrick, John Hezekiah, and an infant daughter.

Marion Perrine was born in 1835 and died in 1841; the infant daughter referred to was born in 1848. The others

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referred to more in detail below.

Mary Jane Burford was born in 1830, married Abraham Fleshman in 1850, and died in 1894. Her children were George W.; Lyman Sylvester, born in 1854, married to Christine Miller, died in 1914, had a son Herman; Simon E., born 1857, died in 1867; Arthur Cary, born in 1860, married to Eva Lee Kesler, resides in Louisville, Ky.; Charles L., born in 1865, wife's maiden name was Hudson, has two children, Mary Jane and Hudson, resides in Okmulgee, Okla.; Aquila, born in 1870, resides at New Albany, Ind.

Isabel Catherine Burford was born in 1831, in 1851 married James Highfill, and died in 1892. Their five children were Mary W., born in 1852, and in 1862 married Wilford Trotter; Martha Jane, born in 1854, and in 1875 married Ephriam Stonecipher; Helen A., born in 1857, in 1886 married Henry O. Taylor, and died in 1914, leaving a daughter, Faye, who married Chester Cline; Cary M., born in 1859, in 1882 married to Lavinia Grove, and died in 1891; and Kate Isabel, born in 1864, in 1886 married Charlton L. Stevens.

Margaret Parmelia Burford was born in 1833 and died in 1866. She married Thomas F. Highfill in 1852. Their children were Mary Jane, born in 1853, died in 1861; Annie B., born in 1856, married T. L. Covey, died in 1888; Henry H., born in 1856; Warren S., born in 1861 and died the same year; and Thomas W., born in 1862, married first to Ada Harshbarger, and second to Ada Ewbank.

Ann Elizabeth Burford was born in 1836, in 1859 married Samuel Briley, and died in 1911. They had two children, Burford L., born in 1860, in 1891 married to Clara Watson; Elmer Ellsworth, born in 1868, and in 1891 married to U. G. Brier.

Jesse Milton Burford was born in 1830, in 1864 married to Hester A. Gessford, and married a second time in 1894 to Julia Hill, and died in 1915. Their four children were Mattie H.,

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born in 1865, in 1893 married G. P. Hastings; Cora M., born in 1867, in 1890 married E. A. Stubbs; Stella F., born in 1874, in 1897 married Chas. Andrus; and Pearl, born in 1879, died in 1892.

Cary Sylvester Burford was born in 1840, and in 1865 was married to Barbara L. Weedman. They have two children, Nellie M., born in 1867, married first in 1886 to W. B. Andrews, and second in 1893 to Edward E. Bean; Jessie B., born in 1873, and in 1893 married W. R. Kincaid.

Nancy Helen Burford was born in 1842, and in 1865 married Wm. W. Murphy. Their residence is at Farmer City, Ill. They had five children, Edwin C., born in 1866, died in 1896; Grace, married Benjamin Overstreet; Viola, married Frank Swiney; Blanch, married Alonzo Sturgell; and Wayne, who is also married.

William Thomas Burford was born in 1844, married first in 1870 to Lizzie Becket, and again in 1879 to Mary E. McWilliams. Their two children are Annie Maud, born in 1872, who in 1892 married Oliver L. Brown; and Cary Clive, who was born in 1832.

James Cetrick Burford was born in 1846, and in 1870 was married to Lucy A. Hottel; they reside in Farmer City, Ill. Their two children are Guy Ernest, born in 1879, and in 1899 married to Harriett Weedman; Ivan, born in 1881, and in 1907 married to Josie Nusbaum.

John Hezekiah Burford was born in 1849, and in 1880 was married to Mattie Merrifield. They have two children, Otho Ray, born in 1883, and Cary Clea, born in 1887.

Margaret, Daughter of Jesse Shields

Margaret Shields, daughter of Jesse and Catherine Fox Shields, was born in 1809 and died in 1879. In 1830 she married Aaron Meigs Bean. They had nine children, outlined above.

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William Jasper Bean was born in 1831 and died in 1900. In 1852 he was married to Mary Shuck. Their six children were Jerry Lee, born in 1853 and died the same year; Sallie, born in 1854, died in 1858; Hugh Fletcher born in 1858, died in 1871; John Edward, born in 1861 died in 1881; Jesse Bellfield, born in 1863, married to Emma Anderson in 1893, resides in Stone Lake, Wis, and has six children - Alta Marion, William Kenneth, Clifford, Violet, and Emmett; Walter Clark, born in 1879, in 1902 married to Louise McCargar, has a son Walter Jasper, resides in Indianapolis, Ind.

Sarah Catherine Bean was born in 1833 and died in 1855.

Agnes Anna Bean was born in 1834 and in 1857 married Edward Clark, of Massachusetts. For many years they resided at St. Peter, Minn., and since 1884 Mrs. Clark and her daughters have lived at 1470 Wesley Ave., St. Paul, Minn. Her daughters are Ellen M., Julia Beatrice, who is dead, Martha, and Alta Keith. The writer has become well acquainted with these ladies and their mother. It was through Miss Ellen that I was started in my research of the Shields family, and she has furnished not a little of the inspiration as well as information that has made possible carrying it forward as far as it is now.

John James Bean was born in 1836 and died in 1892. In 1859 he was married to Margaret Williams. They had three children - Aaron Lincoln, David Thomas, and Sarah Agnes. Aaron Lincoln Bean was born in 1861, and has been married three times, respectively, to Emma Warren, Matie Davidson, and Hattie Berry; he is Humane Officer, and resides in Minneapolis, Minn. David Thomas Bean was born in 1863, and has been married twice, to Ellen McGann and Mary Lovejoy. His children are Katie, who married Ralph Laycock, and has two sons, Donald and Ralph; John; William Jasper; and David Thomas. Sarah Agnes Bean was born in 1864, and married James O. Haight. Her seven children are Ethel Margaret who married Harry Hutchin in 1916; William B., married to Ethel Sackett and has two children, Margaret and Stanley; Herbert; James; Elizabeth; Sidney; and John.

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Margaret Parmelia Bean was born in 1838 and died in 1902. In 1858 she married J. H. Flora. They had nine children: Elmer E.; Florence; Hannibal; Eliza Clara who married Fairleigh Hays, and who has a daughter Flora who married Fred Shewmaker, and they have five children, the youngest being Helen; Mrs. Hays also has a daughter Sybil who married Fred Yeager, and they have two children, the elder being Clo. Horace, married to Mary Best, and has three children, Jefferson H., Forrest Custer, and Kenneth; Edward, married to Ola Gilmore, three of their seven children being Lea, Helen, and Ruth; Cora, married Stephen Richards; Minnie Pearl, residing in Louisville, Ky., married Dudley Jones, and has three children, Clarence, Margaret, and Dudley; Curry married Bird Blane, and they have five children.

Jesse Shields Bean was born in 1840, in 1867 he was married to Nancy Keithly, and he died in 1904. They had two children: Minnesota Jane, born in 1868, in 1893 married Horace Houghton, their children being Edward L. and Harry; they live in Sioux City, Ia.; Edward E., born in 1873, and in 1893 was married to Nellie Burford Andrews, resides in Denver.

Pleasant Meedy Bean was born in 1843, and was killed while serving in the Union army at the battle of Guntown, Tenn.

Rachel Adeline Bean was born in 1845, and in 1866 married Griffith Williams. They had four children, as follows: Martha Jane born in 1867 and died in infancy; Meedy P., who was married to Elsie Pomeroy and had two children, Allan and Elizabeth; John Edward, who was married to Emma Anderson, has six children: Agnes, Walter, Effie, Margaret, Clinton, and Alta Lucile; Harriet who married Archie Achason, has three children, Griffith, Phylis, and Evan.

Martha Jane Bean was born in 1847 and died in 1866.

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Elizabeth, Daughter of Jesse Shields

Elizabeth, daughter of Jesse and Catherine Fox Shields, was born in 1816, and died in 1867. She was twice married, her first husband being Jesse Marsh, their children being Eliza Helen, Ann Rachel, and James K., and her second husband being Edward Miller, their child being George A.

Eliza Helen Marsh married Luther Miller. Ann Rachel Marsh married Dr. James Mitchel; their children were Nora, Edward, who married Harriet Mathes, and James. James K. Marsh was married first to a Mrs. Luce, and second to Ella Mathews. George A. Miller was the only child of Elizabeth Shields (Marsh) Miller, and her second husband.

William T., Son of Jesse Shields

William T. Shields, son of Jesse and Catherine Fox Shields, was born in 1820 and died in 1900. He was four times married, first to Epervia Nancy, second to Mary Miller, and a third and a fourth time to two Jamieson sisters. He had nine children, William T., Epervia, Jesse, Eli, Carrie, G. L., J. B., Mark Fox, and A. L.

Epervia Shields married a Mr. Zenor, and had several children, one being named Claude. Eli Shields was married to a Miss Holliday; their four children were Harry, Ola who married a Mr. Peters, Louise, and James, who was married to Allie Pitman, and in turn has a son Durrel. Jesse Shields was married to a lady whose first name was Charlotte; he had three children, Virgîe, who married a Rademacher, Roy, and Charles. Carrie Shields married a Mr. Cunningham, and they had a son Hewitt. G. L. Shields was married to Hadie Ridley, and they had two children, Sallie and Sidney. J. B. Shields married a Miss Bemer, and they had several children, among them being Fidelia, Estyal, Gladys, and Clarice. Mark Fox Shields had three children, Ruth who married Jas. M. Russell and has a daughter Virginia Lee; Jessie; and Georgia.

Helen Lyo.

Shields

Helen Lydia Shields, daughter of Jesse and Catherine Fox Shields, was born in 1826 and died in 1891. In 1852 she married Charles Aydelott. They had seven children, Eliza Catherine, born in 1855; Robert Leffler, born in 1857; Benjamin Jesse, born in 1858; Anna Margaret, born in 1861, married John J. Moyars, and has three children, Daisy, Helen Catherine, and Beulah Delores, the latter having married Harlan Winders in 1916; Edwin Thompson, born in 1863; Charles William, born in 1865, died in 1914; O. T., born in 1868, married to Annie Lou Best, and has five children, Charles, Helen Margaret, Carl Edward, Maggie Lucile and Mamie Lee.

Of the children of O. T. Aydelott, Charles William was born in Floyd County, Ind., and in 1916 was married to Irene Coleman; Helen Margaret was born in 1891, and in 1910 married Marcus Jones, their children being Mary M., Lucile Delores, and Marcus Carl; Carl Edward was born in 1893; Maggie Lucile was born in 1896, married Boyd Peyton, and has two children, Boyd Clayton, and Helen; Mamie Lee was born in 1898.

ONLY A BEGINNING

To the end that those of whose descendants we are and whose names many of us bear may not be forgotten but may find a proper place in the history and memory of our American race, I have undertaken to collect such facts as are obtainable regarding the forefathers of our own Shields family. There has not, to my knowledge, been any other attempt made to set down such a comprehensive record; this one is far from complete. Entire branches, representing many hundreds of individuals, have been lost to us. Frequently only a name, sometimes a date or two, often merely a line, sets forth all we know of the activities of a lifetime of seventy busy years.

This data has been gathered with painstaking effort from sources innumerable: From family Bibles, land, law and church records, official documents, private letters, memory, tradition, and what not. Most of it is, I trust, fairly accurate; some of it may be incorrect; none of it is as complete as it should be. Thus far it has been a stupendous task; its completion will be tedious and full of discouragements and disappointments. A few years ago it would have been easier; a few years hence much of it would have been forever lost.

This pamphlet is not for sale; it is only a beginning. I have made a few copies, with much labor, hoping that others into whose hands they may fall will add such corrections and new material as ought to appear if the book shall ever be published. I wish I were able to publish it properly and handsomely; many would prize a fitting memorial to our own who have gone before; it would be even more highly appreciated by generations yet unborn. Someday someone will do this. Therefore, I am sure that all who can will contribute to its correction and completion as willingly as I have tried to do my part. Much that we may do now, even poorly, if left for a few years can never be done at all.

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