A MISSING LINK IN THE VAIL FAMILY

Those of us who are part of the ancestry of the Vail family are most grateful to the folks who contributed the work to produce the three Vail books, Moses Vail, Jeremiah Vail and Thomas Vail, Salem 1640. They leave us a wealth of genealogical information. However, they are not without error, as is true with other works.

Importantly they lead us to know there are twenty five volumes of material in the New York Biographical, Genealogical Society Library in New York City. These volumes contain valuable information collected in the mid 1800's, a lot has not been published. The Library rules require one be a member to use the manuscripts and only three photocopies are allowed. The volumes are indexed. The Librarians will not do any research but will provide a list of local genealogists.

After twenty years searching on my Vail family, I found the exact information I had been needing. The parents and grandparents of John Vail who died in Mifflin twsp. Richland co., Ohio in 1817! My Vail Bible took me back to his son Ephriam who was named in John's will. It didn't take long to locate a letter written by Ephriam in answer to the inquiry made by Alfred Vail. The enclosed copy of this letter shows what a wealth of information it gave.

As Thomas Vail, Salem 1640 tells on page 128, Joseph (5) went to PA after the revolution. Joseph (5) should read John, father of Ephriam. The Warantee Atlas of Allegheny Co., PA shows John in Moon twsp. in May 1785. There is no record of the patent made 2 Oct 1786. If they called their home places (as is true in England) by a name, John's was called "Radner"

The 1790 census of PA lists both John (Veal) and Soloman, his brother, in Allegheny Co. However, The History of Allegheny County on page 203 states in May 1798 they were both in Sewickley Valley along with a David Vail.

John and Soloman Vail were not only early settlers of PA but also moved on into Ohio by 1807, where they were among the early pioneers.

Ephriam says in his letter that Soloman married in VA and in Frederick co., VA there is another marriage with the Vance family. A Soloman Vail and Martha, daughter of David were married there. It could be both John and Soloman married into the Vance family.

What a happy day it was to receive this letter from Ephriam.

Helen Mae Coyer, 698 So Peakview Dr., Castle Rock, CO 80104
Wyandot Ohio October the 26th 1851
this may inform you that I received your
lines requesting me to give you all the informati
on concerning the Vail Family that I can I will
comply with your request as far as my knowled
extends
My Fathers name was John Vail question 2 my
Mothers name was Sarah Vance 3 my Grandfathers
name was Joseph 4 My Grandmothers name was Grace
Manning 5 I cannot tell you my Grandfathers
History only he was born in Jersy either Morris or
Sessex County he removed from the State of Jersy
about the years 1773 or 74 to North Carolina he had
4 sons and 3 daughters Elisabeth Hannah and Grace
John Solomon Peter and Johnathan Peter
and Johnathan was sent to Nova Scotia in the com
mencement of the Revolution war my Father
and Solomon left Jersy about the same time and
remove to old Virginnia and Solomon entered the
Army and served through the revolution war as
a soldier and then married and removed from Virgi
nia to Pennsylvania and their remained till 1808
and then removed to Ohio and their died 1823 or
24 and had 6 sons and 4 daughters Grace Jane Ann
and Elisabeth David T Jefferson John Solomon
Joseph Isaac my Father and Mother 6 sons and
6 daughters Jane Sarah Grace Mary Margaret
Hannah
the names of my brothes was 1st Joseph Samuel
Johnathan Solomon and James and my self
Ephraim My brothers and sisters are all Dead but
2 sisters & they all left Familys behind some in
Ohio and some inn Illinois I cannot give you
the date of their births and deaths all of my brothers
and sisters was born in Pennsylvania I Married
Elisabeth Pettit She was born in the State of
Virginnia February 27 1802 and was Married
August 16th 1821 we have 12 children 6 sons
and 6 daughters and their names are 1st Margaret
Sarah Elisabeth Cristeny Maryann and Hannah
and the boys names of the boys are Thomas John
Johnathan Solomon D. Peter and James M
Thomas was born May the 3rd 1822 Margaret was
born April the 12th 1824 Sarah was born February
the 1st 1826 John was born January the 6th 1828
Johnathan was born January 29th 1830
Solomon Davis was born December 5th 1831
Elisabeth was born October 30th 1833 Cristeny was
born the 18th of July 1836 Peter was born June
the 3rd 1838 Maryann was born April 6th 1841
James M was born March 31st 1843 Hannah was
born October 13th 1845 Thomas was Married to
Martha A Shephard January 5th 1845 Sarah
was Married to Thomas Holmes April the 8th
1845 Tomas Vail has 2 sons Solomon and
Ephraim Augustus and Sarah has 3 two daughters
and 1 son not named the girls are Margaret and elisabeth
I cannot give you the dates of the births of their children as respects my Father's history I will give it as far as my knowledge extends he removed from Pennsylvania to Coshocton County Ohio and from thence to Richland Ohio and their lived 2 years and Departed this life 28th of March 1818 he was about 78 years of age my grandfather died in N Carolina about 1804 and was aged 93 years and 6 months all of his daughters went with him to N Carolina Elisabeth married William Davis Hannah married Henry Johnson and who my Aunt Grace married I cannot tell and I wish that if you ever get that book accomplished to receive a copy of it it is impossible for me to give you the dates of my brothers and sisters births and deaths and of their children I believe that I have given you all the information as far as my knowledge extends Most respectfully yours Alfred Vail Ephraim Vail to Alfred Vail
59. Reply from Margaret (Mrs. Benjamin) Furby, Tivoli, Dubuque Co., Iowa, 1852. She gave date of birth only as 1794, place blank, date of marriage 1812, father John Vail, mother blank. Husband Benjamin Furby born 1790 son of Michael Furby and Kernhapah Price. Benjamin "died June 16 1842 and buried in Salem Churchyard in Washington Co. Illinois." Children: Jonathan, Kernhapah, Tracy, Ephraim, Cyrus, Margaret, Eleanor, Jackson, Benjamin (details not copied).

Margaret's brothers and sisters: Joseph, Samuel, Solomon, Jonathan, James, Ephraim, Sarah, Mary, Grace, Hannah, "and Eliza a half sister my father married the widow Copes and have ing one Child Born and then he died and was buried in Richland Co. Ohio."

At this point it becomes clear that Margaret is not filling out the form herself: "I Ephraim Furby is filling this out for my mother who is dead who died December 1846 and is buried in Salem Church grave yard by the side of my father." (Item 62 says she died in Washington Co., Ill.)

Margaret's son Jonathan also filled out a form, but the info. he gives is better covered in later items.

60. From Margaret (Mrs. Henry) Howe, dau. of William Renfrew and Sarah Vail; she was born 1821 Richland Co. Ohio. Details on her family, not copied.

61. From John Vail 1851, Shannon, Croghan p.o., Allen Co., Ohio. "I am the son of Jonathan Vail which was the son of grandfather John Vail he was a Quaker and he was brother to Solomon Vail that was in the Revolution under Colonel Morgan."

62. From James H. Vail, son of Jonathan, Kalida, Putnam Co. Ohio, 1851, stating Grace Wilson (nee Vail) his aunt has died. This letter actually follows no. 64 chronologically.

63. From Ephraim (copied before and mislabelled 88)

64. From James H. Vail, Kalida, 30 Aug. 1851. His father died when he was young so he knows the family tradition from his mother. "My great grandfather was... Joseph and he had four sons John Solomon Peter and Jonathan. John Vail was my grandfather there were two sisters Grace and Hannah they all resided in New Jersey about the time or year 1777 or 8 my great grandfathers property was all destroyed by the Hessians about that time he took his two daughters and emigrated to South Carolina this being the last information receiv'd of them John Vail my grandfather emigrated to Virginia and from there to Westmorlen County Pa where I suppose he married a Miss Sarah Vance cousin to Joseph Vance Ex Governor of Ohio they had fifteen children to wit Robert Joseph Samuel Jonathan my father Solomon Isaac James and Ephraim all dead but Ephraim who resides near Wyandot Crawford Co Ohio the names of the daughters Elizabeth Jane Sarah Grace Mary Margaret and Hannah all dead but Grace and Hannah Grace is married to Potter Willson
who resides near Keen Town in Coshocton Co. Ohio. Hannah married to Charles Lewis who resides in Richland Co. Ohio. John Vail having emigrated with his family from Pa to Coshocton Co. Ohio his wife Sarah died Nov 10th 1813 he then emigrated to Richland Co. Ohio in the year 1814 or 15 where he married Mrs. Anna Copes in say 1816 they having one child called Eliza John died in the year 1817 at the age of 63 or 64 years."

The writer's father Jonathan Vail was born 1782 in Westmoreland Co. Pa, emigrated to Coshocton Co. Ohio and married Miss Mary Hibs (elsewhere he calls her Hilbs, and other writers call the wife Mary or Polly McClain) 14 May 1806 and had five children Jane, Isaac, John, James H. and Jonathan. Jonathan Sr. died 8 March 1817 in Richland Co.

Another letter from James H. 13 Oct 1851 says:

Uncle Robert must have died at an early age

Uncle Joseph was married twice I think both times in Coshocton Co. Ohio...some years since he emigrated with all his family from Holmes Co. Ohio to the Wabash country Indiana that is the last I have ever herd of him... His first wife was Miss Vulganot

Uncle Samuel married (Jane?) and had two sons one daughter Samuel Solomon and Grace

Uncle Solomon resided in Coshocton Co. Ohio to about the year 1841 then him and all his family emigrated to the State of Illinois...he married Jane Culbertson

Uncle Isaac must have died at an early age

Uncle James died in Richland Co. Ohio I refer you to his son John

Aunt Elizabeth I am not able to tell you anything about

Aunt Jane married David Newell they both died in Richland Co. Ohio

Aunt Sarah married William Renfrew they both died in Coshocton Co. Ohio

Aunt Mary married John Gregg Peterson they both died in Richland Co. Ohio

Aunt Margaret married Benjamin Furby and emigrated to the Wabash country in Indiana

Eliza married Peter Vangilder...don't know her address

He signed this letter "James Hughes Vail." When asked by Alfred Vail about Sarah Vance, he said he could not give her date of birth or her parents' names.

65. From Mary (Mrs. William) Batchelor of Coshocton Co. Ohio, daughter of William Renfrew and Sarah Vail. Details not copied, except her uncle Solomon Vail married Jane Peoples and had Mary, John, Grace, Sarah, Hannah, Joseph, Solomon and Lewis.
66. From Joseph Vail, Portland, Fountain Co. Indiana 1852, he is the son of Joseph Vail and Susan Wolgomon.

67. From Ellenor (Mrs. T.W.) Thornhill of New Guilford, Coshocton Co. Ohio 1852, she is daughter of Wm. Renfrew and Sarah Vail. The Renfrew children were Mary, Margaret, Sarah, Hannah, William and John V.

68. From William Wright Renfrew, son of William and Sarah (Vail).

69. From Mrs. Catharine Pocock of Crawford, Coshocton Co., 1851, born 1811, daughter of John Potter Wilson and Grace Vail, granddaughter of John Vail and Sarah Vance.

70. From John Wilson of Millcreek, Coshocton Co., 1854, son of John P. Wilson and Grace Vail.

70. Filed with above but apparently out of place - Ann Vail, born 14 March 1789 Allegheny Co. Pa, daughter of Solomon Vail and Martha Vance. She says she "never was married," but lists her two daughters, both named Vail.

71. From John Wilson, same as 70. He born 1814, mentions his brothers and sisters William, Oscar F., Catharine, Edward and Madeline.

72. From Noah Vail, Portland, Fountain Co., Ind. Born 1815 Holmes Co. Ohio to Joseph Vail and Susan Walgamot; his brothers and sisters John, Joseph, Elizabeth, Cynthia, Hannah, Esther, Ellen. Says his grandfather was John Vail and his grandmother was "Polly McFarland." wrong!

73. Samuel Potter Vail, Fredericksville, Schuyler Co., Ill., 1852 - born 1803 Allegany Co. Pa to Samuel Vail and Hannah Potter, his brothers and sisters are Sarah, Grace, Ann and Solomon; his grandparents John Vail and Sarah Vance.

74. From Elizabeth (Mrs. Robert) Nofsinger, Canal Dover, Tuscarawas Co. Ohio 1852, daughter of Joseph Vail and Susan Walgamute.

75. From Dr. B.F. Whitney, Ashland, Ashland Co. Ohio 1851 - married to Sarah born 1819 daughter of Wm. Renfrew and Sarah Vail.

76. From Hannah (Mrs. Charles) Lewis, Petersburg, Mahoning or Richland Co. (AV wasn't sure) Ohio - she fills out form as Hannah Lewis, born Sept. 10th 1800 Pennsylvania, married May 10 1821 Charles Lewis son of Samuel and Hannah (Bradon) Lewis. Her parents John Vail and Sarah Vance. Her children Sarah, Mary, Samuel, Hannah, Lucinda, John, Solomon, Clark and Margaret. Her brothers and sisters Joseph (m Susan Vulgmore), Samuel (m Hannah Potter), Jonathan (m Mary), Solomon (m Jane Peples), Isaac, Robert, James (m Sarah Copus), Jane (m David Newil), Sarah (m Wm. Renfrew), Mary (m John G Peterson), Margaret (m Benjamin Furby), Elizabeth, Eliza.
77. From Mary Peterson 1852, dau. of John G. and Mary (Vail).

78. From Eleanor Barnett, Toulon, Stark Co. Ill., dau. of Benj. Furby and Margaret Vail. In listing her aunts she speaks of Gracy, and Polly (Mary).

79. From Grace Johnson, Dubuque Co. Iowa 1852, dau. of Benj. Furby and Margaret Vail.

80. From Margaret Teagarden, same place, same parents.

81. From Rebecca Peterson, dau. of John G. and Mary (Vail).

82. From Oscar Fitzalen Wilson, Wells Co. Indiana, son of John P. Wilson and Grace Vail.

83. From Sarah Peterson Woolf, Ashland Co. Ohio 1852, dau. of John G. Peterson and Mary Vail. Claims grandfather John Vail died in Mifflintown, Ashland Co. Ohio, and first wife Sarah Vance Vail died in Coshocton Co. Ohio, second wife Amy Copes Vail in Mifflintown. "My mother died on the 15th day of January 1832 aged 41 years 1 month 16 days."

84. From widow of Augustus Wilson, son of John P. and Grace (Vail).

85. From Edward Wilson of Millwood, Knox Co. Ohio, son of same as 84. He fills out a form for his mother, who apparently was there and giving the information to him. She was born Feb. 9 1789 (no place), married 27 Sept. 1809. Who was she named for? "She answers that it was in memory of her grandmother the wife of Joseph Vail."

Her husband John Potter Wilson was the son of Robert Wilson and Mary Potter, and was born 27 Aug 1785 near Amboy, N.J. Her children were Mary, Catherine, John, William Potter, Edward, Augustus, Madaline and Oscar Fitzalen.

Edward Wilson writes again 31 Jan 1852 from same place: "My mothers fathers [John Vail's] family consisted of fifteen children three of whom namely Robert Elizabeth and Isaac died in infancy." He then lists the fifteen, and this may be the only listing of them that is in the proper order:

Robert
Elizabeth
Joseph
Jane
Samuel
Jonathan
Solomon
Sarah
Grace
Mary
Margaret
Isaac
James
Ephraim
Hannah
86. this pertains to another branch of the family.

87. From Grace Ann (Mrs. Jesse) Beal, Keene, Coshocton Co. Ohio 1852, daughter of Samuel Vail and Hannah Potter. Fills out a form for her father Samuel, date of birth not known, in Penna., died Feb 14, 1837, son of John Vail and Sarah Vance; he m. 1801 Hannah Potter dau. of Edward and Christian (Brown) Potter, and had Sarah, Samuel, Mary, Grace Ann and Solomon Brown.

88. From Madaline Foster, Keene, Coshocton Co., dau. of John P. and Grace (Vail) Wilson.

89. From Nancy (Mrs. Scott) McDermott, Monroe Twp., Richland Co. Ohio, dau. of James Vail and Sarah Copus.

90. From Jonathan Vail, St. Mark’s Fla. 1853, son of Jonathan and brother of James H.

(this appears to end correspondence from family of John Vail; next items are from descendants of his brother Solomon)
John Vail January 6th. 1828 Plymouth, Richland Co., Ohio
Martha Maria Littleton February 20th. 1828, Gallia, Gallia Co, Ohio
Sarah Jane Littleton November 9th. 1829, Bucyrus, Crawford Co, Ohio
Almira Littleton March 27th. 1831, Bucyrus, Crawford Co, Ohio

Children of John & Martha Vail
Emma Vail October 9, 1852, Wyandotte, Wyandotte Co, Ohio
John Franklin Vail May 10th, 1856, Garden Grove, Decatur Co, Iowa
Grantly Curtis Vail September 16, 1859, Garden Grove, Iowa
Margaret Augusta Vail September 6, 1861, Garden Grove, Iowa
Hannah Vail March 19, 1865, Garden Grove, Iowa
Byron Frederick Vail May 4, 1868, Garden Grove, Iowa

MARRIAGES

Ephriam Vail Elizabeth Pettit
Elizabeth Vail George W. Peyton
John Vail and Martha Maria Littleton
April 16th, 1821
Mary A. Vail
January 8th. 1852
Martha Shepard
Boyiston S. Wilson
Bucyrus, Crawford Co, Ohio
Sarah Vail Hannah Vail
James F. Crowley
Thomas Vail Mary A. Vail
James M. Vail
Jan 8th, 1852
Martha Holmes Mary Emrick
Hannah Vail
John Vail
Solomon Vail
Martha Littleton
Clarrissa Line
Jan 8th, 1852
Mar 2nd. 1856
Margaret Vail
Aaron McBride
Margaret Vail
June 7th. 1854
DEATHS

Ephriam Vail  
Aug. 14th. 1872  
Peter B. Vail  
July 4th. 1907

Elizabeth Vail  
Nov.10th. 1889  
John Vail  
August 31st. 1907

Sarah Holmes  
Martha M. Vail  
February 16th. 1910

Thomas Vail  
Margaret McBride  
December 19th. 1902  
Christena Vail  
December 26th. 1915

Elizabeth Payton  
February 5th. 1904  
Solomon D. Vail  
August 25th. 1905

Jonathan Vail  
April 29th. 1915

Hannah Vail  
September 30th. 1881, Garden Grove, Iowa  
Emma Vail  
January 9th. 1853, Wyandotte, Wyandotte Co. Ohio

John Vail  
August 31st, 1907, Superior, Nebraska  
Martha M. Vail  
February 16th, 1910, Superior, Nebraska

Grantly C. Vail  
August 9th, 1918, Denver, Colorado  
Margaret A. Vail  
January 11th, 1935, Wichita, Kansas

Byron F. Vail  
May 1, 1942, Wichita, Kansas

Sarah Jane Littleton  
June 2nd. 1831, Bucyrus, Crawford Co, Ohio  
Almira Littleton  
November 8th, 1852, Bucyrus, Crawford Co, Ohio

Marriage of Grantly Curtis Vail & Amelia Schreiber  
May 26, 1887, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Births of this union  
Deaths

Anna Augusta Vail  
May 8, 1888  
Feb 16, 1957

John Franklin Vail  
June 27, 1889  
Jan 30, 1976

Marguerite Mae Vail  
Sept 5, 1891  
Feb 23, 1970

Grantly Curtis Vail, Jr.  
Oct 21, 1895  
Oct 28, 1895

Grant Lawrence  
June 15, 1897  
June 27, 1967

Mabel Vail  
Nov 20, 1903  
Died same day

Alice Ellen  
March 17, 1900  
Jan 2, 1964

Grantly Curtis Vail Sr.  
Sept 16, 1859  
Aug 9, 1918

Amelia Schreiber Vail  
20 Apr 1869  
Oct 11, 1927

Submitted by Helen Mae Coyer, 698 So. Peakview Dr, Castle Rock, CO 80104
QUESTIONS relating to the Family Records of

Ehbraim Vail

of

of Wyandott

Ohio

We have designed these questions, in order to avoid the necessity of many blanks, that they may be answered by the person above named, whether that person is living or not. It is desired that these questions may be answered by that person, if living, or by a representative instead of the person, if deceased.

It is hoped that the person who answers these questions, whether he does it for himself or another, will please to answer them as fully as he is able, and to the extent of his information, or means of procuring it. The labor of making this collection is one of no ordinary magnitude, and its ultimate success must depend upon the interest with which each one, to whom these questions are confided, shall promptly answer them. The enterprise has met, and continues to meet, the approbation of the people, and is in readiness for publication.

The writer will send the completed sheets to the person who answered them, and will keep an account of the answers, and the persons who answered them. The writer will be glad to have the names and addresses of all who will answer the following questions. Due notice will be given when the work has been finished and is in readiness for publication.

ALFRED VAIL.

P. S. Write such answers as cannot be written after its question and upon this sheet, upon another sheet, numbering the answers to correspond with the number of the question, and return the sheets to

Yours respectfully,

ALFRED VAIL.

This Town, Morris County, New Jersey.

Is your full name?

What is the date of your birth?

Where were you born?

What is the date of your marriage?

What is the full name of your Father?

What is the full maiden name of your Mother?

What is your wife's full name?

What is the date of your marriage?

What is the full name of your Mother?

What is the maiden name of your Father?

What is Mr. your occupation?

What is your place of residence?

What is the full name of each of your children?

What is the date of the birth of each of your children?

What is the date of the death of any of your children that have died?

Where were your children born?

Whom have any of your children married?

How many children have each of them?

Where do each of them now reside, or what is their present address?

What are the full names of your brothers and sisters?

Whom did each of them marry?

How many children have each of them?

Where do each of them now reside, or what is their present address?

What are the full names of your Father's brothers and sisters?

Whom did they marry?

How many children have each of them?

Where do any of them now reside, or what is their present address?

What is the full name of your Grand Father?

What is the full name of your Grand Mother?

Are there any Vails, or descendants of Vails, in your neighborhood, or residing elsewhere, whose address you can give me for this object, and with whom I can correspond?
Wyandot Ohio October the 26th 1854

It is my intention to inform you that I received your letters requesting me to give you all the information concerning the Davis family that I can supply with your request as far as my knowledge allows.

My father's name was John Davis, and my mother's name was Sarah Davis. My grandfather's name was Joseph, and my grandmother's name was Grace. I cannot tell you exactly where my grandfather was born, but he was born in Jersey, either Morris or Sussex County. He removed from the State of Jersey in the year 1793 or 14 to North Carolina. He had two sons and five daughters. Elizabeth, Hannah, and Grace in Solomon Peter, and Jonathan Peter. Solomon Peter was sent to Nova Scotia in the course of the Revolution as my father. Solomon left Jersey about the same time as he, and went to Virginia, and Solomon entered the army and served through the Revolution as a soldier and then became a farmer and removed from Virginia to Pennsylvania, and they remained there until 1808. Then they removed to Ohio, and they died in 1823. They had sons and daughters. Grace Jane, Elizabeth, David Jefferson, John Solomon, and John. Grace, my father, and mother had sons and daughters. Grace, Sarah, John, and Sarah.
the name of my brother was 1st Joseph.
Johnathan Solomon and James and my
Ephraim. My brothers and sisters are all.
2 sisters & they all left family's behind some
Ohio and some in Illinois. I cannot give the
date of their births and deaths. All of my
and sisters was born in the Pennsylvania. I
Elizabeth Pettit. She was born in the state of
Virginia in February 27 1802 and was Mar.
August 16, 1821. We have 12 children,
and daughters and their names are: 1st
Sarah, Elizabeth, Cristenay, Maryann and
2nd. The boys named of the boys are Thomas.
Johnathan, Solomon, Peter and James.
Thomas was born March 15, 1822. Marga
born April the 12th, 1824, Sarah was born
the 16th, 1825, John was born January 29th 1830.
Solomon Davis was born December 5th 1831.
Elizabeth was born October 10th 1832. Cristen
born the 3rd of July. 1833, Peter was born
the 3rd, 1838, Maryann was born April 6th.
James was born March 31st 1845. Hannah
born October 15th 1845. Thomas was Marnie
Martin. She was born January 11th 1845. She
was married to Thomas Flemis. April 1845.
Thomas built has 2 sons. Solomon and
Ephraim. Augustus and Sarah has 3 two
son not named. The girls are Margaret and
I cannot give you the dates of the births of your children. In my father's history, I will give it as far as I know. It extends he removed from Pennsylvania to Cosherto County, Ohio, and from there to Ashland, Ohio, and they lived 2 years and started his life 28th of March, 1818. He was about 72 years of age. My grandfather died in 1800, and was about 85 years old. His daughters went with him to Carolina, where he married William Davis's daughter, married my Johnson, and my aunt Grace. My father married and I wish that if you ever get that accomplished to receive a copy of it. I am impossible for me to give you the dates of the deaths and births of the children.

I believe that I have given you all the information as my knowledge extends.

Respectfully yours, Alfred Bull.

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Ephraim Bull to Alfred Bull. 