LIFE AND DESCENDANTS
of
JOHN FRIEDY

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This brief history of the Priddy family of Ohio has been written for the benefit of interested members of the family as well as a tribute to an early Ohio pioneer, John Priddy.

The ancestry of John Priddy has only been sketched in this manuscript and will be subject to further study with the hope of producing another volume in the future. His posterity has been traced primarily along the author's pedigree line with all records available on other descendants included also.

The various record sources for Fayette and Van Wert Counties, Ohio were searched for all members of the families on the author's pedigree but not for collateral lines. These included home records, printed secondary sources, vital statistics (birth, marriage and death records), cemetery records, census, land records, wills and probates, and military records.

Discrepancies have been encountered in this study involving dates, places and name spelling, requiring the author to select the best data to be recorded as fact. These decisions were based on the records yielding the best original documentary evidence. For example, in the case of the marriage date of John Priddy and Martha Rowe, a copy of the Family Bible of his son George Priddy gave the date 30 Nov 1790, a family history gave the date of marriage as 3 Nov 1790, and the original marriage bond located on file from the county clerk's office in Louisa County, Virginia gave the date 1 Nov 1790. The latter date was accepted as the correct one because the marriage record in Louisa County was recorded many years closer to the date of the actual event than was the date written in the Family Bible record. This marriage bond also provided an original documentary source in contrast to the other two dates which were taken from secondary sources. The actual date of marriage, however, may have been 3 Nov 1790 since the marriage bond could have been purchased prior to the date of the actual event.

The author wishes to acknowledge the contributions of various members of the family who so willingly shared their records and are listed under Home Sources in the Bibliography. A special thank you also goes to Mrs. Beryl P. Monroe of Venedocia, Ohio for professional help.

The author would also be happy to accept any new evidence which would add to or alter the facts that have been recorded herein.

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JOHN PRIDDY OF VIRGINIA

ANCESTRY. John Priddy was a man of iron constitution, a patriot of the war of the Revolution, and one of the early Virginia pioneers to Fayette County, Ohio. He was born 8 Apr 1756 in Granville County, North Carolina, a son of William Priddy and Jean Hunter. John's parents were married 5 Feb 1755 in St. James Northam Parish of Goochland County, Virginia by the well known Rev. William Douglas. Soon after their marriage they moved to Granville County, North Carolina until after the death of Robert Priddy who was apparently William's father and who left an unregistered will in 1759 mentioning the following children: Susanna, Patience, Robert, George, William, Thomas and Ann Chaven.

At least three children other than John Priddy were born to William and Jean Priddy in North Carolinas:

i. Mary Priddy b. about 1756; md. Joseph Parish about 1776 and lived in Goochland and Fluvanna Counties, Virginia.

ii. Judith Priddy b. about 1757; md. Charles Hunter and lived in Fluvanna and Albemarle Counties, Virginia.

iii. Mildred (Milley) Priddy b. 1759; md. Pleasant Bybee 3 Sep 1789; and d. 1841 in Fluvanna County, Va. Pleasant Bybee was a Revolutionary Soldier.

iv. John Priddy b. 8 Apr 1758; md. Martha Rowe 1 Nov 1790 in Louisa County, Virginia; and d. 8 Apr 1817 in Green township, Fayette Co., Ohio.

By 1762 the Priddy family had moved back to Goochland Co., Virginia where four more children were born and baptized in St. James Northam Parish as follows:

v. Littleberry Priddy b. 9 Apr 1762 and baptized 22 May 1762; md. Nancy Hughes 28 Jan 1795; and left an estate in Fluvanna Co.
proceedings of which began in Nov 1815. His widow md. (2) William Davis between 9 Dec 1815 and 16 Oct 1816.

vi. George Priddy b. 27 Apr 1764 and baptized 10 June 1764; lived in Fluvanna County, Virginia; and d. there in 1801.

vii. Sally Priddy b. 1 Oct 1766 and baptized 9 Nov 1766; and d. before her father wrote his will in 1792.

viii. William Priddy b. 8 Jan 1768 and baptized 17 Apr 1768; md. Fanny Priddy in Granville Co., N.C. 5 Mar 1790 and apparently lived in Fluvanna County, Virginia. Fluvanna County court records revealed that he was no longer a resident of Virginia in May 1809 and he may have been the brother who was said to have settled in Warren Co., Ohio where a bill of sale to James Miller was located dated 18 Mar 1808.

An illegible entry mentioning William Priddy was made 28 Nov 1774 at the Vestry held for Fredricksville Parish of Louisa Co. which included the part of Albemarle Co. that became Fluvanna Co. in 1777. In Jan of 1775 William Priddy purchased a negro wench named Patt and her child named James for 71 pounds in Goochland County and in Dec of the same year bought 200 acres of land next to Rev. William Douglas on Fort Creek. He sold this land 8 Oct 1779.

By 1778 William Priddy and his family had moved from Goochland Co. and settled permanently in Fluvanna Co. where on 7 Aug of that year he bought of John Forsie and Susanna his wife of Louisa County about 200 acres of land on both sides of Beaverdam Creek for 500 pounds. He had been living on this land prior to this purchase and it included a mill built by John Forsie. This was land which had been originally patented to Maj. Thomas Merriweather.
William Priddy wrote his last will and testament 5 May 1792 in Fluvanna Co., Va, and it was probated 30 Oct 1792. A copy may be found in Appendix I. His wife, Jean (Hunter) Priddy later left a deed dated 15 Dec 1801 wherein she and her children disposed of about 109 acres of their land on Beaverdam Creek to Edward Pace of Albemarle Co. for $2,000. The heirs listed in this document were Charles Hunter and Judith his wife formerly Judith Priddy, John Priddy and Martha his wife, Pleasant Bybee and Willey his wife, formerly Willey Priddy, Littleberry Priddy and Nancy his wife, William Priddy and Fanny his wife, and Joseph Parish and Martha his wife. (See Appendix II) Though Jean Priddy’s will was not recorded, Fluvanna Co. Court records showed that it was certified in the court of Jan 1808.

John Priddy, our Ohio pioneer, married Kartha Rowe 1 Nov 1790 in Louisa Co., Va. Her mother was Lucy Rowe and since she was given as parent or guardian of Martha Rowe, it may be assumed that Martha’s father was dead at that time. Charles Hunter made the oath as to her age and the marriage bond was witnessed by Charles Hunter and Thomas Johnson.

A search of Fluvanna Co., Va. deeds revealed that John Priddy and Martha his wife sold 53 acres of land for 65 pounds (probably land inherited from his father) to Robert Lindsay of Fairfax Co., Va, 13 Sep 1806. A few years later a final settlement was necessary evidently due to an adjustment in boundaries and John again sold 1 acre to Robert Lindsay on 9 Oct 1815. By that time he and Martha his wife were of Fayette Co., Ohio and the transaction was administered for him by Jesse Rowe then Justice of the Peace in Fayette Co., in the presence of William Rowe and John Draper. A final sale was made by John Priddy and Martha of Fayette Co., Ohio on 24 July 1826 to John Bybee of Ross Co., Ohio for land in
Fluvanna Co., Va. patented to Joseph Parish.

These land transactions agree with statements made by John Priddy in his Revolutionary War Pension Voucher dated 2 Oct 1832 in Fayette Co., Ohio. (See Appendix III) Therein he stated that he lived in Fluvanna Co., Va. until 1806 and then moved to Ross Co., Ohio where he remained for 5 years after which time he settled in Green twp in Fayette Co. where he purchased a 100 acre tract of land on Rattlesnake Fork of Paint Creek on 30 Oct 1815.

From the above data, it has been concluded that all of John and Martha Priddy's children were born in Fluvanna Co., Va. as follows:

i. Andrew Priddy b. 3 Sep 1791; d. 30 Jan 1814.

ii. William Priddy b. 15 Feb 1793; md. 1 Feb 1817 to Elizabeth Buttler; and d. 25 Sep 1848 (See Chapter 2)

iii. Lucy Priddy b. 9 Sep 1794; unmarried; d. 23 June 1816.

iv. Elias Priddy b. 10 June 1796; md. 15 Nov 1829 to Rebecca Haines; and d. 25 July 1867.

v. George Priddy b. 1 Sep 1798; md. 28 Dec 1820 to Jane McDonald; and d. 30 Dec 1873.

Some sources have stated that the Priddy family moved first to Greenbriar Co., West Va. before settling in Ohio, but no records of that county or any other place have given any proof of this. However, a William Rowe, who may have been a brother of Martha (Rowe) Priddy, received a land grant of 150 acres, 1 Sep 1809 on the Greenbriar River in Greenbriar Co., W. Va. (then Va.). Perhaps the Priddy family stopped there temporarily enroute to Ohio.

THE PRIDDY FAMILY IN OHIO. It has been mentioned that John Priddy was of the rugged pioneer stock. At the age of 79 years in 1835, he rode horseback 130 miles in company with his son George from Fayette Co., Ohio.
to Van Wert Co., Ohio and returned in the same manner. He was a good
citizen, a Methodist in religious faith and died on his 89th birthday
8 Apr 1817 on the farm he had cleared in Fayette Co., Ohio. His wife
Martha was b. 11 Sep 1754 and d. 30 Jan 1833 in Fayette Co. where she was
buried next to her husband in the old Cockran Cemetery.

John Priddy left a will in Fayette Co. 11 Dec 1816 wherein he left
his farm to his son Elias Priddy and half the assets of the farm to his
daughter Lucy. His personal property was divided equally between Elias
and Lucy, and his son George Priddy was to be paid the $50 owed his and
his son William Priddy the $25 as owed him. (See Appendix IV)

ANDREW PRIDDY. As mentioned earlier, Andrew, the oldest son of
John and Martha Priddy was b. 3 Sep 1791 in Fluvanna Co., Va. The only
records which exist concerning him are the Family Bible record of his
brother George Priddy and a Family Record prepared by Mr. & Mrs. Harry H.
Priddy, 1116 Ervin Rd., Van Wert, Ohio. Andrew's birth and death dates
were given in the Bible record as stated above (See Appendix V) but a
marker was not found in the Cockran Cemetery in Fayette Co. where other
members of the family were buried. According to Mr. & Mrs. Harry Priddy,
"it has been said that Andrew was sent back to Virginia to bring the live­
stock to Ohio but was killed by the Indians while on journey."

DESCENDENTS OF WILLIAM PRIDDY. See Chapter 2.

LUCY PRIDDY. The only daughter in this family of five children was
Lucy Priddy, b. 9 Sep 1794. Her birth date and death date were given in
the Family Bible record of George Priddy, but she remained unmarried
throughout her life. She was mentioned in her father's will and received
half the assets on his farm as well as half his personal property indic­
cating that she remained at home all her life. Lucy left a will dated
11 Mar 1816 in Fayette Co., Ohio listing numerous relatives and indicating
that she like most other members of the Priddy family was a staunch
member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. (See Appendix VI) Lucy Priddy
d. 23 June 1848 and was buried in the Cockran Cemetery in Fayette County.

DESCENDENTS OF ELIAS PRIDDY. The last two sons of John and Martha
Priddy were the only children who remained in Fayette Co. to leave posteri-
ity there. Elias was b. 10 June 1796 in Fluvanna Co., Va. and md. Rebecca
Haines 15 Nov 1829 in Fayette Co. He received the Priddy farm and pur-
chased numerous other parcels of land in Fayette Co. besides receiving
half of his father's personal property. Elias Priddy wrote his will
29 Nov 1866 which was probated 15 Aug 1867 and mentioned the following
heirs: Wife Rebecca and children, Eveline Strawder, James Priddy, Martha
wife of James Smith, Lucy wife of J. F. Zimmerman, Emily wife of George
E. Wilson, Mary wife of Jonathan Painter, Eliza wife of Nathan Merchant,
Amanda Priddy, and Elizabeth Priddy. Strawder Priddy was executor and
witnesses were William A. King and Harriet King. Elias Priddy d. 25 July
1867 age 71 yrs 11 mo 15 da and Rebecca his wife d. 29 Nov 1877 age 71 yrs
7 mo 14 da.

Children of Elias and Rebecca Priddy:

i. Eveline Priddy b. 21 Feb 1832; md. a Mr. Strawder; and d. 4
July 1872 ae 40 yrs 4 mo 14 da.

ii. Strawder Priddy b. 1833; md. Ellen B. Wheatley in 1867 and was
executor of his father's will.

iii. Martha Priddy b. 1834; md. James Smith 20 May 1854.

iv. Jane Priddy b. 25 Dec 1835; d. unm 27 June 1836 ae 27 yrs 6
mo 2 da.


vi. James E. Priddy b. 27 Feb 1839 in Perry twp, Fayette Co., Ohio;
md. Mary Ellen Todhunter (b. 10 May 1841; and d. 2 Dec 1932)
18 Dec 1866; and d. 15 Mar 1911. James remained in Fayette Co. and left numerous land transactions recorded in the ledgers of the County Recorder.

Children of James Priddy and Mary Todhunter (James Priddy Family Bible, Appendix VII):

1. Aurora Grace Priddy b. 21 Oct 1867; md. Harry A. Clarke 13 Dec 1890; and d. 13 Dec 1911. They had a son Harold Aphus Clarke b. 9 Mar 1892 and d. 6 Apr 1892.

2. Myrta Gertrude Priddy b. 11 Oct 1870; md. Coke L. Doster 30 May 1894. They had:
   a. Harry Audleigh Doster b. 16 Apr 1895.
   b. Kathleen Marie Doster b. 7 Oct 1897.
   c. Dorothy Priddy Doster b. 7 Dec 1900.

3. Florence Louetta Priddy b. 11 Jan 1873; d. 29 Nov 1909 unm.

4. Leota Blanche Priddy b. 12 Aug 1875; md. George Santee 31 Oct 1902 in Columbus, Ohio. They had:
   a. Kenneth Priddy Santee b. 9 June 1905.

5. Arthur Esto Priddy b. 27 June 1878; md. Fannie Black 15 Feb 1918 at Fayetteville, Cumberland Co., N.C. They had:
   a. Margaret Ann Priddy b. 9 June 1920.
   b. Mary Ellen Priddy b. 15 July 1922.
   c. James Gordon Priddy b. 15 Sep 1923.
   d. Donald Neal Priddy b. 23 Oct 1926.

6. Ethel Alma Priddy b. 16 Nov 1880; md. Clayton C. Irwin 15 June 1916 at Greenfield, Ohio. They had:
b. John Priddy Irwin b. 2 Dec 1919; md. Edna Prater
1 Oct 1942 in Baltimore, Md. and had Julia Ann Irwin
b. 15 Nov 1943 at Washington D.C.

7. Maude Marie Priddy b. 25 Apr 1883; md. Ralph Roger Penn
   20 Oct 1909. They had:
   b. Marjorie Jane Penn b. 4 June 1912.

8. Mazie Lucille Priddy b. 24 Sep 1885.
   vii. Emily Priddy b. 1841; md. George E. Wilson 1862.
   x. Amanda Priddy b. 1847.

DESCENDENTS OF GEORGE PRIDDY. George Priddy b. 1 Sep 1798 was the
last son of John and Martha Priddy. He was mentioned in his sister Lucy's
will and in his father's will and remained in Fayette Co., Ohio. There he
married Jane McDonald 28 Dec 1820 and left record of several land trans­
actions. He wrote his will 20 Nov 1869, probated 3 Jan 1874, and mentioned
in it his children Elias Priddy, Maris Marke, and Matilda Flannigan.
Also mentioned was a grand-son William Priddy. The witnesses were J. A.
McCleary and F. M. Gray. George Priddy d. 30 Dec 1873 ae 75 yrs 1 mo
and his wife Jane who was b. 19 Oct 1798, d. 25 Sep 1869 ae 70 yrs 10
mo 26 da. The Family Bible of George Priddy mentioned the following
children: (See Appendix V)

i. Matilda Priddy b. 9 May 1821; md. a Mr. Flannigan and d.
   10 Mar 1852.
ii. Elias Priddy b. 3 Nov 1823; md. Rachel Williams 11 Jan 1852.
iii. Maria Priddy b. 22 May 1829; md. John C. Mork 4 Feb 1847.
William H. Priddy, son of Elias and Rachel Priddy and grand-son of George Priddy was b. 14 Feb 1839 and md. Persilla J. Townsend in 1870. He was listed in the 1850 census with his father Elias and grandparents Jane and George Priddy. Presumably his mother Rachel died before 1850.

UNCONNECTED PRIDDYS OF FAYETTE COUNTY. There remain 5 unconnected Priddys in Fayette County records which the author would gladly receive information on. They are:


2. Emma Priddy who md. Glenn L. Allen in 1901.

3. Wilber N. Priddy who purchased 283 acres of land in Fayette Co. in Survey #2926, Aug 24, 1886.

4. Another Wilber N. Priddy left an estate dated 10 July 1876.

5. James Priddy who left an estate in Fayette Co., dated 9 Nov 1876.
WILLIAM PRIDDY, SON OF JOHN PRIDDY

BOYHOOD AND MARRIAGE IN FAYETTE COUNTY, OHIO. William Priddy, the second son of John Priddy and Martha Rowe, was b. 15 Feb 1793 in Fluvanna Co., Va. and was a boy 13 years of age when the family began their westward movement. By the time they settled in Fayette Co., Ohio he was about 18 years old and had had considerable experience in the ways of pioneer life. Perhaps this would explain his restless nature and the fact that he was the only member of the Ohio Priddy family to move further west and north this time to Van Wert Co., Ohio.

William Priddy was a soldier in the war of 1812 serving 21 days in the 3rd Regiment of the Ohio Militia, a Sergeant in Capt. James Crother's Company. He was on the Company muster Roll from July 27 to Aug 16, 1813.

Four years after his return from service, 4 Feb 1817, William Priddy married Elizabeth Buttler, daughter of Benjamin Buttler, who, according to tradition, came from Ireland, was married four times and was the father of fourteen children. He supposedly lived to the age of 108 years. Elizabeth was b. 14 June 1797 in Delaware Co., Ohio and apparently moved to Fayette Co., Ohio prior to her marriage to William Priddy.

It appears that William and Elizabeth Priddy lived on or near his father's farm in Fayette Co. until all of their children had been born as follows:

i. Mary Ann Priddy b. 18 Aug 1817; md. Dr. S. C. Gray and d. 27 Apr 1842.

ii. Archelaus Tucker Priddy b. 16 Apr 1819; md. Sarah Brown 14 Feb 1837; and d. 1 Nov 1880. See Chapter 3.

iii. Thomas Dydamus Priddy b. 16 Aug 1820; md. (1) 18 Apr 1843;
Caroline DeCamp, (2) 1852, Lucinda Cochran (Mrs. Lucinda Pangle) and (3) 26 May 1895, Julia A. Martin (Mrs. Julia A. Packham).

Thomas Dydamus Priddy d. 10 Sep 1897.


v. Martha Jane Priddy b. about 1823; md. Jahial Parmly 5 July 1855.


vii. Elizabeth S. Priddy b. about 1827; md. Madison Boyer.

viii. William Bromwell Priddy b. 20 June 1829; md. and d. 4 May 1908 in Pacific Grove, Calif.

SETTLEMENT IN VAN WERT COUNTY, OHIO. On 16 Feb 1829 William Priddy purchased about 57 acres of land in Fayette Co., Ohio from Daniel Miller and Leticy his wife for $100 lying in Survey #641 on Sugar Creek. Then 29 Nov 1832 he entered land on the Auglaize River in Putnam Co. which later became a part of Marion twp, Allen Co. He was a Commissioner of Putnam Co. in 1838 but never took possession of this land as it was not thrown into market until after he had moved to Van Wert Co. where he purchased land under the following patents:


The above parcels of land were located in Ridge twp, Van Wert Co., where William Friddy remained for the rest of his life. He made two later purchases in 1841 in Sec 25 of twp 1 S and in 1844, the description of the land being illegible in the copy of the deed.

William Friddy settled on the "ridge" in Van Wert Co. and helped build the first log house in Van Wert for the founders of the town, George Marsh, Peter Puterbaugh, and James Watson Riley. Half of it was the jail and the other half the court house. He was also instrumental in the building of three Methodist Churches, was a local minister and with his family was a member of the first class of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Pleasant twp. They held their meetings in a log school house on the Dix farm in 1834. Robert Dix was the leader and William Friddy the first minister. With the help of his sons, William cleared the first land in Ridge twp and eventually increased his farm to 160 acres.

Just a few months before his death, William Friddy and Elizabeth his wife of Van Wert Co., Ohio sold 144 acres of land in the NE2 of the SW1 of Sec 7 twp 2 Range 4 for $500 to Thomas D. Friddy, 23 June 1849. William d. 25 Sep 1848 without leaving a will and was buried in the Ridge twp cemetery next to his wife Elizabeth who must have d. 23 May 1850.

After the decease of her husband Elizabeth Friddy of Allen Co., Ohio disposed of her land in Van Wert Co. 8 Oct 1849 to the heirs of William Friddy for $125 as follows: (See Appendix VIII) Sofostria W. Friddy, Archeleus T. Friddy, Thomas D. Friddy, Martha J. Friddy, John N. Friddy, Elizabeth S. Boyer wife of Madison Boyer and William B. Friddy.

An error was obviously made when the tombstone of Elizabeth Friddy was engraved for it stated her death date as 23 May 1848 as 52 yrs 11 mo 9 da. Since no other records exist which give her death date, it has been
assumed that she died in 1850 after deeding her land to her children.

MARY ANN PRIDDY. The first child of William and Elizabeth Priddy was not mentioned in the above deed dated 1819. She was, however, listed as a child of William Priddy in a biographical sketch of Thomas Dydamus Priddy and her tombstone lying near those of her parents read as follows: Mary Ann Gray d. 1842 as 25 yrs 3 mo, wife of S. C. Gray. Mr. Harry H. Priddy's Booklet gave her birth date as 18 Aug 1817 and her death date as 27 Apr 1842.

ARCHIBALD TUCKER PRIDDY. See Chapter 3.

THOMAS DYDAMUS PRIDDY. Born in Fayette Co., Ohio 16 Aug 1820.

Thomas Dydamus Priddy was about fifteen years of age when his family moved to Van Wert Co. where he grew up among the old pioneers. In those early years wild game and corn dodger or hoe cake was their daily food and a log cabin for shelter. He had received some education in Fayette Co. and continued in the schools of Van Wert Co. until he was about 18 years of age. He helped his father erect the first round-log house in Van Wert and then continued at the work of improving the home farm.

On 18 Apr 1843, Thomas Dydamus Priddy married Caroline DeCamp in Van Wert Co. She was born in Licking Co., Ohio 21 Feb 1822, a daughter of John and Hannah (Springer) DeCamp, who settled in Ridge twp, Van Wert Co. in 1841. Her father was a blacksmith and died in Van Wert Co. about 1850 having had 10 children. After their marriage Thomas and Caroline Priddy settled on the home farm in Washington twp which he increased in a short time to 206 acres. They had two children as follows:

1. S. Newton E. Priddy b. about 1844; md. Elizabeth ______ who was b. abt 1845. He was in the oil business in Findlay, Wood Co., Ohio and they had:
   1. John E. Priddy b. abt 1874
2. Edgar Priddy b. abt 1876
3. Edith J. Priddy b. abt 1876

Other children may have been born after 1880 when the family was found living in Middlepoint, Ohio. S. N. E. Priddy was a Civil War veteran having served 3 years and was buried with his family in Findley, Ohio.

ii. William Emerson Priddy b. abt 1848 was a lawyer of some prominence in Tiffin, Ohio and spent part of his time in the oil business at Findley. He was buried with his wife and son who was killed in World War I in Woodland cemetery in Van Wert, Ohio.

The mother of S. N. E. and Emerson Priddy died in 1847 and in 1852 Thomas D. Priddy married Lucinda Cochran, then Mrs. Lucinda Fangle, a daughter of Thomas and Millie Cochran and born in Franklin Co., Ohio. Thomas Cochran was an old settler of Allen Co., Ohio. Thomas D. and Lucinda Priddy had 11 children, 9 of whom lived to maturity and 13 shown as follows:

i. Amelia J. (Millie) Priddy b. abt 1852.
ii. Ann M. Priddy b. abt 1854.
iii. Infant daughter who d. 10 July 1859 ae 3 mo 8 da.
iv. Lucy A. Priddy (Fanny) b. abt 1860.
vi. Charles F. Priddy b. 9 Dec 1866 and d. 2 Sep 1909 buried in Ridge twp cemetery, Van Wert Co., Ohio. (See unconnected Priddys end of Chapter 4)
vii. Callie Priddy b. abt 1867 and died young.
viii. Edward H. Priddy b. abt 1869. (See unconnected Priddys, end of Chapter 4)
ix. Lester Bliss Priddy b. abt 1870.
x. Margie Priddy b. abt 1872 and died young.
xi. Matt Priddy b. abt 1874 and died young.

xii. Josephine (Josie) Priddy b. abt 1877.

xiii. Watson H. Priddy.

The second Mrs. Priddy died Aug 1892 and 26 May 1895 Thomas Lydmas Priddy married Julia A. Martin then Mrs. Julia A. Packham, who was born in Fairfield Co., Ohio 13 Oct 1837, a daughter of John and Rebecca (Vickers) Martin, pioneers of that county.

Thomas D. Priddy was an active member of the Methodist church and voted with the Republican party. His eldest son was a soldier in Co H 15th Ohio Vol Inf during the Civil War, serving three years.

For many years Thomas D. Priddy was a local preacher of the Methodist Episcopal Church and rode the circuit for four years. Later he withdrew from active church work, owing to the position taken by some of its leading ministers toward the temperance question, he having been suspended by them for charging one of the leading members with frequenting saloons, which charges were fully sustained by him, but which the church failed to recognize.

Mr. Priddy was a prominent and popular man and held several local offices, which he really never sought except that he felt it his duty to faithfully perform when called upon. He played an important role in home politics from the early pioneer days and won high esteem by the residents of his township and county by his leadership ability and honorable life. He d. 10 Sep 1897 in Van Wert Co. and was buried in Ridge twp cemetery.

SOFOSTRIS WATSON PRIDDY. Born about 1822 in Fayette Co., Ohio.

Little is known of his life except that he was mentioned as an heir in the deed of his mother and that he was probably the S. W. Priddy who married
Sarah A. Jenkins in Fayette Co. 18 Nov 1816 but when the 1850 census was taken he was not living at home and his wife was given as 29 with a daughter Mary 3 years of age. She appeared in the cemetery records of Fayette Co. with 4 other names on the same stone as follows: Sarah A. Priddy d. Feb 11, 1878 ae 59, Bessie d. Jan 10, 1875 ae 19, Mary 1847-1925, Isaac Jenkins d. Feb 17, 1876 ae 93, and Mary Jenkins his wife d. Feb 6, 1873 ae 83. Sarah A. Priddy purchased a 5½ acre lot in survey #757 Washington C. H., Fayette Co., Ohio 2 Mar 1868 for $1,000 and it has been said that Sofostris Watson Priddy was an Internal Revenue Collector Officer for the Southern District of Ohio under Grant's administration.

MARTHA JANE PRIDDY. The second daughter of William and Elizabeth Priddy was b. about 1823 and md. Jahiel Parmley 5 July 1855. They had the following children:

i. Elizabeth Parmley b. about 1857.

ii. Augusta Parmley b. about 1859.

iii. Cecil T. Parmley b. about 1860.
iv. Seward Parmley b. about 1860. (probably twins)

JOHN NEWTON PRIDDY. This son of William and Elizabeth Priddy was b. 22 Sep 1825 and md. Mary Jane Maddox 25 Feb 1846 and lived in Ridge twp., Van Wert Co., Ohio. His tombstone reads "Rev. John Priddy" indicating that he too was a minister in the Methodist Church. They had children as follows:

i. Rev. Greenbury Hamlin Priddy b. 14 Dec 1844 in Van Wert; md. Alice Hammond (family history) and/or Matilda Louise _________.

Matilda Louise's tombstone in Ridge twp. cemetery states that she was the wife of Rev. G. H. Priddy and that she was b. 24 Nov 1842 and d. 8 Nov 1874. Greenbury was a teacher in Van Wert Co. for a time and was received on trial into the Ohio Conference
of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1873. He preached in Van Wart and held revivals in the various surrounding villages.

Children of Rev. Greenbury H. Priddy:

1. Frederick Priddy d. 2 Nov 1877 as 1 mo 20 da.
2. Willie H. Priddy d. 30 Apr 18?? as 8 yrs.
3. Claude H. Priddy, a minister in Boston where he d. 3 Mar 1910.

ii. Elizabeth J. Priddy b. about 1848.

iii. Bruce Priddy b. 1850; md. Elizabeth Baker who d. 31 Aug 1894 in Middlepoint, Ohio. Bruce Priddy fell from a Cherry tree and broke his shoulder which with other injuries caused his death in 1903.

iv. Wellington Priddy b. about 1851.

v. Frances E. Priddy (female) b. 1856 and md. John Timbers; d. 1922.

vi. Mariah Priddy (female) b. about 1860.

vii. William L. Priddy b. 3 Oct 1863 and d. 27 Mar 1884 as 31 yrs 5 mo 24 da. (See unconnected Priddys end of Chapter 4)

viii. B. W. Priddy (female) b. about 1864.

Rev. John Newton Priddy d. 25 Apr 1864 of typhoid fever as 25 yrs 7 mo 3 da leaving 5 children and his wife who remained a widow for the remainder of her life. She died many years later 20 Nov 1903 as 80 yrs 8 mo 7 da.

ELIZABETH S. PRIDBY. A daughter of William and Elizabeth Priddy, Elizabeth S. Priddy was b. about 1825 and was mentioned in her mother's deed as the wife of Madison Boyer.

WILLIAM BROMWELL PRIDBY. The last child of William and Elizabeth Priddy was b. 20 June 1829 in Washington C. H., Fayette Co., Ohio and was mentioned as an heir in his mother's deed. He went to California in 1848 to earn money for an education. There he worked his way through college and was an ordained minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
In 1854 he entered the College of the Pacific where he later received an honorary degree. In 1860 he was admitted on trial in the California Conference and d. 4 May 1908 in Pacific Grove, Calif. survived by his wife and 2 daughters, Mrs. E. B. Ewing of Pacific Grove and Mrs. O. R. Morgan of Reno, Nevada.
CHAPTER 3

ARCHELEUS TUCKER PRIDDY, SON OF WILLIAM

BOYHOOD IN FAYETTE COUNTY, OHIO AND SETTLEMENT IN VAN WERT COUNTY.

Archeleus Tucker Priddy was b. 16 Apr 1819 in Fayette Co., Ohio and spent his boyhood there with his family. He was a boy about 16 years of age when he moved with his family to Putnam Co., Ohio and then on to Van Wert Co. in 1835-6. These must have been years of pioneering adventure for a 16-year-old, bringing forth early maturity through the performance of the arduous tasks of clearing and settling native forest lands.

When but a young man aged 18 Archeleus T. Priddy married Sarah Brown 11 Feb 1837, the first marriage to be performed in Ridge twp by Rev. Isaac Bennett. Sarah was also b. in Fayette Co., Ohio 14 May 1814 and moved to Van Wert Co., Ohio with a Hill family. Perhaps she was the Sarah Brown who was received as a member of the Washington Presbyterian Church in Fayette Co. 22 May 1835.

Children of Archeleus T. and Sarah Priddy, all born in Ridge twp:

i. Sofostris Allison Priddy b. 28 Nov 1837; md. 28 Mar 1857 to Nancy C. Tomlinson, and d. 16 Dec 1905. See Chapter 4.

ii. Smith Hill Priddy b. 10 May 1839; md. (1) Sarah Elizabeth Blake 19 May 1861 (b. 19 Oct 1846) and (2) Elizabeth A. Bickle 20 Jan 1876. He d. 27 Dec 1918.

iii. Liberty Watson Priddy b. 10 May 1841; md. 29 Jan 1867 to Eleanor A. Ballinger; and d. 18 July 1930.

iv. Eliza Jane Priddy b. 11 Feb 1843; md. Henry Hargrave; and d. 28 Mar 1931.

v. Thomas Franklin Priddy b. 20 Mar 1845; md. Caroline Price 8 Feb 1873; and d. 26 July 1930.

vi. Mary Ellen Priddy b. 26 Jan 1851 and d. 28 July 1854 as a child.
THE FAMILY IN VAN WERT COUNTY, OHIO. United States Census and Van Wert Co., Ohio land records revealed that Archeleus T. Priddy was a resident of Van Wert Co. throughout his married life. He took up land in the 1840's in Ridge twp and left various other deeds showing land transfers. His original purchase was in the NE\(\frac{1}{4}\) of Sec 31 in Ridge twp. In 1852 he added the SE\(\frac{1}{4}\) of Sec 31. Four years later Christopher Karnley and Nancy his wife sold Archeleus T. Priddy Lots 912 and 915 in the South addition of the Town of Van Wert. He traded these lots with Soman Mead and wife Ann for lots 888 and 889 just seven months later in Aug 1856. On 8 Jan 1861 Archeleus T. Priddy and Sarah his wife sold the E\(\frac{1}{2}\) of the NE\(\frac{1}{2}\) of Sec 31 in Ridge twp containing 80 acres to Sofostris A. Priddy for $100. The same day Sofostris Allison Priddy and Nancy his wife sold this same land to Sarah Priddy for $200. Whether this was Sarah Priddy, the mother of Sofostris A. Priddy is not known, but this appears as an interesting land transfer.

As shown in census returns for 1840 to 1870, Archeleus T. Priddy remained a resident of Ridge twp. By 1880 his wife Sarah had died and he was found living with his son Thomas F. Priddy in Ridge twp. Archeleus T. Priddy d. 1 Nov 1880 and his wife Sarah (Brown) Priddy d. 13 Sep 1870. Both were buried in Ridge twp cemetery.

SOFOSTRIS ALLISON PRIDDY. A history of the first son of Archeleus T. Priddy will be presented in Chapter 4.

SMITH HILL PRIDDY. Born 10 May 1839 in Ridge twp, Van Wert Co., Ohio and md. (1) Sarah Elizabeth Blake 19 May 1861 in Van Wert Co. When the 1870 census was taken they were living in the town of Van Wert. Smith Hill Priddy was a Civil War veteran having served in Company H of the 15th Reg. Vol. Inf. of Ohio under Capt. Thomas E. Douglas and enlisted under Capt. T. S. Gililand 7 Sep 1861 to serve 3 years. He was 5 feet
11 inches tall with dark complexion, brown eyes and black hair, a farmer by trade. He was discharged with disease of the lungs and liver 5 Aug 1862 at Battle Creek, Tenn. and re-enlisted in Co. H 139 Reg. Ohio Vol. Inf. 2 May 1864 for 100 days. This time he was mustered out 26 Aug 1864 at Camp Denniston, Ohio. He was again enlisted in Co. G 44th Reg. Ohio Vol. Inf. 21 Sep 1864 at Lima, Ohio and discharged at Nashville, Tenn. 16 May 1865. Smith Hill Priddy applied for pension 9 June 1914 in Kingman, Kingman Co., Kansas where he d. 27 Dec 1918 and was buried in Walnut Hill cemetery 30 Dec 1918. His wife Elizabeth A. Priddy survived him and applied for Widow's Pension, 28 Jan 1919 in Kingman, Kan. She was b. 19 Oct 1818 in Marion Co., Ohio and d. in Kingman, Kan. 27 Jan 1934.

Children of Smith Hill Priddy and Sarah Elizabeth Blake:

i. Charles Emerson Priddy b. 6 May 1863.

ii. Frances L. Priddy b. 25 Dec 1864.

iii. William A. Priddy b. 8 Jan 1867.

The mother d. 10 May 1877 in Van Wert Co., Ohio and Smith Hill Priddy md. (2) Elizabeth A. Pickle 20 Jan 1878. That year the family moved to Kingman, Kansas and had 5 more children as follows:

i. Nora C. Priddy b. 17 Jan 1879.

ii. Laura E. Priddy b. 7 June 1881; d. 1905.


v. Louisa Priddy.

LIBERTY WATSON PRIDDY. Born 10 May 1841 in Ridge twp, Van Wert Co., Ohio, md. Eleanor (Eileen) A. Ballinger 29 Jan 1867 and was living with his father Archelaus T. Priddy in 1870 with his three small children, Natta Priddy, William C. Priddy and an infant daughter. It appears that
Liberty and his family left Van Wert Co., between 1870 and 1880, perhaps settling in Berrien Co., Mich., where the father died in Berrien Springs 18 July 1930, a widower and retired farmer. He was buried in Rose Hill Cemetery 20 July 1930 and his estate was probated in Berrien Co. 22 Oct 1934. He left $800 worth of real estate to heirs Hattie Whitslame daughter age 68, Walter Priddy, son age 58 and Emma Olds, daughter and wife of A. L. Olds all of Berrien Springs. Mr. & Mrs. Harry Priddy’s family history listed six children as follows:

i. William G. Priddy b. about 1868.
ii. Walter Priddy who md. Mollie ________
iii. Bud Priddy.
v. Hattie Priddy b. about 1867 and md. _______ Whitslame.
vi. Josie Priddy who md. _______ Lockinaw and had a son Joseph Lockinaw.

ELIZA JANE PRIDDDY. The only daughter of Archeleus T. Priddy to live to maturity was Eliza Jane who lost her hearing when but a child. She apparently married Henry Hargrave who was also deaf between 1870 and 1880 since she was last mentioned in the 1870 census with her family. She died a widow 26 Mar 1931 in Van Wert Co., Ohio and was buried with her parents and husband in Ridge cemetery. Henry Hargrave was b. 1846 and d. 1895. They had a son Frank Hargrave b. Jan 1881 and a daughter Mary E. Hargrave who d. at birth.

THOMAS FRANKLIN PRIDDY. The fourth son of Archeleus T. Priddy was b. 20 Mar 1845 in Ridge twp, Van Wert Co., Ohio and md. Caroline Price 8 Feb 1873. She was b. 22 Feb 1850 in Pa, and they lived in Ridge twp and later in Van Wert. Thomas F. Priddy enlisted in the Civil War as a private in Co. B 192 Reg. Ohio Vol.”s 11 Feb 1865 at Van Wert and was
discharged 1 Sep 1865 at Winchester, Va. He was 5 feet 9 inches tall, fair complexion, hazel eyes, brown hair and was a farmer in Van Wert Co., Ohio. Thomas F. and Caroline Priddy had the following children:

1. Oscar W. Priddy b. 3 Oct 1873; md. Roxanna Smith (b. 1 Dec 1881 and d. 19 Feb 1960); and d. 29 Feb 1946. He was a lawyer in Van Wert and they had a son Richard R. Priddy b. 30 Aug 1906 who was a professor of geology at Millsap College in Mississippi. Oscar W. Priddy went to county school and later to Van Wert School where he graduated. He taught school 4 years and then went to Ohio State University four years where he received his degree in law. He practiced law several years; was Secretary of the Van Wert Garment Manufactures Co.; was postmaster of Van Wert and later returned to law practice.

ii. Thomas Kirt Priddy b. 27 Apr 1875; md. Olive Beck (b. 10 Sep 1876 and d. 1943), daughter of Adam and Rebecca (Rogers) Beck. Thomas Kirt Priddy went to country school a couple of years and then to Van Wert City School. He was a carpenter and built several churches and many homes. He was hired to be building inspector of the building of a school in Paulding and four new school buildings in Fostoria, Ohio. He was five times elected county surveyor and also planned and built the Aggrea Stadium with W.P.A. labor. Children:


iii. Wilbur Hill Priddy b. 10 Apr 1877; md. Minnie Brown; and d. 5 July 1965 in Mich. He attended Van Wert schools and later farmed in Van Wert for 15 years. Then he went to Michigan and
was hired to manage a large farm owned by Lambert and Webber. He later farmed the Buel farm until Mr. Buel's death and was noted as an excellent judge of cattle. Children: Mary Caroline, Alverta.

iv. Harry H. Priddy b. 2 Apr 1880; md. Blanche Susan Osburn 29 Dec 1906 (b. 2 May 1883) and they are presently living at 1116 Ervin Rd., Van Wert, Ohio. Harry H. Priddy attended the Van Wert Public School and began farming on a small farm. He went to business college in Van Wert and at age 23 passed the examination for a rural mail carrier. He farmed and carried mail for 44 years. Children:

1. John Osborn Priddy b. 8 Oct 1907; md. (1) Marjory Williams (b. 12 Aug 1911 and d. 14 Oct 1938). They had:
   a. John Thomas Priddy b. 24 Mar 1932; md. 16 Sep 1954 to Margurite Petterford. They had: (1) Gregg Priddy b. 9 May 1964 and (2) Jeffrey Scott b. 9 July 1965 and died young.
   b. Marcia Sue Priddy b. 9 Aug 1934; md. David Roderick, an attorney, 15 Sep 1962. They live in Seattle, Wash. John Osborn Priddy md. (2) 15 June 1943 to Guyneth Brewer (b. 1917) and had:

   At the present time, John Osborn Priddy is an accountant in the Nationwide Inn in Columbus, Ohio.

2. Truman Franklin Priddy b. 19 July 1913; md. 20 Feb 1943 to
At present he is working at the Ohio Power Co. in Van Wert, Ohio.

Jennie C. Priddy b. 15 Aug 1883 in Mich; md. Charles T. Pierce 3 June 1918. He was b. 22 Feb 1869 and d. 1958. Jennie was educated in the Van Wert Schools and went to college. She became a teacher and taught school for 15 years. Mr. Pierce was a farmer, elevator owner and later a salesman for The Ohio Power Co. In later years he spent his time as a real estate salesman.

MARY ELLEN PRIDDY. The last child of Archelasus T. Priddy and Sarah Brown was b. 28 Jan 1851 and d. 28 July 1854 as an infant.
SOFOSTRIS ALLISON PRIDDY, SON OF ARCHELEUS

RESIDENT OF VAN WERT AND MERCER COUNTIES, OHIO. Sofostris Allison Priddy was b. 28 Nov 1837 in Ridge twp, the first son of Archeleus T. and Sarah Priddy. He md. Nancy C. Tomlinson 26 Mar 1857 in Van Wert Co. the daughter of Jesse Tomlinson and Elizabeth (Betsey) Mortimore.

Nancy C. Tomlinson was b. 4 Oct 1838 in Madison Co., Ohio and moved with her family to Mercer or Van Wert Co., Ohio in a covered wagon when she was a child. The Tomlinsons settled in Union twp, Mercer Co. and York twp, Van Wert Co. Nancy had a brother David M. Tomlinson b. 3 Sep 1835 who md. (1) Susanna Hann 3 Nov 1859. She d. 10 Apr 1902 and he md. (2) Mrs. Susan E. Gray 15 Nov 1903 who d. 30 June 1931. He d. in Winter- set, Madison Co., Iowa 23 Feb 1906. Jesse Tomlinson, the father was b. 29 June 1811 and md. Elizabeth (Betsey) Mortimore 1 Aug 1833, the daughter of Robert and Sarah Mortimore of Madison Co., Ohio. Betsey was b. about 1804 in N.C. and d. 12 Aug 1874 in Union twp, Mercer Co., Ohio. Jesse, a son of John Tomlinson, whose family came to Mercer and Van Wert Co.'s, Ohio from Madison Co., Ohio d. 4 May 1892 in Mercer Co. The Tomlinson family was originally from Va., the exact place in which state has not been located.

Children of Sofostris Allison and Nancy Priddy:

i. Sarah Elizabeth Priddy b. 6 Jan 1858 in York twp, Van Wert Co., Ohio; md. 25 Dec 1884 to Samuel Cotterman Dannison; and d. 24 Oct 1945.

ii. Mary Ellen Priddy b. 29 Dec 1859 in York twp; md. Marion Burnett.

iii. Melvina Jane Priddy b. 26 Apr 1862 in York twp; md. McDonald Van Eman 2 Apr 1881 and d. 10 July 1909.

iv. David Frank Priddy b. 20 Aug 1865 in York twp; md. Josephine
Haver 20 Jan 1889 and d. 2 May 1935.

v. Margie Isabelle Priddy b. 6 Sep 1868 in Union twp, Mercer Co., Ohio; m. John A. Bowers 9 Oct 1887; and d. 24 June 1910.


viii. Curtis Priddy b. 29 Apr 1877 in Union twp.; and d. 1 June 1877.

ix. Ora Ann Priddy b. 11 Apr 1879 in Union twp.; and d. 11 July 1880.

Various land transactions exist involving Soffostis Allison Priddy in Van Wert and Mercer Counties, Ohio. His family was not located in the 1860 census for Van Wert Co., probably because some of it was illegible. According to various death certificates of his children, however, they were probably in York twp., Van Wert Co. until about 1867 when the family moved to Union twp., Mercer Co. to live with Jesse and Betsey Tomlinson.

Soffostis A. Priddy was a farmer and member of the Methodist Church. He was quiet, easy going, happy and a very loveable man. He especially enjoyed hunting small game and was industrious in his farming. His wife Nancy was also a strong Methodist and memorized much of the Bible. She was a good homemaker and would sing hymns as she did her house work though she could not carry a tune. Nancy was quiet and pious, a happy person who loved to do dishes to warm her hands. She made lovely hair pieces for many people around Van Wert and with the help of her mother made a suit of clothes for Johnny Applesead when she was a girl. In her later years she had a dream that when she died the car that carried her casket became lost on the way to the cemetery. This actually occurred when her funeral was held in one county and her body was taken back to Mercer County to the Tomlinson Cemetery to be buried.
SARAH ELIZABETH PRIDDY. The first daughter of Sofosstris and Nancy Priddy was born 6 Jan 1858 in York twp, Van Wert Co., Ohio. She md. Samuel Cotterman Dannison 25 Dec 1884 in Mercer Co., son of Asa C. Dannison and Susannah Christina Like. Samuel Dannison was b. 18 Aug 1858 in Perry Co., Ohio and d. 28 Apr 1947 in Van Wert, Ohio.

Samuel and Sarah Dannison settled in Elgin, Van Wert Co., Ohio and had the following children:

i. Nancy Christine Dannison b. 23 Sep 1885 in Union twp, Mercer Co., Ohio; md. John W. Phillips 13 Sep 1905; and d. 7 Mar 1961.

ii. Margaret (Margie) Belle Dannison b. 19 Oct 1886 in Elgin, Ohio; md. David Raymond Myers 4 Mar 1908; and d. 15 Dec 1967.

iii. Leota Mae Dannison b. 1888 and d. a child in 1894.

iv. Lehr Bruce Dannison b. 5 Sep 1890; and md. Blanche Black 26 Nov 1912.

v. Charles Edgar Dannison b. 27 June 1892; md. Cecile Fern Gould 27 Oct 1911; and d. 23 Apr 1934.

vi. Samuel Asa Dannison b. 19 July 1894; md. (1) Minnie I. King 18 June 1921 (divorced) and (2) Josephine D. Adams; and d. 2 Mar 1941.

vii. Russell Fay Dannison b. 1898 and died a child 9 Sep 1898.

Sarah Elizabeth (Priddy) Dannison was a kind and loving mother and housewife. She had little education but could read and write and had a good knowledge of the Bible. Though industrious and happy, she was quiet in her ways, was serious and defended her beliefs and convictions. She was raised in a religious environment, her grandparents all having been instrumental in establishing the Methodist Churches in Van Wert County. Her grandfather Jesse Tomlinson was the first Sunday School Superintendent in the Tomlinson Church (now Wesley Chapel) in Mercer County and the
Psiddvs were also strong Methodists in Ridge and Washington twps, Van Wert County. Concerning her religious beliefs, Grandmother Dannison told of a dream she once had wherein she saw herself preparing for the final judgement. She was sitting in a long line of people on benches and the attendants would tell her periodically to move up and each time she would do so as instructed. But as she was moving along she soon realized that her husband, Sam was not with her so she asked if she could go back and find him. She was told that she was not to do so but to continue moving upward.

Sarah loved to make garden and always had beautiful flowers. She sold vegetable plants and would save her money in a little teapot which was periodically raided by her husband who would spend it foolishly. It would make her very irritated but she usually didn't make an issue of it. All else that she raised in her garden was preserved.

Grandma also had a few chickens that she would fuss with which became special pets. One night a neighbor shut her chickens up with his and rather than approach him about it, she just called them with her special chicken call and they all came home the next day.

Though her life was no spectacular event, few people could be claimed as greater in thought and deed than Sarah Dannison. Her heart went out to those who needed help and her patient loving care of seven children could not be claimed as less than that of a humble servant of noble ancestry.

MARY ELLEN PRIDDY. The second daughter of Sofostris A. and Nancy C. Priddy was b. 29 Dec 1859 in York twp according to the old Family Bible. She married Marion Burnett and they had two daughters, Bessie Burnett who died when about 8 years old with diphtheria and Maude Hazel Burnett who "went West." Later, Ellen (Mary Ellen) Burnett was of New Castle, Colo, but her family has since been lost track of. In 1909 Marion
Burnett, wife Ella and daughter Maude were farming in Sec 29, Venedocia, R#2, Van Wert Co., Ohio.

KELVINA JANE PRIDDDY. The third daughter of Sofostras and Nancy Priddy was b. 28 Apr 1862 in York twp, Van Wert Co., Ohio; md. McDonald Van Eman 2 Apr 1881; and d. 10 July 1909. They had the following children:

i. Dessie Van Eman who md. (1) Clyde Adamson and had Lewis Adamson.
   She md. (2) Lee Rawson and had Bruce Rawson, May Rawson, and Howard Rawson.

ii. Victor Van Eman who md. Effie Hughes and had:
   1. David Van Eman who md. Jane Bassett and had Dennis Van Eman,
      Steven Van Eman and David S. Van Eman. David is presently a teacher in Venedocia, Ohio.


v. Mamie Van Eman who md. Harry Davis and had Robert Davis. She presently lives in Orwell, Ohio.

DAVID FRANK PRIDDDY. Born 20 Aug 1865 in York twp, Van Wert Co., Ohio; md. Josephine Haver 20 Jan 1889; and d. 2 May 1935 in Lima, Ohio. They had the following children:

i. Edna Friddy.

ii. Jennie Friddy.

iii. Myrtle Friddy.

iv. Ora Friddy.

v. Marion Friddy.
MARGIE ISABELLE FRIDDY. Born 6 Sep 1868 in Union twp, Mercer Co., Ohio; md. John A. Bowers 9 Oct 1887; and d. 25 June 1910 in Ridge twp., Van Wert Co. where they farmed. They had the following children:

1. Rev. Charley Andrew Bowers, Methodist Minister b. 30 Aug 1888 and d. in Va. 12 Feb 1942. He had a daughter Virginia Pauline (Bowers) Welliver living in Staunton, Va., Rt 3. He also had a son Charles Dennis Bowers b. in Van Wert Co. who died in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

ii. Verna E. Bowers b. 25 Dec 1890 in Van Wert; md. Perry H. Stemen 16 Dec 1914 and had:


iii. Wilbur J. Bowers b. 28 Oct 1895 in Van Wert Co. and now living in Vista, Calif.

iv. Marilyn Bowers who md. Mr. Nashado and is now living in West Covina, Calif.

CHARLES EDGAR FRIDDY. The sixth child of Sofsotris and Nancy Friddy was b. 16 Aug 1871 in York twp, Van Wert Co; md. Bertha Agler 3 Dec 1896 in Paulding Co., Ohio; and d. 5 Aug 1955 in Wyndham, Portage Co., Ohio, a retired farmer. They had the following children: Verna Friddy, Ruth Friddy, Elizabeth Friddy, Delmar Friddy, Charles Friddy, Clyde Friddy, Russell Friddy and Pearl Friddy. They were living at R#3, Venedocia, Ohio in 1909.

JOSEPH ARTHLEST FRIDDY. Born 28 Apr 1874 in Union twp, Mercer Co., Ohio; md. Viola Jane Smith 22 Dec 1897 in St. Mark's Lutheran Church in
Van Wert; and d. 31 Aug 1946 in Edward twp, Ogemaw Co., Mich. His wife Viola was b. 31 May 1873 and d. 1 Nov 1947 same place. They had the following children:

1. Ollie Priddy Shetrow, daughter, now of West Branch, R#2, Mich.
2. Margie Priddy White now also of West Branch.
3. Otis Priddy, son deceased.
5. John Priddy, son now of West Branch, R#2, Mich.
7. Paulene Priddy Burgeson now of Bay City, Mich.
8. Elsie E. Priddy Cronak, deceased.

Joseph Priddy was reported by his son Wilbur to have been "an Elder in the Latter Day Saints Church." No membership record was found in the deceased files of the Historian's Office of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Salt Lake City, Utah and no endowment card was found for him in the Temple Records Index bureau. He and his family moved to Mich. about 1910 where they bought a farm in Edward twp, Ogemaw Co.

CURTIS PRIDDY. Born 29 Apr 1877 in Union twp, Mercer Co., Ohio and d. there 1 June 1877.

ORA ANN PRIDDY. Born 11 Apr 1879 in Union twp, Mercer Co., and d. 11 July 1880.

UNCONNECTED OHIO PRIDDYS:
2. Edward Priddy, wife Julia Stout, a farmer in Sec 30, Middlepoint, Ohio in 1909. They had the following children.
1. Glenn Priddy.

2. Lamest Priddy.


3. Lawrence Priddy, wife Nina a farmer in Sec 16, Middlepoint, R#2, Ohio in 1909.

4. W. H. Priddy, wife Minnie, a farmer in Sec 21, Van Wert Co., Ohio in 1909. They had: Gladiss Priddy, Mary Priddy and Jennie Priddy.

This manuscript is meant only as an introduction to the Ohio Priddy History and it is hoped that in years to come others will enlarge it and continue to bring it up to date. For those who find themselves descendents of this branch of the family, a more upstanding family would be difficult to find.

Work will also be continued on the ancestry of John Priddy in Virginia and North Carolina. It appears that most of the numerous Priddys of the southern states are cousins of this Ohio branch of the family and the earliest Priddy emigrant may have been a George Pretty who came to Virginia from England with the second group of colonists in 1609.

If interested in receiving a report on the early Virginia and North Carolina Priddy families, please contact the author.
IN THE NAME OF GOD, Amen. The twenty fifth day of May 1792 I William Priddy of the County of Fluvanna being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God; therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my Body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it, and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executor, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such earthly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First I will and bequeath Jean my wife all my real and personal Estate enduring her life, or widowhood. I will and bequeath to my beloved Son George my Mill after my Wife's decease, and thirty Acres of Land joining the Mill. ITEM I will and bequeath all my personal and Real Estate that remains to be equally divided after my lawful debts are paid among six Children as follows, Mary & Judith and John, Milley and Berry and William reducting five pounds apiece out of Judiths and Williams part to be divided among the other four.

Witness my hand and Seal

I likewise appoint my beloved wife Jean and my Son George Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

Witness present

William

mark

Priddy
APPENDIX XI

Deed of Jean Priddy et al to Edward Pace
Fluvanna County, Virginia Deed Book 4 p. 573 (GS ser no 7h87 pt 1)

THIS INDEEDURE made this fifteenth day of December in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and four BETWEEN Jean Priddy widow and
relict William Priddy deceased, Charles Hunter & Judith his wife formerly
Judith Friddy, John Priddy and Martha his wife, Pleasant Bybee and Milley
his wife, formerly Milley Friddy, Littleberry Priddy and Nancy his wife,
William Priddy and Fanny his wife, and Joseph Parish and Martha his wife,
who the said Hunter and wife are of Albemarle County, and all the rest
of Fluvanna County of the one part, and Edward Pace of the said County
of Albemarle of the other part. WITNESSETH that the said Jean Priddy,
Charles Hunter and Judith his wife, John Priddy and Martha his wife,
Pleasant Bybee and Milley his wife, Littleberry Priddy and Nancy his
wife, William Priddy and Fanny his wife, Joseph Parish and Martha his
wife for and in consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars to them
in hand paid by the said Edward Pace the receipt whereof they do hereby
acknowledge, Have bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant
bargain and sell unto the said Edward Pace his heirs and assigns a certain
Tract or parcel of Land lying and being in the County of Fluvanna afore-
said on Beaver Dam Creek containing by estimation one hundred and nine
acres more or less and bounded as follows to wit, Beginning at Pointers
on two Hickories and a white oak at the three notched Road thence North
50° West 58 poles to pointers on Gilmore thence North 40° East 200 poles
to pointers on a dead pine on Gilmore's, thence South 50° East 112 poles to
corner on the Creek on Littleberry Priddys at a Dogwood, thence South
57° West an unknown number of poles in a straight line to the Creek,
thence down the Creek according to its meanders until getting to where
the line last mentioned of the direction of South 57° West would have
struck or would strike the Creek again if continued as far, thence in
this direction a line of an insofar unknown length to the said three
notched road, and with this Road to the first station, together with all
and singular the premises and appurtenances there unto belonging or in
any wise appertaining, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD this said land and premisses
with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the said Edward
Pace his heirs and assigns forever and the said Jean Priddy, Charles
Hunter and Judith his wife, John Priddy and Martha his wife, Pleasant
Bybee and Milley his wife, Littleberry Priddy and Nancy his wife, William
Priddy and Fanny his wife, Joseph Parish and Martha his wife for themselves
and their heirs these lands and premisses with the appurtenances unto
him the said Edward Pace his heirs and assigns will and do covenant and
for ever defend against the claim and demand of themselves and against
the claim and demand of all and every person or persons whatsoever by
those presents IN WITNESS whereof the parties have hereunto set their
hands and Seals this day and date above written.

Sealed and delivered
in presence of
J. Payne
John Tompkins
G. Richardson
A. Barnard
Nelson Priddy
A. Shepherd Carter Hunter

Jane X Priddy
Charles Hunter
Judith Hunter
John Priddy
Martha Priddy
Pleasant Bybee
Milley Bybee
Joseph Parish
Martha Parish
Littleberry Priddy
Nancy Priddy
Wm Priddy
Fanny Priddy
APPENDIX III

Pension Voucher of John Priddy
File Designation S 3741, Rev. War, National Archives, Wash. D. C.

The State of Ohio. On this second day of October A.D. 1832 personally
County of Fayette appeared in open Court before the Judges of Fayette
Court of Common Pleas now sitting John Priddy a resident of Green Township
in the County of Fayette and State of Ohio aged seventy-four years last
April who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make
the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of
Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the
United States under the following named officers and served as herein
stated.

The affiant states he entered the service of the United States in
Goochland County in the State of Virginia. He was called into the
service under the command of Captain Massee. He served a part of this
tour at Williamsburg and a part at Little-York. He was at this time
only 16 years of age served the two months for which he was called out
under the same captain he does not recollect the names of any field
officers in service at this time he was dismissed at Little York and
returned home to his fathers who had during this tour removed to Flu-
vanna County in the State of Virginia. While residing in this county
he was twice called into the service by draft. The first time under
the command of Captain Tillman he marched to the City of Richmond and
there drew arms from thence he marched to the Cross Roads after remaining
a short time at this place he marched to the Meadow-Bridges, from
thence to Richmond the time for which he was drafted two months was now
expired and he was dismissed. The affiant further states that he was
again drafted in Fluvanna County for the term of two months under the command of Captain Nadin. At this time he marched from the county aforesaid to Gloucester where he remained until the expiration of his time and was then dismissed—During this time was fought the memorable battle of Little York. He the affiant served during the was six months and that he can not prove his service by any person now living within the knowledge of him the applicant—and do hereby—that I John Priddy do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or and that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

1. Where and in what year were you born?

The affiant answers that he was born at Grandville in the State of North-Carolina on the 8th day of April A.D. 1758.

2. Have you any record of your age if so where is it?

The Respondent replies that when a boy in school he recorded his age in his ciphering book where it still remains.

3. Where were you living when called into the service where have you lived since the Revolution and where do you now live?

The respondent says he lived in Fluvanna County in the State of Virginia when called into service the last tour: and in Goochland County in the aforesaid State the first tour. He remained in Fluvanna County until A.D. 1806 when he removed to Ross County in the State of Ohio he remained in Ross County 5 years then removed to Fayette County in the said State of Ohio where he now lives.

4. How were you called into the service, were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom?

The said Priddy answers he was drafted.

5. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the
troops where you served such continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service. The respondent answers that General Nelson command the Militia at Richmond and General Kulenburg was also an officer during some part of his service, Colonel Campbell was an officer at Glocester, and for the general circumstances he refers to the body of the declaration.

6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service if so by whom was it given and what has become of it?

The affiant states he never did receive a written discharge. At the end of the last tour Lieut Wm Adams dismissed them he received a discharge for the company.

7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood who can testify as to your character for veracity and good behaviour and your services as a soldier in the Revolution.

The affiant refers to James Crothers, Jacob Temerson, Wm Rowe, Jesse Rowe.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Jesse Millikan Clk.

John Priddy (signed)

We Wm Westlake a clergyman residing in the County of Fayette and State of Ohio and Jesse Rowe a resident of the County and State aforesaid hereby certify that we are well acquainted with John Priddy who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration that we believe him to be 74 years of age that he is reputed and believed in the neighbourhood where he resides to have been a Soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in the opinion.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day & year aforesaid. Wm Westlake

Teste Jesse Millikan Clerk

Teste Jesse Rowe
And the court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter and after putting the interragativas prescribed by the War Department that the above named applicant was a revolutionary Soldier and served as he states. And the Court further certifies that it appears to them that Wm Westlake who has signed the above certificate is a clergyman residing in the County of Fayette and State of Ohio, and Jesse Rowe who has also signed the above certificate is a resident of the County and State aforesaid and is a credible person and that their statement is entitled to credit.

I Jesse Millikan Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Fayette & State of Ohio do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings in the matter of the application of John Priddy for a pension.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office this tenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two.

Jesse Millikan Clerk
APPENDIX IV

Will of John Priddy
Probate Court, Fayette County, Ohio

December 14th, 1846

I John Priddy of Fayette County Ohio do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I give and bequeath unto my son Elias Priddy the farm whereon I now live provided always that my daughter Lucy shall hold possession and be entitled to own half of the assets and profits of said farm for her maintenance during her natural life, and after her death to descend to my son Elias. It is my will that my personal property of every description shall be equally divided between my son Elias and my daughter Lucy. I hold a note given to me by my son George Priddy for fifty dollars, also a note on my son William Priddy for twenty five dollars. I do hereby relinquish all claims to the amount of said notes and fully exonerate them from the payment of said notes. Lastly I do hereby appoint my son Elias Priddy Executor of this my last will and Testament.

his

John Priddy Seal
mark

Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of James Crothers

Caroline L. Crothers
APPENDIX V

George Priddy Family Bible
In possession of Mrs. Ethel Priddy Irwin
Published by Jesper Harding, Phila, Pa., 1845

George Priddy was married to Jain Priddy in the year of our Lord 1820
John Priddy and Martha Rowe was married Nov 30, 1790
William Priddy and Eliza Putters was Feb 4, 1817
George Priddy and Jane McDonel was married Sept 26, 1820
Elias Priddy and Rebecca Haines was married Oct 8, 1829

Births
George Priddy was borned September the 1, 1798
Jain Priddy was borned October the 19, 1798
John Priddy was borned Apr 8, 1758
Martha Rowe Priddy was born Sept 11, 1754
Matilda Priddy was borned May the 9, 1821
Elias Priddy was borned Nov the 3, 1823
Maria Priddy was borned May the 22, 1829
William H. Priddy was borned Feb the 14, 1839
Andrew Priddy was born Sept 3, 1792
William Priddy was borned Feb 15, 1793
Elias Priddy was born June 10, 1796
Lucy Priddy was born Sept 9, 1794
George Priddy was born Sept 1, 1798

Deaths
Matilda Flamigan Died March the 10 in the year of our Lord 1852
Jane Priddy Departed this life September the 25, 1869 aged 70 years
10 months and 26 days
John Priddy died April 8, 1817 aged 89 years
Martha Priddy died Jan 30, 1833 age 78 years 4 months 19 days
Andrew Priddy died Jan 30, 1814 age 22 years 4 months 27 days
William Priddy died Sept 25, 1843 age 55 years 7 months 10 days
Elias Priddy died July 25, 1867 age 71 years 1 month 15 days
Lucy Priddy died June 23, 1848 age 53 years 9 months 15 days
George Priddy departed this life December 30, 1873 age 75 years 4 months

Taken from Fayette County, Ohio Early Records (GS ser no h1094 pt 68)
APPENDIX VI

Will of Lucy Priddy
Probate Court, Fayette County, Ohio

I, Lucy Priddy of Fayette County, Ohio do make this my Last will and testament.

I bequeath to the Methodist Episcopal Church Fifty Dollars to be paid over to the Steward of the Circuit and they are to put it on interest at six per cent, which is to be paid as quartage from Cochrans Class annually forever.

The balance of my money I bequeath to my beloved brother George Priddy on condition that he obeys this last call of God, and the dying bequest of his Sister, to start now in religion as she feels assured that this is his last call.

I give to my namesake Lucy Priddy my curtain bed bed stand and the bed neatly dressed.

I give to my niece, Maria Priddy my other bed, bed stand and the bed neatly dressed.

I give to Eveline Priddy my saddle and bridle, and my leghorn bonints.

To my niece Jane Priddy I give my beauro and one cotton sheet.

To my Nephew Strawder Priddy I give my candle stand, and I want him to have a good colt as a bequest from me.

I give to my Nephew James Priddy my bible and my pen knife.

To my Nephew Sofostris W. Priddy I give my clock and a winter bed comfort.

I give to my three Nephews, Archeleus, Thomas, John and William Priddy my winter bedding and my winter clothing to be divided between them.

I give to my niece Mary Ann Priddy my parasol and my best silk dress handkerchief.

I give to my three nieces, Mary Ann, Martha Jane and Elizabeth Priddy two dresses each, and a cape and dress handkerchief to be taken from my finest clothes.

I bequeath to my nephew Elias Priddy my falling leaftable, one fine fringed table cloth, and one white bed spread.

I give my cupboard, course table and three chairs to Matilda Flanagan.
I give to my sister in law, Rebecca Priddy all my cupboard ware.

I bequeath to Rev. John W. Kelly my sunflower quilt, and a new blanket, to be sent to him if he has left this circuit.

I give to my friend Jane S. Terry the life of Mrs. Fletcher.

To my niece Martha Priddy I bequeath my carriage, my little wheel, and all my bedding and clothing that has not been mentioned in this will.

I want my brother Elias Priddy to get my money from Wm. Rowe, and of that get tomb stones for my grave.

I declare this to be my last will and testament. March 11th 1846.

LUCY X PRIDDY

Attest

Gabella G. Crothers
Mary B. Crothers
APPENDIX VII

Family Bible of James Priddy
In possession of Mrs. Ethel Priddy Irwin
Published by A. J. Holman and Co., Philadelphia, Penn., 1872.

James Priddy and Mary E. Todhunter were married in Perry township,
Fayette County, Ohio by Rev. William A. King, Dec. 18, 1866.
Harry A. Clarke and Aurora Grace Priddy were married in Perry township,
Fayette County, Ohio, Jan. 13, 1890.
Coke L. Doster and M. Gertrude Priddy were married in Perry township,
Fayette County, Ohio, May 30, 1891.
George Santee and Lottie Blanche Priddy were married in Columbus, Ohio,
Oct. 31, 1902.
Ralph Roger Penn and Maud Marie Priddy were married in Perry township,
Arthur E. Priddy and Fannie Black were married at Fayetteville, Cumberland County, N.C., Feb. 15, 1918.

Births
James E. Priddy b. Perry township, Fayette County, Ohio, Feb. 27, 1839.
Mary E. Todhunter b. Perry township, Fayette County, Ohio, May 10, 1841.
Aurora Grace Priddy, dau of J. and M. E. Priddy was b. Oct. 21, 1867.
Murta Gertrude Priddy, dau of J. and M. E. Priddy was b. Oct. 11, 1870.
Louella Florence Priddy, dau of J. and M. E. Priddy was b. Nov. 11, 1873.
Lottie Blanche Priddy, dau of J. and M. E. Priddy was b. Aug. 12, 1875.
Arthur Esto Priddy, son of J. & M. E. Priddy was b. June 27, 1876.
Alma Ethel Priddy, dau of J. and M. E. Priddy was b. Nov. 16, 1880.
Maud Marie Priddy, dau of J. and M. E. Priddy was b. Apr. 25, 1883.
Mazie Lucille Priddy, dau of J. and M. E. Priddy was b. Sept. 24, 1885.

Grandchildren
Harold Aphis Clarke b. Mar. 9, 1892.
Harry Audleigh Doster b. Apr. 16, 1895
Kathleen Marie Doster b. Oct. 7, 1897
Dorothy Priddy Doster b. Dec. 7, 1900
Kenneth Priddy Santee b. June 9, 1905
Kathleen Florence Penn b. Oct. 4, 1910
Marjorie Jane Penn b. June 14, 1912
John Priddy Irwin b. Dec. 2, 1919
Margaret Ann Priddy b. June 9, 1920
Mary Ellen Priddy b. July 15, 1922
James Gordon Priddy b. Sept. 15, 1923
Donald Neal Priddy b. Oct. 23, 1926

Marriages
Clayton C. Irwin married Ethel Alma Priddy June 15, 1916 at Greenfield, Ohio
by Dr. F. M. Swineheart.
John P. Irwin and Edna Prater were married at Baltimore, Md., Oct. 1, 1942.
Deaths
Harold Aphus Priddy son of Harry and Grace Clarke died Apr. 6, 1892.
Florence Louetta Priddy died Nov. 29, 1909
James Priddy died Mar. 15, 1911
Grace Priddy Clarke died Dec. 13, 1911
Mary Ellen Priddy died Dec. 2, 193-
APPENDIX VIII

A copy of entries found in the Family Bible of Nancy Priddy in a letter written to Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Dannison, Van Wert, Ohio from Rev. Charles A. Bowers, Pastor M. E. Church, Jamestown, Ohio dated Feb 26, 1939.

"Father was telling me that you had no records of the Priddy family. I went to an old Bible I have and found the records and here they are:

S. A. Priddy and Nancy Tomlinson were married March 28, 1857

S. A. Priddy born Nov 28, 1837
M. C. Priddy born Oct 4, 1838
S. E. Priddy born Jan 6, 1858
M. E. Priddy born Dec 29, 1859
M. J. Priddy born Aug 20, 1862
Frank Priddy born Aug 20, 1865
Margie Priddy born Sep 6, 1868
Charlie Priddy born Aug 16, 1871
Joseph Priddy born Mar 28, 1874
Curry Priddy born April 29, 1877
Ora Priddy born April 11, 1879

The record is incomplete as it does not give the dates of deaths. I think it was copied by Grandma Priddy. The writing is very clear and easy to read. I hope the above information will help you in making your record."
APPENDIX IX

Deed of Elizabeth M. Priddy to Heirs of William Priddy
Office of the Recorder, Van Wert, Ohio

Elizabeth M. Priddy ) Know all men by these presents that Elizabeth
To / Dead ) Priddy of the county of Allen and State of
Heirs of William Priddy ) Ohio in consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars
to me in hand paid by Sofostris W. Priddy, Archeleus T. Priddy, Thomas
D. Priddy, Martha J. Priddy, John N. Priddy, Elizabeth S. Boyer, wife of
Madison Boyer, and William B. Priddy, children and heirs at law of William
Priddy late of Van Wert County, Ohio deceased, have bargained and sold
and by these presents, do hereby release, release, and forever quit claim
unto the said Sofostris W. Priddy, Archeleus T. Priddy, Thomas D. Priddy,
Martha J. Priddy, John N. Priddy, Elizabeth S. Boyer and William B. Priddy
all my title, interest and estate both legal and equitable to the follow­
ing described tracts or parcels of land lying and being in the County of
Van Wert and State of Ohio and described as follows that is to say, The
North fraction of the East half of the North East quarter of Section No
thirteen (13) in Township No. Two (2) South of Range No. three (3) East,
containing twenty acres; Also the South East quarter of the South East
quarter of Section No. Twelve (12) in Township No. Two South of Range
No. three (3) East, containing Forty acres; Also the South West quarter of
the South West fractional quarter of Section No. Seven (7) in Township
No. Two (2) South of Range No. four (4) East containing forty four acres
and sixty one one hundredths of an acre; Also the South East quarter of
the South West fractional quarter of Section No. four (4) East containing
Forty four acres and one one hundredth of an acre.
In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my name and seal this the eight day of October eight hundred and forty nine.

In presence of

William B. Cochran

Philip Kee——

The State of Ohio ) Before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace
Allen County ) within and for said county, personally came the
within named Elizabeth M. Friddy, and acknowledged the signing and
——— and to be her voluntary act ————.

Philip Hering J.P.

Recorded April 9th, 1851
Deed of S. A. Priddy et al to Christian Palmer
Van Wert County Recorder, Van Wert, Ohio

S. A. Priddy et al ) Know all men by these presents that S. A. Priddy, To
Christian Palmer ) Nancy C. Priddy, S. H. Priddy, L. W. Priddy, Ellen
Priddy, Eliza J. Priddy, T. F. Priddy and Caroline Priddy the Grantors
for the consideration of Four Hundred Dollars received to their full
satisfaction of Christian Palmer the Grantee do give grant bargain sell
and convey unto the said Grantee his heirs and assigns the following
described premises situated in the County of Van Wert in the State of
Ohio and known as Ten acres off of the South end of the East half of
the North East quarter of Section Thirty one (31) Township Two (2) South
of Range Three (3) East commencing at the South east corner of said
eighty acres of land, thence running north twenty rods thence west eighty
rods, thence south twenty rods, thence east eighty rods to the place of
beginning containing ten acres, the above grantors are the surviving
heirs of Sarah Priddy, deceased, be the same more or less but subject to
all legal highways. To have and to hold the above granted and bargained
premises with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Grantee
his heirs and assigns forever. And they the said Grantors do for them­selves their heirs executors and administrators covenant with the said
Grantee his heirs and assigns that at and until the ensealing of these
preseats they are well seised of the above described premises as a good
and indefeasable estate in fee simple and have good right to bargain and
sell the same in manner and form as above writte, and that the same
are free from all incumbrances whatsoever; and will warrant and defend
said premises with the appurtenances thereto belonging to the said
Grantee his heirs and assigns forever against all lawful claims and demands whatsoever. And the said Nancy C. Priddy, Ellen Priddy and Caroline Priddy wives of said S. A. Priddy, L. W. Priddy and T. F. Priddy do hereby remise release and forever quit claim unto the said Grantee and his heirs and assigns all their right and title of in the above described premises In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the 11th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven.

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of
S. P. Hill
B. F. Pennell. Witnesses to L. & E. Priddy
N. A. DeCamp
L. F. Ross
Jesse Demint

Liberty W. Priddy Seal
Ellen A. Priddy Seal
S. A. Priddy Seal
N. C. Priddy Seal
Smith R. Priddy Seal
T. F. Priddy Seal
Caroline Priddy Eliza J. Priddy Seal
A. T. X Priddy

The State of Ohio Van Wert County ss:
Before me a Justice of the Peace in and for said County personally appeared the above named S. A. Priddy, Nancy C. Priddy, S. H. Priddy, Eliza J. Priddy, T. F. Priddy and Caroline Priddy who acknowledged that they did sign and seal the foregoing instrument and that the same is their free act and will. I find & certify that I did examine the said Nancy C. Priddy, Eliza J. Priddy and Caroline Priddy separately and apart from their said husbands—— In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this Eighteenth day of December A.D. 1877.

L. F. Ross
Justice of the Peace

The State of Michigan Berrien County, ss:
Before me the undersigned authority came L. W. Priddy and Ellen Priddy who acknowledged the signing and sealing of the within deed to be their voluntary act and deeds. And the said Ellen Priddy being examined separate and apart from her said husband and the contents having been made known
to her by me she declared that the signing and sealing of the same was
her own free act and deed and that she is still satisfied therewith.
Witness my hand and seal Dec 10th 1877.

B. F. Fennell
Notary Public

Rec'd Jan'y 5'th 1878
APPENDIX IX

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF THE AUTHOR

For the interest of my readers, I will here present a short sketch of my life to reveal my relationship to the Priddy family of Ohio. I was born in Kalamazoo, Mich. 21 Mar 1937, the first child of Kenneth Harris Wagar and Annable Dannison. My mother was a daughter of Charles Edgar Dannison and Cecile Fern Gould, having been born 2 Dec 1912 in Racota, Mich. Charles Edgar Dannison was a son of Samuel Cotterman Dannison and Sarah Elizabeth Priddy (see p. 28). I was brought up on a farm my father share rented near Vicksburg, Mich., and where my family resided until they purchased a farm near Climax, Mich., about 1957 on which they now live. In 1955 I was graduated from Vicksburg High School and the next year entered Kalamazoo College in Kalamazoo where I studied for 2 years. The year of 1960 was one of two important events in my life. That spring I graduated with my B.S. degree from Western Michigan University and in Aug., I married my dear husband, David Arthur Tripp, whose support has made this study possible. That fall we both entered Iowa State University as graduate students and two years later received our M.S. degrees, his in nuclear physics and mine in biochemistry. We lived for the next two years in Monterey, Calif., where David taught physics at Monterey Peninsula College. At the present time we are living in Ogden, Utah where he has been employed for the past 3 years by Weber State College teaching physics and astronomy. We have two small children; our boy, David Harold Tripp, age 5 is mentally retarded and receives special training and our girl, Rebecca Jeanne Tripp, age 16 months is our dream come true. We are both grateful for having come from good homes and for parents who loved and cared for us. This manuscript is a sincere tribute to them and to all who have gone before us, leaving behind that which is more precious than all material wealth—a posterity schooled and disciplined in the wisdom of past generations. Again thanks to all who have made this study possible, for without your help it could not have been accomplished.

Marcia J. Wagar Tripp
(Mrs. David A. Tripp)

26 Feb 1968
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2. Mr. & Mrs. David Myers, 3659 Santa Fe, Corpus Christi, Texas
3. Mrs. Cliff Wagers, 833 Esther St., N.W., Warren, Ohio
4. Mrs. H. J. Davia, Box 501, RFD # 1, Orwell, Ohio
5. Mr. Wilbur Priddy, # 2, West Branch, Mich.
7. Mr. David Van Eman, Venedocia, Ohio
8. Mr. Harry Priddy, 1116 Ervin Rd., Van Wert, Ohio

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