NOTES ON THE MATHENYS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA
(FORMERLY PART OF BERKELEY COUNTY):

"HISTORY OF EDGAR COUNTY, ILLINOIS", published in 1879 Copy in D. A. R. Library, Washington, D.C., contains article on Matheney family at page 632, from which I made the following notes:

William H. Matheney (deceased), one of the early settlers of Edgar County, Illinois, was born at Harper's Ferry, Virginia (now in Jefferson County, West Virginia), on March 25, 1820, living there until he was 10 years of age, when he removed to Newport (Vermillion County), Indiana, where he lived until 1850, when he emigrated to Prairie Township, Edgar County, Illinois, and there acquired 320 acres of wild land, after which he bought more to make a total of 500 acres, which he owned at the time of his death which occurred on September 21, 1878, in Edgar County. From 1867 until 1871 he was a resident of Parke County, Indiana, but he returned to Edgar County, Illinois.

He married on March 25, 1852, Julia A. Thompson, born April 26, 1830, in Owen County, Indiana, and they had five children:-

Melvin, born July 22, 1853, living in Chrisman, Illinois, in 1879;
Fannie, born October 20, 1856;
Otis, born May 31, 1868; and two others who died before 1879.

(Note: A Thomas Matheny appears as the only head of family of the name Matheny in Vermillion County, Indiana, in the Indiana State Census of 1830, according to the list of Mathenys in the Indiana State Censuses for the years 1820 and 1830 copied by Mrs. Mary L. Breese at the State Library of Indiana, on November 21, 1941, and to be included later on in these notes. He appears in the 1830 Census at Volume 15, page 410. It is probable that this Thomas Matheny was the father of the above mentioned William H. Matheny, and is identical with the Thomas Matheny who was married to Anna Dillow (Dillon?) on February 11, 1819, in Jefferson County, (West) Virginia, by Thomas Keyes (see these notes, above, at page 88, for the marriage record) - W.B.M.).
U.S.CENSUS OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND, FOR 1790

(Published volume of Heads of Families in the First U.S.Census for the State of Maryland).

Page 66: William Mathery (Matheny?) - Frederick County - head of family including 1 white male over 16, and 2 white females.

Page 69: George Matteny (Matheny?) - Frederick County - head of family including 2 white males over 16, one white male under 16, and 2 white females.

(Note: As Frederick County, Maryland, is almost directly opposite Jefferson County, West Virginia, on the North side of the Potomac River, it is possible that the above mentioned heads of families were Mathenys from the Berkeley-Jefferson Counties branch. The index to Maryland Chancery Records at Annapolis (in the State Land Office, but perhaps now in the Hall of Records) shows a George Matteny in 1795.

PRESTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA REGISTER OF DEATHS 1868-1884
in the office of the County Clerk at Kingwood, W.Va:


Page 5, line 26 - John A. Metheny, died August 8, 1871, aged 10 years, in Portland District, son of E.M. and Mahala Metheny, born in Preston County. Information furnished by E.M. Metheny, father.

Page 9, line 44 - George A. Metheny, died November 28, 1871, aged 10 months, 14 days, son of Joseph M. and Clement A.J.Metheny, born in Preston County. Information furnished by Joseph M. Metheny, father.

Page 18, line 11 - Christiny Chidester, died March 17, 1873, aged 76 years, daughter of John and Christiny Heartman, born in Virginia; consort of Andrew Chidester. Information furnished by Isaiah Metheny, son-in-law.

Cont.
Page 22, line 21 - Metheny,__________, died February 27, 1874, in Pleasant District, aged 1 day, son of Hosea and Rachel Metheny. Information furnished by Heosia Metheny, father.

Page 24, line 25 - Harmon (Harrison?) B. Metheny, died August 7, 1875, in Preston County, by accident, aged 19 years, 4 months, and 22 days, son of Elijah C. and Christeny Metheny. Information furnished by Elijah C. Metheny, father.

Page 32, line (not numbered) - Susannah Martin, died January 28, 1878 in Pleasant District, of "Old Age", aged 81 years, 6 months, and 14 days, daughter of James and Mary Metheny, born in Pleasant District. Information furnished by S. Martin, son.

Page 48, line (not numbered) - Acy Matheny, died July 21, 1883, in Portland District, aged 68 years, 10 months, and 5 days, son of N. and Mary X. Metheny, born in Preston County. Information furnished by family.

PRESTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, REGISTER OF BIRTHS & DEATHS, SECOND DISTRICT, 1883,
in the office of the County Clerk at Kingwood, W.Va.:

Page (not numbered), line 13 - Acy Matheny, died July 21, 1883, aged 63 years, 3 months, son of Nathan and Mary Matheny, born in Preston County, died in Portland district. Information furnished by family.

PRESTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, REGISTER OF BIRTHS & DEATHS, 1887, SECOND DISTRICT,
in the office of the County Clerk at Kingwood, W.Va.:

Page (not numbered), line 39 - Eva Metheny, died October 18, 1887, aged 77 years, 9 months, and 6 days, daughter of John and Sarah Cupp; consort of Peter Metheny. Information furnished by Peter Metheny, husband.
PRESTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BIRTHS 1868-1882,
Volume 1, a typewritten manuscript volume in the West Virginia Department of Archives and History at Charleston, W.Va., compiled by the W.P.A.-Historic Records Survey:

Metheny, - - -, February 28, 1869, Grant Township, Son of William H. and Emma Metheny, Information Martha King, mother (aunt?). (p.17).


Metheny, Bertha, Sept.5, 1870, Pleasant Township, Dau. of Perry and Sevilla Metheny, Information Perry Metheny, father. (p.22).

Metheny, ---, November 5, 1872, Pleasant District, (child) of Perry and Sevilla Metheny, Information Perry Metheny, Father (p.18).

Metheny, Chas. M., June 12, 1873, Preston County, son of Jos N (M?). and Clementina Metheny; Information Jos. N(M?). Metheny, father. (p.13).

Metheny, ---, February 27, 1874, (child) of Hosea and Rachel C. Metheny, Information Hosea Metheny, father. (p.18).

Metheny, Lillie V., July 16, 1876, Pleasant Dist., daughter of Obediah and Nancy Metheny; Information O. Metheny, father. (p.18). Hester Edith 24 Sep

Metheny, ---, Born ---, 1876, (child) of Silas and Mary Metheny, Information Silas Metheny, father. (p.18).

Metheny, Laura B., July 4, 1876, Pleasant Dist., daughter of H.B. and Elizabeth Metheny; Information H.B. Metheny, father.

Metheny, Olive V., August, 1876, Pleasant District, daughter of Alfred W. and Anna Metheny; Information Alfred Metheny.

Pysal, Laura, September 2, 1876, Grant District, daughter of Michael and Sarah J. Pysal; Information M. Pysal, father.

Metheny, Malven L., May 19, 1877, Pleasant District, son of Jos. N(M?) and Clementina Metheny; Information Jos. N(M?). Metheny, father.

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Metheny, Norman, November 27, 1879, Grant District, son of Geo. W. and Eliz. Metheny; Information Geo. E. Metheny, Father.

Metheny, Geo. G., November 14, 1879, Portland District, son of John W. and Anna P. Metheny; Information J. W. Metheny, father.


Metheny, Maud, Sept. 1880, Preston County, daughter of J.N(M?) and Clementina Metheny. Information Parents.

Metheny, Orphus, December 16, 1881, Pleasant District, son of Levi and Syrene Metheny, Information Parents.

Metheny, Samantha, October 5, 1881, du of Jas. and Frances Metheny.

Volume II, PRESTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, DEATHS 1868-1886,

*a typewritten manuscript volume in the West Virginia Department of Archives and History at Charleston, W.Va., compiled by the W.P.A.- Historic Records Survey:*

Spindler, John M., died Oct. 22, 1869, Grant Twp., aged 10 days, son of John and Ellen Spindler, born in Preston County; Informant: John Spindler, father.(p.4).

Metheny, John P., died Aug.11, 1871, Portland Twp., aged 36 years, 6 months, 12 days, son of Joseph and Catherine Metheny, born in Preston County; Informant: Solomon O. Fraley, neighbor. (p.5).

Metheny, Virginia V., died Aug.15, 1871, Portland Twp., aged 4 years, daughter of E.M. and Malila Metheny, born in Indiana; Informant: E.M. Metheny, Father. (p.5).

Metheny, John A., died Augst 8, 1871, Portland Twp.,aged 10 years, son of E.M. and Mahala Metheny, born in Preston County; Informant: E.M. Metheny, Father. (p.5).

Metheny, George A., died Nov. 28, 1871, Preston County, aged 10 months and 14 days, son of John,M. and Clement A. J. Metheny, born in Preston County; Informant: Joseph M. Metheny, father.(p.9).
Chidester, Christiny, died March 17, 1873, Preston County, aged 76 years, Daughter of John and Christiny Hartman, Born in Virginia, Informant: Isaiah Metheny, son-in-law. (p.18).

Metheny, - - -, died Feb.27, 1874, Pleasant Dist., aged 1 day, Son of Hosea and Rachel Metheny, Born in Preston County, Informant: Hosea Metheny, father. (p.22).

Metheny, Joseph, died April 22, 1874, Pleasant Dist., aged 73 years, Son of Absalom and Metheny, Born in Preston County, Informant: Jacob Hartsell, neighbor. (p.22).

Smith, John G., died June 24, 1874, Pleasant Dist., aged 69 years, 11 months and 21 days, Son of John G. and Agnes Smith, Born in Pennsylvania, Informant: Mary Smith, wife. (p.22).

DeWitt, Mary C., died Nov. 12, 1875, Preston Co., aged 37 years, Daughter of Martin and Mary Ridenour, Born in Preston County; Informant: Mary E. Ridenour, sister. (p.24).

Metheny, Harrison (Harmon?) B., died August 7, 1875, Preston County, aged 19 years, 4 months and 22 days, Son of Elijah C. and Christeny Metheny, Informant: Elijah C. Metheny, father. (p.24).

Martin, Isaac, died January 15, 1875, Preston County, aged 87 years and 3 months, Son of Daniel and Louisa Martin, Born in Preston County, Informant: Lewis Smith, son-in-law. (p.24).

Spindler, Lucinda, died May -, 1876, Grant Dist., no age given, Daughter of John and Ellen Spindler, Born in Grant Dist., Informant: John Spindler, son. (p.26).

Martin, Susannah, died January 28, 1878, Pleasant District, aged 81 years, 6 months and 14 days, Daughter of James and Mary Metheny, Born in Pleasant District, Informant: S. Martin, son. (p.32).

Metheny, Della Ann, died September 21, 1878, Pleasant District aged 11 years and 11 days, Daughter of Levi and Cyrena Metheny, Born in Pleasant District, Informant: Levi Metheny, father. (p.32).

Spindler, Cora, died April 25, 1879, Grant District, aged 2 years and 2 months, Daughter of Andrew and Nancy Spindler, Born in Grant District, Informant: Andrew Spindler, father. (p.35).
Spindler, Dora, died May 25, 1879, Grant Dist., aged 2 months, Daughter of Andrew and Nancy J. Spindler, Born in Grant District, Informant: Andrew Spindler, father. (p.35).

Metheny, Maude, died September 28, 1881, aged 1 year, Pleasant Dist., daughter of Joe H. and Christina Metheny. (p.9).

Metheny, Asa, died July 21, 1883, aged 63 years, Born in Preston County, Son of N. and Mary M. Metheny; Informant; by family. (p.17).

Casteel, Chas., died August 22, 1886, age not given. Born in Preston County, son of Thomas and Susan Casteel. (p.27).

Metheny, - - -, died February 24, 1886, age not given. Born in Preston County, Son of (or Daughter of) J.W. and Anna Metheny; Informant: J.W. Metheny, father. (p.28).

Pysel, Aaron, died April 1, 1886, aged 24 years, born in Preston County, Son of Josiah and Elizabeth Pysel; Informant: Elizabeth Pysel, wife. (p.28).

PRESTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, MARRIAGES 1869-1881, Volume II, a typewritten manuscript volume in the West Virginia Department of Archives and History at Charlestown, W.Va., compiled by the W.P.A.-Historic Records Survey:

Chidester, Alpheus W., 36, and Rickard, Martha E., 19, December 23, 1869, at Preston County, by Conrad Ringer, minister. **Book 1, p.83.**

Chidister, Thomas W., 23, and Gibson, Elizabeth B., 26, November 3, 1870, at Preston County, By M. McKnee, minister. **Book 1, p.187.**

Metheny, Joseph M., 26, and Parsons, Clementina, 23, March 26, 1870 at Preston County, by Joseph B. Feather, minister.

Metheny, Obdiah, 23, and Otto, Nancy, 22, January 11, 1872, at Cranesville, by J.P. Thatcher, minister, **Book 1, p.339.**

Metheny, Harmon B., 19, and Metheny, Harriett E., 18, July 10, 1873, at Preston County, by Daniel Tichnell, minister. **Book 1, p.513.**

Cont.
Spindler, Andrew J., 24, and Cupp, Mary, 20, April 10, 1870, at Preston County, by James A. Ridenour, minister. **Book 1, p.128.**

Metheny, John W., 23, and Wilhelm, Anna, 19, 4/6/1879, place, Preston Co., by Rev. C.E. Glenn.

Metheny, Jacob, 25, and Hardesty, Lottie (Charlotte), 18, 10/28/1879, in Preston Co., by Rev. Daniel Titchnell.


Spiker, George W., 26, and Spindler, Lyda, 21, 1/1/1880, Preston Co., by Rev. J.C. x Weaver.


Metheny, James, 24, and Wilhelm, Francis (Frances), 18, 1/2/1881, Preston Co., by Rev. Daniel Titchnell.

Ayersman, Adam, 24, and De Witt, Rebecca, 22, 1/4/1881, Preston Co., by Rev. J.W. Conaway.

Burch, Thomas, 40, and Casteel, Margaret, 23, May 11, 1871, at Preston Co., by J.H. Gibson, minister. **Book 1, p.264.**

Martin, Thomas B., 22, and Metheny, Adoline, 22, March 23, 1872, at Preston County, by Daniel Titchnell, minister. **Book 1, p.475.**

**PRESTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, WILLS, INVENTORIES, ETC. 1862-1899,**
*Volume II, a typewritten manuscript volume in the West Virginia Department of Archives and History at Charleston, W.Va., compiled by the W.P.A.-Historic Records Survey:*

Page 14: "Metheny, Isiah (testator), 10/14/1893 (Date of Probate), Pleasant D.(Place of Residence); Arthur, Grandson; Geo.W., Son; Harriet, Daughter x (Devisees); T.S. Cunningham, L.H. Frankhouser (Witnesses)."

**Page 17:** Casteel, N.S. (Will of), probated 10/5/1896 Preston Co.(Place of Residence); wife Angilene (Devisee); Witnesses: John P. Jones, Geo. M. Ridenour.
U.S. CENSUS OF PRESTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, FOR 1870,  
now in THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES, Washington, D.C. (see these notes at pages  
22 to 32, above, for earlier U.S. Census and Virginia tax lists for Preston County):

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Page 273
" Savilla 32
" Droy (Troy) 4 (male)
" Mattie C 3

Page 283
Matheny, Peter 65 Farmer Va.
" Eva 59 Va.
" Obadiah 22 Va.
Painter, Ellen 9

Page 286
Matheny, Sarah 38 Va.
" Phoebe J. 13 Va.
" Theodisia O. 8 W.Va.

Page 240
Matheny, Francis 42 Farmer Va.
Portland Twp.
" Margaret 43 Va.
" Nicholas S. 15 "Adopted" Va.
" James I, 13 "Adopted" Va.
Matheny Mitchell L. 4
" John O. 2 Va.
" Ezra S. 1 W.Va.

Page 168
Matheny, Joseph 69 (described as) Va.
" Catherine 71 (residing with dau.-in-law.)

"ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MARRIAGES 1778-1816",
by Harry M. Strickler, Dayton, Virginia, 1928, contains the following marriage bonds for Mathenys:

Page 41:
(Date) (Groom) (Bride) (Father)
1812 - Cool, Earnest.g.(erman) Peggy Matheny Wm. consent.
Surety: Reub. Methany

Page 82:
1809 - Matheny, Steph. Sus.Argebright Adam
Surety: Geo. Argebright

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NOTES ON THE MATHENYS OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA:

Copy of letter in the possession of
Mr. George Mck.Roberts,570 Lexington Ave.,
New York 22, N.Y.:

Akron 6, Ohio
712 E.Market St.
January 24,1978 (1948).

Mr. Geo. Mck. Roberts,
570 Lexington Ave.
New York,22,N.Y.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

I have delayed writing to you, thinking I could get the information you wanted, I have some
of it and the rest I will send you as soon as I can.

First, the relationship between my father and mother, Mother's mother was a Matheny before
she was married. My mother's great grandfather and father's grandfather were half brothers.
Sarah Cordelia (Sally) Matheny, the wife of Ford Rhodes, was born a few miles south of
Lubeck, W.Va. Her parents were Ann Susan Clark (born in Wood county, W.Va. May 11,
1811) and Archibald Matheny (born in Augusta or Highland Co. Va. July 17, 1814). She
divorced Ford Rhodes and never remarried. She died in Akron Ohio May 3, 1936, and is
buried there.

Frank Rhodes, the son of Sarah Cordelia (Matheny) Rhodes, and Ford Rhodes, was married
to Katherine Knox, of Parkersburg. (She was born Feb. 18, 1890) and they had one child,
Mary Virginia Rhodes, born Feb. 6, 1926. Katherine (Knox) Rhodes is still living at
Parkersburg. Frank Rhodes died in Massillon, Ohio,May 11, 1928, and is buried in Mount
Olivet Cemetery in Parkersburg, W.Va. I do not know where they were married, but it was
Parkersburg, Akron, or East Liverpool, Ohio. Mary Virginia not now married, working at
Saint Joseph Hospital, Parkersburg, W.Va.

I believe you have the records of Carl Ewers, and here are some notes he may not have had.
Freda Irvine Matheny, the daughter of Joseph Edward Matheny,Sr., and Maggie Alice
(Rhodes) Matheny. (the daughter of Sally Rhodes) died April 12, 1923 and is buried in
Mount Olivet Cemetery in Parkersburg. Leslie Gale Matheny, the son of Joseph Edward
Matheny, Sr., and Maggie Alice (Rhodes) Matheny, was born Sept.2, 1828.(1928?)

Donna Ruth Matheny, the daughter of Joseph Edward Matheny,Sr., and Maggie Alice
She died the same day. Buried in Mount Morriah Cemetery, on the old Saint Mary's Pike, Parkersburg, W.Va.

Ida May (Rhodes) Swink, the daughter of Sally (Matheny) Rhodes and Ford Rhodes never had any children.

I do not have all the information on the children of Anna (Rhodes) Betts and Harry Betts. She is the daughter of Sally (Matheny) Rhodes and Ford Rhodes. You have the names of the children, Mary, Eugene, and Virginia. Eugene never married. Mary married a Shimigal. Their children are:

Russell, born Feb. 19,------, married - ------------, (One child, David Lee, Born 1947)
Raymond Lee Shimigal, born ----------, married ------------, (have one child, Harry, born Oct. 19, 1946)
Betty Ann Shimigal, born Akron, Ohio, Feb. 23,------. Not yet married.
Kenneth Shimigal, born July ----, 1932. The above four children of Anna (Rhodes) Betts, all born in Akron, Ohio, Also their children. Anna (Rhodes) Betts was married a second time to Ed. Engleman, of Michigan, (I believe Battle Creek) and later divorced and her former name of Betts restored. Ed Engleman was an artist. Harry Betts, the first husband of Anna (Rhodes) Betts, was born in East Liverpool, Ohio. He was murdered in Parkersburg. (I was near and saw him in a minute or two. I was very young, I think this was about 1915.)

Joseph Edward Matheny, Jr., the son of Joseph Edward Matheny, Sr., and Maggie Alice (Rhodes) Matheny, married Goldie Elizabeth Ross. She was born May 20, 1909, in Parkersburg. She is the daughter of Hayes Ross and Rebecca (Smith) Ross. Their 2 children are:

Albert Lester Matheny, born in Parkersburg, W.Va., Sept. 27, 1934.

Herman Edmond (Herky) Matheny, born Parkersburg, W.Va., August 4, 1936. He was killed in a run-away truck, Sept. 27, 1941. He was named after me and it may be confusing in later years since we both have the same name and he is not Junior, as in most cases. He is buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Parkersburg.

Helen Cordelia (Matheny) (Kirk) (Earle) Scott, the daughter of Joseph Edward Matheny, Sr., and Maggie Alice (Rhodes) Matheny, married first, Harry Campbell Kirk, the son of Arthur and ---- Kirk of Parkersburg. They had two children. Glenna Catheleen Kirk, and Charles Edward Kirk. I have no dates on them but will get the information later. (I just found Glenna's birth date, Jan. 19, 1931.) She works at the Bell Telephone in Parkersburg. Helen divorced Kirk and married (Pete) Earle, of Parkersburg. Later she divorced Earle and married Ora Scott of Parkersburg.
Virginia (Betts), the daughter of Anna (Rhodes) Betts, and Harry Betts, married Joe Shoemaker of Akron and now lives in California. She had two children, the first died but the second still living. More information of her later.

I realize this letter is very poorly written but hope you can understand it. If thereis any other information you need I will try to get it. Next time I will answer sooner.

Sincerely,
/s/ H.E. Matheny
H.E.Matheny.

NOTES ON THE MATHENYS OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA,
continued:

Akron 5, Ohio
712 E. Market St.
April 17, 1948.

Mr. Geo. McK. Roberts,
570 Lexington Ave.
New York City 22.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Inclosed is some more information on the Rhodes family that you wanted.

Frank Ford Rhodes left Parkersburg, W.Va. and went west. My father was in the west and visited him, I think in Podahontas, Arkansas. Ford Rhodes told my father at the time he was going to divorce Sarah Rhodes and marry a crippled woman by the name of Ida Williams. He said he was going to buy a small farm near Saint Louis, Mo. Father was the last person in our family to see him. During the first world war, Walter Caplinger, of Parkersburg, who knew all the family, said while he was on a troop train, in the depot at Saint Louis, (he ) saw Ford Rhodes and talked with him.

He had some small boys with him and stated he married a woman by the name of Ida Williams and had five children. This is the last we have heard of him. We have no other proof he married again. Sarah Rhodes, his first wife, obtained her divorce in Parkersburg.

Frank R. Rhodes - - His middle name was Rector. He was named for the famous West Virginia pioneer preacher who married his grand-parents, Enoch Rector.
Joseph Edward Matheny, Sr. -- names of his parents, Thomas Marion Matheny, born in Highland County, Virginia, June 7, 1839.

He was a spy in the Union Army. Later he lived in Parkersburg, New England, and Harrisville, W.Va., died June 24, 1912 and buried in Harrisville, W.Va. He was married to Nancy Virginia Brake, born in Lewis Co., W.Va., Oct. 31, 1849, died Nov. 15, 1930, buried in Harrisville. Thomas Ralph Matheny - died the day of his birth.

Curtis Orval Matheny - died in East Liverpool, Ohio, buried beside his sister and brother in Parkersburg.

Herman Edmond Matheny, (son of Ed. Matheny, Sr.) married on June 28, 1934, to Sceva Jane Garner, at Akron, Ohio. She was born Aug. 18, 1908 at Smithville, Tenn., the dau. of Bradley Garner and Carrie Lee Fuson. No children.

Leslie Gale Matheny -- not married.

Katherine Knox Rhodes, the wife of Frank Rector Rhodes, born Vienna, W.Va., present address, Myrtle St., South Parkersburg, W.Va. Her parents were, ----Knox, born Kotena, Pennsylvania, Nov. 22, 1834. He was Scotch and Irish. In 1858 he was married in Wood County, W.Va. by Rev. Lambert to Armas Kovaleski, she born Feb. 15, 1844, in Paris, France. Her mother was Polish and her father English.

I do not know the address of Mary Shimigal, the dau. of Anna Rhodes Betts, the granddaughter of Sarah Cordelia Rhodes. I do know she was married recently. I doubt if she would answer your letters but I believe Anna Betts would. She lives with Russell Shimigal, 1151 Sweitzer Ave., Akron, Ohio. She can give you the information on her two husbands that you wanted. She can also tell you the address of her dau. Virginia Schoemacker, in Calif.

I think I have answered all of your other questions. If there is anything else you would like to know, don't hesitate to write.

Respectfully,

H.E.Matheny

/s/ H. E. Matheny

(Note: The above letters by Mr. H.E.Matheny were apparently written in answer to various questions asked by Mr. Roberts who was already in possession of copies of two letters from Mr. H.E.Matheny to me wherein he gave his Matheny lineage on both his father's and his mother's sides. W.B.M.)
The notes of William Blake Metheny 1948

(Note: Another letter, by Mr. H.E.Matheny to Capt.W.Blake Metheny, giving a good account of Mr. H.E.Matheny's ancestry, and considerable data on Wood County, W.Va., Mathenys from the Census, court and other records will be included in this collection of notes at a later point. W.B.M.)

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LOUDOUN COUNTY, VIRGINIA RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AT LEESBURG, VIRGINIA.

The following notes from the Loudoun County Records were made by W.Blake Metheny during a visit on September 17th and 18th, 1948, and are not complete as at least two additional days of research in these records will be required in order to exhaust the possibility of securing further Matheny data from them. (See page 159, etc., for additional Loudoun County notes made in 1949.)

The earliest settlements in the Loudoun County territory were made while it was a part of Prince William County, Virginia. When Fairfax County was formed from Prince William County in the year 1742, Fairfax County included all of the present territory of Loudoun County. Loudoun County was formed from Fairfax County in the year 1757. Therefore, in order to locate the records of families which settled in Loudoun County before 1757, it is necessary to search also the records of Fairfax County from 1757 back to 1742, and the records of Prince William County from 1742 back to the date of its formation from Stafford County. On September 8, 1948, the writer searched the records of both Prince William and Fairfax Counties for the Matheny family and failed to find the name mentioned.

Many of the early records of both of those counties were lost in the war between the states and they are far from complete. There is still a possibility that a more exhaustive examination of the records of Prince William and Fairfax Counties will reveal some unindexed items on the Matheny family, as it seems likely that William Matheny, Sr., of Loudoun County had settled in Loudoun while it was yet a part of Fairfax or Prince William.

"John Metheney an Infant (miner) by:
William Metheney his Father :
and next Friend: In Tresps Asst againstist T. & Battery.

"John Barrett.................Deft. :

"Dismissed agreed." (At a Court held on Tuesday, Nov.13, 1759. Loudoun County Court Order Book A, page 300).

.......... Cont
"William Metheney on his Motion is by the Court discharged from the Payment of Levies and Poll Tax for the future." (At a court held Nov.12, 1760. Loudoun County Court *Order Book A*, page 406).

Loudoun County Tithable(tax) List for the year 1760 taken by James Hamilton includes:

"Daniel Metheney 1" tithable.

Loudoun County Tithable List for the year 1763 taken by Aneas Campbell includes:

"Casper Sypolt  "Richard Bucklew, Geo & Garratt Bucklew, Samual T Kinnard(?) 4 (tithables) "William Metheny  Nathan Metheny  2

(1763)  "John Shaver  1  (tithable)  
  John Thomas  1  "  
  Sarah Wigington..(etc.)  4  "  
  Roger Wigington  1  "

Two undated Loudoun County Tithable Lists, apparently for the year 1763 from the order of their arrangement in the 1758-1766 file, include:

"Joseph Beeley(Beasley?)

"Thomas Pritchard. John Davies Jr.,William Mason  3

"John Matheney  1 (tithables)  
  William Matheney Sr  1  "  
  Thomas Wiet  1  "  
  Joshua Gore,  1  "  
  Richard Bucklew  2  "  
  Gasper Sypolt  1  "  
  Joshua Gore Juner  (and many Janneys)

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Loudoun County Tithable List for the year 1764 taken by John McIlhaney includes:

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<td>Israel Thompson</td>
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<td>Thomas Wyat</td>
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<td>Daniel &quot;Betheney&quot; (Metheney?)</td>
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<td>William &quot;Betheney&quot; (Metheney?)</td>
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<td>John &quot;Bethenney&quot; (Metheney?)</td>
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An undated Loudoun County Tithable List in the 1758-1766 file includes:

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<td>John Wiatt</td>
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<td>Daniel Matheny</td>
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<td>William Matheny</td>
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<td>Nathen Matheny to be charg to Wm. Matheny</td>
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"The Petition of William Metheney against Amos Jenkins is dismissed being agreed." (At a Court held Sept. 11, 1765. Loudoun County Court Order Book C, page 52).

Loudoun County Tithable List for the year 1765 taken by John McIlhaney includes:

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<td>Matheney Nathan</td>
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<td>Matheney William</td>
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(1765) Barret, John 1 (tithables)

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<td>Bond, John</td>
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<td>Bond, Thomas</td>
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Loudoun County Deed Book for the year 1765 (Deed Book __, Page __) contains a lease for 100 acres of land from William Fairfax (or George William Fairfax) to Daniel Matheny of Loudoun County for the lives of said Daniel Matheny, Judith Matheny, his wife, and Thomas Matheny, his son. This was one of the "feudal" leases employed by Fairfax in disposing of his large tract of land in the northwestern section of Loudoun County.

Cont.
Loudoun County Tithable List for the year 1766 taken by John McIlhaney includes:

John Bond 1 (tithables)
Thomas Bond 2 "
many Dillons....
many Janneys....
Daniel Matheney 1 "
Griffin Dobbin
Israel Thompson (789 acres) 9 "

"The Petition of Joshua Gore Against William Matheney is Dismist being agreed by the Parties." (At a Court held Sept.12,1766. Loudoun County Court Order Book C, page 202).

"William Metheney a Witness for Joseph Janney against Michael Mickleswamp having attended four days Ordered that the said Michael pay him for the same One Hundred pounds of tobacco the Cause being continued at his Costs."
(At a Court held May 11, 1767. Loundoun County Court Order Book C, Page 276)

"William Matheney, a Witness for Joseph Janney against John Mickelswamp having attended three days Ordered that the said Joseph do pay him for the same seventy five pounds of tobacco. Not to be taxed to Deft." (At a Court held Aug.13,1767. Loudoun County Court Order Book C, page 307)

"William Matheny a Witness for Joseph Janney against John Michael Swank having attended thirty days. It is ordered that the said Joseph Janney do pay him for the same Seven hundred and fifty pounds of tobacco." (At a Court held April 13, 1765. Loudoun County Court Order Book D,page 48).

Order for road to be cleared from Trail Pains Ferry to Mahlon Janney's Mill, by way of road at Edward Wiats plantation, the road to turn off at David Mulls down Jacob Shoemakers Lane at Abel Janney's Road, and from thence down to Daniel Levett's Plantation. ...to George Nixon's Lane between him and Shaver, thence to Israel Thompson's Mill. William Hanks appointed surveyor and John McIlhaney,Gent., to allott the hands to work on the said road. (At a Court held April 13, 1763. Loudoun County Court Order Book D, page 47).
"Matheny Daniel. Constable Daniel Matheny is appointed Constable in the room of Jacob Jones who is discharged from that Office and Ordered that he go before a Justice and be sworn into his Office accordingly (At a Court held April 13, 1772. Loudoun County Court Order Book E, page 269).

"Jacob Jones is appointed Constable in the Room of John Folk who is discharged from that Office..." (At a Court held April 8, 1771. Loudoun County Court Order Book E, page 96).

Loudoun county Tithable List for Shelburne Parish taken by Thomas Lewis in the year 1773 includes:

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<td>William Smith (Goose Creek)</td>
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<td>Nathaniel Smith, negro Cloey</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>Isaac Thompson, Jeremiah Thompson</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wm Baker (hatter) Joseph Hough,</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>William Dillon, James Dillon,</td>
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<tr>
<td>Evan Elias</td>
<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>James Dillon</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>John Bond</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Joshua Gore, Wm Thomas,</td>
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<tr>
<td>John Cox, negro Nanna</td>
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<tr>
<td>John Thompson living in the family of William Neilson, etc.</td>
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<td>John Brown, Jehu Brown, Isaac Brown</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>John Thomas (at Hough's Gap mill)</td>
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<td>William Graham (Joiner)</td>
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<td>James Davis</td>
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<td>Gasper Sypolt, James Sypolt, John Sypolt</td>
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<td>William Smith Gent. negroes old Will, Young Will, Bell, Lucy, Milley</td>
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<td>James Carter</td>
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<td>John Lemmon</td>
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<td>Thos Humphrys, Isaiah Marks, Isaac James</td>
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<td>Gary Davis</td>
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<td>Samuel Davis</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>Thos Gorcham, John Mason, negroes Sam, Guy, Betty</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>Isaac Humphrey</td>
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<td>Samuel Canby, etc.</td>
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LOUDOUN COUNTY, VIRGINIA, RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY CLERK AT LEESBURG, VIRGINIA, continued:

(1773) (tithables)
John Simms, Barnet Simms, John Simms, Hugh Henerson 4
Benjamin Davis 1
Isaac Janney 1
Israel Janney, Abel Janney, Ralph McKindley 3
Blackstone Janney 1
John Thomas (Potomack) Leonard
Thomas 2
Stacy Janney 1
Wm Janney (lives with Wm Janney ) 1
John Davis (Catoctan) 1
Henry Teatrick, George Teatrick 2
William Foulk, John Foulk 2
Patrick McCarty 1
Isaac Bennett 1
William Cotton . Negro Nero 2
William Mead, T Oldridge 2
John Dillon, John Dillon 2
Jonathon Dillon 1
Josiah Dillon, Henry Freestone 2
William Janney, Levi Janney 2
David Howell 1
Salathiel Goff 1

List of Tithables Taken by James Harrison for the year 1773 includes:

John Schooley, Elishua Schooley 2
John Hanks 1
Nathan Laycock 1
John Dodd 1
Edw Phillips ( he Says) 2
Joseph Belding 1
Joseph Cox 1
Amos Thompson, James Miller, ) 1 riding chair
Lewis Hidden Negroes John) Batt Ben 6
Wm Grigg, John Tavenor 2

Cont.
List of Tithables taken for Cameron Parish September 14, 1772, by John Minor, includes:

John Davis  
Theophilus Tetrick  
Jacob Barb  
Abraham Barb  
John Sigler  Wm Asten  
Adam B?rb  
Jacob Sigler  
Zakariah Davis & William Bland  
Samuel Davis  
John King, Jun

List of Tithables Taken in Cameron Parish in Loudoun County for the year of 1773 by James Coleman, includes:
Samuell Smith  
William Jenkins  
Thomas Self  Constable, Prestly Self,
The notes of William Blake Metheny 1948

Charnoch Self, James Pelter 3
George Cummins 1
John Jenkins, Amos Jenkins 2
John Steel 1
Robert Currey 1
Samuel Jenkins 1
Thomas Rider 1
Daniel McCarty Gent  Thomas Duty Ov
Negroes Dick, Will, Ceser, Harrey
James, Jules, Frederick, Nan, Young
Nan, Frank, Effrosa, Sarah 13
John Piles, Elijah Piles 2
John Davis 1
Daniel Baylis, Rubin Baylis 2

The Estate of John Jenkins Decd Tith by Franklin Perry, Charles Jenkins,
Negroes Daniel, Jean, Jane
John Baylis 1
Joseph Self 1
Job Jenkins 1
Thomas Jenkins, Negro Peter 2
Luke Garner 1
John King, Negro Case 2
Jeremiah McCarty 1
Harry Jenkins, Aaron Jenkins, Mathias
Riley Negro Boson 4
Joshua Davis 1
John King Negro's Kit, Judey 3

List of Tithables Taken for Cameron Parish in Loundoun County for the year 1773 by
George Summers, includes:

(1773) (tithables)
William Humphries, & 10 negroes 11
Moses Thomas, & 3 negroes 4
Frederick Nichols, John Coleman
Bayly Rains, John Burns, Stephen 5
Jessex Davis (in the family of...)
Smith King & Negroes Jack & Doll 3
Benjamin Mason, George Mason, Burgess

Cont.
List of Tithables Taken for Cameron Parish in Loudoun County for the year 1775 by Samuel Love, includes:

Nathaniel Grigsby  Butler Grigsby, Negroes Moses, Alice  4

List of Tithables Taken for Shelburne parish in Loudoun County for the year 1773 by Leven Poewll, includes:

List of Tithables Taken for Shelburne Parish in Loudoun County for the year 1773 by George West, includes:

Luke Bird  1
Frederick Drish  1
William Drish  1
William Hough  Frederick Clyne  2
John Bird  1

Cont.
List of Tithables Taken for Shelburne Parish in Loudoun County for the year 1773 by Josua Clapham, includes:

- Griffin Dobbins  Negro Jere  2
- John Wyatt  1
- Sarah Thompson's John Thompson  1
- John Bradley  x Johnson  2
- John Folks  1
- Joseph Matheny  1
- John Jackson  1
- John Hough  son of Jon  1
- Joseph Hough  1
- Israel Thompson's .....  7

List of Tithables Taken By William Douglass for the year 1774, includes:

- Abraham Barnet (in family of Wm. Douglass)
- Joseph Hough & son John  2
- Joseph Boger & Son Frederick  2
- William Lacock  1
- Samuel x Schooley Nathaniel Tomlinson  2
- Jacob Shockman  1
- John Davis & William Bennet  2
- Thomas Davis  1
- Nicholas Phillips  1
- Christian  1
- John Folks  1
- Joseph Mathany  1
- Richard Perkins  1
- Philip Baker  1
- Peter Mason  1
- Edward Wyatt & son Edwd  2
- Jacob Swamafrank  1
- Ezekil Phillips  1
- Adam Potterfield & s John  2
- John Gore  1
- Christopher Crow  1
- John Jones  1

Cont.
Jacob Short  1
John Jackson & James  2
John Short  1
Adam Axline  1
Frederick Drish  1
Jacob Jackson  1
Rubin Briggs  1
Henry Bennitt  1
John Wyatt  1
Andrew Thompson  1
Benjamin Painter  1
Luke Bird  Benjamin Bird  2

List of Tithables Taken for Cameron Parish in Loudoun County for the year 1774 by Samuel Love includes:

John Orr, Wm Smith, Thos Bennett
Negroes ...........  14

"Upon hearing and considering a complaint exhibited against Daniel Matheny a Constable for (failing) to return a Warrant Issued against James McIlhany John McIlhany and others for a breach of the Peace Ordered that the said Daniel Matheny be fined the sum of Five Shillings Current Money for his contempt and also pay the Costs of this complaint."
(Loudoun County Court Order Book F, page 539. At a Court held April 10, 1775).

List of Tithables for Loudoun County Taken by William Douglass for the year 1775 includes:

Joseph Mathany  1

Patrick Lessly is appointed Constable in the neighborhood and room of "Daniel Mathey" who is discharged (Loudoun County Court Order Book F, page 589. At a Court held May 13, 1776).

"Jacob Jones is appointed Constable is the Room of John Folk who is discharged from that Office...."(Loudoun County Court Order Book E, page 96. At a Court held April 8, 1771).
Mortgage from William Douglass, Gent., to Colin Dunlop & Son & Company acknowledged and ordered to be recorded (Loudoun County Court Order Book F, page 516. At a Court held November 15, 1774).

The names of Hough, Canby, Dunlop, Pritchet, etc., appear in order Book F and earlier Order Books.

"James Jackson ... Plt.)
Upon Attachment
Daniel Matheny...Deft.)

"John Dodd a Garnishee failing to appear and declare what he hath in his Hands of the Defendant is ordered to be Attached." (Loudoun County Court Order Book G, page 29. At a Court held April 15, 1777).

"James Jackson ... Plt )
Upon Attachments
Daniel Matheny ..Deft )
"John Jackson a Garnishee being Sworn declares he owes the defendant three pounds One Shilling and Nine pence, Ordered that he retain the same in his Hands till further Orders, and that the Sheriff further Serve the said Attachment in the Hands of John Dodd & Continued." (Loudoun County Court Order Book G, page 22?. At a Court held March 11, 1777).

"Joseph Grayham  Plt)
Upon Attachment
Joshua Matheny  Deft)
This day came the Plaintiff & having proved his demand and the Defendant altho' Solemnly called came not.

COUNTY CLERK AT LEESBURG, VIRGINIA continued:

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It is therefore considered by the Court that the plaintiff recover against the Defendant One Hundred and Sixty pounds Current Money and his Costs by him in this behalf expended And the said defendant in Mercy & c the Sheriff having returned that he had levied the Attachment on 'One Horse' according to Law and out of the Money Arising therefrom Satisfy and pay the plaintiff this Debt and Costs aforesaid if to much, and the overplus if any that he tender to the Defendant." (Loudoun County Court Order Book G, page 217. At a Court held November 9, 1779).

Action of replevin brought by David Phillips against Daniel Matheny is dismissed and the plaintiff is ordered to pay to the said defendant his costs expended (Loudoun County Court Order Book H, page 52. At a Court held May 15, 1783).

"Indenture of Assignment from Daniel Matheny to Isaac Ritchie was acknowledged by the said Daniel Matheny and Ordered to be Recorded." (Loudoun County Court Order Book H, page 151. At a Court held October 14, 1783). (Note: I examined this Assignment, which is recorded in the Deed Book covering the year 1783, and found that it described Daniel Matheny as "of Shenandoah County", Virginia, and the land as the same 100 acres which said Daniel Matheny leased from William Fairfax in the year 1765 for the lives of said Daniel Matheny, Judith Matheny, his wife, and Thomas Matheny, his son. This was one of the "feudal leases" employed by William Fairfax in disposing of his Shannondale Manor tract which lay partly in Loudoun County and partly in what is now Jefferson County, W.Va., but was then part of Berkeley County, Virginia.).

"Bradley v. Matheny  (marginal entry)

"John Bradley ....Plaintiff)
Upon Attachment
Joseph Matheny...Defendant)
"Dismissed."  (Loudoun County Court Order Book H, page 216. At a Court held April 13, 1784).

"Ordered that the Executors of Henry Smith pay unto Daniel Matheny Eight hundred & Sixty Seven Pounds of tobacco according to Law, for Attending Court five days, and riding three times from Shenandoah County adjudged to be Eighty eight miles, and returning, as a Witness for the said Henry Smith against Porterfield." (Loudoun County Court Order Book H, page 445. At a Court held February 14, 1785.).
LOUDOUN COUNTY, VIRGINIA, RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AT LEESBURG, VIRGINIA, continued:

At a court held May 12, 1785, Daniel Matheny, xx Assignee of William Smith, was Plaintiff in four legal actions as follows:-

(1) vs. Samuel Schooley & Moses Heaton. Upon Petition. Judgment for plaintiff for 7 3, 16s. plus interest and costs from April 4, 1774, less credit of 7 3. 6s.
(2) vs. Alexander Cooper & Wm. Howell. Upon Petition. Discontinued.
(3) vs. Thomas Davis & Moses Heaton. Upon Petition. Judgment for plaintiff for 7 2, 14s. 6d. plus interest and costs.
(4) vs. Thomas Davis & Adam Axline. Upon Petition. Agreed, defendant paying the Tobacco Costs". (Loudoun County Court Order Book I, pages 25-26).

At a Court held June 12, 1787, Daniel Matheny, Assignee of William Smith, was plaintiff in an action upon petition, against Thomas Davis & Moses Heaton. Judgment was entered for the plaintiff against said Moses Heaton, with interest from May 20, 1776 (Loudoun County Court Order Book K, page 175).

And on the same day Daniel Matheny, Assignee of Edward Wyatt, was plaintiff in an action on petition against John McGahan & Nicholas Shoopman. Assign was dismissed, the plaintiff to pay to said Nicholas Shoopman his costs. (Loudoun County Court Order Book K, page 174).

Note" - Order Book I was the last one in which I searched the non-alphabetical listing of defendants in the individual indices which are to be found in each Order Book. Thereafter I searched the indices of these volumes for direct alphabetical listings of Mathenys as plaintiffs only, down to the middle of Order Book P (Dec.1792-Aug.1794). W.B.M.
HAMPShIRE COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX LISTS
in the Archives Division of the Virginia State Library, for the years 1783 to 1816:

1787, June 9. List for the 1805-Frederick Matheny 1
Upper District of Hampshire County 1 806-Frederick Matheny 1
Jesse Matheney 1
Frederick Mathaney 1 wh.
Edward McCarty 2
male of 16 & under 21 yrs.
Daniel Matheney with notation: "(no poll)"
(David Matheny?) 1

1788- Frederick Mathena 1 wh. m. 1807- Frederick Matheny 1 (16 & up.)
Jesse Matheny* 1

1791- Frederick Matheny 1 1808- list missing
1792- Frederick Matheny 1 1809- John Matheney 1
1793- Wm MCheney(?) 1 Frederick Matheny 1
1794- Frederick Methenia 1 1810- John Matheney* 1
Jesse Methenia 1 Frederick Mathany 2

1796- Frederick Mathena 1 1811- Frederick Matheny 1
1797- Jesse Metheney 1 1812- Frederick Matheny 1
1798- Jesse Matheny 1 1813- no Mathenys.
Fred Matheny 1

1799- Frederick Matheny 1 1814- Frederick Matheny 1
Elias Matheny* 1 1815- no Mathenys
Jesse Matheny* 1 1816- no Mathenys.

1800- Jesse Matheny 1
Frederick Matheny 1
Elias Matheny 1
Morris Matheny 1 (NOTE: In the U.S.Census of 1810
1801- Jesse Matheny 1 Frederick Matheny is listed
Frederick Matheny 1 forHampshireCo.,(W.)Va.)
as the head of a family consisting of:
1802- Jesse Metheny 1
  Frederick Metheny 1 males 26-45 yrs. 1
  Elias Metheny* 1 10-16 yrs. 2
  Morris Metheny* 1 under 10 yrs. 2
  Thomas Metheny 1 females 26-45 yrs. 1
                   under 10 yrs. 4

1803- Jesse Metheny 1
  Frederick Metheny 1
  Moses Metheny* 1
  Morris Metheny 1

1804- Fred Metheny 1
  Jesse Metheny* 1

HAMPShIRE COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AT ROMNEY, W. VA.:

"May 8th, 1789, By Virtue of Part of a Land Office Treasury Warrant No. 19870, dated Oct 1783 & Entered Aug 30th 1788(?) I have Surveyed for Frederick Methany Assignee of Jesse Shaep (Sharp?) a tract of Land on the limestone Run a drain of the North branch of Potomack bounded as follows, Viz....(Containing 100 acres)...." (Record of Surveys, Book A, page 149).

May 8, 1789, a tract of 200 acres of land was surveyed for John Reed, Assignee of James Maurey & John Lewis, said land being located in Hampshire County on Limestone Run Adjoining the Land of Frederick Metheny and a Survey of John Thompson's. (Record of Surveys, Book A, page 150).

October 29, 1793, Frederick Metheny and John Ravens Croft (Ravenscroft) were witnesses to a survey of land made for Alexander King. (Record of Surveys, Book B, Survey No.9).

Deed from Frederick Metheny and Milly, his wife, of Hampshire County, Virginia, to Edward McCarty of the same county, conveying tract of 100 acres of land located in Hampshire County on Limestone run, a drain of the North Branch of Potomack River, adjoining land of John Reed, for the consideration of $100 Virginia money, said land being the same land which was granted to said Frederick Metheny by the Commonwealth of Virginia by patent bearing date the 11th day of August, A.D. 1794. Deed dated October 2, 1807, and recorded October 19, 1807, in Deed Book 15, at pages 324-325. Witnesses: Wm.Armstrong Sr, Jams Ravenscroft, Thomas Selby.
Deed from Jesse Matheny and Nancy, his wife, of Hampshire County, Virginia, to John Daton of the same county, conveying "one undivided ninth part of a certain Tract or parcel of Land situate lying and being on New Creek in the said County of Hampshire which said Tract of Land contains three hundred Acres more or less and was conveyed by Deed from William Anderson to John Baker deceased which said ninth part became the property of the said Jesse Mathany and Nancy his wife she the said Nancy being a Daughter and one of the Heirs at Law of the said John Baker....", for the consideration of $100.00. Deed dated October 19, 1807, and recorded October 19, 1807, in Deed Book 15, at pages 328-329.

Witnesses: Peter Smith, Peter Beer, Thos. Mulledy. Nancy Matheny signed the deed as "Ann" Matheny, "Ann" being the familiar form of the name "Nancy".

Deed from Abraham Moon and Mary, his wife, of Allegany County, Maryland, to Frederick Metheny of Hampshire County, Virginia, conveying two (2) tracts of land, viz: the first tract, containing 112 1/2 acres, Beginning at five White Oakeon a hills side about twenty poles West of Abraham's Gap branch on McGuire's line thence to two chestnuts on the top of a Mountain thence to line of James Waterman's Survey, thence to dividing line with George Six, etc., being the same tract of land granted to James Waterman by deed bearing date July 4, 1780, and conveyed to the said Abraham Moon by John Bussey and Eleanor, his wife, by deed dated July 26, 1796; the second tract, containing 15 acres, located on Dixon's run a drain of New Creek adjoining lands of Dixon George Six and the Lands of the said Abraham Moon and bounded as follows: Beginning at a Sugar Tree on the bank of Dixon's run and in his line... ., adjoining Millers line, Moon's own land, being the same tract of land which was granted to Abraham Moon by the Commonwealth of Virginia by patent dated October 14, 1800. Deed dated June 10, 1808, and recorded July 10, 1808, in Deed Book 15, at pages 527-529.


Deed from Frederick Matheny and Milly, his wife, of Hampshire County, Virginia, to William Duling, Junior, of the same county, conveying two tracts of land in Hampshire County, viz:- first, a tract of 112 1/2 acres Beginning at five White Oaks on a Hill Side about twenty poles West of Abraham's Gap branch on McGuire's line, etc.; second, a tract of 15 acres of land adjoining the aforementioned Tract and the Tract of George Six, etc.; being the same two tracts of land which were conveyed to the said Frederick Matheny by Abraham Moon and Mary, his wife, by deed bearing the date the 10th day of June, 1808. Consideration, $500.00. Deed dated August 16, 1814, and recorded August 15, 1814, in Deed Book 18, at pages 372-374. Witnesses: Wm. Armstrong Jr, John McDowell.
Deed from Aaron Royce and Joannah, his wife, to James Metheny, all of Monongalia County, Virginia, conveying a tract of land located on the North branch of Patowmack Run and in the County of Hampshire and State of Virginia "....and bounded as followeth Viz Beginning at two sugar trees and a white oak at the lower end of a Bottom Called the Beech Bottom on the Run bank then up the Melanders of the River N .69 So.T W. 27 poles then N.So. T. 76So.T W .60 poles then West 24 poles then South 66 So T W St T 38 poles then S So T 34So T W 16 poles then S So T 41 W 36 poles then S So T 11 SoT W St T 56 poles then S So T 38 So T 26 poles then S So T 70 So T E 56 poles then East T 20 poles then S So T 84 E 30 poles then S So T 50 E 50 poles then S So T 29 W St T 36 poles to two Gums and a White Oak by the River side then S So T 55 E St T 40 poles to four White Oaks by a branch and then N So T 9 E 206 poles to the Beginning containing one hundred Sixty Eight acres which by the said Deed may appear and All houses buildings Orchards Ways...." etc.

Consideration $1,000.00. Deed dated August 13, 1803, and produced and acknowledged in open court at the District Court holden at Monongalia Court house September Term, 1803, and ordered to be certified to the Court of Hampshire County. Deed recorded January 16, 1804, in Hampshire County Deed Book 13, at pages 411-413. Witnesses: Henry Floyd, John Metheny, Samuel Marvin.
(Note: It is my belief that all these Metheny lands were situated in that portion of Hampshire County which later became Mineral County, (West) Virginia, although I have not yet checked this supposition against the Topographical surveys and Ganett's Gazetteer of West Virginia, either of which should show the location of the water-courses mentioned in the various grants and deeds mentioned above. W.B.M.).

HAMPShIRE COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, COUNTY COURT RECORDS
IN THE COUNTY COURT ROOM OF THE LIBRARY OF THE UNIVERSITY
OF WEST VIRGINIA, MORGANTOWN, W.VA.:

Envelope 49-3 surveyor's Plats showing surveys of lands for Joseph Mounts, Nathaniel Stevens, and Frederick Metheny. That for Frederick Metheny shows an 100 acre tract of rectangular shape with a water-course running through it from the upper left corner to the lower right corner.


COPY OF LETTER FROM W. BLAKE METHENY TO GEORGE SHERWOOD, ESQ:

W. Blake Metheny
Attorney at Law
1516 Lincoln-Liberty Building
Broad & Chestnut Streets
Philadelphia 7

October 15, 1948.

George Sherwood, Esquire
48, Beecroft Road,
Brockley, S.E.4, London.

Dear Sir:
Will you please make a preliminary search for the Matheny-Matheney-Matteney-Matany-Metheny-Metheney-Metteney-Metteneye family in English records, or, if you are unable to do so, will you kindly have someone else make the search? On October 11th, 1948, I had sent directly to you an International Postal Money Order for the sum of two guineas (72.2s.). If this sum is not sufficient for the preliminary search I will promptly send you whatever additional amount you require.

I am a descendant of Daniel Metheny who settled on St. Thomas's Creek (Matawoman Creek) in Charles County, Maryland, as early as August 5, 1664, when he purchased "Wentworth-Woodhouse" plantation from Thomas Wentworth. In 1681 Daniel Metheny took
part in an unsuccessful "Protestant Revolution" against Lord Baltimore, for which he and other participants were arrested. Prior to December 4, 1682, he had removed to the adjacent Virginia county of Stafford. where, on March 6, 1683, he and one Solomon Day purchased, "Hope" plantation, located on Aquia Creek in Overwharton Parish, from Valentine Peyton and John Fossaker. By exchange of deeds dated in 1684 Metheny and Day divided "Hope" between them, but a few years later the entire tract was claimed by Metheny's heirs with the result that there was litigation which reached the Governor and Council of Virginia (two orders dated April 25, 1692). Daniel Metheny was buried on his plantation on Aquia Creek, the marker bearing simply his initials "D M" and the date October 14, 1685.

By his will (since destroyed) Daniel Metheny left "Hope" plantation to Sarah, his widow, and she, dying intestate, it fell to "his eldest son" William Metheny (recital in deed from Metheny heirs to John Peyton, 1756). Daniel and Sarah Metheny had, also, at least three daughters, namely: Sarah, Elizabeth and Mary, whose names appear in the Charles County, Maryland, court records when Daniel Metheny registered "ear marks" of cattle for them between January, 1672/73, and March 9, 1679/80. His son William Metheny, in his will dated November 12, 1705, and probated December 12, 1705, mentions his three sons xxxxx Daniel, John and James, all under eighteen years of age, his daughter Mary, his wife Frances, and his "wife's son William Mason", and lands in Charles County, Maryland, "being joining to the lands formerly sold by my Father Daniel Matheny unto one Nathan Barton...".

The Charles County, Maryland, records spell Daniel Metheny's name as follows: 1664 - Mathenya, Methenia, Mathenia, Meteniah; and 1672-1684 - Mathena. The Stafford County, Virginia, county court records do not contain any of the above spellings, but only the following: Matheney, Matheny, Metheney and Metheny. In later times in other Virginia counties the name has been spelled Mathany, Methany, Matheny, Metheny, etc.

The Christian names Daniel and William have been repeated in the Metheny family with great frequency down to around the year 1850.

The most frequently encountered and oldest traditional accounts of the family ascribe to it a French origin, although some scattered branches have stated that it was of Welsh, German, English, Scotch and Irish origin.

Somewhat similar names of families elsewhere in Europe are: Mathenay-Methenay of Franche-Comt', (France), van Mathena of Gelderland, van Mathenes or Mathenesse of Holland (in which the names Daniel and William appear ), Mettenius of Frankfort am Main (one member in England in 1714), Majth.,nyi or de Maith.,nyx of Hungary, and Mattina or Matina of Sicily and Italy, and finally Metteneye (sometimes written Matyne, M.tenay, Matin.e) of Bruges in Flanders. And, also, there was in Scotland a family called Methen (see Berry,Cyc.Heral.).

Enclosed is a memorandum of some forms of the name which I have found in some of the published English records. I would appreciate any suggestions you may be able to
make as to further research on this family and an estimate of the probable cost of the next steps. Thanking you in advance for your consideration in this request, I am

Very sincerely yours,

W. Blake Metheny

(enclosure:)

MATHENY OF SIMILIR NAMES IN ENGLISH RECORDS  1422

Amory Matany, William Caunville esquire the elder, son and heir of William Caunville and of Alice, his wife, to John Walle, Nicholas Hertwelle chaplins, William Walle and Amory Matany citizens and drapers of London, their heirs and assigns. Quitclaim warranty of all lands, rents and services of freeholders and reifs in the town and parish of Pesemersche, co. Sussex, with wards ... Dated 21 September 1422. Memorandum of acknowledgment 20 May 1424. (Calendar of Close Rolls. 2 Henry VI.,)


COPY OF LETTER FROM W. BLAKE METHENY TO GEORGE SHERWOOD, ESQ., CONTINUED:


1434 - Almaric Matnay. "In 1434 he conveyed the message to John Norton, Esq. no doubt having foreclosed the mortgage." (I bid.).


1439 - Emery Matany. "1439 Feb.16. Westminster (marginal entry)."
"The like (commitment) to the following: - "Robert Shirbarn and John Derby, citizens of London,- by mainprise of John Stoker, Emery Matnay and William Northampton, citizens and drapers of London,- from Michael mas next for 10 years, at a yearly farm of the 35 l. 6 s. 8 d. which William Cressy, Robert Forest and John Ruddock, the farmers there, will (sic ) rander, and an increment of 4 l. 13 s. 4 d.; in the city and suburbs of London. "By bill of the treasurer." (Calender of the fine Rolls, vol. XVII, Henry VI. A.D. 1437-publ. 1937, page 63).

1449 - Emery Mathay. Mr. A. H. Thomas, in his letter mentioned in items 2 and 3, above, also wrote as follows:

"Dear Sir

re Metheny family

"In reference to your letter of 29 Dec., I regret to say that the only Metheny of whom I can find any trace in our records is the Almaric Metheny of whom you speak in your letter. x ...(Here follow the two excerpts given above)....

"The Drapers' Company have an early account book of the 15th century. From the 'Roll of the Drapers' Company' by Percival Boyd, 1934, I see that Emery Matany was 'living' in 1423 and in 1449. I presume Mr. Boyd found that he paid his quarterage in those years.

Whether there is anything further about him I cannot say."

"It might be possible to ascertain in what connection his name was mentioned in those years by applying to Sir Ernest Pooley, M.A.,LL.B., The Clerk, The Worshipful Company of Drapers, Throgmorton St., London, E.C.

"Yours faithfully

"A.H. Thomas

"Deputy Keeper"

COPY OF LETTER FROM W. BLAKE METHENY TO GEORGE SHERWOOD, ESQ., continued:

1450 - John Methine, master of the rolls, 28 Henry VI (circ.1450). (Joseph Nicholson, Esq., and Richard Burn, L1.D., "The History and Antiquities of the
The notes of William Blake Metheny 1948


1520 - Laurens Meten. The Leverington Parish Accounts for the year 1520 contain the following item: "....to Laurens Meten smyth for ...." (Fenland Notes and Queries, vol.7, page 249). This parish may be located in Northamptonshire as the Fenland includes that shire.

1550 - Rychard Mathanye. The published volume, "Christ Church, Newgate Street, London, Registers 1538-1754", at page 6, gives the following christenings:

  "(1550) May 28 John son of Rychard Mathanye"

1566 - Rychard Matynye. At page 195 of the above mentioned register of Christ Church, Newgate Street, London, is given the following marriage:

  "(1566) July 29 Rychard Matynye & Margarett Vellham"

1570 - Rychard Martynet. At page 268 of the above mentioned register of Christ Church, Newgate Street, London, is given the following burial:

  "(1570) Aug 27. Rychard Martynet, citizen & butcher."


which are of no church Derga Matina, lieng in one Boniface his house, in Bushopgate Ward" in 1581; and in the list of 1582-3 there appears in the "Warde of Langhorne ... Denizen Boniface Face, a seller of Venice ware, of Thenglish Church. Derga Matina, in Boniface his house, of no churche."

COPY OF LETTER FROM W. BLAKE METHENY TO GEORGE SHERWOOD, ESQ., continued:

1584 - Darbye Mathenye. The burial of "Darbye Mathenye in agris mortuus", on October 14, 1584, is recorded in the published "Register of St. Martins in the Fields, 1550-1619", at page 128.

1602 - Georgius Machon't. The baptism of "Georgius Machon't" on February 26, 1602, is recorded in the published "Register of St.Martins in the Fields, 1550-1619", (Middlesex County), at page 31.

1611 - Patric Methon. The burial of "Patric Methon" on March 9, 1611, is recorded in the published "Register of St. Martins in the Fields, 1550-1619", at page 165.

1635 - Jno. Mitcheny. Margaret, daughter of Jno. Mitcheny, was baptized on November 29, 1635, at St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, according to the published parish register of that London church.

1640 - William Matteney. William, son of William Matteney and Elizabeth, his wife, borne at Bosenben (Note: Bosenben is Bossenden, a small extra-parochial place one mile from Dunkirk, which latter place is on the Faversham road five miles from Canterbury, co. Kent, England), was baptized on November 28, 1640. (J.M. Cowper, "The Registers of St. Pauls Canterbury 1562-1800", 1893, page 26).


1668- Thomas Mathny(?). "The Registers of ... Saint Mary, Lewisham, Kent 1558-1750", published 1891, at page 57, lists the burial of "...daughter of Thomas Mathny(?)" around the year 1668.

1703 - Marguerite Methin, wife of Jean Clamouse (Fr. Ch. ,Dublin).

BUTTERY-BOTRY

According to my recollection, a note or query in Fenland Notes & Queries lists a number of names, including Buttery, with the surmise that they were probably those of French refugees who were brought into the Fenlands to drain the marshes. In the Publications of the Huguenot Society of London (vol.8,p.27) appear a series of "Denizations and Naturalizations, 1509 to 1603", including the following:


Baker's "History of Northamptonshire" states that Fulk Butterie or Botry, acquired land in Grimsbury, parish of Banbury, Kings Sutton Hundred, Northamptonshire, in the year 1558, and about the same time acquired an estate in the locality known as Marston St.Lawrence which he held of the Dean and Chapter of Lincoln. Pedigrees of the family of Buttery or Botry are to be found in Baker's work at volume 1, page 641; Metcalfe's Visitations of Suffolk, at page 87; and Metcalfe's Visitations of Northamptonshire, at pages 9 and 76,

The Index Library / A Calendar of Wills relating to the Counties of Northampton and Rutland proved in the Court of the Archdeacon of Northampton, 1510 to 1562", edited by W.P.W. Phillimore, 1888, London, contains the following references at the pages indicated:


Page 46 - Will of THOMAS BUTTERY of Middleton Cheney - Book K, 1549 - 1557, 188.


Page 114 - Will of ANTHONY MATTENS of Sywell, Book OE, 1626 - 1630, 217.

COPY OF LETTER FROM W. BLAKE METHENY TO GEORGE SHERWOOD, ESQ.,
continued:

The Washingtons were early settlers in Westmoreland county, Virginia, from which Stafford county was formed in 1664. Charles County, Maryland, lies on the north side of the Potomac River opposite Stafford county. Possibly the presence of the Washington, Day and Barbie (or Barbee) families in this region may serve as a slight clue to the place of Daniel Matheny's origin. Phillimor's "Northamptonshire Parish Registers" contain references to the families of Buttery, Darby, Darbie, Barbie and Day (vol.I,pp.129-131; vol.II,pp.55-56). In addition, the published "Registers of St.Martins in the Fields,1550-1619". which, at page 128,records the burial of "Darbye Mathanye in agris mortuus" on October 14, 1584, contains a number of entries for the Darby family. Furthermore, Cowper's "Registers of St. Pauls Canterbury", which gives the baptism of William Matteney, son of William and x Elizabeth, in 1640, contains the names of some Butterys, including a William Buttery who died about 1562.

It is not clear whether the reference to "Johan, da.of Foulke Buttery alias Matanye of co. North'ton, Gent....." appearing in the Risley pedigree ( The Genealogist, VII,247) means that "Johan" was the widow of a man named "Matanye", xx or that her father Foulke Buttery was also known as Foulke Matanye. It is to be observed, however, that Berry's "Cyclopaedia of Heraldry" contains arms for a family known as Buttery or Matteby, thereby indicating that there has been some use of an "alias" by some member or branch of the Buttery family.
COPY OF LETTER WITH ENCLOSURE RECEIVED BY W.BLAKE METHENY FROM GEORGE SHERWOOD,ESQ.,FAMOUS ENGLISH GENEALOGIST:

GEORGE SHERWOOD,F.S.G., Record Searcher and Archivist Mr. Sherwood, Editor (Family History) of The Pedigree Reg 48, BEECROFT ROAD, Sister Chancery Pro-BROCKLEY, S.E.4, proceedings American LONDON. Colonists, etc.
Undertakes the testing, "Vetting," and straightening out of the Pedigrees of the middle class

Tuesday Morning, 2 Nov.,1948

Dear Sir, METHENY family

    Thanking you for yours of the 15th October and a Postal Money Order for Two guineas just received. I have made a wide search in sources not previously covered by you and beg to report as follows :

    The enclosed notes are my gleanings. The derivation of your name, like so many others, can only be guessed at. If preceded by "de" in ancient documents, it comes from a place; if by "le", from a characteristic, a trade of profession. In course of time the particles become dropped and the true origin always obscure. EKWALL, on place-names, is a good and recent authority; bur even he cannot explain them all!

Putting in a good deal of time on this search, I have not exhausted the sources. Charge is at the rate of two guineas per diem and I would suggest a further remittance of what you feel disposed to spend on the inquiry.

    Sincerely and obliged

    George Sherwood.
DERIVATION and early instances.

Matherne is the name of a place in Monmouthshire.
Mathon, a place in Worcestershire. (Mathem, Mathene in A.D.1221.-Selden Society Publications. liii.339.(1934).) A. D.

1255 Metny,Ralph of, named as a pledge for William CARDUN for having greyhounds is the forest in co. Huntingdon. -Selden Soc. xiii.p.16 (1899) (A. D.)

1297/8 MERTHERNE, Richard de, Grant by, of a half messuage and land in Neth (Neath),Glamorgan.-Public Record Office, London Ancient Deeds, B.2731

1300 METEHYNE, Matthew le , holds land in Bughedon and common of pasture, etc., in Boklande, Devon, of Roger, lord of Bokelonde.-Ibid.C.5891. This deed bears no date.

1335/6 MATERNEYS (MATURNEYS), John and Cecilia his wife. Grant to, of a croft called Bradecroft in co, Northampton.-Ibid.B.641. 9 Edward III.

1389/90 MATHEME, Thomas, Grant to, by Walter LYE of Pershore, Worc., and to Agnes ,dau. of said Walter and wife of said Thomas, of a curtilage in Lich street,Pershore.13 Richard II.-Ibid.D.413

1533-8 MATANY, William, chandler, Atherstone, Warwick, party to a suit in Chancery.-C.1/853/16-17 This can be looked up for details.

1587 A craft called "The Methey Dorothy" of Ipswick, in command of Francis NOKES. Sentence in favor of NOKES. DANIELL v. NOKES.-Pleas in Court of dmiralty File 55, No.104
1666  MATHENES, Joane, married Thomas FRESBY 14 Jan., at St James's, Duke's Place, London

1810  MATHANY, John, married Mary BIRKETT 15 Jan., at St Mary's, Nottingham.

1918  MATANIA, Fortunino and Eduardo, Italian writers on Art British Museum Library Catalogue. MATHENES, Adrian van. Dutch author.-Ibid.

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U.S. CENSUS FOR TYLER COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, (INCLUDING WETZEL COUNTY PRIOR TO 1846) CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING MATHENYS:

1820 - None.

1803 - (Vol.4.p.225) Thomas Matheny - free white males:
   1 of 30 & under 40
   1 under 5
   free white females:
   1 of 30 & under 40
   1 of 10 & under 15
   2 of 5 & under 10
   1 under 5.

1840 - Daniel Matheny - free white males:
   1 of 50 & under 60
   1 of 15 & under 20
   1 of 10 & under 15
   1 under 5
   free white females:
   1 of 40 & under 50
   1 of 15 & under 20
   2 of 10 & under 15

Simon Matheny - free white males:
   1 of 20 & under 30
   free white females:
   1 of 20 & under 30
1850 - None; see Wetzel County Census for 1850.

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1850 U.S. CENSUS FOR WETZEL COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, (FORMED FROM TYLER COUNTY IN 1846) CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING MATHENYS:

Page 23 (also numbered as p.46), Family No.315, 316; dated September 7, 1850:

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<td>Azar (Czar?) Matheny</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>Farmer</td>
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<td>Sarah Matheny</td>
<td>18</td>
<td></td>
<td>Va.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Eliza Matheny</td>
<td>2/12 (2 mos.)</td>
<td></td>
<td>Va.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Simon Matheny</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>Farmer</td>
<td>Va.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rachel Matheny</td>
<td>37</td>
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<td>Pa.</td>
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<td>Delila Matheny</td>
<td>14</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elizabeth Matheny</td>
<td>10</td>
<td></td>
<td>Va.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lidia Matheny</td>
<td>8</td>
<td></td>
<td>Va.</td>
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<td>Margaret Matheny</td>
<td>7</td>
<td></td>
<td>Va.</td>
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<td>Sarah Matheny</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>Daniel Matheny</td>
<td>4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Czar Matheny</td>
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Page 47 (also numbered as p.93); 64th Dist.; dated Oct.18, 1850:

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<td>Danl B Matheny</td>
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<td>Va.</td>
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<td>Alley Matheny</td>
<td>26</td>
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<td>Va.</td>
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<td>Mary Anne Matheny</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>Va.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Margaret E. Matheny</td>
<td>5/12 (5 mos.)</td>
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U.S. CENSUS FOR MONONGALIA COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, (INCLUDING MARION COUNTY PRIOR TO 1842) INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING MATHENYS:
1820 - Western division of Monongalia County (prob. now Marion Co.):

John Metkeney (Metheney?) - free white males:
1 of 45 and upwards
1 of 18 & under 26
1 of 10 & under 16

free white females:
1 of 45 and upwards
2 of under 10

Nathan Metheney - free white males:
1 of 45 and upwards
1 of 10 & under 16

free white females:
1 of 26 & under 45
1 of 10 & under 16

Noah Metheney - free white males:
1 of 26 & under 45
1 of 10 & under 16
2 under 10

free white females:
1 of 16 & under 26
1 of 10 & under 16
3 under 10

1850 - Page 356 (also numbered as p.711) to page 357, Western Dist: (dated Oct.3,1850):

Nathan Metheny 26 Farmer Va.
Elizabeth Metheny 25 Va.
Henry N. Metheny 4 Va.
George W. Metheny 3 Va.
Julia A. Metheny 3/12 (3 mos.) Va.

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1850 U.S.CENSUS FOR MARION COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA,(FORMED FROM MONONGALIA COUNTY IN 1842) CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING MATHENYS:

Page 192 (also numbered as p.383), Western Dist, No.35:

David Matheney 25 Farmer Va.
The notes of William Blake Metheny 1948

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<td>Cassender Matheney</td>
<td>28</td>
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<td>Euseoia A. Matheney</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>Benjamin F. Matheney</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>Moses Matheney</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>Chair maker</td>
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<td>Elsey Matheney</td>
<td>45</td>
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<td>James Matheney</td>
<td>14</td>
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<td>Nathan Matheney</td>
<td>13</td>
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1850 U.S. CENSUS FOR MARION COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, continued:

**Page 203**  
(also numbered as p.405), Western Dist., No. 35: (dated Sept. 12, 1850)

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<td>Catharine Matheney</td>
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<td>Elizabeth E. Matheney</td>
<td>6</td>
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<tr>
<td>Shadrack V. Matheney</td>
<td>11/12 (11 mos.)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Noah T. Matheney</td>
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<td>Farmer</td>
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<td>Hannah Matheney</td>
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<td>Alfred N. Matheney</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>Alcinda J. Matheney</td>
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<td>Va.</td>
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<td>Sarah E. Matheney</td>
<td>2</td>
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**Page 231**  
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<td>Joseph Matheney</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>Farmer</td>
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<td>Clarissa J. Matheney</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>Married within</td>
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**Page 139**  
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<td>Moses Titchnell</td>
<td>43</td>
<td>Meth. Clergyman</td>
<td>Va.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elvira S. Titchnell</td>
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<tr>
<td>William Matheney</td>
<td>24</td>
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<td>Va.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ann Matheney</td>
<td>18</td>
<td></td>
<td>Va.</td>
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</table>
Susanna Matheney 17 Va.
Sarah Matheney 16 Va.

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MONONGALIA COUNTY,(WEST) VIRGINIA, MARRIAGE RECORDS
in the office of the County Clerk, Morgantown, W.Va.:


Daniel Matheny to "Peggy" Bucklew, marriage bond,Mar.17,1807; sureties: James Matheny and Mark Bucklew (62 D.A.R. Mag. 419).


Peter Miller to Mary Matheny, dau of James, marriage bond, Sept.10, 1810; surety: James Matheny (62 D.A.R. Mag. 424).


Nathan Matheny to "Peggy" Ballah, Mar.11,1813, by Joshua Hickman, Book A, p.21.

Nathan Matheny to Sarah Satterfield, marriage bond, Oct.24, 1814; surety: Michael Floyd (62 D.A.R. MAg. 568).

Noah Matheny to Elizabeth Hill, dau. of James, marriage bond, Sept. 19, 1815; surety: Michael Floyd (62 D. A. R. Mag.____).

Noah Matheny to Elizabeth Hill, Sept. 22, 1815, by Joshua Hickman, Book A, p. 22.

Amos Workman to Jane Matheny, marriage bond, June 12, 1816; surety: William Workman (62 D.A.R. Mag. 571).

Noah Matheny to Elizabeth Coss,_______, 1824 (Letter from Monongalia Co.Clerk to W. Blake Metheny, Phila., Pa., dated Aug.31, 1933).

David E. Watson to Elizabeth Matheny, dau. of Noah, marriage bond, Jan.26, 1828; surety: Noah Matheny (63 D.A.R. Mag. 561).


Elijah Dawson to Catharine Metheny, Nov. 20, 1828, by Rev. Wm. Hawkins, Book A, p. 44.

Gabriel Straight to Rachel Matheny, dau. of Noah, marriage bond, Oct. 29, 1831; sureties: Noah Metheny and Jacob Streight (64 D.A.R. Mag. 299).


Geo. Cowan to Mary Matheny, dau. of Noah, marriage bond, Aug. 9, 1839; surety: Noah Matheny (64 D.A.R. Mag. 710).

George Cowen to Mary Matheny, Sept. 22, 1839, by Rev. Benj. F. Sedgwick, Book ___, p. ___.


Nathan Matheny to Elizabeth Straight, Dec. 17, 1844, by Rev. William Hawkins, Book A, p. 83 (note- at p. 86 is a return of the marriage of these parties on Dec. 17, 1845, by the same minister. W.B.M.).

James P. Metheny to Sedonia Camblin, Book B, p. 42 (my notes omitted details, but Book "B" probably covers the period 1850 to x1860. W.B.M.).


Estella Matheny to Albert Henry, Dec. 21, 1918, Book 11, p. 89.

Blanche Metheny to Elza Uphold, Feb. 27, 1919, Book 11, p. 128.


Harriett C. Matheny to Corey E. Scouten, Book 14, p. 91
(date not noted, but probably around 1922 or 1923. W.B.M.)


Zona O. Metheny to George R. W. Clark

James Harold Matheny to Iva (Ina?) May Flanagan, Oct. 9, 1929, Book 17, p. 359.

Gilbert Blaine Metheny to Mildred Evelyn Dewitt (De Witt), May 20, 1930, Book 17, p. 452.

Francis Metheny to Helen Kalbough, May 16, 1931, Book 18, p. 86.

Floyd Ray Metheny to Violet Dorothy Sprague, Apr. 23, 1932 Book 18, p. 231.

Mabel I. Metheny to Bernard J. Mary, June 20, 1932.

NOTE: the above notes were made about 1934. There may be later marriages on record. W.B.M.
MARION COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, MARRIAGE RECORDS
in the office of the County Clerk, Fairmont, W.Va. Incomplete notes made on brief visit in January, 1946.


Elizabeth Matheny to James Edward Jones, Book A, Page 20, probably about 1847, but record not examined. W.B.M.

James Matheny to Arah Holbert, Oct. 20, 1856, Book B, p. 15.

David Matheny to Mary Ashcraft, Nov. 16, 1857, Book B, p. 18.

Noah Matheny to Jane Satterfield, May 22, 1858, Book B, p. 20.

H. N. Matheny, aged 18 yrs, born in Marion Co., son of N. R and E. Matheny, to A. E. Smith, aged 21, born in Marion Co., dau. of E. S. and E. Smith; Apr. 12, 1863, ceremony performed in Monongalia Co., W.Va., Book C, p. 23.

Alfred N. Matheny, aged 23, born in Harrison Co., W. Va., son of Noah T. and Hannah Matheny, to Mary Hall, aged 22, born in Harrison Co., W. Va., dau. of Wm. and Eliz. Hall; May 21, 1865, by D. Cunningham, Book C, p. 27.

George W. Matheny, aged 22, born in Monongalia Co., son of Nathan R. and Elizabeth Matheny, to Adelphia Rice, aged 23, born in Monongalia Co., dau of Elijah and Mary A. Rice; ceremony performed by W. Y. Connor at Methodist Episcopal Church. Book C, p. 45, line 24. (Date not noted, but probably about 1866. W.B.M.)
J. D. Metheny, aged 23, born in Marion Co., to Marthax Fluharty, aged 27, born in Marion Co., both single. **Book C, p.57, line 72.** (Date not noted, but probably about 1867. W.B.M.).

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"**DYER'S INDEX TO LAND GRANTS IN WEST VIRGINIA**"

(a copy in the New York City Public Library) contains the following Mathenys

Page 511: Frederick Metheny, 100 acres, Limestone run, 1794, **Book No.4, p.416** (Hampshire Co.).

Page 519: Noah Matheny, 75 acres, on Garden Run, 1837, **Book No.7, page 179** (Harrison Co.).

Page 528: Noah T. Metheny, 32 acres, on Buffalo Creek, 1854, **Bk. No._, Page 136** (Marion Co.).

Page 533: Richard Matheny, 100 acres, adjoining R. Connor, 1793, **Book 4, p.381** (Monongalia Co.) (now Preston Co. W.B.M.).

Page 533: Joseph Mathany, 100 acres, South of Rob't Conner's, 1794, **Book No.4, p.428** (Monongalia Co.) (now Preston Co.- W.B.M.).

Page 533: Moses Methene, 200 acres, on Laurel & Sandy creeks, 1797, **Book No.5, p.46** (Monongalia Co.) (now Preston Co.).

Page 533: Nathan Metheney, 50 acres, adjoining his own land, 1797, **Book No.5, p.78** (Monongalia Co.) (now Preston Co.).

Page 534: James Matheny, 50 acres, on Muddy Creek, 1819, **Book No.6, page 206** (Monongalia Co.) (now Preston Co.).

Page 535: Moses Metheny, 164 acres, on waters of Dudley's fork, 1844, **Book No.7, p.151** (Monongalia Co.).
Page 535: Moses Matheny, 150 acres, on waters of Dunkard creek, 1837, Book No.7, p.540 (Monongalia Co.).

Page 546: Nathan Matheny, 65 acres, on Big Sandy Creek, 1830 Book No. _, p.129 (Preston Co.).

Page 546: Isaiah Matheney, 27 acres, on Laurel Run, 1851, Book No., p.463 (Preston Co.).

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MARION COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, COURT RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, FAIRMONT, W. VA.:

Register of Births and Deaths for the Western District of Marion County, (W.) Va. for the year 1855 contains the following Mathenys:


Mary J(?). Matheney, b. Nov.9, 1855 in Marion Co., dau. Of J.H. and Catherine Matheny; informant: C. Matheney, mother (Line No.130).

Alcinda J. Matheny, d. Mar.28, 1855, aged 11 yrs. in Marion Co., dau. of Noa (h) T. and Hannah Matheny; born in Marion Co.; informant: H. Matheny, mother. (Line No.57).

Mary M. Matheny, d. Oct.27, 1855, in Marion Co., aged 2 yrs, 11 mos., dau. of Noa(h) T. and Hannah Matheney; born in Marion Co; informant: H. Matheny, mother. (Line No.58).

Register of Births and Deaths for the Western District of Marion County, (W.) Va. for the year 1856 contains the following Mathenys:

Sanford Matheny, b. Oct.9, 1856, in Marion Co., son of Noah T. Matheny, farmer, of Marion Co. and Hannah, his wife; informant: N. T. Matheny, father. (Line No.145).

Asberry L. Matheny, died Mar. 19, 1856, in Marion Co. of Scarlet Fever, aged 5 yrs. 5 mos. 13 days, son of Noah T. and Hannah Matheny. Born in Marion Co. Informant: N. T. Matheny, father. (Line No. 2, Deaths).

Register of Births and Deaths for the Western District OF Marion County, (W.) Va., for the year 1857 contains the following Mathenys:
Elizabeth Matheny, d. Aug.4, 1857 in Marion Co., aged 66 yrs, daughter of James Hill and Catharine, his wife; born in Monongalia Co.; consort (wife) of Noah Matheny; informant: N Matheny, husband. (Line No.3).

Cassey Matheny, d. Apr.1, 1857, in Marion Co., aged 34, dau. of Henry Gray and Mariah, his wife; born in Monongalia Co.; informant: David Matheny, "Father")should read "Husband". W.B.M.). (Line No.25).

Register of Births and Deaths for the Eastern District of Marion County,(W.)Va., for the year 1857 contains the following Mathenys:


Register of Births and Deaths for the Western District of Marion County,(W.) Va.

for the year 1858 (Note:in January, 1946, this book was in the safe of the Marion County Public Library at Fairmont ,W. Va. W.B.M.) contains the following Mathenys:

Susanna Metheny, b. Oct.25, 1858, dau. of James and Mary Metheny; informant: James Metheny, father. (Line No.23)

Register of Births and Deaths for the Western District of Marion County, (W.)Va., for the year 1859 (Note:in January, 1946, this book was in the safe of the Marion County Public Library, t Fairmont, W.Va. W.B.M.)contains the following Mathenys:


Death Records for Marion County, W.Va.,1861-date Volumes 1 to 8, contained 46 Matheny entries in September, 1947, when I examined and made notes of the first 24 of said entries as follows:

Benjamin F. Metheny, d. Apr.10,1861, in Marion Co., aged 13 yrs. 11 mos. 28 days, born in Marion Co., son of David and Cassa Metheny; informant: David Metheny, father. (Vol.1,p.3, line 15).

Sanford C. Mathena, d. Nov.10, 1862, in Marion Co., aged 3 mos. 7 days, born in Marion Co., son of Joseph S. and Claminza A. Mathena; informant: Joseph Mathena, father. (Vol.1, p.8, line 2).

(Nov.?? to Archives ??.)
Dora Bell Metheny, d. Sept.,29, 1875, in Marion Co., aged 2 yrs. 7 mos. 5 days, born in Marion Co., dau. of George W. and Adelphia D. Metheny; informant: George W. Metheny, father.(Vol.1, p.45, line 99).

Henry M. Metheny, d. Sept. 20, 1875, in Marion Co., aged 3 yrs. 4 mos. 7 days, born in Marion Co., son of George W. and Adelphia D. Metheny; informant: George W. Metheny, father.(Vol.1, p.45, line 100).

Bertha May Metheny, d. Sept.1, 1875, in Marion Co., aged 4 yrs. 6 mos. 15 days, born in Marion Co., dau. of George W. and Adelphia D. Metheny; informant: George W. Metheny. (Vol.1,p.45, line 101).

Elcy (or Eley) Metheny, d. January 11, 1875, in Marion Co., aged 79 yrs. 9 mos. 4 days, place of birth unknown, dau. of Nathan and Eleanor Wright; consort (wife) of Moses Metheny; informant: David Metheny, son. (Vol.1,p.45, line 102).

Noah Matheny, d. Dec.2, 1881, in Marion Co. of "Old Age", aged 94 yrs. 7 mos. 25 days, born in Marion Co., son of N. and R. Matheny; consort( husband) of Jane Matheny; informant: J .S. Matheny, son. (Vol.1,p.69, live 128).

Jeff. L. Mathena, d. Oct. 24, 1882, in Marion Co. by accident, aged 19yrs. 7 mos. 4 days, born in Marion Co., son of Jas. and Ara Mathena; informant: B .V. Holbert, grandfather. (Vol.1,p.74,line111).
Moses Mathena, d. Sept. 5, 1882, in Marion Co., of "Old Age", aged 82 yrs. 6 mos. 25 days, born in Marion Co., son of Jas. and Mary Mathena; unmarried (as distinguished from single); informant: David Mathena, son. (Vol. 1, p. 74, line 120).

Hulda B. Metheny, d. May 12, 1883, in Marion Co., aged 2 yrs. 7 mos. 17 days, born in Marion Co., dau of David and Mary Metheny; informant: David Metheny, father. (Vol. 1, p. 79, line 99).

Jane Matheny, d. Sept. 16, 1884, in Marion Co., of "Old Age", aged 75 yrs., born in Marion Co., dau. of "_____& ____ Satterfield"; unmarried (as distinguished from "single"); informant: W. D. Barb, grandson. (Vol. 1, p. 84, line 108).

Joseph C. Matheny, d. Mar. 29, 1887, in Marion Co., aged 3 mos. 18 days, son of Silas and E.D. Matheny; born in Marion Co.; informant: Silas Matheny, father. (Vol. 1, p. 98, line 115).


Lethal L. Matheny, d. Nov. 27, 1897, in Western Dist., Marion Co., aged 22 yrs. 5 mos. 3 days, dau. of J. D. and M. J. Matheny; informant: father.

Josnia Matheny (male), d. Mar. 8, 1891, aged 31 yrs. 9 mos. 13 days, born in Marion Co.; married; buried Mar. 9, 1891; undertaker: R. L. Cunningham, Fairmont. (Vol. 1A, p. 72, line 144).

Mollie Matheny, d. Nov. 20, 1892, in Montana (Eastern Dist., Marion Co.), aged 3 yrs. 2 mos. 1 day, born in Montana(" " ), buried in Family Graveyard, Nov. 21, 1892; undertaker: R. L. Cunningham, Fairmont. (Vol. 1A, p. 166, line 215).

David Metheny, d. Aug. 9, 1897, in Llewellyn, W. Va., buried at Cunningham's on Aug. 10, 1897; aged 72 yrs, 4 mos, 19 days. (Vol. 2, p. 5, line 53).

Mary Matheny, d. May 1, 1904, at Flat Run, buried at Flat Run on May 2, 1904; widow; native; aged 69 yrs. 2 mos. _ days. (Vol.2,p.241, line 131).

Clorna(?) (Clarissa?) Matheny, d. Aug. 7, 1909, at Hoodsville, Paw Paw Dist., Marion Co., aged 80 yrs. _ mos. _ days; housewife; married; informant: Dr. A. L. Peters. (Vol. 4, p.104).

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"CEMETERY READINGS IN WEST VIRGINIA/MARION COUNTY", Volume III

(a. Mannington Dist. b. Union Dist. c. Winfield Dist.), a typewritten manuscript volume prepared by the W. P. A. Historical Records Survey in W.Va., and now in the collections of the Marion County Public Library at Fairmont, W.Va. (the project was discontinued before this volume could be published), contains the following abstracts of Metheny gravestone inscriptions:

Page 158: Rymer Cemetery_

"Metheny, Alcinda J. d. 3-28-1855, dau. N.T. & Hannah Metheny, aged 10 yr. 10 mo. 6 days.

"Metheny, Asberry Lee, d. 3-19-1856, son of N.T. & H. Metheny, aged 5 x yrs. 5 mo. 13 days.

"Metheny, Ervin E. d. 6-20-1866, son of A.N. & M. Metheny, aged 3 mo. 12 days.

"Metheny, Mary, d. 8-9-1866 aged 23 yrs. 2 mo. 5 da. Wife of A. N. Metheny.

"Metheny, Mary, d. 10-22-1855, d. of N. T. & Hannah Metheny."

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"Charles Nelson Metheny, a well-known lawyer and "MATHENY" business man of Parkersburg, West Virginia, is descended from old families of northwestern Virginia, now West Virginia, and has among his relatives of pioneer days some of the most noted of the frontier settlers and Indian fighters.

"(I) Noah Matheny, the first member of this family about whom we have definite information, lived in Marion county, Virginia. He married ________________. Child, William Henry, of whom further.

"(II) William Henry, son if Noah Matheny, was born in Marion county, Virginia. There he was brought up, but he afterwards moved to Wetzel county, thence again to Jackson county. He married Drusilla Ann, daughter of Morgan and Susanna (Martin) Morgan. This Morgan Morgan lived at Pine Grove, Wetzel county, Virginia, and was commonly known as 'Spy Mod Morgan'. Mod being an abbreviation of Morgan, and the 'Spy' being an appellation earned in the border warfare, in which he and his brothers Levi and David had been prominent.

The American ancestor of the Morgan family, also named Morgan Morgan, was born in Wales and educated in London, England; he was a military man, hence known as Colonel Morgan, and a minister of the Church of England. In Delaware, where he settled for a time, being there engaged in business at Christiana. He married Catharine Garretson; soon after his marriage he moved to the valley of Virginia, and he established a church at Winchester, of which he and his son, Morgan Morgan,Jr., were the ministers for many years.

The other of the sons of Morgan Morgan, Sr., are of special note: David, born at Christiana, Delaware, May 12, 1721, married Sarah Stevens Quaker woman of Pennsylvania, moved with his father to the valley of Virginia, owned a farm near Winchester, assisted, in 1748, in the determination of the boundary between Virginia and Maryland, moved for a short time into Pennsylvania, but finally settled in Marion county, Virginia, about six miles north of Fairmont; and Zacquil or Zackwell, well known in pioneer history as the founder of Morgantown, (West) Virginia. 'Spy Mod Morgan' did not marry until he was over fifty years old, and he had two children, one of whom was Drucilla Ann, married William Henry Matheny. Children of William Henry and Drusilla Ann (Morgan) Matheny: Charles Nelson, of whom further; Susanna Martin.

"(III) Charles Nelson, son of William Henry and Drusilla Ann (Morgan) Matheny, was born at Pine Grove, Wetzel county, Virginia, June 27, 1861. With his parents he moved to
Jackson county, West Virginia, in the spring of 1865, and in that county he attended the common and select schools until he was sixteen years old.

Then he studied at the State Normal School, Fairmont, West Virginia, and after finishing his course at this institution he was for a number of years a teacher. Then he began the study of law under Robert F. Fleming, at that time judge of the fifth judicial circuit of the state of West Virginia. He passed an examination under Judges Guthrie, Jackson and Fleming, and was admitted to the bar "in 1888. At first he practiced in Jackson county, West Virginia; but in 1892 he moved to St. Marys, West Virginia, and in 1901 came to Parkersburg, West Virginia, where he has since that time lived. Mr. Matheny is largely interested also in the oil business. He is a Republican, and was for one term postmaster of St. Marys under President McKinley.

"He married (first) in 1883, Electa Ann Swallow, who died November 29, 1895; (second) March 18, 1897, Frederica, daughter of Samuel A. Barkwill, of St. Marys, West Virginia; she married (first) John W. Porter, who was clerk of the county court of Pleasants county, West Virginia, and died February 11, 1895. Samuel A. Barkwill was an immigrant from England, who came to the United States about 1840."

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WILL OF NOAH METHENY DATED AUGUST 19, 1879, PROBATED JANUARY 2, 1882, IN MARION COUNTY, W.VA., RECORDED IN WILL BOOK NO.2, AT PAGES 239-240:

I Noah Metheny of the County of Marion and State of West Virginia do hereby constitute make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following viz:

In the first place I give and bequeath to my wife Jane one third part of my estate.

I give and bequeath both real and personal to dispose of as she may think proper during her actual life.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my son JOSEPH S. METHENY the whole of my estate both real and personal subject to the right or dower of my wife above named to him the said Joseph S. Metheny his heirs and assigns forever.
Thirdly as to the balance of my children CATHARINE DAWSON, ELIZABETH WATSON, RACHEL STRAIGHT, JAMES METHENY, NOAH METHENY, MARY COWAN, ANN WESSE, SUSANNA SADLER, NATHAN METHENY, WM. METHENY, and SARAH HUNTER I have given them what I intend for them to have and

I do hereby disallow revoke and disannul all former wills by me.