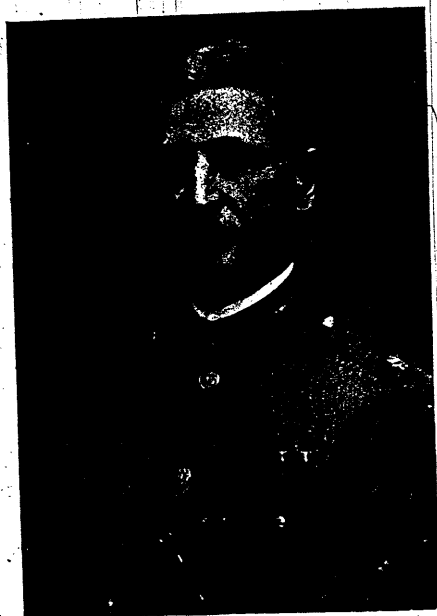


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## HISTORICAL

BILLINGSLEY is a very old English place name. The Herald's Visitations of the British Museum give records of Billingsley of Kent, England, 1096, 1463, 1476, and 1504; of London, 1141, 1145, 1559, 1568, 1575; etc.; of Salop, 1241, 1396, 1472, and 1672. There appear some six Coats of Arms of Billingsley in a Visitation of London in 1575, all using the same Crest, and all testified to by Clarence Cooke, viz.:

- 1 Gules, a fleur de lis and a Canton, Or.
- 2 Argent, on a cross cotised Sable, five pellets between four lions rampant.
- 3 Per saltire Or and Azure, in chief and base two martlets Or; in fesse two cinquefoils Azure.
- 4 Azure, two lions passant guardant in pale, Or.
- 5 Argent, a fesse and in chief two mullets Sable.
- 6 Argent, two bars and a Canton Gules, over all a bend Sable.

Crest: On a mount Vert, a leopard Or, spotted Sable.

The Visitation of Shropshire in 1623 shows some nine generations of the family pertinent to this record. We have chosen to present them in generations rather than in pedigree chart form. References consulted: Harleian Society Publications: Visitations; Collectanea Genealogica, Foster; St. John's College, Baker; Athanas Cantab., Cooper; Athanas Oxon, Wood, ed. Bliss; Biographical Dictionary, Chalmers, etc. Search of original records in England and Holland by competent authority.

- 1 Roger (1) Billingsley, m \_\_\_\_\_  
- In Com. Salop anno 20 of Edward IV (1481).
- 2 Roger (2) Billingsley, m \_\_\_\_\_  
- In Com. Salop.
- 3 Roger (3) Billingsley, m \_\_\_\_\_  
- Of Canterbury, Com. Kent. Issue:
  - 4 i Roger (4) Billingsley.
  - 5 ii William (4) Billingsley.
- 4 Roger (4) Billingsley, m \_\_\_\_\_  
- Of Canterbury, Com. Kent. Issue:
  - 6 i William (5) Billingsley.
- 5 William (4) Billingsley, m \_\_\_\_\_  
7 William (5) Billingsley.
- 6 William (5) Billingsley, son of Roger 4, Citizen and Haberdasher, of London, England, married Elizabeth, daughter of \_\_\_\_\_ Harding; he died and she married (2) Sir Martyn Bowes. Issue:
  - i William (6) Billingsley.
  - ii Richard (6) Billingsley.
  - 8 iii Henry (6) Billingsley.
  - iv Cicelye (6) Billingsley, m: William Newce (Newer?) of Com. Hartfordshire.

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- v. Martha (6) Billingsley, m. John Robinson, of London.
7. William (5) Billingsley, son of William 4, of Com. Salop. In the Visitation of Shropshire in 1623 he is listed with Arms: Argent, a cross Sable voided of the field, five estoiles in cross between four lions rampant all of the second. He married Cicelye — Issue:
- 9 i John (6) Billingsley.
  - ii William (6) Billingsley, m — had a son, Thomas (7).
  - iii Richard (6) Billingsley.
  - iv Joanne (6) Billingsley, m Hugh Chys.
- 8 Henry (6) Billingsley: b 153—, son of William 5. Admitted a scholar to St. John's College in 1551; apprenticed to a London haberdasher and became a wealthy merchant; a "Customer of the Queen" at and became a wealthy merchant; a "Customer of the Queen" at Visitation of London 1568 when he is described as "3 sonne of William Billingsley, of London, Citizen & haberdasher." Translated Euclid with notes and published same in 1570; chosen Sheriff of London in 1584; an Alderman in Lower Ward 16 November 1585; registered admission to Grey's Inn 22 February 1590-91; moved to Candlestick Ward in 1592; President of St. Thomas Hospital 1594-1606; elected Mayor of London 31 December 1596; knighted 5 February 1596/97; he bore the same Arms as William Billingsley, No. 7, with this addition, first quarter: Gules, a fleur de lis and cadent Or. Sat as a member of Parliament for London 19 March 1603-4. He was granted large estates in Ireland by Elizabeth. He died 22 November 1606 and is buried in church of St. Catherine, Coleman. He married: (1) Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Bourne, she died 29 July 1577 aged 38 years; he married (2) Katherine, daughter of Sir John Cornwell, and widow of Robert Harding; of London, she died 1599; he married (3) Susanna, daughter of Tracey, and widow of Edward Barger. Issue:
- i Henry (7) Billingsley: b 15—, Registered admission to Grey's Inn 30 Jan. 1581/82; was of Lysam, Com. Gloucester knighted 28 June 1603; m — Issue:
    - 1 Matthew (8) Billingsley: b 16—, Registered admission to Grey's Inn 1 Aug. 1619.
    - ii William (7) Billingsley: b 15—, m Blanch, daughter of Francis Gunter, of Aldburie, Com. Herts. He was deceased in 1614. Issue:
      - 1 Henry (8) Billingsley: b 15—, Registered admission to Grey's Inn 9 Aug. 1614; called to the bar 25 June 1623; m. Elizabeth, daughter of Edward Collins, merchant. Issue:
        - a Blanche (9) Billingsley: aet. 5 years in 1623.
        - b Elizabeth (9) Billingsley: aet. 1 year in 1623.
      - 2 Thomas (8) Billingsley: b 15—, Registered admission to Grey's Inn 10 Aug. 1614.

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- iii Thomas (7) Billingsley: b 15—, of London, Gent. m. Elizabeth, daughter of Rowland Hinde, of Hedsor in Com. Bucks, and of Inner Temple, Gent. Issue:
- 1 Henry (8) Billingsley: b 158—, Registered admission to Grey's Inn 9 Aug. 1623, unmarried at that date; entered his pedigree in Visitation of 1634.
  - 2 Thomas (8) Billingsley: b 159—.
  - 3 Clement (8) Billingsley: b 16—.
  - 4 Elizabeth (8) Billingsley: b 1604, m prior to 1634 Edward Palmer, of D'eweshall, Com. Essex, Gent.
  - 5 Katherine (8) Billingsley: b ca 1608, m prior to 1634 William Chilcot, of Istedworth, Com. Middlesex, Gent. Elizabeth and Katherine Billingsley above mentioned were baptized in the Morpoh Church of Salt Lake City, Utah, 12 July 1927, both were endowed 31 Aug. 1928, baptism and endowment by one George Hind, who states he is a relative-in-law.)
  - iv Richard (7) Billingsley.
  - v Elizabeth (7) Billingsley.
- 9 John (6) Billingsley: b ca 1525, of Astley, Com. Salop. He married Frances, daughter of William Acton, of Aldenham. Issue:
- 10 i Francis (7) Billingsley: b ca 1549.
  - ii Janne (7) Billingsley: b 15—, m. Captain Thomas Pailey, d.s.p.
  - iii Cicelye (7) Billingsley: b 15—.
- 10 Francis (7) Billingsley: b 15—, was living 1623 in Astley, Com. Salop. He married prior to 1575 Bridgett, daughter of Sir Thomas Yernon, of Haslington (near Nantwich), in Com. Chester. Issue:
- i Dorothy (8) Billingsley: b 1575 s.p.
  - ii Francis (8) Billingsley: b ca 1578.
  - iii Marye (8) Billingsley: b ca 1580, m Francis Rowley, of Wyken, Com. Salop; constable of Brimsley Hundred in 1623. Issue:
    - 1 Richard Rowley: b 1602 son & heir.
    - 2 Samuel Rowley: b 16—.
    - 3 Andreas Rowley: b 16—.
    - 4 Seluanis Rowley: b 16—.
    - 5 Sarah Rowley: b 16—.
    - 6 Bridgett Rowley: b 16—.
  - iv Frances (8) Billingsley: b 158— s.p.
  - v Janie (8) Billingsley: b 158— s.p.
  - vi Thomas (8) Billingsley: b 158—.
  - 12 vij John (8) Billingsley: b ca 1587.
  - viii Margaret (8) Billingsley: b 15—, m John Jevan (Jevan?), of Com. Stafford.

- ix Jane (?) Billingsley.
- x William (8) Billingsley: b 159--.
- xi Rachel (8) Billingsley: b 159--.
- xii Judeth (8) Billingsley: b 159--.
- xiii Benjamin (8) Billingsley: b ca 1600. Registered admission to Grey's Inn 27 Feb. 1639; also of Clifford's Inn, London, Gent.
- xiv Edward (8) Billingsley: b 16--.
- xv Bridgett (8) Billingsley: b 16--.
- 11 Francis (8) Billingsley: b ca 1578, son and heir, of Abbot, Astley, Com. Salop, married prior to 1600 Eleanor, daughter of Thomas Kerrey, of Bindweston, Com. Salop, Esquire. Issue:
  - i Francis (9) Billingsley: b 1600 Son & heir.
  - ii Thomas (9) Billingsley: b 16--.
  - iii Walter (9) Billingsley: b 16--.
  - iv John (9) Billingsley: b 16--.
  - v Edward (9) Billingsley: b 16--.
  - vi Dorothee (9) Billingsley: b 16--.
- 12 John (8) Billingsley: b ca 1587 in Com. Salop, 3d son of Francis Billingsley and Bridgett Vernon. He married prior to 1612 Agatha ---, born 1593, Com. Salop, and became connected with the Quakers. They removed from England in the late 1630's and settled in Holland, where he was deceased prior to 1659. Agatha survived him some years and died in 1666 in Rotterdam. Issue:
  - I i JOHN (9) BILLINGSLEY: b 1612. Migrated to America.
  - ii Agatha (9) Billingsley: b 1614.
  - II iii JAMES (9) BILLINGSLEY: b 1616. Migrated to America.
  - III iv THOMAS (9) BILLINGSLEY: b 1618. Migrated to America.
  - IV v FRANCIS (9) BILLINGSLEY: b 1620. Migrated to America.
  - vi Bridgett (9) Billingsley: b 162-- s.p.
  - vii Francis (9) Billingsley: b 1624. s.p.
  - viii Joanne (9) Billingsley: b 1626, m --- d.a.p.
  - V ix WILLIAM (9) BILLINGSLEY: b 1628. Migrated to America.
  - x Mary (9) Billingsley: b 163-- m ---, died in Holland.
  - xi Walter (9) Billingsley: b 163-- Was living 1659 Holland.

## PART I

## I JOHN BILLINGSLEY

Born County Salop, England, circa 1612, moved to Holland with his parents who were Quakers and forced to leave England. The exact date of his coming to America is not known, tho' there is evidence it was prior to 1649 and that he was located in Nansemond County, Virginia. Evidence also shows his brothers James and Francis were with him in this locality. In the records he is styled Major but nothing has been discovered to indicate the origin of the title. The date is evidenced by a grant of land in Maryland some years later and from a record in Richmond Land Office from which it appears he was granted 500 acres of land at Chacatuck, Nansemond County, Virginia, and said land was wholly escheated. This occurred during the period of 1649-1656 when all Quakers were forced to leave the colony of Virginia. Reference to this land will appear again in this account chronologically.

On 20 July 1652 warrant to lay out to Colonel Thomas Burbage 2000 acres and Major John Billingsley 1000 acres in any place in the Province not fully taken up was issued. In connection with this warrant is the following: "William Parker of the Severn in Ann Arundell County, planter, is possessed of 800 acres of land upon the Cliffs adjoining land of Richard Bennett: I, said Parker, do fully grant --- to Col. Thos. Burbage & Maj. Jno Billingsley both of Virginia, merchants --- 600 acres of the said 800 acres, the sd Burbage & Billingsley do obligate themselves to seat the land between now and 25 December next & to pay charges of survey, etc. dated 24 June 1652" (A B & H fol. 213).

It appears he purchased 700 acres of land from "Mattapony & Patuxon Indians." It was surveyed in the name of Major John Billingsley and he evidently died before he obtained a patent. This land was subsequently regranted: "Henry, George, and John Billingsley, sons & heirs of Maj. John Billingsley, late of our Province of Maryland, deceased, hath due unto them 700 acres of land in this Province surveyed in the name of Major John Billingsley and to him assigned in the rights of fourteen persons from Captain Thos. Cornwallis, transported by him in 1650 into this Province as appears upon record dated at London 2 July 1649 with such alterations bearing date of 26 Aug. 1658 occurring upon records in our Province of Maryland, do grant all that parcel of land called 'Our Legacy' on the West Side of Patuxent River in the fresh, and on the East side of Billingsley's Creek, etc., dated 5 March 1663." (Lib. A. A., fol. 407).

Major John Billingsley was a merchant and resided at Chacatuck, Virginia. From a record Richmond Land Office it appears he was granted 500 acres of land at Chacatuck, Nansemond County and that said land was wholly escheated. On 18 Nov. 1671 appears this record: "Sir Wilham Berkeley, Lieutenant Governor, grants to George and Henry Billingsley 500 acres of land in Chacatuck, Nansemond County, formerly

Mary, daughter of John and Sarah Roberts & heirs 200 acres land Kent Co., Md. called "Chahee."

He left no children.

- v Samuel Bourne; b ca 1677. 2d marriage no Billingsley blood. Was under age 1693 and deceased before 1713.
- iv Rebecca Bourne; b 168-, m prior to 1715 William Young. They had, known:
  - 1 Samuel Young.
  - 2 Elizabeth Young.
- vii Thomas Bourne; b 168-. Living 1715 and executor to his mother's will.

#### IV FRANCIS (1) BILLINGSLEY

Born County Salop, England in 1620 moved to Holland with his parents. He came to Virginia with his brothers John and James prior to 1649. He was married about 1647 to Ann — born 162-, this marriage probably took place in Holland. He had a grant of land 200 acres, called "Selby Clifts" lying on the West side of the Chesapeake Bay as assignee of Edward Selby for transportation of Thomas Forb; Anno 1649, from Caecilius, Absolute Lord and Proprietor of the Province of Maryland and Avelon Lord Baron of Baltimore, the 26th day of November in the 27th year of our Dominion over sd Province of Maryland, Anno, 1650.

He came into the Province of Maryland in Anno 1652 at which time he "transported his wife and son John."

In Anno 1653 he transported into the Province a "Maid servant, named Ann." At a Court held at Patuxent 5 December 1654 Francis Billingsley was made Constable for the Clifts and was ordered to be present at the next Court to take charge of the office of Constable. (*Ct. Rec. also Md. Arch. Vol. 10, 410.*)

In Anno 1656 he transported into the Province his brothers James and Thomas Billingsley.

In Anno 1657 he transported another maid servant also named Ann. In Assembly proceedings 1657 in a list of several charges to be satisfied by way of Lexie out of the County of Patuxent is:

"for Fran. Billingsley for one wolfe, 100 pounds of tobacco."  
In Anno 1658 he transported into the Province "Sarah Billingsley." She is known to be the widow of his brother, William, decd.

In all these Transportations it is to be noted they all came from VIRGINIA.

During the year 1658 he had a resurvey made upon "Selby Clifts" in his name. In March 1659 at the beginning of the year he refused to take the oath as Constable (a yearly appointment) and was fined 591 pounds of tobacco. His refusal appears to be based upon the fact that he removed to Richmond County, Virginia with his sister-in-law where

he operated the farm and a sloop owned by her. This is where John and Edward became interested in seafaring. In the latter part of the year 1659 Samuel Chew made claim in Court for 1200 pounds of "Tobacco & Cakes" of Francis Billingsley which has never been paid.

While still living in Virginia he applied for additional land in Maryland and on 4 May 1663 there was surveyed for him "Corne Hill," for 350 acres and "Deer Quarter" for 250 acres, both tracts patented to him 11 Sept. 1663.

On 9 Nov. 1663 his brother James made his will and mentions "my three cousins (Nephews) who live on the Rapahannock, etc. leaving each a Cow Calf.

On 7 Dec. 1663 Susannah, widow of James made her will and provides for "3 Cow Calves to "Cogens" in compliance with will of my husband, James Billingsley, decd.

On or about February 1663-64 he returned to Calvert County, Maryland, his sister in law having remarried.

On 2 March 1663-4 there was surveyed for Francis Billingsley and Christopher Beard 350 acres of land near the "Clifts" in the woods, patented to Francis Billingsley 26 May 1664. Early in 1668 he sold 30 acres of this tract to John Mears. According to the will of said Mears 1675 said Mears appears to own the whole 350 acres of this tract with no record to show how acquired.

On 3 June 1668 there was surveyed for and patented to Francis Billingsley 100 acres of land adjoining "Deer Quarter" this was called "Addition."

In the spring term of Court 1668 is the case of Francis Billingsley vs George Atkins, etc. (While he is known to have been a Quaker this shows he was not as strict in the faith as is common, as they do not, as a rule, have recourse to law, but hold to their Meetings to mete out justice.)

On 26 Nov. 1668 is record of case of Ann Billingsley versus William Kay, said Kay having been indicted for criminal assault and attempted rape upon Ann, the wife of Francis Billingsley. (*Proc. Ct. Lib. FF, 601-652.*)

In 1672 he was named as overseer in the will of his brother Thomas Billingsley.

In 1677 he was named as one of the guardians in the will of Thomas Page.

In Oct. 1678 Mr. Francis Billingsley was a delegate from Calvert County to the Lower House but did not appear. On 21 Oct. 1678 he was present as a member of the Lower House at a meeting held at St. Mary's.

On the 23 Aug. 1681 Francis Billingsley and three other members of the Lower House sent a message to the Upper House regarding certain laws governing the Lower House.

On 29 August 1681 a message on the same matter was sent to the Upper House by Francis Billingsley and others.

On 9 November 1681 at a meeting of the Upper House there was pre-

sented "a message from the Lower House from Mr. Cheseldyne and Francis Billingsley Desiring Perusal of the Book of Laws and an answer to the last Bill relating to the Land Offices."

In Nov. 1683 Francis Billingsley was appointed one of the Commissioners for Calvert County for the purpose of purchasing town lands, ports, and survey of the town and ports, and to stake lots, etc.: (*Arch. Md. and Proc. and Acts of Gen's Assembly Oct. 1678-Nov. 1683.*)

This appears to be the last record of him and he died intestate in the year 1684 as his sons appear to be in possession of lands laid out to him. No record of any administration of his estate has so far been discovered. That his sons succeeded to his land is shown in their records. It is not known the date of the death of Ann, she was living Nov. 1668 and from the fact she does not subsequently show in any of the records after 1668 it is believed she did not long survive her trying ordeal of that year. We have endeavored to show every record so far found concerning this man for the reason that while five brothers came to America he is the one who left male issue to the third generation and he is therefore the founder of the family of 1649 in Maryland and Virginia.

Children: (known)

5. i John (2): b 1647.
- ii Ann: b 1650 Va., died infancy.
6. iii Francis (2): b 1653 Md.
- iv Agatha: b ca 1656 Md., m 1672 Thomas Paget, his 2d wife. He died Mar. 1677 named Capt. Cobreath, Capt. Bourne, Francis Billingsley, and Jonathan Hunt as guardians. There were three sons by his 1st wife, and three daughters by his last wife, Agatha.
- v Edward (4): b 1658 Md.
- vi Ann Elizabeth: b 166- in Virginia, m Thomas Sadler, had three living children in 1692 who were legatees in will of Francis Billingsley, Jr.

#### V WILLIAM BILLINGSLEY

Born County Salop, England 1628, moved to Holland with his parents. He came to Virginia with his brother Thomas in 1650, "Transported" by Edward James with five others said James was granted 350 acres of land on Rapahannock 22 May 1650. (*Land Rec. Lib. 2, fol. 219.*)

He married about 1651 Sarah Bowman, born Essex County, Virginia circa 1635. They settled in Richmond County where he owned a small farm and also a small vessel and was mostly engaged in transporting commodities in coast trade. He died Dec. 1657 having been struck by a boom on his vessel. Sarah moved to Calvert County, Maryland early in 1656 having been "Transported" by her brother-in-law Francis Billingsley. She remained at his home during the year and then returned to Virginia with Francis and his family in 1659. She remarried (2) in 1663 a William Ewart, and is stated to have died about 1690.

Children:

- i Sarah Ann: b 1652 Va., married John Billingsley No. 5 which see.
- ii William: b 1655 died infancy.
- iii Martha Agatha: b 1658 Mc. posthumous, died aet: 13 years.
- iv Mary Ewart: b ca 1663 2d marriage, no Billingsley blood, m a Mr. Johnson.

#### 5 JOHN (2) BILLINGSLEY

(Francis 1:) Born 1647 probably in Holland, came to Nansemond County, Virginia with his parents and uncles John and James Billingsley prior to 1649. He came to Calvert County, Maryland with his parents Anno 1652. He moved to Richmond County, Virginia with his parents about 1659. He and his brothers Francis and Edward were legatees to a "Cove Calfe" each in the will of James Billingsley in 1663, who calls them "my three cozens (nephews) on the Rapahannock." They were also mentioned in the will of Susanna Billingsley, widow of James, in the same year.

He became interested in the vessel which his aunt owned and which his father operated. When his parents returned to Maryland he remained in Virginia with his aunt and assisted in the operation of the vessel. He married Jan. 1669 Sarah Ann, daughter of William Billingsley, born Virginia 1652 and his first cousin. During the year 1670 they moved to St. Mary's County, Maryland, where he purchased another vessel and continued in maritime trade. In 1673 they returned to Virginia and about 1675-76 they moved to Calvert County, Maryland. He does not appear to have owned much land. In 1684 he became possessed of 100 acres called "Addition" from his father. From this time there appears an estrangement between John and Francis, his brother. Francis appears with the major portion of his father's holdings, whether his marriage to his cousin had any relation to this is possible but not definitely known. Owing to loss of deed records in Calvert County it is not known by what means he came into possession of 200 acres part of a tract called "Mears." He apparently gave to his son, William, the tract called "Addition" upon his marriage in 1691. "John died in the year 1693 having been lost at sea during a storm. Rent Rolls of 1694 show 200 acres of "Mears" owned by Widow Billingsley. She disposed of this land as Rent Rolls show it was sold July 1710 by Sarah Talbot to Richard Johns. She married (2) about 1699 William Brown, they moved to Richmond County, Virginia where he was granted 38 acres of land 1709. (*Lib. 3, fol. 230.*) She died 1712-13. No children by 2d marriage.

Children:

- i Mary: b Sept. 1669 Va., m prior to 1687 Edward Wood. His will was probated 16 June 1709. Mary dated her will 13 Mar. 1709-10 and it was probated 10 Aug. 1710.

County, Maryland in 1675 he became associated with him in the operation of his vessel and adopted a sea faring life. In 1684 he came into possession of a portion of his father's lands called "Selby Clifts," this tract originally contained 300 acres, by 1690 all of this tract was in possession of Francis Billingsley, his brother, with no deed to show how obtained. Edward appears to have devoted all his time and energy to the sea. He married prior to 1687 Anne — born Maryland 16—. He had two living sons in 1692 when his brother Francis made his will and makes provision that in case his daughters die without issue certain land is to go to "the eldest son of my brother Edward." Edward died intestate in 1708 and left his widow in poor circumstances. She married (2) in 1709 Philemon Smith, he died Mar. 1712-13, dated his will 6 Mar. 1712-13 and it was probated 27 Mar. 1713, wife Anne named as executrix and sole legatee to all estate. No children by second marriage.

She moved to Virginia with her son and was deceased before 1728.

Children:

- 10 i Francis (3): b 1687.
- ii Anne: b 1689, m Scott and moved to Cecil Co., Md.
- iii James: b 1691, d 1698.
- iv Edward: b 1693, d 1700.
- v Agatha: b 1699, d 1704.
- vi Susan: b 1703, m Garnet and moved to Virginia, no subsequent record.

#### 8 WILLIAM (3) BILLINGSLEY

(John 2, Francis 1.) Born Calvert County, Maryland October 1670. He moved to Virginia with his parents and then returned to Calvert County with them in 1675. He married prior to 1691 Clearanna Bowles, born Maryland 167—. She is believed to be a daughter of Valentine Bowles.

He was given 100 acres of land called "Addition," at the time of his marriage by his father and he disposed of the same before 1700 as Rent Rolls show it was possessed at that date by Benjamin Ball. In 1700 he is listed on a Rent Roll as possessing 100 acres of land part of a 350 acre tract surveyed for George Young in February 1680 at head of Bottle Creek. On 5 July 1704 136 acres of land were surveyed for William Billingsley and called "Billingsley's Swamp" on the North side of Bottle Creek and adjoining land of John Wood. (*Lib. D5, fol. 170.*) He acquired other holdings of land tho no deeds have been found concerning the same. In the will of Richard Johns of Calvert County probated 14 June 1717/18 item: to my grand son Richard, son of my deceased son Abraham, two tracts made over to the testator by William Billingsley, i.e., 136 acres called "Billingsley's Swamp," and 150 acres called "Friendship Rectified."

In 1700 William Creed and William Billingsley appraised the estate of John Carmody. (*Test. Proc. xviii-37.*) On 17 Sept. 1706 William

Billingsley and William Williams appraised and inventoried the estate of Andrew Graham. (*Test Proc. xix-31.*)

He died intestate latter part of July 1716 and his estate administered 4 Aug. 1716 by Clearanna, his widow, with James Cobb and William Billingsley, Jr. as bondsmen for 100 pounds. On 10 Jan. 1716/17 is an account and July 1717 is final account rendered by William Billingsley, Jr. Date of the death of Clearanna is not known tho the final return of administration returned by her son indicates she was deceased.

Children:

- 11 i William (4): b Nov. 1691.
- ii Clearanna: b Jan. 1693, married 1709 Thomas Gilly. He dated his will 6 Dec. 1720 and it was probated 24 Jan. 1720/21 Calvert Co., Md.; leaves all estate to said wife and two sons & heirs, etc. Wife to have dwelling and plantation of 80 acres, in lieu of dower in real estate. Wife and two sons residuary legatees of estate in England, etc.  
She was living 1734 and was witness to nuncupative will of Eleanor Bowen. They had:
  - 1 Robert Gilly.
  - 2 William Gilly.
- 12 iii Bowles (4): b Dec. 1794.
- 13 iv Samuel (4): b Jan. 1696.
- v Ann Elizabeth: b May 1699, married John Wood, see No. 5.

#### 9 WALTER (3) BILLINGSLEY

(John 2, Francis 1.) Born Calvert County, Maryland circa 1655. He followed a mariners life as soon as old enough. He married prior to 1708 Elizabeth — family tradition states she was a Barbour, we have not been able to verify this statement, she was born in Maryland 168—. They resided in Calvert County, Maryland. On 25 March 1734 he was a witness to nuncupative will of Eleanor Bowen, with Clearanna Gilly. They testified that she died 19 Mar. 1734 and that they heard her say that William Winnall would take in his possession and care for all her children, and all her estate to keep and maintain her children until they came of age.

On or about 1736 they moved to St. Mary's County, Maryland where he engaged in farming but still maintained his interest and devoted time to business with his vessel. He died about 1751/2, and she married (2) John Smiley and was deceased 1757-9.

Children:

- John: b 1706 Calvert Co., Md., married prior to 1730 Jane — b Md. 17— and settled in St. Mary's Co., Md.  
He died about 1753. Jane survived him and dated her will

31 Oct. 1760. Requests to be buried at All Faith Church. To son, Walter, the Best that the Bay Mare is at present big with; To daughter, Susanna, the Bay Mare; To daughter, Lydia, the Gray horse; To daughter Anne, the sorrel Colt; to son, James, the Bay Colt; To daughter, Mary Davis the Best Cow I die possessed of, to be chosen by her.

The rest of my Estate to be equally divided amongst my five children now living with me, viz.: Walter Susanna, Lydia, Anne; and James.

Witnessed by Jo. Mudd & Thos. Hutchinson.  
 Probated 22 Nov. 1760 by Walter Billingsley sole executor. They had:

- i Walter: b 173- St. Mary's Co., Md. Was executor to his mother's will in 1760. He moved to Harford Co., Md. about 1773, where he does not appear as a land owner but engaged in farming on leased land. He married 26 Jan. 1753 Clemency Preston nee Bond, widow of James Preston who died prior to Aug. 1769, distribution of his estate shows there were grand children at that date. Clemency was some years senior to Walter. She dated her will 14 June 1794 and it was probated 2 Sept. 1794. Owing to some defect in probate record, it was not closed till Nov. 1800. Walter was a witness to this will and died before 1800. He left no children. The Preston children in evidence are herewith given to correct some marriage records prepared by the late Mrs. Hodges at Annapolis as her lists show most of these PRESTON women as BILLINGSLEYS.
- a. Bernard Preston living 1794.
- b. Sarah Preston m (1) McComas, (2) Smithson, (3) Thomas Anderson.
- c. Elizabeth Preston m Gilbert.
- d. James Preston.
- e. Ann Clemency Preston m after 1769 Stephen Pebble.
- f. Mary Preston m after 1769 Aquilla Scott.
- g. Margin Preston m after 1769, had living in 1794, Elizabeth, Clemency, James, Martha, Benjamin, and Scott Preston.
2. Mary: b 173-, m a Mr. Davis prior to 1760.
3. Susanna: b 174-
4. Lydia: b 174-
5. Anne: b 174-
6. James: b ca 1751; d unmarried after 1760.
- 14 ii James (5): b 1710.

- iii. Elizabeth: b 171-, died unmarried.
- iv. Walter (5): b 1715/16.
- v. Ann: b 172-, said to have died unmarried in Pa. in 1770's.
- vi. Mary: b 172-, m John Williams, St. Mary's Co., Md. moved to Baltimore Co., Md. about 1760, then moved to York Co., Pa. in 1770's. They had several daughters.

#### 10 FRANCIS (3) BILLINGSLEY

(Edward 2, Francis 1.) Born Calvert County, Maryland 1687. He was named as provisional legatee in the will of his uncle Francis Billingsley in 1692. He did not succeed to any of the land as one of the daughters left heirs. He followed his father in adopting a mariners life in his early years. He married (1) prior to 1718 Susan (Young?), born Calvert County, Maryland 169-.

About 1725 they moved to Stafford County, Virginia and located in the section that became Orange County about 1734, he engaged in farming and was residing there in 1737; there is recorded in an Order Book 1733-1739, fol. 153, a declaration on merchandise imported from England. Susan died about 1737, he returned to Maryland and married (2) prior to 1740 Susan Allen, widow of John Allen, and daughter of Michael Tyms, born Maryland 17- In a deed 10 Dec. 1799 Spotsylvania County, Virginia is agreement James Long and Zachariah Billingsley concerning estate of Betsey Billingsley, daughter of Zachariah, and wife of said Long; said Betsey being her at law of Michael Tyms, of Maryland, deceased. They resided in St. Mary's County, Maryland and both were deceased prior to 1770.

Children:

- 16 i. William (4): b 1718 Maryland.
- ii. Susan: b 172-.
- iii. Mary: b 1723, died 1725.
- iv. Catherine: b 1729, married 1758 Joseph Morton, of Maryland.
- v. Mary: b 173-.
- vi. Francis: b 1737; died infancy.
- 17 vii. Allen (4): b 1740 Maryland, 2d wife.
- 18 viii. Zachariah (4): b 1743/44.

#### 11 WILLIAM (4) BILLINGSLEY

(William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born Calvert County, Maryland November 1691. He married about 1716 Mary Sumner, born Calvert County, Maryland in 169-. There is a traditional record among the descendants of James Billingsley that Mary was a daughter of Major William Dent, no evidence has been discovered to substantiate this claim and the William Dent records do not show that he had a daughter named Mary. Nathaniel Sumner, brother of Mary, appears to be asso-



ciated with William Billingsley in some transactions. On 4 Aug. 1716 William Billingsley and James Cobb gave bond for 100 pounds for his mother as administrator to his father's estate, and in 1717 he exhibits a final account of this estate in place of his mother. (*Test. Procl. zzziii, 68-78-141.*)

They moved to St. Mary's County, Maryland where he engaged in farming evidently using rented land as there does not appear any record showing he ever owned any real estate. The deed records of St. Mary's county were destroyed by fire many years ago and the above statement applies to records now on file at Annapolis.

In the inventory of the estate of his brother, Bowles, he signed it with Samuel Billingsley as "nearest of kin." He was a witness to will of Elizabeth Alburt 16 April 1739, said Elizabeth was a Bowles and connected with the family.

Mary died in December 1740 following the birth of Elizabeth. He dated his will 11 August 1745 and died before 16 Dec. 1745. The Rachel Billingsley who was a witness to this will is the widow of Bowles Billingsley, his brother.

#### WILL OF WILLIAM BILLINGSLEY

In the Name of God Amen. William Billingsley of St. Mary's County in the Province Maryland being of Perfect Memory thanks be to God for the same tho sick and weak in Body and not knowing how soon a Change may come, knowing we are all mortal I make this my Last Will & Testament revoking all others heretofore made in any kind whatsoever as followeth. First I give my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it to me and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named.

First I desire that Funeral Charges and Just debts be Paid then the rest of my estate as followeth;

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Wood one hogg about two years old.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Hardesty one Ewe and Lamb.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son William Billingsley and my son James Billingsley my two negroes Sambo and Ben I also desire that my son William make his choice of them by Christmas after my Death I also desire that my son James have a Young Horse named Spark that I promised him for learning his Younger Brothers and Sisters to Read and that he comply with his part of the agreement.

Item: I give and Bequeath unto my five Younger children, Margaret, Chare, Francis, Siare, and Elizabeth all the Rest of my Personal Estate to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors such as shall come to age to Receive the same and lastly I hereby ordain and appoint my son William Billingsley Executor of this my Last Will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seale this Eleventh Day of August Anno Dom. 1745.

his  
Signed sealed and delivered William W Billingsley  
in Presence of us mark

her  
Rachel R Billingsley

mark  
James Kuch

This will was probated by William Billingsley On 16 Dec. 1745 Rachel Billingsley and James Kuch testified as witnesses

Children:

- i Mary Sumner: b 1718, married John Wood prior to 1745, said to have had two daughters of whom no record.
- 19 ii William Sumner (5): b 1720.
- iii Ann: b 1723-24, married Henry Hardesty, Jr. prior to 1745. This family later moved to Baltimore Co., Md. and no further record of them. They are believed to have moved to Monongalia Co., Va. tho no definite facts on the matter.
- 20 iv James (5): b Apr. 1726.
- v Margaret: b 1728-29.
- vi Clearanna: b 1732.
- 21 vii Francis (5): b 1734-35.
- 22 viii Sias (5): b 1737-38.
- ix Elizabeth: b Dec. 1740.

#### 12 BOWLES (4) BILLINGSLEY

(William's, John's, Francis's.) Born Calvert County, Maryland December 1694, moved to St. Mary's County, Maryland and married prior to 1723 Rachel Garden, born Maryland 17—, said to be a daughter of Clement Garden. He was a farmer and died in May 1744, his estate was administered by Rachel Billingsley, his widow. Inventory dated 4 June 1744 by Clement Garden and James Poulton, his brothers in law and it amounted to 117.55.0 pounds. This record was signed by Samuel and William Billingsley as "Nearest of Kin." On 2 Sept. 1746 Rachel made final return of account and distribution of the estate which netted 104.62½ pounds as follows: one third to widow, residue to John, James, Clement, and Zachariah, and daughter Rachel all orphans of the deceased. (*Accounts 23-1.*)

No data on death of Rachel. Resided St. Mary's County, Maryland. Children:

- 23 i John (5): b 1723.
- 24 ii James (5): b 1727.
- 25 iii Clement (5): b 1729.

- iii Allen: b 1769, married 5 Oct. 1796 Sarah G. Latimer, b. Md. 17— Resided St. Mary's Co., Md. He dated his will 10 May 1810 and died before July 1810, said will probated 11 July 1810. (Wills JJS-219.) She survived him a few years and was deceased before 1820. They had:
- 1 Sarah: b 1798-99, died before 1810
  - 2 Chapman: b 1804, married 12 Dec. 1828 Lydia C. Barbour, b Md. 1809, resided St. Mary's Co., Md. He dated his will 10 July 1868. (Wills JTM-R1-366.) and died in 1875. Lydia dated her will 30 Apr. 1875 and died before 1880. (Wills JTM-R1-428.) No children of record. He served in State Legislature at one time.

32 iv Thomas (5): b 1771.

#### 18 ZACHARIAH (4) BILLINGSLEY

(Francis S, Edward 2, Francis 1.) Born St. Mary's County, Maryland in 1743-44. He married prior to 1770 Elizabeth Asheum, born Maryland 174—. On 1 August 1780 he purchased from William Dawson and wife 185 acres of land in Spotsylvania County, Virginia and removed to said county to establish his home. On 15 September 1786 he was a witness to a deed. On 15 October 1787 he was deeded 200 acres of land for 150 pounds by Charles Pemberton and wife and on 29 August 1791 he sold this land to William Duval for 150 pounds. On 13 April 1792 he was witness to a deed and on 2 January 1798 he emancipated a slave, Tom. He dated his will 23 February 1798 and makes no mention of his wife and she was probably deceased prior to this date, he devises to son, John, land and plantation, etc. provided he shall pay to my daughter Elizabeth Long 100 pounds to be divided after her death among her children, the amount to remain in hands of John Billingsley as guardian, John Billingsley named as executor, witnessed by A. Willis, Charles Bennett, Lewis Jones, and John Stears. He is listed as a Tax payer from 1791 to 1801 on 185 acres of land. This will was probated 2 February 1802 and he probably died January 1802. All records referred to above in Spotsylvania Co., Va.

#### Children:

- 33 i John Asheum (5): b 24 April 1770.
- ii Elizabeth: b 1775-76, she m prior to 1794 James Long; in a deed 10 Dec. 1799 James Long and Zachariah Billingsley, whereas sd Long was made guardian for sd Betsey whereby he became possessed of estate of sd Betsey for 280 pounds Maryland currency besides her slaves, etc. and sd Long is desirous to secure sundry slaves in lieu of sd money—sd Betsey being heir of Michael Tymes of Maryland, decsd, etc. (Deeds P, 217.) It appears from

the provision in her father's will that there were children of whom we have no record.

#### 19 WILLIAM SUMNER (5) BILLINGSLEY

(William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born St. Mary's County, Maryland in 1720. He married prior to 1743 Nancy Freeman, born Maryland 1726. He was legatee and executor to his father's will in 1745. Resided in St. Mary's County where he was a farmer and died intestate 1758-59. She married (2) circa 1763 James Colton. She died 1786. Resided in St. Mary's and Calvert Counties, Maryland.

#### Children:

- i Nancy: b 1743, m 1763 James Shamwell.
- 34 ii William (6): b Dec. 1746.
- iii Mary: b 1749.
- iv John: b 1751, died 1763.
- v Rachel: b 1753.
- 35 vi James (6): b 25 Oct. 1755.
- vii Nancy Colton: b 1765, 2d marriage.
- viii James Colton: b 1768.

#### 20 JAMES (5) BILLINGSLEY

(William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born St. Mary's County, Maryland in 1726. He was legatee in his father's will in 1745. He married prior to 1747 Elizabeth Crabtree, born 1726 in Maryland. They moved to Baltimore County, Maryland about 1758 where they resided to about 1768 then moved to Guilford County, North Carolina. He appears to have owned considerable land but there does not appear any deeds to account for it. In 1771 he appears as a signer to a petition asking clemency for John Pugh and Thomas Welborn who appear to have been associated with the Insurrectionists. (N. C. Rec. Vol. ix, pp. 26, 29, 30.) When the Revolution began he became quite active in aiding the American cause, sent his sons into the service and incurred the enmity of the Tories of the vicinity in particular. He was continually harassed by them until the year 1776 when they invaded his home and asked for money, on being told he had none they took him to a near by tree and hung him. This statement comes from his wife who made note of his death in the family bible, and as she lived to know many of her great grand children she often repeated the tragic death of her husband to them. One of these, the son of John Billingsley, Junior, heard the story, and it was also often repeated to him by his grand father and as he was a lad of some 13 years of age at the time of the death of his grand father he wrote all of it down at the time. Before his death he wrote out all that he had made note of into a complete record of the family for his children.

James Billingsley was killed in April 1776. He dated his will 25 Jan.

1776 and it was probated at the May term of court 1776, an abstract follows:

Item: In consideration of my children that is in being already, portioned, that is to say, James, Elizabeth, Claranna, Samuel, and John, to each 2 shillings and 6 pence.

Item: To son, William H., one bed & furniture to be recorded in with his equal part with the following children, to wit: Martha & Walter & Bazil.

Item: To Martha, my daughter, one bed & furniture, one Chist & one Cow to be in part her equal share in the list above mentioned.

Item: My two youngest sons, Walter & Bazel, plantation when they come of age, & that they share an equal part of the movable estate with others of my so last mentioned fore children.

Item: To my well beloved wife during her widowhood one bed & furniture, one horse, one mare, two Cows & calves & Plantation, and if a widow when my sons come of age for her to have her right in the land so long as a widow, this exclusive of her one third in movable estate, said wife to be executrix.

Item: To daughter Claranna, value of 3 pounds of estate exclusive of the above 2 shillings 6 pence.

This will witnessed by Teldeau Lane and William Hamer.

Elizabeth survived him many years, moved to Tennessee with her sons and resided many years with her son, John, in Warren County, Kentucky, about 1838 she made the trip to McMinn County, Tennessee to spend a while with her son, Walter, she did not long survive this trip and died early in 1839 aged 113 years. Walter was given the family Bible a part of the record he filed with his claim for a pension.

Children:

- 36 i Samuel (6): b 1747 Md.
- 37 ii James (6): b Oct. 1749 Md.
- iii Elizabeth: b 1751-52 Md., m Teldeau Lane prior to 1776.
- 38 iv John (6): b 17 Aug. 1754.
- v Claranna: b 1756 Md., m prior to 1776 William Hamer. She died sine prole in 1781.
- 39 vi William Henry (6): b 11 Oct. 1758 Baltimore Co., Md.
- vii Martha: b 3 May 1760 Baltimore Co., Md., m 1783 William Hamer, his 2d wife, she died Jan. 1786. They had:
  - 1 Barbara Hamer: b Dec. 1785, m James Billingsley, No. 94, which see.
- 40 viii Walter (6): b 14 July 1761 Baltimore Co., Md.
- 41 ix Bazil (6): b 2 June 1764 Baltimore Co., Md.

### 21 FRANCIS (5) BILLINGSLEY

(William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born St. Mary's County, Maryland in 1734-35. He was legate in his father's will in 1745. He

and his brother, Sias, moved to Baltimore County, Maryland about 1758 where he was "Taxed as a Bachelor in 1760." He was a staunch Quaker and married 1763-64 Asenath Howell, born Baltimore County, Maryland 31 January 1748, see Howell-Excursus. In 1763 he was deeded 148 acres of land by William Jones, a part of "Gillingham." (Deeds BH-206.) In 1778 he signed the Oath of Allegiance on Return of James McComas, Harford Co., Md. (Mss Md. Rec. rol. iii, fol. 12.) In 1780 Francis Billingsley was drafted to serve as a member of the Grand Jury of Harford County, he sacrificed his religious principles and accepted this duty to his County and Country. He was made Foreman and was the only member of this jury who was reappointed and served until 1783.

On 3 September 1789 he deeded to Henry Ruff for 550 pounds two parcels of land "Gibson Park," 200 acres and "Papa's Search," 33 acres, both sold to said Billingsley by John Paca & Iving in Winter's Run. (Deeds K-383.)

In the latter part of the year 1789 Francis moved to Wilkes County, Georgia following some of his sons and his son-in-law, Thomas Norris. He appears to have accumulated considerable land, built a house and a mill. There is recorded in Harford County, Maryland under date of 28 May 1793 a bond by Francis Billingsley, farmer, and Aquilla Hall, attorney at law, to Henry Ruff for 1000 pounds for sale of the above mentioned land. This bond made as Francis Billingsley did bind himself to Samuel Osborn, collector of Taxes, Harford County, as security for M. Mitchell, deputy collector of Taxes, etc., and did fail to pay same, it was put in suit but no judgement recorded; this bond to secure said Ruff from any judgement possible in this case. (Lib. I-483.)

On 15 March 1794 he was one of appraisers of estate of Charles McKnight.

On 23 June 1798 he was one of appraisers of estate of Jesse Walker. Asenath was deceased before 22 December 1798 as Francis dated his will that date and she is not mentioned. He died before 4 January 1799. They are both buried on the plantation but graves are not marked.

### WILL OF FRANCIS BILLINGSLEY

In the name of God Amen this twenty second day of December the year one thousand Seven hundred and Ninety Eight—I, Frances Billingsley Senior of the County of Wilkes and State of Georgia being in perfect mind and memory thanks be to the Almighty God therefore calling this to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to once to Die do make this my last Will and Testament that is to say—

Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul to God that gave it and my Body I Recommend to the Ground; to the Earth to be buried in a Decent Manner at the discretion of my Executors and Worldly

## Children:

- James: b 1772, died infancy.
- ii Mary: b 1773.
- 55 iii Samuel (7): b 9 Apr. 1775.
- 86 iv William (7): b 16 Jan. 1779.
- 87 v Jeptha (7): b 1780 Onslow Co., N. C.
- 88 vi John (7): b 10 Sept. 1781.
- 89 vii Thomas (7): b 30 Dec. 1782.
- viii Amanda: b 178—
- 90 ix Elijah (7): b 1786 N. C.
- x Sarah: b 178— Tenn.
- xi Nancy: b 179— Tenn.

## 37 JAMES (6) BILLINGSLEY

(James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born St. Mary's County, Maryland October 1749, moved to Baltimore County with his parents about 1758 and to Guilford County, North Carolina with them about 1767-68. He married January 1769 Ann, daughter of William Rea by his first wife, there were also two sisters who married William Gowdy and Henry Ross. James Billingsley was Captain of a company of militia, 1780-1783. In Account Book A, page 50, James Billingsley, rations furnished militia, dated April 1780, 6-8-0 pounds; on page 277, Sundries furnished Militia, accounts allowed by Auditor of Salesbury District June 1783, James Billingsley, 15-8-8 pounds; on page 278, same in 1783 to Captain James Billingsley & his company 274-1-0 pounds, voucher No. 3861, and on Voucher No. 3876, 321-4-0 pounds. (Records Hist. Com. Raleigh.) On 5 February 1783 Hugh Robertson deeded to James Billingsley land on Mears Fork, 641 acres, one half of a tract granted to William Wiley 23 May 1758, Wiley to Arthur Parr, Parr to Richard Wright, Wright to Herman Husband, Husband to William Robertson, said Robertson to Hugh Robertson. (Deeds Lib. 2, fol. 293.) On 22 November 1785 he and his wife sold 160 acres of this tract to his brother; William Henry Billingsley. (Deeds Lib. 5, fol. 453.) On 7 February 1789 James and Ann Billingsley deeded to Thomas Moore, of Orange County, 160 acres of said tract on Mears Fork for 160 pounds. (Deeds Lib. 5, fol. 93.)

William Rea dated his will 23 February 1789, wife Margaret, 50 pounds from sale of personality & benefit of the plantation lands rented to James Blair; all goods & chattels to be sold & proceeds to be laid out in land, said land to equally divided among all my children as they come of age; land I now claim on waters of Cumberland River, after satisfying Power of Attorney to James Billingsley, balance to be divided as above; executors named were Henry Ross and William Gowdy; witnessed by James Billingsley, William Gowdy, and Henry Ross.

It appears this Power of Attorney was given to James Billingsley to dispose of land and in 1789 there was passed an Act authorizing said

Billingsley to issue deeds for the lands mentioned. (Wills Lib. A, fol. 306, and N. C. Col. records vol. xxv, 44.) They resided in this county for many years and later moved to Cumberland country with their sons and resided in Logan and Warren Counties, Kentucky to about 1807 then moved to Tennessee where he died in 1809-10, Ann survived him some years and died at the home of her son, William, in 1822-23 in Roane County, Tennessee.

## Children:

- 91 i William Henry (7): b Dec. 1769.
- ii Ann: b 1771, died infancy.
- 92 iii John (7): b 1772.
- iv Mary: b 1773, m William George, b S. C. 1776, late in life, resided Lincoln Co., Tenn. No children.
- 93 v Samuel (7): b 1775.
- vi Frances Rebecca: b 1777, m 1792 David Billings, b N. C. 1769, moved to Tenn. about 1834, both living in 1850, resided Wilson Co., Tenn. Reared several children, no descendants living in 1930.
- 94 vii James (7): b 1779.
- viii Elizabeth: b 1781, m prior to 1802 David Craig, b N. C. 1779, moved to Tenn. and resided Maury Co. in 1830. They had, known:
  - 1 David Craig, Jr.: b 1802, m prior to 1825 Martha. They had 3 sons living in 1830.
  - 2 Elizabeth Craig: b 1807, died unmarried.
- ix Ann: b 1784, died 1790's.
- x Francis Basil: b 178—, died infancy.

## 38 JOHN (6) BILLINGSLEY

(James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born St. Mary's County, Maryland 17 August 1754, moved to Baltimore County, Maryland with his parents and then to Guilford County, North Carolina with them. He married 2 June 1772 Jean Millsap, born North Carolina 7 May 1754. Original marriage bond on file at North Carolina Historical Commission at Raleigh and appears to have been filled out by John Billingsley himself as the signature and the body of the bond are the same writing. They moved to Rutherford County, North Carolina. From his father's will he appears to have been given his share of the estate at the time of his marriage. He enlisted 1776-1778 Private, Captain John Arnold's Company, Colonel Collier's Regiment, served six months; enlisted June 1780 and served to 25 December 1780, Private, Captains Britton Fuller, and Jacob Williams, Colonel Collier's Regiment; enlisted again soon afterwards and served a few days Captain Thomas Williams, Colonel Collier's Regiment. He was pensioned 23 December 1833 while residing in Warren County, Kentucky. He states in his claim that he was residing in Rutherford County at the time of his service.

On 4 January 1779 he entered 290 acres of land in Washington County (Tenn.). On 2 April 1779 he entered two tracts of 400 acres and 200 acres of land in Onslow County, North Carolina and these were issued to him 29 March 1780. (*Land Rec. 86, fol. 11, 17.*) On 11 June 1779 he again entered 300 acres of land in Washington County (Tenn.). On 26 April 1780 he entered 75 acres of land in Sullivan County (Tenn.) and this was followed by entries of 74 acres, 30 acres, and 15 acres in the same County before 1785. They moved from Rutherford County to Onslow County, North Carolina about 1781 where they resided to about 1794 then moved to Sullivan County (Tenn.), and his entries were issued to him 4 December 1795. (*Land Rec. 84, fol. 153, 161, 162; 89, fol. 325, 357.*) They then moved to Washington County, Tennessee in 1796 where they resided many years. Some time in the 1820's John turned over his property to his youngest son, Jacob, with the provision that Jacob would care for John and his wife the rest of their days. Jacob appears to have converted most of the property into cash and moved to Cumberland County, Kentucky where they resided in 1830. It is also stated that Jacob soon ran thru with everything available leaving his parents in destitute circumstances and that John Billingsley, Junior, came and carried his parents to his home in Warren County, Kentucky. It was from this home that John made his application for pension 23 December 1833. Jean died 8 February 1842, and John died 19 September 1844 at the home of their son, John, Warren County, Kentucky.

## Children:

- i Sarah: b Apr. 1773 Guilford Co., N. C., moved to Tenn. with her parents and married prior to 1797 Alexander Hale, he was deceased before 1840, she was living in 1850 and resided in Washington Co., Tenn. They had:
  - 1 Harriet Hale: b 1797, m Henry Hale, b Tenn. 1797. They had:
    - a James L. Hale: b 1829.
    - b Henry Hale: b 1834.
    - c Martha Hale: b 1836.
    - d Sarah Hale: b 1838.
    - e Harriet Hale: b 1839.
  - 2 Alexander Hale, Jr.: b 1800, m 1832 Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_ b Ky, 1803, he died in 1847, she was living Washington Co., Tenn. in 1850. They had, known:
    - a Archibald Hale: b 1834.
    - b Elizabeth Hale: b 1838.
    - c Sarah Hale: b 1840.
    - d John Hale: b 1843.
    - e James Hale: b 1845.
  - 3 William C. Hale: b 1803, m prior to 1833 Mariah \_\_\_\_\_ b Ky. in 1807, he died about 1845, resided Washington Co., Tenn. They had:

- a William C. Hale, Jr.: b 1838. } Twins.
- b Jeremiah Hale: b 1833. }
- c Susan Hale: b 1834. }
- d Sarah Hale: b 1836.
- e John Hale: b 1838.
- f Landon Hale: b 1840.
- g James Hale: b 1842.
- 4 Joseph Hale: b 1812, m 1833 Sarah \_\_\_\_\_, b Ky. 1816, resided Washington Co., Tenn. They had:
  - a Mary A. Hale: b 1837.
  - b Elizabeth Hale: b 1839.
  - c George W. Hale: b 1842.
  - d Catherine Hale: b 1844.
  - e Cynthia A. Hale: b 1848.
- 5 Henry Hale: b 1814, m 1838 Mary \_\_\_\_\_, b Tenn. 1815. Resided Washington Co., Tenn. They had:
  - a Harriet Hale: b 1840.
  - b Elizabeth Hale: b 1841.
  - c Joseph Hale: b 1842.
  - d Clinton Hale: b 1844.
  - e Daniel Hale: b 1846.
  - f Thomas Hale: b 1849.
- 95 ii Jesse (7): b 22 Feb. 1774 N. C.
- iii Elizabeth: b May 1776, married (1) a Mr. Birdwell, he died and she married (2) a Mr. Brown. She was generally known as "Aunt Betsy Burdle" and is said to have died in Jackson Co., Tenn. It is said there was only one child and that by Birdwell, who lived to be grown but never married.
- 96 iv James (7): b Aug. 1778.
- 97 v Thomas (7): b 1781.
- vi Mary: b 1783 N. C., moved to Tenn. with her parents and married (1) Jesse Parker, b N. C. 1778-79, resided in middle Tenn., and probably Jackson Co. where he died 1814-15, she married (2) Zebudee Anderson. They moved to Ill. where they resided for some years. In the record left by John M. Billingsley, No. 249, he states "Polly and her son, Wesley Anderson visited our home in Kentucky in the late 1830's." This family moved to Texas about 1848, passed thru Batesville, Ark. but did not digress to visit her brother, Samuel, who resented it very much. We have no subsequent record of them. They had, known:
  - 1 Jesse Parker, Jr.: b 18\_\_ Tenn., m Ibbie Billingsley, daughter of Thomas Billingsley, No. 97, which see.
  - 2 Wesley Anderson: b 1820 Tenn.

- 98 vii John (7): b 7 Mar. 1786 N. C.  
 99 viii Samuel (7): b 11 Feb. 1789.  
 ix Jane; b 1792 N.-C.; moved to Tenn. with her parents where she married prior to 1813 Edward Mercer, b N. C. 1787, resided in Jackson Co., Tenn.; both were living in 1860. They had:
- 1 Jones Mercer: b 1813.
  - 2 Minerva Mercer: b 1815, was unmarried in 1850.
  - 3 Harriet Mercer: b 1817, m. about 1850 John Billingsley, son of Samuel Billingsley, No. 99. He died prior to 1844 since prole and she married (2) a Dr. Johnson at Salem, Ark.; he died and she married (3) a Methodist minister named Caruthers. She left him and returned to Tenn. where she died. No record of any children.
  - 4 Sarah Mercer: b 1820, died small.
  - 5 Mary J. Mercer: b 1822.
  - 6 Canzadée Mercer: b 1824, died at Salem, Ark. in 1890's while on a visit to her sister.
  - 7 Levonia Mercer: b 1828.
  - 8 Daughter: b 183- died inf.
  - 9 Amanda Mercer: b 1835.
- 100 x Jacob (7): b 1795 Tenn.

## 39 WILLIAM HENRY (6) BILLINGSLEY

(James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born Baltimore County, Maryland in 1758, moved to Guilford County, North Carolina with his parents about 1767. Was legatee in his father's will. He married 11 May 1784 Elizabeth, daughter of William Gowdy, born 1765, Guilford County, North Carolina. She is mentioned in the will of her father 15 November 1786 and is also legatee in the will of her brother James Gowdy 22 January 1809.

On 22 November 1785 he was deeded by James and Ann Billingsley land on Meares Fork. (Deeds 5-558.) On 16 August 1790 he was deeded 320 acres of land by John Canahan. (Deeds 5-433.) On 19 November 1792 he was deeded 264 acres of land by Thomas Anderson. (Deeds 5-433.) On 6 November 1792 he sold 160 acres of land to Hezekiah Bevil, this deed not recorded until 1808. (Deeds 9-391.) On 23 November 1792 he sold to George Donnell 264 acres of land bought of Thomas Anderson. (Deeds 5-474.) On 22 August 1793 he sold to James Murry 160 acres of land on Meares Fork bought of James and Ann Billingsley in 1785. (Deeds 2-293, and 5-451.) On 8 December 1795 he sold 160 acres of land to Stephen Gauff. (Deeds 5-578.) On 22 February 1804 he was deeded by James Murry 210 acres of land on both sides of Meares Fork, this deed not recorded until 1818. (Deeds 18-180.) He died about July 1820 as on 1 May 1821 Elizabeth was party to a deed disposing of 121½ acres of

land on North side Reedy Fork to Isaac Pearson of Rockingham County, North Carolina. (Deeds 15-185.) On 6 August 1821 William Armfield, sheriff, by order of the Court dated 19 August 1820 sold 160 acres of land to Larkin Baldwin to satisfy claims against heirs of William H. Billingsley, deceased. (Deeds 15-553.) On 19 November 1821 Elizabeth, widow of said deceased, sold to Joel Murry 79 acres of land being dower rights set aside by a jury. (Deeds 15-371.) Elizabeth moved to Alabama with her son, William H. Billingsley where she died about 1833-34 in Tuscaloosa County.

Children:

- 101 i James (7): b Feb. 1786.  
 ii Jean: b 1787, m Joel Murry, resided Guilford Co., N. C. to 1822 and said to have moved to Tenn. They had, known:
- 1 Rebecca Murry: b 18—, Was living in 1809 and legatee in the will of James Gowdy, etc.,
- 102 iii William Henry (7): b 1789.  
 iv Elizabeth: b 1791, m Solomon Kendall, b N. C. 1781, both living in 1850, Guilford Co., N. C. They had:
- 1 Lucinda Kendall: b 1820, m Johnson and had a daughter Lucinda b 1842.
  - 2 Keziah Kendall: b 1824.
  - 3 Rachel Kendall: b 1828.
- v Martha: b 1793, m prior to 1812 Joshua Hedgecock, b N. C. 1780, both living in 1850, resided Guilford Co., N. C. They had:
- 1 Alfred Hedgecock: b 1812, m 1840 Lydia Hannah, b N. C. 1817, resided Guilford Co., N. C. They had:
    - a Mary E. Hedgecock: b 1842.
    - b Malissa Hedgecock: b 1843.
    - c Luzerna Hedgecock: b 1845.
    - d Emily L. Hedgecock: b 1849.
  - 2 Joseph Hedgecock: b 1814, m prior to 1836 Edith, b N. C. 1810, resided Guilford Co., N. C. They had:
    - a Henrietta Hedgecock: b 1836.
    - b Laura Hedgecock: b 1838.
    - c James Hedgecock: b 1839.
    - d Ruhanna Hedgecock: b 1841.
    - e Cyrus Hedgecock: b 1843.
    - f Lucy Hedgecock: b 1843.
    - g Emma Hedgecock: b May 1850.
  - 3 Thomas Hedgecock: b 1816, m 1841 Eliza, b N. C. 1823, resided Guilford Co., N. C. They had:
    - a Martha Hedgecock: b 1842.
    - b Sarah Hedgecock: b 1844.
    - c Emaline Hedgecock: b 1846.

and m prior to 1861 James Kenney, b Ill. 1838, he was a farmer, resided Perry Co., Ill. They had:

- 1 Melissa Kenney: b 1861.
- 2 Mary C. Kenney: b 1865.

## 97 THOMAS (7) BILLINGSLEY

(John 6, James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born Onslow County, North Carolina in 1781 moved to Sullivan County, Tennessee with his parents 1794-95 and to Washington County, Tennessee in 1796. He married (1) February 1801 Rebecca Crawford, born North Carolina in 178-. They moved to Giles County, Tennessee where Rebecca died about 1825. He married (2) prior to 1830 Ruth —, born IS— They migrated to Mississippi in or about 1835 and then moved to Arkansas in 1840-41 and located in Sevier County where Ruth died in 1844-45. He was a farmer and was living in 1852 at which date his brother, Samuel, visited him, he died some time before 1860.

## Children:

- 246 i Edward Nathaniel (8): b 8 Dec. 1801.
- ii Samuel: b 1803, died 1833 Tenn.
- 247 iii John Crawford (8): b 7 Oct. 1807 Tenn.
- iv Rebecca: b 16 Dec. 1809, m Alfred C. Billingsley, No. 231, which see.
- v Isabella: b 1810, was called "Ibbie," she m (1) Jesse Parker, son of Jesse, Parker and Mary Billingsley, 1st cousins, resided for a time in Izard Co., Ark., then moved to Sevier Co., Ark. where Parker died and she m (2) —, she died in Sevier Co., Ark., said to have left four children.
- vi James: b Nov. 1811 Tenn., died 1822.
- vii Jane: b 1812 Tenn., she m in 1830 Giles Co., Tenn., Wyatt Anderson, b Ky. 1803, moved to Sevier Co., Ark., both living in 1850. They had, known:
  - 1 Joshua Anderson: b 1831.
  - 2 James Anderson: b 1833.
  - 3 William Anderson: b 1833.
  - 4 Mary Jane Anderson: b 1837.
  - 5 Louisiana Anderson: b 1839.
  - 6 Jackson Anderson: b 1841.
  - 7 Thomas Anderson: b 1843.
  - 8 Joseph Anderson: b 1847.
- viii Thomas: b 1814 Tenn. Moved to Miss. and Ark. with his parents. He was living in 1850 Sevier Co., Ark. and listed as a school-teacher. No subsequent record.
- ix Martha Jane: b 1816 Tenn., moved to Miss. with her parents and m there prior to 1840 John W. Quinn, b Tenn.

1818, they moved to Sevier Co., Ark. about 1847, he was a farmer and blacksmith, both living in 1860. They had:

- 1 Mary A. Quinn: b 1842 Miss.
- 2 Sarah E. Quinn: b 1845 Ark.
- 3 Amanda C. Quinn: b 1848 Ark.
- 4 Nathaniel Quinn: b 1850.
- 5 Rutson Quinn: b 1852.
- 6 William Quinn: b 1855.
- 7 Susan Quinn: b 1859.
- x Nathaniel: b 1819 Tenn., moved to Miss. with his parents and m there (1) —, she died 1846 Miss. He moved to Sevier Co., Ark. and was living with his father in 1850. He m (2) prior to 1860 Dicy Walker, a widow, b 1830 in N. C., she had 2 children at the time of this marriage. He was a farmer and resided Sevier Co., Ark. in 1860. They had, known:
  - 1 Canzada: b 1846 Miss.
  - 2 William Walker: b 1848 Ark. Step son.
  - 3 Elizabeth Walker: b 1851 Ark. Step daughter.
- xi James: b 1822 Tenn., died small.
- xii Margaret: b 1823 Tenn., died small.
- xiii Ruth: b 1830 Giles Co., Tenn., 2d wife. Moved to Miss. and Ark. with her parents, she m about 1856 John Phillips, he died in 1859, she was living in 1870 in Little River Co., Ark. They had:
  - 1 Thomas Phillips: b 1855 Ark.
- xiv Mary: b 1833 Tenn., died infancy.
- xv William: b 1835 Miss., died aet. 6 years.
- xvi Columbus: b 1838 Miss. Was living in 1850 in Ark. He returned to Miss. about 1861 and enlisted 25 Feb. 1862 at Oxford as Pvt. F, 19th Miss. Inf., C. S. A.; sick in hospital 18 May 1862 at Richmond, Va. with Rubeloa; sent to Hospital at Lynchburg, Va. 24 July 1862; died 7 October 1862 in hospital.

## 98 JOHN (7) BILLINGSLEY

(John 6, James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born Onslow County, North Carolina 7 March 1786, moved to Tennessee with his parents 1794-5. He moved to middle Tennessee, Knox or Jackson County, where he married (1) 10 September 1807 Mary Campbell Doak, born 9 June 1787 and whose home was in Sumner County, Tennessee. They moved to Simpson County, Kentucky where he was granted 22 acres of land 22 September 1824. (Land Rec. Q, 46.) They then moved to Warren County, Kentucky before 1830. About 1831 he went to Cumberland County, Kentucky and brought his parents to his home. He

afterwards m (2) William Gooch and moved to Texas.  
Said to have been 2 sons by French.

- ix Amarillis: b 1840 Tenn., died 1850's Ark.
- x William A.: b 1842 Miss., moved to Calif. after the Civil War and died in Stockton, Calif., after 1900, unmarried.

## 247 JOHN CRAWFORD (8) BILLINGSLEY

(Thomas 7, John 6, James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.)  
Born Tennessee 7 October 1807, moved to Giles County, Tennessee with his parents where he married prior to 1830 Catherine Brooks, born Tennessee in 1805, they moved to Henry County, Tennessee where they resided to 1838 then moved to Alexander County, Illinois where Catherine died in 1840 shortly after the birth of her daughter. He moved to Sevier County, Arkansas in 1846 where he spent the rest of his days engaged in farming and died at his home 25 January 1872.

## Children:

- i Thomas Jerome: b Dec. 1830 Tenn., moved to Ill. and Ark. with his father. He m (1) in 1856 in Ark. Mary —, b Ark. in 1838, she died in 1862 and he m (2) prior to 1867 Susan —, b Ga. 1840. He enlisted 22 May 1862 Pvt. D, 1st Ark. Cav., C. S. A.; captured at Monro City, Kan. 24 Oct. 1864, sent to St. Louis and to Alton, Ill. 14 Nov. 1864, on 7 Dec. 1864 sent to Rock Island, Ill., Released 28 May 1865. Records show age 34 years, five feet, six and one half inches in height, blue eyes, and auburn hair, residence Sevier Co., Ark. Susan died in 1873, he was living in 1889 in Little River Co., Ark. where he died in 1907. They had:
  - 1 John C.: b 1858. Living 1880.
  - 2 J. Pinckney; b May 1860.
  - 3 Mary Jane: b 1862, m 1880, m J. J. Pipkin, b Tenn. 1858, resided Little River Co., Ark.
  - 4 Columbus: b 1867, 2d wife.
  - 5 Susan: b 1873, m Jesse Brazil, b 1871.
- ii John E.: b 1832 Tenn., moved to Ill. and Ark. with his father. He m in 1850 Sarah —, b Tenn. 1834. He enlisted 22 May 1862 Pvt. D, 1st Ark. Cav., C. S. A., died 7 Dec. 1862; claim filed by his widow for \$250.25 which was allowed and paid 11 Jan. 1865. They had, known:
  - 1 Melvina: b 1851.
  - 2 John: b 1852, m 1876 Elizabeth Anderson, b Ark. 1859, he died in 1879. They had:
    - a Maude: b 1877.
    - b Cassandra: b July 1879.
  - 3 Columbus Elliott: b 1853.
  - 4 Martha: b 1860.

- 5 Levi: b 1862.
- iii Jesse Grandison (9): b 3 Jan. 1834.
- iv Christopher Columbus: b 1837 Tenn. Living in 1860.
- v Sarah Jane: b 1840 Ill., moved to Ark. with her father and m in 1862 Edward (?) Gray, resided in Little River Co., Ark., she was living in 1889. They had, known:
  - 1 Mary Gray: b 1864 called "Polly."
  - 2 Edward Gray: b 1866.

## 248 ALEXANDER DOAK (8) BILLINGSLEY

(John 7, John 6, James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.)  
Born middle Tennessee 26 July 1809, moved to Simpson and Warren Counties, Kentucky with his parents and married (1) 8 November 1831 Elizabeth McMurray, born Allen County, Kentucky 3 October 1811, resided in Allen County to about 1836 then with his father-in-law and others they moved to Putnam County, Indiana where they entered a large tract of land. Elizabeth died 14 September 1864 and he married (2) Emily Williams, born 18 —. They removed to Indianapolis where he died 16 January 1870, she married (2) a Mr. Featherstone, they both died prior to 1890. No children by 2d marriage.

## Children:

- i John James Warren (9): b 18 Sept. 1832 Ky.
- ii Mary Adelaide: b 2 Jan. 1834 Ky., she m 1 Sept. 1857 Uriah McKay, b Ky. in 1824, he was a school teacher in 1850, Putnam Co., Ind. "He became a Baptist preacher, moved to near Mason City, Ill. then moved to Iowa near Des Moines. They had some family, number and names, have forgotten. They sought to educate their children. One son was a Baptist preacher, and went to the Foreign field for a time but returned; another committed suicide while in college; Mary Adelaide died in Des Moines, Ia., date forgotten. The preacher son went to Texas and after her death, McKay and daughter went to Texas, stayed a few years and he died, and carried back to Des Moines for burial. I do not know anything of the family now." (Quotation of J. M. Billingsley as of 1910). From another source we learn she died Nov. 1891.
- iii Henry Mitchell: b 27 Oct. 1837 Putnam Co., Ind. He enlisted 22 Apr. 1861 Pvt. I, 7th Ind. Inf., U. S., for 3 months, discharged 2 Aug. 1861. He enlisted 8 Aug. 1862 Pvt. I, 4th Ind. Cav., U. S., this record shows: born Putnam Co., Ind., 5 feet 9 1/2 inches in height, light hair, and gray eyes; law student; promoted to Sgt. 22 Aug. 1862; June 1863, sick in hospital at Murfreesboro, Tenn.; 2d Lieut. 12 Nov. 1864; 1st Lieut. 20 June 1865. He married 30 Aug. 1865 Mary E. Hall, was living in 1910 and



- iv Alice T. Miller: b 1863 Ark.
- v John G. Miller: b 1865.
- vi William G. Miller: b 1869, 2d marriage, no Billingsley blood.
- vii Edward H. Miller: b 1870 Tex.
- viii Caroline S. Miller: b 1873 Tex.
- ix Nancy M. Miller: b 1875 W. Va.

## 418 JESSE GRANDISON (9) BILLINGSLEY

(John C. 3, Thomas 7, John 6, James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1. Born Tennessee 3 January 1834, moved to Illinois and Arkansas with his father. He enlisted 22 May 1862 Private D, 1st Arkansas Cavalry, C. S. A. and served to the end of the war. He married (1) in 1860 Julian Alford, born Arkansas 25 December 1844, she died in 1882 and he married (2) Eliza Kingston, she was living in 1893, no mention of her death. He was a Mason, family Baptists, and he engaged in farming all his life which ended 3 February 1915, resided Cerrigordo, Arkansas.

## Children:

- i John Alford: b 10 Dec. 1861, m 5 Aug. 1882 Mary Salome Buchanan, b 27 June 1866, she died Apr. 1899, he survives her and resides Vallient, Okla. They had:
  - 1 Julia Ann: b 26 Aug. 1885, m 1903 Bert Cooper, reside America, Okla.
  - 2 Jesse Richard: b 9 Sept. 1887, m 1912 Lola Roberts, reside Vallient, Okla.
  - 3 Ethel Salome: b 26 July 1891, m 1913 Samuel Myers, reside Millerton, Okla.
- ii Virginia Lee: b 8 Aug. 1866, m 1884 George Washington Brazil, b Norwoodville, Ark. 28 June 1861, she died 30 Dec. 1921, he survives her and resides near Cerrigordo, Ark. They had:
  - 1 George W. Brazil, Jr.: b 5 Jan. 1885.
  - 2 John D. Brazil: b 14 Nov. 1886.
  - 3 Lucy Salome Brazil: b 23 Nov. 1888, m a Mr. Kirk.
  - 4 Tucker Brazil: b 1890, died infancy.
  - 5 Edward Rupert Brazil: b 30 Mar. 1893, m 28 Apr. 1917 at Merryville, La., Eva McCranie, b Vernon Par., La. 11 Mar. 1896, reside San Benito, Texas. He has furnished information on this family. They had:
    - a Child: b May 1918, died same day.
    - b Jera May Brazil: b 1 Jan. 1920.
  - 6 Edna Brazil: b 7 Apr. 1896, m a Mr. Bolenger.
  - 7 Henry C. Brazil: b 189-, died 1899.
  - 8 Violet Brazil: b 2 July 1900, died infancy.
  - 9 Clara Brazil: b 1902, died infancy.

- 10 James D. Brazil: b 11 Mar. 1903.
- 11 Katherine Brazil: b 20 May 1905.
- 12 Child: b 1909, died 1909.
- iii James: b 1869, died in 1870's.
- iv Sarah Lutz: b 1872, m 1 James Brazil, b 1868, he died and she m. 2 Benjamin Lemon, residence not stated, she died Dec. 1911. They had:
  - 1 Edna Brazil.
  - 2 Julia Brazil.
  - 3 Clarence Brazil.
  - 4 Julius Lemon.
  - 5 Ethel Lemon.
- v Jessie Viola: b 1877, m James McClinton, she died Nov. 1914, residence not stated. They had:
  - 1 Luke McClinton.
  - 2 Hugh McClinton.
  - 3 Floyd McClinton.
  - 4 James McClinton.
- vi Robert E. b 1879, died small.
- vii Edgar J. b 188-, resides Idabel, Okla. No information obtainable from him.
- viii J. Oscar: b 1882, resides Sedan, Kan.
- ix Charles C. b 188-, 2d wife resides Horatio, Ark. We have not been able to get any information from him as to his family. In May 1931 we were sent a clipping from Chickasaw Express, Chickasaw, Okla., an editorial relative to a fishing trip to Little River Country Club and as we believe it has reference to this Charles Billingsley we quote: "For instance there was Charlie Billingsley, proprietor of the Club Cafe and store—or to put it in his own way, 'I run the yearlings and my wife runs the store.' We wanted some old fashioned sorghum, 'Have none to sell but I put up some for our own use—wife, fix up some for 'em.' Soon a quart jar of it was handed put. 'What's the price?' 'Oh, nothing.' Then we wanted some home cured ham. It was the same thing: 'Didn't put it up to sell—wouldn't think of charging you for it.' Mr. Billingsley left Arkansas in early manhood, spent some years in Oklahoma, home-steaded in New Mexico, and then went back to his native death where he has 'made good.' The privilege of knowing him and hearing some of his interesting frontier experiences was one of the pleasant by-products of our trip." We can add, "Well, Charlie, here's looking at you, even if you wouldn't tell us about your family."
- x Grover Granison: b 6 Feb. 1890, m 1 Apr. 1910 Addie Aaron, at Cerrigordo, Ark., where they resided some

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years then moved to Texarkana, Ark., and moved to Fort Towson, Okla. in 1929. He has furnished information on this family. They had:

- 1 Child: b 23 Feb. 1911, died same day.
- 2 Child: b 21 Jan. 1913, died same day.
3. William: b 1—, an adopted son, resided Oklahoma City, Okla. in 1931.

## BRAZIL EXCURSUS

Jesse L. Brazil, born circa 1834 in Alabama, married prior to 1858 Axie Ann Sessions, born Brundidge, Alabama in 1836, moved to Sevier County, Arkansas and later to Little River County, Arkansas where they both died.

## Children:

- i Elizabeth Brazil: b 1838, m a Mr. Lamb.
- ii George Washington Brazil: b 28 June 1861, m Virginia Lee Billingsley, see above.
- iii Martha Brazil: b 186—, died infancy.
- iv Daniel Brazil: b 186—, died infancy.
- v James Brazil: b 1868, m Sarah Lulu Billingsley, see above.
- vi Jesse Brazil: b 1871, m Susan Billingsley, see No. 247.

## 419 JOHN JAMES WARREN (9) BILLINGSLEY

(Alexander D. 8, John 7, John 6, James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born Allen County, Kentucky 18 September 1832, moved to Putnam County, Indiana with his parents. He married 24 December 1852 Elizabeth Hymer, born Indiana in 1835, moved to Mason City, Illinois then moved back to Marion County, Indiana living just outside the corporate limits of Indianapolis. He published a farm paper called The Tile Journal, and lectured on Farm Drainage and Farming in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, etc. He took a great interest in Christian Missions, was a Baptist and Moderator of the State Convention of Indiana for a few years; was on State Board of Missions for many years and its treasurer for 20 years or more which position he held when he died 25 October 1910, she died about 1915 at Indianapolis, Indiana.

## Children:

- i Amanda Adelaide: b 24 Nov. 1854 Ill., m Theodore A. Randall, she was living at Indianapolis, Ind. in 1932. No children.
- ii Denton Fremont: b 17 Nov. 1857 Ill., m 26 Oct. 1893 Emma Bertha Oliver, b 20 July 1863 at Attica, Ohio. He is a Mason and a past potentate of Murat Temple Mystic Shrine, resides Indianapolis, Ind. No children.
- iii Belle: b 1860 Ill., m Harry Rowley.
- iv James Henry: b 17 July 1864 at Ashley Mills, Ind., he m (1) 29 Dec. 1886 at Indianapolis, Ind. Nellie Hutchings,

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b 16 July 1865 at Greencastle, Ind., resided at Galena, Ill. where she died 5 Oct. 1919, he m (2) 10 Jan. 1920 Mrs. Clara Braun nee Carney, he died 16 June 1921 at Galena, Ill. He was a Mason and member of Murat Temple Mystic Shrine. She survives him and resided Pittsburgh, Pa. 1932. They had:

- 1 Clifford Hutchings: b 3 May 1889 Indianapolis, Ind., m 7 June 1919 at Galena, Ill. Frances G. Wood, b Centralia, Ill. 2 Jan. 1895. He is a Mason and a member of Kem Temple Mystic Shrine; is connected with Red River Power Co., reside Grand Forks, N. Dak. They had:
  - a Elizabeth E.: b 29 Mar. 1922.
  - b Barbara A.: b 20 Mar. 1927.
- 2 Elizabeth E.: b 11 Nov. 1895, m 15 Aug. 1915 Holmes C. Coltrane, he died 30 July 1929.
  - v Nettie: b 1865, m Dalton Styer.
  - vi Alexander D.: b Sept. 1869, was deceased in 1931.
  - vii Judson Wade: b 187—, was at Benton, Wis. in 1910.

## 420 JOHN MITCHELL (9) BILLINGSLEY

(Thomas H. H. 8, John 7, John 6, James 5, William 4, William 3, John 2, Francis 1.) Born Warren County, Kentucky 5 January 1861, moved to Ellis County, Texas with his parents where he married June 1886 Cassie Bryan, born Texas in 18—, she died in Ellis County, Texas 22 Nov. 1907. He has been in the Public Health Service for many years, was in Panama with General Gorgas 1905-1906-1907; during the World War was with Captain Simpson at Columbia, South Carolina engaged in malaria work; has been stationed at Laredo, Texas since 1921.

## Children:

- i Etta: b 2 Sept. 1887, m 25 June 1914 Hershell Voorhies, b Columbia, Tenn. 26 Jan. 1891. He died 7 Dec. 1923, she survives him and resides Denton, Tex. They had:
  - 1 Hershell Voorhies: b 25 May 1922.
  - 2 Lila Olivia Voorhies: b 13 Sept. 1925, died 22 Aug. 1926.
- ii Henry: b 24 Oct. 1889, m 1 June 1916 Fay Bigham, b Tex. 22 Nov. 1894, reside Red Oak, Tex. They had:
  - 1 Romona Maud: b 20 Apr. 1919.
  - 2 James Milton: b 21 May 1924.
- iii Rex: b 8 Mar. 1892, m 10 July 1910 at Cedar Hill, Tex. Eugenia Tune, b 19 Mar. 1895 in Ellis Co., Tex., reside Red Oak, Tex. They had no children.
- iv Mattie: b 16 June 1894, m 5 Aug. 1913 at Dallas Tex. Aubrey Pogue, b 23 July 1880 Ellis Co., Tex., reside