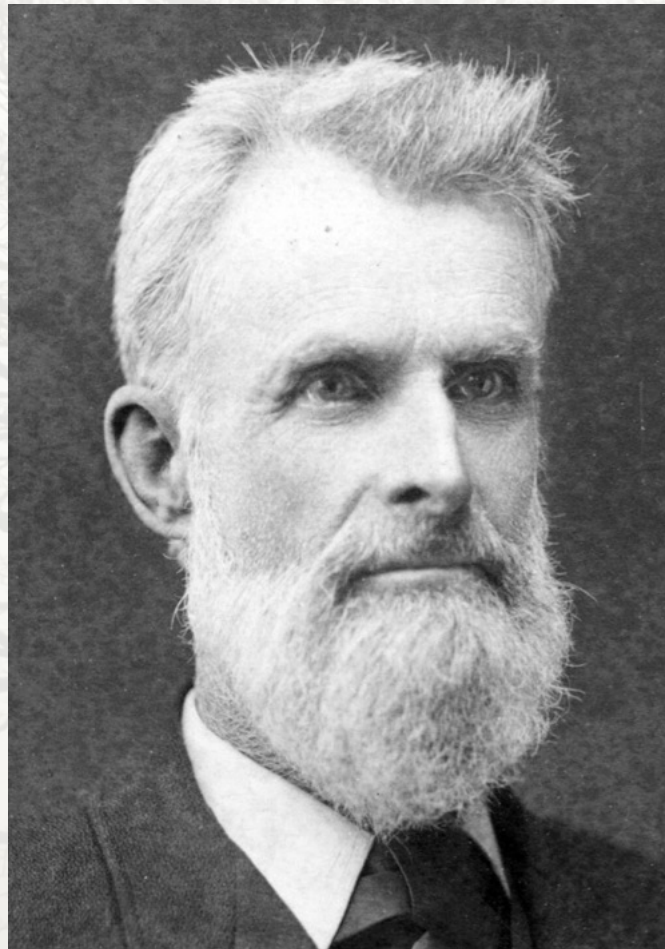


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Nelson Mills (1823-1904)

of Marysville, St. Clair County, Michigan



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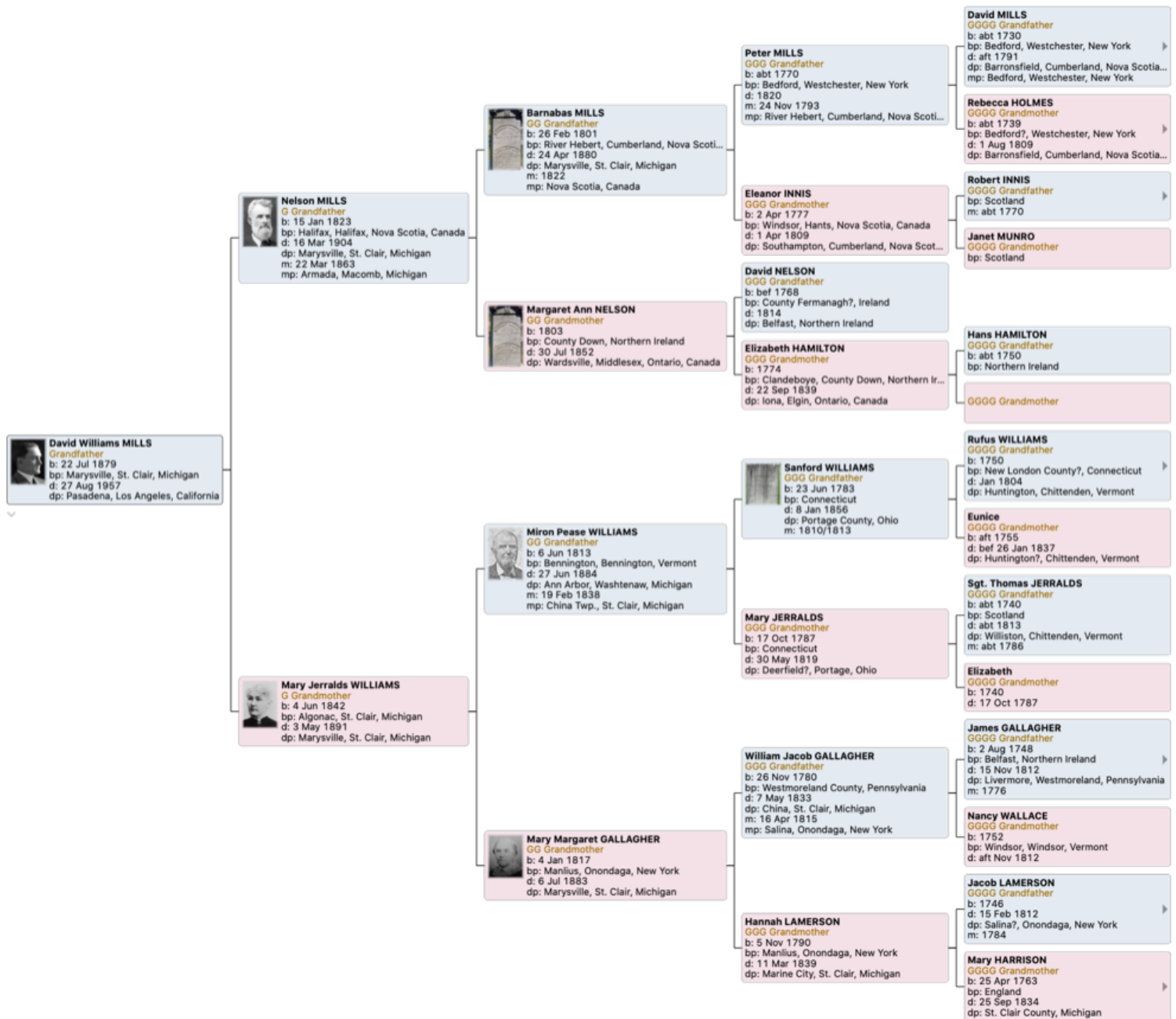
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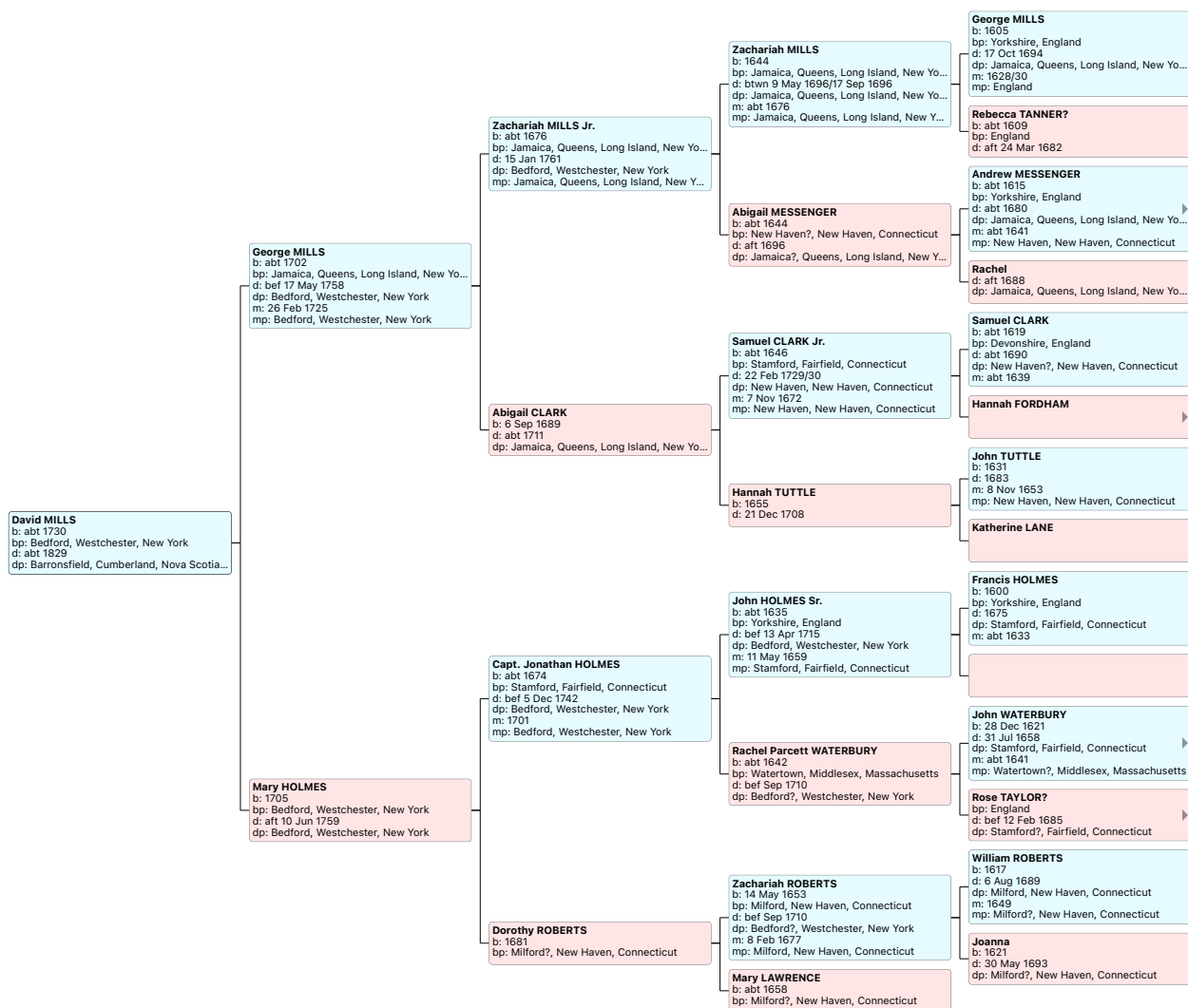
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Pedigree Chart from David Williams Mills



Pedigree Chart from David Mills, b 1730

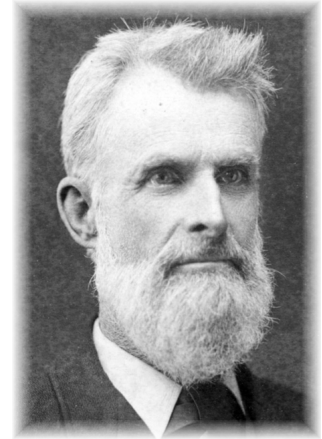




Nelson MILLS

Nelson MILLS - Source

Birth: 15 Jan 1823, Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada^{3,175,179,1102,1147}
Memo: age 63 in 1884; b NS
Death: 16 Mar 1904, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{3,175,179,1135}
Burial: 18 Mar 1904, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{3,340,341,7078}
Occupation: Lumber; ships; See Notes.
Religion: "in 1850 he became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church", Marysville¹¹⁴¹
Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - **Father** (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - **Mother** (1803-30 Jul 1852)



Nelson

- Born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the first born in a family of 14 children. In 1844 he left his father's farm near Wardsville [Ontario] and migrated to Newport, now Marine City, Mich. where he went to work as a ship carpenter in the same ship yard where in later years he had several ships built and repaired. About 1850 he moved 14 miles north to Vicksburg, the name being changed to Marysville, to honor his wife, to go into the lumber business. He resided in Marysville until his death.¹

- March 1845: School in Mosa; from penmanship book: "went to school on 12th of March, 1845, Aldborough."¹¹¹⁸

- 10 Oct 1845: Living in Mosa Township.

"Nelson Mills, his Book. A living in the Township of Mosa, London District, October the 10th, 1845."¹⁸⁰

- ...who came from Canada in 1844, and had been a ship-carpenter in Marine City until he joined Miron Williams in lumbering on the Turnpike about 1850.⁵⁴⁴

- Married 1863. All children born in Marysville, Michigan.¹

- "Nelson Mills settled in Mosa with his father in 1826....."

The 1826 date of settlement in Mosa given in this source corresponds to that indicated in the query in Mills Ancestry [issue #10 26 Sept. 1988], which gives it as c. 1826. The wording "settled...with his father" seems a bit incongruous, since Nelson would have been only 3 years old in 1826. The fact that the author, writing about 60 years after Nelson

moved from Mosa to Michigan, chose to describe the settlement in terms of Nelson rather than Barnabas, suggests that he may have had some kind of contact with Nelson over the years. (The author, Hugh McColl, who was b. 1837 in Ekfrid Twp., published the Strathroy Age from 1868 to 1876, and was postmaster at Strathroy from 1875 until his death in 1910.)

Source: Commentary by Robert A. Jones,⁵, in which this quotation is taken from Hugh McColl, *Some Sketches of the Early Pioneers of the County of Middlesex* (Toronto, 1902; facsimile edition Ottawa, Ont., Canadian Heritage Publications, 1979), page 23.

- At Marysville, or Vicksburg, as it was then generally called, E. P. Vickery, the first syllable of whose name had been used in giving the name to the settlement, had built a steam saw mill about 1843 which he later enlarged until it had a capacity of one million feet. A short distance below, Williams and Mills built, in 1855, a steam mill of two million feet capacity, and this together with the Vickery mill, were acquired by Williams and Mills, and later by Nelson and Barney Mills, who also purchased in 1878 the mill above their upper mill, which had been built in 1871 by William Sanborn and brother (James). This mill was a fine modern mill with a capacity of seven million feet, and was erected to saw timber brought from north of Saginaw bay.²⁹

- In 1845, William Sanborn and his brother, John P. Sanborn, came to the Port Huron area to work with their uncle James W. Sanborn. In Michigan, William Sanborn learned the art of timber scouting and surveying work under his uncle in the public land office. After the Civil War, William operated a sawmill on the St. Clair River in Marysville, Michigan, where he sawed the pine timber he cut from his properties in Iosco, Alcona and Oscoda Counties. He sold the property to Nelson and Barney Mills in 1871. This mill was located on the old Morton Salt property north of Bunce Road in Marysville.⁸³²⁵

- Two brothers, J. L. and J. W. Kelsey, built a mill in 1844 in the forest three miles west of Vicksburg on the Fort Gratiot Turnpike. Their lumber was hauled by teams to their dock up the St. Clair river which was known as Kelsey's dock or wharf.

Miron Williams and Nelson Mills organized a partnership March 21, 1850 and bought the mill and adjoining land of Kelseys. They operated the mill under the name of Williams and Mills, later to become a well known institution along the river and at Vicksburg, to which point the Kelsey mill was moved in 1858, after the timber available to the turnpike mill was exhausted.

Miron Williams had been a mill operator for Ward & Gallagher at Belle River Mills. Nelson Mills had been since 1844 a ship-carpenter in Ward's Marine City Shipyard. Williams married the oldest Gallagher girl, Mary, in 1838 and they came in 1854 with

their family of two boys and seven girls to Vicksburg, this being quite a substantial increase in the population of that time. The Williams farm home became the scene of much entertainment during the 30 years following. A school was maintained by Williams for his own children and those of the neighborhood, being the first school house in Vicksburg.¹¹²⁹

- [excerpts] Williams & Mills bought the turnpike saw-mill Mar. 21, 1850 from Joel w. & Jos. L. Kelsey, who had bought in 1844 from P. Laturno and Jos Beaushaw. Other land was included in the deed from Kelseys. Price was \$3500, with mortgage back for \$2500. See Vol U- pages 703-704.

Miron Williams and Nelson Mills formed a co-partnership dated May 29, 1850, and operated this mill, store, boarding house on the turnpike. The location was in NW 1/4 Sec. 1, St. Clair township.

Some date between 1850 and 1854, Nathan Reeve of Detroit (or Newburgh, N. y.) was taken into partnership, becoming the firm named Reeve, Williams & Mills.

Mar. 25, 1862. Nelson Mills and Barney Mills partnership agreement.

Mar. 25, 1862. Agreement of Miron Williams to sell to Nelson & Barney Mills.⁷⁰⁶⁹

- Before the end of pastor Tuttle's first successful year here, the Methodists were planning for a building. They had organized a Board of five Trustees--Peter Brakeman, Nelson Mills, Ainsley Griffith, William Smith, and David Carlisle. These trustees purchased a strip of land 4 rods wide and 39 rods deep from Obadiah Gardner for the sum of \$100.¹¹⁴¹

- The Methodist Episcopal Church of Vicksburg was organized November 9, 1859, with Peter F. Brakman, Nelson Mills, Ainsley M. Griffith, D. Carlisle and William Smith Trustees, and William Tuttle, pastor.²⁹

- At the foot of River Road and what is now Huron Ave. stood the general store operated by Nelson and Barney Mills. They carried everything a lumberjack needed to get along in life. All kinds of merchandise and groceries. The men were paid \$1.50 per day and felt an obligation to trade with Mr. Mills. They were paid on Saturday at the office in rear of store on way home from work. Later in day on payday most of them went back to store and purchased their needs for next week which resulted in Mr. Mills getting the money back that he had paid the men earlier in the day.¹¹⁵⁶

The Mills family had a complete lumber empire -- a lumber camp but can't recall where it was located but my Father called it the Nelson Mills camp in his songs. They owned a fleet of boats, four sawmills and several farms and the store also leased and operated Stag Island, and inaugurated a ferry service between Marysville and the island.¹¹⁵⁶

Also would like to add that Nelson Mills was in his office a lot but he could put on boots

and grab a pole and ride the logs in the river as good as any of the men.¹¹⁵⁶

- In the fall, when the first snow came, the Mills family's horses and oxen were shipped from Stag Island in the St. Clair River to Ogemaw County to work in the lumber camps. Around 1870 the Mills family owned hundreds of acres of Ogemaw County. They started a lumbering project which was carried for twenty years. After the trees were cut and trimmed into sizable logs, they were skidded into the Rifle River, during the spring freshets, and floated downstream. Upon reaching Lake Huron, they were rafted and pulled by tug boats to the St. Clair River, near Port Huron. Steam boats and tow barges transported them to Cleveland, Ohio, through Lake Erie.³⁴⁰²

- Supervisor of St. Clair Township, 1860-61.²⁹

- Justice of the Peace, 1856 & 1859.²⁹

- Marysville Postmaster: 1864-1892.¹¹²⁹

- The Mills Transportation Company was formed February 4, 1878, with a capital stock of \$250,000, divided into 10,000 shares of \$25 each. Nelson Mills, of Marysville, held 2,812; Barney Mills, 938; August C. Gray, 1,250; Henry McMorran, Port Huron, 2,500; and Charles Neal, Bay City, 2,500 shares.²⁹

- Nelson Mills, Marysville, of the firm of N & B Mills, Section 32, manufacturers of pine and other lumber, is a native of Nova Scotia, and was born January 15, 1823. When three years of age his parents moved to Upper Canada in the township of Mosa; there he lived until manhood. Then he came to Michigan and located in the County at Newport (now Marine City) and became a citizen. He worked at ship-building. Then he and Myron Williams bought a tract of timber and sawmill on the Fort Gratiot turnpike in 1850, and engaged in lumbering. Their mill burned the next winter, and they rebuilt the mill and had it running in six weeks. They ran the business there twelve years. In 1853, they formed a partnership with N. Reeves, of Detroit, and bought a tract of pine land in Sanilac County, and the Brooks and St. Clair mill at Algonac. N. Mills took charge of the Williams and Mills' property, and M. Williams that of the Reeves, Williams and Mills'. In 1854, they bought the Vickery mill at Vicksburg and transferred their business to that place and built another mill. Soon after this the Vickery mill burned. The business was carried on in this way for three years, when Reeves failed; Williams and Mills took his interest and paid the debts. They carried on the business until 1862. Then N. Mills bought the Williams' interest, and took B. Mills in as partner and moved the mill from the turnpike to where the Vickery mill had been burned. They bought a tract of pine in Ogemaw County. They run the logs

down the Rifle River, where they raft them and bring them to Vicksburg (now Marysville), where they operate two mills and a shingle and planing mill. They cut from eight to ten million feet of lumber yearly, and have the largest retail trade on the river. Mr. Mills is the largest stockholder in the Mills Transportation Company, which consists of the large steam barge Nelson Mills and four tow barges. They have also two other steam barges which are employed in freighting lumber to Cleveland, where [there is] the lumber yard for the sale of their lumber. They also carry on mercantile business. The interests of this firm comprise the business interests of Marysville. Mr. Mills has been actively identified with the interests of the town and county, and has held the office of Supervisor of the town of St. Clair, Justice of the Peace and School Inspector; and has held the office of Postmaster most of the time since he came here. He owns a large farm about two miles from Marysville. In 1863, Mr. Mills was united in marriage to Miss Mary Williams, a native of this county, and daughter of Myron Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Mills have six children, three sons and three daughters - John, Myron, Maggie, Hannah, Emeline and David.²⁹

- For many years the lumber and shipbuilding enterprises of Nelson and Barney Mills comprised the only industry in the village [Marysville, MI].⁵¹⁶⁵
- My [Myron Mills] father, N. Mills, was one of the leaders of industry in this section from 1876 to 1904, taking an active part in most of the enterprises that developed St. Clair County, and was specially interested in lake freight transportation. After his death in 1904, I became one of the executors of his estate, and had charge of it until disposed of in 1912.¹¹³⁶

• NELSON MILLS PASSES BEYOND

Active Life Closed

Interested In Many Industrial Corporations
and Large Vessel Owner

-- Reported Very Wealthy

Nelson Mills, one of the oldest and best known residents of St. Clair county, died at his home in Marysville on Wednesday afternoon. He was taken sick on Sept. 9 last and has been confined to his room since Christmas day. Different specialists have been called and all have agreed that the stomach trouble was of such a serious nature that he could not recover and that the end would be only a matter of a few months. Notwithstanding his illness he has looked after many of the details of his business up to within a few days, and remained conscious up to the time of his death. Mr. Mills was considered the wealthiest man in St. Clair county, his property holdings being estimated at over \$1,000,000.

Nelson Mills was born January 15, 1823, in Nova Scotia, of English parentage. When three years of age his family moved to Wardsville, near Chatham, Ont., where his early boyhood was passed on a farm until he was twenty-one years old, except one winter which was spent getting out ship timber for the Quebec trade. In 1844 he came to Marine City, then known as Newport, and engaged in shipbuilding, at which occupation he had the name of doing more work in one day and doing it better than any other three men in the county. It was there that he first became known for that strength, endurance, and passion for labor that has marked his whole life, and this great capacity for work soon gained him more than local fame. He detested shams and believed that work was the mother of success, and that luck was only a very distant relative.

Between 1844 and 1850 he made frequent trips into the pine forests of Michigan as a land looker for various people, and in 1850 engaged in lumbering on his own account in partnership with Myron Williams and Nathan Reeves, doing what was then a large business in lumber and rafting of logs on Black river, their capacity being 10,000,000 feet of lumber annually. In a few years Reeves went out of the business and Williams & Mills erected their first saw mill on the Fort Gratiot turnpike, three miles from the St. Clair River, for which their supply of logs was obtained from a 3,000 acre tract of thickly timbered land surrounding that point, the logs being brought to the mill on a wooden railroad.

In 1862 Mr. Mills purchased his partner's interest in the business, and with his brother, Barney, formed the partnership of N. & B. Mills, which has until the present time continued with-out interruption, with headquarters at Marysville. This firm later purchased 15,000 acres of pine land in Ogemaw and Arenac counties, which became their resource for a large timber supply for fifty years.

In 1862 Mr. Mills, in connection with L. M. Skidmore, opened a wholesale lumber yard at Toledo, Ohio, which continued for six years.

Nelson Mills has been interested in vessels all his life, and has owned and operated a large fleet of boats in the lumber, grain, and ore trades, and has always been closely connected with the development of shipbuilding, from the small vessels of the '60's to the present day. In 1863 his first venture was the building of the schooner Antelope, and placing her in the Chicago trade, where she not only cleared her first cost during the first season, but was sold at the end of the first year for more than her entire cost. This phenomenal success induced him to dip deeper into this branch of business, and for many years the Mills Transportation Co., the Pawnee Boat Co., and other lines have been important factors in the carrying trade of the Great Lakes. This firm in 1864 established a wholesale and retail lumber yard at Cleveland, Ohio, under the name of Mills, Jewett &

Co., which some years later was changed to N. Mills & Co., and then to the Mills, Carleton Co. In 1897 the present corporation was formed by the consolidation of the Mills, Gray, Carleton Co., became one of the largest wholesale lumber companies doing business on Lake Erie, handling over 100,000,000 feet annually.

In 1889 Mr. Mills, together with his son, John, in connection with Isaac Bearinger of Saginaw, and Hiram W. Sibley, of Rochester, N. Y., purchased 10,000 acre tract of land in West Virginia, timbered with black walnut and yellow poplar, and commenced manufacturing this valuable timber on an extensive scale.

In 1900 John E. Mills, eldest son of Nelson Mills, secured the right of way and began the construction of an electric suburban road between Lansing, St. Johns, and St. Louis. Upon his death in August, 1903, the work was taken up and carried on by his father. During the summer of 1903, Mr. Mills with his son, Myron, his son-in-law J. R. Elliott, and Geo. G. Moore, of Port Huron, bought the Lansing street railway, which has been reconstructed, and both roads are being rapidly pushed to completion.

The many business interests in which Mr. Mills was personally concerned are:

President of the Mills, Gray, Carleton Lumber Co., Cleveland, Ohio

President of the Lansing street railway

President of the St. Louis & St. Johns Railway Co.

President of the Mills Transportation Co.

President of the Pawnee Boat Co.

President of the Mills, Elliott Manufacturing Co.

President of the Nelson Mills company

President of the Port Huron & Sarnia Ferry Co.

President of the Port Huron Navigation Co.

Director of the Panther Lumber Co., West Virginia

Director of the Port Huron Savings Bank

Director of the Port Huron Engine & Thresher Co.

Director of the Deepspring Mineral Bath Co.

Director of the Northern Life Assurance Co., of Canada

Mr. Mills was a large property holder in Port Huron, Detroit, Toledo, and Cleveland. He was the owner of Stag Island, a popular summer resort in St. Clair river, owned a planing mill and branch lumber yard in St. Clair, and large farms in St. Clair county. He was also an active stock-holder in numerous industries: Malleable Iron Works, Port Huron Saw Works, and the Anglo-American Fire Insurance Co., of Toronto.

Mr. Mills always took a marked interest in politics, his first vote having been for Fremont in 1850, and while a devout adherent to the principles of the Republican Party, and often

solicited to accept office, his business interests compelled refusal, except in the early days of the county, when he was supervisor and justice of the peace.

In 1850 he became a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and for more than fifty years held the office of steward of the church. No matter what the business cares of the week had been, he was never found absent from his pew twice on Sunday, and during the early part of his life took an active part in Sunday school work. In his business, religious and every day life, he has shown the same strong characteristics. Determined in carrying out with success whatever he undertook, and always thoroughly just in his dealings with men in whatever station in life. He rarely discharged an employee, and during dull seasons in business his great anxiety was to be able to keep those depending on him employed.

Mr. Mills, was married in 1862 [sic] to Miss Mary Williams, daughter of his former partner, and the union was blessed by three sons and four daughters: John E., Myron W., Margaret M., Hanna E., Emeline W., David W., and Hally B. Mrs. Mills died in 1891. Her death was followed by that of Hally in 1900, and John in 1903.^{3,1825}

- NELSON MILLS PASSES AWAY.

Pioneer Lumberman and Capitalist of Michigan Dead

Port Huron Mich., March 17—Nelson Mills, a pioneer lumberman and capitalist, died at his home in Maryville [sic] during the day, aged eighty-one years.

Mr. Mills built up one of the finest summer resorts on the lakes at Stag island, in the St. Clair river, which he leased from the Canadian government for 100 years. He controlled lumber yards at Cleveland, Toledo, Maryville and in West Virginia.

Recently he promoted and completed the deal for the purchase of the Lansing street railway and the St. Louis-Johns interurban line in this state.⁸⁰¹⁶

- LATE NELSON MILLS

An Interesting Story Told of His Early Life

How the Village of Marysville Received Its Name

A dispatch from Marine City says, of the late Nelson Mills:

An interesting story is told of Nelson Mills, St. Clair County's millionaire, who died a few days ago. It would be needless to state for the benefit of those who were personally acquainted that Mr. Mills when a young man was very plain in his appearance and address, but possessed of a good stock of courage and perseverance.

It was about 1848 that Mr. Mills arrived in what was then Newport, now Marine City, Capt. Sam Ward who was the founder of Newport, was then carrying on a shipyard and general store, the shipyard being known in later years as the Holland yard. Being in urgent

need of more ship-carpenters, and happening to be on the dock as young Mills landed, and learning that he wished work, Capt. Ward went with him at once to the shipyard, where Jacob Wolverton was master builder, and Stephen Rose foreman. Capt. Ward suggested to his master builder that he thought he had found a man to work in the yard. Wolverton, giving a side glance over his shoulder at Mills and his tools (which were exposed in his open "coon box"), told him that if Ward had any barns to build he might hire him, but that he himself had no use for him in his shipyard.

It happened that Ward was in need of having a barn built, and at the curt answer of Wolverton the captain turned to Mills and asked him if he would build it. The young man answered he was looking for work, and it mattered little where it was. He went to work at once on the barn (which for many years stood in the rear of the Ward residence). This has since been known as the Holland homestead. After completing the barn, Capt. Ward was so well pleased that a position was given Mills at once in the shipyard, where he remained as long as it was continued by Ward, and afterward for Solomon Gardner when the Steamer "Ocean" was built.

When he settled up with Ward, Mills had the larger portion of his wages coming to him, which furnished the nucleus for his going into the lumber business at Marysville in company with Myron Williams.

Mills afterwards married Mary, the daughter of his partner, and in her honor the village was named.

Mills' experience in the Newport shipyard was of great importance to him, as, outside of his vast lumber and real estate interests, he had been known as one of the largest ship owners on the lakes. The old shipyard where he once worked has been kept busy for many years building new boats and repairing old ones for him.¹¹²⁷

- MILLS' ESTATE

Will of Nelson Mills Was Filed Today

The Five Children All Get Share and Share-Alike

The will of the late Nelson Mills was filed in the probate court today. The estate is divided, share and share alike, among his five children, namely: Myron W. Mills, Margaret Hopkins, Hannah Mills, Emeline Elliott and David Mills.

The will was executed on the 17th of April, 1903, and occupies just twenty-three typewritten lines.

Myron W. Mills was made executor and was empowered to sell or convey any or all of the estate without the necessity of applying to the probate court. Subsequently Mr. Mills made his son, David W. Mills, a joint executor with Myron W. Mills and expressed his

desire that the estate should be kept intact and that all partnership and business interests in which he was engaged at the time of his death should be carried on until such time as the best interests of the estate would permit them to be closed up, and for this purpose Myron W. and David W. were also made trustees of all of the estate, real and personal, and were directed to distribute the estate among the heirs from time to time as the best interests of all seem to require. The trustees are given full power and authority to manage the business precisely as if it was their own. In the event of the death of either of the trustees, the other is given full power and authority under the will.

John E. Mills was alive at the time this will was made but, owing to the fact that his father incurred large liability for him which the estate had to pay, no provision was made for him in the will. The other children were asked to deal fairly and justly by this son.

The will was witnessed by Prudence Carroll and W. L. Jenks.

Myron L. Mills said it was impossible to estimate the value of the estate. In the petition filed by Attorney George G. Moore in the probate court this morning, the value of the estate was placed at \$1,000 and upwards, but it is understood the real value comes nearer a million or a million and a half. It includes the Mills Gray Carleton Lumber Co., of Cleveland, and business and book property in Cleveland and Canton, Ohio, including also large summer resort property in Cleveland, great lumber tracts in Northern Michigan and coal and lumber lands in the south. The Lansing and Suburban Traction Company, vessel property, bank stock, ten or twelve farms in St. Clair county, Stag Island, stock in the Engine and Thresher Co. and many other industrial enterprises. By the provisions of the will it is estimated that the children will have two hundred to three hundred thousand dollars each.¹¹²⁸

- When Nelson Mills passed from life into death St. Clair county suffered one of the greatest losses in her history. He was a real captain of industry, but his success was never due to any crooked methods but to a tremendous capacity for hard work and unusual business ability. (cont.)⁵⁰

- OBITUARIES:

- 1) NELSON MILLS PASSES AWAY

- 2) VIGOROUS TYPE OF BUSINESS MAN

- 3) NELSON MILLS' WILL¹¹³²

- There is much history, etc. about the Mills in this county, and I guess some other parts of Michigan. The Mills were prominent and rich at one time.³²⁷⁵

- Well the updates to the Pioneer site...are a delight to see. I just love that 'David W. Mills

Ship' photo. Nelson Mills' Great Lakes shipping interests were as important as the timber reserves and the mills that processed that material into dimensional timbers and dimensional lumber. This ship? It was steam powered (1st generation Great Lakes shipping vessels were sailing ships that specialized in cargo, 2nd generation were sailing and steam assisted combos, then finally fully steam-powered barge style ships which is what the David W. Mills was)...and carried 1,000,000 bf of lumber at a time. That's a large shipment today. But then? It was massive. It shows how serious the NORTHERN OHIO LUMBER wholesale operations of Nelson and David Mills were in Cleveland at that time. And the ship....named after his son David. Just wonderful. Right? It has to be terrific to you.....Great picture.⁷⁴⁹⁶

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

- 1851 Mosa Twp. Census: labourer, born Nova Scotia, age 28, "in the States."^{4,1647,2377}
- 1860 Census: Vicksburg P. O., St. Clair, Michigan. Age 35, b Nova Scotia. Lumber man. \$27,000; \$13,000.¹⁶⁶²
- 1870 Census: Port Huron Twp., Marysville P.O., St. Clair, Michigan. Age 47, lumberman, b Nova Scotia; \$58,000; \$85,000.¹⁶⁸⁹
- 1880 Census: Port Huron Twp., Marysville P.O., St. Clair, Michigan. Age 57, b NS. Father b NS: mother b Ireland. Mill Owner.¹⁷⁰⁷
- 1884 Michigan Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 63, born Nova Scotia. Father born Nova Scotia; mother born Ireland. Lumber dealer.¹¹⁴⁷
- 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 71, widowed, Lumber yard business, in U.S. 50 years.¹¹⁴⁹
- 1900 Census: Port Huron Twp., Marysville P.O., St. Clair, Michigan. Age 77, b Jan 1823, Canada Eng. Lumber dealer. Immigrated 1843 [sic].¹⁷⁵³

Directories: • Marysville Business Directory, 1863

Mills, N & B, (Nelson and Barney), general store.³⁶⁵³

• Port Huron Directory, 1902

Mills N, Pawnee Boat Co; pres Pt Huron & Sarnia Ferry Co; pres Mills Transportation Co; res Marysville, Mich⁷⁰⁶⁷

General: • **A Brief History of Marysville**

In 1817, Zephaniah W. Bunce sailed up the St. Clair River and settled at the mouth of Baby's Creek, serving as merchant, postmaster, lumberman, judge, and legislator for sixty five years. There was no habitation nearer that Fort Gratiot to the North and Palmer (St. Clair) to the south. The pine forest that stretched from Pine River to the Strait of Mackinac

was barely touched by man. This was woodland.

Eventually saw mills sprouted up on streams in Marysville known today as Carleton Creek (the Golf course), at Bunce Creek (Detroit Edison Plant), and at Mud Creek (in Marysville Park).

Meldrum and Park erected a sawmill in 1792 at Carleton Creek and was later succeeded by Colonel Andrew Mack, a prominent Detroit man. The Colonel constructed a house there, which later became the home of George W. Carleton. A model of this house may still be seen on the lawn of Marysville Historical Museum in Marysville Park. The tombstone of Andrew Mack and his wife, Amelia, still remains standing on the north bank of Carleton Creek in the Riverview Golf Course.

Another mill located at Bunce Creek was owned by Judge Bunce and his sons, Mumford and Lefferts, which was built on the site on an earlier mill started by Antoin Morass about 1786. It was water powered and in operation from 1818 until 1870. Initially it was called Bunceville, serving as a port of call for passenger steamers running between Chicago and Detroit. It was the trading post for Indians and trappers, the post office for Fort Gratiot and Desmon, of which Judge Bunce was postmaster. The judge later became a member of the first Michigan Legislature.

In 1843, Edward P. Vickery purchased land from Cummings Sanborn and erected a sawmill at the point where Mud Creek flowed into the St. Clair River, near the foot of the present Huron Boulevard. He named his operation Vickery's Landing. As the settlement grew, it was renamed Vicksburg. Then in 1859 the name was changed to Marysville, after Nelson Mills' wife Mary. Vickery sold his mill in 1852 to Lewis Brockway and Horace E. Bunce, who in turn sold it in 1854 to Nathan Reeves, Myron Williams and Nelson Mills. Mills became the sole owner in 1862. Nelson Mills operated three specialized mills on the St. Clair River near the mouth of Mud Creek. These continued to function until about 1900. The Williams-Mills operation was the largest enterprise in Marysville up until the arrival of C. H. Wills.

Another establishment within the present boundaries of Marysville was Hubbard's Corners, where Isaac Hubbard built a tavern, blacksmith shop and a store on the corner of Bartlett Road (Huron Blvd.) and Gratiot Turnpike. Hubbard married Edward Vickery's daughter, Mary.

From 1853 to 1883, Vicksburg was also a shipbuilding town. Myron Williams built the schooners: Mary-88 tons; Mary Williams-88 tons. These small schooners were built to transport lumber from Vicksburg to Detroit and other Lake Erie ports. In 1862 Williams built the schooner Emeline-121 tons; and in 1864 the tug Tawas, named after an Indian of that name. The tug blew up in 1874 killing some of its crew.

In 1864, Williams also constructed the City of Tawas-572 tons and the scow D. G. Williams in 1874. N & B Mills rebuilt the Clifton in 1866, built the N. Mills in 1870, the Mary Mills in 1872 and the Steamer J. E. Mills in 1883.

Following the lumber era - from 1900 to 1919 - Marysville was a quiet little village extending from the river west to what is now Michigan Avenue. There was no industry at that time, although there was a rapid transit system to Detroit and Port Huron via the electric interurban railway known as the D.U.R. (Detroit Urban Railway).

In 1919, C. Harold Wills, a millionaire motor car engineer from Detroit, changed the face of the village. Within two years, his "Dream City" had become a reality. New streets were laid out and new homes built. C. H. Wills and Company built a factory to produce the Wills Ste., Clair automobile, whose design and engine were far ahead of its time. Unfortunately, due to the high cost of production and a severe economic depression, the operation failed. The building Wills had constructed was later purchased by Chrysler Corporation and houses the Mopar operation there today.

Marysville was first incorporated as a village in the year 1919 and as a fifth class City in 1924 under the City Manager form of government. The population has grown steadily and is approximately 10,000 today. New businesses have sprung up in the area, attracted by our fine school system, efficient police and fire departments, and good municipal services.²³⁵⁷

Biography: • Myron W. Mills, splendid gentleman, descendant of a long-line of respected forebears and present official Historian of Marysville, furnishes the script for my broadcast of tonight. It is a pleasure to collaborate with Mr. Mills in bringing old-time history of Marysville to you at this time.

For 30 years following 1871 the whole activity of Marysville centered in the lumber mills and vessel business of Nelson and Barney Mills. The history of Marysville during that period must be the story of N & B Mills, --- the company which began in 1862 and continued to operate its saw-mills until the death of the partners in 1904 and 1905.

By a fortunate, well-timed purchase of pine land in 1870 from a group of land speculators in Buffalo, the Mills Company obtained a log supply to keep their operations running many years. This purchase involved going into debt for upwards of \$50,000, which was a big loan at any time but was especially heavy when it became necessary to carry it through the 1873 panic. Only the confidence of the selling parties in the integrity and industry of the Mills firm enabled the latter to carry through the undertaking. The debt was finally paid off in about 10 years, after the partners had found it necessary to pledge everything they possessed in order to raise money.

By singular good fortune they were able to get the William Sanborn Mill, just north of the Marysville Creek, in 1878. This mill had operated only a year or two after it was built

in 1871, because the Sanborns had no available timber supply. The mill was strictly modern, built to saw timbers as long as 80 feet. Logs of this type could be obtained only from the shores of Lake Huron and its tributaries. This fitted exactly into the plan of N & B Mills whose logs coming from Tawas Bay ran to lengths of 120 to 140 feet. It cannot be said that such lengths were usual, but many did cut up into 40, 60 and 80 foot lengths, and many pine logs suitable for spars were formed and laid aside for future demand as spar timber.

Log rafts on St. Clair river were very common during those years. Almost daily a raft passed down bound for Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland and other Lake Erie ports in tow of one of the old time lake tugs.

Four or five days were required to bring one of the Mills rafts from Tawas Bay to Marysville. The tying-up place was at Bunce Creek where two very strong piles were driven at the beach for snubbing. When a raft approached St. Clair river, it was necessary to keep in mid-channel, as they were 600 or more feet wide and 1500 to 2000 feet in length. They were usually held in the lake until they could come in by daylight. The morning of arrival of a raft all was excitement in Marysville. "Dad" Levi Ogden, grandfather of Myron E. Ogden, loaded a dozen mill hands into his wagon to take they tying-up tackle to Bunce Creek. This consisted of a line or rope about the size of a man's leg. Frequently it was possible to hail a vessel passing down. "Vessel ahoy!" "Did you see a raft coming in?" And perhaps the answer would be "Yes, it is just coming into the river." After waiting an hour or two, the tug could be seen passing Black River. Another hour would bring it down along the Canadian shore. Suddenly the tug would swing over to the sand hill at Ravenswood, and the raft swung slowly and gracefully across the river, reaching from shore to shore. Slowly it straightened out and drifted with the strong current toward the snubbing piles. Everything was in readiness as the big raft floated down. At the right instant Nelson Mills shouted from the river bank, "Hold on! Hold everything," waving his hat and arms as the signal. Black smoke poured from the tug, her throttle wide open, steam roared from the steam pipe, the raft straightened and the chains tightened up. The big yawl with 6 or 8 men shot to shore, men jumped in the water, hauled the big line ashore to the snubbing piles, threw on the turns, tightened up the line, the raft nosed into the shore, smoke and fire flew from the friction on the piles, water was doused on, the line, surged, more fire, more smoke and more water doused on. Two boats, the Point Abino and the J. E. Mills, on the outside crowded the raft ashore. The logs rolled up on the beach and if all went well the raft was finally at rest and safely tied up. The tension was over and Marysville had a supply of logs for another month or two.

The Marysville Post Office from 1864 to 1893 was located in the Mills store east of the

river road at the foot of present Huron Boulevard. Mails were carried by star route (horse and buggy or cart or sleigh) between Port Huron and St. Clair until the coming of the interurban car line in 1900. A covered stage heated by a stove operated during the winter months when the regular passenger boats could not operate between Algonac and Port Huron.

The Mills store provided nearly everything required by a pioneer community, dry goods, needles and pins, boots and shoes, groceries, flour, salt pork, drugs, patent medicines, tobaccos, hardware, axes, nails, etc.

A telegraph office of the Western Union opened in October, 1874, in the Mills store and continued until 1904. N. Mills was manager. The first operator was N. P. Arnold followed by W. O. Randall, Ed. Gillett, Arlie Mills, George Shaw, Myron Mills, and W. J. Newton, all of whom were also clerks in the store and post office.

The Mills lumber office was in the rear of the store, presided over by A. C. Gray, who began working for the company in 1862 and continued in charge of the many details of the lumber and boat business until 1895, a most loyal and reliable factor in the business. Two sons, Guy and Ralph, were raised by Mr. Gray. They entered the lumber business of N. Mills & Company in Cleveland, Ohio, in which they became partners, and made a distinguished record in that city for many years as highly successful lumbermen and eventually established a company of their own, the Guy and Ralph Gray Lumber Company.

Marysville's first long distance telephone was installed in the Mills office about 1879, when the river line was put in operation between Port Huron and Detroit. The telephone at that time was mainly used for office communication to Cleveland. In 1894 a private telephone line connected the residences of Nelson Mills and Myron Mills with the Mills office. These were the only telephones used in Marysville until about 1910, when the Port Huron exchange was extended to cover the Marysville section.

At another time I will be glad to tell you something about some of the old Marysville families.

Here is where the story of Historian Mills ends for tonight.

What follows is the contribution of your announcer because Myron Mills is too modest to write the good things which so truthfully can be told about his father, Nelson Mills, and his sturdy character.

I quote the tribute which W. L. Jenks, in his History of St. Clair County, paid the father of Myron W. Mills.

"Nelson Mills was a real captain of industry, but his success was never due to any crooked methods, but to a tremendous capacity for hard work and unusual business

ability. As one of the Port Huron papers remarked at the time of his death: That he was possessed of a remarkable business sagacity has been conceded for years. His marvelous acquisition of property, and always by honest means and clean methods, brought that fact home convincingly to every mind. Another paper prints the following: Mr. Mills' secret of success was industry combined with good judgment. No one of his employees worked harder than he and he never seemed to be thoroughly happy unless he was doing something. He had little faith in luck, but believed that industry and perseverance would win in the end. He was always genial and approachable by anyone. Every proposition met with respectful consideration and his word could be relied upon implicitly. While his business interests have been largely in the hands of others during the past years, because of advancing age, yet he had continued the active supervision of affairs up to a short time before his death and his removal will necessarily be felt in the community. His career may not be described as brilliant, but he was solid, successful man, one of the real captains of industry upon whom the burden of progress always rest. Such was the estimate of those who know him, and the following brief account of his life will prove their words to have been far from eulogistic.

Nelson Mills was born on the 15th of January, 1823, in Nova Scotia. His parents were of English birth, and when their small son was three years old, they removed to Wardsville, about thirty miles from Chatham, Ontario, where they bought a farm. Here the lad grew up, received what education he had, the conditions of the times making this rather meager, and until he was 21 worked on his father's farm. One of these winters, however, he spent in getting out ship timber for the Quebec market. In 1844, having through (sic) the work just mentioned, acquired some knowledge of shipbuilding and some acquaintance with shipbuilders, Nelson Mills went to Newport, now Marine City, Michigan, where he engaged in shipbuilding. There he began to gain the reputation for that same strength, endurance and passion for labor that marked his whole life. He soon had the name of doing more work in one day and doing it better than any other three men in the county. In addition to carrying on his shipbuilding trade, between the years 1844 and 1850, much of his time was taken up by frequent trips which he made into the woods as a land looker for various people. In this way he picked up a vast amount of knowledge concerning the pine timber lands of Michigan, and when he engaged in the lumber business in 1850, he was thoroughly familiar with the details of the work.

Mr. Mills always took a keen interest in politics, though his business cares prevented him from ever accepting office in spite of the solicitations of his friends. He cast his first vote for Fremont in 1856, and from that time was always a staunch Republican. He became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1850, and for more than fifty

years held the office of steward of the church. No matter how heavy his business cares may have been, nor how wearied he was with the exertion of the week, Sunday always found him in his pew at church, and he did not attend once, but twice. During the early part of his life he was an active worker in Sunday School. The following is a brief estimate made of him by one who knew him: "In his business, religious and everyday life, he has shown the same strong characteristics, determined in carrying out with success whatever he undertook and always thoroughly just in his dealings with men in whatever station of life. He rarely discharged an employee, and during dull seasons in business his great anxiety was to be able to keep those depending on him employed."

Yes, Myron W. Mills has promised to tell you about some of those old-time Marysville families at some future time but the Marysville Historian would never have peeped about his own family. He just isn't built that way. So I have done it myself. Now, good night, good cheer, and I thank you.¹¹³⁰

Military: • Class II War Registration, 5th Congressional District, Michigan.
Age 39, Lumberman, b Nova Scotia.⁸⁰¹⁷

Spouse: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**
Marriage: 22 Mar 1863, Armada, Macomb,
Michigan^{12,179,1401,6850}
Memo: Methodist Parsonage
Birth: 4 Jun 1842, Algonac, St. Clair,
Michigan^{12,179,1147,1153}
Memo: age 42 in 1884; b MI
Death: 3 May 1891, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{179,1153}
Burial: 4 May 1891, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St.
Clair, Michigan^{340,341,7078}
Religion: Member, Marysville Methodist Church¹¹³
Father: **Miron Pease WILLIAMS**^{11,1424} (6 Jun 1813-27 Jun 1884)
Mother: **Mary Margaret GALLAGHER** (4 Jan 1817-6 Jul 1883)



Mary Jerralds

- Born in Algonac, Mich. The first born daughter in a family of ten children. Died in Marysville, Mich.¹

- Their oldest girl was Mary, my mother, born 1842. She was married in 1862 to Nelson Mills, who came from Canada in 1844, and had been a ship-carpenter in Marine City until he joined Miron Williams in lumbering on the Turnpike about 1850.⁵⁴⁴

Census: • 1850 Census: St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 8, b MI.¹⁶³⁷

- 1860 Census: Vicksburg, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 18, b MI.¹⁶⁶¹
- 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 28, b MI.¹⁶⁸⁹
- 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 39, b MI.¹⁷⁰⁷
- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 42, b MI. Father born VT; mother born Unknown.¹¹⁴⁷

General: • MARYSVILLE - One name is as good as another.....or is it?

In 1843 Edward Vickery bought land and erected a sawmill at the point where Mud Creek flowed into the St. Clair River, at the foot of what today is Huron Boulevard. The name given this location was Vickery's Landing. As the surrounding settlement grew it eventually became known as Vicksburg.

Vickery sold his sawmill in 1852 to Lewis Brockway and Horace Bunce, who in turn sold it to Nathan Reeves, Myron Williams and Nelson Mills in 1854. In 1859 Nelson Mills ordered a piano for his daughter Mary. The delivery destination was given as Vicksburg, Michigan. Unknown to Nelson Mills, there was also another city in Michigan, a much older city, called Vicksburg, in the southern part of the state just southeast of present day Kalamazoo. The piano was mistakenly shipped to the other Vicksburg. The shipping agent told Mr. Mills that his piano had been shipped and had arrived in Vicksburg without a scratch. Mr. Mills, knowing that his daughter's piano had not arrived in the settlement, vehemently denied the piano arrived at its proper destination. Further checks made by the shipping agent discovered that there were in fact two settlements in Michigan called Vicksburg. The shipping agent was able to retrieve the piano and personally delivered it to Mr. Mills and his daughter Mary.

In 1859, at the insistence of Nelson Mills, the name of the settlement, located on the western bank of the St. Clair River, was officially changed to Marysville, in honor of both his wife and daughter.²⁵¹⁵

7 Children...

- i. **John Edgar** - Son (24 Sep 1864-3 Aug 1903)
- ii. **Myron Williams** - Son (8 Apr 1866-2 Jan 1947)
- iii. **Mary Margaret** - Daughter (12 Nov 1869-6 Jul 1932)
- iv. **Hannah Elizabeth** - Daughter (Mar 1872-1 Apr 1935)
- v. **Emeline Williams** - Daughter (1874-1956)
- vi. **David Williams** - Son (22 Jul 1879-27 Aug 1957)
- vii. **Hally Ballenger** - Daughter (Died young) (17 Apr 1884-11 Mar 1900)

Marriage Notes: • When Nelson Mills and Mary Williams married in 1863 they bought and lived in the house vacated by the Hubbard family. In 1868 the house burned. Myron

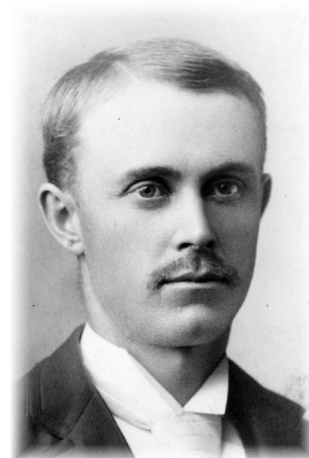
Mills, then one and one-half years old, miraculously escaped being trapped in the fire. N. Mills then began building the brick home that stood sixty-five years as a landmark on the St. Clair River.¹¹³¹

- Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mills, Marysville, Mich., have been here attending the funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Read [Mary Hamilton Nelson Read, d. 26 Feb 1890]. Mr. Mills returned immediately after the funeral, but Mrs. Mills remained and is the guest of Mrs. S. E. [Margaret Ann Mills; Mrs. Samuel Eli] Arnold this week.²³⁴⁶

Descendants

John Edgar MILLS - Son

Birth: 24 Sep 1864, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan¹¹⁵³
Death: 3 Aug 1903, Marysville, St. Clair,
Michigan^{1,1140,1153,7112}
Burial: 6 Aug 1903, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St.
Clair, Michigan^{340,7078}
Father: **Nelson MILLS** - Source (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)
Mother: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**^{1133,1135} (4 Jun 1842-3
May 1891)



John Edgar

- Lived in Cleveland, Panther, W. Va, and Port Huron and died in Marysville.¹

- Having heretofore advanced considerable sums to my son John E. Mills and having incurred for him large additional liability which my estate may be called upon to pay, I make no provision for him in this will...¹¹³⁵

The other children were asked to deal fairly and justly by this son.¹¹²⁸

- Witness to the marriage of Eugene M. Carleton of Cleveland & Alberta Bunce of Marysville; 28 Nov 1888, Marysville; John E. Mills, of Cleveland.⁴⁷⁰¹

Census: • 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 5, b MI.¹⁶⁸⁹

- 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 14, b MI.¹⁷⁰⁷

- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 18, b MI.¹¹⁴⁷

- 1900 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 35, b Apr 1864, MI. General Business. Father b Canada; mother b MI. Married 9 years.¹⁷⁵⁴

Directories: • 1896 Cleveland directory:

Mills, John E. vessel owner, r. The Ellington⁷⁰⁶⁶

[On the same page is: MILLS, CARLETON & CO., N. & B. Mills, Marysville, Mich. and C. H. and E. M. Carleton, Lumber, 714 Seneca; Telephone 618]

- 1902 Port Huron, Michigan directory:

Mills, John E. vessel owner, rms 608-9 Bush Bldg. res. 931 Pine⁷⁰⁶⁷

Spouse: **Cora May McKAY**

Marriage: 20 Nov 1891, Cuyahoga County, Ohio^{1,177,1754,7068}

Birth: 4 Feb 1871, Geauga County, Ohio⁷⁰⁷¹

Death: 18 Jun 1944, Cuyahoga County, Ohio⁷⁰⁷¹
Father: **John Benjamin McKAY**⁷⁰⁷¹ (Sep 1851-6 Jul 1924)
Mother: **Emily Adelaide FRENCH**^{7071,7111} (1850-1926)

- Listed as Carrie M. McKay.⁷⁰⁶⁸
- I do have a few pictures of Cora...she was in the follies from what I was told. Cora married wealthy Edgar Mills. She ran a rooming house and beauty parlor. When Edgar died suddenly at age 25 [sic] from a vein bursting in his head, his parents took everything away from her. She never remarried.⁷¹¹¹

Census: • 1880 Census: Danville, Vermilion, Illinois. Age 9, b OH. Father b IN; mother b Canada.⁷⁰⁷³

- 1900 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 28, b Feb 1872, MI. Parents birthplaces Unknown. Married 9 years. Listed as Cora M. Mills.¹⁷⁵⁴
- 1910 Census: Chicago, Cook, Illinois. Age 38, b OH. Head. Widow. Father b OH; mother b Canada.⁷⁰⁷⁵
- 1940 Census: Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 69, b OH. Head. Widow. Lived same place for 5 years. Listed as Cora M. Mills.⁷⁰⁷⁶

No Children

Marriage Notes: • Married nine years in 1900.¹⁷⁵⁴

- I do have Edgar and Cora's marriage record, although it lists Cora as "Carrie."⁷¹¹¹

Myron Williams MILLS - Son

Birth: 8 Apr 1866, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan⁵⁰
Death: 2 Jan 1947, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴⁴
Burial: 4 Jan 1947, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{340,341}
Education: Univ. of Michigan, 1887^{50,1136}
Father: **Nelson MILLS** - Source (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)
Mother: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**^{1133,1135} (4 Jun 1842-3 May 1891)



Myron Williams

- Lived in Marysville all his life and died in Port Huron.¹
- When Nelson Mills and Mary Williams married in 1863 they bought and lived in the house vacated by the Hubbard family. In 1868 the house burned. Myron Mills, then one

and one-half years old, miraculously escaped being trapped in the fire. N. Mills then began building the brick home that stood sixty-five years as a landmark on the St. Clair River.¹¹³¹

- My first work, beginning at about age 14, and during vacations until I finished school, was running logs in booms on river, operating small steam engine and firing boiler in cut-off mill, deck-wolloping, sealing lumber, clerking in general store, telegraph operator, blacksmith's helper, and other sundry jobs in my father's saw-mill operations at Marysville. 1888-1896, book-keeper in N. & B. Mills lumber office.

1896-1904, lumber inspector and salesman, same concern.

1904-1920, engaged in electric railway development and operation.

1916-1923, held office of Supervisor in Township of Port Huron. Marysville was detached from the township in 1923, and I became disqualified for the office then.

1929-1933, Postmaster at Marysville.

1904-1929, Director in Port Huron Bank (now 1st Nat. Trust & Savings Bank). Declined re-election when things went bad with me.¹¹³⁶

- His schooling finished, Mr. Mills was in the employ of his father, who was extensively engaged in the lumber, mill and transportation business. With the death of his father, Mr. Mills became one of the executors of the estate left by Nelson Mills, which was both large and extensive. Mr. Mills has private interests of a considerable magnitude in St. Clair county, a farm of four hundred acres in Kimball and St. Clair townships being one of his possessions. He is identified prominently with a number of industrial and transportation corporations in the county. In 1903 he became interested in electric railway construction. He was one of the promoters in the development of the Lansing, St. Johns & St. Louis Railway and with his associates acquired ownership of the street railways in Lansing, Jackson, Battle Creek and Kalamazoo, which afterwards developed into the Michigan United Railways Company, of which company he is president. Mr. Mills is a director in the Commercial Bank of Port Huron, and has interests in various enterprises outside the confines of St. Clair county and of Michigan. He has never taken much active interest in politics, the only public office ever held by him being that of justice of the peace in his home township. He has resided continuously at his country home on the banks of the river St. Clair, to which he is greatly attached.

Mr. Mills is a member of the Independent Order of Foresters, and is a Detroit clubman of considerable prominence.⁵⁰

- There you have my side of the family tree. I was born 1866, the second child of Mary and Nelson Mills.⁵⁴⁴

- I am enclosing original of the agreement of Mills Heirs, assigning to your company, Great Western Petroleum Corporation, portion of royalties that may be obtained from wells you are drilling and propose to drill on our land in Richland township; viz,

N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4

Section 31,

Town 21 N - Range 4E⁵¹

- Beth's dad was a millionaire at one time in his life -- owning oil wells, property, railroads, etc. But his brother John, who (I think) was an attorney, invested Myron's money in a railroad that either didn't exist or went defunct. He ended being the postmaster of the post office.²⁰¹¹

• DEATH TAKES MYRON MILLS

Former Marysville Postmaster Ill More Than Year

[excerpts] Myron W. Mills prominent Marysville resident and son of Nelson and Mary Mills, Marysville pioneers, died early today in Port Huron Hospital after an illness of more than a year. He was 80 years old.

Mr. Mills was removed from his home, 1050 River Road, to the Hospital Monday. Weakened by ill health, he failed to rally and died shortly after 7 a. m.

His death marked the passing of a member of one of Marysville's most prominent pioneer families. A factor in the City's industrial growth, Mr. Mills had widespread interests. For several years he was Postmaster of Marysville.

Marysville, originally Vicksburg, was named in honor of his mother.

He is survived by his widow, Mabel Mills, a daughter, Mrs. Thomas D. Currie, Marysville, a sister, Mrs. Emeline M. Elliott, Port Huron, a brother, David W. Mills, Pasadena, Cal., two nieces, Miss Margaret M. Elliott, Port Huron, and Mrs. Hally M. Elliott, Tucson, Ariz., and a nephew, Nelson Mills, San Marino, Cal.⁷⁶⁹⁶

- David and Gretchen Mills visited his former home on River Road in Marysville in June, 1989.

Census: • 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 3, b MI.¹⁶⁸⁹

- 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 12, b MI.¹⁷⁰⁷

- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 16, b MI.¹¹⁴⁷

- 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 39, b Apr 1866, MI. Clerk in office. Father b Canada (Eng); mother b MI.¹⁷⁵⁵

- 1910 Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 44, b MI. President, Electric Rail. Father b Canada (Eng.); mother b MI.⁴⁷⁸³

- 1920 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 53, b MI. Real Estate; Dealer. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI.⁶⁰⁷³
- 1930 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 64, b MI. Post Master. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI.³⁶²⁴
- 1940 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 74, b MI. Writing; for self.⁶⁷³⁰

Spouse: **Mabel MANN**
 Marriage: 11 Oct 1893^{50,344,1135}
 Birth: 24 Feb 1870, Pinckney, Livingston, Michigan^{50,344,1153}
 Death: 27 Apr 1952, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{344,1153}
 Burial: Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{340,341}
 Father: **Walter Scott MANN** (29 Jun 1836-15 Oct 1877)
 Mother: **Mary A. TEEPLE** (18 Apr 1838-4 Dec 1925)



Mabel

- Witness to the marriage of William B. James & Hannah Elizabeth Mills, 27 Aug 1907.¹⁴³

Census: • 1870 Census: Putnam, Livingston, Michigan. Age 2/12ths, b MI, March.⁷⁶³⁸
 • 1880 Census: Pinckney, Livingston, Michigan. Age 10, b MI. Parents b NY.³⁴⁹⁵
 • 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 30, b Feb 1870, MI. Parents b NY.¹⁷⁵⁵
 • 1910 Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 40, b MI. Parents b NY. Mother of one living child.⁴⁷⁸³
 • 1920 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 48, b MI. Father b MI; mother b NY.⁶⁰⁷³
 • 1930 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 60, b MI. Parents b NY.³⁶²⁴
 • 1940 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 70, b MI.⁶⁷³⁰
 • 1950 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 80, b MI. Living with Thomas Currie family at 1050 River Road.⁷⁸⁷³

1 Child...

- i. **Mary Elizabeth** - Granddaughter (14 Jul 1894-14 Dec 1984)

Marriage Notes: • Married six years in 1900.¹⁷⁵⁵

Mary Margaret MILLS - Daughter

Birth: 12 Nov 1869, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan⁷⁶⁵¹
Death: 6 Jul 1932, Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio³⁴¹
Burial: Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴¹
Father: **Nelson MILLS** - Source (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)
Mother: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**^{1133,1135} (4 Jun 1842-3 May 1891)



Mary Margaret

- Lived in St. Clair, Joplin, Mo. and Cincinnati, Ohio where she died.¹
- DIVORCED MRS. HOPKINS IS MARRIED, LITTLE SON GIVING MOTHER AWAY
Port Huron, Mich., Sept. 23 – Before an assemblage of select guests in the old Mills homestead in Marysville today, 11-year-old Mark Hopkins gave the hand of his mother, Mrs. Margaret M. Hopkins, in marriage to George K. Barnes, of St. Louis, Mo., formerly of Detroit.

The bride is a sister of Myron Mills, the M. U. R. magnate, a daughter of the late Nelson Mills and divorced wife of Walter Hopkins, of St. Clair. Their divorce of about a year ago was a society sensation. Mrs. Hopkins was the one who obtained the decree, on the score of her husband's drinking habits.³⁴²

- The interest of Margaret M. Barnes, deceased, is assigned by George K. Barnes, widower, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mark Hopkins, son by former marriage. These are sole heirs. They are on the record in Ogemaw County as legatees and owners of the Margaret Mills Barnes 1/5 undivided interest in the Mills lands in Richland and Mills townships.⁵¹

- Death Date: DWM photo of grave marker, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, Michigan.³⁴¹

Census: • 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 7/12ths, b MI.¹⁶⁸⁹

• 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 10, b MI.¹⁷⁰⁷

• 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 14, b MI.¹¹⁴⁷

• 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 29, b Nov 1870, MI. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI. Her name given as Margaret Mills, although husband Walter is present as Son-in-law in Nelson Mills household.¹⁷⁵³

• 1910 Census: St. Louis, Missouri. Age 38, b MI. Second marriage. Parents b Canada Eng. Mother of one living child.⁴⁸⁵⁶

• 1920 Census: Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio. Age 46, b MI. Father b [unreadable]; mother b MI.⁴⁰⁸⁴

- 1930 Census: Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio. Age 57, b MI.³⁶⁴²

Spouse: **Walter Jasperson HOPKINS**

Marriage: 19 Oct 1893, Marysville, St. Clair,
Michigan^{1,177,4073,4701}

Divorce: 1906³⁴²

Birth: 28 Feb 1857, Baraboo, Sauk, Wisconsin^{4073,4083}

Death: 10 Jun 1924⁷⁰⁵⁰

Burial: Hillside Cemetery, St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan⁷⁰⁵⁰

Occupation: telephone operator⁴⁷⁰¹

Father: **Mark HOPKINS** (10 Apr 1832-23 Jan 1914)

Mother: **Ann JASPERSON** (1835/6-18 Jan 1863)



Walter Jasperson

Census: • 1860 Census: Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. Age 3, b MI.⁴⁰⁸³

• 1880 Census: St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 23, b WI. Parents b MI.⁴⁰⁷⁴

• 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 40, b Apr 1860, MI. [unclear] in lead mines. Parents b MI.¹⁷⁵³

Research: • Could not find in 1910 or 1920; Ancestry.com, 15 Mar 2005.

1 Child...

i. **Mark - Grandson** (1 Jan 1896-7 Nov 1968)

Marriage Notes: • Marriage witnessed by Mrs. M. W. Mills, of Marysville, and Sherwood Hopkins, of California.⁴⁷⁰¹

• Married seven years in 1900.¹⁷⁵³

Spouse: **George K. BARNES**

Marriage: 23 Sep 1907, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴²

Divorce: bef 1920⁷⁶⁵⁰

Birth: Dec 1881, Indiana⁴⁸⁵⁷

Death: 3 Jul 1958, Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio⁶³⁰⁷

Father: **George W. BARNES** (Feb 1856-)

Mother: **UNNAMED** (-bef 2 Jun 1900)

Census: • 1900 Census: Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 18, b Dec 1881, IN. At school. Parents b NY.⁴⁸⁵⁷

• 1910 Census: St. Louis, Missouri. Age 29, b IN. First marriage. Parents b NY.⁴⁸⁵⁶

• 1920 Census: Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio. Age 40?, b IN. Occupation: unclear (mfg).

Parents b OH.⁴⁰⁸⁴

- 1930 Census: Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio. Age 48, b IN. Salesman, stocks & bonds. Father b in PA; mother b in NY.³⁶⁴²

Hannah Elizabeth MILLS - Daughter

Birth: Mar 1872, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{1,1753}
Death: 1 Apr 1935, Glendale, Los Angeles, California^{1,51,341}
Burial: 9 May 1935, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{340,7078}
Father: **Nelson MILLS** - Source (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)
Mother: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**^{1133,1135} (4 Jun 1842-3 May 1891)

- Lived in Marysville and Port Huron and died in Glendale, Calif.¹
- In Aug., 1919, petitions were circulated to have the village incorporated. An election was held Oct. 28, 1919, and the vote was 53 to 1 to incorporate. Hannah H. James [among others] were chosen to prepare a charter.⁵¹⁶⁵
- Hannah Mills James being duly sworn deposes and says that she is a resident of Marysville, Michigan and has resided there all her life. With respect to oil lease of Miron Williams to Levi Colborn dated January 2, 1865, Liber 19 of Deeds, page 102 this deponent says that said Miron Williams was her grandfather...
Subscribed and sworn to April 17, 1920.¹¹³⁴
- Hanna Mills James died April 1, 1935. The executors of her will have not yet been confirmed by Probate Court. However, the residuary legatees under her will, viz, Emeline M. Elliott, David W. Mills, and myself, have executed the assignment. It is therefore fully covered.⁵¹

Census: • 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 9, b MI.¹⁷⁰⁷

- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 12, b MI.¹¹⁴⁷
 - 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 23, b MI. Father b NS; mother b MI.¹¹⁴⁹
 - 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 28, b Mar 1872, MI. Father b Canada (Eng); mother b MI.¹⁷⁵³
 - 1910 Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 39, b MI. Father b Canada (Eng); mother b MI.⁴⁷⁸³
 - 1920 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 49, b MI. Father b Canada English; mother b MI.⁴⁷⁸⁴
 - 1930 Census: Glendale, Los Angeles, California. Age 59, b MI. Father b Canada Eng;
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mother b MI. Sister-in-law in household of James R. Elliott.³⁶²⁸

Spouse: **Dr. William B. JAMES**

Marriage: 3 Sep 1907, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{50,143}

Birth: 13 Jul 1870, Brownsville, Cass, Michigan^{50,6408}

Death: 14 May 1926, Port Huron, St. Clair,
Michigan^{341,1153,6408}

Burial: 15 May 1926, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St.
Clair, Michigan^{340,7078}

Occupation: Physician; Asst. Superintendent, Wayne County
Asylum; Secretary of the Nelson Mills Estate^{50,143}

Education: MD, Detroit College of Medicine, 1899⁵⁰

Father: **Parker JAMES**¹⁴³ (3 Jun 1850-aft 21 Dec 1918)

Mother: **Eliza BROWN**¹⁴³ (Jul 1850-aft 21 Dec 1918)



Dr. William B.

- Since coming to Marysville, Dr. James has been actively associated in the management of the affairs of N. & B. Mills and is Secretary of the Executors of the late Nelson Mills, having, under his direction, all the vast farm and land holdings of this estate.¹⁴²

- Parents given as Parker and Elizabeth James, both of whom were born in Penn township, Cass county, Michigan.⁵⁰

Census: • 1880 Census: Calvin, Cass, Michigan. Age 9, b MI. Parents b MI. Name given as "Willie."³⁷⁷⁵

- 1900 Census: Eloise, Wayne, Michigan. Age 29, b Cass County. Single. Asst. Med. Supt. Asylum. Living with John Jacob Marker family.⁶⁴⁰⁹

- 1910 Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 39, b MI. Manager, N & BM Estate. Parents b MI.⁴⁷⁸³

- 1920 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 49, b MI. Physician, No Practice. Parents b MI.⁴⁷⁸⁴

No Children

Emeline Williams MILLS - Daughter

Birth: 1874, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{1,341,1153}
Death: 1956^{341,1153}
Burial: 19 Sep 1956, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{341,7078}
Father: **Nelson MILLS** - Source (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)
Mother: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**^{1133,1135} (4 Jun 1842-3 May 1891)



Emeline Williams

- Lived in London, Ont., Lansing, Mich, Los Angeles and Glendale, Calif, and Port Huron.¹
- Gives her residence as 520 S. Washington Ave., Lansing, Michigan on the birth record of her daughter, Hally.⁷⁸⁰¹

Census: • 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 6, b MI.¹⁷⁰⁷

- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 9, b MI.¹¹⁴⁷
- 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 20, b MI.¹¹⁴⁹
- 1901 Canada Census: London City, Ontario, Canada. Age 27, b 22 Mar 1878, U.S.⁸¹⁹⁴
- 1910 Census: Portland, Multnomah, Oregon. Age 34, b MI. Father b Canada English; mother b MI.⁶⁶⁰²
- 1920 Census: Lansing, Ingham, Michigan. Age 43, b MI. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI.⁴⁸⁵⁸
- 1930 Census: Glendale, Los Angeles, California. Age 55, b MI. Parents b Canada Eng. Age 21 at 1st marriage.³⁶²⁸
- 1940 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 66, b MI. Divorced. Head.⁶⁷⁹⁶
- 1950 Census: Tucson, Pima, Arizona. Age 76, b MI. Divorced. Head.⁷⁸⁰⁰

Spouse: **James Russell ELLIOTT**
 Marriage: 1 Jan 1897, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{301,7801}
 Memo: Jacob Harter, Minister
 Divorce: bef 23 Apr 1940⁶⁷⁹⁶
 Birth: 31 Jan 1871, London, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{1,7427,7857}
 Death: 13 Jul 1945, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{1,7427}
 Father: **Charles H. ELLIOTT**³⁰¹ (abt 1844-)
 Mother: **Phoebe FARRAR**³⁰¹ (abt 1848-)



James Russell

- Age 25 at marriage.³⁰¹

Census: • 1881 Canada Census: Westminster, Middlesex East, Ontario. Age 10, b ON.³⁴⁹⁰

- 1901 Canada Census: London City, Ontario, Canada. Age 30, b 31 Jan 1870, Ontario. Scotch descent.⁸¹⁹⁴
- 1910 Census: Portland, Multnomah, Oregon. Age 36, b Canada English. Dealer, Timber. Parents b Canada English.⁶⁶⁰²
- 1920 Census: Lansing, Ingham, Michigan. Age 48, b Canada. Agent Real Estate. Parents b Canada.⁴⁸⁵⁸
- 1930 Census: Glendale, Los Angeles, California. Age 59, b Canada-English. No employment. Parents b Canada Eng. Age 26 at 1st marriage.³⁶²⁸
- 1940 Census: Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. Age 69, b Canada-English. Head. President, Wholesale Paint Store. Living in Glendale, California 5 years earlier. No others in household.⁷⁰⁷⁷

2 Children...

- i. **Margaret Mills** - Granddaughter (29 Jul 1898-23 Jan 1979)
- ii. **Hally Ballenger Mills** - Granddaughter (24 Jan 1901-20 Jan 1981)

Marriage Notes: • Witnesses: Alex Ballentine of Sowdan, Ont.
 Hannah E. Mills of Marysville³⁰¹

David Williams MILLS⁸ - Son

Birth: 22 Jul 1879, Marysville, St. Clair,
Michigan^{336,5837,6868}

Death: 27 Aug 1957, Pasadena, Los Angeles,
California^{2020,6930}

Burial: 30 Aug 1957, Forest Lawn Memorial Park,
Glendale, Los Angeles, California^{6930,7501}

Occupation: Secretary-Treasurer, The Mills-Carleton Co. lumber
business, 1886 Carter Road, Cleveland⁶⁸⁶⁸

Education: University of Michigan (Zeta Psi)

Father: **Nelson MILLS** - Source (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)

Mother: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**^{1133,1135} (4 Jun 1842-3 May 1891)



David Williams

- Codicil [to Nelson Mills Will] appoints son David W. Mills as joint executor with Myron W. Mills.^{1133,1135}

- SUIT INVOLVING OVER \$1,500,000

[excerpts] A suit was begun in the circuit court on Monday afternoon which involves real and personal property amounting to a million and a half dollars. Myron W. Mills and David Mills, executors of the estate of the late Nelson Mills are the complainants, and Mary M. Mills and Hannah E. Mills, administratrixes of the estate of the late Barney Mills, are the defendants. The suit is a friendly one, and is begun for the purpose of winding up the co-partnership of N. & B. Mills.

Judge Law ordered that Myron Mills and David Mills continue the business, sell the property, and close the estate as soon as possible.⁷⁰⁷⁰

- The marriage of Miss Maud Merrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Merrell, to Mr. David Williams Mills, of Marysville, was quietly celebrated yesterday. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents, Commonwealth Avenue, and Rev. William T. Jaquess officiated. Only the immediate families were present. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Mills left for a trip south, where they will pass the remainder of the winter.³³⁸

- David W. is vice president of the Mills, Gray, Carleton Lumber Company, and makes his home in Cleveland. He was married in 1909 to Miss Maud Merrell, of Detroit, and they have one son, Nelson.⁵⁰

- The David W. Mills was a typical Great Lakes cargo vessel of the late 19th century. This wooden "steambarge" could carry over one million board feet of lumber. The vessel was

originally named Sparta and was launched at Cleveland, Ohio on April 11, 1874. The vessel was renamed in 1910 after the manager of the Port Huron Navigation Company, the firm that owned the ship.

The Mills ran aground on Ford Shoals on August 11, 1919 in dense smog created by forest fires in Canada. Attempts to free the boat failed and it broke apart during a violent October storm.⁶⁴¹³

- Lived in Cleveland, Ohio, Santa Cruz, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Pasadena, Calif.¹
- Resided at 14186 Euclid Avenue, East Cleveland.³³⁶

• D. W. Mills, of Northern Ohio Lumber & Timber Co., Cleveland, Ohio, on his recent visit to California stated his company handled principally southern pine and Douglas fir, with small quantities of California sugar and white pine and red cedar siding.

Mr. Mills says the general feeling is towards a better business than last year.⁷⁵²⁶

• It is a good question why David W. Mills picked up and moved to California? I don't know for sure, but I think I know some reasons why that might be the lumber business was changing...lumber products were becoming more mechanically produced, and that likely meant it became even more of a commodity-priced product. (The high margin days...were likely behind him...in a significantly developed and mechanized market like Cleveland. Plus, going into the 1900s...steel was king.) But in California...it was still highly undeveloped. And the lure of going west where you can lead in an immature market likely had something to do with it as well. He probably had a good payday too...and like all business owners, perhaps seized upon "an exit strategy opportunity."⁷⁴⁹³

• Informant on Edward George Merrell death certificate; 4 Aug 1924; his address given: 1886 Carter Road (address for Northern Ohio Lumber & Timber Co.)³⁷⁰²

• Resigned as President of Monterey Bay Lumber Company; about Nov 1928.⁷⁵⁰⁰

• Mr. Mills, father of the injured young man, formerly was president of the Monterey Bay Lumber company, resigning several months ago.⁷⁵⁰³

• Dear Beth

We arrived here Tuesday afternoon, Bertha having decided she would like to have another look at St. Cloud, something we had decided not to do when we left home. However, we are leaving for Duluth this afternoon and hope to be in Mackinaw Friday night and Leland early Saturday. Expect to leave Leland early next Monday and should be passing through Ogemaw sometime around noon that day and in Port Huron late afternoon.

A fine trip so far.

Love,

Dave¹¹³⁷

- MILLS – Mr. David W. Mills, beloved husband of Mrs. Bertha Mills, father of Nelson M. Mills, grandfather of Nelson E., David W. and Donald C. Mills. Service Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the “Wee Kirk O’ the Heather,” directed by Forest Lawn Mortuary. Friends may send flowers to Stanford Convalescent Home, Palo Alto, Calif., or make contributions to the American Heart Assn.³⁴⁷

- David W. Mills

Funeral services for David W. Mills, 78, retired lumber executive and father of Nelson M. Mills, president of Pacific Outdoor Advertising Co., will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. today in Forest Lawn’s Wee Kirk o’ the Heather under the direction of Forest Lawn Mortuary. Mr. Mills lived at 615 E California Ave., Pasadena. He died Tuesday at Huntington Hospital, leaving his widow Bertha, his son Nelson, and three grandsons.⁴³⁶⁰

Census: • 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 11/12ths, b MI.¹⁷⁰⁷

- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 3, b MI.¹¹⁴⁷

- 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 15, b MI.¹¹⁴⁹

- 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 20, b Jul 1879, MI. At school. Father b Canada (Eng); mother b MI.¹⁷⁵³

- 1900 Census: Ann Arbor, Washtenaw, Michigan. Age 20, b Jul 1879, MI. Student. Father b Canada (Eng); mother b MI.¹⁷⁵⁶

- 1910 Census: East Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 30, b MI. President, lumber co. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI.¹⁷⁷²

- 1920 Census: Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 40, b MI. Corporation official/retail lumber. Father b Nova Scotia; mother b MI.¹⁷⁸¹

- 1930 Census: San Francisco, San Francisco, California. Age 50, b MI. Partner. Occupation Code 97 91: “Retail dealers: other specified dealers.” Father b Nova Scotia; mother b MI.³⁶¹⁹

- 1940 Census: Pasadena, Los Angeles, California. Age 60, b MI. Widower. 4 years of college. Has lived in same place 5 years.⁶⁷⁹⁵

- 1950 Census: Pasadena, Los Angeles, California. Age 70, b MI. Married. Residing at 1550 Oakdale Street.⁷⁷⁹¹

General: • The Wreck of the David W. Mills [excerpts]

The “David W. Mills” was a typical Great Lakes cargo vessel of the late 19th century.

Measuring 202 feet by 34 feet by 13 feet, this wooden “steam barge” could carry over one million board feet of lumber. Built by Thomas Quayle and Sons Shipyard, the vessel was originally named “Sparta” and was launched at Cleveland, Ohio on April 11, 1874. The vessel was renamed in 1910 after the manager of the Port Huron Navigation Company, the firm that owned the ship. Captain Frank J. Peterson bought the “Mills” in 1919.

The “Mills” ran aground on Ford Shoals on August 11, 1919 in dense smog created by forest fires in Canada. Attempts to free the boat failed and it broke apart during a violent October storm.⁷⁰⁶⁴

- I thought you might enjoy the knowledge that your family’s history is still actively operating in Cleveland. That’s just a great thing, I think. So I’m sending this note to share that.

NORTHERN OHIO [Lumber & Timber] is the oldest lumber company and sawmill in the State of Ohio, founded in 1864, and has been operating for 156 continuous years in downtown Cleveland. The Company (around 12-15 employees) is a wholesale, commercial lumber and building materials supplier...for Professional Contractors, not a retail lumberyard with walk-in homeowner customers. We’re still a sawmill...and cut custom heavy timber stock on a Merston Timber Saw and an AM Timber Moulder-Planer, bought new at the time in Saginaw, Michigan — we assume by Nelson Mills — and installed here at NORTHERN OHIO in 1893. (Yes, they still operate on our Millhouse deck...we cut heavy timbers on them for other retail lumberyards and mostly commercial projects. I have attached some pictures of those machines. They were originally steam powered, but were converted to electric power in 1910.) We do other things now too...make heritage wood tabletops, doors, flooring, things like that. I joke that 156-year old companies have clearly learned to adapt. But that is totally accurate.

...with a lot of foresight and smarts, he [Nelson Mills] began assembling collaborative and timber supply partnerships (and shareholders in NORTHERN OHIO LUMBER in 1864 with Caleb Jewett and George Carleton) with multiple, local lumberyards and mills in what was then known in Cleveland as “The Lumber District,” riverfront land on a bend in the Cuyahoga River just upstream from Lake Erie called Scranton Peninsula. NORTHERN OHIO strictly milled and supplied lumber for other Yards, not the public. That didn’t stop him from also opening a local yard too though, N&B Mills. His son, David W. Mills (always signed his name DW Mills), was also a principal of NORTHERN OHIO up until the mid-1920’s or 1930’s when the company would eventually buy out all of the other Yards in the Lumber District.

We mention Nelson Mills in our history section. You can see it here:

<https://noltco.com/about/#history>⁷⁴⁹²

Research: • find his will and probate in Los Angeles County.

Directories: • 1914: Resided at 1839 Forest Hill Avenue, East Cleveland. Secretary-Treasurer of the Mills-Carleton Co.

1915: Resided at 13112 Forest Hill Avenue, East Cleveland.¹¹⁵⁸

1923: Resided at 2218 Chatfield Drive, Cleveland Heights. Secretary, The Northern Ohio Lumber and Timber Co.

1925: same business. Residence: Fenway Hall Hotel.

1926: no listing in Cleveland.¹¹⁵⁸

• 1926: Residence: 406 E. Cliff Drive, Santa Cruz, Calif.

1936: Residence: 692 S. Grand Avenue, Pasadena, Calif.¹¹⁵⁹

• 1942: Residence: 1340 N Harper Ave, Los Angeles, Calif.⁷⁴⁹⁵

Spouse: **Maud Mitchell MERRELL**

Marriage: 14 Jan 1909, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan^{339,1135}

Birth: 18 Feb 1881, Michigan City, LaPorte,
Indiana^{1074,5837}

Death: 27 Jan 1937, Pasadena, Los Angeles, California¹⁰⁷⁴

Burial: Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Los Angeles,
California¹⁰⁷⁴

Father: **Edward George MERRELL** (3 May 1854-2 Aug
1924)

Mother: **Helen Louise HOYT** (21 Jun 1860-18 Jun 1912)



Maud Mitchell

• Father is Edward G. Merrell; mother's maiden name: Helen Hoyt.¹⁰⁷⁴

• Middle name is Mitchell.³³⁶

• Clue for the marriage of Maud Mitchell Merrell and her first husband is the Marriage Certificate of David Williams Mills and herself: "and who has been previously married one time, and whose maiden name was Maud M. Merrell."³³⁹

• Her second marriage.¹⁷⁷²

• Miss Maud Merrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Merrell, was quietly married on Thursday, to David Williams Mills, of Marysville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William T. Jacquess, at the home of the bride's parents on Commonwealth avenue, only the immediate families being present. Mr. and Mrs. Mills have left for the south, where

they will pass the remainder of the winter.³³⁷

- Her residence at the time of her father's death is Fenway Hall Hotel (4 Aug 1924).³⁶⁵⁸

- Mrs. David Mills Died Yesterday at Pasadena Home (Santa Cruz Sentinel, 29 Jan 1937)
News has been received from Pasadena announcing the death of Mrs. David W. Mills formerly of this city.

Death was caused by a heart attack and apparently Mrs. Mills had been in good health a few minutes before her passing.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills came to this city in 1925 and were prominent in the community life until 1929, Mr. Mills being connected as president with the Monterey Bay Redwood Company and was succeeded by J. A. Harris.

Mrs. Mills leaves to mourn her death her husband, son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mills and their small son.

Mrs. J. A. Harris and Mrs. Frank G. Wilson will leave early this morning for Pasadena to attend the funeral services which will be held at Forest Lawn Memorial Saturday at 2 p. m.⁷⁴⁹⁷

- MILLS – Mrs. Maud Mills, 692 South Grand Avenue, passed away Jan. 27, 1937. She was the beloved wife of David W. Mills, and mother of Nelson Mills. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 3:30 p. m. at the Wee Kirk o' the Heather, Glendale. Forest Lawn Memorial Park Association, Inc., in charge.¹⁰⁷³

- Harold remembers very well the funeral of Maud Mills at Forest Lawn in 1937. It was pouring rain. Her death had been sudden and unexpected. She was small of stature, was high strung, and smoked heavily.¹¹⁶⁰

- My former next door neighbor used to speak of Maude Merrell as they were about the same age and were cousins through the Halls as Charles W. Hoyt's wives were daughters of Ezra Knapp and Mary Hall, the eldest child of General Isaac Hall.⁵¹⁷⁷

Census: • 1895 Kansas Census: Anthony, Harper, Kansas. Age 14, b IN.⁷⁷⁵⁷

- 1900 Census: Anthony, Harper, Kansas. Age 19, b IN. Parents b NY. Listed as Maud M Merrell.⁵⁶¹³

- 1910 Census: East Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 29, b IN. Parents b NY. Second marriage.¹⁷⁷²

- 1920 Census: Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 38, b IN. Parents b NY.¹⁷⁸¹

- 1930 Census: San Francisco, San Francisco, California. Age 49, b IN. Parents b NY. Age 23 at 1st marriage.³⁶¹⁹

1 Child...

- i. **Nelson Merrell** - Grandson (3 Feb 1910-22 Dec 1983)

Marriage Notes: • Mills - Merrell.

The marriage of Miss Maud Merrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Merrell, to Mr. David Williams Mills, of Marysville, was quietly celebrated yesterday. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents, Commonwealth avenue, and Rev. William T. Jaquies officiated. Only the immediate families were present. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Mills left for a trip south, where they will pass the remainder of the winter.³³⁸

- Rev. William T. Jaques is pastor of the Trumball Ave. Presbyterian Church, h. 90 Avery Ave.¹⁴¹
- Married one year in 1910 Census.¹⁷⁷²

Spouse: **Bertha Esterbrook GOODIER**

Marriage: 12 Apr 1941, Las Vegas, Clark,
Nevada^{1,8,7292,7416,7417}

Birth: 7 Apr 1876, Indianapolis, Marion,
Indiana^{1,8,6814,6875,7013}

Death: 13 Feb 1966, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan⁷⁰³⁹

Memo: Cadillac Nursing Home

Burial: 15 Feb 1966, Elmwood Cemetery, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan^{7039,7313}

Memo: Section G, Lot 38; "next to Mr. Weber"

Father: **John R. GOODIER**^{6810,6869} (Oct 1837-14 Mar 1924)

Mother: **Sarah ROSS**⁶⁸⁶⁹ (14 May 1850-4 Mar 1931)



Bertha Esterbrook

- Name given as Bertha G. Weber.¹
- Arrived Port of New York, widow, 16 Jun 1938, from Naples, Italy.⁷⁰¹³
- We arrived here Tuesday afternoon, Bertha having decided she would like to have another look at St. Cloud.¹¹³⁷
- Unfortunately, I couldn't find anything about Bertha after 1957. Neither Otto or Bertha are buried here in St. Cloud.⁶⁹⁹⁵
- I remember the day she left vividly; we were waiting in the living room for her family/friends to pick her up. Not too much talk; seemed a little somber. And when, they arrived I was on the Oak Grove front porch saying goodbye. I thought they drove her to

either Ohio or Michigan (I probably thought that because that were the Mills family came from).

I think it was a Saturday afternoon as Matsu's truck was out front. I didn't fully understand what was going on or who these people were. I sensed that we would never see her again and when it was over, Dad was relieved.

Sorry I can't remember more about the specifics; I was just too young.
Don⁷⁰³³

- My recollection is that she moved to Florida.⁷⁰³⁵
- Thanks, Don...I was not aware of this at all. I probably was up north at Stanford, so the timing would be in the fall of 1957 I surmise. Would you agree?

Dave

Reply from Don: Yes, I think it was in the late Fall; perhaps, late October or early November. It wasn't a cold day but it was not an Indian summer afternoon, either. I believe Dad received a letter approximately 2 weeks after she left indicating she had settled in and was doing well. I don't think it came from her and to the best of my knowledge, Dad had very little contact afterwards. This closed a book for Dad.

Don⁷⁰³⁶

Census: • 1880 Census: Indianapolis, Marion, Indiana. Age 4, b IN.⁶⁸¹¹

• 1900 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 24, b Apr 1876, IN. Single. School Teacher. Father b OH; mother b PA. Daughter in household of John R Goodier.⁶⁸¹⁰

• 1910 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 34, b IN. Father b IN; mother b PA. Married 5 years, no children.⁶⁸⁰⁹

• 1920 Census: St. Cloud, Stearns, Minnesota. Age 45, b IN. Father b IN; mother b PA. No children listed. Her mother, Sarah Goodier, living in household.⁶⁸⁰⁸

• 1930 Census: St. Cloud, Stearns, Minnesota. Age 50. Listed as Bertha E Weber.⁶⁸¹³

• 1940 Census: St. Cloud, Stearns, Minnesota. Age 63, b MI. Widow. Has lived 5 years in same house.⁶⁸⁰⁷

• 1950 Census: Pasadena, Los Angeles, California. Age 73, b IN. Married.⁷⁷⁹¹

No Children

Marriage Notes: • Mrs. Weber To Marry Former Local Resident

Interesting in today's social news is the announcement from California of the approaching marriage of Mrs. Bertha Goodier Weber, St. Cloud, Minn., and David Williams Mills, Pasadena, Calif., former local resident. They will be married at a ceremony Saturday at Las Vegas, Nev. Mrs. Weber is well known in Port Huron. She has been a

frequent visitor at the Stanley McFarland home. Mr. Mills is the brother of Mrs. Emeline Elliott, Huron avenue, and Myron Mills, Marysville.

The news was announced at a buffet luncheon Sunday at the home of Mr. Mills' son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mills, San Marino, Calif. The luncheon followed the christening of the Mills' infant son, David William.⁷⁴¹⁶

- On Sunday, April 6, following the christening of their infant son, David William, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mills of San Marino, California, entertained at a buffet luncheon honoring Mrs. O. L. E. Weber of St. Cloud. Announcement was made at the luncheon of the approaching marriage of Mr. Mills' father, David Williams Mills and Mrs. Weber, which will take place in Las Vegas, Nevada, on Saturday, April 12.⁷⁶⁷⁸

Hally Ballenger MILLS - Daughter

Birth: 17 Apr 1884, Marysville?, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴¹
Death: 11 Mar 1900, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan³⁴¹
Burial: 14 Mar 1900, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{340,7078}
Father: **Nelson MILLS** - Source (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)
Mother: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**^{1133,1135} (4 Jun 1842-3 May 1891)



Hally Ballenger

- Lived all her life in Marysville and died in Detroit when she was in school there.¹

- Hally B. Mills, youngest daughter of Nelson Mills, of Marysville, died in Harper's hospital, Detroit, at 8 o'clock Sunday evening after an illness of 10 days. While attending school at the Detroit seminary she was threatened with appendicitis and was removed to the hospital for the purpose of operation if necessary, under the care of Dr. H. O. Walker and Dr. Jennings. The appendicitis symptoms soon subsided, but a vague and more serious complication arose in the form of what was finally pronounced Graves' disease, affecting the heart and nervous system, rapidly undermining her strength. She rallied for a few days until Saturday night, when she began to fail very fast. Dr. Treadgold was called from Port Huron several times in consultation, and was present with her father, sister and brothers at the end. Detroit specialists had also been in consultation, but were baffled in the effort to locate the trouble and its treatment until too late. Miss Mills had attended the Detroit seminary for three years devoting much of her time to the study of drawing, in which she showed marked natural ability, her ambition being to become an artist in that line. he was 15 years of age, of lovely character and disposition, and was much loved by her associates

who in losing a friend also lost one who much loved them. The remains were brought home Monday afternoon, and the funeral will be held from the family residence at Marysville Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock.¹¹²⁵

Census: • 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 5/12ths, b MI. Not named.¹¹⁴⁷

• 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 10.¹¹⁴⁹

Mary Elizabeth MILLS - Granddaughter

Birth: 14 Jul 1894, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan¹¹⁶⁷

Death: 14 Dec 1984, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{711,1138,1167,1168}

Burial: Riverlawn Cemetery, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan¹¹³⁸

Memo: Inurnment

Occupation: Life insurance co. bookkeeper⁷¹¹

Father: **Myron Williams MILLS** - Son (8 Apr 1866-2 Jan 1947)

Mother: **Mabel MANN** (24 Feb 1870-27 Apr 1952)



Mary Elizabeth

• Her child, Robert Edgar Mills, is of unknown father and born out-of-wedlock.

Source: DWM conversation with Helen Whiting, Beth's next door neighbor for many years.

• Greetings – and a bit of history – to show you that you, nearly, are a part of our celebration –

Love to you all from Your Michigan Cousins

Tom and Beth (Mills) Currie⁷⁴⁴⁹

• Dear Nelson

Thank you for waiting - I thought you might be dead before I could get up energy to pack up the Genealogy and write this note.

Since I can't see Tom I just don't seem to care what I do -- so I don't do anything. Not even write a letter.

Our neighbor (who likes to study genealogies) fixed these papers from some that my Dad, (your Uncle Myron) had -- and if you don't want them, maybe your son, David, will

When we get back to 1620, I get a little confused

I'm only 89 - last July 14th. My friends tell me to stay here (for a year) before I make any

decision what to do - and the Banker says, "stay there as long as Real Estate is so low"
 The housekeeper we had is staying for a while - she is my greatest stand-by
 I still drive the car, when I feel like it - otherwise a friend of Tom's, who lives near, will take
 me to do errands. He is a good driver - (only he is 83 and beginning to get deaf!!). This
 growing old is the invention of the Devil
 Right now I've got to quit - I'm tired and my arm is weak.
 Lots of love, dear, to Virgie, and you - and all my Cousins
 Keep well and have fun while you can
 Beth
 October fourth¹¹⁵⁷

- A great many years ago I began to write this card to you. It has remained in my box alone - till now. Last Sunday when Conrad came in (when he had your "genealogy" letter), I felt it was time to make your acquaintance. My hands are quite stiff and I often don't feel like writing - but - on October 5, I had written to your Grandfather Nelson and sent some papers which might interest you and your Dad, David.

I am a Cousin of your Grandfather - I am Mary Elizabeth Mills Currie. I went to school with Tom. He became an electrician and travelled around a lot of the country after World War I. We were married in 1945.

Your grandfather brought his wife Harriet and the three Boys, Barney, David and Donald to Marysville, once. It has changed since then.

If you were here, I could tell you our history a lot more easily. Please write to me again. I grew to be 89 years of age on July 14, 1983. My husband, Tom Currie, died June 29, 1983. I wish I could have gone then too - But, I didn't.

Source: Letter to Margaret L. Mills, October 1983.

- Beth told me she had been engaged to an Army officer (Lt. Johnson, Johnston?) during the WWI, but he was killed during that time -- don't remember how. Also according to the local gossip (I didn't live in this area during that era) and the story goes -- Beth was supposed to have had a brother, Robert. Seems that Beth and her mother went West, probably Colorado, and some say western Mi, like Battle Creek, and Robert was born during this stay. It's been said that Robert was not Beth's brother but her son. He was continually in trouble of all sorts, law, etc., and finally ended in a prison in Pa., where he died or committed suicide.²⁰¹¹

- A charter member of the Marysville Historical Museum.⁶³⁸³

- [excerpts]

Mary E. "Beth" Currie, 90, of 1050 River Road, died Friday, Dec. 14, 1984, in Marwood Manor after a six-week illness.

Mrs. Currie was formerly employed by the Women's Benefit Association. She was a member of the Port Huron Musicales, Marysville Garden Club, Daughters of the American Revolution, and the First Congregational Church. She worked with a rehabilitation corporation in Texas following World War I.

She is survived by a cousin, Mrs. Frances Kirtland, Jackson, and two second cousins, Miss Marion Rowe and Mrs. Prudence Kinnear, both of Port Huron.⁷⁹⁶⁴

Census: • 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 5, b Jul 1894, MI. Parents b MI.¹⁷⁵⁵

• 1910 Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 15, b MI. Parents b MI.⁴⁷⁸³

• 1920 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 25, b MI. Parents b MI.⁶⁰⁷³

• 1930 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 35, b MI. Parents b MI. Living with parents. Asst. in Post Office.³⁶²⁴

• 1940 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 44, b MI. Single. Living with parents. Clerical, WPA.⁶⁷³⁰

• 1950 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 55, b MI. 1050 River Road.⁷⁸⁷³

Spouse: **UNNAMED**

1 Child...

- i. **Robert Edgar MILLS** - **G Grandson** (Illegitimate) (11 Aug 1920-23 Feb 1949)

Spouse: **Thomas Davidson CURRIE**

Marriage: 21 Jul 1945, Toledo, Lucas, Ohio^{710,1167}

Birth: 1 Oct 1891, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{710,4648}

Birth: 1 Oct 1893, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan⁶⁰⁷⁴

Death: 29 Jun 1983, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{1167,3275}

Burial: Riverlawn Cemetery, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan⁷¹⁰

Occupation: Electrician^{711,6074}

Father: **Thomas CURRIE**⁷¹¹ (31 Oct 1851-1 Feb 1901)

Mother: **Elizabeth McQUEEN**⁷¹¹ (Dec 1853-aft 8 Apr 1930)

• Mr. Currie served in the U. S. Army during World War II [sic; actually WW1]. He was an electrician, working on industrial wiring, signal service and elevators. He last worked on construction of the Detroit Edison Power Plant, St. Clair. He was a member of IBEW Lodge 539, Charles A. Hammond Post 8, American Legion, and the Congregational church, all of

Port Huron.

Mr. Currie is survived by his wife; two sisters, Mrs. Arthur (Catherine) Bowman, Detroit, and Mrs. William (Marguerite) Cleghorn, Harrow, Ontario; one brother, Roy G., Orlando; and several nieces and nephews.⁷¹⁰

Census: • 1900 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 8, b Oct 1891, MI. Parents b MI.⁴⁶⁴⁸

• 1910 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 17, b MI. Laborer; Electric Plant. Parents b MI. Living with mother.⁶⁰⁷²

• 1930 Census: Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. Age 38, b MI. Parents b MI. Electrician; Elevators. Living with mother. Surname spelled CURRY.⁷⁵⁸²

• 1950 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 57, b MI. Electrician Construction Contractors.⁷⁸⁷³

No Children

Family Notes: • I lived (and still do) next door to the Mills home, and was acquainted with Beth (Mills) and Tom Currie.³²⁷⁵

Mark HOPKINS - Grandson

Birth: 1 Jan 1896, St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan^{1753,2231}

Death: 7 Nov 1968, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California^{2232,7053}

Memo: zip code: 90004

Occupation: blacksmith²²³¹

Father: **Walter Jasperson HOPKINS**²²³¹ (28 Feb 1857-10 Jun 1924)

Mother: **Mary Margaret MILLS** - Daughter (12 Nov 1869-6 Jul 1932)



Mark

• 8 Apr 1938: Living with wife, Joelmer, in Los Angeles.

3 Jul 1946: Living at 2623 E. 134th Street in Compton, California.⁷⁰⁵⁶

Census: • 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 4, b Jan 1896, MI. Parents b MI.¹⁷⁵³

• 1910 Census: St. Louis, Missouri. Age 14, b MI. Parents b MI.⁴⁸⁵⁶

• 1920 Census: Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio. Age 23, b MI. QM Corps, US Navy. Parents b MI.⁴⁰⁸⁴

• 1930 Census: Huntington Beach, Orange, California. Age 34, b MI. Age 28 at marriage.

Helper, Oil Field Blacksmith. Parents b MI.⁴⁰⁸⁵

- 1940 Census: Compton, Los Angeles, California. Age 44, b MI. Married. College, 2 years. Fisherman, Fishing Co. Same place as 5 years ago. Living in household of father-in-law Lonnie Ashcraft with wife, Joelmer.⁷⁰⁵²
- 1950 Census: Compton, Los Angeles, California. Age 54, b MI. Head. Diesel mechanic & engineer, Plating company.⁷⁷⁹⁰

Spouse: **Joelmer ASHCRAFT**

Marriage: 1 Nov 1924, Los Angeles County, California⁷⁷⁷¹

Divorce: abt 1944⁷⁷⁷⁴

Memo: presumed, based on her marriage to Naples

Birth: 8 May 1908, Sheridan, Grant, Arkansas^{4088,7777}

Death: 31 Jul 1947, Los Angeles County, California⁴⁰⁸⁸

Burial: 4 Aug 1947, Pacific Crest Cemetery, Redondo Beach, Los Angeles, California^{7772,7773}

Father: **Alonzo Lee ASHCRAFT**^{7054,7778} (5 May 1882-8 Aug 1942)

Mother: **Emma Amelia WILKERSON**^{4088,7778,7777} (abt 1883-1930)

Census: • 1930 Census: Huntington Beach, Orange, California. Age 22, b AR. Age 17 at marriage. Parents b AR.⁴⁰⁸⁵

- 1940 Census: Compton, Los Angeles, California. Age 32, b AR. Married. Daughter in household of Lonnie Ashcraft.⁷⁰⁵²

Spouse: **Elmyra CLARK**

Marriage: 1946¹

Birth: abt 1897, Missouri⁷⁷⁹⁰

Father: **CLARK**

Mother: **Bertha**⁷⁸⁰³ (abt 1879-)

Census: • 1910 Census: Billings, Noble, Oklahoma. Age 13, b MO. Parents b MO. Step-daughter in household of Walker McClanahan.⁷⁸⁰³

- 1950 Census: Compton, Los Angeles, California. Age 53, b MO. Wife. Listed as Almyra C. Hopkins.⁷⁷⁹⁰

Margaret Mills ELLIOTT - Granddaughter

Birth: 29 Jul 1898, Ontario, Canada^{1,341,7802}
Death: 23 Jan 1979, Port Huron, St. Clair,
Michigan^{1153,7802}
Memo: Port Huron Hospital
Burial: 30 Apr 1979, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St.
Clair, Michigan^{341,7078}
Father: **James Russell ELLIOTT** (31 Jan 1871-13 Jul 1945)
Mother: **Emeline Williams MILLS** - Daughter (1874-1956)



Margaret Mills

• PORT HURON – Margaret Mills Elliott, 80, of 1013 Huron avenue, died Tuesday in Port Huron Hospital.

She was born July 29, 1898, in Canada.

Miss Elliott's mother, Emeline Mills Elliott, was from the prominent Mills family of Marysville, Miss Elliott was active in civic affairs. She was a member of the Port Huron City Planning Commission and League of Women Voters. She was a former member of the Port Huron Golf Club and was very active in golfing circles.⁷⁸⁰²

Census: • 1901 Canada Census: London City, Ontario, Canada. Age 2, b 29 Jul 1898, Ontario.⁸¹⁹⁴

• 1910 Census: Portland, Multnomah, Oregon. Age 11, b Canada English. Father b Canada English; mother b MI.⁶⁶⁰²

• 1920 Census: Lansing, Ingham, Michigan. Age 21, b Canada Eng. Single. No employment. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI. Living with parents.⁴⁸⁵⁸

• 1930 Census: Glendale, Los Angeles, California. Age 31, b Canada-Eng. Single. Attendant, Physicians Office. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI.³⁶²⁸

• 1940 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 41, b Canada English. Single. No employment. Living in mother's household.⁶⁷⁹⁶

Research: • Look for birth record in London, Ontario; could not find, Ancestry, 6 Jun 2023

Hally Ballenger Mills ELLIOTT - Granddaughter

Birth: 24 Jan 1901, London, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{7407,7801}
Death: 20 Jan 1981, Atlanta, Fulton, Georgia⁴¹³
Burial: 23 Jan 1981, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan⁷⁰⁷⁸
Father: **James Russell ELLIOTT** (31 Jan 1871-13 Jul 1945)
Mother: **Emeline Williams MILLS** - Daughter (1874-1956)



Hally Ballenger Mills

- Mrs. Bergin, whose father is secretary-treasurer of the Lansing Cast Stone Co., has been prominently identified with the social affairs of the younger set in Lansing.⁷⁴⁴³

- Dear Gretchen and David

I'll write on this sheet rather than on the card as I know from past experiences how my poor penmanship can deface a pretty card.

You were most thoughtful and sweet to send me the baby announcement and you'll never know how much I appreciate hearing from you and how thrilled I was by your news. I hope that both Mother and son are doing well!! I'm glad that there is to be another Nelson Mills. I'm also partial to the name David because of my Dear "Uncle Dave."

Tomorrow I plan to get some blue yarn and start a sweater for little Nelson. I'm sure that now he has all of the infant things that a baby will need. So I will make a size one or size two sweater for him, and I will be sure that it will fit in case I am a bit slow.

Congratulations, best wishes and my love,

Hally³³⁴¹

- Memorial Service, Jan. 23, 1981, Friday, 11 AM, in Golden Memorial Chapel, Port Huron, Michigan.⁴¹³

Census: • 1901 Canada Census: London City, Ontario, Canada. Age 2 months, b 24 Jan 1901, Ontario.⁸¹⁹⁴

- 1910 Census: Portland, Multnomah, Oregon. Age 9, b Canada English. Father b Canada English; mother b MI.⁶⁶⁰²

- 1920 Census: Lansing, Ingham, Michigan. Age 18, b Canada Eng. Single. No employment. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI. Living with parents.⁴⁸⁵⁸

- 1930 Census: Glendale, Los Angeles, California. Age 29, b English-Canada. Divorced. No employment. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI.³⁶²⁸

- 1940 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 39, b Canada English. Divorced. No employment. Living in mother's household.⁶⁷⁹⁶

- 1950 Census: Tucson, Pima, Arizona. Age 49, b Canada. Divorced. Living in mother's household.⁷⁸⁰⁰

Spouse: **Alexander Smith BERGIN**
 Marriage: 16 Dec 1922, Lansing, Ingham, Michigan^{7407,1,7443}
 Divorce: abt 1927^{2526,3628}
 Memo: divorced in 1930 census
 Birth: 15 May 1897, Toledo, Lucas, Ohio^{7407,7409}
 Father: **William H. BERGIN**⁷⁴⁰⁷ (abt 1866-)
 Mother: **Corrinne SMYTHE**⁷⁴⁰⁷ (abt 1866-)

- Mr. Bergin, who is connected with a bonding concern of Toledo, is said to be slated for the managership of a local brokerage company when offices are opened here in the near future.⁷⁴⁴³

- Any info on him? None -- **disappeared around 1928.**²⁵²⁶

- I just remembered that they used to call Blackie's brother "Whitey" and their dad "RED"...

So Alec is Uncle Blackies dad... let me pass this along.³⁷⁶⁷

Census: • 1900 Census: Toledo, Lucas, Ohio. Age 3, b OH. Parents b NY.⁷⁴⁰⁸
 • 1910 Census: Toledo, Lucas, Ohio. Age 12, b OH. Parents b NY.⁷⁴¹⁰
 • 1920 Census: Toledo, Lucas, Ohio. Age 22, b OH. Single. Parents b NY. Commercial traveler; automobile w.⁷⁴⁵³

2 Children...

- i. **James Russell ELLIOTT** - G Grandson (21 Nov 1923-2 Feb 1979)
- ii. **Charles Hunter ELLIOTT** - G Grandson (6 Sep 1925-25 Dec 2002)

Marriage Notes: • The young couple took matters in their own hands Saturday, and eloped to Toledo, where it is believed the ceremony was performed, as no record of the issuance of a marriage license in Lansing can be obtained, and several clergymen interviewed, had no knowledge of the wedding.

The young couple are at the Downty hotel.⁷⁴⁴³

Spouse: **John Lewis HAY Jr.**
 Marriage: 14 Jul 1953, Tucson, Pima, Arizona^{1,7768}
 Birth: 19 Jan 1891, Newark, Essex, New Jersey^{7766,7767,7792}
 Death: 18 Feb 1962, Tucson, Pima, Arizona^{7766,7767,7792}

Burial: 18 May 1962, Old Tennant Churchyard, Tennant, Monmouth, New Jersey⁷⁷⁶⁹

Occupation: Broker⁶⁸³³

Father: **John Lewis HAY Sr.** (1867-27 May 1949)

Mother: **Jennie B. WILKINSON** (1869-28 Jan 1928)

- any info on him? No.²⁵²⁷

- Informant on Death Certificate is Mrs. Hally Hay, Jr. of Tucson, Arizona. Resident of this place for 14 years at death.⁷⁷⁹²

Census: • 1940 Census: New York, New York, New York. Age 49, b NJ. Broker. Residence: 85th Street. 1935 residence: Rumson, NJ. Living with Elizabeth, wife, age 42, b KY; she is employed as lawyer's office receptionist.⁷⁷⁷⁰

- 1950 Census: Tucson, Pima, Arizona. Age 59, b NJ. No employment.⁷⁷⁹³

No Children

Nelson Merrell MILLS - Grandson

Birth: 3 Feb 1910, East Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio^{336,5837}

Death: 22 Dec 1983, Palm Springs, Riverside, California¹¹⁶⁶

Occupation: President, Pacific Outdoor Advertising Company^{6303,7157}

Education: AB, Political Science, Stanford University, 1931 (Zeta Psi)⁴⁶⁹⁵

Father: **David Williams MILLS**⁸ - Son (22 Jul 1879-27 Aug 1957)

Mother: **Maud Mitchell MERRELL**³³⁶ (18 Feb 1881-27 Jan 1937)



Nelson Merrell

- He [David Williams Mills] was married in 1909 to Miss Maud Merrell, of Detroit, and they have one son, Nelson.⁵⁰

- ...Nelson Merrell Mills, formerly of Santa Cruz and now of South Pasadena. Mr. Mills, the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Mills, lived in this city with his parents about five years before leaving for South Pasadena where he is connected with the Standard Oil Company. He is a graduate of Stanford university.

[Note: the connection with Standard Oil was as a gas station attendant]⁷⁴⁴⁰

- Purchased house at 725 Winthrop Road, San Marino by April 1, 1935.⁶⁷²⁰

- **SAN MARINO HOME WINS DISTINCTION**

[photo caption] This home at 725 Winthrop Road, San Marino, was selected by the editors of a national magazine for its distinction in design. The residence was bought by Nelson Mills.⁷¹⁵⁶

- **Nelson Mills Heads Pacific Outdoor**

The Board of Directors of Pacific Outdoor Advertising Co., Los Angeles, today announced the election of Nelson Mills as president of the firm, effective July 1, 1949.

A graduate of Stanford University, Mills previously was executive vice president and general manager, and has been with the company 14 years serving in all phases of the business.

The new executive succeeds Hal W. Brown, who continues as chairman of the board.⁷¹⁵⁷

- Nelson's Best Man and lifelong friend was Don Wright, who rose to be Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court. He was appointed by Ronald Reagan in 1970, and subsequently had many run-ins with Jerry Brown, when he was Governor of California. Don served from 1973 to 1980. Don graduated from Stanford in 1929, Harvard Law School, practiced law in Pasadena, California, was appointed to the Municipal Bench in Pasadena, Superior Court in Los Angeles, where he became Presiding Judge, then was appointed to the California Court of Appeals, before being named Chief Justice - which came as a complete surprise.

Source: Recollections of DWM, 8/20/95

See also²²²⁸ Hon. Donald Richard WRIGHT

- Upon Harriet's death, [Nelson] sold the Eckart house in San Marino (at 1525 Oak Grove Avenue) in 1967. Nelson and young Don moved to an apartment on Orange Grove in Pasadena, and lived there until his wedding to Virgie Houseman.⁷³⁷⁷

- Dad requested that Gretchen and I arrange for his wedding to Virgie Houseman be conducted in a chapel. He indicated this was important to him.

- Dear Nelson

Many thanks for the penny. I have put it in my savings. In return I am sending you a good luck dime.

Love, Grandpa³³⁶⁹

- Former long-time San Marino resident Nelson Merrell Mills died Dec. 22 in Palm Desert, following a lengthy illness.

Mills, born in Cleveland in 1910, was a graduate of Stanford University.

He married his first wife, Harriet, in 1934, and they resided in San Marino until her death in 1966.

Before retiring in 1972, Mills had been president of Pacific Outdoor Advertising for 19 years.

He was a past president of Annandale Golf Club in Pasadena and Marrakesh Golf Club in Palm Desert and a member of Zeta Psi fraternity and Rotary International.³²³⁶

Census: • 1910 Census: East Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 3/12ths, b OH. Father b MI; mother b IN.¹⁷⁷²

- 1920 Census: Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 9, b OH. Father b MI; mother b OH [sic].¹⁷⁸¹

- 1930 Census: San Francisco, San Francisco, California. Age 20, b OH. Student. Father b MI; mother b IN. Living with parents.³⁶¹⁹

- 1940 Census: San Marino, Los Angeles, California. Age 30, b OH. Salesman, Outdoor Advertising. Same house for 5 years.⁶⁷²⁰

- 1950 Census: San Marino, Los Angeles, California. Age 40, b OH. President, Advertising.⁷⁷⁸¹

Directories: • City of San Marino, California

1936: 725 Winthrop Rd, slsmn Sou Calif Tel Co (Pasa)...CO 1522⁶⁷¹⁷

1949: 1525 Oak Grove Ave.⁶³⁰³

1950: Mills, Nelson (Harriet E) pres Pac Outdoor Adv Co (L A), h 1525 Oak Grove Av....SY 2-1846⁶³⁰³

Spouse: **Harriet Louise ECKART**

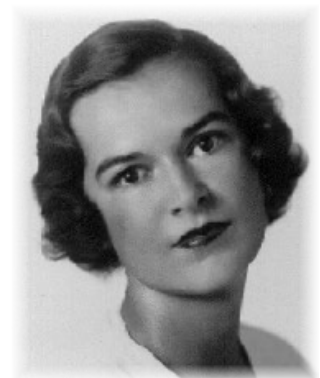
Marriage: 25 Aug 1934, Pasadena, Los Angeles, California^{8,345,4009}

Memo: All Saints Church

Birth: 24 Mar 1911, Palo Alto, Santa Clara, California^{8,253,6129}

Baptism: 16 Mar 1912, Palo Alto, Santa Clara, California³⁶⁶

Death: 17 Dec 1966, Pasadena, Los Angeles, California^{4358,4375}



Harriet Louise

Burial: 13 Jan 1967, Cypress Lawn Cemetery, Colma, San Mateo, California³¹
 Memo: ashes
 Education: BA, History, Stanford University, 1931 (Kappa Kappa Gamma)⁴⁶⁹⁵
 Education: graduate Castilleja School, Palo Alto, California; 7 Jun 1927⁵²⁵⁴
 Father: **William Rankine ECKART** (25 May 1873-14 Jul 1958)
 Mother: **Amy Estelle WALTER** (22 Jul 1872-24 May 1955)

- Named “after her grandmother” Harriet Louise Gorham Eckart. Born at 1125 Ramona Street, Palo Alto, California.³⁶⁵

- October 14th, 1911: Went to Berkeley to visit her Great Grandfather Gorham. [Charles Miner Gorham]³⁶⁵

- Flower girl at marriage of Lester Warren Lewis and Alice Miriam Harrier, 22 Nov 1916, Stanford Memorial Church.⁹⁶⁹

- At 1921 Thanksgiving dinner, 3014 Clay Street, San Francisco.¹⁷²

- **Harriet Eckart To Marry Soon**

San Marino Girl Engaged to N. M. Mills

San Francisco and peninsula society circles learned last night of the engagement of Miss Harriet Louise Eckart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Eckart of San Marino, to Nelson M. Mills of Los Angeles. Announcement was made at the prospective bride’s home in San Marino.

Miss Eckart, granddaughter of the late William R. Eckart, noted engineer and a pioneer Californian, was prominent in San Francisco society while an undergraduate of Stanford, where her father was professor of engineering. She graduated in 1931 and moved with her parents to San Marino when her father became associated with a Pasadena engineering firm.

Mr. Mills, also a 1931 Stanford graduate, is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. David Mills, formerly of Cleveland, Ohio.

The bride-to-be was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority during her collegiate career and Mr. Mills was affiliated with Zeta Psi fraternity.

Miss Eckart is a lineal and collateral descendant of numerous well-known Californians. Nelson Eckart, chief engineer of the San Francisco Water Department, is an uncle. Another uncle, Charles Eckart of Piedmont, is identified with the sugar importing industry.

The late George C. Gorham, noted journalist of the late eighties, was a relative of the bride-to-be’s family.

A date for the wedding has not been set.¹⁴⁹

- Stanford University
Office of the President
16 Oct '33

Dear Harriet:

Through the newspapers I learn of your engagement to Mr. Nelson Mills. I want to send you my heartiest good wishes and to tell you that I have always tried to more or less of an eye on you and your activities. I am glad to see that you are going right ahead with normal plans.

Please give my kindest regards to your mother and father.

Faithfully yours,

Roy Lyman Wilbur⁶⁷⁰²

- I will send you a few letters, some you can keep - others return please - I hope Harriet Louise will care someday.

How strange it seems for me to find in you, my niece, a nearness I cannot get from my own dear child. I am sure when I am gone it will be you that Harriet Louise will turn to. When her family is raised, when the demand on her time is less, she will have time to think and it may be that she will be interested in all these little events I am writing you.⁶

- She was able to feel Margaret kicking in Gretchen's womb a few days before her death.
- Memorial Service, Forest Lawn Mortuary, Glendale; 19 Dec 1966.
Inurnment, Cypress Lawn Memorial Park, Northern California.⁵⁷²¹

- Census: • 1920 Census: Palo Alto, Santa Clara, California. Age 8, b CA. Parents b CA.¹⁷⁸²
- 1930 Census: San Marino, Los Angeles, California. Age 19, b CA. Parents b CA.³⁶²⁰
 - 1940 Census: San Marino, Los Angeles, California. Age 29, b CA. [Supplement] Parents b CA. Age 23 at 1st marriage. Mother of 2 children.⁶⁷²⁰
 - 1950 Census: San Marino, Los Angeles, California. Age 39, b CA.⁷⁷⁸¹

Directories: • Palo Alto, CA, 1917/18

p 82: Eckart, Mrs. [sic] Harriet. L., 1145 Bryant³³⁵⁰

3 Children...

- Nelson Eckart** - G Grandson (14 Feb 1936-19 Jun 2020)
- (Private)** - G Grandson
- (Private)** - G Grandson

Marriage Notes: • At the All Saints Episcopal Church in Pasadena, Miss Harriet Eckart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Eckart, became the bride last Saturday of Nelson Merrill

[sic] Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Mills.

For the ceremony the bride wore a brown ensemble of sheer wool trimmed with mole. She had brown accessories and her corsage was of white orchids. Miss Winifred Rule served as maid of honor in a green frock with brown accessories. Donald Wright was best man and the ushers were Harry Hillman Jr., Charles Hanna Jr., Thomas Cooper and Richard Sims.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Mills are graduates of Stanford University where the bride was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma and her husband was affiliated with Zeta Psi.⁴⁰⁰⁹

- Immediately after the church ceremony, the wedding guests, numbering nearly a hundred, were welcomed to a reception in the garden of the bride's parents in San Marino, where groups of oleander bushes and white baskets of bridal flower displays served to enhance the setting.⁴⁰⁰⁹

Spouse: **Virgie Lee CROSS**

Marriage: 30 Mar 1968, South Pasadena, Los Angeles, California

Memo: Redwood Chapel, Oneonta Congregational Church

Birth: 18 Oct 1911, Chicago, Cook, Illinois^{2010,4241}

Death: 19 Nov 1997, Palm Desert, Riverside, California⁴²⁴¹

Memo: Palm Desert from personal knowledge of DWM

Father: **Reuben Smith ISENHOWER**^{2010,4241} (16 Oct 1879-17 Jul 1952)

Mother: **Willy Clyde MAJOR**^{2010,4241} (13 Apr 1888-22 Mar 1956)



Virgie Lee

- When my mother divorced my father, I was 11 years old. I chose to take my stepfather's name and was known thereafter as Virgie Lee Cross.²⁰¹⁰

- 4th Cousin, twice removed of Pres. Dwight David Eisenhower.

Census: • 1920 Census: Grand Rapids, Kent, Michigan. Age 8, b IL. Father b MO; mother b KS.⁵⁷²³

• 1930 Census: Highland Park, Lake, Illinois. Age 18, b IL. Father b Canada-English; mother b KS.⁴⁷⁸⁷

No Children

Ancestors

Barnabas MILLS^{1818,1821} - Father

Birth: 26 Feb 1801, River Hebert, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, Canada^{2,4,115,1096,6257,7616,8369}

Death: 24 Apr 1880, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{1,176,341,1144,1153}

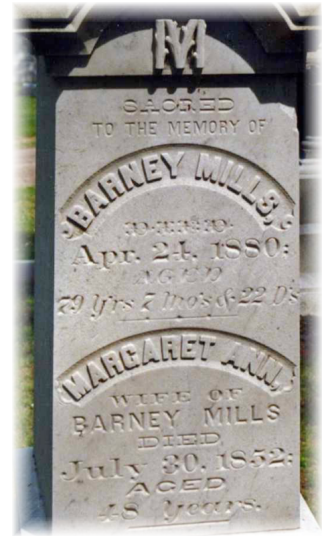
Memo: tombstone: age 79 yrs 2 mos 22 days

Burial: 13 Jun 1894, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴⁰

Occupation: Farmer

Father: **Peter MILLS**^{1096,7615} - Grandfather (abt 1770-1820)

Mother: **Eleanor INNIS** - Grandmother (2 Apr 1777-1 Apr 1809)



Barnabas

- Born in Nova Scotia. Moved with family to Wardsville, Ontario in 1827 and lived his last years in Marysville, Michigan.¹
- Son of Peter & Elenor Mills.^{2,114,1818}
- Barnabas could have been named after Peter's brother-in-law, Barnabas Gilroy.¹¹¹²
- I find your Barnabas born 26 Feb 1801 in the town book, but Darrell doesn't list him, as he was not in the family notes, which would indicate that Barny [sic] did leave the county.¹⁰⁸⁷
- In my opinion there can be no doubt that Barnabas was in fact a son of Peter and Eleanor (Ennis/Innis) Mills. The only contrary evidence seems to be the fact that W. Darrell Mills' genealogical tables, as given in Michael's newsletter, do not show Barnabas as one of Peter's children. However, Darrell's record leaves out other known children of Peter, and has at least one major error, so the omission of Barnabas cannot be considered significant. It must be pointed out in fairness to Darrell that he does not claim that his list of Peter's children is complete; in my experience "family source" information rarely is.⁴
- Actually I have a long-time acquaintance with your genealogy since our Mills families both came from NS to Mosa and then to St. Clair Co., MI. When I started hunting for my Mills connection in St. Clair, I met Lois Wedge. She gave me a sheet showing Daniel Mills as the father of Barnabus. But when I got the NS info, it appeared much more likely to me that he was the 1801 son of Peter, which is apparently the conclusion others came to also.

There was a Daniel Mills in NS early enough to have a son in 1801, but the odds are against two Barnabas Mills being born in 1801. Name inferences are hardly conclusive. The Barnabas could have been named after Peter's brother-in-law, Barnabas Gilroy. Peter also had sons named Reuben and Nelson, names of your Barnabas's sons. Your Barnabas did not have a Peter, but many of the Mills did not name any of the children after the father of grandfather.¹¹¹²

- Moved from NS to Iona, Ont.⁵⁵
- It is possible that Barnabas may have moved to Upper Canada ca. 1820 as a single man, returning later to Nova Scotia to marry and live until after his son Hamilton was born. (In this connection the following information, mainly from secondary sources, may or may not be significant: About 1820, the time that this census indicates for Barnabas' arrival in Upper Canada, several families removed from the Southampton area of Cumberland Co., N. S., to Upper Canada, settling in the Iona area in Dunwich Twp. in what is now Elgin County. The group included James Lumley (son of John and Nancy (Harrison) Lumley) and his wife Eleanor H. Nelson; Eleanor was a sister of Barnabas Mills' first wife, Margaret Ann Nelson. According to Source 3, Barnabas Mills was born at Southampton, and according to Source 5, in Upper Canada. Barnabas Mills first settled at Iona.)⁴
- His [Reuben Mills] father was a native son of Nova Scotia, the year of his birth being 1801. The elder Mr. Mills followed the calling of the farm throughout his entire life. He came to Canada [meaning Ontario] in an early day, when he had reached his majority, and lived there for many years, till his family of thirteen children, seven boys and six girls, had grown to manhood and womanhood. The mother died when Reuben Mills, the immediate subject of this brief personal record, was nine years old [thus 1848], and some time after the father married again. The second wife bore him two children, and after her death in Canada he came to Marysville, where he passed away in 1871.⁵⁰
- Nova Scotia Department of Lands and Forest Cadastral Map Index Sheet No. 60: This map shows that Barney Mills was granted 200 acres in Cumberland County. The lot, through which the Black River flows, is located on the eastern outskirts of the present town of Springhill, and lies on both sides of the road leading to Salt Springs. (The eastern part of the Springhill Cemetery now lies on part of the lot.) The following indicial information is given for the grant: "Lib 10 Fol 8 No. 1567/Book N p16".³³⁸⁷
This is undoubtedly the property that Barney Mills "of River Thames" sold in 1836 [see below]. It cannot be concluded from this information that [Barnabas] Mills actually resided on the property. At this time many residents of the earlier-settled parts of the

county obtained grants of crown land in the unsettled interior, probably to have access to the timber on the properties.⁴

- Petitioner a native of province with wife and one child; has never had land granted; asks for an order to survey for 200 acres “on the Black River adjoining lands on the East side, formerly laid off for Andrew Dexter.” [A notation on the document states that a warrant to survey was issued and a grant made, both on 16 Dec. 1823.]

The property is clearly that shown on the cadastral map, and that sold by Barnabas Mills of Mosa Twp. in 1836.

The statement that (on 23 Oct. 1823) Barney Mills had a wife and one child agrees with the Family Record: Barnabas’ eldest child (Nelson) was born 15 Jan. 1823, and thus was nine months old when the petition was written; Barnabas’ second child (Hamilton) was not born until 8 Aug. 1824, ten months after the petition was written.⁵

- In 1825, the hilltop now Springhill, and the surrounding countryside was all laid off in grants. A map of Crown Grants by B. Scott with grants dated 1827 and 1828 show these on or near the “Claremont Road” (now Main Street): ...Barney Mills, ... The grants were very elastic in their titles and surveys, with the legal term “more or less” widely used. These lands were used as a commodity and the early settlers constantly bought, sold and exchanged among themselves.³³⁸⁶

- 1826: removal from Nova Scotia to Mosa: “when he [Nelson Mills] was three years old, they removed to Wardsville, about 30 miles from Chatham, Ontario.”³

- Barney Mills: Lot 21, Range 1RS.¹¹¹⁰

- Barney Mills: Lot 20 & 21, 1st Range S. Long Woods Road; 92 acres; patent date: 18 Nov 1847.¹¹¹¹

- From transcriptions of assessment rolls for the township of Mosa, Middlesex County, Ontario for the years 1826, 1831, and 1841, the following information is taken from those transcriptions and the facsimile:

- In 1826 Joseph Mills occupied 100 acres on Lots 20 & 21, south of Longwoods Road; the household consisted of Joseph only; none of the land was cultivated; the assessment was 20 [shillings].

(Joseph Mills is not listed in later assessment rolls.)

- In 1831 Barney Mills occupied Lot 21, first range south [of Longwoods Road]; the transcription gives no other information; the original perhaps includes more.

- In 1841 Barney Mills occupied Lot 21, First Range; the household consisted of three males over 16, three males under 16, one female over 16, and four females under 16 [for

a total of 10].

(Barney Mills is not listed in the 1826 roll.)

This information places Barnabas in Mosa Township at least as early as 1831. Apparently he was not there in 1826, at least not as a land owner or tenant farmer, which is consistent with his arriving with his family in Upper Canada ca. 1825 and first settling at Iona.

The composition of Barnabas' household in 1841 may be compared with that predicted by the information in the Family Record [prepared by David W. Mills]. According to the Record, in 1841 there would have been: three males over 16 (Barnabas, Nelson, Hamilton); three males under 16 (Barney, Hanse, Reuben; Abraham was born 27 Mar 1841, but since the assessment was for 1841, it would presumably have been made at or before the beginning of the year, and thus before Abraham was born); one female over 16 (Margaret Ann Nelson); four females under 16 (Elizabeth, Jane Ellen, Mary, Margaret Ann). The match is perfect.⁴

- The agricultural census shows that "Bernard" Mills occupied 190 acres on Lots 20 & 21 on the First Concession South (of Longwoods Road), of which (in 1860) 120 acres were "under wood," 15 and 1/2 acres in crops, and 54 and 1/2 acres in pasture. In the "Remarks" column are the terse comments: "Soil Good. River Flats. Want of culture."⁴

- Barney Mills of River Thames, Upper Canada, and Peggy Ann his wife, for 30 pounds deeded to William Boss of Macan land on the Black River. Signed by Barney Mills and Peggy Ann Mills. Dated 1 Oct. 1836, registered 21 June 1837.

Since Barney Mills of Mosa Twp. at this time occupied a farm which fronted on the Thames River, and his wife's given name was Margaret (for which "Peggy" is a common nickname), this must be the record of the sale of land belonging to Barney, son of Peter Mills. One can only conjecture about the reason he did not sell the land until at least 10 years after he left Nova Scotia.⁴

- Obituary

Mr. Barney Mills died Saturday, April 24, of inflammation of the lungs. He had been sick less than two weeks, and was thought by his physician to be improving rapidly. He was able to walk about the room a half hour before his death.

Rev. J. W. Holt conducted the funeral services at the M. E. church, Tuesday, April 27th, at 10 o'clock a. m. The body was taken to Fort Gratiot Cemetery for interment.

Mr. Mills was born in Nova Scotia in 1801 and removed to the vicinity of Chatham, Ontario about the year 1858 [sic]. The last few years of his life were spent in comparative quiet with his sons in this place. Mr. Mills was twice married and 12 children survive him. Among his sons are Reuben and Hamilton Mills, of this place, Nelson and Barney, of the

well known firm of N. & B. Mills, lumberman, and James L. Mills, now residing in Washington territory. The daughters are Mrs. Edwards, of Port Huron, Miss Griffith, of Belle River, Mrs. Conger, of Toledo, O., and others residing in Ontario.¹⁷⁶

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp, Middlesex County, Ont. Married, age 30-59, non-proprietor of real property, farmer, 22 years in province. 3 males over 16; 3 males under 16; 1 female over 16; 4 females under 16.^{4,1110,1615}

- 1851 Mosa twp. Census: farmer, born Nova Scotia, Baptist, age 51, married.^{4,1647,2377}
- 1861 Mosa twp. Census: farmer, [b] N. S., Baptist, age 59. Enumerated as Bernard Mills.^{4,1675}

All six persons, including the Merryfield girl, are described in the appropriate column as “members of the family,” indicating blood relationship.⁴

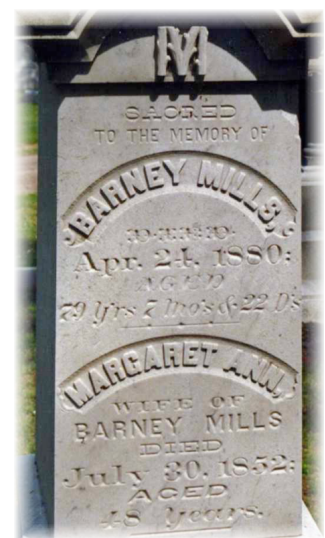
- 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 68, living with son, Hamilton.¹⁶⁹⁰

General: • The one native of Ireland would be Margaret Ann (Nelson) Mills. All the other members of the household are described as natives of Canada, whereas three were in fact born in Nova Scotia, which did not become part of Canada until 1867. However, the Canadian enumerators more often than not chose to regard persons born in Nova Scotia as natives of Canada, so this apparent discrepancy may be disregarded.⁴

Research: • Look for will/probate in St. Clair County.

Spouse: **Margaret Ann NELSON** - Mother
Marriage: 1822, Nova Scotia, Canada^{1,55,175}
Birth: 1803, County Down, Northern Ireland^{8,344}
Death: 30 Jul 1852, Wardsville, Mosa Township, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{1,8,341,1153}
Death: 3 Jul 1852³⁴⁴⁸
Father: **David NELSON**¹ - Grandfather (bef 1768-1814)
Mother: **Elizabeth HAMILTON** - Grandmother (1774-22 Sep 1839)

- Fifth child in family of eight children, all born in Ireland. Died in Wardsville, Ontario.¹



Margaret Ann

• **Information provided by Ernest Coates of Fenwick, N. S.**

Margaret Ann Nelson, born in Ireland, dau. of David and Elizabeth (Hamilton) Nelson, emigrated to Nova Scotia with her parents in 1813. In Nova Scotia she married Barnabus Mills, and moved to Ontario, first to Iona, and then to Wardsville; she died at the latter

place.⁴

- Margaret Ann Nelson married in NS to a Barnabus Mills; moved from NS to Iona, Ont.⁵⁵

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

- 1851 Census: Mosa Twp. Age 48, b Ireland.^{4,1647,2377}

General: • Iona is a village on the boundary between the townships of Southwold and Dunwich, in what is now Elgin County, Ontario; Wardsville is a town on the Thames River in Mosa Township in Middlesex County, Ont.⁴

14 Children...

- i. **Nelson** - Source (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)
- ii. **Hamilton** - Brother (8 Aug 1824-12 Jun 1883)
- iii. **Elizabeth** - Sister (9 Sep 1826-7 Oct 1901)
- iv. **Barney** - Brother (8 Jul 1828-19 Jul 1905)
- v. **Jane Ellen** - Sister (11 Jun 1830-Jan 1891)
- vi. **Mary** - Sister (13 Apr 1832-17 Oct 1913)
- vii. **Margaret Ann** - Sister (4 Apr 1834-24 Dec 1901)
- viii. **Hance** - Brother (17 Aug 1835-23 Oct 1884)
- ix. **Aaron** - Brother (Died as Infant) (17 Jun 1837-15 Aug 1838)
- x. **Reuben** - Brother (11 Apr 1839-24 Jan 1921)
- xi. **Abraham** - Brother (Died as Infant) (27 Mar 1841-31 Aug 1842)
- xii. **Sarah** - Sister (11 Aug 1843-30 Aug 1924)
- xiii. **James Lumley** - Brother (6 Jun 1845-26 Feb 1924)
- xiv. **Diana** - Sister (10 Mar 1847-1 Feb 1905)

Family Notes: • The family was living in a one and one half storey frame house (1851 Mosa Census).⁴

- 14 children.¹

Spouse: **Elizabeth SIMPSON**

Marriage: 13 Apr 1853, Mosa Township, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{4,5}

Memo: by Rev. N. Roy

Birth: abt 1815, England^{4,1152}

Memo: age 36 in 1851

Death: bef 1870, Canada?¹⁶⁹⁰

Father: **Henry SIMPSON** (1782-)

Mother: **Ellen WOODS** (1786-)

- Elizabeth “Maryfield” became Barnabas Mills’ second wife.⁴
- Immediately preceding this [Elizabeth Maryfield] family in the census return, an Isaac Simpson, aged 30, and his wife are recorded. Isaac, like Elizabeth Maryfield, was born in England and belonged to the Church of England. Since there were relatively few natives of England in Mosa at the time, and in view of the proximity in the returns, one may speculate that Elizabeth’s maiden name may have been Simpson.^{4,2376}
- Death date based on her absence in Census: Barnabas living in Marysville with son, Hamilton, without her.¹⁶⁹⁰

Census: • 1851 Mosa Twp. Census: Dress Maker, b England, C. of England, 36, W[widow]⁴

- 1861 Mosa Twp. Census: b England, Baptist, age 46.^{4,1675}

2 Children...

- i. **George Key** - Half Brother (Nov 1854-17 Jul 1941)
- ii. **Alice Josephine Inez** - Half Sister (12 Jun 1858-27 Aug 1924)

Marriage Notes: • The census form includes a column headed “married in the year,” in which it was intended an indication would be made if the person had been married during the year 1860. However, the enumerator in this case gave it a different (and reasonable) interpretation, because in that column, for both Bernard and Elizabeth, he wrote “1853”, obviously indicating that they were “married in the year” 1853, thus providing a bit of unexpected and useful information. For once one is grateful for bureaucratic ambiguity.⁴

• This record confirms the deduction made in No. 1 (Items 7 and 9) that after the death of his first wife Barnabas Mills married, in 1853, a widow named Elizabeth Marryfield/Maryfield. Since it is to be expected that ministers would have been more careful than enumerators about such matters, it may be taken that Merrifield is the correct spelling of Elizabeth’s married surname.

It may be noted that, although Barnabas was a Baptist and Elizabeth was Church of England, they were apparently married by a Methodist minister.⁵

Peter MILLS^{1096,7615} - G Grandfather

Birth:	abt 1770, Bedford, Westchester, New York ^{6740,7616}
Death:	1820 ⁶⁷⁴⁰
Father:	David MILLS ¹⁸²¹ - G Grandfather (abt 1730-abt 1829)
Mother:	Rebecca HOLMES - G Grandmother (abt 1739-1 Aug 1809)

- Name given as Daniel in Mills Genealogy.^{1,175}
- Parents are David and Rebecca Mills.^{1816,7615}

Census: • 1793 Census: District of Rivers Macan, Nappan and Hebert, Nova Scotia.^{1544,1836}

Spouse: **Eleanor INNIS** - **Grandmother**
 Marriage: 24 Nov 1793, River Hebert, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, Canada^{4,77,98,114,931,1089,1090,1091,1816,6257}
 Birth: 2 Apr 1777, Windsor, Hants, Nova Scotia, Canada⁷⁶
 Death: 1 Apr 1809, Southampton, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, Canada^{100,1090,7616}
 Father: **Robert INNIS** - **G Grandfather**
 Mother: **Janet MUNRO** - **G Grandmother**

- Daughter of Robert and Jane Ennis of Barronsfield, Cumberland Co., Nova Scotia. They had 1 daughter, 6 sons.¹⁸¹⁶
- Died after birth of son (Wm) Nelson on 20 March 1809.¹⁰⁸⁷

7 Children...

- i. **Sarah** - **Aunt** (4 Oct 1794-)
- ii. **Robert** - **Uncle** (2 Aug 1796-25 Jun 1850)
- iii. **Reuben** - **Uncle** (5 Sep 1798-20 Mar 1872)
- iv. **Barnabas** - **Father** (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
- v. **Thomas Seldon** - **Uncle** (16 Apr 1803-18 Mar 1872)
- vi. **James** - **Uncle** (13 May 1805-)
- vii. **William Nelson** - **Uncle** (20 Mar 1809-16 Aug 1862)

Family Notes: • I have reason to believe that Peter and his family removed to Ontario, and later to Michigan as Hon. David visited Nelson W. in Michigan and he was said to be wealthy, no doubt his descendants are still there.⁶²⁵⁷

Marriage Notes: • Peter, married Eleanor Ennis, dau. of Robert and Jane Ennis, of Barronsfield, in 1793.⁹⁸

Spouse: **Olive DANIELS**
 Marriage: 17 Jul 1810, Southampton, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, Canada^{4,1090,1091,1096,7616}
 Father: **William DANIELS**

Mother: **Martha**⁴

- Peter married 2nd Olive Daniels, daughter of William and Martha Daniels, of Chipotie, Westmoreland County, New Brunswick.¹⁸¹⁶

3 Children...

- i. **Jane Rebecca** - Half Aunt (abt 1814-11 Sep 1881)
- ii. **Hans D.** - Half Uncle (1820-20 Oct 1907)
- iii. **Matilda** - Half Aunt

David NELSON¹ - Grandfather

Birth: bef 1768, County Fermanagh?, Ireland^{8,2038}

Death: 1814, Belfast, Northern Ireland⁵⁵

- Born in Ireland of Scotch parentage. Was large landholder or renter from Lord Dufferin. Migrated to Nova Scotia in 1813 with family except two oldest children. Returned to Ireland on business in 1814 and died while there.¹

- David Nelson's wife was Elizabeth Hamilton Nelson.⁵⁵

- Dear Carol –

We received your letter today, so I thought I would try and answer right away. We can help you a little further on the Nelson & Hamilton lines. Don't know just how to start all this. First I had better tell you just how my husband is related to the Nelson's & Hamilton's. Ray's great-great-grandmother is Mary Hamilton Nelson, who is Eleanor H. Nelson's sister. Maybe you can figure out your relationship to Ray from that. I believe it would make you about 5th cousins. I may be wrong.

I will now put down what we found out about the Hamilton - Nelson line.

The following story was written by Mary Jane Read Chatterson. As far as I can figure out, this story was written between the years 1885 to 1890.

Hamilton – Nelson

In the early part of the 17th century David Hamilton, a resident of Scotland, loyal to the King, was ordered to take an active part in the quelling of the disturbance in Ireland and for his service rendered was given a large grant of land near Belfast, Ireland and created Earl of Clanbrassil. His son became Viscount of Clandeboye and in course of time the title became changed to Dufferin, but the estate still bears the name of Clandeboye.

The present owner, Frederick Hamilton, better known as Lord Dufferin, and his wife, Harriet Hamilton, are according to Grandmother Read's story, not only cousins, but lineal descendants of the oldest son of Viscount Clandeboye and her grandfather whose name

was Hans Hamilton was the son of 2nd son of Viscount Clandeboye, and therefore had no claims upon either title or estate.

Elizabeth Hamilton, daughter of Hans Hamilton, married David Nelson, who belonged to a very old and highly respected family, also of Scotch descent but Irish birth. David Nelson was a large landholder and also acted in the capacity of overseer for the old Earl of Dufferin, but becoming dissatisfied, he concluded to try his fortune in the then new world, and accordingly came over and settled with his family in Nova Scotia, in year 1813.

His family were all born in Ireland, and if I remember rightly, on the Dufferin Estate. Their names were:

1. Jennie Nelson, married to man by name of Summerside, and she remained in Ireland, lived and died there.
2. Ursula Nelson, aged 3 years, born and died in Ireland.
3. Eleanor Nelson, married in Nova Scotia, to James Lumley, who moved shortly after to Iona, near St. Thomas, Ontario, where they settled on a farm, lived and died there.
4. Elizabeth Nelson, married in Nova Scotia to J. Hoag and resided in Nova Scotia with her family until death.
5. Margaret Ann Nelson, married in Nova Scotia, to Barnabas Mills, moved from Nova Scotia to Iona, Ont. and from there to farm near Wardsville, Ont. where she resided at time of death.
6. Mary Hamilton Nelson, married in Nova Scotia to Robert Colin Read in 1821. In 1824 they moved to Iona, where they lived until 1831, when they moved to the Township of Zone, near village of Florence, Ont. and from there in 1846 to "Little Mill Farm," River Road, Harwich Twp, near Chatham, Ont. where they resided up to time of their death.
- 7-8. Two sons, David and Hans Nelson, left Nova Scotia for the United States, but the mail system in those days being very imperfect, very little or nothing was ever heard of them.

David Nelson, the father, after getting his family fairly well settled in Nova Scotia, returned to Ireland to settle some business affairs in 1814 and while there was taken ill and died after a few weeks illness, at his daughter's Jenny Summerside. The mother, Elizabeth Hamilton Nelson, moved from Nova Scotia, with her daughter, Eleanor Lumley, to Iona, where she resided until time of death and is buried near the little village of Iona, in Lumley Cemetery.¹¹⁹¹

- Died at the home of his daughter, Jenny Summerside, near Belfast, [County Down, Northern] Ireland.

Source: Pedigree chart of Carol Lumley Holstine, dated November, 1960, received by DWM by Carol Holstine, 22 Apr 1993.

- David Nelson belonged to a very old and highly respected family of Scotch descent but Irish birth. He was a large landholder and also acted in the capacity of overseer for the old Earl of Dufferin. Becoming dissatisfied, he decided to try his fortune in the New World, and came with his wife and family to Nova Scotia in 1813.

Children of David Nelson and Elizabeth Hamilton Nelson:

1. Jennie Nelson — married man named Summerside and remained in Ireland, lived and died there.
2. Ursula Nelson — aged 3 years, born and died in Ireland.
3. Eleanor Nelson — married James Lumley and moved from Nova Scotia to Iona, Ontario, Canada.
4. Elizabeth Nelson — married J. Hoag and lived and died in Nova Scotia.
5. Margaret Ann Nelson — married Barnabas Mills, moved from Nova Scotia to Iona, Ontario and from there to Wardsville, Ontario where she died.
6. Mary Hamilton Nelson — married Robert Colin Read in 1821, moved from Nova Scotia to Iona, Ont., and from there to Twp. of Zone near village of Florence, Ont., and from there to “Little Mill Farm”, River Rd., Harwich Twp., near Chatham, Ont. in 1846 where she died.
7. David Nelson
8. Hans Nelson — these two sons left Nova Scotia for the United States and were never heard of again.

David Nelson, the father, after getting his family fairly well settled in Nova Scotia, returned to Ireland to settle some business affairs in 1814 and while there was taken ill and died after a few weeks illness at his daughter's, Jenny Nelson Summersides, near Belfast.¹¹⁹¹

- The Nelson family arrived in Nova Scotia from Ireland in 1813, after getting settled David Nelson returned to settle some business affairs in 1814 and while there died at the home of his daughter Jennie Summersides, who had remained in Ireland.¹¹⁹³

- belonging to a highly respected family of Scots descent.⁸³⁶⁹

Spouse: **Elizabeth HAMILTON** - Grandmother

Birth: 1774, Clandeboye, County Down, Northern Ireland^{55,2346,8369}

Death: 22 Sep 1839, Iona, Elgin, Ontario, Canada^{55,2346,8369}

Burial: Lumley Cemetery, Iona, Elgin, Ontario, Canada²⁰³⁸

Father: **Hans/Hants HAMILTON**^{1,8369} - G Grandfather (abt 1745-)

Mother: **UNNAMED** - G Grandmother

- “If there is any information on David and Elizabeth Nelson, land deeds, marriage

certificates, etc, it would be of great importance. Elizabeth Hamilton Nelson was a cousin to Lord Dufferin, Gov.-General to Canada, and the line is now extinct in Ireland.”⁵⁵

- Said to have died in Iona at the same time as her daughter, Eleanor Nelson Lumley, due to an epidemic of typhoid fever.¹⁰³

- “I am fortunate to have an oral history written down in 1901 by Frances Read Blackburn, the daughter of Mary Hamilton Nelson, the wife of Robert Collins Read. The Read, Lumley, and Mills families all moved to Ontario about the same time. Elizabeth Hamilton Nelson, the widow of David, moved with her daughter, Eleanor, to Iona, Ontario, and is buried in Lumley Cemetery (there is no stone) and no date of death in the history.”¹¹⁹³

- On Lumley stone in the cemetery listing

Elizabeth - born 1774, Sept 22, 1839 - 65 years of age -- could be ancestor Elizabeth?

Elizabeth buried 1 mile and half south from Iona on a farm now owned by Thomas Pearce about 50 graves, many without headstones - many were carted off to make fireplaces grave located near the front of property directly next to the road.²³⁴⁶

- Elizabeth is being included as a daughter of Hants Hamilton **by family tradition only**.

Her children did live in Nova Scotia and even married there. Her descendants maintained knowledge of their origins and a family history was recorded by her great-granddaughter Mary Jane (Read) Chatterson in the late 1800s. Mary Jane's father Stephen Read would have been 15 years old when his grandmother Elizabeth died so would have had personal knowledge of her and he lived until 1905, long after her notes were written so the information would have actually been from him.⁸³⁶⁹

Research: • Grave Markers at Iona, Ontario

John Hamilton, died ----?

Henry Hamilton died Sept. 19th, 1852, 81 years, 11 months, 26 days, born 1771.

John Nelson - died 14th Feb. 1868 aged 55, born 1813, Armagh, Ireland.

Francis, dau. of John Nelson died July 14th 1866.

Thomas Hamilton born 1830, died March 5, 1902, 72 years 9 months, 15 days, wife Eliza Harris.

May be related to Mary Hamilton Nelson and may be brothers to Elizabeth Hamilton-Nelson.²³⁴⁶

General: • Clondeboye, the seat of the Marquess of Dufferin and Ava, lies two miles west of Bangor, Co. Down, and nine miles northeast of Belfast. The station of Helen's Bay on the Belfast and Co. Down railway is about three miles distance.²³⁴⁶

8 Children...

- i. **Jennie** - Aunt
- ii. **Ursula** - Aunt (Died as Child) (abt 1792-abt 1795)
- iii. **Eleanor Hamilton** - Aunt (9 Jan 1793-aft 19 Sep 1879)
- iv. **Elizabeth** - Aunt (abt 1795-abt 1885)
- v. **Mary Hamilton** - Aunt (25 Sep 1798-26 Feb 1890)
- vi. **Margaret Ann** - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)
- vii. **David** - Uncle (1808-30 Jun 1872)
- viii. **Hans Hamilton** - Uncle (bef 1809-)

David MILLS¹⁸²¹ - G Grandfather

Birth: abt 1730, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{1087,6765,7614}
Death: abt 1829, Barronsfield, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, Canada^{1087,7606}
Burial: Harrison's Hill Burial Ground, Southampton, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, Canada⁷⁶¹⁵
Father: **George MILLS** - GG Grandfather (abt 1702-bef 17 May 1758)
Mother: **Mary HOLMES** - GG Grandmother (1705-aft 10 Jun 1759)

- Included as "Yeoman" in 1763 list of Freeholders in Westchester County.⁸⁷⁴

- **MILLS, DAVID**

Of Westchester County, New York. Mills had 100 acres. He apparently was living in Cumberland, Nova Scotia in 1786. Mills enumerated his loss at £350 New York.¹⁰⁸⁵

- In September, 1783, arrangements having been made by the British Government to convey a large number of those who were loyal to the British Crown (later known as United Empire Loyalists) from New York to Nova Scotia, and among them most of the Mills families, who came from Westchester County and other localities along the Hudson in New York State. Having had all their property confiscated, the Loyalists arrived at Saint John, N. B., and other ports, in a destitute condition and were provided for by the British Government.

In May, 1784, John Mills and David Mills, with their wives and most of their children, came from Saint John to Barronsfield, in the County of Cumberland, Nova Scotia, now known as the Joggins and Minudie district.

David Mills apparently lived for some time at Barronsfield, or Franklyn Manor, as that district was sometimes called. At a later date we find that his sons acquired land at Southampton along the Athol River, (probably should be Maccan River), where David Mills afterward lived during the remainder of his lifetime. He died at Southampton, but the

date of his death is not recorded. His wife died there 1st August, 1808, and they were probably buried in the Southampton Cemetery at Harrison's Hill.⁹⁸

- Mills, David. Loyalist; Cumberland Co. 1784 (391:43).³²¹²
- Granted 500 acres in 1785 at Cobequid Road; from Westchester, N. Y.^{789,1089,1090,1816}

- Abstract of Bill of Sale

DAVID MILLS of Barrons Field, Prov. Halifax, & wife REBECCA
Sold to Lemuel Light of Bedford, Westchester, N.Y., for £100, N. Y. money, Aug. 2, 1791
"Two certain tracts...in...Bedford..."⁸⁷⁴

- Although David Mills submitted a claim in 1786 in NS for losses in Westchester County, he sold property in Bedford in 1791, probably by means of his oldest son George who left NY for NS shortly thereafter. But it is also probable that David Mills did lose other property in Westchester. The map of Bedford prepared for the American army by Robert Erskine before the burning of the town shows David Mills's mill.¹⁸¹⁶

- See David Mills and John Mills of Cumberland Co., Nova Scotia, circa 1784 for discussion of possible relationship of David and John.¹⁸²⁹

- Loyalist. Listed as West Chester Loyalist in 1783 papers of Gilbert Totten. The West Chester Loyalists was composed of men who had fled their homes. It was a loyalist regiment operating from the New York City area during the Revolution. Colonel James Delancey commanded them throughout most of the war.

When the British army evacuated New York City, the West Chester Refugees were transported to Nova Scotia. About 500 Westchester Loyalists left New York City in June 1783. The transport ship "Thetis" landed about 195 men, women and children at Fort Cumberland, Nova Scotia, that July. Other ships followed.⁷⁶⁰⁶

- In his will, dated 1 Nov 1815, he mentions his sons Ruben, Peter, Stephen and Nathan Mills; and his daughters, Martha Mills, Abigail Hoeg, Charlotte Harrison and Dorcas Gilroy.⁷⁶⁹⁷

Census: • 1793 Census: District of Rivers Macan, Nappan and Hebert, Nova Scotia.¹⁵⁴⁴

General: • A party of the enemy, denominated "Cow Boys" (Refugees) had destroyed his stores. He solicited some men from the Light Infantry, to endeavour to capture some of the gang whom he was personally acquainted with, who belonged to, or were often at Westchester, a village near King's bridge. Accordingly, a captain and two subaltern

officers, and about eighty men (of which I was one) was sent from our regiment, then lying at a village called Bedford, to his assistance. We marched from our camp in the dusk of the evening, and continued our march all night. We heard repeatedly, during the night, the Tories firing on our sentrys that belonged to the horse guards, who were stationed on the lines near the enemy. This was often practised by those villains, not only upon the Cavalry but the infantry also, when they thought they could do it with impunity.⁶⁵⁷⁷

- [excerpts] In “The Loyalists of New Brunswick,” Esther C. Wright says that the West Chester Loyalists were settled at Cobequid and Remsheg (Wallace), and “West Chester Loyalists” was just another name for “Delancey’s Refugees.”

What this means for Cumberland County, NS, Mills genealogy is quite clear and should suggest some new avenues of research. David, Jesse, Reuben, Samuel and Nathaniel were listed as West Chester Loyalists in 1783 papers of Gilbert Totten.

The WCL was composed of men who had fled their homes. To the Mills it means they fled Bedford, NY, and Stamford, CT, during the war to live at West Chester and Morrisania.

The West Chester Refugees were a loyalist regiment operating from the British-held New York City area during the Revolution. They are neither a traditional British regiment, nor a motley group of militiamen, but the 18th century equivalent of a guerrilla battalion. Colonel James Delancey commanded them throughout most of the war. His West Chester Loyalists were refugees from the surrounding counties, who had fled the rebels’ retribution. He and his Corps were thoroughly detested by their rebellious neighbors, and rightly so, for they were a formidable force.

When the British army evacuated New York City, the West Chester Refugees were transported to Nova Scotia. About 500 Westchester Loyalists left New York City in June 1783. The transport ship “Thetis” landed about 195 men, women and children at Fort Cumberland, Nova Scotia, that July. Other ships followed. In October of 1784, “W. C. Loyalist” Captain Gilbert Totten, acting as land grant agent for the Corps to Governor Parr, enumerated 182 men, 98 women and 247 children of the Westchester Loyalists at Ft. Cumberland.

Those at Ft. Cumberland included Captains Barnes Hatfield, Samuel Kipp, Moses Knapp, Gideon Palmer, Henry Purdy, Gilbert Totten and Frederick Williams, as well as a smattering of lieutenants and ensigns. Included in this list were six Ackelys, including Isaac, Jr., six Fowlers, five Mills, six Piers, four Pugsleys, seven Purdys, six Tidks and six Tottens with most listing wives and children.

The West Chester Refugees had lost all. Their rich farms in the lower Hudson Valley of New York were seized by the U.S. and sold. In return the Crown granted the Refugees tracts of wilderness and swamp at the head of the Bay of Fundy in a land they called

“Nova Scarcity.”¹⁸²⁴

Research: • **Unproven that wife Rebecca is Rebecca HOLMES; parents could be John Holmes, b abt 1697, and Jemima Beecher.**³⁵ See discussion by Dennis Kenaga.¹⁰⁸⁹

Spouse: **Rebecca HOLMES** - G Grandmother

Marriage: Bedford, Westchester, New York⁷⁶¹⁵

Birth: abt 1739, Bedford?, Westchester, New York³⁵

Death: 1 Aug 1809, Barronsfield, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, Canada^{100,1098}

Burial: Harrison's Hill Burial Ground, Southampton, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, Canada⁷⁶¹⁵

Father: **John HOLMES** - GG Grandfather (abt 1697-bef 8 Jun 1763)

Mother: **Jemima BEECHER** - GG Grandmother (12 Dec 1698-aft 8 Jun 1763)

• It is possible that James Holmes' sisters Rebecca and Sarah were the wives of our David and John Mills of NS. Here are some interesting connections:

1. James Holmes like David and John Mills was a loyalist and went to NS after the Revolution (although James Holmes returned to Bedford.) (David Mills son George stayed in Bedford until after 1790.)

2 James Holmes was the Lieutenant of the Company at Ticonderoga during the F&I War. Peter Mills, David's brother served in that company and died that year. (Probably killed in battle at Ticonderoga while serving under James Holmes.)

3. The name Dorcas is significant. None of the sisters of David Mills's Holmes or Mills ancestors were named Dorcas. So his daughter Dorcas was probably named from his wife Rebecca's side. Rebecca Holmes's sister was named Dorcas. This is not a common name.

4. Rebecca and Sarah Holmes, sisters of James Holmes, are the right age range and the Bedford Genealogies do not give their husband's names.

5. If Rebecca and Sarah were sisters, that would help explain the closeness of the families in NS since John and David Mills were apparently quite distantly related.

6. John Mills lived in Norwalk Conn and David Mills in Bedford before the Revolution. It is not known if there were any connections between their families there, but there easily could have been. James Holmes's mother was born in New Haven and James Holmes himself retired there during the last part of his life.

7. It seems probable that David Mills' wife Rebecca might have had strong loyalist ties. David Mills himself did not serve in the Revolution on either side. (Some of his uncles and cousins were active Patriots while his brother Reuben was apparently a Loyalist soldier.) He was able to sell his land in Bedford in 1791. What made him go to NS in 1785?

8. The fact that David Mills and Rebecca Holmes were 2nd cousins (And Jesse Mills and

Martha Mills would be 1st cousins) helps rather than argues against the hypotheses since such marriages were very common in the Bedford Genealogies.

Of course this hardly proves the hypotheses that Rebecca and Sarah Holmes were the wives of David and John Mills. But the clues are very strong, and they give a strong reason to conduct any possible further research that might relate to this family. I would be interested in any details or scraps which either confirmed or contradicted this idea, or leads on the investigation of the Holmes Family. I noticed that in the BEDFORD GENEALOGIES Bibliography, Ronald B Reynolds of Katonah NY had a MMS collection relating to Holmes, Miller, Renolds and Seely Families. (I am also researching Millers and Seelys) I would like to see that but do not know about disturbing private persons.

Dennis Kenaga¹⁰⁸⁹

Research: • Gives her parents as Nathaniel Holmes & Rebecca Goodwill.⁸³⁷²

8 Children...

- i. **George** - G Uncle (-1794)
- ii. **Martha** - G Aunt (abt 1765/1766-abt 1843)
- iii. **Samuel** - G Uncle
- iv. **Dorcas** - G Aunt (abt 1769-)
- v. **Charlotte** - G Aunt
- vi. **Peter** - Grandfather (abt 1770-1820)
- vii. **Nathan** - G Uncle
- viii. **Stephen** - G Uncle

Robert INNIS - G Grandfather

Birth: Scotland¹¹⁰⁶

Father: **Alexander INNIS** - GG Grandfather (-1746)

Mother: **Cecelia STEWART** - GG Grandmother

• Described as of "Berwickshire." Departure from Loch Broom, Scotland. Arrived in Nova Scotia at Pictou River on ship *Hector* in 1773 with wife, Janet Munro, and daughter, Sarah. Ship's manifest list a Robert Innes, child of Duncan, as "child under 2 years" of age, whom Susan Hill believes to be Sarah, since there is no Duncan Innis listed as a passenger.⁷⁷

• Robert Innis of Berwickshire and Janet Munro came to Pictou in ship *Hector* in 1773. Went first to Windsor, but finally settled in Minudie, N. S.⁹³⁰

• Robert Innis and wife Isabel sailed from Scotland in ship *Hector*. Landed first at Pictou, then went to Windsor, thence to Minudie. There were four daughters.⁹³¹

- Granted 100 acres, 1785, Jordan River, E., Shelburne County.⁷⁸⁹

Census: • 1793 Census: District of Rivers Macan, Nappan and Hebert, Nova Scotia.¹⁵⁴⁴

Spouse: **Janet MUNRO** - G Grandmother

Marriage: abt 1770¹¹⁰⁶

Birth: Scotland¹¹⁰⁶

4 Children...

- i. **Sarah** - G Aunt (1 Feb 1773-9 Mar 1819)
- ii. **Eleanor** - Grandmother (2 Apr 1777-1 Apr 1809)
- iii. **Christianna** - G Aunt (3 May 1780-)
- iv. **Jane** - G Aunt (5 Aug 1783-)

Hans/Hants HAMILTON^{1,8369} - G Grandfather

Birth: abt 1745, Armagh, Northern Ireland⁸³⁶⁹

Father: **William HAMILTON**⁸³⁶⁹ - GG Grandfather

- **Reputed (family tradition) to be descended from the second son of Viscount Clandeboye.**¹

- There seems to be **absolutely no possibility** that Hans Hamilton, father of Elizabeth, descended from the 1st or 2nd Earl of Clanbrassil of the first creation as otherwise these titles would surely have devolved upon him.⁶⁸⁸⁸

- Provincial records do not reveal many details about Hants after his arrival in Nova Scotia. It is believed he came with the family of his brother Robert. It is not known if his children came at the time or later.

His name is recorded in the Cornwallis, Kings County Poll Tax Record for 1791 where his property was Assessed and Taxed. This explains why the letter from his brother William in Ireland was readdressed to Cornwallis and therefore it was likely Hants who received the letter first.⁸³⁶⁹

- The old family manuscript, held in the family for many years and published in "A History of The House of Hamilton" (1933), records the following, "Hans, who accompanied his brother Robert to Nova Scotia and had issue:- (a) James. (b) John, who had issue a daughter, Mrs. Gorsham of Halifax, N.S., (c) Archibald, who migrated from Nova Scotia into Canada and had issue a son Christopher; (d/h) Five daughters. His name can be found among his male descendants for many generations."⁸³⁶⁹

- In 1790 a letter addressed to Robert and his brother Hants arrived from Ireland, giving news of family and asking if the prospects were good in Nova Scotia. There was no envelope, simply a folded letter addressed to William or Hants Hamilton, Halifax. It had been readdressed to Cornwallis. A large figure 8 marked on the backside indicated that the postage collected was 8 pence.

Feb 23 1790, Ireland

"Dear Brothers,

This comes to let you know that I am in good health, and my family at present, thanks to God. I hope that this will find you and families the same.

I will acquaint you that your sister Jane is dead, and her daughter, Nancy. Also your brother David. Your brother Archibald is in good health. You may let Esther know that her sister Simpson is dead, and her mother.

I had an account since you wrote, that you were all well. The rest of the _? and John Rowan are still in good health. I hope that you will write as soon as this comes to your hand, and please to tell us of the affairs of that country, and how you would advise my sons as they are thinking of going to it if you would send them any encouragement. Please let me know how John Hamilton's daughter is. The Fergusons are all well and they will write you. I have written you several times, but received no answer these two years. I have nothing more to inform you of, only that there has been some disturbances for these three years past between the Protestants and the Papists. Every means has been taken to settle them by gentle means, but cannot say that this has come to an end yet.

My wife and family all join with me in sending our best wishes.

Farewell, I am, Dear brother, your affectionate brother.

(sgd)

William Hamilton

Research: • Burke's Irish Family Records; 941.5 D22 bur 1976.

- With regard to the Hamilton family it would probably be best for us to start with your known ancestry rather than attempt to deduce a pedigree from the Viscounts Clandeboye. In genealogical research one must always work backwards, proving each link, and any attempt to work "downwards" always fails.

You probably are aware the Clandeboy is an area in County Down and many Hamilton families settled in this county after 1600. Hans also, as a Christian name, was very popular in Co. Down and for both of these reasons it seems likely that your family may have originated in this County. However, I must point out that Hamilton is a very common surname in Ulster and is found literally in all 9 counties that compose the province.

You suggest that Hans Hamilton was born circa 1760 and his daughter Elizabeth married a David Nelson before 1813. The best starting point in this case would be for us to ascertain if any Hans Hamilton occurs on the 1796 Flax Premiums as a recipient of the concession of one free spinning wheel per 1/4 acre of flax cultivated. The linen industry (linen is produced from Flax) was very prominent in Ulster in 1796 and the returns can be used as a primitive census. If a Hans Hamilton is listed his parish of residence will be given. We could also compile a list of all those parishes in which both Hamilton and Nelson occur in common. Nelson is much rarer than Hamilton as a surname and thus might give us a good lead as to the families place of residence.

Another way forward would be for us to examine the Grantor's Index to the Registry of Deeds, circa 1810-1815, to see if David Nelson sold any leasehold or freehold land in Ireland prior to or soon after emigrating. If such deeds could be located they would give us information on his Irish address.

State Registration of marriages in Ireland only began in 1845. Prior to this date records were maintained by Parish and there are no master indices. We could, however, examine the Diocesan Marriage Licence Bonds for a Nelson/Hamilton marriage. If found this would at least narrow down the Diocese of research.³⁵³⁷

Spouse: **UNNAMED** - G Grandmother

4 Children...

- i. **James** - G Uncle
- ii. **John** - G Uncle
- iii. **Archibald** - G Uncle
- iv. **Elizabeth** - Grandmother (1774-22 Sep 1839)

Family Notes: • 8 children; 3 sons; 5 daughters.⁸³⁶⁹

George MILLS - GG Grandfather

Birth: abt 1702, Jamaica, Queens, Long Island, New York^{6765,7589}
Death: bef 17 May 1758, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{123,877,7614}
Father: **Zachariah MILLS Jr.** - GGG Grandfather (abt 1676-15 Jan 1761)
Mother: **Abigail CLARK** - GGG Grandmother (6 Sep 1689-abt 1711)

• According to the genealogy I have from Michael [Mills] (a very early one), George also had a step brother John Mills, who also had a son named Reuben. I believe this is the Reuben generally thought to be born ca. 1750.⁷⁶⁰⁹

Spouse: **Mary HOLMES** - GG Grandmother

Marriage: 26 Feb 1725, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{35,122,123,1084,4312}
Birth: 1705, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{35,875}
Memo: age 5 in 1710
Death: aft 10 Jun 1759, Bedford, Westchester, New York¹⁸²⁹
Father: **Capt. Jonathan HOLMES** - GGG Grandfather (abt 1674-bef 5 Dec 1742)
Mother: **Dorothy ROBERTS** - GGG Grandmother (1681-1710)

Census: • 1710 Census: Bedford, Westchester, New York. Aged 5 years.⁸⁷⁵

7 Children...

- i. **Deborah** - GG Aunt (27 Jun 1726-)
- ii. **Peter** - GG Uncle (abt 1728-8 Jul 1758)
- iii. **David** - G Grandfather (abt 1730-abt 1829)
- iv. **Reuben** - GG Uncle (abt 1730-1822)
- v. **Martha** - GG Aunt (abt 1730-)
- vi. **Dorothy** - GG Aunt (abt 1730-)
- vii. **Mary** - GG Aunt (abt 1730-)

Marriage Notes: • Marriage not listed.¹³⁴

John HOLMES - GG Grandfather

Birth: abt 1697, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{35,875}
Memo: age 13 in 1710
Death: bef 8 Jun 1763, Bedford?, Westchester, New York³⁵
Father: **John HOLMES Jr.** - GGG Grandfather (18 Oct 1660-1729)
Mother: **Sarah CLARK** - GGG Grandmother (1674-)

• Bedford Town Clerk, 1732-c.1741.⁴³¹²

• Will of John Holmes, Bedford.

Leaves legacies to wife Jemima, son James and daughter Sarah. Leaves rest of personal estate to "my 5 daughters" Sarah, Rebecca, Lois, Eunice and Dorcas. Mentions "house" lot. Makes no disposition of real estate. Makes sons James and Stephen executors.

Witnesses. John Miller, Zebadiah Miller, Justus Miller

Dated: Feb. 9, 1760

Proved: June 8, 1763⁸⁷⁷

Census: • 1710 Census: Bedford, Westchester, New York. Aged 13 years.⁸⁷⁵

Spouse: **Jemima BEECHER** - GG Grandmother
Marriage: 1719, New Haven, New Haven, Connecticut^{35,2634,2707}
Birth: 12 Dec 1698, New Haven, New Haven, Connecticut^{35,2039}
Baptism: Dec 1698, New Haven, New Haven, Connecticut²⁷⁰⁷
Death: aft 8 Jun 1763⁸⁷⁷
Father: **Isaac BEECHER** - GGG Grandfather (18 Aug 1650-1708)
Mother: **Joanna ROBERTS** - GGG Grandmother (26 Jun 1657-24 Feb 1732)

8 Children...

- i. **Dorcas** - GG Aunt (abt 1730-)
- ii. **Sarah** - GG Aunt (abt 1732-11 Sep 1792)
- iii. **John** - GG Uncle (abt 1735-1756)
- iv. **Col. James** - GG Uncle (1737-21 Jul 1824)
- v. **Rebecca** - G Grandmother (abt 1739-1 Aug 1809)
- vi. **Lois** - GG Aunt
- vii. **Stephen** - GG Uncle (-1 Apr 1779)
- viii. **Eunice** - GG Aunt

Alexander INNIS - GG Grandfather

Birth: Scotland?
Death: 1746, Battle of Culloden⁹³⁰
Father: **Gilbert INNES** - GGG Grandfather
Mother: **Isabella FRASER**⁹³⁰ - GGG Grandmother

Spouse: **Cecelia STEWART** - GG Grandmother
Father: **Col. Robert STEWART** - GGG Grandfather

- Daughter of Col. Robert Stewart.⁹³⁰

1 Child...

- i. **Robert** - G Grandfather

William HAMILTON⁸³⁶⁹ - GG Grandfather

Father: **John HAMILTON** - GGG Grandfather

- Robert and Hants were the sons of William Hamilton and his wife of Northern Ireland, who, it is believed, were the parents of 10 sons and 2 daughters. An old family letter records that at least two sons, a granddaughter and a grandson settled in Nova Scotia. A

great-great-grandson, Pierce Stevens Hamilton, Esq., visited the homeland and returned with charts and notes recording the family genealogy and history – those are still kept in the family and an outline is presented next.

William's ancestors came to Great Britain with William the Conqueror in 1066, the family name then being DeMellent or Bellomont.

Robert DeMellent or Bellomont - First Earl of Leicester, 1066. His sons William and Roger came to England with William the Conqueror in 1066. Of these William married Mary, daughter of the Earl of Strathern and their son Sir Gilbert Hamilton was companion of Robert the Bruce.

Sir Gilbert's son was Sir Walter FitzGilbert, who was the father of David FitzWalter. His son was David Hamilton who was the father of Sir John Hamilton. Sir John was father of Walter Hamilton of Raploch who died before May 20 1441.

Lineage from Walter is > James Hamilton > William Hamilton, of Raploch circa 1492 > James Hamilton of Raploch, died before January 1532 > Archibald Hamilton of Raploch, died before September 1561 > His natural son John was a Vicar and was known as Hans Hamilton. He died May 30 1608 at 72 years > His son (name unknown) was father of Gavin Hamilton, of Ballygally circa 1578 > John or James Hamilton, who died 1666 age 65 years > William Hamilton > Robert & Hans Hamilton - settlers to Nova Scotia.⁸³⁶⁹

Zachariah MILLS Jr. - GGG Grandfather

Birth: abt 1676, Jamaica, Queens, Long Island, New York^{121,7589,7612}
Death: 15 Jan 1761, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{1087,7589}
Father: **Zachariah MILLS - GGGG Grandfather** (1644-btwn 9 May 1696/17 Sep 1696)
Mother: **Abigail MESSENGER - GGGG Grandmother** (abt 1644-aft 9 May 1696)

- No Mills were living in Bedford in 1710.¹⁰⁸²
- Removed to Bedford, Westchester County, NY, by 29 September 1712.^{121,7996}
- Bedford Town Clerk, 1713-1728.^{1082,4312}
- Zachariah Mills Jr. was born 1676 in Jamaica, New York. He was a sheriff in Queens County on Long Island in 1702. His first marriage to Abigail Clark about 1700 on Long Island produced three children: George, born about 1702, Andrew and Abigail. I do not have the death date for Abigail (Zachariah's first wife) but it must have been before Dec. 1711. Zachariah (Jr.) remarried in Bedford to Martha Miller on Dec. 31, 1711. She was born Jan. 2, 1697 (?), the daughter of John Miller Jr. (son of the original proprietor) and

Mary Holmes (daughter of John Holmes Sr.)¹⁸²⁶

- He was noted as deceased 15 Jan. 1761 and his wife/widow died 14 March 1823 (sic for 1723?). He was active in town of Bedford in a number of civil posts including that of judge of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in 1726. He probably married Joanna ??? after 1728.⁷⁵⁸⁹

General: • The Town of Bedford, as set up by both Connecticut and New York patents, was a six-mile square.⁴³¹¹

Spouse: **Abigail CLARK** - GGG Grandmother

Marriage: Jamaica, Queens, Long Island, New York^{1829,7589}

Birth: 6 Sep 1689^{1829,7373,7589}

Death: abt 1711, Jamaica, Queens, Long Island, New York¹⁸²⁹

Father: **Samuel CLARK Jr.** - GGGG Grandfather (abt 1646-22 Feb 1729/30)

Mother: **Hannah TUTTLE**³⁵ - GGGG Grandmother (1655-21 Dec 1708)

- Source does not give her parentage.¹⁸²⁹

- Possibly daughter of Samuel Clark and Hannah Tuttle.^{34,1357,7373}

- If I were an attorney the preponderance of evidence would be that Bedford Genealogies are wrong; that Zachariah's first wife Abby Clark was from Jamaica, LI, NY.^{35,1357}

- Parentage dubious; Abigail of this birthdate given as marrying Ebenezer Cornwall; m 26 Apr 1715.⁷³⁷³

3 Children...

i. **George** - GG Grandfather (abt 1702-bef 17 May 1758)

ii. **Abigail** - GGG Aunt (-aft 1776)

iii. **Andrew** - GGG Uncle (10 Aug 1704-abt 1749)

Spouse: **Martha MILLER**

Marriage: 31 Dec 1711, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{1082,1829,4105,7589,8327}

Birth: 2 Jan 1695, Bedford, Westchester, New York⁴¹⁰⁵

Birth: 2 Jan 1697, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{875,7589}

Memo: age 14 in 1710

Death: 10 Apr 1727, Bedford, Westchester, New York⁷⁶¹²

Father: **John MILLER Jr.** (abt 1665-1726)

Mother: **Mary HOLMES** (25 Sep 1662-1745)

- His wife died 14 March 1823 (sic for 1723?).⁷⁵⁸⁹

Census: • 1710 Census: Bedford, Westchester, New York. Aged 14 years.⁸⁷⁵

7 Children...

- i. **Daniel** - Half GGG Uncle (29 Sep 1712-1762)
- ii. **Peter?** - Half GGG Uncle (abt 1715-)
- iii. **Zebadiah** - Half GGG Uncle (17 Aug 1718-Feb 1777)
- iv. **Hannah** - Half GGG Aunt (10 Feb 1721-)
- v. **Amos** - Half GGG Uncle (15 Jun 1723-14 Mar 1823)
- vi. **John Bedford** - Half GGG Uncle (3 Jul 1724-abt 1793)
- vii. **Zephariah** - Half GGG Uncle (16 Jan 1726-)

Family Notes: • 6 children.⁷⁶¹²

Spouse: **Joanne**

Marriage: aft 1728, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{1087,7589,7612}

- He probably married Joanna _____ after 1728.⁷⁵⁸⁹

Capt. Jonathan HOLMES - GGG Grandfather

Birth: abt 1674, Stamford, Fairfield, Connecticut^{34,875}

Memo: age 36 in 1710

Death: bef 5 Dec 1742, Bedford, Westchester, New York³⁵

Father: **John HOLMES Sr.** - GGGG Grandfather (abt 1635-bef 13 Apr 1715)

Mother: **Rachel Parcett WATERBURY** - GGGG Grandmother (abt 1642-bef Sep 1710)

- Abstract of deed of gift

Zachariah Roberts, Sr., of Bedford, Westchester, N.Y.

Gave "to my (word omitted)" JONATHAN HOLMES of same town

"Four acres of upland in the East Field, bounded by a cartway west my land north, Daniell Jones. south. ye other range of lotts east"

Zachariah Roberts [Sr]

June 4, 1706 "and in ye fifth year of Her Majesties reign Queen Ann. Defender of ye Faith."⁸⁷³

Census: • 1710 Census: Bedford, Westchester, New York. Freeholder, aged 36 years.⁸⁷⁵

Spouse: **Dorothy ROBERTS** - GGG Grandmother

Marriage: 1701, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{1838,8373}

Birth: 1681, Milford?, New Haven, Connecticut^{35,875}
Death: 1710⁸³⁷³
Father: **Zachariah ROBERTS** - GGGG Grandfather (14 May 1653-bef Sep 1710)
Mother: **Mary LAWRENCE** - GGGG Grandmother (abt 1658-)

Census: • 1710 Census: Bedford, Westchester, New York. Aged 29 years.⁸⁷⁵

2 Children...

- i. **Mary** - GG Grandmother (1705-aft 10 Jun 1759)
- ii. **Solomon** - GGG Uncle (1706-1774/76)

John HOLMES Jr. - GGG Grandfather

Birth: 18 Oct 1660, Stamford, Fairfield, Connecticut^{34,875}
Memo: age 50 in 1710
Death: 1729, Bedford, Westchester, New York³⁵
Father: **John HOLMES Sr.** - GGGG Grandfather (abt 1635-bef 13 Apr 1715)
Mother: **Rachel Parcett WATERBURY** - GGGG Grandmother (abt 1642-bef Sep 1710)

• He was one of the 22 original proprietors of Bedford in 1680, and was recorded in the 1710 census of that town as aged 50, with wife Sarah, 36 years old, and three children. John had died before 12 May 1738 when an allotment of land was recorded to "John Holms, son of John Holms Jun'r, deceased."³⁴

• Among the first group of Bedford, NY inhabitants.⁴³¹¹

Census: • 1710 Census: Bedford, Westchester, New York. Freeholder, aged 50 years.⁸⁷⁵

Spouse: **Sarah CLARK** - GGG Grandmother
Marriage: abt 1694, Bedford, Westchester, New York^{35,2649}
Birth: 1674^{35,875}
Memo: age 36 in 1710
Father: **William CLARK** - GGGG Grandfather (1645-1697)
Mother: **Susanna TROTT**¹⁷ - GGGG Grandmother

Census: • 1710 Census: Bedford, Westchester, New York. Aged 36 years.⁸⁷⁵

3 Children...

- i. **Rachel** - GGG Aunt (1695-)
- ii. **John** - GG Grandfather (abt 1697-bef 8 Jun 1763)
- iii. **Deborah** - GGG Aunt (abt 1705-)

Isaac BEECHER - GGG Grandfather

Birth: 18 Aug 1650, New Haven, New Haven, Connecticut²⁰³⁹
Death: 1708, New Haven, New Haven, Connecticut²⁰³⁹
Father: **Isaac BEECHER** - GGGG Grandfather (1623-12 Nov 1690)
Mother: **Mary [POTTER?]**¹⁷ - GGGG Grandmother (1624-aft 1677)

Spouse: **Joanna ROBERTS** - GGG Grandmother
Marriage: 1680, New Haven, New Haven, Connecticut^{17,2039}
Birth: 26 Jun 1657, Milford, New Haven, Connecticut²⁰³⁹
Death: 24 Feb 1732, New Haven, New Haven, Connecticut²⁰³⁹
Father: **William ROBERTS** - GGGG Grandfather (1617-6 Aug 1689)
Mother: **Joanna** - GGGG Grandmother (1621-30 May 1693)

1 Child...

- i. **Jemima** - GG Grandmother (12 Dec 1698-aft 8 Jun 1763)

Gilbert INNES - GGG Grandfather

Spouse: **Isabella FRASER** - GGG Grandmother

1 Child...

- i. **Alexander INNIS** - GG Grandfather (-1746)

Family Notes: • Seven children.⁹³⁰

Col. Robert STEWART - GGG Grandfather

John HAMILTON - GGG Grandfather

Father: **Rev. James HAMILTON**⁶⁸⁸⁵ - GGGG Grandfather (1601-10 Mar 1666)
Mother: **Elizabeth WATSON** - GGGG Grandmother

Research: • Note: While this information has been dutifully recorded as found, the genealogy strongly suggests missing generations! As it is now recorded, William's father was born in 1601 and his son Robert, our ancestor, was born 1734. Surely this is not possible. There must be another generation between Rev. James and William, father of Robert. More plausible is that John was another son of Rev. James, rather than being the same person.

Therefore, the line would go Robert, William, John, Rev. James, Gavin, Rev. Hans.⁸³⁷⁵

Siblings

Hamilton MILLS¹¹³⁵ - Brother

Birth: 8 Aug 1824, Nova Scotia, Canada^{175,1154,8369}

Death: 12 Jun 1883, Marysville, St. Clair,
Michigan^{341,1153,1154}

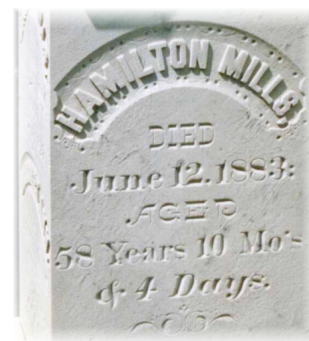
Memo: died age 58y 10m 4d

Burial: Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair,
Michigan¹¹⁵³

Occupation: carpenter¹¹⁵⁴

Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)

Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)



Hamilton

- Owner of 50 acres in Tilbury East, 7 of which under cultivation.¹⁶⁷⁸

- Died, at Marysville, June 12th, Hamilton Mills, after a short illness. Mr. Mills leaves a wife and three children, and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn his loss. His age was 58 years. He was a brother of N. and B. Mills, well known business men of this place. Dr. Poole, of Port Huron, preached an eloquent funeral sermon Friday morning at M. E. Church, of which deceased had for many years been a member.⁷⁶⁷⁹

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

- 1851 Census: Mosa Township. "in the states," age 26.^{4,1647,2377}

- 1861 Census: Tilbury East, Kent, Ontario. Age 36, b Lower Canada.¹⁶⁷⁸

- 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 45, carpenter, \$1,000; \$0, b Nova Scotia.¹⁶⁹⁰

- 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 55, b Nova Scotia. Carpenter. Father b NS; mother b Ireland.¹⁷¹⁷

Spouse: **Mary McDONALD**

Marriage: 22 Feb 1852, Cottrellville, St. Clair, Michigan^{1143,4705}

Memo: witnessed by Eleanor Mills of Mosa, Canada

Birth: abt 1831, Ontario, Canada¹¹⁴³

Death: bef Jan 1866¹¹¹⁷

Census: • 1861 Census: Tilbury East, Kent, Ontario. Age 26, b Upper Canada. Name given as Margaret A. Mills.¹⁶⁷⁸

3 Children...

- i. **George** - Nephew (abt 1855-bef 15 Sep 1909)
- ii. **Margaret T.** - Niece (abt 1859-aft 15 Sep 1909)
- iii. **Janet C.** - Niece (23 Dec 1860-aft 15 Sep 1909)

Spouse: **Jannet CAMERON**

Marriage: 30 Jan 1866, Tilbury East?, Kent, Ontario, Canada¹¹¹⁷

Birth: 20 May 1825, Abernethy And Kincardine, Highland, Scotland^{1690,7042,8108}

Baptism: 22 May 1825, Abernethy And Kincardine, Highland, Scotland⁸¹⁰⁸

Death: 27 Nov 1902, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{340,7042}

Burial: 29 Nov 1902, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{340,7042,7078}

Father: **Daniel CAMERON**⁷⁰⁴²

Mother: **Jennett FRASIER**^{1117,7042}

- Name given as unknown Cameron.⁴⁷⁰¹

- Name given as Janet McCallum; parents George and Jennett McCallum.¹¹¹⁷

- Name given as Jenette Arnold.⁶⁵⁷⁰

Census: • 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 45, b Scotland.¹⁶⁹⁰

- 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 55, b Scotland.¹⁷¹⁷

- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 69, b Scotland.

Widow.¹¹⁴⁸

- 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 69, widow, born Scotland.¹¹⁵⁰

- 1900 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 75, b May 1825, Scotland. Widow.

Mother of 2 children, both living. Parents b Scotland.⁴⁶²⁵

2 Children...

- i. **Mary** - Niece (Jan 1868-Oct 1942)
- ii. **James Nelson** - Nephew (Jun 1868-4 Jan 1903)

Elizabeth MILLS - Sister

Birth: 9 Sep 1826, Canada¹⁷⁵

Death: 7 Oct 1901, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan⁸⁰⁴²

Memo: St. Joseph's Hospital

Burial: 9 Oct 1901, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴⁰

Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)

Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

• This particular census was taken between 12 Jan. and 27 Mar. 1852: during that period Elizabeth Mills, who was born 9 Sept. 1826, would have been 25 years old, matching the age of Betsy Edwards. There can be no doubt that this Betsy Edwards was Barnabas Mills' daughter.⁴

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

• 1851 Census: Mosa township. Age 25.^{4,1648,2376}

• 1860 Census: Vicksburg, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 34, b Canada.⁸⁰⁴¹

• 1880 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 53, b Canada. Head. Dress Maker. Enumerated as Elizabeth Edwards. Father b NS; mother b IRE.³⁸¹⁷

• 1900 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 75, b Sep 1826, Canada (Eng.). Widow. Parents b Nova Scotia. Mother of 1 living child.⁴⁷⁵⁸

Spouse: **James EDWARDS**

Marriage: 12 Sep 1849, Middlesex County, Ontario^{1815,7040}

Memo: witnessed by Jane E. Mills

Birth: abt 1817, Canada¹⁶⁴⁸

Memo: age 34 in 1851

Death: bef 1880³⁸¹⁷

Father: **James EDWARDS**¹⁸¹⁵ (1780-1849)

Mother: **Lydia KNOWLES** (1792-19 May 1876)

Census: • 1851 Census: Mosa township. Age 34, farmer.^{4,1648,2376}

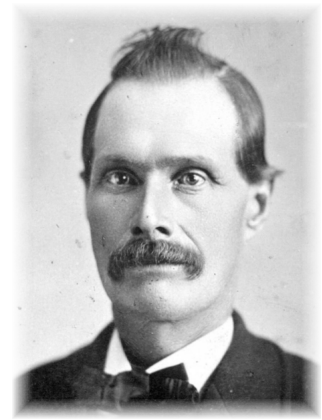
• 1860 Census: Vicksburg, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 43, b Canada. Labourer.⁸⁰⁴¹

5 Children...

- i. **John** - Nephew (13 Jun 1850-bef 15 Sep 1909)
- ii. **Margaret Ann** - Niece (27 Nov 1851-21 Jul 1920)
- iii. **Elizabeth** - Niece (Jan 1855-abt Feb 1925)
- iv. **James Knowles** - Nephew (30 Aug 1856-25 Jan 1937)
- v. **Jane** - Niece (abt 1858-)

Barney MILLS - Brother

Birth: 8 Jul 1828, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada¹⁷⁵
Death: 19 Jul 1905, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{1128,1135,1139,1153}
Memo: died intestate
Burial: 21 Jul 1905, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴⁰
Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)



Barney

- [excerpts] Lumbering reached gigantic proportions back in our early history, when Michigan was known as the lumber capital of the world. Ogemaw County contributed millions of feet of virgin timber during that era, which has acclaimed Michigan a giant in the annals of our history.

In the fall, when the first snow came, the Mills family's horses and oxen were shipped from Stag Island in the St. Clair River to Ogemaw County to work in the lumber camps.

Around 1870 the Mills family owned hundreds of acres of Ogemaw County. They started a lumbering project which was carried for twenty years. After the trees were cut and trimmed into sizable logs, they were skidded into the Rifle River, during the spring freshets, and floated downstream. Upon reaching Lake Huron, they were rafted and pulled by tug boats to the St. Clair River, near Port Huron. Steam boats and tow barges transported them to Cleveland, Ohio, through Lake Erie.³⁴⁰²

- Mills Township, with the Rifle River flowing through its center, is surprisingly free of early lumber settlements. Although lumber camps surely existed along the township's waterways, supply and milling settlements flourished elsewhere.

Richland Township contained the settlements of Hardwood Lake and Mills, and is still the location of the village of Prescott. Mills was a train stop at the western county line. Prescott began as a camp called Camp Six. Its owner, Barney Mills, built a saw mill and shingle mill and owned much of the timber lands in Mills and Richland Townships.³⁴⁰³

Prescott's first saw mill was built by Barney Mills. He also built a shingle mill in Prescott. In 1889, the McLain brothers owned the mills that Mr. Mills had built.³⁴⁰³

John Fitzmaurice tells of a Saturday evening he spent in a southern Ogemaw Camp.

January 17th, 1883, I find by reference to my notebook, was an occasion in which I was made partaker in a camp "Saturday night" that I will long remember. It was in B. B.[sic]

Mills' Rifle River camp, Mich., which like a singed cat, was much better than it looked. It was built upon the old-fashioned style, with what is known as a "caboose," in place of a stove. The "bunk camp" was cosy, and with but little room, one would imagine, in which to give a variety theatre exhibition. Still, in that same camp was congregated more diversified talent, than I have met at one time before or since in the woods.³⁴⁰³

- The Mills Transportation Company was formed February 4, 1878, with a capital stock of \$250,000, divided into 10,000 shares of \$25 each. Nelson Mills, of Marysville, held 2,812; Barney Mills, 938; August C. Gray, 1,250; Henry McMorran, Port Huron, 2,500; and Charles Neal, Bay City, 2,500 shares.²⁹

- **Prominent Port Huron Man Dead.**

Port Huron, Mich., July 19 [1905] – Barnabas Mills, a brother of the late Nelson Mills and a partner of his in many of their business enterprises, died at this home at Marysville this morning, aged 77 years. Mr. Mills took sick while inspecting some of the lumber properties belonging to the estate in northern Michigan, and was brought home last week.¹¹²⁸

- Died intestate.¹¹³⁵

- Barney Mills died intestate leaving a widow without children by him. The widow has one son and two grandchildren by a former marriage. There are thirteen families of Barney Mills kindred of which the heads of six are still living. Two near Chatham, Ontario, one in Washington state, two in Ogemaw County, Michigan, and one in this village. Of all the other families there is one minor child about sixteen years of age living near Chatham, Ontario.

Barney Mills estate consists practically as follows:

Farm, store, village property and house at Prescott, Ogemaw County, Michigan.

Stock in several corporations.

1/4 interest in this co-partnership.

The inventory of this company will be furnished you as soon as it can be obtained and an appraisal made. But for the purposes of this letter will state that the assets are chiefly as follows:

Real estate in Ogemaw, Montmorency, Sanilac and Saint Clair Counties, and in Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio.

Lumber yard and Planning [sic] Mill at Saint Clair.

Stock of lumber and store at this place.

Stag Island.

Interest in mill and land in West Virginia.

Interest in Electric Railway at Lansing.

Accounts and notes receivable.¹¹³⁹

- In a separate email I am going to send you a photo of the first store in Prescott, which was built by Barney Mills as a general department store. The two-story brick building was built sometime before 1900 on Sherman Street. Mills closed the store and the building was purchased by the I.O.O.F. and Geneve Rebecca Lodges. The groups held their meetings upstairs and used the first floor for large gatherings, such as banquets, dances, and large community meetings. For quite a number of years (about 15) the first floor was also used by the school where temporary classrooms were established. After 1965, when the I.O.O.F. charter expired and was not renewed, the building was sold to Bud and Bernadine Haskin and used as a recreational facility.

Do you have the book called PRESCOTT COMMUNITY IN PIONEER HISTORY by Ervadeen Hosbach?⁶¹¹⁹

- Barney Mills was another pioneer lumberman. He owned hundreds of acres of wooded land north of town. After the land was cleared it was sold to men who became farmers. Mills also had one of the first general stores before 1900 in the two-story brick building on Sherman Street, which now houses Bud and Bernadine Haskin's Rec. Hall.⁶¹⁴⁶

- The town had several mills as well as in the rural area. Barney Mills had a grist mill and Bob Cliff, Sr. had a shingle mill. Both were destroyed by fire.⁶¹⁴⁶

- Harold Currie lives on the farm of his grandfather, Gilbert Currie, Sr., two miles north of Sage Lake Road. It had been purchased from Barney Mills.⁶¹⁴⁶

- Yesterday I spent some time at the Oscoda library in the genealogical room. (I love it there!) Anyhow, I found some little things about Barney Mills in the newspapers. I figured this was easier to just type the info out rather than scan the copies, as some are such poor quality.

TAWAS HERALD June 5, 1891: Barney Mills long timber camp is in operation at West Tawas, again with Joseph Lalone, the old standby foreman. Part of the old crew is on deck, with Tink at the helm.

TAWAS HERALD May 20, 1892: (two entries)
Louis Grant, representing E. Morse, the lumber King of the east, of Tonawanda, was in town this week visiting Jos. Lalone, Barney Mills' foreman. Mr. Morse has purchased a quantity of timber from Mr. Mills.

Jas. Lalone, foreman for Barney Mills, informs us that he has started rafting at the mouth

of Tawas River, and will add another force of men in a few days. Quite a number of the old boys are at their old posts of duty.

TAWAS HERALD July 28, 1893: (part of the Prescott social column)

A train of Barney Mills long timber goes out every day from Bush Lake to Tawas Bay.

J. B. Mills, better known as "Cheap John," handles hardware and everything very extensively. He keeps in stock hardware from a needle to a threshing machine. J. B. is quite a hustler.

TAWAS HERALD December 15, 1893: (part of the Prescott social column)

The Keystone flouring mill here is now owned by Messrs Barney Mills and C. E. Cannan. The third partner pulling out of the business.

TAWAS HERALD March 29, 1895: C. E. Cannon has served his connection with the Keystone Milling Co. Having sold his interests in the firm to Barney Mills.

TAWAS HERALD June 27, 1902: (part of the Whittemore social column)

Barney Mills visits our village quite often of late. He has a fine span of drivers of which he is justly proud, and then he is found of good company.⁶¹⁴⁷

- Mr. B. Mills

Prescott, Mich.

Dear Sir:

In reply to yours of the 17th. We are very sorry to say that we are short of cash at present and if we sent you the \$500.00 requested would have to borrow same. We expect to get our money on Steamer Sparta insurance very soon and will then send you the \$500.00. If you must have it sooner kindly let us know and we will loan same.

Will make you price on land you mentioned in your letter later.

Yours truly,

N. & B. MILLS

By _____⁷⁰⁶⁵

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

- 1851 Mosa Twp. Census: "in the states," age 23.^{4,1647,2377}

- 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 42, b Canada. Lumberman.⁴⁶³²

- 1880 Census: St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 51, b Canada [sic], lumberman. Father b New Brunswick [sic]; mother b Ireland.³⁴⁷⁴

- 1894 Michigan Census: St. Clair Township, Michigan. Age 66, b Canada. Lumberman. Father b Canada; mother b Ireland.⁵⁴⁷⁵

- 1900 Census: Mills Township, Ogemaw, Michigan. Age 71, b Jul 1827, Canada Eng. Farmer. Father b Canada Eng; mother b Ireland. Married 30 years. His wife is absent.¹⁷⁵²

General: • 1903 Plat map of Richland Township, Ogemaw County, Michigan.⁶¹²⁰

Spouse: **Mary Melissa WILLIAMS**

Marriage: 8 Nov 1866, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{1133,1143,7608}

Birth: 1 Jun 1830, Deerfield, Portage, Ohio^{11,179,1440}

Death: 1 Jun 1913, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{179,1153}

Burial: Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴⁰

Father: **Sanford WILLIAMS** (23 Jun 1783-8 Jan 1856)

Mother: **Elizabeth HUDSON** (6 Jun 1801-15 Jun 1890)

• Marriage to Barney Mills witnessed by John Hudson & Ruth Hudson, his wife. John is the uncle of Mary Melissa.¹¹⁴³

Census: • 1830 Census: Deerfield, Portage, Ohio. 0000001/10001.¹⁵⁹⁶

• 1840 Census: Deerfield, Portage, Ohio. Age 10-15. 00000001/111001¹⁶¹²

• 1850 Census: Deerfield, Portage, Ohio. Age 20, b OH. Married to Almon Wright. Living adjacent to father, Sanford Williams.¹⁶¹⁷

• 1860 Census: Kenockee, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 28, b OH.¹⁶⁵¹

• 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 40, b OH.⁴⁶³²

• 1880 Census: St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 50, b OH. Father b VT; mother b PA.³⁴⁷⁴

• 1894 Michigan Census: St. Clair Township, Michigan. Age 64, b OH. Father b VT; mother b PA.⁵⁴⁷⁵

• 1900 Census: St. Clair Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 69, b Jun 1830, OH. Head. Father b ME; mother b PA. Living alone, but near Reuben Mills family.⁴⁶³⁰

• 1910 Census: St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 79, b OH. Widow. Father b VT; mother b PA. Mother of 2 children, 1 living. Living in household of son, Warren Wright.⁵⁴⁸²

No Children

Jane Ellen MILLS - Sister

Birth: 11 Jun 1830, Canada¹⁷⁵

Death: Jan 1891, Greenville, Montcalm, Michigan³⁴⁰

Burial: 11 Jan 1891, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴⁰

Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)

Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

• Witness to the marriage of her sister, Elizabeth.¹⁸¹⁵

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

- 1851 Census: Mosa Twp. Age 20.^{4,1647,2377}
- 1860 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 30, b Canada.⁵²⁸⁹
- 1870 Census: China, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 40, b Canada.⁵²⁸³
- 1880 Census: China twp., St. Clair, Michigan. Age 50, b Canada.¹⁷¹⁰

Spouse: **Ainsley W. GRIFFITH**

Marriage: abt 1860¹¹³⁵

Memo: based on birth year of Winifred

Birth: abt 1820, New York⁵²⁸³

Death: Nov 1894, Greenville, Montcalm, Michigan³⁴⁰

Burial: 5 Nov 1894, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan³⁴⁰

Occupation: Keeps hotel¹¹⁴⁵

Father: **GRIFFITH**

Mother: **Mary** (abt 1793-)

- Both parents born in Ireland.¹⁷¹⁰

• Before the end of pastor Tuttle's first successful year here, the Methodists were planning for a building. They had organized a Board of five Trustees--Peter Brakeman, Nelson Mills, Ainsley Griffith, William Smith, and David Carlisle. These trustees purchased a strip of land 4 rods wide and 39 rods deep from Obadiah Gardner for the sum of \$100.¹¹⁴¹

• The Methodist Episcopal Church of Vicksburg was organized November 9, 1859, with Peter F. Brakman, Nelson Mills, Ainsley M. Griffith, D. Carlisle and William Smith Trustees, and William Tuttle, pastor.²⁹

- Justice of the Peace, 1882.
School Inspector.²⁹

Census: • 1860 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 39, b NY. Carpenter & Joiner. \$600; \$200.⁵²⁸⁹

• 1870 Census: China, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 50, b NY. Carpenter & Joiner. \$1700; \$500.⁵²⁸³

• 1880 Census: China twp., St. Clair, Michigan. Age 53, b NY. Farmer.¹⁷¹⁰

6 Children...

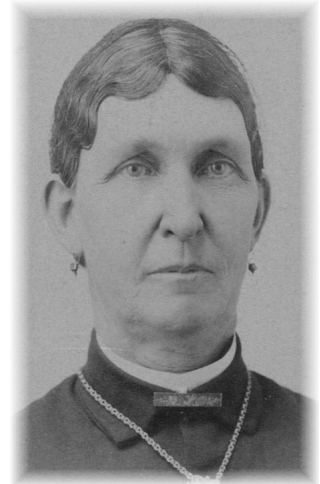
- i. **Winifred N.** - Niece (19 Mar 1861-30 Dec 1915)
- ii. **Nelson H.** - Nephew (Jun 1862-)
- iii. **Perry M.** - Nephew (Aug 1863-aft 15 Sep 1909)
- iv. **Lillian May** - Niece (25 May 1865-2 Apr 1944)

- v. **Effie E.** - Niece (24 Sep 1866-Oct 1966)
- vi. **James B.** - Nephew (abt 1872-aft 15 Sep 1909)

Marriage Notes: • Ainsley W. Griffith & Wife Jane E. sign Warranty Deed 23 Sep 1867.¹¹³⁵

Mary MILLS - Sister

Birth: 13 Apr 1832, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{175,427,5906}
 Death: 17 Oct 1913⁴²⁷
 Burial: Maple Leaf Cemetery, Chatham, Kent, Ontario¹¹²¹
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)



Mary

- Received 1/26th of the 1/4 share of the assets of said co-partnership belonging to the Barney Mills estate.¹¹⁵⁵

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

- 1851 Mosa Twp. Census: age 19.^{4,1647,2377}
- 1861 Census: Chatham, Kent, Ontario.¹⁶⁷⁷
- 1881 Census: Chatham, Kent, Ontario. Age 48, b Ontario.⁴²⁷³

Spouse: **David Lewis ARNOLD**
 Marriage: 3 May 1854, Canada^{1121,5906}
 Birth: 19 Jan 1830, Harwich?, Kent, Ontario, Canada^{427,5906}
 Death: 10 Jan 1922^{427,1121}
 Burial: Maple Leaf Cemetery, Chatham, Kent, Ontario¹¹²¹
 Father: **Lewis L. ARNOLD**¹¹¹⁹ (abt Jul 1802-8 Feb 1887)
 Mother: **Mary SHERMAN**¹¹¹⁹ (29 Sep 1801-29 Apr 1830)

- His mother d. 29 Apr 1830; he was reared by his gdf. Lewis Arnold & inherited from LA.¹¹²¹

Census: • 1861 Census: Chatham, Kent, Ontario. Age 31.¹⁶⁷⁷

- 1881 Census: Chatham, Kent, Ontario. Age 51, b Ontario. Farmer.⁴²⁷³

4 Children...

- i. **Sylvester** - Nephew (abt 1855-4 Sep 1922)

- ii. **Margaret Ann** - Niece (1858-1941)
- iii. **Salem Lewis** - Nephew (12 Feb 1861-26 Jun 1928)
- iv. **Edith Evelyn** - Niece (8 May 1867-2 Jul 1923)

Margaret Ann MILLS - Sister

Birth: 4 Apr 1834, Mosa Township, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{175,1120}
 Death: 24 Dec 1901, Harwich?, Kent, Ontario, Canada¹¹²⁰
 Burial: VanHorn Cemetery, Harwich, Kent, Ontario¹¹²⁰
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

• Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mills, Marysville, Mich., have been here attending the funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Read. Mr. Mills returned immediately after the funeral, but Mrs. Mills remained and is the guest of Mrs. S. E. Arnold this week.²³⁴⁶

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵
 • 1851 Mosa Twp. Census: age 17.^{4,1647,2377}

Spouse: **Samuel Eli ARNOLD**
 Marriage: 27 Dec 1852, Mosa Township, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{426,1116,1120}
 Birth: 4 Jan 1825, Harwich, Kent, Ontario, Canada¹¹²⁰
 Death: 19 Feb 1913¹¹²⁰
 Burial: VanHorn Cemetery, Harwich, Kent, Ontario¹¹²⁰
 Father: **Lewis L. ARNOLD**¹¹¹⁹ (abt Jul 1802-8 Feb 1887)
 Mother: **Mary SHERMAN**¹¹¹⁹ (29 Sep 1801-29 Apr 1830)

5 Children...

- i. **Nelson Philo** - Nephew (12 Nov 1853-1 Oct 1932)
- ii. **Emma Amelia** - Niece (24 Jun 1857-22 Nov 1919)
- iii. **Alpheus Lorenzo** - Nephew (26 Mar 1859-11 Oct 1876)
- iv. **Lawrence Wellesley** - Nephew (12 Feb 1863-10 Nov 1903)
- v. **Violet Mae** - Niece (18 Nov 1868-9 Nov 1919)

Marriage Notes: • Witnesses to Marriage: David L. Arnold; Jane E. Mills.¹¹²⁰

Hance MILLS - Brother

Birth: 17 Aug 1835, Canada^{175,4266}
 Death: 23 Oct 1884, Bijou Hills, Brule, South Dakota⁷⁶⁸⁴

Death: Oct 1883⁷⁶⁸¹
 Memo: deceased
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

- I'm sorry but we don't find him here except for the 1880 census. We checked the 1885 and 1895 census, death records, probate records and cemetery records as well as marriage records from 1883 through 1921.⁴²⁷⁸
- The estate of the late Barney Mills cannot be closed until the heirs of the late Hance Mills, brother of Barney Mills, can be located. The Hance Mills family went west several years ago and has not been heard from since. It is not known how many heirs are left.⁷⁶⁸⁰
- Hance Mills parted from his first wife in 1876. The couple had three children, Addie, Anna and George. The two latter are still living. Anna at Opdyke, Ill., and George at Rochester, N. Y. These he took with him and located at Morristown, Minn., later going to Iowa, and thence to South Dakota, where in 1883 he married again. The missing Walter Mills was born to this second union.⁷⁶⁸¹
- Mr. H. Mills, living near Bijou Hills, in endeavoring to get his horses out of his burning barn, was severely burned about his neck, arms and side. He lay in a much suffering condition for several days, when he died.⁷⁶⁸⁴

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Twp., London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

- 1851 Mosa Twp. Census: age 16, labourer.^{4,1647,2377}
- 1860 Census: Morristown, Rice, Minnesota. Age 25, b Canada. Cabinet maker. 2 household members.⁷⁶⁸³
- 1870 Census: Morristown, Rice, Minnesota. Age 33, b Canada. Carpenter. Name listed as Hanson Mills.⁷⁶⁸²
- 1875 Minnesota Census: Rice County, Minnesota. Age 39, b Canada. Parents b Canada.⁷⁶⁸⁵
- 1880 Census: Neola, Pottawattamie, Iowa. Age 43, b CAN. Widower. Farmer. Father b Nova Scotia; mother b Ireland. Enumerated as H. Mills.⁴²⁶⁶

Spouse: **Mary Emerette POPE**
 Marriage: 21 Nov 1859, Morristown, Rice, Minnesota⁷⁶⁸⁴
 Separation: 1876⁷⁶⁸¹
 Birth: abt 1841, New York⁷⁶⁸³
 Death: 1900⁷⁶⁸⁴

Census: • 1860 Census: Morristown, Rice, Minnesota. Age 19, b NY.⁷⁶⁸³
• 1870 Census: Morristown, Rice, Minnesota. Age 26, b NY.⁷⁶⁸²
• 1875 Minnesota Census: Rice County, Minnesota. Age 35, b NY. Parents b England.
Enumerated as "Mary E"⁷⁶⁸⁵

3 Children...

- i. **Sarah Adaline** - Niece (13 Apr 1862-bef 1880)
- ii. **George** - Nephew (Sep 1871-)
- iii. **Anna Margaret** - Niece (27 Jan 1876-)

Marriage Notes: • Hance Mills parted from his first wife in 1876.⁷⁶⁸¹

Spouse: **Arvilla E. PARSEL**

Marriage: 1 Oct 1883, Chamberlain, Brule, South
Dakota^{7681,7684}

Birth: 24 Apr 1851, Plymouth, Richland, Ohio⁷⁶⁸⁸

Birth: 24 Apr 1852, Plymouth, Richland, Ohio⁷⁶⁹⁴

Death: 1 Mar 1902, Bemidji, Beltrami, Minnesota^{7684,7692}

Burial: Memorial Park Cemetery, Grand Forks, Grand
Forks, North Dakota⁷⁶⁹⁴

Father: **William Morgan PARSEL** (1825-1926)

Mother: **Martha Jane KIRKPATRICK** (1835-1889)



Arvilla E.

• 2nd of 5 children.⁷⁶⁹⁵

• Anna and George Mills were aged respectively 7 and 13 years when Hance Mills died in October, 1883. Soon after this the second Mrs. Mills took the infant and disappeared.⁷⁶⁸¹

• [excerpts] Mrs. A. Milne, a pioneer of Bemidji, died of typhoid fever, March 1, 1902, at St. Anthony's hospital, after a short illness. She leaves behind her a husband, two sons, and one daughter to mourn her untimely demise.

Arvilla E. Parsell was born at Plymouth, Ohio, April 24, 1852. She was married in 1870 to Peter Doty, who died in South Dakota in 1887 to which state they moved in 1883. She married Alex Milne a few years previous to their coming to Bemidji.⁷⁶⁹⁴

Census: • 1860 Census: Plymouth, Richland, Ohio. Age 9, b OH.⁷⁶⁹⁵

• 1880 Census: Pleasant, Pottawatamie Iowa. Age 29, b OH. Father b NY; mother b OH.⁷⁶⁸⁶

• 1885 Territorial Census: Charles Mix County, South Dakota. Age 34, b OH. Enumerated as "Mother." Head of household; no husband present. Seven children in household.⁷⁶⁸⁷

- 1900 Census: Bemidji, Beltrami, Minnesota. Age 51, b Apr 1851, OH. Father b NY; mother b OH. Married 13 years. Mother of 5 children, 3 living.⁷⁶⁹³

1 Child...

- i. **Walter Earle** - Nephew (31 Jul 1884-)

Aaron MILLS¹⁷⁵ - Brother

Birth: 17 Jun 1837, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada
 Death: 15 Aug 1838, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

Reuben MILLS - Brother

Birth: 11 Apr 1839, Mosa Township, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{50,175,341}
 Death: 24 Jan 1921, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan¹¹⁴⁰
 Burial: 27 Jan 1921, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{340,7079}
 Occupation: Farmer; Lumberman; foreman sawmill^{1143,1146,1151}
 Religion: Member, Marysville Methodist Church¹¹³
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

- Came to Michigan in 1854, according to 1894 Michigan Census.¹¹⁵¹

• Reuben Mills, a brother of the late Nelson and Barney Mills, holds a prominent place in the history of Marysville, both because of his sturdy and upright citizenship and his substantial connection with the lumbering interests of this part of the state. He was born in Wardsville, the Dominion of Canada, on April 11, 1839, the son of Barney and Margaret Ann (Hamilton) Mills.

As a boy Reuben Mills attended the school in Wardsville, Canada, during the short winter season, and at the Mills school in Marysville after he had come to this place at the age of nineteen [1858]. From the age of nine until he was thirteen Reuben lived at home, and then went to work by the month on a neighboring farm. After six years he came to Michigan, and here for one year was engaged in farm work for his brother. He then started in the lumber business, and in a single summer at running a shingle and lathe mill, and receiving pay by the thousand, he made the sum of four hundred dollars, a very remarkable amount for a boy of those days. Soon after this venture he found his way to the lumber woods, and there worked for some time, driving logs by way of Elk creek and Black river. Following that he worked in the Reeves, Williams and Mills saw mill, soon

becoming foreman and an overseer of logging camps, a calling which he followed for thirty-five years. He invested in four hundred acres of farm land in Sanilac county, Michigan, and it has been so well improved under Mr. Mills' management that it is now practically all under cultivation.

At the age of twenty-one Mr. Mills was united in marriage to Miss Corinthia Wright, of Marysville, Michigan. She died, leaving four children, Etta, Prudence Edith, Arlington, and Herbert R. Etta became the wife of John A. Rowe, a Methodist Episcopal minister, now the pastor of a church at Napoleon, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Rowe have five children. Prudence Mills married Frank Geel, a farmer, and is now the mother of one child. Arlington Mills passed away in his twenty-first year, and his brother Herbert died at the age of seventeen.

Politically Mr. Mills is a thorough going Republican, and had the honor to start his allegiance to that party by casting his first vote for Abraham Lincoln as president. He was a member of the school board of his district for forty years without a single break until his resignation on last July. Since his seventeenth year he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, the greater part of the time being also an office holder in the church.

In 1898 Mr. Mills was again married, his bride being Mrs. Addie M. Davis, of Marysville. It is interesting to record that in the days when Mr. Mills was a sturdy driver of logs for his brother he once, during a summer in the early sixties, cleared five thousand dollars in a single season.⁵⁰

- Received 1/26th of the 1/4 share of the assets of said co-partnership belonging to the Barney Mills estate.¹¹⁵⁵

- REUBEN MILLS: AGED PIONEER PASSES AWAY

Was One of the First in Developing Lumber Tracts in This Part of State

Marysville, Jan. 24 – Reuben Mills, pioneer resident of Marysville and one of the first developers of the lumber industry in this part of the state, died Sunday night at 12 o'clock at his Marysville home, after a lingering illness of one year's duration. Heart trouble was the direct cause of death.

Mr. Mills, who had reached the age of 82 years had been in failing health for some time, and his death last night was not unexpected.

The death of Mr. Mills removes one of the last of the few surviving pioneers whose lives were given over to the development of this section of Michigan, and whose early life were filled with hardships of the lumber camps and log running which featured the early history of St. Clair county and vicinity.³⁴³

Census: • 1842 Census: Mosa Township, London District, Ontario.¹⁶¹⁵

- 1851 Census: Mosa township. Age 14.^{4,1647,2377}
- 1860 Census: Vicksburg, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 19, sawyer, b Canada. Living with brother, Nelson Mills.¹⁶⁶²
- 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 31, lumberman, \$1,000; \$0, b Canada.¹⁶⁸⁸
- 1880 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 41, b Canada.¹⁷¹⁷
- 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 53, b Canada. Foreman sawmill. Father b Scotland; mother b OH.¹¹⁵¹
- 1900 Census: St. Clair Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 61, b Mar 1839, Canada (W). Farmer. Parents b Scotland.⁴⁶³⁰
- 1910 Census: St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 70, b Canada. Farmer. Parents b Scotch.⁵⁴⁸²

Spouse: **Mary Corinthia WRIGHT**
 Marriage: 11 Mar 1866, Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan^{50,1140,1143,4705}
 Birth: 9 Jul 1849, Ohio¹¹⁴⁶
 Death: 19 Sep 1887, Marysville?, St. Clair, Michigan^{341,1440}
 Burial: Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{340,7079}
 Religion: Member, Marysville Methodist Church¹¹³
 Father: **Almon D. WRIGHT**¹⁶⁵¹ (abt 1830-27 Apr 1862)
 Mother: **Mary Melissa WILLIAMS** (1 Jun 1830-1 Jun 1913)

Census: • 1850 Census: Deerfield, Portage, Ohio. Age 1, b OH.¹⁶¹⁷
 • 1860 Census: Kenockee, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 11, b OH.¹⁶⁵¹
 • 1870 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 21, b OH.¹⁶⁸⁸
 • 1880 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 30, b OH.¹⁷¹⁷
 • 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 33, b OH. Parents b OH.¹¹⁴⁶

4 Children...

- i. **Ethelyn** - Niece (9 Feb 1867-6 Mar 1949)
- ii. **Prudence Edith** - Niece (Jan 1869-1 Mar 1913)
- iii. **Arlington** - Nephew (Died young) (30 Sep 1870-3 Nov 1895)
- iv. **Herbert R.** - Nephew (Died young) (9 Aug 1874-18 May 1892)

Spouse: **Ada Madeline CAREY**
 Marriage: 29 Nov 1897, Marysville, St. Clair,
 Michigan^{1140,1142,1143}
 Birth: 15 Nov 1853, Clayton, Jefferson, New York^{8040,8039}
 Death: 24 Mar 1926, Marysville, St. Clair,
 Michigan^{8039,8040}
 Burial: Woodland Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair,
 Michigan⁸⁰³⁹
 Father: **James CAREY**^{1143,8039} (1813-1893)
 Mother: **Sarah LAMPHERE**^{1143,8040} (1817-1896)



Ada Madeline

Census: • 1860 Census: Clayton, Jefferson, New York. Age 6, b NY. Enumerated as Ada.⁸¹⁷⁷

- 1880 Census: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 22, b NY. Parents b NY.⁴⁶³¹
- 1900 Census: St. Clair Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 46, b Nov 1853, NY. Mother of 2 living children. Parents b NY.⁴⁶³⁰
- 1910 Census: St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 54, b NY. Parents b NY. Mother of 3 children, 2 living.⁵⁴⁸²

No Children

Abraham MILLS¹⁷⁵ - Brother

Birth: 27 Mar 1841, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada
 Death: 31 Aug 1842, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

Sarah MILLS - Sister

Birth: 11 Aug 1843, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada¹⁷⁵
 Death: 30 Aug 1924, Alpena, Alpena, Michigan⁷⁵⁹⁴
 Burial: 2 Sep 1924, Evergreen Cemetery, Alpena, Alpena, Michigan⁷⁵⁹⁴
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

- Received 1/26th of the 1/4 share of the assets of said co-partnership belonging to the Barney Mills estate.¹¹⁵⁵
- Date of Birth given as June 9th; age at death: 81 years, 2 months, 21 days. Birthplace:

Canada. Parents given as Barney Mills, b Nova Scotia, and Mary Hamilton, b Nova Scotia.⁷⁵⁹⁴

Census: • 1851 Mosa Twp. Census: age 8.^{4,1647,2377}

- 1860 Census: Vicksburg P. O., St. Clair, Michigan. Age 16, b Canada. Living with brother, Nelson Mills.¹⁶⁶²
- 1880 Census: Toledo, Lucas, Ohio. Age 37, b Canada. Widow. Father b NY; mother b CT [probable enumerator error]. Living in household of Maro Wheeler.⁵¹³⁶
- 1900 Census: Manhattan, New York, New York. Age 55, b Jun 1844, Canada (Eng). Widow; married 29 years prior. Boarder. Father b Canada (Eng); mother b Ireland. Listed as Sarah Conger.⁴⁶⁵³
- 1920 Census: Zion, Lake, Illinois. Age 75, b Canada. Widow. Domestic. Father b Canada; mother b Scotland. Resident in Zion Home on Elijah Avenue. [Note presence of her niece, Margaret Barron, living also in Zion].^{5134,5138}

Research: • Could not find in 1910; [Ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com), 13 Mar 2006 & 19 Feb 2022

Spouse: **Hon. James Lockwood CONGER**

Marriage: 6 Jul 1868, St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan^{702,1155,7691}

Birth: 18 Feb 1805, Rockaway, Morris, New Jersey^{702,2341}

Memo: Rockaway birth place due to marriage place of his parents

Death: 10 Apr 1876, St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan^{702,2343,4169}

Burial: abt 15 Apr 1876, Green Lawn Cemetery, Columbus, Franklin, Ohio^{2343,3148}

Occupation: Lawyer⁴²⁵⁸

Father: **David Beeman CONGER**²³⁴¹ (8 Oct 1779-abt 1839)

Mother: **Hannah Ferrin LOCKWOOD**²³⁴¹

• [excerpts] Previous to coming to Michigan he lived in Ohio (Cleveland we believe) where he had attained great prominence at the bar, being regarded as one of the ablest criminal lawyers in that state. He came to Michigan in about 1839, and bought a large tract of land in Macomb County, at the mouth of the Clinton River, where he went into business. He erected saw mills, and laid out a city known as Belvedere. The investment was not a successful one and Mr. Conger sank a large fortune in the enterprise.

He was an ardent Whig, and in 1850 was elected to Congress from the Third District, which then composed the counties of Macomb, St. Clair,...etc.

He leaves a widow, (a sister of Mr. Nelson Mills of Marysville) and a son and daughter by a former wife.⁷⁰²

- CONGER, James Lockwood, a representative from Michigan; born in Trenton, N.J.,

February 18, 1805; moved to New York in 1809 with his parents, who settled in Canandaigua, Ontario County; attended the district schools and Canandaigua Academy; studied medicine; moved to Lancaster, Ohio, in 1822; taught school for several years; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1825 and commenced practice in Lancaster, Ohio; moved to Cleveland, Ohio, and continued the practice of law from 1826 to 1837, when he moved to Macomb County, Mich., and laid out the town of Belvedere; engaged in banking and mercantile pursuits until 1850; moved to Mount Clemens, Mich.; elected as a Whig to the Thirty-second Congress (March 4, 1851-March 3, 1853); declined to be a candidate for renomination in 1852; resumed his former business pursuits; owing to ill health retired from active business pursuits; died in St. Clair, St. Clair County, Mich., April 10, 1876; interment in Green Lawn Cemetery, Columbus, Ohio.²³⁴³

- Very little has been preserved of the Cleveland life of James Lockwood Conger, a lawyer residing in the city between 1826 and 1840, save through a package of old letters written by Mrs. Conger to her only sister, Mrs. Erwina Miner of Centerville, Fairfield Co., Ohio. James L. Conger, b. in Trenton, N. J., was the son of David and Hannah Lockwood Conger, who later lived in Phelps, N. Y. He received his general education in that locality and studied law with Judge Ewing of Ohio.⁴¹⁶⁹

- Some time after the panic of 1837, that was the cause of scattering many of the numerous Cleveland lawyers and doctors to all points of the compass, James L. Conger removed to Belvedere, Mich., where in 1847, after four years of battling with tuberculosis, Mrs. Conger died, aged forty-one. Mr. Conger married again, but there is no record furnished of this union. He became a prominent man of that community and at one time represented it in the lower house of Congress in Washington.⁴¹⁶⁹

Census: • 1840 Census: Harrison Township, Macomb, Michigan. 0001110001/001001. Listed as J. L. Conger.⁴⁶⁵⁴

- 1860 Census: St. Clair, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 58, b NJ. Lawyer. \$15,000; \$1000. No wife present; 3 domestics in household.⁵¹³⁵

No Children

James Lumley MILLS⁴⁴⁰² - Brother

Birth:	6 Jun 1845, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada ¹⁷⁵
Birth:	11 Aug 1845, Canada ⁴⁴³³
Death:	26 Feb 1924, Thorp, Kittitas, Washington ⁴⁴⁴⁰
Memo:	died Tuesday evening

Death: 25 Feb 1924, Kittitas County, Washington⁴³⁸¹
Burial: Thorp Cemetery, Thorp, Kittitas, Washington^{4381,4446}
Occupation: lumberman³⁴⁷³
Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - **Father** (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - **Mother** (1803-30 Jul 1852)

- "now residing in Washington territory."¹⁷⁶
- "There are thirteen families of Barney Mills kindred of which the heads of six are still living. Two near Chatham, Ontario, one in Washington state,..."¹¹³⁹
- [excerpts] James L. Mills, a lumber manufacturer in Thorp, Washington, has been engaged in the milling business since a boy.

Mr. Mills was educated in Canada and Michigan and is graduated from a commercial school in Detroit. When a boy he started to work in the lumber mills, and in 1868 he took charge of a lumber yard in Toledo, Ohio, for his brother. In 1874 the business was moved to Cleveland, and he continued in charge until 1878, when he went to Colorado for his health. In 1879 he came to Thorp, bought out a homestead and pre-empted the land, and that fall started work on a water ditch for his mill. He commenced to operate the mill in 1880. He bought the J. E. Bates farm in 1884, and later secured one hundred and sixty acres of railroad land, all of which he has under cultivation.

The husband and wife are Good Templars and members of the Methodist church. Mr. Mills is a leader in the church work, is one of the trustees, and has been superintendent of the Sunday school for a number of years. He is an honest, upright and industrious man. His property holdings include three hundred and twenty acres of land, besides the sawmill and site.⁴⁴³³

- The James Mills sawmill in Thorp was one of the first sawmills in the valley. The machinery for the mill was freighted into Kittitas over the Squaw Creek Trail from The Dalles. Many of the early homes were built from lumber cut at this mill. Mr. Mills built a small ditch from the Yakima to the mill pond and to operate the light plant. In 1879 mail and messages were left by this headgate for there was no station in Thorp. Many old letters and records are kept that tell the story of the mill. A water right was sold to Horace Hutchinson so he would have water for his flour mill. A marker is at the head of the mill ditch. On the marker is the date 1879.⁴⁴³⁴
- One mill of which we do have some knowledge was also one of the most picturesque old mills in Kittitas. The James E. Mills sawmill in Thorp. Built in 1879, it seems to have supplied lumber to most of the farmers and builders in the country. There are many old

letters, papers and records that give reliable historical data.

A letter written by Mr. Nelson Mills [James' son] reads thus:

"James L. Mills walked most of the way in to Kittitas over the old trail from Puget Sound in 1878. In 1879 and 1880, he dug the mill race and built the sawmill. The water wheel and machinery were brought up from the Dalles by teams and wagons. Later, he sold a part interest in the water to Horace Hutchinson who built the North Star Flouring Mill. In 1902, the sawmill was under the name of J. L. Mills and Son. In 1906, we put in an electric light plant.

"During the next 30 years, the old water wheel turned logs into lumber by day in the mill, and drove the dynamo by night that turned darkness to light for the town of Thorp. The old sawmill and light plant are on Mills' land and still in the Mills family."⁴⁴³⁵

- Lumber from that mill has always been considered the best in Kittitas; the matched flooring, ceiling, siding was perfect. Many pioneer builders said it was the best he had ever used. "So-called matched boards couldn't be driven together with a sledge hammer."

"Lumber from Mills fits; it goes together with a tap of a hammer."

Commenting on this reputation, Mr. Nelson Mills said, "No wonder, I have seen him [Mr. James Mills], file and fit the bits of matched boards; if not perfect, he would try again for half an hour. When he had everything right, you knew the matched lumber would be perfect."⁴⁴³⁵

- Received 1/26th of the 1/4 share of the assets of said co-partnership belonging to the Barney Mills estate.¹¹⁵⁵

- James L. Mills, a pioneer resident of Thorp for the past 48 years, died Tuesday evening at this home in that city. The deceased was 80 years of age and has conducted a mill there with his son, Nelson, for some time.

As a resident of Thorp for the greater part of his life, Mr. Mills had made a vast number of friends who mourn his passing. Besides his son Nelson he also leaves a daughter, Mrs. Ada Beal, residing at College Place near Walla Walla. His wife died some two years ago. The body was taken to the Honeycutt parlors to remain until funeral arrangements were made.

The passing of Mr. Mills thins still further the list of Kittitas valley pioneers.⁴⁴⁴⁰

- From my records, the "L" in James L. Mills is LUMNEY.⁴⁴⁴⁶ I do not know if Lumney was a family name.

[reply]: Likely is was "Lumley." James L. Mills' aunt was Eleanor Hamilton Nelson (his mother's sister) who married James Lumley.⁴⁴⁰²

Census: • 1851 Census: Mosa Township; age 6.^{4,1647,2377}

- 1861 Census: Mosa Township; born U. C., Wesleyan Methodist, age 16.^{4,1675}
- 1870 Census: Toledo, Lucas, Ohio. Age 24, b MI [sic]. Book keeper. Living in household of Sewell Wittlesey.⁴⁶⁴⁶
- 1880 Census: West Kittitas, Yakima, Washington. Age 34, b Canada, lumberman.³⁴⁷³
- 1887 Territorial Census: Kittitas County, Washington. Age 42, b Canada. Farmer.⁴⁴³⁸
- 1889 Territorial Census: Kittitas County, Washington. Age 41, b Canada. Lumberman.⁴⁴³⁸
- 1900 Census: West Kittitas, Kittitas, Washington. [unclear]: b Aug 1846, age 54, b Canada (Eng.). Saw miller. Father b Canada; mother b Ireland.⁴³⁸⁷
- 1910 Census: West Kittitas, Kittitas, Washington. Age 64, b Canada English. Parents b Canada English. Married 30 years. Naturalized, 1872.⁸⁰⁰⁹
- 1920 Census: West Kittitas, Kittitas, Washington. Age 74, b Canada, farmer.³⁶²⁹

General: • ...the Thorp area...often referred to as West Kittitas.⁴⁴¹⁴

Spouse: **Marie Lydia CANNON**
 Marriage: 1877, Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio^{4387,4433}
 Memo: married 23 years in 1900
 Birth: 15 Jun 1850, Solon Twp, Cuyahoga, Ohio^{4397,4433}
 Death: 22 Feb 1922, Thorp, Kittitas, Washington^{4385,4397,4441}
 Burial: Thorp Cemetery, Thorp, Kittitas, Washington⁴⁴⁴⁶
 Father: **James Henry CANNON** (11 Nov 1821-4 Jul 1900)
 Mother: **Lydia Gamwell BABCOCK** (5 Oct 1827-3 Mar 1915)

- She is highly educated, and taught school previous to her marriage.⁴⁴³³
- Mrs. Marie L. Mills, 71, died at 10:30 last evening at the family residence at Thorp after a long illness. She was the wife of James L. Mills and mother of Nelson Mills of Ellensburg and Mrs. Ada Beal of Walla Walla.

Mrs. Mills was born in Ohio June 15, 1850. In 1877 she was married to James L. Mills, and with him came to Thorp in 1879, where he bought a homestead, pre-empted the land and established a lumber mill. He commenced to operate the mill in 1880.

Funeral services have not yet been arranged. The body is at Bridgham's mortuary.⁴⁴⁴¹

Census: • 1870 Census: Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 20, b OH. At home, with her parents.⁴⁶⁴⁷

- 1880 Census: West Kittitas, Yakima, Washington. Age 30, b Ohio. Both parents born in Massachusetts.³⁴⁷³
- 1887 Territorial Census: Kittitas County, Washington. Age 34, b OH.⁴⁴³⁸

- 1889 Territorial Census: Kittitas County, Washington. Age 38, b OH.⁴⁴³⁸
- 1900 Census: West Kittitas, Kittitas, Washington. [unclear] Born Aug 1850(?), age 50, b OH. Parents b MA. Mother of 4 children, 2 living.⁴³⁸⁷
- 1910 Census: West Kittitas, Kittitas, Washington. Age 59, b OH. Married once, 30 years. Mother of 4 children, 2 living. Parents b MA.⁸⁰⁰⁹
- 1920 Census: West Kittitas, Kittitas, Washington. Age 68, b OH.³⁶²⁹

4 Children...

- i. **Nelson Gamwell** - Nephew (27 Apr 1881-5 Feb 1956)
- ii. **James Harlan** - Nephew (Died as Child) (3 Jun 1882-31 Dec 1888)
- iii. **Ada Violet** - Niece (27 May 1885-15 Feb 1974)
- iv. **Paul Lumley** - Nephew (Died as Child) (26 Jan 1890-9 Jun 1893)

Diana MILLS - Sister

Birth: 10 Mar 1847, Wardsville, Mosa Township, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada⁵
 Death: 1 Feb 1905, Chicago, Cook, Illinois⁷⁶⁸⁹
 Death: bef 15 Sep 1909¹¹⁵⁵
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Margaret Ann NELSON**⁸³⁶⁹ - Mother (1803-30 Jul 1852)

• Nevertheless, it is possible that she was born at Thamesville as the register states, but the writer suspects that "Thamesville" was written by someone in error for "Wardsville"; both places are on the Thames River and they are only 15 miles apart.⁵

• Beers-Kent shows Diana Mills' husband as Flavis GILLETT.¹¹¹⁵

• The daughter Diana does not appear here [1861 Mosa census]. It is quite unlikely that she was married when this census was taken, since she would then have been only about 14 years old; perhaps she had gone to the United States to live with one or other of her siblings who were resident there at the time.⁴ [Yes, living with brother, Nelson.¹⁶⁶²]

Census: • 1851 Census: Mosa Township. Age 4.^{4,1647,2377}

• 1860 Census: Vicksburg P. O., St. Clair, Michigan. Age 12, b Canada. Living with brother, Nelson Mills.¹⁶⁶²

• 1871 Canada Census: Dover, Essex, Ontario. Age 21, b Ontario, Baptist.⁵

• 1881 Canada Census: Chatham, Kent, Ontario. Age 33, b ON. Church of England. Name given as Diannah.⁴²⁶⁵

• 1891 Canada Census: Chatham, Kent, Ontario. Age 43, Father b Ireland; mother b U.S.⁸⁰⁸⁴

- 1900 Census: Chicago, Cook, Illinois. Age 52, b Canada Eng. Father b Nova Scotia; mother b Canada Eng. Mother of 7 children, 2 living.⁴⁷⁰³

Spouse: **Flavius Josephus GILLET**
 Marriage: 4 Mar 1868, Kent County, Ontario, Canada^{5,788,1115}
 Memo: both residents of Chatham
 Birth: Mar 1842, Windham, Norfolk, Ontario, Canada^{788,4703}
 Death: 24 Mar 1918, Chicago, Cook, Illinois^{6741,8082}
 Burial: 25 Mar 1918, Chatham, Kent, Ontario, Canada⁶⁷⁴¹
 Father: **Lorenzo D. GILLET**⁶⁷⁴¹ (abt 1810-)
 Mother: **Adaline TRASK**⁵⁵⁵⁶ (abt 1811-)

- Mother's name given as Adelaid Frost.⁶⁷⁴¹

Census: • 1851 Canada Census: Dover, Essex, Ontario. Age 11, b Canada Eng.⁵
 • 1861 Canada Census: Dover, Essex, Ontario. Age 19, b U. Canada.⁵
 • 1871 Canada Census: Dover, Essex, Ontario. Age 29, b Ontario, mechanic, Methodist.⁵
 • 1881 Canada Census: Chatham, Kent, Ontario. Age 38, b ON. Grocer. Church of England. Enumerated as F. Josephus.⁴²⁶⁵
 • 1891 Canada Census: Chatham, Kent, Ontario. Age 49, b ON. Difficult to read.⁸⁰⁸⁴
 • 1900 Census: Chicago, Cook, Illinois. Age 58, b Canada Eng. Father b Canada Eng; mother b NY.⁴⁷⁰³
 • 1910 Census: Chicago, Cook, Illinois. Age 68, b Canada Eng. Widower. Parents b Canada Eng. Alien; 1888 Immigration Year. Father in household of his son, Edwin. Enumerated as Florena J Gillet.⁶⁷⁴²

2 Children...

- i. **Edwin R.** - Nephew (12 Jan 1869-10 Jun 1926)
- ii. **Herbert Mills** - Nephew (7 Mar 1881-14 Mar 1958)

George Key MILLS^{3227,6372} - Half Brother

Birth: Nov 1854, Mosa Township?, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada¹¹⁵²
 Death: 17 Jul 1941, Prescott?, Ogemaw, Michigan³⁴⁰⁰
 Memo: died age 86 years
 Burial: Richland Cemetery, Ogemaw County, Michigan³⁴⁰⁰
 Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)
 Mother: **Elizabeth SIMPSON**⁸³³⁹ (abt 1815-bef 1870)

- 1871 Census Returns for Mosa Twp., Sub-District No. 1, p. 51, household of James

[Baumery?].[Balmer?]

There is evidence that George K. was born ca. 1854 (the 1861 census gives his age next birthday as 7), in which case he may have been the George recorded in this return. However one would not expect Barnabas' young son to have been left behind alone in Mosa when the family moved elsewhere.⁴

- Received 1/26th of the 1/4 share of the assets of said co-partnership belonging to the Barney Mills estate.¹¹⁵⁵

Census: • 1861 Census: Mosa twp. Age 7, Wesleyan Methodist, born U. C.^{4,1675}

- 1881 Census: Harwich, Kent, Ontario. Age 26, b Ontario, farmer, Church of England.³⁴⁸²
- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age [unclear], b Canada.¹¹⁴⁸
- 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Twp, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 39, b Canada. Farmer. Father b NS; mother b England.⁵⁴⁷⁶
- 1900 Census: Richland Twp, Ogemaw, Michigan. Age 45, b Nov 1854, Canada (Eng). Farmer. Father b Canada Eng. (written on top of New Brunswick), mother b England.¹¹⁵²
- 1910 Census: Richland Twp, Ogemaw, Michigan. Age 55, b Canada (Eng.). Farmer. Parents b Canada Eng.⁴⁰²⁹
- 1930 Census: Richland twp., Ogemaw, Michigan. Age 75, widowed, b Canada (Eng.). Farmer.⁴²⁹⁸

Spouse: **Anne AXFORD**

Marriage: 7 May 1879, Chatham, Kent, Ontario, Canada^{7764,7999}

Birth: 8 Oct 1858, Ontario, Canada^{3227,7764}

Death: 22 Dec 1927, Prescott, Ogemaw, Michigan⁷⁷⁶⁴

Burial: Richland Cemetery, Ogemaw County, Michigan⁷⁷⁶⁴

Father: **George AXFORD**⁷⁷⁶⁴ (1833-1874)

Mother: **Elinor RICHARDS** (1833-1874)

- Parents are George and Elinor Axford.⁷⁹⁹⁹

Census: • 1881 Census: Harwich, Kent, Ontario. Age 22, b Ontario, Church of England.³⁴⁸²

- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 23, b Canada. Parents b England.¹¹⁴⁸
- 1894 Michigan Census: Port HuronTwp, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 36, b Canada. Parents b England.⁵⁴⁷⁶

- 1900 Census: Richland Twp, Ogemaw, Michigan. Age 41, b Oct 1858, Canada (Eng). Parents born in England. Mother of 4 living children.¹¹⁵²
- 1910 Census: Richland Twp, Ogemaw, Michigan. Age 52, b Canada (Eng.). Mother of 4 children, all living. Parents b Canada Eng.⁴⁰²⁹

4 Children...

- i. **Roy Key** - Half Nephew (Jul 1882-28 Jun 1938)
- ii. **Alice J.** - Half Niece (Mar 1885-28 May 1962)
- iii. **George Eltham** - Half Nephew (16 Sep 1886-25 Oct 1964)
- iv. **Nelson Axford** - Half Nephew (27 Aug 1888-)

Alice Josephine Inez MILLS^{1155,8003,8339} - Half Sister

Birth: 12 Jun 1858, Wardsville, Mosa Township, Middlesex, Ontario, Canada^{175,8001}

Death: 27 Aug 1924, Chatham?, Kent, Ontario, Canada⁸⁰⁰⁴

Father: **Barnabas MILLS**^{1818,1821} - Father (26 Feb 1801-24 Apr 1880)

Mother: **Elizabeth SIMPSON**⁸³³⁹ (abt 1815-bef 1870)

- At her first marriage, her parents are given as Barnabas and Elizabeth Mills.⁸⁰⁰⁰
- At her second marriage, her name is given as Alice Field.⁸⁰⁰²
- Received 1/26th of the 1/4 share of the assets of said co-partnership belonging to the Barney Mills estate.¹¹⁵⁵

Census: • 1861 Census: Mosa twp. Age 4, Wesleyan Methodist, born U. C. Enumerated as Alice J. Mills.^{4,1675}

- 1881 Census: Kent, Ontario, Canada. Widowed.⁸⁰⁰¹
- 1891 Census: Yarmouth, Elgin East, Ontario, Canada. Relation to Head: Wife.⁸⁰⁰¹
- 1901 Census: Ontario, Canada. Relation to Head: Wife.⁸⁰⁰⁴

Spouse: **Pembroke Somerset FIELD**

Marriage: 8 Nov 1876, Harwich, Kent, Ontario, Canada^{8000,8004}

Birth: 1851, Canada⁸⁰⁰⁰

Death: 5 Jul 1880, Kent County, Ontario, Canada⁸⁰⁰¹

Occupation: farmer⁸⁰⁰⁰

Father: **Samuel Cassidy FIELD**⁸⁰⁰⁰ (1819-1873)

Mother: **Mary A. REYNOLDS**⁸⁰⁰⁰ (1819-1865)

1 Child...

- i. **Nellie laeleane** - **Half Niece** (Died as Infant) (22 Apr 1878-abt 25 Oct 1878)

Marriage Notes: • Her name given as Alice Josephine I. Mills; perhaps the "I." is confused about the name of second husband's first wife, Inez Yorke.^{8000,8005}

Spouse: **Eltham SMITH**

Marriage: 9 Mar 1886, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan^{8001,8002,8005}

Birth: 5 Nov 1849, St. Thomas, Elgin, Ontario, Canada⁸⁰⁰⁵

Death: 18 Jul 1928, Elgin County, Ontario, Canada⁸⁰⁰⁵

Burial: St. Thomas, Elgin, Ontario, Canada⁸⁰⁰⁵

Father: **Charles SMITH** (1806-26 Jan 1880)

Mother: **Jane HAGER** (1820-5 Oct 1881)

1 Child...

- i. **Harry Eltham** - **Half Nephew** (23 Dec 1890-)

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29. **History of St. Clair County, Michigan**, Publisher: *A. T. Andreas & Co.*, Chicago, Date: 1883, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, Port Huron, MI, Date: 8 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Gallagher; Williams; Mills; McMorran; Kimball; Ward; Geel; Harsen; Coddington*.

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- 31. **Eckart Plot Record**, Call Number: Lot No. 273, Section E, Cypress Lawn Cemetery, Colma, San Mateo County, California, 300 El Camino Real, Other surname(s): *Crockett; Gorham; Knowlton; Tickner; Walter*.
 - includes letter and plot map from Nelson Eckart to his brother, William R. Eckart.
- 34. **Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie**, Author: compiled by Paul W. Prindle, F.A.S.G., Publisher: *Polyanthos Press*, New Orleans, Date: 1976, Document Location: NEHGS Lending Library, October 1989, Other surname(s): *Holmes; Fuller; Morton; Clark; Carpenter; Garnsey; Waterbury*.
- 35. **Bedford [NY] Historical Records**, Author: compiled by Ronald B. Reynolds, Vol. IX, Date: received from Barbara Beardsley, 13 Mar 1989, Other surname(s): *Beecher; Bostwick; Holmes; Mills; Fordham; Tuttle; Trott; Clark; Elliot; Lousbury; Parcett*.
 - 14 source images
 - Bedford, Westchester County, New York
 - Bedford Genealogy: Descendants of the Twenty-two Original Settlers
- 50. **St. Clair County, Michigan; Its History And Its People**, Vol. II, Author: by William Lee Jenks, Publisher: *The Lewis Publishing Company*, Chicago and New York, Date: 1912, Other surname(s): *Mills; Rowe; Mann; Teeple; James; Geel; Brown*.
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- 51. **Letter from Myron W. Mills**, Date: 26 Apr 1935, Submitter: received 1 Feb 1988 from Julie Talbot, Amoco Corporation, Other surname(s): *James*.
- 55. **Letter from Robert S. Green of Chatham, Ontario to the Public Archives of Nova Scotia**, Date: received 21 Nov 1989, Other surname(s): *Hamilton; Nelson; Read; Hoeg*.
 - Includes Family Group of David Nelson and Elizabeth Hamilton.
 - PANS Call Number MG1, Vol. 2597, #182-183.
- 76. **Windsor, Hants County, Nova Scotia Township Records**, Subject: *Family of Robert Innes & Janet Moreno [sic]*., Document Location: Public Archives of Nova Scotia, Call Number: MG1, Vol. 731A, #87, Submitter: received 17 August 1994 from Susan Christie Hill, Other surname(s): *Ennis; Innis*.
- 77. **Letter from Susan Christie Hill**, of Amherst, NS, Date: received 8 Nov 1991, Other surname(s): *Ennis; Innis; Ripley; Shipley*.
- 98. **Sketches in Connection with the Mills Families**, Document Location: at the Public Archives of Nova Scotia, MG 1, Vol. 427, #8, Other surname(s): *Blenkhorn; Decow; Eastlake; Guggerty; Innis; Daniels*.
- 100. **Death Records**, Date: 1787-1827, Southampton, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia, Document Location: Public Archives of Nova Scotia, Other surname(s): *Blenkhorn; Gilroy; Harrison; Holmes; Lovell; Lumley; Mills; Innis*.
- 103. **Lumley-Johnston Bible Record**, Submitter: as submitted by Mrs. Walter P. Bruer,

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- Publisher: *Detroit Society for Genealogical Research Magazine*, Vol. III, pages 165-66, Date: May 1840, Date: received 24 Jul 1992 from Carol Holstine, Other surname(s): *Nelson; Anderson; Johnston; Whiting; Hillhouse; Crawford; Clay; McCallum*.
- This Bible was given to Elenor H. Lumley Johnston (1830-1858) by her mother, Elenor Nelson Lumley, and bears the inscription on the flyleaf: "Given to my daughter Elenor H. Johnston, April 22, 1856."
 - She relates a statement from a Mrs. David Anderson, a descendant of Eleanor Nelson Lumley, from a Bible source submitted by Mrs. Walter Breuer, appearing in the May, 1940 edition of the Detroit Society for Genealogical Research magazine. Carol Holstine adds that she has not corroborated the statement.
- 113. Marysville (MI) Methodist Church Records**, Marysville, St. Clair County, Michigan, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, Date: June 1989, Other surname(s): *Rowe; McCutcheon; Williams*.
- Includes Record of Pastors, Record of Official Members, Record of Baptisms.
- 114. Letter from Allan C. Dunlop**, Associate Provincial Archivist, Public Archives of Nova Scotia, Halifax, Date: 16 Aug 1988, Other surname(s): *Innis; Mills*.
- **the first authoritative indication of the name of the father of Barnabas Mills, to be Peter, not Daniel, as shown in Source #1.**
- 115. Births in Maccan, Nappan and Southampton Register**, Date: 1787-1821, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia, Vol. 427, #2, Document Location: Public Archives of Nova Scotia, Other surname(s): *Harrison; Mills*.
- 121.** Publisher: *Mills Ancestry*, No. 15, Author: edited by Michael Mills, Hinesburg, VT, Date: 10 Oct 1989.
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- 122.** Publisher: *Mills Ancestry*, No. 09, Author: edited by Michael Mills, Hinesburg, VT, Date: 10 Jul 1988.
- all pages scanned
- 123. Letter from Jean Arris**, PO Box 172, Kittery Point, ME 03905, Date: received 1 Feb 1991, Other surname(s): *Holmes; Mills*.
- 134. New York Marriages Previous to 1784**, Publisher: *Genealogical Publishing Company*, Baltimore, Date: 1968, Other surname(s): *Everitt; Martin*.
- 141. Detroit City Directories, 1908-1918**, Author: notes compiled by Gretchen M. Mills, Date: 7 Jun 1989, Document Location: Detroit Public Library, Other surname(s): *Merrell*.
- 142. Dr. W. B. James Obituary**, Publisher: *unknown newspaper article*, Date: 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
- 143. St. Clair County Vital Records, Index to Marriages, 1884-1923**, Author: compiled by Gretchen M. Mills, Date: 8 Jun 1989, Document Location: SL film #976868; St. Clair County Library, Port Huron, MI, Other surname(s): *Mills; Williams; McMorran*.
- James: witnessed by Isaac R. James, Cleveland, Ohio and Mabel M. Mills, Marysville,

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• McMorran: witnessed by Henry Batchelor & Hannah Williams

149. **Harriet Eckart To Marry Soon**, Publisher: *unknown newspaper; perhaps S. F. Chronicle*, Date: 1934, Document Location: Eckart genealogy binder.
172. **Thanksgiving Dinner, 1921 Memory Card**, signed at 3014 Clay Street, San Francisco, Document Location: Eckart genealogy binder, Other surname(s): *Hume; Crockett; Gorham; Knowlton*.
175. **FGR of Barnabas Mills & Margaret Ann Nelson**, Submitter: unknown compiler, Date: Sep 1987, Document Location: photocopy received from Helen Whiting, Marysville, MI, Other surname(s): *Nelson*.
• Gives Barnabas's parents as Daniel Mills and wife
176. **Barnabas Mills**, Publisher: *Port Huron Daily Times*, Date: April 1880, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, Port Huron, Date: 7 Jun 1989.
177. **Heirs of Barney Mills, as of 1 Apr 1908**, Author: compiled by David Williams Mills (unsigned; based on handwriting), Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, Date: June 1989, Other surname(s): *Dale; Edwards; Gillett; Hopkins; Kelley; McKay*.
179. **FGR of Barnabas Mills & Margaret Ann Nelson**, Author: compiled by M. John Fox, Meadville, PA, Date: received 12 Jul 1991, Other surname(s): *Williams*.
180. **Handwritten cover of penmanship book**, Author: by Nelson Mills, Date: 10 Oct 1845, Mosa, London District, Ontario, Canada, Document Location: Mills Library.
253. **Harriet Louise Eckart Birth Certificate**, Date: 24 Mar 1911, Palo Alto, Santa Clara, California, Call Number: 11-032068.
301. **James Russell Elliott & Emeline Mills Marriage**, St. Clair County, Michigan, Book 4, page 231, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, Port Huron, Michigan, Date: 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
336. **Nelson Merrell Mills Birth Certificate**, Date: 3 Feb 1910, East Cleveland, Cuyahoga county, Ohio, Call Number: Registration District No. 2127, File No. 10415, Document Location: genealogy lock box, Other surname(s): *Merrell*.
337. **Miss Maud Merrell**, Page(s): Society section, Publisher: *Detroit News*, Date: 15 Jan 1909, Document Location: Detroit Public Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
338. **January Weddings**, Publisher: *Detroit Free Press*, Date: 15 Jan 1909, Document Location: Detroit Public Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Merrell; Mills*.
339. **David Williams Mills & Maud M. Merrell Marriage**, Date: 14 Jan 1909, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan, Document Location: City of Detroit Public Records, City Hall, Date: 7 Jun 1989, Document Location: genealogy safekeeping file folder, Other surname(s): *Merrell*.
• This is the document that required a mad dash on a Friday afternoon from the St. Clair County library in Port Huron to the Detroit City Hall before it closed. (At least we went against traffic.) It was worth it, because 1) it revealed that Maud had a previous marriage, and 2) it gave us a view of downtown Detroit which was eye-opening for us.

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340. **Lakeside Cemetery Records**, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan, Submitter: Cemetery computer browse by name of buried, Date: June 1989, URL: https://porthuron.org/government/departments/city_clerk/cemetery/index.php, Other surname(s): *Cameron; Griffith; Mann; Mills; Williams; Wright*.
341. **Tombstone photographs taken by David W. Mills**, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan, Date: Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Elliott; James; Nelson; Williams; Wright*.
342. **Divorced Mrs. Hopkins Is Married, Little Son Giving Mother Away**, Date: 7 Jun 1989, Publisher: *unknown newspaper*, Other surname(s): *Barnes; Mills*.
343. **Reuben Mills: Aged Pioneer Passes Away**, Publisher: *Port Huron Times-Herald*, Date: 24 Jan 1921, Submitter: received from Helen Whiting, Marysville, MI, 10 Dec 1987, Document Location: genealogy safekeeping file folder.
344. **Pedigree Chart of Mary Elizabeth Mills, b 1894**, Author: prepared by herself, Submitter: forwarded by St. Clair County Family History Group, Other surname(s): *Mann; Whittlesey; Teeple; Nelson; Rathbone*.
345. **Nelson Mills & Harriet Louise Eckart Certificate of Marriage**, Date: 25 Aug 1934, All Saints Episcopal Church, Pasadena, Los Angeles county, California.
• Witnessed by Donald R. Wright and Winifred Rule
347. **Obituary of David Williams Mills**, Publisher: *Pasadena Star-News*, Date: Wednesday, 28 Aug 1957, Page(s): 22, Document Location: Eckart genealogy binder.
365. **Baby Book of Harriet Louise Eckart**, Document Location: Mills Library, Scottsdale, AZ, Other surname(s): *Gorham*.
366. **Baptism Certificate, Harriet Louise Eckart**, Date: 16 Mar 1912, All Saints' Church, Palo Alto, California, Other surname(s): *Ormsby*.
413. **Elliott/Mills**, Author: by Beth Mills Currie, Marysville, Michigan, Date: undated, Document Location: Eckart genealogy binder.
426. **Pedigree Chart from Samuel Eli Arnold**, Submitter: as modified by Bert Wees, Date: received 29 Sep 1989, Other surname(s): *Sherman; Snider*.
427. **Descendants of Lewis L. Arnold**, Submitter: as modified by Bert Wees, Date: received 29 Sep 1989, Other surname(s): *White; Bolton; Chatterson; Drew; Gillies; Iler; Chapman; Leitch; McCreery*.
544. **Letter written by Myron Mills**, Date: 16 May 1932, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, June 1989, Other surname(s): *Ward*.
702. **Death of Hon. James L. Conger**, Publisher: *Port Huron Times*, Port Huron, Michigan, Date: 13 Apr 1876, Page(s): page 4, Submitter: received from Helen Whiting, 29 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
710. **Obituary of Thomas D. Currie**, Submitter: transcribed by Helen Whiting, received 20 Oct 1987, Other surname(s): *Bowman; Cleghorn; Mills*.
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711. **Notes on Thomas Davidson Currie and Mary E. Currie**, Author: compiled by Helen Whiting, Marysville, Michigan, Date: received 10 Dec 1987, Document Location: genealogy safekeeping file folder, Other surname(s): *Mann*.
• Information appears to have been taken from death certificates of Thomas Currie and Mary E. Currie.
788. **Marriage Registers, Kent County, Ontario, Canada**, Date: 1857 - 1869, Submitter: Reference 95:09, Document Location: North York Public Library, Toronto, Date: 9 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Gillett; Mills; Trask*.
789. **Loyalists and Land Settlement in Nova Scotia**, Author: compiled by Marion Gilroy, Date: originally published Halifax 1937, Publisher: *reprinted for Clearfield Company*, Publisher: *by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc.*, Baltimore, Date: 1990, Document Location: Mills Library, Other surname(s): *Gilroy; Innis*.
• Public Archives of Nova Scotia; Publication No. 4
873. **Bedford Historical Records**, Volume IV, Other surname(s): *Holmes*.
874. **Town of Bedford, Westchester County, New York**, Publisher: *Bedford Historical Records*, Volume V, Publisher: *published by the Town of Bedford*, 1976, Call Number: US/CAN 974.7277/B1 N2b, Document Location: Salt Lake City FHL, Other surname(s): *Holmes; Mills*.
• Minutes of Town Meetings, 1784-1841
875. **New York Colonial Manuscripts**, Publisher: *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Date: July 1907, Other surname(s): *Westcott; Holmes; Lawrence; Miller; Waterbury*.
• Census of the town of Bedford, Westchester Co., taken about Sept., 1710.
877. **Early Wills of Westchester County, New York**, Author: by William S. Pelletreau, A. M., Publisher: *Francis P. Harper*, New York, Date: 1898, Document Location: Ferguson Library, Stamford, CT, 13 Jul 1989, Scan Date: 26 Mar 2023, Other surname(s): *Beecher; Holmes; Mills*.
930. **Letter from Gilbert Simpson Innis to Messrs. Shipley**, Submitter: from Susan Hill, Date: received 8 Nov 1991.
931. **Letter to Warren (author unknown)**, Date: dated 6 Mar 1916, Date: received 8 Nov 1991 from Susan Hill, Other surname(s): *Mills; Christie; Innis; Shipley*.
• The foregoing dates are copied from the old family bible now in the possession of E. B. Christie late of River Hebert now living in Truro. The above facts furnished to the undersigned on or about March 7th [1916], by Ethelyn Christie daughter of E. B. Christie.
969. **Wedding of Lester Warren Lewis & Alice Miriam Harrier**, Date: 22 Nov 1916, Stanford Memorial Church, Stanford, California.
• Flower girl is Harriet Louise Eckart.
1073. **MILLS -- Mrs. Maud Mills**, Publisher: *Pasadena Star-News*, Pasadena, California,
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- Date: Thursday, January 28, 1937, Page(s): page 2, Document Location: Pasadena Public Library, 10 Mar 1994.
- 1074. Death Certificate of Maud M. Mills**, Date: 27 Jan 1937, Pasadena, Los Angeles, California, Call Number: 37-004263, Document Location: genealogy lock box.
• Informant: D. W. Mills (husband)
- 1082. Letter from Jean Arris**, PO Box 172, Kittery Point, ME 03905, Date: received 19 Feb 1991, Other surname(s): *Tibble; Fountain; Holmes; Mills; Miller*.
- 1084. Births and Marriages, Bedford, N. Y.**, Author: by Charles W. Baird, Rye, N. Y., Publisher: *NY Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 13, Page(s): 92, Date: April 1882, Other surname(s): *Holmes*.
- 1085. Biographical Sketches of Loyalists of the American Revolution**, Author: by Gregory Palmer, British Library, Page(s): page 610, Publisher: *Meckler Publishing*, Westport • London, Document Location: Salt Lake City FHL, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
- 1087. Mills Family History Information**, Submitter: from Michael Mills, Hinesburg, VT, Date: received 6 Sep 1988, Other surname(s): *Ennis*.
- 1089.** Publisher: *Mills Ancestry*, No. 02, Date: 31 March 1987, Author: edited by Michael Mills, Hinesburg, VT.
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- 1090. Biographical Sketches of Cumberland**, Submitter: received 4 Sep 1990 from Marion Kyle, Publisher: *unknown newspaper*, Parrsboro, NS, Other surname(s): *Read; Hoeg; Blenkhorn; Harrison; Ryan; Lumley; Innis; Brown; Coates; Wood; Daniels; Hood*.
- 1091. Marriage Register of Southamptton, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia**, Submitter: Public Archives of Nova Scotia, MG1, Vol. 427, #1, Document Location: SL film #1376406, Other surname(s): *Gilroy; Mills; Harrison; Bent; Daniels; Wood; Coates*.
- 1096. Letter from Joyce Harrison**, Springhill, Nova Scotia, Date: received 18 Aug 1990, Other surname(s): *Innis; Ennis*.
- 1098. FGR of Jesse Mills & Martha "Patty" Mills**, Submitter: prepared by Florence M. Mills, Date: 23 Jan 1992, Other surname(s): *Wood*.
- 1102. Letter from Joan Abele Griffin**, Author: Corresponding Secretary, Kent County Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society, Date: received 1 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
• Includes reference books for Mills, Hamilton, Nelson families
- 1106. FGR of Robert Innis & Janet Munro**, Submitter: as modified by Susan Christie Hill, Date: received Apr 1992, Other surname(s): *Christie*.
- 1110. Rise of a Township: Mosa**, Author: by Arnold Nethercott, Publisher: *Families, quarterly publication of Ontario Genealogical Society*, Vol. 26, Number 3, Page(s): page 160 et seq., Date: August 1987, Document Location: London Branch, OGS, 6 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
- 1111. Middlesex County (Ontario) Patents**, Town of Mosa, Submitter: landholder: Barnabas
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- Mills; 1st Range South, Long Woods Road, Date: 1847, Document Location: SL film #162123.
- 1112. Letter from Dennis Kenaga**, Big Rapids, MI, Date: received 27 Oct 1988.
- 1115. Letter from Bert Wees**, Chatham, Ontario, Canada, Date: received 17 May 1989, Other surname(s): *Gillett*.
- 1116. Letter from Bert Wees**, Chatham, Ontario, Date: received 21 Apr 1989, Other surname(s): *Arnold; Mills*.
• From Middlesex County Marriage Register, 1849-1869
- 1117. Marriage Record of Hamilton Mills & Janet McCallum**, Submitter: Index to Kent County Marriages, Vol. 23, 1857-1869, Date: 30 Jan 1866, Submitter: also received July 1991 from Robert Jones of Kingston, Ontario, Document Location: North York Public Library, Toronto.
- 1118. Penmanship Book of Nelson Mills**, Mosa Township, Ontario, Canada, Date: abt 1840, Document Location: Mills Library.
- 1119. Ancestors of Bert Oliver Wees, b 1925**, Submitter: prepared by Bert Wees, Chatham, Ontario, Date: received Feb 1989, Other surname(s): *Arnold*.
- 1120. FGR of Samuel Eli Arnold & Margaret Ann Mills**, Submitter: from Bert Wees, Chatham, Ontario, Date: 20 Feb 1989.
- 1121. FGR of David Lewis Arnold & Mary Mills**, Author: as modified by Bert Wees, Chatham, Ontario, Date: 20 Feb 1989, Other surname(s): *Bakewell; Bolton; McLean; Oldershaw*.
- 1125. Obituary of Hally B. Mills**, Publisher: *unknown newspaper, probably Port Huron*, Date: March 1900, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, Marysville, MI, Date: June 1989.
- 1127. Late Nelson Mills**, Publisher: *Extract from Marine City newspaper, from Myron Williams Mills scrapbook*, Date: August, 1904.
- 1128. Mills' Estate; Will of Nelson Mills Was Filed Today**, Publisher: *unknown newspaper*, Date: June 1989.
- 1129. Auld Lang Syne Talk**, Date: 14 Jan 1941, Document Location: 3 originals in genealogy safekeeping file folder.
• Script of an Auld Lang Syne talk given by H. A. Hopkins, Secretary-Manager, Port Huron Chamber of Commerce and St. Clair County Historian, over the Blue Water Station, WHLS, Tuesday evening, January 14, 1941, at 6:30 o'clock in a series paying tribute to the early builders of this beautiful lake and river district.
- 1130. Auld Lang Syne Talk**, Date: 18 Feb 1941, Document Location: originals in genealogy safekeeping file folder.
• Script of an Auld Lang Syne talk given by H. A. Hopkins, Secretary-Manager, Port Huron Chamber of Commerce and St. Clair County Historian, over the Blue Water Station, WHLS, Tuesday evening, February 18, 1941, at 6:15 o'clock in a series paying

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- tribute to the early builders of this beautiful lake and river district.
- 1131. Auld Lang Syne Talk**, Date: 2 May 1941, Document Location: originals in genealogy safekeeping file folder.
- Script of an Auld Lang Syne talk given by H. A. Hopkins, Secretary-Manager, Port Huron Chamber of Commerce and St. Clair County Historian, over the Blue Water Station, WHLS, Friday, May 2, 1941, at 12:45 PM in a series paying tribute to the early builders of this beautiful lake and river district.
 - Tonight's contribution is from Myron Mills, historian, about old-time Marysville.
- 1132. Three Nelson Mills obituaries**, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, Date: 5 Jun 1989.
- 1133. Abstracts of Land Records and Estates, 1812-1909**, St. Clair County, Michigan, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, 5 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Williams*.
- 1134. Title Abstract**, St. Clair County, Michigan, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, 5 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Williams*.
- 1135. Legal Abstracts**, St. Clair County, Michigan, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, 5 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Williams; Mills*.
- 1136. Work Record of Myron W. Mills**, Author: prepared by Myron Mills, Document Location: original at Marysville Historical Museum, Marysville, MI.
- 1137. Letter from David Williams Mills to Beth Mills Currie**, Date: 24 Aug 1950, letter written from St. Cloud Hotel, Minnesota.
- 1138. Funeral Record of Mary E. "Beth" Currie**, Publisher: *Arthur Smith Funeral Homes*, Other surname(s): *Currie*.
- Memorial Service, 11 AM, Monday, December 17, 1984.
- 1139. Letter from Myron Williams Mills to Detroit law firm**, Subject: *re: organizing a corporation to continue the business of N. & B. Mills*, Date: 17 Aug 1905.
- 1140. Personal Notes on Descendants and Ancestors of Nelson Mills & Mary Williams**, Author: unknown compiler, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, Date: 5 Jun 1989, Document Location: originals in genealogy safekeeping file folder, Other surname(s): *Wright*.
- 1141. Supplementary Historical Materials On The Early History of Marysville Methodist Church**, Marysville, St. Clair County, Michigan, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, Date: obtained 5 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Rowe*.
- In June 1989, we spent the better part of the day rummaging around the basement of the Museum, and came away with copies of many documents not found elsewhere. Thank you to the museum volunteers who trusted us to be caring and wise.
- 1142. Notes on Mills Marriages & Baptism**, Author: compiled by DWM, Date: 7 Jun 1989, Document Location: St. Clair County Public Library, Other surname(s): *Carey*.
- 1143. Early Marriages of St. Clair County**, Submitter: compiled by St. Clair County Family
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- History Workshop, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, Port Huron, Michigan, Other surname(s): *Carey; Lamphere; McDonald; Williams*.
- 1144. Letter from Michigan Dept. of Public Health regarding death record of Barnabas Mills**, Lansing, MI, Date: 6 Oct 1988.
• Could not locate death record in Michigan.
- 1145. 1884 Michigan Census**, Marysville, St. Clair county, Date: 24 Jun 1884, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Griffith*.
• Family of Ainsley W. Griffith
- 1146. 1884 Michigan Census**, Marysville, St. Clair County, Michigan, Date: 27 Jun 1884, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills; Wright*.
• Family of Reuben Mills
- 1147. 1884 Michigan Census**, Marysville, St. Clair County, Michigan, Date: 28 Jun 1884, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills; Williams*.
• Family of Nelson Mills; he's listed as Lumber Dealer
- 1148. 1884 Michigan Census**, Port Huron, St. Clair County, Michigan, Date: 11 Jun 1884, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *McCallum; Mills*.
• Family of widow, Janet McCallum Mills.
• Family of George K. Mills.
- 1149. 1894 Michigan Census**, Marysville, St. Clair County, Michigan, Date: 25 Jun 1894, Page(s): 58, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
• Family of Nelson Mills
- 1150. 1894 Michigan Census**, Marysville, St. Clair County, Michigan, Date: 8 Jun 1894, Page(s): 18, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Dale; Mills*.
- 1151. 1894 Michigan Census**, Marysville, St. Clair County, Michigan, Date: 25 Jun 1894, Page(s): 57, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, 7 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
• Family of Reuben Mills
- 1152. 1900 Census**, Richland township, Ogemaw County, Michigan, Date: 23 & 25 Jun 1900, Document Location: St. Clair County Library, Port Huron, Michigan, Date: 7 Jun 1989.
• Family of George K. Mills
- 1153. Notes of Monument Readings**, Author: by David W. Mills, Lakeside Cemetery, Port Huron, Michigan, Date: 5 Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Williams; James; Nelson; Rowe*.
- 1154. Death Record of Hamilton Mills, record #4736**, Author: Personal Notes of St. Clair County Vital Records, Submitter: compiled by Gretchen M. Mills.
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- 1155. Legal Papers, Circuit Court**, County of St. Clair, State of Michigan, Date: 15 Sep 1909, Document Location: obtained at Marysville Historical Museum, Date: Jun 1989, Other surname(s): *Arnold; Barron; Griffith; Conger; Edwards; Kelley; Hodgkin*.
• Recorded in Liber 39, Page 225; Register of Deeds Office, Ogemaw County, Michigan
• Myron W. Mills and David W. Mills, Executors of the Last Will and Testament of Nelson Mills, Deceased, Complainants vs. Mary M. Mills and Hannah E. Mills (James) Administratrices of the Estate of Barney Mills, Deceased, et. al, Defendants.
• Provides information on the Heirs of Nelson Mills
- 1156. Reminiscences of Old Marysville**, Author: by Edward Manion, Date: obtained 7 Jun 1989, Marysville, Michigan, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum, Other surname(s): *Mills*.
• Edward Manion was born in Marysville, son of James Manion
- 1157. Letter from Beth Mills Currie to Nelson Merrell Mills**, Date: 4 Oct 1983.
- 1158. Cleveland City Directories**, Author: compiled by Gretchen M. Mills.
• Includes printed 1915 Cleveland Directory from Cuyahoga County Archives, received 1 Apr 1991.
- 1159. Notes from City Directories**, Author: compiled by David W. Mills, Santa Cruz and Pasadena, California.
• Includes Map of Santa Cruz, showing location of E. Cliff Drive
- 1160. Notes from telephone conversation with Harold Hadfield**, Author: compiled by David W. Mills, and edited by Mr. Hadfield, Date: 10 Mar 1990.
• page 3: Death of Harold Hadfield, 30 Dec 1991; CA Death Records, 13 Aug 2004
- 1166. Nelson M. Mills Death Certificate**, Date: 22 Dec 1983, Palm Springs, Riverside county, California, Call Number: File #33-006184, Author: Informant: Virgie Mills, Document Location: genealogy lock box.
- 1167. Obituary of Mrs. Mary E. 'Beth' Currie**, Publisher: *unknown newspaper*, Date: Dec 1994, Document Location: Marysville Historical Museum.
- 1168. Letter to Margaret Mills**, Date: 14 Jun 1985, Submitter: from The Commercial and Savings Bank of St. Clair County.
- 1191. Letter to Carol Holstine**, Author: from Monabelle [ID=6260] and Raymond Read, Date: dated 11 Nov 1960, Submitter: received from Carol Holstine, 24 Jul 1992, Other surname(s): *Read; Nelson; Summersides*.
• "The following story was wrote [sic] by Mary Jane Read Chatterson. As far as I can figure out, this story was wrote between the years 1885 to 1890."
• "Hamilton-Nelson" also received from Maryanne Barker, 16 Feb 1995
- 1193. Letter from Maryanne Barker**, Date: 26 Sep 1994, Wasaga Beach, Ontario, Call Number: includes Descendants of David Nelson (R1193), Call Number: includes Descendants of Frances Read, b 1826 (R4995), Date: received 3 Oct 1994, Other surname(s): *Hamilton; Armstrong; Read; Arnold; Grieves; Sexsmith; Currie; Lumley; Silcox; Dodson; Hartwick; Summersides*.
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- 1357. Letter from Michael Mills of Hinesburg, VT**, Date: received 6 Nov 1989, Other surname(s): *Mills; Tuttle*.
- 1401. FGR of Miron Williams & Mary Margaret Gallagher**, Submitter: received from M. John Fox, Date: 12 Jul 1991, Other surname(s): *Kimball; McMorran; Mills; Neal*.
- 1424. Pedigree Chart from Emma Caroline Williams, b 1845**, Submitter: as modified by M. John Fox of Meadville, PA from work of DWM, Date: received 12 Jul 1991, Other surname(s): *Gallagher*.
- 1440. FGR of ___?___ Wright & Mary Melissa Williams**, Author: received from M. John Fox, Date: 12 Jul 1991.
- 1544. Census of Nova Scotia Poll Taxes, 1793-1796**, No. 13 1793 Rivers Maccan, Nappan & Hebert, Call Number: RG 1, vol. 444 1/2, Document Location: SL film #1376295, Other surname(s): *Mills; Ennis; Innis*.
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have been easily obtained from any edition of Burke's Peerage. A problem is that the Dufferin & Ava family only has a female line succession from the Hamilton of Clanaboy family and thus your ancestor Hans Hamilton would have had an undoubted claim to the title Viscount Clanaboy if his succession was proven. The Christian name Hans was used in the Dufferin & Ava family, the 3rd Baron was called Hans (1758-1839).

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- Residence at death: 615 E California Street, Pasadena
 - Son Nelson Mills was on a family driving trip in Washington state, when pulled over and notified by the Washington Highway Patrol of his father's death. We continued on to Seattle and flew home. The family car was later driven home by an employee of Pacific Outdoor Advertising Co. (personal recollection of DWM)
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David W. Mills, US 115242, Steam Screw, 925 GT, 652 NT, 202x34x13.2, crew 12, blt. 1874 at Cleveland; Home Port, Port Huron; Original name, Sparta
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John E. Mills
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Nelson Mills

Myron Mills
1866-1947

Emeline Williams Mills
1874-1956

David Williams Mills
1879-1957

Hanna Elizabeth Mills
1872-1935



(caption on rear of photo; photo at Marysville Historical Society)
Brick home of Nelson Mills – stood 65 years as a landmark on St. Clair River.
Built after previous house burned in 1868 – the house he and Mary lived in after they married in 1863.
It had been vacated by the Hubbard family.

Photo taken approx. 1885, based on children and apparent ages.
(left to right)

Nelson Mills (1823 – 1904)
Mary Williams (1842 – 1891)
John Edgar Mills (1864 – 1903)
David Williams Mills (1879 – 1957)
Hanna Elizabeth Mills (1872 – 1935)
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