

## The Hayslett Family of Ireland and Berkeley County

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Census records indicate that the Hayslett family immigrated from Ireland to America.<sup>1</sup> Undocumented family tradition and sources relate that the family lived in Belfast and were of Scotch-Irish descent.<sup>2</sup> The following was prepared by a Hayslett descendant circa 1950:

*John Hazlett, with his wife and infant daughter Alsa, emigrated to this country from Belfast, Ireland in 1792 and settled in Berkeley County, Virginia upon land purchased from the heirs of Lord Fairfax.*

*They were three months in crossing and so stormy was their passage, that it was remembered with horror. My grandfather says he has many times seen his father when there was a high wind, walking the floor, wringing his hands and weeping, because of all sailors out in the storm. Small pox broke out on board and his widowed sister, a Mrs. Ainsworth? (or MacKetterick) lost an infant with this dread disease, and it was buried at sea.*

*Little is known of his ancestry, but by his attire it is supposed he was of the gentry for he*

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*"wore silver buckles on his shoes." Montpelier was once owned by a gentleman from Belfast, Mr. Carson, and when my mother went there to visit he told her the Hazletts were a high class and wealthy family.*

*For some reason John Hazlett seemed soured against the aristocracy and lived like a pioneer farmer and refused to educate his children.<sup>3</sup>*

Robert Hayslett was the first of this name (also spelled Haslet, Hazlett, Heaslet, etc.) known to settle in Berkeley County where he witnessed the will of Samuel Hare in 1782.<sup>4</sup> Robert died on 10 April 1822<sup>5</sup> and left a will in Berkeley County in which he identified John Hayslett and Mary McKee as brother and sister.<sup>6</sup> Unfortunately, the will does not state the relationship between the testator and the two siblings John and Mary. Tombstone data in the family cemetery near Bunker Hill, Berkeley County, West Virginia, implies birth dates of about 1738 for Robert and 1767 for John suggesting a father-son relationship between the two.<sup>7</sup> However, although Robert's will makes several references to John and his sister Mary McKee, Robert never identifies them as his children. A deed in neighboring Frederick County, Virginia identifying the legal heirs of Robert indicates that Mary was the wife of John McKee and John Hayslett's wife was Elenor.<sup>8</sup>

Robert Hayslett married Hannah Payne,<sup>9</sup> a daughter of George Payne whose 1799 will in Berkeley County names Hannah "Hazlett" as a daughter and Henry Payne as a son.<sup>10</sup> Robert Hayslett's will mentions a debt due from Henry Payne and a legacy was left to

Hannah Payne, daughter of Henry Payne, Senior. Specific legacies were also left to Hannah McKee, daughter of John McKee and Hannah Swimley, daughter of John Hayslett. Apparently these Hannahs were left legacies because they were named after Robert's wife who evidently predeceased him since she is not named in his will. It appears that Robert and Hannah died childless, and Robert distributed his estate among his nieces and nephews. According to family data compiled in the mid 20th century, a "Robin" Hayslett was a brother of John Hayslett.<sup>11</sup> However, the approximate 29 year difference in the births of Robert and John Hayslett implies an uncle-nephew relationship.

A scam perpetuated in the 1930s called the Edwards Heirs Association claimed that certain descendants of the Edwards family were entitled to a sizable portion of real estate in New York City. Edwards Heirs family charts, prepared by several lines of descendants of John and Eleanor Hayslett, identify Eleanor's maiden name as Edwards. Another family paper indicates that John Hayslett was employed as a yeoman (clerk) on the ship by Edwards.<sup>12</sup> However, no contemporary documents have been located identifying Eleanor's maiden name. Although little is known about her, she evidently was well loved within her family since at least five granddaughters were named in her honor.

The Scots-Irish are often portrayed as a dour race, but the Haysletts were known for their wit. A great-great granddaughter of John and Eleanor Hayslett recalled "I have never seen a Hayslette yet who did not keep you in stitches - Right from the Old Sod (Ireland)."<sup>13</sup>

In 1818, John Hayslett purchased a 66 acre tract of land from his son-in-law Levi Cunningham.<sup>14</sup> By the terms of Robert Hayslett's will, John Hayslett inherited Robert's farm that he was living on in 1821.<sup>15</sup> In 1830, John also purchased 156 acres from Levi Henshaw and his wife Ann Henshaw that had formerly belonged to Levi Cunningham.<sup>16</sup> When John's estate was sold, his 300 acre home land tract was described as "first rate slate land, about two-thirds is cleared and is in good state of cultivation with several good meadows, the balance in very fine growing timber. The improvements are a large two story log house with a well at the door, a good log barn and other necessary out buildings."<sup>17</sup> An 1853 estate inventory which included both real and personal property was valued at \$9,151<sup>18</sup> and is calculated at over \$225,000 in 2007 dollars.<sup>19</sup>

**1. John Hayslett**, was born circa 1767 in Ireland,<sup>20</sup> died on 11 Nov 1851, probably in Berkeley County, Virginia.<sup>21</sup> John married **Eleanor [Edwards?]**. She was born circa 1775,<sup>22</sup> in Ireland,<sup>23</sup> died on 27 Nov 1832 probably in Berkeley County. Both are buried in the Hayslett family graveyard in Bunker Hill.<sup>24</sup>

Children from this marriage were:

2 F i. **Alsie Hayslett**<sup>25</sup> was born on 23 Dec 1791<sup>26</sup> in Ireland,<sup>27</sup> died on 2 Jan 1876, and was buried in Mt. Pleasant Quaker Graveyard, Cedar Creek, Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>28</sup> She married **Levi Cunningham** on 20 Feb 1816 in Berkeley County.<sup>29</sup>

3 F iii. **Hannah Hayslett**<sup>30</sup> was born 2 Nov 1795, died on 28 Apr 1831, and was buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard, Bunker Hill, Berkeley County.<sup>31</sup> She married **John Swimley** on 16 Mar 1820 in Berkeley County.<sup>32</sup>

4 M ii. **William Hayslett**<sup>33</sup> was born 11 Mar 1798, died on 12 Dec 1890 in Jefferson County, West Virginia.<sup>34</sup> He married **Dorothy Swimley** on 17 Feb 1825 in Berkeley County.<sup>35</sup>

5 M iv. **Robert Hayslett**<sup>36</sup> was born 29 Jun 1800,<sup>37</sup> died on 5 May 1848, and was buried in the Hayslett family graveyard near Bunker Hill, Berkeley County, West Virginia.<sup>38</sup> He married **Elizabeth Pultz** in Nov 1833 in Berkeley County.<sup>39</sup> Robert next married **Margaret (née Grantham) Shepherd**<sup>40</sup> on 12 Oct 1837 in Berkeley County.<sup>41</sup>

6 M v. **John Hayslett**<sup>42</sup> was born circa 1803, died on 5 Sep 1879, and was buried in the Hayslett family graveyard.<sup>43</sup>

7 F vi. **Lydia Hayslett**<sup>44</sup> was born in 1805, died on 29 Dec 1832 and was buried in the Hayslett family graveyard.<sup>45</sup>

8 F vii. **Elizabeth Hayslett**<sup>46</sup> was born 4 Mar 1807 and died on 22 Mar 1882 in Berkeley County, West Virginia.<sup>47</sup>

9 F viii. **Mary Hayslett**<sup>48</sup> was born circa 1808 and died on 12 May 1874 in Berkeley County.<sup>49</sup> She married **Henry Swimley** on 16 Oct 1834 in Berkeley County.<sup>50</sup>

10 M ix. **James Hayslett**<sup>51</sup> was born 15 Mar 1809 in Virginia<sup>52</sup> and died on 10 Dec 1858 in Topeka, Kansas.<sup>53</sup>

11 M x. **Ephraim G. Hayslett**<sup>54</sup> was born circa 1813<sup>55</sup> in Berkeley County, <sup>56</sup> died on 12 Sep 1889 in Berryville, Clarke County, Virginia.<sup>57</sup> Ephraim married **Mary Catherine Swimley** on 27 Oct 1857 in Berkeley County.<sup>58</sup> Ephraim next married **Jane R. Gordon** on 12 Feb 1874 in Frederick County, Virginia<sup>59</sup>.

12 M xi. **Andrew Jackson Hayslett**<sup>60</sup> was born circa 1814 in Virginia<sup>61</sup> and died in 1888 probably in Berkeley County.<sup>62</sup> He married **Juliet Beeson** on 14 Sep 1840 in Berkeley County.<sup>63</sup>

13 M xii. **Ferdinand Fairfax Hayslett**<sup>64</sup> was born on 9 Mar 1814<sup>65</sup> and died on 15 Jul 1871 in Smithfield, Jefferson County.<sup>66</sup> Ferdinand married **Jane Charlotte W. Laughlin** on 18 Jun 1844.<sup>67</sup>

### Second Generation (Children)

2. **Alsie Hayslett** was born on 23 Dec 1791 in Ireland, died on 2 Jan 1876.<sup>68</sup> She married **Levi Cunningham** on 20 Feb 1816 in Berkeley County, Virginia,<sup>69</sup> son of **George Cunningham** and **Ruth (née -?-)**.<sup>70</sup> Levi was born on 2 Sep 1783<sup>71</sup> probably in Berkeley County, died on 7 Dec 1864.<sup>72</sup> Both are buried in Mt. Pleasant Quaker Graveyard, Cedar Creek, Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>73</sup>

Levi and Alsie lived in both Berkeley County and in Shenandoah County, Virginia during their lifetimes.<sup>74</sup> Levi was a miller by trade.<sup>75</sup> The obituaries of Levi's and Alsie's sons William H. and John B. Cunningham indicate that the couple suffered financial difficulties and lost their land.<sup>76</sup> These

difficulties were caused at least in part by a debt incurred by Micajah Beeson for which Levi acted as security. When Beeson defaulted on the note, the sheriff sold Levi's livestock at the Stone Tavern in Berkeley County in 1820.<sup>77</sup> As indicated above, John Hayslett purchased the Cunningham lands and after Hayslett's death, Levi's sons William, John and Robert repurchased this land from Hayslett's executor John Swimley.<sup>78</sup>

Children of Levi and Alsie Cunningham were:

14 F i. **Elinor R. Cunningham**<sup>79</sup> was born 1817/ 1818 and died on 13 Jul 1887 in Stephens City, Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>80</sup> She married **Jacob Linza Locke/ Lauck** on 13 Oct 1845 in Berkeley County.<sup>81</sup> Jacob was born about 1818 in Virginia<sup>82</sup> and died 6 Jan 1886.<sup>83</sup> Both are buried at Brucetown Methodist Church Cemetery in Frederick County.<sup>84</sup>

15 M ii. **William Haslett Cunningham**<sup>85</sup> was born on 8 Jan 1817,<sup>86</sup> and died on 19 Mar 1886 in Berkeley County.<sup>87</sup> He married **Mary Phelps Payne** on 10 Aug 1844 in Berkeley County.<sup>88</sup> Mary was born on 4 Oct 1816<sup>89</sup> and died on 11 Nov 1899 in Summit Point, Jefferson County, West Virginia.<sup>90</sup> Both are buried at Payne's Chapel Cemetery near Bunker Hill.<sup>91</sup>

16 M iii. **John B. Cunningham**<sup>92</sup> was born on 24 Feb 1819 at Bunker Hill, Berkeley County, died on 18 Apr 1896 at Bunker Hill.<sup>93</sup> John married **Hester Ann Brown Rogers** on 8 Jun 1847 in Berkeley County,<sup>94</sup> daughter of **Thomas Rogers** and **Regina Cartmell**.<sup>95</sup> Hester was born on 16 Jun 1824 in Frederick County, Virginia, died on 18 May 1898 in

Berkeley County.<sup>96</sup> Both are buried at Morgan Chapel Graveyard, Bunker Hill.<sup>97</sup>

17 F iv. **Lydia Cunningham**<sup>98</sup> was born on 22 Nov 1820, died on 19 Dec 1900 in Berkeley County.<sup>99</sup> She married **Lewis Richard Beeson** on 18 Nov 1847 in Berkeley County,<sup>100</sup> son of **Micajah Beeson** and **Patience Ridgway**.<sup>101</sup> Lewis was born on 28 Jan 1813 at Bunker Hill, died on 14 Dec 1868 in Bunker Hill.<sup>102</sup> Both are buried at Hopewell Meeting House Cemetery, Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>103</sup>

18 M v. **Francis Marion Cunningham**<sup>104</sup> was born on 25 Jun 1823, died on 8 Apr 1893 at Old Forge, Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>105</sup> He married **Mary Catherine Funkhouser** on 13 Apr 1850 (bond date) in Frederick County.<sup>106</sup> Mary died on 15 Apr 1878.<sup>107</sup> Both are buried in Mt. Pleasant Quaker Graveyard, Cedar Creek, Frederick County.<sup>108</sup>

19 M vi. **George Washington Cunningham**<sup>109</sup> was born on 25 Jun 1823 in Berkeley County,<sup>110</sup> died on 18 May 1893.<sup>111</sup> He married **Mary E. Souder** on 23 Oct 1851 in Seneca County, Ohio, daughter of **John Souder**.<sup>112</sup> Mary died in Jul 1853.<sup>113</sup> George next married **Mary Ann Keller** on 10 Apr 1856 in Seneca County,<sup>114</sup> daughter of **Levi Keller** and **Elizabeth Cupp**.<sup>115</sup> Mary was born on 29 Nov 1829<sup>116</sup> probably in Fairfield County, Ohio, died on 8 May 1911.<sup>117</sup> George and his second wife are both buried at Greenlawn Cemetery, Seneca County, Ohio.<sup>118</sup>

20 M vii. **Robert H. Cunningham**<sup>119</sup> was born on 24 Oct 1824 in Berkeley County,<sup>120</sup> died on 4 Feb 1904 at Bunker Hill,<sup>121</sup> and was buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard, Bunker Hill.<sup>122</sup> He married **Mary E. Swimley** on 15 Nov 1877 in Berkeley County,<sup>123</sup>



daughter of **Henry Swimley** and **Mary Hayslett**.<sup>124</sup> Mary was born in Mar 1840 in Jefferson County, Virginia and died on 2 Aug 1878 in Seneca County, Ohio.<sup>125</sup>

21 M viii. **James M. Cunningham**<sup>126</sup> was born on 20 Dec 1826, died on 20 Jun 1836, and was buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard, Bunker Hill.<sup>127</sup>

22 M ix. **Ferdinand Conrad Cunningham**<sup>128</sup> was born in 1829 at Bunker Hill, died on 11 Jan 1913 in Martinsburg, Berkeley County<sup>130</sup> and was buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard.<sup>131</sup>

23 M x. **Edward J. Cunningham**<sup>132</sup> was born on 4 Nov 1832 in Berkeley County,<sup>133</sup> and died on 4 Aug 1905 in Fostoria, Seneca County, Ohio.<sup>134</sup> He married **Ann Elizabeth Keller** on 16 Apr 1860 in Seneca County,<sup>135</sup> daughter of **Levi Keller** and **Elizabeth Cupp**.<sup>136</sup> Ann was born on 28 Mar 1841 in Seneca County<sup>137</sup> and died on 8 Apr 1892 in Fostoria, Seneca County.<sup>138</sup>

**3. Hannah Hayslett**<sup>139</sup> was born 2 Nov 1799,<sup>140</sup> died on 28 Apr 1834.<sup>141</sup> She married **John Swimley** on 16 Mar 1820 in Berkeley County, Virginia,<sup>142</sup> son of **Jacob Swimley** and **Eleanor Lewis**.<sup>143</sup> John was born 24 Dec 1799,<sup>144</sup> died on 11 Jun 1861.<sup>145</sup> Both are buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard, Bunker Hill.<sup>146</sup>

John and Hannah Swimley lived in Berkeley County.<sup>147</sup> After Hannah's death, John married Maria Morgan on 1 Dec 1831 in Berkeley County.<sup>148</sup> John Swimley must have remained close to his Hayslett in-

laws since John Hayslett named him as one of the executors of his will.<sup>149</sup>

Children of Hannah and John Swimley were:

24 F i. **Eleanor "Ellen" Jane Swimley**<sup>150</sup> was born 28 Jan 1821, died on 27 Mar 1888, and was buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard.<sup>151</sup>

25 M ii. **Jacob Swimley**<sup>152</sup> was born 13 Jan 1823, died on 20 Jul 1836, and was buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard.<sup>153</sup>

26 F iii. **Mary Elizabeth Swimley**<sup>154</sup> was born 28 Jan 1828,<sup>155</sup> died on 6 Mar 1876.<sup>156</sup> She married **George Shuart** on 5 Mar 1846 in Berkeley County, Virginia.<sup>157</sup> He was born 7 Sep 1818,<sup>158</sup> died on 9 Nov 1865.<sup>159</sup> Both are buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard.<sup>160</sup>

27 M iv. **Edmond Swimley**<sup>161</sup> was born 30 Jul 1829, died on 7 Nov 1830, and was buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard.<sup>162</sup>

**4. William Hayslett** was born 11 Mar 1798,<sup>163</sup> died on 13 Dec 1890 in Jefferson County, West Virginia.<sup>164</sup> He married **Dorothy Swimley** on 17 Feb 1825 in Berkeley County,<sup>165</sup> daughter of **Jacob Swimley** and **Catherine Snyder**.<sup>166</sup> Dorothy was born 4 Sep 1804,<sup>167</sup> died on 13 Apr 1863,<sup>168</sup> Both are buried in Union Cemetery, Middleway, Jefferson County.<sup>169</sup>

Census records indicate that William and his wife Dorothy spent most of their adult lives in Jefferson County. However, in 1860 he was living in neighboring Brucetown, Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>170</sup> In 1858, William purchased 122 acres of land in

Jefferson County from his sister Mary and her husband Henry Swimley.<sup>171</sup> William sold this land in 1867<sup>172</sup> and in 1874 purchased 211 acres in Jefferson County.<sup>173</sup> William's obituary indicates that he was active up until the time of his death and was "strictly upright and honest and was highly esteemed by all who knew him."<sup>174</sup> William's sons John H. and William D. both served in the 12th Virginia Confederate Cavalry.<sup>175</sup>

Children of William Hayslett and Dorothy Swimley were:

28 F i. **Eleanor "Ellen" Catherine Hayslett**<sup>176</sup> was born on 7 Nov 1825<sup>177</sup> in Berkeley County, Virginia<sup>178</sup> and died on 24 Sep 1879.<sup>179</sup> She married **James Lewis Taylor** on 3 Jul 1865 in Frederick County, Virginia,<sup>180</sup> son of **Hiram Taylor** and **Rachel (née -?-)**.<sup>181</sup> James was born circa 1823 in Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>182</sup>

29 F ii. **Elizabeth Hayslett**<sup>183</sup> was born on 27 Oct 1826<sup>184</sup> in Jefferson County, Virginia<sup>185</sup> and died on 15 June 1874 in Middleway, Jefferson County.<sup>186</sup> Elizabeth married **James H. Frazier** on 12 Feb 1850.<sup>187</sup>

30 F iii. **Lydia Ann Hayslett**<sup>188</sup> was born on 16 Apr 1828<sup>189</sup> in Berkeley County,<sup>190</sup> and died on 4 Oct 1883 in Jefferson County.<sup>191</sup>

31 F iv. **Mary Washington Hayslett**<sup>192</sup> was born on 20 Apr 1830<sup>193</sup> in Jefferson County,<sup>194</sup> died on 31 Mar 1909,<sup>195</sup> in Jefferson County<sup>196</sup> and was buried at the Episcopal & Masonic Cemetery, Middleway, Jefferson County.<sup>197</sup> Mary married **Charles William Pidgon** on 28 Nov 1865 in Frederick

County, Virginia,<sup>198</sup> son of **Isaac E. Pidgon** and **Mary Saunders**.<sup>199</sup> Charles was born circa 1821 in Frederick County.

32 M v. **Unnamed Hayslett** [twin]<sup>200</sup> was born on 6 Sep 1832 and died on 10 Sep 1832.<sup>201</sup>

33 F vi. **Unnamed Hayslett** [twin] was born on 6 Sep 1832 and died on 10 Sep 1832.<sup>202</sup>

34 M vii. **John Henry Hayslett**<sup>203</sup> was born on 6 Apr 1834<sup>204</sup> in Jefferson County,<sup>205</sup> and died on 10 Apr 1915 in Leetown, Jefferson County.<sup>206</sup> John married **Kate Hunter** on 9 Dec 1880 in Jefferson County.<sup>207</sup> Kate was born circa 1837 in Jefferson County.<sup>208</sup>

35 M viii. **William Douglas Hayslett**<sup>209</sup> was born on 24 Oct 1839<sup>210</sup> in Jefferson County,<sup>211</sup> and died on 14 Mar 1914 in Leetown, Jefferson County.<sup>212</sup> He married **Georgietta M. Hunter** on 30 Mar 1875 in Jefferson County.<sup>213</sup> She was born circa 1844 in Jefferson County,<sup>214</sup> and died 8 July 1887.<sup>215</sup> William next married Margaret Watson.<sup>216</sup>

36 F ix. **Martha Georgette Hayslett**<sup>217</sup> was born on 26 Jan 1841<sup>218</sup> in Frederick County, Virginia<sup>219</sup> and died on 13 Sep 1865.<sup>220</sup> Martha married **George W. Engle** on 22 Feb 1860 in Frederick County, Virginia,<sup>221</sup> son of **Samuel O. Engle** and **Susan Lechliter**.<sup>222</sup> George was born circa 1836 in Jefferson County, Virginia.<sup>223</sup>

37 F x. **Harriet Hanson Hayslett**<sup>224</sup> was born on 14 May 1843 and died on 31 Aug 1848.<sup>225</sup>

**5. Robert Hayslett**<sup>226</sup> was born 29 Jun 1800,<sup>227</sup> died on 5 May 1848, and was buried in the Hayslett family

graveyard.<sup>228</sup> He married **Elizabeth Pultz** in Nov 1833 in Berkeley County, Virginia.<sup>229</sup> Robert next married **Margaret (née Grantham) Shepherd**<sup>230</sup> on 12 Oct 1837 in Berkeley County.<sup>231</sup>

By the terms of Robert Hayslett, Sr.'s 1821 will, Robert (son of John) inherited Robert Sr.'s home place.<sup>232</sup> This land contained 82 acres and was conveyed by Robert (son of John) Hayslett's heirs in 1892 to George William Gardner with the exception of the family burying ground.<sup>233</sup> George William Gardner's wife Mary Eleanor Cunningham was a granddaughter of Alsie (née Hayslett) Cunningham.<sup>234</sup>

The child born to Robert and Elizabeth (née Pultz) Hayslett was:

38 M i. **George William Hayslett**<sup>235</sup> was born 6 Dec 1834<sup>236</sup> in Virginia<sup>237</sup> and died after 23 Apr 1910 in possibly Douglas County, Kansas.<sup>238</sup> He married Eliza F. (née -?-) circa 1865.<sup>239</sup> She was born in Jun 1844 in Wisconsin<sup>240</sup> and died after 23 Apr 1910 in perhaps Douglas County, Kansas.<sup>241</sup>

Children born to Robert and Margaret (née Grantham) Hayslett were:

39 F i. **Hester Ann Hayslett**<sup>242</sup> was born 10 Mar 1838<sup>243</sup> in Berkeley County,<sup>244</sup> and died on 28 Dec 1920 in Martinsburg, Berkeley County.<sup>245</sup> She married **Joseph Gorrell Blue** on 28 Mar 1867 in Berkeley County,<sup>246</sup> son of **John L. Blue** and **Margaret E. Shoafstall**.<sup>247</sup> Joseph was born 9 Feb 1836<sup>248</sup> in Jefferson County, Virginia<sup>249</sup> and died on 9 Apr 1911 in Martinsburg.<sup>250</sup>

40 F ii. **Elenor Jane Hayslett** was born 14 Apr 1844, died on 8 May 1844, and was buried in the Hayslett family graveyard.<sup>251</sup>

41 M iii. **James Gear Hayslett**<sup>252</sup> was born 9 Oct 1845<sup>253</sup> in Berkeley County,<sup>254</sup> and died on 28 May 1896.<sup>255</sup> He married **Sarah "Sallie" Catherine Gardner** on 20 Feb 1868 in Berkeley County, West Virginia,<sup>256</sup> daughter of **John Gardner** and **Catherine Kime**.<sup>257</sup> Sarah was born on 26 Apr 1846<sup>258</sup> in Jefferson County, Virginia<sup>259</sup> and died in 1920.<sup>260</sup>

**6. John Hayslett**<sup>261</sup> was born circa 1803, died on 5 Sep 1879, and was buried in the Hayslett family graveyard near Bunker Hill.<sup>262</sup>

John filed a claim indicating that during the Civil War, the Union Army under command of General Sheridan impressed a horse valued at \$150 in the year 1864. John claimed that he had always been loyal to the Union.<sup>263</sup> John Hayslett and his sister Elizabeth Hayslett purchased the John Hayslett home place from John Swimley executor.<sup>264</sup> John was a bachelor and lived with his sister Elizabeth after his father's death.<sup>265</sup>

**7. Lydia Hayslett** was born in 1805 and died on 29 Dec 1832.<sup>266</sup> Lydia is mentioned in the will of Robert Hayslett, "Sr." and was bequeathed furniture.<sup>267</sup> She died unmarried and without issue.

**8. Elizabeth Hayslett** was born 4 Mar 1807 and died on 22 Mar 1882 in Berkeley County, West Virginia.<sup>268</sup> She died unmarried and without issue.

**9. Mary Hayslett**<sup>269</sup> was born circa 1808 and died on 12 May 1874 in Berkley County, West Virginia.<sup>270</sup> She married **Henry Swimley**<sup>271</sup> on 16 Oct 1834 in Berkeley County,<sup>272</sup> son of **Jacob Swimley** and **Catherine Snyder**.<sup>273</sup> Henry was born 22 November 1808 and died on 4 February 1866.<sup>274</sup>

Henry and Mary lived in the Middleway area of Jefferson County where he was a tailor.<sup>275</sup> They sold 122 acres to Mary's brother William Hayslett on 17 May 1858 in Jefferson County.<sup>276</sup>

Children from this marriage were:

42 M i. **John W. Swimley**<sup>277</sup> was born in May 1834<sup>278</sup> in Berkeley County,<sup>279</sup> and died after 29 Apr 1910 in possibly Franklin County, Kansas.<sup>280</sup> John married **Lydia C. Bell** on 26 Nov 1861 in Jefferson County, Virginia, daughter of **Vance Bell** and **Elizabeth (née -?-)**.<sup>281</sup> Lydia was born circa 1842 in Berkeley County.<sup>282</sup>

43 F ii. **Mary E. Swimley**<sup>283</sup> was born in Mar 1840<sup>284</sup> in Jefferson County, Virginia<sup>285</sup> and died on 2 Aug 1878 in Seneca County, Ohio.<sup>286</sup> She married her first cousin Robert H. Cunningham. See above.

44 F iii. **Catherine "Kate" Elizabeth Swimley**<sup>287</sup> was born on 15 Jul 1841 in Jefferson County,<sup>288</sup> and died on 7 Jan 1922 in Darkesville, Berkeley County.<sup>289</sup> Catherine married **Joseph Franklin Hess** on 15 Feb 1861 in Jefferson County.<sup>290</sup> Joseph was born in 1836<sup>291</sup> and died in Mar 1897 in Darkesville.<sup>292</sup>

45 F iv. **Ann "Annie" Maria Swimley**<sup>293</sup> was born on 14 Oct 1844<sup>294</sup> in Virginia,<sup>295</sup> died on 6 Apr 1899 in Jefferson County,<sup>296</sup> and was buried in the Episcopal & Masonic Cemetery, Middleway, Jefferson County.<sup>297</sup> She married **Jerome Bonoparte Coyle** on 22 Apr 1875 in Bunker Hill, Berkeley County,<sup>298</sup> son of **Edward Violet Coyle** and **Mary Ann Winpiger**.<sup>299</sup> Jerome was born 22 Oct 1843 and died 15 March 1916.<sup>300</sup>

46 F v. **Henrietta V. Swimley**<sup>301</sup> was born 14 Oct 1850<sup>302</sup> in Jefferson County,<sup>303</sup> died on 26 Sep 1886 in Martinsburg, Berkeley County,<sup>304</sup> and was buried in the Watson Graveyard, Middleway, Jefferson County.<sup>305</sup> Henrietta married **Thomas Watson** on 6 Oct 1870 in Jefferson County.<sup>306</sup> Thomas was born circa 1848 in Jefferson County.<sup>307</sup>

47 M vi. **James T. Swimley**<sup>308</sup> was born on 14 Nov 1848<sup>309</sup> in Virginia, died on 5 Jan 1866,<sup>310</sup> and was buried in the Episcopal & Masonic Cemetery, Middleway, Jefferson County.<sup>311</sup>

**10. James Hayslett**<sup>312</sup> was born 15 Mar 1809 in Virginia<sup>313</sup> and died on 10 Dec 1858 in Topeka, Kansas.<sup>314</sup>

According to a family sketch, James educated himself and went west and died in early manhood.<sup>315</sup> Public records support this assertion since on 6 November 1856, James Hayslett sold to John Hayslett and Ephraim Hayslett for \$1,000 all his undivided interest in the real estate of their father John Hayslett, deceased consisting of two tracts of land containing



555 acres.<sup>316</sup> Two years later, his death notice indicates that he died in Topeka, Kansas.<sup>317</sup>

**11. Ephraim G. Hayslett**<sup>318</sup> was born circa 1813 in Berkeley County,<sup>319</sup> died on 12 Sep 1889 in Berryville, Clarke County, Virginia.<sup>320</sup> Ephraim married first **Mary Catherine Swimley** on 27 Oct 1857 in Berkeley County,<sup>321</sup> daughter of **George Swimley** and **Hester (née -?-)**.<sup>322</sup> Mary was born circa 1836 in Berkeley County,<sup>323</sup> and died on 12 Aug 1872 in Berkeley County.<sup>324</sup> Ephraim next married **Jane R. Gordon** on 12 Feb 1874 in Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>325</sup> She was the daughter of **Abraham Gordon** and **Hester (née -?-)**.<sup>326</sup> Jane was born 14 Dec 1834<sup>327</sup> in Frederick County,<sup>328</sup> died on 14 Jun 1898.<sup>329</sup> Ephraim and both of his wives are buried in Morgan Chapel Graveyard, Bunker Hill.<sup>330</sup>

Ephraim was a farmer who lived in the Bunker Hill area.<sup>331</sup> He was a member of the Mason's Excelsior Lodge, No. 54, A.F.A.M. of Bunker Hill.<sup>332</sup>

Children born to Ephraim and Mary Catherine Hayslett were:

48 F i. **Virginia "Jennie" Hayslett**<sup>333</sup> was born in Apr 1860<sup>334</sup> in Berkeley County,<sup>335</sup> died in 1928.<sup>336</sup> She married **Charles James Gordon** on 9 Jan 1901 in Berkeley County,<sup>337</sup> son of **John J. Gordon** and **Margaret L. (née -?-)**.<sup>338</sup> Charles was born in 1855 in Virginia,<sup>339</sup> died in 1942.<sup>340</sup> Both are buried in Rest Church Graveyard, Frederick County, Virginia.<sup>341</sup>

49 F ii. **Ella D. Hayslett**<sup>342</sup> was born circa 1862 in Berkeley County,<sup>343</sup> and died on 15 Apr 1885 in Berkeley County.<sup>344</sup> Ella married **Jesse P. Ridgeway** on 20 Mar 1883 in Berkeley County,<sup>345</sup> son of **Jackson Ridgeway** and **Rachel (née -?-)**.<sup>346</sup>

50 M iii. **Robert Daniel Hayslett**<sup>347</sup> was born on 25 Apr 1865 at Bunker Hill, Berkeley County,<sup>348</sup> and died on 2 Feb 1952 in Martinsburg, Berkeley County.<sup>349</sup> He married **Bertha Forman** on 26 Mar 1890 in Berkeley County,<sup>350</sup> daughter of **Peter Forman** and **Mary (née -?-)**.<sup>351</sup> Bertha was born in Feb 1865 in Pennsylvania<sup>352</sup> and died 9 December 1912 at Martinsburg.<sup>353</sup>

**12. Andrew Jackson Hayslett**<sup>354</sup> was born circa 1814 in Virginia<sup>355</sup> and died in 1888 probably in Berkeley County, West Virginia.<sup>356</sup> He married **Juliet Beeson** on 14 Sep 1840 in Berkeley County,<sup>357</sup> daughter of **Micajah Beeson** and **Patience Ridgeway**.<sup>358</sup> Juliet was born on 5 May 1807<sup>359</sup> in Virginia<sup>360</sup> and died between 1860 and 1870 probably in Berkeley County.<sup>361</sup>

Andrew owned land in Berkeley County, but appears to have struggled financially since he entered into a number of deeds of trust.<sup>362</sup> The 1850 census lists him as a farmer with real estate valued at \$400.<sup>363</sup> In 1860 he is listed in the Mill Creek district as a farmer, but no value was assigned to real estate.<sup>364</sup> The 1870 census assigns personal property valued at \$600, but no real estate.<sup>365</sup> The 1880 census shows him living with his niece Henrietta Watson, daughter

of Mary (née Hayslett) Swimley with her husband and also Andrew's sister Elizabeth Hayslett.<sup>366</sup>

Children of Andrew and Juliet were:

51 F i. **Anna Alvina Hayslett**<sup>367</sup> born on 24 Jul 1841 in Berkeley County,<sup>368</sup> died on 1 Apr 1922 in Martinsburg, Berkeley County,<sup>369</sup> and was buried in Martinsburg.<sup>370</sup> Anna married **Samuel B. Sigler** on 8 Apr 1869 in Berkeley County, son of **George Sigler** and **Susan (née -?-)**. Samuel was born circa 1838 in Maryland.<sup>371</sup>

52 M ii. **William E. Hayslett**<sup>372</sup> was born on 17 Nov 1846<sup>373</sup> in Berkeley County, Virginia,<sup>374</sup> died on 6 Oct 1920,<sup>375</sup> and was buried in Payne's Chapel Cemetery, Berkeley County.<sup>376</sup> William married **Violet Porter Gardner** on 16 Apr 1873 in Berkeley County,<sup>377</sup> daughter of **John Gardner** and **Catherine Kime**.<sup>378</sup> Violet was born on 16 May 1849<sup>379</sup> in Jefferson County<sup>380</sup> and died on 22 Mar 1876.<sup>381</sup> William next married **Mary Katherine "Kate" Hartman** on 10 Apr 1879 in Clarke County, Virginia,<sup>382</sup> daughter of **Peter Hartman**.<sup>383</sup> Mary was born on 4 Dec 1845 in Clarke County,<sup>384</sup> died on 4 Oct 1925 in Martinsburg, Berkeley County,<sup>385</sup> and was buried in Payne's Chapel Cemetery, Berkeley County.<sup>386</sup>

53 M iii. **Richard R. Hayslett**<sup>387</sup> was born in May 1853 in Virginia<sup>388</sup> and died before 13 Jan 1920 in probably Seattle, King County, Washington.<sup>389</sup> Richard married **Etta (née -?-)** before 3 Feb 1879<sup>390</sup> in probably Kent County, Michigan.<sup>391</sup> Etta was born in Mar 1854 in Ireland.<sup>392</sup> Richard next married **Bertha Engle** circa 1901 probably in Kent County,

Michigan,<sup>393</sup> daughter of **George Engle**.<sup>394</sup> Bertha was born circa 1872 in New York<sup>395</sup> and died after 12 Apr 1930 possibly in Seattle, King County, Washington.<sup>396</sup>

**13. Ferdinand Fairfax Hayslett**<sup>397</sup> was born on 9 Mar 1814<sup>398</sup> and died on 15 Jul 1871 in Smithfield, Jefferson County, West Virginia.<sup>399</sup> Ferdinand married **Jane Charlotte W. Laughlin** on 18 Jun 1844.<sup>400</sup> Jane was born on 30 Apr 1824 in Virginia<sup>401</sup> and died on 14 Feb 1897 in Middleway, Jefferson County.<sup>402</sup>

Ferdinand was a school teacher and occasionally a surveyor.<sup>403</sup> He and his family lived in the Middleway area of Jefferson County, West Virginia.<sup>404</sup>

Children of Ferdinand and Jane Hayslett were:

54 M i. **Charles Craighill Hayslett**<sup>405</sup> was born in March 1851 in Virginia<sup>406</sup> died on 17 Jul 1919 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama,<sup>407</sup> and was buried in Green Hill Cemetery, Berryville, Clarke County, Virginia.<sup>408</sup> Charles married **Rose Virginia Miller** on 16 Nov 1887.<sup>409</sup> Rose was born in May 1861 in Virginia<sup>410</sup> and died after 18 Apr 1910 possibly in Columbus, Lowndes County, Georgia.<sup>411</sup>

55 F ii. **Laura Winn Hayslett**<sup>412</sup> was born on 23 Jun 1850<sup>413</sup> in Jefferson County,<sup>414</sup> died on 22 Sep 1905,<sup>415</sup> in Jefferson County,<sup>416</sup> and was buried in the Episcopal & Masonic Cemetery, Middleway, Jefferson County.<sup>417</sup> Laura married **Walter Burwell Barnes** on 9 Dec 1878 in Berryville, Clarke County, Virginia,<sup>418</sup> son of **Nathan Barnes** and **Mary Grantham**.<sup>419</sup> Walter was born on 28 Nov 1850 in

Middleway,<sup>420</sup> and died on 12 Feb 1931 in Charles Town, Jefferson County.<sup>421</sup>

56 F iii. **Annie Randolph Hayslett**<sup>422</sup> was born in 1855<sup>423</sup> in Berkeley County,<sup>424</sup> died in 1931.<sup>425</sup> Annie married **Howell D. Young** on 29 Dec 1887 in Berryville, Clarke County, Virginia,<sup>426</sup> son of **William H. Young** and **Lucy C. (née -?-)**.<sup>427</sup> Howell was born in 1858<sup>428</sup> in Clarke County,<sup>429</sup> died in 1948.<sup>430</sup> Both are buried in Green Hill Cemetery, Berryville.<sup>431</sup>

57 M iv. **William Gohene Hayslett**<sup>432</sup> was born on 6 Jun 1857<sup>433</sup> in Virginia<sup>434</sup> and died before 8 Jan 1920 perhaps in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.<sup>435</sup> William married **Lucy F. Hughson**.<sup>436</sup> Lucy was born on 27 May 1859<sup>437</sup> in Virginia<sup>438</sup> and died in Mar 1938 in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.<sup>439</sup>

58 M v. **Judson Hayslett**<sup>440</sup> was born in 1849 and died in 1850.<sup>441</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>1850 U.S. census, Berkeley County, Virginia, population schedule, 9th District, p. 389, dwelling 1108, family 1134, John Hazlett; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm M432, roll 936 and 1850 U.S. census, Shenandoah County, Virginia, population schedule, 58th District, p. 37, dwelling 511, family 515, Alcinda Cunningham; NARA microfilm M432, roll 976. All census images were downloaded from digital images at *Ancestry.com* (<http://www.ancestry.com>) in 2008.

<sup>2</sup>Florine Barnes Lyne compiler, Hayslett Family Descendant Charts, Eleanor Childs Wilson collection, purchased by the author from Mrs. Wilson's estate sale circa 2002. No documentation is included. Documents in the file indicate that the compiler prepared information based largely on correspondence with descendants. Comparison with data in other sources indicates most of the data is accurate. Also conversation between Eleanor Childs Wilson and the author circa 1992.

<sup>3</sup>Eleanor Childs Wilson collection.

<sup>4</sup>Larry G. Shuck, *Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Deeds and Wills Abstracts Deed Books 1-5 (1772-1781) Will Books 1-3 (1772-1805)* (Apollo, Pennsylvania: Closson Press, 1999), 85.

<sup>5</sup>Hayslett Family Graveyard (Berkeley County, West Virginia; N 39 18' 17.3", W 78 02'38.3"; From Ridgeway on Martinsburg Pike (Rt. 11) east onto Specks Run Road (CR28) for about 2.4 mile to just before Quarry Road (CR 26/2). Graveyard is on farm at 2322 Speck Run Road at far left corner of a field and tree line about

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1,000 feet from the road), John Hayslett and Robert Hayslett, Sr. markers, personally read, 4 October 2005.

<sup>6</sup> Robert Haselet will (1822), Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 6, pp. 434-435, County Clerk's Office, Martinsburg.

<sup>7</sup> Hayslett Family Graveyard.

<sup>8</sup> Frederick County, Virginia Deed Book 50: 272-274; County Clerk's Office, Winchester.

<sup>9</sup> Recollection of Jesse Payne of Berkeley County, Virginia on 26 February 1859, in a letter from A.W.P. to Mary (perhaps to Mary Phelps Payne Cunningham), transcript copy was found in papers of Sydney Stuart Cunningham of Richmond, Virginia, grandson of Mary Phelps Payne Cunningham. Copy sent to the author by Gene Cunningham of Fredericksburg, Virginia on 12 October 1998.

<sup>10</sup> Shuck, *Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Deeds and Wills Abstracts Deed Books 1-5 (1772-1781) Will Books 1-3 (1772-1805)*, 130.

<sup>11</sup> Eleanor Childs Wilson collection.

<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>13</sup> Pearl Gardner Hartzell (Shepherdstown, West Virginia) to Sidney Cunningham, letter, 2 November 1962; Copy held by the author.

<sup>14</sup> Berkeley County, Virginia Deed Book 29: 429-432; County Clerk's Office, Martinsburg.

<sup>15</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 6, pp. 434-435.

<sup>16</sup> Berkeley County, Virginia Deed Book 39: 133-134; County Clerk's Office, Martinsburg.

<sup>17</sup> "Public Sale of Two Valuable Farms," *Virginia Free Press* (Charles Town, W. Va.), 9 October 1856.

<sup>18</sup> John Hayslett estate inventory (1853), Berkeley County, Virginia Will Book 17: 51-52.

<sup>19</sup> S. Morgan Friedman, *The Inflation Calculator*, online at <http://www.westegg.com/inflation/> : accessed 23 September 2008.

<sup>20</sup> Hayslett Family Graveyard.

<sup>21</sup> Hayslett Family Graveyard.

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>23</sup> 1880 U.S. Census, Jefferson County, West Virginia, population schedule, Middleway, enumeration district (ED) 7, p. 132B (penned), dwelling 4, family 4, William Hayslett; NARA microfilm T9, roll 1375. William Hayslett's parents are both listed as born in Ireland.

<sup>24</sup> Hayslett Family Graveyard.

<sup>25</sup> John Hayslett will (1852), Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 17:19-20, County Clerk's Office, Martinsburg..

<sup>26</sup> Mt. Pleasant Quaker Graveyard, Cedar Creek, Frederick County, Virginia, Alsie Cunningham marker, visit by author, 22 March 1997.

<sup>27</sup> 1850 U.S. census, Shenandoah County, Virginia, population schedule, 58th District, p. 37, dwelling 511, family 515, Alcinda Cunningham.

<sup>28</sup> Mt. Pleasant Quaker Graveyard.

<sup>29</sup> Guy L. Keesecker, *Marriage Records of Berkeley County, Virginia, 1781-1854* (Baltimore, Maryland: Clearfield Co., 1995), 52

<sup>30</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 6, pp. 434-435.

<sup>31</sup> Hannah Swimley tombstone, Morgan Chapel Graveyard, Bunker Hill, Berkeley County, W.Va. Transcribed by the author on 23 October 2008. The published

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cemetery records incorrectly list Hannah Swimley's death date as 1834 instead of 1831.

<sup>32</sup> Keesecker, *Marriage Records of Berkeley County, Virginia, 1781-1854*, 96.

<sup>33</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 17:19-20.

<sup>34</sup> Mr. Wm. Hayslett obituary, *Spirit of Jefferson* (Charles Town, W. Va.), 23 December 1890, p. 3. Col. 1.

<sup>35</sup> Keesecker, *Marriage Records of Berkeley County, Virginia, 1781-1854*, 96.

<sup>36</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 6, pp. 434-435.

<sup>37</sup> Hayslett Family Graveyard.

<sup>38</sup> Ibid.

<sup>39</sup> Keesecker, *Marriage Records of Berkeley County, Virginia, 1781-1854*, 94.

<sup>40</sup> Ibid., 204 (Margaret married 1<sup>st</sup> Gideon Shepherd about 13 June 1826). A deed from her brother James Grantham implies her maiden name was Grantham. See Jefferson County, [West] Virginia, Deed Book, B, 1874-75: 88, Grantham to Hayslett, 13 April 1874; Jefferson County Clerk's Office, Charles Town.

<sup>41</sup> Keesecker, *Marriage Records of Berkeley County, Virginia, 1781-1854*, 96.

<sup>42</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 17:19-20.

<sup>43</sup> Hayslett Family Graveyard.

<sup>44</sup> *Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 6, pp. 434-435.*

<sup>45</sup> Hayslett Family Graveyard.

<sup>46</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 17:19-20.

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<sup>48</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 17:19-20.

<sup>49</sup> Pamela J. Swartwood, *Obituaries Berkeley County Virginia (West Virginia), 1856-1879 and Other News* (Martinsburg, West Virginia: Berkeley County Historical Society, 2002), 126.

<sup>50</sup> Keesecker, *Marriage Records of Berkeley County, Virginia, 1781-1854*, 96.

<sup>51</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 17:19-20.

<sup>52</sup> 1850 U.S. census, Berkeley County, Virginia, population schedule, 9th District, p. 389, dwelling 1108, family 1134, John Hazlett.

<sup>53</sup> Swartwood, *Obituaries Berkeley County Virginia (West Virginia), 1856-1879 and Other News*, 26.

<sup>54</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 17:19-20.

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<sup>56</sup> Keesecker, *Marriage Records of Berkeley County, Va. and W.Va. for the Period of 1854-1906*, 116.

<sup>57</sup> James V. Hutton, *In and Around Gerrardstown, West Virginia, 1870-1905 abstracts from the Gerrardstown Times and other papers of Southern Berkeley Co., WV & northern Frederick Co., Va* (Athens, Georgia: Iberian Publishing Co., 1999), 93.

<sup>58</sup> Keesecker, *Marriage Records of Berkeley County, Va. and W.Va. for the Period of 1854-1906*, 116.

<sup>59</sup> Dee Ann Buck, *Marriages Frederick County, Virginia, 1853-1880* (Fairfax, Virginia: Dee Ann Buck [10814 Paynes Church Drive], 1994), 82.

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- <sup>64</sup> Berkeley County, [West] Virginia Will Book 17:19-20.
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