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A GENEALOGY

OF THE

POPE FAMILY

OF KENTUCKY.

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and was appointed Governor of the Territory of Arkansas in the winter of 1830, by Andrew Jackson. He was twice married, had one child by his first wife whom he called Florida. She married a Mr. Coeke, by whom she had one child, a daughter. This branch of the Pope family is now entirely extinct. His second wife was the widow of General Walton, of Springfield, Kentacky, an elderly lady of talent and culture. These three distinguished citizens of Washington county died many years ago, and are buried in the Cemetery at Springfield, a fine monument marking the place where they repose.

WILLIAM POPE,

The second son of the old pioneer, was a wealthy farmer in the vicinity of Louisville, a man of splendid business talents and great industry, by the judicious employment of which he amassed a considerable fortune. He was a man of sterling integrity and a high sense of honor in ail his dealings and transs actions with his fellow-man. He married Cynthia Sturgus, by whom he had eight sons and one daugheter-John, William, Nathaniel, Minor, James, Robert, Godfrey, Charles and Ann. Ann married Larz Anderson, son of Col. Richard C. Anderson, of Jefferson county, of Revolutionary memory. She lived but a few years and died, leaving one son, who was named Richard C. Anderson, in honor of his grandfather. Richard died in 1878. His wife was Miss Agnes Thompson, by whom he had four children, three living, Kate, Sallie and Richard. John Pope, the eldest son, married Miss Maria Preston, daughter of Major Preston, and sister of General Wm. Preston. She was noted for dignity, and commanding appears ance. Her husband regarded her, and justly, too, as one of the smartest women in Kentucky. She was remarkable for wit and the sharpness and severity of her repartees. Her father was one of the finest looking men in the State, a giant in size. When mounted upon his large and splendid steed, it seemed as if the very earth trembled beneath his stately tread. John



lived but a few years after marriage, leaving one child that died in infancy. He was a graduate of Harvard University, studied law, but was unfortunately cut off in the morning of life with consumption, a hereditary disease in his mother's family.

William H. Pope, second son of the wealthy farmer, married Miss Mary Wilson, daughter of Dr. Daniel Wilson, of Louisville, an amiable lady, well quatified to be the maternal head of a large family with which she was blessed. She had twelve children of the Pope lineage-Cynthia, Ann, Wallace, Thomas, Henrietta, Minor, Mary, Lucinda, Kate, William, Henry and Charles. Cynthia married Richard Atkinson, by whom she had three sons, William Richard and Clifton. Wallace married Theresa Steele, of Oldham county, and they have six children living, William, Annie, Wallace, Samuel, Theresa and Richard. Henrietta married T. P. Jacob, of Louisville, and has had ten children; of whom five are living-John, Thomas, Charles, Donald and Lucy. Her husband is the descendant of one of the old and wealthy families of Louisville, always honor d and respected for their public spirit and integrity. Lucinda married Nicholas Smith and died, leaving but one child, a daughter, who survived her but a short time. Henry married twice. His first wife was Alice Miller, by whom he had one child, a daughter, Anna. His second wife, Anna, daughter of W. Brooks, who bore him a posthumous child named Henry. But five of William H. Pope's children married, and but three are now living, Henrietta, Wallace and Minor. The last a bachelor.

Godfrey, another son of the wealthy farmer, married Miss Nannie Minor, of Nelson county, Kentucky, by whom he had three children, Mary, Anna and Sarah. Mary died at the age of fourteen, Sarah died in infancy; Anna married James W. Bowles, of Louisville, and has four children living, Joshua, Nannie, Grace and Julia.

Robert Pope, another son of the old farmer, died recently, an old bachelor. The rest of the sons, Na-



thaniel, Minor, James and Charles, died leaving no children. Godfrev died during the war with Mexico. So of this naturally prolific branch of the Pope family but four descendants, all in the line of Wallace, survive to perpetuate the name.

ALEXANDER POPE.

The third son of Colonel William Pope, was one of the original lawyers of the Louisville bar. He was a man of considerable ability, equal to any of his cotemporaries in the legal profession. By his practice he made a competency for his family, and died at the age of about fifty, leaving his family in good circumstances. His wife was Patsev Fountain: one of the daughters of Captain Fountain, well known to the old inhabitants of Louisville as one of the most respectable men of that day. They had five children, two sons and three daughters, Henry, Fountain, Maria, Martha and Penelope. Henry and Fountain never married, and were both killed in duels; the first near Jeffersonville, by a young man by the name of Gray, of Louisville, and the second by young Noland, of Little Rock, Arkansas. Maria married Dr. Allen P. Elston: Martha married Charles Pope, and after his death she married Edward P. Humphrey, a distinguished Presbyterian clergyman, by whom she has but one child, a son, Alexander Pope Humphrey, now 32 years old, who is spoken of as being a man of superior talents, and one of the best lawyers of his age at the Louisville bar. He recently married a daughter of Alexander Pope Churchill.

Penelope Pope, the third daughter of Alexander Pope the old lawyer, married William Prather, son of Thomas Prather, one of the old and wealthy merchants of Louisville. She died, leaving seven daughters, Kate, Julia, Susan, Matilda, Margaret, Penelope and Martha. Kate married Orville Winsted, of Covington, Kv.; Susan married John Zanone, of Louisville; Matilda married Goldborough Robinson, of Louisville; Julia and Martha died young, and

Margaret and Penelope are unmarried.



Thus it will be seen that the name of Pope has long since ceased in Alexander Pope's branch of the family. By the false and irrational ideas of southern chivalry the male members of the family lost their lives.

NATHANIEL POPE,

The fourth son of Colonel William Pope, was an eminent lawyer, studied the French language when young, and located, in the beginning of this century, in the old French town of Kaskaskia, Illinois. He soon became one of the most popular lawyers of the new Territory, so much so that he was appointed a District Judge of the United States Court by James Monroe, which office he held for many years. He died at an advanced age. He had two sons and four daughters, William, John, Penelope, Elizabeth, Lucretia and Cynthia. William married Eliza Douglas, of St. Louis, and died in 1835, leaving five children, Nathaniel, Douglass, John, Cornelia and Lucretia. Nathaniel is Superintendent of Indian Affairs for New Mexico; Douglass is Secretary of the Galena and Springfield Railroad, Illinois, and John is Lieutenant in the United States Army. Cornelia married William Brown, of Springfield, Illinois, and Lucretia is unmarried.

John Pope, second son of Nathaniel Pope, the United States Judge, is a General of the United States Army, widely known in military circles, having a national reputation as a thoroughly educated officer of the regular army, brave and patriotic. At this writing he is in command of the Department of the West, with his head-quarters at Leavenworth, Karsas. He married a daughter of the Hon. V. B. Horton, of Ohio, in the year, 1859, by whom he has three chii-

dren, Horton, John and Lucretia.

Penelope, first daughter of Judge Pope, married Beverly Allen, of St. Louis, who died leaving her in affluence with four children, Lucretia, Anne Celesta, Penelope and Beverly. Lucretia married George D. Hall, of St. Louis, Anne Celesta married Hon. J. H. Sturgeon, of St. Louis, and Penelope married J. C.



Orrick, a lawyer of St. Louis. Beverly resides in St. Loui, and is an enterprising and highly respectable business gentleman. Mrs. Penelope Allen still resides in the vicinity of St. Louis, and is a lady of strong mind and high social position, and is an honor to her distinguished ancestry.

Elizabeth, second daughter of Judge Pope, married Dr. Thomas D. Houe, of Alton. Illinois. The

Doctor has but one child grown.

Lucretia, third daughter of Judge Pope, married Thomas Yeatman, a lawyer, now residing in New

Haven, Connecticut.

Cynthia, the fourth and last daughter of Judge Pope, married James E. Yeatman, of St. Louis. She died in 1854, leaving only one child, a son, who was named for his grandiather, Nathaniel Pope Yeatman. It will be seen from this branch of the genealogy there are six descendants of the Hon. Nat Pope, of Kaskaskia, still living to perpetuate his name.

PENELOPE POPE,

First daughter of Colonel William Pope, was married twice. Her first husband was Colonel Oldham, of Kentucky, who was killed in St. Clair's defeat on the 4th of November, 1791. By Colonel Oldham she had two sons and one daughter, John, Richard and

Abbey.

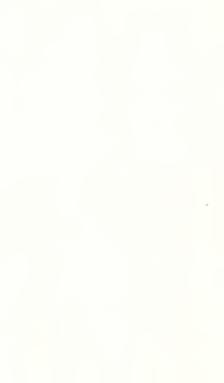
John P. Oldham, her first son, married Miss Malinda Talbot, of Huntsville, Alabama, by whom he had two sons and two daughters, William, Talbot, Sophia and Susan. William and Talbot died without having married; Sophia married the Hon. Wm. F. Bullock, of Louisville, and Susan married Horace Hill, one of the old and prominent merchants of Louisville, John P. Oldham was one of the lawyers of the Louisville bar, and for several years Judge of the Circuit Court. His brother, Richard Oldham, was a noble-hearted and generous man; was for many years an officer in the United States Army, and in his last days served as Jailor of Jetlerson county, and died in Louisville, leaving several children, who, with



their widowed mother, removed to New Orleans. Abbey, the only daughter of Col. Oldham, married Samuel Churchill, an accomplished gentleman and wealthy farmer in the neighborhood of Louisville. The second husband of Penelope Pope was Henry Churchill, a wealthy farmer near Louisville. By him she had three sons and two daughters, Armstead. Worden, Alexander, Lucy and Eliza, Armstead is a lawver and an old resident of Elizabethtown, Kv., and was once Judge of the Circuit Court. He is far advanced in life, but in good circumstances. den married Miss Mary Prather, a daughter of an old and retired merchant of Louisville, of considerable wealth and high respectability. He died while quite young, leaving one child, a son. Alexander married a daughter of ex-Judge McKinley, of the U.S. Court, by whom he had several children. Lucy never married. Eliza married a Mr. Payne, of Favette county, Ky., by whom she had one son and two daughters, James, Elizabeth and Mary. After the death of Mr. Payne she married a Mr. Kinney, and located in Elizabethtown, Ky., where she still resides. well in years.

JANE POPE.

Second daughter of Col. William Pope, married Major Abner Field, who was also a very early settler of the State, and one of its first Representatives in he Virginia House of Burresses, by whom she had seven sons and five daughters, Gabriel, William, Abner, Alexander, Nathaniel, John. Charles, Judith. Penelope, Eleanor, Hester and Elizabeth Gabriel was a Lieutenant in the U. S. Regular Army, and died at Council Bluffs, in 1822, aged 28 years. William married Miss Mildred Banks, of Spottsylvania county, Va., by whom he had one son and four daughters, Benjamin, Ann, Jane, Ellen and Mary Frances. Benjamin is not married. Ann married Charles Rapley, a m rehant of Little Rock, Ark. Jane married Gov. Henry Rector, of that State. Ellen married a Mr. Daval, a lawyer of Ft. Smith,



and Mary Frances married a Mr. Lewis, of Texas. Their father was once Sheriff of Jefferson county, Ky, and emigrated to Arkansas in 1830, having received the appointment from General Jackson of Clerk of the United States Court for that territory. He died in Little Rock in 1864.

Abner Field, second son of Major Abner Field, went to Illinois in 1819, and was appointed Clerk of Union county. He was elected Treasurer of State, and after his term of service expired he was elected Clerk of Joe Davis county, and died at Galena about the year 1832. He was married in 1823 to Miss Maria James, daughter of Judge James, of Missouri. He never had but one child, whom he named Jane. She married a Dr. Edmondson, of Missouri, by whom she had several children. She and Dr. Edmondson are both dead. Her mother preceded to the grave several years.

Alexander, the fourth son of Major Abner Field, studied law with Judge Nat Pope, of Kaskaskia, Ill., located at Jonesboro, county seat of Union, in 1829. was elected to the Legislature in 1823; was subsequently elected Secretary of State, and in 1841 was appointed by John Tyler Secretary of Wisconsin; practiced law over twenty years in New Orleans; was elected Attorney General of the State, which office he held at the time of his death, August 19, 1876, in the 77th year of his age. He was married three His first wife was Miss Elizabeth Kalfus, daughter of an old and reputable farmer of Jefferson county, Kentucky. By her he had one child, a daughter, Eleanor, who is still living but not married. His second wife was Miss Eliza Owings, of St. Louis, daughter of Colonel Owings of that city, by whom he had fuor children, Alexander, Eugene, Alice and Julia. Alexander died young and was never married. Eugene is married and resides in St. Louis. Alice married a Mr. Smith, and Julia a Mr. Dutcher, who also reside in St. Louis, all business men, officially connected with important railroads. The



third wife was Minnie E. Miller, of Ohio, by whom

he had no children.

Dr. Nathaniel Field, fifth son of Mai, Abner Field, married Miss Sarah Ann Lawes, of Jefferson county, Ky., daughter of Thomas Lawes, an old settler of Kentucky, and one of the most benevolent men that ever lived. This old couple have lived together fiftytwo years, and have five living children, four sons and one daughter, Nathaniel, Worden, Davis, John and Penolope. Nathaniel married Miss Mollie Armstrong, of Jeffersonville, daughter of Hon. Wm. G. Armstrong, ex-member of the State Senate, and first President of the Jeffersonville and Indianapolis Rail-She died recently, leaving three children, William, Robert and Penolope. Worden married Miss Laura Bottorff, resides in Indianapolis, and has three children, two sons and one daughter, Sallie, John and Worden. Davis married Miss Alice M. Taggart, daughter of Dr. James Taggart, of Charlestown. Ind. He has two children, Marcus and Maud. John is not married. Penelope married Dr. Wm. Morrow, of Jeffersonville, by whom she has two living children, Nathaniel and Fannie, who married James S. Van Natta, of Shelbyville, Ky.

John Field, sixth son of Major Abner Field, studied law with his uncle John Pope, while Governor of Arkansas, located at Washington, Hemstead county. in that State, was soon made Judge of the Circuit Court, and died in the full tide of professional prosperity. He married Miss Mary Mitchel, of that State, a lady of fine intellectual culture and high social position. He left one son and two daugthers, William, Mollie and Louisa. Mollie married Dr. Walker, of Washington, Ark., and Louisa married a Mr. Grinstead of Charitan county, Mo. They are both talented women, eminently worthy of their

sire.

Charles Field, the seventh son of Maj. Abner Field. died very young.

Judith, the eldest daughter, was never married, but died in the 22d year of her age.



Penelope, the second daughter, married James Lemaster, of Jefferson county, Kv., and is still living in the neighborhood of Memphis. She has but two living children, Ann and Nathamel: Her son William married and died leaving the children. Margaret married a Mr. Guion, and died leaving the husband, Mr. Lemaster, died a few years ago at an advanced age. He was a noble man, generous and brave, scrupesiously honest and honorable in his basiness transections

his business transactions
Eleanor, tree third daughter of Major Abner Field,
married Wm. R. Vance, ex-Mayor of Louisville, and
son of a popular Presbyterian elergyman in his day,
and a superintendent of a private Academy where
nearly all the young men of Jefferson county were
educated. She died at Columbus, Ky., leaving but
two living children, Anna and Ella. Anna married
a Mr. Ford, of Columbus, who died soon afterwards
with consumption. She then married a Mr. Brown.
Ella married a Mr. Custar, and lives at Humboldt.

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Hester, the fourth daughter of Major Abner Field, married Arnold Wisotzki, a gentleman of Polish extraction but a native of Maryland. They have four living children, Nathaniel, John, James and Nannie.

Elizabeth, the fifth daughter, never married. She

has been dead several years

ELIZABETH POPE,

The third daughter of Colonel William Pope, married General George Trotter, of Lexington, Ky, by whom she had two children, both sons, John and Tames. John married, but died while young, leaving no children. James never married, and also died young. Many years after the death of Gen. Trot er, his widow married Nathan H. Hall, a distinguished Presbyterian clergyman, then pastor of a church at Lexington, Ky. She had one or two children by Mr. Hall, who settled in Missouri, to which State he he had a call to preach, and where he and his wife both died.



HESTER POPE,

The fourth daughter of Colonel William Pope, married Pressly Edwards, a lawyer of Russellville, Kv., and brother of Ninian Edwards, either the first or second Governor of Illinois. They had several children, but only two lived to adult age-a son and a daughter, Mary, who married a John Slaughter, and died soon afterwards, leaving no children. George T. Edwards, the only survivor of the family, is an attorney at law, and resides in the vicinity of Russellville, is married, has four children, two sons and two daughters, George, James, Hettie and Bettie, Hettie married Dr John G. Sinclair, and Bettie married Amos B. Duncan. Botl, of these gentlemen reside in Nashville. He is a man of high standing, having the confidence of every one who knows him. At the last State election he was chosen State Senator from Logan county.

BENJAMIN POPE,

One of the brothers of Colonel William Pope, had three sons, Benjamin, George and Worden. He also had several daughters who died young. If they were married or left any children it is unknown to any of the survivors of that branch of the family.

Benjamin Pope turned his attention to agriculture. George was early appointed Clerk of Bullitt contrys and Worden Clerk of Jefferson county, which office, they held during life, and no two men were ever more useful and popular than they were. After the death of Worden, the duties of the office were divided between the Circuit and County Courts, and as a testimonial of the high appreciation of the services and integrity of the father the County Contronferred the offices on two of his sons, Chrrand and Pendleton. The former was made Clerk of the County Court, and the latter of the Circuit Court.

WORDEN POPE.

The old clerk, married Elizabeth Thruston, daughter of John Thruston, who represented Kentucky in the



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there were but four living-Patrick H., Edmund P.,

Curran and Hamilton.

Patrick married Miss Sarah Brown, daughter of James Brown, a wealthy and influential farmer of Jefferson county. He was a young lawer of fine talents and great promise; was elected to Congress about the year 1837, and died in the midst of prosperity. leaving five children, Elizabeth, Urath, Ellen, Mary Anna and Worden. Elizabeth married Dr. W. H. Galt: Urath, J. Fry Lawrence: Ellen, Dr. John Thruston, and Mary Anna, George Nicholas, all of Louisville. Worden unfortunately enlisted under General William Walker, the notorious fillibuster, and was killed in Nicaragua. Many other unsuspecting young men shared the same fate under the "gray-eved man of destiny," who finally paid the penalty of his own folly in Honduras. Edmund P. married Nancy Johnson, daughter of

Colonel James Johnson, of Kentucky, a survivor of the battle of Tippacanoe, and member of Congress. Edmund P., or Pendleton as he was generally called. had seven children, Edward, Anna, Sally, Alfred, Worden, Elizabeth and Hamilton. Pendleton died in the meredian of life, leaving a wife and these seven children to battle with the world. Edward died of consumption unmarried. Anna married B. P. Donglass, of Corvdon, Ind., and died of the same disease. Elizabeth married a son of ex-Governor Robinson, of Kentucky, and also died of consumption. All these victims of that terrible disease inherited it from their mother. Alfred is living, and is Vice Chancellor of the Louisville Chancery Court. and married the daughter of Curran Pope. Worden graduated at West Point, and is now in the United States Army, and fought under General Miles in several of his Indian battles. Hamilton, threatened with consumption, went to Colorado, where is doing well as a farmer, and is a rising maa.

Curran Pope married Matilda P. Jacob, daughter



of John I. Jacob, a prominent citizen and generally known as a wealthy wholesale merchant of Louisville. He graduated at West Point, and on the breaking out of the late civil war, he took the side of the Government, raised a regiment, the Fifteenth Kentucky, which fought bravely at Perryville, standing the brunt of the battle. His Lieutenant Colonel George W. Jouett, and Major Campbell, fell by his side; he hipself was wounded, and died at the house of Dr.

Edward P. Humphrey, at Danville. He had just recovered from an attack of typhoid fever, and was advised to remain at Louisville until his health was fully restored; but in his great anxiety to do his duty he disregarded the advice of his friends and headed his regiment in the advance of the army under Buell against the Confederate General Bragg. The excitement of the battle-field, his feeble health, and severe wound were too much for his physicial strength. No braver and more patriotic soldier ever gave his life for his country than Colonel Curran Pope. He had three children, John Jacob, Patrick and Mary; but at the time of his death Mary was the only one

living. She married Alfred T. Pope.

Hamilton Pope is now the only living child of Worden Pope, the old popular and primeval clerk. He is an emirent lawyer of the Louisville Bar, and though not much of a politician, he has, nevertheless, represented Jefferson county in the Legislature. He married a daughter of the late Major W. B. Booker, of Washington county. He has no children, but quite a number of namesakes, given to their sons by relatives and friends, as a testimonial of their great regard for him, For he is a noble man, a son of one of the most popular and honorable men that ever lived in Louisville. The name of Worden Pope was a household word in Jefferson and adjoining counties. His name was a synonym of honesty and benevolence. He died in a good old age, laden with the honor and esteem of all who knew him. His funeral was the largest ever seen in Louisville. It was an outpouring of all classes of people to do honor to a great and good man.



PENELOPE EDWARDS,

Wife of Colonel William Pope, had two brothers and three sisters, George, Benjamin, Elizabeth, Nancy and Mary Benjamin came to Kentucky at an early day, and located in the Green River country. He was the father of Pressly Edwards, of Russellville, and of Ninian Edwards, either the first or second Governor of Illinois, and for whom the town of Edwardsville in that State was named. One of her Warter warried Benjamin Helm, of Virgina, who also came to Keutucky and settled in the vicinity of Elizabethtown, Kentucky. She was the grandmother of the Hon. Benj. Helm Bristow, late Secretary of the Treasury.

With regard to George Edwards and the two sisters of Penelope Edwards, nothing is known by the writer. The probability is that they remained in Virginia

where they were born.

From a careful view of the foregoing genealogy it will be perceived that the Pope family have increased but very little since their settlement in Kentucky. It is now just 100 years since Colonel William Pope arrived at the Falls of the Ohio, himself and four sons composing the male members of the family. The increase on the basis of these five progenitors in one hundred years ought to have been at least 100 males. But instead of that they only number nine! The male progeny of Benjamin Pope is still less, only five. This is remarkable, and can only be accounted for on the principle of injudicious intermarriages with weakly or consumptive families. neglecting marriage altogether or deferring it until far advanced in Iffe. It is wonderful how rapidly the postcrity of the old patriarch Jacob multiplied under all the hardships of Egyptian slavery. A family blessed with health and strong athletic physical constitutions never ought to become extinst or degenerate. They ought to multiply and replenish the earth with their name and offspring. The Pope family have been apparently indifferent to self-pre-



servation. Many of them have died of consumption; some have fallen in duels in the morning of life, and some have died bachelors. In one way or another they have failed to transmit to the present time their name, and the genius of a once great and influential family. In the lapse of a century, had they improved the gifts and the natural blessings so bountifully bestowed upon them, they might have filled the country with great and useful men.

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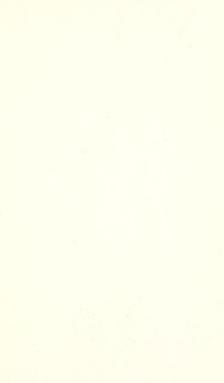
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