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Book I.

RANDALL LEWIS, Hopkinton,
R. I.

CHAPTER XVI.

By F. P. LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.
(FROM PAGE 57.)

69.III. Emeline Adelia Stebbins, b. B., Pa., July 29, 1838, m. Feby. 21, 1843, by Rev. J. B. Worden, Matthew T. McKeeby, b. Montague, N. J. He was a farmer and Democrat. She was a Baptist. They had 2 children, Leonard J. and Rexford I.

70.IV. Horace L. Stebbins, b. July 28, 1825, m. Eliza Mosier, 1850.

71.V. Orrin Dean Stebbins, b. B., Pa., Mch. 5, 1828, m. Williamsport, Pa., July 27, 1857, by Rev. Thomas Allen, Catherine, dau. John and Elizabeth Recessell Heisley, b. W., July 14, 1832. He is a merchant, Republican and Methodist.

Resides Tunkhannock, Pa. They had 6 children: John H., Sanford, Theodore A., Frank S., Arthur D. and Chas. L.

72.VI. Lewis J. Stebbins, b. B. Mch. 30, 1830; m. Mch. 26, 1858, Helen M. Flynn. He is a Republican. Resides Blue Lake, Cal. They had 8 children: Carrie L., Geo. B., Jennie M., Lewis J., Aggie L., Robert J., Ora A., Chas. R.

73.VII. Edwin Ruthven Stebbins, b. B. Sept. 18, 1833; m. Binghamton, N. Y., Aug. 24, 1859, by Rev. Peter Lockwood, his cousin, Almira Lewis, (24). He m. (2d), Montrose, Pa., Sept. 23, 1862, by Rev. J. K. Stone, Angeline Harris, dau. James Stoddard and Susan Headly Bolles, b. Rush, Pa., May 20, 1838. He is a coal merchant, a Republican and Odd Fellow. They had 4 children: Almira, Susan R., Emma P. and Blennie.

74.VIII. Mercy Jane, b. B. July 29, 1838; d. Montrose, Pa., Aug. 15, 1881.

James R. (14) and Nancy Ferguson Lewis had 7 children:

75.I. Thomas Hart Benton Lewis, b. Trunksville, Pa., Feby. 22, 1835; grad. Lewisburgh (Pa.) University, 1858; admitted to the Bar at Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 1, 1860, and in N. Y. City, 1861; m. Bridgewater, Pa., May 17, 1865, by Rev. J. G. Miller, Pres. clergyman, Rosa Maria, dau. Jonathan Avery and Ellen Sophia Bennett Atherton, b. Hyde Park, Pa., Feby. 24, 1840. He is a Presbyterian and a Democrat.

His residence is in Kingston and his law office is in Wilkesbarre, Pa. He was elected in a strong Republican district to the Assembly in his state for the term from 1865 to 1867, which demonstrates the popularity and esteem in which he is held in his home. He was the first President of Lewis Association No. 1. and is the Vice-President of the Lewis League.

Book VIII.

JOHN LEWIS, Westerly, R. I.

CHAPTER XXI.

By FANNY LEWIS MARSHALL,
GREENWICH, N. Y.

(FROM PAGE 50.)

In Memoriam.

Died, in Waterford, Aug. 2nd, 1888, Mrs. Edna Lewis Briggs, aged 77 yrs. She was born in Petersburg, Renns. Co. N. Y., Dec. 22, 1810 and was the 18th child of Abraham Lewis, Jr., who lived in Lewis Hollow, in the town of Petersburg. She was in many respects a remarkable woman. She was a thorough Bible scholar, an enthusiastic politician, a great reader of secular papers. Possessing a retentive memory she had a store of events in church and state that were interesting and instructive. Her fund of anecdotes, her ready wit and repartee made her a favorite with old and young. Her youthful brilliancy rendered her especially attractive to the young. In conversation with her a few months previous to her death she said she hoped to live one year longer. She

had a few more things to do. She wanted to attend the Lewis picnic. She wanted to talk to her kindred there once more. She seemed to live in the perpetual sunshine of God's love. She had lived to get the victory over every sin and sorrow. The tears of life had all been shed and she lived in that sweet guileless childishness that made this earth a thing of beauty and happiness to her. She clung to life with great tenacity, but when she found that she must die, she yielded with that sweet resignation that robbed death of its terror. She was a zealous contributor to the LEWIS LETTER and with her death much has passed away that would have brought light and cheer to her branch of the Lewis family. In religion she was a Seventh-day Baptist. In politics a Republican.

Book XIII.

JOHN LEWIS, Ship Hercules,
1635.

CHAPTER XIV.

By R. H. COOKE, PITTSFIELD, MASS.
(FROM PAGE 60.)

Children of Laban and Maria Rebecca (109 Lewis) Parmalee, of Springfield, Mass.

161. I. Cornelia Jane, b. Hartford, Ct., Nov. 26, 1836; m. Aug. 23, 1866, Rev. John Birge Doolittle, b. Bristol, Ct., Nov. 6, 1836, son of Abraham Burbank and Juliet (Birge) Doolittle. He grad. Yale C. 1863 was ordained 1864; was chaplain 15 Co. C. V. grad. Yale Sem. 1867; was installed Hartland, Ct., 1867; removed to Bridgewater, Ct., 1872;

- Westbrook, (Ct.) 1878; Grafton, Nebraska, April 1880; Crete, Nebraska, 1887.
- 162.II. Mary Lucinda, b. Granby, (Ct.) Sept. 23, 1838; m. 1st Alfred A. Warner, of Springfield, Mass.
- 163.III. Dixon Gabriel, b. Granby, Ct., Aug. 4, 1841; m. Fannie Russell.
- 164.IV. Lucius James, b. Suffield, Ct., Nov. 30, 1843; m. 1st Estelle Wheeler. She died and he m. 2d —
- Children of James Shaylor (111) and Esther Ann (Spencer) Lewis of Suffield, Ct.
- 165.I. Esther Maria, b. Aug. 9, 1847; d. March 6, 1848.
- 166.II. James Milton, b. Nov. 12, 1849; d. Sept. 17, 1852.
- 167.III. James Milton, b. Dec. 17, 1853; m. April 18, 1878, Jennie Caroline Rice, b. Dec. 23, 1855, dau. of Levi Jr. and Lydia E. (Preston) Rice, of Granby, Ct. Is assist. nt ticket agent N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. at Hartford, Ct.
- 168.IV. John Spencer, b. June 24, 1856; d. Aug. 9, 1856.
Child of Josiah and Sarah Ruth (112 Phelps) Jones.
- 169.I. Florence Hattie, b. Jan. 19, 1857. Lives E. Granby, Ct.

Book XIV.

JOHN LEWIS, Westerly, R. I.

CHAPTER XXVI.

By LADD J. LEWIS, NASHVILLE, TENN.

(FROM PAGE 63.)

Sarah (183) the 2nd child of Jonathan 3rd (140) born Feby. 24, 1781, died May 26, 1803, unmarried.

Anna (184) born Oct. 19, 1782. Married Lewis Gates and as far as can be learned from any of the cousins now living she had no children. She died Aug. 26, 1809.

Silas (185) born in Exeter, R. I., July 21, 1784, married Oct. 27, 1804, Lydia (113) daughter of James and Thankful (Barber) Lewis, born June 12, 1786. A year or two after their marriage they moved to Scholarie Co., N. Y., where they lived until 1818 when they removed to Colclen or Wales, Erie Co., N. Y., where they lived until their death, his occurring April 26, 1861, and hers Oct. —, 1860. In religion he was a Baptist, in politics a Democrat. Their children were as follows:

- 222.I. Rodman, b. Nov. 8, 1805, d. Aug. 11, 1842.
- 223.II. Sarah, b. Oct. 13, 1807, d. —, 1848.
- 224.III. James, b. Dec. 16, 1809, resides South Wales, Erie Co., N. Y.
- 225.IV. Jonathan, b. May. 3, 1811, d. Feby. 5, 1859.
- 226.V. Lucinda, b. May 23, 1813, d. Mch. 1, 1883.
- 227.VI. Addison Peleg, b. Mch. 2, 1817, resides Wellington, Kan.
- 228.VII. Silas J., b. April 6, 1822, resides North Boston, Erie Co., N. Y.
- 229.VIII. Lydia, b. Sept. 18, 1824, d. — — —.

CHAPTER XXVII.

By M. S. LEWIS, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Benjamin Lewis (164,) my great grand father, was born in Exeter, R. I., Oct. 14, 1778, where he lived until he was eleven years old, when his father moved to Coventry.

Early in the year 1803 he married Huldah King, daughter of William and Phebe (Dailey-Stone) King, and went to house keeping in the house vacated by his father when he built the large house, (see chap. 22.)

He lived in the old house until about 1811, when he built a new house about one mile south of the R. R. on the farm formerly owned by his father. In 1826 he moved from this house back to the old homestead farm into the house with his father.

He carried on farming quite extensively and owned at one time three farms, two of which were in his possession at the time of his death, one being where the Lewis cemetery is located. He had quite a run of custom at the grist mill and he also had a saw mill, but this was not much used for twenty years previous to his death, and was allowed to go to ruin and decay. The saw mill was situated a few rods east of the grist mill, but no part of it now remains to be seen.

His interest centered mainly in farming and raising cattle, and he had a fair share of interest in public matters.

He was an early riser and hard worker even in old age, and but few young men could outdo him. His opportunities for education were very limited, but he had good mental abilities and a robust constitution.

At one time he was a member of the Christian church at Rice city, which is situated about a mile and a half north-east of the Lewis farm, but for many years before his death he did not take much inter-

est in church affairs, although he was always a believer in the Christian doctrine. He very seldom left home except on business, and was at times quite social. Like his father and grandfather he was somewhat impatient, plain in manner and dress, but loved order and decision. He was of medium height and quite fleshy, in his later years weighing about one hundred and eighty pounds. Although not a total abstainer, he seldom used stimulants stronger than cider, of which he, like farmers of his time, was in the habit of using quite freely. He was what would be called in his day, a temperance man and a man of good morals and habits. He died March 18, 1856, of hydrothorax and congestion of the lungs, being sick several months and suffering somewhat mentally. Elder James Burlingame officiated at his funeral. He was buried in the Lewis cemetery, by the side of his wife who had died two years previous.

His wife was the only daughter and youngest child of seven, of William and Phebe King, and was born May 16, 1785, in Coventry, R. I., on a farm known for many years after as the "Godfrey Pierce place," located about two miles south of Potterville, and one mile east of Scott Hollow, where she lived until her marriage. Her mother's maiden name was Phebe Dailey, who married for her first husband John Stone, and had by him six children, only three of whom grew up to manhood.

When a young woman, she was quite small but as she advanced in years she grew fleshy, reaching

about two hundred pounds before she died. She was a woman of great energy and firmness, somewhat masculine in her ways, and dark complexion.

During the greater part of her mature life she was a member of the Christian church at Rice city, was a strong believer in the Christian faith and a great reader of the Bible during the latter part of her life.

She died Dec. 19, 1853, of cancer in the stomach and buried in the Lewis cemetery.

Benjamin and Huldah Lewis had ten children as follows:

169.I. Jeffrey Sheldon, b. Dec. 15, 1803; d. Feb. 1, 1883.

230.II. Benoni Earle, b. May 8, 1807; d. Dec. 27, 1881.

231.III. George W., b. May 16, 1809. He was drowned Apr. 25, 1811, by falling in the trench which supplied the water for the grist mill.

232.IV. William Alden, b. Oct. 22, 1810; d. Apr. 11, 1813.

233.V. Amy, b. May 9, 1812; d. Sept. 25, 1813.

170.VI. Oliver, b. Aug. 6, 1814.

234.VII. Celia, b. Oct. 21, 1816; d. Apr. 2, 1868.

171.VIII. John Randolph, b. Mar. 19, 1820; d. June 3, 1883.

172.IX. Jason, b. Apr. 29, 1822.

235.X. Huldah, b. Sept. 12, 1823; d. May 13, 1878.

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BOOK XXIV.

GEORGE LEWIS, 1630.

CHAPTER VIII.

BY GEORGE LEWIS, HINGHAM CENTRE, MASS.

(FROM PAGE 64.)

Edward (8) and Hannah (Cobb) Lewis had in addition to those already named, a son John, b. Jan. 1, 1666. As corrected the list is as follows:

45 I. Hannah, b. April 24, 1662.

46.II. Eleazar, b. June 26, 1664.

122.III. John, b. Jan. 1, 1666.

47.IV. Thomas, b. March — 1669.

John Lewis (122) son of Edward (8) m. Elizabeth Huckins, daughter of John and Hope (Chipman) Huckins, of Barnstable. She was b. Oct. 1st, 1671. Their children were:

123.I. Edward, b. Sept. 6, 1697.

124.II. Thankful, b. Dec. 6, 1698.

125.III. John, b. April 28, 1700.

126.IV. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 28, 1701.

127.V. James, b. June 4, 1703.

128.VI. Gershom, b. Dec. 30, 1704.

129.VII. Shubael, b. Sept. 29, 1705.

Thomas Lewis (47) son of Edward (8) m. Experience Huckins, (b. June 4, 1675) daughter of John and Hope (Chipman) Huckins, Sept. 28, 1698. They had 5 children:

130.I. Experience, b. Aug. 15, 1699.

131.II. Thomas, b. Aug. 1, 1702.

132.III. Jesse, b. March 11, 1705.

133.IV. Desire, b. May 14, 1707.

134.V. Experience, b. April 8, 1710.

Benjamin Lewis (31) son of George (5) m. Margaret Tolland, Feb. 10, 1697. Children:

135.I. Mary, b. July 5, 1698.

136.II. A son born and died April 22, 1701.

137.III. Seth, b. Aug. 1, 1704.

138.IV. Elizabeth, b. Jan. 17, 1711.

- 139.V. Mercy, b. March 3, 1712.
140.VI. Benjamin, b. July 14, 1716.

Jabez (30) son of George (5) was b. in Barnstable, June 10, 1670. He m. Experience Hamblen (She was b. Apr. 12, 1668, dau. of James Jr. and Mary (Dunham) Hamblen,) Feb. 20, 1695. Their children were:

- 141.I. John, b. Aug. 27, 1696.
142.II. Jabez, b. — d. Harwich, Mass., Apr. 6, 1732.

Jabez (142) m. (Feb. 27, 1723-4) Sarah Lincoln, (b. Oct. 21, 1685,) (probably dau. of Thomas of Hingham) and had two children:

- 143.I. Thomas, b. Dec. 22, 1724.
144.II. Sarah, b. March 4, 1728.

Jabez (142) was m. Feb. 27, 1724.

Sarah (26) daughter of George (5) m. Deacon Ebenezer Hamblin, April 4, 1698. He d. Sharon, Ct. 1755.

Deacon John Lewis (33) died March 5, 1738.

Jonathan (32) m. Patience Locke Oct. 15, 1703. Children:

- 145.I. Thankful, b. Nov. 22, 1704.
146.II. Jane, b. April 28, 1713.
147.III. Lot, b. March 6, 1715.
148.IV. Levi, b. Sept. 22, 1718.
149.V. Melatiah, b. Feb. 6, 1720.

BOOK XXVIII.

JOSEPH LEWIS, N. J.

CHAPTER I.

By DR. G. O. LEWIS, FAIRBURY,
ILLS.

1. My grand father, Joseph Lewis, was born in New Jersey, Oct. 31, 1769. In 1791 he married Rachel Canley, (one of twins) born Oct.

19, 1768, Chester-co., Pa. That is all I know of my grand parents on my father's side. I understand my great grand parents came from Wales. Can any body give me the correct ancestry earlier than 1769?

I am very anxious to know whether I am a descendant of the lines published in the LETTER. There were 14 children of my grand parents; presume they were needed in the early days to clear up the country:

- 2.I. Jesse, b. June 30, 1792.
3.II. Jacob, b. Aug. 14, 1793.
4.III. Joseph, b. Jan. 5, 1795.
5.IV. Elizabeth, b. May 11, 1796.
6.V. David, b. Oct. 20, 1797.
7.VI. Vernon, b. Dec. 23, 1798.
8.VII. Lydia, b. May, 10, 1800.
9.VIII. Rebecca, b. Apr. 18, 1802.
10.IX. Esther, b. Apr. 21, 1804.
11.X. William, (my father), b. March 15, 1806.
12.XI. Jennie, b. Aug. 31, 1807.
13.XII. Rachel, b. Apr. 26, 1810.
14.XIII. Sarah, b. Nov. 24, 1812.
15.XIV. Hannah, b. Jan. 20, 1815.

William (11), my father, was born in Chester-co., Pa., Mar. 15, 1806, moved to Cadiz, Harrison-co., Ohio, where he married Nancy Crawford, Aug. 1, 1829, then moved on a farm near Berlin, Holmes co., Ohio, in 1834, and died at the old homestead, Nov. 25, 1885. There were twelve children—the country not being entirely civilized had need of us.

- 16.I. John Wesley Lewis, b. May 11, 1830; m. Anna Armstrong has 7 children, farming near Mt. Vernon, Knox-co., Ohio.
17.II. Mary Lewis, b. Aug. 4, 1832; m. James Boyd, had 7,

- children farming near Berlin, Holmes-co., O.
- 18.III. Rachel Lewis, b. Aug. 11, 1834; m. Rev. Wm. H. Taylor, has two sons, resides at Bryan, Williams-co., Ohio.
- 19.IV. Dr. Joseph Vernon Lewis, a Homeopathic physician graduate of Cincinnati, Ohio, was born Aug. 6, 1836; m. as his first wife Anna McGonagle. His second wife was Nellie Cole, of Sidney, Ohio, one child by each wife. He died at Dayton, Ohio, Feb. 14, '88.
- 20.V. Dr. Edward Crawford Lewis born Dec. 26, 1838; m. as his first wife, Mollie Slingluff, five children. His second wife was a Miss Olds, daughter of Hon. Judge Olds, of Columbus, Ohio, two children. Dr. E. C. L. was a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, Phila., was surgeon in the army and an Ohio state Representative and Senator. Practicing medicine at Canal Dover, Tuscarawas-co., Ohio.
- 21.VI. William Alexander Lewis, born Jan. 22, 1841. Served in the army, has traveled all over the north-west of the U. S. Dug gold in California during that great exciting time. Married Jennie Maxwell, of Millersburg, Holmes-co., Ohio, five children, farming near Clay Center, Clay-co. Kansas.
- 22.VII. Jacob Alfred Lewis, born March 7, 1843. Served three years in the army as a member of the band of Ohio 102nd regiment. Married Elosia Ross, five children, farming the old homestead $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Berlin Holmes Co., O.
- 23.VIII. Finley Disbro Lewis, b. Mar. 31, 1845. Married Miss Mattie Cutler, of Holmesville, Ohio, was married only six weeks, when he was accidentally kicked by a vicious horse, fracturing his skull, dying Mar. , 1867.
- 24.IX. James Elmer Lewis, born June 1, 1847, married as his first wife, Miss Nilda Duncan, of Sidney, O., one child. His 2nd wife is a daughter of the late Dr. C. C. Bartlett, two children. He served in the late war as a bugler when but 16 years of age. For the last 14 years has been traveling for the great wholesale grocery house, Sprague, Warner & Co. Chicago. Resides at Fairbury, Ills.
- 25.X. Hattie Elsie Lewis, born June 23, 1849. Graduated at the Ohio Wesleyan Female College, Delaware, O., class of '75. Married Rev. Frank Leever in '78. He was a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, O., class of '75, and student of Boston Theological school. Five children. Is now pastor of the M. E. church, Hillsboro, Ohio.
- 26.XI. Hunter Thomas Lewis, born Feb. 4, '52. Married Miss Lessie Weld, of Millersburgh, Holmes, Co., O. Moved on a farm near Clay Center, Kansas in '83. Died March 14, '87. Left two children.
- 27.XII. Dr. George Canley Lewis, b. June 6, 1855. Graduated at

Ohio Wesleyan University, class '80 and at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York city in '83. Married Miss Ella Beach, only daughter of the banker, T.A. Beach, of Fairbury, Ills., May 16, '83. Have two children, Tommy and Amelia. I have been practicing medicine here ever since, and anyone of the Lewises wishing to become better acquainted, will pay us a visit we will give you the best in the market. The letters of W. D. Lewis, of San Jose, Cal., are very interesting. My wife and her parents have spent a couple of winters in Oakland, Los Angeles, etc.

BOOK XXIX.

JOHN LEWIS, N. J., 1721.

CHAPTER I.

BY B. FRANK LEWIS, PENNINGTON, N. J.

The earliest Lewis in my line whom I can trace is John, who purchased a plantation in Answell, Hunterdon Co., N. J., of Benjamin Fields in 1721. He had 4 children:

- 2.I. John settled in Va. and died there.
- 3.II. Jacob settled in N. J. and died there.
- 4.III. Rebecca. No record.
- 5.IV. Elizabeth. " "

John (2) had 3 children:

- 6.I. Rebecca. No record.
- 7.II. Sarah, m. Edward McQuaid of Berkly Co., Va.
- 8.III. John. No record.

Jacob (3) remained in N. J. and had (10) children:

- 9.I. Daniel lived near Romney, Va

- 10.II. Jacob went West. No record.
- 11.III. David went West. No record.
- 12.IV. John went West. No record.
- 13.V. Oliver went West. Lived at or near Wilmington, Ind.
- 14.VI. Franklin.
- 15.VII. Nancy.
- 16.VIII. Betsey.
- 17.IX. Sarah m. Peter Dilks of N. J. and moved to Pa. where he died.
- 18.X. Benjamin.

Daniel (9) have the name only one of his children.

- 19.I. Silas.

Franklin (14) had 3 children. He m. Ann Golden, of Mercer Co, N. J. He died in 1832 and is buried in the Golden burying ground near Hopewell, N. J.

- 20.I. Elias m. Anchor Bard, d. buried in Golden burying ground.
- 21.II. George m. — Vanoy, d. Mar. '87 in Fairview, Ill., leaving 3 sons.
- 22.III. David m. — Voorhees, d. near Fairview, Ill. Left 1 dau.

First Reunion of Lewis Association No. 3.

Lewis Association No. 3, of Western N. Y. will hold its first reunion and basket picnic at Niagara Falls, on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1888, at 10 o'clock.

A cordial invitation is extended to the Lewis League to hold its second meeting at that time and place. GEO. W. LEWIS, Jr., Secy.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 25, 1888.

Second Meeting of the League.

The Lewis League accepts the cordial invitation of Lewis Association No. 3 and will hold its second meeting at Niagara Falls, N. Y., Wed. Sept. 12, 1888.

Duly accredited members of the League will be entertained during the meeting by the Buffalo brethren.

All who can attend will please send their names to the Secretary at once.

F. P. LEWIS, Secy.

Lisle, N. Y., July 31, 1888.

Lewis Fragment.**No. 8.**

JOHN LEWIS admitted to church at Milton, Mass.. 1682, June 18. Reg. Vol. 22, p. 262.

"Richard Tripp, of Roadisland and ELLIN LEWIS, of ——— we marryd 28 No. 1728," in Portsmouth, N. H. Vol. 24, p. 360, N. E. Reg.*

In the list of soldiers in the army in the Expedition against Cape Breton, in 1745 was JOHN LEWIS. Ensign, commissioned Feb. 5, 1744. Vol. 24, p. 369, N. E. Reg.

Thomas Wait b. at Lyme, Conn., 1706. Oct. 9, m. Eliz Lewis, and d. Mch. 19, 1779. Vol. 24, p. 104, N. E. Reg.

Deacon Jared Lee lived in Southington, Conn. His dan. Lois b. 1747, Apr. 24; m. 1st Asahel Lewis; 2d Samuel Lewis, 1796. She died 1823. Vol. 28, p. 299.

Letters.

MRS. ZARAH S. TAYLOR, Maine, N. Y., Aug 16: I have expected to attend the reunion at the Falls, N. Y. My son and daughter are having a delightful summer at the Thousand Islands.

MISS MATTIE LEWIS, Venango, Neb., Aug. 12: I inclose stamps for Vol. 2 of LEWIS LETTER. Add my name to the list for Vol. 1. I presume my aunt, Mrs. Satterlee has given our records in Book 8. There is a Lewis living near Ogallala, Neb., whose given name I do not know.

M. S. LEWIS, Providence, R. I., Aug. 11: I have considerable matter relating to early generations of other lines which I will forward from time to time. Should not chap. 24, Book 14 have been chap. 14, Book 12? [Yes; see notes, page following 64, Ed.]

ROLLIN H. COOKE, Pittsfield, Mass., Aug. 18: I wish Wm. B. Lewis, of Deposit, N. Y., would write me and give the names of his paternal grandmother and great grandmother.

Mrs. W. D. LEWIS, Cander, N. Y., Aug. 17: I am having a good visit with Mrs. Whitley. I expect to be in my new home near San Jose before another Lewis paper is issued.

W. D. LEWIS, San Jose, Cal., Aug. 5: My new house is nearing completion. The wind mill is pumping well water into a five thousand gallon tank, thirty feet above ground, from which the water is drawn through the house. Other new houses are being built in my neighborhood.

LADD J. LEWIS, Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 13: M. S. Lewis has sent me photos of Lewis city and the house in which my father, grandfather and great grandfather were born, which I highly prize. Geo. H. Lewis and wife, of West Nashville, are visiting at Johnsonburgh, N. Y.

NOTES.

We are indebted to Hon. Milton DeLano, M. C., for a list of the postmasters of the several Lewis post offices in the U. S. Prof. and Mrs. Burr Lewis, of Lockport, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. John C. Lewis, of Lisle, N. Y., spent their vacation at Duxbury, Mass. and other eastern resorts. Miss Dolly Lewis and Miss Minnie Personcus, of Lisle, N. Y., have just returned from the seashore at Huntington, L. I., where they were the guests of Mrs. Little. Mr. D. P. Brainard and two daughters, of Scranton, Pa., this summer visited Providence, R. I., his home 42 years since. Among other places of interest, they visited the building on Randall Square, in whose walls are bullets fired in the riot between sailors and negroes; and the old house on Eddy street. The height of the great freshet in 1815 is marked on a pane in the attic win-

dow of that house. That piece of glass is never to be disturbed owing to the conditions of the lease of the premises.... Read "our ancestors" in another column..... See reports of the Lewis reunion in our October paper..... Who will subscribe for the new edition of Vol. 1?..... Two subscribers in July and four in August for Vol. 2. Association No. 2 held its picnic Aug. 22.

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Our Ancestors.

The number of a man's ancestors doubles in every generation as his descent is traced upward. In the first generation he reckons only two ancestors, his father and mother. In the second generation the two are converted into four, since he had two grandfathers and two grandmothers. But each of these four had two parents and thus in the third generation there are found to be eight ancestors—that is eight great grandparents. In the fourth generation the number of ancestors is 16; in the fifth 32; in the sixth 64; in the seventh 128. In the tenth it has risen to 1024; in the twentieth it becomes 1,048,576; in the thirtieth no fewer than 1,073,741,834. To ascend no higher than the 24th generation we reach the sum of 16,777,216, which is a great deal more than all the inhabitants of Great Britain when that generation was in existence. For, if we reckon a generation at 33 years, 24 of such will carry us back 792 years, or to A. D. 1098, when William the Conqueror had been sleeping in his grave at Caen only six years, and his son William II., surnamed

Rufus, was reigning over the land. At that time the total number of inhabitants of England could have been little more than 2,000,000, the amount at which it is estimated during the reign of the Conqueror. It was only one-eighth of a nineteenth century man's ancestors if the normal ratio of progression, as just shown by a simple process of arithmetic, had received no check, and if it had not been bounded by the limits of the population of the country. Since the result of the law of progression, had there been room for its expansion, would have been eight times the actual population, by so much the more is it certain that the lines of every Englishman's ancestry run up to every man and every woman in the reign of William I. from the King and Queen downward, who left descendants in the island, and whose progeny has not died out there. —*Rev. Henry Kendall, in Popular Science Monthly.*

Reunion of the Lyon Family.

The descendants of the Lyon family, whose ancestors at a very early day, when the country was almost an unbroken wilderness, settled at Lyon Brook, a few miles south of Norwich, met at Ross Park, in Binghamton, Thursday, Aug. 16, 1888, to the number of about seventy relatives and friends and held a most enjoyable day of social intercourse. The friends began assembling about 11 o'clock A. M. and by 2 o'clock P. M. the tables showed the generosity of a noble parentage. A business meeting was held before dinner. A general invitation was made to all present to assemble at the tables. Such a banquet one seldom encounters and to Mrs. Tubbs, of Elmira, her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Putnam, of Binghamton, Mrs. Henry Lyon, of Greene, and daughters, Mrs. Barnard, of Binghamton, and Miss Susie, Mrs. Holcomb, of Greene, Mrs. PerLee, of Norwich, Mrs. Kinyon Terry, of Norwich, and many others whose names we cannot recall, belong the praise for the elegant arrangement of that table.

After dining the meeting was called to order by Mr. Henry Lyon, of Greene. Letters of regret were read by the Sec'y Mr. Holcomb, from many absent relatives. After remarks were made by Mr. K. Terry, Mrs. PerLee, Henry Lyon and others in reference to changing the place of meeting to Ross Park. At the close of remarks, proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Dr. Jos. Chittenden, of Binghamton, Pres.; M. D. Branday, of Whitney's Point, Vice-Pres.; Walter D. Lyon, of Greene, Sec'y; Kinyon Terry, of Norwich, Treas.