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Webbs in Politics:

Hon. Edwin Yates Webb

The Honorable Edwin Yates Webb grew up in Cleveland County, North Carolina. He was the son of Rev. George Melton Webb, and grandson of Rev. James Milton Webb, two prominent North Carolina Baptist ministers. It is easy to surmise that Webb's upbringing was the catalyst to a life of service. His grandfather had been in the State



Legislature, had owned and edited a newspaper, and was Clerk of the Court, all in addition to his duties to his congregation and to his family of fifteen children. Edwin's father, Rev. George Melton Webb, though not as ambitious as his father, was instrumental in founding a female college in Cleveland County in addition to his ministerial duties. The family came from a Webb line that migrated to that part of North Carolina in the 1770's out of a strong desire to establish new churches in what was then, only wilderness.

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From the Administrator

Dear Project Members,

This month marks the 10th year anniversary for the Webb Surname DNA Project! As someone who has been a member of the project since 2004, looking back, it is amazing to see what the project has accomplished. We couldn't pass this ten-year milestone without acknowledging Anne Nelson, the founder of the project, who forged ahead into unknown territory with this newly emerging genealogical science. It is the foundation that she made that we are able to build upon as the project continues to grow. Thank you to all of you, the members, for his or her own individual contributions to the project, and a special thank you to those who work to enlist new members in order to find the answers to our unsolved questions.

Eileen

His accomplishments included the Webb-Kenyon Act, the precursor to Prohibition; the introduction of the bill to charter the Boy Scouts of America; and he was instrumental in implementing pure food and drug laws. Later, his son, Edwin Yates Webb Jr., would be most proud of his father's bill to erect the Kings Mt. Memorial statue at Kings Mountain National Military Park in honor of those fallen in that famous Revolutionary battle.

Edwin Yates Webb [cont.]

Not much is known of Edwin's childhood. The only surviving tale that has been passed down is that he once fell into a fire as a baby and permanently disfigured his hand, but he most certainly grew up in what had to have been a strict home that put God and education above all else. He was the youngest of six children, born May 23, 1872 in Shelby, North Carolina. Two of his brothers would precede him into politics: James L. Webb, as a State Senator, and Charles S. Webb as the mayor of Greenville, South Carolina. Edwin attended the Shelby Military Institute and then entered Wake Forest College. It is there that he met and married his wife, Willie Frank Simmons, daughter of William Gaston Simmons. Her father was a professor and Dean at Wake Forest. Edwin graduated from Wake Forest in 1893 and he and Willie were married the following year on November 15, 1894. He would later become a member of the Board of Trustees at Wake Forest.

Edwin continued his studies at the University of North Carolina and was admitted to the bar in 1894. In 1898 he was elected the chair of the local Cleveland County Democratic Committee. Two years later, he was elected to the North Carolina Senate, and then made a successful run for United States Congress in 1902. He held his position in Congress for nine successive terms. While he was in Congress, he was elevated to the position of chairman of the Judiciary Committee. His accomplishments included the Webb-Kenyon Act, the precursor to Prohibition; the introduction of the bill to charter the Boy Scouts of America; and he was instrumental in implementing pure food and drug laws. Later, his son, Edwin Yates Webb Jr., would be most proud of his father's bill to erect the Kings Mt. Memorial statue at Kings Mountain National Military Park in honor of those fallen in that famous Revolutionary battle.

Edwin Yates Webb was a member of what was coined "The Shelby Dynasty." This group was a powerful political force in North Carolina, and included, besides Edwin Yates Webb, his older brother, State Senator & Superior Court Judge, James L. Webb; Governor O. Max Gardner, who had married James L. Webb's daughter, Fay Lamar Webb; and Senator Clyde R. Hoey. O. Max Gardner and his wife Fay Webb Gardner, James L. Webb and Edwin Yates Webb, were collectively instrumental in the founding of Gardner-Webb University. Edwin served as a congressman until 1919, when President Woodrow Wilson appointed him to Federal Judge of the Western District of North Carolina.

There is evidence that Congressman Edwin Yates Webb was slow to adopt the ideas of women's equality and the right to vote, and other important human rights issues. However, his daughter, Elizabeth Yates Webb, was a driven champion of these causes. When just a young woman, Elizabeth Yates Webb stood before the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate and gave a powerful speech in favor of the Costigan-Wagner Act, an anti-lynching bill. She was on the Board of Directors of the NAACP for many years, and she and Eleanor Roosevelt were two of the principle players in the fight for the singer, Marian Anderson, to be allowed to perform at Constitution Hall, eventually obtaining the venue of the Lincoln Memorial for the singer's famous open-air concert.

Elizabeth Yates Webb was the only daughter of Edwin's to survive to adulthood, but he and Willie Frank also had two sons, Edwin Yates Webb Jr. and William Yates Webb. It is believed that the name Yates, which all three children were named, came from Matthew Tyson Yates [1819-1888], a Baptist minister born in Wake County, North Carolina, a graduate of Wake Forest University and a celebrated Missionary to China. A newspaper

account claimed that over fifty males carried the Yates name in Cleveland County, North Carolina in honor of Edwin Yates Webb.

Willie Frank Simmons Webb, Edwin's wife, passed away on Nov 17, 1923, two days after their 29th wedding anniversary. Edwin remarried three years later to Alice Thurston Pender, a widow, who outlived him. He served as Federal Judge of the Western District until his death on February 7, 1955 in Wilmington, North Carolina. The Honorable Edwin Yates Webb, my great grandfather, has fourteen known living descendants.

-Written with love for and in honor of my father.

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Connecticut

History and Genealogies of the Hammond Families in America

1902

Family of [John L. Webb](#) m. Annis Hammond of Connecticut

[John L. Webb](#) b. Feb 25, 1794, Norwalk CT, shoemaker and taught school, later became a farmer; s/o [Moses & Polly \[Street\] Webb](#); m. 1819 Annis Hammond, b. March 30, 1789, d. Smithfield, PA.

Issue:

[James H. Webb](#) b. Dec. 4, 1820

[Polly Street Webb](#) b. August 25, 1822

[William C. Webb](#) b. April 21, 1824

[Henry G. Webb](#) b. Jan 24, 1826

[Charles M. Webb](#) b. Dec 30, 1833

[James H. Webb](#) b. Dec 4, 1820, d. Feb 21, 1896, Towanda, PA, lawyer, politician, Speaker of the PA House of Rep; m. Sept 20, 1845, Sallie M. Chamberlain, b. March 15, 1827, d. July 14, 1879, dau. of Calvin and Antis [---] Chamberlain, of Smithfield, PA. J

Issue:

[George H. Webb](#) b. Oct 15, 1849, resided in Philadelphia, PA

[Charles G. Webb](#), b. Nov 13, 1852

[Edwin R. Webb](#) b. Oct 14, 1856, resided in Stafford, KS

[William Henry Webb](#), b. Feb 5, 1863, resided in Harrisburg, PA

[Polly Street Webb](#) b. Aug 25, 1822, Towanda, PA, d. 1833; m. Oct 1841 to Virgil S. Vincent. Resided in Ridgeway, PA or Elmira, NY.

Issue:

William S. Vincent

James L. Vincent

Victor P. Vincent

[Hon. William C. Webb](#) b. April 21, 1824, Towanda, PA, d. April 19, 1898, Topeka, KS, m. 1st March 9, 1854, Emily E. Abbot, b. July 21, 1829, d. March 14, 1852, d/o Justin and Sally M. [] Abbott, of Towanda, PA. m. 2nd, March 28, 1855, to Mary M. Witter, b. August 27, 1832, d. Oct 26, 1855; m. 3rd, March 19, 1856, Emma Elizabeth Witter, b. Feb 17, 1830, d. Dec 4, 1884; m. 4th, April 4, 1888, Mrs. Sarah [Dilts] Griffith, who survived [William C. Webb](#).

Issue by 1st wife:

[Leland J. Webb](#) b. August 5, 1846

[Sarah Annis Webb](#) b. July 10, 1848

[Linus S. Webb](#) b. Sept 5, 1850

Issue by 3rd wife:

[Lovell H. Webb](#) b. Feb 18, 1857

[Mary W. Webb](#) b. May 2, 1859

[Lewis E. Webb](#) b. Oct 16, 1862, d. Oct 27, 1864

Hon. William C. Webb went into the printers trade in Towanda, PA and was an editor until 1850. While editing the paper, he took up the study of law and was admitted to the Bar of the Court of Common Pleas of Tioga Co., PA, June 7, 1851. In 1853 he removed to Wisconsin where he continued to reside until 1866, when he removed to Kansas. He was a member of the Wisconsin Legislature in 1857-58 and 1862-64; Quarter-master 37th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, promoted to 1st Lieut., March 12, 1864; Col. Of 52d Regt. Wisconsin Vol. Inf., March 23, 1865.

After his removal to Kansas he served as Supt. of Insurance; member of Kansas Legislature 1870-71 and 1891; Judge of the 11th Judicial District Court in 1870 and after, ad of Shawnee Superior Court from 1885 to '87. He was a member of I. O. O. F. for fifty years and also a member of the F. and A. M. He was also a member of the G. A. R. and of the Sons of the American Revolution. He devoted his life to the welfare of others and to the public good, unselfish in the extreme, yet always industrious, he left nothing worth mentioning except the memory of an honorable, upright life well spent. He was buried at Topeka, Kan., on the seventy-fourth anniversary of his birth.

Henry Greenleaf Webb b. Jan 24, 1826, Towanda, PA, resided, Parsons, KS, m. 1st July 19, 1849, Susan Jane Abbot, b. August 30, 1827, dau. of Justin and Sally M. [] Abbot; she d. at Wantoma, Wisconsin, Sept 3, 1864, and he m. 2nd, unknown.

Issue:

Emma Eva Webb b. April 1, 1853

Linus S. Webb b. Sept 5, 1850, Wellsboro, PA, resided Topeka, KS. Unmarried.

He learned the printer's trade and worked at it about 10 years, when he studied law, was admitted to the bar and has since practiced law. He enlisted in the Kansas State Militia and was Corporal in Co. G., 19th Kan. Vol. Cav., from Oct., 1868, to April, 1869. He is now both a printer and a lawyer in Topeka, where he has been County Attorney and Justice of the Peace. He is also a writer for the press and a regular newspaper correspondent.

Lovell H. Webb b. Feb 18, 1857 in Wantoma, Wisconsin,; resided Winfield, Kansas; m. June 10, 1884, Florence A. Beeny, b. Feb 19, 1858, Albany, NY, daughter of Edwin and Annetta [Martin] Beeny, of Albany, NY, and Winfield, Kansas. He was educated at US Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD, and Michigan State University, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Admitted to the bar in 1879. A lawyer at Winfield, Kansas.

Issue:

Arthur Follett Webb b. Oct 21, 1886

Annetta Webb b. August 11, 1888

Robert Lovell Webb b. April 25, 1890

Esther Webb b. May 13, 1892, d. Oct 3, 1893

Mary W. Webb b. May 2, 1859, Wantoma, Wisconsin; resided Nortonville, Kansas; married March 2, 1884, George L. Walker of Wichita, Kansas.

Issue:

Helen Walker b. Dec 11, 1884

Ruth Walker b. July 25, 1886

Richard L. Walker b. Nov 29, 1888

Webb W. Walker b. March 12, 1899, d. June 23, 1899

Charles Greenleaf Webb b. Nov 15, 1852, Ridgebury, PA; resided Stafford, Kansas; m. August 19, 1874, Rebecca J. Watkins, b. Aug 3, 1852, daughter of Amasa and Rachel [] Watkins. He is a prominent lawyer in Stafford, Kansas.

Issue:

James A. H. Webb b. Dec 6, 1877, practicing physician and surgeon at Preston, KS

Paul E. Webb b. May 22, 1879, a Government employee at Washington DC.

Leland J. Webb b. Aug 5, 186, Towanda, PA, d. Feb 21, 1893, Topeka, Kansas; m. Helen M. Herman, b. Feb 12, 1851, Ridgebury, PA, daughter of Moses D. and Polly [Burt] Herman. **Leland J. Webb** was a lawyer. He was a veteran of the Civil War and was at one time Commander of the Sons of Veterans of the United States. They had two children both of whom died young.

Sarah Annis Webb b. July 10, 1848, Towanda, PA; resided Kansas City, MO; m. Jan 4, 1876, Richard L. Walker of Winfield Kansas.

Issue:

Edward William Walker b. Nov 24, 1876

Rebecca Walker b. August 28, 1878

Some Early Webb Records in Connecticut

"Mr. Jacob [Sheaffe] bp. Aug 4, 1616; m. lic. Sept 7, 1643, **Margaret Webb**; he d. Mch 22, 1658/9, ae 42, d. Feb'y 24, 1694

He has table tomb in King's Chapel bur. gd., Boston. Was wealthy man of Boston and Guilford, Conn. Inv'y, L8,528-8-3. Was rich though the **Webb** fortune, probably. She m. [2] a 1665, Thomas Thatcher, son of Rev. Peter Thatcher of Massachusetts."

"1645, Mch 26, Vol. 1, p 54 L R, Farmington: William Goodwin of Hartford, "Rulling Eldder in the Church of Chr there" and John Crow, for L150, sell to "Thomas Neuell of tunkses sepos" and John Stanley Junior, of Hartford, "all our buildings and devident or devidents of Land made or to bee made: at tunxses sepos: In the Jurisdic be disposed by **Richard Webb** and Will' Wadsworth, [executors], and as shee shall carry herselfe, yt shall be in their power either to give her the tenn pownd or deteyne yt fro her." Rebecca was married to Thomas Newell soon after this time, probably within the course of a year or two we may well believe that the executors found no cause to deteyne yt legacy fro her."

"1651/2, Feb'y 15. P 35 Norwalk Hist [1847]: "This Indenture made the 15th of February 1651, Between Runckinheage, Piamikin, and Maise and Towntom," and 12 other Indians, "of the one Partie, and **Richard Web**, Nathaniel Eli, Matthew Marven sen'r, Nathaniel Richards, Isacke More, Matthew Marven Junior," and 8 other "Planters of Norwalke, for the use and behalfe of said Town, Witnesseth, hath said Ruckinheage.... Have, and in consideration of Thirtie Farham of Wampu, Tenn Kettles, Fifteen Coates, Tenn payr of Stockings, Tenn Knives, Tenn Hookes, Twenty pipes, Tenn Muckes, Tenn needles, &c., to them in had payd.... Do sell all their lands called Runckinheage, Rooaton or whatsoever called".... "

[Source: One Basset Family in America, Buell Burdett Bassette, 1926]

Kentucky

History of Kentucky: Vol V

William Elsey Connelley Ellis Merton Coulter, 1922

"**James William Webb**, cashier and active manager of the Bank of Williamstown, has been identified with that institution for twenty years and prior to that was a merchant and otherwise active in the business affairs of Williamstown.

The Bank of Williamstown was established with a charter in 1884, and has a capital of \$50,000, surplus and profits of \$50,000, and deposits aggregating \$500,000. The bank home is a modern brick structure on Main Street. Its officers are A. G. De Jarnette, president; J. T. Scott, vice president; and **J. W. Webb**, cashier.

James William Webb was born in Grant County February 24, 1859. He is of Welsh ancestry, though the **Webbs** have been in America since Colonial times. They first settled in North Carolina where **Mr. Webb's** grandfather, **William**

Webb, was born in Stokes County in 1790. He followed farming and planting in his native sate, and in 1844 settled in Grant County, Kentucky, in 1864. Of their eight children two are still living: **Joseph**, a farmer in Corinth in Grant County; and **James P.**, a retired farmer at Williamstown.

William Floyd Webb, father of **James W. Webb**, was born in Stokes County, North Carolina, in 1829, and was about fifteen years of age when the family came to Grant County, Kentucky Here his active career was spent in agricultural pursuits, and he was one of the leading farmers and highly esteemed citizens of the county. He died at Williamstown in 1907. He was a democrat and an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In Harrison County, Kentucky, he married Elizabeth B. Redd, who was born there and died at Williamstown I 1903. Their family consisted of nine children: **John A.**, who for many years was a miner, died in New York City at the age of sixty; **Miss Elizabeth**, who died at Williamstown at the age of fifty-eight; **James William**; **Mary**, wife of H. C. Conrad, a farmer at Hamilton, Missouri; **Joseph F.**, a farmer who died at Houston, Texas, at the age of fifty-seven; **G. S. Webb**, a stock dealer and tobacconist at Williamstown; **S. R. Webb**, who is a well known leading dry goods merchant of Williamstown; **Charles T.**, who for many years has been a Pullman conductor and lives at Houston, Texas; and **Holly**, a farmer at Williamstown.

James William Webb attended the public schools of Williamstown, graduating from high school in 1877, and since then, for a period of forty-five years, has been giving his vigor and energies to business affairs in Williamstown. He entered the dry goods business and built up a flourishing trade and was active in its management until 1901, when he became identified with the Bank of Williamstown as cashier and is also a director.

During the World War **Mr. Webb** had the satisfaction of seeing several of his sons enroll in the Government's service. At home he was chairman of the Liberty Loan drives for the county and accepted every opportunity to be useful in some capacity to the cause. **Mr. Webb** is a democrat in politics. He owns a modern home on North Main Street.

In 1888, at Williamstown, he married Miss Minnie Barbour, daughter of John Q. and Maggie [Ricketts] Barbour, the latter a resident of Covington. Her father was a photographer by profession and died at Williamstown. Mrs. Webb is a graduate of the Williamstown High School. They are the parents of five children: **Edward D.**, the oldest, trained as a soldier at Camp Lewis, Washington, and is now a merchant at Snohomish, Washington; **Viola**, living at home, is wife of Otto Halla, now engaged in mining in California. **Floyd G.**, also a merchant at Snohomish, Washington, was in the arsenal branch of the army service during the World war and was stationed at a number of camps, being mustered out as a top sergeant at Indianapolis. **John Hal**, now in business as a merchant at Lexington, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Officer's Training Camp at Louisville, and was mustered out at Louisville. **Marguerite**, the youngest of the children, is the wife of F. A. Harrison, a Williamstown attorney.

Col. John A. Webb, a Whitesburg merchant, has exemplified many of the fine characteristics of this old and historic family in Eastern Kentucky. He has handled the practical side of business affairs with masterful results, has taught school, has done duty as a soldier and officer in the State Militia and with the Federal forces, and at all times has been one of the strong and responsible citizens who could be depended upon for the counsel of wisdom and efficiency of action when required.

Colonel Webb was born at what is now the coal village of Mayking, then known as the Big Bottom or Mouth of Big Bottom locality on Kentucky River, November 25, 1875. His parents were **Wiley W. and Elizabeth [Polly] Webb**. His grandfather was the historic character in Eastern Kentucky known as **Ben Webb**. **Ben Webb**, a cousin of Daniel Boone, came to the Kentucky Valley with a colony of seven families from North Carolina about 1796. **Ben Webb** was a son of **James Webb**, an Englishman, who settled in America and joined the colonists in their struggle for independence. While an aide to General Washington he was shot through the body at the battle of White Plains, left on the field for dead, but recovered. He was living on the eastern shore of Maryland when his son **Ben** was born in 1771. He came to Kentucky after his son **Ben**, and spent the rest of his life on the Kentucky River. **Ben Webb**, who lived to the age of ninety-seven, was on of the early sheriffs of Eastern Kentucky and otherwise a man of prominence.

Wiley Webb was born at the mouth of Big Bottom October 29, 1828, and died December 29, 1915, at the age of eighty-seven. He spent all his life farming in his home locality. He acquired a good education through his own efforts and was a teacher, and in 1870 was elected sheriff of Letcher County. He was a staunch democrat and a member of the Baptist Church. His wife Elizabeth Polly, died in 1890, at the age of fifty-three. She was born near the mouth of Colly Creek, daughter of David Polly, of a family that came to Kentucky about 1800, probably from North Carolina. **Wiley Webb** and wife had the following sons and daughters: **Hiney**, wife of Doctor Blair, of Apache, Oklahoma; **E. L.**, a farmer near Portland, Tennessee; **Cornelia**, wife of J. W. Adams; **Mattie**, wife of Lee Craft, of Salem, Indiana; **John A.**; **B. M.**, who was in the hotel business at Norton, Virginia; **Jane**, wife of John A. Craft, who has been identified with the official affairs of Letcher County thirty years as Circuit and County clerk and county judge.

Col. John A. Webb received his education in the home schools, at Pineville, Kentucky, and at what is now Cumberland College at Williamsburg, Kentucky. At the age of sixteen he began teaching, and while connected with educational affairs he was principal of the Whitesburg Academy. **Colonel Webb** has been more or less closely identified with merchandising for many years. In 1898 he established **John A. Webb & Company**, with his brother **B. M. Webb** as his partner. They opened a general store at Whitesburg, but sold out in 1904. In 1906 **Colonel Webb** resumed merchandising, and it has been almost a regular practice with him to close out his merchandise stock about every two years and then resume business soon afterward.

He first took an active part in local military affairs during the operations of the Ku Klux in Eastern Kentucky in 1901. At that time he organized Company H of the Second Kentucky Militia, was elected captain of the Company, and during subsequent service became major and lieutenant colonel. During the night rider troubles in 1908 he was with his command engaged in preserving peace and order at Mount Sterling for two months and in Bracken County, five months. In 1916 **Colonel Webb** was again called to service, this time as a member of the Federal forces for guarding the Mexican border. He spent eight months on duty at Fort Bliss Texas, remaining there until he resigned his commission in January, 1917.

Colonel Webb has also given his capital and enterprise to the development of the mineral resources of Eastern Kentucky. He was associated with Judge David Hays and C. H. Back in the organization of the Smoot Creek Coal Company, which developed valuable property which they sold January 1, 1918. **Colonel Webb** served as a member of the State Board of Equalization in 1916-17 under appointment from Governor Stanley. He is a democrat in politics and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

December 27, 1905, he married Cornelia Frazier, who was born on Kingdom Come Creek, daughter of B. N. Frazier. **Colonel and Mrs. Webb** have six children, named **Dixie, Pansy, Gay, Frank, Mae and Maud**.

Col. N. M. Webb, of Whitesburg, veteran educator and newspaper man of Letcher County, in one of the citizens foremost in influence in that section of Kentucky, and his family is one of the oldest and one of the largest in that historic portion of the state.

The history of the family begins with **James Webb**, an Englishman, who came to America before the Revolution. He was in the war of independence as an aide de camp to General Washington. At the battle of White Plains he was shot through the body and left on the field for dead. He recovered from this wound and subsequently followed his son Benjamin to Kentucky. **James Webb** married a sister of Daniel Boone's mother. One of the characteristics of the **Webb** family is long life. **James Webb** died at the age of 106 years and it will be noted that others attained ages very close to the century mark.

Benjamin Webb, son of **James**, was born in 1771, probably on the east coast of Maryland. He possessed an adventuresome spirit that led him into varied occupations. As a young man he was for a time in the slave trade. From Maryland he removed to Ashe or Buncombe County, North Carolina, and in a company composed of seven families who had heard of Kentucky and had the western fever started to follow the Boone trail through the Powell Valley and

over the mountains to the head of the Kentucky River. They located on the river above the mouth of Boone's Fork in 1796 or 1797. Later they moved to the present coal town of May King, then known as Bottom Fork, where Benjamin Webb spent the rest of his life and died at the age of ninety-seven. He was the first sheriff of Perry County, which then comprised a large portion of Eastern Kentucky. It was his custom to walk to the State Capital each year to make settlement of his accounts. Benjamin Webb had twin sons, Nelson and Daniel, as his first born, and Nelson died of a strange disease, being taken to Baltimore for operation. He died at the age of twenty-one.

Jason L. Webb, father of Col. N. M. Webb, was born in 1820. His mother was Jennie Adams, who came with the Webbs from North Carolina when a young woman. Jason L. Webb cleared up a farm in the neighborhood of Thornton Creek, and spent his active life there. This land is still owned by his family. Jason Webb for many years held the post of local magistrate, and at one time was county assessor. In election to that office he had a competitor, and the election was so close as to cause a dispute. They compromised by dividing their jurisdiction in half. Jason making assessments on one side of the river, and his opponent on the other. Jason Webb, who died in 1904, at the age of eighty-four, married Elizabeth Craft, who died in 1861. His second wife was Lou Hubbard, a daughter of Robert Shanklin Hubbard, who came from North Carolina. She was born in Tazewell County, Virginia. Her mother was a Bolling, a descendant of Pocahontas and of the same relationship as Mrs. Woodrow Wilson. Jason Webb by his first wife had five sons and three daughters, and nine children by his second marriage. All these nine children are still living.

Nehemiah Mark Webb was born December 6, 1866, and attended school on Bottom Fork and in Whitesburg, and also Hiawassie College in Tennessee. His active work as an educator covered a period of twenty-one years. He did his first teaching in Virginia and later was connected with schools around Whitesburg.

The newspaper history of Letcher County is in effect a part of Colonel Webb's individual experience and history. The first newspaper ever printed in the county was the Pound Gap Enterprise, started in December, 1880, with Tip Nickels and John Pearl, editors. The building in which it was printed stood in the middle of one of the principal streets of Whitesburg, and was torn down only a few years ago. The paper was published about fifteen months and was then removed to Pikeville.

In 1905 came the second venture in Letcher County journalism. The News Publishing Company was organized and in March of that year the Letcher County News was started. It was to be a weekly independent. N. M. Webb and E. P. Blair were chosen by the owners to run the paper and the business. It continued with fair promise of success up to the November election which nearly wrecked the business. Mr. Webb resigned, and the News "crawled along" for about two years, when the whole outfit was bought by Colonel Webb.

With the equipment Colonel Webb founded and began the publication of the Mountain Eagle, a newspaper that has been continued without variation or shadow of turning ever since. It is now a \$10,000 corporation, and the paper is one of the best in the mountainous section of Kentucky.

Without any solicitation on his part Colonel Webb was appointed postmaster of Whitesburg in 1914, receiving his commission from Woodrow Wilson. He is a staunch Democrat. His church is the regular Baptist and he is affiliated with the Lodge and Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Improved Order of Red Men, and the Junior Order United American Mechanics.

June 15, 1893, Colonel Webb married Sarah Ellen Williams, daughter of Hiram Williams, of Whitesburg. Ten children were born to their marriage: Myrtle, wife of Louis Wiseheart, of Louisville; Pearl, who was killed in a runaway accident at the age of eight years; Ethel at home; Willa, assistant postmaster and wife of Erich Rierson, of Bluefields, West Virginia; Esteva, a high school graduate and carrying a large business responsibility in the Mountain Eagle office; Roselye, who died at the age of fourteen years of age; Roberta, now ten years of age; Vernon Woodrow Wilson; and Ralph Waldo Emerson Webb.

John B. Webb. That business may be built and developed with advantage to the man of energy and integrity is amply demonstrated in the brief sketch of the life of **John B. Webb**, now and for years one of the most prominent and successful merchants of Perryville, Kentucky.

John B. Webb was born in Boyle County, Kentucky, July 29, 1881, a son of **George L. and Laura Alice [Bradley] Webb**, also natives of Kentucky, where they carried on farming during their active years. **Mr. Webb** received his early education in the public schools of Boyle County, and later entered Elmwood Academy, Perryville, from which he emerged equipped with the necessary educational qualifications to ensure success along life's highroad. At the close of his school course he moved to Louisville, Kentucky, where he secured a position as night clerk in a hotel. Determined, however, to advance in life, he abandoned the hotel work and served as an apprenticeship to the trade of a carpenter. After he had become proficient at this trade **Mr. Webb** was advanced to the position of foreman carpenter and later became superintendent of construction for the firm of C. S. Hall & Company, a concrete construction company of Louisville, with whom **Mr. Webb** remained until 1908. In the latter year he embarked in building construction for himself, and continued in that line for a year. By this time he had done well, and he recalls that on starting for Louisville he had the munificent sum of eighty-seven cents with which to achieve success.

In 1910, **Mr. Webb** relinquished contract work on his own account and purchased a farm, which he continued to operate with success for six years, at the end of that period selling the place at a substantial profit. In 1916 he secured a one-third interest in the firm of Harmon & Preston, conducting a general merchandise store at Perryville. Notwithstanding keen competition, the business increased by \$10,000 in the year following **Mr. Webb's** connection with it. In 1918 he disposed of his interest in the Harmon & Preston store and immediately purchased the stock of H. C. Powell & Company, also of Perryville, here, likewise, the business being of a general mercantile character. **Mr. Webb** also acquired the business block in which the store is located, and of this establishment, one of the foremost of its kind in this part of the state, he is sole owner and manager. Under his guidance the trade had advanced, the stock had doubled, and all the elements of commercial prosperity are evident.

On December 22, 1909, **Mr. Webb** was united in marriage to Miss Mary Hiner Broyles, of Boyle County, a daughter of William Harvey and Ann [Pope] Broyles, old-time Kentuckians, who were raised in the Boyle County neighborhood. **Mr. and Mrs. Webb** are the parents of the following children: **Louis Harvey Webb**, born January 21, 1911; **Mildred Alice**, January 11, 1913; **Beatrice Marie**, April 3, 1916; **Lenora Bradley**, May 4, 1918, and **John B., Jr.**, May 25, 1920. **Mr. and Mrs. Webb** are earnest members of the Methodist Church, in the good works of which they take a warm interest.

Mr. Webb displays considerable activity in civic affairs and is always alert to secure conditions that will lead to civic betterment. He stands in high esteem with the citizens and business people of Perryville, his commercial sagacity, straight methods of dealing, and his well known energy and industry being passports to the favor and friendship of all. His business motto is: "Serve well."

Robert Lee Webb, county judge of Grant County, has practiced law at Williamstown more than thirty-five years and represents a family that has been in Grant County since the early fifties.

The father of Judge Webb was the late **John H. Webb**, whose career was distinguished by extraordinary achievements in business affairs and prominence as a citizen. He was born in North Carolina in 1827. He was reared and educated in his native state, and in 1847, at the age of twenty, came to Kentucky with his parents, **William and Elizabeth [Gray] Webb**, who first located at Colemansville in Harrison County and in 1851 moved to Cordova, Grant County. **William Webb** was a native of North Carolina and was a farmer by occupation, living in Grant County from 1851 until his death in 1865. His wife was a native of Virginia. Their children were: **John H.**; **Mary Clark**, who died at Williamstown at the age of ninety-three; **W. F. Webb**, a stock trader who died at Williamstown aged seventy-six; **Joseph**, a retired farmer living near Corinth in Grant County; **G. N. Webb**, a merchant who died at Williamstown when eighty-four years of age; **James P. Webb**, a farmer near Williamstown; and **Martha**, who became the wife of Dr. J. W. Johnson, and both died at Winchester, Kentucky.

John H. Webb entered merchandising at Cordova, but in 1854 moved to Williamstown. He served four year as deputy under Sheriff John W. De Jarnette, and was then elected high sheriff. After four years in that office he resumed farming for three years and then established a dry goods store at Williamstown. He built up a good business, one of the largest in Grant County, and his name and character were identified with that enterprise for more than half a century. He was the leading factor in establishing the Bank of Williamstown, and was the principal stockholder and president for over thirty years. His energies went into a number of enterprises directly associated with the welfare and upbuilding of the community. He was a democrat, a member of the Presbyterian Church and of the Masonic fraternity. **John H. Webb** died at Williamstown February 13, 1913, when eighty-six years of age. He married Cornelia A. Stroud, who was born at Williamstown in 1833 and died there in 1905. Of their family the oldest is **Dr. A. D. Webb**, a graduate of the Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati and practicing physician at Williamstown; **Robert Lee** is the second in age; **Mary E.** is the wife of Clay Conrad, a farmer in Williamstown; **Henrietta S.**, of Williamstown, widow of R. T. Dickerson, who was a leaf tobacco dealer and died at Williamstown December 30, 1920; **Laura**, wife of James W. Chipman, a farmer and leaf tobacco dealer at Williamstown; Frank, a traveling salesman living at Cincinnati.

Robert Lee Webb, who was born at Williamstown April 13, 1864, had a thorough preparation for his chosen career as a lawyer. He attended the grammar and high schools of Williamstown, completed the sophomore year in the University of Virginia at Charlottesville, and after a two years' course graduated in 1885 with the LL. B. degree from the Cincinnati Law School. Since 1885 he has sustained a high reputation as an able lawyer with a general civil and criminal practice in Grant County. He began to take an active share in politics only after his success in private practice was assured. He served as county treasurer from 1900 to 1917, and in November, 1917, was elected county judge, and has been engaged in the duties of his four-year term since the first Monday of January, 1918. His offices are in the court house annex.

Judge Webb is a stockholder and director in the Bank of Williamstown. He was chairman of the War Savings Stamp drive and otherwise participated in every patriotic movement. He is a democrat and is a member of Williamstown Council, Junior Order United American Mechanics.

December 5, 1916, at Lexington, **Judge Webb** married Mrs. Katherine [Walden] Harrison, daughter of J. A. and Mary [Davis] Walden, residents on a farm at Crestwood, Odlham County, Kentucky."

The Tuley Family Memoirs

William Floyd Tuley, 1906

N. R. Webb of Peters & **Webb** Music House, Louisville, KY

N. R. Webb m. Amelia Lurton d/o Dr. T. R. and M. Findley Lurton

Issue:

Mary Ioline Webb

Ida Force Webb

Edith Anita Webb

John Lawrence Webb

Elisha Warfield Webb m. Adel Metcalf

Issue:

Warfield Webb

Nelson Webb

Eugenia Badger Webb m. Frank Peters, NY City

W. N. Webb Jr.

Manley Tellow Webb

Joseph Bertram Webb m. Margaret Mason

David Thomas Webb

History of Daviess County, Kentucky

John Quincy Adams, 1883

Curdsville

"This thriving little village is situated on Green River, immediately above the mouth of Panther Creek, and about fourteen miles southwest of Owensboro. The first settler was George Husk, who came in 1818, and built a small cabin where **H. Webb** now lives..."

Lowertown Precinct

"Sallie J. Ellis m. **David Webb**, her death left five children... she was the daughter of Powhatan Ellis b. Jan 5, 1809 and Mildred C. Kallam. "

Murray Precinct

"Henry Howard - In Murray Precinct the Howard family is one of the oldest and most numerous, having settled at an early day in the neighborhood of the present Green Brier church. Many of the descendants still reside in that vicinity. The family came from North Carolina and settled in this locality when only two or three families were living in the present limits of Daviess County, south of Panther Creek. The settlers were so few in number that Henry Howard's father, Mark Howard, was obliged to send to Hartford and Vienna [now Calhoun] for assistance in raising his house. The original Howards were from Essex, England, and were descendants of Sir Henry Howard, Earl of Essex. There were five brothers, two of whom settled in Pennsylvania and three in North Carolina. Mark Howard came to Kentucky in a very early day, but afterward returned to North Carolina, and about 1790 married **Rachel Webb**. Several children were born in North Carolina. He moved with his family to Kentucky, and settled in Daviess County in 1803. The land on which he located was purchased in 1800, of Harry Ennis, of Nelson County, as the deed which still exists bears evidence, and was surveyed by Captain Ben Fields. The original purchase called for 1,100 acres at a "bit" an acre, but he afterward lost 700 acres of it. He returned to North Carolina and brought his family with him, and settled on the 400 acres which were situated on the old Harford road, the first road opened up in Daviess County, at that time the road was only a trail leading through the woods. Mark Howard had fourteen children, all of whom lived to adult life and married; most of them died at an advanced age. Henry Howard, the eleventh child, was born in 1809..."

Louisiana
Webb Land Patents

July 20, 1853 – Jackson Cannon, assignee

Private **Thomas G. Webb**, Capt. Smith's Co., GA Militia, FL War

40 acres

Natchitoches

Bossier

Aug 1, 1851 - Benjamin F. Cauthorn, assignee

Catharine Webb, widow **John Webb**, Sergeant in Capt. Monroe's Co. 6th Reg. US Inf.

160 acres

Monroe

Lincoln

Oct 10, 1860 - Thomas Copwood, assignee

Polly Abbott former widow of **Judson Webb**, Priv. Lieut. Smith's Co. CT Mil War 1812

120 acres

Opelousas

Acadia

March 15, 1851 – James B. Gilmer

George M. T. Webb, Private in Capt. Robert's Co. of the 1st Reg. of TX Mtd Volunteers
128 acres Natchitoches Bossier, Caddo

June 1, 1860 - Jacob E. Harman, assignee

Jesse Webb, Private in Capt. McGahey's Co., MS Militia, War 1812
95 acres Opelousas Calcasieu

Oct 1, 1851 – Charles F. Heard, assignee

William D. Webb, Private Co. R, 3rd Reg US Artillery
159 acres Monroe Lincoln

Sept 1, 1851 - Job Hobbs, assignee

Antony Webb, Private Capt. Johnson's Co. 2nd Reg TX Mtd Volunteers
40 acres Natchitoches De Soto

Sept 10, 1853 - Elkin T. Jones, assignee

Thomas Webb, Sergeant Co. K, 4th Reg. US Infantry, FL War
159 acres Nathcitoches Claiborne

Oct 10, 1860 - Rosemond Leblanc, assignee

Winefred Webb wid. Hackney Forbush, Priv. Capt. Deshield's Co. VA Mil. War 1812
162 acres Opelousas Vermilion

Aug 15, 1860 – James D. McEnery, assignee

Huldah Webb, wid. **John Webb** priv., Capt. Connelly's Co. NC Militia Cherokee Rem.
120 acres Monroe West Carroll

Aug 15, 1860 – James Phelon, assignee

Allen F. Webb, Sergeant, Capt. Johnson's Co., FL Militia, TX Frontier Disturbances
171 acres Monroe West Carroll

Sept 1, 1860, **James Webb**, Dennis Quibedos, assignees

Charles H. Wagner, TX Volunteers War with Mexico
161 acres Opelousas Acadia

Sept 1, 1860 – George Reeves, assignee

Jesse Webb, Private, Capt. McGahey's Co. MS Militia, War 1812
80 acres Opelousas Calcasieu

Aug 15, 1851 – John Taylor, assignee

James Webb, Private in Capt. Truit's Co. 2nd Reg, TX Mounted Volunteers
40 acres Monroe Ouachita

July 2, 1877 – **Amos Webb**, assignee

Benjamin Ballard, assignee for Barnard McGairy
465 acres Opelousas St. Landry

Aug 30, 1837

Amos Webb
174 acres Opelousas St. Landry

Mar 1, 1875 – **Ashley Webb**, assignee
 David Callaway, Private Capt. Coventry & Iredell's Co.'s NC Militia, War 1812
 78 acres Monroe West Carroll

Aug 15, 1860 – **Ashley Webb**, assignee
 Sarah Fitzjarrell wid. Ambrose Fitzjarrell, Priv. Capt. Looney's Co. TN Mil. War 1812
 80 acres Monroe West Carroll

March 20, 1877
Ben Webb
 159 acres Natchitoches Red River

June 1, 1860
Charles Webb, of Rapides Parish, LA
 119 acres Natchitoches Grant

Oct 1, 1860
Charles Webb, of ___ Parish, LA
 159 acres Natchitoches Grant

June 20, 1837
Charles H. Webb
 74 acres Ouachita Bienville

April 10, 1843
Charles H. Webb of Carroll, LA
 320 acres Ouachita East Carroll

April 10, 1843
Charles H. Webb of Carroll, LA
 79 acres Ouachita Richland

April 1, 1861
Daniel Webb of Union Parish
 79 acres Monroe Union

Oct 1, 1852
Elisha Webb of Claiborne, LA
 38 acres Natchitoches Claiborne

Oct 1, 1852
Elisha H. Webb
 38 acres Natchitoches Claiborne

April 1, 1859
Elisha H. Webb
 117 acres Natchitoches Claiborne

April 1, 1859
Elisha H. Webb
 36 acres Natchitoches Claiborne

April 12, 1847

Eliza Jane Webb of Madison Parish

39 acres Ouachita Madison

April 12, 1847

Eliza Jane Webb of Madison Parish

79 acres Ouachita Madison

Sept 15, 1854

Eliza Jane Webb of Carroll Parish

40 acres Monroe Richland

July 5, 1849 - **Eliza J. Webb** of Madison Parish, assignee

Nan-Cha, Representative of Cun-Oon-Tick-Cah, deceased

80 acres Ouachita Bienville, Bossier

Mar 10, 1851 – **Eliza Jane Webb**, assignee

John C. Potts, late a private Capt. Carrs Co. Battalion MS Volunteers

160 acres Ouachita Madison

May 10, 1854 – **Eliza Jane Webb**, assignee

Thomas W. Robertson, private in Capt. Hendon's Co. Colonel Little Reg. GA Vol.

40 acres Monroe Richland

May 10, 1854 – **Eliza Jane Webb**, assignee

James Stroud, private Capt. Gaffs Co. of LA Militia, War of 1812

80 acres Monroe Richland

May 10, 1854 – **Eliza Jane Webb**, assignee

Absalom Cook, private in Capt. Laughlin's Co. LA Militia, War 1812

80 acres Monroe Richland

March 10, 1851 – **Eliza Jane Webb**, assignee

John C. Pitts, late a private Capt. Carrs Co. Battalion MS Volunteers

160 acres Ouachita Madison

Oct 2, 1854 – **Eliza Jane Webb**

William Rice, Private Capt. Allen's Co. AL Militia, War 1812

40 acres Monroe Richland

Nov 10, 1851

Isaac H. Webb, private in Capt. Minturn's Co. GA Militia War 1812

82 acres Natchitoches Red River

Oct 1, 1860

Isaac H. Webb of Natchitoches Parish

328 acres Natchitoches Red River

Aug 15, 1860 – **Jacob Webb**, assignee

Mary Foster, widow of Joel Foster, private of Revolutionary War

160 acres Monroe Caldwell

June 1, 1860

Jane Webb of East Feliciana Parish

40 acres Greensburg East Feliciana

April 15, 1853

John Webb Private Capt. Sam'l Steel's Co., Maj. Freeman's Reg. GA Militia, War 1812

80 acres Monroe Ouachita

Oct 1, 1845

John Webb & James Miers of Opelousas, LA

162 acres Opelousas Acadia

Oct 1, 1860

John H. Webb

119 acres Natchitoches Red River

Oct 1, 1860

John H. Webb of Natchitoches Parish

39 acres Natchitoches Red River

April 1, 1861

John H. Webb of Sumpter Co. AL

40 acres Opelousas St. Landry

April 2, 1857 - John W. Webb, assignee

Christopher C. Boyd, private Capt. Gibb's Co. 1st Reg AL Vol.

40 acres Monroe Richland

Sept 1, 1853

John W. Webb or Morehouse Parish

40 acres Monroe Richland

June 1, 1861

John W. Webb or Morehouse Parish

40 acres Monroe Richland

June 1, 1860

Junius Y. Webb of Claiborne Parish

40 acres Natchitoches Webster

Aug 1, 1844

Kinchen R. Webb of Mississippi

142 acres Ouachita Franklin

Aug 1, 1844

Kinchen R. Webb of Mississippi

39 acres Ouachita Franklin

Aug 1, 1844

Laney Webb of Concordia, Louisiana

153 acres Ouachita Franklin

July 10, 1844

Lydia Webb of Natchitoches

160 acres Natchitoches Sabine

Dec 1, 1860

Berry P. Webb of Claiborne Parish

40 acres Natchitoches Claiborne

Aug 1, 1859 – Pleasant H. Webb, assignee

John Miller, Lieut., Capt. Robert's Co. 4th Reg. VA Militia, War 1812

80 acres Monroe West Carroll

Aug 1, 1859 – Pleasant H. Webb, assignee

Samuel Pennington, private in Capt Congleton's Co. VA Militia, War 1812

40 acres Monroe West Carroll

July 2, 1860

Preston Webb of Calahoula Parish

47 acres Monroe La Salle

April 10, 1843

Robert Webb of Lowndes Co. AL

161 acres Ouachita Union

April 10, 1843

Robert Webb of Lowndes Co. AL

322 acres Ouachita Union

April 10, 1843

Robert Webb of Lowndes Co. AL

161 acres Ouachita Union

June 1, 1860

Robert Clark Webb, Livingston Parish

167 acres Greensburg Livingston

May 1, 1861

Robert Clark Webb, Livingston Parish

42 acres Greensburg Livingston

July 2, 1860

Robert C. Webb Jr., Union Parish

39 acres Monroe Union

Dec 1, 1860

Samuel Webb of Sabine Parish

160 acres Natchitoches Sabine

Dec 10, 1860

Sarah Ann Webb of Opelousas Parish

41 acres Opelousas Acadia

July 1, 1859

Seaborn Webb of Caldwell Parish

80 acres

Monroe

Caldwell

July 20, 1853 – Richard Whithurst, assignee

John Sedley Webb, Adjutant, Louisiana Volunteer Mexican War

40 acres

Natchitoches

Bossier

[Source: BLM]

Maine

Obituary Record of the Graduates of Bowdoin College and the Medical School of Maine for the Decade Ending 1 June 1909

1911

Class of 1846

Edwin Bonaparte Webb, son of Ebenezer and Sophia S. [Lancaster] Webb, was born 19 January, 1820, at Newcastle, Maine. His early life was spent upon his father's farm, and he did not complete his preparation for college at Lincoln Academy until attaining manhood. After graduating with honor at Bowdoin, he taught for a year at Bath. He then entered Bangor Theological Seminary and after completing the regular course there, studied for several months at Princeton Seminary. He was pastor of the Congregational Church at Augusta from 11 September, 1850 to 26 September, 1860, of the Shawmut Congregational Church, Boston, Mass, from 5 October, 1860 to October, 1885, and continued as pastor emeritus of the latter until his death. During these closing years of his life he resided at Wellesley, Mass., but supplied frequently vacant pulpits in New England and was especially helpful to the little church at Palm Beach, Florida, where he spent his winters. He died after a long and painful illness from disease of the bladder 20 May, 1901, at Wellesley, Mass., aged 81 years, 4 months and 1 day.

Dr. Webb received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Williams College in 1865, and from his Alma Mater in 1877. He was for many years president of the board of trustees of Harford Theological Seminary, a member of the executive committee of the Home Missionary Society and chairman of the prudential committee of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. He was a member of the Board of Overseers of the college from 1856 to 1871, and of the trustees from the latter date to his death. During all this period he was an active and efficient friend of the institution. "From one end of this country to the other in Congregational circles, Dr. Webb has been known. He has exerted a powerful influence over successive generations. He has been a fine representative of the courtly, patrician type of clergymen. He has led many souls into the kingdom of God. His life has been that of a blameless Christian gentleman. Positive, decided, vigorous, he had the gift of drawing to him men divergent in temperament and position, and having made friends he held them. The closer one came to him, the deeper the joy in his fellowship and the keener the appreciation of his real worth."

Dr. Webb married, 19 October, 1852, Elizabeth Temple, daughter of Rev. Dr. Benjamin and Elizabeth Bowdoin Temple [Winthrop] Tappan, who died 25 November, 1890. Of their three children one daughter survives her father, Mrs. Elizabeth Temple, wife of F. B. Ingraham, of Wellesley, Mass."

[Dr. Webb: a biographical sketch, in Congregationalist 86: 813, May 25, 1901.]

“**Nathan Webb**, son of **Eli and Mary [Cobby] Webb**, was born 7 May, 1825, at Portland, Me. He was prepared for college in the public schools of the city and at Portland Academy, and was graduated at Harvard in 1846. He studied law with John Rand [Bowdoin, 1831], was admitted to the bar in 1849 and practiced his profession with marked success until his elevation to the bench. He served as a member of the school committee from 1856 to 1864, was a representative to the state legislature in 1864 and 1865, county attorney from 1870 to 1878, and in 1882 was appointed judge of the United States District Court for Maine, a position he resigned twenty years later on account of ill health. He died at Portland, 8 November, 1902, of valvular disease of the heart.

Judge Webb received the degree of LL. D. from Bowdoin in 1890 and from Harvard In 1896. While his remarkable natural endowments were turned with unusual assiduity to his professional labors and his judicial duties, he possessed marked literary tastes, a wonderful control of the English language, and his hours of recreation were those passed in his library with the authors he loved.

Of him as a man, one who knew him intimately writes: “He was a truly great man, not in position, or pomp, or circumstance, but in that truer sense of a lofty character and a spotless soul. He had that rare intellectual integrity which compels the mind of its possessor to think and reason with perfect candor towards itself hence to speak and act in exact accordance with the apprehended truth.”

Of him as a jurist his associate on the bench, Judge Aldrich, spoke as follows: “As one of the senior district judges he was for the last ten years or more in the Court of Appeals at Boston. There his great natural strength, his legal talents enriched by the learning of many years, his wide technical knowledge, his masterful appreciation of mechanics, his mastership of the admiralty branch of the law, his marvelous power of quick comprehension and of clear and accurate statement of legal principles, and his resolute mental vigor, at once made his usefulness highly conspicuous.”

Judge Webb married, 17 June, 1867, Jane Maria, daughter of Hon. Ellis B. Usher of Hollis, Me., who survives him with two daughters, **Misses Janet and Edna Webb**.

[Proceedings of the Bench and Bar of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the First Circuit upon the decease of Honorable **Nathan Webb**, Boston, 1903.]

Webbs in the Maine 1790 Census

Edward Webb	Cumberland Co.	1-1-2-0	Gorham & Scarborough
Eli Webb	Cumberland Co.	2-2-4-0	Gorham & Scarborough
Elizabeth Webb	Cumberland Co.	0-0-3-0	Falmouth
Henry Webb	Cumberland Co.	1-3-4-0	Falmouth
James Webb	Cumberland Co.	1-4-4-0	Falmouth
John Webb	Cumberland Co.	1-1-7-0	Falmouth
Jonathan Webb	Cumberland Co.	3-2-6-0	Falmouth
Josiah Webb	Cumberland Co.	1-1-2-0	Windham
Michael Webb	Cumberland Co.	1-1-5-0	Portland
Samuel Webb	Cumberland Co.	1-2-1-0	Durham
Sarah Webb	Cumberland Co.	2-0-3-0	Cape Elizabeth
William Webb	Cumberland Co.	2-3-4-0	Falmouth
Hannah Webb	Hancock Co.	1-0-4-0	Deer Isle
Christopher Webb	Lincoln Co	2-3-4-0	Canaan
James Webb	Lincoln Co.	1-2-2-0	Falmouth

James Webb	Lincoln Co.	1-1-1-0	Canaan
Nathaniel Webb	Lincoln Co.	1-4-4-0	New Castle
Widow Webb	Lincoln Co.	1-1-1-0	Woolwich
William Webb	Lincoln Co.	1-0-0-1	Thomaston
William Webb	Lincoln Co.	1-1-5-0	Bath
William Webb	Washington Co.		Machias

Minnesota

History of Steele and Waseca Counties, Minnesota

A B Cornell, G W Green, William Thomson, 1887

Owatonna:

"Merritt Webb is a native of Jefferson County, N. Y., born March 21, 1829. His parents were James and Wealthy [Hutchinson] Webb, natives of Massachusetts. They removed to New York at an early day, and in 1849 settled in Sheboygan County, Wis. Merritt remained with his parents until twenty years of age, striking out in life for himself in Wisconsin. He followed farming in that State for fifteen years, then came to Minnesota, and lived in Wabasha County one year, after which for two years he lived in Meriden Township Steel County. He then purchased his present farm from John Sanborn, who had "claimed" it in 1854. Mr. Webb was married April 17, 1849, to Miss Mary C. Putnam, who was born December 30, 1831, her grandfather being a son of General Putnam, of Revolutionary fame. They have five living children: Frank C., born November 27, 1850; Charles N., born February 8, 1855; Edmund E., born March 22, 1859; Mary A., born September 29, 1863, and Eva May, born January 16, 1870. Frank C. lives in Owatonna; Charles N. and Edmund E., in Watonwan County, Minn.; Mary A. married Homer Demick, of Owatonna; Eva May is still at home."

Duluth and St. Louis County, Minnesota

Ina Taipale, 1921

"The Methodist Episcopal Society of Duluth can come into line with the Episcopalian and Presbyterian societies in claiming unique place in Duluth church history; for the Methodists, it is claimed that it was the first society "of any denomination in Duluth" to have a "resident pastor." In case such claim is disputed regarding the Rev. H. Webb, who took up the charge at Duluth, on November 22, 1869, the Methodists are entitled to the honor, on the record of Rev. James Peet, who gave his time exclusively to Duluth, i.e., Oneota, Portland, and Duluth, from 1858 to 1860..."

"...it appears, whereas the first Methodist pastor, Rev. H. Webb, arrived with his wife on November 22, 1869, and held his first Duluth service on the Sunday following, in the schoolhouse, preaching to thirty persons. After that service, he organized the "First Methodist Episcopal Church of Duluth." It is a matter of record in the history of the church that the pastor's wife, Mrs. Jemima Webb, constituted the only member in full connection, while a Swede, John Sanderholm, was received on probation."

"Walter M. Webb, superintendent of the mines of the Gilbert District for the Republic Iron & Steel Company, has been on the Mesaba Range since 1906, and is a thoroughly competent and widely experienced practical miner.

He comes from a family of miners. He was born at British Hollow, Wisconsin, October 7, 1876, son of William and Martha [Nichols] Webb. His grandfathers were miners, his maternal grandfather having had charge of a mine in Wales, while his paternal grandfather came to the United States from England and was engaged in lead mining in

south western Wisconsin, having in England been a tin miner. **William Webb**, father of **Walter M. Webb**, at one time was a miner in Montana, and subsequently for many years engaged in merchandising at Lancaster, Wisconsin.”

“**Walter M. Webb** grew up at Lancaster, graduated from the high school in 1894, and this was followed by an experience of seven years as an employee of the local post-office and as clerk in a store. For about a year he was connected with the United States Land Office at Devil's Lake, North Dakota.

Mr. Webb came to the Mesaba Range in 1906, and at Nashwauk became clerk in the office of the Pittsburgh Iron Ore Company. He filled a similar position for the same company at Sparta, and in 1910 entered the service of the Republic Iron & Steel Company as surface foreman in the Pettit, Schley and Marista Mines at Gilbert. About a year later he was made an underground foreman, and after two years was promoted to mining captain of the Pettit Mine. He was safety engineer about three years, and since then has been superintendent of all the mines in the Gilbert District operated by the Republic iron & Steel Company.

Outside of his business **Mr. Webb** has found interests of a civic nature...On March 31, 1903, he married Delphia Oswald, of Lancaster Wisconsin. Their two children are **Louise and Walter.**”

“**Carlton A. Webb**, the efficient and popular station agent for the Duluth, Missabe & Northern Railroad in the village of Mountain iron, claims the fine old Gopher state as the place of his nativity, he having been born at St. Paul, the capital city of Minnesota, on the 24th of February, 1885. His father, **Isaac W. Webb**, was born at Salem, Ohio, and became a pioneer settler in the city of St. Paul, Minnesota, where he took up his residence in the year 1852 and became bookkeeper in the American House, one of the early hotels of the capital city. Later he became one of the principals in the firm of Cook & **Webb**, which established and operated an omnibus line in that city, and finally he purchased a large tract of land near Crookston, this state, and instituted the development of a farm. Eventually he returned to St. Paul and engaged in the real estate business. Both he and his wife died in St. Paul. Mrs. Webb, whose maiden name was Edna Parker, was born at Wheeling, Illinois, of English parentage.

Carlton A. Webb, the youngest in a family of nine children, gained his early education in the public schools of St. Paul, where he graduated in the Mechanic Arts High School as a member of the class of 1905...

...July 20, 1910, recorded the marriage of **Mr. Webb** to Miss Ethel G. Wescott, who was born at Altoona, Wisconsin, of Scotch and English lineage, and their one child, **Edna Grace**, was born February 15, 1913.”

“**Richard Webb**, of Hibbing, who died December 1, 1920, was one of the best known characters and figures in the Minnesota Iron range. His numerous friends and acquaintances generally knew him as **Capt. Richard Webb**. He had been in the mining industry in some phase or other from boyhood to his death, and for upwards of a quarter of a century had been on the ranges of northern Minnesota, his last business being as mine instructor for the mineral right or “fee” owners.

Captain Webb was born near Tavistock, England, February 20, 1850, son of **John and Elizabeth [Whitford] Webb**. He was a little past fifteen years of age when he accompanied his father and an older brother **Edward**, now deceased, to Canada. For the first two years he was employed in the Bruce Mine about fifty miles from Sault St. Marie. In the meantime two other brothers, **John and Paul**, and still later their mother joined the family in Canada. In 1868 they all moved to Negaunee, Marquette County, Michigan, where the family had their home about twenty years.

Richard Webb began his life with very limited schooling. Before he was nine he was working in mines in England, and there is hardly a phase of the great mining industry with which he was not practically familiar. He was a common miner in Michigan, and while there met and in 1872 married Elizabeth Jane Long.

About 1884 he moved to Wisconsin and became captain of what is now Carey Mine at Hurly. In Wisconsin he was employed in mines operated or controlled by the great Cleveland capitalists and mine owners, Pickands, Mather &

Company. About two and a half years later the Sellers mine was transferred to John D. Rockefeller and his associates. In 1898 **Captain Webb** entered the service of M. H. Alworth and others to look after their interests in the Minnesota iron ranges, and remained in the service of the same group of men. His specific duties involved the keeping of maps of all developments of the mines, showing what ore was taken out, what remained, and keeping track of the various grades of ore. His duties as inspector also extended to safeguarding merchantable ore from destruction. **Captain Webb** was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. He was a Republican.

His first wife died in August, 1904, and in 1906 he married Miss Anna T. Roscoe. **Captain Webb** by his first marriage had thirteen children. Six of these reached mature years: **Elizabeth Jane**, who is the widow of I. T. Colmer and has three children of her own, Earl, May and Richard, and also an adopted child, Myrna, daughter of a deceased sister; **Richard J.** a resident of the copper country in Michigan; **Anna**, who died at the age of sixteen; **Carrie**, who was married to James Phillips and died in 1912, leaving three children, Florence, Howard and Myrna; **Edward J.**, a resident of Chisholm, Minnesota; and **William Harry**, who lives at Hibbing.”

Nebraska

Webb Land Patents & Warrants

Oct 20, 1871 – John Baker Sr., assignee of **Eliza Webb**, assignee
George M. Webb, father & heir at law of **Amos P. Webb**, decd, Private, 2nd Reg OH Vol.
160 acres West Point Stanton Co.

May 1, 1860 – Francis P. Bird, assignee
Stephen Webb, Private Capt. Fogg's Co. Maine Militia, War 1812
160 acres Omaha Douglas Co.

May 1, 1860 - James Campbell, assignee
John Webb, Private, Capt Dalton's Co. VA Militia War 1812
160 acres Omaha Otoe Co.

May 1, 1860 - Henry C. Carpenter, assignee
Andrew Webb, Private, Capt. Dalton's Co. VA Militia War 1812
160 acres Omaha Nemaha Co.

Aug 1, 1860 – Benjamin Dorrough, assignee
John Webb Jr., Private, Capt. Lamar's Co., Alabama Militia, Cherokee Removal
160 acres Nebraska City Cass Co.

Aug 1, 1860 – John K. Ewing to Joseph A. Graves, assignee
Robert Webb, Private, Capt. Robertson's Co., Georgia Militia, Florida War
160 acres Nebraska City Cass Co.

Sept 1, 1868
Illinois Industrial Univ. by John M. Gregory and John W. Bunn to
Hiram P. Webb
160 acres Brownville Gage Co.

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Sept 1, 1868
Illinois Industrial Univ. to **Martha B. Webb**
160 acres Brownville Gage Co.

Sept 1, 1868
Illinois Industrial Univ. to **James Webb**
160 acres Brownville Gage Co.

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Illinois Industrial Univ. to **Joseph S. Webb**
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Dec 29, 1863 – **Sarah Webb** to Byron Reed, assignee
William Webb, Corp. in Capt. Myers Co., Maryland Militia, War 1812
89 acres Omaha Douglas Co.

Aug 20, 1869 – Thomas B. Sloss, assignee
William Webb, Private, Capt. King and Blood's Co., Massachusetts Militia, War 1812
160 acres Brownville Jefferson Co.

Sept 10, 1860 – Aaron Sunderland to John S. Stoner, assignee
Austin Webb, Private, Capt. Gilchrist's Co., Ohio Militia, War 1812
80 acres Omaha, Washington Co.

Sept 15, 1860, Daniel Tierney, assignee
James Webb, Teamster, Virginia Militia, War 1812
160 acres Brownville Pawnee Co.

Sept 10, 1860, **Benjamin F. Webb**, assignee
Jonathan B. Webb, Sergeant, **Capt. Webb's** Co., New York Militia, War 1812
120 acres Omaha Sarpy Co.

March 15, 1876, **Charles H. Webb**, assignee
Isaac Rogers, Lieut. Capt. Rogers Co., TN Militia, Creek War, 1836
160 acres Dakota City Knox Co.

Sept 15, 1860 – Mary Conklin to **Henry A. Webb**, assignee
 William Conklin, Private, Capt. Bach's Co. Ohio Militia, War 1812
 114 acres Brownville Richardson Co.

Sept 1, 1868
James Webb – State of PA
 160 acres Brownville Gage Co.

April 1, 1861 – **James Webb**, assignee
 Charles Rathbun, Private, Capt. Comstock's Co., NY Militia, War 1812
 160 acres Brownville Richardson Co.

May 1, 1861 – **James Webb**
 Joseph Cook, Teamster, NJ Militia, War 1812
 160 acres Brownville Richardson Co.

May 1, 1861 – Elizabeth Charles, widow to **James Webb**, assignee
 Henry F. Charles Private, Capt. Power's Co. VA Militia, War 1812
 160 acres Brownville Richardson Co.

Sept 1, 1868
Joseph S. Webb - State of PA
 160 acres Brownville Gage Co.

Sept 1, 1868
Joseph S. Webb - State of PA
 160 acres Brownville Gage Co.

Sept 1, 1868
Martha B. Webb – State of PA
 160 acres Brownville Gage Co.

Sept 1, 1866 – **Rene M. Webb**, assignee
 Whitson S. George, Teamster, US Quarter Masters Dept, War with Mexico
 160 acres Nebraska City Lancaster Co.

April 20, 1875 – **William R. Webb**, assignee
 Benjamin Stillman, Private, Revolutionary War
 160 acres Lowell Harlan Co.

North Dakota

Early History of North Dakota

Clement A. Lounsberry, 1919

During 1873 Northern Dakota was joined to the Northwest Iowa conference and was known as the Northern Pacific Mission. The **Rev. John Webb** regularly appointed by that conference as general missionary west of the Red River, Rev. Gurley retaining the work in Northern Minnesota. **Mr. Webb's** residence was at Fargo and his circuit comprised

the district in which now are situated the towns of Jamestown, Caledonia, Grand Forks and Abercrombie, but no churches were officially organized at any of these points at this date.

Church services during 1873 were regularly held at Fargo in what was known as Pinkham's Hall, located on the corner of Front and Fifth streets. **Rev. Mr. Webb** officiated when in Fargo, his place being supplied during his absence by Father Gurley or by services conducted by some of the laity...

During the spring and summer of 1875 the Fargo charge was one of a circuit as in former years, the **Rev. Mr. Webb** giving most of his time to this part of the work, but also laying such foundations throughout the territory as were afterward developed, largely through the instrumentality of the Fargo church.

In the fall of 1875 the Northwestern Iowa Conference established a district of Northern Dakota, calling it the Northern Pacific District. **Rev. Mr. Webb** was appointed presiding elder and Rev. J. T. Walker pastor at Fargo...

Some Webbs of Dickey Co. North Dakota

Young Township

"...Quite a lively little village grew up at the end of the track on the **Webb** property. **Mr. Webb** platted a townsite and held a sale of lots in 1892. Being a man of high principles and wishing to have a good clean town, Mr. Webb placed in his deeds clauses to the effect that there was to be no liquor dealing nor card playing on any of these properties. Merricourt never had an open saloon..."

"...**Mr. Walter Webb** took a large share in building up the village. He organized the Merricourt Grain & Produce Company, and had an interest in the hotel that was built on the northwest corner of the principal street crossing..."

"...**Mr. Webb** built the brick elevator in 1908..."

"...The first boy in Merricourt was the son of Louis Slosson, and **Mr. Webb** gave him a lot in town in honor of the event..."

"...**Walter Webb** added to his homestead and pre-emption holdings by purchase and built up a large farm. His son, **George T. Webb**, was a small boy when the family came to this county, and he used to picket the oxen on the prairie in the old days of breaking; his people had no horses until later times. **George Webb** secured his education at the University of Minnesota, graduating from the law school of that University. He practiced law in Ellendale and served as State's Attorney of Dickey County; later he took over the management of the large farm, making it a real plantation for the growing of grain and the raising and feeding of live-stock. The father and he took active part in the business life of the town, having an interest in the brick elevator, in mercantile enterprises, and in the bank. **Walter Webb** built a beautiful California bungalow in Ellendale and made his home there until his death in 1925. **George Webb** served on several important commissions in North Dakota, and was employed to market and State Bonds in 1922. From his acquaintance in the East he was employed by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineer's Bank in Cleveland, Ohio, soon rose to be its Vice-President, and has proved himself adept in the business life of that city and in New York. The former holdings of the Merricourt farm have been disposed of with the exception of the old family home in Merricourt, and **Mr. George Webb** still has a controlling interest in the Bank there."

Township of Potsdam

The directory of its land owners in 1886 gives the following names:

[Among many]

Wm Webb

R. W. Webb

"**Mr. Richard Webb** established his home on the southwest of Section 30 and built up a good sized farm. Later he removed his family to Ellendale where he gave his children **Arthur and Irene** a good education in the State Manual Training School. The home farm was operated for some years by the son, Arthur, an enterprising and well trained mechanic and business man who applied business principles to his farming. While not advertising any model farm he

maintained an excellent example of what good judgment, trained ability, and hard work could accomplish in making a real home and self-supporting business on the land. His wife was Florence Van Meter, who like her husband was trained in the technical knowledge of a Home Economics course at the State School. Mrs. Webb died in 1918 and few years after that the farm was sold and the family of Richard Webb, including Arthur and Irene located in California. The farm came back on default of payment but has been managed by local parties. Arthur Webb has found his technical training very useful in the new location..."

[Source: A History of Dickey County, North Dakota, 1930]

South Carolina

Webbs on the Roster of SC in the American Revolution

Andrew Webb

Served in the militia after the fall of Charleston.

Hendley Webb, [Handley]

Served in Capt. Sterling Turner's Co. of Volunteers on horseback. When his company was surrounded [in a house] by the enemy, most of his fellow comrades were killed. He was taken prisoner by the enemy.

Henry Webb

Served in the 2nd Reg. from 9 April, 1777 to 9 March, 1778 as a private. He served from 9 March, 1778 to 12 July, 1778 as a corporal. He served from 12 July, 1778 to 1 July, 1781 as a sergeant. At one point in the war, he was a prisoner and in 1782, he was in the militia.

Jerry Webb

In 1781, he served in the Light Dragoons under Capt. Philomen Waters, Lt. Col. John Thomas, Jr. and Gen. Sumter.

Jesse Webb

Served as a horseman in the Light Dragoons under Capt. Philomen Waters, Lt. Col. John Thomas Jr. and General Sumter.

John Webb

Enlisted on October 1775, volunteer company of militia under Capt. William Fullwood.

Moses Webb

Initially served in a Pennsylvania unit as a drummer. He was next in a North Carolina unit. He was in the battle at Kings Mountain, and later moved to Eutaw Springs and enlisted during November 1781 under Col. Maham and Capt McKelvey. [Moved to Tenn., Ky. And Ill.]

Stanley Webb

Served in Capt. Sterling Turner's militia, and escaped the assault of "Bloody Bill" Cunningham at Lexington.

Thodorock Webb

Served in the St. David's Parish Volunteer Company under Capt. Robert Lide during the year 1775. Source: Charles News, 19 March 1899.

[Source: Rosters of South Carolina Patriots in the American Revolution. Vol II, K-Z, Bobby Gilmer Moss, 1983]

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