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ALFORDS IN EARLY AMERICA

We home to be able to include an article in the next issue about our earliest American ancestors, with special emphasis on those in New England influence they had on later generations. PLEASE send us all the information you have on those Alfords that were in Massachusetts and surrounding areas, particularly before 1700.

ALFS LINEAGE '

In the next issue we plan to show a simple lineage table for all of the Alfs. On just about two lines we will show each person Alford lineage to the extent that we know it. If you have not sent us complete pedigree charts you should do so, for that is the source of our information.

LOOK AT LODWICK

In the last issue we said that you would need to get your information about Lodwick [Lodowick] in here before the end of December. Thanks to those who have sent information, but others must have something to send. Our next publication will be in April so you still have time, but try to make it by February 15.

FYPANDED NEWSLETTER

The next issue, planned for publication about April 1. will be about twice the size of this issue.

LINEAGE CORRECTION

In the previous issue I gave you my lineage with a comment that it contained some holes. Well the holes were pretty deep. Here is the corrected lineage. I am with holding judgement on the lineage prior to Julius until more facts are available: JULIUS b Sep 1717 New Kent Co VA. m. Lucy: JACOB b 1761 NC. m. Frankie Seaborn, JOHN SEABORN b Oct 11 1807 MS/LA, m. 1834 Margaret Brusfield, JEPTHA MARTIN, b Jul 22 1862 Washington Parish LA, m. 2) Laura Jame Warner May 12 1897, GILBERT K. SR. b. Nov 9 1901 Washinton Parish LA, m. Mattie Inez Newson May 26 1924.

OMITTED ANCESTRAL TABLE

Because of the space required to print our list of John Alfords we did not have room for the Ancestral table this issue. It will return next time.

SPECIAL THANKS

Most of you have sent us some information/data on your Alford line, and in some cases a few pages on other Alfords, and we thank you for it. There are a few who who have sent massive amounts of information and for which we are most appreciative. Our thanks go to:

> Katherine Black Mrs. Lewis Bowean Deena Cross Ranelle Foster Joy Laney Mrs. Lucille Mehrkae Pat Smith (a close MS cousin)

ALFORD EXCHANGE

2-1 JOHN REDDIN ALFORD

I am stuck on Reddin Alford (John Reddin Alford), as I can't seem to locate him in the census of Alabama. I don't know what county he lived in, so I have checked several, with no luck. He was born 1820 and died Aug 21 1895 and married Nancy Harrison. His son Hurst Justice Alford was born June 23 1852 in Hilam Co Texas. by Rose Alford Shelton

2-2 LEANDER ALFORD

The Alford family moved to Arkansas around 1830 from what I have found. I have not been able to find anything about them before their move to Arkansas. Henry Thomas Alford son of Leander Alford was born Dec 25 1848 at Social Hill, Arkansas. Leander was born Har 8 1819 in Kentucky, married Har 8 1844 to Nancy A. Davis who was born in Virginia. They are buried in the Alford cemetery in Social Hill Ar. by Jacqueline Alford

2-3 REV. JOHN MADISON ALFORD

Ne believe his father to be John Alford born about 1805 in North Carolina, but none of us have been able to confirm this. Rev. Alford was born Aug 7 1826 in Georgia and died Mar 29 1892 in Mississippi. He married (1) _____ Rainey and (2) Sarah Frances Cooper. by Peggy Alford Schaster

2-4 ELIJAH ALFORD

Elijah Alford was born 1793 in New York and sarried Sarah Nekerbacher who was born in Pennsylvania. Their son George M. Alford was born 1833 in Ontario Canada. Need sore information on Elijah Alford by R. A. Alford

2-5 NANCY PATIENCE ALFORD

Nancy Patience Alford married John Henry Stokes in Virginia. Their daughter Martha Stokes was born March 4 1787 in North Carolina. Their line relates to the Bowling Family. Desperately need information on Patience Alford by Mary Louise Reymolds

2-6 ROBERT E. ALFORD

Robert E. Alford was sarried to Sarah Lane on October 23 1866 and he died in Blount Co TN February 28-1886. They had a daughter, Laura Edith Alford who also died in Blount Co. Need sore information Robert Alford and information on his parents. by Bale Best

2-7 JOHN ALFORD

John Alford was born ca 1787 in North Carolina and died between 1860-1870 in Carroll Co Arkansas. He married Jame McElhattan. They had a son John M. Alford born 1821 in Knox Co TN. Meed more information on John Alford born ca 1787 and information on his parents. by Bazel Rea

2-8 PLEASANT M. ALFORD

As you can see from the chart Pleasant M. Alford is the earliest one I can prove. I haven't been able to find anyone who is working on this same line. Pleasant M. Alford was born ca 1810 in Alabama and married Lavina Sandin January 25 1838. He died after 1880. Need more information on Pleasant Alford and any information on his parents. by Mrs. James (Betty) Bietz

2-9 MICHAEL ALFORD Hugh Alford was born 1798 in Pennsylvania and earried Martha Weller about 1823 in Beaver Co PA. He died after 1850 and lived in Beaver county and Lawrence

county. Michael Alford and Martha McCready were the parents of Hugh Alford. Meed information on Michael Alford by John & Janet Martley

2-10 THOMAS ANDREW ALFORD

Thomas Andrew Alford was born Dec 22 1878 at McCrae Arkansas. He married about 1897 Lola Robison and he died in Poplar Bluff Missouri February 26 1954. We think the father of Thomas Alford was Jack Alford but that is all we have. Need help on Thomas Andrew Alford and Jack Alford. by Jadi Hogan

2-11 WINFIELD ALFORD

Winfield Alford was my greatgrand father. His father was Isaac Alford who died near Bellville Texas. I don't have Isaac Alford's wife's name, but Winfield Alford married Eliza Derrington from TN. Need information on Winfield, his father and thier wives. by Thelma Beadrick

EXCHANGE EXPLAINED

This part of the newsletter, ALFORD EXCHANGE, is what our entire project is about. The rest of the newsletter is just a means of communicating about related subject matter. Simply stated our project is this: You give us ALL of the Alford data you have (we don't need this for our own lineage, but as a source to help you), and we record and file the data so that it is accessible. When one of you needs to know something about an Alford, you give us an indication what you are looking for and we will provide you the answer if it is in our file, if not then we will publish it in the newsletter. We will not be publishing information on those cases where we are able to assist an Alf from our data base. I would like to tell you about the most recent example though so you can see how it works.

We recently bought an Alford surname list (see article elsewhere about the need for expansion) looking for more ALFS. On December 4 we wrote to all the people listed and sent them our standard initial inquiry with blank pedigree form. On December 22 we received a response from a fellow who gave us data on his Alford line as well as his own surname line. In the meantime Mrs. Bowman, who used to publish the ALFORD FAMILY BULLETIN, gave us the name and address of about 20 people who had contacted her recently. We wrote to all of them December 30 and got our first response January 3. The lady said "Nancy Melvina Alford is believed to be the daughter of John F. Alford and Charlotte Raymer. He may have been born in Warren Co., Ky, and she in Butler Co., KY. Mrs. Bowman recently wrote and gave me this information: John Franklin Alford b. c 1828 Ohio, KY died 12 Dec 1911 Ohio Co., KY s/o William Alford and Ellzabeth (Penner) ad. c 1850 Charlotte Raymer. Do your records show where John and Charlotte were married? Anything else on William? I would be interested in anything you have on this line—brothers, sisters, etc." From the data received on December 22 we were able to answer her question and then some. We introduced them to each other, by mail, as they have two very recent lines in common. We say all this to ask you to:

- 1 TELL US WHAT ALFORD DATA YOU NEED!
- 2 SEND US ALL THE INFORMATION YOU HAVE ON ALFORD!

PEDIGREE POTPOURRI

- 2-11 Isagine what a surprise it was to receive a letter from a Gilbert Alford when I have a younger brother (age 75 this sonth) Gilbert Alford living in Horry County (ay native home) S. C. Anyway I was glad to get your letter. Since 1966 I have been trying to locate the date of birth and where born of ay Great Great Grandfather Arthur Alford, Sr. and his wife Clarky. The first data I have on Arthur Alford, Sr. is a deed recorded in the Horry County SC courthouse, on June 3 1803...... I am sending you a manuscript listing the direct descendants of Arthur Alford, Sr. through ay generation. Arthur Alford died 1827 or 28, Arthur Alford, Jr. born 1802, died 1883, Harrison Alford born April 30 1843, died Aug 30 1902, Joseph Whiteford Alford born May 31 1877, died May 17 1940. In addition to his family data he sent several pages of copies of other Alford information. by Nr. L. E. Alford
- 2-12 I's enclosing sy family sheets and sy pedigree chart...... I had started from scratch on all sy family lines and sostly what I have is from family records. I do have some documentation now so what I have sent you is correct and documented......Michael Alford sarried in Ireland died Beaver Co Pa 1799/1800, John A. Alford, born 1790/1 at sea died June 2, 1877 in Laurence Co PA., Thomas J. Alford born Beaver Co PA Nov 15 1827, Franklin P. Alford, born May 14 1856 Lawrence Co PA, Francis Floyd Alford, born Mar 15 1893 Lawrence Co PA, Edna Jean Alford born Dec 1 1929 Lawrence Co PA, by Edna Jean Meade
- I am glad someone has put the Alford faeily on computer. I am enclosing a copy of my files on Alford's. Any help on my family will be appreciated as this is my problem ancestor. LINEAGE = William B. Alford born 1808 in SC married Nov 10 1840 Monroe Co AL, John Peachman Alford born Sep 12 1841 Monroe Co AL died Apr 27 1913 Montgomery Co TX., Margaret G. Alford Briers born March 9 1877 Waller Co TX and died Feb 6 1960, Lela M. Briers Clepper born Apr 9 1903 Waller TX, Violet Lucille Clepper Mehrkam. This lady sent me a big 3-ring loose leaf notebook (2 1/2 inch thick) packed with data on Alford. It was her only copy and she trusted as to copy what we wanted and return it. He are deeply indebted to her for this. He also have concluded that she was one of the main contributors to the "Alford family Bulletin". by Mrs Moodrom (lucille) Nehrkam.
- 2-14 I have only been researching by Alford line 18 bonths or so..... Yes, count me in as a supporter of your such needed Alford Clearing Center. His line: Jacob Alford born Va 1726 sarried Nancy Hunter 1779, Charles Alford born 1779, David Alford born 1827 KY sarried Nartha Royalton, Struther Cook Alford born 1860 Lincoln Co KY sarried Clara Dishon 1893, Stella Mae Alford Miller born Jan 9 1902 Lincoln Co KY, Elser K. Miller born 1925 Dayton OH. Be sent a bundle of data on Alfords in Missouri, by Mr. Elser Miller
- 2-15 I read your letter of Sept 9 with great interest. As a fellow anateur genealogist, I envy your computer and your project. However, I have a big problem with the quantity of data that I have collected on ALFORD in about 10 years of research. Rod, I think the computer is the only way to handle large volume of data. (He sent as copies of a lot of the data) But, no indication as to what help he needs. I have no Roots Cellar data, but I have written all southern Alford lines advertised in "The Helper" since 1976. by Hr. Rod Bash

- 2-18 I'd be delighted to help you with your project. It sounds like a lot of fun. I am enclosing my pedigree chart and "The Alford Family Tree" in my possession. These are the addresses of people I've corresponded with on the name ALFORD. She sent about 35 pages of single spaced information on legal size paper. Later: Thank you for all you've sent so far. Someday we hope to have our own home computer. My husband is a computer operator. Her line includes John Alford b 1763 in Mythe Co. VA. n. Eleanor Hoge. Johns parents were Thomas Alford and Hary and Thomas was probably the son of John Alford who died ca 1747. Who can help Beena? by Beena Cross
- 2-19 I have been negligent in not answering your letters, particularly the very long job on Computers in general. Then, your letter on "look before you leap" arrived too late as I had already purchased the Radio Shack Hodel III with two disks and the Daisy Wheel letter quality printer.....I am intrigued by the Hugh Edwin Alford data you describe. I have not seen it and if you would send it to me, I would look it over and perhaps copy and then return your material. You ought to seen the bandle of pedigree paper that Bave turns out with that new computer. Be sent me his line and it looks like the phone book. by Bavid Price
- 2-20 Thank you so such for your very interesting letter. Unfortunately I was unable to tie our lines together, but I'm sending what I have on the ALFORD family. Our Alford family isn't very extensive as you can see....There are times I wish I had a computer for all the material I have with my Genealogy. I'm still fairly new at the hobby but have a great deal of material. This line goes back to England and we need information on MILLIAM ALFORD who married Jame Goldsborough. They probably were of Nottingham ca 1846, place and date of the birth of their son JOHN ALFORD. by Gerry Showalter
- 2-21 Your letter of 9 September was a pleasant surprise. It appears you are off to a good start and I hope you enjoy the genealogy hobby as such as my wife Mary and I have, but less the frustrations. Between the two of us we have researched 32 surnames of ancestors, traveled many miles, formed a family association, spent a lot of money, met many distant kin and made many friendships. I only regret I don't have more to offer you on the Alfords. You did just fine with what you sent. The last ALFORD in my line was my great grandmother Susan who married a Adams. A family group record is enclosed for Susan, also a record on her father Nathanial Green Alford, and her grandfather Lodwick Alford. by Charles Sleight
- 2-22 I was very interested in your letter outlining your new computer genealogy work..... I have filled out the Family Pedigree Chart you sent (and sent you one of mine since it is in my husband's line the ALFORDS appear.) Joseph David Alford, b. Nay 6 1842, d. April 8 1910, buried Samyer, OK, resided in Choctaw, Co. OK. by Lee Ann Tarner

JOHN ALFORDS

In the previous issue we told you of plans to publish data on all the JOSH ALFORDS we could find and asked your help in collecting John data. We thank those of you who sent information in response to our request. There are nearly 300 Johns listed on the next three pages.

We thought this John exercise would serve several purposes:

- a. Collect and distribute information on the most popular male name, information the we hoped would be useful to the greatest number of ALFS.
 - b. Introduce you to the output format of our data bank.
 - c. Provide you a framework on which to improve and enlarge our data base.
- d. Motivate you to participate more actively in the Alford Exchange by giving you a specific, but small way to become directly involved with the project.

Thus far we seem to be on target in meeting our objectives, but the final results are not in. You need to review this list, and if appropriate respond. If you note any entries that need deleted, changed or whatever let us know. We have reviewed the list and edited it many times trying to eliminate the duplicates and obvious errors.

The list does require some explanation:

NAME All of the entries are John Alfords and their middle initial or name has no bearing on the sequence. We used all of the name furnished us.

BORN YMD All of the entries are arranged in order of the birth date (as we have explained to some of you before, our data bank dates are expressed in year, month and day). Many entries did not have a birth date, and since it was essential to our sequencing, we estimated dates where necessary. Our estimates are shown with the year followed by "E". Our estimate, though far from accurate, probably is good within 25 years in 95% of the cases. The symbol < with a date means before the year shown and > means after the year shown. In one case there is a (C) before a birthdate and that denotes a christening date.

WHERE BORN In most instances these entries show the state or country and the county, maybe city, where the person was born. In some instances the place if birth was not known but you needed something to show the basis of our entry. Parenthetical notations in this column mean: land grant or deed, person was present there at that time, or N = census, pen = pension, and tax = tax list.

SPOUSE If known they are listed last name first, and if there was more than one marriage, the marriages are sequenced in order and numbered after the name of the spouse.

MARD YMD, WHERE MARRIED AMD DIED YMD are similar to the born entries. (a small w in DIED YMD col means date of will)

PARENTS The father is always listed first and his last name, not shown, is always ALFORD. The mothers name follows and if known and space was available her maiden name is also given.

NOTICE! We are expecting most of you to have some change or addition to make to this list. Most Alfs have a John some where in their ancestry, and this list is obviously far from complete and accurate.

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