The Adams Family

Levi Finch and Hulda Adams Their Descendants



PREFACE

The idea of holding an Annual Adams reunion originated in the minds of Mrs. Clyde Dewey, Mrs. Dee Watson and Mrs. Maude Gardner Niver, deceased, some twenty-five years ago. This was a very commendable gesture; the reunions have taken place each year since and we hope they may continue.

Considerable time and labor is required in compiling even a brief history and Mrs. Dewey has given generously of both, which can only help to perpetuate her memory.

The sketch has been compiled in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the Adams reunion and we dedicate this to our progeny.

While the older members of this family have long since passed to their reward, it is earnestly hoped that as generations come and go sufficient interest may be aroused among them to keep this history up-to-date down through the ages.

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-By H. L. Corzette.

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The original Welsh name of Ap Adams came into disuse in England about the middle of the 15th century, having been anglicized to Adams preserving the same signification, viz: Son of Adam or Adam's Son.

COAT OF ARMS

Arms of John, Lord Ap Aadms, of England, who was summoned to Parliment as a Baron of the Realm from 1296 to 1307 and from whom, it is believed, the Adams of New England descended.

Adams Family

We traced our lineal decent of the ADAMS family back to George Adams, the Glover, of Watertown, Mass., before 1645, removed to Lexington in 1664. He had a son, Sergeant Daniel Adams, baptized (Adult) Jan. 16, 1697, or 8 and admitted to the Simsbury church in 1698. He died Nov. 7, 1713. He married Mary Pinney, daughter of Humphrey and Mary Hull Pinney, Sept. 20, 1677. (Mary Hull's father was an immigrant ancestor). Daniel and Mary Adams had a son, Ephriam, baptized May 25, 1701. He married Ruth Beaman, May 5, 1726, and they had a son, Ephriam, Jr., born Nov. 20, 1727, in Simsbury, Conn., and married to Sarah Granger, Dec. 5, 1751. Sarah Granger was born in 1731. Ephriam, Jr. served his country in the Revolutionary War. He was a private in the Conn. Militia. Their son was the Honorable Levi Adams, born in Simsbury, Conn., Dec. 30, 1763, and died in Martinsburg, N. Y., June 18, 1831. At the age of 17, he enlisted in Sheldon's Light Dragoons. His honorable discharge, for over three years service, was signed by Geo. Washington. He was five feet, 8 1½ inches tall, light complexion, brown hair and blue eyes. He was a farmer by occupation and was sent to the Senate from his district for two different terms. He married Mercy Finch in 1787, who died leaving him one son, Levi Finch Adams, born Mar. 19, 1788. He married Ruth Stevens for his second wife, and they had twelve children, but we are only interested in the first son, Levi Finch Adams, who is our paternal grandfather, and who married Hulda Swartwout April 5, 1818. He died Oct. 26, 1855, and is buried in Judson Hill Cemetery, Wells Township, Pa.

Levi Adams, our paternal grandfather, was a school master by profession, but during certain seasons he became associated with Barnardus Swartwout, a prosperous merchant of New York, and a man of wealth and influence, the maiden name of whose wife was Cornelia Richards. This family consisted of several daughters, the name of one being Hulda, Levi became interested in Hulda and they were married April 5, 1818, and from this alliance 12 children were born:

Levi Adams Born Feb. 18, 1819
Sarah Adams Born Nov. 16, 1820
Seymour Adams Born April 1, 1822
Oliver Adams Born July 24, 1824
Lovisa Adams Born Aug. 23, 1826
Hannah Adams Born May 8, 1828
Hulda Adams Born June 6, 1830
Mary Adams Born Jan. 12, 1832
Robert Adams Born Nov. 30, 1832
Julia Adams Born Sept. 2, 1834
Caroline Adams Born June 8, 1936
Mercy Adams Born Sept. 3, 1838

It is interesting to note that two of these children. Robert and Hulda, lived to attend several of our annual reunions.

LEVI AND HULDA ADAMS By H. L. Corzette

Shortly after their marriage, Levi and Hulda settled on what is known as Judson Hill, Wells Township, Penna. A family altar was at once established and a Christian and God fearing atmosphere prevailed continuously, which has reflected itself in no small measure in their lineal descendants. The children were reared to manhood and womanhood in this same home. The homestead is located on rather high rolling ground, commands a pleasing view and at this date is in a very good state of preservation.

Within easy walking distance stands the old Judson Hill church, where this family worshipped, and directly across the way is the cemetery where the father has rested since 1855 and the mother since 1864.

In those days means of travel and communication were limited and hardships were numerous. Such things as automobiles, radios, telephones, and the many eelctrical appliances which we have today were not even dreamed of. However, they carried on and with the revenue derived from his teaching school and other commodities which the farm produced they were able to keep the family fed and clothed in a manner commensurate with those days. The family developed into honorable and upright citizens, they have been prolilfic and their progeny is scattered over the entire United States.

Several of the male members of this family served their country with honor during the Civil War. It is impossible for the writer to enumerate the male descendants of this family who served their country during our recent great war, but it is a well known fact that they were many.

Referring again to the old homestead, an incident which stands out as a bright and shining light in my memory occurred in the late summer of 1892, when a number of the elder sisters visited the old home, which was occupied at that time. The writer was present because his mother was one of the party. Eyes were filled with tears as they walked over the grounds, inspected the home and lived once again the days of their youth. Being a lad, I was not able to see the sentimental side of the picture as I do today. The orchard in which they played and gathered fruit in childhood was still fluorishing and water from the old well seemed as pure and cool as ever. The house is standing today in almost its original form, few alterations having been made.

It is regretable that the last resting place of Seymour Adams has never been definitely established.

A marker in the old Judson Hill cemetery tells us that during an epidemic of diphtheria in the spring of 1852, Mary Schofield lost two children on the same day.

While no attempt has been made to delve into the family history beyond Levi Adams, nevertheless we have ample proof that he was a cousin of John Quincy Adams, sixth President of the U. S., who was the son of John Adams, second President of the U. S., and they attended the same college together.

THE ANCESTRY OF HULDA SWARTWOUT ADAMS—Our Maternal Grandmother

The Prince of Orange, who later became King of Holland, had a son named Wolpert. This son had a daughter named Anneke Jans, who, with her first husband, came to America in 1620. For her second husband, she married the Rev. Everardus Bogardus in 1638. He died in 1663. They had a daughter, Annetta, who married Jacob Brower, and they, in time, had a son, Jacob, Jr., who married and had a son, Nicholas. He had a son named Hazareth, who married Anna Rozell. Their son, Cornelius, was born Nov. 9, 1730, and married Mary Archer. They had a daughter, Mary Brower, born Aug. 24, 1761. She died Jan. 23, 1827. She maried Barnardus Swartwout April 25, 1778. Barnardus Swartwout was born Sept. 26, 1761 and died Oct. 8, 1824. A son, Robert, was born Jan. 16, 1779, and died June 19, 1840. He married Sarah Cornelia Richards, who was born June 4, 1781, died Sept. 4, 1843. They were married Nov. 1, 1798 and, from this union on Aug. 25, 1800, was born a daughter named Hulda. She was our maternal grandmother, having married Levi Finch Adams April 5, 1818. She died May 20, 1864, and is buried beside her husband, Levi, in Judson Hill Cemetery, Wells Township, Penna.

The FIRST child of Levi and Hulda Adams was Levi, born Feb. 18, 1819, who married Eunice Sturdevant, and their children are as follows:

Levi Adams, 3rd

was killed in Civil War. Not married.

	Delano married Lillian Wilson	Frances married John Neville	Sylvia Ann
Francis married Hattie Gary	Bertha married Wm. B. Dennis	Rena married Grant Fivie Scott married Dorothy Andrus	
		Donald married Fay Lane	Douglass Scott Donna Fay
		Bertha married LaRue Antes	Myrtle Louise
		Frederick	
	Satie married Murray White	Charles	

Frank

Theodore



Children of Levi Adams and Eunice Sturdevant-Continued

ALLIUI	Waller	Lugene
married	married	Robert Walter
Lena Daniels	Ann Tone	Norma Jane
	Lester	
	married	Bruce
	Mabel—?	
	Clifford	
2nd wife	ł	1
Lois C. Lain	no children	1
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married	Jervis	
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Children of Levi and Eunice Sturdevant-Continued



married Vincent Clarence Eaton

Cameron married no children Florence Updike

Maria **Katherine** Sarah married married married Palmer Bryant Charles Corzette Wilson Ross Henry L. married John Bertram Belle Graham Helen Louise Florence Uatherine married married 1. Linas Leebody Charles Sherman 2. Delbert Beans Ernest Fleet Boyd Fleet married married Shirley Ann Minta French Hattie Kerwin Viola 2nd husband Verna married married Walter Gilbert Searles Harrison Belnap Walter Roundsville Mildred married Walter Fred Warriner Carlton never married Lettie married Rowland Rowley Ruth

SECOND child of Levi and Hulda Adams was Sarah, Born Nov. 16, 1820

married Jean n Wallen Wight Jom James Sullivan Edward

Hattie never married

THIRD child of Levi and Hulda Adams was SEYMOUR, born April 1, 1822, married Marcelia Menough, and their children are as follows:

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Emma		Bert
married		
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Kit

Levi

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FCURTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was OLIVER, born July 24, 1824, who married Lucy Stafford and whose children are as follows:

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Will

married	Oliver-never married
May Cook	

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Emmet—never married

John-never married

Josephine married Ed. Gardner	George married Hattie Cooper	- 2	Lenore Emma Maud Marie married Alton Cochrs	Lois Joan Ruth Lenore
	•	9	Gerald Victor	
		4	George Harold Jr.	net Schade
	Will	4	Hazel	
	married	ĺ	married	
	first—		Elary Polland	
	Ann Redding			
	second—	[
	Lila Lee			
	Maud	Í	Theodore	1
	married		married—?	2 children
	Clay Niver	ĺ	Richard	

Orr-never married

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| not married Carrie Edna Earl Lee married Bert Smith Floyd Virginia Ann married Beatrice Luding-| Francis Arlene ton Carrie married Frank Davis Uriah Nellie married married Betzy Ann Dee Watson Wheeler

FIFTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was LOVISA, born Aug. 23 1826, who married Alvin Palmer and their children are as follows:



	Donald
Jennie married Myron Webster	Marshall m Kathaleen Dewey
Glenn	Arthur Eugene
Florence Tice Clarence	
married Helen Smith	no children

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FIFTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was LOVISA, born Aug. 23 1826, who married Alvin Palmer, and their children are as follows:

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Jim Ruth Mazie Marguerite Mazie married no children Arthur Schade Daisy **Frederick Palmer** married Warner Howard Fred Fellows Steven Gillard Charlotte Marned Shencey June Henry Smith

SIXTH Child of Levi and Hulda Adams was HANNA H.—born May 8, 1828— Married Joseph Sturdevant. They had FOUR Children:



SEVENTH Child of Levi and Hulda Adams was HULDA-born June 6, 1830-

married

1st—Hebron Palmer—Killed in Civil War 2nd—Sylvester Kendall.

Florence

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EIGHTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was MARY, born Jan. 12, 1832, married

J. J. Schofield. They had three children as follows:

Grace married	Harry, deceased		
Lem H. Hortma	Rov		
	Grace	Lowell Dale	
	married	married	
	Asa B. Cobb	Helen Mitchell	
		Vivian Irene	Juanita
		married	Jack, Jr.
		Jack Beggs	Ruth
		Freeman	1
		married	Constance LeVay
		Beth Bush	
		Dorothy Lucille	• ·
		Garland Jay	
Ella	Martin		
married	Mary Louella	1	
Franklin P. Kei	married	Ella Maxine	
ter	Deward A. Sea-	1	
	man		
	Alma Vera	3	
	married	Franklin	
	Charles F. Wool	- Jack Merrick	
	sey	Phyllis	
	Glenn		

married Arline Angeline Goeb Cleone Jessie May (died in infancy) Wesley Ray (died in infancy) Alta (died in infancy) Bertie (died in infancy)

Nellie (Adopted daughter)

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The NINTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was ROBERT, born Nov. 30, 1832, who married Mary Mericle and their children are as follows:

	Walter	
	married	
	Jennie Belmont	
	Pearl Zeta	Duth M. married Course II Allow In
		Ruth M. married George H. Allen, Jr.
	married	Jean Esther
	Earle E. Mosier	Erla Lee
		Hattie Mae in Ernest sullation
	Verum	Jerome
	married	Lucille
	Charlotte Corn-	
	ish	Louise
		Betty June
Floyd		Betty June
married	Lura	
Hattie Woodford		
	Rexford	х.
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	Nettie	
	married	
	Henry Lacey	
	Floyd	Rexford Eugene
	married	Anita Marie
	Neva Andrus	Delores Arline
	Austin	
	married	
	Alice Cleveland	
	Herbert in	eore andres I modeline
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Fred	1	
married		
Emma Rowen		

Frank married Lydia Wismer MaryRobert J.marriedJohnWilliam KehoeMarian Lydia

RobertEva BellHarrietmarriedLoisGeorge PitchfordRuth

Robert HarrisonmarriedRobertMable OlsonRichard

Willard Franklin | Evabell married Willard, Jr. Alice Milne Betty Jo Marcella Mae Dorothy The NINTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was ROBERT, born Nov. 30, 1832,

who married Mary Mericle and their children are as follows:

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	Carol Marcella	I	
	married	Lois Howe	
	William L. And-	William, Jr.	
	erson	Robert	
	Floyd Jerome	Margaret Lydia	
	narried	Robert Franklin	
Frank	Margaret Milne	Dorothy Jean	
married	Mai Baxet Minite	George Frederick	
Lydia Wismer		George Frederick	
	Dorothy Elinor		
	narried		
	Philip Koerber		
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	Grace Katherine	John	
	married	Doris	
	Earl Hadley	Robert Hadly	
	Mabel Lydia		
Fletcher	1		
married			
Ida Bates			
Clayton			•
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Milton			
married	Truman		· · · ·
Jennie Rutan			
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Alice	Nina married M	no Adams	14715 182 PLACE SE

RENTON, WASH. married Alton Earle Herbert Stevens 98055 Lysle Hattie married James Hamilton HEAU MARINE Stevent Judy LYNN Stowest - Gary - M. JOAN SCHAD Robert - MARINE Jean - M. JOAN SCHAD CHILDREN Jeffrey B. 12:55 Jeffrey B. 12:55 Kyle B. 5.17 Lances Lances Robert PFAU Eva Charles Grace Ferris Report Noy -> M. MIKE SCULLY

married

The TENTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was JULIA, born Sept. 2, 1834, who married William Frost, and their child was:

Myrtle

The ELEVENTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was CAROLINE, born June 8. 1836, who married Henry Rozell and their children are as follows:

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TWELFTH child of Levi and Hulda Adams was

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Mercy-Born Sept. 3, 1838.

Married

George Corzette First, and their children as follows:

1st—Ray married Augusta Kliest	1st—Zerlita married Clyde Dewey	Charles Eugene	
	2nd—Mabel married first— Emmett Lawless	1 Cozette married Leroy Brinken- dorf 2 Roberta married Adam Baker	
	second— Clay Weathers	1 Leland	
	3rd—Anita married Martin Little	Eugene married Naomi Murphy 2 Jack 3 Ralph	Beverly - Balan-
	4th—Erma married John Berg		
Lillian			
Rosie			
Elmer			

Archie

Samuel Williamson Second—no children.