

Eller Genealogy

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and differs considerably from the Eller Genealogy from other research. It intermingles as Christian Eller families people we believe are from both the George Michael and Christian lines. The author is shown as Dennis Partridge. We have re-formatted his information to better track the data he provides. HWP

The Eller estates in Germany were located near Dusseldorf and Elberfeld and are now marked by the village of Eller a few miles south and east of Dusseldorf. Some of the family migrated further south to the Mosel River where another village of Eller is situated.

In 1727 Elias Eller founded the Ellerian Sect in Elberfeld. After a turbulent beginning he and his followers, who called themselves Zionites and believed in the Millennium, founded the now prosperous town of Ronsdorf. He died in 1750, after which the sect rapidly disintegrated and became extinct.

The Eller immigrants to America landed in Philadelphia between 1740 and 1747. They lived for a few years in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, after which Jacob, Christian and Melchoir moved to Rowan County, North Carolina. They were educated men and devout Christians. They joined the McNiels and Vannoys with which families the direct ancestors of Virginia Eller intermarried, to establish the Baptist Church in the rugged mountain districts of western North Carolina. George Eller, Virginia's great great grandfather, became a Baptist Minister under the leadership of another great great grandfather, [Rev. George McNiel](#), a member of a distinguished Scottish family of the same name.

Rev. McNiel founded many Baptist Churches on the Yadkin River before the Revolution and in 1786 established the Yadkin Association and became its Moderator. Together with his brothers John and Thomas McNiel he emigrated to North Carolina from Glasgow, Scotland, before 170. Tradition says that he was educated as a Presbyterian, but changed to the Baptist faith after his arrival in North Carolina and Lower Virginia where he was contemporary with the Murphey brothers and John Gano. He is accredited as the pioneer in the establishment of the Baptist Church in Western North Carolina. The church commemorated the one hundredth anniversary of his death in 1905 and erected a permanent memorial at his grave. His son James McNiel married Mary Sheppard and to this union a daughter, [Fanny McNiel](#), was born who married Simeon Eller.

The Eller line runs from Christian to Rev. George, to John, to Simeon, to Harvey, to Virginia the subject of this sketch. The name of Rev. George Eller's wife was Christina Buhlen or Bullen. John's wife was Susannah Kerns of Holland Dutch ancestry; Simeon married Fanny McNiel; and Harvey married Mary Caroline, daughter of Jesse and grand daughter of Nathaniel Vannoy.

The direct ancestors of both James and Virginia for the most part were farmers with a good many preachers and a few country merchants sprinkled in. Even some of the preachers, and all of the merchants, were farmers as well. All of them were men and women of character, highly respected by their neighbors, and identified with the best movements in the communities where they lived. As one goes through the old records one finds them establishing churches and schools, donating money or its equivalent for deserving enterprises, acting upon important committees, and signing petitions for worthy causes. They are also found in positions of trust, on school boards, in county offices. and in various appointive posts.

Some members of the family seem to have been among the first to accept the teachings of the Reformation. Some were followers of Kaspar Schwenkfeldt and remained loyal to the Schwenkfeldian faith to the end. The Dusseldorf family for the most part were Lutheran, but when the Dunkard faith was organized in 1708 many joined and underwent the persecution that destroyed the sect in Germany and forced a nucleus of the more ardent members to emigrate to America and reestablish their church on the free soil of Pennsylvania.

It is said that the Eller emigrants to America between 1740 and 1750 were Dunkards, or descendants of that faith. They were, indeed, non-Lutheran Protestants who accepted the Baptist Church after their settlement in America. They may have been Dunkards, but it is more probable that they were Ronsdorfers, a sect founded by Elias Eller of Elberfeld in 1727. The disciples of this sect underwent the usual persecution meted out to nonconformists and in 1737 sought isolation on the estate of one of their comrades about thirty miles east of Dusseldorf. Here they founded the now prosperous town of Ronsdorf and initiated some of the industries for which the city to-day is well known.

The Ronsdorf sect believed in the millennium, but due to the intolerance of strong contemporary religious belief it met with vigorous persecution and scarcely survived its founder, who died in 1750. Many of its members came to America between 1737 and 1750, and settled in Pennsylvania, and among them, no doubt, were the Eller immigrants, the ancestors of the early Eller families of North Carolina.

It is to be regretted that these early Ellers failed to leave a written record of their families, thus requiring the present generation of descendants to depend upon tradition and county records for a history of their ancestors. Fortunately, in most cases, records and traditions confirm each other, but dates in many cases are lacking and are, perhaps, lost forever.

Tradition, which is well borne out by county records, says that the early Eller family of North Carolina was founded by Jacob, Christian and Melchoir Eller, who left their homes near Dusseldorf, Germany, between 1745 and 1750 and emigrated to the State of Pennsylvania, where a brother, George, and other Eller kin had settled some years previously. Importation records help to bear out this tradition. The published list of foreigners in Pennsylvania who took the oath of allegiance gives the names of George Eller and Christian Eller, both from Rotterdam, the former landing in Philadelphia from the ship

"St. Andrew," October 7, 1743, and the latter landing also in Philadelphia from the ship "Restauration," October 9, 1747. No importation records are found of Jacob or Melchoir Eller, but a record of Henry Eller, landing October 25, 1747, and Michael and Johan George, landing in 1743, and 1740, respectively, are given. Other Ellers landed after 1760.

Tradition also states that Jacob, Christian, Melchoir, George and Henry were brothers; that the first three named, after living in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, for a few years, joined the great migration that was pouring down the Shenandoah Valley into Western North Carolina and settled in Rowan County on the grants of the Earl of Granville to Governor Dobbs, about 1754. The brothers George and Henry remained in Pennsylvania and raised families, some sons of which engaged in the struggle for independence and later settled in Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina. A Peter Eller, who was living in Wilkes County, with a large family, in 1790, seems to have come from Pennsylvania and to have been granted land in both Wilkes and Rowan Counties. He disposed of his property in Wilkes County and returned to Rowan County in 1795.

Jacob Eller₁

Jacob Eller, who died in 1782, in Rowan County, North Carolina, was the eldest brother, and married twice. His first wife was Eve Gitchey, daughter of John and Christina Gitchey (see Will of John Gitchey on file in Rowan County, N. C.), whom he married in Pennsylvania, and who bore him sons and daughters as follows: (1) Jacob, who moved to Eastern Tennessee and raised a family; (2) Joseph, a Revolutionary War soldier, who moved to Eastern Tennessee, married, and of issue had a son, John; (3) Henry, who died in Rowan County in 1822; (4) Christian, who reared a family in Rowan County; (5) John Melchoir, a Revolutionary War soldier, who served under General Lincoln, and who married and raised sons and daughters in Rowan County named John, Jacob, David and Christina; (6) Eve, and probably others. Jacob Eller, Sr., married, secondly, Barbary (probably) Eary, by whom he had two children, as follows: (1) Frederick, born 1766; (2) Elizabeth, born 1773.

(See Jacob Eller's Will; Book B, p. 145, Rowan Co., N. C.; also old Rowan Co. Court Records.)

Melchior Eller₁

Melchoir Eller, brother of Jacob and Christian, married Elizabeth, daughter of John and Christina Gitchey, and lived on a farm adjoining that of his brother, Christian, on Crane Creek, Rowan County. His children were: (1) Melchoir; (2) Jacob; (3) George; (4) Leonard; (5) Henry; (6) John, and several daughters.

Christian Eller₁

Christian Eller, the second brother in age, came to Philadelphia from Rotterdam on the ship "Restauration," landing October 9, 1747. Tradition says-that he came with his wife and sons, John and

George. His wife died soon after arrival in Rowan County, North Carolina, and he married, secondly, Mary, daughter of Paul and Catherine Beefle (see Will of Paul Beefle, Rowan County, N. C., written 1764, probated 1777), an English family of the Parish of St. Luke's, in Rowan County, whose other children were Catherine, Adam, Valentine, Martin and Margaret.

The Christian Eller family lived on land which bordered on Crane Creek, which flows into the Yadkin River east of Salisbury. Like his brother, Jacob, Christian Eller was an educated man, who seemed to be a master of the English language from his earliest appearance in North Carolina. He did not actively join in the Regulator movement, but his sympathies were with the overburdened and unfairly taxed colonists who were finally subdued by the Royal Governor Tryon at Alamance in 1771. He enlisted for service in the Revolutionary War and it is said accompanied one of the southern detachments throughout the memorable campaigns that ended triumphantly at Yorktown. He died in April, 1804. He named the following children in his will: (1) John; (2) George; (3) Henry; (4) Frederick; (5) Susanna; (6) Mary Wattinger and (7) Barbara Hess. Tradition states that he also had a son, Peter. Susanna married John Eller in 1782. Mary married Mr. Wattinger and Barbara married Mr. Hess.

John Eller₂

John Eller, son of Christian, married late in life (probably) Margaret Lemly, but had no issue. He died in 1820 and left a will in which he mentioned his sister, Susanna, who had married John Eller, and John Eller, son of John Melcher Eller. He also mentioned his wife, Margaret.

George Eller₂

George Eller, son of Christian, was married about 1768 to Christina Buhlen (or Bullen). After the rout at Alamance he joined with many others in taking the oath of Allegiance to King George. This oath he held inviolable, and when the Revolution broke out he and his wife, Christina, were put under bond to keep the peace. Martin Beefle and John Bullen were their bondsmen. Thereafter he was hauled into court regularly for several years for minor offenses, after which he moved with his family to Montgomery County, Virginia, and settled on the waters of Elk Creek, in what is now Grayson County. Here he lived until his death in 1805. His children were: (1) John; (2) Peter; (3) Jacob; (4) Henry; and (5) George, and a daughter, who married a Pennington, and moved to Georgia.

John's son, David, who was born in 1796, confirmed the ancestry of his father's family to his grand-nephew, judge William H. Eller, late of Greensboro, North Carolina. He stated that his great-grandfather, Chrissy Eller, a German Anabaptist, or Dunkard, came to Rowan County, North Carolina, from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, before 1765, and that his grandfather, George Eller, moved from Rowan County, to Franklin County, Virginia, about 1778 and died there about 1805. He told many interesting anecdotes of his early life, one of which described the trip taken with his father and mother by covered wagon through the Blue Ridge Mountains into Virginia to attend his grandfather's funeral. He was a lad of about nine years when this trip

was taken and many things impressed him; none more, however, than the high wagon gate at the entrance to his grandfather's barnyard.

All that David Eller said is borne out by documentary records, except the date at which George Eller and his wife, Christina, moved to Virginia, and the County to which they moved. Records indicate that they moved to Virginia about 1784 and that they settled on the waters of Elk Creek, Montgomery County (now Grayson County) in 1789, on one hundred acres of land granted to George Eller by the Commonwealth of Virginia, October 20, 1789. The same parcel of land (description identical) together with an adjoining parcel of 300 acres was sold by George Eller, Sr., and his wife, Christina, to Martin Dickenson on March 22, 1802.

Tradition tells us that George Eller was a Baptist preacher, and that after the defeat of the Regulators, in 1771, he took the oath of allegiance to King George the Third, which he would not renounce. When the Colonial Assembly demanded of the inhabitants that they take the oath of allegiance to the State of North Carolina, George Eller and his wife, Christina, refused and accordingly were hauled into court and tried. They both were indicted in the March Superior Court of 1778 and released on bond of £300, divided, £200 for him, and £100 for her. John Bullen and Martin Beefle signed as bondsmen.

They were both found guilty by the court at its session the following September and fined small amounts. Thereafter he was frequently in court for small offenses, until 1784, when all record of him in Rowan County ceases. Wearying of what he thought was persecution by the courts, he moved with his family into Virginia. Here he fell in with many old friends who had fled to Virginia after Alamance, and for several years preached to them and their neighbors who were settled along the banks of New River. He had very strong convictions, and while not an educated man, could read his German Bible and preach in that language as well as in English.

It was, no doubt, these pilgrimages down the New River into what is now Ashe County, North Carolina, that acquainted his sons with the fertile valleys and streams that nestle there in the lap of the Blue Ridge Mountains. John and Peter moved there about 1793. Jacob and Henry followed about 1812. George seems to have moved with his widowed mother back to Rowan County, where his identity among so many others of the same name became confused and lost.

John Eller₃

John Eller, son of [George and Christina Eller](#), b. about 1769, in Rowan Co., N. C.; d. 1823, in Wilkes Co., N. C. He m. (the license was issued in Rowan Co., N. C., Nov. 5 1792) Susanna Kerns of Rowan Co., who d. Apr. 10, 1853, aged 87 years. She was b. in Guilford Co., N. C., of Holland Dutch parents, the parental home having been located only a short distance from the Guilford Battlefield north of Greensboro. The John Eller home in Ashe Co. bordered the east bank of the New River at the old ford on the main road from Wilkesboro to Jefferson. A bridge is now located where the ford once was. About one

hundred yards east of the bridge, on a slight elevation that overlooks Nigger Mountain, stands an old stone chimney, which is all that remains of the early home. Beyond this are some old and gnarled apple trees that once formed a part of the John Eller orchard. Here five sons and three daughters were born. In 1816 the father, stricken with rheumatism, sought the lower altitude of Wilkes Co., for relief, and purchased a large tract of land on the north fork of Lewis Fork of the Yadkin River. This land bordered the farms of Col. Benjamin Cleveland. Nathaniel Vannoy and John Shepherd. The New Hope Baptist Meeting House was built upon this land at a later date. John and Susanna Eller were devoted Baptists. He was originally buried in the Robert Cleveland Burial Grounds, but after the death of his wife his remains were placed beside hers in the New Hope Cemetery. The family Bible of John and Susanna Eller is still in existence. It is owned by Wade Eller of Roanoke, Va., a descendant of John's brother Jacob. It was printed in Halle, Germany, in 1770, and its text is German throughout. It contains the birth record of the children of John and Susanna, written in plain English script. Unfortunately, it gives no dates about John and Susanna themselves or their parents.

Simeon Eller₄

Simeon Eller (son of [John and Susanna Eller](#)), b. Sept. 7, 1794; d. June 19, 1850; m. (the license was issued in Wilkes Co., N. C., Apr. 16, 1817) Fanny, dau. of James and Mary McNiell, b. Jan. 12, 1799; d. Oct. 4, 1856. (See [McNiell Genealogy](#)) Both are buried at the New Hope Cemetery northwest of Wilkesboro, N. C. The family lived in the vicinity of the New Hope Church in Wilkes Co. on land located on Coles Creek and on the North Fork of Lewis Fork Creek. He and his wife were members of the New Hope Baptist Church. He was a Deacon in the church at the time of his death. He and his bro. Peter worked unceasingly for better schools in Wilkes Co. Their efforts finally culminated in the establishment of the Academy in Wilkesboro which was one of the first schools of importance in Western North Carolina. This and other public-spirited acts were recognized by a grateful community when it succeeded in having Peter appointed Colonel, and Simeon, Captain, of the County Militia which was a regularly drilled guard under the chief command of the Governor of the state. They held these offices for many years. Peter was further honored by being chosen and re-chosen to represent his community in the legislature of his state, where he did much for the cause of education. Simeon was a blacksmith and gunsmith by trade. A gun made by him is still preserved by one of his descendants. Other objects of his handicraft have been preserved. He d. in his sixty-fifth year of acute indigestion while on a visit to the home of his son James. The Doctor's bill of Scroggs and Hackett who attended him during his last illness is worth recording. It has considerable bearing, no doubt, upon the cause of his death.

Mr. Simeon Eller, Dr.
to Scroggs and Hackett
1850.

June 16th To visit from Mr. Jones. Stay all night vivisection. Various doses
Medicine Pres. & \$ 3.50 June 17th Visit Milage Close attention & detention
2 days & nights. Various Medicines, Mustard Plaster, Blister Plaster, Injections
repeatedly-Laudanum, Oil Turpentine, Croton Oil, Opium, Nitre, Sudlitz
Powders,
Close watching, etc., etc., all the time 14.00
\$17.50

1851

Sept. 18 by Harvey Eller Note in full Scroggs & Hackett

A. A Hackett

(Above attested before Justice of the Peace, July 11, 1850.)

His will was written for him on the evening of the day before he died and he was too weak to sign it. His son Harvey was made executor and the inventory of personal property of the estate listed among other things, 28 head of hogs, 14 head of cattle, 5 head of horses, 5 head of sheep, 500 bushels of corn, 3 stacks of oats, 5 stacks of hay, household furniture, kitchen furniture, 2 side saddles, 1 man saddle, 1 loom, farming utensils, set smith's tools, 2 wagons, one shotgun and one rifle. He is remembered as being a tall, portly man much like his son Harvey. Samples of his writing show a beautiful hand, somewhat large, but clear, bold and uniform. He was devoted to the Baptist Church and was active in the councils of the New Hope Church from the time of its organization in 1830. He and his wife were greatly interested in problems of education and spent much time tutoring their children and helping them with their studies. Their children claimed to have obtained more schooling at home than in school.
Children of Captain Simeon Eller and Fanny McNeil:

Harvey Eller₅

Harvey Eller (son of [Captain Simeon and Fanny Eller](#)), b. in Wilkes Co., N. C., Mar. 24, 1819; d. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Nov. 3, 1906; m. Nov. 25, 1841, Mary Caroline Vannoy, b. in Wilkes Co., N. C., Feb. 18, 1823; d. in Wapello Co., Iowa, Jan. 19, 1904. (See [Vannoy Genealogy](#)) Both d. at the home of their dau., Mrs. E. D. Davis, near Martinsburg, Iowa. Both buried in the Competine Cemetery near Farson, Wapello Co., Iowa. Both were members of the New Hope Baptist Church in Wilkes Co., N. C., and active opponents of the whiskey industry and slave trade that flourished in their community and state. It was these distasteful traffics that decided them to move to new lands. In the early fall of 1852 they sold

their property, and on Oct. 7th of that year started with seven young children for Iowa, where Mr. Eller's Uncle David lived near Brookville, Jefferson Co. They travelled by prairie schooner and after many hardships arrived at their destination late in Nov., having come by way of Cumberland Gap, Danville and Louisville, Ky., to Keokuk, Iowa, where they crossed the Mississippi. They lived first in Jefferson Co., then in Wapello Co., and for a time in late life in Washington Co., Nebr., fine Christian characters, beloved of all who knew them. Their home farm in Wapello Co., Iowa, was purchased from James Grant Hook whose son James m. their dau. Virginia, and it embraced all of what is now the town of Farson, Iowa. Children of Harvey Eller and his wife, Mary Caroline Vannoy:

(1) William Hamilton Eller, b. Oct. 29, 1842; d. Dec. 23, 1922; m. Nov. 8, 1866, Harriet A. Tracey dau. of Dr. Jonathan Tracy of Ohio, b. Mar. 13, 1840; d. Dec. 20, 1821. Moved to Iowa with parents in 1852. Was 1st Sergeant in Co. I, 45th Iowa Infantry, Union Army, Civil War. Educated at Axline's Academy (now Parsons College, Fairfield, Iowa) and at Crozer Theological Seminary where he laid the foundation for his profound knowledge of Greek and Hebrew language, art and literature. After leaving college he followed the Baptist ministry for upwards of ten years, during which time he studied law and was admitted to the Nebr. bar. He then practiced law in Blair, Nebr., and was twice honored as a Superior Court Justice. In 1890 he returned to N. C. and helped organize and became president of the Keely Institute in Greensboro. In 1896 he disposed of his interests in the latter and returned to the Baptist ministry. His special work was that of organizing churches, in which he labored unceasingly and with great success. So many churches were established by him in and around Greensboro and in the Piedmont District, that it was said of him that he built more Baptist Churches in N. C. than any other one man. So deeply did he endear himself to those among whom he labored that after his death a great Memorial Church was built to his memory with funds contributed by rich and poor alike. Mr. Eller was a writer of note and left the impress of his beautiful character and personality wherever he lived. Issue, three daughters, as follows:

(1) Julia A. Eller, b. Sept. 20, 1875; d. Mar. 15, 1897; m. Joseph S. Moore; profession, real estate and lumber, Greensboro, N. C. Issue two:

(1) Eleanore, b. Aug. 4, 1893; m. May 21, 1918, Frank S. Smith, living, Leonia, N. J.

(2) Pauline, b. Feb. 17, 1895; d. Apr. 2, 1904.

(2) Caroline (Carrie) Eller, b. Sept. 28, 1881; m. May 9, 1899, Paul G. Welch, b. Dec. 17, 1871; profession, merchant motor car accessories, Greensboro, N. C.

Issue two:

(1) Harriet Ruth, b. Jan. 25, 1905; d Oct. 10, 1906.

(2) Carolyn, b. Jan. 4, 1915.

(3) Elizabeth (Bessie) Eller, b. Jan. 30, 1883; m. June 3, 1903, Whit R. Stone, b. Feb. 6, 1881; profession, printer, Greensboro, N. C. Mrs. Stone is a D. A. R by reason of her McNiel ancestry, certificate Number 181712. Issue, two:

(1) Troy Hamilton. b. June 13, 1905; d. immediately.

(2) Elizabeth Eller Stone, b. July 15, 1909.

(2) Barnett Cleveland Eller. b. Feb. 29, 1844; m. Dec. 14, 1869, Annie Troxel, b. Jan. 22, 1851. Merchant in David City, Nebr. Was 1st Sergeant, Co. K, 9th Iowa Cav., Union Army. Issue, four, as follows:

(1) Hugh Eller, b. Nov. 10, 1871; m. June 9, 1903, Jessie Morgan, b. Jan. 12, Occupation, R. R. Living, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Issue:

(1) Gerald, b. Mar. 14, 1904.

(2) Dorris, b. Dec. 5, 1906; d. Aug. 9, 1908.

(3) Helen, b. Feb. 6, 1911.

(2) Lulu Eller, b. Nov. ii, 1874; m. Nov. 13, 1897, Ernest J. Sherburne. Occupation, business in Cambridge, Nebr. Issue: Leo Marguerite, b. Nov. 15, 1898.

(3) Marguerite Eller, b. Apr. 3, 1881; d. Sept. 5, 1923; m.

Apr. 3, 1907, Julian B. Buckley, b. Jan. 9, 1876;
occupation, grain business, David City, Nebr. Issue, four:

- (1) J. Dale, b. Mar. 6, 1908.
- (2) Kenneth E., b. Aug. 3, 1911.
- (3) Maurice L., b. May 21, 1913.
- (4) Lucile M., b. Nov. 25, 1916.

(4) Troy Cleveland Eller, b. June 9, 1882; m. Jan. 4, 1905,
Eva Morgan, b. Aug. 10, 1887. Occupation, merchant in
David City, Nebr. Issue, two:

- (1) Eugene, b. Aug. 5, 1907.
- (2) Louise, b. Jan. 24, 1911.

(3) Virginia Eller, b. Oct. 18, 1845; d. Oct. 30, 1897 in Wapello Co., Iowa; m. Nov. 21, 1867, James Hook of Wapello Co., Iowa, b. Sept. 30, 1839; d. June 30, 1905. She was born on the old Harvey Eller home on Parlears Creek Farm at the foot of Rendezvous Mountain, near Wilkesboro, Wilkes Co., N. C. She obtained such education as was possible in the vicinity of her birth and went overland with her parents to Iowa in a prairie schooner in the fall of 1852. She continued her schooling in the primitive schools in Iowa for several years and then attended the Academy in Fairfield, Iowa, which later became Parsons College, and prepared to become a teacher. She taught several terms in the country schools prior to her marriage. She was a girl of unusually fine character, of a retiring but nevertheless forceful personality and imbibed the lovable Christian characteristics of her parents. She was a strong influence among the young people of her acquaintance and was an important factor in the work of organizing the old Competine Baptist Church in Wapello Co., Iowa, that exerted such a large influence in the community during the Civil War and immediately after. (See [Hook Genealogy](#))

(4) Nancy Eller, b. May 29, 1847; d. Jan. 4, 1892; m. Nov. 3, 1878, Frazier Troxel, b. Feb. 24, 1849, in Wapello Co., Iowa; d. Feb. 19, 1908 in Clay Center, Nebr. Occupation, farmer. Issue, four, as follows:

- (1) Caroline Troxel, b. Nov. 12, 1879; d. May to, 1909;
m. Aug. 27, 1902, Jesse C. Jessup, b. Dec. 7, 1878 in Ind.

He m. 2d, Mabel Eller, dau. of Jacob Eller. Issue by first marriage: Dorothy Miriam Jessup, b. Aug. 1, 1903, and Carol Blanch Jessup, b. Feb. 16, 1906.

(2) Letha Grace Troxel, b. Nov. 30, 1881; d. in Washington, D. C., Oct. 13, 1925, unm.

(3) Daniel Curtis Troxel, b. July 14, 1893; m. June 16, 1912, Martha Loretta Britt, b. Feb. 24, 1888. Bachelor of Divinity from Yale. Served in Y. M. C. A. work, World War. Occupation, Christian Church Minister. Living, Hiram, Ohio. Issue, three, as follows:

(1) Letha Loretta Troxel, b. Apr. 21, 1913.

(2) Marjorie Maxine Troxel, b. Apr. 12, 1916.

(3) Daniel Curtis Troxel, Jr., b. 1917; d. 1918.

(4) Bessie Eller Troxel, b. Feb. 23, 1888; d. Jan. 4, 1892. She was burned to death with her mother by an explosion of gasoline.

(5) Mary O. Eller, b. Dec. 10, 1848; d. Apr. 3, 1881; m. Nov. 4, 1868, Josiah Phelps in Wapello Co., Iowa. Family lived in Franklin Co., Iowa, where he was County Sheriff for several years. He was a veteran of the Civil War, captured at Chattanooga and imprisoned at Andersonville for almost a year, where he all but starved to death. Issue:

(1) Jennie L. Phelps, b. July 25, 1868; d. July 9, 1901; m. July 2, 1900, Lewis Pettis of Des Moines, Iowa.

(2) Arthur D. Phelps, b. Aug. 13, 1871; living, Barton, N. D.

(3) Wilbur J. Phelps, b. Mar. 25, 1873.

(4) Benjamin B. Phelps, b. Mar. 2, 1875; living, Lesever Center, Minn.

(5-6) Jessie and Bessie Phelps, twins, b. Mar. 30, 1877.

(7) L. D. Phelps, b. July 15, 1879. Living in Canada.

(8-9) Mary and Martha Phelps, twins, b. Mar. 27, 1881.

(6) James Anderson Eller, b. Apr. 30, 1850; m. Dec. 25, 1875, Cora Belle Mizener, b. Nov. 20, 1860; d. Sept. 9, 1914. Family lived near Glenwood, Iowa. Occupation, farmer. Issue:

(1) Harvey Newton Eller, b. Nov. 7, 1876 in Edgar, Nebr.; M. Oct. 2, 1900, Libby Young, b. Feb. 3, 1877. Family lives, Omaha, Nebr. Occupation, postal clerk. Issue Geraldine Louise Eller, b. Aug. 2, 1901 who m., May 26, 1819, Walter Anderson and lives in Omaha, Nebr.

(2) Tyndell Ord Eller, b. Aug. 28, 1887 in Edgar, Nebr.; m. Oct. 26, 1910, Minnie Grunderson, b. Sept. 27, 1889. Occupation, farmer near Glenwood, Iowa.

(7) Jesse Franklin Eller, b. Feb. 12, 1852 in Wilkes Co., N. C.; m. 1st, Dec. 4, 1877, Lavina Troxel, b. Jan. 29, 1850; d. Nov. 21, 1892. Children by this marriage:

(1) Anna V. Eller, b. Feb. 14, 1883; m. Nov. 4, 1920, Claude C. Rogers. Issue: Margaret Ann Rogers, b. June 6, 1922. Family lives, Long Beach, Calif.

(2) Charles J. Eller, b. July 26, 1885; m. Mar. 4, 1914, Hilda Lanham. Family lives, Harvard, Nebr. Occupation, dentist. Issue: Gerald Eller and Donald Eller, twins, b. May 9, 1915. M. 2d, Dec. 28, 1892, Elizabeth Estes, b. Feb. 11, 1871. Family lives in Red Bluff, Calif. Occupation, realtor. Issue by this marriage:

(1) Georgia Eller. b. Nov. 20, 1893; m. Ralph J. Parsons. Family resides, Red Bluff, Calif. Issue: Calvin Parsons.

(2) Estes H. Eller, b. Apr. 6, 1895; m. Mar. 30, 1919, Viola Burrill. Residence of family, Dunsmuir, Calif. Issue: Rex Eller, b. Jan. 11, 1921, and Robert Laird Eller, b. May 25, 1923.

(3) Frank M. Eller, b. Nov. 14, 1897; m. May 5, 1921, Mildred Gerhardt. Family resides, Hornbrook, Calif. Issue: Herald Eller, b. Mar. 9, 1922.

(4) LeRoy Eller, b. June 25, 1900; unm. Living, Red Bluff, Calif.

(8) Israel Curtis Eller, b. Dec. 17, 1853 in Jefferson Co., Iowa; M. Nov. 3, 1886, Ellen Elizabeth Kemp, b. Feb. 9, 1861 in East Troy, Wis.; d. June 14, 1914 in Blair, Nebr. Occupation, attorney in Blair, Nebr. Was Representative in Nebraska Legislature and has been for many years identified with state and local affairs of importance including church, schools and community service of almost every kind. Issue:

(1) Mary Louise Eller, b. Aug. 26, 1893; m. Jan. 18, 1916, Harry L. Morris, b. 1890, in Louisiana. Occupation, manufacturer in Blair, Nebr. Issue: Margaret Eloise Morris, b. Mar. 13, 1917.

(2) William Curtis Eller, b. Mar. 6, 1888; d. Dec. 27, 1900

(3) Frances Pauline Eller, b. Jan. 24, 1897; m. 1915, Ralph J. Roush. Family lives in Des Moines, Iowa. Issue:

(1) Elizabeth Minnie Roush, b. Apr. 1, 1916;

(2) Frances Jane Roush, b. June 18, 1917;

(3) Dorothy Marguerite Roush, b. June 30, 1919.

(4) Infant dau., b. and d. Dec. 1898.

(9) Martha Clementine Eller, b. Sept. 19, 1855; m. Mar. 30, 1875, George W. Dickens, b. Sept. 18, 1843 in Wyandot, Ohio, d. June 22, 1917, in Wapello Co., Iowa. He was a large land owner, banker, and member for

two terms of Iowa Legislature. He first m., 1864, Elizabeth Hawthorne, b. Sept. 17, 1843; d. June 22, 1874, and had issue:

(1) Scott Martin Dickens, b. Aug. 1, 1876; d. Oct. 4, 1904; m. Mar. 22, 1899, Mabel C. Cook, b. July 9, 1876; d. Aug. 2, 1911. Issue:

(1) George Earl Dickens, b. Feb. 22, 1900; m. Apr. 2, 1920, Hortense Cowan;

(2) Lloyd Martin Dickens, b. Mar. 22, 1902.

(2) Rella May Dickens, b. Feb. 5, 1879; m. Nov. 3, 1897, Clyde A. Dickey of Hedrick, Iowa; occupation, farmer, contractor. Issue, seven, as follows:

(1) Martha Lucille, b. Nov. 5, 1899; teacher, Hedrick, Iowa;

(2) Mary, b. May 18, 1901; m. Sept. 12, 1923, Glenn A. Messerschmitt, farmer near Hedrick, Iowa;

(3) Arthur, b. July 10, 1903, farmer and contractor, Hedrick, Iowa;

(4) Fern, b. Aug., 1905;

(5) Florence, b. Aug. 28, 1907;

(6) Leslie, b. Aug., 1908;

(7) Duane, b. Feb. 4, 1912

(3) Katherine Elizabeth Dickens, b. May 30, 1881; m. Dec. 29, 1905, Clyde B. Baldwin, b. June 10, 1880 in Bridgeport, Ill. Family living on parental farm near Farson, Iowa. Issue, three, as follows:

(1) Ralph, b. Oct. 14, 1906;

(2) Martha Elizabeth, b. Jan. 5, 1909;

(3) Meryl, b. May 28, 1914.

(10) John Quincy Eller, b. Sept. 20, 1857; d. by drowning in Competine Creek, June 15, 1875.

(11) Thomas Arnold Eller, b. Sept. 12, 1859; m. Sept. 22, 1881, Alice C. Phelps, b. Apr. 5, 1857. Occupation, retired farmer, living, Stratton, Nebr. Issue, seven, as follows:

(1) Alden R. Eller, b. Aug. 13, 1882; m. 1st, Frances M. Jones, b. Apr., 1882; d. Jan. 24, 1909. Issue: Kenneth Harvey Eller, b. July 8, 1907. M. 2d, Dec. 25, 1916, Jennie E. Wood. Occupation, farmer, Trenton, Nebr.

(2) Ira Blaine Eller, b. 1883; d. 1886.

(3) Ella Phelps Eller, b. Jan. 15, 1885; m. Oct. 17, 1911, Harry P. Owens. Issue: Robert R Owens, b. May 24, 1920. Family resides, Trenton, Nebr.

(4) Stella M. Eller, b. Aug. 8, 1886; m. Sept. 5, 1906, Robert R. Owens. Issue: Delight Lucille Owens, b. Aug. 8, 1921. Family lives, Stratton, Nebr.

(5) Vernon T. Eller, b. Feb. 27, 1891; m. Mar. 26, 1913, Stella M. Thomas, b. Nov. 2, 1896. Issue: (1) Dorothy Lucille, b. Jan. 17, 1914; (2) Donald D., b. Sept. 16, 1918; (3) Wade, b. Oct. 20, 1920. Family resides, Stratton, Nebr.

(6) Cleveland Harrison Eller, b. 1893; m. Sept. 1, 1920, Ruth J. Jesse. Issue: Jerral Vaughn Eller, b. Sept 20, 1922. Family resides, Benkleman, Nebr. Sergeant, Co. M, 355th Inf., 89th A. E. F., World War.

(7) John Harvey Eller, b. Sept. 5, 1895; m. Nov. 23, 1919. Lula E. Shays. Family resides, Geneva, Nebr. Served in 89th, A. E. F., 137th Inf., M. G. Co., World War.

(12) Jacob H. Eller, b. Aug. 27, 1861; m. 1st, July 1, 1888, Bertha Adelaide Athey, b. Feb. 18, 1867; d. Jan. 25, 1914. M. 2d, May 27, 1924, Mrs. Frances G. Ray, b. Nov.

9, 1872. Occupation, merchant in Clay Center, Nebr.
Issue by 1st marriage, five, as follows:

(1) Mary Merle Eller, b Mar. 21, 1889; m. Calvin Rollins, b. June 25, 1889; occupation, merchant, Clay Center, Nebr. Issue:

- (1) Bertha Catherine, b. Aug. 17, 1914;
- (2) Frances Mildred, b. Aug. 8, 1916;
- (3) Calvin, Jr., b. Sept. 14, 1918;
- (4) Marjorie Rae, b. Feb. 11, 1923.

(2) Mabel Ruth Eller, b. Oct. 29, 1890; m. Oct. 1, 1919, J. C. Jessup. Occupation, printer in Los Angeles, Calif.

(3) Florence Athey Eller, b. Oct. 15, 1892; m. Aug. 14, 1917, Ralph E. Cowan, b. Apr. 7, 1889. Occupation, realtor in Lincoln, Nebr. Issue:

- (1) Robert Duane, b. Nov. 24, 1919;
- (2) Richard Eller Cowan, b. Dec. 5, 1922;
- (3) Charles Russel, b. July 13, 1924.

(4) Frances Martha Eller, b. Sept. 19, 1896.

(5) Raymond Eller, b. Feb. 23, 1900. Student in Univ. of Nebr.

(13) Edson C. Eller, b. May 27, 1864; d. Jan. 25, 1920, in Hastings, Nebr. M. Mar. 25, 1890, Jennie M. Davis, b. Mar. 8, 1866 in Frederickstown, Ohio. Issue:

(1) Floyd E. Eller, b. Sept. 7, 1893; m. June 18, 1918, Ella A. Decker. Issue: Floyd Edson Eller, Jr., b. Apr. 19, 1918. Occupation, engineering student, Univ. of Minn. Captain, A. E. F., World War.

(2) Lyle Davis Eller, b. Dec. 9, 1895; m. June 12, 1917, Erla T. McCarl. Issue: Erla Jean Eller, b. Feb. 28, 1920. Family resides, Mitchell, S. D.

(3) Lester C. Eller, b. Apr. 1st, 1898. Living, Hastings, Nebr. Enlisted in Navy and served through World War.

(4) Mildred C. Eller, b. Dec. 17, 1900. Living, Hastings, Nebr.

(14) Maggie Eller, b. Mar. 2, 1866; m. Sept. 4, 1884, Edward Delos Davis, b. Dec. 24, 1855. Successful farmer near Martinsburg, Iowa. Issue, eight, as follows:

(1) Wilbur Curtis Davis, b. Aug. 15, 1885; m. Sept. 26, 1909, Kathryn Thompson. Occupation, farmer near Farson, Iowa. Issue:

- (1) Dorothy Irene, b. Oct. 4, 1910;
- (2) Margaret Eleanor, b. Aug. 9, 1912;
- (3) Waldo Edward, b. July 15, 1914.

(2) Edward C. Davis, b. Feb. 10, 1887; m. Aug. 9, 1917, Anna Gerholz, b. Apr. 24, 1894. He is a veteran of the World War and was engaged in the battle of the Argonne Forest in France in Co. A, III Inf., 28th Div., U. S. Army. Graduate, 1911, Iowa State College, in course of Animal Husbandry. Instructor, two years, High School, St. Peter, Minn., and one year in Univ. of Minn. Member, Masonic Lodge, Alpha Zeta and Delta Sigma Rho, the two latter being scholarship fraternities. Occupation, grain and seed business, St. Peter, Minn. Issue:

- (1) Edward Clayton, b. Apr. 28, 1918;
- (2) Virginia, b. Feb. 28, 1920;
- (3) Ruth Ann, b. Dec. 16, 1921; d. 1923.

(3) Clarence Jacob Davis, b. May 19, 1891; d. July 28, 1918; m. Dec. 15, 1815, Grace Hawthorne, b. Feb. 25, 1894. Issue: Lyle Delos, b. Feb. 28, 1918. Supt. schools at Lewis, Iowa, at time of death. Three years, Iowa State College; Acacia Fraternity, Mason.

(4) Mary C. Davis, b. Oct. 6, 1893; m. Feb., 1916, Floyd Allen Douglas, b. May 7, 1893; d. Oct. 17, 1918. No issue.

(5) Otis Eller Davis, b. Oct. 17, 1895; d. Oct. 20, 1918. Enlisted in World War, but was soon discharged owing to weak heart which with influenza caused his untimely death.

(6) Herbert Plank Davis, b. Dec. 18, 1897; m. Mar. 14, 1922, Ruth Cecil, b. Mar. 4, 1898. He enlisted in S. A. T. C. at Univ. of Iowa, World War, but did not see service. He completed a three year course in Business Administration in Univ. of Iowa. Employee, Standard Oil Co., Redondo Beach, Calif. Issue: Cecil Gene, b. July 31, 1923.

(7) Roy Martin Davis, b. Mar. 12, 1902.

(8) Raymond L. Davis, b. Apr. 26, 1904. Graduate, 1925, State Univ. of Iowa in Course of Business Administration.

(15) Otis Reader Eller, b. July 20, 1870, Graduate Baptist Academy, Pella, Iowa. Occupation, Railway Mail Service. Residence, Lincoln, Nebr. M. 1st, Dec. 26, 1893, Celia G. Allbery, b. Sept. 26, 1868, in Washington Co., Ohio; d. June 26, 1898, in Omaha, Nebr. Issue by this marriage:

(1) Harold Otis Eller, b. Oct. 9, 1894; d. Apr. 9, 1895.

(2) Warren Herbert Eller, b. June 26, 1896, at Long Pine, Nebr. Graduate, Univ. of Nebr. Occupation, physician. Unm.

Otis M. 2d, Oct. 11, 1900, Ruth Matrau, b. Aug. 18, 1873. Issue: one son Henry Matrau Eller, b. Feb. 20, 1904. Graduated, 1925, from Univ. of Nebr. and awarded a Harvard scholarship and elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

John Eller₅

John Eller, b. 1821; d. Nov., 1892; m Jane. dau. of Hugh Montgomery of Wilkes Co., N. C. He moved by covered wagon to Jefferson Co., Iowa, in 1853 and in 1873 moved to Clay Co., Nebr. where he d. Children:

- (1) James Allen Eller and
- (2) Alexander Hamilton Eller who lived and d. in Jefferson Co., Iowa;
- (3) Charles Eller;
- (4) Jesse Eller and
- (5) Joseph Eller resided in Clay Co., Nebr.;
- (6) Elizabeth Eller m. Abram Fisher and resided in Clay Co., Nebr.;
- (7) Sophronie Eller m. Payton Colvard and resided in Okla.;
- (8) Edmund Lee Eller.

Polly Eller₅

Polly Eller, b. 1823; d. 1894; m. Esq. Allen Whittington. Lived and d. in Wilkes Co., N. C. Children:

- (1) Leander;
- (2) Elvira who m. Rufus Colvard who d. 1891;
- (3) Emily who m. a Vannoy;
- (4) Benjamine who m. a Colvard and d. 1891.

William Eller₅

William Eller, b. 1825; d. Aug. 9, 1876; m. Catherine Parnell whose father was a drummer boy at Guilford Courthouse on Mar. 15, 1781. The family emigrated to Iowa with bro. John Eller in 1853 and later moved to near Harvard, Nebr., where he d. Children:

- (1) James Calloway Eller of Folsom, Calif.;
- (2) Thomas J. Eller of Clay Center, Nebr.;
- (3) Rev. David Eller, a Baptist minister;
- (4) Frank Eller;
- (5) Robert M. Eller;
- (6) Henrieta Eller who m. Adalbert Peck of Wapello Co., Iowa;
- (7) Angeline Eller who m. Mr. Hackett of Harvard, Nebr.;
- (8) America Eller who m. John Knorr, of Clay Center, Nebr.

(9) Martha Eller who m. Cleon Gould, of Clay Center, Nebr.

(10) Fannie Eller, of Clay Center, Nebr.

James Eller₅

James Eller (son of [Simeon and Fanny Eller](#)), b. June 28, 1828; still living, 1925; m. Oct. 24, 1849, Mary Ann, dau. of Thomas Carlton, Esq. of Beaver Creek, N. C., b. Aug. 15, 1830; d. Aug. 30, 1924. He was made deacon of the New Hope Baptist Church in 1850 and was a delegate to the Western Convention in 1860. He tried to enlist in the C. S. A. in 1861, but was rejected on account of erysipelas. He was later appointed director of food supplies in Wilkes Co., and served in that capacity until the end of the war. His home was devastated by the invading Northern Army and camp followers and looters, and when the war had ended he moved his family to Ashe Co. near Berlin know Bina) where he still (1925) resides. He was President of the Convention that organized the New River Baptist Association. He also helped organize the Ashe and Allegheny Baptist Association and was elected Vice President. He was Moderator of the Ashe Association 1898, 1899 and 1900, and was a member of the State Board of Missions for several years. Children of James Eller and his wife, Mary Ann Carlton:

(1) Martha Caroline Eller, b. Feb. 24, 1851; d. May 10, 1862.

(2) Thomas Hamilton Eller, b. Nov. 18, 1852; d. May 6, 1862.

(3) Harvey Augustus Eller, b. July 7, 1855; m. Oct. 14, 1877, Mary, dau. of David and Catherine (Baker) Eller. Family resides near Bina, N. C., and is engaged in farming and stock-raising. He has been chairman of the Ashe Co. Court, and has held other positions of trust in the community. Issue, three sons and four daughters, as follows:

(1) Bertha Ruth Eller, b. June 6, 1879. Never m.

(2) Walter Frederick Eller, b. Apr. 3, 1881; m. Sept 10, 1917, Adrienne Trice Phillips. Family resides in Washington, D. C. Real estate.

(3) Joseph Oscal Eller, b. Feb. 20, 1883. Real estate, Raleigh, N. C.

(4) Nannie Clyde Eller, b. July 12, 1885; m. July 16, 1913, Thomas Graybeal. Resides, Buena Vista, Va. Lawyer. Of issue, William Eller Graybeal.

(5) Henrietta Virginia Eller, b. May 19, 1887.

(6) Jesse Franklin Eller, b. Feb. 19, 1890.

(7) Martha Gertrude Eller, b. Jan. 13, 1892; m. Jan. 26, 1922, Fred L. Waddell.

(4) Ruth America Eller, b. Dec. 6, 1857; m. Apr. 24, 1884, Rev. David S. Hubbell. Resides, Park Mountain, Surry Co., N. C. Farmer, minister, teacher. Issue: three sons and one dau., as follows:

(1) Jay B. Hubbell, m. Lucinda Smith Resides, Dallas, Texas. Dean of English, Southwestern Univ., and Editor of Southwestern Review. Issue: David, and Jay B., Jr.

(2) Eller Hubbell, d. unm

(3) Paul Eller Hubbell, m. Huna Thompson. Resides, Ypsilanti, Mich. College teacher, Rhodes Scholar, World War Veteran.

(4) Ruth Hubbell. Resides, Bristol, Tenn. College teacher.

(5) Adolphus Hill Eller, b. Apr. 9, 1861, m. Nov. 20, 1896, Laura W., dau. of Capt. B. A. Neuland. He attended Moravian Falls Academy and graduated (A. B) from Univ. of N. C., 1885. He studied law and practiced for many years in Winston-Salem, N. C. He was elected to State Senate in 1905 and was Chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee, 1908-1912. He is at present Trustee of the North Carolina State University, member of the Winston-Salem Board of Education, and for thirty years has been Secretary and Trustee of the Winston-Salem College for Negroes. Several years ago he gave up his law practice to devote all of his time to the Wachovia Bank & Trust Co. of which he is Vice-President in charge of the Trust

Department. Resides, Winston-Salem, N. C. Issue as follows:

(1) Mary Eller, d. young.

(2) John DeWalden Eller, b. Nov. 20, 1898; graduate of Univ. of N. C.

(3) Adolphus Hill Eller, Jr., b. 1914.

(6) Albert Sidney Johnson Eller, b. Aug. 29, 1864; d. Feb. 9, 1920. 1st, Sept. 19, 1889, Laura McMillan, b. Aug. 16, 1861; d. July 26, 1908; m. 2d, Frances Campbell. Resides, Bina, N. C. Farmer. He was Clerk of the Superior Court, 1902-1910. Issue by 1st marriage, three sons and two daughters, as follows:

(1) Carlton Reeves Eller, m. Grace Sturgill.

(2) Anna Agnes Eller, m. Frank R. Jones.

(3) Beatrice Eller, m. Cicero Faw. Issue: one son, Gwin; daughters, Stella, Ina and Lenna. Family resides, Ashe Co., N. C.

(4) Mack Eller, m. Hetta Standsberry.

(5) Alton S. Eller.

Issue by second marriage: one son:

(1) Bryan Eller.

(7) Edwin Cicero Eller, b. Dec. 19, 1866; m. 1st, May 22, 1895, Laura Catherine, dau. of Calvin Graybeal, b. May 8, 1871; d. Dec. 23, 1920; m. 2d, Apr. 20, 1924, Susanna Harless. Family resides, Bina, N. C. Farmer and merchant. Issue by first marriage, three sons and four daughters, as follows:

(1) Ina Maude Eller, m. Fred Fields. Family resides, Alleghany Co., N. C. Farmer and stock raiser. Issue: Ruby and Horace.

(2) Edwin Cicero Eller, Jr., m. Ethel Eller. Family resides in Lansing, N. C. Farmer and stock raiser. Issue: Morris Edwin Eller.

(3) Grace Graybeal Eller, m. Jack Rhodes. Family resides, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Furniture merchant. Issue: Doris and James.

(4) Gladys Eller.

(5) James Eller.

(6) Pansy Eller, b. Nov. 7, 1906; d. May 2, 1919.

(7) Paul Eller.

Issue by second marriage: one son,

(1) William Truett Eller, b. Feb. 26, 1925.

(8) Franklin Plato Eller, b. Apr. 4, 1869; d. June 15, 1892. Never m. He received his preparatory education at Moravian Falls Academy and in 1889 entered Univ. of N. C. in Philosophical Course. His record in college was extraordinary and his death removed one of the most promising young men that had ever attended the University. (See Memorial to him and his bro. John Carlton Eller by J. B. Hubbell-The Seeman Printery, Durham, N. C., 1910.)

(9) John Carlton Eller, b. Oct. 30, 1873; d. July 1., 1886. Like his brother, next above, he was about to finish a most successful college career at the Univ. of N. C., where he had attained honors second, only, to those of his bro., when he was stricken with typhoid which caused his untimely death. (See Memorial to him and his bro. John Carlton Eller by J. B. Hubbell-The Seeman Printery, Durham, N. C., 1910.)

Nancy Eller₅

Nancy Eller, b. 1830; d. 1847; m. Mar. 7, 1846, Jesse Vannoy. No children.

David Eller₅

David Eller, b. 1832; d. at Drurys Bluff, Va. 1864. He m Polly McNiel. Was an Orderly Sergeant in Co. K, 53d N. C. Confederate Army. His body was removed from its first resting place and re-interred at New Hope Cemetery in Wilkes Co. No issue.

Jesse F. Eller₅

Captain Jesse F. Eller, b. Dec. 17, 1835; d. 1900; m. Apr. 1859, Mary Ann Laxton, b. Jan. 1, 1840, d 1900. He was a Captain in Co. K, 53d N. C., C. S. A. He was severely wounded at Spottsylvania Courthouse. Family first lived in Wilkes Co., N. C., then moved by covered wagon in 1869 to Wapello Co., Iowa. In 1873 the family moved to near Harvard, Nebr., and in 1880 it moved back and settled near Marion, Va., where both parents d. Issue, twelve children, as follows:

(1) Oscal Pulaski Eller, b. July 28, 1860; m. Eva Wright of Nebr. who d 1923. Family lived, Hastings, Nebr. Farmer. Issue: Ralph and Ruth.

(2) Virginia Eller, b. Aug. 2, 1862; m. J. A. Kirk who d. 1916. Family lived, Lincoln, Nebr. Farmer. Issue:

- (1) Earle.
- (2) Mabel.
- (3) Raymond.
- (4) Mary.
- (5) Harold.

(3) Junius Arthur Eller, b. Apr. 20, 1867; m, Georgia Johnston of Va. Family lives, Marion, Va. Farmer. Issue:

- (1) Lulu.
- (2) Ethel.
- (3) Myrtle.
- (4) Mary.
- (5) Carlton.
- (6) Grace.
- (7) Laxton.
- (8) Clay.
- (9) Evelyn.

(10) Joseph.

(11) John.

(4) Quincy Aswell Eller, b. Nov. 15, 1869; m. Mary Sanders. Family living, Chilhowie, Va. Merchant. Issue: Frances and Marian.

(5) Edward Everett Eller, b. Feb. 12, 1870; m. July 30, 1896, **Elizabeth McNiell**, dau. of Peter McNiell and granddau. of John McNiell, who m. Rachel Eller. Merchant, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Issue:

(1) Mary.

(2) Ernest McNiell.

(3) Franklin Peter.

The son Ernest McNiell Eller graduated with honors from Naval Academy at Annapolis, June, 1925. (See [McNiell Genealogy](#))

(6) Ellen Eller, b. 1873; d. 1883.

(7) Manley Toy Eller, b. 1875; d. 1883.

(8) Louise Eller, b. 1877; d. 1883.

(9) Benjamin Hill Eller, b. Dec. 20, 1879; m. Mar. 13, 1901, Belle Cornett of Va. Merchant, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Issue:

(1) Deane.

(2) Catherine.

(3) LeRoy.

(4) Lillian.

(10) Mollie Evelyn Eller, b. May 11, 1881; m. Aug. 6, 1915, **William Heggie McNiell**, son of Peter McNiell, b. 1879; d. Jan. 15, 1925. Family lived, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Merchant. (See [McNiell Genealogy](#)) Issue:

(1) Frank.

(2) Frances.

(3) Margaret.

(4) Edward.

(11) Mattie Edith Eller, b. July 14, 1883. Teacher, North Wilkesboro Schools. Unm.

(12) Emma Chloe Eller, b. May 16, 1885. Teacher, North Wilkesboro Schools. Unm.

(9) Anderson Eller, b. 1836, m. his cousin, Alva McNiell, who d. June 1894. He had sons:

- (1) James.
- (2) Simeon.
- (3) Cleveland.
- (4) Gaither.
- (5) Rufus.
- (6) Cicero.

He lived in Wilkes Co., N. C.

(10) Thomas J. Eller, b. 1838; d. 1863. He was a private in the 1st N. C. Confederate Army and was killed at Chancellorsville near where Stonewall Jackson fell early on the morning of the second day's fight. He was buried where he fell. He was a bright boy, the pride of the family, a good teacher and a promising youth. Never m.

(11) America Eller, b. 1840; d. 1919, m. 1st, William Whittington, son of Allen Whittington, Esq. Children:

- (1) Thomas who lives in Washington, D. C.;
- (2) Gaither who m. Ella Phelps and lives near Farson, Iowa. She m. 2d, Nathan Weaver and resided in Allegheny Co., N. C. Issue: one dau., Nora.

David Eller₄,

David Eller, b. Apr. 11, 1796; d. Mar. 18, 1870. He m. 1st, Oct. 18, 1819, Tabitha, dau. of John Judd, b. June 27, 1803; d. Mar. 27, 1847; m. 2d, 1848, Mary Lyons, b. Dec. 19, 1822. He moved with his family to Wayne Co., Ind, in 1828 and from there to Jefferson Co., Iowa, in 1839. He confirmed the ancestry of the family to his grand-nephew Rev. William H. Eller, late of Greensboro, N. C., with whom he was quite intimate in his declining years. Issue by first marriage:

(1) Mary Eller, b. Sept. 22, 1820; m. 1st, Mr. Koontz and had two daughters, Elizabeth and Martha. M. 2d, C. C. Tinsley and of several issue was a son David who m. Margaret, dau. of George Bartlett McNiel (see Vannoy family).

(2) Jesse Eller, b. Nov. 12, 1822; d. June 1884 near Council Bluffs, Iowa. His wife was a Marion. Their twin sons were Mack and Washington, the latter of whom was appointed U. S. Marshal for Iowa by President Cleveland.

(3) William Eller, b. Dec. 23, 1824; d. before family left N. C.

(4) Elizabeth Eller, b. Sept. 2, 1827.

(5) Clarissa Eller, b. May 15, 1829; m. William Marion.

(6) John Eller, b. Nov. 6, 183-- in Wayne Co., Ind.; m. Mary Parnell. Lived and d. at Atlantic, Iowa. No issue.

Issue by second marriage one dau.:

(1) Alice Eller, b. Mar. 29, 1849; m. Marian Tracy, son of Rev. R L. Tracy, of old Maryville, Wapello Co., Iowa. Issue, four children.

John Eller₄

John Eller, b. Mar. 17, 1798; m. Elizabeth Ray Vannoy, b. Oct. 29, 1804; d. Aug. 24, 1868. (See [Vannoy Genealogy](#)) Family lived on Lewis Fork of Yadkin River in Wilkes Co., N. C. Issue:

(1) Capt. David Eller of C. S. A., m. Ellen Colvard. Family lived, Tracy City, Tenn.

(2) Harrison Eller.

(3) Henderson Eller, moved to Tenn.

(4) Jesse Eller, lived, Ashe Co., N. C.

(5) Fannie Eller, m. Feb. 9, 1839, Eli McNiel.

(6) Mary Eller, m. Mar., 1842, David Miller.

(7) Susanna Eller, m. William, son of Jacob and grandson of George and Christina Eller. She lived to be more than 100 years old and had a dau. 80 years old.

(8) Catherine Eller.

(9) Caroline Eller, m. Jesse Yates of Wilkes Co., N. C.

(10) Alpha Eller, never m.

(11) Clarissa Eller.

(12) Elizabeth Eller.

(13) Twin. Martha Eller, m. Mr. Drawn.

(14) Twin. Matilda Eller

Rachel Eller₄

Rachel Eller, b. Apr. 12, 1800, m. Aug. 1820, John McNiel. (See [McNiel Genealogy](#))

Absalom Eller₄

Absalom Eller, b. Feb. 17, 1803; d. Feb. 7, 1879; m. Mar. 1824, Sarah, dau. of John Reynolds, b. Feb. 16, 1805; d. Mar. 6, 1875. Family lived on Parlears Creek, Wilkes Co., N. C. Issue:

(1) John Ashley Eller, b. Dec. 3, 1824

(2) Aley Eller, b. Mar. 12, 1826; d. July 16, 1892; m. Apr. 28, 1842, Abraham Wesley Vannoy, b. Sept. 6, 1817; d. in Iowa, Aug. 27, 1881. Family moved to Wapello Co., Iowa, in 1869. (See [Vannoy Genealogy](#))

(3) Rachel Eller, b. Dec. 27, 1827.

(4) Elza Eller, b. Aug. 2, 1829; m. May, 1849, Ann Holman.

(5) Matthias Eller, b. Mar. 22, 1831.

(6) Francis Eller, b. Jan. 3, 1833; m. Mary - . Will written, Wilkes Co., N. C., naming children:

(1) John G. Eller.

(2) Candis A. Eller.

- (3) Arthur Eller.
- (4) Mrs. Buna V. Walsh.
- (5) Mrs. M. C. Walsh.

(7) Simeon Eller, b. Jan. 25, 1835; d. young.

(8) Susan Eller, b. Nov. 2, 1836; m. A. M. Church.

(9) Nancy Jane Eller, b. July 1, 1838.

(10) James Madison Eller, b. June 17, 1840; d. July 15, 1920; m. Louisa, dau. of Rev. John Humphrey Vannoy. Family resided in Wilkes Co., N. C. (See [Vannoy Genealogy](#))

(11) William Harrison Eller, b. Sept. 16, 1843.

Peter Eller₄

Peter Eller, b. June 17, 1805; d. Nov. 7, 1872; m. Fanny Yates a granddaughter of Col. Benjamin Cleveland. He was a brilliant student, interested in all public affairs particularly those pertaining to public schools. He established the old academy in Wilkesboro. He was appointed Col. of the Wilkes Co. Militia at the same time that his bro. Simeon was appointed Capt. He was a member and chairman of the first board of Superintendents of free public instruction of Wilkes Co. He was twice elected to the state legislature and was a member of the N. C. constitutional assembly. Issue:

(1) Benjamin Franklin Eller, m. Sept. 20, 1854, Mary H. Brookshier.

(2) Barnett Cleveland Eller, never m.

(3) Gordon Eller, d. in service, C. S. A.

(4) John Eller, d. in service, C. S. A.

(5) James Eller, lived, Jonesboro, Tenn.

(6) Martha Eller, m. George Canter.

(7) Saphrona Eller, youngest dau., m. John H. McNiell. Issue:

(1) Fanny McNiell who m. Zachary Taylor Watson and lives in Brookside, Watauga Co., N. C.;

- (2) Eller McNiel;
- (3) Floyd McNiel;
- (4) Barnum McNiel;
- (5) Ite McNiel;
- (6) Lowrie McNiel;
- (7) Mattie McNiel;
- (8) Anther McNiel;
- (9) Sarah McNiel.

(8) Rufus Eller.

Delilah Gazia Eller₄

Delilah Gazia Eller, b. Feb. 15, 1807; m. Oct. 30, 1828, Richard Saunders. Of issue: a son, William Saunders, who lived in Ashe County, N. C.

Mary "Polly" Eller₄

Mary (called Polly) Eller, b. 1810; m. Alexander Church. Issue:

- (1) Jesse Calvin;
- (2) Henry Harrison;
- (3) Anderson Mitchell; m. Susan, dau. of Absalom and Sarah Eller.
- (4) James;
- (5) William;
- (6) Matilda;
- (7) Caroline Martha;
- (8) Jane.

Peter₃

Peter Eller, son of [George and Christina Eller](#), d. in Wilkes Co., N. C., Nov., 181. He settled on the waters of New River about 1793, where he m. Mary Pennington, the dau. of an early settler. Like his brother John he was afflicted with rheumatism and moved to Wilkes Co. and settled on Ceroles Creek in 1816. His children were as follows:

Martha Eller₄, m. Sept. 8, 1823, Elijah Mitchell.

Susanna Eller₄, m. Oct. 30, 1823, David McGlemery.

Delila Eller₄, m. Aug. 4, 1828, **Oliver McNiel**, the son of James and

grandson of Rev. George McNeil. (See [McNeil Genealogy](#))

Jacob Eller₄, eldest son, m. Oct. 16, 1833, Mary Ann Sears.

Henry Eller₄, m. Apr. 4, 1832, Margaret Abbey.

George Eller₄, m. a Minton and according to family memory had issue:

- (1) Henry C. Eller.
- (2) Jesse H. Eller.
- (3) Bethina Eller.
- (4) Delphia Eller.
- (5) William Eller.

William Eller₄, (Footy Billy) m. a McGlemery and had sons David, Hamilton and Peter.

David Eller₄, moved to Iredell Co., N. C.

Katie Eller₄, m. A. E. Nichols.

Nancy Eller₄, never m.

Elizabeth Eller₄, m. Absalom Wheeler.

Polly Eller₄, youngest child, m. John Cooper.

Jacob₃

Jacob Eller, son of [George and Christina Eller](#), d. in Wilkes Co., Nov. 3, 1855, aged about 83 years. He originally settled at the mouth of Mill Creek on the north fork of New River, about 1812, where he was living at death. He was a local character of note and left much land and other property to his children. He is buried in the family burial grounds at his old home. He m. about 1804, Katie White, who d. Jan. 3, 1854.

Children of Jacob Eller and his wife Catherine White:

Luke Eller₄, b. June 8, 1806; d. Dec. 6, 1883; m. Mar. 29, 1829, Sarah King,
b. May 5, 1810; d. Jan. 10, 1892. Family lived, Ashe Co., N. C. Issue:

- (1) Aswell P. Eller.
- (2) Honsford Eller.
- (3) Joseph L. Eller, b. June 10, 1851; d. Mar. 26, 1911; m. Sept. 22, 1875,
Elizabeth Kirby, b. Feb. 15, 1851. Of issue, a son, K. Luke Eller, who lives
at Clifton, N. C.
- (4) Delila Eller.
- (5) Mary Eller.
- (6) Nancy Eller.

Mary (called Polly) Eller₄, b. Mar. 23, 1808; d. Jan. 3, 1908; m.
Aaron Latham. Issue:

- (1) Katie.
- (2) Elizabeth.
- (3) Sarah.
- (4) David.

Nancy Eller₄, m. Samuel Jones. Issue:

- (1) Alexander.
- (2) Aswell.
- (3) Jacob.
- (4) Lee.
- (5) Katie.
- (6) Elizabeth.
- (7) Polly.
- (8) Sarah.
- (9) Martha.
- (10) Amanda.
- (11) Cora.

Elizabeth Eller₄, m. Larkin Maxwell. Issue:

- (1) Mitchell;
- (2) William;
- (3) Richard;
- (4) Luke, and two daughters.

Peter Eller₄, m. twice. Traveled to the west and back again several times.
Had several children.

John Eller₄, m. Katherine Eldreth. Issue:

- (1) David.
- (2) Matthias.
- (3) Zachariah.
- (4) Jacob.
- (5) Calvin.

William Eller₄, m. Susanna, dau. of John and Elizabeth Ray (Vannoy)
Eller. Family moved to Tenn. Issue: Elizabeth and one other dau.

Susanna Eller₄, m.. David Roland. Issue:

- (1) Calvin.
- (2) Jacob.
- (3) Aaron.
- (4) Andrew.
- (5) Mary.
- (6) Catherine.
- (7) Margaret.

Sarah Eller₄, m. David Miller. Issue: Elizabeth who m. Floyd Welch. After
death of Sarah, David Miller m. Mary, dau. of John and Elizabeth Ray (Vannoy)
Eller.

David Eller₄, b. Nov. 1, 1826; d. Mar. 24, 1901; m. Oct. 31, 1852,
Catherine Baker, b. 1833; d. Feb. 22, 1903. Issue:

(1) Mary Eller, m. Harvey Augustus Eller, a son of James and Mary Ann
(Carlton) Eller. Family lives, Bina, N. C.

(2) John Eller, m. Jesse Campbell. Issue: (1) Jesse; (2) Donald; (3)
Bernice; (4) Harry. Family moved to Nebr.

(3) Joshua Eller, m Celia Jones. Lived, Ashe Co. Issue: (1) Jennie; (2)

Ennis; (3) Guy.

(4) William Eller, m. Mary, dau. of David Miller. Family resides, Smithville, Tenn. Issue: (1) Charles; (2) Robert; (3) Effie; (4) Maude; (5) Mable; (6) Gertrude; (7) Dolly.

(5) Jacob Eller, m. Aley F. Goss, dau. of Isham S. Goss of Ashe Co. Issue: (1) Wade who lives, Roanoke, Va.; (2) Bessie.

(6) Lee Eller, m Matilda Graybeal and lives, Lancaster Co., Pa. Issue: (1) Rev. R. O. Eller of Spencer, N. C.; (2) Oscar; (3) William; (4) Lester; (5) Blanche; (6) Stella; (7) Alma.

Henry₃

Henry Eller, son of [George and Christina Eller](#), d. in Ashe Co., N. C., about 1876, at the age of more than 90 years. He lived in Ashe Co., on New River, near his bro. Jacob. He m. 1814, Elizabeth Johnston of Iredell Co., N. C., and had issue:

John Eller₄, who m. Miss Hawkins and, of issue, had a son William, who m. Aug., 1856, Elizabeth Stike, and a son David, a Baptist preacher, who m. Jane Parsons.

George Eller₄, m. Miss Howell.

Hanna Eller₄.

Mary Eller₄.

Peter Eller₄, m.. Elizabeth Brooks.

Calvin Eller₄, m. Miss Turner. Was a Capt., C. S. A. Lived near Independence, Va.

Jacob Eller₄, b. 1832; d. 1899; m. Nov. 12, 1853, Ellen Jones, b. 1832. He was a Baptist preacher. Issue:

- (1) Marion Eller, b. 1855;
- (2) Louise Eller, m. Jesse Stewart;
- (3) Alenda Eller, m. William May;
- (4) Mary Eller, m. 1881, John A. Pierce and had issue, Jacob, Clyde, Lydia and Zella;
- (5) George Eller;
- (6) Alice Eller, m. Isam Thompson;
- (7) Horton Eller.
- (8) Rebecca Eller.

George, Jr.₃

George seems to have moved with his widowed mother back to Rowan County, where his identity among so many others of the same name became confused and lost.

Daughter₃

This daughter married a Pennington and moved to Georgia.

Henry₂

Henry Eller, son of Christian, died in Wyeth County, Virginia, in 1838, without issue. His Will, probated February 11, 1839, mentions his wife, Jane, and his brothers, Frederick and George. He left a large estate.

Frederick₂

Frederick Eller, son of Christian, lived first in Rowan County, then in Virginia. He had sons, George and Frederick, and a daughter, Margaret, and probably other children.

Susanna₂

Susanna married her cousin, John Eller, probably Melchoir's son.

Mary₂

Mary married a Mr. Wattinger

Barbara₂

Barbara married a Mr. Hess