

Synopsis of the History of the Family of Marry

① John Erskine was the family name of the Earl of Mar who fought for the liberty of Scotland, under Sir William Wallace and Robert Bruce against Edward I of England.

In 1715-16 there arose in England what is known in history as the Jacobite Rising, led by Bruce Edward son of James II, who laid claim to the crown against the German Emperor George I.

In that rising John Erskine Eleventh Earl of Mar, led an army of 7000 men against the English in behalf of the Pretender Bruce Edward, but was defeated by a much larger army under the Duke of Cumberland.

The rising was put down, and the Pretender with his men soon escaped to France, but he eventually returned to Scotland.

② A son of his "Alexander" fled to America and for obvious reasons dropped the name Erskine and took the name of his father's title Mar - adding a second R, making it Marr which has become the family name of all his descendants.

His ~~descendants~~ settled in Pennsylvania where he was when the American Revolution broke out, and a number of them bearing the name refused to fight against the King of England and came to Canada some settled as pioneers

③ (Loyalists) in Ontario N. E. of Toronto and some in N. B. among the latter was "Alexander Marr" who settled near what is now the town of Sussex, where he lived as a farmer until his death. He was buried at Smith's creek at 70 yrs of age.

Bliss pointed out some old timbers and an excavation  
to Leonard many years ago which Leonard pointed  
out to me. — This excavation was about 100 yards to  
the west of the covered bridge at Smith Creek and on the  
north west bank. — Bliss believed that James and  
Mary Ann Graham. lived there first winter at  
this spot dug into the river bank. The next spring  
they planted buckwheat in the adjoining fields but  
it froze before it ripened. — They then moved  
on to Jordan Mountain and built a log cabin. It  
should be noted that they were married in Aug.  
1825 and James Junior was born in 1826. The  
failure of that first buckwheat crop in 1826 and  
the <sup>resultant</sup> ~~amoor~~ up to the mountain as the winter was  
severe in, must of been a time of such privation that  
this story would have been told many times.

The name of his wife is not known but they had eleven children that lived to marry and have families.

- 3-1 Mrs. Curie.
- 3-2 Mrs. Almon
- 3-3 Mrs. Jordan.
- 3-4 Mrs. Payne
- 3-5 James \*
- 3-6 Alexander.
- 3-7 Wilson
- 3-8 Richard.
- 3-9 David
- 3-10 Guston
- 3-11 William

3-5 James Married Mary Ann Graham on <sup>Nov</sup> 1825  
He was 19 years old and she 17 yrs old.

After their marriage in Sussex they walked 12 miles to Jordan Mountain, carrying all their worldly possessions with them. The clothes they wore, an axe, sickle, a bushel of wheat and corn buckwheat.

The ladies cloths were all made by hand by her and her mother from shearing the sheep carding the wool weaving it cloth and sewing the shoes were made by her father.

They chose a spot for their home and built a log cabin.

Mary was very skillful in making medicine from herbs and tree barks, and was the ~~only~~ <sup>only</sup> doctor for many years the only doctor in that part of the country. walking many miles summer & winter to help the sick.

They had 12 Children.

- 1 James Jr. 1826-1897
- 2 Ann
- 3-4 Edward & William born
- 5 Henry
- 6 Simon
- 7 Oliver 12 Reuben
- 8 Flynn 1848-1826
- 9 George
- 10 Susan
- 11 Elizabeth

4-8. A. J. Lynn. Married Letitia / Esther Folkens.  
 Issue  
 1 Mary D.  
 2 Bessie R.  
 3 I. Bliss  
 4 Benjamin B.  
 5 Mattie R - 1893-1943 + HARRY NELSON  
 6 Hazel F.  
 7 Alfred R. twins  
 8 Etta M.  
 9 Margaret A.  
 10 Harrison. died in infancy.

4-8-3 J. Bliss married ALBERTA SCOTT <sup>1891-1969</sup> Somerville, N.H. 12/25/89  
 Issue  
 1. Leonard S.  
 2. Ralph W.

4-8-3-1 Leonard J. married Jean Orchard.  
 Issue  
 1 Judith Ellen  
 2 James Bliss

4-8-3-1-1 Judith Ellen married Frank Maxwell  
 Issue  
 1 Heather Anne Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 1961  
 2 David Glenn Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1963  
 3 James Dan Sept

James Sr. 1806-92 (ann)  
James T Jr. 1826-97

W.S. MARR

James Sr. 1806-1892

Ray Ann Gish 1808-1889

1826-1897

1824-1904

(13) James Jr. married Elizabeth Coates

- 4-2 Ann
- 4-3 Edward } 1831-1911 - MARY JANE MURRAY 1827-1882
- 4-4 William } Lewis
- 4-5 Henry } 1834-1907 Susan Gregg
- 4-6 Sirhon } Liza Mann 1842-1927
- 4-7 Oliver } Marian Coates
- 4-8 Flynn } 1846-1926 Letitia E. Folkers 1852-1911
- 4-9 George } 1848-1823 Mabel S. 1849-1900
- 4-10 Susan } Mc Gaughey
- 4-11 Elizabeth
- 4-12 Ruben

(13) (8)

Flynn, Born 1846 - Died 1926 (1912 on stone incorrect)  
Letitia E Folkers 1852 - 1911 1911 correct

Sen Children 9 lived to grow up

- 4-8-1 Harry H Mann Born Died 1933
- 4-8-2 Bessie R Mann Born 1878 Died 1918
- 4-8-3 J Bliss Mann Born July 7, 1880 Died Sept 3 1941
- 4-8-4 Benjamin B Mann Born Aug 10th 1882 Died 1939
- 4-8-5 Nettie Mann Born 1883 - Died 1943
- 4-8-6 Hazel F Mann Born March 89-1885 Died Sept 7-1957
- 4-8-7 Alfred R Mann } Lewis
- 4-8-8 Appetta M Mann }
- 4-8-9 Margaret Ann Mann. Born June 189
- 4-8-10 Harrison. Died young

All born on Jordan Mountain. Moved to Norton Jan 1 1901

4-8-3 J. Bliss married Alberta L Somerville Sept 26, 1906.

Sons are

1 Leonard S. Mann

2 Ralph W. Mann

Both Born at Norton.

Bliss lived at Norton until his death Sept 3, 1941.