Descendants of Samuel Clarke

Generation 1

1. **SAMUEL**¹ **CLARKE** was born in 1665 in Gorham, Cumberland, Maine, USA. He died in 1737 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He married **ELIZABETH HICKS**. She was born in 1670 in Surry, Virginia, USA. She died in 1736 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.

Samuel Clarke and Elizabeth Hicks had the following child:

 i. MARY² CLARKE was born in 1692 in St Andrews Parish, Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She died in 1766 in St Andrews Parish, Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She married Henry H Cooke, son of John Cooke and Hannah Jones, on 12 Jan 1718 in Surry, Virginia, USA. He was born in 1690 in Southwork Parrish, Surry, Virginia, USA. He died on 13 Nov 1774 in Meherrin, Brunswick, Virginia, USA (per SVF at the age of 84).

Generation 2

2. MARY² CLARKE (Samuel¹) was born in 1692 in St Andrews Parish, Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She died in 1766 in St Andrews Parish, Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She married Henry H Cooke, son of John Cooke and Hannah Jones, on 12 Jan 1718 in Surry, Virginia, USA. He was born in 1690 in Southwork Parrish, Surry, Virginia, USA. He died on 13 Nov 1774 in Meherrin, Brunswick, Virginia, USA (per SVF at the age of 84).

Henry H Cooke and Mary Clarke had the following children:

- i. Jane³ Cooke was born in 1715 in Surry, Surry, Virginia, USA. She died in 1790 in Lancaster, Lancaster, South Carolina, USA. She married John C Cato, son of George Cato and Mary Poole, on 23 Jul 1741 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He was born in 1710 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in 1806 in Lancaster, South Carolina, USA.
 - ii. JOHN COOKE was born in 1717 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in 1811. He married Elizabeth (Betty) Brown on 21 Sep 1759 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1739 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She died after 1766 in Fairfield, Connecticut. USA.
 - iii. SARAH COOKE was born in 1722 in Surry, Virginia, USA. She died in 1772 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.
 - iv. Betty Cooke was born in 1725 in Surry, Virginia, USA. She died in 1772 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.
 - v. Ann Cooke was born in 1726 in Surry, Virginia, USA. She died in 1772 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.
 - vi. ELIZABETH COOKE was born in 1728 in Surry, Virginia, USA. She died on 14 Mar 1806 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.
 - vii. MARY COOKE was born in 1730 in Surry, Virginia, USA. She died on 20 Oct 1772 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.
 - viii. HENRY COOKE was born in 1732 in Surry, Virginia, USA. He died on 23 Apr 1764 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.
 - ix. Drury Cook was born in 1736. He died in 1820 in Clarke County, Georgia, USA.
 - SAMUEL COOKE was born in 1738 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in USA.
 - xi. CAPT JOHN COOKE was born in 1740 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in 1779 in Broad River, Cooks Ferry, North Carolina, USA.

Generation 3

3. **Jane**³ **Cooke** (Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born in 1715 in Surry, Surry, Virginia, USA. She died in 1790 in Lancaster, Lancaster, South Carolina, USA. She married John C Cato, son of George Cato and Mary Poole, on 23 Jul 1741 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He was born in 1710 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in 1806 in Lancaster, South Carolina, USA.

John C Cato and Jane Cooke had the following children:

i. Burwell Cato was born in 1730 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in 1769 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.

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- 4. ii. DANIEL CATO was born in 1733 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in Jun 1794 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He married (1) PATIENCE HARRIS, daughter of Rowland Harris and Elizabeth Allen, in 1730 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1728 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She died in 1795 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He married (2) TEMPERANCE in 1771 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1754 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She died in 1815 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.
 - iii. MARY CATO was born in 1735 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She died on 06 Sep 1779 in Sampson County, North Carolina, USA.
 - iv. JOHN CATO JR was born in 1736 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died on 11 Feb 1769 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA.
 - v. Henry Cato was born in 1740 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in 1800 in Lancaster, South Carolina, USA.
 - vi. Sterling Cato was born in 1755 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in 1816 in Washington, Alabama, USA.
 - vii. WILLIAM CATO was born in 1757 in Kershaw, South Carolina, USA. He died on 30 Aug 1831 in Fairfield, South Carolina, USA.

Generation 4

4. Daniel Cato (Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born in 1733 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died in Jun 1794 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He married (1) Patience Harris, daughter of Rowland Harris and Elizabeth Allen, in 1730 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1728 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. She died in 1795 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He married (2) Temperance in 1771 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1754 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She died in 1815 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.

Daniel Cato and Patience Harris had the following children:

- i. JOHN⁵ CATO was born in 1748 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died on 08 Nov 1788 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. He married Elizabeth Nanny about 1767 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1740 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in 1810 in Christian, Kentucky, USA.
 - JANE CATO was born in 1750 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in USA.
 - iii. SUSANNAH CATO was born in 1752 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died on 03 Jun 1794 in Virginia, USA.
 - iv. ROLAND CATO was born in 1755 in Virginia, USA. He died in 1813 in Davidson, Davidson, Tennessee, USA.
 - v. Daniel Cato was born in 1758 in Brunswick, Virginia, USA. He died on 03 Jun 1794 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.
 - vi. DORA CATO was born in 1760.
 - vii. MARY CATO.
 - viii. George Cato. He died in 1821.

Daniel Cato and Temperance had the following children:

- ix. Susannah Ann Cato was born in 1755.
- x. Sterling Cato was born in 1775 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.
- xi. NANCY CATO was born in 1777 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.
- xii. JOHN CATO was born in 1779 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. He died in 1821 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.
- xiii. HARRIS CATO was born in 1781 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.
- xiv. WARREN CATO was born in 1783 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. He died in 1808.
- xv. Patsy Cato was born in 1785 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.

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xvi. JENNY CATO was born in 1787 in Greensville, Virginia, USA.

Generation 5

5. John⁵ Cato (Daniel⁴, Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born in 1748 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died on 08 Nov 1788 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. He married Elizabeth Nanny about 1767 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1740 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in 1810 in Christian, Kentucky, USA.

John Cato and Elizabeth Nanny had the following children:

- i. Lucy⁶ Cato was born in 1768 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in USA.
- ii. Charlotte Cato was born in 1769 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in USA.
- JENNETT CATO was born in 1771 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in USA. She married William Du Pre on 05 Jul 1788 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. He died.
- iv. JOHN CATO was born in 1773 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died in USA.
- 6. v. ELIZABETH CATO was born in 1775 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in 1817 in Tennessee, USA. She married Buckner Mark Shelton on 26 Jul 1792 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He was born in 1771 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died in 1843 in Trigg, Kentucky, USA.
 - vi. POLLY CATO was born in 1776 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in USA
- 7. vii. JOHN HENRY CATO was born in 1778 in Williamsburg, York, Virginia, USA. He died in 1812 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. He married Harriet or Ollie Perry, daughter of Julius Perry and Lucy Charles, on 25 May 1797 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1780 in York, Virginia, USA. She died in York, Virginia, USA.
 - viii. Chrissy Cato was born in 1778 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in 1820 in USA.
 - ix. Priscilla Cato was born in 1780 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in USA.
 - x. George Cato was born in 1782 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died in USA.

Generation 6

6. **ELIZABETH**⁶ **CATO** (John⁵, Daniel⁴, Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born in 1775 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. She died in 1817 in Tennessee, USA. She married Buckner Mark Shelton on 26 Jul 1792 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He was born in 1771 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died in 1843 in Trigg, Kentucky, USA.

Buckner Mark Shelton and Elizabeth Cato had the following children:

- i. ROBERT⁷ SHELTON was born in 1798 in Greenville, Augusta, Virginia, USA. He died on 20 Aug 1850.
- ii. THOMAS SHELTON was born in 1812 in Kentucky, USA. He died.
- iii. REBECCA ANN SHELTON was born in 1814 in Kentucky, USA. She died in 1883.
- 7. **JOHN HENRY**⁶ **CATO** (John⁵, Daniel⁴, Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born in 1778 in Williamsburg, York, Virginia, USA. He died in 1812 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. He married Harriet or Ollie Perry, daughter of Julius Perry and Lucy Charles, on 25 May 1797 in Greensville, Virginia, USA. She was born in 1780 in York, Virginia, USA. She died in York, Virginia, USA.

John Henry Cato and Harriet or Ollie Perry had the following children:

- INEZ⁷ CATO was born on 17 Jun 1796 in Williamsburg, York, West Virgina, USA. She died in 1800.
- 8. ii. GEORGE EDWIN CATO was born on 06 Jun 1798 in York, Virginia, USA. He died on

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- 01 Jan 1864 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA. He married Euphamia Rieff, daughter of Henry Rieff and Catherine Caty Zeek (Seik), on 01 Jan 1822 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. She was born on 06 Dec 1800 in York, Virginia, USA. She died on 04 Apr 1885 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA.
- iii. Britania Cato was born on 17 Nov 1800 in Virginia, USA. She died in 1885 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA.
- iv. JOHN WESTLY CATO was born on 04 Jan 1803 in Virginia, USA.

Generation 7

8. **GEORGE EDWIN⁷ CATO** (John Henry⁶, John⁵, Daniel⁴, Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born on 06 Jun 1798 in York, Virginia, USA. He died on 01 Jan 1864 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA. He married Euphamia Rieff, daughter of Henry Rieff and Catherine Caty Zeek (Seik), on 01 Jan 1822 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. She was born on 06 Dec 1800 in York, Virginia, USA. She died on 04 Apr 1885 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA.

Notes for George Edwin Cato:

They had 5 children in TN & 5 children in IL. They left TN Oct. 30, 1830 in a two-wheel cart with a cow & a pony pulling it. They got to Carrolton, IL in the worst blizzard in history. They stayed with the McPheron family. George rode a horse beside the cart.

George Edwin Cato and Euphamia Rieff had the following children:

- i. MARIA JANE⁸ CATO was born on 11 Dec 1822 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. She died in 1894 in Midland, Midland, Texas, USA. She married J.H. CRANFILL.
- ii. JOHN HENRY CATO was born on 30 May 1824 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. He died on 09 Feb 1866 in Alton, Madison, Illinois, USA. He married Elizabeth Jane Willey, daughter of William D Willey and Nancy Jane Stewart, on 30 Nov 1851 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA. She was born on 22 Nov 1834 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. She died on 21 Jun 1872 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA (Rieff Chapel).
- iii. JACOB R CATO was born on 15 Jan 1826 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. He died on 01 May 1910 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA. He married LIEUTICIA MAY. She was born on 28 Jul 1828. She died on 04 Feb 1908.
- 11. iv. AMANDA CATHERINE CATO was born on 08 Feb 1828 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. She died on 17 Jun 1910 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA (Carrollton Greene Cemetery). She married James Ashbury McPheron, son of Amos McPheron and Hetty T Morris, on 04 Nov 1847. He was born on 08 Feb 1826. He died on 22 Jun 1911.
- 12. v. GEORGE W CATO was born on 06 Aug 1829 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. He died in 1856 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA (Providence Cemetery).
 - vi. NANCY M CATO was born on 31 Mar 1831 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA. She married W. A. LEWIS.
 - vii. JAMES TARUS CATO was born on 07 Jun 1833 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA. He died on 12 Jul 1865 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA (Providence Cemetery).
 - viii. WILLIAM M CATO was born on 16 Mar 1835 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA.
 - ix. Rufus Edwin Cato was born on 24 Jun 1838 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA. He died on 28 Jun 1921 in Tulsa, Tulsa, Oklahoma, USA (Greenwood Cemetery). He married Cynthia Audre Davis on 03 Nov 1859.
 - x. ANDREW J CATO was born on 25 Mar 1840 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA.
 - xi. CLINTON G CATO was born on 05 Dec 1852. He died on 24 Jan 1927 in Springfield, Sangamon, Illinois, USA (Buried in Oakland Cemetery Greene Co, IL). He married LOVE E SECOR.

Notes for Clinton G Cato:

Greenfield Argus - Nov 16, 1900 C.G.Cato and son moved their store to the west side of the square in what formerly was occupied by J.M. Couper as a drug store.

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Greenfield Argus - Jan 1927 Clinton G. Cato an old and highly respected business man of Greenfield, IL for many years was born in the Providence Church neighborhood, south of Daum, IL., Dec 5, 1852, and passed out of this life at St. John hospital in Springfield, IL, Tuesday Jan 4, 1927, at 9:30 pm being 74 years, and 29 davs. On August 25, 1874, he united in marriage with Love E. Secor of this city. To this union four children were born; three of whom survive as follows: Mrs. J.J. Cook of Florence, AL: and two sons Dean of Springfield, II: and Wayne of Marshfield, Oregon. One son died in infancy. His wife preceded him in death in September 1900. He also is survived by a sister, Mrs. Jacob Bauer, of Hettick, IL one half brother Edward Brown in Alton, IL and one half sister, Mrs. Oscar Teanev of Marshfield, Oregon. Mr Cato was engaged in the grocery business on the West side of the square in Greenfield for thirty five years. He moved to Springfield, IL in August 1904, where he has since resided. Until two years ago he had scarcely known what sickness was. On March 18, 1925, while crossing the street in Springfield, IL an auto without lights quickly swerved around the corner and bore down upon him and dragged and rolled him about eighty feet, breaking his limb in four places and cutting and bruising him in many places. That he lived as long and made as much of a recovery as he did was attributed to the clean life he had lived. He was a good husband and father and made it his principle in life to harm no one. Heart trouble was his final decease.
The remains were brought to Greenfield Wednesday pm and taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Secor where on Thursday at 10 am funeral services were conducted and the remains laid to rest in Oakwood Cemetery, Rev. Oscar F. Jones, pastor of the M.E.Church in Greenfield officating.

Generation 8

9. John Henry⁸ Cato (George Edwin⁷, John Henry⁶, John⁵, Daniel⁴, Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born on 30 May 1824 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. He died on 09 Feb 1866 in Alton, Madison, Illinois, USA. He married Elizabeth Jane Willey, daughter of William D Willey and Nancy Jane Stewart, on 30 Nov 1851 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA. She was born on 22 Nov 1834 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. She died on 21 Jun 1872 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA (Rieff Chapel).

John Henry Cato and Elizabeth Jane Willey had the following children:

- i. URIAS⁹ CATO was born on 30 Nov 1852 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA. He died on 28 Oct 1913 in Cortez, Montezuma, Colorado, USA. He married MARY ELIZABETH ROGERS. She was born on 16 Nov 1861 in Prairie Grove, Washington County, Arkansas, USA. She died on 12 Dec 1934 in Riverside, Riverside County, California, USA.
- ii. OZIOS CATO was born on 11 Apr 1855 in Pike, Illinois, USA. He died in 1865 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA.
- iii. QUINTUS CATO was born on 01 May 1857 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA. He died on 18 Jan 1930 in Fruita, Mesa, Colorado, USA. He married Alamedia Jane Taylor, daughter of David Comer Taylor and Ann Mariah Gibson, on 25 Dec 1877 in Longmont, Boulder, Colorado, USA. She was born on 05 Oct 1861 in Longmont, Boulder, Colorado, USA. She died on 21 Aug 1948 in Fruita, Mesa, Colorado, USA.

Notes for Quintus Cato:

"The Catos came from Scotland to America in 1654 & settled in Carolina. It is thought that they were orinally from Italy. Some were living in Richmond VA in the year 1800. Cato Lane in Nashville TN was named after the Catos. John Henry Cato I served in the Revolutionary War as a surveyor. The government paid him with 800 acres of land in Wilson Co., TN. He had slaves but left a will saying to release them when he died. John Henry II was blacksmith in Williamsburg, VA. When he died, John Henry I sent for Ollie (John II's wife) & children to come live with him in TN. 3 children-Britiania born 1800, John Westly born 1803?, & George Edwin Cato b. 1798. George Edwin Cato (John II's son) married Euphamia Rieff in Wilson Co., TN, Jan. 1, 1822 (or Mar. 1, 1822). They had 5 children in TN & 5 children in IL.

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They left TN Oct. 30, 1830 in a two-wheel cart with a cow & a pony pulling it. They got to Carrolton, IL in the worst blizzard in history. They stayed with the McPheron family. George rode a horse beside the cart. Jacob Cato (George's son) & wife & Jacob's brother John Henry III left Carrolton with a wagon & a span of mules. Jacob & wife in wagon & John Henry III on horseback. They had to ford either the Missouri or the Mississippi River at St. Louis, MO. They got Uncle Tarus (Tarius) Rieff's house - 4 miles south of Favetteville. AR in 1846. They homesteaded there (it was later called Cato Springs). Jacob & his wife lived there. Jacob & family moved to Jerrysville, IL during or after the Civil War. They later came back to Cato Springs. John Henry III (George's son) married Elizabeth Wiley. Her father was president of a college. She is buried at Rieff Chapel, Fayetteville, AR. John III enlisted in the Confederate Army. The North took over Fayetteville, Ark. John hid-one day he was captured. He was put in a Northern prison (IL). His parents visited him several times. He died in the prison of small pox or measles. John & Elizabeth had the children: 1. Emmett, born 1860. Died 1838 at age 46. He married (1906?) Ida Whitener Bryson. She was 19. She had 2 girls Irene & Ada was born 1887? died 1939 age 52. 2. Quintus married had children- lived around Durango Colorado & Apple Valley, Colorado. 3. John Henry V - named V because Jacob (John III's brother) named his son John Henry IV. John Henry IV son of Jacob R. He is the brother of Elizabeth. John IV & 1st wife had 3 children: Talula (mother of Kathleen Colman) married to Reed. 2. Emma & 3. Lena. John IV had 2nd wife Elizabeth Reed had 1, son Fred who marrried Ida Kate Williams. Elizabeth Reed was sister to Reed who married Talula.

- iv. EMMETT CATO was born on 06 Nov 1859 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA. He died on 11 Oct 1937 in Sapulpa, Creek, Oklahoma, USA. He married Ida Whitener Bryson in 1906. She was born in 1860.
- v. JOHN HENRY CATO was born on 06 Jul 1862 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA. He died on 10 Nov 1942 in Kansas City, Clay, Missouri, USA. He married Anna Cullom, daughter of William H Cullom and Grace Mantz, on 15 Nov 1894 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri, USA. She was born on 05 Aug 1872 in Pennsylvania, USA. She died on 29 Jan 1946 in Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, USA.
- 10. **JACOB R**⁸ **CATO** (George Edwin⁷, John Henry⁶, John⁵, Daniel⁴, Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born on 15 Jan 1826 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. He died on 01 May 1910 in Fayetteville, Washington, Arkansas, USA. He married **Lieuticia May**. She was born on 28 Jul 1828. She died on 04 Feb 1908.

Notes for Jacob R Cato:

Jacob Cato (George's son) & wife & Jacob's brother John Henry III left Carrolton with a wagon & a span of mules. Jacob & wife in wagon & John Henry III on horseback. They had to ford either the Missouri or the Mississippi River at St. Louis, MO. They got Uncle Tarus (Tarius) Rieff's house - 4 miles south of Fayetteville, AR in 1846. They homesteaded there (it was later called Cato Springs). Jacob & his wife lived there. Jacob & family moved to Jerrysville, IL during or after the Civil War. They later came back to Cato Springs.

The Spingdale News via The Prairie Grove Herald May 20, 1910

Jacob Rieff Cato died at his home at Rieffs Chapel Sunday, May 1st, being 84 years of age. In 1847 Mr. Cato moved to this county and settled the farm on which he lived to the day of his death. The burial was made at Rieffs Chapel on May 2nd, the services being conducted by Rev. N.D. Hanks.

Jacob R Cato and Lieuticia May had the following children:

i. ALICE LEE⁹ CATO was born on 05 Oct 1862. She died on 08 Mar 1950. She married JOHN N DOWELL. He was born on 26 Sep 1861 in Tennessee, USA. He died on 24 Mar 1912 in Washington, Arkansas, USA.

Notes for John N Dowell:

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The Springdale News from The Fayetteville Daily, Monday March 29, 1912

It was a shock to his legion of friends to learn the H.J. Dowell died by his own hands at Cato's Spring about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Coroner Wm. W. Bishop was notified and at once proceeded to the Dowell home where the inquest was held. The jury returned the following verdict: "We the coroner's jury find the deceased H.J. Dowell, came to his death by a gun shot wound from his own hands, at his own home on March 24, 1912 about 3 o'clock p.m. and it is this opinion of the jury that it was done with suicidal intent. Witness our hands this 24th day of March 1912: J.H. Kelley, foreman; J.H. Paschal, R.D. McCollum,, J.R. Stockberger, J.O. Cate, E.A. Cate L. Cate, W.P. Thomas, J.M. Cox, A.D. Millsaps." The evidence showed that yesterday afternoon Mr. Dowell's son, Clint, was hitching up a horse to bring his sister, Hazel, to Mrs. J.E. Suttle's home in the city where she had been boarding and attending the city schools. Mrs. Suttle is her aunt. Miss Hazel went upstairs to get some change from her father to buy an article she wanted when she was horrified to find her father lying on his face at the foot of the bed on the floor, cold in death. A target gun was lying across his back. The report of the gun was not heard by any member of the family. He was seen only ten minutes before that in his usual state of mind, giving no evidence of the impending tragedy. She screamed and attracted other members of the family, neighbors were notified and a few minutes later a number had come to render what assistance they might to the stricken family. The theory is that he went upstairs and kneeled down at the foot of the bed, cocked a .38 calibre target gun, pressed the muzzle against his right temple and pushed the trigger with the stick that lay close by. The gun was muffled by the pressure against his head and the report was not heard. Deceased was the son of the late W.F. Dowell and was about 50 years of age. He was a mere child when his father moved to Arkansas from Tennessee soon after the Civil War. His life had been spent in the neighborhood where he died. A few months ago he sold his farm 2 1/2 miles southeast of town and purchased the home of his father a mile south of the farm he sold and it is said that both he and his family had been greatly dissatisfied since that time. It is believed that brooding over this transaction deranged his mind but he had previously showed no evidence of it. The community is stupefied over the awful tragedy. John Dowell was prosperous and had friends without number. Almost all the people of Fayetteville knew and esteemed him. He was always cheerful and never morose. He was one of our best citizens and our people learned of his death with unfeigned sorrow. He leaves a wife and two children. Clint. 20 and Hazel. 18, referred to above.

- ii. Elizabeth Cato.
- iii. JOHN HENRY CATO. He married (2) ELIZABETH REED.
- 11. **AMANDA CATHERINE**⁸ **CATO** (George Edwin⁷, John Henry⁶, John⁵, Daniel⁴, Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born on 08 Feb 1828 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. She died on 17 Jun 1910 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA (Carrollton Greene Cemetery). She married James Ashbury McPheron, son of Amos McPheron and Hetty T Morris, on 04 Nov 1847. He was born on 08 Feb 1826. He died on 22 Jun 1911.

Notes for James Ashbury McPheron:

From "1905 Past and Present of Greene County Illinois" Page 511 JAMES A. McPHERON, a well known florist of Carrollton, was born in Tennessee, on the 8th of February, 1826. His parents were Amos and Hettie (Morris) McPheron. The father was born in Knox county, Tennessee, December 12, 1797, while the mother's birth occurred in Virginia. The paternal grandfather was William McPheron, but it is not definitely known whether he was born in the north of Ireland, where lived the ancestors of the family, or in Virginia, but it is certain that the family was established in America in colonial days. The grandfather became a planter in Tennessee and resided for many years in that state. In 1829 the father removed to Morgan county, Illinois and in the winter of 1830-31 he came to this county, where he entered a tract of land from the government, his farm being located seven miles east of Carrollton in Linder township. With characteristic energy he began transforming the wild land into a cultivable tract and continued its further improvement and development throughout the remainder of his active business career. He also resided upon that

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place until 1889, when he was called to his final rest in his ninety-second year. He was a good citizen and a lover of home-a man who was respected by all who knew him. In his family were three children when he came to Illinois and seven were added to the household after the arrival in James A. McPheron, the third in order of birth, spent his early boyhood days in Greene county. Linder township, being reared amid the wild scenes of frontier life and sharing with the family in all the hardships and trials incident to a pioneer existence. He early gained practical knowledge of the best methods of developing and cultivating new land and he continued to assist in the operation of the home farm until his marriage, which occurred on the 4th of November, 1847, the lady of his choice being Miss Amanda C. Cato, also a native of Tennessee. Her father, George E. Cato, was one of the pioneer residents of Greene county and continued to reside within these borders up to the time of his demise. Unto Mr. and Mrs. McPheron have been born six children: Edwin Newton, who is now engaged in the jewelry business in Greenfield, Illinois; Ella, the wife of John Scruby, of Roodhouse; Annie E., the deceased wife of Leverett Loomis; Laura, who married John Clough; Robert A., who is now living in Litchfield, Illinois; and J. Clint, who resides on the homestead farm and married Miss Edna Hunt, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. James McPheron resided in Linder township from 1847 until 1858, when he sold his property there and removed to Carrollton. In 1860 he came to his present place south of the city, the land being now within the corporation limits of Carrollton. Here he and his son are engaged extensively in the raising of fruit, vegetables and flowers. They have secured a large trade, placing upon the market excellent products in these various lines and their honorable business methods have secured to them a large and gratifying patronage. Mr. McPheron's life has passed uneventfully, but has been characterized by the full performance of the duties that have devolved upon him. He has taken an active part in church work and for twenty-five years was superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday-school. In matters of citizenship he is also loyal and his family and friends recognize in him the possession of many admirable traits of character.

James Ashbury McPheron and Amanda Catherine Cato had the following children:

- i. N ELLEN⁹ MCPHERON was born in 1854. She died in 1938.
- ii. Anna E McPheron was born in 1854. She died in 1938. She married (1) Leverett Loomis on 25 Jun 1874. She married (2) John Scruby on 06 Dec 1876.

Notes for Anna E McPheron:

Daughter of George E. and Euphama Cato. She married James Asbury McPheron on 4 November 1847 in Greene County, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. McPheron had six children: Edwin Newton, who was engaged in the jewelry business in Greenfield, Illinois; Ella, the wife of John Scruby, of Roodhouse; Annie E., the deceased wife of Leverett Loomis; Laura, who married John Clough; Robert A., who lived in Litchfield, Illinois; and J. Clint, who resided on the homestead farm and married Miss Edna Hunt, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

- iii. LAURA BELL MCPHERON was born in 1859. She died on 14 Feb 1920. She married John Sumerton Clough Jr on 01 Oct 1881.
- iv. ROBERT ASBURY MCPHERON was born on 14 Jun 1863. He died on 01 Feb 1935. He married (1) JULIA BELLE WILTON on 30 Dec 1892 in Montgomery, Illinois, USA. She was born in 1869. She died on 20 Apr 1936. He married (2) MAGGIE CAMP. She was born in 1865. She died in 1890.
- v. James Clinton McPheron was born in 1868. He died in 1921.
- 12. **GEORGE W**^g **CATO** (George Edwin⁷, John Henry⁶, John⁵, Daniel⁴, Jane³ Cooke, Mary² Clarke, Samuel¹ Clarke) was born on 06 Aug 1829 in Wilson, Tennessee, USA. He died in 1856 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA (Providence Cemetery).

George W Cato had the following child:

 AMERICUS⁹ CATO was born in Aug 1855. She died on 31 Jul 1856 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois, USA.