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DESCENDANTS OF JOHN WHITE

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VELZORA Cade⁹ (15326), b. —; m. —, — Fifield. Child:
15366. Alice Fifield.¹⁰

GEORGE H. Crocker⁹ (15344), b. —; m. —. Child:
15367. Samuel Crocker.¹⁰

SALMON⁵ (639), b. in Lunenburg, Mass., Apr. 3, 1761; m. int. pub. in Canaan, Me., with Nancy Springer of Woolwich, Me. He moved when a child with his parents to Canaan, Me. He remained on the home farm and cared for his parents. In 1798, he built a two-story house, his cousin John Kimball from Fitchburg, Mass., being one of the carpenters. He kept for a few years an old-fashioned stage tavern. It is said that while his farm was well supplied with tools and the house with furniture, it is worthy of notice that he never owned a clock or a watch. He was a captain in the militia. He was one of the original members of the re-organized church, but his wife was a Baptist in sentiment. He d. Apr. 21, 1837. She d. Oct. 6, 1845, aged 84. Children:

15368. John,⁶ +.

15369. Elizabeth,⁶ +.

15370. James,⁶ +.

15371. Nathaniel B.,⁶ +.

15372. Nancy,⁶ b. and d. aged 54 years.

15373. Rachel,⁶ +.

15374. Salmon, Jr.,⁶ +.

15375. Maria,⁶ d. when five or six years of age from burns caused by her clothes taking fire while in school.

Dea. JOHN⁶ (15368), b. in Canaan, Me., Apr. 12, 1785; at the age of 21 he began life in the new township of Palmyra, Me.; at that time there were but twenty acres of trees felled on his land. He m. Elizabeth Jewett, b. in Exeter, N. H., Feb. 14, 1788; she was a granddaughter of Dr. Samuel Shepard, one of the first and most eminent Baptist ministers of New England. They labored together on their farm in Palmyra for fifty-one years, then spent a year and a half in Ohio, twelve years in Battle Creek, Mich., where they kept house alone under the tender care of their son and family until the wife and mother was called home, Jan. 1, 1871, aged 82 years; he survived her but six months, dying July 5, 1871, aged 86 years. The knee buckles (shown on p. 16, Vol. I.) were in Dea. White's possession for thirty years, he

having received them through his grandfather, John White⁴ (162) (Vol. I). He gave them in turn to his oldest son, Rev. John W. White of Ohio, and he left them to his son, Prof. John W. White of Harvard College. Children:

15376. Mary,⁷ +. *Chad 1810-1889*
 15377. John Whitney,⁷ +.
 15378. Elizabeth,⁷ +. *Taney (1800)*
 15379. Samuel,⁷ +.
 15380. James,⁷ +. *1821*
 15381. Benjamin,⁷ b. in Palmyra, Me., about 1823; is supposed to have lost his life by the Indians in returning from California.
 15382. Nathaniel,⁷ b. in Palmyra, in 1831; d. in Rochester, N. Y., in the home of his brother James, May 6, 1853.
 15383. Anna,⁷ b. in Palmyra; d. in Rochester, N. Y., in 1854, and is buried beside her brother in Mount Hope Cemetery.
 15384. A son,⁷ b. and d. aged three years. *Joseph*
(see Samuel White letter Jan. 22, 1871)
 ELIZABETH⁶ (15369), b. in Bloomfield, Me., —; m. —, Juda McClellan.

JAMES⁶ (15370), b. in Canaan, Me.; m. Mary, dau. of Pickard Jewett; she d. young; he d. —. Child:

15385. A daughter,⁷ b. and d. young.

Rev. NATHANIEL B.⁶ (15371), b. in Canaan, Me., about 1790; he m. Harriet Jewett, sister of Elizabeth, wife of his brother, Deacon John. They lived in Skowhegan, Me. Children:

15386. Nathaniel,⁷ +.
 15386 a. John,⁷ b. and d. in infancy.
 15386 b. Franklin,⁷ b. and d. young.
 15386 c. Clarissa,⁷ b. and d. young.
 15386 d. James,⁷ +.
 15386 e. Harriet,⁷ +.
 15386 f. Ann,⁷ +.
 15386 g. Betsey,⁷ +.
 15386 h. Mary,⁷ +.

RACHEL⁶ (15373), b. in Canaan, Me., about 1796; m. in 1820, George Bixby of Boxford, Mass. They resided in Athens, Me. Children:

- 15386 i. George Frederick Bixby,⁷ b. July 24, 1821; d. in California in 1850.
- 15386 j. Maria Louise Bixby,⁷ b. June 3, 1823; m. twice; d. in Florida, aged 58 years.
- 15386 k. Ann Rachel Bixby,⁷ b. Feb. 28, 1825; m., —, E. J. Hale.
- 15386 l. Sarah Wood Bixby,⁷ b. Nov. 29, 1827; m. —, T. E. Martin. They reside in Annapolis, Md.
- 15386 m. Charles Edwin Bixby,⁷ b. June 2, 1829; served in the Civil war, dying in Louisiana.
- 15386 n. Henry Clay Bixby,⁷ b. Sept. 28, 1831; m. and d. —.
- 15386 o. Edward Payson Bixby,⁷ } b. Apr. 22, 1834; d. on his
way home from the war.
- 15386 p. James White Bixby,⁷ } b. Apr. 22, 1834; died in
Athens, Me.
- 15386 q. Ancil Kimball Bixby,⁷ b. Apr. 3, 1836; d. young.

Capt. SALMON, Jr.⁶ (15374), b. in Canaan, Me., Jan. 15, 1798; m. Mar. 16, 1823, Elizabeth Swan, b. Aug. 6, 1801. They lived on the old homestead where his grandfather, John White, settled in 1773, receiving it from his father. Mrs. White d. Mar. 30, 1881. Mr. White d. Sept. 16 of the same year. Children:

15387. Emily,⁷ b. Mar. 24, 1825.
15388. Salmon Whitney,⁷ b. and d. in infancy.
15389. Elizabeth,⁷ b. and d. in infancy.
15390. Wilson Salmon,⁷ b. Nov. 8, 1829.
15391. Mary E.,⁷ b. Sept. 8, 1831; m. N. P. Reed. They reside in Skowhegan.
15392. William Henry,⁷ b. Feb. 8, 1833.

✓ MARY⁷ (15376), b. in Palmyra, Me., about 1812; m. —, — Chase. Children:

- 15392 a. A daughter, living in Boston, Mass.

✓ Rev. JOHN W.⁷ (15377), b. in Palmyra, Me., Nov. 2, 1812; he went to Ohio in 1832, where he m. June 17, 1840, Anna C., dau. of Hosea and Charlotte Elizabeth (Avery) Williams, b. in Delaware, Ohio, July 6, 1818. Her father was a son of Abraham and Anna (Chamberlain) Williams, b. in Massachusetts Aug. 3, 1792, m. May 29, 1817, Charlotte E. Avery, b. in Groton, Conn., Apr. 1, 1799. He was

a banker and merchant in Delaware, where he d. Feb. 12, 1876. Mr. White was a clergyman in the Methodist Episcopal Church; travelled in the Ohio Annual Conference forty years; he d. May 1, 1886.

Children:

15393. Anna Charlotte,⁸ +.
 15394. Mary Margaret,⁸ +.
 15395. John Williams,⁸ +.

ELIZABETH⁷ (15378), b. in Palmyra, Me., —; m. —,
 — Tenney; lived in Maine.

Rev. SAMUEL⁷ (15379), b. in Palmyra, Me., —; m. —. He was a clergyman in the Baptist Church. Child:

15396. Moses P.,⁸ a lawyer in Cambridge, Mass.

Rev. JAMES⁷ (15380), b. in Palmyra, Me., Aug. 4, 1821. He was a feeble child, suffering greatly from weakness of the eyes; a feeble, nervous and partially blind boy. He says: "And not until I was sixteen years old, when my health and strength greatly improved, and my eyes became quite natural, could I read a single verse in the Testament without resting my eyes. I felt keenly the fact that I was behind my school-mates in education." At the age of nineteen his father gave him his time and a suit of clothes, also three dollars to pay his tuition at the Academy in St. Albans, Me., and six days' rations of bread to take with him every Monday morning for three months, as he walked five miles to the school. At the close of the term he received from the preceptor, C. F. Allen, a certificate to teach the common branches, and the winter following, he taught school. At the close of this term of school teaching, he again attended the Academy five weeks; then worked for a time in a saw-mill on the Penobscot River, where he met with a severe accident, which resulted in a permanent weakness in his left foot. He then attended school in Reedfield, Me., for one term, where, he says, "I wore old clothes while my classmates wore new; I lived three months on corn-meal pudding, prepared by myself, and a few raw apples." With the close of this term also closed his school studies, having attended High School in all, twenty-nine weeks. At the age of fifteen, he was baptized and united with the Christian Church; but at the age of twenty, he had buried himself in the spirit of study and school teaching, when upon his return home in the spring of 1841, he was lead by a conversation with his mother to

give his attention to the second coming of Christ, and soon felt that his work was to teach the Scriptures, his knowledge of which seemed very meagre. His first work was done in Troy, Me., where he taught his last school. He continued in the work, studying and preaching from place to place, having much success.

He m. Aug. 30, 1846, Ellen Gould, dau. of Robert Harmon, b. in Gorham, Me., Nov. 26, 1827; a few years after her birth the family moved to Portland, where her early life was spent, and where she and Mr. White first met. Although young in years, she was a devoted Christian and a laborer in the cause of Christ in public and from house to house. They continued to labor together through the States of New England, and later in the State of New York, and though her health was often very poor, yet strength was given her for much labor.

Mr. White began the publication of the "Advent Review" and "Sabbath Herald" in Paris, Me. In 1852, they moved to Rochester, N. Y., where he continued to publish the "Review." In 1854-5, Mr. White's health became so feeble, that he resolved to free himself from the responsibilities of publishing, which had been urged upon him. He was editor and proprietor of the "Review and Herald," until it reached Vol. VII, No. 9. No one ever asked him to give the "Review, Instructor," and the publication of books, into other hands, or leave the position of editor. No one suggested anything of the kind to him. It was his choice that he might be relieved, and that the office might be established beyond the influence of those men who had cried, Speculation! He never claimed the property at the office which had been donated to be used for the benefit of the cause. He called upon the church to take the office in Rochester, and establish it where they pleased, and suggested that it be managed by a publishing committee, and that no one connected with it should have a personal interest in it. As no others claimed the privilege, the brethren in Michigan opened the way for the office to be removed to Battle Creek."

About this time Mrs. White writes as follows, which appears in the "Review" for Jan. 10, 1856: "We have felt the power and blessing of God for a few weeks past. He has been very merciful. He has wrought in a very wonderful manner for my husband. We have brought him to our great Physician in the arms of our faith, and like blind Bartimeus, have cried, 'Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy upon us,' and we have been comforted. The healing power of God has been felt. All medicine has been laid aside and we rely alone upon the arm of our great Physician. We are not yet satisfied. Our faith says,

entire restoration. We have seen the salvation of God, yet we expect to see and feel more. I believe without a doubt that my husband will yet be able to sound the last note of warning to the world. For weeks past our peace has been like a river. Our souls triumph in God. Gratitude, unspeakable gratitude, fills my soul for the tokens of God's love which we have of late seen and felt. We feel like dedicating ourselves anew to God."

"The publishing work of the Seventh-day Adventists was begun by Elder White as a personal enterprise, when as yet the believers were too few and too poor to afford much assistance. Working it up through many privations and sufferings and alive to the importance of the work to which he had devoted his energies and his life, his interest was not all removed from it when an Association was formed to take the printing office from his hands. For years he continued to act as publisher and editor, as well as preacher, besides exercising a general supervision of the denominational work through the entire field. These many and increasing duties brought upon him a great amount of labor, which resulted in both physical and mental prostration, from which he did not fully recover for about two years. * * * * *

"At the earnest solicitation of Elder and Mrs. White, in 1874 an Educational Society was organized, ground was purchased in the City of Battle Creek, and a good brick building was erected, of three stories from the basement. The school was incorporated under the name of Battle Creek College."

He continued to labor and preach until July 31, when he was prostrated by sickness, and d. Aug. 6, 1881. Mrs. White, though in feeble health, and bereft of him by whose side she had labored for more than thirty-six years, again took up her work, and besides continuing to write largely for the press and maintaining a constantly extending personal correspondence, she has attended the camp meetings in all parts of our land. During the years 1885 and '87 she visited Europe, laboring in England, Switzerland, Italy, Germany, France, Denmark, Norway and Sweden. In Basel, Switzerland, she attended the Swiss Conference and the European Missionary Council of the denomination, and throughout her stay in Europe took a deep interest in the mission established in that ancient city—one of the centers of the Reformation in the sixteenth century. From Basel, frequent visits were made to various points in Switzerland and the surrounding countries. Three times she went to the north countries—Denmark, Norway and Sweden—and in Moss, Norway, in June, 1887, attended the

first campmeeting ever held by the Seventh-day Adventists in Europe. She visited Italy also three times and spent several weeks among the Vaudois in Torre Pellice, in the Waldesian Valleys. Though in all the European countries except England, she had to speak through an interpreter, her labors excited a deep interest, and resulted in much good. Mrs. White was accompanied in her European travels by her youngest son and his family. They have since spent several years in New South Wales, Australia. They were engaged in mission or educational work in the Avondale School, Cooranbong, New South Wales. In 1900, Mrs. White returned to the United States, settling in St. Helena, Cal. Children:

- ✓ 15397. Henry Nichols,⁸ b. in Gorham, Me., Aug. 26, 1847; d. in Topsham, Me., Dec. 8, 1863.
- ✓ 15398. James Edson,⁸ +.
- ✓ 15398 a. A son,⁸ b. and d. —.
- ✓ 15399. William Clarence,⁸ +.

NATHANIEL⁷ (15386), b. in Skowhegan, Me., —; m. (1) —, Corrisandy Webb; lived in Clinton, Me., where Mrs. White d. in 1870; he m. (2) —, Susan Reynolds. Children:

- 15400. Maria,⁸ +.
- 15401. John,⁸ +.
- 15402. Angelia C.,⁸ +.
- 15403. Nattie,⁸ +.
- 15404. Mary T.⁸

MARY⁷ (15386 h), b. in Skowhegan, Me., —; m. Joseph H. Sanford, b. in New York state, —. Their home was in Skowhegan, where they d. Children:

- 15404 a. Flavius J. Sanford,⁸
- 15404 b. Leroy L. Sanford,⁸ +.
- 15404 c. Almond F. Sanford,⁸ +.
- 15404 d. Janette M. Sanford,⁸ +.
- 15404 e. Evalyn C. Sanford,⁸ +.

ANNA C.⁸ (15393), b. in Xenia, Ohio, Apr. 10, 1842; m. June 6, 1867, Gen. Isaac Miner, son of Moses and Emma (Miner) Kirby. They reside in Upper Sandusky, Ohio. Children:

- 15405. John White Kirby,⁹ b. May 3, 1868; d. May 8, 1887.
- 15406. Mary Emma Kirby,⁹ b. Dec. 10, 1873.
- 15407. Anna Catherine Kirby,⁹ b. Jan. 22, 1880.
- 15408. Thomas Miner Kirby,⁹ b. Dec. 4, 1882.

MARY M.⁸ (15394), b. in Marietta, Ohio, Feb. 4, 1845; m. Mar. 22, 1866, Henry W., son of Louis S. and Margaret (Ritter) Peters, b. in Pickaway Co., Ohio, Apr. 25, 1840. They reside in Upper Sandusky, Ohio. Children:

- 15409. Fred White Peters,⁹ +.
- 15410. Harry Earle Peters,⁹ b. Aug. 8, 1869.
- 15411. Orrin Ritter Peters,⁹ b. Feb. 1, 1871.
- 15412. Avery Williams Peters,⁹ b. May 16, 1878.
- 15413. Anna Margaret Harriet Caroline Peters,⁹ b. Nov. 27, 1884.

JOHN W.⁸ (15395), b. in Cincinnati, Ohio, —; educated in the Ohio Wesleyan University of Delaware, Ohio; studied in Berlin, Germany, and in Athens, Greece. He is now Professor of Greek in Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. He m. June 20, 1871, Alice, dau. of I. H. Hilyer. Children:

- 15414. Edith,⁹ b. July 16, 1872; m. —, Richard Norton.
- 15415. John Hilyer,⁹ b. Jan. 25, 1881.
- 15416. Elsa,⁹ b. Dec. 3, 1882.
- 15417. Helen,⁹ b. July 16, 1890.

✓ J. EDSON⁸ (15398), b. in Rockyhill, Conn., July 28, 1849; he moved with his parents when young to Battle Creek, Mich. Mr. White is President of the Southern Missionary Society of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valleys, incorporated in 1899, also Master and Chaplain of the Missionary Steamer "Morning Star," with northern office in Battle Creek.

✓ WILLIAM C.⁸ (15399), b. in Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 29, 1854; m. (1) in Oakland, Cal., Feb., 1876, Mary E. Kelsey, b. in Leroy, Mich.; she d. in Boulder, Colo., June, 1890; m. (2) in Hobart, Island of Tasmania, Australia, May 9, 1895, Ethel May Lacey, b. in Calcutta, India; she was the oldest daughter of David Lacey, who was for fourteen years in the employ of the British Government as Inspector of Police in India. Mr. White visited Europe in 1885 and '87 and has since been eight years in Australia, but is now (1901) residing in St. Helena, Cal. Children:

- 15418. Ella May,⁹ b. in Oakland, Cal., Jan. 17, 1882.
- 15419. Mabel Eunice,⁹ b. in Basel, Switzerland, Nov. 1, 1886.
- 15420. James Henry,⁹ } b. in Cooranbong, New South Wales,
- 15421. Herbert Clarence,⁹ } Australia, Apr. 6, 1896.
- 15422. Grace Evelyn,⁹ b. in Cooranbong, June 15, 1900.

Arthur Lacey White Oct. 6, 1907
Francis Edward Fayer Sept. 29, 1913