

# Mock Family Historian

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## U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. v. MOCK, 149 U.S. 273 (1893) 149 U.S. 273

UNITED STATES v. MOCK. No. 233.

May 1, 1893 Action of trespass by the United States against Moses Mock to recover damages for cutting of timber from the public lands. There was a verdict and judgment for defendant, and the United States brings error. Reversed.

... tract described in the complaint was government land, and that he did not at any time enter it as a homestead or pre-emption, and that a portion [149 U.S. 273, 274] ° though only a small portion-of the timber which he sawed was cut from that tract. There was the further testimony on the part of the ...

... in regard to trespassing on the public domain, and cutting timber for the use of the people in building their homes upon their farms and for [149 U.S. 273, 275] ° general domestic purposes, may be considered. As I observed, the government is the proprietor of the soil. It has always owned the soil, ...

... you take into account the contemporaneous history of the country and these matters, which are familiar to you all. If this party was a willful [149 U.S. 273, 276] ° trespasser, and cut from the public domain this timber wantonly and maliciously, the government is entitled to recover from him the full ...

... The specific portions to which the attention of the court was called at the time, and exceptions taken, are that which refers to the history [149 U.S. 273, 277] ° of the attitude of the government towards pioneers and others who took timber from government lands for domestic use, and that which.....

## Moses Mock

*Research by Karen Krich*

Moses Mock was born about 1832 in Pennsylvania, a son of **John B. Mock & Catherine Crist**. He is my 4<sup>th</sup> great uncle and can be found on the "working chart" #24.

A couple of years ago, I came across information in the Historical New York Times about the Supreme Court case involving Moses and his timbering practices.

<http://caselaw.lp.findlaw.com/scripts/getcase.pl?court=us&vol=149&invol=273>

This action was commenced by the filing of a complaint on May 6, 1884, in the circuit court of the United States for the northern district of California, in which complaint it was alleged that the plaintiff was the owner, in 1879, of a certain tract of land in the county of Fresno, state of California,

I have a copy of his death certificate from California. Unfortunately, the informant who gave the information for his death certificate was not a relative and not knowledgeable about his history so that all the blanks for his birthplace and the names and birthplaces of his father and mother are answered "don't know" as is his day of birth!

His date of death was March 29, 1912 due to interstitial nephritis and he was buried in the Toll House Cemetery.

Vandor's History of Fresno County listed that there was an obituary for Moses. I requested it from the library in Fresno but they were unable to locate it in March 1912 in The Fresno Herald and Democrat, The Fresno Tribune and the Fresno Morning Republican Daily according to a letter I received from their reference department in 2002. In thinking about this now, perhaps the problem is that they should've gone into April. That's the downside of not looking yourself, but I don't think I have access to these newspapers from PA. I'd certainly be curious if anyone found this obituary. It seems that it should exist if it was listed in that book but....

Moses and his wife apparently divorced as she remarried to a **Carson**. Maybe an interesting tale there. On an even stranger note is the fact that his children took on the Carson surname possibly suggesting some sort of estrangement from Moses. All in all rather intriguing. I

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wonder what sort of spin the obituary would have but maybe there would just be more "don't knows"!!!

As Moses was an early, prominent settler in that area of CA, his name is mentioned in several history books from that region. I think **Ron Moore** posted things to MOCK-GEN when I was starting to look for information about Moses in 2002.

After striking out with the death certificate and obituary in trying to tie this Moses into my family, I found the link in a 1939 obituary of his youngest sister, **Catherine**. She wasn't married so the obituary noted most of her surviving nieces and nephews including "**Verna and Moses Mock** residing in California". These are the children of Moses who died in 1912 and apparently the family in PA wasn't aware of these individuals using the Carson surname or they weren't publicly acknowledging it at any rate!

The following are obituaries of Moses' siblings to the Rootsweb Somerset Co, PA board.

#### **John C. Mock Expired at His Home in Scalp Level Thursday Last**

*John C. Mock, a well known citizen of Scalp Level, died at his home there Thursday July 17, 1902. The cause of death is attributed to advanced years, he being 72 years, 5 months and 11 days old. He leaves to mourn their loss his aged wife and three daughters and one son-Mrs. Simon Hutzel, of South Fork; Mrs. Nicholas Wence and Mrs. Thomas Wence, of Bedford co., and Moses, of Coupeville Island county, Wash. The funeral took place Saturday, interment being made in the Lutheran cemetery at Scalp Level.*

**Note: Wence should be Wentz**

#### **Johnstown Tribune, Tues evening, Jan 24, 1939, page 8 Catherine Mock, Windber, Expires**

*Miss Catherine Mock, aged 86, died last evening at her home on Graham Avenue, following an illness of several months. She was a daughter of John and Margaret (Crist) Mock, pioneer residents of Paint Township and had been a resident of this section the past 70 years. These brothers and sisters preceded her in death: George, Tobias, Moses and Anna Mock, Mrs. Jacob Hoffman and Mrs. Maria Straub.*

*Surviving are these nieces and nephews: Mrs. Nicholas Wentz, Bedford County; Mrs. Edward Ankeny, Johnstown; Mrs. Thomas Stakem, Stoystown; Mrs. George L. Dobsoon, Johnstown; Dr. Theodore Straub, Somerset; Dr. Louis Straub, Welsh, W. Va.; Albert Straub, Scalp Level; Ralph Straub, Somerset; Harvey Straub, Cleveland, O., and Verna and Moses Mock residing in California; and Mrs. Francis Berkey, Windber.*

*Funeral services will be conducted at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the Meek Funeral Home by Rev. W. K. Kulp, pastor of the Rummel Church of the Brethern. Interment will be in the Rummel Cemetery.*

**Note:** Her mother's first name should read **Catherine** instead of Margaret. Her brother, **John C. Mock** (1830-1902) is omitted from this obituary.

#### **Johnstown newspaper December 14, 1934 Aged Stoystown Woman Succumbs At Moxham Home Mrs. Maria Straub, 89, Stricken While Visiting at Ankeny Residence**

*Mrs. Maria Straub, 89, widow of Gottlieb Straub of Stoystown, died last night at home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Ankeny, 633 Coleman Avenue, Moxham where she had been visiting since Wednesday evening. Relatives of Mrs. Straub visited here Wednesday and she accompanied them home on their return trip. Mrs. Straub suffered a stroke of paralysis about 10 o'clock last night and passed away a short time later.*

*Maria (Mock) Straub was born at Rummel, Somerset County, but spent the greater portion of her life in Stoystown, where her husband passed away 18 years ago. Mrs. Straub was a sister of Miss Catherine Mock of Windber.*

*In addition to her sister, Mrs. Straub is survived by eight children, 17 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. The children are Mrs. G. L. Dobson and Mrs. E. M. Ankeny, both of Moxham; Mrs. Thomas Stakem, Stoystown; Albert H. Straub, Scalp Level; Ralph R. Straub, Boswell; Dr. Theodore Straub, Somerset; Dr. George Lewis Staub, Welch, W. Va., and Harvey W. Straub, Lakewood, O.*

*Mrs. John G. Kocher, Charles Straub and Jacob Straub, other children born to Mr. and Mrs. Straub, have been dead for some years.*

*The deceased was affiliated with the Church of the Brethern at Scalp Level. The body will be removed from the Ankeny home at noon Sunday and will be at the Lutheran Church there from 1 to 2 o'clock, when services will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. L. F. Foltz, to be assisted by Rev. John Ellis, pastor of the Moxham Church of the Brethern. Interment will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Stoystown. F. W. Gocher is the mortician in charge of the funeral arrangements.*

#### **Johnstown Tribune, Tues.evening, Sept 29, 1914, page 8 Middletown Woman Dies; 77 Years Old Windber, Sept. 29**

*Miss Anna Mock, aged 77 years died this morning in Middletown at the home of her sister, with whom she had been staying for several years, of apoplexy. Funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from the Rummel Church of the Brethern. Interment will be made in the Berkey Cemetery.*

#### **Johnstown Tribune, Sat evening, Aug 19, 1916, page 7**

*Tobias Mock, who served as a private in one of the Pennsylvania regiments during the Civil War, died at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Rhodes Mock, in Scalp Level Borough, at 4 o'clock this morning, aged 82 years. His death was due to general debility. Mrs. Rachel Younken Mock, wife of Tobias Mock, died at Scalp Level last spring. Mrs. Lorena Myers, of Buckstown, Somerset County is the only surviving daughter of Tobias Mock. The funeral will take place on Monday morning, interment to be made in the Church of the Brethern Cemetery near Holsopple. The services will be conducted by the Rev. H. S. Replogle, of Scalp Level.*

## William Mock's Journal

Continued from Vol. XV #1

**July 19<sup>th</sup> 1836** Stayed in Dover last night – Started this morning after early breakfast to Father's a distance of 14 miles – It would be difficult to describe my feelings as I pursued my journey to day having been absent four years from Father's family my heart swelled with a variety of emotions as I neared their new residence my imagination being busily employed upon the various changes may have taken place in the members of the family – Their satisfaction with the new country and the pleasure they would manifest at seeing me again – At the time I was traveling through a new and interesting country – a country of alternate prairie and forest. The prairies appearing as meadows boundless in some direction beautifully variegated with hill and dale with a soil deep black and of unaccountable fertility – Reached Father's before twelve O'clock found them all well. Father and brothers were harvesting at **Mr Averin's** Father has located in open prairie a mile from timber – had recently built a log dwelling which was unfinished.

**20<sup>th</sup> July to 14<sup>th</sup> Sept.** Have spent this time principally at home was at two camp meetings. One held by Cumberland Presbyterians the other by Methodists. They were thinly attended owing to thin population.

Father's location is between two considerable creeks called Davis and Blackwater. On the dividing ridge his location is high – soil very fertile and well watered – is no doubt healthy. The great excess of prairie in this country over woodland renders wood fuel scarce. There is however abundance of bituminous coal which will answer the purposes of fuel – For the advantages of cultivation the lands of this country surpass any I've seen. This must also be a country of pastoral wealth. What a fine view would 500 Cattle upon a prairie hill present to the eye! And what a fine profit would be annually derived! I made a selection for a farm for myself which I design entering as soon as possible and settle – as it will be a mile or two from timber I intend to plant timber at an early period.

About the first of September a communication from the war department reached me embracing a brevet 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant commission and order to report for duty by the 30<sup>th</sup> inst. I accepted the commission and on the 14<sup>th</sup> inst set out to join my regiment.

**14<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>** On the 14<sup>th</sup> took Steam boat at Dover on Missouri river for St Louis had a pleasant passage with the exception of about 7 or 7 hours delay by hour from Jefferson City down we had agreeable and intelligent company – **Gov Durelin Judge Kells, Laryer McGinnis** and a young Kentuckian a lawyer I think named **Shawklin**. Reached St Louis on the 18<sup>th</sup> Hotels were all crowded. St Louis is rapidly improving. It is destined to be a great city. Its location is central to the upper valley of the Miss whose trade it will command. Its site is sufficiently large to embrace a very great city. It is a lime stone bluff – I called on **Major Brant** U S Quartermaster for information concern-

ing the location of my regiment and company – by reference to official documents he ascertained that Old point Comfort is the head quarters of my regiment and that my company is at Key West but as I had not received official information of my point of destination he advised me to take Washington City in my rout – I intend doing so. I set out from St Louis on Steam boat on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

**21<sup>st</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>** Within this time have passed from St Louis to Wheeling The river was in a fine stage. It had risen 3 ft before we reached Wheeling The Ohio is a most beautiful river. Its water clear – its banks firm. It is almost without obstruction From Louisville to Cincinnati took passage on Post Bay she is a fine boat. **Judge McLene** and his son in law **Capt Tailor** were passengers – had the pleasure of an introduction. Capt Tailor said he was surprised that any young man would go into the army he said I could do better business in the Santa Fee trade Saw nothing very attractive in my passage to Wheeling.

**27<sup>th</sup> to 2 Oct** Took State at Wheeling for Washington City The stage rout is the Cumberland road – is McCadimised and passes over Alegany We passed through some fine country – Land near Washington Pen are hilly but well cultivated – saw here large flocks of sheep and cattle. The mountain valleys are generally well cultivated Sometimes when on a high mountain the view would command an extensive valley studded with farms – the prospect would be quite sublime – we were on the Laural mountain the first night just at day there was a heavy front The Cumberland is a fine road there are stone bridges over every stream and riverlet At Cumberland there is a hanging bridge we reached Hager's Town the 3<sup>rd</sup> night. This is a handsome inland town in the midst of a good and well cultivated soil stand at Bettswvens reached Frederick next day at 11 I clock This is a large inland Town. A rail road extends from hence to Baltimore. Took state to Washington City. Reached the city after dark – put up at Brown's.

**3 Oct** Visited the Capital accompanied by **Mr. Carter** of Georgetown it is a magnificent building – Had the pleasure of seeing the following named classmates who are on duty in this city **Warner Anderson Coucklin Bransford Allen AP**

**4<sup>th</sup>** Paid **Mr. Carter** a visit had an introduction to his sister – a fine girl. They are going to St Louis. At 3 1/2 o'clock took cars on Baltimore railroad reached there about 6 o'clock p.m. put up at Eutaw house.

**5<sup>th</sup>** Left Baltimore in steamboat Kentucky for Norfolk

**6<sup>th</sup>** Reach Norfolk at 11 O'clock A.M. went over to Old Point in the evening

**7<sup>th</sup>** Found **Capt Lendruhere** of my company he accompanied me into the fortification this evening. It is a fine work it includes about 70 acres. It is the bastion system with wet ditches.

**8<sup>th</sup>** Went over to Norfolk this evening in Steam boat and put up at Mrs Murphy's a Methodist lady

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**9<sup>th</sup> Sunday** attended church today at the Methodist church in fore noon Dogget preached. a superior preacher – Attended Episcopal church in evening – heard **M P Parks** formerly a Methodist preacher and assistant professor in Randolph Macar Colledge – I had not been informed of his becoming an Episcopalian and was a little surprised. he is a superior preacher

**10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>** From the 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> I visited the town and its curiosities – visited Portsmouth and the Navy yard there. The dry dock is a very solidly constructed work. There are several ship constructing The North Carolina is laying off preparing to sail – called on **Major Walter Guynn** Civil Engineer He is chief engineer of the N. Carolina railroad – he thinks he can employ me as engineer next spring Took passage this evening 13<sup>th</sup> for Charleston on board the splendid Steamer South Carolina. There are about 150 passenger **Let J G Roland** is a passenger on his way to Florida

**14<sup>th</sup>** When I arose this morning we were out at sea and nearly out of sight of land the sea was somewhat rough and many on board were seasick – we reached cape Hatteras this morning. The high light house on the cape was preceptable for some distance – From cape Hatteras to Lookout we were most of the time out of sight of land. Saw very few sails during the day.

**15<sup>th</sup>** Were entirely out of sight of land most of to-day – sea was a little rougher than yesterday and many were sick – was not affected myself. –The first land we saw was at the mouth of Pedie river – had a view of land from thence til we reached Charleston. Charleston is favored with a good harbor but the access to it is obstructed with a troublesome bar – reached the city at one O clock put up at the Planter's Hotel – had but little opportunity of visiting the curiosities of the city. The cholera has been raging here but has nearly abated. There is but little business transacted here in consequence of the cholera The city looks old – Streets generally not pave and sand several inches thick. The wharfs are all wooden constructed of the Palmetto tree which is a growth perculiar to this state.

**16** Set out from St. Augustine this morning in Steam boat Dolphin She rocks very much and sickened nearly all the passengers except myself – were in sight of land nearly all day – reached Savannah at 10 P.M. Slept on board the boat

**17** Walked through the City It was a beautiful city – the streets are wide and regularly laid out The streets are all beautifully shaded with China Mulbury or live oak – Streets not paved and very sandy – visited Oglethrope barracks which is comprised of 2 brick buildings – quarters are good called on **Quarter-master Lt Collins** dined at City Hotel – fare good – Left Savannah at 4 observed the country below Savannah – The river bottom is wide low and all Savannah – reached mouth of the river just at dark – Sea Smooth.

**18<sup>th</sup>** Ran all last night and found ourselves near the mouth of the St Mar's river at day-break proceeded to St Mary's Town and spent two hours there – it is a small place

of from 500 to 1000 inhabitants houses generally small wooden and old streets wide unpaved and lined with China trees – Orange orchards in abundance but were pulled down by the frosts last winter one sprouting out thriftily – Reached the mouth at St Johns river at 4 o clock, employed a small boat to carry us to **Major Taylor's** 5 miles up a small creek – here we stayed all night Major Taylor keeps a kind of stage office for the conveyance of travelers to St Augustine.

**19<sup>th</sup>** Last night was my first in Florida. I slept well the first part of the night – but was awaked in the night by insects of some kind crawling all over me. My thought reverted to the object of my present visit to this territory. The Seminole war – and sleep was driven from my pillow the remainder of the night – We were aroused at an early hour to proceed on our journey to St Augustine and breakfasted at day break and being furnished with a dearhorn wagon and a two horse yankee wagon we proceeded on our journey. taking the sea beach for our road having ebe tide the beach makes a very fine road – hard and as smooth as a floor. The see ever rooling its billow upon the beach keeps a continual moaning and a surge like a mighty water fall it is 40 miles from Taylor's to St Augustine reached there at Sundown – Found some difficulty in crossing the river there we (5 of us) were conveyed across a distance of about 2 miles in two small canoes – Put up at Leivingston's the City Hotel.

**20<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>** Remained in St Augustine two days Reported to **Col Crane** for duty He ordered me to repair to Black creek and report for duty there Visited There St Mary's for – a very old fortification – built by the Spanish a small work – but very substantial put up of stone – a concretion of shells on excellent material – is very partially affected by the concussion of cannon balls It has born the test the print of balls made during Ogethrops attack can be seen – This Fort is a Bastioned work composed of three bastion fronts – The walls are twenty yds thick – and filled up with chamber of various prisons – magazines - . St Augustine is one of the oldest towns in the U. States – there was pointed out to me here the Site of the oldest church in the U.S. The Orange tree the ornament and staple production of this region was killed by frost last winter It will be 6 years before new orchards can be brought to perfection –

Having stayed two days the Quarter Master furnished transportation to Black creek ( ) Picolata – Remaining there 2 days – we took Steam boat to Black Creek – Here I found the regular troops encamped in a pine barren – with them I found and joined my company after having reported myself to **Major Gardner** the commanding officer (this was the 24<sup>th</sup> of Oct) Being in command of my company I was busily engaged in preparing muster rools for muster at the end of the month. I found at this place several of my class mates and acquaintances. It was pleasant to meet in this wilderness.

Active preparations are making for another Seminole campaign to go into operations the 1<sup>st</sup> of next month –

As ranking officer of my company it de on me to prepare my company for the campagne – being inexperienced the duty was troublesome **Colonel Perce** returned to this place on the 17<sup>th</sup> from a journey to the north He gives an order for the regulars to march immediately to fort drane – and himself with a great hurry proceeds thither accompanied by **Capt Penoyer** of the Steamer Dolphen and a mounted escort to have an interview with **Gov Cole** He returns on the night of the 30<sup>th</sup> – Is not in such hast to send us off orders us to start and encamp a few miles from this place On 31<sup>st</sup> the company were all mustered –

**Nov 1<sup>st</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>** On the first we started to fort Drane and encamped a few miles from there where we remained several days. Reached Fort Drane on the 9<sup>th</sup> remained there one day The Batallion was reorganized – Left there on the 11<sup>st</sup> with the Indians and 4 to 500 Tennessee volunteers with Gov Cole at our head Reached the Withlacankee on the 12<sup>th</sup> and crossed on the 13<sup>th</sup> crossed by fording Three men were drowned in this attempt.

Hostiles were reported on the opposite side – with half the regulars the Indians and Floridians we went in pursuit of them but discovered none we returned to the banks of the river and encamped till the 16<sup>th</sup> when havintg prepared our selves with 7 days rations we started on an expidition – we scoured the swamps of the —on the 18<sup>th</sup> we left the baggage in charge of two companies of regulars and went out with the expectations of meeting the hostiles – met them in considerable numbers at 9 O clock and were fired on by them across a river or ford 200 yrs wide. It was a bloodless battle on our side – firing continued 2 hours

**19<sup>th</sup>** Crossed the large branch of the Withlocankee today.

**20<sup>th</sup>** Crossed Small branch of the Withlocankee and met Gov Cole with the Tennesseans in the evening they had two barrels

**21<sup>st</sup>** left Baggage in charge of some volunteers and 50 regulars in charge of **Lett Robberts** and my self the army went to meet the hostiles in the warhos swamp – they were met thence at 11 oclock – a battle of hours long was fought – we lost 9 killed and 13 wounded. **Major Moniac** of the Indians was among the killed **Capt Cartland** was severly wounded also **Capt Ross** of the Indians.

**22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>** Being out of provisions we took up the line of march for Volusia reached there on 26<sup>th</sup>

**27-28** were joined on the 28<sup>th</sup> by **Gen Armsestead Capt Garner and Lets Haynes, Donaldson, Thorpe I Warner Wallweche and Concklin.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Dec to 24<sup>th</sup>** We remained at Volusia until the 13<sup>th</sup> of Dec Constructed a picket fortification here for the purpose of a depot – **Gen Jusup** joined us on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> with an escort of 500 mounted men from Tampa He assumes command The general order from head quarters containing among others my promotion was received. My adejutant informed me that the company (B) to which I am promoted is in the Mass recruiting I made application to Jusup to permit me to join He refused me on the grounds of the great deficiency of officers in Florida – On

the 12<sup>th</sup> the Tennesseans set out and on the 13<sup>th</sup> the regulars set out. We reached fort Dade's battle ground – reached them on the 17<sup>th</sup> On 18<sup>th</sup> it being Sunday we built a picket fort on the 19<sup>th</sup> Tennesseans marched for Camp on their way home On the 12<sup>th</sup> we remaining regular force, mounted Alabamians and harness with friendly Indians marched out 10 miles to a place where it was reported the Indians (hostile) were encamped we started at day break – had an unpleasent march, through the savannahs and marshes – It raining at the same time We reached their village on the border of a hammock – It was deserted as well as several camps we found on the borders of the hammock. Returned at night much worn out with fatigue – Jesup & staff go to Tampa on the 21<sup>st</sup> On the 22<sup>nd</sup> a large Scout was sent out composed of two companies of regulars and 100 indians for the purpose of Scouring the Warwhoo swamp and hammocks on this side of Anithlacankee This hammock is very extensive and contains many indian villages which have been recently deserted – we were at the place of the boat engagement of the 18<sup>th</sup> Not having a sufficient force to proceed farther on the march we returned to the camp at night One of **Let Herberts** men stayed behind and has not yet come up

On the 24<sup>th</sup> all the disposable force went out under command of **Gen Armstead** to build a bridge over the little Withlaconchee and to scout the forks – the latter duty was imposed upon **Major Morris** he ascertained that the forks is not an indian fortress and that the junction of the two rivers is only about two miles from the fort King road Gen Armstead returned to Fort Armstrong and remained there at rest until the 10<sup>th</sup> of Jan when Jesup returned from Tampa Bay with the regular troops that were there. On the same day **Brevet Major Childs** of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Arty arrived from the north in command 100 recruits of the 4<sup>th</sup> Infy **Capt Ringgold** had marched the day previous to meet him with 3 companies of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Arty – his own company Lees (Childs) and mine (Herdruns) also about fifty Indians under **I.F. Lee**. We met **Major Childs** about 15 miles from fort Armstrong just at camp time – Whilst returning (on the 10<sup>th</sup>) we met Major Morris with his indians and **Col Callfield** of the Alabamian's on a scout in the direction of the Ocluwaha-

**17<sup>th</sup>** last night intelligence was brought from Morris that he had captured about 50 negroes among which was **Primus Clinch's** Negro that was sent out by **Gen Groves** to negotiate with the hostiles but did not return Primus gave the inteelegence that Powell was some where on the Ouithlocochee and could guide to the encouraged by this Jesup set out this morning with all the troops that arrived yesterday from Tampa to join Morris for the purpose of prusuing Powell taking with him 10 days provisions. He at the same time ordered **Capt Foster** to march from Fort Dade down on the left bank of the Ouithlaconchee to intersect him at some poing below – At the same time **Gen Armstead** was ordered to send a force to occupy and thoroughly scour the Warwhoop Swamp accordingly two companies of regulars and the remaining

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Indian force were sent out under command of **Col Brown** – Leaving at Fort Armstrong **Capt Ringgold's** company mine and Child's recruits From the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> heard nothing of Jesup in his wild goose chase after Oscola The 6<sup>th</sup> inf reached Fort Armstrong about the 16<sup>th</sup> from the Sabine via Tampa On the 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> the body of Momiac was removed to Dades battle ground and we entered with military honors Jesup and staff returned this (19<sup>th</sup>) evening. His troops returned on the morning of the 20<sup>th</sup> The result of this expedition was the murder of an old Squaw & the capture of two Indian children (pickaninies) On the evening of the 19<sup>th</sup> I was detailed with my company ("1" & "C" 3<sup>rd</sup> Arty) to escort a small train to Fort Dade for provisions returned next evening On 21<sup>st</sup> made preparation for a march to Hopopki to the south east from Ft. Armstrong. On the morning of the 22<sup>nd</sup> at sun rise Jesups army took up the line of march. This was the most efficient army that has yet taken the field in Florida it being composed principally of regular troops It numbered about Twelve hundred. It was divided according to previous arrangement into two Brigades one commanded by **Genl Armstrong** the other by **Col Henderson** of the Marines.

At two o'clock the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March we reached the Okla-wa-ha river the river was shallow but the banks were steep and it was necessary to drag the baggage wagons over the drag ropes. In the evening of this day (23<sup>rd</sup>) the Alabameans being in front they came suddenly upon two hostile negroes one of them they captured the other made his escape The prisoner gave information that an Hepophee lake which was close at hand was Cooper and Indian Chief with a few attendants of Indians & negroes.

24<sup>th</sup> morning before break of day a party composed of the Alabameans creeks and **Capt Harris'** horse marines was sent accompanied by **Let Chamber** Jesup's Art to visit Cooper guided by the negro prisoner So very cautiously had Cooper concealed himself in a dense hammock on Hepoplas lake that it was with much difficulty his location ascertained The creeks first discovered him the two war whoops and rushed upon him and his party so complete was the surprise that Cooper had scarcely discovered his condition when he was surrounded by enemies – Cooper had but 3 warriors with him. two Squaws with their children and a few negroes

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#### Research items from Sharon Mock Whitaker

**Civil History.**—Farmer, Lafayette County, Mo., 1841-46; and Surveyor, 1846-49. Mining for gold in California, 1849-53. Farmer, near Petaluma, Cal., 1853-55, and since 1857. Surveyor of Sonoma County, Cal., 1855-57.

Land Patent office has 160 acres registered to William Mock of Lafayette County township #48 in May of 1843.

We have learned lately that he led a wagon train from MO to CA. We have found a very detailed diary on-line written by a man who lead a group of wagons traveling

behind William Mock. He sometimes joined the Mock train for protection.

**History of Yuba County, California** by Thompson & West, 1879, Chapter XXXII - North East Township MISSOURI BAR NO. 2

The first work was done on this bar in March, 1850, by Captain William Mock, Wesley Mock, Moses Allen, Sampson Allen, David Garvin, John Perkins, Garnet, and Johnson, most of them from Missouri. For three or four years it was a lively place. In the height of its prosperity there were about one hundred men collected here. In 1853, there were a hotel and store. The diggings were good, and paid the miners well. It is still being worked by the Chinese. The bar lies just where the line between this and Foster Bar Township intersects with the river.

#### STRAWBERRY VALLEY

Situated in a beautiful valley on the Butte county line, forty-three miles from Marysville, Strawberry Valley is the most thriving locality in North East Township. It was named early in 1851 by **Captain William Mock**, the name being suggested by the large number of wild strawberry vines found around the head of the valley. During the summer of 1850, some one kept a whisky saloon under a brush shed, southeast of where Columbus House was afterwards built. **Mr. T.G.H. Jones**, of Nicolaus, says that he and a party went there in January, 1851. They found the remains of a man in a thicket of pines in the rear of the shed. The body had a rope around its neck, and it was evident the man had been murdered. The party Mr. Jones was with consisted of himself, **Captain William Mock, Wesley Mock, David Garvin, Boon Christopher, William Christopher, Joseph Vaughn, and John R. Perkins**. The party came from Missouri Bar, on North Yuba River.

William married in the Congregational Church in Petaluma, May 25, 1858, Mary B Goodwin the widow of John T. Goodwin and "adopted" their daughter Mary Elizabeth. They had no children together.

#### 1892 Great Register Of Voters for California

Name: **Mock, William** Age: 81 Height: 5'6" Completion: Medium Eyes: Hazel Hair: White Country of Nativity: N. Carolina Occupation: Farmer Place of residence: Petaluma No.2 Date of Registration: Sept 10, 1892 Post office address: Petaluma

.....Went to California with brothers **Charles, John and Wesley** during Gold Rush and worked the mines on the Feather River. Purchased 127 acres in Vallejo township, Sonoma Twp. County Surveyor 1856-57 and laid out the city of Healdsburg and named it in honor of Mr. Heald.

• *Sharon Mock Whitaker*

## Shenandoah Co., VA Tidbits Submitted by Karen Krich

I Found these tidbits while detouring in Shenandoah County,  
Virginia from the Minute Book 1806-1810 at the county Rootsweb site.

**Dec 9, 1806**

*Peggy Mauck, child of **Gottlieb Mauck**, is bound by overseer of Poor Dist #1 to **Jacob Huddle** (River). She is 11 years old Apr. last.*

**Mar 9, 1807**

***Daniel Mauck**, orphan of **Daniel**, chose **Robert Mauck** as guardian. **Robert Mauck** is appointed guardian to **Jacob Mauck** orphan of **Daniel** under 14.*

The March 9, 1807 guardian appointments involve chart #40. The information contained helps to give a range of birthdates for the orphans, Daniel and Jacob.

Since Daniel chose his own guardian he'd be between 14-21 so birth year circa 1786-1793 while Jacob was less than 14 years old so birth year after 1793 but before 1803 as he was listed in his father's will.

Jacob is individual 1.2.0 on that chart while the Daniel listed as 1.2.a born 1762 is too old and not the son of Daniel and Rebecca. Their son Daniel is older than brother Jacob but younger than brother Robert as described above.

On chart #32, presumably **Peggy** is **Margaret**, individual 1.1.8 although this record would yield a birth year of 1795 as opposed to the chart's 1794 which I gather is from a Bible. Unless recorded much after the event, I'd expect the Bible record would be more accurate than this calculated date. At least they agree on the month!

Do you think that this record is helpful in determining if Gottlieb was still alive or not? Do you think the use of the term child rather than orphan is significant? How often were 11 year old girls in intact families bound out in 1806 Virginia?

Would the overseer of the poor be involved in all of these type of arrangements or would a person more typically be bound out by a parent? Is she a ward of the state when the overseer of the poor is involved or what?

Hopefully someone can explain the process to me and what this would infer about the family situation at that time.

*Karen Krich*

### **To Karen from J.P. Mock:**

Outstanding find Karen. It validates what I have theorized based on many many facts.

Margaret's birth date of 08 Apr 1794 came from the bible of her brother Philip. Her marriage to Jacob Hutchenson 10 Jun 1822 in Shenandoah County, VA appears in the marriage records of Shenandoah Co., VA. The bondsman was Jacob Y. Barnes.

**Gottlieb Mock/Mauck** appears in the personal property tax lists of Shenandoah Co, yearly, from 1794-1800. After 1800, it's not known what happened to him. On 16 Aug 1800 he posted the marriage bond in Shenandoah

County for a daughter, **Elizabeth**. That's the last record I have for him.

I don't know if Gottlieb abandoned his children or took Jacob and Philip with him and left the others. There has been suspicion he moved on from Shenandoah Co. Where, no one really knows.

In Perry Co, OH we have a **Gottlieb Mock** who had sons **Mathias and Cornelius** born at the right time. Their lineage to Gottlieb is not fully proven. Mathias and Cornelius were both handed over to other families at an early age.

Or he went south to TN with Philip. The oldest son, George, posted his sister Nancy's Shenandoah Co. marriage bond in 1806.

Son George was a possibility for my line. He owned no land, left no will, didn't get sued, didn't sue anyone, and other than the census, is not in many records. Small things, but obviously not a man of wealth.

Karen, yours is the first direct link between Margaret and her father Gottlieb. I figured if anything turned up, it would be in records such as the one you found. Not even Philip's bible says who their parents were, even though it indicates all his siblings and their birth dates, along with him and his wife. - Kind of odd.

I'm still missing any record of Jacob. John lived with his brother George for awhile.

I'm inclined to think that Gottlieb left by 1802 and Margaret was given a guardian because the other siblings had no money or means to raise her. Maybe Gottlieb intended on coming back, maybe not.

The nine known children of Gottlieb:

**George Mock** b. 1 Sep 1777 stayed in :Shenandoah Co, then to Warren Co.,

**Elizabeth Mock** b. 9 Dec 1781; m. **Joel Berry** moved to **Perry Co, OH**

**Mary Mock** b. 17 Aug 1783; m. **Benjamin Wenger**, date unknown, lived in **Rockingham Co, VA**

**Nancy Mock** b. 22 apr 1785 m. 1806 **Elijah Berry**, bro. of Joel. Moved to Perry Co, OH abt 1810

**Barbara Mock** b. 15 Apr 1787 m. 1818 **Elkana Skeenin** Shenandoah Co., no other records.

**John Mock** b. 4 Oct 1789; m. 1812 **Elizabeth Helsley**. to **Licking Co, OH by 1820**

**Jacob Mock** b. 8 Jan 1792 - unknown what happened to him.

**Margaret Mock** b. 8 Apr 1794 - stayed in Shendoah Co. **Philip Mock** b. 4 Jan 1797; m. 1820 in Sevier Co., TN **Jane Wilson**. Moved to AR abt. 1838.

*James P. Mock*



## Letters to the Editor

**John George Mack family of Fairfield Co., OH**

I found your Chart 50 on rootsweb.com. I am the great granddaughter of **Perry Borchers**, son of **Elizabeth Rosina Mack Borchers**.

I have been working on the family tree of the **Mack/Miller/Glauner** families for over two years. The reason is because one of my sons and four other children of his generation have a defective inherited gene, called Fragile X Syndrome; it is the leading cause of inherited mental retardation in the world.

I am a carrier of the gene, as is my sister, another of my sons, my father, as was his mother, and her father, **Perry Borchers**. We believe the gene originated from Elizabeth's mother, **Margaretha Barbara Glauner Mack**, who received it from either her mother or father.

We do not believe the gene came from Elizabeth's father, **John Philip Mack**. Besides Perry (who passed it to both of his daughters,) we know for sure that his brother **Philip Borchers** also carried and passed down the defective gene.

I see that you used the source of **Katherine Borchers Cotner's** volumes; I am currently working with her daughter, **Louise Blum** for further information.

I am writing to you, to ask if you know of anyone afflicted with this syndrome in any of the Mack family—either living or deceased. It could be possible to find this gene in Mary Ann Mack—the sister of Elizabeth—and her descendants, although I have not pursued that lineage. I would be forever grateful if you could please write me back. For further information on Fragile X, and how it is passed down, you could visit either of these websites: [www.fragilex.org](http://www.fragilex.org) <<http://www.fragilex.org>> or [www.fraxa.org](http://www.fraxa.org) <<http://www.fraxa.org>> .

**Thank you, Susan Loeliger,**

**Dear Susan,**

Thank you for writing regarding the Mack/Borchers family on chart #50.

Your research on the defective inherited gene, Fragile X Syndrome is extremely interesting. I know of only one person who has done research on this family line. Her name is Susan Jhinnu, 34520 Willbridge Terrace, Fremont, CA 94550. In 2001, she sent me information from data compiled by Katherine Borchers Cotner.

The reason I originally started researching this line is that I have a George Mack (chart #21) and family who also lived in Fairfield Co, OH at the same time that your Mack family was there. I soon realized that there were 2 George Macks. I find it unusual that we have no one in our group who is descended from the family line of John George Mack & Catherine Margaret Miller.

With your permission, I have posted your letter on our Mock Discussion Group. I hope you agree that the more coverage, the better chance of finding someone who can give you further information.

Please keep in touch. We will do all we can to be of help to you. B. Dittig, editor MFH

**Dear Barbara,**

Thanks for your prompt reply! Yes, please forward my e-mail to whatever group you think that may be able to help me! I didn't even notice your other Mack chart—I was fascinated by the #50. I just wish that I had found it earlier—it would have saved me some digging for birth/death dates and the correct spelling of some of the names!! (I mainly used the Cotner books and family search.org.) I don't know the Susan that you mentioned; she is probably in another section of the Mack tree.

I am also attaching a list of potential FX carriers—descendants from Elizabeth Borchers' sister, Mary Ann Mack, who may have also been a carrier. The names were taken right out of the Cotner books. Maybe someone will recognize their names, and know if there is any FX present.

Again, thanks for your interest and help!

• **Susan Loeliger, West Chester, PA**  
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**Ed. Note: I have the list of potential FX carriers from this family. I will be happy to send it to anyone who is interested. B. Dittig**



**Peter Mock and Elizabeth Sample  
of Bedford Co, PA**

I just viewed your site. I think its great. I have some info you may like on **Elizabeth Sampel**.

**In Annette Burgert's** book on *18th. Century Emigrants the Northern Kraichgau:*

*Adam Sampel Hoffmanheim, Lutheran KB.*

*Christoph Sampel and wife Dorteia had Johann Adam Sampel b.19Dec 1731,m.5May 1763 at Michelfeld Christina Mansbeck.*

*Son Ludwig's will #278 filed 1810 Bedford Co.Pa. lists brother Adam,sister Susanna,Adam Mock sister Elizabeth's son,mother Christina.*

**From Bedford Co. Will Bk - Vol. I**

*Sample, Ludwich, late of Bedford Twp, farmer. Will dated Dec 16 1809; prob. Jan 08 1810. Names brother Adam Sample one half of all my property; sister Susanna; Adam Mock, son of sister Elizabeth; mother Christina Sampel, the other half of my estate during her life. Exr: not named. Wit: Frederick Rinehart, George Earnst. Page 275*

I am also descended from Stines, Colebaugh, Stambaugh, Ickes, Walter, Musselman, Hay, Cox, Carnes/Garn, Imler, Claar, Fetters, Helm, King and several others.

• **Bonnie Watkins 1404 Georgetown Rd, Middletown, PA 17057** >[watkins3486@comcast.net](mailto:watkins3486@comcast.net)

**Ed. Note: After a non-stop phone conversation (1 1/2 hrs.,) Bonnie sent me a wealth of information on various Bedford, PA & Frederick, MD Mocks which I am in the process of reviewing. Thanks, Bonnie!**





Descendant of Harriet B. Mock dau. of  
Daniel J. Mock Washington Co, KY

Yesterday I ran across copies of the "Mock Family Historian" at the Clayton Library in Houston, TX, and was reminded of correspondence that I have had with **Ron Moore** about a Mock family relative. I have since lost all records of what I wrote to him, except for an item that he posted to the MOCK-GEN-L. Today I found that item in the archives and wanted to share information that I have since learned about my original inquiry.

My connection to the Mock family is through a "Haggie" Mock, whom I have fairly well substantiated for myself to be **Harriet B. Mock**, d/o **Daniel J. Mock** and **Susan Linton**. She was the first wife of my g-grandfather **James Theodore DeGraffenried**, married in Grayson Co, TX, 7 Jan 1875. They had two daughters before she died, **Naomi** and **Annie**. My g-grandfather subsequently married **Frances Cornelia Burns** 27 Aug 1885 in Nelson, Choctaw Co, Indian Territory, and I am descended through their daughter **Lula Hanna DeGraffenried**.

On the 1870 census rolls, Harriet's future husband, James Theodore DeGraffenried (age 19), was in Grayson Co, TX with his father **John King DeGraffenried**. Harriet (age 15) was still in Washington Co, KY, with her father Daniel, his second wife (= her aunt, **Mary Linton**), her sisters **Margaret** (age 20), **Katherine** (age 11), and **Bettie** (age 9), and her brother **Frank** (age 13). Her sister **Eliza Jane** was already married to **William Thomas Noe**, and they are listed in Washington County, KY, as well.

Unfortunately, the 1880 census does not include Indian Territory, so there is no record of Harriet and Theodore DeGraffenried. However, I have located all of her various siblings, notably her sisters **Katherine Mock** [future wife of **John Skaggs**], **Eliza Jane Mock** [Noel], **Margaret A. Mock** [Sea]. Her brother **Franklin P.** was a boarder enumerated with **Emma Messenger**. They were all in Grayson County, TX, just across the Red River from the Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory. Her sister **Bettie** was still in a boarding school in Washington Co, KY, as was **Mary Linton Mock** and her daughter **Susie**.

On the 1900 census roll, the two daughters of Harriet Mock and Theodore DeGraffenried are enumerated in Grayson Co, TX. **Annie DeGraffenried** (age 21) is enumerated with her sister **Naomi** (age 22), now married to **Charles A. Walcott**. It shows their mother as being born in KY. (Their father is listed on the roll of Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, with his second wife, **Frances Cornelia Burns**. Also in Choctaw Nation, IT, is **Kate Mock**, now married to **John Skaggs**.) Also in Grayson County, TX, are **Margaret Mock Sea** and **Eliza Jane Mock Noe**. I am not sure where **Frank P. Mock** was situated by then.

Finally, I have the obituary of Kate Mock Skaggs, who died in Pushmataha Co, OK, in 1933. It specifically states that she was the daughter of Daniel and Sue Linton Mock and that she moved to Denison, TX, at age 12 with two sisters.

Perhaps bona fide genealogists may not agree with my conclusion that Haggie Mock is Harriet B. Mock, but I

am convinced that the evidence overwhelmingly supports it.

#### Later -

I found a will today that proves my contention that Harriet Mock, daughter of Daniel Mock and Susan Linton, was the same person as Haggie Mock who married James Theodore DeGraffenried. The item was the will of **Mary J. Edwards**, written 1 Feb 1896, and proved 23 Mar 1896, in Washington Co, KY.

Among the numerous heirs are listed several Mock family members, including 9 heirs of Daniel Mock dec'd: C. F. Mock, Mrs. Eliza J. Noe, Mrs. Maggie Sea, Mrs. Kate Skaggs, George Mock, Mrs. Susan Crouch, HAGGIE MOCK, and Frank Mock. The reference to Harriet as Haggie is the proof that I have been seeking. Eureka!

#### • Roger Robison

I think that there was something in the will of Mary J. Edwards that gave me pause. As I recall, the heirs set out in the will were her siblings, children of Daniel J. Mock and the two Linton sisters: 1) G. S. Mock, 2) Mrs. Rebecca A. Goatley, 3) Wm. A. Mock, 4) J. M. Mock, 5) Milton A. Mock, 6) Mrs. Susan O'Neale dec'd, 7) Mrs. Eliza Marks dec'd, 8) Mrs. Rachel Scifers, 9) Richard Mock dec'd, 10) Mrs Nannie Parrott dec'd, 11) Daniel Mock dec'd. If that is the case, there is a child whose identity is a mystery to me: Milton A. Mock, and the will states "he being not found."

The other thing that seems at odds with the heirs listed in the will is an individual on your working chart designated #133 - James Richard Mock. His daughter, Anne M. Mock who married a Sweets, is listed as one of the heirs in the will because her father is deceased. The problem is that you show James Richard Mock as a child of Daniel W. Mock Jr and Elizabeth Smithey. His inclusion in the will suggests otherwise, but I could be mistaken. If you can find a copy of "Washington County, KY Wills 1889-1911" by Faye Sea Sanders, you might want to take a look at the abstract of the will that is included in it.

I hope that I contributed another little piece of the puzzle.

• Roger Robison [Robison@texas.net](mailto:Robison@texas.net)



## Mock Charts Index Expanded

I invite you all to look at the expanded index to Barbara's Working Charts. Go to [mock.rootsweb.com/](http://mock.rootsweb.com/) and click the link there.

I've expanded the index to include the year and place of birth of each numbered individual and of his or her spouse(s), if any, as well as the year and place of their marriage. This should make it much easier for you to search for an individual, especially those with common names. Enjoy.

• Paul Swan

**Ed. Note: Paul has put a huge amount of work into this index. It just keeps getting better and better! Thanks again, Paul!**

## Found

## Mock Family Bible

I found this **Mock** family Bible on EBAY. Is this a direct family connection for any of you.  
<http://cgi.ebay.com/OLD-FAMILY-BIBLE-HANDWRITTEN->

The bible belonged to **Donald Emerson Mock** and **Dorothy Leone Phillips Mock** of Bedford, PA. The bible was published by **The John C. Winston Co.**, Philadelphia, Chicago, Toronto.

There is an inscription on the inside of the bible: "To Don and Dorothy from Auntie Todd Dec. 25-1931." Pasted below it is a cutout of a tea kettle with a prayer.

Please if anyone bids on it or is connected to this family let me know.

I found this on Donald Emerson Mock at Ancestry.

ID: I28054

Name: **Donald Emerson MOCK**

Sex: M

Birth: ABT 1893 in Bedford County, Pennsylvania

Reference Number: 28054

Father: **Charles MOCK** b: abt 1870 in Bedford Co, PA

Mother: **Florence BEAM** b: 1872 in Clearville, PA

• **Sharon Davis in Georgia** – [sadav43@earthlink.net](mailto:sadav43@earthlink.net)



## Peter Mock of Iredell Co, NC

From a website summarizing petitions to state legislatures dealing with slavery I found:

**North Carolina Reel 5 page 82 1817 0472. Iredell Co.**

Seventy-nine-year-old slave owner **Peter Mock** requests that **Weiney** and her daughter, **Jean Ridgeway**, be emancipated. He had purchased them in 1794, and they had served him "with as much care & industry as ever Slaves did."

The website is

<http://www.lexis-nexis.com/academic/guides/Aaas/SlaveryPetitions.pdf>

or just do a google search for "Peter Mock" **Weiney**. That site has an index at the end but this was the only **MOCK** variant I found but perhaps it would be interesting for other names in the south that people research.

This would seem to be the Peter from chart #49. If his age given in that petition is accurate, then his birth year would be more on the order of 1738 than the 1742 given on the chart.

• **Karen Krich**



## Vindicator Obit Index

From the newsletter from the Old Order Brethern

**MOCK, George Jr, Indiana, age 59 yr 1899 p 93**

**MOCK, Michael, Indiana, age 73 yr 1874 p64**

**MOCK, Susanna, Indiana, age 68 yr 1907 p 220**

**MACK, Evalina, Illinois, age 85, yr 1903, p 62**

**MACK, Lucinda, Ohio, age 65, yr 1903, p 30**

• **Jan Tompkins**



## Queries

## GA Mocks

Looking for family of **James Madison Mock** b. ca1820; d. ca1868; m. 23 Mar 1848 Decatur Co, GA to **Mary Ann Elizabeth Pierce** who d. ca1868. Their children : **Margaret George Ann Mock** b. 1849 Decatur Co, Ga; m. **Simeon Littleton Brinson**; **J.C. Mock** b. ca1853; **Calvin Mock** b. ca1855 & **Mary Melissa "Molly" Mock** b. 3 Dec 1858 GA; m. 1<sup>st</sup> **Dr. Wm. Lovejoy Scaife**; m. 2<sup>nd</sup> **Simeon Brinson** after her sister died in 1914. Searched for **James Madison Mock** in the 1850 & 1860 Census – no results.

In the 1870 Census, **Mollie Mock**, age 12 living with **John W. Pierce**, 45 and wife **Fannie**. **Mollie**, a dau. of **James Madison** and wife **Mary Pierce** is probably living with relatives of **Mary**. Where is **James Madison** between 1850 and 1860????

• **Dinah Hakler** [davegeodek@msn.com](mailto:davegeodek@msn.com)



## Mock/Sain Connections

I am interested in learning more about **Casper Sain** (Zurn) and **Roseanna Mock** who lived in North Carolina. They had several children three of them being a **John**, **George** and **Frederick Sain**. Two of these sons had sons named **John**. A **John Michael Sain** (spelled **Sane**) settled in Tn and married a **Margaret Cutshall** 6/1819. This is my husband's great great grandfather. I need to be able to know which of these three sons could be or is **John Michael's** father. I believe **Frederick** moved to Indiana and **John** and **George** stayed in N.C.? **John Michael** was born abt 1797/98 but what I have learned the two **John's** were born this time. If you can help me I will be grateful.

• **Sharleen Sane** [cliffsharsane@peoplepc.com](mailto:cliffsharsane@peoplepc.com)



## Mock/Hanks Connections

I saw the Maryland Frederick Co Md Roots website mentioned on the Rootsweb e-zine, and was looking through the surnames and came across your website. I am not directly a **Mock**, but **Jacob Mock** b. abt 1775 Loudoun Co., VA, d. 1832 Waterford, Loudoun, VA, married **Elizabeth Rollings /Rawlings**, also from Loudoun Co. **Jacob's** dau **Phoebe**, married **Cephas Hanks**, brother to my **Stiles Hanks**. Many of the **Hanks** line moved over to **Muskingum Co, OH** from Loudoun, although some moved to Bedford Co., PA, as they maintained their Quaker religion.

Loudoun Co VA is across the Potomac River from Frederick Co. MD. There seemed to be a pastor who married some of the family in Frederick Co., MD and some in Loudoun Co., VA. I guess he was a traveling preacher...

I am curious to know if your research had ever run across our **Jacob**. I used to correspond with a **Mock** relative, who had dead-ended with **Jacob**.

• **M. Kathleen Felsted** [mkfelsted@gmail.com](mailto:mkfelsted@gmail.com)



**Civil War letters from Esrom Mock to his wife Catharine  
son of Frederick & Bathsheba Priest Mock**

*Submitted by Chad Hoffman*

My mother has just given me a gold mine! I have a box of Civil War letters which include several letters from **Esrom Mock** to his wife **Catharine**.

I have transcribed these letters the best I could. There are numerous holes in some. The spelling is poor and there is little capitalization and punctuation. Sometimes, while I could see the letters, I was not sure what the letter was, as "o" often looked like "a", "w" often looked like "u", etc.

I have looked up the 2nd Ohio Infantry and it mentions the places Esrom talks about. However, I haven't been able to find out where Camp Jefferson, KY was yet, but I'm thinking maybe in Bowling Green as his regiment was there. They were also near there in Bacon Creek. When I enter Bacon Creek on mapquest, I get four different ones in Kentucky, but there is a Bacon Creek near Bowling Green. He mentions other men who must have been lived near him. I know there were families by the name of Shell in Pike Twp., Clark Co.

These letters add some information but, of course, give more mysteries to be solved. For example, one letter at the top says "fare well Joana B". She was his daughter and the B. appears to be for Barsheba (which either he can't spell, or he purposely calls her Bashy. Although everyone else spells in different ways in the records) but what the fare well means at the beginning of the letter, I don't know. If we knew all the answers what would we do with our time????

I also have two letters that Esrom and Catharine's daughter Margaret wrote to Catharine from ILL during the same time period.

**Letter from Esrom Mock to Catharine  
March 5, 1862**

**Top:**  
**21<sup>st</sup> Ohio Regiment [the one is crossed  
out in 21]**  
**Crossed out: Col. I. L. Norion**  
**Camp Vonhurer**

**farewell Joana B.**

**(Picture of soldier, tents, canon, etc.)**



**Catharine Otawalt Mock**  
**27 Jun 1814 - 7 Mar 1899**

**Camp Vanhuran March the \_\_5 1862**

*I take this oportunity to right to you once more to let you  
now that i am in tolerable like health except  
the reumiatism but not so very bad I hope those lines may  
find you all well I havt heard from you for  
along time we are now in tennessee*

**Pg 2.**

*thirty miles from Nash ville rebuilding bridges whare the  
rebels burnt down our men are whipping them on every point  
our leading men say th(hole)t we all will bee home in two months  
but I am a fraid not so soon*

*i hope it will be so i don't expect that I can come home till  
the war is to an end it would cost me*

*twenty dollars to come home it is hard to git a furlo as it is  
to git a discharge*

*fi I don't git a stanter in a few weeks ishall try*

**Pg. 3**

*for a discharge i can stand it tolerable well till it comes to  
marching we mant be here till we steer for ohio*

*there is talk of an (holes) i s(holes)ythig here to gard the  
Rail Road want you all to do the best that you can shell and me  
sent twenty dollars each and hant heard whether went safe or  
not isent sum close home with proctor they was sent to Wm  
Proctor want you to right to me son as you git this*

**Pg. 4**

*letter and let me now whether you got them or not and  
tell me how you are all giting along your last letter  
(holes in the whole line)? well git to the weet I would  
like to seen hur but if i git hom this ? we will go and see  
them no more fare well*

*direct letters to Camp ranbinrren(?)*

*tenessee E Mock*

*to his family*

• Chan Hoffman [froglover@ameritech.net](mailto:froglover@ameritech.net)

**Ed. Note: Chan's Mock lineage will be added to Chart  
#52**

## Descendant of Devault Mock

In the 1900 census, I came across a Horace J Mock boarding at a hotel in Washington, DC. His occupation was listed as journalist.

I found a reference to an 1892 book written by Horace J Mock entitled "*Kalispell and the famous Flathead Valley in northwest Montana: Interesting reading for capitalists, investors, manufacturers and homeseekers*" Has anyone read the book?

I believe the author and journalist must be the same person as the one living in Washington, DC and had a 5 year old daughter born in Montana.

Horace J in the 1900 census was listed as born in IL Sept 1866 with parents born in Indiana. His father turns out to be Anthony R Mock o Henry County, Illinois and his grandfather is John.

Both have interesting biographical sketches in a Henry County, Illinois historical book from the 1880's.

John is listed as individual 1.2.4.2 on chart 48, a descendant of Devault of North Carolina.

• Karen Krich

*Cont'd from page 16 Moses Mock*

### Jacob HOFFMAN 1933 obituary

*Johnstown Tribune, Wed. evening, March 29, 1933*

### Jacob Hoffman, 85, Passes Away

*Paint Township Resident Succumbs After Long Illness; Burial Tomorrow*

WINDBER, March 29-Jacob J. Hoffman, aged 85, one of the best known residents of Paint Township, died yesterday at the home of his son, Elmer Hoffman, following an illness of four months of a complication of diseases. He was a son of John and Francis (Lehman) Hoffman, both deceased, and had spent practically all of his life in this section.

He was twice married. His first wife was Mary Mock, who passed away in 1877. To this union four children were born, two having preceded their father to the grave. The surviving children are Mrs. Robert Berkey, of Scalp Level, and Elmer Hoffman, at whose home he died. Ella, wife of Erastus Fry, and Callie, wife of William Faust, are deceased.

Mr. Hoffman's second wife was Anna Mock, who died in 1912. The deceased also leaves nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. He was the last member of a family of six, having been preceded in death by these brothers and sisters: Daniel, Isaac and William Hoffman, Mrs. Lydia Faust and Mrs. Mary Lehman.

The funeral cortege will leave the Hoffman home tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock for the Scalp Level Church of the Brethern, where services will be conducted by the Rev. J. A. Robinson, pastor of the Walnut Grove Church of the Brethern. Interment will be in the Daniel Hoffman homestead cemetery in Paint Township, in charge of G. C. Meek, local mortician. Pallbearers will be Isaac and Austin Hoffman, John and Ralph Lehman and Mahlon Hoffman.

Note: I'd be interested in hearing from others interested in this family as Mary is one of my Mocks. Can anyone tell me who Anna Mock is?

• Karen Krich karenlk@prodigy.net

## Randolph Co, IN Mock Family

Just received the Mock Family Historian (Vol. XV #1) and was sad to read you have decided to retire. I really have appreciated receiving the newsletter since 1994. It has been put into notebooks and displayed in the Randolph Co. Genealogical Society Library for all our visitors to see.

I started my research about 1979 and started the genealogy society to get help for myself, then soon began helping others. The Indiana State Historical Society recently gave me the Hubert Hawkins History Award for serving as county Historian for 25 years. One of my accomplishments was to compile the *1818-1990 History of Randolph Co*, over 700 pages with 1300 photos and over 1000 family biographies as well as listing all the schools, churches, cemeteries, etc in the county. We have sold over 1500 so far, and the profits go to support the Museum.

Recently I received a request from Bonnie Mock, widow of Roger, who was trying to locate his family line from Henry b. 1837 here in Randolph Co. according to some record they had found. Turns out he was a half brother (and cousin) to my g-g grandmother, Mary. They were children of Daniel, son of Devault Mock in NC. As you know, I think, Daniel was married three times, had a daughter with the first wife before she died in OH. Then he married Ruth Lindsey in Green Co, OH and they had 9 children, some in OH and the rest here. Ruth died and he married her widowed sister, Nancy Lindsey Watson and had 3 more children. I am from Ruth's daughter Mary "Polly" Mock b. 5 Aug 1818 Greene Co, OH. Mary married John Odle Reitenour. Henry was the son of Nancy. I am enclosing some of her charts for your files, in case you did not have this line already.

Years ago I was trying to find my other Mock/Mack line, and wonder if you ever got anything that might help me with that? Johann Georg Gump b. 1709 in Huffenhardt, Germany, m. 1731 to Rosina Mack b. 1705 at Wimpfen (near Heilbrunn) Germany. They went from their home in Baden to Rotterdam and sailed for America on the ship *Pink Johnson* in 1732. They were in Lancaster Co, PA then moved to Frederick Co, MD. Rosina died in 1769. If her name has come up in anything you have please let me know.

• Monisa Wisener 2212 E. Greenville Pike, Winchester, IN 47394



**Every man serves a useful purpose.  
A miser, for example,  
makes a wonderful ancestor**  
*Laurence J. Peter*

# Mock Family Historian Conference

Come join us to celebrate the completion of 15 successful years  
For the Mock Family Historian publication

Salt Lake City, Utah  
Friday September 1<sup>st</sup> – Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup>  
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Group Room Rate: \$82 Single/Double - \$89 Triple/Quad

Parking - \$3 per day in covered garage

To book reservations call: 800-366-3684

When making reservations be sure to identify yourself with the  
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### Tentative Schedule of Events

Thursday Aug. 30	FHC Library
Friday Sept. 1 – 5PM	MFH Welcome Reception, compliments of MFH
Saturday Sept. 2	Hotel Meeting Room
	Continuing Mock research
	Mock DNA Project – Doug Mauck
	FHC Library
6PM	Traditional Mock Family Supper
Sun. Sept.3 9AM-12Noon	General Meeting and Wrap Up

Please mail your Registration Form (No registration fee!) or e-mail the number attending to:

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=====Detach here=====

I/We will attend the 2006 Mock Family Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah

Name \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of earliest Mock/Mauk/Mauck/Mack ancestor \_\_\_\_\_

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### DNA news from Doug Mauck

Family Tree DNA has announced that the 59 marker tests some of us have ordered have been upgraded at no additional cost to 66 markers! Here's what they have to say:

"We are excited to announce that the lab was able to add an additional panel of markers and will be reporting to you a total of 66 markers!

While this has caused a slight delay, we feel it is worth it to provide the most complete set of results possible to our customers. The web site is being updated to reflect the extra markers and the entire list will be posted on the website tomorrow. The goal of course is to have the FTDNATiP calculator and new GD Rules set for projects ready at the same time. "

I think we're getting our money's worth! Imagine a perfect 66 marker match! We've come a long way from the original 12 marker test of just four years ago! Get your DNA test kit now! There is still time to get the results before our Sept 1-3 meeting in Salt Lake City!

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