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## WILLIAM JAMIESON OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY, CONNECTICUT

[11800-11899]

**11800-1 WILLIAM JAMIESON**, was born circa 1779, Lancashire, near Glasgow, Renfrew County, Scotland. His wife and parentage are unknown. He died September 6, 1848 in the South Farms District, of Middletown, Middlesex co., CT.

### The only child known:

(Born Lancashire, Scotland)

(1) 11810 William, b. 1805; d. 5/23/1879; m. 1/10/1832, Agnes **Weir**;

### Notes:

William Jameson emigrated from the north of Scotland from Aberdeen, a major port on the central eastern coast, apparently by himself, in 1834. Arriving in the United States he eventually found his way to Middletown, CT. The immigration records yield only the name, William Jameson, and no mention of wife or other kin with him. He resided for a time in Largs, Ayrshire, Scotland, a favorite resort for vacationers, situated on the Firth of Clyde, 36 miles south west of Glasgow. It was here, his son, William, was born in 1805. Some time after this, Mr. Jameson, whose family spelt their name Jamieson, made his way to Aberdeen where he set sailed for America. Mr. Jameson's occupation was that of a dyer, learned in Ayrshire, a major textile city. He settled in New England no doubt for its textile manufacture and upon arrival was employed by the Russell Manufacturing Co. of Middletown, CT.

He was listed upon the "Freeman Rolls" of Middletown in April of 1834 and eligible to vote that year and with profound seriousness he proceeded to do until his death in 1848. His farm he purchased from Ann Maria **Hart** of Middletown, May 20, 1845 for \$2500.00 which consisted of 11 1/2 acres of land and a house and barn. It is located in the Miller Farms District of South Farms and included a right-of-way for the Russell Manufacturing co. from Main Street to the sand and gravel pits that lay beyond Jameson's farm. In Haddam, CT. Mr. Jameson also bought land, all of which he bequeath to his only son, William.

### References:

1] Records of Middletown, CT., v.4,ps.20,132,133; 2] Records of Polls of Middletown, CT., vols.49,53,54,55; 3] Rolls of Freeman, 1777-1844, v.1; 4] Barbour Collection, State Library, Htfd., CT.; 5] 1874-1875 Business Directory of Middletown, CT.; 6] Middletown, CT(deeds), ps.100,101,237;

**11810-2 WILLIAM JAMIESON** [William], was born 1805, Lancashire, Scotland, the son of William Jamieson (11800). He died May 23, 1879. Mr. Jamieson married January 10, 1832, Lancashire, Scotland, Agnes **Weir**, born 1811, died December 5, 1886, Middletown, CT., the daughter of John and Agnes Weir of Lancashire, Scotland. They resided in Middletwon, Middlesex co., CT.

Children:

((1-4) Largs, Scot; (5) Paisley, Scot; (6-7) Kinross, Scot; (8) Alva, Scot; (9) Aberdeen, Scot; (10-16)  
Middletown, CT.)

- (1) 11825 Agnes, b. 10/17/1832; d.<1887; m. 4/7/1858, Thomas **Thompson**;
- (2) 11826 William, b. 3/21/1834; d. 8/20/1835;
- (3) 11827 Janet(twin), b. 10/25/1835; d. young;
- (4) 11828 Jessie(twin), b. 10/25/1835; d. 9/3/1910; m. 10/25/1859, Henry C. **Rice**;
- (5) 11829 William, b. 6/27/1837; d. 7/15/1838;
- (6) 11830 Margaret, b. 5/16/1839; d. young;
- (7) 11831 Marion Hardie, b. 6/15/1841; d. 3/12/1889;
- (8) 11832 Jane, b. 9/9/1843; d. 9/13/1887; m. 10/2/1872, Sheldon L. **Church**;
- (9) <11833> Emma Scott, bpt. 4/26/1845;
- (10) 11834 Eliza Hill, b. 7/25/1845; d. 1928; m. 1876, Francis L. **Griswold**;
- (11) 11835 Isabella, b. 10/25/1847; m. 4/28/1881, Thomas **Marshall**;
- (12) 11836 William, b. 5/16/1849; d. 2/2/1916; m. 1872, Elizabeth M. **Bacon**;
- (13) 11837 Margaret, b. 6/3/1851; d. 7/26/1915;
- (14) 11838 Victoria Brown, b. 8/23/1852; d. 7/4/1924;
- (15) 11839 Joanna W., b. 1855; m. 10/21/1886, James **Shand**;
- (16) 11840 Mary Amelia, b. 2/11/1857; d. 1/14/1926;

Notes:

Born in Lancashire, Scotland, Mr. Jamieson was one of many of that surname in and around Glasgow, Renfrew County, Scotland. Here he met and married Agnes Weir and removed to Largs, Scotland where four of their children were born. In 1836, they were residing in Paisley, Scotland, a few miles from Largs and seven miles southwest of Glasgow, a manufacturing town which became popular for its celebrated Paisley Shawls from 1805. Its industries were dyeing, bleaching, tartans, shawls, carpets, distilling and brewing

chemicals, starch, corn flour, preserves, cotton thread, and shipbuilding. No doubt Mr. Jamieson applied his trade as dyer and was employed in Scotland by the same companies that hired his father.

Mr. Jamieson emigrated a number of years after his father, coming in 1846 via the port of Aberdeen, and at the behest of his father was then considering retiring from business in 1847. As a bond of obligation William Jamieson sr. handed over the farm and lands to his son, William if he would come to America and take over. Leaving Scotland, William Jamieson jr. arrived in 1846 and was immediately employed by the Russell Manufacturing Co. of Middletown.

Active with the local Congregational church his family was admitted December 31, 1846 to the First Congregational Church of Middletown by certificate from the United Synnion Church of Aberdeen, Scotland. Many of his children were married and baptized here and active within the community. Mr. Jamieson died of heart failure and seven years later his wife, Agnes, died of pneumonia and they are buried at Indian Hill Cemetery in Middletown.

- Mr. Thomas **Thompson** was of Hartford, CT. where he and his wife were married and later resided. Mr. Henry C. **Rice** was born 1833, Greenville. He and Jessie Jamieson were married at Holy Trinity Church in Middletown by Rev. Jeremiah **Taylor** and they resided in Farmington and Willimantic, CT. Marion H. Jamieson was admitted to the First Congregational Church of Middletown December 30, 1870. She was unmarried all of her life. Active in her community she was the Principal of the Johnson Elementary School from 1879-1885 and from 1886 as a teacher and vocal advocate of education until her death in 1889. Mr. Sheldon L. **Church** was born in Middletown the son of George Church and occupied as a Joiner. He and Jane were married at the First Congregational Church. Emma Scott Jamieson was adopted by the Jamiesons in 1845 and baptized shortly after at the First Congregational Church in Middletown. Mr. Thomas **Marshall** was born 1850, Wheeling, WV., and employed as a merchant in the Dry Goods trade. They removed to Peoria, IL. in 1885 where they died. Mrs. Marshall prior to her marriage, was employed by the Central High School in Middletown, CT. as a teacher from 1878 to 1881. Margaret Jamieson in 1897 with two of her sisters, Mary and Victoria, began a successful florist shop known as the "Misses Jamiesons". Victoria B. Jamieson was employed as a primary teacher in 1886 at Central High School before she became one of the founding members of the "Misses Jamiesons" in 1897. Joanna Jamieson was a teacher at Central High School from 1884-1886, at which point she married Mr. James **Shand**, born in Scotland, a merchant in Middletown and later of Lancaster, PA. where they resided. Mary Amelia Jamieson was a founding member of the florist shop in Middletown, CT.

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1] Records of Middletown, CT., 1651-1854, v.2,p.24,62,68,78,118,170,263; v.4,ps.20,52,53,110,111,132,133,163,200,201; v.6,p.315; v.12,ps.8,120,436; 2] Census Records of CT, v.10,p.18; 3] Headstones of Cemeteries, Indian Hill; 4] Land Records of Middletown, CT., v. 1847,ps.100.101; v.1886-1887; 5] Probate Records of Middletown, CT., will; 6] Business Directories of Middletown, CT, 1875-1930; 7]

**11834-3 ELIZA HILL JAMIESON** [William, William], was born July 25, 1845, Aberdeen, Scotland, the daughter of William and Agnes (Weir) Jamieson (11810). She died in 1928 in Old Saybrook, CT. Miss Jamieson married July 12, 1876, Middletown, CT., Francis L. **Griswold**, born 1848, Essex, CT. They resided in Old Saybrook until their deaths.

The only child known:

(1) Marion, b. 1882; d. 7/12/1891;

Notes:

Mr. Griswold was employed as an auto mechanic in Old Saybrook. Mrs. Griswold, prior to her marriage, was employed by J. H. Bunce in Middletown as a cashier.

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1] Records of Middletown, CT., v.2,p.118; v.4,p.20; 2] Census Records of CT., v.10,p.18, age 7 in 1850; 3] Records of Old Saybrook, CT;

**11836-3 WILLIAM JAMIESON III** [William, William], was born May 16, 1849, Middletown, Middlesex co., CT., the son of William and Agnes (Weir) Jamieson. He died February 2, 1916, Middletown, CT. Mr. Jamieson married November 28, 1872, Middletown, CT., Elizabeth M. **Bacon**, born October 19, 1848, Wethersfield, CT., died March 3, 1901, Middletown, CT., the daughter of William and Elizabeth Bacon. They resided in Middletown, CT.

Children:

(Born in Middletown)

(1) 11870 William Bacon, b. 6/24/1873; d. 11/13/1899;

(2) 11871 John Weir, b. 4/10/1880; d. 1/29/1914;

Notes:

Mr. Jamieson was employed for a few years with the Russell Manufacturing company of Middletown, but as early as 1875 was apprenticed to his father-in-law, William Bacon, as a butcher in the latter's meat shop at 315 Main Street. In 1880 the store relocated to 172 Main and by 1886 at the death of William Bacon the business came under the proprietorship of William Jamieson. His business was such that he drew considerable business from miles away, his advertisements were in most of the mediae of the day. In 1890 he relocated the shop at 290 Main Street and it remained there until his death.

Mr. Jamieson retained the old homestead of his grandfather's in South Farms District but sold it and the property in Haddam, also passed down to him, in 1887 to the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Middletown.

Mrs. Jamieson was born in Wethersfield, Ct., and married at the First Congregational Church in Middletown by Pastor Cyrus H. **Fay**. William B. Jamieson worked for his father for a number of years as a book keeper before dying of asthenia in 1899. John W. Jamieson resided in Middletown and took up the vacancy as a clerk in his father's shop when brother, William, died.

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1] Records of Middletown, CT., v.2,p.68,176,211; v.4,p.20; v.12,p.8,19,161; 2] Census Records of CT., v.10,p.18;

