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COLONEL JOHN JAMISON OF VIRGINIA

[38300-38499]

38300-1 JOHN JAMISON, born circa 1775 in Virginia, he died 1819 in Louisiana. Mr. Jamison married in Virginia, Mary **Anson**.

Children:

(All born in Virginia)

- (1) 38310 John Durst
- (2) 38311 William
- (3) 38312 James
- (4) 38313 Thomas
- (5)
- (6)
- (7) 38316 Louis Thornton
- (8) 38317 Harriet Matilda

Notes:

Mr. Jamison was an Indian Agent in Louisiana. He settled in Young's Bayou Parish, Natchitoches, Natchitoches co., LA where presumably he died. A colonel in the United States Army Mr. Jamison left Virginia and settled in the far west around 1817 or so. On October 3, 1817 John Jamison, Esquire, purchased from Humphrey **Yarbrough** of LA. a tract in Young's Bayou parish for \$100.00. On May 28th of the following year he sold this tract to William C. **Beard** for \$300.00.

References:

- 1] Natchitoches co., LA(deeds), Bk.6,ps384-387; 2] Daughters of the War of 1812, p273;

38310-2 JOHN DURST JAMISON [John], was born 1783 in Virginia the son and apparent first child of John and Mary (Anson) Jamison(38300). He died August 28, 1848 in Rio Grande City, Texas. Mr. Jamison married April 5, 1837 in Mier, Mexico, Maria de Luz **Canales**, born November 9, 1820, Mier, Mexico, died 1892, Roma, Texas.

Children:

(All born in Mier, Mexico)

- (1) 38320 John Peace
- (2) 38321 Jose Miquel
- (3) 38322 Francisca de los Dolores
- (4) 38323 Jose Estevan
- (5) 38324 Jose Tomas

Notes:

Mr. Jamison was a Texas Ranger under Captain Hays **Gillespie** and Richard **Roman** and actively participated in the Revolution in 1836 and during the Mexican War in 1845. A second Lt. and a spy in the Texan Army he served for a period of five and a half months keeping tabs on General Antonio **Canales**, his brother-in-law.

The Canales family came into Mexico with the Escandor Colonizing Expedition of 1774. They eventually made its way to Mier, Mexico a wealthy family of many years standing. When Mr. Jamison {Jimenson} died his appraiser was Capt Richard Roman.

References:

1] Children of the Republic of Texas; 2] Letter from the War Dept., Houston, TX., dated 7/12/1837; 3] First Settlers of the Republic of Texas, V2,Headright land grants; 4] Daughters of the War of 1812, p273; 5] Baptismal Certificate, Meir, MX. Catholic Church;

38316-2 LOUIS THORNTON JAMISON [John], was born November 19, 1805 in Virginia the son and apparent fifth child of John and Mary (Anson) Jamison(38300). He died 1856 in Rio Grande, Texas. Mr. Jamison married first, August of 1832, Chicago, IL. Nancy **Holiday**, who died 1835, the daughter of Col. John and Hildreth (**Obemahquren**) Holiday. Mr. Jamison married second, 1837, Chicago, IL. Mary Eliza **McClure**, who died 1839 in Nacogdoches co., TX, the daughter of General George W. McClure, who was born 1771, and died August 16, 1851.

Children:

(Born Chicago., IL.)

- (1) 38330 Harriet E., b. 1831; d. 2/1864; m.c. 1850, Narwick **Gussett**.

(2) 38331 John Holiday, b.c. 1833; d. 1859;

Notes:

Mr. Jamison was born in Virginia. He graduated July 1, 1824 from West Point Academy. He was in the infantry and was a Captain and a Lieutenant. His military years extend from Sutter, Michigan to Texas from 1824 to 1856. He owned a great deal of property in Chicago's present day Loop and Gold Coast sections which eventually fell into the hands of a best friend, William B. **Ogden**, one of the pioneer settlers of Chicago. In 1832 he left Virginia to become Commander of Fort Dearborn in 1833. He met his wife, Nancy, here, whose mother was a full-blooded Pottowatomie. In 1833 a treaty was concluded with the Pottowatomie and Chippewa Indians and some five million acres taken along the western shore of Lake Michigan. In the ensuing scramble for land Louis Jamison managed to obtain some of the most fertile and best of it. His father-in-law, John Holiday, later purchased this land from Jamison, but Jamison's children fell heir to it when Holiday died.

After resigning from the service Louis remarried in Chicago and became an officer in Chicago's First Presbyterian Church and his attention homed in on civic affairs in the bustling town. In 1842, three years after his second wife died, Louis and his two children removed to Texas where his sister, Harriet **Durst** resided. He left his Illinois lands to friend and colleague, William B. Ogden. Jamison then settled in the Rio Grande City, Star County, near Fort Ringold, where he operated a sutler's business and served as Justice of the Peace.

When Louis Jamison died, his daughter, Harriet Gussett, identified herself as an heir and claimed the lands in Chicago. Ogden was employed to tend to these matters for her. In the meantime northern troops during the Civil War destroyed the Gussett plantation taking away the Chicago deeds with them. Narwick Gussett then arranged a quitclaim deed from which Ogden then obtained the lands for himself. Future generations have on several occasions tried to reclaim this very valuable property in Chicago's Loop but have failed to repossess it.

John Holiday Jamison, Louis' son, joined the U. S. Navy and died in a marine hospital.

References:

1] Affidavit by Bruno Durst Sr., Bexar Co., TX., 9/19/1891-suit by Durst heirs to recover Jamison property in Chicago; 2] Register of Graduates of West Point, p210;

38317-2 HARRIET MATILDA JAMISON [John], was born February 5, 1807 in Virginia the daughter of John and Mary (Anson) Jamison(38300). Miss Jamison married February 15, 1821, Natchitoches, LA., John **Durst**, who died February 9, 1885, Galveston co., TX.

Children:

((1,2) b. Grand Cove, LA; (3) b. Grimes co., TX; (4,7-11) b. Leona, Leon co., TX; (5,6) b. Mt. Sterling, TX;)

(1) Aliza Elmyra

(2) Louis Orlando

(3) Mary Benigna

(4) Charles Placide Bruno

(5) Alexander H.

(6) Angelina

(7) Harriet Matilda

(8) John Sterling

(9) Horatio

(10) Clara E.

(11) Eugene H.

Notes:

The Durst plantation was located on the Angelina River in Leon, separated from Robertson, county. She was of slight build, straight as an arrow and kindly, but forceful speech. John Durst was tall, lean with keen eyes and mouth and nose of expressive force and will power.

They migrated to Texas in the Spring of 1827 shortly after the Freedonian War between the Colonists and the Mexicans settling at Nacogdoches. John Durst was a merchant supplying the Mexican troops. He spoke fluent Spanish; he was raised by Samuel **Davenport**; he removed in 1844 to Robertson co., TX.

References:

1] Disposition of Bruno Durst(Chicago Land Trial), 1891, Sept. 19, Bexar co., TX.;

38320-3 JOHN PEACE JAMISON [John, John], was born January 30, 1838, Mier, Mexico the son and first child of John D. and Maria (Canales) Jamison(38311). His spanish name was Juan Jose Miguel de la Paz. Mr. Jamison died April 19, 1894, Normangee, Tx. He married 1862, Sophronia **Carson**, born December 19, 1841, Montgomery co., TX., and died March 20, 1924, Normangee, TX.

Children:

(1) 38340 William Stephen

38330-3 HARRIET E. JAMISON [John, John], was born 1831, Chicago, IL., the daughter and first child of Louis and Nancy (Holiday) Jamison(38316). She died February of 1864 Live Oak co., Tx. Miss Jamison married circa 1850, Narwick **Gussett**.

Children:

(1) child, who died in infancy.

38340-4 WILLIAM STEPHEN JAMISON [John, John, John], was born June 10, 1867, Madison co., TX., the son and first child of John P. and Sophronia (Carson) Jamison(38320). He died December 10, 1935, Normangee, TX. He married 1892, Mary Evelyn **Barker**, born August 21, 1868, Rush co., TX., and died October 25, 1949, Normangee, Tx.

Children:

(1) 38370 George Newman

38370-5 GEORGE NEWMAN JAMISON [William, John, John, John], was born April 21, 1905, Normangee, TX., the son and first child of William and Mary (Barker) Jamison(38340). He died May 7, 1977, Baytown, TX. He married March 27, 1925, Willie Louise **Bletsch**, born October 22, 1906, Plantersville, TX., and died September 12, 1977, Baytown, TX.

Children:

(1) 38390 George Newman Jr.

38390-6 GEORGE NEWMAN JAMISON JR. [George, William, John, John, John], was born November 16, 1925, Goose Creek, TX., the son and first child of George and Willie (Bletsch) Jamison(38370). Mr. Jamison married November 5, 1949, Bonnie Louise **Clark**, born May 7, 1930, Kilgore, Texas.

Children:

(1) 38410 Kathryn

38410-7 KATHRYN JAMISON [George, George, William, John, John, John], was born November 8, 1951, Longview, Tx., the daughter and first child of George and Bonnie (Clark) Jamison(38390). She married December 27, 1974, Phillip Neil **Elmore**, born May 27, 1952, Longview, TX. They were subsequently divorced. Mrs. Elmore married second, Mr. **Paul**.

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