The Gordon Side of Our Family - The Gordon Families
William Gordon
Born 11 March, 1826, Camdus, Ireland, died before 1900, burial Bethsalem Presbyterian Cemetery, Winston County, Mississippi, father, Robert Gordon, mother, Elizabeth
Age about 13 when he arrived in United States at South Carolina.
Married Rebecca Eliza Jane Farrar in 1850 in Fairfield District, South Carolina.
Rebecca Eliza Jane Farrar, born in South Carolina, burial Bethsalem Presbyterian Cemetery, Winston County, Mississippi, father, William M. Farrar, mother, Mary Eliza Micou.
Children of William Gordon and Rebecca Eliza Jane Farrar
William Francis Gordon, born 1852 (1853) in South Carolina. Married Sarah Jane Dunbar 7 April 1874.
Robert Alexander Gordon, born 12 May, 1853, died 18 May, 1927. Married Narcissus Elizabeth "Lizzie" Quarles 4 August, 1874, Winston County, Mississippi.
'Matt' 'Martha' Gordon, born 1855 Choctaw County, Mississippi. Married Patrick Ryan. A baby girl - Ryan reportedly buried outside the Mt. Zion Church Cemetery, Choctaw County, Mississippi.
Margaret Ann Gordon, born 1856, Choctaw, Mississippi. Married
Mary 'May' Ellen Gordon, born 1859, Choctaw County, Mississippi. Married (?) Hunt.
Children of Hunt and Mary 'May' Ellen Gordon
Infant, died at birth.
David Wiley Gordon, born 1861, Choctaw County, Mississippi. Married Residence in Winston County, Mississippi.
Children of David Wiley Gordon and
Trudie Gordon,
Emmett Gordon

Clemet Gordon,

Eula Ethel Gordon,

Agnes Gordon.

Thomas Farrar Gordon, born 1863. Never married..

James Gilmore Gordon, born 10 August, 1865, died 21 November, 1929. Married Ella Whitmire, 27 December, 1888 at Winston County, Mississippi. Burial at Mt. Zion Cemetery, Choctaw County, Mississippi.

Eliza Gordon, born 1867, Choctaw County, Mississippi.

Susan W. Gordon, born 1868, Choctaw County, Mississippi. Married Tollbert Wells 9 Dec. 1889 in Choctaw County, Mississippi.

Children of Tollbert Wells and Susan W. Gordon

Earl Wells Bertha Wells Birdin Wells Clyde Wells Mollie Wells Howard Wells Maggie Wells Alma Wells

Nancy Gordon born 1 August, 1870 in Mississippi, died 14 April, 1934, burial* Enon Cumberland Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Ackerman, Choctaw County, Mississippi. Married Walter D. Wells 4 November, 1895. Walter D. Wells, born 2 September, 1870, died 15 April, 1939, burial* Enon Cumberland Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Ackerman, Choctaw County, Mississippi.

Caroline 'Carrie' Margaret Gordon, born 1872 in Mississippi.

"This information was found on micro-fiche in the Library of the Latter Day Saints. There is no way of proving that this William is our ancestor or not. The date of birth and mother Elizabeth match the information given in the 1850 census of Fairfield Co., So. Car. We have all ways been told that William some tines called Billy, came to the U. S. When he was 13 years old. Aunt Mae Katherine [Gordon Stanley] said that grandpa Gordon that there was four or five children that sailed from Ireland with their parents. One child died in the crossing and was buried at sea. I have been unable to locate a ship passenger list with them on it. The next time I find them is in the 1850 census of Fairfield Co. So. Car. Then it was only William, age 25, born in Ireland - Eliza J. (Farror) Gordon, age 21, born in Chester, S. C. Also in the same household was Elizabeth Gordon, age 50, born in Ireland. Was this William mother?

This William is our ancestor for I found him in the 1870 and 1880 census of Winston Co. Miss. Elizabeth was not with them then, she could have died in the 20 years since they were in so. Car.

What become of Robert and the other children that came over with them, Robert could have died after coming to the U. S. And the other children could have married and left William to care for Elizabeth.

From William's age in 1850 of 25, and we have all ways been told that he was 13 years old when he came over. They must have come about 1838 or within a few years of that.

I am going to leave this as is until I can get more information. I know that William and Eliza. Jane are my great, great grand parent, but for Robert and Elizabeth everyone will have to make up their own mind." [61.1]

Billie Lee Bowie

The Spinning Wheel And The Side Saddle

"...in 1937 Mr. Walter Wells send word to my mother that he had a spinning wheel and a side saddle that came from the Gordon family, and if she wanted it to come after it. Mother was Laura (Gordon) Bowie, she had me to hook the horses to the old iron tired wagon and go after them. I was all day making the trip. It was east of Weir, I could not go back there now, and had to ask the way then. The spinning wheel has been at my brother Howard Loran Bowie since 1960. I went and got it Nov. 1991 and have since rebuilt it. The wheel shaft hole is wore so bad that it lets the wheel wobble so bad that I don't think it will spin. The wheel has been rebushed before. The shaft is tapered and would be hard to rebush and bore out.

I got the saddle which is very bad shape, the wooden tree, stirrup and some very dry leather. I think the wheel and the saddle belong to William and Eliza Jane Gordon.

One of the girls never married, mother said that she would come and stay a while with each niece and nephew. In about 2 weeks or a month then they would carry her to another one. Mother had forgotten her name." [61.1]

Billie Lee Bowie

Reference * 7, 9, 18, 19, 26, 28, 49, 58.3, 61.11, 61.13, 63.66, 69.7, 70.3, 78.51, 78.52, 80