

KY.010 GENEALOGICAL DATA ON THOMAS HILL, ORIGINALLY FROM  
BERKLEY COUNTY, S.C., LATER MOVING TO CAMDEN  
DISTRICT S.C. AND THEN TO TENNESSEE AND KENTUCKY.

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Butcher, LDS Church files and information from a book  
entitled "The Hill Family," by Jim Hill of Claremont,  
California.

THOMAS HILL 2/.

Thomas Hill was born on 6th of March 1758 near Monk's Corner,  
Berkley County, South Carolina, (St. John's Parish). This  
information is based on his statement made on 28th August  
1832, when Thomas Hill 2/ was filing for benefits for his  
service in the American Revolution. He was the son of  
Jonathan Hill 1/ and his wife, Margaret Hall, the daughter of  
George Hall and wife Miriam Chinnes of St. John's Parish,  
Berkley County, South Carolina. Miriam Chinnes was the  
daughter of Thomas Chinnes.

As stated, Jonathan Hill 1/, of Berkley County S.C. married  
Margaret Hall, the daughter of George Hall and his wife  
Miriam. (Reference will of George Hall dated 24th December  
1753 and proven 15 April 1754 in Berkley County S.C.).

The will names wife Miriam, daughters MARGARET and Miriam and  
sons Joseph, George and Thomas Hall. The Executors were his  
wife Miriam, son in law JONATHAN HILL 1/ and a Dr. William  
Keith. It was witnessed by John Cannad, David Lafons and a  
RICHARD HILL 1/ (suspected brother of Jonathan 1/).

(NOTE: LDS Church Files, IGI INDEX, shows Jonathan 1/ & his  
wife with three sons: MOSES born 1748, Thomas born 1750 and  
Joseph born 1752. We have found no evidence of Moses and  
Joseph BUT THOMAS 2/ was a son, but his birth date was not  
1750 but 1758.

Also shown is a Richard Hill in the same area (Berkley County  
S.C.). Could this possibly be the same Richard Hill (son of  
William) later found in Fairfield County S.C., and who had a  
land purchase that involved at one time a William Hill and  
his son Richard Hill?

Note: To date, 1988, no evidence has been found to show that  
this is the same Richard Hill mentioned above who lived in  
the area of today's Fairfield County, however information  
found in 1988 does show that a Richard Hill of Fairfield  
County and mentioned as son of William Hill was indeed a son

of William Hill's and that William Hill was the son of Charles C. Hill Sr. and his wife Nancy, of Craven County, later Camden District and Fairfield County, South Carolina. There is some speculation on my part that Charles Hill may be a uncle or somehow related to Jonathan Hill.

From the dates of land grants and probate records, it is quite clear that Jonathan Hill 1/ moved into Camden District about 1758 or 1759 and he died there in early November of 1772. Reference to the "Journal of the Court of Ordinary for 1771-1775," by Brent Holcomb on page 72 Probate Records of S.C., 2:47) we find:

"Citation granted to Joseph Kershaw to administer on the estate & effects of Jonathan Hill, late of Camden, planter, deceased, as "great creditor," to be read in said Parish Church of St. Mark's. Dated November 10th 1772

In "Probate Records of S.C., VOL. I; Index to Inventories," by Brent Holcomb & Inventory Book Z, Pages 293-294, shows an Inventory of Jonathan Hill's Estate.

Charleston Deeds, BOOK S-4, page 145...  
March 11th, 1772...William Barefoot and Mellie (or Mollie) Barefutt, (Barefoot) his wife, to JONATHAN HILL, both of Craven County S.C., for 800 pounds, 200 acres, part of a 300 acre tract granted to William Newitt Barefoot and Noah Barefutt, (Barefoot) brother on 9th January 1752. Located on Wateree River adjoining land surveyed for Nowil Gibs. Wits: Joseph Kershaw, John Chesnut, Richard Sutton. Parish of St. Marks, Craven Co.-William Newitt Barefoot reserved his 100 acres of the grant, dated 12 March 1772. Wits: Jonathan Hill and John Pain. Recorded in Charleston 28th June 1775. (Wateree River is Eastern Sections of Fairfield County, while Moses Hill lived on Little River in the Northwestern portions of the County).

It appears that William Barefoot might have received his part of the 300 acres grant from Noah Barefoot, and that William Newitt Barefoot did not wish to sell his part of the grant. (Two men named William Barefoot-one called just William, and the other Wm. Newitt.

(NOTE: Craven County S.C. was an early name for the area today of Fairfield, Chester, Union, Kerhsaw (and others). Later it became known as Camden District. Craven County was a huge county, stretched all the way from the coast north of Georgetown, to the above counties named. The Barefoots lived in the area until ca. 1791, and where they lived became later (known today as) Kershaw County, named after Joseph Kershaw).

Charleston S.C. Office of the Register of Mesne Conveyance

DEED BOOK C-6, page 350...Thomas Hill, planter, of Fairfield County S.C.," to Joseph Kershaw of Camden District, S.C., lease and release for 10 shillings (lease) and 200 Pounds Sterling (release) current money of S.C., 415 acres in St. John's Parish, Berkley County, bounded by George Hall, Rene Ravenal, Peter Oliver, Samuel Edgar, John Pearse and John Richbough. Granted to George Hall 8th August 1753 by James Glen, Governor of S.C. and recorded in Grant Book OO, page 232. Tract was willed (in 1753) by George Hall "to his daughter Margaret who married Jonathan Hill and on demise of Jonathan and Margaret Hill devolved and became the property of THOMAS HILL, a party of these presents, as son and heir to said Jonathan and Margaret Hill." Wits: Joseph Kershaw Jr., and Jno. Craven. Proved by James Kershaw of Camden District, J.P. on 9th December 1789. Recorded in Charleston on 20th February 1790 by Thomas Greene, Deputy Registrar.

(Additional Note by Robert R. Hill Sr.) The following information was provided by Mrs. Charles Wilson, of Fredonia Kentucky, who was a great granddaughter of Thomas Hill 2/. She states that the information comes from the Thomas Hill 2/ Bible. It supports information found in the LDS Church Records, to a certain degree and along with the application that Thomas Hill 2/ filed for "Revolutionary Pension Benefits," offers quite a genealogy for this family. Some newer and additional data has been added to the bible record to make the data more complete and accurate.

#### THOMAS HILL 2/

Born: 6th March 1758

Where: Near Monk's Corner in Berkley, Co., S.C., St. John's Parish.

Died: 5th January 1837

Where: Caldwell County Kentucky

Buried: Hill Cemetery in Fredonia, Caldwell Co., Ky.

Married: ca. 1775-1776 probably in Camden District, S.C.

WIFE: Patience Harrison (daughter of William Harrison & Ann Kirkland

children

Jaene (Jane?) Hill 3/ born November 18, 1754  
believed to be a sister.

1. Mary Hill (dau.) 3/ born July 18th, 1777 Camden District, S.C.
2. Elizabeth Hill 3/ (dau.) She is not listed in the bible record but is named in her father's will. She m. Michael McDonald in Green Co., Tenn. She was born 18 July 1779 in South Carolina, living with husband in 1836 in Tenn.
3. Thomas Harrison Hill 3/ (son) born April 29th, 1782 in Camden District, S.C. No other data except that in the 1820 Census of Caldwell Co., Ky. He is listed with two boy under 10, one male 20-45 and one male over 45, plus 3 females 16-26, and two females 26-45. This indicates he

had three sons and three or four daughters.

4. Christiana Hill 3/ (dau.), born Feb. 8th, 1784 in Camden District, S.C. (m. a Wilson). He was named Samuel Wilson and they married in Logan County, Kentucky. She died in 1857. They had two children, John H. Wilson, b. 1816 in Logan County, Ky. and Americus Hill, born in 1829 in Caldwell Co., Ky. The family moved to Missouri.
5. Jonathan Hill 3/ (son) born Aug. 30th, 1786 in Camden District, S.C. He died prior to 1836 as he is not named in his father's will, although a share was set aside for the children of "my deceased son Jonathan."
6. Nancy Hill 3/ (dau.), born Sept. 27th, 1789 in Camden District, S.C. (m. a Bennett). Actually she married twice, first to James White and had two children, Patience Jane White (b. 7 July 1829-d. 10 February 1834) and Thomas Hill White (b. 21 July 1832). After husband James White died, she remarried to Bryant W. Bennett in 1843. Nancy Hill 3/ died on 6th March 1859 and is buried in the Hill Cemetery in Fredonia, Caldwell County, Ky.
7. Sarah Hill 3/ (dau.) born Aug. 20th, 1792 in Camden District, S.C. She married a Mr. McDaniel.
8. William Hill 3/ (son) born Feb. 7th, 1795 in Camden District, S.C. He died in 1822.

Note by Mrs. Wilson....the relationship of Jaene (Jane) is unclear but believe she was a sister of Thomas Hill 2/ (Note by Robert Hill... her birth date supports this fact instead of her being a child... it was 4 years before birth of Thomas Hill 2/).

NOTE by Robert Hill: There is a Jonathan Hill with a son Moses Hill in Georgia. I can't find the info or date right now, but I wonder if he is the son (Number 4??). Also The Harrison & Kirkland Families originally came from around Fairfax County Virginia. Later information shows he may be related to a Moses Hill (wife ??Lewis) of Virginia.

Information on wife, Patience Harrison.

Kirkland Genealogy shows that William Harrison married Ann Kirkland, who was the daughter of Captain Richard Kirkland. Captain Kirkland moved from Maryland to Fairfax County Virginia. About 1745 he removed from Fairfax County Virginia to Craven County S.C. (later known as Camden District).

The S.C. part of the Kirkland record shows that Ann Kirkland married William Harrison and had a son Reuben Harrison and daughter Patience Harrison. Other children named in his will, (proved 15 April 1774 and recorded in Charleston) were:

daughter, Mary McKenny  
son, James Harrison  
son, Willibee Harrison  
son, Reuben & daughter Patience received land

adjoining Cager (Micajah) Pickett, whose daughter Elizabeth (Pickett) Whitehead m. Samuel Mobley.

(NOTE by Robert Hill: I have a copy of the land sale made by Thomas Hill and wife Patience to her brother Reuben Harrison. (Reference Fairfield Co. Deed Book K, pages 425-427). The sale was dated 1st September 1795. I suspect that it was just before they moved to Kentucky. (Thomas Hill 2/, in his application in 1832 stated he moved from South Carolina about 35 years ago which would have been ca. 1797).

Now Reuben Harrison is listed among Fairfield Court Records as having served on juries along with Moses Hill.. he also was a neighbor of Moses Hill in 1800 Fairfield County Federal Census, on Page (machine stamped) 199. Reuben Harrison is listed just before Moses Hill. I also know there was a Reuben Harrison Jr., and I do not think this is Jr. I have been in touch with a descendent of Reuben Harrison and he shows that Reuben Harrison Junior was born just after 1800. I have previously had suspicions that it was Reuben Harrison Sr. that Moses Hill 1/ named his daughter Elizabeth HARRISON Hill after... or that his mother may be a Harrison. Reuben Harrison may be a relative or good friend.

Another interesting thing is that James Hill 2/, son of Moses Hill 1/, named a son William Henry Harrison Hill 3/, and it was not after the President of that name... much too early.

I now think the Harrison name was after Captain William Henry Harrison, an officer in the French-Indian War in Virginia. I have a suspicion of a James Hill (b. in New England) that was in the "Norfolk Draft in 1756," and was in his company. James Hill might be a very important clue for me).

Reuben Harrison does not appear next to Moses Hill on the 1820 Census and I suspect he was dead and his family may have moved to Mississippi. That is where Reuben Harrison Jr. was later found residing.

Note by Mrs. Christopher to me: Quote: "I agree with you... It is possible that Thomas Hill 2/ (son of Jonathan 1/) and MOSES HILL were cousins, rather than brothers. If so, maybe Jonathan 1/had a brother Charles 1/? But you come back to the fact that Moses 1/ named not a one of his sons either Jonathan or Charles. But there was a cousin CHARLES in the family somewhere! Remember the Bible Record?" End of quote.

Comment by Robert Hill... What Mrs. Christopher is referring to is that we have the remains of a page of the "Fly leaf" of Moses Hill's old Bible and on it is gives Quote:

"Littleton Hill son of Moses & Savilla"

"Nancy B. Hill was born 4th June 1806" (Note: This was a daughter of my Thomas Hill 2/ and Jemima Woodward, and a granddaughter to Moses Hill & Savilla Roden).

"Elizabeth Sophia Heyll was born on the 5th day of April 1827" (relationship is unknown).

"COZ Mary Heyll departed this life on the 7th of June in the year of our Lord 1827-the wife of Charles C. Heyll."

(Note by Robert Hill... See Book "Hill-Hill Mobley Connections of Fairfield County S.C." by G.A. Hill on page 114, last paragraph. Very Interesting and relates to the last item. We believe the word COZ was for "Cousin" and the name of Heyll was a miss spelled version for HILL. See my article on the Charles Hill Family of Craven, Camden and Fairfield Counties of S.C.).

Thomas Hill 2/, son of Jonathan Hill 1/, first moved from South Carolina, to Green County, Tennessee about 1797, (based on information in his application). He then moved into Logan County, Kentucky. He moved again into Calaway County, Kentucky and finally settling in Caldwell County, Kentucky about 1829 (statement in application below). It was here that he made out his application (which follows below) and died there in 1837.

THIS IS THE APPLICATION OF THOMAS HILL 2/, SON OF JONATHAN HILL 1/ AND MARGARET HALL OF BERKLEY CO., S.C.(FILED BY HIMSELF IN KY., WHERE HE HAD MOVED) HE WAS FILING FOR BENEFITS FOR SERVICE IN REVOLUTION, AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF CONGRESS PASSED 7TH JUNE 1832.

STATE OF KENTUCKY )  
CALDWELL COUNTY )

On the 28th day of August 1832, personally appeared before me Burr Caldwell, one of the Justices of the County Court of said county and state, THOMAS HILL, age 74 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June 7th, 1832: That he entered the service of the UNITED STATES under the following named officers and served as herein stated to wit: That he volunteered in the militia of South Carolina from Camden District (where he then lived) about the beginning of the Revolution, and at the time of the Snowy Camps (tho the precise times he does not remember as to the month or year): That at the commencement of his service, he entered as Lieutenant, but was not commissioned until afterwards, and as such had the command of a company which joined a Regiment of Volunteers under Col. Thomas Taylor and Major Robert Lyal, and that William Lang was the Captain of his company, but

refusing to go, gives command to Lieutenant and Captain John Gordon took command of his and my company. That the regiment consisted of six or seven hundred men, and his company of something over 30 (300?) men. That the object of this expeditions was to support (against) a certain Col. Fletcher and Major Hobbs, who commanded a regiment of Tories at a place called the Big \_\_\_\_\_, and were committing depredations on the country: That we marched immediately to encounter these Tories, who fled to a large cave, where Fletcher and Hobbs were both taken prisoners and sent to Charleston and there confined. That the capture of Fletcher and Hobbs broke up the Tories there for a time, and they never afterwards collected in so large a body in that quarter. That this expedition lasted about 6 weeks, after which we were permitted to return home for a short time, that in 2 or 3 weeks we were again called out, under the command of the same officers, except that John McKinney was Captain of my company, (myself still being non-commissioned) but commanding as Lieutenant of the company), that we rendezvous at Four Hole Bridge and marched to the Congaree River to Ancum's Bluff (the British at this time in Charleston). That we marched from this place to MOTTS HILL, and at which the British surrendered and some prisoners were taken and paroled. After which we proceeded up the river to Congaree Bridge, just below Columbia and at Granby, thence to a Dutch Settlement called SUMMARY SETTLEMENT, on Broad River, thence we marched to Ninety-Six in possession of Geiger. The British now at the Saluda Old Town, under Raudon, who advanced on us and where we were repulsed by Lord Raudon and Col. Geiger, who commanded the British at this place, and we were compelled to retreat back to ANCUM'S BLUFF, on the Congaree. That from this place, officers were dispatched into the country to get recruits and reinforcements to join General Green, then on the Congaree, that the said Thomas Hill was one of these who were sent out to collect a reinforcement, and went immediately into CAMDEN DISTRICT, where he had first entered the service, into his old company, and by his actions procured out of his old company 15 or 20 men and proceeded directly to Congaree and joined the Regiment, still at the bluff. That as soon as the reinforcements arrived we marched immediately and joined General Green near Eutaw Springs, sometime in the afternoon of the day before the battle-that on the next day the battle of Eutaw Springs was fought, and in which he and his company fought. That in this engagement, Col. William Washington commanded the light horse and was taken prisoner, that Col. Lee commanded troops of light horse, but refused to do his part on that day-he refused to join Col. Washington in charging the enemy, which if he had done, the enemy would certainly have fallen into our hands. That the battle continued several hours, but having joined the army of Green but a short time before the action, he does not remember who commanded the regulars, nor does he suppose he ever knew, that as soon as the battle was ended, the enemy retreated to Charleston and we pursued as far as Monk's

Corner, but owing to fatigue, we gave up the pursuit. That after a few days, we were again permitted to return home. That not long afterwards the British evacuated Charleston, which was in May 1780, and he thinks after which our services were not again required. That from the time he first entered the service as (acting?) Lieutenant, to the time of his discharge after the battle of Eutaw Springs, he was in constant service as much as 2 years, acting Lieutenant of his company. (He was) commissioned as such by Gov. Rutledge as he believes and which commission he kept until he left S.C., which was about 35 years ago (ca. 1797), but which is now lost or destroyed or worn out. (Apparently he is speaking of a paper?) That when we returned from Monk's Corner in the pursuit as aforesaid to Eutaw Springs, we were there discharged until our services were again required, but as the British soon afterwards left Charleston, we were not called for and that he supposes was the reason that no written discharge was given as he does not remember receiving one. That in the battle at Eutaw Springs there were Regulars from Virginia as well as he remembers but he does not recollect who commanded them That he does not know of any person living in the county who can prove his service and that he served with MASON DAVIS, ALLEN DAVIS, ALEX. STEWART and others, but he does not know that any of them are living, and to the proper interrogatories, as directed by the War Department, he answered as follows: he was born the 6th March 1758, near Monk's Corner, St. John's Parish, state of S.C., but moved from there to Camden and lived there till the war and afterwards: That he keeps a record of his age in a bible at home: That he was living in Camden when he entered the service and lived there till the war ended, and left there about 35 years ago and settled in Green Co., Tenn., then in Logan County Ky., where he lived several years, then in Calaway Co., Ky. he lived a few years and lastly in the county of Caldwell (KY) where he now lives and has for about 3 years: That he was a Volunteer in the service of the Revolution: That he has stated as much as he remembers about the names of the regular officers with whom he served and of the Continental Militia Regiments, with whom he served and of the general circumstances of the war: that he did receive a commission as a Lieutenant as he stated before, signed by Governor Rutledge, but is now lost: that the persons living in his neighborhood and who testified as to his validity and their beliefs of his Revolutionary Services, are numerous and he supposes all would do so, not that they have any personal knowledge of my services, but as I flatter myself in my (Testimony?), that some of their names are Benjamin W. Flint, Arnold Jacob, James W. White, Chittenden Lyons, Burr Caldwell and many others. He hereby relinquishes every claim what ever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.



SIGNED THO. HILL

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED THE DAY AND YEAR AFORESAID (28TH AUGUST 1832).

SIGNED B. CALDWELL J.P.

Mr. James W. Mansfield, a clergyman, residing in the county of Caldwell and state of Kentucky, and Arnold Jacob, James W. White and A.F. Jacob residing in the same county and state certify that we are all well acquainted with Thomas Hill who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration: that we believe him to be 74 years of age: that he is reported and believed in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we concurred in that opinion.

SIGNED JAMES W. MANSFIELD, clergy; A. JACOBS, JAMES WHITE (SON IN LAW), A.F. JACOBS  
SWORN, SUBSCRIBED THE DAY AND YEAR AFORESAID.  
SIGNED B. CALDWELL J.P.

And said Burr Caldwell, Justice of the County Court of Caldwell Co., state aforesaid, do hereby declare my opinion, after the investigation of the matter and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, that the above applicant was a Revolutionary Soldier and served as he stated-and I further certify that it appears to me that James W. Mansfield, who signed the persons certificate, is a clergyman, resident in the said county of Caldwell, and that the said Arnold Jacob, James W. White (a son in law), A.F. Jacob, who have all signed the same, are residents of the same county and are reliable persons and that their statement is \_\_\_\_\_ to credit. And I do certify that the said Thomas Hill, from bodily infirmity, is unable to attend personally in court. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I HEREUNTO SET MY HAND & SEAL AS JUSTICE OF THE AMTY COURT OF SAID COUNTY, THE DAY AND YEAR AFORESAID.

SIGNED B. CALDWELL J.P.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, CALDWELL CO.) I Nathan S. Dallane, Clerk of the County Court for said county, do hereby certify that B. Caldwell ESQ., who's name is subscribed to the proceeding certificate, is now and was at the time of signing the same, on of the Justices of said court, duly commissioned and qualified and that full faith and credit are due to him and ought to be given to all his official acts both in and out of court and his signature to said certificate is his genuine signature. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and offer the seal of said court and office, the 27th day of September 1832, 41st year of the Commonwealth.

SIGNED N.S. Dallane

Thomas Hill 2/ died on the 5th of January 1837, and apparently did not receive any of his benefits. (This statement based on Application of his daughter, Nancy Hill

Bennett 3/, which follows).

General information: After the death of Thomas Hill 2/, his daughter Nancy Hill Bennett 3/ (wife of Bryant W. Bennett, married in 1843) applied to the government asking for the right to receive the benefits that her deceased father, Thomas Hill 2/ was entitled to but had never received. A copy of that application follows:

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT BY THE DAUGHTER OF THOMAS HILL 2/ (NANCY HILL 3/), WHO MARRIED BRYANT W. BENNETT TO OBTAIN BENEFITS FOR HER FATHER'S SERVICE IN THE REVOLUTION...filed 9th May 1851 in Kentucky. THIS THOMAS HILL 2/ WAS SON OF JONATHAN HILL 1/ AND MARGARET HALL, OF BERKLEY CO., S.C.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

CRITDENTEN COUNTY On the 9th day of May 1851 Personally appeared before me, Samuel McMasters, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly authorized by law to administer oath, Nancy Bennett, aged 62 years, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on her own oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the ACT of CONGRESS, passed the 7th June 1832, TO WIT: That she is the daughter and heir at law of Thomas Hill, deceased, who was as she verily believes, a Lieutenant in the "War of the Revolution " for several years. That he served under Captain Gordon, Colonel Taylor and others, for which service he was NEVER allowed a pension under the above act of the 7th of June 1832. She most respectfully asks the Honorable Commissioner of Pensions, to cure it, to be allowed to her, and that the Certificate evidencing the same maybe enclosed to her attorney, of Frankfort Kentucky, and with him only, and such others as may direct, does he wish correspondence holding in reference to her aforesaid claim. That her aforesaid father (Thomas Hill) died on the 5th day of January 1837 in Caldwell County Kentucky, and left five living children, whose names are as follows, Nancy Bennett (the declarant) Mary Hill, who was the oldest child and aged upwards of seventy, Betsy McDonald, Thomas H. (Harrison) Hill and Crissy Wilson. She hereby revokes all authority here to have given to presents here aforesaid claim or claims or any other instrument that she may be entitled to, for the service of her aforesaid father in the army of the Revolution.

SIGNED: Nancy x Bennett  
(her mark)

SWORN to and subscribed before me the day and year aforesaid, (9 May 1851) SIGNED Samuel McMasters J.P.

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OTHER GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION.

WILLIAM HILL 3/, a son of Thomas Hill 2/ (son of Jonathan

Hill 1/ and wife Margaret Hall).

William Hill 3/ was born on the 7th of February 1795 probably in South Carolina. He died in 1822 in Kentucky. Based on information by Mr. Jim Hill, he was probably involved in a family scandal. It is believed that he fathered a son named WILLIAM WASHINGTON HILL 4/, by his own sister, NANCY HILL 3/.

(Note by R. Hill: The following problem has caused some difficulty in assigning William Washington Hill a generation number. If his father was William Hill 3/ & his sister Nancy Hill 3/, then he would be a 4th generation. If on the other hand his father was Thomas Hill 2/ & his own daughter, Nancy Hill 3/, how would this be listed. I have decided to list him as a 4th generation, regardless).

Mr. Jim Hill says that it was reported that William Hill 3/ was killed by the Indians in 1822 but he then says that the Indian troubles were over by that time and it is suspected that he was killed by one of his brothers, Jonathan Hill 3/ or Thomas Harrison Hill 3/. It is even possible that the father, Thomas Hill 2/ killed him. I am not aware of the details and thus can make no other comments.

William Hill 3/ was about 19 years of age when his son William Washington Hill 4/ was born, Nancy Hill 3/ was age 25 at this time. Nothing is known of the circumstances. It is believed that this is why the Family moved from Logan County, Kentucky (ca. 1814) to Calloway County and then ca. 1829 to Caldwell County, Kentucky.

Mr. Jim Hill stated that there was even some speculation that Thomas Hill 2/ fathered William Washington Hill 4/ by his own daughter Nancy 3/. It is not known just when the wife of Thomas 2/ (Patience Harrison) died and he and Nancy 3/ could have been alone in the same house. Thomas Hill 2/ later showed great partiality towards William Washington Hill 4/ by naming him the administrator of his estate, who was just 22 years old. He also made William Washington Hill 4/ a major beneficiary of his will, certainly on an equal basis of the other children.

Was this done due to guilt feelings by Thomas 2/ or due to actions by son William 3/? Would Nancy Hill 3/ been more submissive to her 56 year old father or her 19 year old brother? On the other hand William Hill 3/ did run away, which could be interpreted as a sign of guilt.

Nancy Hill later married James White and had two children by him, Patience Jane White and Thomas Hill White. Was the naming of her son significant to the above matter? It is also interesting to note that later William Washington Hill named a daughter Patience Jane, better known to the younger family members as "Aunt Pet."

Jim Hill stated that a Walter Mayes has done quite a bit of research on this Hill Family and that when he tried to get information about the birth and death of William Washington Hill from second generation descendents he received silence or answers like "Why do you want to get into that? You might find some things you don't want to know." Mr. Mayers seems to point to William Hill 3/ as the father of William Washington Hill 4/ but states there are coincidences pointing to Thomas Hill 2/ as the father. This subject will be left for others to decide.

#### WILLIAM WASHINGTON HILL 4/.

As stated above, William Washington Hill 4/ is believed to have been the son of William Hill 3/ and his sister Nancy Hill 3/, children of Thomas Hill & Patience Harrison.

William Washington Hill 4/ was born on 13th November 1814 in Logan County, Kentucky. He married on 31st March 1838 to Mary Ann Bennett in Caldwell County, Kentucky. (She was born 11th September 1817 in Caldwell County, Kentucky). William Washington Hill 4/ died in December 1896 in Caldwell County, Kentucky and is buried in the Hill Cemetery near Fredonia, Caldwell County, Kentucky.

William Washington Hill prospered in Caldwell County with extensive holdings of farm lands. In the 1860 census his land was valued at \$ 12,000 and personal property (slave etc..) at \$ 10,000. He owned 17 slaves. In the 1870 census, despite the civil war losses, his land was valued at \$ 8,000 and his cattle at \$ 2,000.

It is stated that his daughter had to pass through his sitting room on the way to their rooms--like he was checking on them. The son's rooms, on the other hand, were accessible from the regular living area of the house. Was this due to the circumstances of his own birth?

William Washington Hill was too sick or could not write when his will was drawn, dated 5th August 1895, as he signed by an "X." It was entered to probate on 21st December 1896 and left everything to his wife Mary Ann. Upon her death, the remainder was to be divided equally among his seven children still alive. His widow died sometimes after 1897.

The children were:

1. Calbourn Hill 5/, born 4th April 1839, died 26th August 1856, buried in Hill Cemetery, Caldwell County, Kentucky.
2. Nancy Harriett Hill 5/, born 30th November 1840, died 8th March 1853, burial in Hill Cemetery.

3. William Thomas Hill 5/, born 11th October 1842, died 5th October 1905. Buried in Hill Cemetery. Never Married. Enlisted on 15 October 1861 in the Kentucky Volunteers, Company G, 1st Regiment, Cavalry.
4. John Johnson Hill 5/, born 18 April 1844, died 23rd November 1861, buried in Hill Cemetery. He enlisted in Company B, 8th Regiment, Infantry, CSA on 1st November 1861 and records show he was sent home in Caldwell County to die, which he did that month.
5. James Briant Hill 5/, born in November 1846, died 1913, buried in Hill Cemetery.
6. Patience Jane Hill, married Henry Hodge and had following children: Rhoda; Ollie A.; William P.; Anna; Harold O. who never married; Lena m. Hugh Martin.
7. Robert Crittenden Hill 5/, b. 1853, d. 1943. Married Sarah E. ?? She was born 1857, died 1931. Both buried in Hill Cemetery. Had one son Herbert Hill 6/.
8. Elisa P. Hill 5/, born 20th April 1851, died 10th August 1856, buried in Hill Cemetery.
9. George Washington Hill 5/, born 28th November 1857, died 4th February 1942, buried in Hill Cemetery. Never married but was very well like by all. Said to have had lots of parties and dances.
10. Mary Ann Hill 5/, born 16 September 1861, died 20th October 1930, married J. S. Dobson.
11. Louisa A. Hill 5/, born 29 November 1855, died 5th January 1925. Married Charles S. Blue and had 2 children. He was born on 26 November 1851, died 6th November 1911.

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