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Keene, Ky, August 1872

Cassian Nelson

Yours of the 12th of last month is received & contents noticed. The history of the Lyne family as given by Uncle Timothy is correct as we can now get it except that of Aunt Naomi he states she was married in 1806 which is a mistake, the largest portion of her children was born before that time, Mary who was the 3rd oldest of her children married David Warford in 1816, moved to this part Kentucky in 1818. She was about 20 years old then. Aunt Naomi was older than Uncle Robert, he was 5 years older than my father there was a girl between them, Elizabeth, she died in her 13th year. He does not trace his mothers side of the family, I will state who married some of grand mother's sisters, one married Waldron, one a Cunningham ~~they~~ both of their husbands were killed in the war of the revolution, a mother one married a man by the name of Miller, Our great grand mother in that line was a Deskin Ruth Deskin I have ^{heard} 2 of her sisters spoken of, Mary married a Tibbs, Peggy a Ferguson, through the Tibbs is when we became related to Mr. Furr, I will hear state, My father & mother were relations, Old Sanford Rama who was ^{great} Uncle to my grand father Connolly was cousin to grand father Lyne, their mothers being Sandford. I will give you what I have heard & know of the Lyne family, there was one Edmund Lyne settled the town of Washington in Mason County this day

One however have been the same lived near Paris Bourbon County Ky, Old Jacob Sandusky of Bourbon some 5 years since told me he knew him well & that his father wound up his estate & he then lived upon the land owned by him, he told me his effects went South,

Some 40 years ago a man by the name of Northrup came to my fathers hunting the heirs of George Lyne one of King & Queen's Virginia he was a Major in the Revolution I saw him afterwards he learned that he had but 2 children, a son & daughter, both died ~~from~~ in the Lunatic asylum, left no children

Robert Kay Williams father in law moved from that county to Ky, when quite young, after he became a man, went back & married there in 1802, he informed that a William Lyne was then living there & had some grown daughters he stated it was said there was a crazy streak in the family

about 18 months since I saw one Lyne Starlin in formerly of New York, now of Frankfort he is nephew to the Lyne Starlin who settled Columbus Ohio, & left a very large estate to his relations, he told me he resented his grand mother very well, described her as being rather tall & a roman nose, he said he had seen several of the family, they were wealthy & energetic but said he they were all crazy — In 1844 I sent Brother Thomas to Memphis while there he met with one Thomas A Lyne who said he was the 2nd one of the name he had ever met with in the U.S.A, the first was William B Lyne of the Navy who fell over board at Norfolk, & was drowned. he gave Thomas his history, viz his father came from