

Maben Jones Papers

William Flood 1777-1845

Correspondence concerning

1933-1940

Box 7
Folder 5

March 23, 1933

Librarian,
City Library,
Shelbyville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

May I trouble you for a little information? I am seeking information regarding the descendants of William Flood who married Polly Jones and went from Virginia to Shelby County, Kentucky, about 1800.

He had several sons: Thomas, William and Joseph.

If you know of any persons in your county by the name of Flood I shall be pleased to have their addresses.

If you have no records in your library that might give me a lead, perhaps you can suggest some source of information.

Any assistance you may give me will be gratefully received.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

March 30, 1933

Mr. Ralph Flood,
Shelbyville, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Flood:

If you are descended from WILLIAM FLOOD who married Polly Jones in Buckingham county, Virginia, and went to Shelby county early in the nineteenth century, I shall be very glad to hear from you.

Polly Jones was the daughter of Michael Jones who married Leeanna Dibrell. She had a sister, Judith, who married a Woodson and went to Kentucky. Her brother, Anthony Dibrell Jones also married a Woodson and settled in Kentucky.

I shall appreciate a letter from you, and if you have reason to believe you are descended from William Flood, please send me as much information on the family as you can.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

mj-s

March 30, 1933

Mr. Lynn Flood,
Finchville, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Flood:

I am seeking information regarding the descendants of Polly Jones who married WILLIAM FLOOD, of Buckingham county, Virginia, and went to Shelby county, Kentucky, about 130 years ago.

It is said that there were seven children, and I have the names of five of them: Thomas, William, Joseph, Eliza and Leuna (?).

If you are descended from the Virginia Floods I shall be very glad to know what records you have, and if you know that you are from this family, I can send you some interesting information on other members of the family. I have traced the descendants of several of Michael Jones' children.

Polly Jones had a sister, Judith, who married Obediah Woodson and settled in Christian county.

Anthony Dibrell Jones, a brother to the above, married a Woodson and went to Kentucky. I do not know where they settled but I am anxious to locate his descendants also.

Any information you can send me will be appreciated and I enclose a stamped envelope for your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

mj-s

March 30, 1953

Mr. Byron Flood,
Brown Avenue,
Shelbyville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Flood:

I am attempting to compile a record of the Jones family that lived in Buckingham county, Virginia, and several members of which went to Kentucky about 130 years ago.

An incomplete record shows that Polly Jones, the daughter of Michael Jones and Leanna Dibrell, married WILLIAM FLOOD of Buckingham county and went to Shelby county, Kentucky, where they had seven children. Among the children named were: Thomas, William, Joseph, Eliza and Leuna (?)

If you are connected with this family, or if your ancestors went from Virginia, I shall be pleased to hear from you with any information you can give.

Other members of the Jones family who went to Kentucky were Judith A. Jones (a sister to Polly) who married Obediah Woodson and was said to have gone to Christian county.

Anthony Dibrell Jones (a brother to Polly and Judith) married Martha Ann Woodson and went to Kentucky in 1818.

If you are not descended from this family but if you know of other Floods in your section of the state who might be, I shall be grateful to you for their names.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

Eliza Ann Flood
to
Benj. Washburn
Mar. 8, 1843 -

April 6, 1933

Mrs. E. B. Smith,
721 West Main Street,
Shelbyville, Kentucky.

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Please accept my thanks for your letter of the 3rd in which you kindly offer to make a search for Flood records for a fee of \$5.00. Since writing you I have formed contact with some of the Flood descendants and believe I shall be able to secure some information from this source.

Your charge is reasonable enough, as I have some slight idea of the time it takes to do genealogical work, however, since money is so scarce these days I shall not spend any just at present. When conditions improve a little, and if I fail to locate some of the Jones and Woodson descendants, I shall be glad to call on you.

With appreciation for your prompt reply, I am

Very truly yours

Maben Jones.

MRS. E. B. SMITH
721 WEST MAIN STREET
SHELBYVILLE, KENTUCKY

Apr. 3-1933

My dear Mrs. Jones:

Yours of Mar. 30 - received
today - I am familiar with the Flood
family of Shelby Co. and have the date
of Elizabeth Ann Flood^{marriage} to Benj. Washburn
& Mar. 8-1843 - I should want to make
a thorough search thro. the Court records
to get further information a report
of such a search would be \$5.00 a
very small fee for such a search -
The other records which you desire
would necessitate a search thro.
Tenn. & Ky. records which would entail
some expense as I cannot afford
the time & expense entailed free
of charge - I belong to the Filson Club

Louisville Ky - also Ky - State Hist. Society
Frankfort Kentucky where I do the most
of my work - both places are very near
to Shelbyville -

Let me know if you wish the search
made -

Very truly

Katharine Bryant Smith,

March 30, 1933

Mrs. E. B. Smith,
721 W. Main Street,
Shelbyville, Kentucky.

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Your name was given me by Miss Nicholas of the Shelbyville Public Library with the suggestion that you can possibly help me with some family records I'm trying to compile. Frankly, I have very little money at any time, and less now with the banks closed. I have had good success in securing family records from several branches of the family by simply writing to those whose names I could secure and asking them for other names. There is a line or two in Kentucky that I wish to locate but do not have any starting point. I'll give you briefly the record I have and if you can help me locate any of the descendants without much research, we may be able to work together.

Anthony Dibrell Jones (1780) married Martha Ann Woodson in Buckingham county, Virginia, and went to Kentucky in 1818. There were said to have been five or six children. I have the names of:

- 1 Albert Lee Jones m. Wills. d. 1867. No. issue.
- 2 Eliza Walker Jones m. Speller Harris and had:
J. Harris, Oak Grove, Ky
Albert Harris, Memphis, Tenn. (Wholesale Grocer)
Joseph Harris, Oak Grove, Ky.
Mercer Harris, Ringgold, Tenn.
- 3 Thomas Anthony Jones m. (?) Said to have had five children.
Joe Jones, Clarksville, Tenn.
Daughter, m. Daniels, Clarksville, Tenn.
" " " "
- 4 Joseph Michaux Jones, died in St. Louis. No. issue.

Polly Jones married William Flood and settled in Shelby county. Said to have had seven children:

- 1 Thomas Flood m. (?) had issue.
- 2 William Flood m. (?) had issue.
- 3 Joseph Flood m. Ogden m. 2nd (?) m. 3rd (?)
- 4 Eliza Flood m. Washburn
- *5 Leuna Flood m. Jepre

Judith A. Jones married Obediah Woodson and went to Christian County, Ky. Son John married 1st Mary Jane Dibrell. No. issue. 2nd Mary C. Lucas of Nashville. Issue: Mary E. Woodson, Elizabeth Woodson, Capitola Woodson.

Very truly yours

Maben Jones

April 14, 1933

Mr. Robert P. Flood,
Cropper, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Flood:

I have had some correspondence with your uncle, Mr. John M. Flood of Christiansburg, regarding the Flood family. I am making an effort to compile information on this family for the reason that Mary Jones (my grandfather's sister) married William Flood who was, I believe, your grandfather.

Your uncle informs me that he thinks you have the old family Bible, and if this is correct, I hope you can find it convenient to send me an exact copy of everything in the Bible relating to your family.

Your uncle has given me some information and a few dates, but I want, if possible, the FULL NAMES of all the children of William and Mary Flood, together with DATES of their birth, marriage and death. I want also places they lived and occupations followed. In addition to this I want the names of all their CHILDREN with DATES, etc.

I have gathered quite a bit of interesting information regarding the Dibrell and Lee families from which you descended. Anthony Dibrell was a son of Dr. Christoffe DuBreuil (Anthony changed the name to Dibrell) who was a French Huguenot. Anthony married into the distinguished Lee family of Virginia and they had four children. Michael Jones married Leeanna Dibrell and they had eleven children. Of these eleven I have located many descendants of Charles Lee Jones in the West. I have not yet located any of the descendants of Anthony Dibrell Jones who went to Kentucky about 1818. Neither have I located any of the Woodsons. (One of the Jones girls married a Woodson and they settled in Kentucky.) My grandfather was William Dibrell Jones, brother to your Mary (Jones) Flood.

I shall be very glad indeed to hear from you with any information you can give me. I'll be glad to have the names and addresses of all living descendants.

Very truly yours,

mj-s

Maben Jones.

April 22, 1933

Mr. John M. Flood,
Christiansburg, Ky.

Dear Cousin:

In your letter of April 12th you stated that there are three living children of Joseph Lee Flood, and also three of James Monroe Flood. You gave me the name of Robert P. Flood, at Cropper, Ky., and I have written to him and hope to hear from him soon. I will be glad if you will give me the names of the other five children.

In your letter of April 2nd you stated that you had visited the old burying ground and there found the dates on the tomb stones. If it is possible for you to have a kodak picture made of the tomb stones, showing the inscriptions and dates, I would like very well to have such a picture. I would not mind paying a small price for such a picture. I want, if possible, to locate the burying places of all my grandgfather's sisters and brothers.

If you can learn the dates of birth and death of your uncles and aunts I'll be glad to have them.

Do you know if there are any living descendants of your three aunts who married Jesse, Smith and Washburn?

With best of wishes, I am

Cordially your cousin,

Maben Jones.

April 12th 1933

Mr. Maben Jones.

Dear Cousin -

In regard to information concerning my immediate family. My father George W. Flood was born Oct 10th 1821. Was married to Margaret E. Beall March 9th 1858. To them were born two children.

Laura H. Flood born Aug 5th 1859.

Jno. M. Flood was ^{born} June 2nd 1861. I am the only living child.

^{uncle} Joseph Flood has 3 living children - do not know the date of his birth or death.
^{uncle} Monroe Flood has 3 living children

his son Robert P. Flood
book by. I think had the
old family Bible - and think
can give more information
concerning the Flood family
than I can.

I am unable to tell you
anything about my grandfather -
so far as I know his sons
are all farmers I do not know
of any photographs of any of them.
I never knew any of the
Anthony Libell Jones family
also do not know of any
of the Woodruffs

With best regards

Your Cousin

Jno. M. Flood
Christiansburg
Va.

Easter

April 6, 1933

Mr. John M. Flood,
Christiansburg, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin:

I wrote you a long letter yesterday, but I neglected to ask you whether you had ever known any of the descendants of Anthony Dibrell Jones (brother to your grandmother) who married Martha Ann Woodson and settled in Kentucky. My record shows that he was born in 1780 and went to Kentucky in 1818, but it does not state where he settled.

He had a son, Albert Lee Jones who married a Wills. He had a daughter, Eliza Walker Jones, who married Speller Harris and they had a son (J. Harris) who lived at Oak Grove, Christian county. The record says Albert Harris was a wholesale grocer in Memphis. Then there is Mercer Harris at Ringgold, Tennessee. If you have ever known of any of these please let me know.

Anthony Dibrell Jones had another son named Thomas Anthony Jones and the record says he had five children, one named Jones Jones who lived at Clarksville, Tennessee. He also had two daughters, both of whom married men named Daniels in Clarksville.

I mentioned in my first letter to you Judith A. Jones (a sister to your grandmother) who married Obediah Woodson and settled in Christian county. If you know of any Woodsons I'll be glad to have their names.

I will be looking forward to more information about the Flood family.

Cordially yours,

Maben Jones.

April 5, 1933

Mr. John M. Flood,
Christiansburg, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin:

Your letter of the 2nd just received and I am delighted with the information it contained. You are the only descendant of Polly Jones that I have ever corresponded with, and I am pleased to know that you are willing to assist me further in compiling information regarding this branch of the Jones family. You can help me a great deal, I am sure, and I am going to send you some interesting records of Dibrell and Lee families if you want them.

Michael Jones married Leeanna Dibrell on June 26, 1777, and they had eleven children, as follows:

1. Elizabeth Lee Jones b. 1780, m. Rev. Henry Brown of Campbell county, Virginia.
2. Anthony Dibrell Jones b. Sept. 2, 1780, m. Martha Ann Woodson of Prince Edward county, Va. (They went to Kentucky)
3. William Dibrell Jones (my grandfather) b. August 2, 1782, m. Judith Baker LeGrand of Prince Edward county, and they had six children. Lived at New Store, Buckingham county, Va.
4. Polly Jones b. September 18, 1784, m. William Flood. (I am sure this is your grandmother and her real name must have been Mary, as Polly was often used in those days as a pet name.)
5. Michael Jones, Jr. b. July 30, 1784, d. June 15, 1857. Unmarried.
6. Judith Jones b. June 3 (?) 1789. m. Obediah Woodson of Prince Edward county and they went to Kentucky.
7. Charles Lee Jones b. February 24, 1792, m. Elizabeth Leek Spencer ^{Leek} and moved to Kentucky, and later to Illinois. There were eleven children. I have recently been in correspondence with a number of his descendants in the west.
8. Sally Fearn Jones b. March 30, 1794, m. David W. Glover of Buckingham county. I have not traced this branch.
9. Martha W. Jones b. Feb. 1, 1796, m. Dr. James Jones. No issue.
10. Margaret D. Jones, b. Dec. 24, 1797. Never married
11. Kitty Lee Jones, b. November 13, 1799. Died in infancy.

I am giving you the above information so that you know just what information I have and just what I am trying to accomplish. I wish, if possible, to compile a complete record of all the descendants of Michael Jones, and having already made good progress with (No. 7) Charles Lee Jones' family, and now that I have heard from you regarding the Flood branch, I am greatly encouraged to believe I shall soon locate some of Anthony Dibrell Jones' (No. 2) descendants in Kentucky.

The date of William Flood's birth and death are new to me. I had the birth date of your grandmother. I am particularly glad to have these authentic dates from the grave stones. I want you to send me, when you have the time and feel like writing, the FULL NAMES of each of your uncles and aunts, DATES of birth, and death, who they married and dates. Please also give me the names of any living children of these uncles and aunts who may have any family records.

I shall especially pleased to have you give me all the information you can regarding your own family. Where and when was your father born? Whom did he married? Names of all the children.

We are attempting to make this record something more than a mere list of names and dates. It is desirable to have some brief biographical sketch of each member of the family, such as the occupations they followed, any public offices held, any war records, etc. My grandfather, William Dibrell Jones, was in the War of 1812. Do you know much about your grandfather?

You may be assured that I do not wish to burden you, but this is important and unless we of this generation gather this data it will be lost to future generations. Do you know whether there is an old family Bible? Are there any old photographs of your grandparents? Write me anything you remember of your grandmother, who was my grand-aunt, and thus makes you and me rather closely related.

My father, Louis Dibrell Jones, had 15 children, twelve living to maturity. There are only six of us living now, I being next to the youngest and born April 9, 1881, thus will be 52 years of age next Sunday. I am the only one never married. All the other members of the family are in Virginia.

Perhaps you know that Anthony Dibrell married Elizabeth Lee who was the daughter of Thomas Lee (1679-1735) who was the son of Charles Lee (1656-1700) who was the son of Colonel Richard Lee (--- 1664) the Emigrant and who was the ancestor of General Robert E. Lee through Richard Lee, Jr. (brother of Charles).

Cordially your cousin,

April 2nd 1933

Mr Mark Flood.

Columbia D. C.

Dear Sir -

Yours of March 30th concerning information of William & Mary Flood's children received. As they were my grand parents. can give you the names of their children as follows.

Thomas Flood

William Flood

Louisia Flood Jesser

Leanna Flood Smith

Liza Flood - Washburn

Joseph Lee Flood

George W. Flood

James Monroe Flood.

George W. Flood was my father. I visited the old family nursing ground this afternoon - found these holes

William Flood born Jan 12th 1777
died Dec 5th 1845

Mary Flood. his wife.
born Sept 18th 1784
died Oct 4th 1846.

while her name is Mary on
tombstone - she may have been
called Polly - or else Polly was
her sister.

I remember hearing my
father speak of Libell's - yet
I did not know them.

I am very glad to give you
this information and be of
any further assistance along
this line

Very Truly
Jno. W. Flood
Christiansburg
Kentucky.

P.S. None of these children
are living. as I said I am
a grand ^{pa} and 72 yrs old

*due from
Christiana
4/2/33*

March 30, 1935

Mr. J. M. Flood,
Bagdad, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Flood:

I am seeking information regarding members of a Jones family that lived in Buckingham county, Virginia (Michael Jones and Leeanna Dibrell) and who had three children to marry and go to Kentucky.

Anthony Dibrell Jones married Martha Ann Woodson and moved to Kentucky and raised a family. I cannot tell from my meagre record where he settled.

Judith A. Jones married Obediah Woodson and it is said they went to Christian county.

Polly Jones married WILLIAM FLOOD of Buckingham county and they went to Shelby county, Kentucky where they had seven children. There are only five of the children mentioned on my record: Thomas, William, Joseph, Eliza and Louisa (?)

If you know, or have reason to believe, that you are descended from this family I shall be glad to know what records you have. I have succeeded in tracing the descendants of several of Michael Jones' children, but have not yet located any of the descendants of POLLY FLOOD.

If you are not descended from this family, perhaps you can send me the names of some Floods in your section who may be.

With appreciation for your reply, I am

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

mj-s

Brookline 1919 -
April 24 1933 -

Mr. Walter Jones -
Dear Cousin -

In reply to your letter of recent date I wish to say I was glad to hear from you and to get in touch with all relatives I can. I will first give you the names of my grand-parents (Wood and Mary Jones (Wood) William Wood born Jan 10th 1777 Died Dec 5th 1843. Mary Jones Wood born Sept 18th 1787. Died Oct 4th 1846. To this union were born eleven children, three died in infancy. The oldest Thomas

born 1808, but didn't live long of month, he was married three but didn't know who his wife was, he moved from 19 to near Edgemoor Spring, Mo. and later moved to Texas where he died. The youngest son John was me but his father died but don't know what his address is now. William D. was born in 1810, he also was married three his first wife was a Miss Fall one son was born. William D. Jr. I suppose the D in their names was for the Ditchell. He was born in 1845 and after his mother's death (when he was about 3 yrs old) he lived with my father and

uncle George until he was
11 yrs old. Then his father who
had gone to Missouri, and for
a while, he William D. Jr) married
out there had two daughters who
died after they were grown. He
lived to be about 70 and his
entire family is dead. This
William Flood lived and died
at Belleisle Mo, William Flood, Sr
had one daughter I know of
who lived at Moberly Mo, and
married a Dr. Spahr.

Eliza Ann Flood born Feb 1844
Died Aug 11 1864

~~John~~ Flood married Ben
Washburn to this marriage
was born ~~7~~ 9 ⁸ ~~children~~ ⁸ ~~children~~ ^{one girl} ~~one~~ ^{thing}
died young. Ben Washburn Jr.
married. no children died two

years ago age 84 yrs widow
still living. Mary Washburn
married twice. Three children
by each marriage. She and
both her husbands dead. Five of
her children live in Shelby
Co. Ky and one in Jefferson City
Mo. Her other boy James &
Washington neither married
said to be 68 + 72 yrs old
one boy named Lee died
what he was about 16 yrs old
Another the only one living is
about 75 and has a wife
and six children three girls
and three boys.
Lee Anna D. Flood married
Elyah Smith they went to
Shelbyville (Whites County) Ky
lived and died there.

wife was Caroline Ogden
 and she says her ~~first~~ ^{second} husband was Mary married
 Nick Radcliffe and is still
 living at New Castle. 19
 about 84 old or older. She
 possible could give you more
 information about Uncle Joe.
 She also has two children living
 Aggie Flood other daughter
 married Joe Ferguson and had
 five children and she died
 in Texas a number of years
 ago. Second wife was a
 Miss Chapman one daughter
 and died about 25 years old.
 Third wife a Miss Beall a
 sister to uncle George's wife
 also two children girl & boy
 both married with families
 living in formerly the

Uncle Joe's youngest daughter
 Mrs Edgway Helen. address
 911 E. Washington St. Louisville, Ky.

If I have a chance I will
 see Uncle Joe's grave stone
 in New Castle and get the
 date. I think the date is 1812
 or more. Flood was born
 born 81 or there 1819 had
 letters from her up to 1894
 and died a few years later
 She married James Jones
 and went to Edgway Springs
 Mo. She had several children
 but only know the name of
 her youngest son John Jones
 who lived at Edgway Springs
 Mo. about 1902.
 George W. Flood born Oct 18th 1924
 died Jan 1900. married
 Margaret Beall and had two
 children. John & Lanna
 Lanna married Eugene Richard

and had four children two living and two dead John - the one you wrote to at Philadelphia being only one living. I suppose he wrote you a few lines family he & one first cousin

James Monroe Flood my father, born Mch 25th 1825 - died Oct 12th 1911

Marrid James Bryant and had five children four girls and one boy - the eldest Jellie Lee Flood

born Oct 23rd 1864
died Aug 6th 1932 married A. S. Mott and had one

daughter who married Wilson Maydrell and live at Eminence Ky

Mary E. ~~Wood~~ ^{Wood} born Jan 28, 1866

died Oct 11th 1895 - married L. B. Smith and had three children daughter, Effie the oldest married George Thomas and has four children. Robert

married Theodore Jackson and has two children ^{both born at Cape Fear N.C.} Robert P. Flood born Nov 5th 1869

married Mary Underwood and has no children - Lucy A. Flood born July 26, 1872

married W. B. Smith and had five children four living one dead and one married.

She is a widow and lives at Lee Springs, Ky. - Fannie Bryant Flood born Dec 15, 1876

married W. P. Radcliffe no children She is also a widow and lives

with me and my wife.
 I see from your letter to
 Cousin John you have not
 traced the Sells Train Jones
 who married David Brown
 I have a letter that was
 written to my father ^{in 1854} ~~in 1854~~
 from Stephen A. Brown, he em-
 in Indiana, Virginia,
 Bucking ham Co., or his state
 there were two boys & two
 girls, he also wrote that his
 father died just before the
 close of the ~~war~~ ~~between~~
 the States, his mother was
 still living at that time
 he also wrote that he had
 a recent letter from his
 cousin J. M. Woodson who
 lived in Texas, also spoke

of Cousin Hedy Woodson and
 I don't know whether it was the
 same as J. M. Woodson I have
 always heard that the Jones
 girl who married a Woodson
 lived in Buchanan County
 when I was a boy,
 I was glad to hear from you
 and if there is any thing
 more I would be glad to
 write. I am living on the
 home place where Grand pa
 and Grand ma lived and
 died and am buried here
 but it is not the same house
 yet the same site my father
 never moved. I readily
 see me and David Cousin
 and you are tracing the
 right family.

Stephen Brown married
 Miss Anderson who was
 a third cousin of mine on
 the Flood family was a
 grand daughter of Miss Flood
 who was a brother of William Flood
 I have the old Bible but it
 is the Flood Bible with no
 Family Record.

I would be glad for you
 to make me a visit some
 time for there are a number
 of others we could talk over
 and would not give any
 thing more you desire with
 I am - Sincerely your Cousin
 Robert P. Flood.

P.S. The Robert in my name
 is for Robert E. Flood. (1872)

There is only one grand
children living West of home
of Mary Jones Street.

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Columbia. S. C.

April 27, 1933

Mr. Bert Combs,
Fordsville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

I am making an effort to secure information regarding the descendants of William Flood who married Mary Jones in Virginia and moved to Kentucky in the early days.

I have been informed that you are a descendant of William Flood and no doubt you can send me some information regarding your branch of the family. I hope you can find it convenient to write me and send as much data as you can regarding your grandparents and also your own parents. I want, when possible, full names and all the dates you have. In cooperation with other Flood relatives I hope we can compile a complete record of this family. I have been quite successful in tracing the descendants of Charles Lee Jones who was a brother to Mary Jones. I wish to secure some information on the descendants of Anthony Dibrell Jones who also went to Kentucky and settled in Christian county, I think.

I hope to have the pleasure of hearing from you soon.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones
Maben Jones

PS My grandfather, William Dibrell Jones, was a brother to Mary Jones who married William Flood.

Maben Jones
1207 Taylor St
Columbia S C

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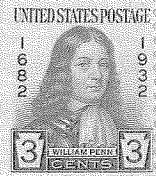
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1933
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Mr. Bert Combs,

~~Fordsville, Kentucky.~~

Harrison, Ky

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COLUMBIA, S. C.



Mr. Maben Jones,
1207 Taylor St.,
Columbia, S. C.

Flood.

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PS My grandfather, William Dibrell Jones, was a brother to Mary Jones who married William Flood.

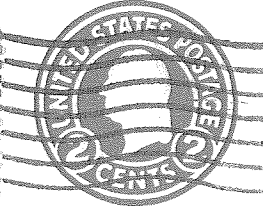
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1207 Taylor St
Columbia S C

Flood

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Mr. Madison Smith,
Post Office,
Louisville, Kentucky

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Mr. Madison Smith,
Post Office,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Recently I have been making an effort to compile information on the descendants of William Flood and his wife, Mary Jones, who was a sister to my grandfather, William Dibrell Jones of Virginia.

I am informed by Mr. Robert P. Flood of Cropper, Kentucky, that you are a descendant of Leeanna D. Flood who was a daughter of William Flood, but I could not quite understand the relationship. I shall be very grateful to you if you will write me and tell me as much as you can about your immediate family. Tell me all that you can about your grandparents and their children, and about your own parents and their children. I wish, if possible, dates of birth, marriage and death, as well as occupations, etc.

Mr. Robert Flood has sent me quite an interesting lot of information about the older members of the family and when I secure more data I shall put it all together in logical order and will be glad to send you a copy of it, if you are interested.

I hope you can find it convenient to write me soon and I assure you I shall appreciate all the data you can send me, and especially about yourself.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones
Maben Jones.

Flood
Letter returned

April 27, 1933

Mr. Madison Smith,
Post Office,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Recently I have been making an effort to compile information on the descendants of William Flood and his wife, Mary Jones, who was a sister to my grandfather, William Dibrell Jones of Virginia.

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Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

April 27, 1933.

Mr. Robert P. Flood,
Cropper, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin:

Your interesting letter of the 24th came today and I find it hard to find words to express my pleasure at receiving such a nice lot of family information. It was good of you to take the time to send this data and in such good form. I have typed the information hurriedly so as to get it in more convenient order for study and comparison, and am sending you two copies of it herewith. If you notice that I have made any errors in interpreting your letter, please set me right.

I am especially pleased with the names and addresses of the several members of the family you sent. I shall write to some of them at once for more detailed information. You have given it to me in very complete form but I think it desirable to fill in all gaps possible. On reference to the map of Kentucky I see that you and your cousin John live close together. I asked him if possible to send me a kodak picture of the tombs of William and Mary Flood. I am trying now to secure such a picture of the tomb of Charles Lee Jones at Centralis, Illinois.

You've given me some other interesting tips. I have only recently begun to trace Sallie Fearn Glover. I find it hard to get a starting point. The letter from Stephen Anthony Glover which you have would be most helpful to me. I wonder if you would send it to me for copying. I'll take the best of care and return it promptly. I knew Cousin Stephen when I was a boy. I am also trying now to trace the families of Anthony Dibrell Jones and of Judith (Jones) Woodson. John Wesley Woodson went from Kentucky to Flatonia, Texas, according to a note I have, and am trying now to get in touch with his descendants. If you saw the letter I wrote your Cousin John April 5th, you noted that Anthony Dibrell Jones married Martha Ann Woodson, and Judith Jones married Obediah Woodson. Both moved to Christian county. I assume they were brother and sister. I am also interested to getting more data on the Flood family of Buckingham county. The famous Harry Flood Byrd, former Governor of Virginia, is connected with this family. He was here recently but I had no opportunity to question him about the family connection. See clipping.

Nothing would give me more pleasure than to visit you, and my other relatives in Kentucky, and if I ever get over that way I shall

certainly see you. Only during the past year have I undertaken to compile family records. I have no natural aptitude for this sort of thing. It comes hard with me. I cannot carry it in my head. I do think, however, that these records should be compiled. My father (died 1911) was greatly interested in family records and he gathered quite a lot of them. Many of them are in Virginia and I do not have access to them here. My father was a handsome man. He was said to have closely resembled General Robert E. Lee.

Strange to say, I have found it rather difficult to gather complete information on my grandfathers family. He had three daughters and three sons. Mary Leeanna Jones, his oldest daughter, married her cousin, Richard Henry Lee Dibrell of Richmond. Aunt Harriet married Dr. Fred Roddey of Richmond; Aunt Eliza married John W. Haskins of Powhatan county. I'll send you all of this when I get it compiled.

Here is my idea of this family record: I do not think a list of names and dates is of any more interest than a telephone book. I think some brief sketch of each member of the family should be given, to make the thing live and interesting. If nothing more than a mention of occupation or physical appearance, it should be given.

I am delighted to know that you are willing to cooperate with me. All of the Jones descendants with whom I have corresponded have been fine and have given the best sort of cooperation. I want you to send me the names and addresses of any others, that you learn of, and be sure to be on the look out for any information on the Woodsons.

With best of wishes, I am

Cordially your cousin,

Maben Jones.

New Castle Ky;
May 8, 1933.

Mr. Maben Johnes.
1207 Taylor St.
Columbia, S.C.

Dear Cousin:

Your letter has been received, and I am sorry to say I cannot give you much information. I do remember hearing father (Joseph Lee Flood) speak of the time his father and several other families came through the country from Virginia to Kentucky; And settled down in Shelby Co. Father was married three times, his first wife (my mother) was a Miss Emaline Ogden who was Captain Ogden's daughter. He had two children by his first wife (Lizzie Flood) dec. and (Mary Emaline Flood) my maiden name. I will be 82 yrs. old the 30th of Aug. I have two children, Horace Ratcliffe not married and one daughter Lelia Ratcliffe who married Ed. Brown and she and her family live in LaGrange Ky.

My son lives with me and farms, my husband died 8 yrs. ago. I have not a picture of mother or grandmother. I think I can get a picture of Father to send you. I have one that is an enlarged one.

If any of the Floods ever served in war I do not know of it. I think father was a little boy probably when his father moved to Kentucky. They had their negroes and teams with them. I do not remember how long he said it took them to come to Ky. John Flood must have the old family record if there is one. I am sorry that I can not give you much information on my father's side as I were to young

to know much about my father's people.

Sincerly Yours,

Mrs. Mary Ratcliffe.
Sulpher, R.D.# 1 Ky.

Could not find a picture of father

May 10, 1933

Mrs. Mary Ratcliffe,
RFD 1,
Sulphur, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin:

I sincerely appreciate your letter of the 8th and assure you I am very glad to have the additional Flood family information you sent.

Cousin Robert Flood sent me quite a lot of information, but he did not give me all the DATES. If you can send me the dates I shall be grateful. I want dates of Birth, Marriage and Death of members of your father's family. Tell me, if you can, where your father was born. Cousin Robert says you had a sister, Lizzie Flood, who died in Texas and left five children. Can you give me names of these children and address of any now living.

Please, also, give me the full names of your father's other two wives and names of their children.

What is the name of the son living in Louisville? I wrote to Mrs. Edgar Harlan, 911 East Washington Street, Louisville, but have had no reply.

Please tell me anything you remember about your father's brothers and sisters. I don't want to annoy you in any way, but I think it is important that a complete record of the Flood family be prepared. I have a little time now to give to this work and I am anxious to make the record as complete as possible. I propose to make copies of the information I receive and it may be that these records will be referred to by future generations, and they will thank us for taking the trouble to compile the records. If the work is not done now it will never be done, very likely.

Your letter has given me splendid information, but I want more details if possible.

PS Cousin Mary Logan of
Tarkio, Mo. who was a
Wadsworth and a descendant
of Charles Lee Jones,
brother to Mary Jones,

Sincerely your cousin,

Maben Jones.

was writing about the number of kin who have the name MARY. My oldest sister is Mary and my mother's mother was named Mary. My father's oldest sister was named Mary. I like the name.

Flood -

April 27, 1933.

Mrs. Nick Radcliffe,
New Castle, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin:

You will probably be wondering who in the world can be addressing you as "cousin" from South Carolina.

Well, I am trying to locate all the descendants of William Flood and his wife Mary Jones. She was a sister to my grandfather, William Dibrell Jones of Buckingham county, Virginia. I have just recently had a letter from Cousin John Flood at Christiansburg, and today I had a letter from Cousin Robert at Cropper. He suggested that you might be able to send me some information regarding your father and his family. I assure you I will be very glad to have you write to me, if you find it entirely convenient to do so, and please tell me anything you remember hearing about my grandfather's sister. Do you know whether there is a picture of her anywhere? Do you have a picture of your own father? Do you know whether any of the Flood men fought in any of the wars? My grandfather, William Dibrell Jones, was in the War of 1812. His father, Michael Jones, was a soldier in the Revolution.

Please send me the names and addresses of your children.

I have some information regarding the Lee and Dibrell families of Virginia. My father was Louis Dibrell Jones and he married Louisa Thomas Flippen and they had 15 children, three dying in infancy. Of the 12 who grew to maturity only six are now living. All have been married except myself. I am next to the youngest. The youngest is Ernest Jones who lives at Alta Vista, Virginia. My oldest sister is Mrs. Cleveland Owen Forbes and she lives near Farmville, Virginia. One brother, Rev. Plummer Flippen Jones, lives at New Canton, Va., and another brother, Clinton Hobson Jones, lives at the old home place, New Store, where my father lived and near where my grandfather lived. Michael Jones lived at a place called Travelers Rest. Another sister is Mrs. Matthew J. Cox who lives at Sheppards, Virginia. I came to South Carolina in 1905 to become associated with my brother, William Hatcher Jones, who died last fall.

Cordially yours,

Maben Jones.

May 10, 1933

Mrs. Lucy Flood Snook,
LaGrange, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin Lucy:

It was a real pleasure to receive your letter and I thank you for the data covering your own immediate family. This will help to fill in some of the gaps in the Flood family record. I am gratified that I have received so much information on this family in so short a time. Your brother Robert has done excellent work on the records.

As I stated in my last letter to you I want this to be something more than a list of names and dates. You have given me a brief sketch of your family, but I want you to tell me something about your father and mother. Anything that you remember will be of interest. I plan to keep all the letters I receive and will probably place them in some library for permanent records.

My father was born January 21, 1837 and died ~~October~~, 1911. Your father died just about four months later. They were first cousins. My father was greatly interested in his kin people and he tried to gather information about them. Some of his records are in Virginia and I hope to get them later in the summer.

Already I have gathered quite a lot of data on the families of Charles Lee Jones and Anthony Dibrell Jones (the two brother who went to Kentucky) and now I am working on the Flood and Woodson families. I have not been able to get started on the Woodson, however. If you know any of this name let me know. I notice with interest that your youngest son carries the distinguished name of LEE. He should be proud of this. I am going to send you soon a very interesting paper on the Lee and Dibrell families, and I want you to tell Harold Lee to read it carefully. While I have known of Professor Yager I have never met him. I hope to see him before the term is out and I'll tell him of your having written me.

Please do this for me. When you have the time and feel like it, write me something about your father and mother---just anything you remember about them. What church affiliation. What interests or hobbies. Do you have a picture of your father? I will send you lots of data when I get it assembled. There is a great yet to be secured.

Cordially your cousin,

Maben Jones

Flood -

April 27, 1933.

Mrs. W. B. Snook,
La Grange, Ky.

Dear Cousin:

Mr. Robert Flood of Cropper, Kentucky, has very kindly sent me some interesting information on the Flood family. I am seeking this data for the reason that MARY JONES who married William Flood was a sister to my grandfather, William Dibrell Jones.

I shall be very glad to have you send me as much information as you can regarding your own family. Your brother stated that there were five children but he did not give names and dates.

Family records are often neglected and sometimes valuable old records are lost or destroyed. I am making an effort to locate all old family papers that exist and make copies of them. I feel that it is a duty we owe to our ancestors to record their lives. Personally I do not think a mere list of names and dates of of much value, but think there should be some biographical sketch of each member of the family---positions held, war records, political or official honors, etc. should be mentioned.

I hope you can find it convenient to send me the information on your own family, and if you know of the existence of any old records or photographs, I shall be pleased to know where they are.

Cordially yours,

Maben Jones.

mj-s

Lafayette, Ky. May 7th 1933.

Mr. Maben Jones.

Dear Cousin.

I rec'd your letter a few days ago & was glad to hear from you, although I am such a poor excuse to either write a letter or keep up with my ancestors, but I did know my grandmother was Mary Jones & my father spoke so often of her & grand father's birth & death when the time came around. He had a splendid memory. I could not tell you as much as brother has about the family, except my own immediate ones, which is as follows.

James Van Snook born Apr 15th 1899
He's been working for the L & N. Railroad as an operator since before he was 18.

My second son, Walter Bryant Snook born the 31st of Jan 1902. killed in the cyclone in Okla 10th of May 1905.

my 3rd son Robert Alan Snook, born the 6th of Aug. 1906. He worked a while for the railroad but was laid off when they did not need him any longer.

My only girl, Helen Lucile Snook was born Mar. 4th 1909. She works for the L & N. Railroad in Louisville, going &

coming on the train each day. She works
in the purchasing department.
My youngest son Harold Lee Snook
born Jan. 29th 1916 is still in school
& a Junior this year. He thinks so
much of Prof. T. B. Yager of your City
who has been teaching there in the
University for 4 yrs. He was a close
neighbor of ours. Harold has gone around
with him quite a bit. I have heard
they were going to discontinue that
place, he taught Manual training &
something else. My husband died in
Nov. 1918. I would be glad to hear from
you again & if you have anything that
is type written about our family &
can send me I would be glad to
receive it.

Sincerely your Cousin,

Lucy Flood Snook.

May 13, 1933.

Mrs. Maggie Beall Harlan,
911 E. Washington Street,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin Maggie:

I assure you it was a pleasure to read your letter of the 11th and I thank you for the valuable information you sent. This goes a long way toward completing the record of the family of JOSEPH LEE FLOOD.

This data has been typed and numbered, for convenience, and I am sending you a carbon copy of it. If you find I have made any errors please correct me. If you can add to this information at any time, I hope you will do so, as it is my wish to definitely locate and list every descendant of William Flood and Mary Jones. It is only possible, however, with the cooperation of the Flood descendants. I congratulate you on the excellent arrangement of the data.

Please let me know if there is any information available on the family of Louisa Flood (1819) who married James Jesse. Robert Flood says this family lived at Edgar Springs, Missouri.

I also wish information on the family of George W. Flood who married Margaret Beall. (What relation to your mother?)

Perhaps you can help me locate some of the Ferguson family.

I have had a very interesting letter from Dr. Alva Jones of Sapulpa, Oklahoma, whose mother was Alice Smith (married William Jones of Fordville, Ky.) daughter of Leanna D. Flood and Elijah Smith. However he has not sent me detailed record of this family.

There is still much information to be secured on the older Flood children (Thomas, William D., Elisa Ann) This is a big undertaking and it is going to take some time to gather all the information, but I am delighted with the fine progress I have made, thanks to you fine kin folks who have shown interest in the effort.

I note that your youngest daughter married Manley Augustus Cox of Ellijay, Georgia. We have the Cox name in our family in our Walton and Flippen lines (my mother's family) and my sister, Annie Page Jones, married Matthew Joel Cox of Virginia. The Cox family has been pretty well traced.

Mrs. Maggie Beall Harlan.

I am having difficulty in locating any of the Woodson family who are descended from Judith Jones (sister to Mary Jones who married William Flood) and Obey Woodson. They settled in Christna county. If you know of any Woodsons in Louisville you might help me get a start.

So far, I have been unable to learn anything of the ancestry of Michael Jones, your and my great grandfather. The court house of Buckingham county, Virginia, where he lived, was destroyed soon after the civil war, and the Albemarle county court house was destroyed during the Revolutionary War. Buckingham was formed from Albemarle. Because of these lost records it is hard to trace a name like Jones. However, I still have hopes. I have quite an interesting paper on the Dibrell and Lee families and will be glad to send you a copy of it later.

Your kind invitation to visit you is sincerely appreciated, I would love to meet you, and many of my kin people with whom I have corresponded. If I ever get over that way I will certainly look you up. My brother, William Hatcher Jones, who was killed in an automobile accident here last fall, used to make frequent trips to Louisville in connection with The Southern Teachers Agency, which was his business. I came to South Carolina in 1905 to become associated with my brother. I went into business for myself in 1912 and have operated The Letter Shop since that time. Of our 12 who grew to maturity there are only six of us living now. Two sisters and three brothers live in Virginia. I'll send you some information on our branch of the family when I get it in shape.

I hope to have your hearty cooperation in completing this Flood record and I assure you I shall be glad to hear from you at any time.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely your cousin,

Maben Jones

2/
William Clifton, born July, 22-1874
Laura " Dec. 4-1876

Joseph Lee " July 21-1879
Part of children live in Texas
and part in Oklahoma, I think.

Mary Emiline Flood, sister
of Elizabeth and 2nd daughter of J.L.
Flood Born Aug 30-1857. Still
residing at New Castle, Ky.

She married George Nichol
Ratcliffe Nov. 18-1872.

To this union were two children -
Leila Ratcliffe, born Oct. 18-1873.

She married Ed. Brown. There were
seven children - living at La Grange, Ky.

Horace Martin Ratcliffe born
June 9-1877 - Bachelor. Still
living with mother at New Castle, Ky.

Second wife of my Father
was Julia C. Frame. married Dec
1857. She died April 18-1863

There was one daughter Fannie
Lee born Sept 7-1858 Died about
1897. Never married.

3/

Third wife, (my mother)
Kitty Beall married Oct 19-1865
And died Nov. 14-1881.

To this union were two children.

Maggie Beall (myself) born Sept.
13-1866.

I married Edgar Lesly Harlan.
Dec. 23, 1884 formerly of Fluvanna Co.
Va. near Scottsville Va but of
New Castle, Ky at that time -

I have four children.

Mabel Harlan born May 11-1889.
Died Feb. 1-1902

Bernice Harlan born Jan 14-1892
She married William Heldon Hill
of Henry Co. Ky (near New Castle) in
June 9-1919

Two boys - William Harlan Hill born
July 11-1921 Horace Edgar " "
Jan 19-1924 -

Jess Harlan born March 9-1896
Married Lela Joe Littleton of Puryear
Tenn. Oct 6-1928. no children -

Juanita born March 5-1901

4/ married Manley Augustus Cox of
Ellijay, Ga. Jan. 23- 1927
one boy - Joseph Carol Cox born
July 17-1929

My brother Joseph Lee Flood Jr.
born June 15-1868. He married
Kate Stafford - July 5-1887 There are
ten children -

Elliott born June 5-1888
Marion (dead)
Joseph
Samuel
William (dead)
Dora
Kitty
Byron
Lauretta
Kenneth.

Brother now lives at 644 Lynn St.
Louisville - Ky -

My father had two younger
brothers Monroe & George Flood
who were born after he moved
to Ky -

Am sorry I cant give you any
information about the Jones

5/
side of the house -
Should appreciate any infor-
mation you could give me
about my family - Am afraid
I don't know much -

If you are in Louisville
anytime will be glad to
have you visit us -

Very truly -

Maggie Beall Harlan -

Flood

April 27, 1933

Mrs. Edgar Harlan,
911 E. Washington Street,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin:

I had a letter from Mr. Robert Flood at Cropper, Kentucky, with a lot of information on the Flood family. He gave me your address and suggested that you might be able to send me some information on your immediate branch of the family. I understand from his letter that you are a granddaughter of Joseph Lee Flood, who was a son of William Flood and MARY JONES (a sister to my grandfather) who were married in Virginia and moved to Kentucky back in the pioneer days.

Recently I have undertaken to locate the descendants of my great grandfather, Michael Jones. I have had correspondence with a number of families in the West who are descended from Charles Lee Jones. I have not yet had an connection with descendants of Anthony Dibrell Jones who also went to Kentucky and settled in Christian county. Then there was a sister, Judith Jones, who married a Woodson and went to Kentucky.

If you can do so without too much trouble, I shall be very grateful if you will write me what you can regarding your family. I wish to secure full names, dates, etc. regarding all of your father's children.

I have quite a lot of interesting information on the older members of the family and shall be glad to send you some of it if you are interested.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

mj-s

May 13, 1933

Mr. Joseph Lee Flood, Jr.,
644 Lynn Street,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Cousin:

I am making an effort to secure information on all the descendants of William Flood and Mary Jones (sister to my grandfather, William Dibrell Jones.) Already I have heard from a number of the Flood descendants and am securing quite a lot of data. I hope you can find it convenient to send me FULL information on your family.

I, with other Jones descendants, am trying to make this record of some human interest by adding a brief biographical sketch of each member of the family. A mere list of names and dates is of little interest. So, if you will kindly write me anything you remember of your parents, uncles and aunts, together with a list of your own family, with DATES, names of PLACES, and OCCUPATIONS, it will be greatly appreciated, and I feel that I can, in return for your kindness, send you some data on the older members of the family that will be of extreme interest to you.

I hope to have the pleasure of hearing from you soon.

Cordially yours,

Maben Jones.

Brother: 189-

May 14th 1933Mrs. Matheson -
Lead Haven.

Your letter

received and thank you for the topographical record of the Blood family. I wish to give you the address of Mrs. Joe Lee Jones who is pastor of the Christian Church Bedford, Indiana. He came from Virginia and I thought by the time being in his name possibly was some relative, he was once pastor of the Christian Church at Copley and often wondered if he was any relation of mine, but never

mentioned it to him. You may get some information by looking him. I am glad to and you the letter mention to my father from Cousin Stephen Brown. As soon as I have an opportunity I will send you Joe's picture of the grave stones. We never had any picture of our grand parents. There is something like thirty people buried there and there was only one grave that was sunk and that was out of line with the others. and father often spoke of it and thought possibly they were John's. When I gave you the Blood record I only knew of mine

having grand children but possibly - there were others I did not know of. of Aunt Lorrain's people Uncle Tom & Uncle William families - I notice from a letter in 1893 from Aunt Lorrain June 5 she had two other children Tom & Jennie.

Of course Grand's family he has one of nine children and a twin brother to the only sister. he and two other brothers (Noble and Jack) came to NY together and settled with in a radius of three miles Uncle Moe Flood the grand father of cousin Stephen Brown wife was another brother of grandpa Flood. The

two sons I can't recall their names. my great grand father was named John Flood and his father was named John and came from Scotland to Virginia and his father also was named John and came from Scotland to Virginia and I think all the Floods in Va. S. are related.

I am living on the first & second grant of land in NY after the Declaration of Independence was signed. The first was John H. Jones and second Joseph Spriggs my father was born here and never moved with.

It was always my understanding that the Woodsons moved to Christian

County and also that grand ma
mom saw any of her people
after she left Virginia.
If there is any more
information I can give you
I will be glad to do so
and any thing you can let
me know of in both sides
of my family I will
appreciate it.

Sincerely
Robert P. H. Lord.

May 16th 1933

Mr Mabou Jones.

Dear Cousin.

I trust you will
pardon my seeming negligence
in not acknowledging the East's Card
and last letter received from
you. I turned the information
you desired over to my
cousin R.P. Flood of Boston
Ky. and have not as yet had
an opportunity of getting a
good picture of the work
done of my grand parents.
Robert and I think it would be
nice for you to make us a visit
some time. We would be glad to
see you and talk over

The family relations. Hoping
you can make us this visit.

Very Truly
Your Cousin

Jno W. Frost
Christiansburg

Ivy.

May 17, 1933

Rev. Joel Lee Jones,
The Christian Church,
Bedford, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

A cousin of mine in Kentucky, with whom I have corresponded about family history, suggests that possible you are connected with the same Lee-Jones families of Virginia from which I am descended. Of course I realize there are millions of Jones and about half as many Lees, but I am taking the chance of writing to ask for some information on your Virginia ancestry.

Briefly, my great grandfather, Michael Jones, married Leeanna Dibrell, who was a daughter of Anthony Dibrell and Elizabeth Lee. This Elizabeth Lee was a descendant of Colonel Richard Lee, the emigrant and the ancestor of General Robert E. Lee. There was also a Jones-Lee connection further back but I do not have the facts before me.

If you have the time and feel so inclined, I shall be very glad to have you write me regarding your family. Michael Jones lived in Buckingham county and he had several brothers and sisters. One brother, Erasmus, married and went "west". I have not been able to trace Michael's ancestry for the reason that the county court house of Buckingham was destroyed by fire soon after the civil war, and the Albemarle county court house (Buckingham was formed from Albemarle) was destroyed about the time of the Revolution. This makes it difficult to trace family records.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

May 17, 1933

Mr. Robert P. Flood,
Cropper, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin Robert:

This is to thank you for sending the old letter written by Cousin Stephen Anthony Glover. It is most interesting and there are several items of information I am glad to have. Just as soon as I have any opportunity to make copies I'll return the letter to you.

I am glad to have the name of Rev. Joel Lee Jones of Bedford, Indiana, and shall write him. There is a remote possibility that he may be connected with our branches of the Jones and Lee families, yet the two names are so general that I do not have much hope that there is any connection. I have been told that there is a Jones-Lee connection further back than the Michael Jones period. I have never seen this connection traced out but hope to get it later.

My problem is to learn the ancestry of Michael Jones. He had several brothers and sisters, according to records I received from Charles H. Jones, 53 S. Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado. He has an old paper written by his grandfather, Charles Lee Jones, in which is stated that "Erasmus Jones married Amy Fuqua of Buckingham and moved West." I do not know what "west" means but probably Kentucky. I am following every remote clue as I hope some day to find what I am looking for. I have a cousin in Charlotte, N.C., Edward H. Gilliam, who used to live in Columbia, Tennessee, Maury county. He told me that he recalls having seen somewhere in that section a tomb stone in an old cemetery with the name Louis Jones, born in Buckingham county. His memory is not clear as to where he saw this and he is not so sure about the name "Louis" but he says he is positive that Buckingham was on the stone. Now this may have been a descendant of Erasmus Jones. I have not traced Anthony Dibrell Jones' family thoroughly as I am having poor response to my letters, but I hardly this any of his family were in this part of Tennessee. How far this Columbia from you?

I'll read your letter more carefully when I have time. I thank you for all the information. I'll have lots more data to send you when I can get it all together and properly arranged.

Cordially your cousin,

Maben Jones

May 21 - 33

best a part of three states.
Virginia & Ky. in approval-
boundary lines. now located
in Shelby Co. Shelbyville. R. O. P.

Mrs Jennie Wastbrook address
I never knew father's other brothers.

They left Shelby Co. I never heard years
old when Shelby died, & there
were thirteen with my mother's
sisters.

They heard Ratcliffe has his children
Leila Ratcliffe Brown. Oct 15 - 1873.

Thomas Went Ratcliffe June 9. 1869.

Angela has 6 living, one dead, 1
children. William Joseph. Brown 2 children

1604. S. W. of St. Michael's Sta.

Harry Lee Brown. Clarks Summit Sta.
one daughter, Janet.

Daniel Brown. New Orleans. 329 Barometre St.

Miss Corvair:

am acting wrong -
I don't follow, but her
memory is not accurate by
reason of years. Her father came
from Virginia & the first place
I met him was Westmoreland.
Lenny, an Stafford in the ^(Hogues) birth.
Place of the Lee's. ~~He~~ have always
understand that one more relative
directly to Robert & Lee. I would
like to know the direct kinship
to this General?
This letter seems to me help her
then letter to you so compare

Joe Thord (father) married 3
 times. first to my mother.
 Emaline Ogden ^{Hwy 100} Deer Castle W. Va.
 Two children: Frank (born Aug 30, 1897) &
 + Maggie Thord (born Aug 18, 1899) (deed)
 Maggie, married Joe Thompson.
 + five children were born.
 addresses are - Mrs Emma Jensen.
 (Married twice) 1929 - P O Sanger Cal.
 Elmo Thompson - Rock Tex.
 Joe " " Hastings W. Va.
 Laura " Honey Conacher W. Va.
 Ariel " Douglas Tex.
 The second wife of Joe Thord was
 Julia Frame - near Leaslee Ky.
 One daughter: Fannie Thord, is this
 name more common. do not know.

her death date.
 third marriage to Kitty Deal.
 Ruessville Logan Co. W. Va.
 Two children as follows:
 Mrs Edgar Hurlow. ^{911. Youngs Ferry St.} ~~born~~ ^{born} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~city~~ ^{city} -
 in Joe Thord.
 only remember two of father's brothers
Thomas + George - His sister
 married Owen Pratt Smith (deed)
 This sister was his own cousin.
 + one own cousin to me: Mary E.
 Thord) on my mother's side. She
 is yet living. 99 years old +
 memory wonderful, she is a pretty
~~old~~ woman, and still lives in
 the old family home, over 150 years
 old - may be 200. This home (Stone)
 has the distinction of having

5 Mary Ellen Browning
Obedia Rattelle
Grace Brown Selgrave. My

I see from the papers that
the government has in progress
the restoring of the ~~the~~ stone of
the Lee's, all Bradford
Westmoreland Co. Va. & has been
mailed by Mrs Rowanwell & Swell
Mines.
I need like a copy of family
tree. Best regards to you
& connection.

Your cousin
Mrs Mary & Rattelle
Gulpham
Henry Co. Va.
by (aug 21)
Mrs. Rattelle
Selgrave. Va.

Returned -
Re-addressed to Mrs. Brown
C/o Mrs. Ratcliffe, Sulphur, Ky

6/5/33

May 28, 1933.

Mrs. Ed Brown,
Rural Route,
LaGrange, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin Leila:

The letter which you wrote for your mother on May 21 was greatly enjoyed and I wish to express my thanks to her and to you for the valuable family information. Please tell your mother how much I appreciate her letter. I'll write her another time but this letter is to you, as I am going to ask that you send me more complete information on your own family. You have given me the names of your children, but I should like to have DATES, whom they married, and some little item of information as to occupations etc. I think it adds considerably to the value of these records to have some biographical sketch of each member. These records will probably be preserved by future generations and they will welcome every detail.

Also, I want you to write me more in detail regarding Mrs. Ben Washburn who lives at Shelbyville. The letter you wrote for your mother reads: "I only remember two of father's brothers, Monroe and George. His sister married Ben Washburn (dead) This widow was his own cousin and an own cousin to me (Mary E. Flood) on my mother's side. She is yet living, 99 years old, etc." This is a little confusing to me because, perhaps, I have not studied the record carefully. According to a record sent me by Robert P. Flood of Cropper, ELIZA ANN FLOOD, b. February 1, 1816, d. August 11, 1864, married BEN WASHBURN and they had nine children. The oldest, BEN WASHBURN, JR., was married but had no children. He died two years ago aged 84 years. His widow still living. So, I judge from this that Mrs. Jennie (Ben) Washburn is the widow of Ben Washburn, Jr., but I do not know her maiden name or how this kinship come in. I'll appreciate it if you will write me more fully.

I am glad to have the addresses of the Ferguson children, but would like more details about them. If you correspond with any of them please secure their records for me.

I am pleased to know that you are interested in the LEE connection, and also that the illustrious name of LEE is still carried in your family. I also find it frequently in the families descended from Charles Lee Jones who was my grandfather's brother. Strange that in our branch of the family it is not found except in Mary Leeanna Jones, my father's oldest sister who married her cousin, Richard Dibrell. I can show you exactly how you are related to General Robert E. Lee, and am enclosing a diagram with this information.

May 28, 1933

Mr. Robert P. Flood,
Cropper, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin Robert:

I don't know of a better way to start off a beautiful Sunday morning than by answering your good letter of May 14. I was very glad to read the letter from Cousin Stephen Anthony Glover as it gives me a number of items I did not have. I return the original letter together with a carbon copy. I thank you for the additional Flood data.

Just at this time I am very much behind with my correspondence, having had a number of letters from the Flood connections as well as from the Jones descendants. Dr. Alva Jones wrote a nice letter but did not send much data. I sent him lots of papers and hope he will respond with more information on his own branch. I have had two letters from Mrs. Ratcliffe, and one from Mrs. Snook. If I repeat or cover the same ground, please pardon me as I do not always have time to look up my files.

J. W. and Wesley Woodson are one and the same, I think. I wrote to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Flatonia, Texas, to enquire about the Woodson family that formerly resided there. I was given the name of Mrs. J. W. Woodson at Harlingen, Texas, but no response yet to a letter I sent. I wrote to Rev. Joel Lee Jones at Bedford, Indiana. This is a faint clue but it may bring forth something. I have learned that it pays to follow every little clue.

There is still much of the Flood data that I want and I hope you will send me anything additional you may secure. Letters to Madison Smith and Bert Combs were returned to me.

I just had a nice letter from Cousin John at Christiansburg and he said that he and you had thought it would be nice for me to make you a visit. I greatly appreciate this and I assure you nothing would give me more pleasure. I hope some of these days to go over there and meet you all.

With best of wishes, I am

Cordially your cousin,

Maben Jones

June 1, 1933

Dr. Alva Jones,
Clayton Building,
Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Dear Cousin:

On May 4th I wrote you a long letter and sent you copies of some Jones papers. Did you receive them?

I shall be very glad to receive from you all the family information you can send. I especially wish data regarding your family.

Recently I have received some data on the descendants of Anthony Dibrell Jones, but this line is far from complete. I want you to help me compile a complete record of the Flood line.

I hope you will find it convenient to write me soon. Give my best regards to your family.

Cordially your cousin,

Maben Jones.

Flood

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ALVA JONES
CLAYTON BUILDING
SAPULPA, OKLAHOMA

May 1, 1933.

Mr. Maben Jones,

Dear Friend and Cousin, - My mother and you according to regular descent are second cousins. My Father and mother were not related. My father's father was born in Ashville Tenn. His parents were either born in Tenn or Virginia. My mother's grandmother Mary Jones Knobel William Flood's wife ~~was~~ came from Virginia and my grandmother Secanna Flood was born in Gulpepper county, Virginia.

Mother's parents were named John and Nancy Smith from Virginia. Robert Flood has been tracing the family tree, and says every person

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ALVA JONES
CLAYTON BUILDING
SAPULPA, OKLAHOMA

by the name of Flood in U.S. is
related to us. While the names
Jones and Smith are rather common
I am unable to give you very
much data on them, and will
have to stick to Floods and
Joneses of your county ^{many} ~~that~~
~~that~~ married William Flood.

I would thank you and certainly
appreciate the data on your
branch of the Jones family, and
to whom they were and are
related. I see you have a letter
shop. Send me some advertising
and just what you do and I
will charge. I read your letter
to my mother tonight. She was
very much interested and advised

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ALVA JONES
CLAYTON BUILDING
SAPULPA, OKLAHOMA

me to answer at once to get
all the data you have on her
kin folks. Mother is 84 years
old and her mind is as bright
and keen as a young person
and can beat any of her
children spelling now. There is
six of us children 5 in Okla. One
my youngest ~~is~~ sister is still
in Owensboro, Ky. My brother and
I office together. He is a general
practitioner and I am an eye, ear,
nose, and throat specialist. Just two
boys and four girls. I appreciated
your letter, and want to know about
your family and work.
we have two boys in college
and we do not know just

ALVA JONES
CLAYTON BUILDING
SAPULPA, OKLAHOMA

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what they will do during vacation
One the older, Bill, plays anything
with strings from the piano on
down, but his favorites the fiddle
bango, and ten guitar. Paul the
younger plays saxophone or
clarinet, and at the present time
~~they~~ are playing in a twelve piece
orchestra. Bill is 23 and Paul will
be twenty in June. If you know
of a good job for college boys
studying medicine and dead
work let me know

We all send greetings to new
friends and cousins and
anxiously await your reply
Respectfully your friend
Alva Jones

Dr. Alva Jones,
Clayton Building,
Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

May 4, 1933

Dear Cousin Alva:

I assure it was a delight to read your good letter of the 1st. I am pleased to meet another family of my cousins and am especially glad to have the additional family data which you have sent me.

Until about a year ago I knew very little of the descendants of my great grandfather, Michael Jones, but up to this time I have located a large number of Jones descendants and have the promise of much more family information. Strange to say, I have secured more data from the descendants of my grandfather's brothers and sisters than from his own family. One of the Dibrell descendants of Nashville kindly sent me a copy of the Dibrell manuscript prepared by Commander Barrell. This contains over eighty pages but follows the two Dibrell men principally and gives very little attention to the two Dibrell girls (Leeanna who married Michael Jones and Judith who married David Patteson) I have copied the "Foreword" which gives an interesting description of the Du Breuille, or Dibrell, family and I am sending you a copy herewith. I am sure you will enjoy this, and it is well worth keeping. I have added the war records of Michael Jones and William Dibrell Jones, my grandfather. I am sure there are some errors in dates but I hope to catch these later. Refer to "BRANCH B" in the back of this paper and you will find the eleven children of Michael Jones and Leeanna Dibrell. Anthony Dibrell Jones, Polly (Mary) Jones Flood, Judith Jones Woodson, and Charles Lee Jones, all married and moved to Kentucky. I have been successful in locating many of the descendants of the eleven children of Charles Lee Jones; I am just now beginning to trace the descendants of the other three. I have a good start on the Flood line, some progress on Anthony Dibrell, but none so far on Judith Woodson. I have just begun to make inquiries in Virginia on Sarah Fearn Jones who married David W. Clover.

My grandfather, William Dibrell Jones, had six children. My father, Louis Dibrell Jones, was the youngest. My father married Louisa Thomas Flippen and they had 15 children, three dying in infancy, and six having died since maturity. There are scores of grand children but I have not attempted to assemble them yet.

In my search for family records I recently received from New York a copy of a letter written by my sister, Mrs. Annie Page (Jones) Cox who now lives at Sheppards, Virginia. This letter was written in 1915, eighteen years ago, but was so complete and accurate up to that time that I am sending you a copy.

Dr. Alva Jones--

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I am also sending a copy of a letter written by my cousin, William E. Dibrell, of Richmond, Virginia, to his cousin, Dr. E. R. Dibrell of Little Rock. This was written in 1911. Both of them are dead now. This may require a little study to get the connection, but I'll explain briefly: My father's oldest sister, Mary Leeanna Jones, married her cousin, Richard Henry Lee Dibrell, who was the son of Edwin Dibrell. This William E. Dibrell was a son of my aunt Mary. He refers in this letter to his aunts and to the sudden death of my father.

These papers that I am sending are just some of the material I have assembled. I have much more that I will send you later. I regret that these are carbon copies but you will probably have no trouble in reading them.

I am delighted to know that your mother was interested in what I am doing. Give her my love and tell her that I am have been enjoying this hobby of mine immensely and was particularly pleased to secure from the Flood boys information regarding the family of my great aunt, Mary (Jones) Flood. Tell her also that recently we had the honor of hearing the Honorable Harry Flood Byrd of Virginia in an address that he made to The Virginia Society of Columbia. (This Society is composed of about a hundred native born Virginia men who live here.) I wanted to ask Geverner Byrd (now Senator Byrd) about his Flood connection but he was so popular here I had no opportunity to talk with him. I am sure he is related to your mother as his Flood ancestors were from Buckingham or Appomattox county. Ask your mother to tell you anything that she remembers about Aunt Mary Jones, and ask if there is a picture of her anywhere.

I know you will be shocked at all this reading matter, but I trust you will be interested to the extent of reading it.

Don't fail to send me more complete data on your family. I want all DATES, places of birth, marriage, death etc., occupations. Without the hearty cooperation of the descendants we will not be able to complete this genealogy.

You will hear from me again regarding my work. I have a nephew here whose name is William Dibrell Jones (named for his great grandfather) and who goes by the name of Bill. He finishes high school this month. My oldest brother was named Paul Marion. I wish I knew of some jobs for your boys, but business is dead here.

Cordially your cousin,

Flood

April 27, 1933.

Dr. Alva Jones,
Clayton Building,
Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Dear Dr. Jones:

Mr. Robert Flood of Cropper, Kentucky, has very kindly sent me some data on the descendants of William Flood and his wife, Mary Jones, who was a sister to my grandfather, William Dibrell Jones of Virginia.

Mr. Flood suggested that possibly you could send me information on your own family. If I understand his letter correctly, your mother was Alice Smith, who was a daughter of Leanna D. Flood and Elijah Smith. Your father, he stated, was William Jones of Fordsville, Kentucky. I shall be very grateful to you for any detailed information you can send me. I am especially interested to know whether your father and mother were related, as the name William Jones is the same as my grandfather's, and my grandfather had a brother, Anthony Dibrell Jones, who went to Christian county and settled. I have not yet been successful in locating any of Anthony's descendants.

I have some interesting data on the Lee and Dibrell families and shall be glad to send you a copy of what I have in return for your cooperation. I hope you can find it convenient to write me soon.

Very truly yours,

Maben Jones.

The Letter Shop.

July 10-33.

Columbus S.C.

Dear Cousin:

First I beg your pardon for so long a delay in answering your letter. Many things have come up in the weeks past. but I now hasten to give you the most information I can. My children are as follows

- 1- William Joseph Brown Sep 16 - 1895
- 2- Harry Lee " Nov 30 1896
- 3- Ellen May " Aug 28. 1898
- 4- Bessie Ratcliffe " Sep 23. 1900
- 5- David Ogden " Sep 18 - 1902
- deceased - Herac. Nelson " Jan 27 - 1905
- 7- Grace Gray Brown May 30 - 1907

occupation nonance manager miami Fla
no 1 - married twice. first wife was

Luella shaver. to this union were two boys. J. Joseph Oct 29 1926 + Henry Morrison Dec. 1927. Second wife was Mrs Carese ~~Mrs. Massey~~ Adams Arnold, who had one daughter by former marriage. none by present union.

no 2. married. Minnie Dayton, two children one deceased. The daughter Janet Ogden. occupation. manager of A. & P. Chain Store. Clermont Fla.

no 3. m. married -

no 4.

at once insert one back of this page

Dear ~~mother~~.

The best news is that we have had a nice rain in Sat. and Sun. morning another rain. maybe people can put out gardens again, and get some thing from them. Yours has all the more chance to make itself being late. I made two batches of soap. it looks nice. you feed your grease to Jack. so dont bother making soap. Joe have canned some apples and have some more to put up tomorrow.

Joe called on Mildred Ral Cornell she is prettiest ever. They asked about you. Joe had a cantelope for breakfast. but to high to eat often. (15-13)

No 5. Collector + Bookkeeper for
Sherwin Williams Paint Co.

Charlotte N. Carolina.

No 6. unmarried. no special occupation.

No 7

Mrs Osey Washburn Jr. was
Jennie Agden ^{age 99.} an own cousin
to Mary Emiline Flood Ratcliffe on
her mother's side. + Eliza Ann
Flood was an aunt of her
father's side.

Thank you for the Col. Richard Lee's
branch. according to this we are
a descendant of Charles Lee. which I
had thought that we were from the
Richards - Lee branch.

You ask about the Ferguson branch
I could not tell you about their
families. Wishing you progress in
securing the data. I remain your

Cousin

Mrs Leila Brown widow

Falynange Ky.
120 - 6th St.

Brookport, Ky -

July 9th 1933

Mr. Mahan Bond.

Rocky Bonair

It has been

some time since I wrote you and I now thinking I would write and see what developments you have had in tracing the Jones family.

Did you ever get any reply from the Rev Jones Bedford Ky? I am taking an agreement paper which has advertisements from every county in the State and I have been looking for some Jones's & Wadsworth's from Christian County but so far have found none, have a

good many ^{other} names from

Hot Springs, Christian County.

I am enclosing you some clipping and also address of Charles H. Jones

which is (Shawville, Ky.) I refer me first near the. I may

like to on the list but for any information I can furnish and hope you will

be the same.

Sincerely your cousin

Robert D. Wood-

Brookport -

Kentucky.

July 12, 1933

Mr. Robert P. Flood,
Cropper, Ky.

Dear Cousin Robert:

Thank you for the newspaper clippings with the Jones names, but I will be frank to say that I do not feel we can get results by following these. I have several leads now on the Anthony Jones family and hope to have some records within a month or so. Mrs. Settle of Memphis, who is now away from home, has promised me records. I have had a letter also from one of the descendants in New York. I also have another name on the Woodson line but no reply yet to a letter written some weeks ago.

I do not think I have sent you copies of the enclosed papers:

1. Sheet from Mrs. W. B. Snook, LaGrand, Ky
2. Two sheets from Mrs. E. L. Harlan, Louisville, Ky.
3. Sheet from Mrs. Leila Brown, 120 6th St, LaGrange, Ky.

This data covers about the same ground as your papers but I have not had an opportunity to make a careful comparison, and I wish you would study them over and give me any corrections you can.

I wrote you that I had a letter from Dr. Alva Jones in Sapulpa, Okla. Since hearing from him I have sent him two letters but no further reply. I am anxious to get the records of this line. Maybe you can get a reply from him. I sent him lots of data, too.

There is lots of data yet to be secured on the Flood family and I'll write some more letters to names I have, as soon as I get time.

I have been working in Virginia lately (I mean writing up there for information) and have had some success in securing data on my grandfathers family. I received a letter from Mr. Ed Glover who promised to send me more data on Sarah Fearn (Jones) Glover. At one time she had a family register with all the old data. I would give anything to know where that register is now. A Methodist church in Buckingham county, Virginia, Bethel Church, has just celebrated its 150th anniversary. This was the old Jones church. Michael Jones' family attended there. The old church records were burned many years ago so I doubt if I can learn anything from that source.

No, I never heard from Rev. Mr. Jones in Indiana. I think now our best plan is to work from names we know to be connected with the family. With best of wishes, I am

(Flood)

LaGrange Ky.
July 13th 1933.

Mr. Maben Jones.

Dear Cousin:

As you have already observed I am a poor correspondent I love to get letters but do not answer them as I should. It was so hot and dry in June some of the farmers did not get all their tobacco in. We had a nice rain last Saturday eve & Sunday & it has been so much cooler.

I rec'd a letter from my sister - this wk I have not been up for sometime but keep in touch with them by writing nearly every wk. They are busy as most farmers are - this time of the year or as for that most all the time.

I went to prayer meeting last night. I am a Baptist as also are my children & married into a Baptist family but I am ~~not~~ of that kind - but believe there are Christians in all churches. I don't know what your church affiliations are but I knew my grandmother

Jones was a Methodist. My father joined the Baptist church when he was little over 50 yrs of age but he surely was converted, my two oldest sisters joined at the same meeting. I am a Democrat but have friends of the other belief. Mr. Yager came home in June. Harold has been around with him a good deal as his father is running for jailer. Our election is the 5th of Aug. We have lots of candidates for the different offices. I want to send you one of my father's & mother's picture sometime. Am sending you with this letter a small picture of the home where brother lives. I was just one year old when it was built & will be 61 the 26th of ^{July} this month if I live until then. Hope you will not wait as long as I have to answer. Write me anything you can about your family as well as mine when you can. Best regards to all your family.

Sincerely your cousin,
Lucy Snook.

1207 Taylor Street
Columbia, S. C.
December 3, 1933

Mr. Robert P. Flood,
Cropper, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin Robert:

Your letter of November 27th was read with genuine pleasure and the photographs of your grandparents' graves are acknowledged with many thanks. I am delighted to have these and am pleased to see that the stones are in such fine state of preservation. I am also pleased with the picture of your house, which is most attractive and brings up visions of "the old Kentucky home" of song and story-- but why didn't you send me a larger picture of Cousin Mary and yourself. I'd love to have one. It is hard to express my appreciation for your kindness and thoughtfulness in having these pictures made for me.

While I have had little time for genealogy in the past few months, I'm continuing my search for information along a number of lines. My efforts have been richly rewarded in the discovering of the Will of our great great grandfather, MICHAEL JONES, who died in what is now Campbell county in 1780 or 1781. I am enclosing a copy of the will which is recorded in Bedford county, Virginia. You will notice that his wife's name was Ann and that he had nine children. His son, Michael, went over into Buckingham and married Leeanna Dibrell. I have located George and Erasmus in Williamson county, Tennessee and am now trying to locate some of their descendants. Michael, George and Erasmus were soldiers of the Revolution. I am making an effort now to locate the father of Michael, Sr.

So far I have not secured any Flood data. This past week I have been doing some work for Mr. Henry Flood of New York, a member of the firm of Murray & Flood, famous engineers. They are making application to the government for a loan of thirty-five million to build a large water power project in this state. Mr. Flood says his people came from Ireland and settled in Pennsylvania and he is under the impression were connected with the Virginia Floods, but that he has never bothered to trace his family. I'm sure Senator Byrd is of your family. Speaking of Richard Evelyn Byrd--he has promised to send a word of greeting to the Kappa Alpha Convention which meets here in Columbia the last of this month. I hope his plans will go through.

I'm distressed to hear of the tragic death of Cousin John's daughter. Please convey my sympathy to him. Ed Glover of Buckingham, Virginia, has sent me names of the descendants of David W. Glover and SARAH FEARN (JONES) GLOVER. Ed's father was Richard A. Glover who was a son of Stephen Anthony Glover. I'll send you copy of this paper when completed. I wrote Dr. Alva Jones, Sapulpa, Okla. twice but can get no reply. I'll be glad to hear from you any time.

Cordially your cousin,
Maben Jones

May 20, 1934.

Mr. Robert P. Flood,
Cropper, Kentucky.

Dear Cousin Robert:

Your letter of the 15th read with interest and I thank you for the name of Rev. Woodson at Greenville, Kentucky. I am writing him at once and hope he is connected with our branch of the Woodson family. I have written to a number of Woodsons in that region but have not found any who were descended from Obediah.

Since I wrote you last I have done very little on the family records. Since December I have had a world of trouble with my eyes and have had to quit using them much by artificial light, and for that reason have had very little time to give to family records. I have new glasses--have had them about two months now--but they do not give me the satisfaction they should. I paid \$46 for the glasses and treatments and they should be good.

I believe I promised to send you what information I have on the Glover family (Sarah Fearn Jones married David W. Glover.) Ed Glover at Duckingham, Virginia, sent me the data and I typed it. He doesn't show any place names or occupations, but he has the dates quite complete. Ed lives close to "Travelers Rest", the old Jones place. He has promised to see if there are any grave markers there, but I understand the grave yard is overgrown with honey suckle.

The letter of Stephen Anthony Glover that you sent me stated that he married Rebecca S. Anderson, granddaughter of Moses Flood. You will notice in this Glover paper that there are a number of marriages between the Glovers and Floods.

I hardly feel that the Rev. Joel Lee Jones of Bedford, Indiana, is of our family, yet I'd like to know his record.

When I have the time I want to type all the Flood records I have and then see what is needed to make it complete.

With very best of wishes, I am

Cordially your cousin,

Maben Jones

Dr. Hunt B. Jones
Eminence
Kentucky

October 12

1940

Maben Jones, Esq.
1207 Taylor Street
Columbia, South Carolina

My dear Mr. Jones:

At the suggestion of my friend Bob Flood, of Cropper, I am writing to inquire if you can provide me with any information concerning the line of Joneses from which I am descended.

My paternal grandfather, Stephen Edward Jones, was born in Louisville in 1833, and died there in 1914. He married first Mattie McKee, of Lexington, and after her death Frances Prevost Breckinridge, of Louisville, who was my grandmother.

His father was a Stephen Edward Jones, a physician, who died in 1833, just two months before the birth of my grandfather, his only child. This Stephen Jones married Mary Ann Barkley, daughter of George and Martha (Higbee), in 1830.

My difficulty arises in determining the parentage of Stephen Edward Jones (the first). I have some information purporting to show that his father was Richard Jones, who married Mary Ellis (née Cocke). Diligent search of Jones and Cocke lineage during a recent visit of mine to Virginia, however, failed to clarify this matter.

If you have any data which would enable me to untangle this confusion in the Jones line, I shall certainly appreciate knowing about them. I am quite sure that a Mary Cocke married one of my ancestors on the Jones side, but whether she was the daughter of Abraham ap Stephen ap Thomas ap Richard Cocke, I have been unable to determine.

Mr. Flood sends you his best regards.

Very sincerely yours,

(Hunt Breckinridge Jones, M.D.)

October 12, 1940

Dr. Hunt E. Jones,
Eminence, Kentucky.

My dear Dr. Jones:

It is a pleasure to read your letter of the 12th written at the suggestion of my cousin, Robert Flood, of Cropper.

At the moment I can see no connection between your Jones line and the Jones family I have been attempting to trace. My great grandfather, Michael Jones, was born in Bedford County in 1750 and died in Buckingham county about 1820. The fact that he and his brother Erasmus both went to Buckingham to find wives leads me to feel that they had Jones relatives over there, but I have not been able to determine who the relatives were.

Just recently the University library bought the First Series of the William & Mary Quarterlies. They already had the Swen Index. When I find time to visit the library again I shall be glad to look for any references that may be helpful to you.

Please convey my best wishes to Cousin Robert and his family. Tell him that I have done almost no research on the western cousins since our last exchange of letters. I have some interesting notes on Anthony Dibrell Jones which I shall send him whenever I find the time to make a copy.

With best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

Haben Jones