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"EARLY LOONEYS IN AMERICA"

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Part 4

Absalom Looney Branch

(Second Generation)

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Absalom 2 Looney was, almost certainly, born after 1726, because his name is not on the Augusta County muster roll of 1742 with those of four of his older brothers. Since Absalom had a "family" in 1753 or 1754 (as we shall see later), he was certainly older

that Peter 2 Looney who was born in Philadelphia in 1734. There may be a question as to whether Absalom or John 2 was the older because a John Looney was taxed in Augusta County in 1748. This tax, however, may have been merely for ownership of a horse, perhaps by a youth of 16 years, and John, as we shall see, married a girl born in 1739 or 1740. Thus we estimate that Absalom 2 Looney was born about 1729 +/- 3, before his parents came to America.

He probably lived with them on the upper Potomac River not so far from Hagerstown but on the south bank, and the school books that are referred to by some of the descendants of Michael Looney probably belonged first to Absalom who, rather than Michael, may have had brief schooling at Hagerstown at the age of 8 or 10 years.

Absalom Looney must have married in or very near 1750. He was living with his family on the Bluestone, a branch of New River, in 1753 or 1754 when his father Robert sent for him because of danger from the Indians at the outlying settlement and offered him part of the home place. Absalom and his family came and settled in the "Draft", on Draper's place, on land where his brother Daniel

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had been living. Daniel 2 Looney made to Absalom (Abraham according to Chalkley's book) a deed dated 10 September 1754 (delivered in August 1763) for this place of 180 acres on Long Run, a branch of James River. Absalom bought 248 acres on the south side of James River in 1754. In 1759 he may have, for a short time, been in Carolina with his older brother Adam 2 Looney. This statement is based on the following evidence: On 11 October 1759 when Robert 1 Looney and Elizabeth agreed with their sons Peter and David, Robert 1 proposed to buy from Absalom his claim to some of the land. Accordingly, John Buchannon testified, in August 1764, that Robert 1 had stated that he, Robert, had paid Absalom L10 on Absalom's return from Carolina.

On 15 May 1765 Absalom and Margaret Looney deeded the 180 acres on Long Run to Peter 3 Looney, heir of Peter 2 Looney, and the deed recites a "corner of another tract belonging to Peter, formerly in possession of Robert Looney, Sr. " This deed is marked delivered on 26 September 1785. (Augusta Deed Book 12, p. 185; Chalkley II, p. 430.) In 1768 Peter Looney's executors mention cash paid to Absalom ("Abraham") Looney.

Absalom and his family probably moved from the tract on Long Run, perhaps a little further west, before or about 10 September 1767 when he patented 54 acres on Stone Run, a branch of Craig's Creek. (Augusta D.B. 37, p. 94) He must have lived here during much of the latter part of his life, "near Ripley's reference to his ancestor. On the same date Absalom 2 had a grant of 166 acres on Craig's Creek (according to Kegley). (Did he also

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have a grant of 60 acres on 25 January 1769 on the south side of James River? See Kegley, page 348, at seq. This 60 acres was surveyed for Robert Looney in 1762.)

Absalom Looney and Amos Potts were appointed to review and report on a road on Sinking Creek, 13 March 1771. It is stated concerning early settlements in Tazewell County, Virginia, that Absalom Looney, "the hunter", discovered Abb's Valley on the Bluestone and settled there in the valley in 1771, but the evidence cited above indicates that the discovery and original temporary settlement may have occurred much earlier, in the 1750's.

The Absalom Looney, assignee of Benjamin Davis, who had a grant of 114 acres on Craig's Creek 1 June 1782 might be thought identical with Absalom 3 were it not that the survey of this land was made 1 November 1754 when the land lay within the limits of Botetourt County, Virginia. (Va. Grants Bk. F, 509.)

Concerning the wife of Absalom 2 Looney, the records yield only the name Margaret from the deed of 15 May 1765 when Absalom and Margaret conveyed the 180 acre tract on Long Run to Peter 3 Looney, heir of Peter 2. At this time 8 or 9 of Absalom's 11 children had been born.

William 6 Gaines Looney, in his manuscript on this branch of the Looney family, refers more than once to a second marriage for Absalom 2, but not with desirable clarity. First, he states that Michael 3 was son of Absalom 2 and "Peggy" of Craig County, Virginia (out from Botetourt Co.). Later, after the statement: "Michael was the eldest," he inserted a note "and 1/2 brother to all the other children." Again: "in the meantime Michael's half

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brother and sister, Benjamin (known as Big Ben) and Mrs. Priscilla (Peggy) Caldwell settled in East Tenn., Ben in Stanley Valley, Hawking Co., and Mrs. Priscilla (Peggy) Caldwell in Knox Co., "

Among papers left by William Gaines Looney there is a reference to Mike as Absalom's eldest child "by Murldeen," or something like that.

From William gains Looney's remarks it is possible to make different assumptions concerning the wives of Absalom 2 Looney:

1. His 1st wife, mother of Michael, possibly named Murldeen, d. ca 1752. H m. (2) Margaret called "Peggy" who became mother of all the other children.
- 2..He m. (1) Peggy who d. at or shortly after the birth of Ann ca 1767 (and the removal from Long Run to Stony Run), and m. (2) the mother of Priscilla and Benjamin.
3. He m. (1) Murldeen, mother of Michael; m. (2) Peggy, mother of 8 children, Elizabeth to Ann, incl., and m. (3) the mother of Prescilla and Benjamin.

Aside from the reports b William Gaines Looney, no evidence has been found that Absalom 2 Looney married more than once.

Absalom 2 Looney's wife (or wives) must have died before 28 September 1791 when Absalom Looney of Botetourt County marked his will with an A, leaving 5 sh. to each of 4 sons and 7 daughters, and all else to son Benjamin without mention of his own wife. John Smyth and Stephen Holstine were named executors and he witnesses were Dan'l Givens, John Summerfield, Rich's Summerfield, and Will Givens. The will was proved at June Botetourt court 1796. (Will Book A, 426)

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A deed was made in December 1791 by an Absalom Looney to Dan'l Givens for land on Craig's Creek and same was recorded in June 1792. An examination of Craig County records should yield something of value concerning this transaction.

Concerning Absalom's death, William Gaines Looney says: "Later he sent for his son Michael, then in Tennessee, to come to him, that they (meaning his son Ben's wife and her sister) were not good to him and when he got there he found him dead and buried him there."

An inventory shows Absalom's estate was appraised 20 July 1796 by Henry Holstein, Hugh Caldwell and John Taylor.

The children of Absalom 2 Looney were all born either on Long Run, a branch of the James River at the present Buchanan, a few miles southwest of Natural Bridge in that part of old Augusta County that became Botetourt County in 1770, or somewhat further west on Stone Run, a branch of Craig's Creek. The daughters, except Ruth and Catherine, were all married when Absalom made his will. No Bible record has been found. Michael's birth date is known only as 1755 + or - from his listing in the 1850 census. The only complete birth date is that of Peter, as given by the family records of his descendants. Benjamin, as listed by census enumerators in 1830 and in 1840, was b. within the limits 1775 + or - 3. Birth dates for the other children as given below have been estimated to agree with what is known about those above mentioned and with the order in which their names are mentioned in their father's will.

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Elizabeth Looney b. say 1753, m. ante 1791 David Potts
(or Folk).

Peter 3 Looney b. 24 Nov. 1755. See 3d Gen.

Mary Looney b. say 1757; m. (1) ca 1776 Edwin William
Carvin who was killed by Indians in 1780 4 Mi. east
of Washborough; m. (2) 1781 by the chairman of the
Committee of the Provisional Government to Edward

Swanson. Mary Looney had 2 children, Mary (Carvin) Rutherford and William Carvin; and then Peter, Richard, and James Swanson. Mary is said to have died Between 1811 and 1823.

Margaret Looney b. say 1759, m. (Botetourt bond) 5 January 1778 Alexander Caldwell of Knox Co., Tenn. Their dau. Jessie Caldwell m. 18 March 1821 Benj. 4 Looney, her 1 st cousin, of Hawkins Co. , Tenn.

Jonathan 3 Looney b. say 1761. See 3d Gen.

Absalom 3 Looney b. say 1763. See 3d Gen

Ruth Looney b. say 1765. m. (Botetourt bond) 15 May 1790 John McCormick.

Ann Looney b. say 1767, md (Botetourt Co) 26 October 1786 m. James Harbison b. ca 1763. Ann d. ante September 1825 or 1826 when James Harbison m. (Knox Co., Tenn.) Rachel Hembree. James Harbison volunteered in the "faul" of 1780 and served until discharged on Dan River, Va. for details see section on Absalom 3 Looney who accompanied him. James and Ann (Looney) Harbison lived in Knox Co., Tenn, in 1806 and were taxed on 315 acres. A

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descendant, T. H. Neal of Knox Co., Tenn., says James d. 6 October 1841 in Dubois Co., Ind.

They had at least the following children:

John Harbison.

Aaron Harbison b. 1793

Henry Harbison b. ca 1795

William Pledge Harbison b. 1797

Catherine (Katie) Looney b. say 1769, m. (Botetourt Co) 11 August 1792 John Summerfield.

Prescilla Looney b. say 1771, m. (Botetourt bond) 24 November 1789 Wm. Caldwell. In Giles county, Tenn., in December 1815, admn. on the estate of Wm. Caldwell was granted to John Caldwell and Joseph Looney (perhaps of Jonathan 3 Looney).

Benjamin 3 Looney b. ca 1774. See 3d Gen.

(Reports of a son Donellson in the Absalom 2 Looney family have not been confirmed) Reports of a son John "killed by Indians" may have arisen because Jonathan often wrote his name Jon and Probably was killed by Indians. However, such a John 3 Looney could have been born ca 1760 and have been the John Looney who signed the Cumberland

Compact 1 May 1780 with his paternal first cousin Peter 3 Looney, Jr. and the latter's step relative James Cain, all three of whom may have been near the age of 20 years at that time. In any event, such a John 3 Looney had probably died without issue before 28 Sept. 1791 when Absalom 2 Looney made his will without mention of John or of his heirs.

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(Query: Who was the John Looney with Robert Looney, both privates in Capt. Beard's Company of Guards, Territory south of the Ohio, in 1791?)

Third Generation (Absalom 2 Branch)

Michael 3 Looney, first child listed in the will of his father Absalom 2 Looney, was born say 1751. From the 1830 census of Hawkins County, Ten., he was born 1765 +/- 5 and his wife was listed in the same age group and it must be remembered that his father had a family in 1753 or 1754.

Michael was in Captain Henry Pauling's Company as No. 30 on the list of those present at the Battle of Point Pleasant, W. Va. in 1774; also in Lord Dunmore's Wat, [War wbl] 1775. Descendants say he claimed Revolutionary War service. His name on the monument at Point Pleasant is spelled Mical Luney. (Hist. of W. Va.): D.A.R. Nos. 287313 and 290259.)

(William 6 Gaines Looney, son of James 5 Gaines Looney, in his MSS says Michael 3 reported himself born in Hagerstown, Md. in 1743. It is established that Robert 1 and Elizabeth Looney lived on the Virginia side of the Potomac River not far from Hagerstown from ca. 1735 to ca 1740, and it has been reported that Michael possessed one or more old school books that appeared to have been used at Hagerstown. This may be the source of a tradition that the family came to Virginia from Maryland. Some of Michael's

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uncles may have attended a school at Hagerstown, but in view of census records the idea that Michael was born as early as 1743 must be rejected.)

Descendants say Michael m. in 1890 [1790 wbl] in Botetourt Co, Va., Temperance Cross, daughter of Brittain and Miss____(Cole) Cross, the mother of Brittain Cross being a Miss ____Lane. Tempa is said to have told a different tale: That she ran away from home and followed her lover on a later boat from Ireland but never found him. She worked 3 years at 12 1/2 cents a day to pay for her passage and after that soon met Michael. They

probably married somewhat earlier than 1780, say ca 1778, because their 2d child was born 14 January 1781. It is said that Michael brought from Virginia only his gun, and "Tempa" her spinning wheel. They settled on the east fork of Big Creek, ca 13 miles east of Rogersville in Stanley's valley, Hawkins County, in what is now East Tennessee. In August 1788 he purchased from Michael Edwards, at 12 1/2 cents per acre, a Stanley claim of 250 acres and a cabin, adjoining McMurray and David Gamble. Some say the purchase price was "a span of horses" or "a spotted horse and a long butcher knife.") Hawkins Deed 1, p.) The old 2-story log house is said to date from 1782 or 1784.

In 1783 Michael with his younger brother Jonathan and their 1st cousin Benjamin 3 Looney (Robert 2), aged ca 32, 22, and 35 years, went on a long hunting trip in Kentucky on which Jonathan was captured and Benjamin killed by Indians near Cumberland Gap. (See Robert 2 Looney, Jr. Branch.)

In 1793 Absalom 3 and Michael 3 Looney testified in a suit,

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Simmons vs Tillery and Wilson, Washington District of Tenn. The land in question was on Big Creek, Hawkins County, and they proved that Wilson paid 2 horses, seemingly on 1 Sept. 1787 (Bk, 1, page 276, Overton Co., Tenn., records).

In November 1779 Wm. McGraw's judgement vs. Benjamin Looney (Michael's youngest brother) was recorded, and his 158 acres on the north side of Holston river and north side of Big Creek, adjoining Evan Shelby, was sold 22 February 1800. In May 1800 Michael 3 Looney received sheriff's deed for the place.

On 16 April 1808 land on Big Creek was deeded to Michael Looney and the witnesses were Benjamin Looney and A. Looney, Probably Michael's kinsmen Benjamin 4 and Sheriff Absalom 4, sons of Benjamin 3 (Robert 2 Jr), both of whom lived in Stanley Valley at that time.

Michael made a deed to his son John in 1827, to son Absalom 18 May 1829, and to Benjamin Jr in 1830.

Michael 3 is said to have been 5 feet 10 inches in height and to have braided his hair in a queue. James 5 Houston Looney (1828-1900), grandson, said he remembered Michael's death about 1836 to 1839. Miss Sallie Eugenia Brown said he died 1 January 1839. She further says that he died at the home of his son Benjamin on the old home place where Michael had gone to live after Tempa's death. They are buried in the "old Looney grave yard, high up the mountain, on the old place."

Upon reference to census records one finds that in the a 1830 census Michael and a female in same age group are listed as 70-80 (i.e. b. 1755 +/- 5) and are living alone except for a male slave.

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They are not found in the 1840 census.

The children of Michael 3 and Tempa (Cross) Looney were:

Margaret Looney b. say 1779. See 4 th Gen.
Mary Ann "Polly" Looney b. 14 Jan, 1781. See 4th Gen
Ann Looney b. say 1783, died a young woman.
William 4 Looney b. ca 1785. See 4th Gen.
Rachel 4 Looney b. ca 1787, married a McVeigh and
migrated westward.
Peter Looney b. say 1789, choked on a thimble and died
in infancy.
Absalom David 4 Looney b. 5 March 1790. See 4th Gen.
Benjamin 4 Looney b. ca 1792. See 4th Gen.
Michael 4 Looney b. ca 1795. See 4th Gen.
John 4 Looney b. 2 Oct, 1799. See 4th Gen.

Peter 3 Looney, third child, should have been born, it would seem, on the 180-acre tract where his Uncle Daniel 2 Looney had lived, and the year 1755 is reasonable in time. It seems probable that this Peter 3 of Absalom 2 is the Peter Looney of Sumner County, Tenn., who was "born 24 Nov. 1755 in Botetourt Co., Va.," according to family records of descendants. In Sumner County he often wrote a capital H after his name and sometimes Harmon. This Peter Looney, we think, was probably he who in June 1776 signed a petition from the inhabitants of the western part of Fincastle County asking for a division of same. (Peter 3 of Adam 2 Looney enlisted 25 March 1776 in 6th S.C. Regt. and died in service 24 Sept. 1776.) Peter Looney (H) is probably he who worked 67 days under Capt. John 3 Looney (Robert 2), Bullock Master, about August to December 1776, probably in southern Washington Co., Va., or in western N.C. (including pre-Tennessee) after the men under Co. Wm. Christian

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returned from the Cherokee expedition. Also Peter (H) probably signed on 6 Nov. 1776 a petition from the inhabitants of Lower Washington Co., Va., Protesting the erection of a court house.

(Peter 3 of Peter 2 Looney was b. 1 Oct. 1760 and therefore only 17 at this time,) It seems of possible significance that this Peter (H) Looney, when signing the petition of 1777, signed just after James Brigham who had m. Lovice, daughter of Thomas 2 and Jane (Harmon) Looney. Perhaps, for example, Rachel, the wife of this Peter 3 Looney (of

Absalom 2), who later is found writing H or Harmon after his name to avoid confusion with Peter 3 or Peter 2 Looney, may have been Rachel Harmon and related to Margaret Harmon, mother of Lovice (Looney) Brigham, the daughter of Thomas 3 Looney.

It will appear elsewhere, in the account of Peter 3 of Peter 2 Looney, that said Peter 3 could not be the Peter 3 Looney (H) who settled and remained in Sumner Co., Tenn., but that he was indeed the Peter Looney (P) who left Sumner Co., and lived later in Lincoln and Marshall Counties, Tenn. Also, it will then appear that Peter Looney (P) and not Peter Looney (H) accompanied Robertson in 1779.

Descendants say that Peter and Rachel Looney of Sumner Co. came there as a young couple and that all their children were born there. Unfortunately, no record of the date of their marriage has been found and no complete list of their children. From the census records and all presently available data, the writer has reconstructed the family (see below) with adjusted estimated dates of birth. There may have been an older child of whom no evidence has been found, but otherwise the date of their marriage appears to

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have been ca 1783.

If indeed Peter and Rachel Looney came to the Davidson area as a young married couple, it does not seem likely that they came as early as the Donnelson "Adventure" flotilla 1779-80. Certainly Peter and perhaps Rachel may, however, have been on Donnelson's flotilla but not yet married. Certainly Haywood's Hist. of Tenn, states that Peter Looney was with Donelson, whereas the pension papers of Peter 3 Luna (Peter 2) state that he arrived 2 days before Christmas 1779. This means that he came overland with Robertson.

In this connection, it should be remembered that Peter 3 (H) (Absalom 2) had an older sister Mary who m. (1) ca 1776 Edward Carvin (who was killed 1780) and m (2) in 1781 at Nashborough, Edward Swanson. Concerning this, Mr. Robert M. McBride of Nashville, in a letter of 3 Sept. 1960 to Elizabeth Looney, says: "The records do show that Edward Swanson came with Robertson and I would imagine that Carvin did also, his wife and sons being additionally accompanied by her brother, Peter, whom Donelson lists." McBride says further: "There are also per-emption (residence) grants to Peter Looney in Davidson County in 1783." This is shown by the Davidson County Pioneer Roll of Honor which Colonel Robertson presented to the North Carolina Legislature--North Carolina Cumberland Roll--January 7, 1783. Entry was made in 1783. (To L.W.T. it seems that this pre-emption was granted to Peter 3 Luna, son of Peter 2 Looney.) The original of the Cumberland Compact should be examined, also the land grants, to see if there were two Peter Looneys who signed the Pact and if, correspondingly, two pre-emptions were granted.

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It is necessary to consider very carefully the two men named Peter Looney who for several years lived in Sumner County and used letters or names after their own to distinguish themselves: one using H or Harmon and the other using P or Pitman. Occasionally the added name was inserted as if a middle name. Peter, whose wife Rachel, appears early in time in the particular area that became Sumner Co. in 1786. Both Peters recorded their stock marks at the 1st court for Sumner in 1787. Peter (P) who came at about the same time afterwards moved to Lincoln and Marshall Counties and continued to be styled Captain. An important record for distinguishing these men is found in Sumner, called the Record of taxes, 1787-1794. Peter Looney (P) is there entered for 440 acres in 1787 and 1789, but for only 249 acres in 1791. On 14 July 1792, a Peter Looney of Sumner Co. was commissioned Captain of Militia of Sumner Co. and the tax list of 1792, 1793, and 1794 in which we find the Looney names entered are headed "Capt. Loonys Caompany." ("Capt. Looneys Company" wbl) The designation P is missing from the name of the Peter Looney who still is taxed on 249 acres in 1792 and the P does not again appear in these similar lists for 1793 and 1794. On the other hand the designation H appears as usual with the name Peter Looney, taxed for 640 acres in 1787, 1788, 1789, 1790 and 1793. It is thus directly inferable that Peter Looney (Pitman) was the Captain. In agreement with this, some of the entries (entries wbl) of Peter Looney (P) in the Sumner Co. Court Minutes are indexed as Capt. Looney. Further, it will be noticed below that Peter Looney (H) is closely associated with James Brigham, husband of Lovice, and with the families of Latimer and Briggance whose members intermarried with

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descendants of Peter and Rachel Looney. therefore, in these pages we will refer to Peter 3 who m. Rachel as Peter (H) or Peter of Sumner Co., whereas Peter 3 (Peter 2) will be called Peter (P), Peter J., Peter of Nashborough, Peter of Lincoln, or Capt. Peter.

On page 1 of volume 1 of the Minutes of the first Court of Sumner Co, the name of Peter Looney, Harmon, appears among the jurors for the July term of 1787. On page 2 is a notation that he recorded a stock mark. He was on the Grand Jury in January and in April of 1789. an early document that applies to Peter Looney (H) of Sumner is land record 1313 in the State Library at Raleigh, N.C., concerning entry 476, 7 June 1785, for 640 acres on the E. branch of Drake's Creek on north side of Cumberland River in Davidson Co.; Wm. Montgomery's line; Henry Turney's line. This land seems to have been entered by Henry Hardin and assigned to Wm. Clarey, and then assigned to Peter Looney. The land was on the trace from Gaspers to Asher's Station. since it was "2 miles above Drake's Creek" on an eastern branch thereof, it may not have been distant more that 2 to 5 miles from certain lands, to be mentioned presently, that were on the west fork of Station Camp Creek. North Carolina grant No. 279 for this 640 acres was not issued to Peter

Looney until 10 July 1788. This land was included in Sumner County in 1786 and Peter Looney (H) is found on the Tax List of 1787 for 640 acres.

Peter Looney (H) of Sumner may have been in Davidson County earlier than his purchase of the 640 acre tract, but no evidence is at hand. The Peter Looney on jury 6 July 1784 at Nashborough (Davidson Co. Minute Book a. 1783-1790, Pt. 1, p. 20, 29) may have

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been Peter (3).

In October 1788 Peter Looney (Harmon), Robert Looney, and others were appointed (probably for jury duty) on the Superior Court. again, in January 1789 Peter Looney (H) was appointed with John Brigham and Robert Looney and others for April 1789.

In 1789 James McKain transferred lands on the west fork of Station Camp Creek to Peter Looney (Grant Book, p. 308), but neither Peter Looney (H) nor Peter Looney (P) seem to have been taxed for 640 acres each year from 1787 to 1793, inclusive, and for 970 acres in 1794.

Land record 1018 at Raleigh concerns entry of 6 Jan. 1790 for 40 acres on a branch of west fork of Station Camp Creek, Sumner Co.; Robert Cartwright's line; Jas. Franklin's line. This was entered by M. Armstrong, assigned to Wm. Nash, then assigned to Peter Looney. Grant No. 203 was issued 27 Feb. 1795. This is probably the same land mentioned in Davidson Co. Land Records 1788-1793, page 20, as grant to Peter Luna, "joining south bounds of Cartwright."

On 9 Aug. 1792 when Justinian Cartwright sold land on Station Camp Creek to James Gambling the witnesses were Peter Looney and Rachel Looney. (Sumner Deeds 1, p. 13(when administration on the estate of David Scoby, deed., was granted to ester Scoby in January 1794, the securities were Robert Looney and Peter Looney. On April 29 following, John Hamilton for L200 deeded land to Peter Looney (H). (In 1795 the acreage taxed to Peter Looney (H) increased 330 acres) On July 8 of the same year 1794 it was ordered {>>by hand at bottom of page 16<'James Gambling sold to Whitman Leggett Mar 31, 1851'}

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that Robert Looney, Peter Looney (H), and Archibald Martin appraise the estate of Nath'l Latimer, decd. On 23 Jn. 1795 Peter Looney (H) deeded land to Patrick Mooney for \$300.

At the January court of 1801, John Looney, Peter Looney (H), and Issac Baker were on jury. In June 1805 Griswold Latimer, Peter Looney (H), Archibald Martin, rube Edwards, and Wm. Edwards were commissioners to lay off dower to Elizabeth Briggance, relict of Wm. Briggance, deed.

Peter 3 Looney represented Sumner county in the state Legislature in 1811-1813 and again in 1817. (Clarion and Tenn. State Gazette 10 June and 15 July 1817).

There are other Sumner county deeds to and from Peter Looney, but the writer has not examined them. Peter 3 Looney of Sumner County was living at the 1820 census, over 45 years of age, and one female, Rachel of course, was in the same age group. Two boys were 16 to 26 and two girls were 26 to 45 and 16 to 26. There were 3 male and 2 female slaves. At the 1830 census Rachel Looney was head of the household, aged 60 to 70; that is, born 1765 +/- 5.

This agrees with family records which give her birth as 26 June 1761, in Maryland. With her in 1830 were 2 males 20 to 30 to 40 and one female 20 to 30. Family records give the death of Peter 3 Looney or Sumner county as 1 Jan. 1830. At November court 1830, Charles Watkins, Jesse Gambling, Bright B. Harris, John H. Franklin, and Wm. Shaw were commissioners for dividing the lands of Peter Looney. (Deeds 12, p. 453). For dower, 137 acres and 25 poles were assigned. the other assignments from the same tract were: To Mary Looney 75 acres; to E. C. Looney 77 acres 1 rod 1

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perch; to Jonathan D. Looney 77 acres 1 rod 1 perch; to Joseph Scoby and wife Elizabeth 77 acres 1 rod 1 perch; to Porter Baker and wife Martha 77 acres 1 rod 1 perch.

The family records give the death of Rachel Looney as 31 Aug. 1835. Her signed will is dated 16 June 1835, Sumner co.; probated November 1835. (Recorded in will Bk. 2, p. 199) Polly Looney, daughter, received the use of negro woman Sucky; Elizabeth Scoby, daughter, 1 bed and some furniture; Polly Looney and Jonathan Looney, son, 1/2 the proceeds of sale of Negroes, etc.; Isaac Looney, son, Edward C. Looney, son, and daughter-in-law Caroline Looney, 1/2 the proceeds of sale of Negroes, etc. Josiah Walton was names executor; Charles Watkins and Jesse Gambling were witnesses.

Peter 3 and Rachel {hand scribed>(Harmon)} Looney had at least 8 or 9 children:

Elizabeth Looney b. say 1784; m. Joseph Scoby, b. 1785
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listed in 1820 census Sumner Co., Tenn., apparently
with 11 children. In Nov. 1830 at the division of the
real estate of Peter Looney, Joseph Scoby and wife
Elizabeth received Lot No. 4, 77 plus acres. from
Rachel Looney's estate in 1835 daughter Elizabeth Scoby
received

1 bed and furniture and granddaughter Caroline Scoby received 1 bed and furniture.
Michael 4 Looney b. say 1786. See 4th Gen.
Isaac 4 Looney b. 1788. See 4th Gen.
Polly 4 Looney b. 1790 (Census 1850) received Lot No 1, 74A, from her father's estate in November 1830 and 1/4 of the Negroes from her mother's estate in 1835. she was still living in Sumner and alone at the 1850 census.

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William Looney b. say 1793 was a member of this family according to Mrs. B.A.. Fowler of Brownwood, Tex.; she was a great-granddaughter of Isaac 4 Looney. There was a William E. Looney in Henry co., Tenn., in 1830 living near Jonathan D. Looney. this Wm. E Looney was born 1795 =/- 5.

Jonathan 4 Davis Looney b 23 Jan. 1796. See 4th Gen. Possibly a child b. say 1799. Must have c. ante 1820 census. Martha H. Looney b. say 1802, m. 16 Feb. 1830 Porter Baker. In Nov. 1830 Porter Baker and wife Martha received Lot No. 5, 77 plus acres. They had no children. Martha died soon, or at least before 1835 when she is not mentioned in Rachel's will.
Edward 4 Carven Looney b. 1804. See 4th Gen.

(Mrs. B.A. Fowler includes a Jesse among the children of Peter and Rachel Looney, but it is possible that this was the eldest son of Michael 4 Looney and Caroline, who were m. 14 April 1804. It has been reported that their eldest son did not go to Missouri with his mother but remained in Sumner County. Who was Elizabeth Looney in Sumner Co. 1830 b. ca 1785 with daus. 20/30 and 5/10 and no males; also there 1840, with neighbor Moses Looney b. 1805 =/- 5?)

Jonathan 3 Looney was born say 1761, probably in Augusta County, Va., on the 180-acre tract. It is said that Jonathan 3 signed his name Jon and it is rational to believe that he came to Nashborough with his 1st cousin Peter 3 Looney Jr. on the Donelson "Adventure" and signed the Cumberland Pact on 1 May 1780 in such

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way that it has been read and reported as John Loony. The earliest record seems to be in Botetourt County deed Book 3, page 177, On 2 Jan. 1780 odd (context suggests 1783) Jonathan Looney and Wm. Merchant witnessed an agreement between John Meguff and Catharana, widow of Isaac Barfield, concerning the distribution of her estate her children. The next record that may refer to him is the entry 297 on 16 Feb. 1784 for 640 acres of

land on the west fork of Station Camp Creek, in Davidson co., Tenn. Was this entry made on pre-emption rights for Jonathan's early presence at Nashborough? This land was assigned by Jonathan Looney to David 2 Looney, his uncle, and N.C. grant No. 71 was issued 17 April 1786. (David Looney himself entered 640 acres, adjacent thereto, as entry 295 on the same day in February 1784, and N.C. grant No. 21 was issued to David on the same 17 April 1786. David paid L10 for every 100 acres of grant No. 21. see also No. 43 in N.C. grants, Sumner co., and Nos. 1097 and 1053 in N.C. Land records at Raleigh.)

Jonathan 3 Looney married in Lincoln county, Ky., 17 March 1786, Jane Harbeson; Rachel Harbeson was bondsman. (Doubtless Jane was related to Wm. and Mary Harbison of Botetourt Co. Wm. Harbison's will, pro. 1775 mentions day. Jean.) It is not unlikely that Jane was a sister to James Harbison who served in the Revolutionary War with absalom 3 Looney, brother to Jonathan 3, and married Ann Looney, sister to Jonathan 3 and absalom 3 Looney.

On 3 May 1817 Jonathan Looney and Jane (or Jean) Looney, his wife, conveyed 22 1/2 acres of land to John Silvertooth, all being of Lincoln Co. the land was on E. fork of Mulberry Creek, E. of Fayetteville. (Linc. Co. deeds D. 387). Witnesses were Thomas E.

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Shaw and Thomas Whitworth. The description mentions Wm. T. Lewis, James Clark's line, and Wm. Brown's line; and Thomas H. Shaw relinquished rights and title to said land.

In the 1820 census of Lincoln Co., Tenn., Jonathan Looney is found, over 45 years of age with 1 female in same age group, and 1 male 16 to 26; no slaves. He was a farmer. A Tenn. Grant to a Jonathan Looney was made in Giles County in 1821 (book R, p. 200, Nashville)

An inventory of the personal estate of Jonathan Loony was recorded in Lincoln Co. on 9 Jan. 1824, as made by John Enochs, Admr.

An axe was sold to Jane Loony for \$1.00. (Line, Wills and Inventories 1810-1824, p. 383.)

It is not unlikely that Jonathan Looney was killed by Indians. According to William 6 Gaines Looney (Absalom 2 Branch), Jonathan was captured by Indians in 1783 when his cousin Ben 3 (Robert 2) was killed near Cumberland Gap. (See account under Ben 3 (Robert 2) Looney). William 6 Gaines Looney also says near the beginning of his "Genealogy" which he wrote for his children, "Jonathan Looney was reported to his brother Michael Looney to have been killed by Indians..."

On 31 May 1827 for \$700. Jane Looney sold to David Rhoten 110 +/- acres on E. fork of Mulberry Creek where Wm. Brown lived, mentioning corner of a 20-acre tract sold by John Silvertooth to Anthony Crowford. Witnesses were J.H. Shaw and F.G. Landers. (Linc. Deeds H, p. 75).

On 11 June 1827 Thomas H. Shaw conveyed to Jane Looney 110 +/- acres on E. Fork of Mulberry Creek, the consideration being the surrender of a bond which Jane "held on Shaw" for her maintenance during

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life. Witnesses: F. G. Landers and J. Landers. (Link, Deeds H, 76)

No record evidence has been found to show who were the children of Jonathan 3 and Jane (Haberson) Looney. Circumstantial evidence suggests that among them were:

Jonathan 4 Looney b. say 1789. See 4th Gen.

Joseph 4 Looney b. say 1792. See 4th Gen.

Absalom 5 [(3) wbl] Looney was b. say 1763 (estimate by L.W.T.),

probably on the 180-acre tract on James River in Augusta Co., Va. (Mrs. Oscar Hughes Looney gives his birth as 1769, but this would make him only 11 when he enlisted in 1780.) **He doubtless moved with his parents to the stone Run place on Craig's Creek when he was a young child. from the pension application of James Harbison (W 7707 BIWt 71, 190-160-55), it is known that both he and Absalom Looney volunteered in Botetourt Co., Va., in "the fall before the battle of the Cow Pens" (that is, in the fall of 1780) and served 6 months.**

On page 201 of White's Mountain Men there is reference to an Absalom Looney as present at the Battle of King's Mountain. It is there stated or suggested that this Absalom was a son of Major David Looney, but David 2 Looney of Sullivan Co., N.C., has no son Absalom. David 2 did have a son Abraham born at about that time. There is no trace or suggestion that Adam 2 had a son Absalom, and Abraham 4 (Robert 3, Adam 2) was not over 5 or 10 years old in 1780. Therefore, an Absalom Looney, if at the Battle of King's Mountain, could be no other than Absalom 3 of Absalom 2 of Abb's Valley (unless we are to believe that Absalom 2 Looney at the age of

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about 51 was there himself with his brother David 2 aged 44).

James Harbison, born 1763, was later to marry Absalom's younger sister Ann, born ca 1767. Others who, according to Harbison, volunteered at the same time and

served with them and were discharged at the same time were John Hawkins, James Mathers, Michael Shaw, William Reynolds, and William Walker. Harbison says they entered the service under Capt. James Robinson (Major David Campbell) and marched to South Carolina and were within 6 days' march of the battle of Cow Pens (17 Jan. 1781). They passed over through King's Mountain and thence to Ramsour's Mill, crossing on the dam in the night. Near the Mill they joined Morgan's Regiment and marched the Island Ford on Catawba River; and marched down the river to the Horse Ford. They heard the guns when General Davidson was killed on Catawba River, then marched to Salisbury in North Carolina, thence to Bland Ford on the Yadkin River. There were in a small battle with the British and Captain Henley was taken prisoner. They then marched to Virginia on the Dan River where they were discharged. His application was dated 13 Nov. 1832. This, of course, is also a statement of the service of Absalom 3 Looney.

The reference to Harbison's application is probably a satisfactory reference for the Revolutionary service of Absalom 3 Looney. It seems very unlikely, however, that he was at the Battle of King's Mountain for which the date is 7 Oct. 1780. Additional pertinent information may be obtained from other pension application papers: John Hawkins, Va., S5451; Wm. Reynolds, Va. S5982; Wm. Walker, Va., S6340, S7800, and S14780.

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After the Revolution Absalom 3 Looney may have gone to Western North Carolina. In 1783 the Commissioners Absalom Looney, Isaac Shelby, and Anthony Bledsoe came to the Cumberland District to survey the lands set apart by the legislature of North Carolina for its soldiers of the Continental Line and others. (Tenn. Cousins, p.673). It is difficult to see how this could be other than Absalom 3 Looney unless it was David 2 Looney rather than Absalom who was the Commissioner.

On 7 Aug. 1789 Absalom 3 Looney acquired from Wm. Lee a claim to 640 acres on Little War Creek, near the mouth of Was Creek, on the southeast side of Clinch river. (the entry, No. 2189, had been made by Stephen Williams in 1779.) North Carolina Grant No. 311 was issued 27 Nov. 1792 to Absalom Looney and it recites, "where he now lives." (Nashville Book 3, p. 232; Case 423, N.C. Land Records, Raleigh, N.C.)

In 1793 Absalom 3 Looney and his brother Michael 3 Looney testified in a suit of Simmons vs Tillery and Wilson, Washington District of Tenn. the land in question was on Big Creek in Hawkins County. Absalom and Michael et al proved that Wilson paid John Bishop 2 horses, seemingly on 1 Sept. 1787.

Absalom Looney is mentioned as Justice of the Peace as early as September 1790. Gov. William Blount's Journal shows that he was reappointed for Hawkins Co. on 27 Sept. 1794. (territorial Papers of the U.S. IV, 462.) On 15 Aug. 1797 Absalom Looney and

William Elsey witnessed a deed from Wm. McClean to Wm. Vaughan for \$400 for 250 acres on Little War Creek on the north side of Clinch Mountain. (Hawkins Deeds 2, 433). Also on 15 April 1800

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Absalom Looney and James Cope witnessed a deed from Wm. Vaughan to John Helton (\$200) fir 100 acres on north side of Clinch Mountain on a branch of Little War Creek; same was proved February 1801 by Absalom Looney. (Hawkins Deed 1, 353.)

John Seveir's Journal, November 1802, shows that the Commissioners on the night of Sunday, 21 November, staid at Michal Looney's (on big Creek in Stanley valley) and on Monday 22d he and General Rutledge crossed Clinch Mountain at Looney's Gap and traveled down the lower creek (probably Little War Creek) to Abs. Loony's.

Either Absalom 3 Looney (b. ca 1763) or Absalom 4 b. ca 1782 (son of Benjamin 3 and Mary (Johnson) Looney) was a member of a Masonic Lodge in Hawkins Co., Tenn., in 1805. (Tenn. Cousins, p. 58).

The Track Book in the Land Office at Huntsville, Madison Co., Ala., shows an entry on 18 Sept. 1809 by Absalom Looney for the southwest 1/4 of Section 12, township 4 South, Range 1 west, 160.19 acres in Madison County. The land records in Washington, D.C., however, indicate that Looney was an assignee of John Hunt who had entered 28 Aug. 1809 and it was a re-entry by Looney on 18 Sept. 1809.

Meanwhile, Absalom 3 was still in Tennessee where the tax list for 1810, Captain Looney's Company (probably Captain John), Hawkins County, included John Looney, 300 acres, 1 white poll; and Absalom Looney, Esq. 640 acres, 1 white poll and 1 black poll. Soon, on 27 Nov. 1810, by dead registered 6 May 1811 (Hawkins Deeds 6, 296), Absalom 3 Looney of Hawkins County sold to Mathias Click of same, for \$1000, 640 acres in Hawkins on north side of Clinch Mountain and south side of Clinch River, including the mouth of War

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Creek, the same land granted by N.C., No. B, 311, to Absalom 3 Looney, The witnesses were Richard Mitchell, Samuel Wilson and Thomas Gillenwaters. No further, that is later, records of Absalom 3 Looney are found in Tennessee.

Further investigation shows that Jon. Hunt made his first installment payment at Huntsville, Ala. on 9 April 1810 as assignee of Jas. Manning. On 19 Aug. 1811 Absalom 3 Looney made the second installment payment as assignee of John Hunt. Therefore, it is

clear that Absalom 3 purchased John Hunt's interest between 9 April 1810 and 19 Aug. 1811.

There is a tradition that Absalom 3 Looney came to Alabama via Petersburg, Lincoln Co., Tenn. This is probably because Absalom must have known that his brother Jonathan 3 (and wife Jane) lived near there, and also that his cousin big Petter 3 Luna (Peter 2) was settling near there at about that time. (In 1810 Petter 3 Luna purchased a lot in Fayetteville.) It should be remembered that Jane (Harbeson) Looney may have been a sister to James Harbison who served in the revolutionary War with Absalom 3 Looney and m. Ann Looney, sister to Jonathan 3 and Absalom 3.

If Absalom 3 and family traveled via Lincoln Co., Tenn., on their move to Huntsville, Ala., they did not remain long there because on an 1811 tax list for Madison Co., Ala., Absalom was listed for 160 acres on Indian Creek, with 2 polls and 6 slaves. In 1812 he had 1 poll and 5 slaves.

Absalom 3 Looney made final payment on his 160 acres, about 2 miles south of Huntsville on Indian Creek, on 19 April 1810 and the Grant was issued, Certificate 75. On 23 Dec. 1816 Absalom

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Looney was a purchaser at the sales of the effects of Jacob Sively of Madison Co., Ala. (bookCD,1,89).

Absalom Looney served on a jury for the week beginning 18 Nov. 1816. (Circuit court Min. 1815, book 2.) He was also names as a juror 17 May 1817, 11 and 12 Nov. 1817. (Orphan's Court book 1).

On 27 June 1817 the southeast 1/4 of Section 11, township 5 south, Range 1 east, 160 acres was granted to Absalom Looney. this quarter section was about 8 miles southeast of Huntsville. On 26 Feb. 1818 Absalom Looney purchased the northern half of Section 14, township 5 south, range 2 west (Certificates 1748, 1785); 320 acres. These 320 acres were about 10 miles southwest of Huntsville on or near Indian Creek and nearer Triana, onetime called Looney's Landing on the Tennessee River.

When Jacob Fuqua had license to marry Margaret Looney, on 25 Aug. 1818, Absalom Looney was surety.

No record evidence of the name of Absalom Looney's wife has been found. Mrs. O.H. Looney of Nashville reported in 1963 that Absalom 3 Looney m. 21 Sept. 1791 Peggy Wills.

The estate of Absalom Looney was appraised 19 Nov. 1818 by Robert Beaty, William Thompson, and Archibald McDonnell. John Looney was administrator. (wills and Inv. 208). The effects were sold at auction on 4 Jan. 1819 by John W. Looney; total receipts \$8,425.94. The list of sales recorded 22 June 1819 mentions 1 hog as having been killed for use of "the family." (Wills and Inv., 198.)

In the Huntsville republican of 28 Dec. 1821, John W. Looney, admr. of the estate of Absalom Looney, decd., advertised for rent

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the plantation of 100 (160/ wbl) acres where Absalum (sp wbl)Looney lived, 2 miles south from Huntsville on Indian Creek; likewise the plantation belonging to the Looney estate at Big Cove. This may indicate that Absalom's wife survived him and, accordingly, that the real estate was not sold and divided immediately. In the notice of sale, accordingly, it was stated that the plantation would be rented for 1 year and possession given the same week.

Absalom 3 Looney died possessed of his home plantation of 160 acres near Huntsville, 320 acres, southwest, near Triana, and 160 acres about 9 miles southeast of Huntsville.

The widow may have died just before John W. Looney, admr., sold the home plantation to the Brandons on 3 Jan. 1825.

The children of Absalom 3 Looney were:

John 4 Warren Looney b. say 1793, Tenn. See 4th Gen. Margaret Looney b. say 1797, Tenn., m. (lic) 25 Aug., 1818, Madison Co., Ala., Jacob Fuqua. Absalom Looney was surety. About 1827 Ailas Fuqua was administrator or Jacob Fuqua, Franklin Co., Ala. and John W. Looney was guardian of Stokley and Perrine Fuqua. (Was Margaret Looney's name Mary Margaret and was she the one called "Polly" by tradition?)

Martha Looney (called Patsy) b. say 1801, Tenn., m. Col. Fleming Hodges (who d. ca1828) by Jo. Smith, J.P., 14 Apr. 1823 as 2nd wife. (Morgan Co., Ala., lic.) Absalom 4 Looney b. 1809, Tenn. see 4th Gen. (according to tradition, there was a "Susan" in this family. Is there any connection with Elijah Looney b.

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ca 1805 who m. (lic) 7 June 1828 Susan Dickey in

Madison Co., Ala.?
see 1830 census of Madison Co., Ala., 1840
census of Marshall Co., Va., (? wbl) and perhaps 1850
census of Hardin Co., Tenn., for possible interest.)

Benjamin 3 Looney was born ca1774, say, perhaps on the 54-acre tract on Craig's Creek, Augusta Co., Va., which his parents had purchased 10 Sept, 1767. Benjamin married in Botetourt co., license of 22 July 1793, Elizabeth McClure. By his father's will dated 28 Sept., 1791, proved in June of 1796, Benjamin received all the estate except 5 shillings to each of his brothers and sisters. On the 27th of October following proof of the will, Benjamin Looney sold to Isaac Taylor, both being of Botetourt co., the 54-acre tract on Stone run, a branch of Craig's Creek. (Botetourt Deeds 7, 317). Stoney run was the name of the stream when the land was in Augusta Co.; much later and after it became Botetourt CO/ the falls became known as Buttermilk falls and then Meadow Creek and fall. After 1851 the land was in Craig Co., VA.

On 25 Feb. 1798 William McGraw deeded to Benjamin Looney for \$666 2/3. ; 58 acres on north side of Holston river and north side of Big Creek, adjoining land surveyed for Evan Shelby. Gabriel McGraw and Drury Holt were witnesses (Hawkins Co., Tenn., Deed 2, p. 375.) But Wm. McGraw sued Benjamin Looney 10 Dec. 1799

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for \$218.90 and obtained judgment, recorded Nov. 1799. Sheriff Alexander Nelson of Hawkins sold the 158 acres to Michael 3 Looney 22 Feb. 1800 at public auction to satisfy a judgment of \$218.90. (Hawkins Deeds 1, p. 307).

At the 1830 census of Hawkins Co., Benjamin 3 Looney (b. 1775 +/- 5) wife in same age group are listed with 1 boy b. 1812.5 +/- 5 (probably Absalom), 2 females b. 1805 +/- 5, 1 girl b. 1822.5 +/- 2.5, and 1 girl b. 1827.5 +/- 2.5.

At the 1840 census of Hawkins he is listed as Benj. Looney Sr. (b. 1775 +/- 5), with 1 female in same age group and with 1 female b. 1805 +/- 5), and another b. 1837.5 +/- 2.5. Benjamin 3 Looney is not found in 1850 in the census of Hawkins Co. It is presumed that he died between 1840 and 1850. Benjamin 3 Looney was known as "Big Ben" according to tradition. The children of Benjamin 3 and "Bettie" (McClure) Looney are given by collected family accounts, census records, land records, etc., as:

Kate 4 Looney b. ca 1795, said to have m. George Owen who was listed in the 1840 census of Hawkins Co. with wife in same age group and 7 children, including probably, Clinton Owen who was 20-30 in 1840. It is said that George Owen was an English soldier who remained in the U.S.A. after the War of 1812.

Phoebe 4 Looney b. ca 1797, m. William Owen who was listed in the 1830 census of Hawkins Co., b. 1795 +/- 5 with wife in same age group and 7 children, 3 boys and 4 girls, all under 15 years. William Owen died 1848 to 1855 and under 15 years. William Owen died 1848 to 1855 and Phoebe Owen did in March 1861 and her administrator was

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George Owen. (Hawkins Court Record 1857-63, 460; 548). Immediately thereafter the court divided the land of William Owen, deceased. (Hawkins Deeds 32, 485) From the land division and from deeds recorded in Hawkins County, in Vols. 20, 25, 32, and 33, it is found that William Owen had children as follows:

William (P?) Owen of Sullivan Co., Tenn., 1855.
Maria S. Owen m. ante April 1860 James H. Collett.
Lavinia Owen m. ante Oct. 1860 Solomon Walters.
Elizabeth M. Owen b. 12 October 1821, d. 15 Sept., 1886, Hawkins Co., m. 4 August 1844 Jacob Howe b. 1818. (Hawkins Census 1870)

Robert K. Owen.
Benjamin L. Owen m. 5 November 1849, Adeline Crowder.
Mary Ann Owen m. bond 20 Feb., 1849, John Phelps.
George W. Owen b. 1831, m. (1) Ca 1852 Louisiana ____ m. (2) Margaret _____. (Hawkins Census 1870).
Caroline Owen m. ante August 1861, _____ Mayo.
Oscar F.C. Owen b. ante September, 1840; m. 15 March 1866 Nancy Looney.

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Julia 4 Looney b. ca. 1805, d. unmarried, 1840 to 1850.
Betsey 4 Looney b. 1810, d. 1860-70 unmarried. "Spinstress" in 1860.
Absalom 4 Looney b. ca. 1814. See 4th Gen.

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Forth Generation (Absalom 2 Branch)

Margaret 4 Looney (Michael 3) was born say 1779 in Stanley Valley,

Hawkins Co., Tenn. She married ca 1796 Daingerfield Rice (b. 1775); d. 1827) who came to Tenn. from Virginia and settled near Shelbyville on Duck Creek. Their children were:

Sally Rice (b. 12 Feb., 1797, d. 10 May 1874); m. Bradford Co., Tenn., ca. 1816.

Mackey Brown (7th child of Joseph and Jemima Broyles Brown) b. Haversham, Ga., 11 Feb. 1797, d. March 1874. Their son Joseph Emerson Brown b. 15 April 1821 became governor of Georgia from 1857 to 1865 and U.S. Senator from 1881 to 1891. Information from Miss Sallie Eugenia Brown to Coyd a. Looney. (The Looney papers collected by Miss Sallie Eugenia Brown are reported to be preserved in the Archives of Georgia at Atlanta.) Prudence Rice b. 12 Feb., 1801; m. John Ingram. Pleasant Rice b. 7 March 1803; m. 26 Aug. 1826 Verlinda C. Ray.

Mrs. Margaret (Looney) Rice died on Duck Creek in Tenn. ca 1804. Daingerfield Rice married (2) ca 1808 Nancy Brown, cousin to Mackey Brown, and in 1818 moved to Missouri, Lafayette County, where he died 15 June 1827. Their children were: Polly Rice m. John Grant; Ann Rice m. ____ Whitehead; Melissa Rice m. 1831 George Gilliland; James Porter Rice m. (1) Sallie Whitselt, (2) Mary Ramsey, (3) Ann Atherton; John Rice; Hugh Rice, Celest

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Helen Elvira Rice m. John Weston.

Mary 4 Ann "Polly" Looney (Michael 3) was born 14 Jan, 1781 in Stanley Valley. She eloped and married 14 Nov. 1800 Sherrod Williams (b. 20 April 1776, d. 12 Sept. 1831) a Welshman and a widower with 1 son. Polly Looney Williams died 19 June 1844. Her children were:

Jefferson Williams b. 2 Jan. 1802, d. 3 March 1817.
Rachel Williams b. 2 March 1803, d. 6 April 1851.
Jennie 5 (Jane) Williams b. 22 Jan. 1905 (1805 wbl),
d. 14 Nov. 1883,
Margaret (Peggy) Williams b. 2 May 1806.
James 5 (Jim) Williams b. 28 May, 1807, d. 27 Feb. 1887,
Alabama legislator.
Louisa Williams, b. 22 March, 1809.
Michael (Mike) Williams b. 1 Oct., 1810. (1 Sept. ?)
Madison (Mat) Williams, b. 15 Nov. 1811
John Williams, b. 29 Nov. 1812, d. 9 Sept. 1837.
Absalom (App) Williams, b. 18 May 1814, d. 27 Feb. 1857.
Sherrod (Pete) Williams, Jr., b. 12 Sept. 1815.
Lent Williams, b. 17 Oct. 1817.

Susannah (Susie) Williams, b. 12 Feb. 1819.
Nancy Williams b. 4 May 1820.
Josiah (Con) Conn Williams, b. 7 Sept, 1821, d. 22 June, 1903.
William Harmspring Williams, b. 22 Feb. 1823, d. 8 Aug. 1842.
George Washington Williams, b. 29 March 1825.
Francis Marion Williams b. 29 March 1825.

Sherrod Williams and family lived in Maury Co., Tenn., in 1807 and in Franklin Co., Tenn., in 1808 at Williams Cove. He gave to each child a Bible with his genealogical record therein.

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Note that the mother of 18 children lived until the youngest was 19 years old.

(Information supplied by Mrs. N. 8 R. Francis of Winchester, Tenn., descendant of Jennia 5 Williams, and by Mrs. William H. Christian, Jr., of Atlanta, GA., descendants of James 5 Williams.)

William 4 Looney (Michael 3) was born say 1784 or 1785 in Stanley Valley, Hawkins Co., Tenn. From county records it is found that by Sarah Felkner, b. 1787, he had a son.

William 5 (Gravelly Bill") Looney, b. ca 1805, d. 1870 in Hawkins Co.; m. Mary Gross b. 1809. This son William 5 lived in Gravelly Valley, Hawkins Co. On 21 Feb. 1835 Williams 5 purchased from William Mann for \$325 two tracts in Gravelly Valley, 325 A. (Hawkins Deeds 15, 334.) On 25 Sept. 1846 William 5 Looney and wife Mary agreed to separate and (Hawkins Deeds 19, 426) William deeded 325 acres, etc., to trustees for Mary and the children;

Louisiana Looney b. 1833.
Adeline Looney b. 1835.
Samuel Looney b. 1836; m. (1) 11 April 1858 Rhoda Ann
Tarter s.p.,

(See July 18, 1999 Update to Samuel Looney Descendants)

m. (2) 19 Feb. 1873 Arlivia Starnes.
Bettie ("Evie") Looney b. 1839.
William Looney b. 1841; m. 28 Dec. 1868 Mecca F.
Shanks.
six children, including Rev. Fred N. Looney.
Nancy Looney b. 1844; possibly m. 15 March 1866 Oscar
F.C. Owens.
Mary A. Looney b. 1848.

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However, suit for divorce was dismissed 27 Jan. 1847.

On 6 June 1870 Hawkins Court appointed P.L. Henderson
(half
brother to William 4 Looney) administrator of William 5
Looney,
deceased. Other children of William 5 Looney were:

Margaret Looney b. 1848.

Julia Looney b. 1849.

(Sarah, mother of William 5 Looney, was living with her son P.L. Henderson in 1870 Hawkins Co., Tenn. P.L. Henderson was b. 20 Jan. 1812 and m. Mary L. Long b. 9 Aug 1809.)

William 4 Looney left Hawkins Co., Tenn., at an early age and about all his Tennessee relatives seem to have known about him is the report or tradition that he went to Arkansas, married there, lived on Red River, and was drowned in it. However, from local histories in Arkansas, it is found that he came there about 1802 and "was the first white man to settle on Elevenport River," Randolph Co., Ark. With him or soon thereafter came at least one of his "cousins", the Stubblefield brothers. (Memoirs of N.E. Ark., Goodspeed Publishing Co. 1889, p. 408; Hist. of Randolph Co., Ark., P.____, by Lawrence Dalton). It is said that William 4 Looney brought 3 negroes with him and that he had to travel 135 miles to Cape Gerareau to buy groceries.

Some accounts of the family of Michael 3 Looney append the names of Andy, Coleman and Bob who were children of Polly Stubblefield and some of these Stubblefields or Looneys were early in Arkansas with William 4 Looney. Concerning these three, W. 6 G. Looney says that Michael gave them money and they went down the Tennessee River to the Purchase, Sweetwater Valley, Tenn.

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William 4 Looney and his wife and Arkansas family are listed in the 1830 census of Lawrence Co., Ark. A Theny Looney was also listed there in 1830 as head of a household. They are both listed in 1840 in Randolph County (which was taken from Lawrence). Thus They may have been the relict of a son born early to William 4 Looney after his arrival in Arkansas.

From Arkansas census records of 1830 and 1840 (Davidson Twp.). it is possible to deduce approximate birth dates for some of the family of William 4 and from the 1850 census to suggest the names of three of his sons. In 1830 he seems to have had a wife, 4 sons, 6 daughters, and 4 slaves; in 1840 no wife, 4 sons, 4 daughters, and 9 slaves. The name of William 4 Looney was not found in Randolph Co., Ark., in 1850. It is suggested that William 4 Looney had at least children in Arkansas as follows:

A son, say 1803, m. Theny ____ See 5th Gen.

Epps 5 Looney b. ca1820. See 5th Gen.

William 5 S. Looney b. ca1822. See 5th Gen.
Michael 5 Looney b. ca1825; m. ca1850 Nancy b. Tenn ca1827.
They had son William C. Looney by 1857. (Randolph Co.,
Ark., census of 1850 and 1860.)

Absalom 4 David Looney (Michael 3) was born 5 March 1790, died 12 Dec. 1862. During the War of 1812 he volunteered in Hawkins Co. on 2 Oct. 1813 for 3 months and was mustered in at Knoxville, Tenn. as a private in Capt. George Argenbright's Company, 4th Regiment of E. Tenn. Volunteer Riflemen, under Col. William Lillard, and served 4 months 6 days against the Creek Indians. He was discharged at Rogersville. He lived in Hawkins Co. at the 1830 census. His

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bounty land warrants were numbered 3345-80-50 and 12480-80-55 for a total of 160 acres. He gave his age as 60 in 1851 and as 65 in 1853. Witnesses were William M. Piper and W. U. Smith. He made no pension claim.

Absalom D. Looney married ca 1819 Sarah (Sallie) J. Starnes born 30 Jan. 1799 and died 8 Feb. 1874. She was the daughter of a German, John Starnes (1776-1800) and his wife Salley Adams of Clinch Valley. Absalom and Sallie Looney lived on Big Creek near the mouth of Little Creek in Stanley Valley. They are buried at their home place in the Hickory Cove, Hawkins Co., Tenn. (The dates on their tombstones agree with their Bible records).

The will of Absalom D. Looney was dated 9 April 1862 and proved January 1863. (Hawkins Wills 1, 332). He also named 5 daughters and 7 sons (essentially as listed below). Absalom D. Looney was well supplied with lands and slaves. Of him it is said that he would not take over 50 cents a bushel for corn when it was scarce and selling for a dollar.

The children born to Absalom 4 D. Looney and his wife Sally were:

Louisa Morgan Looney b. 16 Sept. 1820, d. 26 Aug. 1906,
Bible (or 27 Aug. 1907, stone), Hawkins Co.; m. 22 Mar. that by
1838 William Hutchinson (14 Dec. 1808-10 April 1865),
s. of Benjamin Hutchinson (1765-1852) and 2nd wife (m.
1790) Margaret Gonce [Gence? wbl] (1772-1841). Three ch.
reached maturity
William 5 Carroll Looney. See 5th Gen.
James 5 Gaines Looney. See 5th Gen.

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Mary Ann Looney b. 2 July 1825, d. 16 Jan. 1884 Hancock Co., Tenn., m.
23 May 1850 (Hawkins Co.) Joseph Y. Campbell
of Sneedville, Hancock Co, Tenn. (s. of Robert

Campbell). (Her name is given as Mary Ann in Bible rec., m. notice, and father's will, but some published recs. have called her Julia and Josie.) They had at least 5 children.

Rufus Golahar Looney b. 21 Jan. 1827, d. 26 Feb. 1898 in Texas; m. Susan Harrell (possibly related to the Cross family of Hawkins Co., Tenn., since he was appointed guardian of the minor heirs of William Cross, decd. in 1861). He sold his land in Hawkins Co. in May 1862 and was of Polk Co., Mo. in 1870 and of Delta Co., Texas, in 1874; in Cooke Co., Texas, in July 1879, and before that in Montgomery Co., Texas. "After he went to Texas he never cut his hair but wore it in plaits," Had issue, a large family, but names not ascertained.

John Blair (or ?Brice) Looney b. 14 Aug. 1828, d. 10 Dec. 1906 in Hawkins Co., m. ca 1861 in Hawkins Co. Martha Ellen (Mattie) Charles b. 4 May 1840, d. 3 Dec. 1916 (dau. of John Rogers Charles, 1811-69, who m. (1) 1837 Mary Gillenwaters 1817-44. He is buried beside his parents and she in the Charles cemetery in the Hickory Cove. Dates are from tombstones. They had 8 children of whom Charles 6 Looney was reported as of Winchester, Tenn., in 1935.

Margaret Catherine Looney b. 5 March 1830, d. 17 Dec. 1872 in (?Delta CO.) Texas; m. April 1854 in Hawkins Co., Tenn.,

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Joel F. Gillenwaters b. 5 Oct. 1826, d. before 1889 in Kentucky (s. of Elijah C. Gillenwaters 1792-1859 who m. Rebecca Snodgrass 1792-1858). They had no issue and were divorced in May 1857. After 6 months, she went to her parent' home, resumed her maiden name, and died on a visit to her brother Rufus. Margaret sold her inheritance of 1/3 the home place to sister Sarah. (Joel F. Gillenwaters m. (2) and had 7 children.)

Absalom Starns Looney (originally Absalom D.) b. 1832 Jan 30, d. 6 July 1901 Hawkins Co.; m. ca 1861, Hawkins Co., Sarah (Sallie) Phipps Shields b. 1 March 1838, di. 10 Jan. 1919 in Hawkins Co. (dau of Dr. John Shields 1788-1870 and 2d wife, m. 1835, Hester A. Phipps 1797-1861). Dates were from their home place in the Hickory Cove. They had 10 children.

Israel Joseph Looney (originally Joseph Israel) b. 3 Sept. 1833, d. 27 April 1910 Hawkins Co., m. ca 1861 Hawkins Co. Willie Ann Shields b. 27 Sept. 1843, d. 11 Jan. 1913 (sister of A.S. Looney's wife). Dates are from tombstones on the Phipps Bray place between the Hickory Cove and Stanley Valley. They had 3 children.

Sarah (Sallie) Jane Looney b. 25 March 1835, d. 11 March 1911, Hawkins Co., m. 19 Aug. 1866 Hawkins Co. Pryer Lee Pearson

b. 23 Oct. 1837, d. 1 Nov. 1913 (s. of Lawrence Pearson who m. Elizabeth Devault). They were buried beside her parents and dates are from tombstones); m. from Co. records. Sarah Jane inherited 1/3 the home place and bought 2/3 from

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sisters. They had 8 children.

Orville Bradley Looney b. 11 Oct. 1837, killed 19 Sept. 1863 in the Battle of Chickamauga (unmarried) in the Confederate Army. (the entry "aged 25 years, 10 mos. and 8 days" Battle was fought 18-20-Sept. 1863.) Although named legatee in his father's will, he d.s.p. and the home place descended to the contingent heirs, his sisters, Margaret, Sally, and Susan.

Susan Starnes Looney b. 10 May 1840, d. 10 Sept. 1905 at Narcona, Texas, m. 12 Feb. 1866 in Hawkins Co. the Rev. Abraham Melsbee b. 8 July 1835, d. 1910 at Nocena, Texas (s. of David Melsbee 1794-1864 who m. Margaret Simmons 1792-1865). They moved from Hawkins Co. to Nocona, Texas, in October 1887. Susan inherited 1/3 of the home place and sold it to her sister Sarah. Susan and the Rev. David Melsbee had 9 children.

(Data on the family of Absalom 4 David Looney were furnished almost exclusively by Prentiss Price of Rogersville, Hawkins Co., Tenn.)

Benjamin 4 Looney (Michael 3) was born in 1791 (his deposition 1829) or 1792 (census of 1850). He m. (1) 18 March 1821 in Knox Co. Tenn., his cousin Jane ("Jessie") Caldwell of Knox Co., daughter of Alexander Caldwell and his wife Margaret Looney, who, according to William 6 G. Looney, was 1/2 sister to Benjamin's father Michael 3 Looney.

Benjamin 4 and Jessie lived in Hawkins Co. in 1830 and 1840

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where he was known as Benjamin Jr. He dropped the jr. about 1840 and removed to Knox Co. by 1848, there in 1850 he owned land near McWilliam's Station. He was a well-known, prosperous, and substantial citizen. Jessie died in Hawkins Co. and he married (2) Feb. 1835 (Hawkins bond) Jane ("Jennie") Brice b. 14 April 1800, daughter of Bill Brice of the hickory Cove. They separated in 1856 and she d.s.p. 18 July 1876. Benjamin 4 Looney d. 22 Feb. 1868.

His children, all by his first wife Jessie, were:

Mariah E. Looney (1822-1900) m. 23 Feb. 1839 Hawkins Co.
Abishalum e. Bean (1802 or 1809-1870). They lived in
Hawkins Co. and had 5 ch. in 1860.
Minerva 5 Anne Looney (ca 1826-ante 1875) m. 23 Nov. 1847 in
Knox Co. Napoleon b. ("Lucian N.") Brice; they lived in
Knox Co and had 5 ch. (Several members of this Brice family
were named Napoleon Bonaparte but were called Lucien.
Margaret 5 J. ("Peggy") Looney, b. 1828, m. 26 March 1851 in
Knox Co. Samuel C. Croft; they lived in Knox Co. and had
4 ch.
Mary 5 Looney b. 1830, d. ca 1864, m. 4 Jan. 1853 in Knox Co.
Dr. Joe Walter woods; they lived in Hawkins Co. and had
1 son who d.y.

(The above data of Benjamin 4 and family are chiefly from Prentiss
Price).

Michael 4 Looney (Michael 3) was born ca 1795 in Stanley Valley, Hawkins Co., Tenn.
He served as a private in Capt. James Cummings' Company, Child's Batallion, Mounted
Gunmen, East

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Tenn. Volunteers in War of 1812, from 8 Oct. 1814 to 2 May 1815.
Description; Age 19, height 5 feet 7 inches, complexion dark, dark
hair,
eyes gray.

Michael 4 Looney went early to Indian lands in northern Alabama Territory, but his name
does not appear on the petition of the settlers in 1819 to be allowed to remain there. He
married Susan or Susannah Matthews ca 1816 or '17. She was the daughter of James
Matthews and his wife Elizabeth Hardin who moved from Virginia to northern Alabama
Territory via East Tennessee. Susan's brother Jeremiah Matthews b. 1800, m. 27 Dec.
1821 Jennie William b. 1803. These were Michael's nieces, daughters of Sherrod and
Polly (Looney) Williams. Thus, Michael may have married in Franklin Co., Tenn. Susan
had an uncle John Matthews, perhaps he who was on Indian lands and signed the petition
of 1819 in Alabama.

The descendants of Michael 4 Looney and his wife Susan Matthews are
reported as:

William 5 Eldridge Looney b. 4 July 1818. See 5th Gen.
John 5 Calvin Looney b. 13 Nov. 1820. See 5th Gen.
Carrell 5 C. Looney b. 1824. See 5th Gen.

Michael 4 Looney died in Jackson Co., Ala., on Crow Creek near Anderson Station,
presumably reasonably soon after the birth of his son (Carrell C. Looney in 1824, and
descendants say that Susan (Matthews) Looney m (2) Jesse Rodgers by whom she had (3)

sons. (See 1850 census, Jackson Co., Ala.) However in Hawkins Co. Deed Book 17, p. 26, it appears that on 16 Oct. 1838 William Mathews and Susannah Sutton, Executor and Executrix of the estate of

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Michael Looney, decd., of the Co. of Jackson and state of Alabama, deeded to Lewis Davis of Hawkins Co. for \$400 two tracts of Land, 130 acres and 145 acres, granted to Jesse McWilliams by Tenn. Grant #3647 in Hawkins Co., on the waters of Big Creek; James Johnston, John Vance, and Thomas Gilliam, witnesses; proved 4 Oct, 1839 by Johnston and Gilliam and recorded 26 Dec. 1839. William Matthews Executor was probably Susan's brother above mentioned, but how could settlement of the estate be so long delayed? Was this merely a belated action in Hawkins Co. to clear title to these tracts?

John 4 Looney (Michael 3) was born 2 Oct. 1799 in Stanley Valley, Tenn., where he always lived. He married Elizabeth Johnson b. 3 Aug. 1798, daughter of James Johnson b. Va., near Abingdon. John 4 and Elizabeth Looney spent their lives on the Michael 3 Looney farm. He was known as Judge Looney. His death occurred 8 Aug. 1880 and that of his wife in 1882. Their children were:

Mary Ann Looney b. 2 Aug. 1825; m. William E. Carmack (1820-1896).

Michael 5 Jackson Looney (b. 1826/7, d. 1911), m. Susan Carmack b. 1830.

Their children were;

Virginia E. Looney b. 1850.

Elizabeth Looney b. 1856.

Julia Looney b. 1859.

With this family in 1850 lived William 5 Looney, s. of Julia 4 Looney and g.s. of Benjamin 3 and Bettie (McClure) Looney.

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James 5 Houston Looney b. 7 April 1828; attended Washington College, Wash. Co., Tenn., 1 year and then returned to the home farm; was known as Judge Looney. He removed to the vicinity of Bolivar, Mo., ca1855 and settled on Sentinel Prairie; to Sedalia, Mo., in March 1865; and m. Lanthé D. McClain at Bolivar, Mo. He d. 1 Feb. 1900 and she d. 23 Oct. 1914 at Sedalia. Their children included Mack 6 Dixon Looney who corresponded widely concerning the Looneys and visited the Isle of Mann in quest of information.

Matilda Looney b. ca1829, m. David Lyons Jr. She d. in the sixties and family moved to Mo.

Absalom 5 David Looney b. ca1831. He m. (1) Nancy Ann Harless and lived in Monroe Co., Tenn., in 1870. He m. (2) -----Johnson and lived at Sweetwater, Tenn., where he died 1900 or 1902.

Joseph 5 P. Looney b. ca1833/4, m. (1) Betty Johnson (dau. of Dr. Robert Johnson), and m. (2) Jane Bean.

John 5 S. Looney b. 1835 Hawkins Co. to Bolivar ante 1861; d. there 1915 or 1918. He and wife Catherine (Long) Looney are buried in the Boliver City cemetery.

Jane Looney b. ca1838, m. (1) ---Johnson, and m. (2) C.C. Brice (d. in C.S.A. Army). She d. 1894 in Stanley Valley.

Orville 5 B. Looney b. ca1840, m. Betty Larkin and lived on old homestead many years. They removed to the State of Washington to Join their only child John 6 Looney.

Rachel Looney b. ca1842.

The will of John 4 Looney, dated 13 July 1875, pvd. Sot. 1880,

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names as executors wife Elizabeth and sons Michael J. and Orville B. Looney; also names other sons Joseph P. and John; daughters, etc.

(Hawkins Wills 1, 528). (Some data on this family taken from Biog. Records of Johnson and Pettis Cos., Mo., p. 353.)

Michael 4 Looney (Peter 3) was born 1785 +/- 10 according to census records. An adjusted estimate is 1786, probably in the Nashborough area and perhaps on the 640 acres on which Peter 3 Looney entered (H476) on 7 June 1785 on the E. Branch of Drake's Creek, N. side of Cumberland River and at that time in Davidson Co. Michael 4 Looney m. Caroline Latimer, bond 4 or 14 April 1804; Joseph Scobey (Michael's brother-in-law) was security. Caroline b. May 1785 was the daughter of Charles Latimer (Sumner Wills Book 1, 63).

Michael Looney enlisted in Sumner Co., Tenn., on the first day of Sept. 1813 for 3 months in the War with the Creek Indians and Great Britain, and he was discharged at Ditto's Landing in Madison Co., Ala. The U.S. Treasury Department certified that he served in Capt. Wm. Edward's Company, 2d Regt. of Tenn. Volunteers under Col. Newton Cannon, from 24 Sept. 1813 to 9 Jan. 1814. Caroline's application for Bounty Land was dated 29 May 1851 in Shelby Co., Mo. Her marriage to Michael was certified by Isaac Looney and Nicholas Latimer of Sumner Co., Tenn., on 27 June 1851. (Caroline gives the date of her marriage as 19 April 1805 by Col. Edward Douglass, J.P. See date of Sumner marriage bond above).

Michael was a slave holder and trader and lived in Sumner Co. in 1820 with wife, 5 boys, and 2 girls. In April of 1825 or 1826 he started for New Orleans upon a flatboat loaded with slaves

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and bacon. His family never heard of him again except for a report that he had been robbed and murdered in or near Baton Rouge, La.

Before 1830 Caroline Looney and her children moved to Missouri (perhaps with some of the Latimers) and settled on what was later called Looney's Creek, about 30 miles west of Palmyra, Mo., in what was once Ralls Co., then Marion Co., and became Shelby Co. in 1835. At the census of 1830 for Marion Co., Caroline Looney is listed with 4 boys and 3 girls. In Ralls Co. there was a land patent issued to Caroline Looney on 14 Oct. 1835 for the N.W. 1/4 of the S.E. 1/4 of Section 6, Twp. 58, of Range 9 W. (This land may have been "entered" long before the patent was issued.)

In 1840 Caroline is listed in Shelby Co. with 2 boys and 2 girls. At the 1850 census of Shelby Co., Caroline has only Isaac 29 and Mary M. 26 still with her, and it is recorded that Caroline was born in Connecticut.

On 14 May 1855 Caroline Looney of Shelby Co., Mo., made an affidavit for the purpose of assisting Sarah (Latimore) McKetchan in obtaining bounty land for services of her husband, Robert McKetchan, in the War of 1812. On 17 Oct. 1879 Sarah McKetren of Shelby Co., Mo., made affidavit that Caroline Looney was dead. The children of Michael 4 and Caroline (Latimer) Looney were:

Charles Looney. Probably d.y. and buried in Tenn. if indeed there was a child of this name in this family. Jesse 5 Looney b. say 1805. Relatives in Shelby Co., Mo., thought that Jesse remained in Tenn. The 1820 census of Sumner Co. shows that a son existed in this family of about that age.

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Aurelia Looney b. 13 Jan. 1806, d. 12 Nov. 1858; m. Charles Moffett. No ch.

Peter 5 Looney b. 15 Dec. 1807, d. 12 Nov. 1833. No known wife or ch.

A son, b. say 1810, was included in this family as shown by the census of 1820 and also 1830. Was this Charles?

William 5 Carroll Looney b. 10 Oct. 1814, d. 9 Nov. 1899, Shelby Co., Mo., and was buried in cemetery of the Looney

Creek Primitive Baptist Church (Old Brick Church), Shelby Co., Mo. He m. 9 March 1841, Shelby Co., Mo. Mariah Ellen Wilson b. 22 May 1815, Loudoun Co., Va., d. 27 Aug. 1905, Shelby Co., Mo. Ten ch. and numerous descendants. A daughter, b. say 1816, was included in this family as shown by the census of 1820 and also 1830. Relatives say Louisa b. 25 Sept. 1816, d. unm. 27 Oct. 1836. Edwin 5 Looney b. 1819, d. 28 Sept. 1838, Shelby Co. unmd. Isaac 5 Looney b. April 1821, d. 25 March 1880, (1880? typeover? wbl) unmd. Mary M. Looney b. 16 July 1824, d. 24 May 1905; unmarried; buried on lot of William T. Looney, Mt. Zion Baptist Cemetery, Shelby Co., Mo.

(Five of the ch. of William 5 Carroll Looney (listed at the 1850 census) were: Caroline b. 1842, Mary f. b. 1844, Louisa b. 1846, Malissa b. 1848, and Sarah C. b. 1850.)

Much of the above data on the children of Michael 4 and Caroline Looney was supplied by Miss Elizabeth Looney of Washington, D.C., who has also collected information of the descendants of William 5 Carroll Looney for several generations.

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Isaac 4 Looney (Peter 3) was born in 1788 according to the census of 1850, his pension papers, and his affidavit of 1871. (Mrs. Fowler says b. 1780-d. 1879.)

During the War of 1812 Isaac 4 Looney enlisted at Gallatin, Tenn. 10 Dec. 1812 in Capt. John W. Byrne's Company of Tenn. Militia and served as a Sergeant until discharged 9 Feb. 1813 at Nashville. He enlisted again 4 Oct. 1813 and served as a Lieutenant in Capt. W. McCall's Company, Col. Wayne's Regiment of Genl. Robert's Brigade of Tenn. Militia until discharged 4 Jan. 1814 at Fayetteville, Tenn. His declaration of 1855 regarding services was witnessed by Whitmell Leggett and James L. McKain; other declarations in 1851 and 1871.

Isaac 4 Looney m. (bond, Sumner Co.) 29 Feb. 1810, Betsey Briggance, and Joseph Scoby, his brother-in-law, was bondsman. Betsey was b. 1792 (1850 census of Sumner Co.) and died ante 1871 when Isaac was "not married."

On Aug 15, 1818, Isaac Looney and Elizabeth Looney conveyed to John Mitchell for \$140 117 1/2 acres on the waters of the Middle Fork of Station Camp Creek. (Sumner Deeds 10, 305.)

When the paternal lands were divided in 1830, Isaac did not participate, but in 1835 after Rachel's death Isaac, Edward C., and their niece Caroline (of Shelby Co., Mo.) received 1/2 of the proceeds of sale of the Negroes, etc.

On 15 Jan. 1830 Isaac Looney made entry (No. 718) of 50 acres on head waters of Station Camp Creek, beginning at a hickory in the line of Peter Looney, decd. Similarly, on 12 March, 1841 he made entry (No. 968) on 50 acres beginning at the N.W.

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corner of Peter Looney, dec'd. On October 1844, Isaac Looney of Davidson Co. Conveyed to Peter Looney of same for %50.00 a tract of 50 acres in Sumner Co. on the waters of West Station Camp Creek. (Sumner Deeds 3,178.) The witnesses were E.C. Looney and Whitmill Leggett.

A tentative list of the children of Isaac Looney and his wife Elizabeth Briggance

- 1) Matilda; January 18, 1812
Married June 4, 1832-Whitmell Leggett, Jonathan Latimer bondsman
Sumner Co. TN marriage Records
- 2) Minerva: 1814
Married July 27, 1832 Richard Garrison (Sumner Co. Mar. Rec.) He
Entered 150 acres in Sumner Co. Jan 10, 1839.
They lived in Mo. in 1852.
- 3) John:
Born 1816 died in California
- 4) William Russell: 1819
Married Emily Elam, born 1822 (1850 census). They had 7 children
including Isaac Looney who m. Susan Caroline Dowlen in Mo.
- 5) Absalom: 1820
Listed in 1840 census of Sumner Co. Married, no children
- 6) Paris L.: 1824
Bought 50 acres from Witmell Leggett in March 1852, sued
George Zaricer, Sumner Co. March 1852
- 7) Peter: 1826
- 8) Thomas: 1828
- 9) Edward: 1832
- 10) Rachel Elizabeth 1834
Married Nov. 30, 1853 John R. Smith

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A descendant of Rachel and John is Mrs. Marvin J. Huff, 423 E. Olmstead Ave.
Evansville Ind.

Edward 5 Looney
Born 1832
(1850 Census of Sumner Co.)

Dr. Jonathan 4 Davis Looney (Peter 3) was Born in Sumner Co.,

Tenn., January 23, 1796. He was educated as a physician and married in Sumner Co. November 9, 1819 to Harriett Hassell, born January 23, 1804. The clergyman was Reverend Hardy M. Cryer.

Dr. Looney went to Limestone Co., Alabama, and practiced there from 1822 to 1825.

Then in 1826 he moved to Henry Co., Tenn., where he practiced till he died in 1867.. His wife Harriett died Oct. 6 1861.

The following list of the children of Dr. Jonathan 4 Davis Looney and his wife Harriett (Hassell) Looney was furnished in 1939 by Miss Corrine Diggs of Paris, Tenn., from the Bible in possession of Miss Emma Looney, granddaughter of Dr. Jonathan 4 D. Looney.

- 1) John Hassell: 5
Born Dec. 27 1820 Sumner Co.
Died Jan. 17, 1821
- 2) Peter 5 Looney
Born Feb. 11 1822 Athens Alabama
See 5th Generation
- 3) William 5 Scoby Looney
Born Nov. 9, 1823 Athens Alabama
- 4) Julia Looney
born August 29, 1825 Athens Alabama
- 5) Margaret Looney
Born August 8, 1827
- 6) Martha 5 Elizabeth Looney
Born January 26, 1829 Henry Co. Tenn

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- 7) Malissa Douglass Looney b. Henry Co. Tenn., 26 July, 1830.
- 8) Rachel Looney, b. Henry Co., Tenn., 3 Dec 1831.
- 9) Leonidas 5 Looney b. Henry Co., Tenn., 23 Aug. 1833.
- 10) Mary Davis Looney b. Henry Co., Tenn., 22 Feb. 1835
- 11) Leroy 5 Looney b. Henry Co., Tenn., 21 Sept. 1837.
- 12) Jonathan 5 Davis Looney Jr. b. Henry Co., Tenn., 1 Jan, 1840
Had Maggie Looney, Guy 6 Thomas Looney of Huntington, Tenn., in 1939, Hallie H Looney and Hays Looney.
- 13) Harriet Looney b. Henry Co., Tenn., 29 Jan 1841
- 14) Andrew 5 Jackson Looney b. Henry Co., Tenn., 8 Feb. 1843

Edward 4 Carven Looney (Peter 3) was born in 1804 in Sumner Co. Tenn. He married 5 Jan. 1834 Sally Dempsey b. 1809. (Sumner records say he m. 1 Jan. by Jesse Gambling, J.P.) He was evidently named for Edward Carven, first husband of Mary 3 Looney who was next younger sister to Peter 3 Looney. (this Carven name here confirms the

conclusion reached in studying the two Peter Looneys of Sumner Co., namely that Peter 3 who married Rachel was son of Absalom 2 Looney.)

Edward 4 Carven Looney was living with his parents in Sumner Co., Tenn., in 1820 and 1830. In 1840 he was listed in Sumner Co. (age overstated as 40/50 with wife's age understated as 20/30, 1 dau. 10/15, i.e. Bennetta 6, and 1 son 0/5, i.e. Peter Davis 2). In 1850 they had moved to Henry Co., Tenn., and all 6 children are there listed with correct ages. (Mary had died even before the 1840 enumeration.) Edward 4 Carven Looney d. 11 June 1862. Sallie Looney d. 26 Aug. 1891.

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Edward 4 Carven Looney and his wife Sally (Dempsey) Looney had children as follows:

Benetta Looney b. 30 Oct. 1834, d. 1 July 1919; m. ---Frazie
Mary Looney b. 14 Aug. 1839, d. 7 June 1840
Peter 5 Davis Looney b. 1 Aug. 1838, d. 18 Dec 1896.
Jesse 5 Cox Looney b. 28 Aug. 1840, d. 28 Feb. 1922. Had
son William Looney of Paris, Tenn.
Rachel Delana Looney b. 26 Aug. 1842.
Mattie Ann Looney b. 3 July 1846, d. March 1932.
 m. (1) Samuel S. Patterson, d. 7 June 1876.
 m. (2) William Hull, b. 1 May 1846, d. 29 Jan. 1918.
George 5 Edward Looney b. 28 Jan. 1849, d. 16 Oct. 1861.
Jonathan 5 Byron Looney b. 29 July 1852, d. 15 July 1929. Had
dau. Miss Ruth Looney of Paris, Tenn., who furnished
information.
The baby b. 18 April 1854.

(Chiefly from Miss Ruth Looney's Bible, 1939).

Jonathan 4 Looney (perhaps Jonathan 3) was born say 1789. He married May 1809 Mary Holstine, daughter of Henry Holstine Jr. and Margaret his wife.

The 1810 census of Botetourt Co., Va., shows wife and 1 child, the 1820 census of Wayne township in Champaign Co., Ohio, shows wife and 5 children; the 1830 census there shows wife and 7 children, but 4 of them were under 10. Therefore, they had at least 9 children. Botetourt Co., Va., records show, sometime after 1807 (see Deeds 9, p. 317), a power of attorney from Jonathan Looney to

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T. Anderson of Botetourt to sell interest in lands of Henry Holstine that descended to Johnathan's wife "Mercy." Her birth is fixed by the census records as 1785 +/- 5.

Joseph 4 Looney (perhaps Jonathan 3) was born say 1792. He was certainly of age in Dec. 1815 when in Giles Co., Tenn. he was appointed with John Colewell as administrator of estate of Wm. Colewell. Joseph Looney of Lincoln Co. Tenn. made will 18 Oct. 1817; proved 4 Nov. 1817 by Thomas Henly and John Acuff. Wife Caty and unnamed children. Abner Buckley Executor. Witnesses: Thomas Henly, John Acuff, Sarah Acuff. Account of sales signed by Joab Buckley, Executor. (Line. Wills and Invs., 210, 231.)

John 4 Warren Looney (Absalom 3) was born ca 1793 on the 640-acre tract which his father on 7 Aug. 1789 acquired from William Lee. It was on Little War Creek, near the mouth of War Creek, on the southeast side of Clinch River. The grant, N.C. No. 311 issued on 27 Nov. 1792 to Absalom 3 Looney, recites "where he now lives." The land was then in Hawkins Co., but now is probably near Treadway in Hancock Co., Tenn.

John Warren was probably the eldest child and was about 17 when the family moved to Alabama. Descendants of John Warren Looney have a tradition that the Absalom Looney family came to the Huntsville, Ala. area from Petersburg, Lincoln Co., Tenn. John Warren Looney had an uncle, Jonathan 3 Looney and wife Jane who were living just southeast of Petersburg on the E. Fork of Mulberry Creek at that time and a cousin, Peter 3 (Peter 2) was just moving

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from Sumner to Lincoln Co. and had bought a lot in Fayetteville nearby. Possibly, then, Absalom 3 moved his family from Hawkins Co. to Alabama via an overland route and visited relatives in Lincoln Co. Incidentally, there were several families named Warren in the early census records of Lincoln and John Warren Looney may have had maternal relatives there.

He married, license 8 Feb. 1815, at Huntsville, Madison Co., Ala., Nancy Campbell b. 1794 Va., daughter of Elizabeth Campbell and granddaughter of Owen and Elizabeth Cammel who moved from Culpepper Co., Va. to Gallatin, Tenn., to Huntsville, Ala. The sureties on the marriage license were Jacob Fuqua and Absalom Looney. Owen Campbell lived on 160 acres which he purchased 18 Sept. 1809 about a mile south of Absalom Looney's first purchase - his home plantation on Indian Creek.

John Warren Looney, aged about 25 and married 3 years, made his first land entry 4 Feb. 1818 for 82 acres, the W 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 35, Township 4, Range 2W. This land was about 8 miles west southwest of the Absalom Looney home plantation on Indian Creek and was probably John W. Looney's first homestead. (When he sold it in May 1829 to his brother Absalom 4 Looney, Nancy the wife of John w. Looney signed the deed.)

After the death of Absalom 3 Looney, John W. Looney was appointed administrator with a bond of \$10,000 signed by John Hogan and James Neeley on 25 Oct. 1818. When the personal property of Absalom Looney was sold on 4 Jan. 1819, John 4 Warren Looney was the principal purchaser--to the extent of \$ 932.50. The plantation was rented at the same time to Thomas Cain for \$ 610.00. No account of

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settlement of the estate has been found.

In Sept. 1819 John Warren Looney was a witness to the will of Abner Tatum and also one of the appraisers. He was appointed Justice of the Peace 21 April 1821.

The home plantation where the Absalom Looney family lived, or at least 100 acres of it, was again offered for rent in the Huntsville Republican, 28 Dec. 1821; also the plantation of the Looney Estate at Big Cove. In March 1825 John W. Looney seems engaged in horse breeding and had a stable 1 1/2 miles west of Mullen Creek and 5 miles from Traina.

On 13 April 1824 John W. Looney sold to Edward H. Vann all that 1/4 of section 11 which was granted to Absalom Looney by Grant dated 27 June 1817. (Madison Deeds IJ, 31.) On 8 Jan. 1825 John W. Looney and wife Nancy sold to Thomas and William Branden the SW 1/4 of Section 12, the original Looney homestead in Madison Co., purchased by Absalom Looney, assignee of John Hunt, and granted to said Looney, Cert. No. 75, in 1814. (Madison Deeds IJ, 400.)

During the years 1820 to 1826 there were a number of lawsuits by John W. Looney against various persons indebted to him and some against him for like cause.

John W. Looney was a miller and millwright and in 1825 he wished to build a water grist mill and other water works on his land on the waters of Indian Creek at Lanier's Ford. He owned land on both sides of the creek, but the dam might cause part of the land of Isaac Jackson, John C. Ayers, and the Burwell C. Lanier estate to be overflowed. A court action was taken to have 7 freeholders meet on the premises and assess possible damage to the

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above mentioned and any other parties, and to report in August. At February court 1827 Looney was granted permission to erect his mill upon paying Isaac Jackson \$ 2.00 per acre for 5 acres what might be overflowed.

In the Democrat of Huntsville on 20 Feb. 1827 Looney's warehouse at his mill on Indian Creek was announced as partly finished and ready for storage of cotton.

On 23 Nov. 1827 the state brought action against John W. Looney for maintaining a common nuisance. The action was continued from time to time and on 19 Nov. 1828 a jury found the defendant not guilty. (John W. Looney himself was a juror at the fall term of court in 1828).

In the Democrat of Huntsville, Ala., for 28 Nov. 1828, John W. Looney announced that his mills were in complete order and ready for the reception of cotton. After the death of Owen Cammel in 1824 in Madison co., Ala. (will dated 5 April and proved 6 May, Minutes of Orphans Court 3, 72), John W. Looney was named sole executor. He gave bond of \$ 6,000 on 7 May 1824. The goods and chattels were sold on 5 Dec. 1826 on 12 months' credit, and 1/4 section of land was sold on like credit on 4 Aug. 1828 by John W. Looney, Executor, to Stephen S. Ewing for \$ 455.00. (Madison Deeds L, 519). Settlement was made 13 May 1834. (Minutes of Orphans Court No. 3, p 494, 495.)

During the years 1831 to 1837 John W. Looney entered and purchased land at least 5 times, a total of 520 acres. With wife Nancy he sold the "mill tract" on 21 Nov. 1834 to Thomas Fearn, George Fearn, Alfred Howell, and Thomas Patterson. This sale included

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mill, mill house, etc., on 240 acres entered by J.W. Looney in 1818 and 1831. (Madison Deeds P, 263). On 13 March 1848 John Warren Looney and wife Nancy sold to John Ward and Hamilton G. Bradford for \$ 6,240 a total of 520 acres including 320 acres purchased by Absalom Looney 26 Feb. 1818. (Madison Deeds W. 583). This probably included the plantation on which they were living, about 5 miles N.E. of Trians, just before the family removed to Texas.

John Warren Looney made trips to Texas in 1845 and in 1846 to purchase lands, chiefly on both sides of the San Antonio river in Goliad, Victoria and Regugio Counties; also southward in the San Patricio Co.

(Insofar as the writer knows, no systematic searches have been made in Texas to locate these lands. At least one deed is recorded in Austin, Texas, from Isaac W. Johnson to John W. Looney of Alabama, dated and acknowledged at Goliad, Texas, on 22 Jan. 1847, for 1/3 of a league of land--that is, about 1480 acres. At least 3 surveys to Jno. W. Looney in Refugio Co. have been brought to the writer's attention, for 1,342, 800 and 133 acres.)

In 1848, after selling all lands in Alabama, he started for Texas with most of his family and all moveable possessions. Mrs. Mary Ellen (Campbell) Capen, a granddaughter, has given traditional accounts as follows:

Mrs. Nancy Looney and her mother Elizabeth rode all the way in a handsome carriage with silk lining, tassels, folding steps, and glass doors "similar to but finer" than the one that she had seen late in life at Mt. Vernon! (Years later the carriage was used by some of the grandsons on hunting expeditions)

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A slave called Uncle Steve sat on a high front seat and drove the span of horses that led the caravan. Next came a 3-seated back or "ambulance" driven by son-in-law Harrison Campbell, with his wife Susan (Looney) Campbell and their 6-month-old twins; also 2 slave girls to care for the babies. The furniture, etc., and other children and grandchildren followed in "covered wagons"; and there were 17 other slaves to drive the horses and cattle. (Census records show that John W. Looney owned 7 slaves in 1830 and 17 in 1849).

The well-traveled trail led through San Augustine and/or Nacegdech where John Warren Looney died and was buried after an illness (dysentery) of very short duration. His last words in answer to Nancy's questions were, "By all means go on to Goliad." This they did and finally they saw in the distance, shining in the sunlight, the (deserted) white adobe dwellings of the once populous Mexican town of La Bahia, not far beyond Goliad. They had stopped at a small stone store near a few picket houses and log cabins. "How far to Goliad?" they asked, the answer was. "You're in Goliad now." At his Mrs. Harrison Campbell, mother of the twins, exclaimed, "My God, and we've traveled this far to such a hole." Whereupon it is said she cried day and night for three weeks.

They moved into log cabins with dirt floors. Some of the group returned soon to Alabama. It was years before they saw the first frame house built in Goliad. Mrs. Looney knew nothing about her land or their value. She signed deeds from

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time to time to get money to live on. A lawyer obtained custody of her box of deeds. Courthouses were easily burned in these days and in some cases possession of the land could be taken without title.

Mrs. Nancy Looney died in 1868 at Goliad, probably without realizing the benefits that John Warren Looney had expected through removal of the family from Alabama to Texas. At the 1860 census, however, she was listed in Goliad, Texas, as having real estate worth \$30,000 and personal property of like value.

John 4 Warren Looney and his wife Nancy had at least the following children (all born in Madison co., Ala.):

Harriet Looney b. ca 1816, m. (Madison Co., Ala. Mar. book 4, p. 430) 22 Aug. 1838 John R. Grantland. The 1840 census seems to indicate that they lived with her parents then. They had at least 7 children:

James Grantland b. ca 1840, d. Texas; m. Martha Ray and had Ideal Grantland m. J.M. Johnson, Cadiz, Texas.

Thomas Grantland b. ca 1843, d. Texas, m. Lucinda Reed (2 boys)

John Grantland b. ca 1845.

Robert J. Grantland b. Ala ca 1848.

Samuel Grantland b. ca 1850.

Mary Grantland m. Owens.

Amanda Harriet Grantland m. Albert C. Arnette, d. ca 1880's. They had 4 daus. including Minnie Arnette and Mrs. Will Lee Mitchell.

Ann Elizabeth Looney b. ca 1818. m. Judge Wm. Hunter (b. ca 1810

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Va.) of Goliad, Texas, and she d. within 11 days. Judge Hunter m. (2) Pidelia Cook b. 1821, Conn.

Tuberville 5 Looney b. ca 1820. See 5th Gen.

The 1830 census indicates that there were 2 boys in the John Warren Looney family b. ca 1821-1824 but not found in 1840.

Elizabeth Looney b. say 1829, in Texas, m. Frank Ayers and d. at birth of 1st child in Atascosa Co., Texas.

John 5 Warren Looney Jr. b ca 1832. See 5th Gen.

Andrew 5 Jackson Looney b. ca 1832. See 5th Gen.

Martin 5 Van Buren Looney b. ca 1836. See 5th Gen.

Absalom 4 Looney (Absalom 3) was born ca 1809 probably in western Hawkins Co. (now Hancock), Tenn., on Little War Creek. He married (lic. 25 Feb.) on 1 March 1826 by A. Bransford, J.P., in Madison Co. Ala., to Alsaderah A. Will who was born ca 1810 in Virginia (Tishomingo Co., Miss., census of 1850). (Possibly Alsaderah was a young sister to Richard Will of Tishomingo Co. Miss. (census of 1840 and 1850) who was b. in Va. 1802. She was a dau. of Benj. Winn and Creasy (Andrews) Win.)

Absalom Looney received title to the west 1/4 of the N.W. quarter of section 35, township 4, range 2 west by deed dated 7 May 1829 from John W. Looney and wife Nancy. (Madison deeds M. 326).

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Although a consideration of \$ 800 was specified, it is probable that his land was transferred in connection with the settlement of the Absalom 3 Looney estate.

At about the same time Charles Betts sued Absalom 4 Looney and John 4 W. Looney and obtained judgment for \$67.86. Then in the same month Ferney and Pike obtained judgment and costs against Absalom 4 for \$189.42. Consequently the sheriff sold Absalom's land on 19 Nov. 1829.

Absalom 4 Looney is not found listed in the 1830 census of Madison Co., but the listing for his brother John W. Looney indicate that an extra male, 20-30 years, was there, possibly Absalom 4 Looney. No entry that can be considered that of Alsadorah Looney in 1830 has been noticed. Later census records indicate that Absalom 4 continued to live in Alabama until his 3d child was born ca 1836.

At the 1840 census Absalom 4 was in Tishemingo Co., Miss., with wife and 5 children. He was still there in 1850, a farmer holding real estate worth \$32,000. From the census records and a letter written by Mrs. J.O. Looney of Nashville, their children were as follows:

Lowery Becker Looney b. 5 Dec. 1830 Ala. See 5th Gen.
Frances Looney b. ca 1832 Ala.
John 5 Looney b. ca 1836 Ala.; killed in Civil War, Company
C, C.D. Norman Capt.
Richard 5 Looney b. ca 1837 Miss.
Lucretia A. Looney b. ca 1838 Miss.; m. (1) 9 July 1856
Jefferson Waters, Tishomingo Co., Miss. (Mar Bonds, 192).

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William 5 Looney b. ca 1840 Miss.; killed in Civil War
Nancy 5 J. Looney b. ca 1842 Miss.; on m.b. 4 Oct. 1860,
Alsadorah Looney gave permission for her dau. Nancy J.
Looney to m. Wm. H. Looney. (did Nancy m. J. M. Meyers later?)
Delva-dela Looney b. ca 1844 Miss. (Did she m. Mayers?)
Mary Looney b. ca 1847 Miss. A Margaret Looney m. Dillon
of Co. A, 2nd Miss. Regt.
James 5 Looney b. ca 1849 Miss.
Absalom 5 ("Babe") Looney. In CSA, Co. D, D. Norman,
Capt. Went to Texas in eighties.

All the above appear in that order in the census of 1850 except Absalom 5. From the census record it appears that Absalom 4 must have moved almost directly from Alabama to Mississippi. It is reported that he died near Cornish, Miss.

Absalom 4 Looney (Benjamin 3) was born ca 1814 and called "Bandy Ap." He was married 18 May 1837 (by R.W. Kinkead, J.P. of Carter's Valley) to Polly Steele born ca 1818, Absalom 4 Looney died after 1870. Their children seem (from census records) to have been:

A dau. b. ca 1838 (under 5 at 1840 census).
Mary 5 Looney b. ca 1840.
Orleana Looney b. ca 1842; unm.; issue.

Rosana Looney b. ca1844.
Katherine Looney b. ca1846.
Louisa Looney b. ca1849.
Sarah c. Looney b. ca1852.
William 5 Looney b. ca54 (called "Stuttering Bill").
Matilda Looney b. ca1857.

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----5-----Looney (William 4, Michael 3), It is surmised that a son of William 4 Looney, born say 1802 or 1803, married Theny _____ ca 1817 and died ante 1830. Theney was listed in Lawrence Co., Ark, as head of a household in 1830, born 1805 +/- 5, and with her were 2 boys of 10-15 years (perhaps absalom ca12 years old and Jonathan 10); also daughters of 0-5 and 5-10 years. In 1840 in Randolph Co. Thanah Luney (b.1795 +/-5) appears to be living with a married son, probably Jonathan, 15-20 years, and wife of same age group. Thena Looney Sr. still lived with Jonathan Looney and his family in Randolph Co., Ark. at the census of 1850 and she was apparently feeling or looking appreciably older because her birth year was then given as 1794 born in Tenn. It is tentatively assumed that Thena Looney was the mother of at least 2 daughters and of:

Absalom 6 Looney b. Ark. ca1818, m. ca1841 Mary E. ____ b.
Ca. 1822 Tenn.
They were the parents of the following children as judged by
the 1850
census of Randolph Co., Ark.:
Henry C. Looney b. 1842.
William D. Looney b. 1843.
Francis M. Looney b. 1845.
Mariah L. Looney b. 1848.
John Looney b. Sept. 1850.
The census listed the births of Absalem's 5 children above
as in Tenn., which seems erroneous.

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Jonathan 6 Looney b. Ark. ca1820, m. ca1843 (or earlier) Anna
J. _____
b. ca1825 Ind. Their ch. in Nov. 1850, all b. in Randolph Co.,
Ark.,
were as follows:

Charity Looney b. 1844.
Joseph Looney b. 1846.
Thena Looney b. 1847.
Matilda Looney b. 1848.
Isham Looney b. Oct. 1850.

No trace of Thena Looney or of her progeny was found in the 1850
census of Randolph Co., Ark.

Epps 5 Looney (William 4, Michael 3) was born in Ark. ca1820; married ca1844 Elizabeth ____, born in Ark. ca1825 and had 6 children by 1850, as follows;

Benjamin F. Looney b. ca1845.
Shelby S. Looney b. ca1846
Tipton T. Looney b. ca1848.
Roda E. Looney b. 1833. (1853? wbl)
Rufus B. Looney b. ca1855.
Tempa A. Looney b. ca1859.

William 5 S. Looney (William 4, Michael3) was born in Ark. ca. 1822; was married and listed in Union township of Lawrence Co., Ark. in 1840 but with no children.

At the 1850 census his wife was Mary and they had a son Erasmus 6 D. Looney born 1848. William 5 S. seems the only son of William 4 Looney that remained in the area and was recorded by local historians. He married (1)
Pollie Wells

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born in Tenn. ca 1824 and had 2 children of whom 1 died young and the other was Erasmus 6 D. Looney born 1 May 1848, of Dalton, Randolph Co., Ark. After the death of Mrs. Pollie Looney in 1851, William 5 S. Looney married (2) Catherine Garrett (b. 1832) and had 10 children (including Thomas, John, and William, living in 1860 in Randolph Co., Ark.) all of whom died young. Erasmus 6 D. Looney married March 1866 Mrs. Frances (Overton) Herren of Miss. Co., Mo. and had 7 children.

William 5 Carroll Looney (Absalom 4, Michael 3) was born 9 June 1822, died Sept. 1893 at or near Morristown, Hamblen Co., Tenn; married before 1847, Hawkins Co., Rachel (Payne) George born ca1822 (step-daughter of James Johnson). they left Hawkins Co. by 1870. The children of William Carroll Looney and Rachel (Payne) George were:

Louisa Looney b. 1842, d. a child.
Rebecca Ann Looney b. ca1845, d. ca1918-19.
Sallie Looney b. ca1847, d. 1941.
Rowena Catharine Looney b. 1850, d. 1900-07
Louisa Frances Looney b. 1852, d. young.
Matilda Josephine Looney b. ca1854, d. 1950.
James 6 Johnson Looney b. ca1856, d. 1918.
Edward 6 Ervin Looney b. 1860, d. 1940.
Roxie Orval Looney b. 1863, d. 1942 Altus, Okla. She m.
A.J. Wood and had Elsie 7 Ervin Wood b. 1884, who m.
Joe Stroud and has been active in collecting and
distributing data on Looney family history.

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James 5 Gaines Looney (Absalom 4 D., Michael 3) was born 29 Jan. 1824, died 24 July 1901 in Hawkins Co., Tenn.; married (1) ca 1845 Hawkins Co., Mary (Polly) Ann Johnson born 16 Dec. 1826, died 21 Dec. 1854 (dau. of James Johnson who m. (2) Mrs. Annie Payne). James Gaines Looney and Mary Ann Johnson are both buried at their home in Stanley Valley, Hawkins Co., Tenn., and dates are from their gravestones. Six children were born to this union. James 5 Gaines Looney married (2) 2 March 1856 in Hawkins Co. Nancy Jane Harrell born 23 Jan. 1833, died 6 Oct. 1908, probably in Knox Co., Tenn. Five children were born of the second marriage. Among the children of James 5 Gaines Looney were:

Oliver P. Looney b. 1844.
Rachel A. Looney b. 1847.
Absalom G. Looney b. 1849.
America Looney b. 1852.
Rufus G. Looney b. 1854.
William 6 Gaines Looney b. 1856; wrote a MSS on the descendants of Michael 3 and Tempa Cross Looney.
Tennessee Looney b. 1858 who m. Charlton Karnes and lived in Knoxville, Tenn.
Eugene Looney of Boise, Idaho.

William 5 Eldridge Looney (Michael 4, Michael 3) born 4 July, 1818, died 17 May 1883 in Jackson Co., Ala., married 5 July 1840 Mary Ann Rogers born 25 Dec. 1817, died 23 Dec. 1901 in Franklin Co., Tenn. They had children:

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Jesse 6 Carroll Looney b. 1841 Jackson Co., Ala. d. 1933 Franklin Co., Tenn., m. 23 Feb. 1867, Jackson Co. Sarah Jane Tally, They had:
Mollie Looney m. James Stewart of Chattanooga, Tenn. 1949, (6 children)
Emma Looney m. Knox Moore of Winchester, Tenn, 1949 (5 children)
Matthew 7 Looney m. Fannie Wilkins of Birmingham, Ala. 1949. (5 children)
John Looney d. Spanish-American War.
Eldridge Looney d. unkm.
Clarence Looney d. unkm.
Michael 6 E. Looney b. 9 Sept.. 1842, Jackson Co. d. 30 Dec. 1901; m. (1) 8 Jan. 1871 Jackson Co., Eliza Wimberly; m. (2) 1877 Rebecca Tally. He had: Mary Looney d. unkm.; W.J. Looney of Stevenson, Ala., unkm. 1949; Linnie Looney d. unkm.
Martha Susan Looney b. Jackson Co. d. 1906 Franklin Co., Tenn. m. (1) Lee L. Grinder, Sheriff of Jackson Co. and had Lee Looney Grinder, d. unkm. Mrs. Martha Susan Grider m. (2) as 2d w., her 1st cousin John 6 B. Looney son of Carroll 5 C. Looney. (no ch)
John 6 J. Clemons Looney b. Jackson Co., d. Franklin Co.; m.

Mrs. Mattie (Lovell) McDonald. (No ch).
Clamenza Adeline Looney b. Jan. 1853 Jackson Co., d. Jan. 1947 in Kansas, unkm.
William 6 Marion Looney b. 18 May 1856 Jackson Co., d. 16 Nov., 1927 at Winchester, Franklin Co., Tenn.; m. 15 Feb. 1881, Franklin Co., Johnnie Flint Williams (b. 17 Dec 1862, d.

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17 Sept 1946) a gt.gr.dau. of Polly 4 Looney and husband Sherrod Williams, their ch. were:

Herbert H. Looney m. Mary Isabel Hughes of Franklin Co. 1849. (2 ch)
Grace G. Looney, unkm. 1949; teacher in Va.
Raymond R. Looney m. Mary P. Alpine; Jasper, Ala., 1949. no ch)
Mary Margaret Looney m. John M. Strong (d. ante 1949). Mrs. Strong, 723 10th Ave. So., Birmingham, Ala. supplied much data on these families.
Charles 7 Clemmons Looney m. Lelee Brakefield of Jackson, Tenn. (2 ch)
Winnie W. Looney m. Claude C. Jones of Atlanta, 1949. (2 ch)
Jessie Jeanette Looney m. Judge George Morton, Appalachia, Va. (3 ch)
Breckinridge 7 Looney m. Bess Williams; of Cowan, Tenn., 1949. (1ch)
Jennie Looney of Oak Ridge, Tenn, 1949; unkm.

Sallie Looney b. Jackson Co., Ala. d. in Ky.; m. Jackson Co. Ala., Ed. Lovell. Ch:
William Caswell Lovell
Elridge Lovell
Zebediah Lovell
Clara May Lovell
Flora Lovell d. unkm.
Mary Lovell d. unkm.

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Brenkinridge 6 Looney b. Jackson Co., Ala., d. Winchester, Tenn., unkm.
Virginia ("Jennie") Looney b. Jackson Co., Ala., d. Franklin Co., Tenn., unkm.
Robert Looney d. infant.
Elizabeth Looney d. infant.
A Child d. infant.

See 1850 census of Jackson Co., Ala., page 195, family of Wm. E. Looney,
for possible checks and/or additional information.

John 5 Calvin Looney (Michael 4, Michael 3) b. Hawkins Co., Tenn, 1 Oct, 1821, d. in Franklin Co., Tenn. ; m. 1. Adeline R. Houge. He lived alone in Jackson Co., Ala., at the 1850 census. Children were:

Samuel 6 Looney b. 29 April 1855 Jackson Co., Ala., d. Franklin Co.; m. Flora Burrows. Their ch. were:
John P. Looney m. ----; of Birmingham, Ala. 1949.
George W. Looney m. ---; of Birmingham, Ala., 1949.
Annis Maude Looney m. Scott Jackson, of Birmingham, Ala., 1949.
Thomas 6 Carroll Looney d. ante 1949, m. Ida Hampton of Cowan, Tenn., 1949.
James 6 Murphy Looney d. ante 1949, m. Susie Keith. They had 8 ch. as follows:

Hugh James Looney d. ante 1949.
Franklin Looney d. ante 1949.
Nathan Looney lived in Michigan.

[note: hand writing on this page includes corrected place and date of birth for
John 5 Calvin Looney, a '1' inserted before Adeline Hogue, middle initial 'R',
inserted and (or Hays), after Hogue is crossed out. Under children of James 6
Murphy Looney is written something that looks like Hillie Dale, not included,
and 'Robert' is crossed out and 'James' is written as the middle name for Hugh
James Looney, wbl]

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James Murphy Looney lived in Dechard, Tenn.
John Looney lived in Chattanooga, Tenn.
Nola Owene Looney--lived in Birmingham, Ala. m.
Tom Juraman
Robert Lee Looney
Irene Looney m. - Watson.

John 6 Franklin Looney d. ante 1949; m. Fannie Sparks (no ch.).
William 6 Looney d. ante 1949; m. and had Carroll Looney of Nashville, Tenn., in 1949.
Nola Looney m. _____ (may be John Calvin, written in border)
Charles 6 Looney m. Bethie Holder, no ch. m.2) Mary Francis Sparks.
He lived in Winchester, Tenn., in 1949--only surviving child of John 5 C. Looney
Michael Marian Looney d. unm., a youth.

Carroll 5 C. Looney (Michael 4, Michael 3) born 1824 Jackson Co., Ala., died 1905 Franklin Co.; married, Franklin Co., Sarah Stewart, born 1827 Tenn. He is listed in Franklin Co. at the 1850 census. They had 6 children:

John 6 B. Looney b. 1843 Tenn., m. (1) Mollie Shook and had:
J.C. Looney of Chattonooga (who was V.P. and Credit
Mgr. of Hibler-Barnes Co. 1935.
m. (2) his cousin Martha 6 Susan (Looney) Crider. No ch.
William 6 C. Looney b. 1847, m. Judy Holder. Several ch.
Martha Susan Looney b. 1850, d. unkm.
Michael 6 Donahue Looney m. Sallie Bledsoe. Had:

C. A. Looney of Tuscaloosa, Ala., 1949.
C.M. Looney d. ante 1949.
Maude Looney m. John Horton. In Franklin Co. Tenn,

1949,

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James Looney.
Jesse Carroll Looney.
Anthony Looney.
Tobias Looney, went West.

Dr. Peter 5 Looney (Dr. Jonathan 4 Davis, Peter 3) born 11 Feb. 1822, died Paris, Tenn., 20 July 1905; married (1) 1849 [Oct. 8 hand written wbl] Bettie Franklin (2/20/1832-9/30/1850) and had an only child Bettie 6 who married Sept. 10, 1874 Jesse W. Bailey and had Looney 7 Franklin Bailey. Looney. Franklin Bailey married Wm. Walter MacLaughlin and she furnished information in 1939 on Dr. Jonathan 4 Davis Looney and family. Dr. Peter 5 Looney married (2) Mary (Franklin) Miller who died s.p. He married (3) Melissa Clark Middlemist who had Clark 6 Looney and Emma 6 Looney of Paris, Tenn. Dr. Peter 5 Looney married (4) Mollie Bruce by whom he had no issue.

Tuberville 5 Looney (John 4 Warren, Absalom 3) was born ca1820 in Madison Co., Ala., probably on the 82 acres about 10 miles SW of Huntsville which his father John W. Looney entered in 1818. Tuberville married 3 (or 4) Nov. 1841 in Madison Co., Ala. (Book 4, p. 600, lic. 30 Oct. 1841) Martha H. Bailey daughter of James (will 1843-45) and Sarah F. (Johnston) bailey (d. 12 Oct. 1857) of Marshall Co., Ala.

Tuberville was living at home with his parents in Madison Co., Ala., at the 1840 census. In 1850 he was a farmer living in Madison Co. with no wife and 4 boys. He gave his age as 28. The boys were: William B. Looney 7, James 5, John 3, and Henry 1.

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Information of record concerning this family is obtainable from the will of James Bailey Senr. dated 14 Jan. 1843 (Probate Record 10, p. 264, Madison Co., Ala.) and from a suit in Chancery brought in 1873 by the heirs of Martha H. Bailey against the Executor of David Blackburn, decd. (who had m. their aunt Sarah Bailey and with whom they--

Martha's heirs, or sons of them-- had lived for some years during their childhood). (Chancery Record O (or C), p. 187; Ala. Archives, V.110.) On these records and on searches by a descendant Frank M. Looney of Athens, Ala., this account is largely based. Tuberville Looney's wife Martha died in 1850 when their son Henry was an infant. Apparently Tuberville did not go to Texas with his father, but in 1850 he left his 4 children with their grandmother and went to Miss. or Texas or both and did not return before 1855 or so, and then only briefly. He then took his eldest son William to Miss. and Texas. At the 1860 census of Goliad Co., Texas, he is listed as T. Looney, Trader, age 40, born Ala., living in a hotel or boarding house. At the same time in the family of his brother A.5 J. Looney, trader, 27, born Ala., one finds W. Looney 17, Trader, born Ala. (also the cousins Tom, Robert T., and Sam Grantland).

Meanwhile, in Madison Co., Ala., grandmother Sarah F. Bailey had custody of the 2 children James B. and Henry H., but John B. was kept by an aunt Elizabeth Smith. After the death of grandpa Sarah F. Bailey in 1857, 2 or perhaps 3 of the children were cared for by their aunt Sarah and her husband David Blackburn and were treated as their own children. All three were listed in the Blackburn family in Madison Co., Ala., in 1860.

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It is reported that Tuberville Looney was in Madison Co., Ala., briefly about 1868 and died in Texas not many years later. It was reported that he owned a large acreage of nearly worthless land, but his children did not investigate.

The children of Tuberville Looney and his wife Martha H. Bailey were:

William 6 B. Looney b. 1843; went with his father to Miss. and Texas ca 1855. He was listed in the 1860 census of Goliad Co., Texas, as a Trader. aged 17 years. He visited Ala. in 1869 and returned to Texas accompanied by his brother James. William died in Texas probably soon after 1875 when on 3 Sept. he and his 3 brothers sued the estate of David Blackburn.

James 6 B. Looney b. 1845; enlisted in the C.S.A.. at Huntsville, Ala., in March 1861 and served more than a year with the 4th Ala. Infantry in Co. F., in Va. After the death of David Blackburn an officer of Company F had James discharged as being under age and he was sent home. However. in 1863 he left home again and rejoined the army at Murfreesboro, Tenn., in the 9th Ala. Cavalry, Co. C, and served until paroled 4 May 1866 at Charlotte, N.C. James returned to Ala. and on 31 May 1866 m. Sarah Ellen Sandifer, dau. of Thomas Duane and Elenor Jane (Belew) Sandifer of Limestone Co., Ala. He farmed on a part of the Sandifer place until in 1869 he went to Texas with his brother William and lived for about a year near Temple, Texas. He returned to Limestone Co.,

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Ala., and farmed until, in 1905, he removed to Athens, Ala., where he lived until his death on 5 Aug. 1930. The children were:

William, 7 Henry Looney b. 21 June 1867, d. 7 June 1937;
m. 22 Dec. 1897 Ora Lelia Abernathy day of Jesse Frank and Annie C.. (Cartwright) Abernathy.
Their chil. were:

Frank 8 Marinus Looney b. 1905 (who furnished much information on this family)
William 8 Aubrey Looney b. 1907.

Thomas 7 Lowell Looney (1869-1910) m. 1900 Jeanette M. Southard.

James 7 Monroe Looney (1871-1947) m. 1898 Mattie Irene Sandifer.
Annie Jane Looney (1873-1948) m. Lerin Edward Southard.
Lillie Martha Looney (1875-1948) m. Axel Marinus Christianson.
Ellen Norah Looney b. 1877; wrote to Miss Joe Looney in 1932.
Homer 7 Duane Looney b. 1880, m. Florence Mary Southard.
Oliver 7 Edward Looney b. 1882.
Eva Augusta Looney b. 1884, m. Joseph Simpson McDonald.
Kyle 7 Leslie Looney b. 1887 m. Leskie Greenson.
Jesse 7 Olin Looney b. 1890, m. Leila Madison.

John 6 David Looney b. 1847, is said to have served in C.S.A. and lived near Morgan in Bosque Co., Texas. Died ca 1931.

Henry 6 Hall Looney b. 1849; lived at Collierville, Tenn. His g. dau. Miss Nora Looney wrote to Miss Joe Looney at Stanley Valley, Hawkins Co., Tenn., in 1932.

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Susan 5 Looney (John 4 Warren, Absalom 3) was born 25 Jan., 1831 according to obituary (in the "Goliad Guard"), but census records of 1850, 1860, and 1870, give, respectively 1825, 1826, and 1820 as her birth year. Her parents lived at or near Triana and Looney's Landing on the Tenn. River in the SW corner of Madison Co., Ala. Susan married (1) 3 or 5 July 1843 (Madison lic. 29 June 1843) Harrison (W.) Campbell (b. Tenn. ca1820, d. Goliad, Texas, 1852) son of Hiram and Sarah (Jordan) Campbell of

Limestone Co., Ala. Hiram Campbell was a mechanic and his son Harrison was a cabinet maker and mill worker who specialized in the construction of cotton gins. He removed to Texas with his wife's family and was listed as a householder in Goliad in 1850.

After Harrison's death in Oct. 1852, Susan (Looney) Campbell married (2) in 1855 Joseph M. Goff, born 1821 in Conn. They were listed at the census of 1860 and of 1870 in Goliad, Texas. He was postmaster in 1870. Harrison and Susan (Looney) Campbell had children as follows:

Mary 6 Ellen Campbell b. Triana, Ala., 29 Oct. 1847, d. Beeville, Texas, 26 March 1931; m., Goliad, 15 May 1867 George Walcott Capen b. Willimantic, Conn., 5 July 1837 (or 1838 death cert.), d. near Sequel, Calif., 25 Feb. 1926. "Grandma" or "Aunt Mary" Capen lived many years with her only daughter, Mrs. T.A. Simons (d. 1929) and in her last illness was cared for by her niece, Mrs. Giles C. Little. The Capens had 3 ch., all b. at Goliad, Texas.

Mary 7 Abbie Capen (1868-1929) m. Goliad 20 March 1889

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Thomas Archer Simons (1866-1946) s. of Maurice Kavanaugh
and Elziabeth Archer (Hatcher) Simons of Goliad,
Texas. Their ch. were:

Elizabeth Dibrell (Simons) Tilton b. 1890
Thomas Archer Simons Jr. b. 1892.
Maurice Kavanugh Simons b. 1897.
Mary Ellen (Simons) Toole b. 1901.
George Milam Simons b. 1911.

William 7 Ansel Capen (1870-1951) m. no issue.
Harrison 7 Capen (1875-) m. Ottis Fred dau of Rev.
M.K. Fred of Guero, Texas
Their s. Fred 8 Harrison Capen
was b. 13 Feb. 1929.

Martha 6 Eliza Campbell b. 29 Oct. 1847 at Triana, Ala. d. Beeville, Texas, 10 Aug. 1918; m. Goliad, 4 Sept. 1867, Ansel McKinney b. Panola, Miss., 1 Dec. 1829, d. Goliad 6 Aug. 1887. Ansel McKinney was s. of Moses and Nancy (Rupe) McKinney of Rankin Co., Miss. Ansel and Martha McKinney had 9 ch., all b. at Goliad:

Ida 7 McKinney b. 4 June 1868, d. Beeville, Texas, 18 July 1962; m. Goliad 8 Jan. 1890 Giles Carter Little b. 9 Aug. 1866, d. 14 June 1946.
No issue.

Mary 7 Ella McKinney b. 23 or 24 Nov. 1870, m.
Goliad 6 July 1892 John William Weathersby
Campbell b. Miss. 9 Feb. 1862, d. Beeville,
Texas, Their ch. were:
Martha Eleanor (Campbell) Hollingsworth b.

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Beeville 2 Feb. 1900.
Ida Louise Campbell b. Beeville 7 Dec. 1902.

William 7 Moses McKinney b. 17 Dec. 1873 (or 1872) , m
Skidmore, Texas, 11 March 1896 Catherine
Josephine Skidmore, b. 3 Jan. 1879, ch:
Ruth Seawillow (McKinney) Leawright b. 1896.
William Hance McKinney b. 1898.
Melvin Reese McKinney b. 1902.
Glen Gordon McKinney b. 1904.

Lilliam 7 McKinney b. 17 Jan. 1875, m. Goliad 7 Dec.1892.
Turner Love Wilson b. 8 May 1869.

Their ch. were:

Lillian Love Wilson b. 1894 d. 1894.
Louise Elaine (Wilson) Norton b. 1895.
Marjorie Inez (Wilson) Adams b. 1897.
Turner Earl Wilson b. 1899, d. Reeveville.
Beeville? wbl]

Maud 7 McKinney b. 9 July 1877, d. 27 Dec. 1951; m.
Beeville 11 Jan. 1898 James Lee Teas b.
2 Nov. 1877.

Their Ch. were:

Grace Lee (Teas) Bencini b. 1900, d. 1924.
Martha Eliza (Teas) Eubank b. 1905. Went to Calif.
Minnie McKinney d. an infant.

Florence 7 Seeligson McKinney b. 23 Aug. 1881; m.
Beeville, Texas, William Richard Scogin b.
Nacagdoches, Texas, 11 May 1876, d. June
1936. Their ch. were:
Perla (Scogin) Rowland.
Julian Scogin.
Marion Richard Scogin b. 1901.

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Martha Eleanor (Scogin) White b. 1915.
William Love Scogin, d. young.
Ansel 7 Mett McKinney b. 11 March 1884, m. Mollie Short.
Their ch. were;
Ansel McKinney.
Doris McKinney.

Homer 7 Lee McKinney b. 12 May 1887, m. Beeville 21 June

1908 Bessie Smith b. 8 Feb. 1889. Their ch. were:
Bessie May McKinney.
Mary Christine (McKinney) Schaeffer.

William 6 Henry H. Campbell b. Goliad, 10 March 1850, m. Delia Douglas and lived at 109 Baker Ave., 4th Ward, Houston, Texas, about 1910. Their ch. were:
Knox 7 Campbell.
Hall 7 Campbell.
Sidney 7 Campbell
Daisy 7 Campbell who m. A.P Cummings and lived at 1005 W. Mistletoe St., San Antonio, Texas, in June 1952.

Sarah 6 Ann Campbell b. at Goliad 10 Oct. 1852. d. at Beeville, Texas, 9 Oct. 1914; m. Goliad 27 Dec. 1871 William Fester Hall, a widower, stockman, and farmer, b. ca 1835 in Texas, s. of Joseph Campbell Hall of N.C. William Fester Hall d. in Dec. 1889. No issue. For several years before her death Mrs. Hall made her home with Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Simons of Beeville, Texas.

John 5 Warren Looney Jr. (John 4 Warren, Absalom 3) was born ca 1832 in Madison Co. Ala. and married Kate Ville, daughter of

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Don Pedre Wille [Ville? wbl] Surat of Barcelona, Spain. They had at least 5 children, including:

Dora 6 Looney (d. 1 Jan. 1840), m. D.B. Digges and had:
John 7 Digges.
Edna 7 Digges.
John 6 Looney d. young.
Alva 6 Looney d. unmarried.
John 6 Etna Looney m. Wattie Estelle Hunt and had:
George 7 Etna Looney.
Martha 7 Lucille Looney.
Noel 7 Barham Looney.
Clifford 7 Grantland Looney.
Thomas 7 Wilber Looney, et al.

Andrew 5 Jackson Looney (John 4 Warren, Absalom 3) was born ca 1834 at Triana, Ala. He came to Goliad, Texas, with his mother Nancy in 1848 and married ca1854 Elvira Best born ca1836. He died 1 Oct. 1916 at Mineral, Bee Co., Texas, where he lived with his daughter, Mrs. B.A. O'Neal.

At the 1860 census he was a trader and the family lived in Goliad County. There were 3 children, R. W. 5, Mary 3, and A.J. 8/12 year. With them lived Peter Surat 20, rancher, [rancher wbl] and W. Looney 17, trader; also the boys Tom, Robert W., and Sam Grantland. They were also in Goliad Co. at the 1880 census and Martin was a wagoner.

Andrew J. Looney removed to Bee Co., probably before 1880, and farmed for many years near Mineral. He and his wife Elvira (Best) Looney had at least the following children;

W. 6 Robert Looney b. ca 1855, m. Maggie Dubose.

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Mary 6 Elizabeth Looney b. ca 1857, m. Thomas B. Malone of Beeville, Texas, and had at least the following ch., all born at Mineral:

Jeff 7 Davis Malone b. 1889, m. Skidmore, Texas, 1925
Sara Annie Dubose. (2ch)

Lucas 7 Marcus Curtis Quintus Lamar Malone b. 1894,
m. Cuero, 1916, Harriet Lydia Dubose. (6 ch)

Nellie 7 May Malone b. 1897, m. 1917 Roy Ray Dubose.
(2 ch)

Nannie 7 Luella Byus Malone b. 1900, m. 1921 Lonnie
Dester Gorman. (2 ch)

Andrew 6 Jackson Looney b. ca 1860, m. Laura Collins.

Thomas 6 York Malone Looney b. ca1862, m. Nellie Billingsley.

Isaac 6 W. Looney.

Walter 6 Looney b. ca1865, m. Annie Martin.

Nancy 6 Looney b. ca1868, m. Benj. A. O'Neal of Beeville, Tex.

Steven 6 Looney m. Mattie Massengale. Residence Beeville, Tex.

Martha 6 may Looney, d. unm.

Infant, d. young.

Martin 5 Van Buren Looney (John⁴ Warren, Absalom 3) was born ca1836 at Triana, Ala. He came to Goliad, Texas, with his mother Nancy in 1848 and married (1) Sarah Best. They were married ca1857 but may not have maintained a separate household in 1860. At the 1870 census of Goliad, he was a carpenter with wife Sarah born 1838 and children Benton 12, Maggie 10, and Eddie 5. (Stephen Best of Goliad Co. in 1860 (b. 1810) and in 1870 (b. 1806) was probably the father of the wives of A.J. and M.V. Looney.)

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Martin Looney and family lived in Bastrop Co., Texas, in 1880 and at that time he signed a power-of-attorney to his brother A.J. Looney to sell his property in Goliad Co. Among the children of Martin Van Buren and Sarah (Best) Looney were:

Benjamin 6 Boatwright Looney b. ca1858. Lived at Mineral, Bee Co., Texas. His g.dau., Mrs. C.C. Jackson, lives in Savinal, Texas.

Margaret 6 Looney b. ca 1860, m. Paul Reed, Esquimaux, Texas.

Edward 6 Looney b. ca 1864. Reported unmarried.

Martin Van Buren Looney married (2) reportedly at Austin, Texas, and had at least 3 children:

Lowery 5 Booker Looney (Absalom 4, Absalom 3) was born in Alabama 5 Dec. 1830 and married in Mississippi 20 Jan. 1853 Mary An Hughes born Tennessee 1829. They lived in Tishomingo Co., Miss., at the 1860 census and had children:

John 6 Franklin Looney b. 1 April 1854. See * below.
James 6 Owen Looney b. 26 Nov. 1855. See * below.
William 6 M. W. Looney.
Tennessee 6 Frances Alabama Looney b. 18 May 1860,
d. 6 Oct. 1918;
m. _____Westerford. Ch. all of Marietta, Miss.:

Amanda Weatherford m. ___Ivy. (Several ch)
Yettie Weatherford m. _____Writht. (No Issue)
James Weatherford. (4 ch)
Monroe Weatherford. (4 ch)

Paninah 6 Looney b. 17 Aug. 1862, d. 20 June 1894.
Lucy 6 Luvena Looney b. 17 Feb. 1864, d. 21 Feb. 1864.

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Margaret 6 Melvina Looney b. 12 May 1866, d. 22 Dec. 1887;
M.E. Hollandsworth.
Oscar 6 Hughes Looney b. 2 Feb. 1868. See***below.

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Additional descendants of Lowery 6 Booker Looney (Transferred from their regular sequential positions above):

*John 6 Franklin Looney (Lowery 5 Booker, Absalom 4, Absalom 3)
was b. 1 April 1854 in Miss. and d. 4 May 1914 at Nashville, TN.
He m. 13 July 1876 Nancy Courley and their ch. were:
William 7 Lowery Looney b. 26 June 1877, d. 23 June 1932;
m. Dec. 1924 Rosalee Dortch and had
Charles Looney of Nashville.
Luke 7 Looney b. 9 June 1882, m. _____Evans, no issue;
Corinth, Miss.
Lola 7 Looney b. Feb. 1884, d. 30 Aug. 1945; m 1909
Jess Waddell; no. ch.
Arthur 7 Looney b. 1 Aug. 186, d. 16 June 1951; m.
Mabel Davis. They had:

Phillip Looney b. 1927, Lancaster, Calif; children.

Richard Looney b. Feb. 1931; Phoenix, Ariz.
Henry 7 Oscar Looney b. 1888, m. 25 Oct. 1922 Bess Jones.
Had:
Thomas Looney of Nashville.
Myrtie 7 Looney b. 28 Aug. 1891, m. 1922 C. A. Anderson.
They had:
Charles Arnold Anderson b. 7 Feb. 1924
Betty Sue Anderson b. 4 Sept. 1930.

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Pearl 7 Looney b. 26 Dec., d. 25 Aug. 1940; m. C. Guy
Bolton.
Their ch. were:
Frank Hartwelll Bolton.
Edith Pearl Bolton m. ____ Kemper.

Ollie 7 Looney b. 16 Aug. 1896, c. March 1956, 3 daus.;
Flint, Mich.
Autie 7 Looney b. 19 Oct. 1898; m. Andy Seygorth, no
ch.; Los Angeles, Calif.
Nonus 7 Looney b. 12 Feb. 1900, m. 9 May 1931, Margaret
Hurst. Children:
Nancy Jane Looney b. 15 July 1934.
David Looney b. 26 Feb. 1937.

**James 6 Owen Looney (Lowery 5 Booker, Absalom 4, Absalom 3)
was b. 26 Nov. 1855, d. 26 Sept. 1918; m. [a9 may be 19? wbl]
9 Dec. 1885, Virginia Dean. They lived in Tishomingo and
Alcorn Cos. Miss.,
where James Owen Looney taught school for a lifetime. He was also
Superintendent of Schools in Alcorn Co. and once
represented those counties in the State Senate. Mrs. Looney
contributed family data in 1943.
Their ch. were:
Ruth 7 Looney b. April 1887; m. 1923 to Pearl Gwinn,
Sheffield, Ala.
Ernestine 7 Looney b. Feb. 1890; m. (1) Stacey and
(2) Hymie Fisher and had 2 daus.:
Virginia Dean Fisher m. (1) Walter White. (3 s.
and 1 daus.)
Margaret Fisher.

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Prentiss 7 Looney b. 3 Feb. 1895; m. J.B. Watson. (no ch)
Hester 7 Looney, teacher, Shreveport, La.; d. unm,
Victoria 7 Looney m. A. E. Reason, Sheffield, Ala. (no ch)
Judge James 7 Cullen Looney, Edinburg, Texas, m. June 1933 Margaret
Montgomery. Children:
Margaret Louisa Looney.
De Ette Looney.
James Cullen Looney, Jr.
Mildred 7 Looney, librarian, Sylvania, Ca.

Agnes 7 Looney b. ca 1908, m. Perry Sawyer. Children:
Jane Dean Sawyer, m. Ralph Taeuber.
Ruth Sawyer, airline stewardess. (A son.)

Oscar 6 Hughes Looney (Lowery 5 Booker, Absalom 4, Absalom 3) was
b. 2 Feb. 1868, d. 15 July 1938; m. 19 Nov. 1913 Myrtle Owens
b. July 1885. They lived in Nashville, Tenn. and had "the family
Bible." Mrs. Looney wrote Sunday School lessons for the Baptist S.S.
Board. In 1963 she contributed much family data. Their ch. were:

Agnes 7 Steadman Looney b. 26 Sept. 1915, m. 1 July
1942 Russel McGlothlin of Portland, Tenn. Children:
James Hughes McGlothlin b. 10 Feb. 1947
William Steadman McGlothlin b. 27 July 1951.

Ann 7 Hughes Looney b. 26 Sept. 1915, m. 19 Nov. 1941
H. C. Cole of Franklin, Tenn. Children:

Polly Ann Cole b. 3 Feb. 1945.
Sarah Lee Cole b. 19 Nov. 1947.
Carolyn Clark Cole b. 12 Nov. 1951.

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Myrtle 7 Owens Looney b. 4 Oct. 1917, m. 22 June 1946
Richard B. Polton, Sellersburg, Ind. Children:
William David Pelton b. 28 May 1947.
Pamela Owens Pelton b. 29 Aug. 1950.

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