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"THE HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF THE WILLIAM LOGSDON SR. FAMILY OF MARYLAND as related to the descendants of the JOHN BLUBAUGH I FAMILY OF MARYLAND and OHIO." [REVISED JUNE 1991 - HOMER D. BLUBAUGH]

GENERATION/GEN. I - Recently it has been documented that William Logsdon Sr. was born 9/13/1663 of James Logsdon and Jane James, who were married 6/26/1662 at St. John's Church, Bedfordshire, England. Bill came to America in 1673/74 landing near Baltimore on a ship commanded by Capt. Samuel Smith. According to family history, William paid for his passage over by working four years with various tobacco planters living along the Patapsco River in Maryland/MD. At the end of his 'indentureship' he went up the Big Pipe Creek and bought a 300 acre tract of land near the southern border of Pennsylvania/PA., which he named "Brotherly Love." Mr. Logsdon cleared the land, raised livestock, and made tobacco his chief crop.

At the age of 39, in 1702, William selected a young Irish lass, Honora o'Flynn, to be his wife. She was only 16, part of a shipload of young women kidnapped on the southern coast of Ireland, Kerry Co., to become brides of pioneer bachelor planters. Seven children were born of this marriage: Ann, b. 1703; William Jr., b. 1705; Honora, b. 1707; Thomas, b. 1710; Prudence, b. 1712; Edward, b. 1714; and John, b. 1716. When William Sr. died is not known.

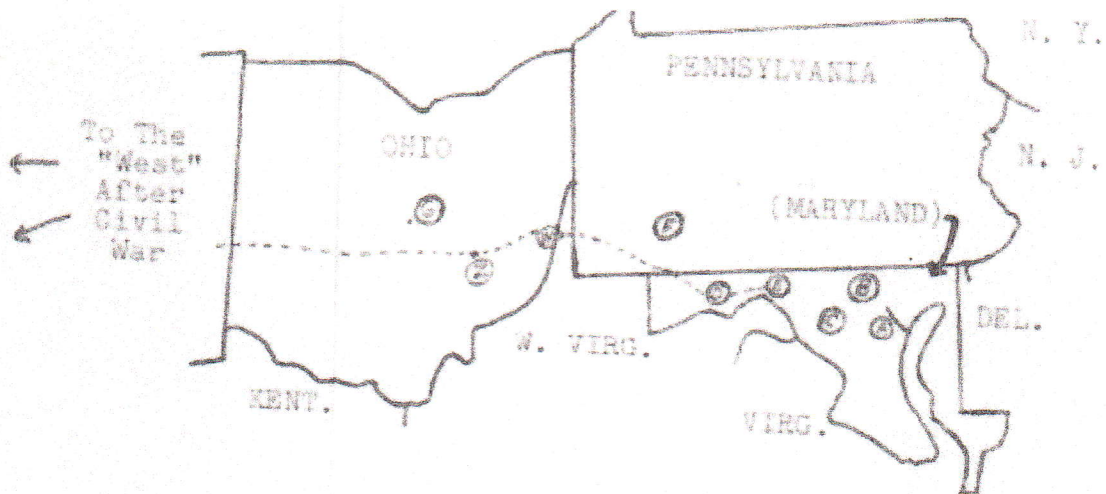
GEN. II - John Logsdon, born in 1716, marries Margaret Woolley 10/9/1735 in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore. According to a number of court documents, he was a prominent surveyor, who lived after 1750 at "Fanny's Meadow," his new homestead, now a part of Westminster, MD. Margaret died 1781-87 and John in 1797. They had eight children, three daughters and five sons, one of whom was Ralph.

\* GEN. III - Ralph/Raphael Logsdon was born before 1755. He married his first cousin, Mary Durbin, an acceptable practice for Catholics in pioneer America. He is listed as a settler in Mt. Savage, MD., prior to 1787. In 1775 he is an associator in the Frederick Co. "Committee of Observation." The 1800 Federal Census of Alleghany Co., MD., lists Ralph as the father of two sons and four daughters (none named). His will, published in Cumberland, MD., on 6/24/1818, mentions his wife, Mary, and six daughters, one of whom is Anjamina/Jememiah.

\* GEN. IV - Anjamina Logsdon, born c. 1757, marries John Blubaugh I. Little is known about John prior to the marriage record in Old Record Hall, Annapolis, MD., during the Revolutionary War (1775-83). Additional research may determine whether John or his ancestors came from Germany and when. In the 1800 Census of Willis Town, near Cumberland, MD., John's family are farmers. In the 1810 Census the family lives in Somerset Co., Southampton Twp., PA. The closest Catholic church was St. Patrick in Cumberland, MD., where Ann Jememiah is listed often as "Mother" Blubaugh on the annual Easter List from 1820-31. Baptisms and marriages of other Blubaughs are also recorded there. John I owns 128 acres of land in Somerset Co., PA., prior to Apr. 1819.

Somerset Co. court records list the ten Blubaugh children as Ralph; Sally Payne; Jacob; Rachel McKenzie; Benjamin; John II; George; Stephen; Peggy; and Mary McKenzie. Ann dies Feb. 1832.

John Blubaugh II is the first to move to Danville, Ohio, in 1820. Many other Blubaughs follow him. Today this area remains the 'ancestral center' for thousands of relation living in Ohio and points west. The St. Luke Church Records are a gold mine of early Blubaugh and related families' sacramental records.



1. In 1673 William Logsdon Sr. arrives in Maryland from Ireland, landing above Baltimore, living along Patapsco River (A).
2. In 1677 William purchases a 300 acre tract of land near the southern border of Pennsylvania, named "Brotherly Love" (B).
3. William's son, John Logsdon Sr., was a prominent surveyor, lived on his homestead, "Fanny's Meadow," now part of the town of Westminister, Maryland (C).
4. John's son, Ralph, is listed as a settler in Mt. Savage, Maryland, (D), prior to 1787. In the 1800 Federal Census Ralph is living in the Frostburg/Mt. Savage, Maryland, area.
5. Ralph's daughter, Jememian, marries John Blubaugh I, and raises a family of ten children. In the same 1800 Census John I is living with his family at Wills Town, near Cumberland, Maryland (E).
6. Prior to John Blubaugh I's death in 1825, his family moves to Somerset County, (Somerset) (F), Pennsylvania, 40 miles w. of Mt. Savage, Maryland.
7. Construction on the "National Road" (Route 40) (dotted line) began at Cumberland, Maryland, in 1811. By 1816 it reached Wheeling, West Virginia, where it connected to "Zane's Trace." Colonel Ebenezer Zane marked "Zane's Trace" in 1797, cutting trees and brush from Wheeling to Zanesville, Ohio. In 1804, one year after Ohio became a state, the Legislature improved the road. By 1840 the road was completed at Vandalia, Illinois.
8. John Blubaugh I's son, John II, has moved to Knox County, (Danville) (G) Ohio, by the year 1820. John II's wife, Elizabeth Sapp, was born 1800 in Cumberland, Maryland, travelling with her family, George Sapp Jr., to the Danville, Ohio, area in 1804.