

CHAPTER VI.

ELIZA COONS AND HER DESCENDANTS.

Eliza Coons was born January 16, 1836, either at the present site of Dubuque or at old Belmont, either place being then in the Territory of Michigan, but soon to become part of the Territory of Wisconsin (July 4, 1836). The probabilities are that Eliza was born at Catfish Creek (Dubuque), and that her parents did not move to Belmont until shortly before the seat of government of Territorial Wisconsin was established there.

When Eliza was 15 her mother died; her father, a year later. The young girl probably kept house for her brothers, Henry and Sam, at least for a while. Tradition of her relates that she was talented and beautiful and abounded with vitality. No daughter of Sarah Bradbury could be otherwise, nor could fail to transmit her characteristics to her daughter.

Eliza married William Gibson in 1857 or 1858. For a number of years the family resided in Grant County, Wisconsin, where their daughter, Eva, was born in 1859.

Eva, the oldest surviving descendant of John R. Coons and Sarah Bradbury, married in Potosi, Wisconsin, January 16, 1879 to Theodore A. (Thode) Calloley. Shortly after their marriage they moved to Colorado where they have since dwelt. Eliza and her daughter were dear to Eliza's brother's (Henry B's) wife, Clara Phebe. The latter mentioned them frequently in her correspondence. On June 12, 1879, she wrote to her son in Kentucky that Thode and Eva expect to start in a few days for Central City, Colorado; "but Eva may not be able to go now because her mother is in poor health. Everyone that can get away is leaving our poor old town (Potosi)".

Eventually Eliza and her husband moved to Colorado where the husband engaged in farming. There they both lived to an old age under the watchful eye of their daughter, and passed away to peace.

EVA COONS CALLOLEY.

As Sarah, her grandmother, pioneered in Wisconsin, so did Eva in Colorado. When she and her husband first moved to Arapahoe County, only seven houses could be seen from their door. For 47 years they have lived at 3020 South Lincoln Avenue, Englewood.

By dint of abundant energy and good health Uncle Thode and Aunt Eva raised and educated six children, adding rooms to their home as necessity arose.

The children are:

a. Myrtle, m. Geo. Finn, one daughter, Ruth. Residence, Denver.

b. Ethel, m. J. J. Booth, two daughters, Eva and Shirley. Residence, Englewood, Colorado.

c. Edward M., m. Lula Sinclair, one son, John, who is married and has one son, the great grandchild of Eva, and the great, great, great, grandchild of John and Sarah. Residence, Englewood.

d. Warren, m. Dorothy Rosler. Residence, Los Angeles.

e. Ruth, m. Wm. A. Tremmel, son W. T. and daughter, Ruth. Residence, Englewood.

f. Eugene G., unmarried, residing with his parents.

On January 16, 1939, Uncle Thode and Aunt Eva celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary. The husband 84, and at work each day in Denver! The mother, 80, and still doing all her own housework! Six children, six grandchildren, and one great grandchild! A house, immaculate!

A yard filled with flowers and soft with grass! A garden a professional would display with pride!

The Coons family crest of a lion in a field of azure, originated in the German Palatinate, transplanted to Virginia, thence to Kentucky and to Wisconsin, is not tarnished in Colorado. May some one of a future generation carry the crest to another frontier, geographic or economic; and may another record such new pioneering.

GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY.

First Generation.

John R. Coons (descendant of Jacob, who came to Virginia in 1714 from Germany, through Joseph and Henry) 1800-1852

m.

Sarah Bradbury (dau. of John Bradbury) 1800-1851

i John B.	1822-....., died unmarried
ii Unnamed sister	1822-....., died unmarried
iii John Wm.	1824-....., died unmarried
iv Elizabeth	1826-....., died unmarried
v Henry B.	1829-1908, (21)*
vi Samuel B.	1831-1911, (22)
vii Sarah	1833-....., died unmarried
viii Marie Louisa	1834-....., died unmarried
ix Unnamed brother	1834-....., died unmarried
x Eliza	1836- (23)

* Numbers placed in parenthesis after a name indicate the generation and subsequent entry number of that individual. Thus (21) means that Henry B. Coons will be found entered in Second Generation, No. 21. And (32) after the name of James Henry Coons indicates his name will be found as No. 32 under Third Generation. To trace descendants of an individual go from the number in parenthesis after his name to the same number preceding his name in the subsequent generation. To trace ancestry of an individual take the number preceding the name of the parent of that individual and in the preceding generation find the same number in parenthesis.

Second Generation.

21. Henry B., 1829-1908, m. Clara Phebe White, 1834-1909

- i John S. 1860-1880, died unmarried
- ii Sallie 1861-1933, (31)
- iii James Henry 1864-....., (32)
- iv William died young, unmarried
- v Hyman Eugene 1872-....., (33)

22. Samuel Berry, 1831-1911, m. Georgiana Rackerby
..... 1921

- i William Henry 1861-1908, (34)
- ii Susie May 1865-1936, (35)
- iii James B. -----, (36)

23. Eliza, 1936, m. Wm. Gibson

- i Eva 1859-....., (37)

Third Generation.

31. Sallie, 1861-1933 m. Theodore H. Runkel 1864-1919

- i Percy B. 1891-1936, (41)
- ii Clara Margaret 1899-....., m. M. K. Hobbs, 1898-.....

32. James Henry, 1864, m. Mae Edwards

- i Donald 1902-1910, unmarried
- ii Kenneth 1905-....., (42)
- iii Henry B. 1906-....., (43)

33. Hyman Eugene, 1872 m. Mary Ann Fure, 1877

- i Mary Kathryn 1904-....., (44)

34. William Henry, 1861-1908, m
.....-1938.

- i Ethel (45)
- ii William (46)
- iii Georgiana m. Lane,
- iv Susie May m. Braithwait

35. Susie May, 1865-1936 m. Hortensius L. Isherwood
....., 1924

- i Niena (47)
- ii Hortensius 1926 died unmarried
- iii Ever Dudley m. Christine

36. James B. m. Cora A. Smith

- i Norma Dee (48)

37. Eva, 1859m. Theodore A. Calloley
 i Myrtle (49)
 ii Ethel (41-1)
 iii Edward M. (41-2)
 iv Ruth (41-3)
 v Warrenm. Dorothy Rosler
 vi Eugene G. unmarried

Fourth and Fifth Generations.

41. Percy B. 1891-1936, m. Vera Scheppele, 1899.....
 i Miriam Margaret, 1930-.....
42. Kenneth, 1905, m. Arline Proctor
 i Carolyn, 1927-.....
43. Henry B. 1906-..... m. Harriet Edmunds
 i Henry B. III, 1938-.....
44. Mary Kathryn, 1904, m. Louis Huebler,

 i Eugene John 1929-.....
 ii Karl Joseph 1932-.....
 iii Richard 1936-.....
45. Ethel m. Travis Carpenter
 i one son.
46. William m.,

 i one son, and a grandson (Sixth Generation).
47. Niena, m. H. A. Henley
 i-v Four sons and one daughter.
48. Norma Dee 1938, m. Roger Reynolds
 i Anna Dee-.....
49. Myrtle m. Geo. Finn,
 i Ruth-.....
- 41-1. Ethel, m. J. J. Booth,
 i Eva-.....
 ii Shirley-.....
- 41-2. Edward M., m. Lulu Sinclair,

 i John,-....., who is married and has one son (Sixth Gen-
 eration).

- 41-3. Ruth m. Wm. A. Tremmel,
 i William
 ii Ruth

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