

## *Descendants of James Robinson*

### *Generation No. 1*

1. JAMES<sup>1</sup> ROBINSON was born Abt. 1718 in England, and died Unknown.

More About JAMES ROBINSON:

Religion: Baptist

Child of JAMES ROBINSON is:

2. i. SAMUEL<sup>2</sup> ROBINSON, b. Abt. 1738, England; d. Unknown.

### *Generation No. 2*

2. SAMUEL<sup>2</sup> ROBINSON (JAMES<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1738 in England, and died Unknown.

More About SAMUEL ROBINSON:

Occupation: Book Binder

Religion: Baptist

Child of SAMUEL ROBINSON is:

3. i. JOHN<sup>3</sup> ROBINSON, b. Aug 1758, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 02 Jul 1836, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England.

### *Generation No. 3*

3. JOHN<sup>3</sup> ROBINSON (SAMUEL<sup>2</sup>, JAMES<sup>1</sup>) was born Aug 1758 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, and died 02 Jul 1836 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England. He married SARAH BARNETT / BARNARD 04 Mar 1783 in England. She was born Aug 1760 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, and died 27 Mar 1844 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England.

Notes for JOHN ROBINSON:

On their Tombstone Reads:

In memory of John, husband of Sarah Robinson  
born Aug 29th 1758  
died July 2nd 1836

In memory of Sarah, wife of John Robinson  
born Aug 16th 1760  
died March 27th 1844

"When from this cold bed we must arise  
The solemn resurrection morn to see  
Lord may we then with rapturous surprise  
In immortality awake with thee"

More About JOHN ROBINSON:

Occupation: Lace pattern maker

Religion: Baptist

Notes for SARAH BARNETT / BARNARD:

A sampler done by Hanna Robinson Wheeler in 1846 indicates that Sarah was born in August 1760. A biography

of Sarah's missionary son, William, says she was born at Kingsthorp Mill in Northamptonshire

Children of JOHN ROBINSON and SARAH BARNARD are:

- i. ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> ROBINSON, d. Unknown.
- ii. SARAH ROBINSON, d. Unknown.
- iii. SOPHIA ROBINSON, d. Unknown.
- iv. JOHN ROBINSON, d. Unknown.

Notes for JOHN ROBINSON:

I have a photo on the back of which is written "Rev. JohnRobinson -- Missionary in India." The oldest son of JohnRobinson and Sarah Barnard, William Robinson, was the eighth Baptist missionary sent to Serampore, India by the Baptist Missionary Society, but I do not think this photo is a mis-labeled photo of him. I suspect John Robinson, Jr. must also have become a Baptist missionary to India, but I cannot confirm this fact, other than through this photo and the label written on the back of it. William Robinson was too old to be the individual in the photo, in my opinion

per Mark Smith @ mws@austin.rr.com

More About JOHN ROBINSON:

Occupation: Cobbler

Religion: Baptist

- v. JAMES ROBINSON, d. Unknown.
- vi. JABEZ ROBINSON, d. Unknown.
- vii. WILLIAM ROBINSON, b. 18 Jan 1784, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 02 Sep 1853.

Notes for WILLIAM ROBINSON:

His missionary work was in India, Java and Sumatra.

According to an old paper written by Sarah Robinson on May 7th, 1819, he "entered on the Christian Life in his youth and was admitted a member of the Baptist Church at Olney, under the pastoral care of the Rev. John Sutcliff, on Lord's day, Mar. 14th 1802. Having a desire to become a Minister of the Gospel in order to preach it to the Heathen, he was proposed to the Baptist Missionary Society, who, hoping he was formed for Missionary Service, placed him under the Tuition of Mr. Sutcliff in the month of June, 1804: in July 1805, he was removed to the Academy at Bristol, which he left early in March, 1806; and on Wednesday the 12th of March, at Oxford, he was solemnly designated to the Important Work. Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Jesus Christ."

More About WILLIAM ROBINSON:

Occupation: Missionary

Religion: Baptist

4. viii. SAMUEL ROBINSON, b. Nov 1785, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 08 Mar 1845.
5. ix. HANNAH ROBINSON, b. 28 Mar 1798, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 02 Jan 1891, Salem, Salem Co., NJ.
6. x. LEAH ANN ROBINSON, b. 10 Sep 1802, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 21 Jul 1880.

#### *Generation No. 4*

**4.** SAMUEL<sup>4</sup> ROBINSON (*JOHN*<sup>3</sup>, *SAMUEL*<sup>2</sup>, *JAMES*<sup>1</sup>) was born Nov 1785 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, and died 08 Mar 1845. He married MARTHA DAVEY 1806 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England. She was born Abt. 1788 in England, and died Abt. 1830.

More About SAMUEL ROBINSON:

Occupation: He led the church choir, and was a member of the church for 41 years

Religion: Baptist

Notes for MARTHA DAVEY:

8 Mar 1846 per Rodney Barnes

Children of SAMUEL ROBINSON and MARTHA DAVEY are:

- i. ABEL<sup>5</sup> ROBINSON, b. 12 Feb 1826, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 13 Dec 1902; m. (1) MATILDA TOWNSEND, 1850; b. 1822, England; d. 1855; m. (2) LEAH ANN DAVISON, 1856, Illinois; b. 03 Apr 1830,

New Jersey; d. 08 Jul 1913, Fairview, OK.

Notes for ABEL ROBINSON:

ROBINSON.—Abel Robinson was born at Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, Feb. 12, 1823, came to the United States in 1848, landing in New York May 29th. In a few days he went to Salem, N. Y. In 1850 he married Matilda Townsend. In the summer of 1854 he moved to Davenport, Iowa; here on Dec. 9, 1854 his wife died. In Feb. 1856 he went to Farmington, Ill.; there he married Leah Davison, daughter of the late Eld. Samuel Davison. Eight children blessed this marriage, six of whom are still living. While in Farmington he professed religion and embraced the Sabbath, and in 1863 he became very, earnestly interested in Bible truth, renounced immortal soulism and became a firm believer in the kingdom of God upon earth. He remained firm in this belief to the end of his mortal life. He was taken sick with pneumonia fever Sabbath morning Dec. 6th and died on Sabbath morning at 3 o'clock Dec. 13, 1902, aged 76 years and 10 months. He leaves a wife and 7 children, one daughter by his first wife, 32 grandchildren and 6 great grand children. He came to Atchison county, Kansas, in 1865, located on a farm where he lived the remainder of his life. He was buried by the side of his two children, that died some years ago, in the family burial ground on Dec. 15, 1902.

Great God I own thy sentence just,  
And nature must decay,  
I yield my body to the dust,  
To dwell with fellow clay.

Yet faith may triumph o'er the grave  
And trample on the tombs,  
My great Redeemer ever lives,  
My God, my Savior comes.

The mighty conqueror shall appear.  
High on a royal seat  
And death, the last of all his foes,  
Lies vanquished at his feet.

Then shall I see thy lovely face  
With strong immortal eyes,  
And feast upon thy wondrous grace,  
With pleasure and surprise.

There is a calm for those who weep  
A rest for weary pilgrims found;  
They softly lie; they sweetly sleep  
Low in the ground.

The storm that wrecks the wintry sky  
No more disturbs their deep repose  
Than summer evenings latest sigh  
That shuts the rose.

I long to lay this painful head  
And aching heart beneath the soil  
To slumber in that dreamless bed  
From all my toil.

Leah Robinson

More About ABEL ROBINSON:  
Occupation: 1880, Farmer  
Residence: 1880, Cinter, Atchison, KS

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From written statement of Alpheus Davison

"Leah, my oldest sister, was born in April 1830, and is still living and healthy. She like myself married an English cousin who died of pneumonia, December 13, 1902, in Atchison County, Kansas. They had eight children of whom six are living. One boy was killed by lightning while harrowing in the field and one little daughter died from the bite of a rattlesnake."

From Wheeler genealogy, Herbert N. Wheeler

"Leah married a cousin, Abel Robinson, and they lived on a farm in northeast Kansas, not far from her folks and the Wheeler families. Ed Robinson, a son of Leah and Abel, is living in Nortonville, Kansas. A daughter, Zillah, married Ed Stillman from "THE LANE." He is now dead, but the family, I believe, is still living at Oceanside, California, where I called upon them some years ago."

More About LEAH ANN DAVISON:

Burial: Unknown, Roscoe Cemetery

- ii. ELIJAH ROBINSON, b. Abt. 1828, England; d. Unknown; m. SARAH; d. Unknown.

5. HANNAH<sup>4</sup> ROBINSON (*JOHN*<sup>3</sup>, *SAMUEL*<sup>2</sup>, *JAMES*<sup>1</sup>) was born 28 Mar 1798 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, and died 02 Jan 1891 in Salem, Salem Co., NJ. She married GEORGE ROSE WHEELER 04 Aug 1821 in Olney, Buckingham, England, son of THOMAS WHEELER and BARBARA ROSE. He was born 04 Aug 1798 in England, and died 05 Mar 1881 in Salem, Salem Co., NJ.

Notes for GEORGE ROSE WHEELER:

Arrived in NY in 1844 aboard Ship Irvine at the age of 46

Sailed from Liverpool to New York City on April 10, 1844, with wife and nine children on the Irvin, commanded by Captain Sedgewick.

More About GEORGE ROSE WHEELER:

Christening: 16 May 1799, Olney, Buckingham, England

Occupation: 1880, Watchmaker

Religion: Baptist

Residence: 1880, West Ward, Salem, Salem, NJ

Children of HANNAH ROBINSON and GEORGE WHEELER are:

- i. BERTHIA/BITHIA<sup>5</sup> WHEELER, b. 10 Apr 1823, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 12 Jan 1913, Washington DC; m. ALPHEUS DAVISON, 1845, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; b. 10 Mar 1825, Luton, Bedfordshire, England; d. 04 Jan 1911, Washington, DC.

Notes for BERTHIA/BITHIA WHEELER:

Her obit is listed in the Washinton Post of 1913 in which in mentions that she died at 7:55pm at 1252 Talbert St. Anacostia, DC

Notes for BITHEA WHEELER:

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From Wheeler genealogy, Herber N Wheeler:

"Aunt Bith, as we called her was almost 21 year old when she left England, having been born April 10, 1823. It is doubtful if any couple was happier in their married life than Uncle Alpheus and Aunt Bith. It was my good fortune to visit them a few days in 1907 and in 1908 in their home in Anacostia (southeast Washington, DC). Uncle Alpheus came to Washington in Civil War days working for the government. He was here and saw the events connected with the assassination of President Lincoln. He went to Logan, Iowa, and ran a newspaper for a time, then returned to work in the pension bureau of the government until his death."

"All the girls in Olney were supposed to learn lace making and the boys the watchmaking trade."

Notes from Peggy Lambert

"Grandmother was heavy and had very small feet. She was so fat her feet wouldn't support her. Her claim to fame was the lace she made on pillows." note: Pillow lace is also known as Bobbin lace.

Notes for ALPHEUS DAVISON:

Name: Alpheus Davison

Company: G

Unit: 103 Illinois Infantry.

Rank - Induction: Sergeant

Rank - Discharge: Sergeant  
Allegiance: Union  
Notes: Davison Alpheus

Member of the Odd Fellows of DC as noted in 1911 Washington Post article

Many financial donations made and mentioned in several Washinton Post articles

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"My wife and I are cousins. Our mothers were sisters."

"In June 1844 my wife's parents, with their family, came from England and settled at Salem, New Jersey. I was then in Philadelphia learning my trade, printing, and in July she came to Philadelphia to try to get work and earn her living and her mother asked me to look after her and help her learn American ways, which I promised to do. She was quite adept with her needle, so I took her to a friend who was a tailor and also kept boarders and asked me to come board with him, and on explaining my mission there, with my rosy cheeked English cousin, he said if we would both come and board with him he would teach her the tailoring business without any charge. This we consented to do and she at once took up her abode in his family and a few weeks later I went there also. This brought us into close companionship with each other and we soon found that our affections were rapidly growing so that each was lonely without the other. On Christmas eve, 1844, we went wandering through some of the fashionable thoroughfares of the great city, to see the sights of the occasion, and after returning to the boarding house, sat down alone in the parlor and talked awhile, and then stood up and pledged our lives together, and never since have we hankered after any other mate. Some months later, in 1845, though I was not of age, we went to a minister and had the knot firmly tied. We have had seven children. The third one, a daughter, died of cholera infantum about nine months old. The others are all living and generally healthy. We have five great grandchildren. I was born in Luton, Bedfordshire, England, March 10, 1825. My good wife was born in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, April 10, 1823. Olney was the home of the poet Cowper and all of our parents were born and brought up there." Statement added by Joseph K Davison

"The writer of the above died January 4, 1911, nearly 86. His wife died January 12, 1913, nearly 90 years old."

Bits & pieces from Obituaries in Logan, Iowa and Washington, DC:

Former Logan man, editor of the Harrison County Courier, is dead in Anacosta, DC. On Wednesday, January 4, 1911, at his residence, 1252 Talbert Street, Anacostia. Alpheus, beloved husband of Bithia Davison, in the 86 year of his age. Funeral from his late residence on Friday, January 6 at 2 PM. Services were held at his home, interment in Congressional Cemetery. He was born in Luton, Bedfordshire, England, March 10, 1825. He came to this country in 1830. He was of prominent English ancestry and it is said that it was in the meadow of his grandfather's country place that Cowper, the poet, sat down and composed his famous "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood". He learned the printers trade in Philadelphia. In 1845 he married Bithia Wheeler, who was his playmate in England and who had just arrived in America with her relatives. They moved to Canton, Illinois in about 1848, where he was publisher and editor of the Canton Register, which remained prosperous under his control until sold by him in 1866. The days of the Civil War came while he was in charge of the paper and he supported zealously the cause of the Union. In 1863, he enlisted in Company C, 103rd Illinois Infantry and was discharged in 1864. In the late 1870's and early 1880's he was editor of The Courier and was a member of Logan school board. He came to Washington and received an appointment in November 1884 in the Pension Office. He selected Anacostia as the place of his residence and there he secured a suburban home, to the care of which he devoted much time and attention. He is survived by his wife, who is nearly 88 years old, and six children. Joseph K. of Anacostia, William R., postmaster at Sterling, Virginia, Mrs. Henrietta Spooner of Gunnell, Iowa, A. J. of Caraboo (or Caboole?) Missouri, Mrs. Emma Reel of Fairview, Oklahoma, and Charles L. of the Post Office Department. He had been a member of the Oddfellows since 1861 and was a charter member of the Anacostia branch. He was a member of John A. Logan Post #13, Grand Army of the Republic and Salem Lodge #23. The funeral services this afternoon are in charge of the lodges of which he was member. He was a prolific writer on religious topics, had published several books and tracts on religious studies and was associated with several organizations having for their purpose the study of the Scriptures.

Notes of Peggy Lambert:

He built a stone house in Logan, which is still standing. (don't know what year this was written) He was Baptist and was church organist. He was a good man, musically inclined, wrote some music.

More About ALPHEUS DAVISON:

Military service: 1860, Ill. Union, Discharged DC 1890

Occupation: 1870, Farmer

Residence: 1880, Harrison, Iowa

- ii. ANNA WHEELER, b. 21 Oct 1830, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. Unknown, Galesburg, Knox Co., IL; m. CHARLES WILSON; d. Unknown, Cairo, Alexander Co., IL.

More About CHARLES WILSON:

Occupation: Ship Builder

- iii. SARAH WHEELER, b. 02 Nov 1832, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 15 Jan 1920, Baldwin City, Douglas Co., KS; m. CHARLES B. TOMLINSON; b. 17 Mar; d. Unknown.

Notes for SARAH WHEELER:

Note written on an article by Sarah by her sister says Sarah died Jan 17, 1922.

(Mark Smith)

Notes for CHARLES B. TOMLINSON:

Common Law 18 JAN 1860 in Shiloh, Cumberland Co., NJ (Mark Smith)

- iv. SAMUEL ROBINSON WHEELER, b. 09 Dec 1834, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 28 May 1927, Boulder, Boulder Co.; m. SOPHIA FIDELIA TRUMAN, 13 Aug 1862, Lima Center, Rock Co., WI; b. 18 Jul 1844, Preston Center, Chenango Co., NY; d. 11 Jan 1929, Boulder, Boulder Co..

Notes for SAMUEL ROBINSON WHEELER:

Death certificates states that he died of pneumonia, with senility as a contributory cause.

Samuel became a naturalized citizen on December 17, 1867 by decree of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Potter, held at the Borough of Coudersport, PA. (Mark Smith)

More About SAMUEL ROBINSON WHEELER:

Burial: 31 May 1927, Green Mountain Cemetery, Boulder, Boulder Co.

Education: Milton Academy, Alfred University

Occupation: Minister

Religion: Seventh Day Baptist

More About SOPHIA FIDELIA TRUMAN:

Burial: 13 Jan 1929, Mountain Cemetery, Boulder, Boulder Co.

Education: Alfred University

Religion: Seventh Day Baptist

- v. JOSEPH WHEELER, b. 02 Apr 1837, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 25 Dec 1917, Elmwood, Peoria Co., IL; m. ROSALINE VICTORIA MILES, 02 Feb 1865, Elmwood, Peoria Co., IL; d. Jan 1920.
- vi. MARY WHEELER, b. 03 Jul 1839, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 03 Jun 1931; m. CHARLES CLARKE WATSON, 08 Apr 1869; b. 18 Sep 1841; d. Unknown.
- vii. CALEB WHEELER, b. 18 Mar 1825, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 03 Feb 1896, Salem, Salem Co., NJ.

Notes for CALEB WHEELER:

He had a Kidney disease, but his actual cause of death was heart failure (Mark Smith)

More About CALEB WHEELER:

Occupation: Watch Maker

- viii. JOSHUA WHEELER, b. 12 Feb 1827, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 15 May 1896, in Farm near Nortonville, Jefferson Co., KS; m. MARIA REYNOLDS, 1850, Farmington, Fulton Co., IL; b. England; d. Unknown.

Notes for JOSHUA WHEELER:

The following is the text of an obituary for Joshua Wheeler published in an unidentified newspaper dated May 21, 1896:

"Joshua Wheeler's death ends the earthly career of one of Atchison county's most esteemed Citizens; esteemed for his intellectual ability, his sincerity, his honesty, and for his general worth as a man. There were the most universal expressions of regret a few weeks ago when it was announced that he was fatally ill from an attack of neuralgia of the heart. From his out of the way home in the southwestern portion of Atchison county, tidings of his condition came very slowly, but they occasionally brought hopes of his ultimate recovery. A change for the worse resulted in his demise at 8 o'clock Thursday evening. Joshua Wheeler, whose physical condition indicated a younger man, would have been 70 years of age had he lived until his next birthday. He was born in Buckingham, England, February 12, 1827. At the age of 17 he came to America, locating in New Jersey, and worked on a farm until 1848, when he removed to Fulton county, Illinois. He lived in Illinois until 1857. In 1850 he was married to Miss Maria Reynolds, also a native of England, who survives him. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler came to Kansas in 1857 with a colony of Seventh Day Baptists, and pre-empted a claim near Pardee, which is now a portion of the Joshua Wheeler estate on Seven Day lane. Joshua Wheeler, in 1859, responded to the first call for the organization of a Republican party in Kansas, and was always an intelligent and consistent advocate of the principles of Republicanism. For more than 20 years he was a member of the Kansas state board of agriculture, and his papers on questions pertaining to agriculture and the farm, whenever read or published, attracted attention. Governor Harvey appointed him a regent of the state agricultural college in 1871, and upon being reappointed by Governor Martin in 1888, he served until 1894. He was treasurer of the board of regents for several years, and was a great worker in the interest of educational advancement. He practiced what he preached, and he kept books on his farm, making entries of receipts and expenses. He could tell you the price he got for wheat or corn each year, whom he sold his crop to, and what it cost to produce it. It goes without saying that he was successful. The farm on Seven Day lane, which was shared with Chas. Wheeler, a son of the deceased, comprises 353 acres, is a model. Joshua Wheeler had twice served this section of Kansas in the state senate, and had he lived he would have been elected for a third time. There was a call for him to become a candidate to fill the vacancy which will occur next fall, and as Jackson county had conceded the office to Atchison county, Joshua Wheeler would probably have been the choice of the people. His last appearance in politics was at the late Republican state convention in Wichita, to which he was a delegate." (Mark Smith)

- ix. DORCAS WHEELER, b. 01 Feb 1829, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 27 Feb 1847, Salem, Salem Co., NJ.

6. LEAH ANN<sup>4</sup> ROBINSON (*JOHN*<sup>3</sup>, *SAMUEL*<sup>2</sup>, *JAMES*<sup>1</sup>) was born 10 Sep 1802 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, and died 21 Jul 1880. She married SAMUEL STENNETT DAVISON 1826 in England, son of JOHN DAVISON. He was born 15 Jan 1802 in Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, and died 05 Jun 1881.

More About LEAH ANN ROBINSON:

Burial: Unknown, Griffin cemetery, Atchison Co., KS.

Notes for SAMUEL STENNETT DAVISON:

Was a minister

Friends of Thomas & family in England before they made the crossing

Saml. Davison found in:

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More About SAMUEL STENNETT DAVISON:  
Burial: Unknown, Griffin cemetery, Atchison Co., KS.  
Occupation: 1870, Farmer

Marriage Notes for LEAH ROBINSON and SAMUEL DAVISON:  
1880:  
1880:

Household:

Name  
Relation  
Marital Status  
Gender  
Race  
Age  
Birthplace  
Occupation  
Father's Birthplace  
Mother's Birthplace

James DAVISON

Self  
S  
Male  
W  
41  
NY  
Farmer  
ENG  
ENG

Sam'l DAVISON

Father  
M  
Male  
W  
78  
ENG  
Minister Of The Gospel  
ENG  
ENG

Leah DAVISON

Mother  
M  
Female  
W  
78  
ENG  
Keeping House  
ENG  
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Rena BIRCH

Niece  
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Unit: 103 Illinois Infantry.  
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Occupation: 1870, Farmer

Residence: 1880, Harrison, Iowa

Notes for BERTHIA/BITHIA WHEELER:

Her obit is listed in the Washinton Post of 1913 in which it mentions that she died at 7:55pm at 1252 Talbert St. Anacostia, DC

Notes for BITHEA WHEELER:

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From Wheeler genealogy, Herber N Wheeler:

"Aunt Bith, as we called her was almost 21 year old when she left England, having been born April 10, 1823.

It is doubtful if any couple was happier in their married life than Uncle Alpheus and Aunt Bith. It was my good fortune to visit them a few days in 1907 and in 1908 in their home in Anacostia (southeast Washington, DC). Uncle Alpheus came to Washington in Civil War days working for the government. He was here and saw the events connected with the assassination of President Lincoln. He went to Logan, Iowa, and ran a newspaper for a time, then returned to work in the pension bureau of the government until his death."

"All the girls in Olney were supposed to learn lace making and the boys the watchmaking trade."

Notes from Peggy Lambert

"Grandmother was heavy and had very small feet. She was so fat her feet wouldn't support her. Her claim to fame was the lace she made on pillows." note: Pillow lace is also known as Bobbin lace.

- ii. LEAH ANN DAVISON, b. 03 Apr 1830, New Jersey; d. 08 Jul 1913, Fairview, OK; m. ABEL ROBINSON, 1856, Illinois; b. 12 Feb 1826, Olney, Buckinghamshire, England; d. 13 Dec 1902.

Notes for LEAH ANN DAVISON:

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From written statement of Alpheus Davison

"Leah, my oldest sister, was born in April 1830, and is still living and healthy. She like myself married an English cousin who died of pneumonia, December 13, 1902, in Atchison County, Kansas. They had eight children of whom six are living. One boy was killed by lightning while harrowing in the field and one little daughter died from the bite of a rattlesnake."

From Wheeler genealogy, Herbert N. Wheeler

"Leah married a cousin, Abel Robinson, and they lived on a farm in northeast Kansas, not far from her folks and the Wheeler families. Ed Robinson, a son of Leah and Abel, is living in Nortonville, Kansas. A daughter, Zillah, married Ed Stillman from "THE LANE." He is now dead, but the family, I believe, is still living at Oceanside, California, where I called upon them some years ago."

More About LEAH ANN DAVISON:

Burial: Unknown, Roscoe Cemetery

Notes for ABEL ROBINSON:

ROBINSON.—Abel Robinson was born at Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, Feb. 12, 1823, came to the United States in 1848, landing in New York May 29th. In a few days he went to Salem, N. Y. In 1850 he married Matilda Townsend. In the summer of 1854 he moved to Davenport, Iowa; here on Dec. 9, 1854 his wife died. In Feb. 1856 he went to Farmington, Ill.; there he married Leah Davison, daughter of the late Eld. Samuel Davison. Eight children blessed this marriage, six of whom are still living. While in Farmington he professed religion and embraced the Sabbath, and in 1863 he became very, earnestly interested in Bible truth, renounced immortal soulism and became a firm believer in the kingdom of God upon earth. He remained firm in this belief to the end of his mortal life. He was taken sick with pneumonia fever Sabbath morning Dec. 6th and died on Sabbath morning at 3 o'clock Dec. 13, 1902, aged 76 years and 10 months. He leaves a wife and 7 children, one daughter by his first wife, 32 grandchildren and 6 great grand children. He came to Atchison county, Kansas, in 1865, located on a farm where he lived the remainder of his life. He was buried by the side of his two children, that died some years ago, in the family burial ground on Dec. 15, 1902.

Great God I own thy sentence just,  
And nature must decay,  
I yield my body to the dust,  
To dwell with fellow clay.

Yet faith may triumph o'er the grave  
And trample on the tombs,  
My great Redeemer ever lives,  
My God, my Savior comes.

The mighty conqueror shall appear.  
High on a royal seat  
And death, the last of all his foes,  
Lies vanquished at his feet.

Then shall I see thy lovely face  
With strong immortal eyes,

And feast upon thy wondrous grace,  
With pleasure and surprise.

There is a calm for those who weep  
A rest for weary pilgrims found;  
They softly lie; they sweetly sleep  
Low in the ground.

The storm that wrecks the wintry sky  
No more disturbs their deep repose  
Than summer evenings latest sigh  
That shuts the rose.

I long to lay this painful head  
And aching heart beneath the soil  
To slumber in that dreamless bed  
From all my toil.

Leah Robinson

More About ABEL ROBINSON:  
Occupation: 1880, Farmer  
Residence: 1880, Cinter, Atchison, KS

- iii. SARAH DAVISON, b. 1832, NJ; d. Unknown; m. WILLIAM SCHRIVER; b. Abt. 1828; d. Unknown.
- iv. HANNAH DAVISON, b. 12 Aug 1838, Baldwinsville, Onondaga County, NY; d. 23 Dec 1876, Boonesboro, IA; m. ADDISON BIRCH, 1858; b. Abt. 1835; d. Unknown.

Notes for HANNAH DAVISON:  
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Obituary:  
"In MEMORY OF HANNAH BIRCH Who died at Boonesboro, Iowa, December 23, 1876. Hanna Davison was born at Baldwinsville, Onondaga County, New York, August 12, 1840, (Alpheus Davison statement says 1838) moved to Fulton County, Illinois in 1849. In the Fall of 1858, she was married to Addison Birch."

Notes for ADDISON BIRCH:  
Per Rodney Barnes

- v. EBER DAVISON, b. 06 Mar 1843, Reading, PA; d. 06 Aug 1923, Fairview, Major, OK; m. (1) CLEORA GATES; b. 1865; d. 1933; m. (2) EUNICE JAMES, 1867; b. 1846, Indiana; d. 1900.

Notes for EBER DAVISON:  
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From written statement of Alpheus Davison

"Eber was born in 1843, is now living in Oklahoma, having raised a family of children by his first wife and now has a young son by a second wife."

More About EBER DAVISON:  
Occupation: 1880, Farmer  
Residence: 1880, Jefferson, Buchanan, IA

- vi. JOHN DAVISON, b. 1844, NJ; d. 1884.
- vii. JAMES DAVISON, b. 1845, New York; d. Unknown.

Notes for JAMES DAVISON:  
Samuel and Leah are living with James in 1880  
1880:

Household:

Name

Relation  
Marital Status  
Gender  
Race  
Age  
Birthplace  
Occupation  
Father's Birthplace  
Mother's Birthplace

James DAVISON  
Self  
S  
Male  
W  
41  
NY  
Farmer  
ENG  
ENG

Sam'l DAVISON  
Father  
M  
Male  
W  
78  
ENG  
Minister Of The Gospel  
ENG  
ENG

Leah DAVISON  
Mother  
M  
Female  
W  
78  
ENG  
Keeping House  
ENG  
ENG

Rena BIRCH  
Niece  
S  
Female  
W  
7  
IA  
  
CT  
NY

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More About JAMES DAVISON:  
Occupation: 1880, Farmer  
Residence: 1880, Center, Atchison, Kansas

- viii. SAMUEL STENNETT DAVISON JR., b. 03 Dec 1845, Plainfield, NJ; d. 1930, Fairview, OK; m. MATILDA ANN SHEFFIELD<sup>1</sup>, 30 Apr 1870, Centerville, Appanoose, IA; b. 22 Feb 1854, Westport, Dane, WI; d. 22 Apr 1930, Fairview, Major, OK.

Notes for SAMUEL STENNETT DAVISON JR.:  
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From written statement of Alpheus Davison  
"has raised a large family and is now living in Oklahoma."

More About SAMUEL STENNETT DAVISON JR.:  
Burial: Unknown, Roscoe cemetery, Major CO., OK.  
Occupation: 1870, Farmer  
Residence: 1907, OK

More About MATILDA ANN SHEFFIELD:  
Burial: Unknown, Roscoe cemetery, Major CO., OK.

Marriage Notes for SAMUEL JR. and MATILDA SHEFFIELD:  
Home in 1920:

Fairview, Major, Oklahoma  
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