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THE HANK FAMILY
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JOHN HANK AND HIS WIFE,
MARGARET HANK,
OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY,
VIRGINIA.

John Hank, the father of William Hank of Monroe, was born in Whittemarsh Twp., Phila. Co., Pa., 9mo. 20, 1712, the oldest child of John and Sarah (Evans) Hank. (1) John Hank was a seventeen years old before his father died; by the terms of the will John was left a portion of his father's Whittemarsh estate and the mare which he now calls his own, for him to enjoy and dispose of as he shall please. (2)

The widow Sarah (Evans) Hank married, as her second husband, Thomas Williams of Montgomery Twp., Phila. Co., Pa., 1mo. 6, 1732-3, and went from her father's home in Gwynedd, to her new husband's home. (3) With her went her seven Hank children—John, Jane, Elizabeth, William, Samuel, Joseph and Sarah; John was then twenty years of age, while Sarah, the youngest, was but four. There were other children in this Montgomery Township, but, for Thomas Williams, he had been twice a widower before he married Mrs. Sarah Hank. His first wife was Catherine Thomas, whose son John married 1mo. 10, 1714; his second, Jane Richards, whom he had married 1mo. 14, 1719. (4)

One of the children of Thomas and Jane Williams was Margaret, who was born 1mo. 25, 1721. (4a) This daughter married Sarah's oldest son, John Hank. John and Margaret first declared their intentions of marriage 12mo. 22, 1736; second, 1mo. 29, 1737. They were married the second month of 1737—the record does not give the day of the month; this omission is common among Friends' records when the marriage was not performed at a regular monthly meeting. (5) Since there are no recorded objections to this marriage, it must have been accepted, for the Friends as a rule frowned upon early marriages and their records do not fail to give proof of their objections.

John and Margaret (Williams) Hank continued to attend Gwynedd Meeting until 1750; in that year they secured a Certificate of Removal from Gwynedd to Richland Meeting. Within two years, however, —1mo. 25, 1752—they produced at Gwynedd Monthly Meeting a Certificate of Removal from Richland. (6) John Hank remained a member of Gwynedd until 1mo. 28, 1768, on which date a testimonial against him was read and signed and he was disowned as a member, because of debt. (7) This testifica-
Cherrington and his family, along with his brother-in-law, William Hank, and family, moved to Greenbrier county, Virginia. It was in Greenbrier that Margaret (Hank) Cherrington died Sept. 22, 1787. William Cherrington married again and moved, in 1805, to Gallia county, Ohio. (22)

When the 1784 census of Rockingham county was taken Margaret Hank was listed as the head of a family of four, herself, John, William and Hannah, and a resident of Rockingham county. Of these, the only Friend left was Hannah; the dismissal of Margaret Hank, the mother, is thus recorded in the Hopewell Minutes: "Jan. 6, 1781. It is the sense of this meeting that the Friends appointed to visit the Wild Hanks report to the next Monthly Meeting." (60. 5. A.)

Friends appointed in the Wild Hanks case report that she proposed to be at the next Monthly Meeting. Therefore her case is continued under the care of the same Friends." "Smo. 25, 1781. The case of the Widow Hank continued under the care of the same Friends." "Smo. 25, 1781. The case of the Widow Hank continued under the care of the same Friends." "Smo. 28, 1781. The case of the Widow Hank continued under the care of the same Friends." "Smo. 28, 1781. The case of the Widow Hank continued under the care of the same Friends." "Smo. 31, 1781. Whereas, Margaret Hank not appearing at this meeting according to expectation in order to condemn her misconduct in not attending our religious meeting in and in comemorating her daughter's going out in marriage and not taking the advice of her Friends, which after deliberate consideration this meeting disowns her to be a member of our Society until she becomes sensible to her misconduct and condemns the same, which she that may is desired on her behalf. If Joseph Allen is appointed to show her a copy of this minute." "Smo. 6, 1781. The Friends appointed to take the necessary care in Margaret Hank's case report the service is performed." (23)

Hannah Hank and Asah, or Asa, Lupton were married smo. 17, 1787, and the marriage was duly recorded by the clerk of Hopewell Monthly Meeting. Hannah was described as a "daughter of John Hank, deceased, and Margaret Hank of Rockingham county, Va." Asah Lupton was described as a "son of William, deceased, and Grace Lupton of Frederick Co. Va." Grace Lupton was a Pickering, and her son Asah, or Asa, was born smo. 16, 1757. (24)

This brings us to William Hank, the third son of John and Margaret (Williams) Hank, and the subject of our next article.

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