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HANK (HANKS/HANCKES,ETC.)

The Hank family from which Nancy Hank Lincoln descends,was of the yeomanry and so far as the writer's researches show,did not belong to a titled family.

We learn from the wills in the Litchfield registry,that Ralph Hank of Kirk Hallam,Derbyshire,made his will in the year 1552. From him probably descend the Hanks of Ilkeston,Derbyshire,with whom our pedigree commences.

Ilkeston,anciently called Elchestane,is a parish of considerable importance. It is situated on a hill near the River Erewash,close to the Nottinghamshire boundary. Kirk Hallam lies two miles southeast from Ilkeston.

John and Luke Hank were brothers,the names of their parents not ascertained.

1. John Hank of Ilkeston,Derbyshire,was an early member of the Society Friends. M.perhaps Margaret_____whose name appears as a petitioner against tythes in 1659. In 1685,for attending a burial,John Hanks and wife were fined. (Besse's Sufferings of the Quakers,Vol.1,p.143) Issue (3-4) Luke and John.

2. Luke Hank of Nottinghamshire,brother of 1 John. M._____wife's name not known. He probably lived in Eastwood,Nottinghamshire. The following two records refer to him:

"John Blunstone as attorney to Luke Hanke past over a patent by assignment dated ye 5th day of ye 1st moneth 1688 unto William Garrett and Thomas Bradshaw for a parcell of land near Muckaraton Creeke viz. one hundred acres thereof to sd.Thomas Bradshaw ye remainder to ye sd.William Garrett." (Records of the Courts of Chester Co.,Pa.,1681-97,p.149)

The amount conveyed to William Garrett was 300 acres and it had been surveyed Nov.6,1682,to Luke Hanck. (Ashmead's Hist.of Delaware County) (Lloyd Manuscripts,p.97)

3. Luke Hank,1,son of John and Margaret Hank,of Ilkeston,b.6/14/1673, at Ilkeston,Derbyshire. No account of his marriage has been found,but we know from his brother's will he left a son. Issue (7) John.

4. John Hank of White Marsh,Pa.,1,son of John and Margaret Hank.b. 5/21/1676,d.1731. M.10/10/1711,at Gwynedd Appointed Meeting,Sarah Evans,daughter of Cadwalader and Ellen (Morris) Evans of Gwynedd.(See Evans Family of Gwynedd in Jenkins Hist.Collections,pp.146-149) She M.(2) 1/6/1732/3,Thomas Williams,widower. The record of marriages is:

"Thomas Williams of Montgomery Township,Philadelphia County,widower,and Sarah Hank of Gwynedd,widow".

First Intentions,11/30/1732.(p.68 Gwynedd Minutes)
Second Intentions,12/27/1732.(p.68 Gwynedd Minutes)

Among the witnesses were John,William,Samuel,John,Jane and Elizabeth Hank. Will of John Hank,yeoman,of Whitemarsh, Philadelphia County,dated Dec.12,1730/1; pr.May 31,1731; mentions wife Sarah; children:John,William,Samuel,Joseph, Jane,Elizabeth and Sarah; cousin John Hank to whom he left £8. Executrix:Sarah Hank. Trustees: Brother in Law John Evans,and Friends Thomas Evans,son of Owen [illegible] of Gwynedd, and Jonathan Robeson. Witnesses: Isaac Williams,William Trotter and David Davies. The "cousin" John (i.e.nephew) was a son of his brother Luke. Issue(8-14) John,Jane,Elizabeth,William,Samuel,Joseph and Sarah.

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5. Ann Hank,2,daughter of Luke Hank. M.3/18/1671,at Whitelee,Pentridge Parish,Derbyshire,William Woolley. She was living at Grosley,Nottinghamshire at time of marriage.

6. Luke Hank,2,son of Luke Hank. M.3/5/1680,at Fritchley,Derby,Jane Wheatcroft. He was of Eastwood,Nottinghamshire at time of marriage. They had a son Luke,b.2/1/1681. [Probably Peter (1683) and John (?) (?) m. T.H.R.]

6A. Elizabeth Hank,2,daughter of Luke Hank. M.10/ /1693,William Evans or Evines. 9/1/1693,Elizabeth Hanke of Darby and William Evines,of Evisum (Evesham) W.J. First Intentions. Anne Garrett and Elizabeth Lewis to inquire. 10/6/1693,Elizabeth Hanke and William Evines,second time,and were authorized to proceed according to "Truth and good order".(Darby Womens' Minutes,p.8) [She was witness to John(?) & Rebecca's marriage - M.T.H.R.]

7. John Hank,3,son of Luke Hank,of Sawley,Derbyshire. M.7/22/1737,at Burlington,N.J.,Meeting House,Rebecca Brian,daughter of Thomas Brian,late of Northampton Township,Burlington Co/. N.J. Witnesses:Rebecca,Benjamin,Mary,Abraham and John Brian; Elizabeth Evans and Elizabeth Evans,Jr.,Elizabeth Southwick and 31 others. (Burlington Meeting,p.70). Thomas Brian came over with Governor Samuel Jennings.(Ibid,p.262).

11/28/1736/7,"John Hanks delivered unto this meeting acknowledging himself to blame in relation to his propossall of marriage(which he afterwards declined) and desires Friends would excuse his doing so without tendering the particular reasons for his not proceeding further therein,and he promises to be more careful of giving offense for the future".(Philadelphia Friends' Minutes).

Whatever the reason was,he certainly married the lady who was of excellent family.

The will of Rebecca Brian,widow and executrix of Thomas Brian,of Northampton,Burlington Co.,N.J.,dated 9/7/1743; proved April 21,1747: mentions Elizabeth,daughter of Daniel Haines,Rebecca,wife of John Hank and her eldest daughter Hannah,Sarah,wife of John Fennimore,and Ann Brian. Son John and his daughters Ellener and Ann. Grandchildren:Thomas, William,Uriah,and Rebecca,children of son Abraham,deceased, Sheddock,eldest son of grandson Heron Brian,sister Sarah Dimsdall,deceased. Executors:son John and son in law Daniel Haines. Witnesses:Will Fetty,Isaac Hancock,Thomas Scattergood. (Trenton Wills).

John and Rebecca(Brian) Hank's daughter Hannah was born 1/14/1738/9.

John Hank,anotherchild,M.10/1/1770,Rachel Evans.6/2/1732,John Hank in Haddonfield,N.J.Meeting. Certificate of John Hank,of Darby Meeting,dated 5/3/1734,to Friends Meeting of Philadelphia,testifying as to his character. Signed by Samuel Garrett,Josiah Hibbard,Adam Rhodes,Benj.Cliffe, Richard Parker,Jos.Need,Samuel Bunting,Roger Ball,Job Harvey, Jacob Bonsall,David Thomas,John Davis and others.(Certificates of Removal,Phila.Mtg.p.144). 5/3/1734,John Hank, [illegible] certificate from Haddonfield Meeting to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting.(Haddonfield,N.J.Mtg.p.240). 9/24/1738,John Hank presented a certificate from Phila.Monthly Meeting to Burlington Meeting.(p.243)

8. John Hank,4,son of John and Sarah (Evans) Hank,b.9/20/1712, M.1736/7, at Gwynedd Meeting,Margaret Williams,daughter of Thomas Williams by his first wife Jane Richard.(Jenkins,p.115). First declaration of Intentions of marriage,12/22/1736. Second declaration,1/29/1737.(p.88,Gwynedd Minutes).

8/25/1752 "An endorsement on our certificate for Jno. Hank and wife from Richland Meeting,dated 20th Instant, was read,and although we think it hardly fair,yet it is

[Jane Richard was Ros.Williams' 2nd wife
Catherine Thomas was his 1st wife
m. T.H.R.]

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received and the Overseers desired to do their duty to said Hank".(p.161 Gwynedd Minutes).

3/29/1763,complaint against John Hank for debt.(Gwynedd, p.227). 4/26/1763,John Hank desires forbearance. 9/22/1767, Gwynedd informs that John Hank being in debt was sued by his creditors and put in prison,and then indented himself to pay them and the cost. William Foulke and John Wilson to visit him. (Gwynedd,p.256). 10/27/1767,John Hank reported sorry for his situation but not willing to make satisfaction. Samuel Morris and Thomas Lancaster to visit him again/.(Gwynedd p.256). 11/24/1767,John Hank sorry and intends to make satisfaction.(Gwynedd p.257). 12/29/1767, John Hank avoided a meeting with the committee,Samuel Morris and Thomas Lancaster to draw testification against him. (Gwynedd,p.258). 1/26/1768,Testification signed. (Gwynedd, p.258). He probably removed to Virginia shortly after this date. John Hank removed to Virginia prior to his wife and daughters. He was in Rockingham County at the time of his daughter Hannah's marriage. [John Hank was dead by 1784. See Rockingham Course. M.H.R.]

2/22/1774,certificate for Margaret Hank and her four daughters,Susanna,Eleanor,Margaret and Hannah,to Hopewell, Virginia. (Gwyn.Min.p.302). 7/7/1777,Certificate presented to the Friends Meeting of Hopewell,Frederick County,Va., by Margaret Hank and her four daughters: Susannah,Elinor, Hannah and Margaret,from Gwynedd Monthly Meeting,dated 2/22/1774,which was read and accepted. (Hopewell,Va.,Min.p.155). 4/5/1779,Women Friends inform us that Margaret Hank and her two daughters Margaret and Hannah,have for these several years almost wholly neglected the assembling themselves with their friends for worship,and that Margaret(the daughter) has joined in marriage with a man not a member of our Society. Committee appointed to visit them. 10/4/1779,Margaret Harrington,formerly Hank,disowned. (Minutes Hopewell,Va.,Mtg., p.218). 5/31/1781,Margaret Hank (the mother) disowned. Issue (15-18) Susannah,Elinor,Hannah and Margaret,and perhaps other children. [Others: John(b.1738), Caleb, Williams. M.H.R.]

9. Jane Hank,4,daughter of John and Sarah(Evans) Hank,b.8/12/1714,d.10/7/1762. M.3/13/1736,at Gwynedd Meeting,John Roberts,b.5/28/1714,d.10/8/1801. First Intentions,1/31/1736. Second Intentions,2/27/1736.(Gwyn.Min.,p.83).(For issue,see Hist.Col.of Gwynedd,p.194) .

10. Elizabeth Hank,4,daughter of John and Sarah (Evans) Hank,b.11/28/1716.

11. William Hank,4,son of John and Sarah (Evans) Hank,b.9/12/1720.

12. Samuel Hank,4,son of John and Sarah (Evans) Hank,b.1/15/1723. 5/26/1752,he was complained of along with his brother Joseph and George Norman (reason not given).

13. Joseph Hank,4,son of John and Sarah(Evans)Hank,b.1725. M.Nancy_____. He was given a certificate by Gwynedd Meeting to Exeter Meeting,and the Exeter Meeting records the arrival 5/30/1754. (p.152). 1/30/1753,Overseers of Gwynedd Meeting report that Joseph Hank has removed within the compass of Exeter. A certificate ordered to be prepared which was signed 2/27/1753. (Min.Gwyn.p.163). 5/26/1752,a minute ordered to be prepared against George Norman,Samuel Hanks, Joseph Hanks and others. 7/28/1752,The testification read and approved. (For what reason is not set forth). 5/30/1754,Joseph Hank certificate from Gwynedd.(Exeter Mtg.). He removed to Virginia with John Lincoln and others from Berks Co.,Pa.,and afterwards went to Kentucky.(Fox,Pres. of Berks Co.Historical Society) For a completely different ancestral line,see "Nancy Hanks" by Caroline Hanks Hitchcock. (Doubleday &McClure Co. New York - 1899.

[Where did Mr. Justice find Nancy? Is this the Joseph Hanks of Hampshire Co., Va.? and later of Nelson Co., Ky.? Joseph of Hampshire was head of a family of eleven besides himself. M.H.R.]

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14. Sarah Hank,4,daughter of John and Sarah (Evans) Hank,b.8/8/1728. She was given a certificate,signed 3/31/1752,from Gwynedd to Burlington Meeting. (p.158,Gwyn.Min.)

15. Susannah Hank,8,daughter of John and Margaret (Williams) Hank. M._____Bryan. 12/1/1777,Susannah Bryan,formerly Hank,complained of by Friends of Crooked Run Meeting for marriage by a hireling teacher to one not a member. 2/2/1778,she was disowned for this violation of Friends' Discipline. (Hopewell Meeting Minutes, pp.160-166)

16. Elinor Hank,8,daughter of John and Margaret (Williams) Hank. She was complained of along with her sister Susannah,and disowned,2/2/1778. (Hopewell Minutes,pp.160-166).

17. Hannah Hank,8,daughter of John and Margaret (Williams) Hank. M. 5/17/1787,at Hopewell Meeting,Asahal Lupton,of Hopewell. (p.44,Marriage Certificate Book). She is described as a daughter of John Hank of Rockingham Co.,Va. 4/5/1779, she was complained of for non-attendance at Meeting,but was not disowned. 3/1/1784,Hannah Hank produced a certificate from Crooked Run Meeting.(dated 2/28/1784). 4/2/1787, Hannah Hank and Asa Lupton declare intentions of marriage, first time.(p.308 Hopewell Minutes). 5/7/1787,Second intentions,(p.309)Hopewell Min). 6/4/1787,Asa Lupton's marriage reported orderly. (Hopewell Min.P/.309)

18. Margaret Hank,8,daughter of John and Margaret (Williams) Hank,b. April 10,1755. M.circa 1779_____Harrington. 4/5/1779, she was complained of for non-attendance at meeting,and of having joined in marriage with one not a Friend. 10/4/1779,Margaret Harrington,formerly Hank,disowned. (Hopewell Min.p.218).

(To the foregoing,Myra Hank Rudolph appends statement as follows: "Margaret Hank,daughter of John and Margaret Williams Hanks,born April 10,1755,and married William Cherrington Feb.19,1779,in Rockingham County,Virginia. William Cherrington was born Apr.19,1755.(See Cherrington Records)").

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