

Agnew

Page 346 of the June 1928 D.A.R. Magazine contains a beautifully illustrated sketch of James Agnew - his forebears and descendants, by Caroline Butterfield Hoag, giving as references - "History of the Hereditary Sheriffs of Shalloway" by Sir Andrew Agnew, Bart. M.P., published 50 years ago and compiled from the Archives of the Agnew Family.

"The Book of the Agnews," by Mary Virginia Agnew, published in 1926.

"History of the Life of David Hayes Agnew, M.D., D.D., D." by Adams Howe, M.D., of Philadelphia, Pa.

"History of Adams County, Ohio" by Stivers & Evans
& "Early History of Cincinnati" by Cist.

The family is of ancient times - branches of it - then spelt D'Agneaux - were in Normandy in the 10th century. This particular branch was of Bayeux.

The first notice of them in English History is when Sir Philip D'Agneaux joined King Henry II on his Irish Expedition in 1171 & 5 years later, when he came to Ulster after quarreling with Sir John De Courcy.

He & Sir John De Courcy were among the 32 knights who followed the bold adventurer

from Anglo-Normandy & were rewarded with grants of land for their service. Sir Philip was given the Lordship of Saurin - later spelled Sarn - while Sir John De Courcy became the Earl of Ulster. By 1375 the Northern Lords had become tired of their English masters & invited Edward Bruce to come over & rule them. Sir Philip was the first to meet him & remained beside him throughout the three year struggle to retain the throne.

In 1318 Edward Bruce was killed at the battle of Faughard Hill so the Northern Lords followed the Earl of Murray to Scotland. Here Sir Philip & Alexander, (the natural son of Edward Bruce), became very friendly. When David I became king he made Philip heritable constable & the keeper of Lochmow Castle; later made him heritable sheriff of Wigtown - this made Philip second in power in Scotland next

To The King.
Sir Patrick Agnew the eighth hereditary Sheriff
of Lochnow married Margaret Kennedy - This
gave their descendants two royal lines: one from
James II of Scotland & the other from Henry III of
England.

Sir Andrew Agnew was the hero of many exploits -
see Sir Walter Scott's History of Scotland.

The Pennsylvania Agnews:

James Agnew (1711-1770) married 1st Margaret -
who died in 1735 leaving two children: Judge John
(who married three but left no issue), & Janet (who
married the brother of her step-mother, Rebecca
Scott - children of Abram the son of the emigrant
Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania).

"Old Hugh Scott" settled on the shore of Delaware before
the arrival of Wm. Penn. His son, Abraham, was born in
Maryland, commanded a company under Col. Alex-
ander Downey; was at Brandywine & Germantown
& in 1763 served as Major in the battalion of Col. Ja-
cob Cook. Rebecca was his third daughter.

The Agnew burying ground is on Black's Turnpike
one & a half miles from Gettysburg & here lies Rebecca
Scott, James Agnew with the hereditary coat of arms,
& many descendants.

Lieutenant-Colonel James Agnew (May 1 1742 - April
10 1825) of the American Revolution was the son of the
above James who was a Captain in the Colonial
Wars (born in Great Britain, who came to America
in 1717).

He married Mary Ramsey (the daughter of Judge
Ramsey a Major in the Colonial Wars, who married
Mary O'Carroll the daughter of Judge Daniel O'Carroll
of Pennsylvania), by whom he had two children:

Robert Agnew of Pennsylvania

Sons of The American Revolution, page 917: Richard W. C.
Simmons of Pittsburg, Pa., as #630, joined The Pennsyl-
vania Society on the service of Robert Agnew a Private
of The fourth Pennsylvania Battalion.

He was the son of, (see):

- (1) William H. Simmons married Sarah Jane Agnew;
- (2) William Agnew " Jane McCoy;
- (3) Robert Agnew " _____

Same page: Edwin Livingston Stevenson as #14446; William
Gambel Stevenson, as #14450, & Walter C. Stevenson, as #11607 -
all of Pittsburg, Pa. joined on the same service.

They are the sons of, (see):

- (1) William Stevenson married Helen Mary Haven;
- (2) William S. Haven " Helen Mary Cooper;
- (3) John Cooper " Sarah Agnew;
- (4) Robert Agnew " _____

Page 382 of The Sons of the American Revolution:
Charles Agnew Walker of Wichita, Kan., as #12083,
joined the Kansas Society on the service of Captain
Abraham Scott of the Maryland Troops & Pensioned.
He is the son of (see):

- (1) William Walker married Jane Scott;
- (2) John Agnew-Scott " Mary M. Trenkle;
- (3) Abraham Scott " _____.

Lieutenant-Colonel James Agnew of Pennsylvania.

N.C. D.A.R. Register of 1947 page 56: Mrs. J. P. Lindsley (Marquette L.),
of Williamston, N.C., is a "Member-at-Large" as #301749, from the service
of Lieutenant-Colonel James Agnew of Pennsylvania.

D.A.R. Lineage, Vol. 104, page 306: Mrs. William Roberts, (Theresa
Stevenson), born at Jamestown, Ohio, as #108979, joined on the
services of Lieutenant-Colonel James Agnew (1742-1825), born
at Green Castle, died at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania who
served as Lieutenant-Colonel in the New York militia; & of
Alexander Baldrige (1717-1805), born in Ireland, who
served as a Private in Capt. John McCConnell's first com-
pany of the fourth battalion of the Cumberland Co. Penn-
sylvania militia 1780-1781 - see also #93773.

She is the daughter of (see):

- (1) Robert A. Stephenson, (born 1843), married 1868, Fandoma A.
Baldrige, (born 1849);
- (2) Alexander H. Baldrige (1795-1874), married (2), 1848, Ros-
anna, & McLaughlin (1820-1877);
- (3) William Baldrige, (1761-1830), married 1792, Rebecca Ag-
new, (died 1817);
- (4) Alexander Baldrige married Jane Ramsey;
& James Agnew married 1768, Mary Ramsey.

Page 307: Mrs. Howard David Welsh, (Alberta Stevenson), born
at Urbana, Ohio, as #108980, joined as above.

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D.A.R. Lineage Vol 69, page 327: Mrs. Richard M. Atkins, (Ella
May Biggs), born at Waterford, N.Y., as #68913, joined in the
service of Lieutenant-Colonel James Danvers (1742-1825)
born near Jew Castle, died at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania,
- see numbers 25154 & 63983;
Alexander Baldrige (1717-1805), born in Ireland, who served