

## THE POES AND THEIR NAME HISTORY

by Aunt Amelia Poe

The name of Poe is believed by some authorities to have been of ancient Saxon origin, but its meaning is not clear. It is found on the records of old England in the various forms of Pos-Poo-Poy--Pau--Poe and Poe of which the last is the generally accepted form of today. There seems however to be good reasons to suppose that the name of Poe was in many parts of Great Britain used as a contraction of Powell, or Poell, a Welsh name of great antiquity, which is said to have been derived from AP Howell.

Families of the name of Poe were to be found at early dates in the counties, of Derby and Nottingham, in England, in the latter of which places, one William Poo or Poe died about 1557 leaving five children, -Richard, Edmond, Joan, Alice, and Thomas of whom the first made his "Will" in 1564 naming his wife, Margaret and his son, Richard.

One Richard Poe was under-keeper for Sir John Byron, father of the first Lord Byron. This line is said to have made its home on the manor of Papplewick, in Nottinghamshire, and was represented in the latter part of the 16th century by Dr. Leonard Poe and his brother Anthony Poe, who married Alice Frost and had issue by her of -William Poe (removed to county Tyrone, Ireland) -John Thomas (made his home in Co. of Tipperary, Ire.) -Anthony (Capt. of the Parliamentary Army in Ire.) and in England) -Richard, Alice, Ann and Elizabeth.

Thomas, son of Anthony Poe, was the father of Richard, Emanuel, Thomas, Mary and Eleanor: of whom the first was the father of Thomas, Edward, John Anthony, Richard, William, Robert, Elizabeth, Arabella, Jane and Mary. The second was the father of William, Emanuel, James, Thomas, Joseph, Una and Elinor, all of whom were living at the beginning of the 18th century.

Anthony, son of Anthony Poe had issue by his wife, Mary of: Daniel, Anthony, Sarah, Anne, Elizabeth, and Mary, of whom the first died in the latter part of the 17th century, leaving at least two sons, Samuel and James.

About this time another family of Poes were living at Dring, in the Co. of Cavan, Ireland, and was headed by one David Poe, who had issue by his wife Sarah: John, Alexander and Anne, of whom the first two emigrated to America in the early 18th century. Unfortunately, the immediate family of the immigrant, Alexander is not known definitely.

John Poe, eldest son of David, married Jane, daughter of the Rev. Robert McBride, in 1741, and settled in Penn. He had issue—James, Samuel, John, Robert, David, George, Hester, Mary, Jane and William. David married Elizabeth Cairnes, George married Katherline Dawson, both had issue. William married one Frances Winslow, by whom he had a large family, they moved to Georgia.

David, son of the emigrant John, removed to Baltimore, Md. with his wife, Elizabeth Cairnes, and was the father by her of: John<sup>r</sup> Hancock, William, David, George Washington, Samuel, Mary (Maria), and Elizabeth. David Poe, of Baltimore, was Deputy Assistant Quartermaster, General of the Revolutionary War.

David, Jr., son of the last mentioned David Poe, married the widow, Elizabeth, (nee Arnold) Hopkins in 1805 and had issue by her of among others, the famous Poet Edgar Allen Poe, who was born in Mass. in 1809, died in Md. in 1849.

Another family of the name of Poe, emigrated to America, George Jacob Poe, from Prussia, Germany, to Md. in 1745. It was from this line that the noted Civil War officer General Orlandor Metcalf Poe was descended, also the Memorable Indian Fighters--Adam Poe and Andrew Poe. They fought, Big Foot, Chief of the Wyandotte Nation and six other Indians on the Ohio River. Poe, Twp., Hancock co., Ohio, has been named for them. Memorial to their brave deed. We do not know at this writing whether there is any connection between these Poes and the ones that migrated from Ireland.

The descendants of these various branches of the Poe Family in America have spread to

practically every State of the Union and have aided as much in the growth of the country as their ancestors aided in the founding of the Nation. They have been noted for their courage, energy ambition, industry, integrity, piety, love of adventure, power of will, mental ability and leadership.

David, John, Thomas, William, Edward, James, Samuel, Richard, Anthony and Emanuel are some of the Christian names most highly favored by the Poe family for its male members. The Coat of Arms of the Poe family is described as follows:

ARMS--"or a fesse between three crescents azure, issuing flames, proper."

CREST--"On a wreath of the colours, a Boar's head, coupéd erect or pierced through by a broken spear." Sources: (Arms taken from Burkes, "General Armory Argent." 1884. The above data has been compiled chiefly from the following sources:

"Burke's landed Gentry" 1925. "Sir Edmund T. Bewley-"The Family of Poe" 1907.

"Heitman, -Officers of the Continental Army" 1914. "The Americanna" 1934.

"Burke-General Army" 1884.

#### POE OF HARLEY PARK

James Purefoy Poe of Harley Park, Co. Tipperary, J.P. Co 'S. Lilkenny and Tipperary was born December 21st 1859.--LINEAGE-Capt. James Poe, 3rd son of Emanuel Poe (see Poe of Riverston) purchased the Harley Park estate. He married Mary Cooke of Kiltinan and died, 1728, leaving issue: James of whom presently. 2.-Mary, married William Drewe of Kilveny. 3.-Susan married 1729, Purefoy Poe, son of Wm. Poe of Knock and D.S.P. The son James Poe of Harley Parks, m. Bridget, daughter of the Hon. Richard Power, Baron of the court of the Exchequer in Ireland. Died 1756 having had issue (with a daughter, 3 sons. 1.-Purefoy, his heir. 2.- John m. Miss Barton of Ballyline and had 3 sons. 1.- James of Kilkenny m. 1820, Harriet Arabella Waters, died, 1851, leaving issue --1.- James, Clerk of the Crown, Co. Kilkenny, B 1827, m. 1857 Susan Elizabeth, second daughter of Rev. Jeremiah McCheane, and had issue- 1.-Purefoy, d.u.m. Mar. 17th 1910.

2.-James, L.L.D. m. 1st wife Kathleen Sophia (d. Mar. 23rd, 1907) 2nd wife, daughter of Thos. Kough and had issue- 1.-Harriet, Patricia, Kathleen. -2.-Dorothy. He m. again June 24th, 1911, to Agnes Bernice, daughter of John Child Hanyington, M.C.S. 3.-John Major R.A. Medical Corps. m. Kathleen Goff, and had issue-John, Kathleen, Mary. 1.- Ellen m Apr. 12, 1898, Wm. T. Pils-worth. 2.-Harriet. 3.-Susan. 4.-Mary, m. Henry Stoker, M.D. and has- 1.- Edward, 2.-Purefoy, m. 1861, Elizabeth Shaw, daughter of Rev. Jeremiah McCheane, issue-1.- Purefoy, Rev. 2.-James Leon-ard, 3.-John Wm.-1.-Bessie Williams. 2.-Georgina Arabella, 3.-John, 4.-Robert, 5.-Richard, Deshee. 1.-Mary m. James Comerford, 2.-Anne, m Wm. Winslow, 3.-Harriet, 4.-Georgiana Susan, 5. Margaret. 2.- Purefoy, m. Miss Izod, D.S.P. 3. John resides in England.

The eldest son, Purefoy Poe of Harley Park, m. Mar. 3rd, 1769, Martha, eldest dau. of the Hon. Geo. Smyth, one of the Barons of the Exchequer in Ireland and left at his decease, Feb. 15, 1817, and only son and heir. James Purefoy Poe, of Harley Park, J.P. born Oct. 23, 1777(?) m. Catherine, only daughter of Arthur Adams of Bengorstown and by her, (who d. Feb. 26, 1863) had issue--1.-Purefoy Poe-his heir- 2.-Arthur, s. his brother, 3.-James b. Feb, 3, 1830, d.u.m. Feb. 1898. 1.-Frances, d.y. Feb. 1827-2-Martha, died unmarried. 3.- Kate, m. Rev. Geo. Russell, d. 1888. 4. Susan, d. unm. 1897, in Feb. 5.- Frances, d. um. Feb. 1891. Mr. Poe died July, 1851. His oldest son Purefoy Poe of Harley Park, J.P. High Sheriff of Co. Kilkenny, 1854, died, unm. 1860 his brother, Arthur Poe of Harley Park, J.P. for Co.'s Tipperary and Kilkenny, High Sherriff 1869, born 1828, m. 1858, Olivia Elizabeth, daughter of John Jacob, M.D. of Maryborough Queens Co. died 1903, having issue, -James Purefoy, now of Harley Park. 2.- John Julius Evans, born 1864. 3.- Arthur Percy, b 1866 m. 1903, Ethel Amelia McGibbon and had issue, -Jeffrey, Arthur, Violet, Ethel, Katherine Adelad. 2.- Olive m., 1901, Harley Park, to Geo. Coddington Ball.

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Dear Frank:

Thank you very much for your note enclosing the copy of the letter from Edgar Allen Poe, to your Great, Grand Father. I have read this with great interest and am very pleased to have it for our family records.

It has been some time since I have seen you and I hope that everything is going well with you. Do drop in and have lunch with me some day and let me know if any of your family are coming down at your commencement this year.

With kindest personal regards, I am,  
Sincerely Yours,  
John Prentiss Poe

Edgar Allen Poe's  
Letter to  
Mr. William Poe  
Augusta, Ga.  
Dear Sir:

Richmond, Aug. 20, 1835

I received your very kind and complimentary letter only a few minutes ago, and hasten to reply.

I had long been aware that a connection existed between us--without knowing precisely in what manner. Your letter however has satisfied me that we are 2nd cousins. I will briefly relate to you what little I have been able to ascertain or rather to remember, in relation to our families. That I know but little on this head will not appear so singular to you when I relate the circumstances connected with my own particular history. But to return, my paternal Grandfather was Gen. David Poe of Baltimore originally of Ireland, I know that he had brothers--two I believe, but my knowledge extends only to one, Mr. George Poe. My grandfather married when very young, a Miss Elizabeth Cairnes of Lancaster, Pa. by whom he had five sons Viz: George (who died while an infant), John, William, David, and Samuel. Also two daughters, Maria and Eliza, both married young. Maria married a Mr.

Wm. Clemm, a gentleman of high standing and some property in Baltimore. He was a widower with five children and had, after his marriage to Maria Poe, three other--Viz: 2 girls and a boy of which a Girl, Virginia and a boy, Henry are still living. Mr. Clemm died about 9 years ago without any property whatever, leaving his widow desolate and unprotected and little likely to receive protection or assistance from the relatives of her husband--most of who were opposed to the marriage in the first instance--and who opposition was no doubt aggravated by the petty quarrels frequently occurring between Marie's children, and Mr. Clemm's children by his former wife. This Maria is the one of whom you speak and to whom I will allude again presently, Eliza, the second daughter of the General, married a Mr. Henry Herring of Baltimore, a man of unprincipled character and by whom she had several children. She is now dead and Mr. Herring, having married a (old letter torn out when opened) communication with the family of his wife's sister--Mrs.--the widow of Gen. David Poe, and the mother of Maria died only ---ago at the age of 79. She had for the last 8 years of her life been entirely to bed, never in any circumstance leaving it during that time. She had been paralyzed and suffered from many other complaints. Her daughter, Maria, attending to her during her long and tedious illness with a Christian and Martyr-like fortitude, and with a c constancy of attention and unremitting affection which must exalt her character in the eyes of all who know her--Maria.

In relation to my Grandfather's brother George, I know but little, Jacob Poe of Fredericktown, Md. is his son, also George of Mobile and I presume your grandfather, William Poe. Geo. Jacob (sic) Poe has two sons--Neilson and George, also one daughter, Amelia. My father, David died when I was in the second year of my age, and when my sister, Rosalie, was an infant in arms. Our mother died a few weeks before him. Thus we were left orphans at an age when the hand of a parent is so peculiarly requisited. At this period, my grandfather's circumstances were at a low ebb, he from great wealth having been reduced to poverty. It was therefore in his power to do little for us. My brother, Henry he took however under his care, while myself and Rosalie were adopted by a gentleman

in Richmond where we were at the period of our parents death. I was adopted by Mr. John Allen of Richmond, Va. and she by Mr. McKenzie of the same place. Rosalie is still living at Mr. McKenzies still unmarried and is treated as one of the family, being a favorite with all. I accompanied Mr. Allen to England in my 7th year, and remained there at school five years, since which I have resided with Mr. Allan until a few years ago. The first Mrs. Allan, having died and Mr. Allan having married again, I found my situation not so comfortable as before, and obtained a Cadet's appointment at West Point. During my stay there, Mr. Allen died suddenly and left me-nothing. No will was found among his papers. I have accordingly been thrown entirely upon my own resources. Brought up to no profession and educated in the expectation of an immense fortune (Mr. Allen having been worth \$750,000, the blow has been a heavy one, and I had nearly succumbed to it's influence and yielded to despair. But by the exertion of much resolution, I am now beginning to look upon the matter in a less serious light and although struggling still with many embarrassments, am enabled to keep up my spirits. I have lately obtained the Editorship of the Southern Messenger, and may probably yet do well.

Mrs. Thompson, your Aunt, is still living in Baltimore, George Poe, of Baltimore allows her a small income. In conclusion, I beg to assure that whatever aid you may have it in your power to bestow upon Mrs. Clemm will be given to one who well deserves any kindness and attention, would to God that I could at this moment aid her. She is now while I write, struggling without friends, without money and without health to support--and two children. I sincerely pray God that the words which I am --may be the means of inducing you to unite with your brothers and--ends, and send her that immediate relief wh--it is utterly out of--power to give her just now and which, unless it reach her soon will, I am afraid reach her too late. Entreating your attention to this subject, I remain,

Yours Very Truly and Affectionately,  
(signed) Edgar A. Poe

It would give me the greatest pleasure to hear from you in reply.  
To William Poe.

This record was made up in 1906 from family papers now in the possession of Amelia Poe, daughter of Neilson Poe and Josephine Emily Clemm Poe.

David Poe, Scotch-Irish from Parish of Fenwick, in Ayrshire Scotland-intermarried with Allans and Galts--They belonged to the Scotch Protestants who migrated to Ireland, Dring in Parish of Kildallen, Co. Cavan. David Poe and wife Sarah, living in Dring, had 3 children, John, Alexander, and Anne. John Poe was named for his Grandfather, John Poe. This John Poe, in September 1741, married Jane McBride of Ballymoney Co. Antrim, Ireland and this marriage was probably performed by John, Lord Bishop of Clogher, or by Jane's father, the Rev. Robert McBride.

Alexander Poe, brother of John's came to America in 1739, settled at Marsh Creek, near Gettysburg battlefield in Lancaster Co., Pa. He wrote back to Ireland and his brother, John Poe and wife, Jane McBride and sons David and George came over in 1743.

David Poe died in 1742 and he and his wife, Sarah are buried in Dring, Ireland.

John Poe and wife, Jane McBride of Donegal, Donegal Co., Ireland landed at New Castle, Del. with children and went at once to Lancaster Co., Pa. and afterward to Cecil Co. Md. Jane McBride was sister of McBride, Admiral of the Blue and Member of Parliament for Plymouth, in 1785. John and Jane had 10 children: namely--

1. David-born in Ireland.
2. George-born in Ireland
3. Robert-died in the West Indies.
4. John-Taken prisoner at battle of Germantown, 1777--died on the prison ship, Jersey at New York.
5. Samuel
6. Jane
7. James



8. Hester
9. Mary
10. William--born 1754--died 1802--had 7 children.

Of these Robert, John, Samuel, James and Jane who died in Annapolis, left no issue.

Hester and Mary married had one child each but these children left no issue. So there were left David, Grandfather of the poet, Edgar Allen Poe--George from whom the Poes in Md. spring and William Poe.

John and his wife removed to Baltimore where he died in 1756.

The first city directory of Baltimore, published in 1786 contains the name of Jane Poe, widow, German St. between Howard and Hanover. This property was owned by the family. She died July, 17, 1802, aged 96 and is buried in Westminster Churchyard, lot number 129, corner of Green and Fayette Sts. Baltimore, Md.

"Burkes Landed Gentry" gives a full record of John Poes ancestry, showing for instance that Dr. Poe, physician to Queen Elizabeth came from Donegal, and was of the family. William Poe, the youngest child went to Ga. and married Frances Winslow. He died in Augusta. Ga. They had the following children--

1. Robert--probably born 1775, died 1854, had son William C., Mary and others not known.
2. William--13 children--born in 1802 was the baby of the family.
3. Washington--distinguished lawyer, member of Congress--born in 1800.
4. Matilda
5. Forsythe
6. Francis
7. Annie

These are the progenitors of the Poes in Ga.--Atlanta, etc., with the exception of one family in Mobile, Ala. and another in Barnville, S. C. which descended from George Poe.

William is given this brief notice here and not in his proper place after David and George because this record is of the Maryland Poes. No full data on others.

David Poe's early life was spent in Pa. where his father, John had settled and he had married the beautiful, Elizabeth Cairnes. In 1776 he moved to Baltimore and from that time was prominent in public affairs. He was Quarter Master General in the Maryland line, and contributed largely of his personal means, in furnishing arms and supplies to the soldiers of the Revolutionary War. These contributions impoverished him. In 1799-1800, he was in the city council, and tho 73 years old took an active part in the Battle of North Point, September 12, 1814. The Marquis de la Fayette had a warm affection for him and on his visit to Baltimore in 1824, inquired particularly for him. Hearing he had died 8 years before, he expressed great sorrow and asked to be taken to the widow's residence to pay his respects to her. David Poe, died October 17, 1816. His widow died July 7, 1835.

David Poe and Elizabeth Cairnes Poe had 7 children:

1. John Hancock Poe--born Aug. 25, 1776, baptized Sept. 13, 1776 First Presbyterian Church.
3. George Washinton Poe--born Aug. 21, 1782, baptized Oct. 6, 1782, Baltimore, First Presbyterian Church.
2. William Poe--born Mar. 2, 1780, baptized Apr. 14, 1780, First Presbyterian Church, Baltimore.
4. David Poe, Jr.-- Born, July 18, 1784, baptized Sept. 21, 1784, First Presbyterian Church, Baltimore.
5. Samuel Poe - born, Dec. 21, 1787, baptized Feb. 17, 1788, First Presbyterian Church, Baltimore.
6. Mary (Maria) Poe, -born, Mar. 17, 1790, baptized June 6, 1790, First Presbyterian Church, Baltimore.

7. Elizabeth Poe-born Sept. 26, 1792 baptized Dec. 16, 1792, First Presbyterian Church, Baltimore.

David Poe, Jr. was born in Baltimore in 1784, married in 1806 to Mrs. Elizabeth Hopkins, (nee Arnold) an English actress. She died in Richmond, Va. Dec. 8, 1811. He had died a short time before in Norfolk, Va. They had 3 children:

1. William Leonard Henry Poe-born Feb.-1907, died July 7, 1831.
2. Edgar Allan Poe-born Jan. 19, 1809, died Oct. 7, 1849.
3. Rosalie Poe-born Jan.-1810, died July 21, 1874.

Maia Poe born Mar. 17, 1790, was married at St. Paul's Church, Baltimore to Wm. Clemm, Jr. son of Col. William and Catherine Clemm of Mt. Prospect, now Walbrook, Baltimore on July 13, 1817 by the Rev. William E. Wyatt. She was his second wife; his first wife was Harriet Poe, daughter of George Poe and Maria's first cousin. Their children were :

1. Henry-born Sept. 10, 1818, died unmarried.
2. Virginia Maria-born Aug. 22, 1820.
3. Virginia Eliza-born Aug. 13, 1822, died Jan. 30, 1847 (Edgar Allan Poe's wife)  
Virginia Elizabeth Clemm married her first cousin, Edgar Allan Poe, the poet. She was baptized by Bishop Kemp, Nov. 5, 1822 and died at Fordham, New York in the now celebrated cottage, Jan. 30, 1847.

William Clemm, Jr. died in South St. Baltimore, Feb. 8, 1826, was buried in the family lot in St. Pauls Cemetary just at the left of the German St. entrance. He is mentioned more fully in this record because from him and his first wife, Harriet, came all the descendants of Neilson Poe who married their daughter, Josephine Emily Clemm and because he was the father of Virginia, wife of the poet, Edgar Allan Poe.

Maria Poe, second wife and widow of William Clemm, Jr. died Feb. 16, 1871, was first buried in her father's lot No. 27 in Westminster Churchyard, Green and Fayette Sts. but her remains were transferred at the same time as those of the poet Edgar Allan Poe and they both now lie buried under the Poe monument in that churchyard.

Edgar Allan Poe, son of David, Jr. and Elizabeth (Arnold) Hopkins Poe, was married to his first cousin, Virginia Elizabeth Clemm in Richmond, Va. by the Rev. Mr. Converse, May 16, 1836. He died at Washington College (now the Church Home) on Broadway in Baltimore, Oct. 7, 1849 and was buried Oct. 9 in the lot 27 of his Grandfather, Gen. David Poe in Westminster Churchyard. His remains were removed, Nov. 17, 1875 to the spot in the same churchyard where they are now covered by the Poe monument.

Virginia, his wife, died at Fordham, New York, Jan 30, 1847 and her remains were brought from there and buried along side those of her husband, Jan. 19, 1885. With his death the name as far as the descendants of David Poe are concerned, is extinct.

This record will not attempt more than a sketch of the poet. Many lives of him have been written, namely:

R. L. Griswold	1874-1850	Venomous and unreliable
J. H. Ingram	1876-1891	Full of laudatory
R. H. Stoddard	1875	
W. F. Gill	1877	Enthusiastic
E. L. Didier	1876-1822	Very enthusiastic
Geo. E. Woodbury	1885	Fulliest in detail
E. C. Stodman	1893	
Jas. A. Harrison	1902	Va. Edition

Arnhem and Tamerlane Editions. G. P. Putnams and Sons, N.Y. and London, Sept.

1902. Life and letters of E. A. Poe by Jas. A. Harrison, Edition, Crowell, Co. Publ., N.Y., 1903.

Many other memoirs and lives have been published and the Magazines, from time to time, even now, present something, "Never before published", editions of his works almost every one of which contains a memoir, have been published in England, France, Germany, Spain, Italy, and Australia--i.e., in six countries and in five languages. Copies of his earlier poems (Editions) are almost beyond price. One of the first editions of Tamerlane, published in 1827, when he was only eighteen, sold for \$3000, dollars. One is in the British Musuem and beyond purchase and another in the Lennox Library, N.Y. Dodd Mead and Co. publisher, N.Y. own many of the early editions. of his works. His autograph letters command a high figure. In Nov. 1900, one sold at auction in Boston, for \$50 dollars and since then others - and his Manuscripts have brought extremely high prices.

Edgar Allan Poe was not buried by the late, Dr. J.J. Moran, as is frequently stated. The expenses of his funeral were paid by Neilson Poe, (of Jacob) and Henry Herring. Henry Herring married the Aunt of Edgar Allan Poe, Elizabeth (Eliza) Poe.

George Poe, son of John Poe and Jane McBride Poe, was born in Ireland, and was brought by his parents when only 2 months old to New Castle, Del. and then to Lancaster Co., Pa. near Little Briton, 1743. The family later removed to Cecil Co. Maryland where about 1775 George married Catherine Dawson. Soon after their marriage they moved to Baltimore and lived first on Thames St. "Fells Point" W. of Broadway, as it now, and afterwards to their own property, No. 183, Market St. This lot is mow on the south side on (Hanover St.) of Baltimore St. about three doors east of Hanover St. He was a private in Capt. Cox's Co. on duty 1775-1776. David Poe, his brother was a sargeant, later in Capt. McClellan's Co., David Poe was Lieutenant, George Poe, Sergeant, and William Poe, private.

Frederick Town, June 7, 1776. Col Baker Johnson to Maryland Council to Commission as Captain in the 34th Battalion Militia of Frederick Co. James Mackel, George Poe Thomas Fraser, Tuesday June, 11, 1776. Council ment and issued the commissions as requested in the above

letter of Col. Johnson. (see page 471 and 475) Archives of Md. Journal of Correspondence of the Council of Safety-published by the Maryland Historical Society.

George Poe, died at the home of his (Aug. 20, 1823, aged 82) son Jacob Poe, Elmwood, Frederick Co., Md. He was buried in the Buring gound of the Brick Meeting House, near Walkersville, Frederick Co. Md. The loss of the family Bible by fire makes it impossible to give the exact date of his and his brother David's birth.

Catherine Dawson Poe, wife of George Poe, was born at Nottingham, Cecil Co., Md., May 13, 1742. She died at the home of her son, Jacob which was then at Harve de Grace, Md. Aug. 1806 and was buried in the lot of her husband, Geo. Poe, No. 129 Westminster Churchyard, Baltimore. A silhouette of her belongs to her Great Grand Daughter, Amelia.

George Poe and Catherine Dawson Poe, had these children--

1. Jacob-b. Oct, 11, 1775--died July 25, 1860
2. George-b. Nov. 14, 1778--died July 21, 1864
3. Harriet-b. Mar. 28, 1785--died Jan. 6, 1816
4. Stephen-died in infancy.

Jacob Poe, the eldest son of George and Catherine Dawson Poe, was born on Thames St. Baltimore, a few doors west of Broadway, Oct. 11, 1775 as a young man he was employed by a Merchant and made several voyages as supercargo; afterwards he became a farmer; first near Havre de Grace, then in Baltimore Co., and in 1817 at Elmwood, Frederick Co., Md. He was married in Baltimore, Ja. 4, 1803 by Rev. Inglis to Bridget Amelia Fitzgerald Kenedy, and was born June 10, 1775, in the Co. Tipperary, Ireland, between Ninah and Tomavora, her father who lost all he had by becoming surety for one John Branton, sailed from Dublin, in the ship Neptune-Capt. .Roach Apr.30, 1784, and landed in Baltimore, May 20, 1784. Her mother was Amelia, Daughter of Geo. Fitzgerald, counselor at Law. A picture of him belongs to Amelia Poe, his Great Granddaughter.

She Amelia Fitzgerald Kennedy, died at Salisbury Eastern Shore, Md. in 1790 and her body was brought to Baltimore and buried in the Roman Catholic Burial Ground on the site of old Calvert Hall, Saratogo St. opposite the Hotel Rennert. John Kennedy her husband died at St. Croix, West Indies, while on a visit to his brother James Kennedy. Some facts, trivial perhaps, concerning Bridget and her parents, have been handed down and deserve recital here. They brought with them from Ireland a Chalice, which had been used in the private Chapel, of their family, they were Roman Catholics, and in the time of Archbishop Carrol, she presented it to the Roman Catholic Cathedral Balitmore. They also brought some articles of silver and gold, which are curiosities.

A silver reliquary now owned by Amelia Poe is said to contain parings of the True Cross. In this Reliquary is also a raison seed brought from Palistine. It is in perfect condition although about 115 years old. A silver ring for a pin cushion now belongs to Neilson Poe, Jr. It belonged to Bridgets Grandmother, who was Bridget Keating, wife of GeorgeFitzGerald, and a great, great grandmother to its present owner. An old gold watch now owned by Amelia Poe, was given to AmeliaFitzGerald by her Uncle Redmond Keating. AmeliaFitzGerald was educated in a convent and was married from there. Thomas Francis Meagher, the Irish Patriot and exile, was her first cousin. Bridget was dedicated to St. Bridget and never wore a colored garment until she was 7 years old, when her mother painted waist ribbons for her.

The Coat of Arms of the FitzGerals, and the Cress are both shown on pieces of silver brought over by John and Amelia FitzGerald Kennedy. The FitzGerald Crest, a mounted Knight in full armor, is upon a silver mug owned by Amelia Poe. Jacob Poe died at the house of his son Neilson. Lexington and Courtland Sts., Baltimore, Md. July 25, 1860, aged 85. He was buried at the Brick meeting house near Walkerville, Frederick Co., Md. It is interesting to note the great age attained by several of his near relatives. His Grandmother, Jane McBride Poe, lived to be 96, his father, George Poe, 81, his brother George, 86, his wife Bridget, 70, his son, George, 72, his son Neilson, 74, his

daughter, Amelia (Neilson's twin) 79. Bridget Amelia FitzGerald Poe died, Dec. 25, 1844 in the 70th year of her age at her home. (Elmwood) Frederick Co., Md. and was buried at the Brick Meeting House, near Walkersville, Frederick Co., Md.

Jacob Poe and Amelia's children were---

George--born in Baltimore, Md. Nov. 10, 1803 Died 1804

John--born in Baltimore, Md., Mar. 4, 1805 Died 1807

George--born in Baltimore, Md. Mar. 20, 1807 Died 1879

Neilson and Amelia--born in Baltimore, Md. Jan. 10, 1809 Died--Amelia  
1888, Neilson 1884

Amelia and Neilson (Twins) born Baltimore, Aug. 11, 1809. Amelia, the widow of Dr. Charles Goldsborough, died, Walkersville, Frederick Co., Md. Nov. 21, 1888. Buried in the Mount Olivet Cemetary, Frederick, Md. Neilson died, Baltimore, Md., Jan. 3, 1884. Buried in his lot Greenmount Cemetary, Baltimore, Md.

James Mosher--born Baltimore, Md., Jan. 3, 1812 died in S. Car., Oct. 1885.

Harriet Clemm--born Aug. 6, Frederick Co. Aug. 6, 1817 died in Baltimore, Dec. 1, 1878, buried in Greenmount Cemetary, Baltimore, Md.

George Poe, third son of Jacob Poe and Bridget Amelia FitzGerald Kennedy Poe was born in Baltimore, Md., Mar. 20, 1807. He married Elizabeth Ross Ellicott, widow, Dec. 17, 1833. He was very proficient in mechanics and was Superintendant of factories at Savage, Ellicott City, Granite, Thistle and Mt. Savage; afterwards he was in mercantile business in Baltimore and died at his home North Howard St, near Center St. Jan. 10, 1879. His wife died in the same house Jan. 14, 1881. They are buried side by side in their lot in London Park. They had children--

1.-Harriet born Dec. 5, 1836, unm., d. Apr. 3, 1902 in Baltimore, Md.

2.-Frances Ellicott born Nov. 3, 1838, m. June 1, 1865 at St. Peters P.E. Church, Baltimore by Rev. Julius Grammar, to Albert G. Gilpin. He died Jan. 27, 1893. Frances d. Mar. 12, 1900.



- 3.-Nathaniel Ellicott born May 12, 1840 died Aug. 29, 1845.
- 4.-Elizabeth Ellicott born May 12, 1844 died Jan. 10, 1882
- 5.-George Ellicott born 1846, m. May 17, 1869 to Margaret Wallace.
- 6.-Lucretia Ellicott born Apr. 20, 1850 m. Jan. 4, 1871 in St. Peters, P.E. church, Baltimore by Rev. Grammar to Chas. H. Wier.
- 7.-Mary Catherine born Oct. 15, 1852.

Albert Gilpin and Frances Ellicott Poe's Gilpin's children----

- 1.-Joseph Ellicott born Nov. 21, 1866 m. June, 19, 1895, Katherine Todd-Pleasants by Rev. Redout and Wynn. 2nd wife-Olive Russell, Rev. J. Houston, Eccleston in Baltimore Nov. 18, 1904.
- 2.-Elizabeth Poe born May, 24, 1871 m. at Grace P.E. Church by Rev. A. C. Powell, Dec. 10, 1897 to Henry C. Brown of Chestertown, Md.
- 3.-H. Gordon Gilpin born Jan. 20, 1874 died 1927

George and Margaret Wallace Poe had children---

- 1.-Mary E. Poe born Aug. 23, 1874
- 2.-Bessie E. Poe born July 20, 1882
- 3.-Villa Poe born Feb. 22, 1884
- 4.-George Poe born Jan. 1, 1886

Charles H. Weir and Lucretia Ellicott Poe Wier's children--

- 1.-George Poe Wier born Nov. 5, 1871 m. Sally Waters Robertson, April 28, 1900.
- 2.-Charles H. Wier born Mar. 7, 1875 died Mar. 10, 1875
- 3.-Robert E. Wier born May 22, 1876 m by Lutheran, Nov. 19, 1902 to Grace Small Hermann.
- 4.-Carey Thomas Wier born June 8, 1879. Died May 27, 1882.
- 5.-Charles H. Wier born June 15, 1883 (second child by this name)

Joseph Elliott Gilpin and Katherine Pleasants Gilpin--one child

- 1.-Laura Pleasants Gilpin -- Mrs. Katherine Pleasants Gilpin died June 4, 1903, Baltimore, Md.

Henry C. Brown and Elizabeth Gilpin Brown's children--

- 1.-Elizabeth Gilpin Brown born Oct. 30, 1898.
- 2.-Henry Gilpin Brown born Mar. 19, 1906, baptized, May 1906 at Christ Church, Baltimore, Md.

George Poe Wier and Sally Waters Robertson Wier--children

- 1.-Lucretia Poe Wier born Sept. 20, 1902 baptized, Nov. 27, 1902 by Rev. W. H. Powers.
- 2.- Charles H. Wier born March 31, 1905

Robert E. Wier and Grace Small Hermann had one child

- 1.-Mildred Ellicott Wier born Dec. 27, 1905

Neilson Poe, son of Jacob and Amelia FitzGerald Kennedy Poe (Neilson had a twin sister, Amelia, that married Goldsborough) they were born in Baltimore, Aug. 11, 1809 in the house on the South side of Baltimore St., then Market St, a short distance east of Pine St. In early life he was a student of law in the office of Wm. Gwynn, a noted counsellor and editor of the Federal Gazette. Afterwards he was assistant Editor then Editor and owner of the Frederick Examiner and on his return to Baltimore, in 1835, became Editor and Proprietor of the Baltimore Chronicle. He was admitted to the bar before being of age and practiced in Baltimore until 1878, when at the request of Gov. Carroll, he accepted the Chief Judgeship of the Orphans Court, which place he filled until shortly before his death Jan. 1884. He was a constant contributor to many journals, and was distinguished by the beauty of his style and the elegance of his diction. He was married by the Rev. Thomas Jackson, an Episcopal Clergyman, Nov. 30, 1831, at Elmwood, Frederick Co., Md. to Josephine Emily Clemm, second daughter of Wm. Clemm, Jr. and Harriet Poe Clemm. She was

born, Aug. 13, 1808 at Mt. Prospect Baltimore Co. at the home of her Grandfather Col. Wm. Clemm. They lived for 53 years together. She out lived him 5 years, dying Jan. 13, 1889. They are buried side by side in Greenmount Cemetary, Baltimore, Md.

Neilson Poe and Josephine Emily Clemm Poe---had 9 children

1.-Amelia Poe born Frederick, Md. Oct. 16, 1832 died June 17, 1913, was baptized Jan. 24, 1833 by Rev. H.V.D. Johns.

2.-Neilson Poe born Frederick, Md. Sept. 6, 1834, baptized by Rev. H.V.D. Johns, m., Nov. 7, 1867 to Alice Henrietta, dau. of Dr. Phillip and Sarah Augusta (Livingston) Minus. Died May 10, 1919, 146 W. Lawn (?) N. Baltimore, Md.

3.-John Prentiss born in Baltimore, Aug. 22, 1836 was baptized May 14, 1837 in St. Andrews Church by Rev. H. V. D. Johns, m. Mar. 2, 1863 by Rev. Chas. W. Rankin to Anne Johnson Hough, daughter of Saml. Hand and Margarett Johnson Hough. Anne Johnson Poe died Nov. 26, 1921. John Prentiss Poe died Oct. 14, 1909 buried in Greenmount Cemetary.

4.-Josephine Clemm Poe born Mar. 10, 1838, Baltimore-baptized in Christ Church (now Church of the Messiah) by Rev. H. V. D. Johns, May 5, 1844, married at St. Luke Church, Balfimore, April 10, 1860 by the Rev. Chas. W. Rankin to George Gibson Carey. He died May 26, 1894 and is buried in London Park. He was for 35 years principal of the Boys Latin School, founded in 1844 by E. M. Topping and continued now by Mr. J. M. Dunham. The enfluence of his upright and beautiful character was felt by all who came under his care and he was a power for good both in his family and in the community. He died Feb. 27, 1921 at 1228 Maddison Blvd.

5.-Harriet Clara born July 4, 1840 at Elmwood, Frederick Co., Md. was baptized on her sickbed by Rev. Johns, April 23, 1846, died May 1, 1846. Buried in her great Grandfather's lot in Westminster Churchyard, Baltimore, Md.

6.-Wm. Clemm Poe was born at Elmwood, Dec. 4, 1843, Frederick Co., Md.

He was baptized May 5, 1844 by Rev. H. V. D. Johns, married at Grace Church, Baltimore, Oct. 13, 1868 by Rev. Thos. D. Pitts to Eleanora Hennen, daughter of Mary Oldham and Dr. John Robertson of Arkansas. Died in Baltimore, Jan. 20, 1906. His wife died July 4, 1917.

7.-Kennedy Poe was born May 3, 1845, died Feb. 26, 1846. Buried in his great Grandfathers lot 129 in Westminster Churchyard, Baltimore, Md.

8.-Robert Mickle Poe was born Jan. 31, 1847 in Baltimore, baptized Aug. 26, 1848 by Rev. Reuben Riley, married in Louisville, Ky., Nov. 27, 1872 by Rev. Steward Robinson to Sarah Graham Wingate. He died in Balto, April 10, 1884 and was buried in his father's lot in Greenmount, Balto. Sarah Graham Wingham Poe died Jan. 28, 1921 was buried in Poe lot Greenmount, Balto, Md.

9.-Charles Poe was born Aug. 4, 1851, Baltimore was baptized in St. Luke Chapel by Rev. Francis A. Baker, Feb. 27, 1852. He married at Grace Church, Balto by Rev. C.W. Rankin, Oct. 10, 1877 to Ellen Eyre, daughter of Dr. Jas. H. and Ellen V. Conway of Richmond, Va. Died at the Montana 1726 M. St., N.W. Washington, D. C. March 23, 1924 buried in Poe lot.

Neilson Poe and Alice Henrietta Minus had children----

1.-Alice Maria was born Aug. 27, 1868, died June 27, 1869, buried Greenmount Cemetary.

2.-Medora was born Nov. 27, 1869, died Sept. 24, 1871, buried Greenmount Cemetary.

3.-Nina Augusta was born Feb. 7, 1873, married in Emmanuel Church, Balto by Rev. J. Houston Eccleston, April 28, 1896 to Wm. Voss Elder of Baltimore.

4.-Sarah Livingston was born Jan. 21, 1875

5.-Philip Livingston was born Feb. 1, 1879 was baptized in Memorial P.E.

Church, Balto, Md. Married in St. James Church, Philadelphia to Grace Elliott Morris, Oct. 25, 1905 by Rev. W. C. Richardson. They had 4 children----

- 1.- Elizabeth Morris born Sept. 9, 1906.
- 2.-Grace Morris
- 3.-Eleanor Livingston
- 4.-Phylis Livingston

William Voss Elder and Nina Augusta Poe Elder had children---

- 1.-William Voss was born Mar. 2, 1897 in Balto, Co., baptized Sunday June 6, 1897 at Garrison Forest Church by Rev. Hobart Smith.
- 2.-Neilson Poe was born Oct. 17, 1898.
- 3.-Sarah Livingston was born Oct. 27, 1901. These two children were baptized at the same time by Rev. Hobart Smith, April 13, 1902 in St. Thomas Church Carrison Forest.
- 4.-Robert North was born Jan. 27, 1904, baptized by Rev. Hobart Smith about 3:00 P.M., died midnight.

Philip Poe and Grace E. Morris full data on their children-----

- 1.-Elizabeth Morris born Sept. 9, 1906 was baptized in St. James Church Philadelphia by Rev. W. C. Richardson, Nov. 25, 1906.
  - 2.-Grace Morris born Feb. 7, 1908 at 1517 Park Ave, Christined by the Rev. Mr. Dame.
  - 3.-Eleanor Livingston was born Oct. 30, 1910 at 1517 Park Ave. and Christined by the Rev. Page Dame at Memorial P.E. Church, Lafayette Ave. and Bolton St.
  - 4.-Phylis Livingston was born Oct. 3, 1917 at Calendar House Ruxton, Md. and Christened by the Rev. Mr. Wm. Smith at Ruxton, Md.
- (2) Grace Morris Poe married H. Pierce Brawner, Feb. 19, 1927 at Emmanuel Church, Balto by Rev. Wm. Smith. They had a son, H. Pierce Brawner, Jr., Mar. 12, 1928 and a daughter Elizabeth Morris born July 21, 1929.

Sarah Livingston Elder and Thos. Symington son of Thos-Clara Randolph Symington

- 1.-Katherine was born Feb. 13, 1924 in Chicago.

2.-Sarah Elder was born July 1925.

3.-Clara Randolph was born Sept. 6, 1927

William Voss Elder and Margaret Belle Sellers were married Feb. 12, 1927, had  
a daughter-----

1.-Nina Poe Elder was born Sept. 5, 1929

Neilson Poe Elder and Lillian Spicer were married July 2, 1927

John Prentiss Poe--No attorney is better or more favorably known than the genial author of the Code of Maryland Laws.

Mr. John P. Poe is thoroughly identified with all the various interests of the city of Baltimore, having it his home since his birth which occurred, Aug. 22, 1836.

His parents Neilson and Josephine Emily Poe were also natives of Maryland,, the former during his lifetime, a well known member of the Bar.

John P. Poe was educated in the public schools of Baltimore and at the French and English Academy of Professor Boursard. Later he attended St. Mary's College and subsequently Princeton College, from which he graduated in June 1854, being at that time in his 18th year.

On his return from College, Mr. Poe secured a clerkship in a bank and during this time read law under the supervision of his father.

He was appointed Librarian of the Law Library which gave him an excellent opportunity of pursuing his studies.

Applying for admission to the Bar, his petition was granted in the Superior Court of Baltimore, August 22, 1857 in the Court of Appeals of Md. in December of that year and in the Supreme Court of the U. S. in January 1858, since which time he has been in active practice in the various State and Federal Courts.

From the first, Mr. Poe has taken an active part in all political movements of the State and Nation, advocating the principles of true Democracy.

In 1871, Mr. Poe was appointed school Commissioner for the 11th Ward serving upwards of seventeen years.

In 1885, he was appointed Pres. of the Baltimore City Tax Commission, and of the State Tax Commission of the following year.

Under the Administration as Mayor of the Hon. William Pickney White, Mr. Poe served as city Counsellor from 1882 to 1884 and later on was elected Attorney General of the State in 1891.

Mr. Poe is well known as an Author of Recognized authority on legal subjects, his "Pleadings and Practice in Courts of Common Law", first published in 1880, having passed through three editions, the last one being issued in 1897, the first one in 1882 to 1884.

Because of his eminent fitness for the work, Mr. Poe was appointed by the General Assembly in 1886 to prepare the Maryland Code of Public General and Local Laws, and his codification was adopted in the Act of 1888 and re-adopted in 1890. As a whole it is as complete and perfect a Code of Laws as can be found in any State of the Union. He prepared also the Baltimore City Code, 1885 and that of 1893. As early as 1869, Mr. Poe was elected a Regent of the University of Maryland and on the establishment of the School of Law of the University, he was appointed Professor and later became Dean of the Faculty.

As a practitioner at the Bar, Mr. Poe has had a long and successful career, his success dating back to his admission to practice.

As an author his reputation is firmly established and will remain bright and untarnished long after his call to the Bars above.

In political views Mr. Poe has always given his unswerving support to the standard bearers of Democracy. On the hustings or in the party councils, he has been a pillar of the organization, and one who's council has been eagerly sought and highly esteemed.

In June, 1904, on the fiftieth anniversary of his graduation from Princeton, the degree of L.L.D. was conferred upon him by that University.

John Prentiss Poe and Anne Johnson Hough Poe--children--

- 1.-Samuel Johnson Poe was born Easter Sunday, Mar. 27, 1864 - married Jan. 2, 1900 at Frostburg, Md. by Rev. Haverstick to Laura Lee Cromwell, daughter of Dr. Benjamin M. and Louise Burwell, Cromwell, died Apr. 10, 1933.
- 2.-Margaretta was born July 7, 1866 in Baltimore.
- 3.-Josephine was born Dec. 16, 1868 in Baltimore, married Nov. 22, 1893 to Dr. Snow Naudain Duer, son of Dr. Duer of Phila., at St. Paul's Church, Baltimore by Rev. J. S. B. Hodges.
- 4.-Edgar Allan Poe was born Sept. 15, 1871 and married Anne Thornton, daughter of Robt. and Susan McCoy (of Ala.) Thornton, Dec. 10, 1895 by Rev. Hodges in Baltimore.
- 5.-John Prentiss Poe was born Feb. 26, 1874 and killed in "Battle in action in France with the Scottish Black Watch", Sept. 25, 1915.
- 6.-Neilson was born Sunday Oct. 1, 1876.
- 7.-Arthur was born March 22, 1879 married June 8, 1904 at St. Bartholomeus Irvington on Hudson, N.Y. by Rev. Wm. Benjamin to Anne Emerson, daughter of Thos. and Blanche Finney King.
- 8.-Gresham Hough was born July 30, 1880 at Oatsland London Co., Va.
- 9.-Anne Johnson was born Sept. 17, 1883 in Baltimore, Md. married Alfred Tyler, son of Nathaniel and Robt. Tyler, Washington, D. C. at Old St. Pauls Church, Baltimore, Md. by Rev. Hodges, Oct. 19, 1904.

All of these children of John Prentiss and Anne Johnson Poe's were baptized in the old St. Pauls Church, Balto, Md.

Samuel Johnson Poe and Laura Cromwell Poe's children---

- 1.-John Prentiss was born Sept. 20, 1900 and baptized at 10 E. Preston St., Home by Rev. Hodges of 1021 St. Pauls Church, Balto, Md. Dec. 6, 1900.



- 2.-Mary GreenLaw Lee was born Oct. 26, 1904 and baptized Dec. 28, 1904 by Rev. Hodges at 1021 St. Paul Church, Balto, Md.

Dr. S. Naudain Duer and Josephine Poe Duer children---

- 1.-Edward Louis was born Jan. 9, 1895 and baptized in St. Pauls Church, Balto, Md. by Rev. Hodges, April 15, 1895. He married June 9, 1918, Eliz. Richmond Atwood, daughter of R. and Rev. Julius W. Atwood and Anne Richmond, at Grace Church, Anniston, Ala. by Rev. Coalton Barnwell.

1.-Anne Richmond Duer was born in Phila., Oct. 15, 1923.

2.-Josephine Poe Duer was born in Phila., Feb. 13, 1925.

Edgar Allan Poe and Annye McCay Poe's children---

- 1.-Edgar Allen Poe was born Sept. 2, 1896 and baptized in St. Pauls Church, Balto, Md. by J.S.B. Hodges. Married June 24, 1922 at San Diego, Calif to Katherine Richards, dau. of Katherine Bancroft Richards. Had 2 children--
  - 1.-Edgar Allan was born Aug. 21, 1925 in Washington, D.C.
  - 2.-Kathlyn

Edgar Allan Poe (2nd wife after death of Annye) Marie Hoopes McIlhenny (widow), June 27, 1932 at Chestnut, Va.

Arthur Poe and Anne Emerson King Poe's children--

- 1.-Anne was born July 17, 1905, Peterbora, Canada
- 2.-Ella King was born Dec. 9, 1907, Ontario, Canada

Anne Johnson Poe and Alfred Tyler's children---

- 1.-Alfred was born Oct. 2, 1905 in Baltimore, Md. died Nov. 1929.
- 2.-John Poe was born May 8, 1907 at No. 1303 Maryland Ave.
- 3.-Robb was born Dec. 1, 1908 at No. 1303 Maryland Ave.
- 4.-Anne Johnson was born Nov. 25, 1910, Ruxton, Md.

Josephine Clemm Poe and George Gibson Carey's children--

- 1.-Josephine Clemm was born June 16, 1861, married Oct. 10, 189 at Emmanuel Church, Baltimore to Dr. Henry M. Thomas, son of Dr. James Carey and Mary Whitall Thomas. She died Mar. 10, 1935.
- 2.-Geroge Gibson was born Apr. 4, 1863, married Sarah Rosalie, daughter of Richard H. and Sarah Rosalie Corner Macgill. He died Dec. 8, 1932.
- 3.-Marie Gibson was born Nov. 29, 1867, married in Mt. Calvary Church, Baltimore, Apr. 30, 1896 to Albert Chandler Wall, son of Rev. Edward Wall and Sarah Berry Wall, of S. Orange, N.J.
- 4.-Amelia was born April 20, 1870 and died June 20, 1870.
- 5.-Neilson Poe was born June 20, 1871-Ordained Priest in the Crypt of Cathedral of St. John the Divine, N.Y. by Bishop Potter, Trinity, Sunday, May 28, 1899.
- 6.- Margaret Cheston was born July 28, 1876.

Dr. Henry Thomas and Josephine Carey Thomas's children--

- 1.-George Carey was born Dec. 24, 1890 and Died Feb. 13, 1891.
- 2.-Henry Malcolm was born Dec. 30, 1891, baptized by his Uncle, the Rev. Neilson Poe Carey, Dec. 1901.
- 3.-Edward Trudeau was born Oct. 9, 1901.

George Gibson and Rosalie Macgill Carey, died Apr. 15, 1914

- 1.-Sarah Rosalie Macgill was born June 8, 1898.
- 2.-George Gibson was born Feb. 11, 1900.
- 3.-Margaret Cheston was born Dec. 29, 1901.
- 4.-Constance Macgill was born June 22, 1904 .
- 5.-Josephine FitzGerald was born Apr. 9, 1906.

Albert C. Wall and Maria Carey Wall's children

divorced, Sept. 1917.

1.-George Merck, Jr. born Aug. 1918.

2.-Albert C. born Aug. 31, 1920.

2.-Albert Carey was born Feb. 12, 1902.

Dr. William Clemm and Eleanor Hennen Poe's children--

1.-Eleanor Robertson was born July, 1870, Pine Bluff, Ark.

2.- Wm. Charles was born Lincoln Co., Ark. Sept. 6, 1872 and died Jan 5, 1928.

3.-Josephine Emily was born May 12, 1874, Howard Co., Md. died Mar. 30, 1878.

4.-Miriam was born Dec. 19, 1875, married June 14, 1899 to Ridgley Brown Bond of Anne Arundel Co., Md.

5.-Violet was born July 21, 1877 and married to Henry S.T. White.

6.-Frank Kennedy was born Sept. 28, 1879.

7.-Annabell Lee was born Nov. 30, 1884 and died Jan. 28, 1885.

8.-Roberta Helen was born Jan. 7, 1887 and died Mar. 4, 1887.

9.-Anna Gertrude was born Jan. 2, 1888.

William Charles Poe and Hodges Ridgely married June 28, 1911 at Grace Church Elkridge, Howard Co., Md.

1.-Mary Ridgely was born Nov. 24, 1913.

2.-Violet was born May 5, 1915 and died Sept. 19, 1921.

Lieutenant George Herbert and Eleanor Poe Mather

1.-Margaret Herbert was born Sitka, Alaska Christmas Day 1901.  
Married Douglas Vaughn Crocker, Nov. 15, 1923,

1.-Margaret Mather was born Aug. 15, 1925.

2.-Edward Brisco was born Sept. 28, 1926.

3.-Douglas Vaughn was born Dec. 17, 1927.

4.-Robertson Poe Croker was born Mar. 7, 1930.

Ridgely Brown Bond and Miriam Poe Bond's children--

- 1.-Frank Augusta was born Oct. 27, 1902, married Marie Perkins, Sept. 26, 1923.
- 2.-Ridgely Brown Bond, Jr. was born June 13, 1904, married Elizabeth Ander March 20, 1926.

Anna Gertrude Poe married Carl Frederick Mayer at Memorial Episcopal Church  
By Rev. Wm. M. Dame, Nov. 5, 1913

Frank Bennet Poe married Lillian M. Bright (widow, nee Halsey), Nov. 27, 1929.

Henry Schroeder Taylor White, Sr. and Violet Poe White's children---

- 1.-Henry Schroeder Taylor White, Jr. was born Oct. 3, 1903.
- 2.-Wm. Poe White was born Dec. 2, 1906 both baptized by Rev. Wm. Dame.

Robert Mickle and Sally Graham Poe's children--

- 1.-Josephine Emily was born Dec. 18, 1873 in Louisville, Ky. married at Emmanuel Church, Baltimore Md. by Rev. Eccleston, Oct. 7, 1896 to Harry Churchill January, son of Derick and Julia Churchill, St. Louis, Mo.
- 2.-Edwingate was born Aug. 13, 1876 was baptized April 20, 1877.

Harry Churchill January and Josephine Emily Poe January's children--

- 1.-Josephine Poe was born Oct. 25, 1897 Baltized April 9, 1898
- 2.-Derick Algernon was born Sept. 7, 1902 in St. Louis, baptized in Ch. by Rev. Dr. Holland, April 1, 1903.

Edwin Wingate Poe and Augusta Eccleston Murray were married May 20, 1911  
by Rev. John Gardner Murray at Emmanuel Church  
Baltimore, Md. had children---

- 1.-Miriam Eccleston was born Aug. 17, 1912 at Elibank near Raley, Howard Co., Md.
- 2.-Augusta Murray was born Feb. 19, 1917 at Blythewood.

Josephine Emily Poe was confirmed in Emmanuel Church by Bishop Paret, March 1893 in Baltimore, Md.

Edwin Wingate Poe was confirmed in Emmanuel Church by Bishop Paret, March 1893, Baltimore, Md. Josephine Poe January married Worth Bagley Daniels, born Jan. 3, 1925, St. Davis Church, Roland Park, Sept. 3, 1923.

CHARLES POE AND ELLEN EYRE CONWAY POE

1.- Charles Kennedy was born Sunday, Aug. 25, 1878.

2.- Ellen Bradfute was born Monday, May 10, 1880 married Edward Lowry White at St. Margaret's Church April 8, 1901 by Rev. Herbert Scott Smith. He was the son of John Howard White and Susan Bird Johnson White of Washington, D.C.

3.- Francis Bennett was born Thursday, Nov. 3, 1883. All these children baptized in infancy in Grace Church Baltimore, Md. by Rec. George Leeds.

FRANCIS BENNETT POE and CATHERINE STEWARD WILLIAMS

She was the daughter of George Sydney Williams and Hannah McMillan Steward. They were married on April 8, 1908 at No. 1333 18th St., NW, Washington, D.C. by Rev. Roland Cotton Smith.

1.- Francis Bennett Poe, Jr. born Jan. 9, 1909.

2.- Catherine Steward Poe was born June 14, 1913 in Washington, D.C. was baptized, October 30, 1914 by Rev. Rolland Cotton Smith at St. Johns Church.

CHARLES KENNEDY POE AND MISS EMORY

1.-Josephine Bird Poe was born Sept. 12, 1912.

2.-Kathryn Kennedy Poe was born Feb. 25, 1915.

3.-Polly Welch Poe was born Dec. 12, 1917.

AMELIA (NEILSON'S TWIN) daughter of Jacob and Bridget Amelia FitzGerald Kennedy Poe was born in Baltimore, Aug. 11, 1809 married Nov. 24, 1836 to Dr. Charles H. Goldsborough of Frederick Co., Md. by Rev. Henry V.D. Johns. He died Aug. 17, 1826, she, Nov.2, 1888.

1.-Kathrine Duckett was born Mar. 18, 1840 married Prof. Alfred Marshall Mayer of Balto by Rev. Alfred A. Curtis, Dec. 27, 1865 in All Saints Church, Frederick, Md.

2.-Charles Worthington was born Nov. 29, 1841, Sunnyside, Frederick Co., Md. married Nov. 7, 1865 at Shepardstown, W. Va. to Henrietta E. Lee, daughter of Edmund Jennings and Bedinger Lee and Great-Grand-daughter of Richard Henry Lee.

3.-Bridget Kennedy was born April 3, 1845 and died July 6, 1845.

4.-Sarah Worthington was born April 6, 1846 and died Dec. 10, 1868.

5.-Josephine Harriet was born Oct. 19, 1849 married Lewis Trait Jan. 17, 1871 by Rev. Osbourn Ingle, All Saints Church, Frederick, Md. died Nov. 17, 1871.

6.-Amelia FitsGerald was born July 24, 1851 married Wm. Otis Tyler of Frederick, Md. by Rev. Osbourn Ingle, June 7, 1881.

#### KATHERINE DUCKETT AND ALFRED MARSHALL MAYER

1.-Alfred Goldsborough was born Apr. 1868 married at Annis Queen, Mass, Aug. 27, 1900 to Harriet Randolph, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aloheus Hyatt.

1.-Alpheus Hyatt Mayer was born July 1901.

2.-Katherine Goldsborough---

3.-Brantz Mayer was born May 27, 1906 at Annis Queen, Mass.

#### CHARLES WORTHINGTON AND HENRIETTA LEE GOLDSBOROUGH

1.-Charles Henry was born Aug. 25, 1866 married Birdie Neal, daughter of Major and Mrs. John Neal of Danville, Va., December 27, 1892. They had a son Charles Neal who was born June 27, 1894.

2.-Edmund Lee was born July 2, 1868 married Isobel Hill, daughter of John Moore, Nov. 21, 1900 in St. James Church, Washington.  
(John McCalla Moore)

#### EDMUND LEE AND ISOBEL HILL MCCALLA

1.-Helen Louise was born Feb. 7, 1902.

2.-Edmund Lee was born Feb. 7, 1903.

3.-John McCalla was born May, 14, 1905

(Page must be missing here since 3.- Katherine Duckett is the next one mentioned) (p.13)

3.-Katherine Duckett was born March 10, 1870 married Oct. 24, 1905 in St. Johns Chapel, Walkersville, Pa. by Rev. Osbourn Ingle to Llewellyn Walton McVeigh. (Rev. Osbourn Ingle also married some of AMELIA'S Children --see page 30)

4.-Edwin Grey Lee was born Fe. 10, 1872 and married Eleanor Briggs in Kansas City, Mo December 27, 1898.

5.-Neilson Poe was born Nov. 29, 1873 and died Sept. 9, 1877.

6.-Henrietta Lee was born July 24, 1877.

7.Henry Bedinger was born Apr. 14, 1880.

#### JOSPEHINE HARRIET AND LEWIS W. TRAIL ( or Trait)

1.-Josephine G was born Nov. 5, 1871 married April 5, 1900 to Stewart Minor Woodward of Richmond, Va. at Christ's Church, Easton, Md.

1.-Josephine Goldsborough was born July 8, 1902.

2.-Steward Minor was born 1904.

JAMES MOSHER POE, son of Jacob Bridget Amelia FitzGerald Kennedy Poe was born Jan. 3 1812 married Aug. 8, 1861 to Kate M. Hewlett of Barnwell, So. Carolina. He died in So. Carolina in Oct. 1885.

1.-Jefferson Davis Poe was born March 25, 1862 and died same day.

2.-Swanee Goldsborough was born March 31, 1864 and died Aug. 4, 1901.

Married in May 1891 to W. A. Mew of Barnwell, So. Carolina. They had Samuel Poe, George Poe, Jennie and Mae.

3.-Tallalah was born May 13, 1865 and died Jan. 29, 1866.

4.-Robert Lee was April 14, 1868 and died July, 1870.

5.-Howell was born May 21, 1869, married Edith Price of Charleston, So, Carolina.

GEORGE POE, second son of George Poe and Katherine Dawson Poe and always known as GEORGE POE, JR. was born Nov. 12, 1778 in Baltimore, Md. He was discount clerk in Bank of Baltimore in 1798 and afterwards super cargo in 1799-1806 to South America and West Indies. He also served as clerk and cashier in Branches of the U.S. Bank in Pittsburg and Mobile. In Mobile he was successful as an investor in Real estate and became owner of property elsewhere, which ultimately made him, for that day, a very rich man. He was of high cultivation, great strength of character and commanding financial ability. His presence was stately and his manner dignified and courtly. He was twice married. First in Philadelphia to Anna Maria Potts, Dec. 1808. She died in 1823. His second wife was Emma Maria Toulmin, April 4, 1827. She dies 1862, Nov. 29. He died at his home in Georgetown which was formerly the Bank of Columbia, July 21, 1864.

#### GEORGE POE, JR. AND ANNA MARIA POTTS

1.- George William was born 1809 and married Fanny Toulmin; younger sister of his father's second wife, in 1833 and died in 1844.

2.-Anna was born 1812 and married General Thos. W. McCoy, Mobile, May 1831 and died Jan. 6, 1885.

3.-Katherine was born---married Wm. Robinson of New Orleans, La. and died 1898.

4.-James was born 1816 and died 1839.

5.-Maria was born 1823, married Dr. Wm. H. Denny of Pittsburg, Jan. 17, 1854, died Feb. 1863--Shed. 1881, Nov.

#### GEORGE POE, JR. AND SECOND WIFE, EMMA MARIA TOULMIN

She was born in Taunton, Somershire, Eng. June 12, 1807, married April 4, 1827 by Rev.



Murphy. She died Nov. 29, 1862.

1.-Emma Georgiana was born Oct. 20, 1828 and died Oct. 13, 1855.

2.-Francis was born Jan. 8, 1831 and married Sally Burnett; daughter of Judge P.H. Burnett, San Jose, California. She died at age 19 leaving no children. He was drowned at Baldons Landing, Ala. July 12, 1863.

3.-Caroline was born June 19, 1833 at Mobile, Ala. and married James Dinwiddle Bronson DeBow, the distinguished Editor of DeBows Review. She died Feb. 7, 1858 and he died May, 1866.

4.-Toulmin was born April 23, 1835, married Susan Mayers April 23, 1866. He died Nov. 15, 1870.

5.-Elizabeth was born Feb. 28, 1837 in Moblie and died Aug. 16, 1905 in Baltimore, Md.

6.-Florence was born Feb. 19, 1829 and died of Cholera in Havana Cuba and is buried there, July 1868.

7.-Genevieve was born Aug. 31, 1841 and married Dr. Geo. Otis, U. S. Army. He died Feb. 22, 1881. She died Aug. 20, 1894 in Baltimore, Md.

8.-Fernando was born June 8, 1845 and died 1846.

9.-Fernando was born Nov. 28, 1848 and died March 12, 1868.

GEORGE WILLIAM POE AND FANNY TOULIN POE

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|---|------------------------------------|
| 1.-Anna Maria<br>2.-Moreland Houston<br>3.-Geo. Henry | All these children died in infancy |
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4.-George was born 1840 married Octavia Nash, 1876. He died in Sept. 1897. Lived in Moble. 1-Frank, 2-Ermine, 3-Ethel, 4-George. George died in 1900.

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| 1.-Wm. K. Morrill, Jr. born Aug. 1902.<br>2.-Frank Nash Morrill<br>3.-A daughter | ( George's children) |
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5.-Lucinda Elizabeth was born 1842 and married March 20, 1867 by Rev. Henry Pierce to James Bond of Mobile. She died November 17, 1873; he died Jan. 5, 1887. Their children:

- 1.-James, Jr. was born May 3, 1868.
- 2.-Edward Gaines was born June 10, 1860.
- 3.-Sarah Frances was born Nov. 19, 1870.
- 4.-Mary Elizabeth was born Oct. 31, 1874.

ANNA POE AND THOMAS W. MCCOY

- 1-Maria
- 2-Louis
- 3-Henry
- 4-Delenger
- 5-Anna
- 6-Augusta
- 7-Thamas
- 8-Thomas
- 9-Thamas
- 10-Lucy

All these children died. No offspring.

KATHERINE POE AND WILLIAM ROBINSON

- 1- James
- 2-Katherine
- 3-Anna

MARIA POE AND DR. WM. DENNY

- 1.-Georgiana was born Feb. 22, 1855 and lived in California.
- 2.-Wm. Henry was born May 27, 1858 and died Nov. 18, 1900 in New York.
- 3.-George Toulmin was born Aug. 28, 1860.

CAROLINE POE AND JAMES D. B. DEBOW

- 1.-James D. B. died in infancy.
- 2.-Caroline was born May 23, 1855 and died Sept. 26, 1871.

TOULMIN AND SUSAN MAGERS POE

1.-May Mineita Guido was born Mar. 25, 1867 and died May 31, 1869.

The religious history of the Poes is interesting. John and Jane McBride Poe were Presbyterians. All their descendants, with the exception of only a few belong to the Episcopal Church. Their G.G.G. Grandson, Rev. Neilson Poe Carey, is a Priest of the Episcopal Church, Norwich, Conn.

The Poe and Clemm families are so intermixed in Md. that the records of the one would not be complete without that of the other. Wm. Clem, known as Col. Wm. Clemm was born 1755. He married Catherine Schultz of Little York, now York, Pa., Jan. 7, 1778. She was born April 23, 1759. He died June 23, 1809 and she died 1885 in Mt. Prospect, Walbrook.

WILLIAM CLEMM AND CATHERINE SCHULTZ had 5 children:

1.-William was born May 1, 1779 and married Harriet Poe, daughter of George Poe and Catherine Dawson, May 1, 1804. She died Jan. 6, 1816.

2.-John was born Nov. 26, 1780 and married Maria Eichelberger. John was Lt. in Capt. Nicholson's Co. on which his younger brother, Joseph Ettwine, was a sargeant, and was killed in Ft. McHenry in the night during which the Star Spangle Banner was written, Sept. 12, 1814. His name is on the Battle Monument in Baltimore. His wife died at Hampton, July 4th.

3.-James Sayre was born Oct. 19, 1786 and married Caroline Deitrick of Tenn. and died in Tennessee.

4.-Joseph Ettwine was born Sept. 14, 1787 in Baltimore, Sergeant in Capt. Nicholson's Co. in Ft. McHenry during it's bombardment 1812, and was wounded. He never married. Died Oct. 22, 1846 in Frederick Co., Md.

5.-Elizabeth was born May 15, 1789 and married Samuel Tschudy and died April 25, 1868. He died 5 days later.

WILLIAM CLEMM, JR. AND FIRST WIFE, HARRIET POE

1-Catherine was born April 7, 1805 in Balto, was baptized, Oct. 6, 1805 by Rev. Bend, married Nicholas Cromwell. He Died Aug. 31, 1871. She died, Nov. 16, 1878.

They had ---

- 1-Wm. Eldridge.
- 2-Lucy--died infant.
- 3-Arthur
- 4-Isobel--died young.
- 5-Lucy
- 6-Nicholson Clemm-Married
- 7-Melville
- 8-Philip

2-William Eichelberger was born Oct. 11, 1806 and married Rebecca Reese.

They had----

- 1-Laura
- 2-Wm. E. died Jan. 6, 1896.
- 3-John R . died during Civil War- Lt. in the Federal Army. Married Miss Hyde had a daughter, Josephine that married Edward Stokes and died May 1905 in Virginia.

The Clemm Family name as far as descendants of William Clemm, Jr. is extinct.

3-Josephine Emily was born Aug. 13, 1808 at Mt. Prospect was baptized by Rev. Dr. Bend, June 14, 1809 and married Neilson Poe, Nov. 30. Full record of them in the Neilson Poe record.

4-Georgiana Maria was born Dec. 1, 1810 at Mt. Prospect, Balto Co. Was baptized Sept. 19, 1811 by Rev. Dr. Bend, married at Elmwood, Frederick Co., 1829 to David Schley, widower. She died 1867.

- 1-Josephine Clemm
- 2-Anna Maria born --married Dr. Little of Pa.
- 3-George Jacob, son of John

5.-Harriet May Eliz was born June 13, 1813 at Mt. Prospect was baptized at St. Paul's Church Balto, by Rev. W. E. Wyatt, Oct. 12, 1816. She married John Clemm, her cousin, no children. Wm. Clemm married 2nd wife, Maria Poe-account found under David Poe.

John Clemm and Maria Eichelberger Clemm.

1-Elizabeth died in early womanhood.

2-Johanna---married Daniel Bowly Ridgely, Lt. U.S. Navy became commodore--had one child. --Nicholasa Green married Ida Deshon had several children.

JAMES SAYRE AND CAROLINE DIETRICH CLEMM

1-Wm. Thomas Dietrich married Elizabeth Bowman, sister of Bishop Bowman of the M.E. Church. He was a widely known M.E. Preacher, died in Baltimore, Feb. 12, 1895. They had several children. The Clemm name survives in them.

2-John married Harriet M.E. Clemm and died 1884. She died July 6, 1883.

Elizabeth Clemm and Samuel Tschudy had children--1-William Martin.

2-John. 3-James. 4-Howard. 5-Mary.Catherine. All died in 1906.

The following inscriptions are taken from the slabs over the graves of George Poe, Jacob Poe and Bridget Kennedy Poe in the churchyard of the Brick Meeting House near Walkersville, Frederick, Md.

In memory of George Poe, who departed this life at the residence of his son, Jacob Poe in this Co. on the 20th of Aug. 1823 at the venerable age of 82 years. In remembrance of his many virtues, his children have erected this marble.

To the memory of Jacob Poe. Born in Baltimore, Oct. 10, 1775 and died in Baltimore, July 25, 1860.

Beneath this slab repose the remains of Bridget Kennedy Poe, the wife of Jacob Poe, Born in Ireland, June 10, 1775, died Dec. 25, 1844 in Frederick Co., Md. Her husband, who through vicissitudes of 40 years owed her the chief part of his happiness, and her children, to who she bequeathed the example of a blameless life, have united in erecting this tablet to commemorate her inestimable merits and their lasting grief.

MORSES EXPERIMENT (A note on it)

Morses Experiment--Among the matters of special interest to be found in the Supplement to the Sun today is an article by the late Judge Neilson Poe, on the introduction of the electric telegraph. The reminiscences and correspondence embrace in the article form an Addition to the History of Great invention of Prof. Morse, well worthy of persual and preservation.

MORSES EXPERIMENT--TRIALS OF THE TELEGRAPH--HOW THE  
MATTER GOT INTO POLITICS

Learned men fighting shy of the invention. The Right was and the Congressional Appropriation. It's part in the Campaign of 1844. REMINISCENCES--

The history of the Invention and introduction of the electric telegraph, by Prof. Morse is one of inexhaustible interest and every incident relating to it is worthy of preservation. The incidents described below will be found of special interest. The article is from the pen of the late Judge Neilson Poe and was the last paper written by him. He prepared it during his recent sickness, the letters embodied in it from Mr. Wright and Mr. Latrobe being of course obtained at the time of their respective dates. It is as follows:

Reminiscences of the Telegraph.

On the 5th of April 1853, when the monthly meeting of the directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Co. was about to adjourn, the president, the Hon. Louis McLane, rose with a paper in hand which he said he had almost overlooked and which the secretary would read. It proved to be an application from Prof. Morse for the privilege of laying wires of his electric telegraph along the line of the railroad between Baltimore and Washington, and was accompanied by a communication from B.H. Latrobe, Esq. Chief Engineer, recommending the project as worthy, the project, of encouragement.

On motion of John Spear Nichols, the seconded by the Hon. John P. Kennedy, the following resolution was then considered: Resolved that the President be authorized to afford to

Mr. Morse such facilities as may be requisite to give his invention a proper trial upon the Washington Road, provided in his opinion and in that of the engineer it can be done without injury to the road and without embarrassment to the operations of the Co. and provided Mr. Morse will concede to the Co. the use of the telegraph upon the road with expense, and reserving to the Co. the right of discontinuing the use if, upon experiments it should prove in any manner injurious. "Whatever," said Mr. McLane, "may be our individual opinions as to the feasibility of Mr. Morse's invention, it seems to me that it is our duty to concede to him the privilege he asks and to lend him the aid in our power, especially as the resolution carefully protects the Co. against all present or future injury to its works, and secures us the right of requiring its removal at any time."

(In view of the fact that no railroad can now be run safely without the aid of the telegraph, the cautious care with which the right to remove it if it should become a nuisance was reserved, strikes one at this day as nearly ludicrous).

A short pause ensued, and the assent of the Co. was about to be assumed, when one of the old directors, famed for the vigilance with which he watched even the most trivial measure, begged to be heard.

He admitted that the rights and interests of the work were all carefully guarded by the terms of the resolution, and the Co. was not called upon to lay out any of its means for the promotion of the scheme. But notwithstanding all this, he did not feel as a conscientious man, that he could without further examination, give his vote for the resolution. He knew that this idea of Mr. Morse, however plausible it may appear to theorists and dreamers, and so called men of science, was regarded by all practical people as destined, like many other similar projects to certain failure, and must consequently result in loss and possible ruin to Mr. Morse. For one, he felt conscientiously scrupulous in giving a vote which would aid or tempt a visionary enthusiast to ruin himself. Fortunately the views of this cautious practical man did not prevail. A few words

from the mover of the resolution, Mr. Nicholas, who still lives to behold the wonders he helped to create, and from Mr. Kennedy, without whose aid the appropriation would not have been passed, the House of Representatives, relieved the other directors from all fear of contributing to Mr. Morse's ruin, and the resolution was adopted. Of the President and the Thirty Directors who took part in this transaction only then, Samuel Smith, John Spear Nicholas and the writer, survive. Under it Morse at once entered upon that test of his invention, whose fruits are now enjoyed by the people of all the Continents. It was not, however, until the spring of 1844 that he had his line and its appointments in such a condition as to allow of the transmission of messages between the two cities, and it was in May of that year that the incident occurred which chiefly led to the writing of this paper.

In that month two conventions met in Baltimore to nominate candidates for President and Vice-President. The first chose, Mr. Clay and Mr. Frelinghayser, as the Whig candidates, and messages announcing their nomination are said to have been sent to Washington by the wires. The Democratic Convention met on the 27th of May with Mr. Hendrik B. Wright, of Pa. as its President. The Telegraph in Politics.

The following letter written by Mr. Wright to me nearly 40 years after, recites for the first time the history of the past, which Morse's electric telegraph had an influencing the policy and decision of the great Democratic Council of that day.

House of Representatives, Washington D. C. February 15, 1881.

My Dear Sir:

Your note of the 12th instant to Hon. Eli. J. Henkle, making inquiries as to some incidents connected with a telegraphic despatch from Silas Wright to me, placed in my hands with a request to make a reply. "The facts are all fresh in my memory except as to the individual who placed it in my hands. After a long and exciting conflict lasting some three days, the convention succeeded in the Nomination of Jas. K. Polk for Pres. It became necessary to secure the hearty concurrence



of the friends of Mr. Van Buren, who had been a candidate for the Pres. Nomination, and as you intimate it was deemed advisable to do this part of the business with despatch and adjourn as soon as practicable afterwards. Silas Wright was nominated for Vice-President by acclamation. He was then a U.S. Senator of Wash. and was officially informed of the Nomination. Before the final adjournment, a telegram addressed to me from him, refusing to accept the nomination, was laid before me which I ordered to be read. Through whose agency the despatch reached the convention chamber from the telegraph office I am not aware. At this time, May 1844, the only telegraph line in this country or any other connected the two cities of Wash. and Balto. Congress had given Mr. Morse aid in the construction of this Experimental trial of his great invention. The dispatch, however, the Convention would not accept as authority, the members were incredulous. There was a committee appointed to proceed to Washington and confer with Mr. Wright on the subject of the nomination, and the Convention adjourned over to wait the return and report of their committee.

The foregoing substantially answers the inquiry contained in your latter. I may add that I wrote out a statement of the above facts and mailed the letter to Prof. Morse as an interesting link in the Historical Chain of his world wide invention. It failed to reach him, as the communication came back to me through the dead-letter office a short time before the Prof's death.

I have the honor to be,  
Your very obedient servant,  
Hendrick B. Wright.

Neilson Poe; Esq.  
Baltimore, Md.

It is scarcely necessary to add that this message to Silas Wright was neither framed or sent by a document. The Whigs who were watching the proceeding of their adversaried with attention, were elated by it. They foresaw that if he could be forced to accept the nomination by an adjournment without giving him to opportunity of declining, the digusted adherents of Mr. Van Buren would again rally under the flag which had guided them to victory in past contests. They determined

therefore, at a consultation that Silas Wright should have an opportunity to accept or reject his nomination, before the dispersion of the convention. Mr. Vail, Mr. Morse's superintendant and partner was in the office of the Telegraph and to an inquiry from me whether he could send a message to Washington, his modest reply was, "I think I can." A message appraising Mr. Wright to his nomination was then framed by the writer of this paper and signed by Mr. Vail. In twenty minutes the reply came. "Mr. Wright is in the office here and positively declines." This message was attested by Mr. Vail and with as much despatch as possible laid by Mr. Means upon the desk of Hendrick B. Wright, Pres. of the Convention. What followed is sufficiently detailed in the letter of Mr. Wright of Feb. 15, 1881.

Conceiving that a Historical incident like this was not unworthy of being preserved with accuracy, I determined after a lapse of 37 years to appeal to the recollection of Mr. Wright who had survived most of the members of his Convention and was then a Representative in Congress. His answer proved most clearly that the message which the benevolence of the Whigs laid before him was the one which he received, and that the earliest achievement of Morse's electric telegraph was to make George M. Dallas, instead of Silas Wright, V. Pres. of U.S. in the years of our Lord, 1844. Neilson Poe.

Note-- In the month of March 1881 I related the substance of the foregoing paper to Mr. John H.B. Latrobe who insisted that the incidents they recite were of sufficient interest to warrant their publication and he offered to send me some recollections of his own upon the introduction of the Magnetic telegraph. I annex these for the purpose of showing how the versatility of Mr. Latrobe's Genius led him through only the law adviser of the company to influence its policy, at a critical period upon a question which only a mind bent to science as his is, could comprehend and appreciate, and for the more selfish object of redeeming this communication of mine from the risk of being pronounced an abuse of the liberty of the press.

MR. LATROBES'S RECOLLECTIONS.

My Dear Mr. Poe:

Agreeably to my promise this morning I put on paper my recollections of the introduction of the Magnet telegraph between Baltimore and Washington. I was Council of the Balto and Ohio Ry. Co. at the time and calling on Mr. McLane, the Pres. on some professional matter, was asked in the course of conversation whether I knew anything about an electric telegraph, which the inventor who had obtained an appropriation from Congress wanted to lay down on the Washington branch of the road. He said he expected Mr. Morse, the inventor to call on him, when he would introduce me to him, and would be glad if I took an opportunity to go over the subject with him and afterwards let him, Mr. McLane, know what I thought about it. While we were yet speaking Mr. Morse made his appearance and when Mr. McLane introduced me he referred to the fact that as I had been educated at West Point I might, the more readily understand the scientific bearings of Mr. Morse's invention. The President's office being no place for prolonged conversation it was agreed that Mr. Morse would take tea at my dwelling when we would take over the whole subject. We met accordingly and it was late in the night before we parted. Mr. Morse went over the history of his invention from the beginning with an enthusiasm that had survived the wearying toil of an application to congress, and with the aid of diagrams drawn on the instant made me master of the matter and wrote for me the Telegraphic Alphabet which is still in use over the world. Not a small part of what Mr. Morse said on this occasion had reference to the future of his invention, its influence upon communities and individuals and I remember regarding as the wild speculations of an active imagination, what he prophesied in this connection and which I lived to see even more than realized. Nor was his conversation confined to his invention, a distinguished artist, and educated gentleman an observant traveller, it was delightful to hear him talk and at this late day I recall few more pleasant evenings than the only one I passed in his company. Of course, my first visit the next morning, was to Mr. McLane to make my report.

By this time I had become as inthusiastic almost as Mr. Morse himself, and repeating what had passed between us I soon saw that Mr. McLane was becoming as eager for the construction of the line to Wash- ington, as Mr. Morse could desire. He entered warmly into the spirit of the thing and laughed heartily if not incredulously, when I told him that altho he had been Minister to England, Sec'y to Treasury, his name would be forgotten while that of Mr. Morse would never cease to be remembered with gratitude and praise. We then considered the question as to the right of the company to permit the plan of con- struction at that time being to bury in a trench some 8 or 10 inches deep, a half inch tube containing the wrapped wire that was to form the electric circuit. About this there was, in my opinion no doubt, and it was not long after that the work of construction commenced. I met Mr. Morse from time to time while he lived and often recurred this evening's discussion at my home in Baltimore.

The above is the substance of what I have more than once related to others. I hope you will persist in your design of putting on paper your own very interesting recollections and if what I have contributed of mine is of service to you I shall be much pleased.

March 3, 1881  
Most truly yours,  
Jno. H.B. Latrobe

"CALLING NUMBERS"  
Johnny Poe

In one of its early fall issues "The Yale Alumni Weekly" published a poem by a Yale graduate, Benjamin R. C. Low, of the class of 1902 in which fitting tribute is paid to the bravery and loyalty of one of "Princeton's most gallant sons" The name of "JOHNNY POE" is a by-word in every Princeton's home, not only on account of his memorable feats on the atheletic field but also because of his many deeds of valor in the days that followed his graduation. Mr. Low's verses, reprinted below make a valuable addition to the may things which have been written regarding Poes colorful career. "JOHNNY POE, (killed while serving withthe Black Watch. One of his officers, when questioned about him, is reported to have said, "I remember that chap, he used to go into action (Calling Numbers.")

When fell the gloom across the field  
Back in the long ago  
Heroic figures breathing mist,  
The warriors seemed to grow  
Still glimmer as the dark drew down  
T'was then we **came** to know,  
Your voice, for Princeton's Rally on'  
And dug in Johnny Poe.

When hearts were searched and troth was tried,  
And death was Yes or No  
When "hit the line" meant bayonets fixed  
And one more trench to go;  
You rode your mud-caked shoes right on,  
Just as you used to, though  
No honest tackle brought you down  
They killed you Johnny Poe.

Your "Old Nassau" with golden chords  
Kindles an afterglow  
Once more, for darkening fields, where new  
Brave battles ebb and flow.  
But on the wind, behind the stars,  
Is richer music; blow  
Still brighter bugles; Hark'-your voice  
Calling Numbers Johnny Poe.

John Prentiss Poe, Jr. universally known as a travelor, soldier and clubman.

#### REMINISCENSES

Edgar Allan Poe of Richmond having lost his parents, was adopted by Mr. Allan of Richmond as his son. At 5 years he was sent to England, placed under care of his maiden sister. At 8, Mr. Allan recalled him to Richmond and placed him in Mr. J. H. Clark's Grammar School, in the year 1818 where he continued till he was prepared to go to the University of Virginia. Edgar was an uncommonly bright youth-at 12 years he was master of Horace and Levy and was reading in the 13th book of Homers, "Iliad". He had a great liking for English and Latin poetry. He would for an evening----- into English poem without any labor--while attending Mr. Clark's Institution he composed a poem of fruitive piece and was very urgent with Mr. Allan to have them published but Mr. Allan after consulting with Mr. Clark upon the propriety declined gratifying the young aspirant. Jas. H. Clark.

The Donegal Poe and the Tipperary and Queens County lines differ as to coloring of Arms. John Poe of Donegal and of Maryland, 1743 bore argent shield and azure fesse and Crescent--Mathews gives the 1907 Edition Appenda page 62. The Tipperary and queens Co. lines bear or fesse sable, crescents azure.

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### TIPPERARY

ARMS----- or a fesse sa between 3 crescents azure issuing flames PPR.

CREST---A boar's head arased PPr. pierced through by a spear.

MOTTO---Mori quam foedari

SEAT---Riverston Nenagh Co. Tipperary Malo

Co.'s Gueens and Kilkenny

ARMS--or fesse sa between 3 crescents azure issuing flames ppr.

CREST--A boar's head arased pierced through by a spear all ppr.

MOTTO--Malo Mori Quam foedari.