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Dear Mrs. Burton,

My Mother, Mrs. J.W. Walton, has asked that I answer your letter since I have kept a record of the information that we have been able to acquire.

In your letter you asked if there intermarriages of Sudduths, Shepherds, Poe and Nall families. There were several and to this I can add the Reynolds, Holiman, Hogue and Watson. In one case 2 brothers (Poe) married Sisters (Reynolds and their brother married a sister.

Elizabeth Poe a daughter of John Poe and Sarah Threet Poe married Bradley Nall. John W. Poe another son married Louisa Nall. Oliver Perry Poe another son married Mariah Nall. Matilda, another daughter married Jarred Sudduth. John Poe died in Saline County, Ark. 10 Sept. 1859. Census records show he was born in N.C. and moved to Alabama. We have not been able to locate him in 1850 census. This is the first census that gives information that helps identify a person. My great grandfather was William Threet Poe a son of John Poe. My grandfather was William Elkin Poe and my Mother Sarah Alma Poe Walton. My father Dr. James W. Walton died in 1928.

I am also related to the Poes on my fathers side of the family. His grandfather was Simon Poe who married Martha Lucy Hardin both natives of N.C.. They moved to Ala. and then to Arkansas. They must have been related to John Poe.

Mrs. Phillip S. Crutcher, 2920 Brownsboro Road, Louisville 6, Ky. has quite a bit of information regarding the Sudduth family and she is anxious to exchange information.

We have made some notes from Goodspeed Biog. which was published in 1889. Our Public Library has a copy and we have secured much information from it.

Sheridan is about 20 miles from Benton. Several years ago an Attorney from Sheridan moved to Benton. His name was Alexander Nall. He had two daughters about my age. Mother told me at the time that they were related to us. I do not know where they are now. I will try to find out if any of the family lives in Sheridan.

Sincerely yours,

W.P. Walton

P.S. = We have been rather busy getting ready for school opening since we stock school supplies in our ~~stationery~~ stationery dept. As soon as I can I will look over my notes and see if there are other things that might help you.

Reference: BIOGRAPHICAL AND HISTORICAL MEMOIRS_PULASKI, JEFFERSON, LONOKE, FAULKNER, GRANT, SA: OME. PERRY, DARLAND, AND HOT SPRING COUNTIES, ARKANSAS. THE GOODSPEED PUBLISHING COMPANY, DECEMBER, 1889.

NOTES FROM ABOVE REFERENCE =

Page 302=M.C. Shepherd, Merchant. Born N.C. 1840, Youngest of 3 sons and 5 daughters. Mother died a few days after his birth. Father died when he was 6 or 7. Resided with relatives until he came to Saline County with a cousin William Shepherd. In 1866 married Sarah A. Poe a daughter of William T. and Sarah Poe. Mrs. Shepherd died one year after marriage. On June 15, 1867 Mr. Shepherd married Mary J. a daughter of Hiram and Elizabeth Hogue. of S.C. and Tenn. resp.

Page 778 Grant County=James M. Nall

Son of Capt. Nathan and Elizabeth (Shepherd) Nall natives of Ark Ala. and Ark. resp. Mrs. Nall was daughter of Isacc Shepherd one of the pioneers of this ~~xxxx~~ county.

Nathan came to Arkansas about 1852. was Capt. in Conf. Army. Last following children (must be James M. children)=J.M., Ida Bell, Esletta, Elizabeth, Leona, Mary Iler, and Jane.

PAGE 786=Michael N. Shepherd born in Fayette Co., Ala. Mar. 22, 1828. Son of Isacc and Martha Poe Shepherd both natives of N.C. Came to Arkansas in 1852. Isacc died Dec. 1884 at age of 84. Wife died 14 years previously. M.N. grew up in Fayette County / Married in 1849 to Miss. Dollie Nall daughter of Martin Nall of Ala. Had nine children=Isacc, Jasper, D., Franklin, Jacob, Duffy, Thomas, Sarah J., Martin E. and Alexander.

Grant Co. Page 787=Isacc P. Shepherd Merry Green Twp.. Born in La Fayette, Ala. Dec. 29, 1849. Son of M.N. and Dollie Nall Shepherd. Married Mrs. Rebecca Stephens (nee Mayberry) daughter of Jacob Mayberry.

Page 788=Jared Sudduth born in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama ~~xxxx~~ Mar 20, 1830. Son of Jared and Catherine Henderson Sudduth natives of Ga. and Ala. resp.. Came to Ashley Co. Ark. in 1848. In 1852 married Matilda E. Poe.

Above notes were typed hurriedly ~~xxxx~~ from notes I made Monday after receiving your letter. The Biographies of each are rather long and some are written in such a manner that it necessary to read and reread to determine if they are talking about father or son. Our Public Library has a copy of Goodspeed and if any of the above references will help you we will copy them for you.

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