

"John Hudgens, Pioneer"

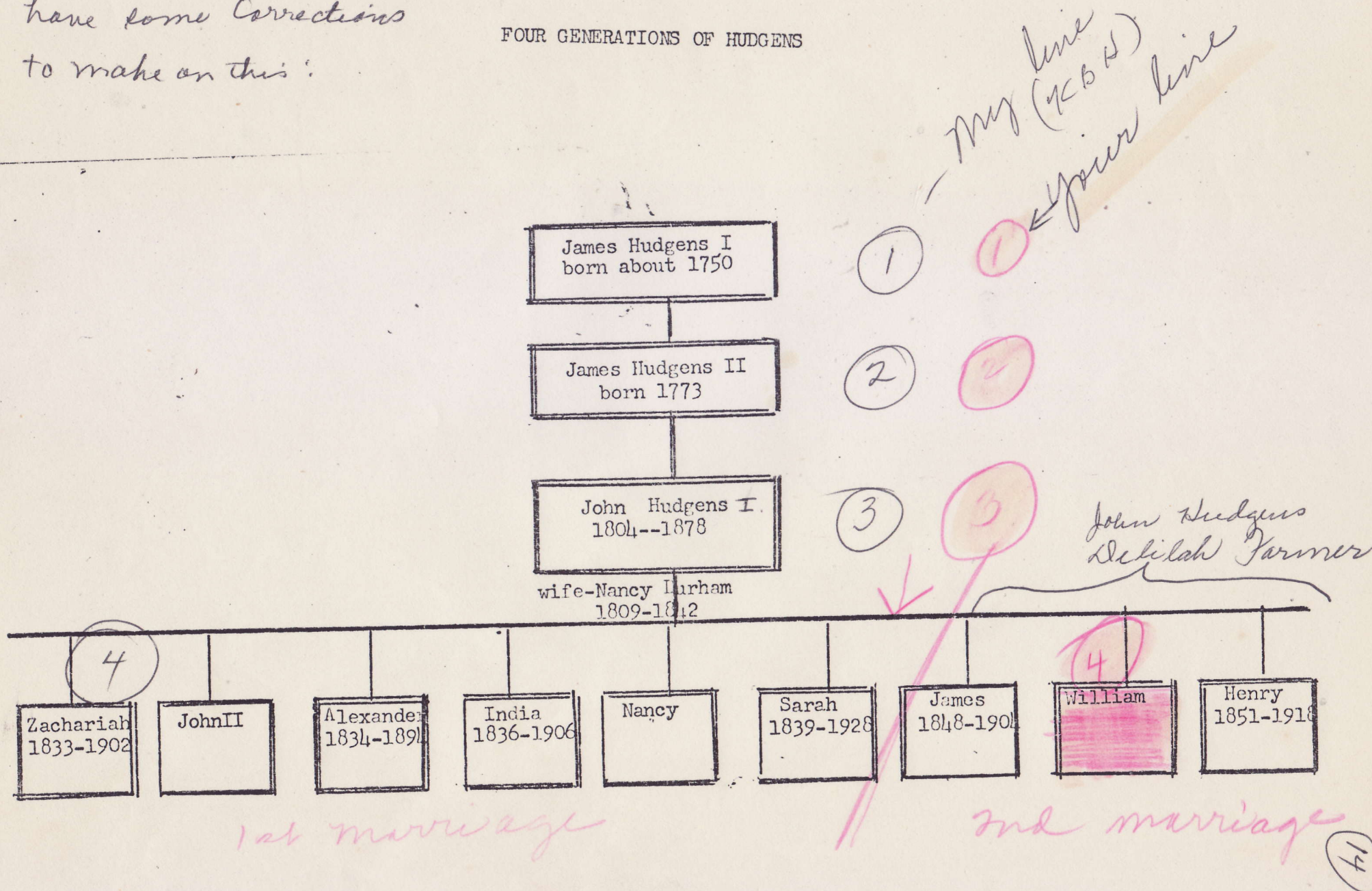
To a small boy in the early eighteen hundreds, tales of the West and of the expeditions of George Rogers Clark, must have been extremely interesting. He'd heard his elders say that his home state of Virginia had taken action to create the 'county of Illinois', six years before he was born, and that Governor Patrick Henry had appointed John Todd Lieutenant Commander of the 'county of Illinois'. 'The county of Illinois'...how it rang through his head. It was on every tongue! It was in every conversation. Virginia folks knew that their claim to the territory was right because it rested on the 'sea to sea grant'. But Connecticut and Massachusetts had claimed it too, and finally Virginia had ceded her right to it in 1783 and a deed of transfer had been signed by Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe and others. He'd heard that there was quite a fuss about slaves being taken into Illinois country. There were several sources of annoyance there. Indians were troublesome, Spain's conduct in relation to the lower Mississippi, and now all this unrest over slavery and indentured servants! It was true, he'd heard, that Phillip Renault had gone to Illinois with five hundred slaves in 1721. By now, slavery was an established institution, so why all the controversy? Especially, since his family had begun to talk about going West!

The sound of the word 'Illinois' has quite a ring to it, but then so does the word 'Tennessee'. Young John and his brothers William, Daniel, and Aaron must have been willing to compromise when it was finally decided that their family and the Durham family planned to immigrate to Tennessee. He'd heard them say that their destination was 'Cheatham County', up around Sycamore Mills. He liked the idea of going 'West', and he wondered if Ashland City, the county seat of Cheatham county was larger than Kaskaskia. Somehow Illinois and Kaskaskia brought excitement to them.

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I note that you go
back further so I
have some corrections
to make on this:

FOUR GENERATIONS OF HUDGENS



①
James Hudgens I
born about 1750
Lived in Virginia

②
James Hudgens II
born 1773-Virginia
(Cumberland County)

(These four brothers were born in Virginia)

William Hudgens
1797-1865

Wife:
Annie Durham b 1802

James Hudgens III

Bachelor

Daniel Hudgens
Born 1807
Lived Ashland
City, Tennessee

Children:

1. Winfield
2. Ramey
3. Hamilton (bachelor)
4. Rev. Jesse (1862-1952)

③
John Hudgens
1804-1878

Wife:
Nancy Durham (1809-1842)

Children: ④

1. Zachariah (1833-1902)
 2. John II
 3. Alexander (1834-1894)
 4. India Norris (1836-1906)
 5. Nancy Hampton ()
 6. Sarah Smith (1839-1928)
 7. James (1848-1904)
 8. William ()
 9. Henry (1851-1918)
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1. John (1832-1917)-(Civil War
2. James (1830-1914)-(Southern Army
3. Aaron (1836-)
4. Mose (1844-1906) Dexter, Missouri
5. Thomas (1834-) Buried Harmony Cemetery
North of Johnston City, Ill.
6. Emily (1828) Married Ben Everetts
7. Mary () Married Thomas Hunt
8. Rebecca () Married Jack Harris
9. Susan () Married Wm. H. Blankenship

Long: note that I lack dates. Some you have on your chart!

Long's line

My line

James Hudgens I
born about 1750

James Hudgens II
born 1773

John T. Hudgens
1804--1878

wife-Nancy Durham
1809-1842

Zachariah
1833-1902

John II
1838

Alexander
1836-1891

India
1836-1906

Nancy

Sarah
1839-1928

James
1848-1901

William

Henry
1851-1918

wife-
Mary Jane
Cooksey

Children:
1. Emmaranda
Luvenia
(1859-1886)

2. John Bell
1861-1944

3. Mary Elizabeth
1862-1942

4. Nancy Parlee
1864-1952

5. Robert Lee
1866-1952

6. Hiram Alexander
1868-1939

7. Alice Nora
1870-1934

8. Joshua-1872-1916

9. Zachariah II
1874-1931

wife-
Moulton

wife-
Harriet
McIntosh

Children:
1. Emma
1861-1891

2. Sula
()

3. Minnie
()

4. Frank
(d W.W. I)

5. Oscar
()

6. Gertrude
()

7. Elizabeth
()

husband-
Thos. Benton Norris

Children:
1. John
()

2. Ella
()

3. Queen
()

4. Zack
()

5. Joe
()

6. Charlie
()

7. Mayme
()

husband-
Lewis Hampton

(Lived in Ark.)
Children:
1. Sarah
()

2. Samuel
()

3. Harriett
()

4. Sylvester
()

5. Earnest
()

6. John
()

7. Jesse
()

8. Gertie
()

Husband-
William Smith

Children:
1. Armina
()

2. Mary
()

3. John Duff
()

4. Leona
()

5. Arva
()

6. Bertha
()

7. Dennett
()

8. Zack
()

wife-
1. Ms. Holland
2. Ms. Moake

Children:
(1.)

1. Nannie
()

2. Charlie
()

3. Otis
()

(2.)

1. Ezra
()

2. Ada
()

4. Bessie
()

5. Amy
()

wife-
Delia Cooksey

Children:
1. Julia
()

2. Daniel
()

3. Sarah
()

8. Harry
()

9. Harley
()

10. Robert
()

Child:
Fred
()

wife-
Josephine
Durham

Child:
Fred
()