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 DAVIDSON FAMILY HISTORY  
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ROBERT DAVIDSON 1784-1871 age 87 was born at Kelso, Roxburyshire, Scotland, sailed for America in 1812, landed in Canada and eventually located at Saratoga, N.Y. where he married Helen Kelly daughter of William Kelly. They had five children. In 1829 he moved to Greenfield Twp. Lackawanna Co. Penna. where he purchased a large farm of 238 acres and became a prominent citizen. He was a millwright by trade, set up machinery in many grist mills, also a civil and mechanical engineer, surveying many Lackawanna County roads and farms. He was an active member of the Tompkinsville Methodist Church and helped to erect its church building in 1851. and often led in its services. Late in life he retired from farming, moved to Carbondale, Pa. where he died in 1871. They had:

- Jane Davidson 1825- John Stewart
- Esther Davidson 1827- Robert Muir
- Helen Davidson- died in infancy
- Margaret Davidson- died age 16
- Peter Davidson 1831-1908- Charlotte Parker

JANE DAVIDSON married John Stewart, lived at Carbondale, Pa. and had one daughter: Helen Stewart who married David Gendall and lived at Bethlehem, Pa.

ESTHER DAVIDSON married Robert Muir. They lived at Carbondale, later moved to Brownsville, Nebraska and had one son: Downey Davidson Muir- lives Boston, Mass.

PETER DAVIDSON was born March 12, 1831 Greenfield Twp. died Nov. 28, 1908 age 77, married May 9, 1854 Charlotte Ophelia Parker born Oct. 1, 1833 died May 27, 1913 aged 80 daughter of Rev. Charles and Susan Hall Parker of Waverly. They met while students at Madison Academy in Waverly. For several years they resided on the large 700 acre farm in Greenfield Twp. Then they lived in Waverly for six years 1869-1876 so that their children would be able to attend Madison Acamy, then they returned to the Greenfield farm. In 1885 they moved to Scranton, Pa. where Mr. Davidson engaged in lumbering and real estate business. About 1904 he retired and they spent their last years in Philadelphia where they died. They are buried in Hickory Grove Cemetery, Waverly and had: Lived 1630 N. Washington Ave.

- Charles Parker Davidson 1855-1919
- Frank Robert Davidson 1856-1933
- William Maurice Davidson 1858-1922
- George Bruce Davidson 1860-1939
- Effie Esther Davidson 1863-1948
- John Merenas Davidson 1864-1880
- Mary Emily Davidson 1872-1958
- Edwin L. Davidson -died 1969 age 3 months

*Belle 28 when she married Frank  
 18 when she had Beatrice*

~~CHARLES PARKER DAVIDSON~~ born April 12, 1855 in Greenfield Twp. died June 22, 1919 in Scranton. He was educated at Madison Academy, Cornell University Class of '78 and University of Penna. He married Nov. 13, 1888 Anna Broadwell born March 27, 1861 died July 25, 1942 dau. of William H. and Mary Ann Cochrane Broadwell of Jacksonville, Illinois. Parker Davidson was a real estate promoter, lumberman and builder at Scranton, Pa. where he bought and sold large tracts of land and developed them as business districts and residential areas. He had large interests in the Peck Lumber Co. Lackawanna Lumber Co. Cherry River Boom and Lumber Co. and U.S. Lumber Co. timbering off lands in Potter Co. Pa. and Mississippi, West Virginia, Etc. During all of this time he managed the family farm of 425 acres in Greenfield. He resided at 1525 Adams Ave. Scranton in the winters and spent summers on the farm in Greenfield where he erected a stone summer residence in 1906. Mrs. Davidson continued to live on the farm until her death and itx was sold in 1945 to Adolphus Hohensee. Parker and Anna Davidson had ten children:

- Charles Parker Davidson Oct. 20, 1889
- William Harold Davidson March 4, 1891
- Margaret Davidson December 7, 1893-June 1954
- Philip Langford Davidson October 22, 1895-1976
- Robert Bruce Davidson 1897
- Eleanor Baxter Davidson March 6, 1898-April 7, 1974
- Anna Parker Davidson March 26, 1902
- Norman Lindsley Davidson July 12, 1903
- Louise Broadwell Davidson Dec. 24, 1904- October 19
- Virginia Downie Davidson January 16, 1909

CHARLES PARKER DAVIDSON II was educated at Cornell University, served in World War I and married August 3, 1917 to Olive Sheldon born Aug. 8, 1895 died Feb. 6, 1970 dau. of Edward and Harriet Manning of Hartford, Conn. He is an engineer and farmer and they live on a large farm near Clarks Green, Pa and have four children:

- Harriet Sheldon Davidson July 23, 1918-married Nov. 15, 1945 to Dr. Alfred Day Hersey, a physicist. They live Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y.
- Ann Rebecca Hershey Sept. 26, 1946-Oct. 27, 1946
- Peter Manning Hershey August 7, 1956 Graduate of Oberlin College
- Charles Parker Davidson III Feb. 20, 1920 married Nov. 1942 to Virginia, Gunther. They live at Schenectady, N.Y., and have:
  - Carol Davidson Jan. 28, 1945-Yale Univ. grad. RN -Michael Tessman-Conn. Yalesville,
  - Charles Parker Davidson IV Dec. 11, 1947- West Point Military Academy Jan
  - Stephen C. Davidson October 19, 1950-ATLANTA - ~~EDDIE~~ MARSHA GOTT
  - Charlotte Parker Davidson -March 14, 1922 married Dec. 20, 1942 to AMANDA - 5
  - William Henry Dennen. He is a college professor, they lived at Lexington, Mass and now at Lexington, Kentucky. They have three Ch.
  - William Sheldon Dennen Feb. 11, 1950-~~HOUSTON~~, Va. Kristin OPserkuch No ch.
  - Peter Davidson Dennen October 16, 1951-CAROL MEGUIRE MASTERSON
  - Susan Olding Dennen July 12, 1957<sup>26</sup> Fernando Rodriguez - 0.
- Edward Sheldon Davidson Nov, 17, 1926 married Ruth Garretson, div. married again May 1962 Lucy Wolfe Hahn. He is with the U.S. Geological service and resides in Tucson, Arizona and has:
  - Denise Davidson April 12, 1949
  - Russell G. Davidson Nov. 29, 1952
  - Brett Parker Davidson Dec. 31, 1956 -Sharon

*Grad. West Point  
1970*

*Timothy  
Christopher  
Jamie*

## CHARLES PARKER DAVIDSON

Charles Parker Davidson was born in Greenfield Twp. Pa. 1855 son of Peter and Charlotte Parker Davidson. He was educated at Madison Academy and attended Cornell University two years 1874-76, later studied Real Estate Law at the University of Penna. In 1881 he entered the Real Estate business in Scranton, Pa. There he bought and sold large tracts of lands developing them for residential and business purposes. He was a director of the Peck Lumber Co. the Lackawanna Lumber Co; the J.J. Newman Lumber Co. and the U.S. Lumber Co. In 1888 he married Miss Anna Broadwell of Jacksonville, Illinois and established a family home at 1525 Adams Ave. Scranton, living during the summer and managing the family farm in Greenfield Twp. They were the parents of ten children. He died in Scranton in 1919 age 64. Business notices for C.P. Davidson in Scranton City Directories for years 1880 to 1920 are as follows:

1880 - C.P. Davidson, Milk dealer 607 Einden St.  
1883-1884 - C.P. Davidson, milk dealer 333 Penn Ave.  
1885-1886 - Not Listed  
1887-1888 - Real Estate agent 134 Wyoming Ave. Bds. 1630 N. Washington Ave.  
1889 - Real Estate 512 Spruce St. Bds. 1630 N. Washington Ave.  
1890 - Real Estate 512 Spruce St. Bds. 1630 N. Washington Ave.  
1891 - Real Estate 512 Spruce St. House 1525 Adams Ave.  
1892-1896 " " " " " " " " " "  
1897 - Real Estate - Bd. of Trade Bld. 1525 Adams Ave.  
1898-1900 " " " " " " " " " "  
1901 - C.P. Davidson, Sect. J.J. Newman Lumber Co. Bd. of Trade Bld.  
1902 - " " " " " " " " & Lacka. Lumber Co.  
1903 " " " " " " " " " "  
1904 -C.P.D. Vice Pres. Peck Lumber Co. and Sect. U.S. Lumber Co. 1525 Adams  
1905 to 1920 C.P.D. Sect. Treas. Lacka. Lumber Co. off Bd. of Trade Bld.  
1920 - Anna B. Davidson, widow, 1525 Adams Ave.

## PETER DAVIDSON

Born 1831 in Greenfield Twp. married 1854 to Charlotte O. Parker 1833-1913 From 1854 to 1885 they resided on the family farm in Greenfield Twp. near Tompkinsville except for six years when they resided in Waverly 1869 to 1876. In 1885 they moved to Scranton, Pa. where Mr. Davidson engaged in real estate and lumbering business, leaving managers to run his farm in Greenfield. About 1904 he retired and moved to Philadelphia where he spent his declining years and died in 1908 age 77. His wife died there in 1913 and the family continued to live there until 1958 when Mary Davidson the last member died. Business notices in Scranton Directories for 1887 to 1904 are:

1887-1891 -Peter Davidson, farmer, 1613 n. Washington Ave. Maurice & Geo. too.  
1892-1902 Peter Davidson, Effie and Mary Davidson, retired farmer 1630 N. Wash.  
1900-1902 Geo. Davidson Lawyer and Maurice Davidson Civil Engineer " " "  
1903 Peter, George, Wm. M. and Effie Davidson 1630 N. Washington Ave  
1904 - George B. Davidson 1630 N. Washington Ave. Others not listed.  
1887 - Geo. B. Davidson Lawyer, 134 Wyoming Ave. Bds.1630 N. Wash. Ave.  
1888-1905 - George B. Davidson, lawyer, 1630 N. Washington Ave.  
1906 - Geo. B. Davidson , resides 616 Spruce St.  
1908-1911 Geo. B. Davidson, lawyer Connell Bld. resides Clarks Green  
1912 - GBD lawyer 329 Monroe Ave. 1913-1920 GBD lawyer, Clarks Green