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This was given to me by my uncle, Charles Henry Jones. He received it when he attended a family reunion in Canada.

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Nearly two hundred years ago, about 1745, exact year uncertain, three members of a certain "Jones" family, John James and Andrew left Wales, their native country. Andrew went to sea, became captain and owned and sailed a trading vessel. James and his brother John took the ship to America. John travelled far to the west and the brothers never met again. James, the writer's great-grandfather settled on land in Pennsylvania, and there married a Dutch girl. In the year 1775 ^{Catherine Falk} the American war of Independence broke out. He, James Jones was very loyal to the land of his birth, he would not take up arms against the British Empire. As a result, he was imprisoned as a British sympathizer. While in prison he was visited by some of his family whom the family dog followed and succeeded in getting into the prison and in reaching his master, who, caressing him and calling him by name, said, "stick to the old homestead as your master does to the old flag," but before he was liberated from prison the old homestead was confiscated by the United States and his wife and family forced to leave. She, with six children, the oldest sixteen years of age, four of them boys, James, Jonathan, William and Andrew, along with crowds of men women, and children who had been driven from their homes in New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania and thus became U.E.L. who preferred living under the Union Jack and who suffered untold hardships trudged through woods, swamps and across streams, in fear of the enemy, or what was worse, the Indians, until they reach the welcome shelter of Fort Niagara which was then garrisoned by a regiment of the King's army. Around the walls were tents and huts where women, children and old men could live in safety while the younger men joined the army in defence of the unity of the British Empire. Great difficulty was experienced in feeding such a multitude, for during the war there was no time for the cultivation of the soil and the country offered only game and fish. Supplies were brought out from England. He, James Jones, on gaining

his freedom followed his wife and family to Fort Niagara. During the war no settlement was made on the Canadian side of the river, for the Loyalists hoped until the end that their side would win in the great struggle, and that in time they would all be back to their own homes; but they were doomed to disappointment. After peace was proclaimed and the declaration of the American Independence signed in 1783, Fort Niagara was found to be in United States territory, and is still there. On learning they were not in British territory they crossed the river into Canada, and on July 20, 1784, he James Jones, as a United Empire Loyalist settled on Crown land, Lot 12, Con. 2, South Township (then No. 3) Lincoln County, and along with many others was on the Government list receiving provisions until the crops were harvested. He did not live many years after coming to Canada, his health having been impaired by war experiences. It is thought and probably is a fact, that the son William settled on land at Stoney Creek, Ontario, and that some of his descendants are still located in that district.

No positive knowledge is known of this "Jones" family between the years 1784 and 1801 when on September 21st, 1801, Andrew, son of the above James Jones, bought of Daniel Cornwall (100 acres) south $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 33, concession 2, Beverly, Crown to Cornwall March 10, 1797.

October 3rd, 1801 Jonathan Jones, brother of Andrew Jones, bought of Daniel Cornwall, (200 acres) lot 34, concession 2, Beverly, Crown to Cornwall Dec. 4, 1798.

September 21st, 1801 Jonathan Jones, sold to Nicholas Surarus (100 acres) north $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 34, concession 2, Beverly. April 11, 1804 Jonathan Jones, sold to Nicholas Surarus (100 acres) south $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 34, con. 2, Beverly.

April 14, 1804, Andrew Jones bought of Nicholas Surarus (100 acres) south $\frac{1}{2}$ lot 34, concession 2, Beverly.

Andrew Jones, was born January 11, 1767, died aged 84, married Mary Slow, March 6, 1791, Mary Slow, born January 18, 1770, died aged 73; they were buried in Copetown cemetery; their family composed of twelve children, are as follows; Abram, born ^{AUG.} ~~January~~ 14, 1791, died in infancy; Margaret, born February 1, 1793, married Davis Ellis Sen. She died aged 72 and they are buried in St. George cemetery; James, born April 16, 1795, married Hannah Goodale, died aged 65; they are buried in Troy cemetery; Jonathan, born

August 16, 1797, died, no record of time or where buried; Catherine, born August 31, 1798, married William Coleman, she died aged 62, they were buried in Troy cemetery; Peter, born June 21, 1801, married Esther Decker, he died aged 74, and they are buried in Dunboyne cemetery near Aylmer, Ontario; Phebe, born February 12, 1804, married John Culver of Niagara district, died, no record of time or where buried; Elizabeth and Mary, Twins, born April 1, 1806, Mary died in infancy; Elizabeth married John Camp and she died aged 43 She is buried in a private cemetery at Orkney, Ontario on the farm originally owned by Rob. Camp, on which is the first brick dwelling erected in this locality, and is now owned by Howard Binkley; George, born June 4, 1808, married Rachel Kitchen, died aged 90, they are buried in Copetown cemetery; Andrew, born September 10, 1810, married Mary Bawtenheime died aged 94, they are buried in Elora cemetery Ontario; Mary, born January 14, 1814, died at the age of 19. She is buried in Copetown cemetery.

April 3, 1832, Andrew Jones deeded to his son George, the writer's father, south $\frac{1}{2}$ (100 acres) lot 33 and also south 80 acres of lot 34, concession 2, Beverly. George Jones was born upon this farm, now 140 acres, June 4, 1808, where he lived continuously and died September 20, 1898, aged 90. He, George Jones, married Rachel Kitchen, April 2, 1833. Rachel Kitchen, was born July 3, 1815, died aged 88. They are buried in Copetown cemetery.

Their family composed of eight children, are as follows; Mary, born October 8, 1834, married, first Andrew Green, second Jacob Betzner, died aged 96, they are buried in Dundas cemetery; Dorothy, born August 6, 1838, married John Betzner, died aged 65, they are buried in Dundas cemetery; Robert, born April 24, 1841, died 3 years of age and he is buried in Copetown cemetery; Margaret, born April 13, 1845, married Frank Cornell, died aged 74, they are buried in Dundas cemetery; Sarah, born February 7, 1849, living

Married George Hunt, he is buried in Mt. Zion cemetery; George Slow, born September 9, 1851, married Aletha Kelly, died aged 79, he is buried in Dundas cemetery; Thomas Waugh, born January 18, 1855, living, married first, Mary Livina Stutt, January 20, 1886, second, Lucy Wood, December 27, 1893, John Kitchen, born August 26, 1857, married Cynthia Cornell, died aged 72, he is buried in Hamilton Mauseleum.

Notice: The writer's grandmother, on the father's side, was Mary Slow, on the mother's side Dorothy Waugh, and mother's maiden name was Rachel Kitchen, after whom brother George, Thomas, and John have their second given name.

Thomas W. was born upon the same farm as his father was, January 18, 1855, where he is now living and has continuously lived, and to his second marriage was born a son and a daughter, namely George Wood, born October 3, 1894, married Agnes Reder, December 8, 1923; Rachel Elizabeth, born October 13, 1897, married W. Fraser Harris, December 8, 1920, and to her marriage was born a son, Norman Jones, on March 27, 1928.

George W. Jones, he the fourth generation, is now occupying the farm his great-grandfather, Andrew Jones, settled on in 1801. The deed of this farm has been in the "Jones" names continuously since 1801 and always occupied by one of the family.

Of the writer's great-grandfather's family, composed of six children the grandfather Andrew Jones and his descendants are the only ones I have any personal knowledge of.

Note - Colonel John Butler, His Majesty's Commissioner for Indian Affairs, born in Connecticut 1728, he, in the Revolutionary War of 1776, took up arms in defence of the unity of the British Empire and raised and commanded the Royal American Regiment of Butler's Rangers. The writer's great-grandfather, James Jones, was one of Butler's Range

Note - It is with considerable trouble and painstaking that I have traced and compiled this incomplete historic sketch, and I feel assured that it is essentially correct, therefore I present it to those now living, as well as to those yet unborn who may be interested in this compilation of information as prepared by the writer.

ANDREW JONES

11,
- Born - Jan. ~~17~~, 1767
Died - May 1851

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Married - Mary Slow ^{VBH} - March 6, 1790
Born - Jan. 18, 1770 -
Died - Dec. 3, 1843

Childred

Abraham - Born ^{Jan} - Aug. 14, 1791

Margaret - Born - Feb. 1, 1793

James - Born - April 16, 1795 (father of Abel Jones)

~~John~~ John - Born - Aug. 16, 1797

Catherine - Born - Aug. 31, 1798

Peter - Born - June 21, 1801

Phebe - Born - Feb. 12, 1804

Elizabeth
& Mary - Born - April 1806

George - Born - June 4, 1808
~~Sept 20 1808~~

Andrew - Born - Sept. 10, 1810

Mary - Born - Jan. 14, 1814

~~Rachael - Born - Jan. 3, 1815~~

Married - Davis Ellis Sr.

married William Coleman

" Esther Beckers

" John Culver

" John Camp

Mary died in infancy

married Rachel Kitchen

" Mary Bawtenheimer

Died - March 9, 1833