CASSANDRA J. SMITH-5, (Elizabeth Van Bibber-4 (loseph Smith

Rachel Greenlee-3 Jesse Van Bibber

Edward Greenlee-Anna Henry

daughter of Elizabeth Greenlee Van Bibber and Joseph Smith, was born May 16, 1819, in Mason County, West Virginia. In 1837 she was married to MYRTILLOE E. HART in Mason County,

West Virginia.

Shortly after their marriage they moved to Clay County, Missouri, where all their children were born. In 1848 they moved to Washington township, Wayne County, Iowa. They entered one hundred sixty acres of wild land from the Government. The country at that time was mostly inhabited by Indians and wild animals, and there were but two houses in the present limits of Wayne County. The Harts were six miles from any habitation and Indians were their most frequent visitors. Their children were educated in a rude log cabin subscription school which was built by the people of the county after they moved to Wayne County.

CHILDREN:

Joseph Smith Hart, born October, 1838; married Lovisa A. Cook. 320.

Nathan Greenlee Hart, born December 25, 1840; married Margaret Emily Miller; 321. married second Martha (Miller) Fisk. +

Nehemiah Ambrose Hart, born October 9, 1842; married Permelia Cox. + 322.

IV. Henry Clay Hart, born about 1845; married Anna E. Forest. 323.

Edward Greenlee-2) Rachel Greenlee-3 VAN BIBBER SMITH-5, (Elizabeth Van Bibber-4 Anna Henry Jesse Van Bibber (Joseph Smith

son of Elizabeth Greenlee Van Bibber and Joseph Smith, was born November 30, 1820, in Mason County, West Virginia; died December 19, 1900, in Humeston, Wayne County, Iowa, and is buried in the Kirby cemetery, near Humeston, Iowa. In October of 1839, he was married to LOUISA HART, in Mason County, West Virginia; she was born January 20, 1818; died June 15, 1880, and is buried in the Kirby cemetery. In May, 1881 Van Bibber Smith was married to MRS. MARTHA MILLER HARBERT who died about twelve years later. Van Bibber Smith's father died when Van was about three years old, and he made his home with his grandfather, Jesse Van Bibber, until he grew to manhood. After his marriage to Louisa Hart, "whose great, great grandfather came from England in the Mayflower", he took charge of his father's farm, but in a few years he left the old farm and moved to that of his grandfather where there was more land under cultivation, the prospects for a living better, and that he might also take care of his grandfather who had been so kind to him in his boyhood. After living there for several years he leased another farm, and took his grandparents with him to the new home; here he accumulated a little property and remained for several years. In the spring of 1853, his grandfather having died the year before, he took a steamer at the mouth of Thirteen Mile creek, a tributary of the Kanawha river, and started for Wayne County, Iowa, at which place his sister, Cassandra Hart, may have already been living. At Keokuk, Iowa, he and his family, which consisted of a wife and four children, loaded their household goods into one wagon and started west. The roads were rough and but few bridges spanned the streams, making their progress slow, but they made the trip without accident and stopped with a friend in Washington Township, on land later owned by J. B. Hogue.

In the fall of that year they moved to Benton Township, Iowa, and bought the claim of a man named Williams and paid him one hundred dollars for his improvements, and afterwards entered the land of the government at Chariton, Iowa, paying one dollar and twenty five cents per acre, "Robert Coles receiver". There were but few settlers in the county and what few there were had settled in or near the timber on the road from New York to Garden Grove, on what

was called the Mormon Trace.

Soon after their arrival in Iowa, they joined the Baptist church at Peoria, and remained in that church until the Cambria church was organized when they went in as charter members, Rev. Greenlee, pastor. Van Bibber Smith was ordained deacon, an office which he held for about