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Genealogical Society
Seeking "First Families"

The Jackson County Genealogical Society's latest project is promoting the program of "First Families of Jackson County, Ohio."

To be included in the program, applications will need to be presented to the society with dates of their ancestors dating before 1830. Applications may be legally hand-printed or typed, and with accompanying proof. Primary or collateral evidence from vital statistics, court house or other government records, church and school records, as well as family Bible records are considered usually to be beyond doubt, and excellent proof.

Members of "The First Families of Jackson County, Ohio" will receive a certificate of membership as well as a quarterly newsletter. For further information, write Jackson County Genealogical Society, Box 807, Jackson, Ohio or call 286-3793.

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After seeing this article in the Jackson Journal, I am enclosing a little article P. 1 regarding my ancestors who were among the first settlers in Jackson County.

If any of it can be of any value to you, O.K., if not that is O.K. too.

The Anthony's were my Grandparents, that is Samuel P. Anthony, my mother being Matilda Anthony, matted to Samuel J. Boy.

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A PARTIAL HISTORY OF ANTHONY FAMILY

Rev. Jacob Anthony and Mary Ellen Davis were married Oct. 3, 1810. Settled near the City of Philadelphia, Pa. In 1816 they migrated to Ohio, homesteading their land (Deed in Chillicothe Courthouse) in what is now known as the Cole Farm at Glen Roy, Ohio.

To them were born four (4) ~~children~~ daughters and one (1) son. Namely: Mary Jane, Catherine, Matilda, Nancy and Samuel Penell. These children grew to manhood and womanhood and we find traces of them as pioneers in the building of the City of Wellston, Coalton and connected with Jackson County in the earliest history.

The territory of Coal Township was settled by folks from Virginia and Pennsylvania in 1810-1816 and we find the name of Anthony and Winfough among the first settlers.

The first M. E. Church at Coalton was established in 1823 and Rev. Jacob Anthony was one of the first preachers, being a Circuit Rider at that time. Rev. Jacob Anthony died Dec. 15, 1852 and his wife on Feb. 11, 1859, both being buried in the old Bundy cemetery at Wellston.

Their children (girls) being married: Mary Jane to Abner Musgrove; Catherine to John McCarty; Matilda to Adam Winfough; Nancy to James Reese. (Adam Winfough being the first Postmaster in Coalton.

Samuel P. Anthony marrying Catherine Winfough Nov. 11, 1850 by Jacob Sell, continuing to live on the old homestead left to him by his father.

To this couple were born 10 children: Anna, Jacob, Fred, Orlando, Emma, Catherine, Matilda, William, Nancy and Adam.

Jennie Murphy was married to Ireland Davis - Owners of Davis Baking Company.

Catherine Winfough Anthony died 1897 - Samuel Anthony ~~XXXX~~ died at the age of 90 years, exact date not known, but early 1900's.