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Grandfather Rogers, (James Wilson) at one time went by boat from New Richmond, Ohio, down the Ohio river and up the Mississippi to Clinton, Iowa, where father's mother died. (Anna Frazee)

Grandfather served one term as deputy sheriff before he returned to Ohio with his children. Father was about 13 years old at that time. He married again to Rachel \_\_\_\_\_ and they had three children, two sons and a daughter.

Joseph Meredith Rogers served in the Civil War in a Clermont County, Ohio, regiment, Captain McNeils Company.

Enoch Jones and Hannah Bettle, a Quaker, were married in or near Philadelphia. Enoch was not a Quaker so Hannah was read out of meeting. They and Hannah's sister and husband, Jephtha and Mary Moore, moved to the northwest territory, going horse back to Pittsburg. Each couple had two horses, one for a pack horse and they rode the other, riding double.

At Pittsburg they built a raft, bought supplies and floated down the Ohio river to Cadiz, Ohio, where they bought land, cleared enough land to build one house, a log house, and lived together until they could clear more land for crops and another house. Here grandfather was born and named for his Uncle Jephtha Moore. After they moved to Clermont County to be near a brother, Everett Bettle, Enoch Jones moved to Rockport, Indiana. Jephtha Moore persuaded Jephtha Jones to stay in Ohio with them. They had no children. He was to leave him all his property. He remained with them as long as they lived. Jephtha dyed first, and Mary who lived to be 97 died one year before Jephtha Jones, who passed away when he was seventy.

Clermont County was a big woods when Christopher Armacost settled there. He would take his surplus wool and tobacco each year on a raft to New Orleans and buy a barrel of brawn sugar,