
Chapter 2

Children of Richard and Mary Crabtree

1. Mary Elizabeth Juliette

Mary was born in 1809, and married Benjamin Brown in Northumberland, New Brunswick.

2. Hannah Priscilla

Hannah was born in 1811, and married Alexander Campbell. They had 11 children.

3. James (1813–1892)

James was born in New Brunswick, and fought in the Mexican-American War. In 1849, James married Irish-born, Mary Jane Darragh in St. John County, New Brunswick, and moved to Illinois.

James was a shinglemaker in Illinois, and owned a place in the 6th ward of Chicago. He moved to Amboy, Illinois, where he ran a sawmill for six years. James and his family lived in Muskegon, Michigan, from 1857 to 1861.

On October 7, 1864, James (44), enlisted in the Civil War: Co. A, 10th Michigan Cavalry at Grand Rapids, Michigan. His command was in all the active campaign service of the last year of the war. He was in the detail of soldiers sent into North Carolina to cut off the communications of Lee with the railroad.

James became blind from a sunstroke at Sweet Water, Tennessee, and was only able to distinguish light with one eye. He mustered out October 9,

1865, in Memphis, Tennessee. In 1870, James lived at Big Prairie, Newaygo County, Michigan.— from *Portrait and Biographical Album of Newaygo County, Michigan*; Chapman Bros., Chicago, 1884.

Mary Jane died in 1887, and was buried in Big Prairie-Everett Cemetery in Michigan. James married his care provider, Mary Louise Snyder, in July of 1887, in Mecosta County, Michigan.

James died January of 1892, in Howard City, Michigan, and was buried at Big Prairie-Everett Cemetery, Michigan.

Children of James and Mary Jane:

George R. Crabtree.

Mary Isabel Crabtree.

Eliza Juletta Crabtree.

James E. Crabtree.

Charles Lewis Crabtree married Lena Parshall. Their son, Clyde Milton Crabtree, was killed in action in France, October 1918.

He is buried in France.

William Ellsworth Crabtree.

Fremont Abraham Crabtree.

Joseph F. Crabtree died young.

Franklin J. Crabtree.

4. Frances Crabtree

Fanny was born in 1816, and married Edmund Hay Wallace. They had 14 children. There is a letter written by their daughter-in-law, Cynthia Fillmore Wallace, in Part III.

5. Charles William

Charles was born in 1818, and married Charlotte Fillmore. Charles and Charlotte seem to be one of the first Crabtree families in Illinois. By January 1846, Charles had bought 40 acres for \$50.00; only \$1.25 per acre.

Charles William and Charlotte Crabtree had six children: Sophia, Hannah, Mary J., Charlotte, Charles H., and Elizabeth.



Clyde M. Crabtree was the son of Charles and Lena Crabtree and grandson of James and Mary Jane Crabtree.

6. Sarah (1820–1887)

Sarah married John Shepherd Kinney Sr. in December 1835, in Northumberland County, New Brunswick.

My grandmother Sarah, daughter of Richard Arnold, married in New Brunswick before Grampy Richard and family moved to Illinois. She remained in New Brunswick and raised her family.—Duane Crabtree

John and Sarah Crabb Kinney's daughter, Sarah Ann, married William H. Crabb, grandson of John Crabb Jr. Sarah Ann Kinney Crabb is responsible for making the name change to Crabtree legal for her branch of the family in 1912.

John Kinney died in 1872, in Greenfield, Carleton County, New Brunswick. Sarah Crabb Kinney died there in 1887.

Children of John and Sarah Crabb Kinney:

John Shepherd Kinney married Sarah Lewis.

Aaron Kinney married Elizabeth Lewis.

Sarah Ann Kinney married

William H. Crabb/Crabtree Jr.

Cyrus Kinney.

Susannah Kinney married Kenneth Campbell.

Adelia Kinney.

Richard Wayman Kinney married Cora Smith.

Charles A. Kinney married Elizabeth Belyea.

7. Amelia Crabtree (1823–1885)

Amy, as she was called, married Thomas Beacham in New Brunswick. They settled in Kane County, Illinois, by 1850. At that time they were living with Charles and Charlotte Crabtree, her brother and his wife. Amy and Thomas had six children.

8. Richard Arnold Bassett

Arnold was my great great grandfather. What little I know of him is in Part III.

9. Margaret (1828–abt. 1858)

Margaret married Eliphalet Reed in Kane County, Illinois. Margaret may have come to the US with her brother Charles by 1844. There is more information about the Reed family in Part V.

10. George W. Crabtree (1830–1893)

George was born at Miramachi, New Brunswick. He married Sarah Jane Fillmore, in 1851, in Chicago, Illinois.

Children of George and Sarah Fillmore Crabtree:

Jemima Elizabeth.

Silas Judson married his cousin, Dora Louise Dobson. There are some letters of Dora's in Part V, Chapter 3.

John (Cephas) Herman.

Charles Herbert L. Crabtree.

George (Henry) Alonzo.

Byron Colby Crabtree.

William Haden Crabtree.

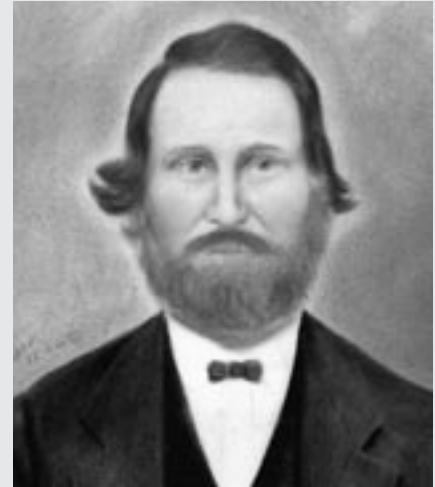
Anna May Crabtree.

Sarah died in January 1872. At the end of 1873, George married Martha A. Hill in Wright County, Iowa. By 1880, Martha and George lived in Bluffton, Minnesota, where George and the three oldest boys worked the farm.

In 1889, the family moved to Lynden, Whatcom County, Washington. George and Martha had a daughter, Margaret. George died in Lynden, Whatcom County, Washington.—*Cal Bivens*

Note: Part V, Chapter 4 has more information on the the George W. Crabtree family, as well as the Fillmore, Dobson, and Reed families. ❀

Descendants of Richard and Mary Crabtree



Pastel drawing of Richard and Mary's son, Richard Arnold Bassett Crabtree, my great great grandfather.



Duane Crabtree with his lovely wife Sayoko. Duane is a descendant of Richard and Mary's daughter, Sarah Crabb Kinney and her daughter Sarah Ann Kinney Crabtree. Duane has been very helpful with Crabb Family information.



Duane (left) with his sister Eunice and brother Bernard in July of 2005.