

was the James Stuart with wife Margaret who died in Knox County, Tenn., in 1815. In his will, he named his children Jane Moore, Margaret Moore, Robert, John, James, Andrew and Joseph. The son Andrew's will was probated in Lincoln County, Tenn., in 1817, leaving his estate to his brother Joseph except "the cost of a silk dress to my cousin Darkis (Dorcas) Shaw."<sup>7</sup> Robert Stuart, who witnessed the sale of Major Robert's land and who is presumed to be a brother of the heir-at-law, James, has not been traced; there were four Roberts in this general area from 1774 to 1800. James may also have had other brothers: a William Stuart was in Rockbridge County in 1773 and in 1779 sold 210 acres in Rockbridge County to Mary Greenlee, was on the 1782 tax list and he or another William was delinquent in his taxes in 1796; and other Williams were in Montgomery and Washington Counties, Va. An Alexander (5) Stewart in Botetourt County, Va., who was not Alexander, son of Archibald (3) Stuart of Augusta County, has not been traced; but Alexander (6) who may be of this family, has been charted. In applying for a Revolutionary War pension, he said he was born in Augusta (Botetourt) County Nov. 25, 1761. On Dec. 13, 1785, in Botetourt County, he married Dorothy McGee, who was born in 1768. She was the daughter of James McGee who was allied with the McAfees and McCouns, among the group that went from Botetourt County to Kentucky in 1779. The will of James McGee of Mercer County, Ky., dated July 8, 1818, and proved in August of that year, named his wife Molly and five children including Dolly Stewart. Betty McGee—not named in the will but evidently a daughter—married Mr. Blythe and the birth

<sup>7</sup>There are several Stewart-Shaw connections, not fully traced. John (4) Stuart of Middle River, Augusta County, had a sister Mary who married an Andrew Shaw. A Shaw family lived near James and William Stuart in Bath County. Another Shaw family lived in Rockbridge County near John (4) Stuart who is said to have married Mary Shaw in Ireland. William (5) Stuart, probably son of Hugh Stuart, both of whom went from Chester County, S.C., to Christian County, Ky., married Jane, daughter of William Shaw. In Caldwell County, Ky., the will of Abner Shaw, Aug. 16, 1816, named his children Mary Ann Dodd, Dorcas Shaw and John Shaw, with Samuel Black and Dorcas Shaw as executors, and Hugh Kincaid, Samuel Black and Katurah Black as witnesses. Rev. Samuel Black of Albemarle County, Va., had wife Catherine Shaw and grandchild Dorcas Black. James Stewart of Christian County, Ky., married Susan Colvin from Chester County, S. C., where the Colvins were allied with the Cornwells and the Stewarts who may stem from James (4) Stuart of Bath County, Va.

of their son James Blythe is recorded in Alexander Stewart's Bible, as of Oct. 25, 1806. Stewart gave consent to Blythe's marriage to Mary Young in Clark County, Ky., in 1827; he evidently had lived with the Stewarts after the death of his mother prior to 1818.

Alexander and Dolly removed to Kentucky about 1786, settling in Madison County, and then moved to Bourbon County, where in 1818 they deeded land to John Stewart of Bourbon County. Alexander was living in Bath County, Ky. (formed from Montgomery County) where other Stuarts of this family are found, when he died about June 24, 1836. He named in his will his wife Dorothy; the children of Jane Gilbert, deceased, Isaac, Emily and Ezekiel Gilbert; and James and John Stewart, James Blythe and Elizabeth Call. Dorothy was living in Bath County July 17, 1840, aged 72, when she applied for a pension. Their children were: 1. James, born Jan. 6, 1787; 2. John, born Feb. 28, 1789; 3. Robert, born Aug. 16, 1792; 4. Janet, born Oct. 7, 1796, married Aquilla Gilbert; 5. Elizabeth, born May 6, 1802, married Jan. 6, 1821, Hamilton Call. John (7), son of Alexander, married Oct. 25, 1809, Polly Gilbert, in Madison County. Isaac Gilbert, father of the bride, gave his consent, and in 1827 named her in his will. His son, Aquilla Gilbert, married April 1, 1810, Jane, daughter of Alexander Stewart.

The theory of some genealogists that William (4) Stewart of Highland County, Va., was a brother of James (4) of Bath County appears to be based chiefly on the fact that William appeared in the neighborhood at about the same time as James; no evidence has been found to connect them. William appeared in the Bath (Highland) County records in 1755. He married Margaret, daughter of Edward Ushur, and settled at the mouth of Shaw's Fork of the Cowpasture, some distance north of James Stuart's home. He was born about 1732 probably in County Down, Ulster, Ireland, and died in 1797. Most of his descendants moved to West Virginia and Missouri, some to Kentucky. His children were: 1. James, born 1757, died 1841; 2. Edward, born 1759, married Mary Callahan; 3. John, born 1761, married Hannah Hicklin; 4. Mary, born c1762, married Charles Callahan; 5. Jane, born c1764, married Capt. James Hicklin; 6. William R., born c1767, married successively Jane Hicklin, Jane Stewart, Elizabeth Kincaid and Margaret Gwin; 7. Ushur, born 1769, never married.