

CLIMBING THE FAMILY TREE

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HUDGINS FAMILY

HUDGINS OF MATHEWS, GLOUCESTER & TIDEWATER, VIRGINIA. This continues from previous issues of this feature. Before we proceed into the date already at hand, I mention that through our contact with a member of the Hudgins Family and a descendant, that we are gathering more and more data and with hopes of obtaining copies of early portraits of early members of the Hudgins family. When this writer did learn that it might be possible that copies of such portraits were available, I became quite excited and much pleased. If and when these copies with more data becomes available, this writer will make every effort to bring them to our reading public and we have many throughout Tidewater Virginia.

There is given here a copy of one letter received from Mr. Wallace H. Hudgins, 215 Asher Street West, Culpeper, Virginia 22701, who expresses much delight in what had appeared in our Daily Press newspaper of Newport News, Va. It reads as follows:

"What a joy it was to have your letter yesterday, with the two large sheets from the Daily Press which give in such detail so much of the information I have been seeking."

"I shall be eager in the next weeks to fill out most of the large blanks on a rough chart I have been trying to draw up. My line, I now see, runs from Houlder (1732-1814) John Lewis. Dr. A.G., Albert Gallatin (1840-1895), Frederick Power Hudgins (1874-1963), my father. From the enclosed slip. you will see that I am the last leaf on this (branch) of the tree. I have little material on the Hudgins side of my chart, but will send soon some pages from the Hudgins (family) Bible and a few other items. Shall I return the pages from the Daily Press?" Signed! Wallace Hudgins (See address above.)

(NOTE: With the letter was sent some data together with photo copies of a family Bible and typed information, which we welcome -Ed)

The Bible record reads as follows: "Born on the 2nd of Jan. 1846 in the City of Richmond-James Campbell Spotts, son of Mattie Lee & J C. Spotts." "Born at the Carlton House in the City of Richmond at 9-00 o'clock a.m. on the 24th day of March 1849, Ann Elizabeth daughter of Jas. C. and Mattie L Spotts." "Born at Wood Lawn in Henrico County (Va.) at 4 o'clock a.m. on the 18th day of November 1852, Evelyn Lee Spotts, daughter of Jas. C. & Mattie L. Spotts." "Born at Wood Lawn in Henrico County (Va.) on the 28th of November 1856 James Campbell, son of Jas. C. & Mattie Lee Spotts." "Died at the Carlton House in the City of Richmond, Va. at 3 o'clock p.m. on the 18th July 1846 James Campbell, son of James C & Mattie L. Spotts. His funeral sermon was preached by the Rev W B. Jeter from 39th Psalm, 9 ver. I was dumb & opened not my mouth (not legible). His remains are deposited in Shockoe Hill burying ground." (Note: The Shockoe Hill cemetery is located in Richmond, Va. -Ed.)

The enclosed data within the stated letter of Mr. Wallace N. Hudgins, reads as follows:

"Albert Gallatin Hudgins, born Mathews County, Va., October 20th, 1840; died January 3rd, 1895, married to Cora Power, daughter of F. W. and C. D. Power; children by above marriage: Rebecca Valentine (Hudgins), born Jan 11th, 1871. She was living in 1940. Carrie Belle Hudgins, born July 12th 1873, died July 4th 1906. Frederick Power Hudgins, born Dec. 11th 1874, died 1963 Cora Hudgins. born Sept. 2nd, 1876, died Oct. 20th, 1877 Albert Hudgins. born Oct. 1st 1878, died Jan 12th 1880.

The above named Rebecca Valentine Hudgins, married, Nov 1st, 1893; married Robert S. Bernard; no issue: Rebecca Valentine Hudgins married as her 2nd husband, Rev. W.T. Williams, no issue. The above named Frederick Power Hudgins, married, November 17th, 1910 to Mary Hart Nalle; they had issue:

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Frederick Power, born Oct 20th, 1911, died 1955, unmarried. Wallace Nalle, born May 22nd, 1913 (now living per data of 1940)

The above named Albert Gallatin Hudgins, married Mary Power, daughter of F. W. & C. D. Power an Oct 21st 1885; they had issue: Malcolm L. Hudgins, born Oct, 1st, 1886, died June 25th 1905. Dorothy B. Hudgins, born April 22nd 1889 (died 1957)."

(NOTE: Since Mr., Edward A. Hudgins of 9417 Orleans St., Norfolk, Virginia 23503 is collecting a tremendous amount of Hudgins family data and his telephone number is 5874-9023, please write to him and send sit available data possible and in particular family Bible records. Mr. Edward A. Hudgins has been most cooperative and generous with his material and much for use in this feature. It is believed that at some future time he will publish a detailed account of the family of Hudgins of Virginia for he is quite knowledgeable. -Ed.)

We shall continue the Hudgins data in a future issue of this column.