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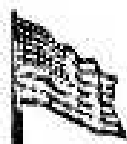
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## INTRODUCTORY.

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Shortly after the death of my father, in 1903, I received a letter from W. L. Kinkead of Paterson, N. J. who was seeking information concerning his paternal ancestors. He requested me to give him what information I could relative to my immediate family.

As I had received many such requests prior to this time, I conceived the idea of learning what I could of my ancestors and after compiling, have it printed in form of a pamphlet, so that when I received such queries in the future, I could mail a copy, to save time in searching notes, writing, etc., but when I began to do this I soon learned of the magnitude of the undertaking.

When I asked the older members of my family, I discovered that they knew little more than I knew. Knowing that my Great-grandfather had lost his life in the siege of Fort Meigs, in 1813, I wrote the Adjutant General of Ohio, for records of his service and was informed that Samuel Kincaid enlisted in Ross County, Ohio, served through the war and was honorably discharged, and that the records of the War of 1812 were very meager and indefinite. So, that there was either two Samuel Kincaids who enlisted from, or near the same





place, or the records on file in Columbus, Ohio, are not correct.

Captain Langham, under whom Samuel Kincaid served, wrote a personal letter to Samuel Kincaid's wife informing her of the death of her husband and the date of his death was recorded in his family Bible, which is in a good state of preservation to-day.

I also failed to get any information of value at the War Department at Washington, D. C.

I found, also, that different relatives of my family who were scattered through-out the country, could not help me much. Some responded by giving me all details, while others neglected to write me in detail.

Many criticisms will no doubt be made of these notes, especially in regard to names, dates, etc., and I am frank to say that, no doubt I have made many errors but have done the best I could with what information was obtainable.

I wish to express my gratitude for assistance given me by W. Scott Kincaid, of West Union, Ohio, Colonel Frank Hayward Kincaid, formerly of Davenport, Iowa, now of Des Moines, Iowa, W. L. Kinkead, of Paterson, N. J. and the venerable R. C. Kinkead, (now deceased), of Greenfield, Ohio.,

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Sardinia, Ohio, Jan. 2, 1922.



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The name, Kincaid, is, without doubt, from the old Scotch, "Kyncade, Kinkead, Kinkaid," or "Hyn-hyrd," or as in the Gaelic, (there being no "K"), "Cean-Cead" or "Ceann-Chead", meaning "head of a hundred," or literally, "The head of a hundred men".

Evidently, our paternal ancestor was the Chief, or "head man" of one of the "clans" of Scotland.

Our ancestors left Scotland after the troublesome times of 1688 and settled in the Northern part of Ireland, whence several brothers of the name came to America about the year 1707, others following from time to time.

Why the spelling of the name was changed from "Kincaid", no one knows, nor does it seem to have been adhered to until after the Revolutionary War, when some branches of the family began using the forms of "Kinkead, Kincade, Kinkaid, Kinkade, etc.," but all are corruptions of the original "Kincaid".

In a book entitled "The Parish of Campsie," by John Cameron, Kirkintilloch, Scotland, and published by D. McLeod, 17 Cowgate Street, Kirkintilloch, Scotland, 1892, on page 183 is the following article:-

"NOTES ON THE KINKEAD (KYNCAID, KINCAID) FAMILY, KINCAED (LATERLY), KINCAID OF THAT ILK".