



EXILES:

JOYFUL OR CYNICAL?

1 PETER

“This is an election year unlike any we’ve experienced in recent decades.”

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The Structure - Chiasm

Instruction for everyone (politics)	2:13-17
Instruction for servants (work)	2:18-20
The example of Jesus	2:21-25
Instruction for couples (home)	3:1-7
Instruction for everyone (culture)	3:8-17

- for the Lord's sake (13)
- for this is the will of God (15)
- living as servants of God (16)
- fear God (17)
- when mindful of God (19)
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- which in God's sight (3:4)
- who hoped in God (3:5)
- so that your prayers may not be hindered (3:7)

“Finally, all of you ... **bles**s, for to this you were called ...”

1 Peter 3:8-9

1. Habits

Humble mind

Unity of mind

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Tender heart

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Sympathy

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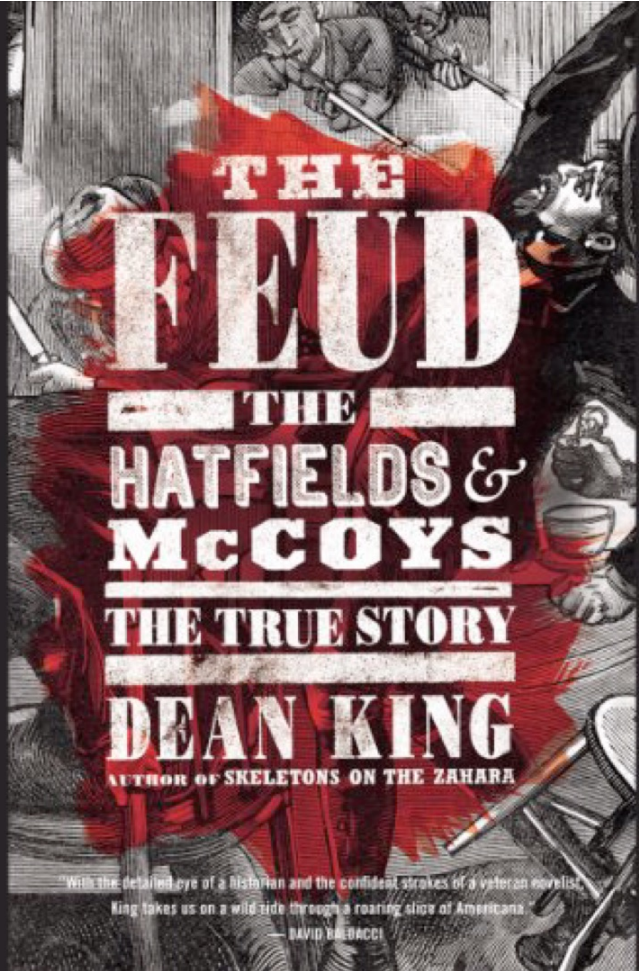
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Brotherly **love**

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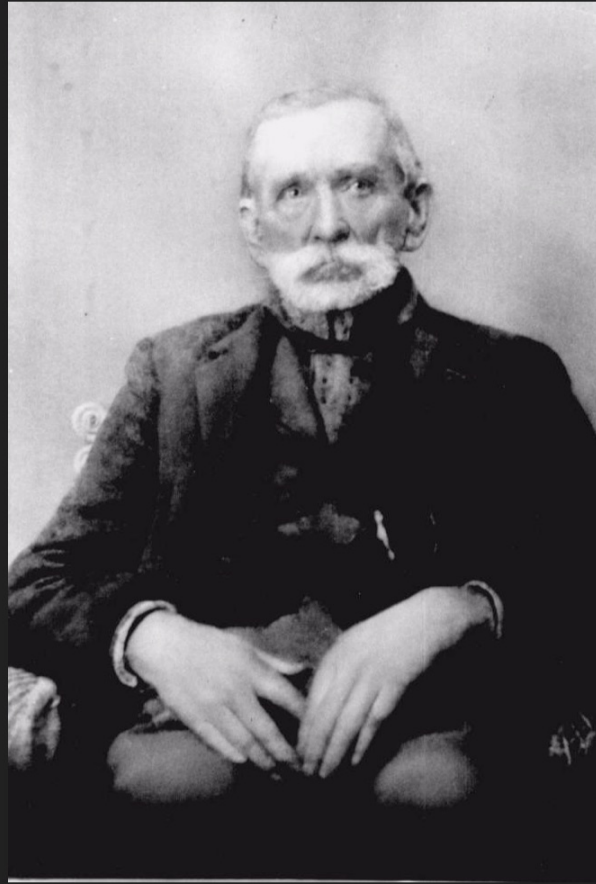
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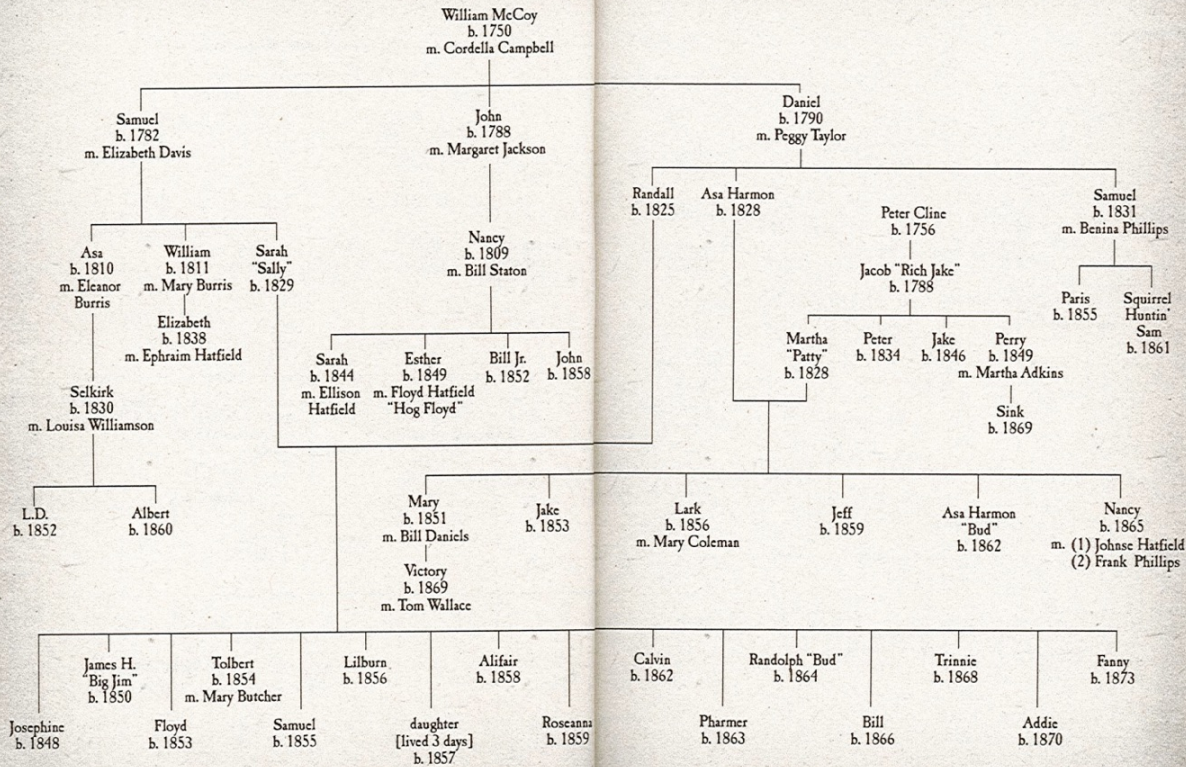
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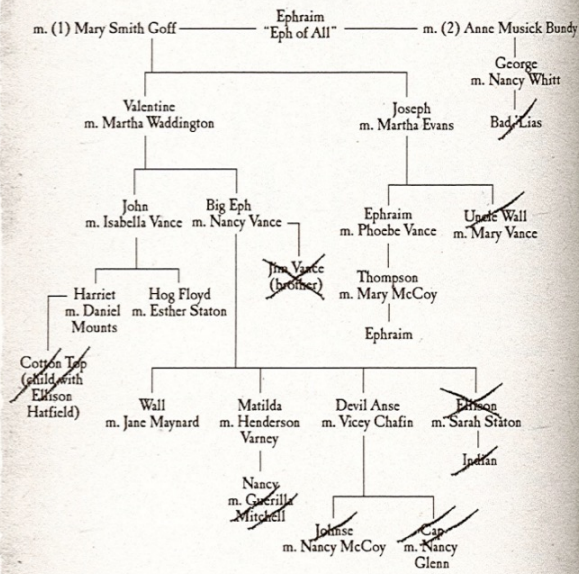
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A Selective Genealogy

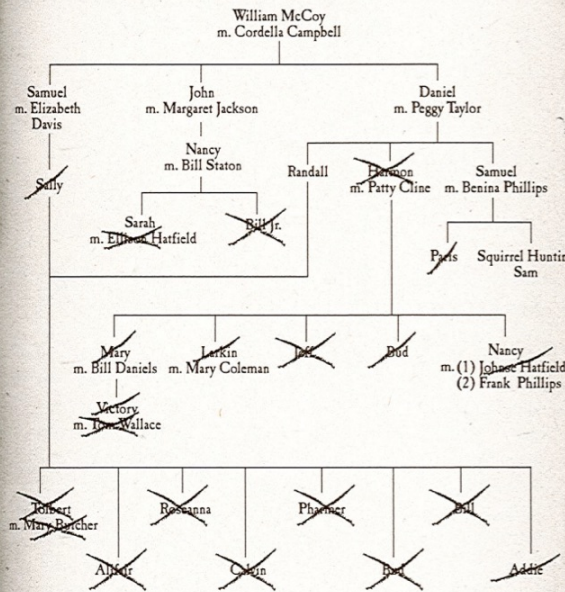


Casualties, 1864-1888

Hatfields



McCoy



/ = wounded
 X = killed

Other notable casualties
 Moses Cline-wounded
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 Bushy Scott-wounded
 Hense Scott-wounded
 Lee White-wounded
 Bill Dempsey-killed

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1 Peter 3:9

“Whoever desires to love life
and see good days,
let him keep his tongue from evil
and his lips from speaking deceit;
let him turn away from evil and do good;
let him seek peace and pursue it.

“For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,
and his ears are open to their prayer. But the
face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

1 Peter 3:10-12

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2. Benefits

3. **Tensions**

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“Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled ...” (13-14)

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“Do not fear what they fear, nor be in dread.
But the Lord of hosts, him you shall honor as
holy. Let him be your fear, and let him be your
dread. And he will become a sanctuary ...”

Isaiah 8:12b-14a

- **Honor** Christ

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“But in your hearts, honor Christ the Lord as holy.” (15a)

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“Always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect ...” (15b)

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slander = to malign, to speak against

“good conscience”

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“good behavior”

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“good behavior”

“doing good”

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kalos = honorable, attractive, beautiful

What are we going to be known for?

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Membership Class

October 1

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